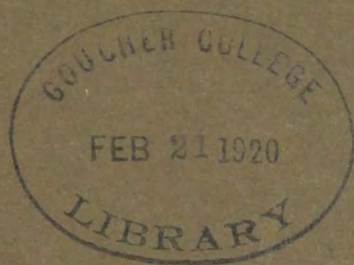


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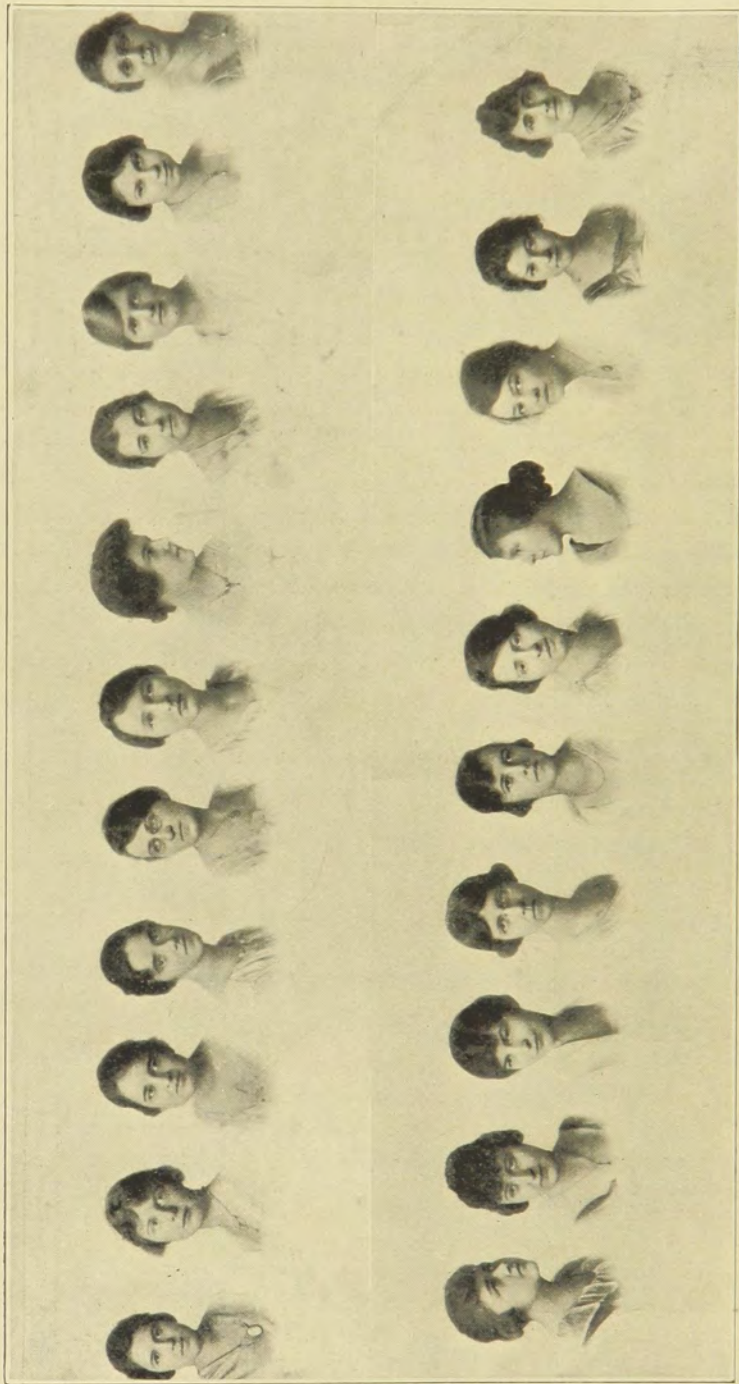
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HISTORY AND HONORS OF ALPHA ALPHA CHAPTER

DELTA PHI SORORITY

In October, 1913, the Delta Phi Club was formed by a small group of girls who had become friends and felt that the friendship would be rendered more effective and permanent if the participants were organized. They felt, too, that, organized, they could bring into their college life a spirit which would make the memory of it dearer. The first organization had twelve members.

For four years our meetings were held weekly at the homes of the members. In 1917 we obtained our Canadian charter and were admitted to the local Panhellenic. During this time we were approached by representatives of two national sororities but we felt that they did not quite coincide with the original purpose and ideals of Delta Phi. At the same time we were on the alert and decided unanimously that we wanted Gamma Phi Beta or none. Through the kindness of Mrs. Wm. H. Burgess of Alpha Chapter we succeeded in getting Gamma Phi Beta interested in us. In April, 1919, Mrs. Garrett came to Toronto and we all fell in love with her immediately and with the methods and principles of Gamma Phi Beta as she explained them. Although final examinations were but two weeks hence, we cast thoughts of our coming ordeal behind us, and did our best to warrant a favorable report.

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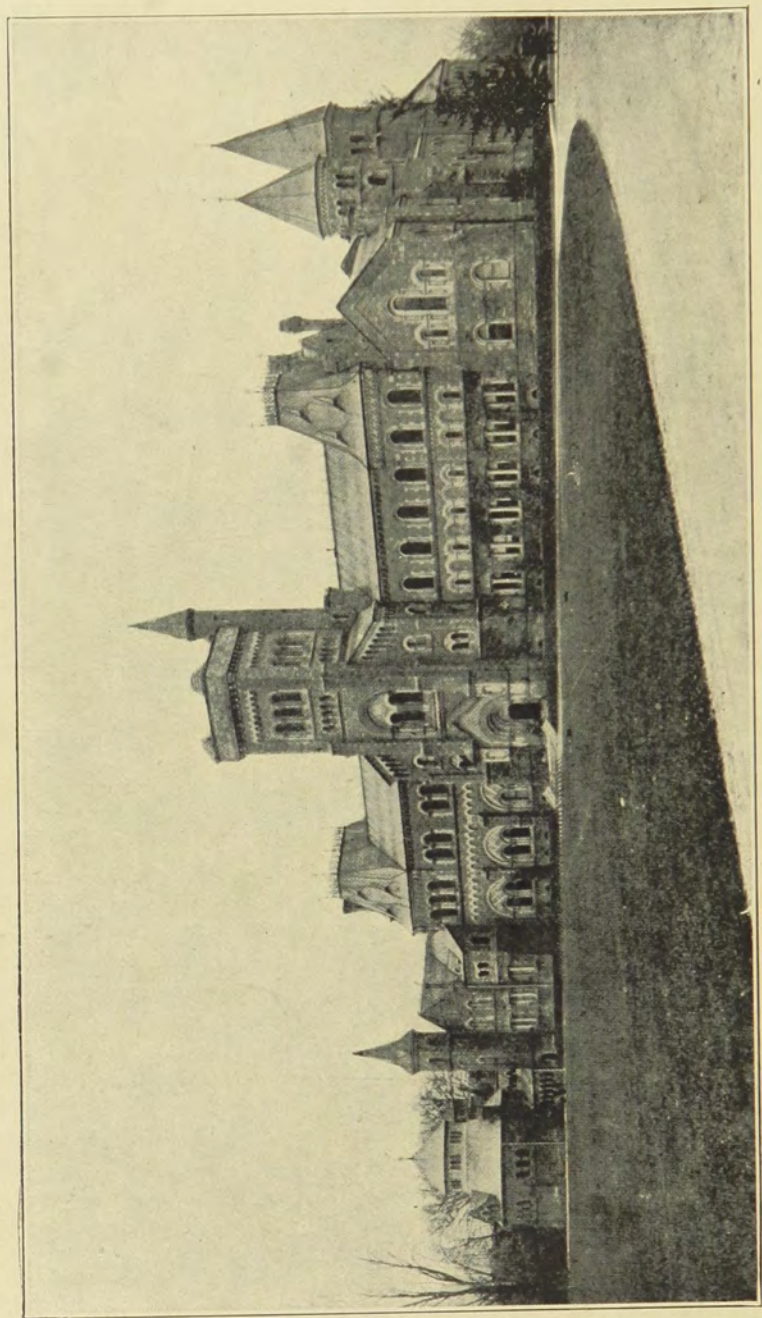
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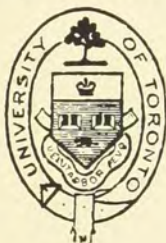
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THE ALPHA ALPHA INSTALLATION



Toronto, Ontario,
November 22, 1919.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Greetings from your baby sisters!

How delighted we are to be Gamma Phis at last and to feel that our greatest ambition has been realized. Our one hope is that we shall be able to do all that is expected of us.

In imagination recall with me those wonderful days of installation. In this way you will understand possibly how very much excited and altogether happy we were.

On Tuesday, October 28, the excitement commenced. At half past eight in the morning Louise Dixon and Ernestine Hall arrived from Beta. As it happened, on that very day, one of our Delta Phi alumnae, Erminie Black, '19, was to be married at half past twelve in the beautiful chapel of Knox College on the campus. Armed with confetti and best wishes, we all, including our guests from Beta, hastened to the ceremony. Erminie made a most winsome bride, and Delta Phis all felt very "thrilly" but our joy was tempered by the realization that she would not be present at our installation into Gamma Phi Beta.

Tuesday night, Mrs. G. R. Garrett and Miss Potter arrived with Agnes Lancaster, Ursula Smith, Annette Flood, Helen Crouch, Judith Timmerman, Marion Peters, Dorothy Frisbie, Helen Archbald from Alpha, and Lisle Maynard from Zeta. The following evening twenty-five of us were pledged at the home of Mary Dalley, '18. We were very happy to have Mrs. Burgess and Mrs. Alley of Alpha present at the pledging too. Although two of our alumnae came to the city from a distance for the occasion, there were many scattered throughout the Dominion who were unable to be present, but sent telegrams.

Thursday, October 30, was the great day of installation. We had free access to Daisy MacGregor's home, which was well suited for the purpose. The alumnae were initiated in the morning while the active chapter waited in suspense until the afternoon when we too became full-fledged members of Gamma Phi Beta.

A new light in the eyes
Of the old Delta Phis
A moment's draught of delight—
Then a scramble into the night.

At half past seven, tired, though extremely happy, we hastened to a banquet in the Blue Room at the Carls Rite Hotel. Myrtle Flumerfelt, '15, one of the founders of Delta Phi, acted as toastmistress. The first toast, the toast to "his Majesty, the King—King George, God Bless him"—was followed, as is customary, by the singing of the National Anthem. Myrtle then briefly outlined the history of Delta Phi, after which Alice Smith, '18, proposed the toast to our guests. Mrs. Garrett, when responding, gave us some very good advice, which we shall endeavor to follow. In proposing the toast to Alpha Alpha Chapter, Mrs. Burgess told how proud she was to be, as it were, the mother of the baby chapter. The response from Alpha Alpha Chapter was given by Jean McCowan, '21, who said that our one great ambition as the baby chapter, was to grow up in the way we should go, following the precious traditions of Gamma Phi Beta. She also expressed the wish that the fact of our having three chapters represented at our installation might strengthen the bond between us. As this ended the toast-list, we adjourned to the "Blue" reception room, where our guests sang for us Gamma Phi songs, in which we joined with a great deal of fervor but, we must admit, little volume.

Friday morning we held our first meeting. In the afternoon we held a reception in the chapter-rooms from three-thirty until five-thirty in honor of our guests. Many and hearty were the congratulations received as all our friends are pleased to have a chapter of Gamma Phi Beta in the University of Toronto. It happened fortunately that that same evening was one allotted to us by Panhellenic for an informal dance for our rushees and we felt greatly honored that our guests could remain over for it. Rushing parties did not begin this autumn until the last week-end of October and you may imagine our pleasure at being privileged to rush as Gamma Phis. Our sisters from Beta were able to be present at the dance, but they had to leave early, going directly to the train. The following morning the others left by early train for Syracuse and the installation ceremonies had become a beautiful memory.

As we have been in the midst of rushing ever since our installation we have scarcely had time to think. However, we do want to thank you for the great honor you have conferred upon us and shall try to show our appreciation in a practical way, by our devotion to Gamma Phi Beta.

A happy augury for the future of the Alpha Alpha Chapter is foreshadowed by the fact that there was a crescent moon at the time of our installation.

We extend to you all a cordial invitation to visit the Alpha Alpha Chapter at any time. We should like you all to see the University of Toronto for, of course, we are very proud of our Alma Mater

with her time-honored traditions and associations, "'neath the old grey tower."

We were so delighted to have Mrs. Garrett here with us as installation officer. It seemed like having an old friend come again. Alpha Alpha Chapter realizes that to know Mrs. Garrett is to love her "for sure." We want to take this opportunity of thanking her for her unceasing efforts in our behalf. As for Mrs. Burgess, words cannot express our undying gratitude for all that she has done for us. She is, indeed, the "Guardian Angel" of Alpha Alpha Chapter.

With bright hopes for the future, we are,

Sincerely,

THE GIRLS OF ALPHA ALPHA CHAPTER,

By Jessie H. Crumb.

GAMMA PHI BETA
INSTALLATION BANQUET

Thursday, October 30, 1919

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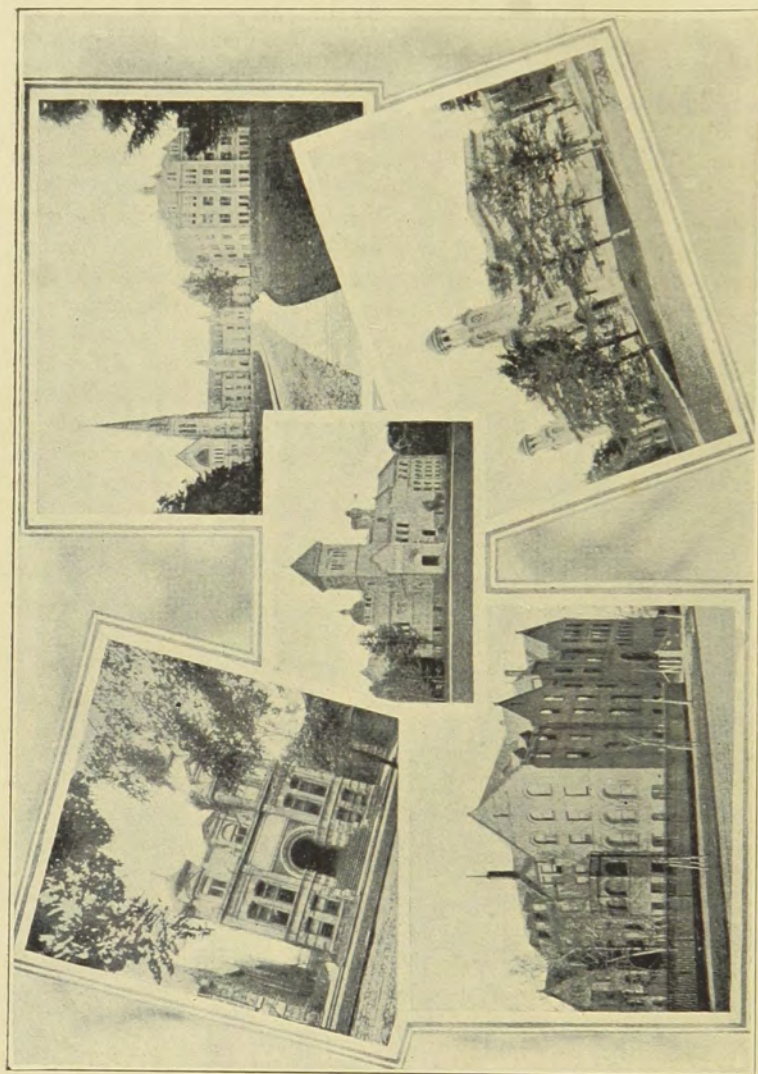
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Queen Olives	Consomme a la Volaille	Chilled Celery
	Salted Peanuts	
	Fillets of Sole, Vin Blanc	
	Pommes Des	
	Sweetbread Cutlets, Petit Pois	
	Fried Spring Chicken, Maryland Style	
French Fried Potatoes		Garden Peas
	Grapefruit Salade	
Assorted Pastry		Reception Ice Cream
Winesap Apples		Port Limon Bananas
	Oranges	
	Canadian Stilton Cheese	
	Toasted Saltine Wafers	
	Cafe Noir	

SORORITY MOVEMENT

Delta Phi Sorority of University College has been granted a charter by Gamma Phi Beta and was installed yesterday as the Alpha Alpha Chapter, by representatives of the Sorority from Syracuse, New York; Ann Arbor, Michigan; and Baltimore, Maryland. Gamma Phi Beta is one of the oldest and strongest of national sororities having been founded in 1874 at Syracuse University, and being noted for conservative expansion and efficient national organization. The installation of the Alpha Alpha Chapter in the University of Toronto was in charge of Mrs. George R. Garrett, National Chairman of the Expansion Committee.

A reception is being held in the sorority rooms, 88 St. George Street, from three-thirty to five-thirty this afternoon, to which all interested are cordially invited.—From *Toronto Varsity*.



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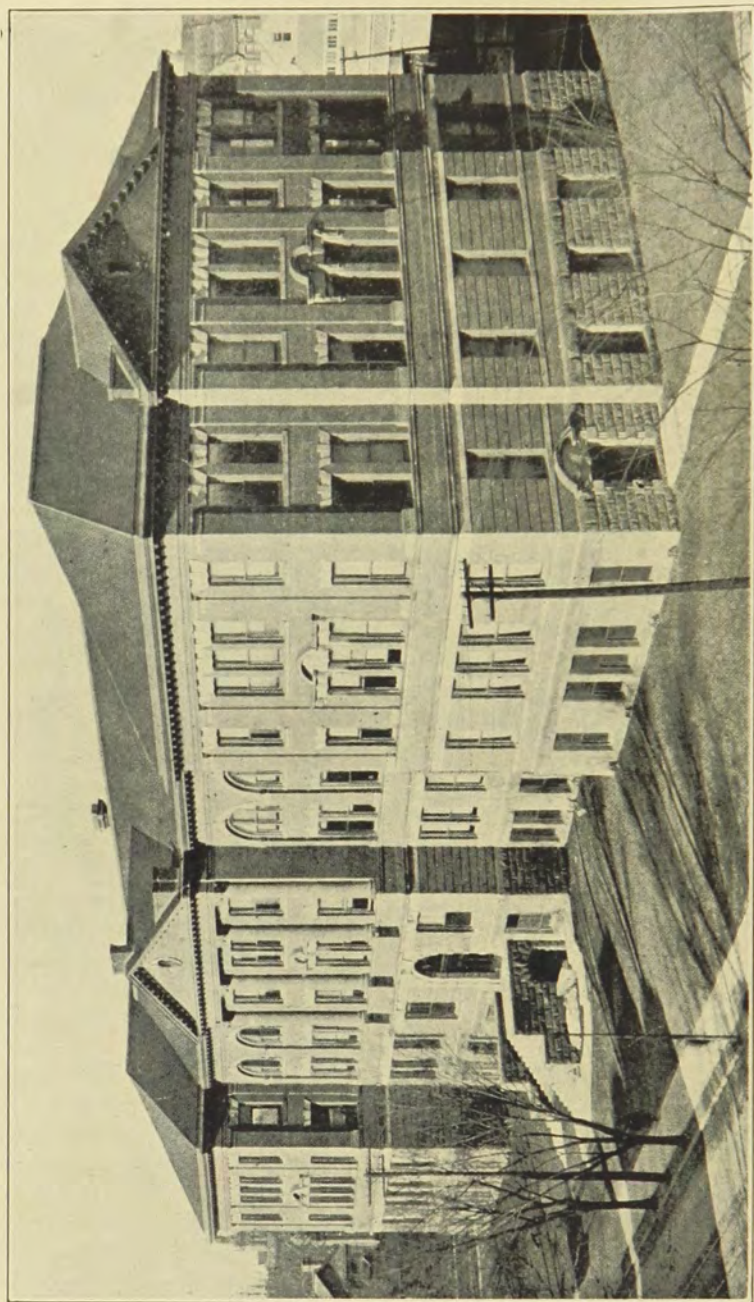
There are few universities on the continent which can boast of a family tree of over two centuries' growth. In 1704 was founded old King's College as an educational centre for the English colonists in Canada.

For a century it flourished until in 1827 it was replaced by the University of Toronto. As befitted a country which held so dear the venerable institutions of England the first college became the namesake of old Oxford's first school—University College. Practically no endowments and very few students were the lot of the new institution; but so vigorous and so persevering were the forwarders of the Federation movement that now the university numbers among its colleges and affiliated faculties University College, Victoria College (Arts and Theology), Trinity College (Arts and Theology), St. Michael's College (Arts and Theology), College of Dental Surgery, College of Medicine, Applied Science, Knox Theological College, Ontario Law School, Veterinary College, Social Service, Ontario College of Pharmacy, Ontario Agricultural College, the Toronto Conservatory, and the University of Toronto Schools, which is the official preparatory school for boys.

Each faculty has its own building or in several cases, its group of buildings, which are also supplemented by a splendid Library and Seminary building. The women both in Victoria and in University College have flourishing "Unions" which are lovingly—or otherwise—referred to as the "Onions." In each of these college clubs, of which every woman student automatically upon registration becomes a member, there are large common rooms, libraries, committee rooms, dean's apartments, dining-rooms, kitchens, and guestrooms. It can be easily seen that these institutions supply to the out-of-residence women advantages formerly enjoyed merely by those in residence. A common meeting ground for all sororities, for Greek and "barb," and for all faculties is the "Women's Union."

University College proper, from its priority in the university, inherits the position of Main Building. It stands in the center of the campus and in it are the holies of holies of the President, the Bursar, the Registrar, the Senate, and like august bodies. Here the verdant frosh wanders through corridors and cloisters, up and down winding staircases and around its hundred and one unexpected corners in pursuit of the elusive "prof."

In each of the Arts faculties there are certain subjects which are specialized in more particularly and to these lectures come students from all four Arts colleges. Thus men and women from St. Michael's, Trinity, and Victoria may come to University College for lectures on the French Revolution or English Constitutional His-



TORONTO UNIVERSITY
Chemistry and Mining Building

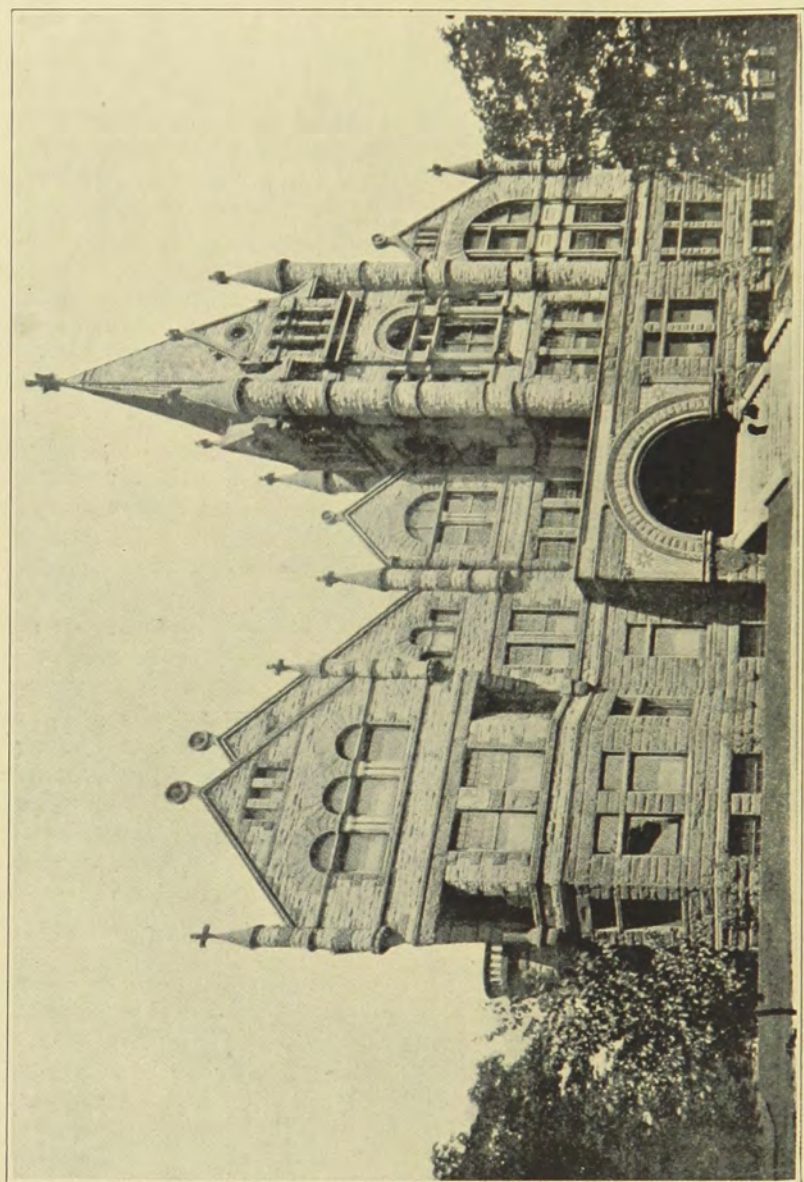
tory; likewise they may go to Victoria for German Authors or English Political History. In this way the university keeps much more unified than its apparent loose organization might otherwise signify.

Although each faculty and college grants its own degree, all are graduated at the one Convocation in Convocation Hall. Here also the university sermon is delivered each Sunday morning by some visiting person of fame. Only a few weeks ago, the university had the pleasure of hearing Henry Van Dyke in this way.

Affiliated with the Faculties of Medicine and of Science are the Toronto General Hospital, which ranks with the premier institutions of its kind on the continent and which trains our student doctors, and some of the finest laboratories in the world, notably the Connaught Laboratories, which rendered such splendid service in the perfection of toxins in the great war.

There are several women's residences but owing to the increased enrollment of late years, sorority houses should be welcome as relieving the situation. As for the men, they have been lately gifted with a magnificent new building which is fitted as a clubhouse for the men students of the whole university. Hart House, the gift of the Hart A. Massey estate, has been spoken of as the most splendid university men's club building in the world. It was erected at a cost of over \$2,000,000 and was formally bestowed upon the university in November.

"This house is called Hart House, and was built between the years 1911 and 1919 by the estate of Hart Almerin Massey, of this city, and in his memory, his executors being Chester Daniel Massey, Esq., a Governor of this University, and Vincent Massey, Esq., M.A. (Oxon.), Dean of the Residence, Victoria College, of whom the latter directed the creation of this house, and was given in the year 1919 for the perpetual use, enjoyment, and benefit of all men who shall be members, graduates, as well as undergraduates, of this University. George the Fifth being King, and Victor 9th Duke of Devonshire, K.G., Governor-General of Canada; the Honorable Sir William Meredith, Kt., LL.D., Chief Justice of Ontario; Sir Edmund Walker, Kt. C.V.O., LL.D., D.C.L., chairman of the Board of Governors, and Sir Robert Falconer, K.C.M.G., M.A., Litt.D., LL.D., president of this University, in which same year and before the gift of Hart House was made, the same estate was incorporated as the Massey Foundation, the several directors thereof being the two executors of the estate, together with Thomas Findlay, Esq., William Lawson Grant, Esq., M.A. (Oxon.), and Raymond Hart Massey, Esq. The architects of this house were Henry Sproatt, R.C.A., and Ernest Ross Rolph, Esquires. The fabric was wrought by craftsmen of this city. Throughout the



VICTORIA COLLEGE, QUEEN'S PARK

years of the great war the building was used by the Government of Canada and also by the Royal Air Force to house certain military schools. Herein officers, non-commissioned officers, and men were trained for service abroad in His Majesty's armies; and women received instruction in the care of the wounded; herein also there was prosecuted for many months the work of restoring to health men disabled by wounds and sickness. The prayer of the founders is that Hart House, under the guidance of its warden, may serve in the generations to come the highest interests of this University by drawing into a common fellowship the members of the several colleges and faculties and by gathering into a true society the teacher and the student, the graduate and the undergraduate. Further, that the members of Hart House may discover within its walls the true education that is to be found in good fellowship, in friendly disputation and debate, in conversation of wise and earnest men, in music, pictures, and the play in the casual book, in sports, in games and the mastery of the body, and lastly that just as in the days of war this house was devoted to the training in arms of the young soldier, so in the time of peace its halls may be dedicated to the training of arming youth with strength and suppleness of limb, with clarity of mind and depth of understanding, and with a spirit of true religion and high endeavor."

These are the words on the memorial tablet which was unveiled by His Excellency the Duke of Devonshire before he officially declared Hart House open. His Excellency then unlocked the east door, opening the magnificent building to the graduates and undergraduates of the University of Toronto on November 11, 1919.

The University of Toronto itself is non-denominational and in normal times attracts from ten to twelve thousand of all creeds and classes. This fact alone is varsity's greatest asset, for as Stephen McKenna has remarked, it matters very little what a man has been taught so long as he is put in daily contact with men who have been taught something else.

HART HOUSE THEATER WILL LINK TORONTO WITH LITTLE THEA- TER MOVEMENT

Modern in every detail is the Hart House Theater which is to link up the Players' Club of the university with the "Little Theater" movement now having such a pronounced artistic success in the bigger centers of the United States.

No theater in Toronto and few in America can compare with the little underground auditorium in the completeness of the lighting and scenic effects and in the general beauty and graceful lines of the house itself.

The interior of the auditorium, which has a seating capacity of 470, is finished in white. The floor which is sound proof is laid with cream and black tiles in a variety of designs. On either side of the house are four Gothic arches which will contain the loges. The rows of grey oak upholstered seats are eight inches further apart than in the ordinary commercial theater. The seats at the end of each rows are beautifully carved. The lobbies will accommodate the whole audience at one time.

The stage itself will be shut off from the spectators before the play and during the intermissions by black velvet curtains, which can be drawn aside noiselessly. A most efficient and modern system will provide the latest in scenic effects. There are but two theaters in America with a lighting equipment comparable to that which has been installed in this theater. Water effects including fountains and rain storms will be used, besides imitations of other natural phenomena, including fog, smoke, and fire. In the room where the various noises will be made are devices of all descriptions including the thunder drum which will be kept dry by electric heat. The movement of clouds in both directions can be shown.

For the purpose of scene painting, a complete artist's equipment has been installed. Famous Canadian painters will produce the scenery for the season. Special scenery will be painted for each production and among the artists who have promised their services are Mr. Lorne Harris and Mr. Harold Jackson.

In order that the theater may be entirely set aside from the other activities of Hart House, and that women may be allowed entrance, there is a distinct passage way leading from the front of the building direct to the underground theater. The entrance to this long and artistically shaped passage is at the side of the main doorway on the southern side of the building.

Armistice Day will probably see the opening of the theater when a lecture will be delivered there to the students. The first play will be presented on the evening of November 27.

THE ALUMNÆ CHAPTERS

CHICAGO

Chicago chapter owes its beginning to a few girls who, more than twenty-five years ago, loved to get together just because they were Gamma Phis. For a year or two, they met at each other's homes on occasional Saturday afternoons. The chapter was born and the charter granted to five or six girls all of whom were from Beta, excepting one who was from Epsilon. The chapter grew gradually, and of late years there has been an average attendance of twenty. The members met at luncheon once a month, and a short business meeting was held afterwards.

During the war, it was found difficult to secure a sufficient attendance, due to the fact that so many members were doing patriotic duties—and one or two meetings a year were held. Last spring, some of the girls in Evanston and North Shore of Chicago organized an alumnæ association and held meetings once a month. At a meeting the middle of November, the Chicago chapter voted to combine the chapter and the association. A week later, at a meeting of the association where several members of the Chicago chapter were present, it was decided to join the two organizations. There are to be monthly meetings held in Evanston as a moral support for Epsilon chapter. Three meeting yearly are to be held in Chicago, and all the alumni and active members are to be present.

As a "foot-note" I will add that the present Chicago chapter is bubbling over with pep. The active girls had a very successful tea for the alumnæ, held at the North Shore Hotel, Evanston, on November 9 and they, in turn, were entertained at a spread two weeks later given by the alumnæ, at which seventy active and alumnæ members were present. The two chapters are working well together, and the active chapter feels the strength of its alumnæ—which is our main reason for holding most of our meetings in Evanston. We all feel that the union of the two associations has been a fine thing and we look forward to an active winter for Gamma Phi Beta.

HELEN PADDOCK TRUESDELL.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF SYRACUSE ALUMNÆ

Blanche Knapp is back home again this time to join the Faculty of Syracuse University in the Department of Home Economics. She has been absent in Chicago studying three years. She has also added a few degrees to her name.

Other members of Syracuse Alumnæ on the Faculty of the University are May McChesney teaching piano, Katharine Sibley,

physical culture, Irene C. Garrett, English, and Minnie Mason Beebe, French.

Minnie Beebe has recently returned from a year's work in France. On her arrival there a year ago last June she was sent to Mailly on the firing line and plunged into relief work of all descriptions among the wounded poured into that locality from the front. She helped in the canteen, wrote letters for the dying boys and assisted in dressing wounds, but a month of the indescribable suffering, the hard work and nightly air raids used Mrs. Beebe up and she was sent back to a hospital to recuperate.

In September she was sent to Aix-les-Bains where large numbers of soldiers were recovering from wounds or resting, and there in that beautiful and historic spot she stayed for nine months giving lectures, teaching French and English, and doing other Educational work. From there she was transferred to Chateau-Thierry where she engaged in reconstruction work under the Methodist church until she sailed for home in time for the opening of college.

Caroline Archbold has been appointed educational Secretary of the Onondaga County Anti-tuberculosis Institute.

Elizabeth Archbold '18, and Elizabeth Campbell have been made office secretaries in the Y. W. C. A. Elizabeth Campbell was also one of the five representatives we had in France in Y. W. C. A. work. She spent six month in Paris.

Mildred Fish is the girls' work secretary and Marguerite Woodworth is recreation director in Y. W. C. A., while Mabel Stone has been for years a director and treasurer of this splendid work for the upbuilding and uplifting of Syracuse.

Ruth Abel is studying in the National Training School of Y. W. C. A. in New York City.

Flora Judd is Business Secretary in the Studio Club in New York which is one phase of Y. W. C. A. work there among artists and musicians.

Pansy Stone is Executive Secretary of Syracuse Americanization League with Headquarters in the Public Library.

Doris Leake is one of our girls who went to France. She was attached to a unit which entertained and which followed the army of occupation into Germany.

NEW YORK

Nineteen years ago, eight loyal and enthusiastic Alpha girls, living in New York, formed a Gamma Phi Alumnae Association and later applied for a charter, which was granted May 1, 1901. Shortly afterwards, the number was increased by the addition of several Delta girls, and a flourishing chapter was firmly established under the able leadership of Blanche Shove Palmer, its first presi-

dent, grew steadily in grace and stature. One by one, and sometimes two by two, new members were enrolled, until the New York chapter assumed the character of its home city and counted members from every part of the country. As is bound to be the case in a city like New York, which all the world visits for periods of varying length, the membership list is constantly changing; but there is an unchanging group made up of bona fide residents of New York, which gives to the chapter both permanence and character.

The method of obtaining new members consists largely in asking other chapters to notify the New York chapter whenever their members come to New York either for permanent residence or for a brief period, and they are warmly welcomed either as active members or as guests.

The chapter, feeling that a near-by active chapter would be an inspiration and a help, was instrumental in securing the addition of Iota of Barnard to the chapter roll on November 1, 1901. The installation of Iota was followed by a large banquet at Sherry's on Fifth Avenue. Iota grew and flourished until, under the college ruling, all sororities were abolished; and Iota chapter would now be merely a name, were it not for the many loyal Iota alumnae whose names are found on the active list of the New York alumnae chapter.

As the Endowment Fund and Social Service work were organized when the National Board was under the supervision of New York chapter, and endorsed and accepted at the Convention in 1915, it is but natural that the chapter should feel a keen interest in the welfare of both. Blanche Palmer was made chairman of the Endowment Fund Committee, and so successfully has she filled the position that New York feels that the work can be in no other hands.

New York's list of celebrities is not very long. Most of us are plain everyday house-keepers or workers of one sort or another, or both.

Sara Rome has a rather unusual vocation. It consists in painting original designs on furniture, and we are told that her work is in great demand.

The chapter list of authors is not very long. Emma Lowd and Clara Whitmore have published and edited several books. Perhaps there are others, if so, they modestly conceal their identity under pen names.

Clara Whitmore edited "Milton's Minor Poems" for high school use in 1907.

In 1910 G. P. Putnam's sons published a book by Miss Whitmore, "Woman's Work in English Fiction," which received very complimentary press notices and a flattering comment from W. D. Howells.

The present season has opened auspiciously, and the chapter is anticipating a very successful year under the tutelage of an able president and an equally able vice-president.

ISABELLE D. WHITE.

SAN FRANCISCO

Organization

The CRESCENT letter gives a list of some seventy Gamma Phis from Lambda, Mu Nu, and Eta who constitute the San Francisco Alumnae Chapter. We meet once a month at the homes of our members, and the meetings are held alternately, on the third Thursdays and Saturdays. We generally have a preponderance of married girls at the Thursday meetings, while their absence at the Saturday meetings is offset by the presence of those who teach and cannot attend the week-day meetings. Mabel Williams has been our president the last semester, Dora Atwater Wallace guiding our Destinies during the first of the year. Bertha Sohns has served as vice-president. Carmelita Woerner Piper has been recording secretary, while Imogene Mason Walker succeeded Bernice Barker as corresponding Secretary. Ruth Genung has served as CRESCENT correspondent. All of the officers have inspired us, while rendering efficient service.

Method of Obtaining Members

All graduates of Stanford and California who live within the district are supposed to be members. Also all girls who leave college prior to graduation. Next term we hope, with the aid of the new alumnae directory, to reach all Gamma Phis who live in our radius and have a record of 100% membership. We have a few Lambda, Mu and Nu members but wish we had more. There are a great many old-timers who have apparently lost interest and we hope to bring them back into the fold. We should like to be more cosmopolitan and have members from more chapters.

Special Work

Merry Christmas comes but once a year, but Marie Derge we have with us from New Years on. We'd rush all the mournful named girls we could find, if they'd bring us as much Sunshine as our one Derge does. For scattering sunshine is her specialty and our institution. Emerson has said that every institution is but the lengthened shadow of one man and if you could see how far Marie's shadow stretches, you'd want to join with us and play shadow tag too. For this shadow tag would dip you in Sunshine.

Every San Francisco and Eta member knows what Sunshine is, and most of them haven't studied the law of Physics either. I just can't tell all you unfortunates who have never caught a ray what

you have missed in not being deluged in Sunshine. By the time you read this, Jimmie and Henry will be playing with those novel bean bag standards, while Jane and Helen undress that cut doll that Dottie clothed. Mike has spent a week getting his jig saw puzzel together, you know, one of those that Helen made. Probably Martha has packed her adorable trunk a dozen times. I'll warrant she saw the youngsters smiling at a picture post-card. Imagine cover that *her* trunk was made out of a letter paper box instead of a candy box. Both seemed to have trays filled with marvellous wardrobes though.

And what to you suppose? Elizabeth told me that she was taking care of a tot at the Berkeley Dispensary the other day when she saw the younster smiling at a picture post-card. Imagine Elizabeth's surprise when she saw a valentine, just like one that Jo sent her—Oh years ago. But the queer part of it was that there was another picture postal on the reverse side. She pulled them apart and discovered that it *was* her old valentine after all. And then she had to paste them together again. She said they had some seven hundred postals down there at the Dispensary and she wondered how many Gamma Phi's had contributed such usable and "re-usable" joy for the sick tots.

And that reminds me that at least two dozen little girls in town must, even today, be making valentines from the bits of bright cardboard that once were calendar pads, and doilies from candy boxes, etc. But you ought to see the Pin-O-Poppy Shows that the girls made!

Would you ever have thought that your old white tennis stockings would make such adorable rag dolls? By the way, Mabel said she saw a girl wearing a beautiful white embroidered collar the other day and she was sure it was the one that Olive had cut out and stamped from that left-over scrap of her pique skirt.

But I can't begin to tell you all about the bags and picture books and creative toys that were given to over a hundred kiddies this year. Why even little five year old Ora, whom we are training to be a Gamma Phi, helped make the picture books.

This work is called Sunshine because—even though a Derge started it—it's always waiting to shine on us if we'll blow away the clouds of selfishness and just give it a chance. Its primary object is to bring Sunshine to cheerless homes by utilizing tidbits that usually end their career of usefulness in the waste basket or furnace. As a by-product, each one of our seventy members (not to mention a number of Eta girls) gets a big sun bath often. Sunshine has such a nice cheery way of embracing everybody; it's just like Christianity in that respect.

The Sunshine work is thus our special work from year to year, and meeting to meeting. This year we tried to relieve Marie of the whole responsibility which she has borne in previous years. She is still the chairman of the work, but Juliette has been responsible for dolls, Dorothy for puzzles, Olive for collars, Elizabeth for valentine boxes, etc. A number of outsiders have become interested in the work and contributed materials and labor. We are looking forward to the Day before Christmas when the boxes are to be delivered.

Plans for the Coming Year

The aim of each alumnae chapter, as stated in our new uniform constitutions is: to increase the scholastic standing of the chapter, to promote sociability, and to strive to cement a strong national unity. While aiming at all three, we hope this year to focus on the first. If an impartial doctor should examine our chapter, I think his stethoscope would reveal a vigorous heart, but further detailed examination would cause him to pronounce the patient in a serious condition. I can almost hear him pronouncing the verdict now. He says something about the brain, and I inquire if the patient can recover from brain fever. His answer shocks me, for he assures me that the patient is not suffering from over exertion, but from apathy. "Softening of the brain" is his verdict, and I gulp hard as I ask him of the chances for recovery. "Not chronic, but serious, strenuous mental activity may improve, if not cure it."

Hence: "Education and the College Woman" is to be our vitalizing motive. Our aim is thus three fold, or if you will, three plus fold: (1) to increase the percentage of graduation and thus necessarily to help the active girls to maintain a higher scholastic standing (Eta's record of graduates shows that only 54 % of our members graduate) (2) to make San Francisco chapter and its members a vital and contributing factor in A. C. A.; (3) to coöperate with the U. C. Alumnae Association in its efforts for the betterment of opportunities for the college women, and by doing these and allied things, to prove to the world that we as Gamma Phis are founded on the rock of education.

Now you ask, can we accomplish these purposes? We intend to use the Big Sister Plan as one factor. Every active Eta member is to have a Big Sister in the Alumnae organization. As the girls are pledged, they are to be assigned for safe keeping to the guardianship of a big $\Gamma \Phi$ sister whose duties in regard to her young charge will be manifold. Primarily the tie is to be one of affection and the Big Sister is expected to take her little sister home to dinner with her at least once a semester. She may, and might well, entertain her more frequently. Always the Big Sister is to advance first and go three fourths of the way if necessary to accomplish

results. All the joys of college and chapter life of the bigger, older days are to be taken out for an airing when the sisters walk together. Of course Big Gamma Phi will delight in the ambitions, hopes and joys of little sister. The love of our Alma Mater and the duty of so using the college years that California, as well as Gamma Phi will be proud to know she belongs to the fold, is to be instilled into every little heart. We can't insist too much on this necessity for fostering the determination to graduate.

We hope to honor our seniors more this year than ever before. Heretofore, we have piled wreaths upon the heads of pledges who have contributed nothing but promises to the organization, and allowed our seniors who have fulfilled those promises, borne the burden of leadership in the house and on the campus, to take their places on Commencement Day with scanty recognition from the very Alumnae Chapter which expects to get a yearly infusion of new blood from these very members. Annette, Elfrieda, Helen, and Doris and Buffie we are counting on you this year.

Margaret Garthwaite, Eta '15, is assisting in the Alumni Secretary's office on the campus this year. Some day she is going to tell us about the Employment Bureau for U. C. women. After hearing that, I'm sure that San Francisco Alumnae Chapter will wish to be a member of the U. C. Alumni Association and I dare say there may be more life members recruited from our midst too. The U. C. Alumni Association elects a member of the Board of Regents. Why couldn't we have a delegate who would keep us in close touch with the doings of the alumni organization?

Gamma Phi supports an A. C. A. scholarship. A great number of our members have never attended an A. C. A. meeting and know very little about the worth while accomplishments of the organization. Why not make Gamma Phi more than a figure head there?

We're going to try the hostess plan of entertaining this year. Two or three girls are to unite at each meeting, sharing duties and expenses.

We hope to have our members tell us about the interesting work they have been doing. Elizabeth Austen, we expect you to deliver at least a ten minute report on your work overseas. Most of us are members of some Red Cross chapter, so we'll consider Marietta Edwards our Red Cross delegate and call for a report one of these days. And don't you suppose Jeannette Dyer could enthral us with her account of her duties as assistant Material Engineer at Mare Island?

These are the ideas with which we start. If we accomplish these purposes, we'll go on to bigger things. But every Gamma Phi who lives in the district must be a real member if we are to succeed.

Does the plan sound worth while? If so, prove it by remitting your dues *in person* at the next meeting.

GRACE PARTRIDGE UNDERHILL.

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS OF ETA ALUMNÆ

- Allen, Lilian Parker—Executive Secretary Mobilized Women's Army, Berkeley.
- Austin, Elizabeth—Y. W. C. A. Secretary in France, Art Lecturer in the Louvre.
- Bridge, Elizabeth—Γ Φ B visiting delegate—western, now south-western section. Home economics, University of California.
- Buwalda, Imra Nann—Girls' Welfare Work, Washington.
- Cockroft, Thoda—Press agent for Mrs. Minnie Maddern Fiske.
- Colby, Rachel Vrooman—State Chairman of Ed. for Cal. Fed. Womens' Clubs. State Chairman of Legislation for Cal. Fed. Women's Clubs. Pres. Alameda Co. District for Cal. Fed. Womens' Clubs. Chairman of Legislation Cal. Civic League. Substitute lecturer on Mining law, University of California. Translator of old German Books on Mining Law.
- Comfort, Gertrude—Architect St. Francis Wood, San Francisco.
- Derge, Marie—Chairman of Christmas Sunshine work carried on by San Francisco alumnae chapter.
- Dunbar, Sue—Girls' welfare work, Oakland.
- Dyer, Jeanette—Assistant Material Engineer at Mare Island, Navy Yards.
- Edward, Marietta—Red Cross administration, Berkeley.
- Fernald, Lorita Stone—Formerly leading lady under Margaret Anglin.
- Gerhart, Edna—Reconstruction work for soldiers, Letterman Hospital, San Francisco.
- Grunsky, Marie Parks—Manager of ward in City and County Hospital, San Francisco.
- Hoyt, Alice—Y. W. C. A. Secretary for New England States.
- Jackson, Louelle—Social Service, N. Y.
- Kellogg, Charlotte Hoffman—Member of Belgium Relief Committee Relief work in Belgium and California.
- Kellogg, Louise—Rancher and winner of Blue Ribbons for Fancy Stock.
- Knox, Bertha—Homesteader and Rancher.
- Mae Morgan Brown—Sunshine work in Washinton army hospitals.
- Morse Katrina—Y. W. C. A. Secretary in France.
- Wanda Muir Hanna—Red Cross, Americanization work, Founder of Boy's and Girl's Clubs.
- Pasmore, Harriet—Concert Singer.
- Pierce, Mabel—President Wellesley Alumnae.

Randall, Mary—Executive Red Cross, Alameda.
Rankin, Dorothy—Executive Red Cross, Berkeley.
Rothermel, Elizabeth—Dietitian University of California, Ass.
Prof. State Ag. College Kansas.
Sterne, Laura van Buren—Sunshine work in U. S. Army Hospitals,
Washington.

DENVER

In anticipation of and preparation for convention, Denver alumnae met regularly during the summer; so when September rolled around there was no initial gathering but just a continuation of the summer conferences. This first September meeting, following close upon convention, was a most enthusiastic one where everybody talked things over and made plans for the coming year.

Denver meets fortnightly, so interest is never allowed to wane; while a personal canvass of all Gamma Phis not enrolled always brings newcomers to the chapter. Officers are elected in the spring; accordingly, the new president has all summer in which to lay her plans and to recruit her membership. And this membership has, for years, included not only Theta initiates but those from Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon, Zeta, Eta, Lambda, and Tau.

Denver's first large undertaking this fall was a "Candlelight Tea" to over four hundred women of the Denver Panhellenic. A big open fire was all the more inviting and attractive because of the dreary, snowy day; and in the large dining-room of Mabel Walker Edwards, the guests were seated at small tables, each adorned with a tall yellow candlestick and yellow button chrysanthemums and presided over by a Gamma Phi hostess who served tea, English muffins, marmalade and crystallized ginger. Since Gamma Phi Beta holds the presidency for the year, this Panhellenic sociability is being continued in an informal way by inviting the alumnae members of a certain sorority to join us in a cup of tea after one of our regular meetings. In this way, we meet each sorority in turn, and we find it an excellent method of becoming well acquainted and promoting a good spirit of Greek fellowship.

Denver is always intimately associated with Theta in any activity whether it be rushing, initiation, philanthropy or the play; and this association is undoubtedly a great incentive to chapter progress and achievement. Each alumna has recently become the "mother" of an active girl, and this pleasant relationship will do much toward forming a closer bond between the two chapters. And another interest common to Denver and Theta is the annual Christmas dinner which is given to the tubercular men of the Craig Colony—a Christmas pleasure which we have had for some years and which has become a real tradition.

Further than this, Denver has no definite plans, though the chapter would be glad to adopt an *alumnæ* work and to be more instrumental in increasing the Endowment Fund.

Our membership is constantly changing; many of our "stand-bys" leave us; and, each year we welcome newcomers or returned friends. Grace Burgard Holcomb (Gamma) we transfer to New York—with regrets; also, Grace McDonough who is taking a secretarial course at Columbia. Mary Allen Johnson has taken up her abode in Washington while Kathryn Allen Woodward has for over a year, been in Omaha. We commend Kathryn as the "livest," and best member possible for an Omaha *alumnæ* association. Edith Pleston Avery has paid a flying visit to Denver, but Edith is never too busy to look up Gamma Phis. Viola Clymer Smedley is in California for the winter; Ruth Wallace is teaching in New York state; and Mary Hitchcock, after a sojourn in Los Angeles, is in our midst again.

The far-away members do not altogether forget us. Lucy Moore Lennox although in Arizona, never loses her interest in the merest detail of Gamma Phi. Helen Carson Pietenpol writes that although, in the University of Pittsburgh (where Blossom Henry, by the way, is making an enviable reputation as leading lady in the Romance languages department) there is no Gamma Phi chapter, still she does her best in helping out "the others." Muriel Steele as head of the French department in Simpson College is finding time to follow in the footsteps of her illustrious brother, Wilbur Daniel Steele, and has made her literary *début* in *Harper's*. News comes that Beulah Hood and Allene Seaman have the most exclusive and attractive of shops in east Aurora; and a card near by tells of the advent of wee Ruth Carson Gilmore, almost on Thanksgiving Day.

[Apology is made for the hurried and disconnected article above. A personal canvass of Denver *alumnæ* found no one willing to assume the responsibility of the chapter articles. Accordingly the editor was obliged to contribute the foregoing at the last moment.]

MINNEAPOLIS

With Katherine Silversen as our president we see a most successful year in sight. In order to gain new members she conceived the idea of sending cards to every Gamma Phi, which automatically makes them members of the *alumnæ* association. As I am writing this a tea is being planned for tomorrow for the visiting delegate, Elizabeth Bridge; we expect that every Gamma Phi in the twin cities will turn out and be so enthusiastic that she won't want to miss another meeting.

Our special work during the past two years has been to sew for the orphans that we were supporting in France. Now that the

Milk Bottles have been closed, we are planning to use the same stands with a new poster and make it our social service work to collect this money and send it to the Countess Louise D'Urzel, whom we recently entertained. Mrs. V. C. Sherman, who was chairman of the state committee, and fourteen other Gamma Phi's had a luncheon for the Countess and she made a very strong appeal for the work to be continued. She also talked at a tea which Alice Andrews gave in St. Paul, so we voted that we would carry on this work, placing a poster with a picture of this Creche (Day and Night) Nursery of the Countess, in the offstands. Besides collecting the money to send to the Countess, we will sew for the forty babies from one day to six years of age, who are kept there.

This year the alumnæ coöperated with the active chapter in a very successful way during rushing. At the last rushing party, several alumnæ, Katherine Silverson, Mrs. Downey, and Sara Preston Finley, talked to some of the rushees about Gamma Phi's national reputation. It was found that this plan was very helpful and we hope to make it a regular custom.

DOROTHY JONES.

SEATTLE

Prominent Alumnæ

The biggest and most striking accomplishment of the majority of the members of this alumnæ chapter seems to be, as one of our clever members put it—"Babies." Most of the girls have married soon after leaving college and have spent their time in the bringing up of splendid children. You should just get a glimpse of the huskiness of the boys and the daintiness of the girls in this big Gamma Phi family and you'd appreciate that they are indeed "accomplishment."

Among the girls who have gone out into the world to accomplish are Margaret Reilly who served overseas as a Red Cross secretary and Florence Finch-Dickson who acted as dietician with Base hospital No. 50 in France. Geraldine Doheny, '15, is still in France with the Y. W. C. A.

Bess Henahan-Evans has been elected president of the Seattle branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ. The branch is very strong here and is composed of representative Seattle women and we consider it a big honor to have Bess as president.

There is one Gamma Phi from Lambda who has accomplished much in her chosen field. Zoe Kincaid Penlington, '01, was one of the founders of Alpha, the local which later became Lambda. Mrs. Penlington was the editor of the Tyee, the first college annual ever published at the University of Washington and was active in journalism circles before her graduation. Afterward she was

society editor, dramatic critic and reporter on several Seattle newspapers and was the first woman to enter the journalism game in the Northwest. She was elected to Pi Beta Kappa when that fraternity was installed at Washington. Ten years ago, as Zoe Kincaid she went to the Orient, teaching English in two of the leading universities in Tokio, Japan. At the same time she established "the Japanese Magazine," the first magazine to be published in English in Japan. Two years after her arrival there she married Mr. John Penlington and since that time has been associated with him in the publication of "The Far East" a weekly magazine of political, literary, and commercial merit.

During her entire time in the Orient Mrs. Penlington had devoted every spare moment to the study of the Oriental drama and stage until she is recognized in Japan among the foreigners and natives as the highest authority upon the Japanese stage, and also in London and Rome. She is publishing a book upon this subject.

Mrs. Penlington is one of the few women who have had articles published in the famous London *Times*. The Japanese supplement of this paper was almost entirely Mr. and Mrs. Penlington's work. She has front page stories in both this daily, and the *Daily Mail* of London. She corresponds for papers in London, Rome, Paris, Tokio and New York as well as in Canada and has had stories in the *Bellman* and other eastern magazines. The October issue of *Asia* carried a story of hers entitled "In a Japanese Greenroom" and was illustrated by a leading Japanese artist.

Several years ago a committee was appointed by the University of Washington to select the ten men and women graduates of the university who had attained the best in their line since graduation and who best represented the university in the outside world. Nine men were chosen and Mrs. Penlington was the only woman chosen.

Mrs. Penlington is recognized as the woman who best knows the sights and show places of Tokio and visitors to the American embassy there are sent to her for guidance among the mysteries of the Japanese theaters. She welcomes any friends from this side and is always glad when the stranger wears a Gamma Phi pin.

AN ACTIVE ALUMNA

In this far-west alumnae chapter of ours there are so many "active" alumnae that we hate to begin mentioning names.

To meet the requirement of activity a girl must be in fairly close touch with active chapter—she must be interested in the activities of the active chapter. She must put forth her best efforts to go to gatherings and regular meetings of the alumnae chapter—she must "crab" only when she can offer constructive criticism—she must do well, thoroughly and happily the tasks thrust upon her.

The active alumna will give unfailing support, she will have a constant interest and a feeling of sincerity and responsibility combined with a broad feeling of friendliness for everyone.

The active alumna is the girl who keeps her loyalty to the local chapter through her interest in and knowledge of the national sorority.

Among the Seattle alumnae who meet these trying demands there are a few names which stand out because of their long years of loyalty.

Lois McBride Dehn has given always of her time and loyalty in spite of the responsibilities of a young daughter. Lois has an unusual grasp of sorority matters, local and national.

Sylvia Wold-Haasch our alumna president has showed executive ability and a responsibility for detail that has gone far this year toward making the alumnae meeting a success. Whole days and nights of her time have been given graciously to the work of bettering the organization and bringing the out-of-town girls into contact with the Seattle chapter. Sylvia also possesses that happy faculty for creating a sympathetic atmosphere between the older girls and the active chapter—the Lambda girls love her quite as “fiercely” as the alumns do.

Emmy Schmitz-Hartman stands as a pyramid of loyalty in the financial desert of the sorority. Emmy has had the burden of raising the money for the building lots for the girls and through her efforts and those of her very loyal and interested husband carried the fund through with high honors. Through the plans and legal advice of Mr. Hartman, Lambda Association was incorporated and the association put upon a firm working basis.

Amy Laube has given her home each week to the chapter as an all day gathering place for the girls to sew for the bazaar.

The committee for the bazaar has worked consistently and every indication points to the biggest and best bazaar that we have ever attempted. The members of the committee include Anna Baker-Williams, Violet Dungan-Keith, Emmy-Schmitz-Hartman, Anna Young-Rabel, Clara Taney-Will, and Leah Miller-McKay, chairman.

In the University district the “colony” meets each week to do their bit for the bazaar as most of the girls have babies and cannot cross the city to Amy Laube’s home. The babies are gathered together and Mrs. Fry, one of the Gamma Chi mothers cares for them. The girls meet at the home of Ruth Frye-Osborn and are Lois McBride Dehn, Hazel McDonald Carmody, Nora Buell-Stewart, and Ruth Osborn.

These are but a few of the girls that are thinking and working every day to make the work and plans of the Seattle alumnae chapter carry out the best ideals and hopes for which the sorority stands.

ANNUAL GAMMA PHI BETA SALE

Gamma Phi Beta sorority, active and alumnae chapters, will give its annual Christmas bazaar at the Hotel Washington, Saturday afternoon, December 6, for the purpose of raising funds for the manitenance of a scholarship which is awarded yearly to a needy University of Washington coed.

Household and boudoir articles will be for sale as well as delicatessen dainties. Gayly clad flower girls will sell corsages and boutonnieres. There will be booths of hand painted art work, exquisite needle work, sofa pillows, table linens, dainty silk garments, in fact a wide array of articles that will appeal to the holiday shopper.

This bazaar has been suspended for two years but the scholarship has been maintained. The members of the organization have been working since early last summer on the articles to be sold and members from all parts and cities in the state have contributed.

Gamma Phi Beta was founded at Syracuse University, November 11, 1874, and the chapter was granted to the petitioning local at the University of Washington, in 1903, being the first local sorority to organize at the state university. The scholarship fund established by the sorority is one of the largest local undertakings of any Greek letter organization. The president of the Seattle alumnae chapter is Mrs. Sylvia Wold-Haach. The committee in charge of the bazaar includes Mrs. Anne Baker Williams, Mrs. Violet Dungan Keith, Mrs. Emmy Schmitz-Hartman, Mrs. Marion Alexander-Walter, Mrs. Anna Young-Rabel, Mrs. Clara Taney-Will, Mrs. Myrtle Rude-Anderson, Mrs. William Laube, Mrs. William Dehn, Mrs. Jack Darnell, and Mrs. Leah Miller-McKay, chairman.

After the bazaar in the afternoon, an informal dance will be held in the tea room of the Washington at 9 o'clock. The tickets for this affair will be limited. The committee for this consists of, Miss Katherine Jerome, Miss Alice Ives, Miss Charlotte Mann, Miss Vernita Swezea and Mrs. R. D. McAusland, chairman.—From the Seattle paper.

PORTLAND

Gamma Phis in Portland had been gathering together informally as an association for some years when they decided to become more firmly affiliated with National in 1915. So, in that year, they became a full fledged alumnae chapter, with all the attendant duties and privileges. Our officers are the president, vice-president, secretary, corresponding secretary, treasurer, and CRESCENT correspondent. Committee heads are appointed as required to meet current needs, and both chairmen and members of the committees are appointed by the president. Our method of gaining members is to invite every Gamma Phi of whom we hear who resides near enough to attend, to participate in our meetings, and she is asked regularly and frequently so that she knows we really want her to become one of us.

Our special work runs mostly along social service lines. At present we are assisting in raising funds toward the erection of the \$100,000 Womans Building at the University of Oregon. Recently, through participating in a rummage sale we were able to add \$100



Marcelle Maltier, ten years old, who is cared for by Portland
Alumnæ Chapter, through the committee of Fatherless
Children of France

to our contribution. This building is to be a combined gymnasium and recreational center for the U. of O. campus. The majority of our members are Mu Alumnæ, but we also have members from Eta, Mu, Chi, Kappa, Zeta, and Lambda chapters. There are many Gamma Phis' who live in Oregon, and in all parts of the state. We hope to have more of them join as inactive members, if they live at too great a distance to attend meetings. These inactive members are sent a letter each January, telling them of the achievements of the past year and our plans for the future. One of our most enthusiastic inactive members is Pearl McKenna Johns, who lives in Pendleton, but who takes an active interest in the work of the Portland chapter, though she lives a full day's journey away.

This year we adopted French Orphan, Marcelle Maltier. Practically every girl in the active chapter made a contribution to the fund for her support.

As to the achievements of local alumnæ Gamma Phis, Alice Benson Beach, has received national recognition as head in the state of Oregon for the National League for Woman's Service. She perfected a state organization of very marked efficiency and her work has been the subject of favorable and enthusiastic comment. Among those who assisted her as a member of the motor squad was Florence Kendall, Nu, 1915. Mrs. Beach selected Miss Ruth Guppy to have charge of the Canning Kitchen to preserve fruit for invalid soldiers. During the summer of 1918, many of the Oregon girls already knew her as she had been dean of women at the state University. To us at Stanford, in my college days, she had been only a name on the fraternity examination paper. It was a pleasure to know her as a real personality and such a charming one too, not only an imagined walking encyclopedia of "What Every Gamma Phi Should Know." Her tireless effort as director of the Canning during the long hot summer, her unstinted donation of her services, resulted in many thousands of jars being filled to provide delicacies for the sick and injured soldiers. It was truly an effort worthy of the one who made it possible. Many Gamma Phis assisted in this work and one was the secretary every Friday.

One never knows just when genius is going to develop. Buena Margason, who spent one or two terms at Mu chapter, became interested in dramatic work, and instead of returning to college, became a pupil of Nina Greathouse. Last Spring she was presented in recital and since early summer has been meeting with marked success as an elocutionist on the Chautauqua Circuit, both in the United States and in Canada.

THE ALUMNÆ CORNER

ALUMNÆ LOYALTY

Knowing absolutely nothing about my subject, I am apparently the best one to most effectively deal with it. It always takes an old maid to offer free instruction as to the rearing of children; a minister can tell you how to escape the Devil and all his works; a humble citizen knows exactly how Father Woodrow and his Congressional brethern should manage the administration; a mere man can always tell a woman how best to do her hair. And so it is that I, who, because of a sort of roving existence here, there, and everywhere, have not until now been privileged to even belong to a Gamma Phi alumnae organization, am about to tell the world what is really meant by Alumnae Loyalty.

Away down deep in this heart of mine I'm glad that this delightful duty has been thrust upon me, for although my loyalty has not been put to a public test, and not even my best friends know I possess any, yet I am confident that it's there in sugar-hoarded quantity and all the keener for action due to its long confinement.

Observation has taught me that sorority loyalty in general has a sound like the proverbial Heintz with his 57 varieties. I shall not attempt to enumerate the entire 57, however, nor suggest possible representatives, for there might be some one foolish enough to read this and the result might prove fatal to me. At any rate they say that gossip is a far more deadly epidemic than the "flu."

In this connection a great deal might be said of the alumnae organization as a unit by itself, but I am particularly interested in the relation of that body to its nearest active chapter. We think we are going to have a real live organization here in Evanston and Chicago this winter and our chief concern and center of interest is Epsilon Chapter. We don't want to grandmother the girls, we don't even want to mother them, but "big sister" them we do want to do most thoroughly. As I see it, our value increases only as we strengthen this link. Through them we rekindle our fires of allegiance to Gamma Phi, through them we catch and perpetuate the real spirit of achievement.

No active chapter interest should be too small to warrant our interest. This doesn't mean that we intrude goat-fashion and dictate the workings of that intimate chapter life so sacred to every active girl, but it does mean placing ourselves at their disposal for the strongest kind of backing in all their undertakings, making them feel that we justify our existence only as we work with and for them.

Loyalty means also the giving of advice when it is needed, understandingly and sympathetically. Having ourselves been "through

the mill" we have the proper perspective to view their shortcomings and to render them a real service. When we remember that loyalty is preëminently adherence to right or duty, we are failing in that quality if we allow a known mistake to drift uncorrected. And right here I am reminded of the creed of Theodore Roosevelt when he said,

"I believe in honesty, sincerity and the square deal; in making up one's mind what to do—and doing it.

"I believe in hitting the line hard when you are right."

We alumnæ don't have to be told what loyalty is. It is merely a matter of knowing that we know what it is. We are then on the right road, and we can release our clutch, shift the gear into high, and give it all the gas it will take.

JESSIE M. VAWTOR (*Chicago*)

THE FIRST YEAR OUT OF COLLEGE

The battle scarred soldier returning from the thrill of combat to the business world has no greater period of readjustment to go through than the college graduate. To drop from being a Frat House Dweller into a mere non-college existence can easily be compared to the transition of life in the trenches to life in the quiet back water existence of peace. The war of college life is very real with its deadly gas attack of cinch notices and the repeating gun of the enemy. In the new world into which the capped and gowned figure is thrust, diploma in hand, one must respond to a different stimulus. To some, fixed with the high and definite purpose, graduation is but the doorway into a larger life and to these the readjustment is not so marked.

But to the average girl the whole college life is a concentrated one and when the pressure of graduating is over we look wonderingly about for the old stimulus and old routine. We miss the close comradeship of the campus and receive anew a warning of the heart when we go back to the Frat House. We say, "OH! how good it feels to be back to The House! I shall never miss an initiation; I shall never lose touch with the younger girls, but will stand every ready to be called on for anything they ask." This is the graduate's pledge. I think there is no one who returning has not felt this, unconsciously at least, but soon the housekeepers are drawn more closely to their housekeeping, added responsibilities come often in the form of future Gamma Phi Betas or their comrades to be. Those, not housekeepers, are drawn into the wider sphere of a civic or business life and the college world gradually envelopes itself in a mist of the past. The glow of good times still lights it but the call is not so insistent.

First one initiation is missed and then we forget the names of the incoming freshman and we are reluctant to admit that perhaps we are not so much of a force in the Frat as when we were seniors. The same things go on happening without us, strange to say. At first the alumna is a trifle saddened to think the gap is so easily filled, and yet when she really ponders a moment is it not a thing to be grateful for that the organization does not depend upon personality but is endowed with a vital force much greater than mere personality, and goes on expanding, growing in charm and experience? We know the blighting effect of ancestor worship and we don't crave to be missed but we do want to be remembered. And by what is an alumna remembered? Not only by what she achieves when she is an alumna but infinitely more by the imprint she leaves on the chapter and chapter house while she is still an active member. What power, what dominate good has she developed in the house? The one who holds high the torch of Gamma Phi Beta, who cherishes the idea of service will not only make the sorority a more noble altar for our gifts, but on going out into the larger sphere will dignify everything she touches, whether it be the home or some other endeavor. This is the true type of American College Womanhood.

You, the active girl, stop for a moment in your intense college life! Look forward to see our viewpoints and our problems which await you. Realize that we are ever striving to keep in closer touch with you. Thus with hearts beating nearer let us both work on for Gamma Phi.

WINIFRED BRIDGE ALLEN
(*San Francisco*)

HOW CAN AN ALUMNÆ CHAPTER BEST HELP A COLLEGE CHAPTER?

An alumnae chapter can best help a college chapter by holding up as a torch before its members this great flaming truth that education and all that goes with it are just an equipment to fit them for life's work.

All over this broad land from coast to coast the chapters of this sorority are scattered and it is high time to ask ourselves the solemn question, is our existence justified? Our organization, our publications, maintained only by an expenditure of thousands of dollars, our costly conventions, our beautiful chapter houses, are all these, at a great expense not only of money but of energy and time, built up only for the shallow and empty purpose of a bitter social life? God forbid! Let us take our great organization, let us take our social life and call these things a part of a great equipment to be used toward larger work.

The literary programmes of the active banquets should be entirely in the hands of the alumnae and the alumnae should use these occa-

sions to give the active members the highest ideals of scholarship and womanhood and the infinite possibilities now possessed by young women for service in the world. The members should be constantly reminded that youth, beauty, and talent are intrusted to their keeping as stewards, that God will as surely demand of a talented and beautiful girl a strict accounting of these blessings as he will of a selfish millionaire the use of his money. Education is not to be taken as a matter of course, it is a privilege, an honor, a gift, it is something to be used not allowed to rust and waste.

As a practical means of getting the real meaning of life into the hearts of our girls every college chapter, however busy, should regularly undertake a bit of philanthropic work, for example once a week five or ten of the most lonesome needy *neutral* girls could be invited to supper and given a pleasant evening.

The time has come when our exclusiveness is not justified if the opportunity is not used to its very fullest, to grow bigger women, to fill on all possible occasions, the minds of the younger girls (generally so susceptible to all that is fine) with ideas of service. God needs, as never before since the world was made the help of his daughters and one is thrilled by the thought of what this great, great group of young women in America could do and could be if each one could be made to realize her own power, and that knowledge is power!

GRACE WEBB EDGCOMB, (*Syracuse*)

ALUMNÆ FRIENDSHIPS WITH COLLEGE GIRLS

Alumnæ friendships with college girls are so much the usual order of things in Oregon, that we take them quite for granted. Especially has the spirit of helpfulness been fostered in the past by the presence of a younger sister of a former graduate, who becoming a Gamma Phi in her turn, naturally sends home many letters, full of news of current college events, happenings at the "House," rushing news and all the multitudinous events that fill college days to overflowing, with such an impetus, it is hardly necessary to stimulate interest, which just naturally exists, in regard to the welfare and advancement of the present college generation. At present both Nu and Chi have sisters of Portland Alumnæ among their members, and several former Nu girls are attending the University of Washington this year, so that brings an added interest in Gamma Phi matters in our neighboring state.

The recent "home coming week" at the University of Oregon was a splendid and specific instance of the interest Gamma Phi Alumnæ retain in their chapters. Of course they are interested in Gamma Phi Beta nationally, and through the local chapters this interest is stimulated and made stronger. The girls who returned to Eugene

represented many college classes, from recent graduates to one of the charter members, those married and those still "fancy free," but all one in their loyalty to the same ideals of their college days, and loyal to their Alma Mater and their sorority. Not attempting to separate by classes, twenty or more alumnae were there to renew actively their connection and to quicken their interest:

Katherine Bridges, Beatrice Lilly Gout, Grace Lilly, Clara Canfield Wood, Helen Guttery McNary, Ann Taylor Rankin, Helen Currey, Dorothy Dunbar, Kate Stanfield, Grace McKenzie, Peggie Gross, Joy Gross, Helen McCornack Colton, Mary Johns, Helen Johns, Beth Smith, Betsey Wooten, Beatrice Locke, Helen McDonald, Vernice Robbins. Chi being a younger chapter, has fewer alumnae, but the same loyal spirit characterizes them and with such a spirit of interest and helpfulness a live, vital force the friendships between alumnae and college girls do not need to be fostered—they just naturally spring into existence from a community of interest and aspirations.

RUTH S. LORRAINE CLOSE

HOW TO INCREASE THE ALUMNÆ MEMBERSHIP LIST

Under the present system a Gamma Phi on leaving college automatically becomes a member of the nearest alumnae chapter, so it would seem rather superfluous to write an article on how to increase the alumnae membership list. However, there are members whose sole duty is ostensibly to wear a pin, and there are members who are vitally interested in Gamma Phi Beta as a local group as well as in the national organization. The title may be then interpreted to mean, how to convert a long membership list into a body of loyal, interested and paid-up members.

The problem is more or less difficult according to whether there is an active chapter near by and whether the active chapter has a chapter house. The chapter house is plainly a pertinent factor in keeping the alumnae and actives in close contact. The alumnae feel free to come to a chapter house at any and all times, where they can always find someone who will volunteer all the choicest bits of news and gossip. Where there is no chapter house it seems rather a wise plan to have the alumnae delegated in rotation to attend the meetings of the active chapter, which kindles a mutual interest, possibly some common activities and a general spirit of "togetherness."

The situation is much more difficult where the alumnae chapter is dependent on its own activities; however suggestions that apply here would also apply to all alumnae chapters. The members of an alumnae chapter are necessarily of all ages, with all sorts of occupations, some married, some unmarried, some more socially inclined

and some interested in other aspects of the sorority; having more or less time at their disposal and, of course, all having different leisure hours. Everybody knows that the Church Council are more regular in church attendance than the rest of the congregation, and why? Because of the importance of their position and the feeling of responsibility which they justly assume. Every member of an alumnae chapter, as far as possible, should have some bit of responsibility no matter how insignificant. If the meetings combine the social and business activities everybody's taste will have been catered to. Luncheons or teas with a meeting afterwards or before prove successful. To decide at the beginning of the year how many regular meetings there are to be, say once a month or less, divided into night and afternoon meetings on different days of the week in order to give everyone an opportunity to come conveniently, is a good plan. Moreover, a uniform place for meeting is obviously not advisable. It is not human nature to be interested in anything when its activities always come at a most inconvenient time and place.

The suggestions in the preceding paragraph seem rather trivial things yet they constitute the general attitude towards the alumnae chapter. If, when Gamma Phi Beta alumnae meeting is mentioned, your mouth involuntarily drops because it is going to mean an effort to go and you are not sure whether it will be worth the effort and you feel you probably will not be missed anyway, it is not the kind of attitude that will make for a 100% interested body of alumnae especially if you happen to communicate your attitude to some of your Gamma Phi sisters.

Nevertheless, there is one big thing which for emphasis I have left till last, and that is the absolute necessity of some uniform Gamma Phi Beta work. Our Milk Bottle Campaign would have been just such a thing, and all of us I am sure hope that the sorority will soon again be launched forth on some such worthy work. With this combination of a big coöperative interest and a careful consideration for the many little things that assist in creating the proper attitude toward Gamma Phi activities, many names of interested, active and loyal alumnae should be added to the membership list.

AGNES L. WILBON (*Baltimore*)

FOURTEEN POINTS FOR THE ALUMNA

1. After your graduation, join an alumnae chapter or association; if this is not possible, keep in touch with the sorority through the magazine. There should be no break between the college Gamma Phi and the alumna Gamma Phi.

2. Realize that your true worth to the sorority comes when you leave the ranks of the college chapter. Your life in the chapter house had been but a preparation for your usefulness as an alumna.

3. Be imbued with the national spirit. Be enthusiastic, not only about your own chapter but about every other.

4. Read your magazine thoroughly. If you are not interested in it, you are not interested in your sorority.

5. Keep informed not only of Gamma Phi events but of Panhellenic events. The efficient alumna is the *one who knows*.

6. If you wish a strong national sorority, do your part to make it strong, by effort and by financial support.

7. Remember that you get from Gamma Phi Beta, just what you put into it!

8. Instead of saying "I haven't time" to Gamma Phi requests, suppose you answer "I'll try."

9. Keep in touch with the nearest college chapter by showing your interest in its plans and activities. Make real friendships with the girls; and learn when to be silent.

10. Help in rushing, an alumna should have at her tongue's end what a frenzied undergraduate might forget. Practice should have made perfect.

11. Be a loyal alumna of your college. Just as the college Gamma Phi is measured by her campus activity, so the alumna Gamma Phi is judged by her interest and help in all enterprises of her Alma Mater.

12. Don't stay away from alumnae meetings. After the first absence, it is very easy to do it again.

13. Never lose the enthusiasm of your college days. As long as you keep it, you are destined to be worth while.

14. And so round out your alumna existence that the college girls will smile when they see you coming and be glad to claim you

DENVER.

GAMMA PHI BETA IN THE LITERARY WORLD

MINNEAPOLIS

Now is the time when every Gamma Phi alumna who has achieved something special will have her name written in the permanent annals of Gamma Phi. Kappa is anxious to know what all the other "Alums" are doing and also anxious to have you read the names of her famous members.

All of you have used the textbook "Twelve Centuries of English Literature" for which Alice Andrews is a co-writer. We all expect to see Sara Marshall's name flashed on the screen for she is living in Greenwich village and writing movies as a profession. Ella

Morse has compiled an "Anthology of Children's Poetry" which is not yet placed but will soon be in the hands of the publisher. Mary Jones, who was in the Canteen Service in France, has written up her experiences, which are to be incorporated in the "World War Records," in the state capitol. Mary Ray Burus had an article published in the *Survey* called "Come out of the Kitchen." Maud Hart Lovelace has had many stories published in magazines and she is still writing. During the time of the Fourth Liberty Loan Campaign everyone in Minneapolis was familiar with the story in one of the pamphlets written by Rewey Belle Inglis. Adah Georgina Grandy has contributed a great deal on the subject of English, a bulletin on the "Handling of Oral Composition in the High School," Teacher's Manual for "American Speech" which she did jointly with the author, Calvin L. Lewis, and different articles which have appeared at various times in the *English Journal*.

And I suppose there are countless others who are developing along literary lines whose names I do not recall at present.

SAN FRANCISCO

ALLEN, MAUDE REX

Japanese Symbols in Art, McClurg & Co., Chicago, Ill.

KELLOGG, CHARLOTTE HOFFMAN

Women of Belgium, Funk, Wagnalls & Co.

Bobbins of Belgium, Funk, Wagnalls & Co.

Cardinal Mercier, (not yet out), Appleton.

COCKROFT, THODA

Short stories

Old Timers and New, Serial based on facts, now running in *Humaine Review*.

Southern and Western Belles, *Boston Transcript*.

In the Language of the Desert, *Smart Stories*.

The Reclamation of the Desert, *All Story Magazine*.

KELLOGG, LOUISE

Fossil Bearer from the Kettleman Hills, California.

Pleistocene Rodents of California.

Rodent Fauna of the Late Tertiary Beds at Virgin Valley and Thousand Creek, Nevada.

Report upon the Mammals and Birds Found in Portions of Trinity, Siskiyou and Shasta Counties, California.

(All published by University of California Press.)

Denver

(Late publications)

MURIEL STEELE

Mr. Blue, Kidnapper, July, 1919, *Harpers*.

and so on. Then came the armistice and two weeks later the break up of First Army headquarters. Our days of hardship were over, but I really think they were about the happiest of our Army life. It had all been so worth while!

To be sure, in Paris, to which we were assigned we could keep as clean as we liked in the Hotels and we could have fruit etc., again. I say *could* but I mean *could* when we had the price of the Parisians!

Five months in and about Paris, and then another assignment to Coblenz, Germany and the Army of Occupation. "To the Victors belong the Spoils," was well said, for here we occupied the marvelous old house of Frau Später with its hot houses and rose gardens! How different from the first army days, but how fitting a climax to our life "overseas." For this was my last assignment. The Rhine was beautiful but I kept thinking of the Hudson, and when September brought me back to its waters, I realized again that home is after all the most marvellous place of all. "The Wander lust will get you again if you don't watch out!" Well maybe it will and maybe it won't but at least I shan't go home or house hunting again on foreign shores for a long, long while.

With best wishes to all I am,

Sincerely,
GRACE D. BANKER.

GAMMA PHI BETA IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE FOR WOMAN'S SERVICE

BY M. RUTH GUPPY (*Beta*)

[This article, dealing with activities of two summers ago, is printed to show alumnæ work in 1918.]

Anyone who doubts the patriotism, enthusiasm, and the deep interest of the Pacific Coast in the war should visit Portland, Oregon, and become enlightened. Especially were the Red Cross and Shipyard organizations, the Council of Defense, the Belgian and French Relief societies, and last but by no means least, the National League for Woman's Service busy with different war activities.

The last mentioned was started in Portland some time ago, and is noticeable in the number of Gamma Phis interested. Alice Benson Beach (Eta) is city chairman of the League, and state commandant of the Motor Squad. Bertha Masters (Mu) and Florence Kendall (Nu) are captains in the Motor Squad. Lenora Hansen Lynch (Nu) and Mrs. Carl Close (Mu) are secretaries in Uncle Sam's Kanning Kitchen, and M. Ruth Guppy (Beta) manager of the Kanning Kitchen. There are also other sisters who have worked faithfully all summer, either in the canning, preparation of fruit, or labelling.

One of the activities of the League is the making of aviation jackets from cast-off kid gloves. These are collected from stationary barrels placed throughout the city, cleaned and made into jackets, said to be warmer than those of wool. Another part of the League's work is the Canteen, or exchange, at the Benson Polytechnic School, where drafted engineers receive further training in their different lines before going to camps or overseas.

The League also provides dinners or entertainments for soldiers and sailors stopping in or passing through the city. In this, the Motor Squad gives invaluable aid in providing autos to take the men over the now famous Columbia Highway.

Uncle Sam's Kanning Kitchen is, perhaps, the most absorbing of all the League's activities, and shows prominently the patriotism, sacrifice, and generosity of the Portland women. The systematic arrangement of the corps of advisers and workers undoubtedly paved the way for much of its success. First, certain of the domestic science teachers of the city were appointed captains (advisers). Second, women experienced in canning were made lieutenants. An officer was appointed to secure voluntary pickers and to locate fruit. Each day (Sunday excepted) was assigned to one woman's club and one college sorority, whose members prepared the fruit and vegetables. Too much praise cannot be given to those who did the work so well day after day—the inglorious, prosaic work of pitting, peeling, and paring. Surely it is a case of the "woman" behind the guns. One day when a very conscientious worker was thanked, perhaps too profusely, she replied with spirit, "Why, I need no thanks; this is for Uncle Sam, and for the boys going over there." And such was the spirit of the kitchen.

There was a wholesome emulation, too, between the different organizations. The Daughters of the American Revolution and the United Daughters of the Confederacy, the Collegiate Alumnae and the Portland Woman's Club and the different sororities vied with each other in the number of quarts canned in a day.

The room which serves as the kitchen we have rent free. It is in a large hotel conveniently reached by car lines. The equipment—that is, the stoves (gas), electric light, tables, jars, cooking utensils, were mainly donated. All the fruit and vegetables are donated—those which otherwise would have gone to waste. They come to the Kitchen from farms, gardens, commission houses, or as condemned fruit—which has to be very carefully gone over. And here again the Motor Squad does excellent work in taking the pickers to and fro, and in bringing in the fruit. When tons are to be brought, soldiers and sailors come to the rescue with army motor trucks from the Vancouver Barracks. The largest amount canned in one day and evening was 816 quarts of cherries, under the direc-

tion of four lieutenants and over eighty helpers. The Kitchen opened June 17 and on July 24 showed the following record: Cherries, 5239 quarts strawberries, 12 quarts; loganberries, 6 quarts; rhubarb, 74 quarts; gooseberries, 12 quarts; raspberries, 241½ quarts; total, 5574½ quarts.

The sugar problem is ever before us. Several sacks were donated, and care is constantly exercised to use as little as possible, with very sweet or over ripe fruit especially. The English sugarless method was used at different times and with good results. It is really surprising, with the thousands of quarts canned and with the different lieutenants in charge, that so little fruit is lost. We found losses mainly due to the tops of the jars not being tightly screwed.

The autumn days crept on, the schools and colleges opened and the number of helpers dwindled. But not so the zest and earnestness of those who could come; and in the middle of September the number of quarts was 10,700. It is, I understand, the purpose of the workers to bring the number up to 20,000 quarts before the Kitchen closes October 15.

The fruit and vegetables are to be sent to the cantonments and base hospitals of the Pacific Coast, particularly those of Oregon. Some of the canned fruit has already been sent to the Vancouver Base Hospital (Oregon.) This is in addition to several hundred boxes of fresh fruit shipped to the barracks and Benson Polytechnic School.

There is yet one phase of the very comprehensive work of the League, namely, planning, under official orders, auto rides for the convalescents of the Vancouver Hospital, and furnishing flowers, music, and entertainment for those who are ill, and for those who are convalescent. Most important is the effort to bring cheer to the boys far from home, who are courageously fighting the depression of homesickness.

Much of the League's success is due to the untiring energy, enthusiasm, and personality of the chairman, Alice Benson Beach. Through her efforts, many women have been brought into war work—those who longed to be active, but did not know how to begin.

Gamma Phi Beta is doing her bit nobly, and in many ways unheralded is giving proof of the strength of her loyalty and of her ideals.

THE SIXTEENTH NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS

BY MADELYN M. KEEZER (*Denver*)

On the morning of October 16, 1919, the Sixteenth National Panhellenic Congress convened in The New Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C. The surroundings were ideal. Not only is The Willard a beautiful hotel, but also it is certain that no more beautiful city, than the national capital, could have been chosen for the Congress.

The president, Mrs. Collins of Chi Omega, was in the chair as the delegates assembled; and a remarkable group of women they were. Each national sorority was represented; consequently many types were noticeable. However, common to all the group was a certain seriousness and earnestness, which made the gathering unique. Capable women from all parts of the country had come to the Congress, and their desire to advance the interests of the larger organization, as well as of their own groups, in the way, which would mean the greatest good to the greatest number, was most sincere.

In addition to the accredited delegates, Gamma Phi Beta being the only sorority to have two, a number of editors attended the meetings, as well as other members of the various sororities, who either happened to be in Washington or had made special trips in order to be present. The editors had come especially for their own conferences, as well as for the N. P. C. meetings, and proved themselves a most capable and progressive group.

The plan for meetings provided for morning and afternoon sessions until Saturday noon, when the Congress was to end with the customary luncheon for all sorority women.

The first session was given over to reports, which were not only interesting, but also inspiring. In fact so excellent were they, that a Findings Committee was decided upon, early in the session, which was later instructed to have a resumé of all actions and reports printed for circulation among the sororities, as well as to report to the Congress on the most important points brought out during the sessions. In the reports of the different sororities, an amazing amount of war work was alluded to. Another interesting point was the establishment of paid offices in a number of sororities, secretaryships and editorships being successfully combined in some instances. In the chairman's report, the fact that there had been very few disputes in the sorority world during her two year régime was emphasized. The high school situation was mentioned as presenting difficulties. A growing opposition to fraternities was pointed out, it being Mrs. Collins' idea that the value of such small groups should be made clear, and that the college women in such

groups must be made to feel their responsibility in order to save these valuable organizations.

In order to get these matters before the public in an adequate manner, a publicity committee was decided upon, not only for the Congress meetings then being held, but also for Congress and fraternity affairs in general. It was the consensus of opinion that the very worth while achievements of the sororities, as shown in their reports, should be placed before the public in an efficient way, as has never been done in the past.

The second session was concerned with the report of the Committee on Extension, and the adoption or rejection of Recommendations, which had been made to the Congress. Two petitions, those of Alpha Epsilon Phi and Acoth were refused on very good grounds, not without a complete discussion of the matter however. The recommendations voted on were sixteen in number, mostly technical in subject matter.

The first part of the third session was given up to a consideration of the high school sorority question from all angles. A Round Table on Vocation, led by Dr. Hopkins of Zeta Tau Alpha, completed the session. Dr. Hopkins' talk was most enlightening. She emphasized the fact that fraternities should be aroused to realize the need of successful work along the line of vocational guidance.

Proposed changes in the National Panhellenic Congress Constitution formed the main topic of business for the fourth session. It was voted to submit the proposed changes, which are rather minor in nature, to the grand presidents for approval. After the other necessary routine business of the meeting was disposed of, Mrs. Henry of Alpha Phi conducted a most instructive Round Table on organized Social Groups. The point was made that everything of value to civilization has come through the organized social group, and the question naturally followed. "What can we do to impress the community with the value of our group?" Each sorority was called upon, and once more one could not but be impressed with the extremely good work done along quite varying lines by the national sororities. Some of the ideas emphasized in the discussion may be in order at this point.

Mrs. Rugg of Pi Beta Phi suggested that we get to know each other better. Mrs. Carleton said we must *do* more things. Dr. Hopkins, recently returned from war work, and having the larger vision for sororities, said that when we are willing to put aside selfishness we will succeed. Mrs. Blue's thought was that we should have local Panhellenics meet more often and know that there is something further than rushing. Mrs. Wilbar, in speaking of Delta Gamma's war work, showed that they had learned that we must live for something beside ourselves, and suggested that we use

the perfected war work organization for other lines of work. The different kinds of Social Service Work and Child Welfare Work done by the Nationals was touched upon, the Summer Camp of Alpha Gamma Delta and the Education of the Sea Coast Mission of Sigma Kappa being perhaps the most unusual. The discussion closed with points by Mrs. Collins and Dr. Hopkins. The former's point was that Elementary Social Work should be done by active girls and Constructive Social Work by alumnae; the latter's, that we should be careful about the work we try to do and investigate first, as the emergency War Work was far different from Constructive Social Work.

That afternoon there was a second Round Table conducted by Miss Keller of Pi Beta Phi. Her subject was "The College and the Fraternity." She had invited two speakers to present the different sides of the question, the Dean of Goucher College and the Dean of George Washington University. Only the latter came, and he presented many points to justify his approval of the American College Fraternity. This talk led to a discussion of the matter with the result that it was voted that Mrs. Collins prepare a statement for the Y. W. C. A. bringing out the many facts that they seemed to have overlooked in their investigation of the organizations in American Colleges, which they stated had challenged the democracy of such colleges.

Saturday morning was used mostly for routine business, incident to the closing of the Congress. The report of the Findings Committee was given, there being four main recommendations; namely,

1. A bulletin next year to deal with a résumé of the reports of the Sixteenth N. P. C.
2. A definite program for the next N. P. C.
3. The fostering of a new national.
4. The fostering of fraternity spirit by a woman placed in the field for that purpose.

New York University was reported as being N. P. C. ground. It was voted to have the minutes of the Editor's Conference incorporated in the minutes of the National Panhellenic Congress. It was also voted to hold the next N. P. C. meetings for four days to get full advantage of the expenditure of time and money necessary for most delegates to make the trip. A vote of thanks was extended the entertaining sorority, it being the sense of the meeting that the Conference had been very helpful in all ways. The meeting then adjourned, all sorority women coming together again at one o'clock for the Panhellenic Luncheon at Wardman Park Inn, one of the newest hotel and apartment houses in Washington. Mrs. Raymond Robins was the speaker, her subject being "Women and Politics."

In an article for THE CRESCENT, it seems only fitting to mention the excellent work of Gamma Phi Beta's National Panhellenic Delegate. Not only is Miss Thompson exceedingly efficient, as was shown, for example, by the fact that she never failed to have a report at hand when called upon, but she is also broad-minded and liberal in her attitude toward national sorority affairs. She has a vision for the sorority world not possessed by all, and Gamma Phi may well be proud of her delegate. As a companion for her "understudy," Miss Thompson was delightful in every way, and it was indeed a privilege to be ushered into National Panhellenic affairs under her guidance and care.

Were a delegate asked to give the outstanding feature of the National Panhellenic meetings, she would no doubt speak of their spirit. If, at any time during the Congress, it appeared that some chapter had been amiss in its actions, its national delegate speedily assumed the responsibility of straightening the matter out without further discussion, no anti-panhellenic spirit among chapters being sanctioned for a moment. Would that every sorority member could have felt the true panhellenic spirit which prevailed in those meetings at all times; but not having been able to have that experience the object should be to attempt to secure in all sorority affairs such coöperation as was exhibited in such a refreshing manner among the delegates to the sixteenth National Panhellenic Congress.

GAMMA PHI BETA CALENDAR

May our Gamma Phi Beta calendar be a record of happy yesterdays, confident todays and glorious tomorrows.

JANUARY

*May New Year blessings from above
Include the greatest—Work and Love.*

January 1—Among your New Year resolutions place the following one: "I shall be all that Gamma Phi Beta expects of me; I shall do my part in making my chapter strong and efficient; I shall loyally uphold the national policy of my sorority."

January 2—Be sure that your chapter has already sent all national taxes to the treasurer.

January 5—Have a thorough investigation of chapter memoranda. See that your CRESCENT addresses are correct; examine your letter file; audit your treasurer's book; carefully attend to national communications.

January 7—Use some of your Christmas money for a life subscription to the CRESCENT.

January 9—Mu's birthday.

January 12—Start the New Year by a thorough study of the outline sent by the national examiner. Report promptly to her at the end of each month.

January 15—If, by this time, a comprehensive and detailed letter of chapter affairs has not been sent to all alumnae of your chapter, see that such a letter is planned and executed.

If no special social service work has been undertaken by your chapter, enter upon some philanthropy before the end of January.

January 25—Send your votes upon national matters, so that the Council may receive your letter by February first.

FEBRUARY

*Oh, Gamma Phi, our hearts are thine;
We claim thee as our Valentine.*

February 1—All votes upon national matters to be in hands of Council.

February 3—Xi's birthday.

February 9—Read your letter before the chapter, CRESCENT editor, so that you may hear criticism or approbation—or both.

February 12—Lincoln's birthday. See that the anniversary does not pass unnoticed in your chapter house.

February 14—Send each other Valentines—and a friendly note to the Council will be counted as such.

February 15—By this date, the chapter letter and personals should be in the possession of Mrs. Graham; while all other articles should have reached the editor. Be prompt.

February 22—Washington's birthday. Powder your hair, dance the minuet and bring back to modern days the old-fashioned grace, courtesy and gentleness.

By this time, your freshmen will have been initiated. See that they have a place in chapter affairs, that they are made familiar with chapter and national matters and, above all, retain some of the enthusiasm and personal devotion which you lavished upon them in rushee days.

February 23—Phi's birthday.

MARCH

*The rainstorm an' chill we'll be darin',
An' niver for March winds be carin',
The Gamma Phi smile
We'll be flashin' the while
An' green for St. Patrick be wearin'.*

March 1—If your semester examination grades are not so high as they should be, start in on an era of extra study; remember that to the Greeks of old knowledge was a very wonderful and beautiful thing.

March 15—If fate and the publisher are willing, the March CRESCENT may be in your hands. If you approve, why not tell the editor? It helps.

March 3—By the end of this month, reports for the various national committees should be in the hands of the chairmen.

APRIL

*Oh, Greek Exchange be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!*

April 1—Be ready for your sorority examination and pass with flying colors—double brown of course!

April 15—By this time, your CRESCENT articles should have reached the editor—and Mrs. Graham should have the chapter letter and personals.

April 22—Delta's birthday.

April 27—Chi's birthday.

April 29—Eta's birthday.

MAY

*Summer days stretch fair before us,
Duties cast their shadows o'er us!*

May 1—This is the last full month of your college year. Accordingly—

Have you elected your new officers?

Have you sent a list of the new officers to the president?

Have you left your files, your papers and your books in good order?

Have you the summer addresses of all the girls?

May 17—Lambda's birthday.

May 23—Kappa's birthday.

May 24—Omicron's birthday.

JUNE

*"Before we know it we'll be walking up one side of the platform for our diplomas
and coming down the other side blooming alumnae."*

June 1—Formal installation of new officers.

Names of graduates to be sent to nearest alumnae chapter.

June 4—Upsilon's birthday.

June 7—Beta's birthday.

June 15—Rho's birthday.

June 22—Pi's birthday.

JULY

*All thro' the lazy, hot July
I'll make my plans for Gamma Phi.*

Why not? Each girl, following such a program, would contribute something worth while to the first meeting of the college year.

AUGUST

*While through the golden August haze
There comes the call of rushing days.*

Then it is imperative that each Gamma Phi—college or alumna—do all she can to furnish the rushing chairman with a list of desirable freshmen.

SEPTEMBER

"A maid as sweet as you must surely be a Gamma Phi!"

September 15—On with the rushing! And play fairly.

Organize the freshmen.

Don't be so engrossed with the freshmen that you forget to send your CRESCENT material.

September 30—Do not allow the month to close without a full plan for your year's work; at the same time, listen to a budget prepared by the treasurer.

Begin your scrapbook for the year. Make one for the sorority giving several pages to each chapter.

September 28—Psi's birthday.

OCTOBER

*The team worked as one man and pushed the ball over.
(This is football season. Why not apply the foregoing
sentence to your own chapter?)*

October 1—Alumnae chapters elect your officers, welcome the graduates who enter your organizations and send complete lists of membership to the treasurer.

College chapters, see that your CRESCENT mailing list is correct, send names of freshmen to the central office for filing and begin the outline of study for your literary exercises.

Have the freshmen order their pins early, and see that the blanks for the secretary are correctly filled.

Devote one meeting to a thorough study of the constitution and by-laws.

Send an account of your Panhellenic season to your national delegate.

October 9—Sigma's birthday.

October 13—Epsilon's birthday.

October 16—Tau's birthday.

October 30—Alpha Alpha's birthday.

NOVEMBER

*"Crescent fair and figures four
Letters three and names a score,
Brown our sisters proudly bore
In seventy-four!"*

November 11—Founders' Day. Celebrate and don't forget to send telegrams to Helen M. Dodge, E. Adaline Curtis and Francis E. Haven.

November 13—Nu's birthday.

November 14—Gamma's birthday.

November 24—Zeta's birthday.

See that your directory is revised.

Be thankful in all things.

DECEMBER

*Let Christmas love and Christmas smiles and Christmas cheer
Be ours to carry through the coming year.*

December 1—Resolve, individually and collectively, to bring Christmas cheer to someone who needs it.

Why not give a subscription to the CRESCENT as a Christmas gift?

December 21—Omega's birthday.

December 25—Merry Christmas and a happy vacation.

December 28—Theta's birthday.



What did we *alumnæ* bring from convention? Inspiration—plenty of it—the inspiration which comes from a glimpse of national achievement and national policy; pride, of course, a pride which is justifiable when one beholds each shining link in the sorority chain; knowledge, of necessity, knowledge which comes from hearing definite facts and definite progress from officers and chapters. Inspiration, pride, and knowledge form a potent trio; when combined with resolution—resolution to make this the best year in Gamma Phi Beta's history, they can accomplish wonders. Why not make *resolution* the dominant characteristic of each alumna of Gamma Phi Beta—resolution to meet every obligation to the sorority, resolution to do her part in making her own chapter strong and efficient, resolution to unite with other *alumnæ* in determining and perfecting some particular philanthropy which shall be known as the *alumnæ* work of Gamma Phi Beta. Concerted action will bring wonderful results—we proved it in our war service; and now that the war is over, it is still our duty, our responsibility, to “carry on.” *Together* is a great word, and it will have a meaning of its own for us if, by planning, striving, and achieving, we learn its true significance; if, by our combined efforts, we work for some great end, and at the same time, strengthen the bond which stretches from east to west. Will you argue it out in your *alumnæ* meetings? Will you offer suggestions so that we may discuss the matter fully? Which chapter will be the one to inaugurate such a work?

Alumnæ constitutions are being diligently perused these days—and enthusiastically ratified, we hope; *alumnæ* associations are springing into being and, at the same time, are influencing neighboring groups of Gamma Phis to do likewise; the *alumnæ* secretary is fast weaving her spell and assigning her districts; and, ere long, the strong *alumnæ* organization so long hoped for will be an established fact. It is truly an *alumnæ era*; the question of the day seems to be the reviving of the *alumnæ interest*; and all this is to be brought about by *alumnæ effort*.

Have you ever sent a chain letter? We trust not, unless you felt the necessity of avenging some deadly insult; but even a chain letter may have its advantages and its excuse for being. Just suppose that some loyal alumna of Gamma Phi should send to five other alumnae (who, perhaps, have had too many home duties to keep in touch with sorority affairs) good rousing letters telling of our new policies, outlining our progress, and urging the alumnae cause; and if, in turn, each of these five, after duly enrolling in the nearest chapter or determining to start an association of her own, should send similar messages to five other alumnae; and, if they, forthwith should pass along the revived interest and the alumnae enthusiasm—well, like the Elsie books and Tennyson's brook, the good work would go on forever!

Active and alumnae chapters! Why give our younger sisters the monopoly of that interesting and invigorating adjective? Even if we have wandered far from the college campus and are years removed from the youthful atmosphere of the chapter-house, many of us are still active—and *all* of us ought to be! So without forcibly withdrawing the aforesaid adjective from those who have hitherto borne it, we suggest that Gamma Phi Beta be divided into *college* and *alumnae* chapters, and that each division come under the classification of *active*!

"What a splendid spirit there is in N. P. C.," said Madelyn Keezer on her return from Washington. "Everybody thinks of the national movement and each sorority endeavors to be a very necessary part of the greater whole. And if one sorority has in any way merited criticism, its representative forgets partisanship and judges the misdemeanor from the broader national standpoint. And members of different sororities are *real* friends."

What transpired in Washington is fully reported in another part of the magazine; and, along with the splendid *spirit*, so manifest in N. P. C. and so exceedingly pronounced in this last meeting, there was also the universal demand for sorority service—an insistent appeal, individually and collectively, that each Greek-letter organization in some particular field continue the energy, enthusiasm, and efficiency so conspicuous during war times.

"The first toast—the toast to 'His Majesty, the King, King George, God bless him'—was followed, as is customary, by the singing of the national anthem," we read in Alpha Alpha's first letter; and we are confident that every Gamma Phi wishes that she might have been one to toast His Majesty and to join in the subsequent anthem. For Toronto, with all its wealth of historic association

and tradition, has long been the goal of our desire, and it is with the greatest joy and pride that we welcome the fine chapter which promises so much in ability, loyalty, and achievement. Certainly, if we had been present on the auspicious occasion of the installation banquet, we should have proposed a second toast—"To our English sisters, our Alpha Alpha Chapter—may they all live long and prosper!"

Just a word in regard to the pictured countenances of the Grand Council which, in the last issue, were thrust upon a helpless Gamma Phi world. The secretary, treasurer, and visiting delegate are smugly and virtuously complacent over the fact that they have presented perfect likenesses of their efficient selves; but alas for the vice-president and the president! The former refused to go through the ordeal of a staring camera—so she is partly to blame for perpetrating a photograph which gives no idea to the stranger of her very charming and attractive self. And the latter, rejoicing that at last, she had succeeded in obtaining a presentable likeness quite free from the Christian martyr expression which has always been a photographic characteristic, was dismayed to discover that, through some unknown art of the printer, she was transformed from a mild and inoffensive blonde into a raven and raving brunette. For the sake of the justified inference which her sister members must necessarily form, she begs to state that she does not wear a wig—neither is her head painted in the fashion of the china dolls of her youth.

All of which explanation seems unworthy of mention and wholly frivolous for an editorial column, but is invoked by the howl of dismay arising from the president's *alumnae* chapter when, without a word in regard to the *contents* of THE CRESCENT, they universally condemned the publication on account of the few sad illustrations which did not meet their approval. (For, be it whispered, they feared that the Gamma Phis would judge their own pulchritude by the lack of it in their pictured representative and *that*, as Kipling says, is another story!)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next CRESCENT will be *Visiting Delegate Number* and contributions from the college chapters must be in the hands of the editor by FEBRUARY 15.

Mrs. Jackson emphasizes the request that, hereafter, pin certificates be sent to her instead of to Mrs. Ekblaw; and also asks that these pin certificate blanks be made out carefully and accurately, as any omission or mistakes will naturally cause delay.

Will chapter editors endeavor to straighten out the CRESCENT staff? Miss Barbee is not the business manager, nor does she receive chapter letters and personals. Miss Van Patten will listen to complaints in regard to the mailing list, will correct addresses and will receive subscriptions. Mrs. Graham is sole arbiter of chapter letters.

Will care be taken in regard to correct addresses upon important letters? Merely "Denver, Colorado" *may* reach its destination but the official directory in the front of the magazine will prove a better guide.

If there is any omission or any correction to be made in the chapter directory, may the editor be informed *at once*?

Miss Herbert asks that the reports from chapters reach her promptly; as any delay, necessarily, interferes with her schedule.

A notice that De Moines had become an alumnae chapter was evidently premature. The Council waits definite information before further announcement.

All complaints in regard to the workmanship of pins must be addressed to Miss Ruth Bartels, 4120 North Crawford Ave., Chicago.

Please read the revised Directory of chapter meetings which we trust will prove a sufficient guide for any Gamma Phi Beta who happens to be in a city or community where there is an organized group of the sorority. Report any error.

The calendar which appears in this issue of the magazine, is necessarily incomplete and perhaps incorrect; and the editor depends upon officers and chairmen of committees for definite dates in regard to the sorority reports.

Should any chapter desire to order stationery from the Denver firm which supplies the Council, the following price list is given:

Mail order Bond No. 20	250	500	1000
8½ x 11 Sheets Printed	\$4.75	\$6.60	\$10.00
No. 10 Envelopes Printed	4.20	6.90	12.00
No. 6¾ Envelopes Printed	3.25	5.10	7.40

The firm is The Kendrick Bellamy Co., Sixteenth and Stout Streets, Denver, Colorado.

DEPARTMENT OF THE GRAND COUNCIL

Dear Sisters of Gamma Phi Beta:

By a whimsical turn of the wheel of chance, the same voice which has for some years spoken to a long-suffering Gamma Phi Beta world through the editorial column, now dominates the Council letter. In due consideration of the inevitable weariness which the sorority would experience should the aforesaid voice be heard for a third time in dissertation, the formal and conventional message which a new President is supposed to send is omitted. In its place, the members of the Council join in expressing their deep appreciation of the help and coöperation accorded them by the sorority and in desiring sincerely for each member of Gamma Phi Beta all possible happiness and prosperity in 1920.

This New Year should hold great things for the sorority; it should mean a broader outlook, an enlarged sphere of usefulness, a clearer understanding and upholding of national policy, a keener endeavor on the part of college chapters, an increase in alumnæ spirit and efficiency. If each Gamma Phi Beta does her share in strengthening her own chapter; if, in turn, the chapters work for greater national union; if the national organization has the vision, the far-sightedness, and the understanding which insure progress, 1920 will mean much to our order.

The Council letter has so recently reached the chapters that a repetition of any change in the list of officers and chairmen, or of any decision which the Council has seen fit to lay before the sorority would be useless. With the exception of the chairman of the Committee upon Social Service who has not yet been appointed, the list in THE CRESCENT is correct; and the vote upon business submitted should be sent by February 1.

The Council holds its regular meeting upon the first Thursday of each month, and any communication for the officers or any matter which necessitates discussion should be sent with this date in view. Special meetings are easily called and two will be held during December when Miss Raymond and Miss Bridge will pass through the city and report in person. The Council urges that each chapter will feel free to present any problem at any time or to communicate upon any subject.

The merging of Chicago Alumnæ Chapter and the North Shore Association is of interest, and the splendid enthusiasm of the new organization augurs well for its future usefulness. Alpha Alpha Chapter, installed in Toronto on October 30, 1919, and featured in this issue of the magazine, has passed through its first rushing season, pledged its first members, written its first article for THE CRESCENT, and is fully launched into sorority life. The Lincoln

Association is endeavoring to persuade the Gamma Phis in Omaha to follow its example, and we hope that these are the first of many such organizations. Upon them we depend greatly for our national strength.

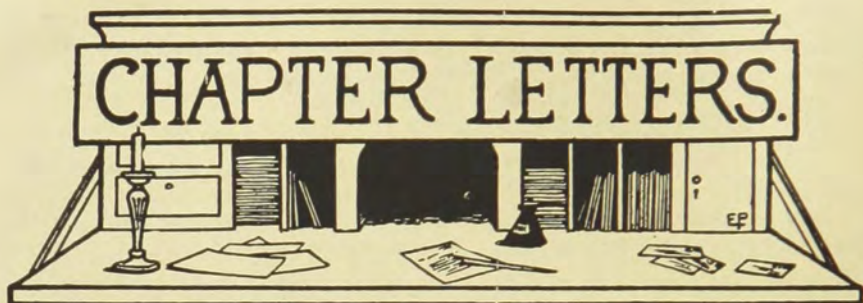
The establishment of a Central Office, even on a modest scale, will be a great help in placing the sorority upon a more business-like basis. Here we hope soon to have a splendid filing system, and in time a table of reliable statistics and a complete record of Gamma Phi Beta matters. Miss Geraldine Galligan, 2455 Vine Street, Denver, is at the head of this department and will enter upon her more complicated duties about February 1.

At the National Panhellenic Congress in Washington, Gamma Phi Beta was the only sorority with two delegates. In addition to Miss Thompson, Miss Keezer of Denver attended, and she has fully reported the sessions in this issue of the magazine.

In closing, the Council wishes to outline very briefly its policy for the coming year. First—the stimulating of alumnæ interest to such an extent that alumnæ chapters and associations may be added to our roll, that greater effort may be made in behalf of the Endowment Fund, and that some definite alumnæ work may be undertaken. Second—the constant encouragement of the college chapters in regard to scholarship, campus activities, social service work, Greek-letter knowledge, general efficiency and Gamma Phi Beta spirit. Third—the inauguration of any system which will tend toward a stronger and more centralized government, the establishment of a national altruistic work and the compilation of a sorority history.

Cordially yours,

LINDSEY BARBEE,
President of Gamma Phi Beta.



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ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY



Dear Gamma Phis:

I want to tell you of the wonderful surprise we, of Alpha, found waiting for us when we came back this fall. When we arrived, with our bags and baggage, anxious to get back after the summer's vacation, at the brown house on Euclid Avenue, and peeped in at the front door, we found that the most wonderful thing had happened. Our alumnæ had completely redecorated the interior of the chapter-house. It is finished in dull blue and light brown, and everyone agrees that it is the most attractive house on the campus.

This is only an example of the splendid interest the alumnæ of Alpha show in the active chapter. One Gamma Phi, Jessie Truman of Washington, D. C., sent the chapter one hundred dollars to use just as we please. They take as vital an interest in Alpha's well-being as the girls themselves.

Early in the fall the annual corporation meeting of the alumnæ and active chapter was held in the chapter-house. An informal, get-together

supper, a jolly time for everyone, preceded the business session. The alumnae forgot outside ties and the active girls forgot any difference in ages, all were just Gamma Phis together.

On October 15, the alumnae and active girls again gathered, this time to celebrate the usual fall banquet. The toast list was formed, not to drive home any serious purpose but as the program said:

"May this be our maxim where'er we are twirled,

Escape from the cares of this whirligig world."

Irene Cuykendall Garrett, inspired by the auspicious quotation, "Toast, God bless you, I have none to give," presided as toastmistress. Agnes Lancaster expounded "Dogmatism is puppyism come to its full growth," on behalf of the seniors. A frantic plea for leniency to hard-worked juniors, built on,

"Here's a health to you,
Don't make a wild to do.
Gods be propitious!"

was given by Jean Flick. Julia Gant spoke of sophomore love, "Alas the love of woman, it is known to be a lovely and a fearful thing." And toward the last but not at all the least comes the freshman toast, "Sentimentally I am disposed to harmony, but organically I am incapable of a tune," given by Dorothy Frisbie.

Finally as "the end of a perfect toast list" is the alumnae toast, "The good die young, here is hoping that you may live to a ripe old age," given by Marian Wood.

During the week of October 27 thirteen of our girls went, with Irene Cuykendall Garrett, to help install the new chapter in Toronto. Annette Flood, Ursula Smith, and Lisle Maynard, an affiliate from Goucher, were the official delegates. The girls had a great time initiating and pledging the entire chapter at Toronto. They came back to Syracuse tired, but full of enthusiasm for our new chapter, and also for the two Beta delegates they met there.

Several honors in college activities have lately fallen to Alpha girls. Dorothy Price was elected delegate to the student government convention. Judith Timmerman was promoted to full reporter on the *Daily Orange* staff. Florence King received the scholarship cup for the highest scholarship average among freshman women for the college year 1918-1919. Here ends the list of our present glories and here also must end this letter. So, with much love to all, goodbye; to be continued in our next.

JEAN FLICK.

PERSONALS

Lisle Maynard of Goucher has affiliated with this chapter.

Josephine Potter, '18, is back in college this year, assisting Miss Sibley in the women's gymnasium.

Alice Kenyon, '18, is at present private secretary to Dean Jean Marie Richards, dean of women at Syracuse.

Barbara Watson, '19, is assisting in the English department.

BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Dear Sisters:

Amidst the usual chaos of trunks and furniture, everyone arrived at the Gamma Phi house about September 24. Rushing began September 26, and for the following ten days we had teas, dinners, luncheons, and dances. The "Thé Dansante," and the Chinese dinner stand out most prominently among the parties. The former was most elaborate, and the latter very



unusual. Some of the details include Chinese menus tied with coins and chopsticks, while between courses, the guests were entertained with oriental dancing. Later, everyone danced to a good imitation of the Chinese orchestra. We feel well satisfied with the ten pledges who accepted our invitations on October 5. They are: Kathleen Hatton, Helen O'Learey, Imogene Noyes, Marion Walker, Doris Clarke, Alice Comfort, Jane Dickinson, Marguerite Cavendish, Dorothy Sanders, and Lucia Boynton.

Louise Dixon was our rushing chairman, and deserves great credit for our success.

After rushing was over, we began to be active in campus affairs. Alice Blair, '21, and Quineth Summers, '21, were elected to Wyvern, the honorary junior girls' society. Lois Mair, '21, our poet, was chosen a member of the honorary literary society, Stylus. Mildred Henry, '22, and Alice Comfort, '21, made Comedy Club. Dorothy Sanders, '23, Lois De Vries, '21, and Alice Comfort made Masques. The Circle Français chose Harriet Gustin, '22, Ethel Williams, '22, and Alice Comfort to membership, and Eleanor Leonard, '21, was initiated into Iota Sigma Pi, an honorary chemical fraternity.

As a consequence of last spring's triumph in baseball, our husky athletes were loath to get out of training, so Margaret Simonson, '22, made the sophomore hockey team, while Quineth Summers, Alice Blair, and Lois De Vries made the junior team.

Our fall initiation came on Saturday, November 15. Jane Dickinson, '20, Alice Comfort, '21, and Marguerite Cavendish, '21, were welcomed by forty-four members. Formal initiation will come some time in March.

This year our town alumnae, Mrs. Henry Douglas, Mrs. F. N. Scott, Mrs. N. S. Potter, Mrs. W. M. Abbot, Mrs. J. F. Breakey, Mrs. Earl Wollaver, Mrs. Ray Bassett, Mrs. Edward Adams, Dr. Eloise Walker, Mrs. E. Kinne, Mrs. Dorothy Durfee Harvey, Mrs. Pauline Adams Drake, Mrs. Helen Nipps Hildner, Mrs. Helen Haskell Slater, Mrs. Betty Bostwick Davidson, Desdelora Stevens, Kathleen Cutting, Linda Kinyon, Esther Braley, Marie Shearer, and Mrs. Marion Dickinson Shaw have formed an organization. They come together once a month for either luncheon or dinner, and discuss ways and means of helping the chapter. Shortly after rushing, Mrs. Douglas entertained the pledges at a Sunday evening supper party. This is a yearly custom, and gives the alumnae a chance to tell the new girls of Gamma Phi traditions and policies.

Then we have the advisory system by which one or two freshmen are appointed to be the special charges of each alumna, who advises her and helps her in every way possible. By this means each girl feels that she has an older Gamma Phi to whom she can always go for counsel. The alumnae

are working to perfect these plans so that they will ultimately bring about a closer cooperation between them and the active chapter.

Beta sends greetings and wishes you all good fortune for the New Year.

DOROTHY B. HOYT.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Margaret Lippincott Emmons, '19, Mrs. Betty Bostwick Davidson, Mrs. Helen Nipps Hildner, '17, Mrs. Dorothy Durfee Harvey, '19, and Mrs. Helen Haskell Slater are living in Ann Arbor.

Margaret Walsh, '19, is here this semester for graduate work.

Mary Helen Holmes, '20, is back in college.

Evelyn Swanson, Epsilon, is attending Michigan this year.

Virginia Cavendish, '17, Pansy Blake, '17, Hester Cooper, '16, and Florence Wells were back for rushing.

Augusta Flintermann was here for initiation.

Esther Braley, '98, who has been in France with the American committee for devastated France, is here in the library.

Pauline Benedict Fischer was a visitor at initiation.

ENGAGEMENT

Alice Wieber to Dr. Robert Fitzgerald.

MARRIAGE

Fannie Hogan to Mr. Carl Herbert, November, 1919.

GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN



Dear Gamma Phis:

The university has returned to its normal condition, and all records have been broken in the number of students enrolled, as we have thirty-five per cent more than in any previous year. We have our house full, with twenty-three girls in residence. The increase in price of all foods and household necessities has brought with it an increased cost to the girls, but we find that a girl can still live at the house for less than at outside homes.

Rushing was very strenuous this fall. The same rules of but one function a day at each house, and this for only four days, sounds simple, but when one realizes that there were from one to two hundred rushees at each function, a slight idea of the task may be had. All the dates ended on Thursday, and the following day closed bids were sent those who were passed upon by the chapter. Our girls were most successful under this system, and have twenty-one pledges: Rosamond Allen, Boston; Frances Brunson, Los Angeles; Frances Clark, Oshkosh; Katherine Davies, Waukesha; Mary Farnum, LaCrosse; Olivia Fentress, Hubbard Woods, Ill.; Mary Gifford, Omaha; Carol Goodyear, Madison; Louise Haley, Tulsa, Okla.; Aileen Hall, Winnipeg; Sue Hayes, Chippewa Falls; Florence Kelly,

Wausau, Wis.; Elizabeth Macfarlane, Duluth; Lorna Merritt, Grand Rapids; Marjorie Neville, Port Huron; Rew Harriet Nicols, Winnetka, Ill.; Ruth Parkhill, Katharine Peacock, and Elizabeth Wright, Chicago; Deborah Shaner, Philadelphia; and Aline Smith, Milwaukee. Of these, Rosamond Allen, Elizabeth Macfarlane, Katherine Davies, and Mary Farnum are upperclassmen and are already initiated. We have two transfers, Pauline Cornish from Theta, and Margaret Simpson, Kappa, whom we are happy to welcome.

Nearly all of us went down to the Chicago-Wisconsin game. Those who didn't had a royal good time with the pledges who spent the week-end in the house. Our Home-coming game was a gala occasion, as we had nearly fifty Gammas back. Irene Haley won the prize cup for selling the greatest number of Home-coming programs.

During the last year our girls were in almost every activity on the campus. There were five girls on the *Badger* board, three on the tennis team, five in the Spanish Club, four in the French Club, and three in Clef Club. There were representatives in S. G. A., Y. W. C. A., *The Cardinal*, War Council, Hockey, Red Domino, Twelfth Night, and baseball. They won two cups, one for Venetian night, one for the French fête.

We are very proud to announce that Gamma won the silver coffee urn, given by the National Board for the highest scholastic average in all the chapters of Gamma Phi. We also were in Class A, with Alpha and Lambda for the greatest number in outside activities. The urn will belong to the chapter which wins it three successive times, hence there is great devotion to academic studies.

We hope that everyone has a most happy holiday season, and will come back full of enthusiasm for mere details like philosophy and French survey.

DOROTHY SHANER.

PERSONALS

Doris Dyson Smith is living in Madison.

Helen Langor furnished a room in the French House where she lived last year.

For the past three years the Sorority House Association of Gamma Phi Beta has given a prize of twenty-five dollars to the freshman with the highest scholarship for the year. Last year, Louise Smith carried off the honor with an average of 95.

Florence Deakin, who is society editor of the *Madison Democrat*, received a cash scholarship that pays her expenses at the French House, and allows her to take graduate courses in college.

Carol Goodyear, one of our pledges, is a Gamma Phi daughter. Her mother is Ella Davis, '93. Won't it be thrilling when *we* have daughters in Gamma Phi?

Esther Guerini and Dorothy Shaner made Red Domino, our national dramatic society.

Catherine Meyer made Twelfth Night.

Helen Harper and Julia Hanks are taking leading parts in *Behind a Watteau Picture*, which Red Domino put on in November.

Gertrude Germer, Katherine Mabis, and Eleanor Dana remained for a visit after Home-coming.

Mrs. Katherine M. Samuels is our new housemother, and there is every indication of a happy year for the girls in her care.

MARRIAGE

Lorine Pollock to Mr. Carl Wilson Bingman on December 25, 1919, at Fargo, N. D. Mr. and Mrs. Bingman are to live at Beaumont, Tex.

DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Pledges are the newest and nicest part of life just now. To begin at the beginning, rushing at Boston University was revolutionized this year. No pins were worn the first week of college; then we had closed rushing for two and a half weeks and open rushing for the other half of the season. On November 3, Gamma Fee Be-táh (the pronunciation is Bostonese messenger boy) pledged these girls: Esther Anderson, Cambridge; Viola Byam, Chelmsford; Beatrice Chambers, Brookline; Caroline Engles, Norwood; Ruth Eynon, Wood's Hole; Ursula Cronin, Manchester, N. H.; Grace Hawley, Dorchester; Helen McDermott, Brighton; Margaret Nosworthy, Brookline; Dorothy Pearson, Providence; Doris Prout, Wollaston; Virginia Turnbull, Somerville; Marjorie White, Winthrop. A week later we added Anne Jenkins, South Carolina; Olive Johnson, Westboro; Elizabeth Moore, Porto Rico; Hope Pillsbury, Lynn. We have not only pledges but initiates to introduce: Elsie Norris, Juanita Fay, Joanna Falconer, and Lorraine Winter were initiated during rushing.

Since rushing our chief diversion (I did not mean to infer that rushing is a diversion) has been our Friday night suppers at the rooms. I almost said "little suppers," but thirty around the fireplace is hardly little; and far be it from me, as the latest cook, to say the supper is lacking in quantity. Last week we went to see Barrie's *Dear Brutus*. It is about the things that might have been you know. We are sure that we would not, even if we had the coveted second chance, be anything but Gamma Phis.

The next events on the calendar are the grandmother party; the Christmas parties, one at college for the poor children of the city; the other a "little" one for ourselves just to give us a chance to say "Merry Christmas" to each other. And then during vacation comes the Christmas spread which the alumnæ gives us. It is just the best possible wind-up for the old year and prelude for the New Year to see all the alumnæ, from the first one you ever knew to the newest one who still giggles in spite of the Phi Beta Kappa key which hangs around her neck. They are all there, our "sisters and our cousins and our aunts"; also our grandmothers and our great-aunts; "some who preach and some who teach and some who go to nurse, and others as wives do spend their lives and find it not so worse"; the only trouble with them is that we see them too rarely. Yet we know they are there; there in this case meaning all the things that Dean Briggs makes it mean and which are too long to quote. If you know alumnæ you know what I mean without searching for the passage. If you don't, I advise you to know an alumna right off; she lives the words and that is better than just reading them.

In this changing world Boston University is not standing still. We have 5,000 students this year, an increase of 800 over last; a dormitory, a foot-

ball team, and the end is not yet. The new College of Secretarial Science, the twelfth department of the university, is outgrowing its new building already. And we are even branching out to China where we are interested in Nanking University! I spoke of the resurrected athletics, which take the form of football just now. We had a successful season, all things considered, and the girls are behind the movement to the last quiver left in their glottises. (I don't know what that plural ought to be.) We are having compulsory assemblies for the first time that we may know how we look altogether. President Murlin, who is just home from a summer in Europe, will tell us of conditions there at the next one.

It will be too late to say "Merry Christmas" when this letter is printed, but Delta sends best wishes to every Gamma Phi for the New Year.

Sincerely,

EDITH N. SNOW.

PERSONALS

We were glad to have Grace Eagleson, Xi, with us for our fall initiation. Angelina Funai is president of the senior class.

Betty Macy is on the staff of the *Beacon*, the college monthly.

Edith Snow is editor-in-chief of the *Beacon* and senior proctor.

Madeline Lewis is junior proctor, member of the basketball team, and on the staff of the *Hub*, the junior yearbook.

Ruth Tobey is on the *Hub* staff and also the junior elected member of the Student Council.

Judith Moss is secretary of Y. W. C. A., custodian of the Girls' Athletic Association, and on the sophomore basketball team.

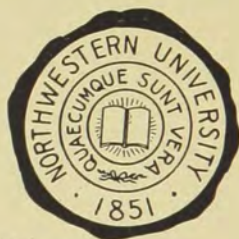
Verna Draper is in the Glee Club and College Choir.

Juanita Fay is sophomore representative of the Girls' Athletic Association.

Elizabeth Moore is College of Secretarial Science reporter for the B. U. *News*.

Olive Johnson is a member of the C. S. S. Student Council.

EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Thanksgiving is here already and we have hardly had time to catch our breath since college began with a whirl September 25. Looking back over the past ten weeks "rushing" seems to be first on the list.

Our four days of rushing were divided into three daily periods—morning nine to twelve, afternoon two to five, and evening seven to ten. Our parties were very successful, especially the balloon card party given by the alumnae. Tuesday evening bids were sent out and the "preference list" method of choice was used. Wednesday at six o'clock after a day of silence during which we alternately joyfully hoped and blackly despaired, we greeted with open arms thirteen fine girls and when classes began Thurs-

day morning proudly exhibited the crescent-bedecked pledges: June Vivien, Une Green, Virginia Hixson, Mildred Osland, Loyola Kelly, Alvera Allegretti, of Chicago; Isabel Penwell, Pana, Ill.; Mary Wettling, Eleanor Bennett, of Evanston; Bernice Wickham, Oak Park; Marjorie Baker, Tuscola, Ill.; Dorothy Enquist, Antigo, Wis.; Decie Terril, Memphis, Tenn. A few weeks later we pledged Gladys and Lois Taylor, Springfield, Ill.

The week-end of October 30 the active chapter gave a house party for the pledges at the summer home of Mildred Hebel at Fox Lake, Illinois. The weather was ideal, our chaperon, Mrs. Hebel, the finest ever, there was delicious food, and everybody was on her best behavior. Saturday night we celebrated with a Halloween masquerade, bobbed for apples, told fortunes, walked backwards down the cellar stairs and by the light of a candle and the reflection of a tiny mirror saw our future husbands (who, upon comparing notes, proved to be the bearded, toothless gardener), in fact, we tried everything, ghost stories included. When Sunday night came parting from "Crescent Inn" and from each other was almost impossible.

Saturday, November 8, was Home-coming Day. Preceding the football game, a parade of floats representing every organization on the campus took place. Gamma Phis were very happy upon receiving the handsome silver loving cup for having the most beautiful float. Our car was appropriately decorated with autumn leaves which were banked high over the hood and the back. Our $\Gamma \Phi B$ blanket was draped over the back, on the wheels and sides brown and mode streamers were fastened, and a large gold crescent was attached to the radiator cap. Six Gamma Phis rode in the car "dolled" in mode and brown ruffs and brown Turkish fezzes, each topped with a gold crescent.

November 9, the chapter gave a tea for the alumnae at the North Shore Hotel celebrating Founders' day. Roll call by years showed a fine representation of our alumnae.

November 17, the alumnae gave a spread for the active girls at the home of Mrs. Ralph Heilman. It proved a very successful party, about sixty being present. The coöperation of the alumnae has been greatly appreciated by the chapter.

Elizabeth Bridge, delegate of the Southwestern District, was in Evanston the following week-end. She attended the Panhellenic luncheon given at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, Chicago, at which Gamma Phi was well represented. Sunday we questioned her almost to distraction. We enjoyed her brief visit and appreciated the many helpful suggestions given us.

And now, dear sisters, with the announcement of another pledge, Gertrude Shields, Evanston, Epsilon closes, with best wishes to each and every sister chapter.

MARGARET McCONNELL.

PERSONALS

Epsilon sympathizes deeply with Helen Paddock Truesdale upon the death of her mother in Evanston, November 27.

Dorothy Gardner and Dorothy Chapman are back in college this year.

Helen Williams is attending the University of California.

Celia Merry, Ruth Bartels, and Willa Jansky are working in Chicago.

Lucile Jenks is teaching in the high school at Woodstock, Ill.

Mildred Clark is teaching in Chicago.

Jane Kendall is living at home, Los Angeles, Cal., this year.

HONORS

Dorothy Risch, '22, was elected captain of the sophomore hockey team, made a member of the varsity hockey team, and elected captain of the Woman's Life Saving Crew.

Grace Merrill, '20, is class vice-president; president of E Σ , senior society; installed and made charter member of Γ E II, commerce society; social chairman of the History Club.

Margaret O'Day, '22, was elected vice-president of the Newman Club.

Martha Strickland is a member of the sophomore class social committee.

Louise Mecham, '21, is on the cuts and grinds committee of the *Syllabus*.

Dorothy Risch and Grace Merrill were initiated into Sigma Sigma.

Dorothy Gardner was pledged to Zeta Phi Eta, oratory sorority.

Elizabeth Cornish, Martha Strickland, Josephine Weston, and Adrienne Stainfield were elected to Eulexia literary society.

Dorothy Gardner was appointed literary critic for *Calethia* literary society.

ZETA—GOUCHER COLLEGE



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Now with the writing of the January letter for *THE CRESCENT*, it would seem that the year is half gone, with its accompanying work and play, yet at the writing of this letter Zeta feels that it is just "getting well into the midst" of its plans for the year!

With a very successful rushing, and ten pledges to begin the term, two months of hearty work accomplished, and a jolly dance and party spliced in to add to our spirit, we have arrived at the Thanksgiving of the year. And, indeed, we have much to be thankful for, with our chapter of twenty-four, all true sisters together and full of the spirit of college and of Gamma Phi.

Besides this, there are our alumnæ to be thankful for, and Baltimore's are truly loyal to us! We often wonder about other chapters and their relations with the Gamma Phis now out of college, and recently had the pleasure of hearing Nell Watts, who is just back from France, discuss the wonderful spirit of this type that exists and manifests itself in Lambda Chapter.

Early in the fall our alumnæ resolved to have even closer knowledge of and friendship with Zeta, and, accordingly, have had representatives at each of our meetings to suggest and advise with us in our plans. We are at present planning to have a jolly party with them at their suggestion, just preceding the December holidays, at which each of the four academic classes and the alumnæ, collectively, will present the chapter with a gift to make our fraternity room more attractive and even "more typically Gamma Phi."

But, besides these alumnæ of our own who stand so high in our esteem, we have recently had the pleasure of a visit from Miss Hungate of Pi Chapter, during which she told us of her many varied and interesting experiences in France the past year; of the life and trials of the American girl in France and her welcome by the American soldier.

Goucher has just instituted and completed for this year the celebration of a new custom, that of a huge Thanksgiving feast to be held the Saturday night before, at which are to be present both students and faculty, and the various boards. This year the function took place in the gymnasium, with impromptu tables constructed to seat the approximate 700 present, and decorations of pumpkins, vines, corn-stalks, and also a huge Goucher banner to add to the festivity.

With all this in view, and plans for the coming pleasure, we are preparing to part for the approaching holidays, and it is with a happy heart we bid each of you farewell and good wishes till we meet again for another "Chapter Letter Chat."

MARION ELVIS LUTER.

MARRIAGE

Elizabeth Fehl, '19, to Allen Ely on December 6.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

An epidemic of reform has been spreading throughout our chapter this semester. Every one of us has decided that the whole responsibility of the chapter rests upon herself and you sister chapters know what that means in accomplishing things. It is hard to attribute this epidemic to any one local infection, but perhaps we contracted it from Miss Anna Raymond who visited us as delegate the middle of this semester. Yes, I am quite sure she is responsible. One of its amusing symptoms is that we have installed a plan for making things a little more subdued and quiet around the chapter-house. At table suddenly someone will ring the water glass and suggest five minutes' silence. Our housemother says it is like oil upon troubled waters. Five minutes is usually about all we can endure, then we burst into some Phi Gamma song into which everyone can pour her pent-up energy, and after singing, it is noticeable that our voices are really a trifle lower. This is merely an example, a trivial one it is true, of our new chapter uplift spirit.

This is to be an *alumnæ* edition, is it not? Well, if this letter could only wait until next week I probably would have a great deal more news about our *alumnæ* for we are planning a party specially for them on next Monday evening. It is going to be some party according to the freshmen who are to give a stunt. All rehearsals have been kept dark and you never know when you will come upon a whispering, contriving group of freshmen, so of course we are anticipating a pleasant surprise.

Now I am about to tell you something that I am sure will be said in every chapter letter in this edition of *THE CRESCENT*. It is that we have the best *alumnæ* chapter ever, for it is certainly very much alive and closely affiliated with our chapter. A meeting never goes by without the atten-

dance and assistance of one or more Eta alumnae. I don't know what we would have done without them during rushing. Whenever we get that dangerous *laissez-faire* attitude we are taken in hand immediately by our alumnae sisters.

Of course most of you know what a worker Elizabeth Bridge is and can imagine what an inspiration she is to us. Then Marie Derge is very much interested in social service work of all kinds and has organized a Sunshine Club for the purpose of bringing joy into those lives which have so little. We made Christmas doll trunks at the beginning of this semester for the Sunshine Club to distribute at Christmas.

We really have a great many names which could be mentioned as prominent alumnae, but you will probably find them all in the alumnae chapter letter so I will let them tell the story.

Have you ever heard of our annual Channing Way Crawl? A date is agreed upon when all the sororities on this block, including Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Delta Pi, and Gamma Phi Beta keep open house, have music for dancing and charge five cents a dance (this year one cent extra war tax). It is usually a charity benefit and large amounts are gained, but this year it was for our Student Union Fund and we realized over one thousand ninety-one dollars in that one evening. This will help pay for our building to be erected for the accommodation of all student activities.

Wuxtry! Wuxtry! Here is some last minute news. California won the Big Game against Stanford with a score of 14 to 10. It was a most exciting game and the Cardinals certainly put up a good fight. Before and after the game Mu Chapter held open house and showed themselves splendid hostesses.

The very best wishes for a happy holiday season and a merry Christmas from Eta.

FRANCES STOWELL.

PERSONALS

We enjoyed hearing about the traditions and customs of Alpha Chapter from Charlotte Moore while she was visiting in Berkeley.

Three of our girls, Ethelwynne Crockett, Kathryn Hyde, and Peggy Ellis, took part in the junior farce, *Why Not Marry?*

Anna Raymond's visit with us has been a lasting inspiration to the chapter.

MARRIAGES

Muriel Cameron, '18, to Charles Sumner Hurd on October 3, 1919. They are living at Mt. Vernon, Washington. Mr. Hurd is a member of Delta Upsilon at Washington University.

Eunice Barstow, '19, was married to Robert Tasker Donald in San Francisco on November 21, 1919. Mr. Donald, a Sigma Chi of the class of '18, is the chief engineer of the Rochester Mines in Nevada. They will make their home in Nevada.

BIRTH

To Captain and Mrs. Cyrus H. Searcy (June Fiske, '19), a son, James Fiske Searcy, on August 27, 1919.

THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Beloved Sisters:

Your Theta reporter feels as if she were a war correspondent in the haunts of the festive Bolsheviks. As such a remark needs explanation, permit me to say that some playful person endeavored to blow up our



beloved Alma Mater. Luckily the entire charge of dynamite failed to explode, and Alma M. is still with us, although a trifle battered. The explosion occurred early in the morning, serving as a signal to rise in more ways than one, and causing an impromptu fashion show of weird costumes. Every window in University Hall was broken, which made our love of learning even less warm than usual.

Our solicitous pledges felt that our shattered nerves needed calming, and, knowing the soothing effect of music, forthwith invited us to a dance. The party revived us indeed, while our pledges shone as perfect hostesses. Speaking of pledges, one of our little band, Ann Elston, was the director of a vaudeville performance given by the Big Sister organization. 'Tis said that the bill was as good as any on the Keith or Orpheum circuit.

The Theta Jazz-band and the Agony Sextet hied them out to the Craig Colony to give a concert for the patients. Their triumphal progress was somewhat impeded by the temperamental behavior of Elsie Olson's car. "Wilhelmina" came to a stop and flatly refused to go farther. Gertrude Sharp thereupon arranged the company à la sardine in her five-passenger car and the troupe arrived only half an hour late, crushed in body but not in spirit. I dare not venture an account of the subsequent return of the fickle "Wilhelmina" to "her" garage.

The active girls are planning a Christmas party for the Lodge. It seems to be quite the thing to present gifts to the inanimate, and little Lodgie does need a new coat of paint. There is also to be a dance for the pledges, which will take the place of our usual Christmas ball.

Theta felt that Big Sisters and sorority mothers were not sufficient protection for our childish selves, so we have added alumnæ mothers to our happy family. Our new parents keep a watchful eye upon us, and see that our feet do not stray from the narrow path of the university campus. The alumnæ recently presided at a Panhellenic tea, at which six Theta seniors acted as waitresses, "Bus-boys," and eaters-up-of-food. Since the guiding genius of the chapter letter wishes to know our relations with our alumnæ, I would say that they are at present cordial. Our alumnæ are a patient, long-suffering body; a shelter in time of tribulation; an aid in all festal gatherings, and a source of continual joy and happy companionship.

A happy New Year to you all!

HELEN CAMPION.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. William Simmons (Dorothy Kellerman, Theta '17), a daughter.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Kappa has started the year with new interests and new plans; the most important interests are our seventeen pledges, and the most important plans

are the making of these pledges into good, staunch Gamma Phis. Rushing this year was fast and furious. We had a luncheon or a tea every day for two weeks and owing to the large number of names on our rushing list, we entertained "mobs" (to quote an exhausted, albeit enthusiastic rusher) at every function. Then came pledge day and the announcement of our new members. They are: Virginia Yers, Mildred Prouse, Ottilia Maier, Barbara Henry, Ruth Cooley, Jean McRae, Ruth Merrit, Dorothy Dunnell, Elizabeth Young, from Minneapolis; Helen Schei, Katherine Kaddatz, Gladys Barke, Gladys Quinn, from Fergus Falls, Minn.; Catherine Cashman, from Owatonna, Minn.; Muriel Gunderson, from Kenyon, Minn.; and Josephine Hurd, from St. Paul.

Kappa feels that she would not have come out so well on pledge day if the alumnæ had not helped her so much. Their earnest, sincere coöperation is, indeed, a thing to look back upon with gratitude.

Just now we are having a visit from Miss Bridge and we are doing our best to make as good an impression on her as the other chapters she has visited seems to have done. She has talked to us about the other chapters and now we feel that we know our eastern, western, and southern sisters better. The active chapter and the alumnæ are entertaining at teas for her the week she is here.

We are rejoicing in the possession of a loving cup won by selling the most Home-coming programs, and a huge "M" blanket, won by the best decorated house on Home-coming Day. To the pledges goes the credit for the house; they achieved a stunning effect with evergreens, bunting, and lights. To Nell Halloran goes the credit for her splendid captaincy of the team selling the Home-coming programs.

Gamma Phis are active on the campus this year. Martha Randall is president of the junior girls' organization. Reine Pino is junior representative for Women's Self-government association. Helen Hart and Harriet Thompson are active in the Y. W. C. A. work. Four Gamma Phis have been chosen out of twenty girls to attend the conference of Student Volunteers at Des Moines in January. They are Mabel Prothers, Reine Pino, Martha Randell, and Elizabeth Young. Ruth Merrit is secretary of the freshman class. Helen Hart, Gladys Barke, Margaret Aldrich, and Virginia Owen were elected to Theta Sigma Phi.

With best wishes for a happy, successful New Year from Kappa.

VIRGINIA OWEN.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON



Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

With a wonderful season of rushing behind Lambda which brought us twenty-three new pledges, the outlook on the coming year is more than unusual. Owing to the fact that we are in a smaller house than last year and rather crowded we depended on the girls alone to capture the pledges.

Lambda is very fortunate this year in having four affiliates, two from Psi, Verna Braugh and Ruth Munger, while we welcome from Nu, Marion Grebel and Nadine Bohlander.

The girls this year are all vitally interested in activities on the campus. Margaret Coffin is president of Tolo Club, a junior and senior honor society, and also a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Perhaps Margaret does more than her share for she is also on the first cabinet of Y. W. C. A. Anita Merry Wheeler is managing junior girls' vaudeville. In the junior class we are also well represented because both the secretary and chairman of the publicity committee are Gamma Phis. Virginia Bensen is business manager of the university annual, the *Tyee*. The University of Washington *Daily* is quite a center of interest and Evelyn Johnson is the society editor, Kathryn Barnhisel is athletic editor, while Marion Fargo, Helen Brehm, and Irene Burns are all on the staff. Many of the other girls are working on different committees and movements on the campus.

The relation between the alumnae and the active chapter here at Lambda is very close. Two of the active girls always go to the alumnae meetings and the alumnae in turn send out representatives to our active chapter meetings each week. One custom built up by the alumnae and active chapters is the party the Seattle chapter gives each year to Lambda on our national Founders' Day. Just recently we had a very successful one. The freshmen showed great versatility when it came to amusing us. The date for the annual bazaar given by the alumnae to procure money for their Gamma Phi loan fund that is on the campus has been set for December 6. Each active girl is making an article, while from hints dropped by the alumnae they seem to be working constantly to make it a success.

Last, but by no means least, as the saying goes, is the fact that Gamma Phi came second on the scholastic report of the sororities of the University of Washington. Surely over this we can all afford to be happy because last year was such an unusual one. And here wishing to leave this piece of good news in everyone's mind, I must stop, but before I go let Lambda Chapter take this opportunity of wishing all Gamma Phis a merry Christmas.

IRENE SPRINGER.

PERSONALS

The list of Lambda's pledges is: Elizabeth Wiggins, Helen Deforce, Dorothy Troy, Frances Dunbar, Margaret Johnstone, Katharine Peterson, Elizabeth McElroy, Dorothy Morrison, Alice Nettleton, Dorothy Watson, Irene Burns, Dorothy Whitton, Frances Lamborn, Genevieve Johnson, Della Morton, Hazel Rude, Constance Martin, Gladys Epperson, Mary Pryor, Clair Stoltenburg, Clara Emory, Thelma Ehrenburg, Helen Salisbury.

ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Benson have announced the engagement of their daughter, Virginia, '21, to Mr. Raymond Ryan, '19, Delta Kappa Epsilon.

MU—LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Dear Sister in Gamma Phi Beta:

Here we are back again after a long, long three months and more of vacation. College opened with its old-time zest this year, for there was no shadow of war upon us. Our men have come back in great numbers from service, such great numbers, in fact, that together with the new men stu-



dents and the five hundred women, we have the largest registration in the history of Stanford.

But first, let me tell you about rushing. We had two weeks of it, separated by Conference week, at the beginning of the quarter, and though it was a strenuous time, we felt that our efforts were well repaid when the returns were announced. They are Doris Anderson and Margaret Lies from Washington, and Helena Douglass from Colorado. The others are Californians, Jessie Duggan, Clarisse Haverfeld, Lillian Dobbel, Brooke Geoghan, and two sisters, Juliete Holman and Olivia Boezinger.

Bertha Masters, ex-'13, and Mildred Gilbert, '14, came back to help us with rushing, and Herva Dunshee, '18, and Marion Bocks, '18, both have returned to college this quarter. Grace Jones, '19, has also come back, and is preparing to take a Master's degree in Spanish.

About some of our other alumnæ: We are happy to have Ruth Bacon, '17, on the campus again. She is student secretary for Y. W. C. A., and is extremely happy in her work. Mary Calloway, '16, is near us, too. Mary is teaching at Castilleja School in Palo Alto, and occasionally finds time to come out and see us. Mrs. Carlos Close (Ruth Lorraine, '15) also paid us a pleasant visit.



MAIN READING ROOM, STANFORD UNIVERSITY LIBRARY

The increase in tuition from \$20 to \$60 (I feel as though I should pause here for an exclamation point) which goes into effect on January 5, has not dampened our spirits so much as to prevent us from taking a deep interest in college activities. Mary Sprott, '20, and Margaret Burton, '20, are both on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet, and Margaret Lies, '23, has been placed on the freshman cabinet. Carmen Seamen, '20, is vice-president of the Republican Club, which is a new organization on the campus. Frances Mayberry, '21, and Hester Proctor, '21, are in French Club, and Josephine Terrill, '21, and Adelaide Graves, '21, are both prominent in college dramatics.

When we returned to the campus in October, we were delighted to find the new library open for use. It is a large building, well equipped, and a splendid place to study. The rooms are all airy and exceedingly well lighted. I am sending you a picture of the general reading-room, so you can see for yourselves what a pleasant place it is.

Speaking of studying, did you know that we have the third highest average in scholarship of the sororities on the campus?

On November 1 we had a house dance which was a huge success. Some of the men declared that it was "the best dance on the campus since before the war." We don't know how much truth there is in that, but we do know that everyone had a glorious time.

By the way, the big game is only a short time away. Our Rugby days are over and we are to play American football with California for the first time since 1905. Last year our military units played, and we were beaten, but this is to be a real game. I wish I could tell you what the score will be, but anyway, here's wishing us luck!

With work and play, this quarter is passing so quickly that it is hard to believe that 1920 is almost upon us. Mu sends you good greetings for the New Year!

MARGARET DUFF.

MARRIAGES

Wilma Donnell, '20, to Harold Selby.
Georgia Haffner, '16, to William Bloeser.

NU—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Our week of rushing was very exciting and we feel that it was highly successful. Our twelve pledges are as follows: Frances McGill, Margaret Kerns, Genevieve Lancey, Florence Hartman, Ruth Hopkins, Eloise White, Janet West, from Portland; Zoe Allen, Beatrice Barker, two Gamma Phi sisters, Blanche Wickland, of Astoria; Gertrude Livermore and Violet Robinson of Eugene. Later we pledged Edith Herrin of Ashland and Frances McMillan of Portland. Genevieve Lancey is a member of the Glee Club and the French Club, while Zoe Allen and Florence Hartman belong to the

Art Club. Frances McGill is a reporter on our college paper, the *Emerald*.

October 12, the sophomores gave the freshmen a picnic, to which freshmen boys were invited, so that the pledges could become acquainted with their classmates. We gave the one dance we are allowed this term, October 31. Our house was beautifully decorated by the freshmen. The Halloween effect was carried out, even to the programs, which were in the shape of jack o' lanterns.

Miss Raymond arrived November 3. We entertained with a tea for her, asking in about two hundred townspeople, faculty members, and representative Oregon girls. We also gave a formal dinner, to which many of the faculty were invited.

A new fraternity has been founded on our campus, with two of our girls, Ronalda Cameron and Leonore Blaesing, as charter members. It is called Phi Theta Kappa. An art club has also been founded. Helene Kuykendall, Florence Hartman, Zoe Allen, and Lenore Blaesing are among the members.

The university dispensed with classes November 11 in celebration of armistice day. An assembly was held in the morning, at which prominent men spoke. The evening before, we had a very informal dance. We celebrated Nu's birthday with a dinner. Each class gave a present to the house, and our alumnæ, mothers, and good friends remembered us, too. Our new davenport arrived in time to be a part of the celebration.

About twenty-five of our alumnæ came back for Home-coming week, and there were many rallies, reunions of classes, and general celebrations. Ten of our alumnæ in Astoria have formed an association, which they hope to make into an alumnæ chapter soon. On January 2, Portland alumnæ are to give a dance for us at the Waverly Club in Portland. Many of the girls come for week-ends, and they give us many helpful suggestions.

GENEVA MARIE STERNO.

PERSONALS

We are glad to have Eileen Tompkins with us again.

Emma Wooton Hall, '18, visited us early this fall.

Mrs. Blaesing, Lenore's mother, spent a week-end with us.

Beatrice Porteous left college this year to teach in Marshfield.

Doris Dezendorf has been elected secretary of the French Club, Le Foyer Française.

Helen Nelson is secretary of the sophomore class.

Leta Kiddle is secretary of Y. W. C. A.

Helen Houghton, Dorothy Dixon, Dorothy Wooton, Marjory Kay, and Rena Hales were guests of Chi during O. A. C. Home-coming.

MARRIAGE

Irene Strowbridge to Harold E. Wheeler, Kappa Sigma, on November 29.

XI—UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Dear Gamma Phis:

One might almost say that there would be no Gamma Phi Chapter at Idaho if we had no alumnæ. There probably would be a chapter, but there's no telling where we would be living. When the chapter-house was built, the alumnæ formed a corporation and have had charge of all business matters dealing with the construction and payment of the house. We pay them rent every month and shall continue to do so until our house is our own. We really couldn't get along without our alumnæ and we try to repay them for



the help they give us during rush week (and in fact all the time) by inviting them to our parties and dances. Then in the spring, we publish *Sights at Xi*, a letter for the alumnæ which is issued with the idea of bringing the active girls and the alumnæ closer together.

When rush week ended, we found ourselves somewhat dazed but completely happy with twenty-four pledges on our hands. We had planned on concentrating on a few but there were so many fine girls that we concentrated on twenty-four and got them. It was necessary to put an extension on our table, buy some more dishes, and have some more beds made, but we didn't mind that. We had the pledges we wanted. Three of the girls were sisters, Avis Selby, Esther Motie, and Mary Shurtz. Here are our pledges' names: Leah Faris, Ogden, Utah; Lola Chrisman, Shoshone, Idaho; Mary King, Boise, Idaho; Esther Motie, Spokane, Wash.; Margaret Healey, Couer d'Alene, Idaho; Nell Carscallen, Couer d'Alene, Idaho; Kathryn Stanford, Nampa, Idaho; Avis Selby, Boise, Idaho; Lila Smith, Boise, Idaho; Hallie De Camp, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Margaret Moseley, Idaho Falls, Idaho; Albertine Benoit, Twin Falls, Idaho; Helen Roberts, Twin Falls, Idaho; Bernice Babcock, Twin Falls, Idaho; Mary Ball, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Mary Owings, Moscow, Idaho; Mary Shurtz, Boise, Idaho; Leah Borden, Shoshone, Idaho; Leoma McFall, Shoshone, Idaho; Thelma McGee, Lewiston, Idaho; Jean Rowlands, Sandpoint, Idaho; Dorothy Bumgarner, Nampa, Idaho; Florence Hoffman, Caldwell, Idaho; Catherine Campbell, Caldwell, Idaho.

Our pledge dance was October 25. The programs were buff and brown folders with the Gamma Phi pledge pin in the corner and each dance was named for a freshman.

Those of you who have been watching football scores have probably decided that Idaho has had bad luck this year. The score is not the only thing that counts, though. This year Idaho has shown the old pre-war enthusiasm and has loyally supported the team in everything. We are looking forward to another champion basketball team this year, since all the members of our team are back except one.

A new chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon was installed on the campus November 7. The local fraternity, Zeta Chi Alpha, was granted its charter at the last national convention.

Xi Chapter sends congratulations to all the pledges.

MERCEDES JONES.

PERSONALS

Mary McKenna—President of English Club.

Mercedes Jones—Association editor of *The Argonaut*.

Gladys Clarke—Secretary of Home Economics Club; secretary of Woman's League; society editor of *The Argonaut*; art editor of *The Gem of the Mountains*, '21 (college annual).

Verna Wilkinson—Treasurer of sophomore class.

Florence Allebaugh—Girls' song leader.

Esther Motie—Vice-president of freshman class.

Mary King—Secretary of freshman class.

Lila Smith—Treasurer of freshman class.

Clarinda Bodler—Vice-president Couer d'Alene Club.

Ethel Babcock—Secretary Coeur d'Alene Club.

Margaret Moseley, Avis Selby, and Esther Motie were successful in dramatic tryouts for English Club.

Joyce (Jeness) Everley has joined her husband, Lieut. Rube Everley, in Ogden, Utah, where he was sent by the army.

Carol Ryrie Brink is in Edinburg, Scotland, with her husband who is instructor in mathematics at the University of Edinburgh.

Edna Dewey Ross, '10, has moved to San Francisco, where her husband, Lieutenant Ross, has been transferred by the army.

MARRIAGES

Marion Snyder, '21, to Strohm Lewis, '21, Beta Theta Pi.

Marjory McCrea, '20, to Guy Colquhoun, Kappa Sigma.

Leslie Williams to Harry Benoit, Delta Upsilon.

BIRTH

Carol Ryrie Brink, a son, David Ryrie Brink.

OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The principal things that have been engaging Omicron's interest this fall are its twelve new girls who have been pledged in October. They are Helen Welch, Virginia Henley, Gertrude Campbell, Katharine Peterson, Frances Peak, Doris Packard, Gladys Pennington, Mary Jordon, Margaret Brayton, Minnie Remley, Bliss Seymore, and Dorothy Bergfeldt. We are certainly proud of every one of them and know that each will do her part in upholding the standards of Gamma Phi.

As this CRESCENT is to be essentially an alumnae number I will tell you something of our Home-coming, October 30 to November 2, to which nearly thirty of the "old girls" came. While everyone was here, our pledges gave their annual stunt show, and they all said it was the best given in years. The Chicago-Illinois game, which, by the way, we won, claimed our attention on Saturday afternoon. We came home from that and had our formal Home-coming banquet at which eighty Gamma Phis were present. After the banquet, Frances Rayner, '11, who acted as toastmistress for "The Trail of Gamma Phi," called upon Lenore Latzer, '07, who told of the "blazing of the trail" of Omicron Chapter. Marion McAnally, '20, then spoke of Omicron's "growth," while Flora Hottes, '18, prophesied a very rosy "outlook" for our chapter. The last toast was one that we all will specially remember. Mrs. Moss, one of our founders, described the "spirit" of Gamma Phi Beta and told us what characterizes that spirit, what it has brought and will bring to us. We are very proud of our alumnae and wish only that we

might have had them with us longer. It may be fitting to quote in part from a letter written by Flora Hottes, secretary-treasurer of the Omicron Alumnæ shortly after Home-coming. It probably will show the relation between the active and alumnæ chapters better than I could describe it. She says: "Two weeks ago your house was overrun, your beds and tables crowded, with the motley but joyous crew of the 'old girls' returned for the big Home-coming. Those same girls found a warm welcome awaiting them, they enthused over the new girls, they were enraptured by the stunt show, they received superabundant nourishment, companionship, and inspiration at the banquet, and in appreciation whereof, the Omicron alumnæ, in solemn conclave assembled, Sunday, November 2, gave voice to a mighty vote of thanks to the active chapter. And in addition they wish to express their appreciation for the splendid way in which the present chapter is carrying forward the ideas and ideals of Gamma Phi Beta. The alumnæ are always glad to hear good things about their younger sisters and they are hearing them." Wasn't that a nice letter? We owe a great deal to our town alumnæ especially, who are always so willing to help us and who give up so much of their time to do it. Quite frequently one or several of them come to our chapter meetings and we are always glad to see them. We are truly grateful for their helpful suggestions and kindly advice.

Besides spending a great deal of their time studying, Omicron's girls have become prominent in campus activities. Christine Stubbs is a member of the junior prom committee and was elected treasurer of the *Junior Illinæ*. Mary Parsons was appointed chairman of the sophomore Illinæ Mixer, which will be held next month and was elected secretary of Mask and Bauble Dramatic Society. Lettie Gay is treasurer of the *Sophomore Illinæ*. Three of our girls are going to the collegiate conference at Des Moines, Iowa, in January, Christine Hyland being sent by W. A. A. and Mildred Welch and Mary Barrett representing our house. Mildred is also on the staff of the *Daily Illini*. Charlotte Welch has been appointed chairman of an all-university Christmas party to be held just before the Christmas holidays in the quadrangle in front of the university auditorium.

We are planning as our particular Christmas work this year to give a party for twenty-five orphans at the local orphanage. Every year at Christmas time, the Y. W. C. A. has a doll show, and the dolls are dressed by university women, so we expect that soon we will be given our share to dress. They are to be dressed to represent characters in fairy stories this year and ours is "The King of York." After the exhibition is over, the dolls will be given to poor children in the community.

We had two wonderful dances this fall, too. I think the one we enjoyed most was given us by Mrs. Jack Watson (Ella Tillotson) at her home on the outskirts of town. Two hayrack loads drove out there in the early part of the evening and we danced, ate apples and doughnuts, and drank cider for about four hours. It was drizzling when we started home, but it would have taken nothing short of a cloudburst to dampen our spirits. Our second dance was given in the chapter-house and was specially for our new pledges. Of course we had a good time for Gamma Phis always do have a good time where they are together.

BEULAH CLUTE.

MARRIAGE

Irma Alda Latzer to Merritt C. Gamble, Tuesday, November 18, 1919.

PI—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Dear Gamma Phis:

This year bids fair to be a very successful one for Pi Chapter and we hope the rest of you are doing as well. We pledged nine freshmen the first of the year and three more a week ago. They are: Nellie Bates, Lodge Pole; Blythe Hinkley, Farnum; Davida Gilder and Heloise Ganvreau, Hastings; Dorothy Swatzlander, Mary McIntosh, and Beulah Grabel, Sidney; Ruth Peterson, Minden; Josephine Gund, Blue Hill; and Marie Stubbs, Norfolk. They are one of the most promising installments of freshmen we have ever had, and are already beginning to distinguish themselves on the campus. We have in addition two transfers, Geraldine Nusbaum from Xi, who has recently moved to Omaha, and Gladys Thornton of Tau Chapter, Lincoln has already been added to the list of alumnæ associations and when Miss Bridge, our visiting delegate, comes we hope to have a similar association established in Omaha. It is most encouraging to the active chapter to have our alumnæ definitely organized and we are already beginning to feel their helpful influence.

Big rumors are going around the campus that unless the coal situation improves, the university will be closed temporarily. We hope not because we had a similar experience in "flu" time last year and we failed to enjoy our enforced vacation as much as we anticipated.

With best wishes for a most successful and happy year.

CLAIRE STROY.

PERSONALS

Kate Helzer is doing Red Cross work in dietetics in Chicago.

Sara Cole returned home from France where she has been doing Red Cross work.

Mary T. Hungate is teaching in Honolulu.

MARRIAGES

Bertha Bates to Frank Kucera.

Eliza Bickett to George Whitlock.

BIRTHS

To Margaret Haley Campbell, a daughter.

To Lois Hardy Gibson, a daughter.

To Heila Eigenbroadt Albrecht, a son.

DEATH

Helen Haggert, '20.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA



"Cheres Soeurs" in Gamma Phi:

"Oui, Mesdames, we are Rho Number 16 of the chain. Le couleurs of the season? Ah! Mme. zey are beautiful—peenk and white, flesh and crim-

son, black, yellow, brown, blue, hazel, and grey. Ze sizes? Ah—we have zem long and short and slim and plump. All of zem pairfect" (those who aren't will be by the end of the year). 'S fact—sixteen of 'em—to enumerate: Frances Miller, Elizabeth Forrester, Lucy Tate Gibson, Ruth Van Law, Brownie Gardner, Helen Christensen, Ruth Folwell, Virginia Harper, Adelaide Hurtzler, Merle Knype, Rebecca Miller, Muriel Wareham, Clara Dutton, Mary Woodward, Katherine Tate, and Ruth Bergman, who is a repledge from last year.

We had glorious weather during rush week, which helped in making our parties the success that they were. We began the drive on Thursday, September 25, and ended it Saturday, September 27, at midnight. The description must be brief, therefore:

<i>Date</i>	<i>Party</i>	<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>Results</i>
		Menu, decorations, etc.	
Thurs. a. m.	Rustic breakfast	Wieners, etc.	"Howling success"
Thurs. p. m.	Thé Dansant	Tea (of course)	"Perfectly ripping"
Thurs. night	Fire side	Peanuts and olives	"Comfy and cosy"
Friday noon	Luncheon	Rainbow decorations; dolls, favors.	"Surpassed any opiate dream"
Friday night	Garden party	Everything All that it should be	"Oh g-i-r-r-uls"
Saturday p. m.	County fair		"Um! By Heck"
TOTALS.....			Sixteen pledges

We have twenty-one girls in our new house, which, by the way, we wish you all could see. Really, we can't tolerate conceit—in fact, the violet withers and dies in our presence—but we think we have the best sorority house on the campus. Beautiful new rugs, furniture, and drapery make it so cosy and attractive that—well, I can't draw a picture (word or otherwise) and a blue-print wouldn't be adequate, so you'll have to come and see it.

The first term began in all colleges on September 29. That is practically all I can say—it began—for nothing was really done toward putting new wrinkles in our cerebellums for about a month, the delay being due to the overflow of students. We have about five thousand of them and each and every one possesses a goodly share of energy. With a good pair of binoculars one can almost see Student Government at S. U. I. We moved up a few inches when we organized a Student Council which manages elections of class officers and which proposes reform measures, etc., to the Board of Deans. Of course you've heard of, and some of you have seen, our wonderful football team. Oh, y-e-s-s, we were beaten by Chicago and Illinois—you know I never *used* to believe in LUCK. The week-end of Saturday, November 22, brought the biggest and best Home-coming in the history of the university. The town was painted old gold and black—THAT'S ALL. We had a little football game Saturday afternoon, score 10-0. Oh, with Ames!

Mrs. Graham: "*I thought I asked for a letter about the alumnae!*" (Register innocence): "Why, yes—that's right—you did!" Well, several of them are teaching, some are doing social service and Red Cross work, some office work, etc., but for the most of them I refer you to Cupid. The alumnae chapter, recently organized in Des Moines, has helped us very

much by entertaining rushees of that city. Our alumnæ activities are only started, but just wait—a hundred years from now!

To reserve space for the letters from our newest chapters, *my* “warblings” must cease—deplorable, n’est ce pas?

Our best to you all.

MABEL LUCAS.

PERSONALS

The following Gamma Phis were back for Home-coming: Florence Bell, Helen Bergman, Joyce Parker McCrea, Imogene Porter, Esther Petty, Esther Boysen, Hermione Ellyson, Kathryn Crosby, Mary Martin, Lenore Boesch, Irene Anderson Hicklin, Virginia Carson, and Blanche Patzer Larson. We also had four guests from Omega, June Wallace, Marion Garland, Sarah Manhart, and Miss Cesna.

A pre-nuptial tea was given at the home of Mrs. Carson, October 20, in honor of “Betty” Bates.

Lucy Tate Gibson gave a tea for Mrs. W. Gibson of Chicago, Wednesday, November 19.

A Halloween dancing party was given by our pledges at the house October 31. Sixteen couples were present.

Helen Hanes Olin, Omicron, is now residing in this city. Mr. Olin is instructing in the chemistry department of the university.

Esther Petty is superintendent of schools at Danbury, Iowa.

Maybelle and Sadie Whitney are doing canteen work in Norfolk, Va.

Virginia Carson, '21, is attending Rockford College, at Rockford, Ill.

Esther Swartz is completing her college work at the University of California.

Eva Wright is now making her home at Redland Heights, Cal.

ENGAGEMENT

June Cummins, '22, to Clyde Lick, Phi Delta Chi.

MARRIAGES

Aldura Haynes to Captain Hagerman.

Elizabeth Bates to B. Lawson Wiley.

Mildred Miller to Lowell Forbes, Phi Alpha Delta.

Ruth Kelso to Dr. Altfilsh, Psi Omega.

Irene Anderson to Edwin Hicklin, Phi Alpha Delta.

Evelyn Babcock to Raymond Beebe, Phi Alpha Delta.

Blanche Patzer to T. Y. Larson.

SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Dear Gamma Phis:

Perhaps our alumnæ are not accustomed to being written about behind barred windows and carefully locked doors, but they are experiencing that very thing just now. And the reason is that ours is the only sorority house “on the Hill” that has not been robbed within the last three weeks. Our good fortune may be due to our freshmen, who are developing detective powers of exceptional ability, but nevertheless we are living in constant fear.

It is possible that our alumnæ do not realize how dependent on them we really are, but from the beginning of a new rushing season to the close of the college year we look to them for suggestions and aid. From them we receive the names of prospective rushees; they assist with summer rushing and when fall comes we can always expect some of them back to help us through the rushing season.

Last summer Mrs. Paul Simonds and Ruth Weeks, alumnae of Beta, gave several successful rushing parties at their country clubs for our Kansas City rushees. Mrs. Simonds has given us many helpful ideas and is one of our most dependable workers during rush week. She has planned a number of clever parties and this fall drove her car down and spent all of rush week with us. Some time this month we expect Marie Goodman, another alumnae member from Kansas City, to visit us and drill us in parliamentary law. Marie Nusz and Dorothy Barto Devin are two of Sigma's most faithful alumnae members, and their helpful visits are a great pleasure to us.

Helen Rhoda Hoopes, a professor in the department of English, is more fun than the usual university instructor, and no sorority gathering is quite complete without a clever talk from her. She is one of the founders of Sigma and is constantly showing her interest in the chapter.

Sigma is very fortunate in having among her alumnae members several girls who live in Lawrence. They are always ready to assist, whether it be with a guest-room when our own house is crowded, cars at our disposal, or a prompt response to any of the countless things for which they are called upon. Twice a month we have an informal spread, at which the alumnae and active chapter enjoy a stunt planned by the freshmen. In order to keep in touch with our alumnae, Sigma freshmen write occasional letters to each member, telling them everything of interest we are doing, our prospects, hopes, and attainments. We have found this a most effective method of keeping them interested in our affairs, and we try to make these letters so interesting that they will never miss an opportunity to visit the chapter.

Two weeks ago we entertained with a dancing party for our fifteen pledges. We observed Founders' Day with a banquet. Elizabeth Bridge, with whom we enjoyed a most helpful visit two weeks ago, was here at that time, and gave us an interesting account of the founding of Gamma Phi Beta. Grace Jeffries Hyatt, who has just returned from New York, was here for the banquet.

Just now we are planning a stunt, under the leadership of Marguerite Adams, to be given at the Y. W. C. A.-Y. M. C. A. University party next week. We are glad to have Marjorie Templin, who spent a year in France, in college again. She is working for the degree of Master of Arts.

If this letter could be delayed a few days, I am sure I could tell you of a most pleasant Thanksgiving, for in addition to the anticipation of a victory over Missouri in the annual football battle to be played that day, we are expecting to have twelve of our alumnae back for the game. If that number could be increased to include them all, we should have little left to wish for.

EARLINE ALLEN.

HONORS

Margaret Larkin was the only freshman in the university to be elected to the Spanish Club. Several of her poems have recently been accepted for publication in magazines.

Frances Riley, Laura Harkrader, and Jo Dougherty are members of the Glee Club.

Mildred Gilmore has been elected senior representative of the Woman's Student Government Association.

Lila Martin and Frances Kennedy are members of the Entomology Club, and Kay Warring has been elected to the Spanish Club.

Jo Dougherty is a member of the Sociology Club.

Marguerite Adams was appointed chairman of the music committee for the Junior Prom.

Mary Tudor was elected secretary-treasurer of the Woman's Athletic Association.

PERSONALS

Gladys McKilley is attending Goucher College.

Irma Wullenwaber has returned from Washington and has a position in the Kansas University extension department.

Lucile Nowlin, who is editing the woman's page of the *Kansas City Journal*, visited us last week.

Sibyl Martin is attending Columbia University.

Of our last year's seniors, Florence Harkrader and Louise Allen are teaching in the high school at Pratt, Kan.; Jeannette Parkinson is imparting her vast knowledge of "bugs" to the pupils in the Fort Smith, Ark., high school; and Florence Ingham, of K. U. dramatic fame, is teaching in the Belle Plaine, Kan., high school.

Norma Jo Dougherty is a most welcome transfer from Psi Chapter.

Gertrude Sponsler and Marie Hostetter are attending the University of Illinois.

ENGAGEMENTS

Helen Robb to Fay Walters, Delta Tau Delta, of Lawrence, Kan.

Nelle Smith to John Schoonover, Sigma Nu, of Lyons, Kan.

Earline Allen to Paul Carter Murphy, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, of Kansas City, Mo.

BIRTH

To Lois Marsh Salisbury, a daughter.

TAU—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Many of the entertainments we have had would not have been so decidedly successful had it not been for our alumnæ. All that was necessary to obtain their help was to let them know about the coming event in time for them to make preparations. We consider ourselves indeed fortunate in having so many Gamma Phis in town. Mrs. Gayman (Ora Mae Tanner), Florence Jones, Vera Carter, Mrs. Giddings (Lucile Schmitt), Mrs. Ault, and Mrs. Stover are among those here whom we call upon so often to help us in our work and play. We not only have our local alumnæ but also those from Denver who have come here quite often this fall to enjoy good times with us and to help make these times pleasant for everyone.

We feel that the secret of what one might call active relations between our chapter and alumnæ is in keeping our alumnæ well informed as to what we are doing and going to do. In order to accomplish this we have assigned one or two alumnæ to each active member and that member is responsible for keeping her alumnæ in touch with Tau. That we may be able to make quick and accurate connections a card index of all of our girls who leave us is kept.

As we look back on the fall, of course rushing and pledging stand foremost in our memories. In the afternoon of our rush day we gave a tea at Mrs. Stover's home. We were more than thankful to her for letting us have it there not only because it is such a lovely home but because it afforded the girls an opportunity to decorate our house in the afternoon preparatory for the evening party. This we called a "Supper-by-the-Lake." Many explanations are in order now to justify this name. The house was decorated with pine boughs and cat-tails, and on each table there was a lake (a mirror), with ducks swimming peacefully about and tall pines towering around it. A delicious dinner was served and following that a little shadow play was given by the girls. The rest of the evening was spent in dancing.

Taking events in their logical order, of course pledging comes next, and we are certainly proud to announce our pledges: Esther Binford, Helen Jamieson (both sisters), Helen Hoskers, Grace Wakefield, Lucile Clark, Katherine Bradshaw, and May Hawkins. They are most certainly a keenly alive group and act as a stimulus for the rest of us. Just to give an idea of their methods we were all mysteriously summoned to the house one Saturday evening. There were rumors of all sorts as to the occasion, but no one guessed just right. In some unknown way our pledges had invited just the right man for the right girl, had secured the best kind of music, had prepared the best refreshments—in all, had given the chapter a most wonderful time.

Soon after pledging there was the house-warming and then came the pledge dance. Both of these were most successful. They came early in the year before duties were piled so high as to be almost out of sight.

Along with these other social happenings I must mention the good times we have on meeting night, every Wednesday. All of the active members, pledges, and those alumnæ who wish, come to the house for a cafeteria supper. After that we have a "sing" and a general good time before meeting.

We sincerely hope that other Gamma Phis are enjoying themselves in their work and play as much as we are.

CATHERINE SOMERVILLE.

PERSONALS

Katherine Leach and Catherine Somerville are members of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet.

We are glad to have Genevieve Simms of Theta with us this year.

Gladys Thornton is attending the University of Nebraska at Lincoln this year.

Jane Kirk is back with us after a year's absence and we are surely glad to have her.

Vera Dunton was initiated into Gamma Phi November 18, 1919.

Mildred Mitchell is on the *Collegian* staff and Frances Foster is on the *Silver Spruce* staff.

Grace Wakefield and June Moore made the Dramatics Club, and June made the Scribblers' Club.

Helen Jamieson is treasurer of the freshman class.

June Moore is secretary of the sophomore class.

Elsa Henry is president of the Women's Self-government Association.

ENGAGEMENTS

June Moore to Alvin Schrepferman, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Vera Dunton to Thomas Hebert.

Ruby Franklin to Lawrence Deffenbaugh.

MARRIAGES

Vestal Deffenbaugh to Rodney Tucker, Sigma Delta, November 19, in Greeley, Colo.

Dorothy Martin to Charles Hilliker, Beta Theta Pi, September 9, in Denver.

Elizabeth Gage to Edward Murray, Sigma Phi Epsilon, October, in Denver.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Morris Townsend (Marion Yeager), a daughter, Nancy.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Ryan (Ramona Woodhams), a daughter, Margaret Jane.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Giddings (Lucile Schmitt), a daughter, Margaret Jane.

DEATH

The chapter extends sympathy to Laura Pierce on the death of her mother.

UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE



HOLLINS, VIRGINIA

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The most exciting event this year in the annals of Upsilon was bid day for girls who were in the Hollins Preparatory Department last year. Otelia McGill was the only girl whom we bid.

At present, we are busy with "rushing" season. There are numbers of fine girls in college, many of whom Upsilon is determined to get. This year, we are rushing against nearly every sorority in college. Consequently, we are kept quite busy, especially since there are only ten Gamma Phis back.

As we have no alumnæ chapter near here, it is rather difficult to report anything definite concerning the work of Upsilon's alumnæ. We are eagerly looking forward, however, to Thanksgiving, when we expect Marion Lee Cobbs, our last year's president, Leta Adams, Anna Campbell, and Frances Rock to visit us. It will be lovely to have them back, even if only for a short while. Marion Lee Cobbs is to come every month and inspect our examination notebooks. No other definite work, however, in direct connection with Gamma Phi, has been mapped out yet for other alumnæ of our chapter.

Upsilon extends best wishes to her Gamma Phi sisters with the earnest hope that all bids may be successful and that the freshman Gamma Phis may prove themselves worthy of our sorority.

LILLIAN HOLLADAY.

PERSONALS

Frances McIntosh, '19, is at the head of the history department of Anderson College, Anderson, S. C.

Anna Campbell, '18, is teaching history at the Junior High School in Roanoke, Va.

Leta Adams, ex-'21, is making her début in Washington this winter.

Kathleen Kelly, '21, is assistant to Professor Rath, director of music, Hollins College.

Edith Kelly, '18, is teaching mathematics and French at the Bristol High School, Bristol, Va.

PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters:

Pledging seems hazily remote to me as I write, but it is new to you and I know that you are anxious to learn about it. On matriculation day we pinned pins on twelve girls, Madge Bartlett, Blanche Brunt, Margaret Burnet, Florence Davis, Norma Driemeyer, Marguerite Francis, Ruth Godfrey, Dorothy Peters, Mildred Spiegelhalter, Opal Urban, Elizabeth Wood, and Marcella Yeargain. Marcella and Margaret Burnet were repledged. They were forced to give up their work last year on account of illness. Madge had deserted us for Vanderbilt, but thought better of it and is with us once more.

The twelve pledges, like the little Indians of jingle fame, were soon eleven. On October 5 we initiated Madge Bartlett, Virginia Callahan, Beulah Rackerby, and Adele Shea.

You have noticed, perhaps, my failure to bring into account the traditional pledge ribbon. Not politely but emphatically it is not an oversight, for at Washington the ribbon has gone the way of all flesh. It is no more. Our level-headed Panhellenic decided that pledge days, pledge-ribbons, and pledge osculation were, among them, making it rather hard for the girl who did not get a bid. It voted to replace the old-time ostentation by a quiet evening pledging and the pledge ribbon retired in ignominious defeat.

We have had a busy year and a strange one, in that we have had to adjust ourselves to new conditions. Washington finds herself in the lamentable state of the old woman in the shoe. We upperclassmen looked at the crowd of freshmen and wondered where the university authorities would put them. But the authorities were not to be disconcerted by a few hundred unexpected students. In record time a temporary structure went up and it now houses the overflow.

Our new alumnae association has been having meetings in the rooms on Saturday nights and it is proving itself a very valuable acquisition. Last week one of the association members came out to explain our ideals to the pledges. I was fortunate enough to creep into the meeting, and was so very much impressed by the talk that I almost wished for the state of pledgedom once more.

Our very best wishes for every good thing for all of you.

Yours for Phi,

JULIA JONAH.

HONORS

Dorothy Peters and Norma Driemeyer have made the freshman hockey team. Virginia Callahan and Charlotte Briner are members of the sophomore team, and Dorothy Hetlage of the senior.

Doris Talbot, '21, has been admitted to the staff of *Student Life*.

Julia Jonah, '20, was recently elected a member of the staff of the *Eliot Literary Magazine*.

PERSONALS

Frances Lucas, ex-'19, is doing Americanization work in Arizona mining towns.

Miss Bridge was the guest of the chapter in November.

CHI—OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

It has been a long wait between CRESCENTS, hasn't it? The unrest of the world is brought sharply to our notice when it interferes with the publication of our CRESCENT.

As this is alumnæ number I must endeavor to tell you something of those who are dear to Chi.

We are quite young and of course our alumnæ do not number in the thousands as do some of yours, but they are, perhaps, dearer to us for that reason. They have all been in college within some one's memory and so we know them better and are nearer to them than if we did not hear personal anecdotes about them.

I think the pleasantest hours we have are those spent in talking over old times when we did this and that with girls who are out in the world doing big and little things in big ways. It is nice to think that when one is gone from college that one will be held up as an example to underclassmen as what a Gamma Phi should be. It is an inspiration to all of us to be worthy of such a reputation.

Last year we started a little publication especially for our alumnæ. It contained some pictures and little things of interest to Chis. We hope to continue this bulletin and to make it bigger and better each year until it will be a real, vital thing to each alumna. There is nothing that adds to the strength of a chapter like close ties with its alumnæ. We want to make the bonds of Gamma Phi doubly strong so that they may withstand the strain of the years spent away from college.

A great many of our seniors, since they are mostly home economics students, go out to teach in the high schools and colleges. They have a great opportunity to help their school in sending students here, and their sorority in rushing. We shall depend upon them more and more in the future to help us, particularly in rushing, and we shall and do expect them to depend upon us for anything in which we may help them.

But after all it is the little things, which, added to the great bond of Gamma Phi, keep us close together.

Chi sends best wishes for a happy year.

Sincerely,

VERE JAMIESON.

MARRIAGES

Inez Knowles to Edward Guy Brown.

Doris Clark to Marcus Hathaway.

Ethel Walker to Edward C. Allworth, Major in U. S. Army.

Ruth Morton to Francis P. Myers.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Dear Gamma Phis:

Since this is the first message for the new year 1920, we of Psi send up from the southland our warmest and heartiest New Year's greetings to all our Gamma Phi sisters of the East, North, and West, and if the best o' wishes for a New Year seem to be a wee bit late it's because the written message reaches you more slowly than our thoughts have traveled.

To think that our first semester is near the "end of the trail" seems utterly incredible. But when we think of the multitude of odds and ends of work and play that have crowded into this short time we feel that a fairly good pace has been kept with flying time.

Of course you want to know of Psi's part in that ever important feature of a Greek's life—rushing. Of course we lived breathlessly through that ninth degree of excitement the first week after the semester opened, and we feel justly proud of ourselves—you see we have "broken bread" with the "select few" for some time now and know whereof we speak. Our pledged number thirteen! They are Mary Wantland, Louise Campbell, Dorothy Thompson, Marguerite Streeter, Joyce Rives, Gussie Lee Sullivan, Dorothy Kern, Eula Fullerton, Bonnie Giles, Grace DeMotte, Louise Jackson, Gail Prueitt, and Juanita Tichenor. Don't gasp at the thirteen and conjure up weird fantasies for it only strengthens Psi's belief in the tradition that the little fellow is a lucky charm for us. Juanita, our thirteenth, was pledged on the eve of the Thanksgiving holidays and has already entered into Gamma Phi life with zest. Then Marguerite, who came to us with advanced standing, was initiated early, so in reality the pledges stand as a baker's dozen, all eagerly awaiting the time when the pledge pin will be replaced with the true crescent.

Psi is still living in the afterglow, so to speak, of a novel experience enjoyed for the first time! A visiting delegate in the person of Elizabeth Bridge. Of the many things for which we are grateful to Miss Bridge, none is more appreciated than the feeling of a closer relationship with other chapters which she unconsciously seemed to bring about in her week's stay with us. At this time we held open house, complimentary to Miss Bridge and our pledges. The rooms were truly bowers of autumn oak leaves, huge white chrysanthemums, and palms with spider webs of gay ribbons festooned among the leaves; the orchestra was hidden behind a lattice of leaves and webs, and refreshments were served from a table banked high with flowers and leaves and webs suspended from the chandelier to the flowers below. Hand painted booklets in the shape of oak leaves, tied with mode and brown card, and containing the chapter roll and guests of honor were given as favors.

One of the annual customs that always affords the old "members" and alumnae a rollicking evening of fun is pledge stunt. This was given just after the Thanksgiving holidays when the pledges caricatured in a jolly, wholesome way the whole idea of rushing. The first act was a cabaret scene when pledges representing all the various sororities on the campus gave their best "rush" to the little "rushee" so newly come to college—this was our latest pledge. Of course the idiosyncrasies of each sorority were greatly

emphasized. A short dance introduced the second act when pledges, adorned with huge cardboard Gamma Phi pins, introduced and argued pro and con for the old members whom as rushees they hoped to pledge. The scene was a pledge's conception of fraternity meeting presided over by pledge leader, when each pledge brought up the name of her grandmother to be considered as a prospective Gamma Phi. Of course these prospective Gamma Phis "sat in" at the discussion but this was apparently ignored and discussions were freely caricatured as to the candidate's merits and demerits. Needless to say the grand finale was the pledging of old members with huge brown and mode crêpe paper bows. But to begin immediate training in the direction that all good pledges should go, the first duty imposed upon them was to move the furniture back into the rooms—thus the pledge stunt of 1919 came to a happy close.

Psi feels indeed fortunate this year in having with us as housemother Miss Ida Kirk of Kansas City, Missouri. She is so keenly interested in every one of the girls and all interests of Gamma Phi that we are sure we have made an unusually good "find." Through her personality and splendid ability in dramatic lines Miss Kirk has made an enviable place for herself in university circles.

Oh! there is another "annual custom" that I must tell you about. Now please do not think that parties and customs take up most of our time, but really we work and play both. It was our annual Christmas party for the poor children of the county. To have seen the happy little faces of these more unfortunate youngsters fairly dazzled by the gay Christmas tree, Eula as jovial old Santa, and toys and goodies for each little mite, would have brought joy to the heart of every Gamma Phi. The more prosaic side of life was not neglected either and we made a generous distribution of clothing among them, so little hearts and bodies both were made happy. To have seen how happy we made these kiddies truly makes us more determined to make the Christmas party a bigger and more far-reaching affair each year—and then everyone loves a Christmas party anyway whether young or old or middling.

Dressed up in gala attire is the way Psi feels now on special occasions. The pledges presented the house with two pure linen table cloths and twenty-four napkins, all neatly hemmed and ready for company, so you all may drop in just any time.

Is there anything so thrilling and so exciting as the arrival of a five-pound box of candy? Surely not, for only recently we again experienced this when the box arrived during dinner, so with chocolates to the accompaniment of Gamma Phi songs, we were happy in cupid's victory over one of our 1919 sisters.

As we turn from the recent past with so many happy little memory spots along the way, we come face to face with the mid-year examinations. Then just beyond we see "rushees" and midnight sorority meetings as pledging comes again at Oklahoma after mid-years.

Surely you have begun to think that this letter follows the binomial theorem in that it has no end, and though I could go on and on telling you of Psi's vocations and avocations, I shall put the temptation behind me. College life is so really big and busy this year and it is so good to be living normally again that surely you will pardon me this time. But shouldn't we all do more in scholastic and college activities than in the pre-war days before we learned how much we as individuals really could do?

Psi sends her sincerest wishes that every one of you may have a year brim full of happiness and the best o' luck.

MARGUERITE C. STREETER.

PERSONALS

Ida Hoover was head of the art department of the East Central State Normal during the summer term, but is again back with us finishing her A.B. work.

Della Brunstetter is teaching French in El Reno High School, but expects to go to France this summer where she will enter the University of Paris for further work in French. Della has been awarded a French scholarship through the University of Oklahoma.

Juanita Tichenor, our newest pledge, enrolled late, having just returned from eight months' overseas service with the entertainment bureau of the Y. M. C. A. in France and Belgium. She is the only girl who holds membership in the American Legion here at the university.

Marguerite Streeter spent the summer in civil service work in Washington, D. C., with the War Risk Insurance Bureau.

Louise Cole, Alpha, but now general secretary of Y. W. C. A. in Oklahoma City, has been a frequent guest with us this year.

Mrs. Horace J. Smith, Epsilon, who lives in Pawhuska and occasionally pays us a motherly visit, has made Psi a gift of the series of CRESCENTS for the past five years. These will be bound and placed in our library as a "nest egg" for Psi Chapter's library. Isn't it a wonderful "nest egg"?

Helen Wann and Blanche Cooley-Ratliffe both have pictures in the Southwestern Art Exhibit, now on an exhibition tour through the southwestern states.

ENGAGEMENTS

Hila Jane Brown, '19, and Earl Light, Sigma Chi, '18.

Stella Jo Wantland, '19, and Dean Lencasters.

OMEGA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE



Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

What a busy autumn this has been! Increased enrollment made registration seem an impossibility but we lived through it and now the quarter is nearly over.

Three weeks of rushing went through with a zip and we had pledged twelve freshmen almost before we knew it. They are doing nicely, every one, going out for all the activities and making their presence felt generally.

Helen Schouten, a prominent '18 graduate and a member of our petitioning group, spent a week-end with us on her way back to Washington, D. C. We were only too glad to initiate her and have her wear our crescent back to Washington where she is manager of a government cafeteria. Her visit came during rushing which certainly helped us for everyone falls in love with Helen the minute they see her.

Verna Schouten of Keokuk and Marie Salomom of Denison were here to help us rush for a few days. Florence Swenson who is teaching at Gowrie, Iowa, and Mae Malloy from Castalia, Iowa, were with us for the

Home-coming, November 15. It is a real joy when our alumnæ come back and tell us not only about themselves but what Gamma Phi means to them now that they are out of college and how proud *they* are to be wearing the crescent.

We are now looking forward to the first week in December when our visiting delegate, Elizabeth Bridge, will be with us. Many of us are planning to attend a Panhellenic dinner in Des Moines soon.

ELISABETH STORM.

PERSONALS

Doris Wilson is finishing at Berkeley this year and writes of the charming life among the Eta girls and the beautiful campus.

Adah Herring was called home by the death of her father and will not be back this quarter.

Ruth Blanshan spent three unfortunate weeks in the hospital and then went home to recuperate and be ready to come back later in the year.

Edna Dean, '19, made us a little visit while on her way to California to spend the winter.

Marie Salomon is attending the University of Southern California this winter while her people are in Los Angeles.

ENGAGEMENTS

Marion Garland, '20, to Fred Bock, '21, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Leita Twining, '21, to H. H. Slayton, '22, Alpha Gamma Rho.

MARRIAGES

Margaret Holden, '19, to Walter Stecher.

Bernice Davis, '16, to Harry Dunlavy, '16.

Florence Browne, '18, to John S. Quist, '17.

CHICAGO

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Since convention the North Shore Alumnæ Association has held three meetings, one at the home of Mrs. Stephen Truesdell in Evanston, one at the home of Mrs. McKinney in Wilmette, and the third at the home of Mrs. Heilman in Evanston. The first two meetings were confined almost entirely to business but the third one was purely social. There we entertained the active chapter, Epsilon, at spread and there were about sixty-five Gamma Phis present. It was a real success and gave the alumnæ a splendid opportunity of becoming better acquainted with the active girls. We expect to make this an annual custom.

November 15 at the Chicago College Club was held a meeting of the Chicago Alumnæ Chapter. Many of the members of the North Shore Alumnæ Association attended this meeting and it was there decided that the Chicago Alumnæ Chapter would give its charter to the North Shore Alumnæ Chapter and so consolidate the efforts of the two groups. Elsewhere in this issue is a more detailed account of this action. We feel that greater support and real help can be given Epsilon Chapter by the alumnæ chapter having headquarters in Evanston than was possible when their headquarters were in Chicago. So, hereafter the name of the North Shore Alumnæ Association will no longer appear in *THE CRESCENT* but will function under the name of the Chicago Alumnæ Chapter. For the information of any who have not followed this matter closely, I might say that for the duration of the war the Chicago Alumnæ Chapter discontinued its meetings. The active girls at Northwestern felt the need of a strong

alumnæ association to back them and to meet that need the North Shore Alumnæ Association was formed.

MARY F. RICHARDSON.

PERSONALS

Cora Ennis Zobel, Kappa, is visiting in Minneapolis with her small son, Bobbie. She passed through Chicago where she visited Myrna Lindquist Cummins, Kappa, and Gertrude Hagy Allen, Kappa.

Marie Crowley took a trip to Washington recently on business for the Government.

Josephine Russel has just returned from France where she has been doing canteen service.

Mrs. Honta Smalley Bredin has recently returned to Evanston and is living at 806 Reba Place.

Jessie Vawter is doing secretarial work in Chicago this winter and is living in Evanston. She has been chosen by Epsilon as their alumnæ adviser.

Helen Vawter is attending Miss Church's Commercial Art School in Chicago this winter and living with her sister in Evanston.

Several of the Epsilon seniors of last June seem to prefer business positions to teaching. Willa Jansky, Ruth Bartels, Celia Merry, and Esther Stoffel are all starting their business careers in Chicago this winter.

Florence Hildebrand is working in the Statistical Department of the People's Gas Light and Coke Company.

Frances McCarty visited in Chicago during October, and we were all interested in hearing of Margaret Wold's plans for her wedding which will take place late in December. Frances is to be in the wedding party.

MARRIAGE

Mildred D. Ross, Epsilon 1916, to Cyrus W. Williams, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, September 2, at Carlinville, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are now living in Chicago.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Allan P. Ramsay (Klea Cozzens), a son, David Cozzens Ramsay, June 12, 1919.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robertson W. Gibb (Mary Maclear), a daughter, Mary Eleanor Gibb, October 5, 1919.

CHICAGO ALUMNÆ MEMBERS

Ardis Ade	Mrs. G. E. Watts
Ruth Bartels	Mrs. Mabelle Hinsdell
Mildred Clark	Mrs. Edgar Allen
Florence Hildebrand	Mrs. Robert S. Corlett
Willa Jansky	Mrs. Hubert Page
Ray Latimer	Mrs. Fred Stokes
Mary Richardson	Mrs. Barry Gilbert
Minnie Patterson	Mrs. Stephen Truesdell
Marion Van Patten	Mrs. Elias Bredin
Helen Vawter	Mrs. Hays McKinney
Jessie Vawter	Mrs. Grace Lasher Boice
Mrs. Richard Christopher	Mrs. A. H. Lueders
Mrs. T. L. Berry	

SYRACUSE

Syracuse Alumnæ gathered on the second Friday in October at the chapter-house for its first meeting. During the summer an energetic

committee had been at work and had prepared a changed environment to greet the members' eyes. The entire lower floor of the chapter-house living-room, music-room, and dining-room had been newly decorated and largely refurnished in exquisite taste, and in these new and delightful surroundings both the actives and alumnæ began their autumn work. Supper was served and the annual corporation meeting was held and necessary business transacted.

For convenience in entertaining, the chapter is divided into groups and on November 6 the first group entertained the alumnæ for its second meeting at the beautiful home of the chancellor, where after the business meeting the freshmen were invited for tea.

These occasions were very enjoyable socially but beyond all the surface pleasure a toll of the years activities revealed the interesting and gratifying fact that the trend of the lives of the alumnæ was distinctly and steadily upward into useful channels of service in the world. Five members are on the faculty of the university, five are filling leading places in the splendid work of our city Y. W. C. A., while three others hold responsible secretarial positions in the immensely important Americanization work and prevention and cure of disease. Three alumnæ went to France and did their bit, the usual proportion got married, have been raising their families, and two have passed on to the great adventure of life.

The philanthropic work of the chapter will be the support of its French orphan and certain local assistance to the girl students of the university.

GRACE WEBB EDGCOMB.

PERSONALS

Eleanor Pudor of Savannah, Ga., visited Olive Gordon Sherwood and Marion Beecher Scott in September.

Mrs. Thomas M. Small (Katharine Halsted), with her husband and baby daughter, has gone to Cambridge to stay for the year, while her husband is at Harvard having a compensation course from the Government.

Ruth Halsted has gone to Simmons College in Boston to take a secretarial course.

May Loveland is teaching in Ilion.

Mrs. LeRoy E. Dale (Mildred Webb) married a railroad man, which fact accounts for her moving six times in her nine years of married life. She has two fine sons of seven and four, and is at present located at 421 Woodlawn Avenue, Wayne, Pa.

MARRIAGES

Mary Delavan, '17, was married to Mr. Carroll Lewis of Cincinnati in June.

Agnes Gilman Ayars, '18, was married to Mr. Irvine A. Williams, October 30, at Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Ruth Gordon, '05, was married to Mr. Joseph Conover of Newark, N. J., October 20.

Ernestine Spaulding, '18, was married to Mr. Walter Notman, Beta Theta Pi, in Buffalo on October 23.

Alice Kenyon, '18, was married to Mr. Ralph Watkins, Delta Upsilon, on October 16.

BIRTHS

Mrs. Allen Partridge (Katherine Sears) has a new son, John Frederick Partridge.

Mrs. Thomas Farmer (Birgitta Moran) has a new daughter.

DEATHS

Word has reached us of the death, on October 25, of Florence Heermans Cameron, Alpha '99. She died at the home of her sister in Bellona, N. Y. For some years she has been teacher of physics in Wadleigh High School, New York City, but last summer was married to Mr. Walter Cameron.

On the last Saturday in October at Newburg, N. Y., there ended the long, sad illness of Christine Van Alen Oakley. She made a brave fight in a losing game and her fortitude, courage, and resolution will always be remembered. She leaves a host of loving friends and sincere mourners in Gamma Phi Beta.

Three of our members have recently been bereaved in the loss of their mothers, Olive Hunt Herrick, Jeannette Atwell, and Millicent Hinckley. For many years the hospitable home of Mrs. Hinckley was thrown open to the active and alumnæ chapter of Gamma Phi Beta and one of the cherished memories will be the recollection of the numberless good times had with her. A sunny, winning, happy personality, delighting in kind deeds, full of interest in the welfare and progress of the sorority, of unswerving loyalty, her affection and her friendship will be greatly missed and her loss sincerely and deeply mourned by us all.

The sincere sympathy of the alumnæ is felt for Rosita Munro Brown, who has recently lost her little daughter.

BOSTON

The first Saturday in each month finds a group of Gamma Phi alumnæ meeting somewhere in or around Boston. The joy of going to these meetings is that you always see someone you didn't expect to find there. For alumnæ are ever returning to Boston and dropping in at these meetings. Celia Marshall Jordan was the first hostess this season and we knew what a jolly time we should have at Celia's. Imagine our added delight to find Florence Barbour who always keeps things moving, and Betty Macy, active chapter delegate to convention, with her wonderful pictures and inspiring stories of Estes Park.

In November we met at Marion West's in Wollaston just to chat and sew and there saw Betty Drew Barbour, who has been living in Milton, Wisconsin, for several years. We gathered at the College Club in December under Katharine Whiting's leadership. She interpreted the College Club menu to us and through her efforts we curbed our appetites to make the payment of the meal more simple.

Now Boston chapter has very little to offer to other chapters in the way of suggestions and new ideas. Each year we plan two big meetings with the active chapter, a Christmas spread and a spring luncheon. Edna Simmons has just informed me that this year she is planning to have some evening meetings, early enough to make it possible for one to come for a while and still keep an evening engagement, and lasting late enough to make it worth while for the married ones to come after dinner. These meetings will be at the rooms, and some special program will be arranged by members.

In closing, we should like to urge that all active and alumnæ chapters who have any members in or around Boston communicate with us immediately for we should be extremely glad to make them feel at home in Boston.

BELLE DALTON HAWKES.

PERSONALS

Several Gamma Phis saw Mable Page Plumer, '18, and her young daughter, Betty, when they were here last summer. Mabel has been traveling ever since her marriage, and was looking forward to a home near New York this winter, but Mr. Plumer was sent farther west. Mabel is as energetic as ever, and reports being royally entertained by the western chapters.

Gamma Phis were glad to see Anne Goodsell, who came up from Hartford, Conn., for commencement.

Olive R. Marshall, '10, who went to Laborador with one of the Grenfell expeditions last summer, has returned and is doing secretarial work at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital in Boston.

We can easily imagine what a clever and charming toastmistress Elsie Weary Heilman, A. M. '13, made at the Epsilon chapter banquet.

Rachel Osgood, '09, and Margaret Osgood, '14, had a camp last summer at Lakeport, N. H., for girls from eight to fourteen. They are planning to open it again next summer.



SUNDAY SERVICES AT LOCKPORT

Florence Beiler, '07, has returned to her teaching at the Girls' High School, Brooklyn, N. Y., after having charge of the Y. W. C. A. Hostess House at San Juan, Porto Rico.

Milicent Harrison Maxfield, '14, was up from Maplewood, N. J., last summer with her two children, Katharine Haywood and Eleanor Taylor.

Eva Sadler, '17, is in the English department of the Maryland College for Women. She received her master's degree from Radcliffe last year.

Miriam Phillips, ex-'18, is head instructor in the physical training department at the Dayton Y. W. C. A.

Bostonians had a notice to the effect that Martha Thresher, '18, was learning the silk business in the Philadelphia branch of Thresher Brothers.

Mabel Fitz, '98, is now living at 14 Brown Street, Brookline, Mass.

Florence Barbour, '09, who has been living in Milton, Wis., for the past few years, has returned to Wollaston and is in charge of the employment bureau at Morgan Memorial.

ENGAGEMENT

Madeline Hamlin, ex-'17, to Arthur Porter of Salem, a graduate of Tufts.

MARRIAGES

Frances Knox Davis, ex-'17, and Marc Snowell Wright, Dartmouth '13, Δ T Δ, and a "Sphinx," were married at St. Paul's Church in Brookline, October 25, 1919. They are living in Reading.

Flora B. Smith, '09, and William Mayger, Kappa Sigma of Harvard, were married September 17, 1919. They will live in Manila, where Mr. Mayger is connected with the Texas Oil Company.

BIRTHS

Born July 3, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. James Macdonald (Esther B. Lurvey, '11), a son, Duncan Elliott.

Born November 3, 1919, to Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Steed (Eleanor C. Leonard, '05), a son, Wallace Leonard.

BOSTON ALUMNÆ MEMBERS

Mary Shepherd
Bess Clarke
Jeanette Collins
Anna Raymond
Mabel Fitz
Lucy Waite
Mary Wellington
Lizzie Damon
Conjetta Vanacore
Katharine Whiting
Dorothy Taylor
Martha Thresher
Beth Hacker
Eleanor Simmons
Marion West

Olive Marshall
Celia Jordan
Belle Hawkes
Eleanor Burbank
Frances Tucker
Isabelle Blood
Madeline Hamlin
Carlotta Brant
Agnes Carrier
Leah Wood
Marguerite Eaton
Mary Holland
Grace Newhall
Edna Simmons

NEW YORK

The year's activities began early in October, when Mrs. Mary Gallup Howe, the president, entertained the officers at luncheon at her charming home and discussed with them plans for the year. Two weeks later, on October 25, the first regular meeting was held at Barnard, with a brave showing of numbers and several visitors from the West.

Mary Gallup Howe, one of the delegates to convention, gave a vivid and interesting account of the social side of convention. Owing to the idiosyncrasies of the New York mail service, the other delegate failed to receive notice of the meeting, and was consequently conspicuous by her absence.

The other feature of the afternoon was a very interesting talk by our overseas member, Grace Banker, on her work as an officer of the Signal Corps.

At the end of a very pleasant afternoon those fortunate enough to be present separated to meet again on December 6, with Flora Judd at the Studio Club, 35 East 62nd Street.

ISABELLE D. WHITE.

PERSONALS

We were very glad to welcome the following Gamma Phis at our meeting in October: Mrs. Grace Burgard Holcomb, Gamma and Denver; Her-

mina Waller, Gamma and Beta; Mrs. Maleta Moore Wernicke, Beta; Ruth Duniway, Nu; M. Ruth Guppy, B; Rubie and Grace Hammarstrom, Nu and Portland.

Flora Judd has been seriously ill at her home in White Plains, but is recovering, and will return to her duties in the Studio Club in January.

The next meeting of New York alumnæ will be with Laura Latimer Graham on January 24.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Yale Harsen (Una Winterburn) have sold their home in Yonkers, and are spending the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Winterburn at 105 Riverside Drive, New York.

Annetta Whalley, of the Alpha Alpha Chapter in Toronto, called on Mrs. Graham in December.

NEW YORK ALUMNÆ MEMBERS

Mrs. Blanche Shove Palmer, Alpha.	Mary Gallup How, Theta.
Flora Judd, Alpha.	Louise Wheeler Dennis, Epsilon.
Aurill Bishop, Iota.	Grace Banker, Iota.
Mrs. Florence Rose Friend, Iota.	Fredericka Belknap, Iota.
Mrs. Laura Latimer Graham, Alpha.	Dorothy Dean, Iota.
Mrs. Helen Newbold Black, Iota.	Mrs. Edna Still Robinson, Iota.
Mrs. Grace Burgard Holcomb,	Mrs. Una Winterburn Harsen, Iota.
Gamma and Denver.	Mrs. Jean Shaw Horn, Iota.
Mrs. Maleta Moore Wernicke, Beta.	Laura Van Cise, Iota.
Mrs. Elsa Berghaus Fair, Iota.	Louise Warr, Alpha.
Norma Barney, Alpha.	Rubie Hammarstrom, Nu.
Emma Lowd, Delta.	Grace Hammarstrom, Nu.
Isabelle White, Delta.	Ruth Dunaway, Nu.
Ruth Elva Russum, Alpha.	Ruth Guppy, Beta.
Jessie Groat Richardson, Alpha.	

IN MEMORIAM

On October 25, 1919, at the home of her sister in Bellona, New York, died after an illness of several months, Florence Heermans Cameron, a loyal and enthusiastic member of New York chapter from its very inception.

She was a member of Alpha Chapter and was graduated from Syracuse University in June, 1899. In September of that year she went as teacher of physics to Wadleigh High School, where she continued to teach until her last illness, and where she has left a record of loyal and unselfish service.

In the summer of 1918, she married Mr. Cameron, who survives her.

From the day of her initiation, her devotion to Gamma Phi was unflinching. Her work as the first national chairman of our Social Service Committee is known to the whole sorority, but only members of her own active and alumnæ chapters can realize how large a part she played in their activities, and how much they owed

to her unswerving loyalty and devotion. Her cheery greeting, her unfailing good humor, her ready response to all demands, her willing acceptance of all tasks, and her unflinching courage in the face of death, can never be forgotten by those who were privileged to know her.

MILWAUKEE

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

I feel just like making this letter a recital of my personal woes, and I just must sob a little now or I won't be able to write at all. Here is my plaint in a nutshell.

After faithfully penning most uninteresting epistles to THE CRESCENT for two years, I was relieved this fall by a most able seeming recruit—but alas! one letter overwhelmed her and my job came back to me. So here I sit, breathing maledictions upon the heads of those blithe, gay spirits who are so charming and withal so irresponsible. Now I feel better.

We have had three very delightful meetings this fall, not all as fully attended as we could wish, but always well worth while. Our girls are all busy as can be; several of us are putting forth our best efforts in behalf of the new College Women's Club which the local branch of A. C. A. has started. Mrs. Evan Jones was one of the most enthusiastic workers in getting funds and helping with the original furnishing. Mrs. A. J. Kieckhefer is doing a tremendous amount of work as the chairman of the committee which makes serving of meals a possibility and not a liability in these days of terrific costs. She is most ably assisted by Mrs. E. W. Hoffmann. I never can keep out of things so I am holding the box office receipts and trying to keep an accurate tab on finances. Our plans as a chapter for concerted action have not been formulated as yet, but I think at our next meeting we will really do something definite.

I have been asked to write about some of our clever girls. Well, it seems they are all clever, but it is such a uniform cleverness that no one person stands out as a star. This being the case, we feel that in this edition we will feature no one.

Milwaukee sends heartiest greetings to all Gamma Phis with the best of wishes for your health, happiness, and a wealth of good Gamma Phi spirit.

BEATRICE BARNES.

PERSONAL

Ethel Garbutt is spending the winter in New York studying music.

ENGAGEMENTS

Mrs. John Barnes has announced the engagement of her daughter, Fayne, to Stuart Slade Hayes of New York. The wedding will take place this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boyce have announced the engagement of their daughter, Marion, to Monroe W. Young of Milwaukee.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bannen announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy, to Carl Van Sinden of New York. The wedding will take place in the spring.

DEATH

The heartfelt sympathy of the chapter goes out to Mrs. Catherine Ryan Hill in the loss of her husband, who was drowned while duck hunting.

MILWAUKEE ALUMNÆ MEMBERS

Baldwin, Mrs. F. S.
 Bannen, Dorothy
 Barnes, Beatrice
 Barnes, Fayne
 Boyce, Marion
 Coerper, Mrs. R. F.
 Davis, Helen
 Garbutt, Ethel
 Hoffmann, Mrs. E. W.
 Jones, Mrs. Evan D.
 Kieckhefer, Mrs. A. J.
 Kieckhefer, Mrs. W. H.

Kuehn, Mrs. H. C.
 Laflin, Mrs. Herbert
 Leavens, Marie
 Marshall, Mrs. Howard, Jr.
 McDonald, Mrs. J. R.
 McHenry, Ada
 McLenegan, Mrs. A. R.
 Moss, Mrs. Marshall
 Rice, Mrs. Felix
 Ross, Gertrude
 Webster, Margaret

Carrie E. Morgan is our associate member.

IMOGENE MASON WALKER.

SAN FRANCISCO

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

The Red Cross drive is over, celebrating the wonderful news we had last year at about this time, and we are getting busier with the sunshine work as Christmas draws near. We are saving pictures and fancy scraps, and anything pretty that might delight a child. Many are dressing dolls, stringing beads, and making scrap books, but, as always, Marie Derge keeps the purpose bright and the effort unwavering in the work of making the less fortunate children of Berkeley happy on Christmas day.

The October meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Lena Reddington Carlton in Oakland, where we welcomed our convention delegates and became acquainted with our new visiting delegate, Anna Raymond. After hearing convention business from Elizabeth Bridge, and a delightful talk from Anna Raymond, the afternoon was made complete by tea in Mrs. Carlton's pretty garden, full of beautiful dahlias.

The November meeting was held at Mrs. Colby's home in Berkeley. The meeting was the smallest we have had this year, but we forgave the absentees, when we remembered the game between the Stanford and California freshmen. However, the meeting was as happy and important as any, and, of course, cozier than most. Where only two or three, but we were a dozen, are gathered, there is bound to be as much gossip as business, but we did discuss the proposed constitution for alumnae chapters, and, after our election of officers and a delightful tea party, we were able to ride home in two machine loads.

We have been working to increase our membership, for we who go regularly feel the value of our bond and the happiness of seeing each other and dipping into the affairs of Gamma Phi as a whole. We have a membership of seventy, with an average attendance of twenty-five. We are planning to work until we get all those within reasonable distance to come each time. We have been invited to a mysterious jolly-up party at the chapter-house on November 24, and are eagerly awaiting that date. Our next alumnae meeting will be on December 27 at the home of Mrs. Lillian Parker Allen.

It seems early for a New Year wish, as it does to send Christmas gifts to foreign lands, but it won't be too early when this letter appears. San Francisco alumnae wish every alumnae and active chapter, and every individual Gamma Phi, the happiest and most successful New Year they have ever had.

PERSONALS

Florence Ewing is studying music in New York. Her address is 54 West 48th Street.

Margaret Webb is at 95 Irving Street, Cambridge, Mass.

Anna Raymond has just left us on her tour of the western chapters. She was in California two months visiting relatives around the Bay, besides the chapters at Berkeley and Stanford.

May Morgan Brown is at 2123 California Street N. W., in Washington, D. C.

Elizabeth Austin has come home after eight months in France with the Y. M. C. A. canteen.

Lorraine Andrews is Field Secretary for the Y. W. C. A., and is at present very enthusiastic over her work in Arizona.

Elizabeth Bridge is among the southwestern chapters as visiting delegate for that division.

Carmelita Woerner Piper and her husband crossed the continent in their auto in October, and had an enjoyable visit in New York.

Dorothy Daniels Van der Leck has gone to Santa Paula to live. We have all enjoyed her short residence in Berkeley, and regretted her moving away.

Emily Stewart Jones made a flying visit to Berkeley in November.

Marian Nowell Ware is now in Berkeley again and expects to stay.

Ethel Nowell is doing commercial work in Sacramento, having had a most delightful visit in the Hawaiian Islands.

Katrina Morse has also returned from France and her work with the Y. M. C. A. canteen.

Bernice Arnold Barker has gone to live at Annapolis, where her husband is now stationed.

Margaret Boveronx is visiting in New York.

Leslie Underhill Lockwood and her small daughter are visiting in California for several months.

ENGAGEMENT

Sarah Daniels to Mr. Whitman Taylor, an attorney in Chicago.

MARRIAGES

Alice Rowell was married to Ted Haley in New York in December. Mr. Haley has just returned from France and expects to remain in the army.

Muriel Cameron to Charles L. Hurd, assistant District Attorney at Mt. Vernon, Wash.

BIRTHS

To Rev. and Mrs. Josiah Sibley (Adeline Webb, Zeta), a son, in June.

To Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Pope (Kitty Mason), a daughter, Mary, March 14, 1919.

To Dr. and Mrs. Baldwin Woods (Bess Harshmann), a son, Baldwin Charles Woods, September 8.

DENVER

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The Denver correspondent feels as though she should include this letter in quotation marks, since it will be mainly a recital of "stunts" as viewed by the eyes of others. Fortune having blessed the writer with a set of ledgers, registers, and so forth which demand considerable time and attention, she has been unable to attend all the social affairs which have been keeping the

alumnæ busy since convention days. In fact, the chapter "has the habit" and successfully, too.

It was suggested that we become better acquainted with our sister sororities represented in the city by entertaining at an informal tea, immediately following our meetings, each sorority in order of its membership on the Panhellenic board. The Delta Gammas were our guests at Mrs. Moore's lovely home, and on December 12 we expect to meet the Tri Deltas and Chi Omegas with Mrs. Jackson as hostess. Meanwhile we have played hostesses to the entire Women's Panhellenic Association in Denver. The "Candlelight Tea" at Mrs. Edwards' home was highly successful according to all reports from those so fortunate as to be present. Mrs. Edwards' home is attractive enough in itself, but an added charm was effected by the yellow candles in silver candlesticks, yellow and white chrysanthemums, and small tables at which four guests were seated (to say nothing of the harpist "Bevo" who was heard and not seen).

At a special evening meeting with Mrs. Holt we welcomed our visiting delegate, Elizabeth Bridge. We Denver girls feel quite well acquainted with Miss Bridge now, especially since we were treated to a "call" so soon after convention.

The event demanding considerable attention now, both individual and collective, is the fête to be given by the Women's Alumnæ Association of the University of Denver at El Jebel Temple during the afternoon and evening of December 6. The Gamma Phis have charge of the gypsy fortune telling camp and are hoping to make it one of the real features of the fête. The proceeds are to be used in refurnishing the Y. W. C. A. rooms at the university.

It has been the custom of the chapter for several years to hold a Christmas fête at the home of one of our members. These affairs have proved a successful means of swelling the chapter treasury and aiding in the liquidation of various pledges. This year we decided to devote our time and efforts towards the success of the university fête.

In order to become better acquainted with our Theta sisters and to strengthen the bond between the college and alumnæ chapters, we have this year revived an old custom of "Mothers and Daughters." Each alumna has her own "daughter" in the college chapter, preferably a girl whom she knows only slightly. A mutual exchange of courtesies and friendly attentions soon brings the desired result.

Our next meeting will doubtless be occupied with a discussion of plans for the holidays, at which time we attempt some philanthropic work, usually a Christmas dinner for the Craig Colony of tubercular men.

We wish for each Gamma Phi sister the very best holiday season, and a New Year of health, happiness, and success.

RUTH WHEELER.

PERSONALS

Fern Mitchell came from her home in southern Colorado to attend the State Teachers' Convention in Denver and visited with the girls a while at the "Candlelight Tea."

We are glad to report that the baby son of Edna Cantril Betts has recovered from his recent illness and is out of quarantine once more. We shall welcome Edna back to meetings.

Indirectly we learn that one of our girls, Winnie Waid, played her part in the big world tragedy as nurse in France. This is the first news we have had of Winnie since she left Denver several years ago. We should be glad to know more of her and get into touch with her again.

DENVER ALUMNÆ MEMBERS

Andrew, Marion Herbert	Davis, Eva
Betts, Edna Cantril	Dunlap, Juanita
Barbee, Lindsey	Denious, Edith Boughton
Barbee, Helen	Doll, Esther
Bullen, Adaline	Edwards, Mabel Walker
Burton, Mabel	Fales, Helen
Billington, Mary Carman	Grant, Elizabeth Church
Carman, Bertha Webb	Griffith, Lucia Herbert
Clarke, Kittie Lee Bishop	Herbert, Kathryn
Connor, Belle	Hier, Mrs. W. D.
Carper, Gertrude Wolfe	Hitchcock, Mary
Carroll, Elizabeth Hessler	Holt, Mabel Brown
Hoop, Edith	Rilling, Mabel
Iliff, Louise	Ritter, Frances Hoop
Jackson, Lois Miles	Robinson, Eunice
Keezer, Madelyn	Robinson, Louise
Kendrick, Eda Burkhalter	Robinson, Mildred
Linn, Rowena Schaefer	Sanderson, Ella Jamison
Marvin, Helen McCurdy	Shannon, Grace Evans
McDonough, Grace	Smedly, Viola Clymer
Milton, Lisle Brownell	Smith, Genevieve Knight
Moore, Mary Crary	Sperry, Clara
Moore, Ora Bowman	Strauss, Ruth Coldren
Nutting, Mildred	Taussig, Margaret Packard
Paulson, Louise	Toby, Ethel
Painter, Edith Garrigues	Weiner, Jessie Austin
Potter, Edith Wallace	Wheeler, Ruth
Plattner, Mary Uzell	Whitford, Marie Garrison
Prickett, Margaret McGregor	Wright, Chellie Stevens
Puffer, Mary Woy	Young, Ethel
Parks, Louise Blauvelt	Young, Lucia Pattison
Ramsey, Julia	

MINNEAPOLIS

Dear Gamma Phis:

The time for our annual fair is drawing near. The needles are working over time now that we know how successful Alpha Phi and Kappa Kappa Gamma were at their fairs. Last week we sewed all afternoon at Marion Slater Leonard's, and then proceeded to our regular supper meeting. Friday we sewed all day at Pearl Weston Hall's and again Tuesday at Mary Jones'.

This has been a Gamma Phi week. Elizabeth Bridge, the visiting delegate, is visiting the active chapter, and Friday, November 28, will have a meeting and tea with the alumnæ. Miss Bridge is brimming over with ideas and such an efficient and ardent Gamma Phi that we are sure she will do a great deal for the actives and more for the alumnæ. But we can tell you more about that next time. At present "the fair's the thing." We are planning on the actives to make the dance in the evening a success and also that they will make good cash girls and bundle wrappers in the afternoon.

We are all enthusiastic over the visit of the Countess D'Urzel. The committee entertained her at a luncheon and she told of the great work she is planning for the Belgian babies, and we have voted to help her for our

own social service work. She had a day and night nursery for forty babies which we purpose to help support by collecting money in the milk bottles with a new poster inserted. When we have finished sewing for the fair we will sew for these babies, making attractive little dresses of pink and blue, instead of the gray and black which we used for our French orphans during the war.

Wishing you all a very happy New Year.

DOROTHY JONES.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Otto Zoebel (Cora Ennis) and her son, Robert, of Maplewood, N. J., are visiting in Minneapolis.

Mae Wescott, Gamma, of Baltimore, has been visiting Mrs. A. D. Pierce (Beatrice Utman), Gamma. They have been most faithful at the sewing meetings.

Lucille Babcock will teach French at the university next quarter.

Mrs. Porter Wiggin (Doris Leach) has been in Minneapolis staying at the house, on her way to New York, to join her husband who has gone into business there.

Mrs. George Wilson (Glance Clemens) of Duluth was in Minneapolis last week.

Ella K. Smith was in Minneapolis at the time of the M. E. A.

Jeanette Welch Brice has been visiting Alice Westley Bigelow at Austin, Minn.

ENGAGEMENT

Margaret Wold, Epsilon, to Austin Harland of Minneapolis.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Young (Elizabeth Odell), a daughter, Mary Ellen, November 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hill (Jessie Scott), a daughter.

LOS ANGELES

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

We have held several meetings since our last CRESCENT letter was written, and to account for all of them it is necessary to go back to our May meeting. It was held at Mrs. Thomas Russell's delightful home in the Santa Monica mountains and was another all-day meeting. We thoroughly enjoyed the dainty luncheon, which was served out of doors on her wide veranda. The cool sea breezes and the views of lovely garden were most refreshing. At this meeting we concluded the business of the Milk Bottle Campaign as an organization. Mrs. Russell has kept on with the work individually with some success since that time.

In June Mrs. Cannell gave a tea in honor of Elizabeth Bridge, our visiting delegate. We were all very much interested in Miss Bridge's accounts of the other chapters, both active and alumnae, and eager to learn all that we could from hearing of their methods and plans. It made us more ambitious, I know.

After the customary three months' vacation our president, Kitty Nason Pope, gathered us together for the first fall meeting at her mother's home in Hollywood. We had imposed on our officers for last year and held them in office through the summer, so the chief business of this meeting was to nominate a new set. But the most fun of the afternoon was meeting Kitty's new little daughter, Mary, a most adorable four months' old baby.

Mrs. Cannell with her usual ready and charming hospitality entertained us again in October, in order that we might elect and install our new officers and make definite plans for this year's meetings. Our officers represent several different chapters and localities, so it may interest quite a few of you to know that Mrs. Thomas Russell, Alpha, is our new president, Laila Knapp Cannell, Lambda, vice-president; Gladys Appleman, Pi, secretary; Helen Thompson, Theta, treasurer; and Ida Hale Livingston, Eta, corresponding secretary. The plan decided on for this year's meetings was to have luncheons held on the third Saturday of every month in some downtown restaurant. As many of our members are scattered among the smaller towns of this locality, it was thought that a central meeting place might make it easier for them to attend more of the meetings. The committee in charge of this arrangement was voted very successful in its choice of a meeting place. We held the first luncheon in November at the Colonial Tearoom in the Blackstone and will continue to meet there. Now that the time and the place are to be always the same, we hope that that, too, will help our attendance.

At this meeting a committee was elected and plans were made to carry on our usual Christmas work again this year. By collecting clothing and toys from our friends and our own members, we are able to supply the children of a few poor families with the comforts and joys of Christmas. Some who cannot give clothing or toys send in food or money as their share and we try to fill all the needs of the families selected.

In closing we send the very best of the season's greetings to all Gamma Phis.

IDA HALE LIVINGSTON.

MARRIAGES

Grace Childs, Mu '12, to Harold Sherman, Delta Chi '12. Mr. and Mrs. Sherman are both Redlands people and are living there now.

Georgia Haffner, Mu '17, to William Bloeser, also of Stanford. Before her marriage Mrs. Bloeser was an assistant instructor in the economics department at Columbia University.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNÆ MEMBERS

May Atkinson	Edna Earle
Gladys Appleman	Mrs. T. H. Fitzgerald
Mrs. Arthur J. Barnes	Edna Gearhart
Mrs. Mabel Crow Bennet	Mrs. H. S. Gilman
Jessica Bird	Rutherford Holdredge
Mrs. Bruce Brown	Mrs. George Hebard
Sarah Bundy	Mrs. George Hunt
Mrs. S. B. Cannell	Ruth Hutchinson
Mrs. M. P. Casady	Edith Hutchinson
Mrs. J. E. Doty	Mrs. Paul Jeffers
Olivia Chapman	Mrs. E. Conant Livingston
Illa Dow	Rebecca Mac Nair
Mrs. N. E. Milliken	Sue Ross
Rita Morres	Mrs. Thomas A. Russell
Jean Oliver	Mrs. Chauncey Reed
Ethel Palmer	Mabel F. Sperry
Mrs. James H. Pope	Helen Thompson
Mabel Posson	Mrs. R. Variel
Mrs. Bessie S. Richardson	Mrs. James Vaile
Helen B. Richardson	Mrs. Belle Wilkinson

BALTIMORE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Baltimore alumnæ will welcome joyfully this alumnæ number of *THE CRESCENT*, for we are all anxious to hear from our sisters, and to get helps for the conducting of our own chapter work as well. Convention and national officers are spending so much time and thought on ways and means of helping us, that we are most earnest in our desire to profit by them in every way possible.

We have had two splendid meetings this fall, in October and November. Our first was an informal luncheon in Zeta rooms, at which we heard a glowing report of convention. The second was a farewell party for our sister, Nell Snowden Watts, who is leaving us for Seattle this month. We shall miss Nell more than we can tell, and just when we were congratulating ourselves upon having her in our midst. But we know Nell will be happy in Seattle, and we are envious of the alumnæ there in their good fortune.

Baltimore alumnæ have adopted the constitution as proposed by the convention committee. They have planned to hold two luncheons this year, in January and March, besides smaller meetings. They are happy to have two new Goucher graduates with them, and several visitors from out of town.

With best wishes to Gamma Phis everywhere.

AMELIA WAGNER SUTTON.

MARRIAGES

Bess Brown, '03, to Dr. Frank Thomas Fort of Louisville, Ky., on June 4, 1919.

Nell Snowden Watts, '05, to Mr. Irving Marshall Clark of Seattle, Wash., on November 29, 1919.

Josephine Chapman, '15, to Dr. Leslie Gager of New York, in July, 1919.

Elizabeth Barnes, '11, to Dr. Gibson Smith of York, Pa., July 24, 1919.

Wilhelmina Treide, '11, to Mr. Roland Benjamin of Baltimore, November 5, 1919.

Clara Amelia Wagner, '16, to Dr. Alan Callender Sutton of Baltimore, August 16, 1919.

Margaret Baley Nottingham, ex-'18, to Mr. Eugene Price Brown of Whiting, Ind., on September 16, 1919.

BIRTHS

Chester Arthur Ferguson, Jr., on April 22, 1919, to Caroline Kline Ferguson.

Mary S. Newman, June 9, 1919, to Mathilda Omwake Newman.

John Martsof to Alida Hier Martsof.

John Thomas Maynard on September 3, 1919, to Mabel Haskins Maynard.

DEATH

The chapter extends its sympathy to Margery and Mrs. Sawyer on the sudden death of their beloved father and husband.

SEATTLE

Dear Girls in Gamma Phi:

For a number of years, we of Lambda and Seattle have given a bazaar at the Hotel Washington in Seattle. This bazaar has done much to bring us into closer companionship with the active chapter, and has given us prestige in the city, among the faculty, and other sorority girls. From the

proceeds of the bazaar we have established a scholarship of one hundred dollars for some needy university girl. This girl is selected by the dean of women, a representative from the alumnæ chapter, and a faculty member. Our aim is to raise enough in a few years to carry the fund from the interest. The girls have worked hard this year to make it a great success, for we have not had one in two years, owing to war conditions. It is to be held December 6, and we have all sorts of articles for sale, besides a delicatessen booth. Daintily gowned flower girls will sell corsage bouquets and boutonnieres, and the whole effect will be that of a fête. We have had as many as forty girls present at some of our sewing meetings which we have been holding every week for designing, painting, and planning.

The committee for the alumnæ bazaar were Mrs. Leah Miller McKay, chairman; Mrs. Violet Dungan Keith, Mrs. Anna Baker Williams, Mrs. Marion Alexander Walter, Mrs. Amy Wheeler Laube, Mrs. Clara Taney Will, Mrs. Myrtle Rude Anderson, Mrs. Anna Young Rabel, Mrs. Lois McBride Dehn, Mrs. Bess Clarke Darnell, Mrs. Emmy Schmitz Hartmann. Following the bazaar in the tearoom at the Hotel Washington, an informal dance was held. The committee were Katherine Jerome, Alice Ives, Charlotte Mann, Vermita Swezea, and Mrs. Orpha Meacham McAusland.

A luncheon was given for Anna Raymond at the Women's University Club, November 22, and we heard a most interesting talk on our national organization.

The spread which was in celebration of the founding of Gamma Phi was held at the chapter-house with one hundred and sixteen present. Sylvia Wold Haasch had slips of paper printed with the active girls' names, and the alumnæ drew them for dinner partners. The dinner was an informal spread in the living-room, after which the freshmen put on one of the best vaudevilles that has ever been staged at the house. Several girls drove down from Everett and many others were out for this affair who hadn't been able to get to other meetings. We plan to have a similar gathering in May to celebrate the founding of Lambda. We feel that our strong organization and help has been of value to the active chapter, and the active chapter has coöperated with us on every occasion. We believe that we have a wonderful group of girls in our chapter, and we have several girls from other chapters who have become most loyal and enthusiastic members with us. We are already looking forward to showing you what we have accomplished when you join us in convention in 1921.

AIRDRIE KINCAID COATS.

PERSONALS

Marjorie Holmes is doing interior decorating at MacDougall and Southwick's, one of our large department stores.

Grace Listmann of Yakima is in Seattle with her parents for a brief visit prior to their departure for the Orient by way of California.

Eleanor Medden is connected with the main branch of the Seattle public library.

Margaret Meany Younger has returned from New York, where she went to attend the last meeting of the War Work Council of the Young Women's Christian Association. Margaret served the local council with credit during the war.

Mrs. Gaches of Mount Vernon gave a house party at her home for Mr. and Mrs. Robin Welts (Persis Buell), Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mullen (Helen Steele), and Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Hurd (Muriel Cameron of Eta).

Nell Watts of Goucher was a visitor at the chapter-house one evening of rushing and she really seemed like one of the "old girls" come back in-

stead of a "stranger" from another chapter. We were glad to have her call, and to learn that she is to make her home in the city after her marriage to Mr. Clark.

Dorothy Dunbar, Nu, and sister of Frances Dunbar, one of our pledges, was a visitor at the chapter-house in November.

Mercedes Barber Russell and her husband are living in Olympia, where they are welcome additions to the Gamma Phi colony.

Margaret Motie is playing in stock company on Saturdays, and carrying on her dramatic teaching in the Spokane High School on weekdays.

Janet Powell is in New York, where she expects to do literary work for one of the well-known fashion magazines.

Carrie Shorts, Bertha Powers Marion, Adelaide Almond Linne, Jessie Ludden Horsfall, and Marie Holcomb are visiting in the East.

Violet Shephard, who was so successful in her advertising work on one of the Seattle newspapers, has gone to Los Angeles where she expects to continue her work.

Iris Canfield, after a year's absence and a tour of the Chautauqua circuit with her violin, has returned to college.

Viola Schwaegler Fisher of Tacoma and Pauline Smith of Everett were active participants in the rushing this fall.

Florence Finch Dickson is dietitian at the Hollywood dairy, an establishment maintained as a hobby by a prominent Seattle business man.

Mrs. Harold Jacobs (Isabel Hoffman) is making her home in Oakland.

Helen Sully is teaching this winter in Cottonwood, Idaho.

Marjorie Judy and her mother have opened a studio in New York, where Marjorie is designing cretonnes.

Margaret Wayland is expected to return from an eastern trip the first of December, and will be the guest of Ruth Frye Osborn for a few days.

Anna Raymond, accompanied by Mrs. Sylvia Wold Haasch, visited Everett and Tacoma, where she organized the girls.

Mrs. Victor Rabel entertained at luncheon recently in compliment to Mrs. Charles Mullen (Helen Steel).

ENGAGEMENTS

Amy Pike, ex-'16, to Lieut. Ward Becker, U. S. Army, formerly of the University of Minnesota.

Dorothy Condon, '19, to Mr. Judson Falkner, Theta Delta Chi.

MARRIAGE

Doris Ives to Mr. Paul Masters, Wednesday evening October 29, at Trinity Parish Church. The guests were mostly Gamma Phis and the bridal party included Alice Ives, Pauline Smith, and Katherine Jerome. Doris was the motif for an unusual number of attractive parties and showers before her marriage. Katherine Jerome gave a dinner-dance at the Hotel Washington, and a number of showers were given in Doris' honor.

BIRTHS

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fennimore Owen (Frances Markey).

Twins, a son and daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Oleson (Martina Henahan).

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Max Walske (Margaret Fowler).

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Marsh (Lavina Wilson) of Wallace, Idaho.

PORTLAND

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We have just had a very pleasant and beneficial visit from Anna Raymond, who came out of the East, yet fits so naturally into our western atmosphere. All the local Gamma Phis who met her enjoyed her charming manner and appreciated the help and inspiration they received in sorority matters. A special meeting was held November 19 at the apartment of Mrs. Irma Clifford McCulloch to give the members of our chapter an opportunity of meeting Miss Raymond. The account of her visit to Eta, Mu, Nu, and Chi was of vital interest to all of us. Previous to the meeting a luncheon was given in her honor at the Hotel Benson, by the officers of the chapter. During her stay in the city Miss Raymond was the guest of Mrs. Virginia Wilson Petheram. A visit to the Horse Show, a motor trip up the Columbia River Highway, several dinners, and the business meeting made a full program for her visit with us.

Our second fall meeting was with Mrs. Edith Woodcock Whittlesey, on October 16. The principal subject of discussion was the success of the rummage sale held by eight sororities in Panhellenic for the University of Oregon's Woman's Building. The proceeds were divided among the sororities evenly and Gamma Phi received as her share over a hundred dollars, which seemed a tidy contribution to the fund. It seemed impossible after the activity of the Red Cross Shop, that so much rummage still remained in the alleys of Portland. The success of our part in it was largely due to Katherine Bridges, who gathered up the articles in her machine, and to Beatrice Lilly Grout, who saw to the important part that we have two Gamma Phis on duty every day for a week.

We have just sent off our Christmas gift to our little French orphan, Marcelle Maltier, a nice wooly scarf of gray and old rose, some handkerchiefs, and some cut-out dolls of the old favorites, Bo-Peep and little Red Riding Hood.

Many alumnae from all over the state returned to Oregon for Homecoming week, and had the pleasure of seeing their home football team victorious over their ancient rival, O. A. C.

Portland alumnae send to all Gamma Phi Betas sincerest wishes for success in the New Year, as individuals and in all matters pertaining to the sorority. The reports from the active chapters have been so splendid that it makes every alumna proud of being a Gamma Phi.

RUTH LORRAINE CLOSE.

PERSONALS

Marguerite Gross is teaching in Oregon City.

Buena Margason is expected to return to Portland at Christmas time, after a six months' tour with the Chautauqua as elocutionist.

Florence Cleveland is making her headquarters in Portland, as she is doing social service work for the Public Welfare Bureau.

Katherine Bridges is teaching in a Portland high school.

May Gray spent the summer in the East with her sister, Jean Gray Powell.

Grace Lilly is teaching in Portland.

Rubie Hammarstrom is teaching in a girls' school at Peekskill-on-the-Hudson. She is living in New York City with her sister, Grace, who is taking graduate work in Columbia.

Ruth Duniway, one of the organizers of our alumnae chapter, is with the War Camp Community Service in New York.

Luella Behrens passed through Portland recently on her way to her home in Redwood City, Cal., from New York.

Mrs. Caroline Benson Unander has returned from California, and will spend the winter in Portland.

Mrs. L. J. Tuttle, who was in Portland part of last winter, has moved to Washington.

MARRIAGES

Aileen Gehr was married to Mr. William G. Williams at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Gehr, on October 18, 1919. They will reside at East 14th and Oak Streets, Portland.

Irene Strowbridge was married to Harold E. Wheeler, November 29, at the home of her parents in Irving. Her matron of honor was Mrs. Virginia Wilson Petheram.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Adolph G. Sieberts (Irma Stidd, Chi), a son, Edward Allworth Sieberts, on August 16. Mr. and Mrs. Sieberts are now living in Portland, but expect to leave some time after the new year to make their home in Kalama, Wash.

To Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Powell, Jr. (Jean Gray), a son. Mrs. Powell was a member of Portland Alumnae Chapter prior to her marriage, but has recently been living in New York state.

PORTLAND ALUMNÆ

Members

Mrs. Alice Benson Beach
 Grace Bean
 Katherine Bridges
 Mrs. Ruth Lorraine Close
 Florence Cleveland
 Mrs. Helen McCormack Colton
 Mrs. Ada Kendall Cobb
 Mrs. Beulah Bridges Fear
 Mrs. Zillah Crawford Glen
 May Gray
 Joy Gross
 Mrs. Beatrice Lilly Grout
 Mrs. Edith Sheehy Hickson
 Mrs. Helen Cake Heusner
 Gertrude Holmes
 Florence Kendall
 Grace Lilly
 Beatrice Locke
 Grace McKenzie
 Buena Margason
 Bertha Masters
 Naoma Marcellus
 Mrs. Irma Clifford McCulloch
 Mrs. Vivian Holmes McMicken
 Mrs. Ruth Beach Mehlin
 Mrs. Ann McMicken Morrow
 Mrs. Flawnice Killingsworth O'Hanlon
 Florence Parelius
 Jennie Parelius

Mrs. Virginia Wilson Petheram
Mrs. Grace Gray Perkins
Mrs. Mildred Vail Reichardt
Mrs. Anne Taylor Rankin
Mrs. Grace Foster Rawson
Mrs. Irma Stidd Sieberts
Katherine Stanfield
Mrs. Irene Strowbridge Wheeler
Mrs. Edith Woodcock Whittlesey
Mildred Whittlesey
Mrs. Aileen Gehr Williams
Mrs. Caroline Benson Unander

Associate Members

Mrs. Flora Dunham Bean
Marguerite Gross
Mrs. Pearl McKenna Johns
Annie Lindsey
Ruth Morton
Lorene Parker
Mrs. L. J. Tuttle

MADISON

Dear Gamma Phis:

Madison alumnæ have never asked for a charter and consequently are only an association. Living in the town with Gamma Chapter and keeping in very close touch with the active girls, we have always felt our influence extended through the chapter and that there was no reason for a charter. We have, however, officers and hold monthly meetings at which the affairs of the nation and those of the chapter are most thoroughly discussed. The officers for the ensuing year are: President, Anne Martin Tarrell, '08; vice-president, Genevieve Sylvester Allen, '99; secretary and treasurer, Ethel Houser Jackman, '00.

During rushing we entertained the chapter and its guests at a picnic which according to Panhellenic rules was all we were allowed to do.

We occasionally have our meetings at the house and stay for dinner. This gives us a splendid opportunity to know the girls, with whom the alumnæ have most pleasant affiliations. The number of alumnæ in town is smaller than that of many of the other older sororities, but when it comes to enthusiasm and work for the chapter, we have no competitors. There are sixteen of us; two of our number, Ina Judge Hanks and Ella Davis Goodyear, have daughters in the active chapters. We are a group of busy women, doing our share in different activities—Red Cross, Girls' Club, Baby Clinic, Italian Relief, library, church, sorority, all claim a part of our time.

One of our number, Emily Winslow, has done some splendid work as a sculptress. She has had her work exhibited at the Chicago Art Institute and it was commented upon most favorably.

Among our older girls who were giving their services abroad, were Laura Case Sherry, whose work in the interests of the Drama League, is well known; Delia Linwell was also doing dramatic work for the soldiers. Frances Lauder and Mary Bunting did their part as nurses, while Harriet Hunt was with the Smith unit. Helen Harrison Bickelhaupt, whose husband was a captain overseas, was social director for student nurses in the

government hospitals in New York. Polly Bunting has three gold service stripes, showing eighteen months' service in France as a nurse. She went as a U. S. A. Reserve nurse, and came home in March, 1919.

Sincerely yours,

MARY C. BRITTINGHAM.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hays of Tacoma, Wash., spent a few days among old friends in Madison in November. They had been on a two months' trip, visiting California, Colorado, New England, and Washington.

Mrs. H. H. Harrison (Gertrude Barron, '90) is spending the winter with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan A. Bickelhaupt, at 234 Frederick Avenue, Sewickley, Pa. Mrs. Bickelhaupt was Helen Harrison, '14.

Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Brittingham (Mary Clark, '89) are spending the winter in California. At present they are in San Diego.

Mrs. Ethel Virgin O'Neil and her three children are at 411 South Linden Avenue, Sheridan, Wyo., where Mrs. O'Neil has opened a vocal studio.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clark, Jr. (Dorothy Funk, '19) are at 1105 East Gorham Street. Mr. Clark is connected with the Gisholt Company.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Taylor (Marjorie McCawley, '04) are at 414 West 121st Street, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Roets (Elizabeth Pyre) are at 19 Acton Street, Wollaston, Mass. Mr. Roets is connected with Stone & Webster Company.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Kniffen (Henrieta Pyre, '01) have moved from Pittsburgh to 329 West 86th Street, New York City.

Annie T. Chapman, '90, and her mother, who spent the summer in Madison, Wis., have returned to Williamsburg, Va.

Marion Mayers, '18, is teaching art at Grafton Hall, Fond du Lac, Wis.

Lucy Wallrich, '19, is teaching in the physical education department at Northwestern University, Evanston.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert J. O'Brien (Eleanor Fisher, ex-'19) are now located at San Francisco, Cal., 1329 Taylor Street.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Grimm, Jr. (Helen Aurland, '17) are living at 7 Park View Apartments, Dayton, Ohio.

Florence Deakin, '19, has a French scholarship at the university. She expects to go to France next June.

Harriet Hunt, '13, is teaching in St. Timothy's, Catonsville, Md.

Mrs. W. C. Winton (Lena Knox, '87) is spending the winter at the Plaza Hotel, Boston. Her daughter, Frances, is studying music in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mathews (Bertha Van Dusen, '91) have sold their home in Brookings, S. D., and will make their home in the future in Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Harrington (Anna Spencer, '92) are now located at 2095 East 102nd Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

Major and Mrs. Frank Case (Nell Smith, '89) are expected to return to New York in December. Major Case is the foreign representative of the American International Corporation and has offices in Rome, Paris, and Madrid. Major and Mrs. Case have been abroad since last December.

Grace McDonnell Ground is establishing recreational centers for working girls under the auspices of the Knights of Columbus.

MARRIAGES

July 1, Polly Bunting, '04, to Dr. W. Howard Yeager, at Baltimore, Md.

October 8, Doris E. Dyson to Mr. Melville A. Smith, at Viroqua, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith are at home at 621 North Henry Street, Madison, Wis.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. J. M. O'Neil (Edith Winslow), a son, John Winslow, August 7, 1919.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Tryer (Hazel Houser), a son, Walter Livingston, September 28, 1919.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kemp (Beula Heddles), a daughter, Katharine Heddles, October 2, 1919.

To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ristvedt (Helen Smith, '09), a son, John Theodore, on June 12, 1919, at Story City, Iowa.

DEATHS

Deepest sympathy is extended to Mary Pratt Bright in the death of her husband, Eliot Bright, in August in Philadelphia.

Madison extends sincere sympathy to Kathryn Ryan Hill in the loss of her husband, J. Milton Hill, who was drowned in October.

Katherine Mount, '15, died in New York in January, 1919, while taking intensive training for nurses at Mount Sinai Hospital.

MEMBERS OF MADISON ALUMNÆ

Genevieve Sylvester Allen

Mary Clark Brittingham

Dorothy Funk Clark

Ella Davis Goodyear

Ina Judge Hanks

Rena Heddles

Ethel Houser Jackman

Jennie Davis Lucas

Dorothy Barnes McGuire

Ada Sumner Moseley

Edith Winslow O'Neil

Amelia F. Pyre

Doris Dyson Smith

Daisy Stott Sullivan

Anne Martin Tarrell

Emily Winslow

CLEVELAND

Dear Gamma Phis:

Cleveland Gamma Phis extend greetings to you and to all the chapters; especially, at this time, to the *alumnæ*.

Though we are not organized, we appreciate the fact that we have at all times received most courteous treatment from the members of the national board and from the editor of *THE CRESCENT*. We very much enjoyed Miss Morgan's letters, which kept us informed as to the progress of Gamma Phi Beta in general, and cannot help a feeling of regret that she is no longer our president. However, it is, as always, "Le roi est mort, vive le roi," so here's to Miss Barbee. Now, altogether!

At the Panhellenic luncheon on November 15, Gamma Phi had nine representatives, and the total number present, one hundred seven, was the best response since the first "get-together luncheon" in 1915. We feel especially pleased because Gamma Phi holds the presidency this year. The special work of the Panhellenic Association is to pay for a scholarship in the Women's College of Western Reserve University, Cleveland. We are now assisting the third young woman. The other two are out in the world, making good.

PERSONALS

J. Cora Bennett, Gamma, is teaching chemistry at East High. She spends her summers at Columbia, working for degrees and *getting* them.

Bertha Oviatt Cox, Alpha, spends her time doing all sorts of good things—"looking up, not down, forward not back, and lending a hand."

Mrs. Evans and Mrs. Ryan, Theta, are newcomers in Cleveland, but we hope they are here to stay. Our sympathy is with Mrs. Ryan, who was called home on account of her father's death.

Anna M. Dimmick, Zeta (who, by the way, was the first editor of *THE CRESCENT*), is assistant principal at Commercial High School, Cleveland.

Mildred Dimmick, Omicron, is a graduate student at the University of Illinois. We really cannot claim her now, but hope to do so a little later.

Mrs. Hinshilwood (Alice Parks) and Achsa Parker, Beta, are sheltered by the same roof tree. They play the part of fairy godmother to our French orphan in Cenon. Incidentally Miss Parker is secretary and "first aid" to Dr. Hoover at Lakeside Hospital.

Lillian Johnson, Omicron, is a dietitian at Lakeside.

Mrs. Samuel Keller and Mrs. Earl Stearns (both from Epsilon) were a charming pair at the Panhellenic luncheon. Mrs. Stearns is a newcomer among us, but Mrs. Keller has been with us for five years or more. She has two lovely children, and is a delightful hostess. We are looking forward to another Gamma Phi tea which she is planning for December 6.

Mrs. C. C. Dibble, Beta, is a busy mother of three. She has been secretary of the Alumnae Association of the University of Michigan for the past year.

Mrs. Eugene Smith, Beta, has lately returned from Buffalo, and is now in her new home in Lakewood.

Mrs. Harrington, Gamma, is our latest "find." We located her through Mrs. Caskey, of Oberlin.

And now I am loath to say goodbye. But it really amounts to that, because we shall be leaving Cleveland about December 15. A change in business affairs takes us to Greenville, Ohio, where I can be reached at 300 Central Avenue. Gamma Phi has meant a great deal to me in Cleveland, and I shall miss the friends of the last seven years more than I can say.

Business letters hereafter should be sent to Miss Achsa Parker, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio.

Faithfully yours,

GRACE McH. MOORE.

ST. LOUIS

Dear Gamma Phis Everywhere:

"I've been a-visitin' 'bout a week," so I may get side-tracked in the course of this letter and begin telling you about the lovely time I had at Sigma instead of telling you about the good times the Gamma Phi alumnae have been enjoying here in St. Louis.

Quite fortunately for me I did not leave town until after Miss Bridge had come. We surely appreciate our new Alumnae Secretary and, all of us, particularly those who have never been to convention, have seen a new vision of Gamma Phi Beta nationally because of her visit. I missed the dinner which the alumnae gave in her honor at the Washington Hotel, but if I can believe Dame Rumor it was a decided success. The flowers which decorated the table were sent the next day to Lois' kiddies. You see, Lois' children are our pets. You don't know about them? Of course not! Well, Lois Keim is director of occupational therapy in the Children's Hospital here and consequently we Gamma Phis feel that all of these little folks, crippled and sick, sort of belong to us.

We have been so busy getting ourselves organized that we haven't undertaken any very big enterprises as yet. Some day—but I'd rather stick to the present!

Our chief reason for being, so far, has been to coöperate with Phi Chapter and to give it our united support. We hope that the cunning little old-fashioned bouquets which we gave the rushees at our alumnae

Orpheum party and tea helped sway several little freshmen Gamma Phiward.

In order that our coöperation may be most effective and along the lines most desired by the active chapter, a committee headed by Winifred Douglas Briggs has been elected to act as a coördinating body and to keep the closest sort of communication between the two bodies.

The pledges gave a delightful party at the home of Marguerite Francis and every one of us enjoyed hugely their little farce, *As It Seems to Us*, which presented their opinion of a chapter meeting. They were not so far wrong either and it started us of the alumnae on reminiscences.

Individually we are a most energetic group. Almost every girl is actively engaged in some particular line of work, whether teaching, social service, business, or housekeeping. Let me introduce you to each Gamma Phi affiliated with the St. Louis Alumnae Association.

Here come our teachers. Yes, really, this young thing who appears first is a teacher; more even—a principal! 'Tis Mary Callahan, who gets home from her school at Festus often enough to be with us now and then, though not so often as we'd like to have her. And these two tiny ones are Beatrice and Dorothy Jennings. I've often wondered how they could make great big high school boys and girls behave, but they really do succeed in making them step around. Grace Sewing, too, is teaching this year. It is her first year of it but she is most enthusiastic about it all when she comes home each week-end. We've all welcomed the kind Providence which sent Ora Whitley from Epsilon to teach a kindergarten in our midst. The two other Epsilon girls who have affiliated with us here are Ada Marie Kelly and Constance Roach, our president, both of whom teach in the Clayton High School.

We are very proud of those of our girls who are still on the campus in executive positions and as instructors. They are living evidence of the high regard in which both faculty and students hold Phi Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta. Elizabeth Chapin is secretary in the Division of University Extension, Alma Urban is secretary in the School of Commerce and Finance, and Charlotte Robertson is secretary to the registrar. Lucille Riedel is doing graduate work and is at the same time assistant in history, while Frances Barbour, our most recent Phi Beta Kappa, holds a fellowship for graduate work. Incidentally Frances discovered, actually *discovered*, some ballads last summer in the Ozarks and was asked to talk about them at the Artists' Guild! Margaret Ewing and Margaret Johnson, Φ Β Κ, are full-fledged instructors in English at the university and make us awfully proud of our representation on the faculty.

Elizabeth Baker, as secretary of Girls' Work at the St. Louis Y. W. C. A., is filling one of the most important positions in the field of social service, for who needs the helping hand of the big sister more than the young girls in the factories and stores of a big city?

I have told you before that Lois Keim is director of occupational therapy at the Children's Hospital, but I didn't tell you what a very unique position that is. In fact, she's the only one of her kind! No other children's hospital except this one, which is a part of the Washington University Medical School, has such a department connected with it.

Mary Herold West, Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi, claims that her position is really fun. She is doing publicity work for the Southwestern Division, American Red Cross, and finds great sport in buzzing for the stenographers or the filing clerk.

Irmgarde Zeitlmeisl, another Epsilon girl, Marion Griffith, and Katherine Brady are business women, while Ethel Knobloch is giving violin lessons.

To be sure some of our girls don't rush daily to the classroom or to the office, but this is no indication that they are not busy. Winifred Douglas Briggs, Gamma '14, for instance, is extremely busy raising the nicest little future Gamma Phi you can imagine. Judie, with her little red curls and all her mother's charm and daintiness, is just the sweetest ever. I've been trying to slip a picture of her in her bathing suit to send to THE CRESCENT. Some day I'll get it and then you will all love her as we do.

Elizabeth Callaway, Grace Lewis Miller, and Adeline Powell, also of Epsilon, are among our most interested members who find their business at home. Mrs. Powell, by the way, has burst into print several times recently. Her short stories are most interesting.

Marion Gray Conklin of Sigma is our most recent acquisition and we certainly hope that her Delta Tau husband will keep her here as long as possible.

Now you know all of us who make up the St. Louis Alumnae Association of Gamma Phi Beta. Our best wishes come to each Gamma Phi wherever she may be and particularly to our youngest little sisters at Alpha Alpha.

MARY HEROLD WEST.

DES MOINES

For What Should Alumnae Chapters Stand?

Now that rushing, for the most part, is finished for this college year, I think it a very opportune time to put in a word about the duties and privileges of the alumnae chapters, or in other words state for what alumnae chapters stand.

Our group of alumnae in Des Moines, and I know it must be so in other cities where there are alumnae chapters, was organized for the purpose of service to Gamma Phi Beta, and all active chapters should realize and appreciate this fact. Of course we thoroughly enjoy our monthly luncheons, various teas, and other parties, for they are always very pleasant social affairs. But this social side is not all, nor even half the reason for our interest in our alumnae chapter.

We are always anxious to help the active chapters in whatever ways we can, and this summer and fall, as in previous years, we obtained a list of the most desirable girls who were going to colleges where there was a chapter of Gamma Phi. We put forth a great deal of effort, and spent much time and money in rushing them, and their names were sent with strong recommendations to the active chapters.

In our case we did not feel hurt, crushed, enraged, or everlastingly snubbed because the various chapters did not bid many of the girls we had recommended, but we did, and still do feel that careful consideration is due these girls, for the mere fact that an alumnae chapter has recommended them. Perhaps some of the girls we recommend are not fashion plates, beautiful dancers, fluent conversationalists, or in any way noticeably talented, yet the alumnae chapter has thoroughly investigated, and knows the scholastic standing, family backing, and ability in making and keeping friends and many other things that an active chapter cannot possibly discover in the few days or weeks of rushing. Certainly with the good of Gamma Phi at heart, an alumnae chapter would not recommend anyone undesirable. All the alumnae were at one time active, and know the requirements of a good Gamma Phi, and certainly their added years of experience must stand for something. Any girl fortunate enough to be recommended by them is deserving of a very careful consideration indeed, and should not be dropped hastily.

In conclusion I wish to urge the active chapters to realize more what the *alumnæ* chapters are trying to do for them. Active chapters are not expected to bid every girl recommended, but out of respect to the *alumnæ*, more careful consideration should be given, at least letters of inquiry from *alumnæ* chapters should be answered, which I am sorry to say has not been done in the past.

CHLORIS WATERBURY.

ENGAGEMENT

Coryl Shaffer has announced her engagement to Mr. John D. Given of St. Paul, Minn.

OMAHA

Dear Gamma Phis:

On December 6 an enthusiastic little band of Gamma Phis gathered at a luncheon in Omaha, in honor of Elizabeth Bridge. We listened eagerly to her news of convention and Gamma Phis elsewhere, and had such a good time that we resolved to meet once a month. We elected Mary Clarke Rector, president, and Katharine Davenport Howell, secretary and treasurer. Our first meeting will be shortly after Christmas.

Omaha has two pledges, Mary Gifford at Wisconsin and Clara Dutton at Iowa. There are also two active girls at Nebraska, Mary Hardy and Geraldine Nusbaum.

Our *alumnæ* members are Kathryn Allan Woodward, Theta; Ellen Earenfight, Rho; Vera Dutton, Rho; Joyce Parker McCrea, Rho; Helen Schmidt Treyder, Rho; Sarah Cole, Pi; Florence Rhodes, Iota; Bertha White, Epsilon; Ellen Pollack Minor, Epsilon; Mary Clarke Rector, Gamma; Katharine Davenport Howell, Alpha.

We have no definite object or aims other than any little group of Gamma Phis would naturally have, but we hope to make it a worthwhile organization.

KATHARINE DAVENPORT HOWELL.

MILWAUKEE

To the honored founders of Gamma Phi Beta and perhaps to some from Mother Alpha, seventeen years seem but a short time; but it has been long enough to develop at least one grandmother from the company of young women who met to organize the Milwaukee Chapter on November 5, 1902. Mary Pratt Bright, whose zeal brought us together in her cozy home that winter day, must have first honors in regard to the founding of the fifth *alumnæ* chapter.

By some perversity of fate we have never had a large membership, only six of the original members are still in the vicinity; but we dare to claim a depth of loyalty that is in inverse proportion to the length of our roll. That we count it a privilege to meet each other is no light comment.

Our special work has been the pursuit of plain prosaic duty in our several paths of domesticity and other equally honorable professions, though we have not been unknown in the social, philanthropic, and charitable work of the community. In fact, there is not on the list of members the name of one who is not so thoroughly engrossed in the honest occupation of promoting the best life of Milwaukee that she finds it difficult to take time for necessary relaxation and frivolity. If the business of the Dramatic Club, of the Children's Hospital, of the College Women's Club, of the Club for Self-supporting Young Women, of the Community Service, of the Central Council of Social Agencies, of the school, and of the home required less attention from the Milwaukee chapter, we might find it possible to write

longer and more glorious histories of ourselves for Gamma Phi Beta. We hope to remain modest, but to be able to claim Carrie E. Morgan ought to enroll us in the Hall of Fame without further comment. As for our *alumnæ* spirit, we trust that it is the same spirit of loving service which led us to repeat certain words some years ago, a spirit which has grown broader and more generous as Gamma Phi Beta has grown.

BOSTON

Delta girls were pleased to learn that Anna Raymond had been chosen visiting delegate. We can think of no one better fitted to enter into this work than Anna. She has been working among college women ever since her graduation. It was while she was studying for her Master's degree in Boston University that she entered the fold of Gamma Phi. During that year she was actively interested in all Gamma Phi affairs, and is one of Delta's most loyal *alumnæ*. After receiving her A.M. in 1913 she did graduate work at Northwestern University, Illinois, going from that institution to Cornell College, where she was acting professor of Latin. Last year she was appointed dean of women at Colby College, Maine, and had charge of the freshman Latin. Now she is to have a chance to see college life in the West. The girls back home are looking forward to the time when Anna shall "tell them all about it."

The Brockton College Club was very enthusiastic over a lecture given by Esther W. Bates, '06, A.M. '13, on "Propaganda, Old and New." This lecture was given by Esther for the Committee on Public Information during the war. It is decidedly up to date, and very clever and appealing. Esther is also a well-known authority on pageants and has a lecture on that subject.

Boston chapter is proud of the connection that some of its members have with the university.

Helen L. Byrne, '10, A.M. '11, has been appointed instructor in business English in the new Boston University School of Secretarial Science on Garrison Street.

Helen Farwell, '15, has been appointed secretary to Dean Warren of Boston University, College of Liberal Arts. Helen takes the place of Marion West, '09, who leaves to be married.

Rachel Hardwick, ex-'15, and Wellesley Department of Hygiene, '15, is director of physical education for women at the College of Liberal Arts, Boston University. Rachel has just been elected president of the Eastern District Conference of Directors of Physical Education for College Women.

Eleanor Ferguson, ex-'18, who is now a senior at the Boston University Medical School, is proctor at College House, the newly opened Boston University Dormitory at 871 Beacon Street. This dormitory, which has long been needed by the women of the college, was made possible through the efforts of Rachel Hardwick.

Katharine D. Hardwick, '07, has been working for the Red Cross in Maine for the past two years. Katharine wrote me a most interesting letter about her work, but she said it was not for publication. I must let you hear some of it.

"I have been taking a postgraduate course in social work in the State of Maine for nearly two years, and I love every inch of it, from the islands to the Rangeley Lakes and on up to the Canadian border. I consider it symbolic of my *début* that I went to the edge of Canada in early March of that frightful winter of 1918 in a new straw hat. Since then I have learned

a good deal—besides climatic conditions. I went to organize Home Service Work and in those days when we had so little realization of what the draft could mean, it was no easy job even to form an emergency organization. I still glow with pride in my little share of the splendid war organization that Maine is still holding for the boys who need it.

"Do you realize that one county in Maine is as big as the whole of Connecticut with Rhode Island thrown in for good measure? Did you ever ride a whole day through potato fields in blossom? Did you ever alight at 10:45 p. m. after ten hours in a day coach and tumble into a sleigh with eight or ten traveling men? Did you ever get up at 4 a. m., eat by yellow candle light, and drive a mile to the station by the light of the moon or in a driving snow storm? All the trains in Maine leave at 4:30 or 5 a. m. and arrive at 10 or 11 p. m.—so I used to think.

"It was a wonderful experience and one that challenged all my beliefs in social work. I not only learned many new things, but relearned many old ones. Many of my chapters are now going on under the Red Cross in the peace-time work that we have so long dreamed of.

"And then as I couldn't go to France, France came to me in the guise of twelve war brides. With six of them I lived ten days—at least they tell me it was ten days. How would you like to go on a honeymoon with six groomless brides who did not speak English? I loved the youngsters, for they were youngsters, seventeen, eighteen, and nineteen, and we became good friends by the time I had tucked them in and ducked their cold-cream kisses and opened their windows—which they promptly closed as soon as I left the room. They were girls from good families, and I know they will be happy here. I still hear from them in their new homes, Utah, Washington, Michigan. None of them stayed near enough so that I shall ever see them again, I fear, but they have promised to visit me when they go back to France to visit!

"Angelina Funai and some of the other active girls used to come over and relieve me of my charges so that I could go to the office and do a few days' work in a few hours. The worst feature of all was the descent of the husbands. They were all in camp waiting for release and every now and then they would come down one by one and I would put in hours mopping up the ones whose husbands did not appear."

Katharine is now Director of Training for Home Service in the New England Division of the Red Cross in Boston.

Esther Willard Bates, '06, is having a year's leave of absence from the West Roxbury High School and is spending the time in writing and in further study with Professor Baker at Radcliffe. Besides writing *Pageants and Pageantry*, which was published in 1912, she has directed the presentation of many pageants and is much in demand as an authoritative speaker on this subject.

At present Miss Bates is writing a pageant to be given by Boston University in commemoration of the 300th anniversary of the landing of the Pilgrims and the semi-centennial of Boston University.

Anne Joslyn Gray, '96, whose pen name is Joslyn Gray, has had four of her books published by Scribners.

1918 *Kathleen's Probation*

Rusty Miller

Elsie Marley, Honey

1919 *Rosemary Greenaway*

Miss Gray has also had many short stories published, many of them in the *Youth's Companion*.

Under the title of "Life in St. Quentin During the German Occupation," Maisie B. Whiting, '04, contributes to *Zion's Herald* of Wednesday, October 30, a translation of an address given at the yearly meeting of the Union Nationale des Amies de la Jeune Fille last May, and published in *La Femme*, the official organ of the Union.

Katharine Whiting, '99, is the first woman to read a Phi Beta Kappa poem, having read "The Elect" before the Tufts Chapter, 1901. In 1906 she read a second Phi Beta Kappa poem, "The Cross-Roads," before her own Boston University Chapter. Now Katharine has written many articles that have been published, but she won't tell on herself. We'll keep her in mind and let you know later.

Mary K. Taylor, '10, was a casualty searcher and home communication representative for the Red Cross in France. In *Bostonia*, published quarterly by Boston University, was the following interesting article by Mary:

A BOSTON UNIVERSITY GIRL IN AN AIR RAID

It seemed that I had only just gone to sleep when the most awful noise began—a combination of a siren and a watchman's rattle. I haven't been reading the *Saturday Evening Post* for nothing all these months, so I knew that was the "alerte." My first thought was purely feminine, and I grabbed a boudoir cap to cover up the curl papers, and then I grabbed around for slippers and kimono. I tried to turn on the light, but the electricity had been shut off. By this time I could hear distant "booms," and I'll admit my knees wobbled (but they always do—even when I speak in meeting). I could hear bootless people scurrying around in the corridor, so I decided to start down. And just then I remembered my valuable passport. I never had been able to go anywhere *yet* without showing it, and didn't want to take a chance on crossing the Styx without it, especially as one can't get sweets here to bribe the dog. I saw a little flashlight coming down the hall, and invited it to please come in and "brighten the corner" of my bureau drawer while I looked for my passport. But when I saw *what* the flashlight was personally conducting my wobbly knees nearly collapsed! The strange figure was clad in pajamas, bath-robe—and an officer's hat. The combination was delicious. My costume may have been negligée, but it was at least consistent.

To shorten the story, we sped down four flights of stairs, and found most of the people of the hotel congregating. It was a hilarious, but rather "jumpy," party. All the gentlemen and a number of ladies attempted to calm their nerves with cigarettes. And everyone told comforting tales of German atrocities and previous air raids. By this time the noise was almost exactly like very heavy thunder directly over head, and the level rays of the searchlights across the sky might easily have passed for lightning. And we could see brilliant sparkles that I suppose were shells. We all wanted to step out in the courtyard and look for enemy planes, but the glass was rattling so suggestively from the concussion that we decided not to chance it.

After an hour or so we all got very bored and sleepy, and lost all interest. As soon as the guns grew fainter we crawled up to bed—only to be awakened by all the church bells in Paris clanging the "all clear" signal! And buglers went through the streets making loud calls. And then, in an hour, the alarm sounded again, and we had to go through the whole performance a second time! Everybody was just plain sleepy and cross, and we all vowed that if it happened again, we'd die in our beds rather than go down stairs. But I'm glad I was here!

MARY K. TAYLOR, '10.

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ALPHA meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 113 Euclid Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
- BETA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 1520 S. University Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich.
- GAMMA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 428 Sterling Court, Madison, Wis.
- DELTA meets every Friday afternoon at 5 P. M. in the chapter rooms, 101 Newbury St., Boston, Mass. Telephone Doris Hopewell, 525 Boylston Place.
- EPSILON meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 P. M. at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall, Evanston, Ill. Telephone Louise Meacham, Willard Hall.
- ZETA meets Thursday evening at 7:45 in the chapter rooms, 111 23rd St., Baltimore, Md. Telephone, Irene Rife.
- ETA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house, 2723 Channing Way, Berkeley, Cal.
- THETA meets every Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Lodge in University Park, Colo. Telephone Mary Buchtel, 2100 S. Columbine St.
- 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 University Blvd., Seattle, Wash.
- MU meets every Monday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house, Stanford University.
- NU meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 1316 Alder St., Eugene, Ore.
- XI meets every Monday afternoon at 5:00 at the chapter house, Moscow, Idaho.
- OMICRON meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 1010 West Nevada St., Urbana, Ill.
- PI meets every Monday at 7:15 at the chapter house, 1629 R Street, Lincoln, Neb.
- 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, Lawrence, Kansas.
- TAU meets Wednesday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house, 312 E. Oak St., Fort Collins, Colo.
- UPSILON meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 in Room A West, Hollins College, Hollins, Va.
- PHI meets every Monday afternoon at 3:45 at the chapter rooms in McMillan Hall, St. Louis, Mo.
- CHI meets Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house, 242 4th and Jefferson, Corvallis, Ore.
- PSI meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house, 725 Asp Ave., Norman, Okla.
- OMEGA meets Monday night at 7:00 at the chapter house 2228 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa.

- ALPHA ALPHA meets Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 at the chapter rooms, 88 St. George St., Toronto. Telephone Dorothy Hardy, 81 Collier St.
- CHICAGO meets monthly in Evanston. Telephone Mrs. S. R. Truesdell, 1830 Sheridan Rd., Evanston, Ill.
- SYRACUSE meets the first Friday of every month at the homes of members. Telephone Gladys Timmers, 101 Dorset Rd.
- BOSTON meets the first Saturday of each month at 11:00 A. M. at the Delta rooms, 22 Blagdon St., Boston, or at the homes of members. Telephone Carlotta Brant, 11 Oakwood Rd., Newtonville, Mass.
- NEW YORK meets for luncheon at one, at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. E. J. Palmer, 103 W. 86th St.
- MILWAUKEE meets the third Saturday of every month at the homes of members. Telephone Marion Boyce, 840 Marshall St.
- SAN FRANCISCO meets the third Wednesday of one month; third Saturday of next month. Telephone Mrs. R. M. Underhill, 2618½ College Ave., Berkeley.
- DENVER meets fortnightly at 3:00 on Friday at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. J. H. Weiner, 650 Josephine.
- MINNEAPOLIS meets the last Friday of the month at the homes of members. Banquet in May. Telephone Marjorie Laws, 3604 James St.
- DETROIT meets the third Saturday of each month for an informal luncheon at the College Club. Telephone Helen Tuthill, 93 W. Bethune Ave.
- BALTIMORE meets monthly at Zeta rooms, 111 W. 23rd St., with the exception of three luncheons held at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. Alan C. Sutton, 2129 St. Paul St.
- SEATTLE meets for luncheon the second Tuesday of every month at the different homes. Telephone Mrs. Cecil Coats, Castle Apts., Second and Blanchard.
- PORTLAND meets at the homes of members on the first Thursday of one month and the first Saturday of the next month. Telephone Mrs. Alva Grout, 597 Montgomery Drive.
- LOS ANGELES meets the third Saturday of each month at the houses of the members. Telephone Mrs. Paul Jeffers, 206 S. Gramercy Place.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

FOR SEPTEMBER: *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi; *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi; *Quarterly* of Phi Chi.

FOR OCTOBER: *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta; *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Journal* of Kappa Alpha; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Owl* of Sigma Nu Phi.

FOR NOVEMBER: *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Beta Sigma Omicron*; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Eleusis* of Chi Omega.

The exchange clippings for our Alumnæ Number are headed by this rousing article from *Kappa Alpha Theta*. Read it, college and alumnæ members:

GET UP—GO FORTH AND SEEK YOUR ALUMNÆ FOR THE YEARS TO COME

Oh active girl, have you as yet had the painful experience of going back to visit the high school, which you left in a blaze of the glory of seniordom, gazed upon with awe by all the underclassmen? How did you enjoy your return visit? That little Smith girl (who you never thought did amount to much) had the leading part in the senior play; the Peters girl was in your proud place as president of the Girl's club, and acted as though there never had been a club or president worth mentioning until she took office. She seemed to have forgotten what a splendid executive you were last year. And there were only a few people whom you really knew, and less, alas, who knew you. The teachers of course seemed glad to see you and interested in your present life, but the great humming life of the school went on just as merrily as before, and some said even better than in your day. And you felt like an insignificant log that had drifted into the backwater of a great stream, and you were really glad when you left the building, and resumed mentally your life in the college world of which you now are a part.

If you have had this rather painful but illuminating experience, you have a fairly good idea of how many a Theta alumna feels on returning to the campus or chapter house. In her day, she was queen of the May, or captain of the basket ball team, or chapter president, but no one remembers that now except herself.

She lives out in a little town in the middle of the state, where hers is the only fraternity pin in the locality, and all the neighbors asked her so often what lodge she belonged to that she finally stopped wearing her Theta pin. Her days are filled with house work, and the washing of small and very dirty faces; she does not have time to manicure any more; her conversational topics consist of whether it is Mary's or Peter's turn to have the velocipede, and apologies to Friend Husband when his favorite meat is overdone, because "Just then Eleanor put sand down Jack's back and dropped the cat in the water pail at apparently the same minute."

But when the banquet invitation came, Friend Husband said that she just must go; the girls would be so glad to see her, and she had not been away for so long; and he and the children could manage very well with the help

of Mrs. Johnson-by-the-day. She would love to go; and yet it was with some misgivings that she looked over the dress which she had had made in the city two years ago, and had not had occasion to wear since. She wondered if it would occur to any of her friends who lived in the town where the college was that she would come. Would Charlotte ask her to stay with her? Or Helen? But evidently they did not expect her, for no letter came, so rather reluctantly she kissed the kiddies all around and boarded the car on the afternoon of the banquet.

When she reached Smithville, the college town, it was not exactly exhilarating to "meet herself at the train" and wander solitary up to the hotel. She spent the hour or two before banquet in her room, and finally with considerable effort went down to where she could see an assemblage of women in evening dress. None of them looked familiar, but of course it was five years since she had been back. They looked at her as she made her way among them, and she saw that they had on Theta pins, but no one spoke to her. Finally, heaven be thanked! she caught sight of Louise, who greeted her ecstatically, and she began to feel at home.

But at the banquet table she was seated between an active girl (so fresh and sparkling that she felt like Lot's wife after her conversion into table salt) and some other Theta, she had no idea who. They all three felt friendly enough, but their efforts at conversation became gradually more infrequent and painful as the feast wore on. There were a few girls of her time with whom she had a little visit afterwards, but no provisions were made for an alumnae meeting or class reunions; and it was rather with a feeling of relief that she went to bed that night, and the next morning took the train for home. Of course she had finally met many of the active girls and younger alumnae, and they had asked her to come up to the chapter house, and were very attractive and pleasant to meet. But she could not remember their names, and certainly did not feel like ambling alone up to the house to call.

Well put away your pocket handkerchiefs, girls, the pitiful tale is ended, and may be it never happened anyway. There are many self-reliant alumnae to whom it never could happen, for they would walk up confident of their reception, introduce themselves, and have a dandy time. But many of us are gifted with an overlively imagination, and this is just the experience which we think we should have, when that banquet invitation comes to us at Potato Center. And it is the reason more of us don't come.

The solution? Easy. When you give your next reunion banquet, ask the alumnae who live in town to appoint two or more of their best to act on a joint committee, with two or three active girls. Make your banquet invitations return postcards, printed, with spaces for acceptance, day, time and arrival of visiting alumnae; saying at the end that house entertainment will be provided for all who come. Ask the town alumnae to write as many as possible of their friends urging their attendance. Try to send out your chapter letter a couple of months before banquet time, and announce the date, or ask your state chairman to push the banquet in her letters. Plan or get your town alumnae to plan, an alumnae meeting, and as many luncheon or little get-together meetings of the different classes as possible.

You think of your alumnae as mature, self-confident women, wrapped up in their home interests in profession, or in home and club work. But the normal woman over thirty is immensely attracted by the women of twenty or thereabouts, loves to be with them and yet feels that to them she is "old" and a bore. In the heart of the average alumna there still lives the ghost of the shy little freshman who was so scared and mistrustful of herself at her first rushing party.

When some alumna comes to call at the chapter house, pretend she is a rushee and don't make the mistake of tearing upstairs where she can hear

you talking and laughing while one or two conscientious seniors squirm in their chairs and try to entertain her. Give a tea once a year for all your town alumnæ, and make your invitations personal enough so they will really feel that you want to get acquainted with them. Remember that the easy cordial relations which you so much desire and *need* to have with your alumnæ are not brought about by leaving them strictly alone *until* you need something of them in the way of money or moral support, and then by going to them.

It is up to you to make the advances, for in the fraternity world in which you and your alumnæ stand, you are the center, and they the widely diffused periphery. And it will be worth your while too! Unless you are fortunate enough to have close relations already with a body of strong alumnæ, you have no idea what they may mean to you. Not just that they will give you a new floor lamp for Christmas, but they will give you a firmer standing in college and city community; they will help you hand down the traditions, customs, and characteristics which should differentiate your chapter from a local clique. You will find it a real personal pleasure to have friendships among older women, and in that time of storm which in these days of anti-fraternity feeling is apt to come to every chapter, they will be your rock. Active chapters are sometimes prone to forget that their unlikeness to a local social clique is due only to the national organization and to their alumnæ, and this brings about the self-centered attitude which is one of the strongest complaints of your best alumnæ against the active chapter. Remember you too will soon be an alumna—old, forgotten, *passée* (age 22) and ripe for the clutches of the alumnæ secretary. Horrid thought!

"Well, thank goodness, that sermon is over." All right, now let's have the responses. Mail is awfully welcome in the country, and I'd like to have a heap of it from the college chapters. The study program, I believe, includes nothing on alumnæ this year. Won't every college chapter please have a full and free discussion of the alumnæ question at the earliest possible meeting? My, won't our ears burn! And we deserve lots of the things you'll say about us. You know it. We know it. But some have "got religion" on this fraternity question, and would be grateful if you would do your part in writing the *Beginners' guide to alumnæ perfection*. Appoint your strongest girl a committee to write me the result of your discussion. (I'll never tell what you wrote.) Please discuss and cuss us and the following and any other points:

What would you like to have the alumnæ of your town and state do for you?

What will you do for these alumnæ this spring, or next year?

What have your alumnæ done for you that you particularly appreciate?

What have they done, or left undone, that makes you mad?

Do you feel they are in active sympathy with you?

Have you sent out a printed letter of news of your chapter to all your alumnæ this year?

In general, what should alumnæ stand for?

Are you in close touch with your state alumnæ chairman? What has she done that you found helpful? What would you like to have her do for you?

And *Kappa Alpha Theta*, which is most enthused over the alumnæ situation, gives us, also, an interesting account of the fine co-operation existing between an alumnæ chapter and its college girls:

The development of friendly coöperation between Syracuse alumnæ chapter and Chi chapter of *Kappa Alpha Theta* has come so thoroughly and happily during the last few years that a summary of its salient features may be helpful to other alumnæ chapters, located, like us, in a college town.

The great fundamental of this relationship, the writer believes, is the spirit back of it. That spirit must be founded on a love for girls and an interest in them sufficient to help them as they wish to be helped, and not as we insist upon helping. "Coöperation, not domination" has been our slogan ever since in 1912 Chi chapter moved into its new home, whose purchase had been made possible by the coöperation of the two chapters working through a joint committee. We had seen other Syracuse *alumnæ* chapters make the mistake, under similar conditions, of running the house themselves or of managing the college chapter, thus depriving the girls of their feeling of independence and of the valuable experience and development which they gain by solving their own problems. These mistakes we wished to avoid without leaving them so much alone that the house would become a burden greater than they could bear.

How did we steer between this Scylla and this Charybdis? First we backed the girls financially through the initial purchase of furniture, then we helped them start an adequate bookkeeping system, make rules for rental of rooms, et cetera; in other words, we helped them get a good start and then left the rest to them, except that we let them understand that we stood ready to help them, when needed. The definite agent of this pledged assistance is a chapter interests' committee of five, provided for by our by-laws, whose function is to keep the two chapters in touch, and to act unostentatiously as a supervisory committee. To this end, one member, known as the finance member, audits the chapter treasurer's books, helps make out annual budgets and advises along financial lines; another stands ready to organize *alumnæ* aid in rushing and to confer on rushing problems. The entire committee plans to hold at least one meeting each year with the leaders of the college chapter, either seniors and juniors or the cabinet. The most successful of these conferences was one which took the form of a Washington birthday buffet luncheon at the home of one of the *alumnæ*. The luncheon was followed by a very free and informal discussion of Chi's problems and the best means of solving them, the committee's attitude being "Where and how can we help you?" Besides these occasional small gatherings, members of the chapter interests' committee plan now and then to attend Chi's chapter meetings in order better to understand her needs.

In addition to the activities of this committee, the *alumnæ* chapter itself each year holds two of its monthly meetings at the chapter house with the girls. One of these meetings, held in the fall, is made of general interest by bringing a speaker, sometimes not a Theta, on some vital problem of the day, e. g. a college woman's relation to her home community and to other women and girls, was presented by a faculty wife, who is president of the local Consumers' league. The other joint meeting, the Founders'-day celebration, usually takes the form of a supper with the girls at the house, followed by a talk from some Theta or by a Theta conference. Once an informal visit around the open fire, with all other lights out, brought an unusually close touch; again Mrs. Comstock of Iota chapter gave us all much inspiration. This year, however, because we all felt the need, after the war's darkness, of a program in light vein, the *alumnæ* presented a minstrel show, which teemed with original songs and jokes. This showed the girls that we older ones had not lost our play instinct, and was met with hearty appreciation. Then each spring we entertain the seniors at one of our regular meetings held at an *alumna's* home. This extends to the out-of-town senior our fond farewell and to the city senior our cordial welcome as a prospective member of the chapter.

The whole program has had beneficial results for both chapters. Syracuse *alumnæ* chapter has gained strength by the entrance into it, as a matter

of course, of all seniors who stay in or near the city—a condition that did not exist before and by greater efficiency and more enthusiasm which follow infusion of new blood and association with live college girls. Chi chapter, besides being strengthened by our backing, is influenced to take fraternity and college life more seriously. Theta in Syracuse presents a united spirit and purpose which helps her to overcome obstacles and to assume a position of power, not alone in the university, but also in the community.

The *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma gives us also an equally interesting article upon the work of its Detroit alumna:

WHAT DETROIT DID FOR THE FISHER FUND

Detroit Kappas feel grateful to Dorothy Canfield Fisher for letting them assist in the splendid work she has undertaken in France, and we can only hope that our efforts will prove as valuable to Bellevue-Meudon as they have to our own association.

When the alumna is young and college days are not far away, she is still sufficiently sentimental concerning her fraternity to be contented to go to alumna meetings to spend a couple of hours recalling college days and gossiping about mutual friends. Or if perchance, she is a young mother, it affords a delightful opportunity to talk about the baby and compare him with other Kappa babies, for, of course, in her estimation Kappa mothers are superior to others. But as we approach middle age, that sort of thing palls on us, for we find that we have little in common, and Kappa bonds are not sufficient to hold together women who have varied interests. Even finding desirable girls for our active chapters grows monotonous, when we discover that our efforts in their behalf are ignored on account of our hopelessly old-fashioned standards! But now has come the splendid opportunity to be of some use in the world, and our experience has proved that alumna organizations need a greater purpose for existing than merely Kappa. Kappa must mean something more than a happy memory to be recalled periodically at alumna meetings.

As the Kappa alumna now greatly outnumber the active girls, is it not time to pay more attention to alumna associations and plan some worthy work of national scope for the future, when we shall no longer be needed at Bellevue-Meudon, so we shall not drop back into the deadly pre-war conditions? Would it be very much out of place here to call attention to the absurdity of governing alumna chapters in the same way as active ones? Has it not occurred to anyone that it is ridiculous to discipline busy, gray-haired women by fining them for not sending greetings to little girls who do not know or care anything about them, when the alumnae are trying to use their limited time and money to such good purpose?

We have here alumnae from various chapters, most of whom have been very generous in contributing money and garments, as well as time. Our president, Mrs. Adam Strohm, with her efficient Kappa committee, of which Mrs. J. Torrence was chairman has kept up our interest and enthusiasm by varying the work and demands each month. Who could resist such an invitation as this:—

Oh do come to our Toy Shop!
We want you very much.
We're going to make stuffed cats,
And flying fish, and such.

We've worked to warm the bodies
Of those mites in far Bellevue,
Let's spend one afternoon
To warm their hearts up, too.

So bring your sewing articles,
And with Kappa fingers quick,
We'll make the world more rosy
For each poor, toyless chick.

One of our members designed the menagerie, and we can only hope that the little folks for whom they were intended will enjoy them as much as we did.

We have made little dresses out of men's shirts. The generosity of Kappa husbands not only provided good shirts to send to men, but a wonderful array of little dresses as well. Chemises, cut out and ready to sew, were distributed at one meeting and brought back to sew a month later. Knitted squares were made by those who had no sewing machines, and several afghans were made. One month a consignment of shoes, a few new pairs, and the rest mended and wearable, were shipped. The things requested are brought to the meetings and packed there and tagged ready for mailing. An attractive "blue and blue" box, conspicuously placed, partially defrayed postage. During the year, five hundred pounds of clothing have been sent to Bellevue-Meudon.

From all sororities comes the cry for concerted alumnae effort. In some cases this means a continuation of the special war work; in others, it is social service in certain lines; in all quarters there is the determination to make the sorority stand for definite, practical help to the outside world.

Alpha Gamma Delta has chosen a beautiful work—a summer camp for children—in which all may have a hand:

Perhaps, within a few years, Alpha Gamma Delta will be known best by her Summer Camp for Children. The little folks who come to us for fresh air, clean food, and happy play, will not soon forget our kindness. This in itself would be worth all our endeavors. But think of the joys which will be ours as we work and play with these "kiddies." And the fun of it is, we can all have a part in it. Even the member in foreign lands can send her "best wishes and a check"; while the poorest mother can parcel post the outgrown garments of her own youngsters. Alumnae groups can hem dish towels, make comforters, make little dresses and waists and a hundred other things without ever seeing the camp. Then the girls who have the ability and time can offer their services as entertainers, dietitians, nurses, superintendents of play, etc., *ad infinitum*. All Alpha Gamma Delta's work and love can focus on this camp, creating a light that shall guide our little guests on the way of happier living.

And from the *Anchora*:

In connection with the social service work of Delta Gamma there has been started a plan whereby a large and growing business may be set up from which a yearly income is expected that will provide sufficient funds to undertake a real and notable philanthropy. The first steps have been already taken, and each chapter has been asked to do its utmost to make

the opening year successful. If the machinery, if one may call it that, can be set going this opening year, the future promises an astounding business. In fact, a similar business undertaken by a certain woman for her private benefit has produced results which net her sometimes \$15,000 as an annual income.

Whether our sale of Christmas cards will furnish us the funds we hope for and need depends upon the willingness of each chapter and each individual to act as salesman for these cards among her friends.

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We must go slowly until we find the work which will hold the interest of all of us, no matter where that work is to be located. To rise above local interests in our national work: this will be a real difficulty. The committee cannot do it all alone. We must have the help of every Delta Gamma in our organization. Talk it over in alumnae meetings, and send me the results of your most thoughtful discussions. Shall we devote our energy to some form of child welfare work? If so, shall it be for orphans, for sick children or for a kindergarten in some crowded settlement? These are the kinds of questions I wish you would ask yourself and each other. We must *all* be truly and energetically interested if we expect to be successful. No one has more cause to be fairly blatant with pride and confidence in the versatility of the Delta Gamma mind than the chairman of your War Work Committee. You were wonderful, and we "put it over"! And it is because I know that you are going to be even more wonderful in this bigger effort, that I have the courage to accept a position which rather overwhelms me every time I think of it.

The *Kappa Alpha Theta* tells us of its interesting plan for alumnae organization, with emphasis upon the definite social service:

The largest study undertaken by the Service bureau last year was an inquiry into Theta's alumnae organization, the purpose being to evolve suggestions for a stronger and more united organization. The result of this study was a plan submitted to convention, and in the main adopted for use by the fraternity, beginning this fall. The outstanding features of the plan are these:

All Theta alumnae from this time considered actual members of the organization. Those living in towns where there are alumnae chapters naturally belong through these chapters; those living outside such centers will belong as individuals to the general organization. The head of the alumnae organization is Mrs. Fred T. Deweese, Hilaire Farm, Dawson, Nebraska. A state chairman in each state coöperates with Mrs. Deweese, and is the head of a state branch of the organization. Dues are payable by chapter members through their chapters, as heretofore, but by scattered members through the state chairmen.

A definite social service work is to be undertaken by the fraternity as soon as a suitable one can be decided upon. The Service bureau and Grand council are this year investigating that subject, and each alumna is earnestly requested to consider it seriously, and to offer suggestions if she has them. Several suggestions have been made, and all will be submitted for general discussion, the desire being to reach a conclusion and to get the work launched as soon as practicable. All Thetas seem eager for this undertaking, but it is felt nothing can be permanently decided without full and free discussion, so we shall come to our new task informed and prepared. Thus only can we enter upon it with unified action and vivid interest, both of which are necessary for success.

The sum of money left in our war treasury, some \$1,336.60, convention resolved to use as a foundation for the social service fund. This is now being held in reserve for that purpose, and later new means will be devised for adding to that fund and for making it perpetual.

While, from *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi we quote:

When the Americans entered the lists, we all responded. Our youth went across; all the reserves of the world were out. We who were left behind had work to do, just as vital and necessary as that which the boys were doing in the trenches, on the sea, in the air. We had to send aid. The call came and our fraternity responded. Our original idea was to send an ambulance, but before the necessary funds were raised the armistice was signed. Then came the real work of the war—the rebuilding of a ruined world. Our funds went into a section in the Chateau Thierry district where I knew the workers and where the need was great. The fund was raised almost entirely by comparatively small individual subscriptions, but amounted in the end to \$2,050. It helped to build homes for the homeless, to buy farming tools to enable the people to cultivate their fields which had been so cruelly laid waste by the invading Huns.

It has done a permanent work that will always be an inspiration to every one of us. And just here I want to bring out one more feature. We have done a great work and we have done it together. The girl on the mid-western farm has sent her bit, the eastern teacher has sent hers, the girl from the Pacific coast has contributed, side by side with her southern sister. And do not let it stop here. For years I had hoped for concerted alumnae work; I had thought and thought in vain for something which would appeal equally to our girls, no matter where they were situated geographically. Then the war settled it all. It came with the universal appeal. We responded, “got together,” and put it “over the top.” Let us keep together and use this fine spirit for the betterment of our fraternity. It is too wonderful a thing to lose. Let us unite in some big, worthwhile alumnae work and make it a national movement.

This eagerness for further achievement is evident also in the fraternities. The Founders’ Fund of Beta Theta Pi is a splendid enterprise.

Alumni chapters appear to be awakening earlier than usual for the winter season. Evidently the dominant spirit which is observed among the administrative officers and in the chapters, and which was powerful in the Convention, is making its influence felt among the alumni also. “What can we do?” is the question every-where asked. In all probability, the encouragement of the endowment fund will be the striking feature of alumni activity during the winter months. As gathering after gathering is held, the two projects already mentioned will be called to attention. It is important to get as many men as possible to align themselves with the fraternity through all the future years by becoming life members. It also is important to give to others, and particularly to those of large means, something of the vision of the fraternity as it unfolds itself more and more with each passing year. The proposition of District Chief Morton to give one thousand dollars toward the Founders’ Fund if nine others will do the same, stands as a challenge. Of course the \$10,000 thus secured would be but the beginning of the needed endowment fund, but it would

be a splendid beginning because made by a few who believe absolutely in the values which are contained in Beta Theta Pi.—*Beta Theta Pi.*

While Kappa Sigma has as its slogan, "100 per cent":

Within our own Fraternity the coming two-year term must adopt for its motto, "100 Per Cent." The idea has many applications. One hundred per cent punctuality and efficiency in Chapter and Fraternity business, is the routine which must be mastered if it is not to master us. One hundred per cent alumni contributions annually to the Endowment Fund—\$5,000 to match the \$5,000 which is to come from the active members. One hundred per cent increase in the alumni subscription list of *The Caduceus*—we might go on indefinitely.

C. J. Eastman, Alumnae Secretary of Phi Gamma Delta, in an article "Alumnae Support," published in *Banta's Greek Exchange*, makes the following statement:

The national standing of any fraternity depends largely on two things; first, the character, activity, and general standing of the active chapters, and second, the interest displayed by its alumni members. Although open to argument, I believe it safe to say that it is about a fifty-fifty split between the two points.

A fraternity may have a large number of active chapters which are leaders in many of their respective colleges and still lack that something which makes it a leading national fraternity. Members alone don't make national standing; a few unusually good chapters won't suffice; and the president of the senior class or the manager of a football team here and there is not enough. It requires well rounded chapters of keen, active men plus the keen active interest of those same men after they have left college. Look into the records of the real leaders in the fraternity world and you will find a good combination of both things.

While the *Delta* of Sigma Nu remarks:

Chapters have written to us many a time: "Can't count on the Alumni." "Alumni will do nothing," "A few of the old guard visit us and will pull us through, but most of our Alumni are lost and gone."

The chief difference between a local and national Fraternity lies in Alumni support and guidance. Those Chapters that lack the interest and goodwill of their old members are scarcely more than local societies with a nominal affiliation to Sigma Nu at large.

Usually, the fault lies on both sides. The older men allow themselves to drift away, and the younger generation not knowing the Alumni let them lapse into inactive oblivion. First of all, Alumnus, it is "up to you" to keep in touch with your Chapter back at the old college. And you Chapter men, wake up your predecessors as soon as you can and keep them alive. The monthly bulletin papers and Alumni letters bring back to the old men out in the world the old ties.

Alpha Gamma Delta is reorganizing alumnae. Here is the plan:

Convention accomplished much. Reorganization of our alumnae was one of the vital changes. Instead of the former associations, we are now to have alumnae chapters and alumnae clubs. Each alumnae chapter will take the name of the active chapter of which its members are alumnae, as,

for example, Zeta Alumnæ Chapter, Lambda Alumnæ Chapter. Provision is made for the affiliation of alumnæ of other chapters with the alumnæ chapter which is nearest, if she so desires. Her annual national and province dues (\$.50 and \$.25, respectively) will, however, always be paid to her original alumnæ chapter. In order to keep in closer touch with the fraternity and with each other, alumnæ clubs may be formed at the pleasure of any group of Alpha Gamma Deltas. The members of these clubs will, however, be members of their respective alumnæ chapters, and will, therefore, pay no national or province dues through the club, having already done so through the alumnæ chapter.

There shall be an alumnæ chapter wherever there is or has been an active chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta. The members of this alumnæ chapter shall be ALL alumnæ members of the active chapter. These automatically become members without initiation upon terminating their active membership.

This reorganization has as its purpose the linking of EVERY alumna with her national fraternity. The president of each alumnæ chapter has a big task on hand—a campaign for 100% enrollment of her alumnæ. It means obtaining a correct address for every alumna and sending a copy of this article to them as the first step in the campaign. This will acquaint each alumna with the change in organization and we earnestly ask that each alumna reciprocate by replying to the president of her alumnæ chapter—*Alpha Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

The incoming president of Kappa Kappa Gamma gives the following advice in her message:

If you are out of college, you should associate yourself with the nearest alumnæ association or club, should give your time, your enthusiasm, yourself to all that they are attempting. You should subscribe to *The Key* and keep in touch with what the National Fraternity, the active girls, and other alumnæ associations and clubs are doing. You should never say anything detrimental about your own chapter, another chapter, or another fraternity. It is not sisterly, it is not just, and it is not according to the Panhellenic code. You should occasionally attend your own chapter's meetings or the meetings of some other chapter and, when doing so should put yourself into the frame of mind to see things as girls of twenty see them. You should join a Panhellenic organization and enlarge your ideas, ideals, and friendships. The fraternity needs loyal, enthusiastic, and helpful alumnæ.

Delta Gamma, with a large surplus on hand after its Belgian work, has been recommended by its Grand Council and its War Work Committee to devote the money to three ends. From the *Anchora*:

Summing up these recommendations we have:

1. Between five and six thousand dollars to be given to help establish a Delta Gamma Orphanage at Marchienne, Belgium.
2. One thousand dollars to be given to Alice Shepard Riggs of Rho Chapter for the education of her adopted daughter, Marian.
3. Between four and five thousand dollars to be used for Armenian Relief under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Riggs.

And from the *Adelphean*:

Alpha Delta Pi repledged herself at the 1919 convention to Armenian and Syrian Relief as her national charity. Unfortunately many of us have

very little opportunity to know what is being done by the American government along this line. Through the churches and Sunday Schools the appeal has been made again and again, and yet the majority of our people remain in ignorance as to the vital facts.

While Alpha Chi Omega continues its work for the French orphans:

The alumnae determined to adopt national altruistic endeavor, to be announced later. For two years more, upon the recommendation of the committee in charge, the convention decided to continue to support the sixty seven French orphans from the Marne and the Meuse, and to increase the number to one hundred.—*Banta's Greek Exchange*.

If you have tried to collect anything from fifteen to fifty cents since the war ended you will appreciate this from *Beta Sigma Omicron*.

"THRUENZA"

I am sure everyone has heard of "Influenza," but have you heard of the "Thruenza"? The "Thruenza" has been gradually spreading over this country ever since peace was declared. Women are through knitting, making bandages, and working in various other branches of service. Men are through buying War Saving Stamps and Liberty Bonds. People are through helping the boys who are fighting for them. We must not forget that they need our support now more than ever. If we fail them now, what will their opinion of us be?

Another phase of "Thruenza" is made manifest in the expression, "We are through economizing now." We hear things like this every day, "Let's have no more stinting of food. We have done without long enough." People said that America had learned a lesson she would never forget in economy. Let's not get back to our extravagant ways! Let's prove that we have learned our lesson, and that the war has done us good instead of harm!—*Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma*.

This article upon National standing is clipped from the *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega, and should prove interesting to alumnae and to college girls:

NATIONAL STANDING

Since such arrivals of a less urbane day make it necessary occasionally to dilate upon "national standing," we might consider closely what factors make up the "national standing" of a women's fraternity, and how we can estimate the relative standing of all eighteen fraternities, according to modern conditions.

The mark of a strong fraternity from the faculty point of view is, quite properly, the fact that its presence in the university raises scholarship, furthers efficiency and enthusiasm in college activities, increases the *esprit de corps*, and provides a well-regulated home for students. From the parents' point of view the virtue of the fraternity is that it affords a safe, comfortable, and dignified home life with a degree of discipline, and with attendant responsibilities and kindness. The university man is pleased with the women's fraternity which shows the best selected, all-round girls who are delightful and companionable. In the mind of the undergraduate herself, the fraternity offers her a carefully organized group of companions with wholesome and high-minded traditions, girls who are socially and intellectually congenial to her; it gives her comradeship, practical assist-

ance, an atmosphere of academic efficiency and of sophistication in university affairs. To the alumna, the fraternity appears perhaps in its best light, as the conservator, as well as the inspiration, of congenial friendships, also as a background formed of thousands of kindly disposed sisters who contribute to one's happiness and well-being in countless ways; as a bond, too, which holds one powerfully to practical ideals of service and fraternity, after having trained one strictly and beneficently in the college days, by means of the complexities of intimate group life with all its enriching and socializing discipline.

These points of view, if welded into a composite opinion, picture the function of the women's fraternity. In order to gauge, by this or another measure, the "national standing" of any one of the eighteen N. P. C. fraternities, one must consider its attainments along the above lines in several of its local chapters, and must ascertain also the degree of dignity, poise, and beauty of character of its older members out in the life of the world. After weighing carefully the varied points of weakness and strength in several chapters (which are often different from each other in many ways) one has a fair appreciation of the distinctive nature of any order so examined. After studying several fraternities in this way one stands in a position to compare the relative "national standing" of rival organizations, and to pronounce one's opinion with finality.

In all such estimates of the "national standing" of a sister fraternity, perhaps we may just as well dispense in the beginning with acrimony; we shall be sure to do it after enlightenment reaches us. For in fraternity relations, as Edmund Burke says about politics, "magnanimity is not seldom the truest wisdom, and a great empire and little minds go ill together." The fraternities which enjoyed the great distinction of being born in the seventies are seeing the superior advantage of such a position fade away with the lengthening perspective of the present day. The groups organized in the seventies are measured now, along with those born in the eighties, by the standards of character, of genuine achievement, and of usefulness; and by no other measure, in the near future, will any fraternity be judged.

From *Banta's Greek Exchange* come the following bits:

Under the supervision of Mrs. Dorothy Canfield Fisher, the author, the members of K K Γ have formed what they call the Aunties of Bellevue Meudon. The work is to furnish relief for the people of this district. Mrs. Fisher hopes to have the work continue for at least three years under K K Γ gifts and then to see it taken over by the commune as a permanent community activity.

K A Θ is supporting a dispensary through the American committee for devastated France. It is to be known as the Theta dispensary.

FOR OUR ALUMNI

Consider the cheese
When old age frets,
The older it grows,
The stronger it gets.

—*Phi Chi Quarterly.*