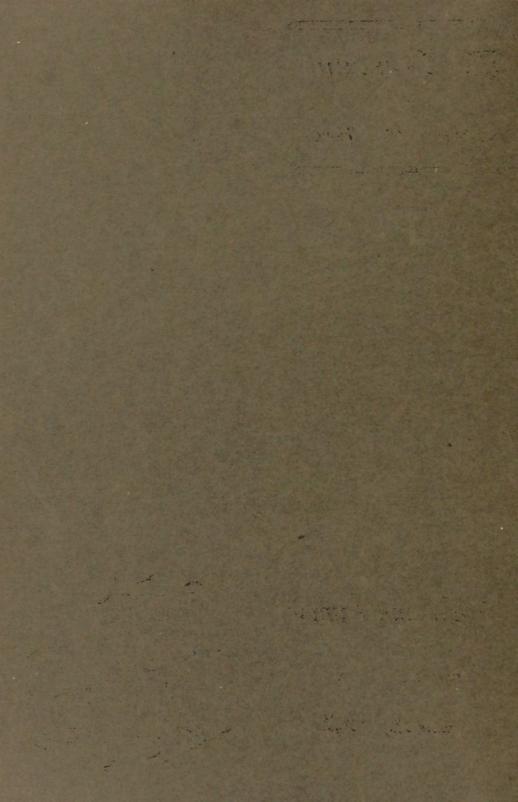
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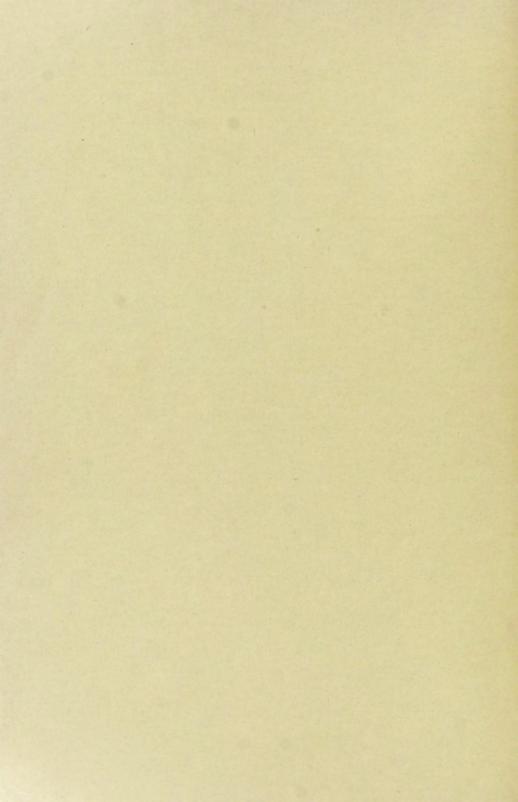
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Ruth Staples—Leader of Freshman Commission group.

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Lillian Woodworth-French Club.

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Doris Hall—Trying out for basketball.
Edith Dobbel—Our newest pledge.

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A large per cent of the beauty of the university is found in the ranks of the Gamma Phi pledges according to the results of a recent "Vanity Fair" contest. Helen Kummer and Joanna Roberts were selected by popular vote as among the first twenty-five "most beautiful girls with personality" in the University of Nebraska. Helen Kummer won first place in the contest, surpassing the next contestant by a large majority of votes. The pictures of the twentyfive girls will be submitted to a judge who is an authority on beauty and six will be selected whose personality portraits will make up the Vanity Fair section of the annual, The Cornhusker.

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Bessie Gullette, '24
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Pledges

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# FRESHMAN WORDS OF WISDOM

THE INSPIRATION OF BELONGING TO THE MOTHER CHAPTER

There is an elation about belonging to Alpha Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta which can not be described. To know that it was here that the four devoted young college women first bound themselves together with the indissoluble bond which has since meant so much to every Gamma Phi, to know that it was here that Gamma Phi Beta first sprang into being—that knowledge makes the whole wonderful thing seem more *real*, and it forces into the heart of even the newest pledge the desire to "do things" for Gamma Phi's mother chapter

in order that it may "carry on" as triumphantly as ever.

I doubt if there was any chapter-house in these United States where "I'm Satisfied" was sung more lustily by happier, more elated freshmen than those in Alpha chapter-house on the night that brought rushing season to its glorious conclusion. We tried to avoid giving the upperclassmen the impression that they had pledged seventeen noisy youngsters in place of the young ladies whom they had escorted to parties, but we couldn't help taking advantage of the opportunity in "I'm Satisfied." And when those very same upperclassmen smiled and interlocked arms even tighter, we knew they understood.

Elation also comes from more material sources. A thrill never fails to possess me when, at the close of a dance, I write my name in a fraternity guest book. The name is one I have been using as long as I have been using anything, the address is prosaic, but when, in answer to the "chapter" above, I write "A of  $\Gamma \Phi$  B," the evening is complete. It does seem so good to belong to Alpha of

Gamma Phi Beta!

I suppose that the girls of Alpha Chapter have always felt the responsibility falling upon them as members of the mother chapter. The knowledge that, being the first, their own chapter must set the example to the rest makes them want to accomplish worth while things. That same inspiration is, of course, handed down to each new pledge. If Gamma Phi's team of last year won a cup, Gamma Phi's team must win it again next year. If a senior has been swimming or tennis champion for several seasons, it is the duty of the freshmen to do all in their power to see that their class takes up the challenge. "Be ours to hold it high" is as much a part of the code of Alpha Chapter freshmen as it is a part of the code of those who accepted a different challenge from the men in Flanders' Fields.

When I talked with Mrs. Curtis again the other night at the dinner party given for the freshmen by the alumnæ, I think I realized more strongly than ever what she and her three dear friends have meant to the Gamma Phis who have come after. We love her for her adorable self, and because she, with her faith and love, is the real mother of Alpha Chapter, which is, in turn, the mother of Gamma Phi Beta.

FRANCES WARD.

#### BETA

# How Would You LIKE TO BE IN OUR SHOES?

One rainy Sunday afternoon, not so many weeks ago, the Betas of Gamma Phi Beta watched seven figures, half hidden by dripping umbrellas, mount the stone steps in front of their house and timidly approach the portals behind which lay "The Wonder Land of the Future." Who were these strangers behind the umbrellas? We—Beta's little pledglings!

Ever since that day when we rang the door-bell with trembling fingers and the Beta girls rushed out en masse to seize us and knock our hats askew in their excited attempts to make us welcome, we have had a delightful sense of "belonging." At first it isn't much fun to come to a large university, a great big puddle, when you're just a little frog; and it makes you feel as purr-y as a kitten to know that some one cares and wants to make you happy.

I've told you what Gamma Phi Beta means to her pledges; I hope that some day we can do as much for Gamma Phi. There are eleven of us now, and although we're young and a bit foolish yet, we can't

help catching some of the sorority spirit.

Here we are—most of us with four years of college before us. We're wearing the little brown pins with the crescents; that alone assures us that those four years are going to be very happy, neverto-be-forgotten.

How would you like to be in our shoes? Some day we're going to make you proud of us, dear Gamma Phi!

DOROTHY CAMPBELL.

#### GAMMA

# WHAT CAN A PLEDGE DO FOR GAMMA PHI BETA?

To be a pledge is often regarded as an ordeal which must be endured in anticipating the greater joy of being a "real" Gamma Phi. On the contrary, it is a part of the whole wonderful experience of every Gamma Phi girl and pledges who realize this may be of real service to their sorority.

An intense feeling of loyalty should predominate among Gamma Phi pledges. A loyal pledge is proud of her sorority and all that it stands for. Her one thought is to uphold the standards of Gamma Phi. With this thought in mind she will choose her friends and govern her own conduct. Particularly is this true in choosing what men shall be her friends and what her conduct toward them shall be. She should always remember that the least careless or thoughtless act on her part will not only bring criticism upon herself but upon her sorority.

Pledges have a way of becoming acquainted among themselves but find it more difficult to know the girls of the active chapter. One of the first duties of every pledge is to become at home in the sorority by visiting the house often and by making a special effort

to know all of the girls.

A pledge should always be ready to co-operate, both with other pledges and with active members, and to show a willing and unself-ish spirit in doing whatever may be asked of her. To every pledge comes the opportunity to uphold sorority scholastic standing. To meet scholastic requirements for initiation she must do her work seriously; perhaps by sacrificing part of her good times. But when she has secured her grade she feels a certain pride which comes with achievements, however small they may be.

Gamma Phi pledges should feel both a desire and a responsibility to go into various activities. Each girl should consider carefully the kind of activity for which she is best suited and then go into it to win—for Gamma Phi. The more varied the activities which the girls enter, the more widely spread will be the influence of Gamma Phi. There are so many fields open that every girl should find activities in which she may be both interested and helpful. This girl may have dramatic ability, that one musical talent, the other may be athletic. Every pledge wants her chapter to be a leader on the campus and this can be attained only when each girl takes her part and represents Gamma Phi in scholastic as well as in social life.

Pledges have opportunities to develop their own initiative in planning social events for the chapter. On Founders' Day they may show their appreciation of what the chapter has done for them by planning a novel entertainment. At other times they may plan unique parties. On the other hand, when the chapter entertains, pledges may be courteous and thoughtful of guests as well as helpful to the girls.

Although a pledge values the close friendships made in her sorority above all others she should not restrict her friendship to her sisters. She may be secretly glad and consider herself very fortunate to have her sorority but she should never treat non-sorority girls snobbishly. Gamma Phis should always be broadminded and democratic; helping others whenever they can, deriving benefits where they may. A pledge should boost for her sorority by being unselfish, sincere, capable and well bred. In a word, a pledge should strive for one thing—to make herself worthy to wear the pin of Gamma Phi Beta.

PEARL HOCKING.

# EPSILON

#### FRESHMAN IDEALS

Every freshman has "ideals," as have we. First of all, when we work, we work with Gamma Phi Beta in mind and heart. These three Greek letters represent an inspiration to us; although we had

ideals before we were pledged, we really have something now upon

which to hang them.

Rowena Gamber, one of us, says, "When a freshman is pledged after a strenuous rushing period, she is apt to attain a self-satisfied manner and think, 'Oh, well! I'm pledged now, so what matters?' Everything matters, far more than it did during rushing. She is a Gamma Phi, and others will judge the sorority by the actions of the individuals. Pledging to any Greek-letter society in a college is a serious matter and we, who are Greek, should feel honored to think we are chosen to be members of the select band regardless of our badge. Therefore, we should work, and work hard, to keep up the good reputation of our sorority, and to add new laurels and honors whenever we can."

No group, however, is strong if it lives only in itself. To make ourselves complete as a sorority, we want to know people on the campus, and to be known, for in our association with others, with sorority and non-sorority people, lies our strength.

ETHEL SAARI.

# ZETA

# FRESHMAN LOYALTY

I have a special reason for being loyal to Gamma Phi Beta. My mother is a Gamma Phi and a charter member of the Zeta Chapter. Gamma Phi Beta has to me suddenly become real and not a fairy-tale.

After examinations, when many have failed, we realize that it is Gamma Phi that helped to pull us through by the incentive of scholarship. It is hard to go away from home for the first time; but in Gamma Phi we have true friends who help us in every possible way, and the difficulties of our freshman year are lessened.

If, being suddenly thrown with so many different types of girls, we are tempted to allow our ideals to waver we remember that we represent Gamma Phi Beta and our ideals are strengthened. Therefore every freshman is loyal to Gamma Phi Beta.

HELEN B. MACMURTRIE.

#### ETA

# WHY I JOINED GAMMA PHI BETA

Why did I join Gamma Phi Beta? Why does anyone join any house?

I wonder how many freshmen ever stop to think very seriously of the "whys" on pledge morning. Personally, I was very much nonplussed when the above question appeared in the initiation examination. I began to think; and as I thought, three very obvious reasons came to me. I joined Gamma Phi Beta because I knew that it was a house of old and excellent standing; because I liked the members of the Eta Chapter very much; and because I thought it was the house in which I could be happiest. I realize that these reasons appear extremely egotistical; nevertheless, they are, I believe, the primary and fundamental causes of any girl joining any sorority.

The majority of girls at the time of their graduation from high school know very little about sororities. They realize that such organizations exist and that it is highly desirable in the eyes of their associates to "make" a "good" house upon their entrance into college; but, somehow, all that sort of thing seems very far away and vague at the time. Then, suddenly, one awakes to find that she has graduated and that she is beginning her college life. Everything seems huge and strange and hostile and if it be a large college like ours in California—well, she simply wants to creep off in a corner and wilt! Everybody goes rushing past, everybody except the freshman knows just where he is going, and the freshman wanders aimlessly but hopefully in search of signs with black fingers directing her where to register, where to pay fees—or—most anything!

She is alone on the great, sophisticated campus with none to be sorry that her new vaccination hurts, with none to look at her save to smile condescendingly at the brilliant blue envelope and regis-

tration card.

The rushing season comes to an end and she is pledged to a house—oh, what a lovely warm feeling glows inside of her because, wonder of wonders, she has found that a whole chapter of sorority girls thinks she is nice enough to be one of them. She is no longer a wanderer. All is changed; even the detested campus assumes a friendly aspect; and she begins to be less sorry that she is not back

in her dear high school!

It is during the following semester, however, that she comes to know the true meaning of a sorority, a sisterhood. She learns that to be a good sister she must be patient, tolerant and loving, ever thoughtful of the feelings of others, always eager to bring honor and praise and never censure upon her house. She begins to realize that the sorority is not an abstract, intangible something, but that upon her rests the responsibility of upholding the standards of Gamma Phi Beta. It is in this way that she acquires the attributes of tact, poise and self-control which will help her to face the problems of life after leaving college.

The freshmen must keep always in mind that they are the future women of America and that in no other part of the world does the counterpart of the American Woman exist. Her distinctive position

today is the outcome of four factors:

Freedom in choosing her occupation, Legal equality, Abundance of leisure, Opportunities for education. Because of these four advantages, the American Woman is an independent human being, is given the opportunity of contributing in many different spheres her share toward good citizenship and social

progress.

Alexis de Tocqueville wrote many years ago: "If I were asked to what the singular prosperity and growing strength of the American people ought mainly to be attributed I should reply, "To the superiority of their women." So, in conclusion, I say: "I joined Gamma Phi Beta because I believe that within its bond I shall learn to be a better American Young Woman!"

MONTA CARPENTER.

# THETA

# EXTRACTS FROM THE DIARY OF A PLEDGE

November 6. Sunday.

O Day of Days! O fitting climax to a week of frenzied rushing! Never shall I forget you! What a delicious and inexplicable thrill I had, when on a quiet Sabbath morning the great event happened. I opened that large and important-looking envelope and espied—the seal of Gamma Phi Beta! How many million times I read and re-read the precious bid no one will ever know, but the fact remains that a perfectly good chicken dinner was scorned in sheer delight over the note.

November 7. Monday.

Another wondrous day! It all seems too heavenly to be true, the first glimpse into the mystical circle and the tiny brown and gold crescent pledge pin fastened over my heart.

November 14. Monday.

The storm has broken, all premonitions of evil have been verified. My past stretches back bright and shining with rush parties, dances, and orgies of dill pickles; but the future stretches ahead gloomy and dark with visions of hazings, servile attendance, "K. P." work and Lodge cleaning. But worse—when in search of sympathy I always receive the nonchalant answer, "O, that's merely the life of a pledge."

December 5. Monday.

The first hazing is over and I breathe once again. I am positive my heart did not beat once as I stood, trembling before the august president and heard that sepulchral voice demand, "Where is Alpha Alpha?" My brain whirled, "Alfalfa?" A stupid reply and I soon became aware of my mistake. This was not enough, however, and I was asked to sing. "O Song, what atrocities are committed in thy name!"

December 17. Friday.

The curse of a pledge's life, Cleaning Day. Everything was splendid until we arrived upon the scene of action, a stone-cold

Lodge. Then our troubles began. The furnace refused to burn anything save newspapers, and finally after much humoring, started with such fury as to singe the hair, eyebrows, hat feathers, and fur coat collar of the pseudo-furnace man. When the fair damsel was rescued from the fiery furnace, we retired to the kitchen only to find mountainous heaps of dishes upon the drainboard. These we attacked furiously, next viciously scrubbing the floor. We then petted a wheezing vacuum into action and swept up everything from peanut shells to pink complexions. Next we turned our activities to the hearth and unflinchingly sacrificed our lily-white hands in sweeping the ashes down the trap. Still our spirits were not entirely crushed when we were forced to fish from the internal organs of the piano handfuls of ballots. But the last straw came when the ladder collapsed and window shade, curtain, and female carpenter landed in a scrambled egg condition on the floor.

January 23. Monday.

Seven days of maddening suspense looms before me.—Final Exam Week, the knell that sounds the near approaching doom of the pledge.

January 30. Monday.

The dreaded ordeals are over, the accursed average made, and joy reigns once more.

February 3. Friday.

A few days and then—INITIATION. I shall no longer be a mere pledge, but a proud, full-fledged Gamma Phi with a crescent guarding my heart. But now the actives softly say, "Even then you'll only be a freshman." Oh, someone is always taking the joy out of life!

JANE BUTCHART.

# KAPPA

# WHAT MY PLEDGE MEANS TO ME

It is difficult for me to say just what my pledge means to me because it does mean so much. My sincere desire is to become worthy of Gamma Phi Beta. Through duties, as a freshman, I am more closely bound to my chapter until the day of my initiation, when my ambitions will be fully realized. My sorority is the dearest interest of my college life and I realize that my actions reflect on Gamma Phi; for her, I do all I can to preserve her ideals and to keep her standards. And if any action of mine is not the ideal of my chapter I wish to be corrected, since through correction I shall be better fitted to help the incoming freshmen. Every day my life is made fuller by the association of my sisters, who take a deep interest in every freshman.

HELEN LA DOUX.

#### MU

# WHAT A FRESHMAN MAY DO FOR AN ALUMNA

Around our initiation banquet table, when alumnæ, upperclasswomen and freshmen met together for the first time, many things were said in response to Madam Toastmistress in thanks for the numberless things the alumnæ have done for us all; and to the minds of us freshmen came a little thought of what we could do in return.

We all know what an alumna may do for her chapter and for the freshmen—the new birds in the nest; and there must surely be things we freshmen may do for the alumnæ.

As freshmen, the greatest thing that confronts us is to uphold the standard set by Gamma Phi Beta alumnæ. To hold this standard high and "carry on" beneath it, is a duty and a privilege, and anything done for Gamma Phi Beta is of course indirectly done for the alumnæ who are part of the organization. But there are things we may do more directly and personally for an alumna or for all the alumnæ.

The freshman represents the "new generation" in college life. Her point of view and method of procedure are different, though her aim may be the same as that of the alumna. To bring the alumna in closer touch with the new ideas in college life is something the freshman may certainly do.

To the alumna who has a home of her own and a family, and who is, perhaps involuntarily, out of touch with college aims and opportunities, the freshman can offer her glowing aspirations and anticipations of what college is to bring her, and thus renew the contact with new books, new thoughts, and the progress in education since the alumna's own college days.

To the professional woman, hedged by duties and responsibilities, and growing narrow through devotion to her subject, the freshman may offer new opportunities for recreation and relaxation. The new dance steps, the new songs, and even the new slang, may seem trivial and frivolous, but they serve to renew the college days of the alumna who has just drifted out of the merry swing of things.

In college life is centered Progress—progress along educational, sociological and philosophical lines, the lines of activity which are soonest lost track of by women preoccupied with duties of daily life after graduation from college. The college life of today and tomorrow, and the college woman of today and tomorrow, need to be kept in closer touch with the college woman of yesterday and day before yesterday. The freshman can learn many things from the alumna, the new is not always the best, and things which stand the test of time are most worth while, but this contact with the "new idea" can be of value inestimable to the alumna, and to the freshman may fall this task. She will welcome any opportunity to do something for one who has done so much for her.

ELSA JEAN BARBER.

#### NU

FRIENDSHIP IN GAMMA PHI BETA

Let me live in a house by the side of the road
Where the race of men goes by—
The men who are good and the men who are bad,
As good and bad as I.

I would not sit in the scorner's seat
Or hurl the cynic's ban—
Let me live in a house by the side of the road
And be a friend to man.

Friendship is one of the greatest things in life. There are various kinds of friendship, but true friendship is unselfish and self-sacrificing.

However, we must always remember that the only danger in friendship is that it will end. It is never established as an understood relation and seems to require constant proof. No matter how long or how well we have known a friend, there are always certain requirements of friendship and certain privileges which we must not overstep. Gamma Phi Beta friendship is all this and even more. It is unquestionably a true and eternal friendship.

We cannot be happy without friends. They share alike our joys and sorrows and seem to be a part of us. Shaw has said, "The great strength of friendship consists more in liking the same things than in each other." This is truly shown in Gamma Phi Betas. They have so much in common, not in trivial things but in matters of grave importance; and wherever one meets a Gamma Phi sister she is sure of finding the same spirit of friendship which exists the world over, enhanced by a common bond.

ALLADEEN SCROGGIN.

#### XI

THE SCIENTIFIC PHASE OF RUSHING FROM A RUSHEE'S STANDPOINT

One who is not a naturalist or who does not have access to the apparatus necessary for the examination of minute objects usually becomes acquainted with only a few of the many kinds of animals that inherit the earth. One of the most commonly known animals which treads terra firma is a vertebrate known as man, a vertebrate for the reason that he is in possession of a backbone, although it is not noticeable on some of the weaker of the species.

The strongest among the vertebrates are known to struggle painfully, yea, and pitifully, through the eight years of grade school, and many times and oft they wish that they had not risen above their fellow vertebrates and could once more swing from a cocoanut tree and remove the arthropoda, commonly known as the cootie specie, from off their glistening fur coats.

After these eight years of misery the vertebrates or mammalia enter a higher stage of existence, the high school. Here the female of the species usually acquires by contact, or otherwise, some of the traits of one of her fellow vertebrates, the cat, and so, upon entering college she is either affected thereby in a manner which makes her kittenish, or a lower type which makes her cattish. She may also have taken on some of the traits of her long-eared brother and may manifest a certain amount of stubbornness as a result.

Thus prepared to face the bitter experiences of a college the female mammalia enter, and there the mind is brought to the highest stage of development yet attained. This is the outcome of a week of being rushed by a sorority. In this period the vertebrate must neither expose the connection to the family tree which deals with kittenishness and cattiness, neither must she exhibit the long-eared tendencies. But above all, she must, with the use of rouge, eyebrow tweezers, cold cream, curling irons, powder and lipstick, cover up all resemblance to her nearest mammalia relative, the ape.

Dates with a sorority have a very strange effect upon the respiratory system of the rushee. At times breathing is very difficult, for instance, when said rushee can feel or sense a pair of critical eyes engulfing or encircling her anatomy from the rear, and at times she makes a hurried catch at her breath which might even be mistaken for a gasp when her gray matter, especially the part known as the medulla oblongata, is caught napping and she utters some incoherent statement which makes one think of the Hee Haw Maude variety of mammalia.

The muscular system at times seems to be very incapable of supporting the limbs, trunk and the head, especially so when some smiling sorority member advances to said bunch of muscle and tissue and asks the same to lead her in a fox trot. The mind is willing but the muscles, because of never having had any use in that capacity, become weak and limp, and therefore when the music starts up the mass of protoplasm or living matter, generally called man, and more specifically rushee, undergoes a tottering, shaky sensation, and as a result said smiling sorority member assumes a look of horror and consternation, and she compares the rushee in her mind to the group Coelenterata, or jelly fish, and says unto herself, "Hawt Dawg! If this woman will so shimmy at a rushing party, what would she do when she became one of us?" Result: much excretion of salt water from the evespots of rushee, and one less invitation sent out to the next rushing party.

The effect of a rushing party on the digestive system is one which causes sympathy and sadness. The rushee, trying to be very careful and cautious, takes a bite of a tempting sandwich and about the time said bite is suspended between the phaynx and the esophagus some gushing sorority member asks her a direct question which causes the poor rushee either to urge the sudden exit of said mouthful of sandwich into the stomach, which causes sudden redness of the face and watering of the eyes, or else to choke and excrete said sandwich out into her handkerchief. This, my dear reader, is not considered a good drawing card for admission to a sorority.

If one is fortunate enough to be one of the strong, backboned variety she may go through the rushing parties and experience a feeling of sureness, and when the whole lettuce leaf comes out of the sandwich with the first bite she will take it as a good joke and pass the matter out of her mind without showing any embarrassment. Furthermore, when asked to lead in a fox trot she will do so as if accustomed to leading all her life and will be petrified with joy when she overhears the approving recipient of her leading tell some of the sisters that surely said rushee must have learned all of the new steps from a professional because she had never seen them before, and the rushee says to herself, "No, and if I can help it, she will never see them again." Upon leaving she sees the we-wantyou-very-much looks in the members' faces, and for the first time in her life she forgets that she was ever related to the ape, the mule and the cat, but can only see herself sitting on the golden stairs playing on the harp the song, "You for Me, Me for You, Gamma Phi."

JUNE LANE CROSSON.

# PI

# FIRST IMPRESSIONS

My first impressions of Gamma Phi Beta are, I am afraid, both muddled and incomplete, for some new and wonderful aspect of our sorority is revealed to us every day. However, my foremost impression was that of a universe composed of smiling girls, chatting girls, charming girls, tall girls, clever girls—world without end. But after the first mad rush from which I emerged with bits of brown and mode ribbon pinned over my inflated bosom and my head swimming with memories of candlelight teas and hastily implanted kisses on my nose, ears, and left eyebrow, my feet suddenly touched earth with the first thud of my trunk being deposited at the chapter-house.

After those first few weeks of adjustments, formation of new friendships, and squabbles over baths, life began to take on a natural hue. Then we began to get our first true impressions of Gamma Phi Beta; its principles and the consciousness that we were part of a large and famous sisterhood began to formulate in our minds; while the bigness and the broadness of it all, I believe, appealed to us the most strongly. From the national ideals of Gamma Phi Beta to the local campus policies and attitudes of the girls, there was a certain open-mindedness about it all that made its appeal and met its response in the hearts of the prospective Gamma Phi Betas.

Then memories of quite another type will persist. It might be a group singing the songs we love so well out on the porch on a balmy fall evening, and then again, it might be two tired freshmen washing stacks and stacks of dishes after Sunday tea or even waxing sticky floors on a gorgeous autumn afternoon. But whatever the memories may be, the events of the past few months have left such a happy impression upon me that I can hardly wait for the time to come when I can raise my youthful voice in:

I'm H-A-P-P-Y to know that I'm a Gamma Phi, For any other frat, I would not even try; I once was a p-l-e-d-g-e, with a little brown p-i-n, And now I'm H-A-P-P-Y that I am I-N in.

HELEN KUMMER.

#### SIGMA

### FRESHMAN DEMOCRACY

One of the biggest problems which we must face as we enter a large university is the question of democracy. We must make democracy an ideal toward which we are ever striving. The widening area of shared opinions and exchanged knowledge is bound to broaden both our intellectual and our social outlook.

As freshmen, perhaps this goal seems practically unattainable, and really it is rather staggering when we look about us and see so many, many new and strange faces. But we must remember that without democracy we cannot possibly get the most from our college life; nor can we put the best we have into our work and recreation.

Let us begin when we are freshmen to develop this ideal. We cannot find it so difficult, for everyone is willing to be the freshman's friend. Does not the Big Sister movement in the Y. W. illustrate this? The best place to start this democracy is among our own classmates. Try smiling at little Mary Brown, who seems so quiet and solemn that she almost scares you. You will simply love to see her face light up with a smile. Her day will be made much brighter because of that one touch of friendliness, and it will also put a song into your own heart.

Do not be afraid to walk from one class to another with some classmate. There is always the weather to start conversation, and soon you will find that the little girl whom you thought so plain and timid at first may have a world of "worth while" ideas beneath her straight, smooth-combed hair. Just try it once and you will find that your day will be happier because you have shown a little human kindness toward a fellow-freshman.

INEZ HEASTON.

# TAU

# "COATS OFF!"

"Coats off!" This will be next week's slogan for the freshmen of Tau. Oh! Haven't you heard? We are all to be initiated next week-end (how far away that seems), and, of course, we all want to take our coats off as much as possible so our shiny new crescents will show.

All the other freshmen on the campus are wearing their coats unbuttoned, now, having received their pins last week-end. However, in every other sorority, there were several freshmen who couldn't be initiated because they did not make the required average. Every single Gamma Phi pledge will be initiated! Aren't we lucky?

Last night we all went to the Young Women and Men's Christian Association party, and we all enjoyed every moment. It was the biggest success of anything that has been given by the Y. W. C. A. this year, and it certainly made us swell with pride to think that this was all due to one of our very own pledges, Lois Trumbull, who is the chairman of the social committee for the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet. Lois also takes an active part in the Home Economics Club. She is a very capable girl, and we are all sure that she will uphold the good name of Gamma Phi Beta wherever she goes.

Another one of our freshmen, Helen Carpenter, is filling a very important office in the school, being the president of the Freshmen Commission. Gertrude Lauche is also on this Commission. Both of these girls are also interested in Y. W. C. A. and Home Economics Club.

Besides these girls, Hazel Nevins, Gertrude Torrey, Marjory Williams, Dorothy Kemlin, and Josephine Shriber all belong to both Y. W. C. A. and the Home Economics Club. These girls aren't just "dead" members, but they really attend all meetings of these two college activities and strive to help in every way possible.

At each freshmen meeting roll is called, and each girl answers by stating the activities in which she has participated during the week. Seldom does anyone fail to answer this call.

As active members of Gamma Phi Beta, we all hope to do even more to uphold her name, and I think that each freshman in this chapter can say from the depths of her heart:

Though for myself alone I would not wish myself much better, Yet for thee, oh, Gamma Phi, I'd be a thousand times more fair.

MARY HADDOX.

#### UPSILON

# AFTER THE PLEDGE PIN IS ON

Pledged! "Ain't it a grand and glorious feeling?" All the other thrills I've ever experienced grow pale beside it. High school

graduation, my first date—are they even to be compared with the glory of being a Gamma Phi pledge? I can well understand Cæsar's sensations when he was offered the crown of Rome. I believe I had the same feeling.

But there is a serious side as well. That little brown and tan pin was a real incentive to everyone of us to do anything in our power for our sorority. We studied harder than ever before, and were resolved to make no less than 100 in every subject. We cultivated an incredible amount of college spirit, went on hikes we would never have considered before, and positively haunted Y. W. C. A. meetings. Each of us wanted to be an ideal college girl, not for herself, but for Gamma Phi. We tried to be absolutely honorable in all relations, lest we bring the slightest dishonor on our sorority. In fact, there was not a phase of our lives that it did not influence.

There is another thing that I think our pledge taught us. That is, the meaning of true friendship—that kind of friendship that

will stand any test and any discouragement.

And we have at last realized the full significance of a sorority—that it is not a social club, interested only in a good time, but that it is to make us better fitted for life; more honest in our relations with our fellow students; constant to our ideals of what a real sorority should be, and true to the best that lies within us.

MARGARET ROSE SMITH.

# PHI

# THE AFTERMATH OF RUSHING

I opened an eye, yawned, and rolled over. Ouch! Why, I sleepily reflected, aren't pledge buttons made round instead of three-cornered. They weren't a bit comfortable to sleep in! I must remember to speak to the chapter president about it. Pledges have a right to be comfortable even though sleeping.

With dawn came reason. I wouldn't be so hasty about speaking to the president after all. Perhaps the sharp corners would wear down with time. Doesn't time cure a lot of things? A pledge

button was, after all, but a symbol of what was to come.

Pledging is merely the rushing period reversed. Now the pledges do the rushing; the actives are rushed. Living in a dormitory has its advantages over a sorority house, although common opinion is quite to the contrary. Pledge activities in a dorm do not extend far beyond the phase of carrying water and straightening the rooms. In comparison to the hectic life of a sorority house pledge, ours is indeed a calm existence. We have often heard of pledges papering, shingling, and all but rebuilding the original sorority house. What an aftermath! Harken, ye pledges who live in dorms, and be content!

Consider then, dear reader, the life of a dorm pledge. The dining-room is the scene of many a well concealed battle. Here

the true social status of the pledglet displays itself. Ours was (past tense to denote transition from pledging to active) the pleasure of carrying water, not to mention other sundry articles such as silverware, menus, napkins, and even the lowly mustard. Is it only the actives of Phi Chapter who have such aquatic tastes? One Phi active was seen to devour two glasses of water and, further, to cast a commanding eye upon a pledglet obligingly disappearing behind the ice water tank. Such instances are, however, rare. Truth compels me to admit that. This extreme case was used merely as an illustration.

Time, as usual, goes on. The pledglet suddenly realizes that finals hover just beyond the horizon. Will she or will she not—make her grades? That is the question. The one-time gorgeous pledge button seems shopworn to the critical eye of the pledgling. Frenzied studying is all the fashion. In the dining-room, water is drawn without the customary display of technique. Will she or will she not?

She does. The cocoon breaks at last; the worm emerges—a gorgeous butterfly with a crescent-shaped emblem very much in evidence.

I opened an eye, yawned, and rolled over. Ouch! Isn't it wonderful, I sleepily reflected, to be wearing that longed-for crescent! Isn't the world beautiful? Why isn't everybody happy?

GLADYS HAMMACHECK.

# CHI

# THE BUSINESS OF BEING A FRESHMAN

To be a freshman is quite a serious matter—to a freshman. The business of being a freshman is quite a serious matter—especially to upperclassmen.

Oregon Agricultural College deals quite extensively in freshmen. At least, she is using some twelve hundred of them during the 1921-22 season, so it would seem that "freshman-business" is good.

As in practically every business, ours starts with planning—planning our course. Then comes training, both intensive and extensive. This usually lasts for four years and there are none for whom it has not been a battle.

One could give a long list of a freshman's obligations to her college and her studies that go to make up the business. But why do it? Everyone knows what they are. Even the most hardened little offender would blush to admit he didn't.

A freshman's trade in tradition is far different. Every college is rich in tradition and customs which should be perpetuated. It is both the freshman's privilege and duty to carry these out.

One well known and at first, little cherished, custom on our campus is the "wearin' o' the green." The boys—rooks—wear small, green caps without bills—commonly known as "rook lids," and

they carry small books commonly known as "Rook Bibles." Woe unto the lad whose memory is poor when a V. C. (member of the vigilance committee) comes in sight, for he's very apt to find him-

self in a cold and sorry plight!

The "rookesses" wear hair ribbons of a bright and verdant hue from breakfast to bed-time every Wednesday. Oh yes! Each ribbon must be a certain size and folded a certain way with the bow in the center back—no hats allowed. And woe unto the rookess who omits this finishing touch to her personal appearance on Wednesday morning, for the Citation girls are on the watch.

Our ribbons are getting haggard and worn, but we are nursing them tenderly in the hope of coaxing them into living until Junior Week-end, when ribbons and caps are consigned to their last resting

place on a huge bonfire.

A freshman's duty to her house is to be loyal and true; to bring honor and fame to Gamma Phi by her scholarship, leadership and character. Her duty within the house is to fulfill every task—no matter how small; to work willingly and cheerfully; to show respect and courtesy to upperclassmen; to look out for rules, and to keep the house's "joys and sorrows" within the house.

So:

Here's to the freshmen of Chapter Chi,
Who know how to work and to play,
For Jane, Bessie and Laura,
Helen, Eddie and Eldora,
Dot, Esther and Marcella all say:
"We're mighty proud to be in Gamma Phi;
We're glad you took us along.
So here's from the freshmen of Chapter Chi,
From whom you'll hear more before long."

DOROTHY A. COCKERLINE.

# OMEGA

#### COLLEGE LOYALTY

The word loyalty, because of its application, is difficult to define; but when modified by the word college it is narrowed to a range with which a student is familiar. Even then it may be found to apply to many things. To combine some of the terms of Josiah Royce and Daniel Webster, a definition of college loyalty might be stated as that willing and thorough-going devotion or allegiance to the principles and responsibilities of college life.

Chief among these principles might be the spirit of good fellowship and democracy which a college strives to create among its students. It is in the power of each person on the campus to strengthen or to weaken this spirit by the attitude which he assumes. Herein may he show his loyalty to the college as a whole. The purpose of college is to educate and uplift the coming generation. A student with ambition and energy, not only for the knowledge in books but for the opportunities of culture which he has all around

him, is exhibiting true loyalty to the purpose of college.

Besides the larger obligations of a student to his college, each one is connected in some way to an organization, though it may be only his class. Faithful devotion is necessary on the part of each member, however, to the success of the whole. A sacrifice of personal interests and opinions may even be called for. It is by losing oneself in the effort to secure the common good of a body that a firm foundation for the organization is established and the beginning of a noble mind is created.

NELL M. TAYLOR.

# ALPHA ALPHA

# FRESHMAN SERVICE

What is meant by "Freshman Service" in college? To live up to college life by keeping alive the spirit of goodfellowship, companionship, and friendliness; to give our thoughts, time, and efforts to furthering the interests of our university; to respect our learned professors and senior students; to back our sporting teams and at all times to give them our earnest support, keeping ever before us the beacon light of sportsmanship; to be kind and generous to our friends; to work untiringly for our goal, that is, the fulfillment of our rosy-hued ambitions; to devote ourselves entirely to the keen enjoyment of seeking truth and knowledge, and of giving the best that is in us towards that end.

Freshmen accept college life with open arms but with rather a lack of responsibility. They revel in the care-free atmosphere, prevalent around the place of learning, and are sublimely ignorant of the painstaking efforts of capable undergrads who make things

go-"the men behind the guns," as it were.

A sorority is a wonderful help to the fresh coed in this matter. Not only does it give her constant companionship and delight, but it forces responsibility upon her; and thus, because she gives more time and thought to a progressive society, she appreciates the work of her fellow-students, and so becomes, herself, more interested and

concerned in college.

The freshman must be ever ready to serve her sorority, and to aid her sisters in all undertakings. It is impossible to progress without co-operation, and a freshman must do her bit as well as the others. Why slip out of unpleasant tasks because one is a freshman and "doesn't know how"? Learn to be capable and reliable, so that in all circumstances you can be depended upon. A freshman should take a keen and lively interest in all work for the good of her sorority, neglecting nothing and upholding every standard to the very best of her ability.

EDYTHE Ross.

# ALPHA BETA

# WHAT AN ALUMNA CAN DO FOR A FRESHMAN

An alumna may help a freshman in a great many ways. The alumna who lives in a college town has more opportunity to do so than the alumna who lives elsewhere.

The greatest help an alumna can render to a freshman is to set her a good example, both in her sorority life and in her outside life. Alumnæ should be the standard for the freshmen to follow, and if they set a high standard, they may, in this way, influence the freshmen. An alumna may give a freshman the benefit of her experience in college—show her what not to do, and give her help and advice in the problems that confront all freshman girls. It is often a difficult matter for a freshman to choose her course and what studies she wishes to take, and in this, an alumna may prove a great help.

When it comes to the social side of college life, an alumna should be able to offer freshmen some valuable ideas and suggestions relative to entertainment, decorations and novel features. Some alumnary may help the freshman by offering the use of their automobiles for parties, parades and other purposes. Alumnary who are in a position to do so, may donate the use of their homes for parties or teas given by the freshmen. Generally an alumna has more time to devote to such things than girls in college and could, therefore, help prepare for such social events.

But after all, the really vital relation between an alumna and a freshman is a personal one, and the greatest thing an alumna can do is to make the freshman feel this relation. They can do this by visiting the sorority house as often as possible, becoming well acquainted with the freshman girls. So an alumna can help a freshman personally, scholastically, and socially.

### ALPHA GAMMA

# FRESHMAN EFFICIENCY GAME

The sign read:

"Basketball game tonight at 8:15 sharp between the Freshman Efficiency and Inefficiency teams. The players on both teams seem to be in excellent condition and as neither team has met defeat it is expected that quite a thrilling game will be played."

This article was read and re-read by the college students that day as it appeared in large headlines on the bulletin board. Most of the students were basketball fans and they were glad to think that they would be able to see a good game that night. Accordingly, at 8:15, when the referee's whistle blew for the signal for starting the game, the hall was crowded with spectators and rooters for the teams.

The jumping center of the Inefficiency team was a little taller than her opponent and the first time she got the tip off, the ball passed into the guard's hands and then to the forward, who made

a basket, netting two points for her side.

Again the tall center got the ball and sent it to her forward, and this time the latter was not so successful. After a second or so the referce blew his whistle and decided that it was a toss ball between the two players. The Inefficiency player was about to make another basket when her opponent was called for fouling and she was entitled to a free throw, which she made. Three to nothing did not amount to much, but the Efficiency players realized that they would have to score, at least.

At the next toss-up the Efficiency player caught the ball and by a quick pass her forward caught it and made a basket. This was repeated for three times and then the luck of the Efficiencies changed. At the end of the half the game was thirteen to eight

in favor of the Inefficiencies.

When the second half was begun the Efficiencies displayed their ability and very few times was there any danger of their not making a goal. Time and again they made goals until the rooting almost ceased because the game was so one-sided. The rooters decided that the Inefficiency center was not able to play because she was one who hurried through her meals to study her lessons, which she had previously neglected. The guard was Miss Always Late to Class and she played basketball just the same way. The forward didn't plan her work so that she was never crowded and she calculated her basket-shooting in the same manner.

The players on the Efficiency team were those who worked on an efficient twenty-four hour schedule.

The result of the game showed anyone to which team she should belong.

ANNA MAUD STERN.

# ALPHA DELTA

THE INSPIRATION OF BEING THE BABY CHAPTER

To be a member of the baby chapter of Gamma Phi Beta gives one an inspiration which only those who have had such an experience can appreciate. It is truly a marvelous thing!

Alpha Delta chapter in its beginnings occupied much the same position in regard to the national of Gamma Phi as the human being does in the first few years of its life. The human formulates its plans and weaves its dreams of a future and, just so, Alpha Delta is dreaming of what she may become some day and hoping that in the fulfillment of her dreams the ideals of true friendship, and loyalty, an infallible spirit of democracy, and a high scholastic standing may be the most vivid figures in the dream.

The national of Gamma Phi is an added stimulus and inspiration to our own ideals and now, though still in our infancy, we are realizing, little by little, that we petitioned just exactly the right sorority to fulfill these same ideals.

We realize our imperfections and also that we can gain many things from our neighboring chapters, so we make an earnest effort to learn all about them. One way in which we do this is to have our freshmen correspond with the freshmen of Sigma. In this manner we gain ideas from each other and our view of the sisterhood is broadened that much more.

The bigness and the together-ness of the order is an inspiration, especially, to the baby chapter. Not as individuals nor as an organization have we ever before experienced this same feeling. So because we know we are a young and tiny part of such a great big whole the inspiration is doubled.

So, as members of the baby chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, although young in knowledge and experience, by means of the fervor and inspiration Gamma Phi gives us, we are determined to hold a place with every other chapter and to be a creditable and progressive part of the big whole.

MILDRED KENDALL. Lois Maupin.

# WHAT FRESHMEN MUST KNOW

Of course every good freshman by the time she is initiated knows the chapter roll, the national government, the social service, the war work, the alumnæ organization and the prominent women of Gamma Phi Beta. In addition to all this, has she learned—

That Gamma Phi's first initiate, first mother, and first grand-mother is Clara Worden Wilcox of Syracuse?

That Gamma Phi's first song is List the Watchword, by Helen M. Dodge?

That our colors are a tribute to Dr. Brown of Syracuse University, who was a good friend to the founders?

That the term *sorority* (always used by Gamma Phi Beta) was suggested by Vice-Chancellor Emeritus Frank Smalley of the Latin Department of Syracuse?

That Gamma Chapter was the first chapter in Gamma Phi Beta and the first sorority at Wisconsin to own its own home?

That Eta was the first organized group to petition the sorority? That the University of Denver has had but three chancellors and that the daughter of each has been a Gamma Phi?

That the petition sent by the group at Minnesota which is now Kappa Chapter was the first of its kind in the sorority world?

That Lambda not only was instrumental in founding Panhellenic at the University of Washington but suggested the Women's League of the University?

That Omicron was founded by a founder and boasts the only

daughter of a founder to become a Gamma Phi?

That Upsilon was originally Alpha Chapter of Phi Mu Gamma, one of the leading junior societies?

That Gamma, Upsilon and Omicron have held the scholarship

urn?

That Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Eta, Theta, Kappa, Lambda, Mu, Nu,

Xi, Omicron, Sigma, and Chi own their chapter-houses?

That the sororities included in N. P. C. are—Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Gamma Delta, Alpha Delta Pi, Zeta Tau Alpha, Kappa Delta, Sigma Kappa, Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Phi Mu, Delta Delta Delta, Chi Omega, and Delta Zeta?

That Kappa Alpha Theta was the first sorority to bear a Greek

That Kappa Kappa Gamma was the first sorority to publish a magazine?

That Alpha Phi was the first sorority to own a chapter-house?

That Pi Beta Phi has a home for poor whites?

That Alpha Chi Omega has a studio in the artists' colony at Peterborough, N. H., where the sorority furnishes free a workroom for an artist?

That Chi Omega is foremost among those sororities laying stress upon civic work?

That Delta Delta Delta has a most splendid and complete national organization and an employment bureau?

That the first secret society for women was the Adelphean (now Alpha Delta Pi), founded at Wesleyan College in 1851?

That a similar club, the Philomathean, organized in 1852, is now Phi Mu?

That there is something to be learned from and about every sister society?

# REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF SCHOLAR-SHIP COMMITTEE

CHAPTER	Average	Rank	Percent of Failures
Alpha Beta Gamma Delta Epsilon Zeta Eta Theta Kappa Lambda Mu Nu Xi Omicron Pi Rho Sigma Taus Upsilon	80.1 +80.0 -81.0 -76.5 +77.8 -83.1 -82.3 -86.81 -81.8 +84.0 -79.0 +86.3 +87.1 +87.22 +83.6 +82.1 +-86.99 +86.3 -86.3	No data 5th in 13 3rd, 4th in 17 No data 13th, 8th in 13 No data 15th in 18 3d in 6 11th in 11 11th in 17 8th in 10 5th, 6th, 5th in 10 2nd in 4 1st in 12 9th in 11 5th in 10 3rd in 4 1st in 7	
Phi Chi Psi Omega Alpha Beta	$   \begin{array}{r}     79.2 \\     -86.88 \\     -86.0   \end{array} $	2nd, 3rd in 5 6th, 12, 10th in 14 No data 4th, 6th, 2d in 9 1st, 5th in 5	$ \begin{array}{c} 1.0\% \\ 1.36\% \\ 0.00\% \\ 0.5\% \end{array} $

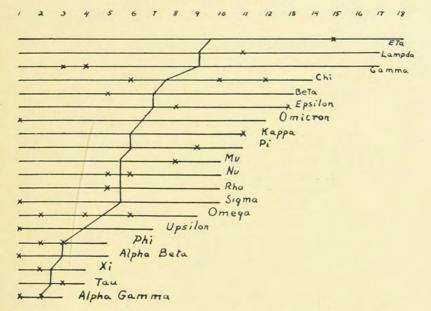
In the above table a (+) indicates improvement over last year's average. A (-) indicates a lower average. A (+-) indicates the average is the same.

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### III

A CHART SHOWING THE COMPARATIVE RANK OF THE CHAPTERS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE COLLEGES



The horizontal lines represent the number of National Panhellenic Serorities.

The cross on the line indicates the relative position of Gamma Phi Beta.

The diagonal is drawn through the middle point in each horizontal line. All chapters should be ranked to the left of this line if their records are what they should be.

#### IV

### OTHER SCHOLASTIC HONORS

Alpha—Marion Peters, '22, won the Leavenworth Scholarship of one hundred dollars for her work in painting.

Phi Kappa Phi-Lois Cobb.

Theta—Sigma Phi Alpha (honorary scholarship fraternity)—Della Humphrey.

Ann Elstun.

Lambda—Theta Sigma Phi—Kathryn Barnhisel.
Evelyn Johnson.

Helen Troy.

Mu Phi Epsilon—Katherine Peterson.

Lambda Rho—Beatrice Gould.

Mu—Marjorie McDonald won an honorary scholarship given by the university.

Nu-Scroll and Script-Le Laine West.

Xi—Mortar Board Society—Leah Borden. Helen Bloom. Mercedes Jones. Freda Soulen. Eleanor Faris.

Omicron—Intersorority Scholarship Cup.
Theta Sigma Phi—Gladys Pennington.
Mildred Welch.
Bliss Seymore.

Sigma Delta Phi—Gladys Pennington.
Mildred Welch.
Mary Parsons.

Alpha Theta Alpha—Rose Briem. Kappa Delta Pi—Esther McVay. Mu Kappa Alpha—Helen Moore.

Sigma—Omicron Nu—Ida Tudor.

Laura Harkrader. Mary Holdman. Minerva Leady. Bernice Bridgens.

Theta Sigma Phi—Stella Dutton.

Margaret Larkin.

Mu Phi Ensilon—Clata Johnson.

Mu Phi Epsilon—Cleta Johnson.

Marjorie Garlinghouse.

Tau—Gamma Omega—Catherine Summerville.

Upsilon—Freya—Alice Signaigo. Honor Roll—Kathleen Kelly.

Lillian Holladay (highest in junior class).
Alice Signaigo.

Virginia McCoy.
Pamela Sparrow.

Chi—Phi Theta Kappa—Grace Sanderson.

Meta McKillop.

Psi—Phi Mu Gamma—Margaret Aler.

Myrtle Brazil.

Pauline McKinney.

Louise Jackson.

Omega—Omicron Nu—Esther Robson.

Ruth Pohlman.
Phi Kappa Phi—Esther Robson.

Alpha Gamma—Phi Kappa Phi—Leila Sloan. Lulu Hawkins.

Delta Alpha Epsilon—Lulu Hawkins. Leila Sloan. Norma Brown. Anna Brown. Dorothy Harrington. Marcelline Kenny. Clementine Shurtleff. George Money.

V

Рні Вета Карра, 1920-21

Gamma—Rosamond Allen, Louise Smith,

Delta—Madeline Lewis.

Eta—Dorothy Deardoff.

Kappa—Martha Randall.

Mu-Evelyn Miller.

Omicron-Rose Briem.

Mildred Welch.

Gladys Pennington.

Pi-Vera Goodhand.

Phi-Doris Talbot.

Psi-Helen Berg.

Alpha Beta-Mildred Ihrig.

Anne Mitchell.

SIGMA XI, 1920-21

Mu-Doris Anderson.

VI

# SUMMARY

There are ten chapters which have an average of 86% or higher. This is three more than the previous year.

There are four chapters below 80%. This is the same number

as the previous year.

Nine chapters have raised their average. The greatest improvement is shown by Lambda Chapter, in raising her average from 73.3% to 84%, and her rank from fifteenth to eleventh among seventeen N. P. sororities.

Eleven chapters show a lower average. The greatest decrease is shown in Eta's average falling from 89% to 82.3% and from third to fifteenth place among eighteen N. P. sororities.

Three chapters attained first rank among the sororities of their respective universities. They are Omicron, Sigma, and Upsilon.

Six chapters report "no failures" for the year. They are Gamma,

Pi, Tau, Upsilon, Psi, and Alpha Gamma.

There are fourteen Phi Beta Kappas and one Sigma Xi. This is the same number as the previous year.

Eta, Lambda, Chi, Epsilon, Kappa, Pi, Mu, and Tau are ranked below the middle in their respective institutions. Their records are therefore not wholly satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

Lois M. Dehn, National Scholarship Chairman.



LADY ANNE AZGAPETIAN

# GAMMA PHI BETA'S SHARE IN NEAR EAST RELIEF

### HOW INTEREST WAS AROUSED

After the splendid Milk Bottle Campaign conducted by Minneapolis was finished, the chapter declared that it was unwilling to abandon the work; accordingly, Notre Abri, a home for orphaned children at Uxelles in Belgium, became the object of its enthusiasm and over five hundred dollars was netted for this cause; later on, the money was collected for Near East Relief. During the war, Xi, Omicron and Rho contributed toward the support of Armenian orphans; and in 1921 the Council made a small gift to Armenia in the name of the sorority. This interest in the cause was duly and generously recognized by the national board; and through the state organization and Lady Anne Azgapetian, the Council became enthused over the relief work and in time, presented it to the sorority by the request that each chapter be responsible for one of the books entitled "The Life of a Child," containing sixty coupons, each of which is sold for a dollar.

The answer to this appeal has been most gratifying; and up to this time, the following chapters have taken the books: Delta, Theta, Kappa, Lambda, Mu, Nu, Pi, Sigma, Phi, Omega, Alpha Beta, Denver, Los Angeles, Cleveland.

#### LADY ANNE AZGAPETIAN

Lady Azgapetian is an Armenian, the wife of General Mezrop Novton Azgapetian, an Armenian Nationalist, who has served as aide-de-campe to the Emperor of Persia, as secretary of the Persian Embassy to the United States, and in the World War as a commander in the Armenian National Army, fighting with the Allied forces in the Russian Southern Army. Lady Azgapetian herself served as a Red Cross nurse with her husband, through two years of war.

So difficult was it to get nurses in the war zone where Lady Azgapetian was serving, that she was obliged to work in the hospitals even to the night her little daughter was born. When the child was three months old the Russian revolution broke out—soon the army disintegrated, conditions became unbearable, and then followed ten months of wandering through Russia, ten months of danger and starvation that seem like a horrid nightmare compared with the peace, security and plenty in America.

Lady Azgapetian relates an inspiring story of the achievements of Armenia, a nation with three thousand years of history, a contemporary of Babylonia and Assyria, and in spite of a continuing experience as the battleground between the forces of Asia and Europe, is still an influence in modern civilization. For six hundred

years Armenia has been ruled by Turkey, and during that time its population has decreased from fifty millions to three millions.

As evidence of Armenia's fighting spirit in the World War, Lady Azgapetian states that Germany and Turkey offered Armenia, then as now a subject people, complete independence if they would merely remain neutral. The Armenian representatives, however, replied that their ideals coincided so thoroughly with those of the Allies that it could not remain neutral and must give its strength to the Allied cause. They recognized the fact that Turkey would draft their men into the Sultan's army, so the young men were hidden by day and travelled by night, secretly leaving Turkey and joining the armies of Russia, England, France and even of America, where 11,000 Armenians joined the American forces. A quarter of a million soldiers out of a total population of four million people fought for the Allies. The Turks considered this an act of rebellion and sent its armies sweeping across Armenia from town to town, massacring 800,000 men, women, and children in the one year of 1915. Then the Turks gathered all the remaining men and marched them off to death by drowning or butchering, and ordered the women and children out of their homes and out of their country within twenty-four hours, driving them down into the Arabian desert to perish. She tells of one incident where a unit of one thousand Armenian soldiers with the Foreign Legion fighting in the Battle of Verdun sacrificed all but thirty men.

Lady Azgapetian has one of the most thrilling tales to tell that has ever come out of those turbulent regions overseas where American charity in the past three years has saved hundreds of thousands of lives and spent approximately \$60,000,000 in salvaging the remnants of persecuted, scattered races.

The following editorial is taken from the Denver Times of

November 4, 1921:

#### THE LAND OF A BROKEN PROMISE

A gifted woman is in Denver this week to tell Denver people the story of Armenia. Those who have listened to her have heard an inspired message. There are both a sob and a challenge in her voice-a sob for her stricken country, a challenge to America. She asks relief, not charity; respect, not pity. She has come, not for the purpose of further harrowing American sensibilities with tales of pillage and massacre, but to vindicate Armenia's claim to justice at the hands of Christendom and stir people into a realization of what the world owes to a nation which, like Belgium, refused to barter her soul for the flesh, yet suffered a fate far more

The public will hear Lady Anne Azgapetian frequently during the next few days, but none who listens to her impassioned eloquence and her equally passionless facts can escape the spell of her appeal or fail to appreciate the gripping tragedy which lies behind the broken promise of the world to the ancient nation which she represents.

As the wife of an Armenian general who espoused the cause of the Allies at the outbreak of the war, she has witnessed scenes and lived through

experiences in her capacity as a Red Cross nurse on the Russian front which constituted a living torture. These things have been told or intimated by others. They are a part of the litany of sorrow which is Armenia. Her object is to emphasize, rather, the proud place Armenia has occupied in history for 3,000 years, the steadfast loyalty of her people to the Christian faith when apostasy would have purchased ease and prosperity, the high intelligence and culture of her citizens and the absorbing love for the land of "apricots and roses" under the shadow of majestic Ararat, which has impelled them to face atrocity and death for countless years at the hands of the Turk.

She comes to disabuse the mind of the public of the fallacious impression that Armenia is a land of small merchants and traders and to inform the people of Colorado that eighty-five per cent of its population is engaged in tilling the soil. She comes to tell them that when Turkey offered autonomy and freedom at the price of neutrality, Armenia spurned the offer and out of a population of but 4,000,000 raised an army of 250,000 men and sent them into the allied ranks on the Caucasian front. She comes to inform the public of the magnitude of the debt humanity owes her for this sacrifice of a nation, to trace the tremendous effect of Armenian resistance in the final collapse of Turkey and Germany, and to show that, at the expense of almost total extinction, Armenia kept the faith of her fathers and helped save the cause of freedom.

She cites the most conclusive testimony that has come out of the wail of defeated Germany since the close of the war as to Armenia's vital contribution in bringing about the debacle in the following words of Von Ludendorf, presiding genius of the Prussian military machine:

"The principal factor that forced the breakdown of the German army in the west was due to the lack of fuel supply, because the Turks did not get to Baku in time."

The reason the Turks did not get to Baku and its precious oil wells in time, she points out, was because Armenian troops obstructed their advance until too late—and history confirms her testimony.

These are facts too little known, or, if known, too little appreciated by the American public. Today the remnant of the Armenian nation, seemingly friendless among the great powers which pledged her freedom and independence, is dependent upon America for the food and clothing which keep her people from starvation and death. The Turk still ravages the country, conducting a policy of massacre by attrition. Hundreds of thousands of destitute people and thousands of homeless children orphaned by the almost unbelievable brutality of their oppressors, look to America for life itself. Seventeen cents a day saves one of these lives.

Armenia has paid the most dreadful price of the war for religious faith and national principle. Had the Allied nations fulfilled their duty, she would today be on the way to rehabilitation, with the "diseased and bestial Turk" expelled from her boundaries and her people at last permitted to call their souls their own. Ultimately this result will be achieved, but no man knows when. It can come about only when the larger nations forget their economic and territorial ambitions and unite to stay the Moslem hand which is once more moving down innocent children with impunity.

It was the dream of Americans that the great war would accomplish this end, yet at the very moment when our churches are crowded with complacent Christians and public speakers are applauding the sacrifice of millions "to make the world safe for democracy," Armenia, martyr of the ages, is still following the Saviour to the cross.

### LADY ANNE AND GAMMA PHI BETA

On November 30, Lady Anne was guest at a luncheon attended by Miss Theodosia Raines of Near East Relief in Denver; the Council members; Ora Bowman Moore; Adaline Bullen, former visiting delegate; Lucia Pattison Young, auditor; Marie Garrison Whitford, district secretary; Dorothy Martin Hilliker, president of Denver alumnæ; Katharine Culbertson, president of Theta Chapter, and Frances Hawkins, Crescent correspondent of Theta. Lady Anne's wonderful personality, her many experiences, her touching appeal and her inspired message made the short time spent with her ever memorable and strengthened the desire that Gamma Phi Beta should have a part in this great work of saving a nation.

From Lady Anne and from C. Wayland Brooks, state director, come the following letters. The telegram enclosed in Mr. Brooks'

letter is also printed.

En route, February 14, 1922.

My dear Miss Barbee:

When leaving Denver I asked the hotel to turn over to Miss Raines a photograph I put in their care for you. Somehow it was lost, so I enclose another one.

Certainly my thanks are very inadequate recompense for all the good you are doing for our little ones in Armenia; but the knowledge that you are saving so many little lives will bring you, I am sure, a greater sense of happiness than anything I can say. However, permit me to add my word of appreciation, too, for your earnestness and helpfulness in the great work of salvaging our poor Armenia. Surely every good deed is like bread cast on the waters; and, after many days, it will come back to you in blessings.

Always, Anne Azgapetian.

January 16, 1922.

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

My dear Miss Barbee:

I am indeed very happy over the decision of the Gamma Phi Beta National Council to write each of local chapters to request them to aid us in this tremendous undertaking of supplying food and other essentials for the thousands of helpless little ones.

I am inclosing a copy of our latest information advising us that we must increase our efforts to enable us to care for the additional thousands of Russian children who have been sent to us for assistance. Will you please include that information in your letters sent to the various chapters.

At no previous time was their assistance more earnestly needed and we are especially thankful to you for your co-operation in the work at this

critical time.

Very gratefully;

C. WAYLAND BROOKS, State Director.

New York, December 28.—Trainloads of emaciated children, made orphans by starvation and abandonment, are being moved in freight cars from the famine regions of the Volga valley across the Caucasus mountains into

Armenia and other regions of Transcaucasian Russia, the Near East Relief was informed today by cable from Harold C. Jaquith, its director in

Constantinople.

According to the cable the children are arriving in a state of appalling misery and are adding to the problems of relief administration in Transcaucasia, where the care of youngsters native to those regions has overtaxed available orphanage and other relief facilities.

This situation adds terrific responsibilities to the Near East Relief, as the National Executive Committee reports that they are already \$800,000

over appropriated.

If the situation is to be met at all it means concerted effort on the part of State and County organizations in supplying the grain and funds.

[The following letter and article were sent from the national office and it is hoped that every Gamma Phi interested in this great work will become thoroughly informed upon every phase of the work.]

January 24, 1922.

Miss Lindsey Barbee,

Gamma Phi Beta Sorority,

Denver, Colo.

Dear Miss Barbee:

As you know when the Near East Relief Commission was chosen to visit the field this summer, Mr. Vickrey invited me to be a member of the Commission because he believed that the organized women of America would accept my statement of the need in the Near East.

I have prepared a report of conditions as I found them and am attaching

a copy

And with this report is a letter which was given to me in the city of Tiflis to bring back to the women of America. I saw the heroic struggle that the women of the Near East are making to keep themselves and their children and the children of their nations alive. I saw the marvelous work that is being done by our American men and women in achieving the almost impossible in life saving. And I promised those women of the Near East and our own American women out there that the women of America would stand behind them until every child of the Near East had been given a chance.

May we depend upon you and your great organization to help us make good that promise?

Sincerely yours,

FLORENCE SPENCER DURYEA.

# WHAT I SAW IN THE NEAR EAST

FLORENCE SPENCER DURYEA

National Director of Women's Organizations Near East Relief, 151 Fifth Avenue, New York City

Tiflis, August 14, 1921.

Dear Mrs. Duryea:

I wish to tell you, the Representative of Free American Women, a few words and bid you farewell.

Freedom makes people happy. Free people can take up such work which they love, they can devote their whole energy to the suffering people.

Your arrival and the arrival of the whole party has warmed us as a beam of sunlight.

We mothers who suffered much for children are worn out by the lack of food and hunger. We give the children our last piece of bread in order to save them from hunger. At last we began to lose hope in our success

in the terrible campaign against hunger.

You have made your way over the blue ocean to come and see us. You have thought of us. I wish the waves of the ocean which you shall be crossing would be telling you "Tell the mothers, tell the children that we are tired of suffering and sick of hunger. We also want to live, we want to work and we believe you will not forget us."

During the time of your short visit to us you have seen only a part of the suffering and necessities. You have seen the energetic struggle against the needs, you have seen the result of that struggle. But you have had no time to visit such places where people perish and starve in a large number. Thanks to the Lord you have had no time to be there. It makes one's heart break to think of the helplessness and misery.

God protect you on your long way to the Great and Humanitary country and tell your people that we in our agony and struggle against starvation, bless America and that we send our prayers to Lord for the sake of your

children.

We remain on the ocean of woe, tears and suffering. You live on the ocean of freedom. Do not forget us.

(Signed) Sophie V. Tseretelli.

### TURKEY

### Constantinople

We did not even land at Constantinople. A launch came beside the ship and we went immediately up the Bosphorus, visiting first an Armenian orphanage where a thousand boys are being cared for. We visited a girls' industrial home where girls, many of whom have been rescued from Turkish harems, are being trained to become self-supporting. We visited the trachoma hospital, Jewish orphanages and many more such places until we had seen the six thousand children that are being cared for in orphanages around Constantinople alone.

Mrs. Jeannett Emrich is in charge of our case work in Constantinople and I visited many of the places where mothers are making a desperate struggle to keep their little ones together and where grandmothers are keeping children together. They live in all kinds of places—a great many in the old sea wall, cellars, many times four families in one room each living in its own corner, in hallways—Constantinople has a refugee population of approximately 300,000.

Through Mrs. Emrich's case department five thousand children are being fed. The work of keeping track of these families is handled by forty-five volunteer committees of native women, Armenian, Greek, Jewish, and one Turkish committee. These women investigate every case and keep track of each individual condition so that Mrs. Emrich gets the exact status of every one of the five thousand children we are feeding.

Mrs. Emrich told me that she was constantly confronted with the problem of whether she shall recommend to the committee that we

adequately feed twenty-five hundred children and let twenty-five hundred die or whether she shall continue to simply keep alive five thousand.

Of the refugee camps I visited in Constantinople, one stands out in my mind—twelve hundred Armenian people were living in one enclosure huddled together like animals. They had drifted into Constantinople after having been driven out from their homes in almost every part of the Turkish Empire. Such men as there were, were willing and anxious to work, but there was nothing for them to do. Every one was ragged and hungry.

### Derindje

At this place are the great warehouses that were built by the Germans for use in connection with the Berlin to Bagdad railway and are now being used as a receiving station for Near East Relief

supplies.

I saw there two hundred fifty splendid Armenian boys who had been driven out from their comfortable orphanage at Bardizog five weeks before and were then sleeping on the cobblestone floors of the warehouse on beds made of burlap bags and being fed from an outside army stove. They were a fine-looking lot of boys and as the cold weather comes on I cannot help wondering how they are living now.

One particularly appealing feature of their exile was the fact that these little chaps, averaging probably from eight to twelve, had planted vegetable gardens and had tended them until they were just about ready to harvest their crops and had to go away and leave them. These continual discouragements of these little folks are heart-breaking.

### Ismid

The entire non-Moslem population of Ismid had been driven out some weeks before our visit with the exception of the work in

charge of the Americans.

We visited a splendid general hospital in charge of Doctor Mabel Elliott of the American Women's Hospital, and from there went down the hill to the trachoma hospital, where several hundred children were kept in isolation. I happened to be there at the hour for treatment and I saw the long line of children waiting for their turn. There was no jostling and no playing on that line. There was no one to take the children there; the time for treatment had come, and those poor little tots knew so well the consequences of trachoma that they patiently waited their turn to receive the terrible treatment, which they tell me is like rubbing a red-hot coal over the eyelid, or like having the weight of the world pressed on them. We saw children take this treatment and did not hear one complaint, one whimper, one cry from any child, but after it was

over one might see little children seated on the ground all alone, crying their hearts out because of the pain.

However, the bright part of the picture is that American doctors are there and American nurses are there and the sight of these

children is being saved by American philanthropy.

I also visited the girls' orphanage where several hundred little girls are being cared for, the majority of whom have been rescued from Turkish harems. It was impossible for these little girls to go beyond the grounds of the orphanage because Turks were in control of the city.

Their building was furnished with the barest necessities of life and their food of the most simple. But to my desk within the past two weeks has come a report from that orphanage at Ismid, saying that those little girls, certainly none of them over fourteen years of age, have voted to live on bread and water a certain number of days each month so that the money may be saved to send to the starving children of Transcaucasia.

### GEORGIA

#### Batoum

At Batoum we visited two of the most desperate refugee camps we saw. The people were huddled together in tumble-down barracks, living, God knows how. As we walked around inside the enclosure children came to us and showed us open sores. We saw every degree of wretchedness that it seemed possible for human beings to endure, and in the midst of that place of horror a seventeen-year-old girl came to me and asked, in perfect English, if I knew where she could get work. But there was no work for anyone!

# Tiflis

The Paris of the Near East, a city world-renowned for the beauty of its women and the chivalry of its men, with a population in normal times of 700,000, now grown to a million because of its great refugee

population.

In Tiflis groups of Armenian, Georgian and Russian women have organized themselves into committees to do their utmost to save the lives of the children of that city. Women of beauty and culture who have lost their entire wealth during the war are doing the most menial work in dining-rooms which are maintained to supply food for starving children. The entire work of the management and labor is done by local women, the buildings are supplied by the Soviet government, and the food and clothing supplied by the Near East Relief.

I saw thousands of children who were being fed in these diningrooms and I was told that every child was dressed absolutely from head to foot in worn clothes from America. Each dining-room maintains a recuperation place in the mountains around Tiflis, where children who are too ill to go to the dining-rooms for their food are sent to gain strength. Princess Tsaratelli, whose letter I have attached, told me that her place in the mountains had been absolutely self-supporting the entire summer because of her ability to exchange worn clothing with the farmers about, for food; clothing which could not be used by the children and which the farmers had no other way of securing. She told me that she had made one bargain whereby she had exchanged eight bags of old clothes for one cow, eight sheep, six chickens and thirty-five dozen eggs.

It was in a boys' orphanage in Tiflis that in the long row of beds we saw one covered with a quilt with writing embroidered across it. That writing said "Betsy Ross Tent No. 22, Daughters of Civil War Veterans, Canton, Ohio." It did not seem very far from

America!

### ARMENIA

### Alexandropol

As we got off the train at Alexandropol we walked past the station building and the first thing we saw was the body of a dead child. We turned back to get away from that horrible sight and a man dropped at our feet. In the city of Alexandropol in August the dead wagon went around every morning and picked up those who had died from starvation during the night.

In the old Russian barracks at Alexandropol were housed at the time we were there, twelve thousand orphan children. I did not

realize there were so many children in the world.

I stood in the tower of a church and watched seven thousand children gather to form a star and the initials N. E. R. They came and came and came, from every direction for hours. As I stood there I realized that every child there was dependent upon the generosity of some American for life itself and the sense of responsibility for making America see these children and their need was almost overwhelming.

I went through ward after ward of those old barrack hospitals and in almost every bed were four children practically all suffering from that terrible disease, trachoma, and I shall carry with me to the end of my life, the sorrow of seeing hundreds of suffering children and not being able to lay my hand on one of them in sympathy.

#### Erivan

Situated at the foot of wonderful Mount Ararat, where the August sun shone on that marvelous snow-capped peak.

Our train had pulled in during the night and our first waking vision was up to the beauty and the glory of Ararat, but when we looked down there were little children lying on the ground in the terrific heat of the sun. They had had strength enough to crawl to our train but not enough to stand up and ask for food.

We again visited orphanage after orphanage and hospital after hospital until we had seen practically five thousand children in the capital city of the little Armenian republic, who are alive today because of America's generosity.

Every orphanage was filled to capacity, every hospital over-flowing; children sleeping in double-decker beds, and when we were just about to leave a woman came to the train and asked for Captain Yarrow. She said she was a refugee from Erzroom and she had come all the way on foot and as she had come she picked up seventy-eight children by the wayside and asked Captain Yarrow to take them in. I don't know what his answer was, I was afraid to listen.

It was at Erivan that our entire party went out to visit the grave of a wonderful young American girl, Edith Winchester, who had given her life in service out there. It was a very sad little party that entered the cemetery gates and the first sight that greeted us was a great cross and at the foot of that cross a woman lay dying. She had no place to go but to the graves of her dear ones.

### Etchmiadzin

We drove by motor from Erivan to Etchmiadzin to visit the Katholikos of the Armenian church, a wonderful old man who still hopes that justice may be done for his people. We stood in a church a portion of which has been there as a symbol of Christianity since the fourth century.

# TURKEY, SYRIA, MESOPOTAMIA

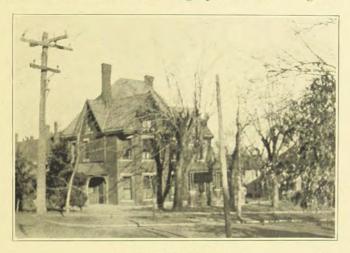
Because of the Greek-Turkish war it was impossible for me to visit our work in the interior of Turkey and there was not sufficient time to go to Syria and Mesopotamia. I know personally many of our American workers in those fields and I know that thousands and thousands of children are also being cared for in the territory I was unable to visit.

# SIGMA'S NEW HOME

Sigma's new chapter-house is a three-story brick structure of fifteen rooms. It stands in a yard, slightly elevated from the street. The location, about half way between "down town" and the campus, seems quite ideal.

The north side of the house, which cannot be seen in the accompanying picture, rounds into a tower. There is a large porch on the south and east sides.

The particular beauty of our new house is the interior finishing of floors, woodwork and walls. "Room enough for dates" is a characteristic which we have lacked in the old house, and a much appreciated feature now. Two large parlors and a big hall leave



SIGMA CHAPTER-HOUSE

plenty of room for dancing and conversation to go on at the same time.

We plan to remodel the house somewhat with a new sleeping porch and possibly the addition of one more room on the ground floor.

# KAPPA'S MUSICAL COMEDY

Gamma Phi Beta presents

#### TWO NIGHTS

A Musical Comedy in Two Acts

Book and Lyrics by Val. C. Sherman

Music by Margaret Simpson

Additional musical numbers by Florence Warnock

Staged by George Lamb and Val Sherman.

CAST OF CHARACTERS IN ORDER OF THEIR FIRST APPEARANCE
Clarita Dorothy Tennant
Adriana Leora Sherman
Four Kappa Gamma Whee Girls
Trieste
Valeria Evelyn Strothman
Albert Lee—a dashing young sophomoreTed Pelton
Alfred Delt—a more or less staid junior

Cap Sigma—a gullible brother	5
Sig Gnu—another one	t
"Hutch" (Jimmy Hutchinson)	
"Park" (Parker Trask)—approximately in love with Norine	
Howard Hanson	1
Calkins	ı
Professor Snook—of the astronomy departmentGeorge Lamb	,
Assistant Instructor Woof	
Norine Snook—the professor's daughter Ella Grace Haverson	
Clela Howard—her best chumGenevieve Bezoier	
"Crock" (Evelyn Crockett)—an old love of Park'sRuth Smalley	
Gwyn—the sorority's flat tireLucile Curtiss	
Hallock VanderLick—a freshmanEwin Muir	
Reva Leonard—a visiting sister from California Eleanor Lagerman	

#### KAPPA GAMMA WHEE GIRLS

Ruth Cooley	Margaret Hinks	Helen LaDoux
Emma Lou Graham	Lucia Keenan	Mary MacGregor
Lorraine Hanson		Eleanor Robinson

#### ASTRONOMY STUDENTS

Effie Adams	Alice Kidder	Dorothy Plocher
Mary Cashman	Marjory Jones	Dorothy St. Clair
Dorothy Dunnell	Lenore Long	Rosslyn Skellet
Mary Howe	Marguerite Lagerman	Elizabeth Young

### ACT ONE

A room in Professor Snook's home near the University campus, an evening in May, 1922.

#### ACT Two

The same scene a week later on the occasion of the Kappa Gamma Whee party.

#### MUSICAL SYNOPSIS

- 1. Opening Chorus—Kappa Gamma Whees and Astronomy Students.
- 2. May the Best Girl Win-Howard Hanson and chorus.
- If You'll Let Me Find a Girl (by Miss Warnock)—Evelyn Strothman with Misses Hurd, Tennant, and Sherman, and Messrs. Cowan, Niles, Pelton, and Gaskill.
- The Ghost of Your Caress—Ruth Smalley and Howard Hanson, with Lorraine Hanson.
- Sing Her of Springtime (by Miss Warnock)—Leora Sherman, Henry Niles and chorus.
- 6. The Undergrad Blues-Lucile Curtiss.
- 7. Finale of Act One.

### Fifteen Minutes' Intermission

- Another Flagon of Rum—George Lamb with Messrs. Pelton, Gaskill, Niles, Skellet, Muir and Hartigan.
- The Smile You Love the Best (by Miss Warnock)—Jean MacMillan, Hub Hartigan and chorus.
- The Sort of a Girl You Mean—Reginald Cowan with Messrs. Niles, Skellet, Pelton and Gaskill.
- The Sorority Symposium (by Miss Simpson and Miss Warnock)—
   (a) Pi Phi Hymn—Misses Hanson, Cooley, Keenan and Hinks.
  - (b) Theta Pledge Song-Misses Graham, MacGregor, LaDoux and Robinson.

- (c) Kappa Pin Song—Misses Marguerite Lagerman, Kidder, St. Clair and Plocher.
- (d) Alpha Phi Drinking Chorus—Misses Hurd, Tennant, Strothman and Sherman.
- 12. I Hadn't Ought'a-Josephine Hurd and Dick Gaskill.
- 13. My Pagan Goddess-Dorothy Plocher and chorus.
- 14. Finale of the Play.

#### THEATER COMMITTEE

Musical Director	 C. C. Bean
Stage Manager	 Bill Forsell

Chorus Numbers staged by Messrs Lamb and Sherman, assisted by Miss Warnock.

Arrangement of Music by Arthur Ward.

Pogo Sticks and Kiddie Kars by the Dayton Company.

Piano from the Metropolitan Music Company.

#### GENERAL COMMITTEE

General ArrangementsVirginia Owen
Publicity
CostumesRuth Cooley and Evelyn Strothman
PostersIrene Mullen and Leora Sherman
Tickets Lucia Keenan
Programs Genevieve Bezoier
CandyLorraine Hanson
Properties Eleanor Lagerman and Marguerite Lagerman

#### Patrons and Patronesses

Mr. and Mrs. George Geere	Mr. and Mrs. William Suddith
Mr. and Mrs. Hope McCall	Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Sherman
Mr. and Mrs. Allan Briggs	Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Davis
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Simpson	Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Downey

Mrs. Charles Silverson

# PANHELLENIC DEPARTMENT

[For our Panhellenic Department the following article from the Alpha Phi Quarterly is printed.]

### PRESIDENTS OF THE N. P. C. FRATERNITIES

### By CORA ALLEN McELROY

It is perplexing to write about women, few of whom we have seen but we know they are undoubtedly responsible and interesting else they would not be presidents of their fraternities. Fifty per cent of them are married and the eighteen were educated at fifteen different colleges. Syracuse claims two as alumnæ, and three more were students at Northwestern.

Kappa Kappa Gamma tells us that its president, Sarah Harris, after January 1, 1922, will be Mrs. Richard Y. Rowe of Jacksonville, Illinois. For six years previous to her election as Kappa's leader, in 1920, she served ably as vice-president. Since her gradua-

tion from Northwestern in 1911, she has been connected with the administration of the School of Speech, and is retiring now after four years of service as dean of women in that department.

Delta Gamma's president, Mrs. Gertrude Bradley Wilbur, Northwestern, ex-'01, after teaching several years made an extensive European trip in 1906. Shortly after she married Mr. J. Ralph Wilbur and continued, fortunately, to live in Evanston, as her interest in Delta Gamma, Panhellenic, and the university never faltered. Despite a growing family, she has found time also to work in church, settlement, and club movements, and during the war was actively interested in children's war work. Since she became president, in 1919, many Delta Gamma chapters have enjoyed a personal visit from Mrs. Wilbur.

Amy Burnham Onken, Northwestern, '08, donned Pi Beta Phi's queenly robe at the 1921 convention, after having given nine years of efficient service as its secretary and much time to inspection and installation of chapters. This petite lady is as dependable in the fraternity as she is in her home town where she carries on many varied responsibilities; from conducting singing down to being

secretary of the board which supervises the new Chapin (Illinois)

Community High School.

Four of the present national presidents were born in Dixie, and Alpha Delta Pi and Phi Mu still dream of the days in 1852 when they were organized as locals at Wesleyan College, Macon, Georgia, and where, previous to 1914, they each initiated a thousand or more pledges and established traditions which antifraternity laws can not erase.

In 1921, Mabelle Fuller, Texas, '15, became president of Alpha Delta Pi, after having served as vice-president. During her campus days, she was linked to many college activities and won distinction as student assistant in zoology. Since then, she has been president of the Houston City Panhellenic and is a charter member of the local College Club. She is a natural executive, as is Mrs. Zenobia Wooten Keller, Belmont, '07, the president of Phi Mu. Unfortunately for the Chicago Panhellenic, her husband's business recently required their removal to Los Angeles. Although a concert and church soloist, because of a very intelligent fraternity interest, Mrs. Keller has found time to serve Phi Mu in several official capacities.

Kappa Alpha Theta claims the third southerner as president in Bessie Newsom, who was awarded in 1914 a B.A., an M.A., and a Phi Beta Kappa key at Vanderbilt, and, later was graduated with the highest honors from the law school of George Washington University. She is now practicing her profession in Oklahoma City. She is affiliated with many professional and civic organizations and is relieved in fraternity administration from much detail by a salaried officer, Miss L. Pearle Green, of Ithaca, New York, who

has served faithfully for many years as Theta's editor, correspond-

ing secretary and "right hand man."

Kappa Delta, in its northern expansion has had notable presidents in Jenn Coltrane, Marion Mullins, and Elizabeth Corbett Gilbert, whose alert successor is Rebecca W. Smith, Kentucky, '16, who has served her fraternity as treasurer and, now, after acquiring an A.M. at Columbia is an associate professor of English at Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas, where she is a member of the City Panhellenic and the University Women's Club.

At college, she was graduated as one of the ten honor students in her class and served in Panhellenic and on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. She was also prominent in dramatics three years and was connected with every literary staff on the campus. At present, she finds some time to write along lines of pageantry and education and to give talks, in and around Fort Worth, on literary subjects.

She is a native of Paducah, Irvin Cobb's birthplace.

Gamma Phi Beta has followed Alpha Phi's example and has centralized her board which, at present, sits in Denver with Lindsey Barbee at its head. This literary lady, who is still Gamma Phi's editor, as she has been for ten years, has written songs, a historical sketch entitled "The Story of Gamma Phi Beta," and, annually, her University of Denver chapter produces a play from her pen, at the city auditorium for some purpose such as athletics, the tubercular colony, campus adornment, or some other pressing need. With all her fraternity work, Miss Barbee has found time to be president of the Denver University Alumnæ, the City Panhellenic, and historian of the Denver D. A. R. She has also written a book of children's plays, and at odd intervals wields her pen on themes and for causes near her heart. The University of Denver calls her "the official college poet" and, on its fiftieth anniversary, she was the only woman on which it bestowed an honorary degree. Her fraternity owes her much sincere devotion.

Zeta Tau Alpha has the youngest president in Helen Alpha Burkart, who was graduated from the University of Pittsburgh in 1917, with high honors. She was head of the group when it was installed as Chi Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha and was prominent on the campus, particularly in winning several fine prizes because of notable work in pageantry, and, now, as an alumna is the only woman recreational director in Pittsburgh. In ability and loyalty, she promises to maintain the high standards of her presidential predecessor, Doctor May Agness Hopkins.

After serving Alpha Omicron Pi seven years as treasurer and two as registrar, Mrs. Lillian McCausland, Brown, '99, in 1919 became its president. She is, also, president of the Rhode Island branch of the American Association of University Women and it is said "her sense of humor was very keen and injected much amusement into the otherwise dry sessions" of the recent National

Panhellenic Congress which she served as secretary, prior to assum-

ing the presidency for 1921-23.

As its leader Delta Zeta has chosen an executive, Rennie Sebring Smith, Miami, '16, who, after teaching school successfully for nine years, has given six years to Y. W. C. A. secretarial work and is now the General Secretary of the Y. W. C. A. at Muncie, Indiana. She is well acquainted with her fraternity which she served as secretary 1916-20.

When Gladys Livingston Graff, of the Boston alumnæ, took up the presidential responsibilities of Alpha Chi Omega in 1920, she was known to the fraternity as chairman of the French Orphan Committee, national alumnæ editor of the Lyre, province president, and member of the history board. With her husband, Major Graff, she has enjoyed, advantageously, the social life of Washington, D. C., and extensive sojourns in the Orient and Europe. At home, she has exhibited an active interest in suffrage and current civic

movements, as well as a peerless devotion to Alpha Chi Omega.

Anna Miller Knote, Wittenberg, '05, after graduate work at Columbia University, taught Latin and Greek in the Mansfield (Ohio) High School, and then spent three years in social welfare work in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, before her marriage in 1909 to Mr. John M. Knote, Jr. Mrs. Knote has given eleven years of service as a member of the National Council of Alpha Xi Delta, as she was national vice-president for two years, national inspector for five years, secretary-editor for two years, and is now serving as national president for the second year so she has had a wider experience in the fraternity than any woman who has ever worked on the Alpha Xi Delta Council.

Because of her sterling interest in girls and a keen understanding of them in and out of the fraternity, she teaches a large Sunday School class, and is chairman of the Educational Committee of the Y. W. C. A., besides doing praiseworthy work in the Mansfield Women's Club, and in civic welfare circles.

Mrs. Mary C. Love Collins since receiving her A.B. degree and Phi Beta Kappa key at Dickinson College in 1902, and her M.A. there in 1907, has studied law, receiving her LL.B. from Kentucky State University in 1911. She also taught in the law department of the university during the war. Outside of considerable social work, her professional duties and politics, she has given her time to Chi Omega, whose presidency she has held for ten years and has the distinction of being one of the few salaried presidents in the Greek world. But no money can compensate Mrs. Collins for the love, intelligent advice, and personal inspiration she has given her fraternity. She spends much time in the field meeting educators, inspecting chapters, and improving conditions wherever she comes.

In the National Panhellenic Congress her legal talents and psychological analysis win her many followers.

Mrs. Hortense Imboden Hudson, Baker, '08, whose popularity in Delta Delta Delta is well known, has given twelve years of service as province supervisor in the Middle West, and again, on the Pacific Coast, as vice-president and before undertaking the rôle of president in 1919 she spent three months of each year for five years as a chapter inspector. Her chief delight is piano music, in which she has done graduate work. After six years of married life in New England she and her husband have lived for four years at Greencastle, where Professor Hudson is head of the Department of Sociology at De Pauw University.

Three of the national presidents come from Alpha chapters. Louise Leonard, Syracuse, '09, has been president of Alpha Gamma Delta for seven years, and as she is a business woman she is particularly valuable. For ten years she has been secretary of the Syracuse College of Medicine, so her proximity to students, as well as her fraternity experience, has given her a comprehension of the educational movements of today, and a passion for the college girl

and her problems.

Sigma Kappa was founded at Colby in 1874 but did not establish its Beta Chapter at Boston until thirty years had crowned the Alpha with many honors. Mrs. Ethel Hayward Weston, Colby, '08, president of Sigma Kappa, served as chairman of the National Panhellenic 1919-1921. Her husband's profession, that of civil engineering, has taken them about, so she has found time to be, respectively, fraternity inspector, secretary, and vice-president, and in consequence has attended many conventions. Her efficient work is much appreciated by Sigma Kappa as well as by National Panhellenic.

Alpha Phi's leading lady, Mrs. Bertha Sawyer Ives, Syracuse, '91, Phi Beta Kappa, is the oldest in years and fraternity experience as she was brought up in Alpha Phi by her older Alpha sister Carrie, and later regaled in fraternity matters by her lively sister Grace, who served as visiting delegate while they lived in their hospitable home in Syracuse, which is now Delta Delta Delta's chapter-house. When Mrs. Ives resided in Chicago fifteen years ago, she acted as vice-president of a Chicago Alpha Phi board and later chairman of extension. Upon the family's removal to New York City, ten years ago, she became vitally interested in politics and for several years has been executive secretary of the Women's New York Republican Committee. Her loyalty to Alpha Phi has been constant, and she knows the active girl's point of view, as her daughter Katherine, '22, is also a member of Alpha Chapter.

The meager data given us by the fraternities does not reveal the personalities of these presidents, but in reading between the lines one is convinced none of these women are candidates for personal glory, but rather, are pledged to fraternity achievement and Panhellenic sportsmanship. If there are over six hundred chapters and 80,000 initiates in the N. P. C. fraternities, as we are told,

these presidents are to be congratulated in their big opportunities to co-operate among themselves, with active girls, loyal alumnæ, and college authorities in promoting scholarship among the members, modifying extreme social life on the campus, insisting on careful chapter-house chaperonage, decrying extreme costume and weird hairdressing, and encouraging every movement that makes for the Greek-letter girls' health, happiness, and the improvement of the race.

# NATIONAL CONVENTION OF Y. W. C. A.

Women students of America have been called to meet at Hot Springs, Ark., April 20-27, in assembly as a part of the National Convention of the Young Women's Christian Association. Practically every state university in the United States will be represented and many of the leading colleges of the United States will have delegations present. Their program will be given over wholly to world problems which touch student life toward facing their responsibilities as citizens. Emily Gordon of Wellesley, the retiring chairman, will open the Student Session, after which Mildred Welch, Gamma Phi Beta, the newly-elected chairman, will take the chair.

# MILDRED WELCH SAILS FOR CHINA

Mildred Welch, Gamma Phi Beta, will sail for China in August to become a missionary under the auspices of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Church. She will be stationed in Cheng Tu in West China. Miss Welch took her history and political science degrees at University of Illinois and will graduate from the Boston School of Theology this spring.

# A UNIFORM STYLE SHEET

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#### PUNCTUATION

The style of punctuation which has come into favor with betterclass magazines is one of marked economy. The fewer punctuation marks that can be used without sacrificing clearness of meaning the better understood printed matter will be and the better will be the appearance of the printed page. Too many commas and dashes, quotation marks and exclamation points, detract seriously from otherwise well-prepared articles. These suggestions on punctuation are made:

I. The use of hyphens. When good usage leaves a choice of employment or omission, omit.

# A. Use hyphen in writing:

all-university
all-college
chapter-house
house-party
week-end
Greek-letter (when preceding a noun)
ex-president, ex-'20
mid-year
try-out
vice-president
co-operation
re-elect
re-enter
living-room
dining-room

# B. Omit hyphen when writing:

Panhellenic intercollegiate interclass interfraternity intersorority homecoming postgraduate nonfraternity antifraternity baseball football basketball lineup yearbook songbook class day bid day founders' day central office college chapter alumnæ association chapter letter province president

chapter editor, chapter correspondent, etc. scholarship fund, endowment fund, loan fund double chapter names: Alpha Alpha, Xi Delta compound words of which the first element contains but one syllable: clubhouse, bathroom, etc.

II. The use of commas.

A. Use a comma between the name of the college or university and the year of graduation: Washington and Lee, '98.

B. Use a comma between the name of the month and the year: October, 1921.

III. The use of apostrophes.

A. Omit apostrophe in writing:

varsity mid-years

### CAPITALIZATION

It was formerly considered good style to use capitals as frequently as an excuse could be found for employing them. All nouns and some adjectives were capitalized. Modern practice is the reverse, and capitals are avoided except, generally speaking, when writing proper nouns and adjectives. There is one primary rule which will answer in many cases.

I. Use small letters with generic terms, capitals with specific ones.

That is, if the name or title is particular, capitalize it; otherwise not. For example, the word "fraternity." If the reference is to fraternities in general write with a small letter. If one is writing of some particular, individual fraternity a capital should be used. This applies to a long list of words which are frequently used, sometimes as common nouns, sometimes as parts of titles.

# A. Capitalize:

Panhellenic (never written lower case!)

Founders' Day

Fraternity and Sorority, only when used as part of a title:

The fraternity question is serious. Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity

Convention, Conclave, Conference, Congress, only when used as part of a title:

Interfraternity Conference; Phi Delta Theta Convention.

Magazine, only when used as part of a title:

The American Magazine.

Quartet, Glee Club, etc., only when used as part of a title:

The University of Kentucky Glee Club.

Titles of officers, only when used with, and preceding, proper names:

Vice-president E. W. Johnson.

Brother, Sister, *only* when used with a proper name: Brother Whitney; Sister Parks.

Scholarship Fund, Loan Fund, etc., only when used as part of a title:

Σ N Endowment Fund.

Chapter, Association, etc., only when used with the proper name of the chapter:

Delta Chapter, Louisville Alumnæ Association.

Alumni and Alumnæ, only when used as part of a title:
The Alumni House Fund; The Menasha Alumnæ
Association.

University and College, only when used as part of a title:

Beloit College; University of Illinois.

Province, only when used as part of a title:

Beta Province.

National Council, Grand Chapter, etc., only when used as part of a title:

The Grand Council of K A.

B. Use lower case when writing the following words, except in specific instances given above:

society

order

class

bonds

ritual

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statutes

executive founders

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central office

varsity

class day

college chapter

province

province president

national council

grand chapter

songbook

bid day

class day

crass day

constitution

department

junior, sophomore, etc.

all-university, all-college, etc.

### DATES AND FIGURES

A great variety in the style of writing dates and figures is found in fraternity magazines. The simplest, and therefore the preferred, style is:

- I. Figures and Dates.
  - A. Dates of the month:

September 5, not September 5th or September the fifth.

All numbers over 100.

All sums of money.

The name of a street when it is a number: 5th Avenue, etc. A span of years: 1921-22 (omit apostrophe before second date).

B. Use a dash with figures to indicate inclusive dates: September 10-28, not September 10 to 28.

### ABBREVIATIONS

In writing the names of cities and states the best style is to write in full the name of the city and to abbreviate the name of the state, except when writing Idaho, Iowa, Ohio, Utah. Always write New York, N. Y., never New York City.

#### PLURALS

In forming plurals of names composed of Greek letters do not use an apostrophe. Write: K Ms, not Kappa Mu's.

### STYLES OF TYPE

There are a few instances in which a uniform style of type simplifying matters for the typesetter is possible.

- I. Style in writing titles.
  - A. In referring to your own magazine use capitals and small capitals:

THE KAPPA ALPHA JOURNAL, writing the word "the," where used, as a part of the title, not merely as a modifying article in lower case.

B. In quoting the title of an article, use quotation marks, capitals and lower case:

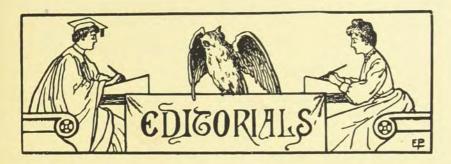
"An Analysis of the Chapter Letter."

C. In referring to a book, or magazine other than your own, use italics:

The Phi Gamma Delta.

It is advised that symbols be used in referring to the name of the fraternity or sorority, but that the letters be written out when referring to the names of chapters:

Π B Φ; but Delta Omega Chapter.



"It's a symbolical thing, this pin you've given me to wear," said the freshman as she stood idly by the window, "but I wonder if I quite understand all that Gamma Phi expects of me—all that I should do to bring her honor."

The senior arose, took a small glass prism, held it in the sun-

light-and lo, the room was filled with rainbow rays!

"Upon your college life," she said, "has been shed the strong white light of sisterhood; this light must be refracted into the seven beautiful hues that make up the perfect whole. There will be the ray of patience—patience in the solving of your own particular problems, patience with the shortcomings of those who have chosen you to be one of their number. There will be cheerfulness through all the little trials and tribulations; helpfulness for all—not only your sisters but those outside your circle; unselfishness in your daily tasks and daily duties—for the true Gamma Phi will efface herself in service for others; charity—toward all—for who are we that we should judge? Endeavor—endless endeavor—for your chapter, for the greater life of the sorority and for humanity. Lastly, there will be a true and tender love that will grow deep and strong enough to love and pity all the world. And then—Gamma Phi will be satisfied."

So much that is able and convincing in regard to Near East Relief is found in another part of the magazine that an editorial upon the subject seems superfluous save in its exhortation to help. And the chapters have been so splendid and so eager in their acceptance of the Council's plan and so loyal in upholding this phase of national policy that such an exhortation is hardly necessary. Only as a summary of the salient points in the Near East work will this paragraph have a mission—and these salient points, in the form of superlatives, are gathered from a recent very wonderful sermon by Dr. R. E. Vale of the First Presbyterian Church of Oak Park, Illinois.

I. Armenia possesses the oldest national Christian Church. For, in 285 A. D., long before Constantine's edict, Gregory the Illumina-

tor, one of the greatest of early missionaries, came to Armenia; and in 301. Christianity became the official religion of the empire.

II. In Armenia you will find the largest orphanage that the world has ever seen. Twenty thousand girls and boys are gathered within the Relief Work inclosure at Alexandropol in northeastern Armenia;

twenty thousand, without that relief must perish.

III. Of all the countries enrolled under the banners of the Allies, Armenia made the greatest proportionate sacrifice to the cause of freedom in the Great War. Out of a population of three millions, she sent four hundred thousand and most of them never came back; no unit of Armenians ever retreated or surrendered. While General Ludendorff stated that if it had not been for what Armenia did, the Central Powers would have been able to obtain an oil supply from the fields of Baku which would have enabled them to continue the conflict for some time.

IV. Armenia is the greatest martyr nation that the world has ever known. Not even the Jews have suffered for their faith as have the Armenians—for sixteen centuries a Christian nation.

V. This is the greatest humanitarian appeal that could come to America.

Not long ago, Chancellor Emeritus Buchtel of Denver University was impressing upon his small granddaughter the beauty and inspiration of knowledge and the desirability of acquiring it. "I want you to be educated, Mary Belle," was the recurring theme of his remarks. Mary Belle listened patiently and then calmly remarked, "But, grandfather, I don't want to be educated; I want to be a Gamma Phi!"

Which remark might serve as a text for the freshmen were the editor adapted for the rôle of pulpit orator. With journalistic elasticity, let it be turned and twisted until it reads something like this, "You are all Gamma Phis. Therefore be educated." Scholarship is the greatest activity of your campus; it is the raison d'etre of your college; it is the goal for which all loyal students strive. Accordingly, do your share in making your chapter record a worthy one and in proving that scholarship is a vital part of your sorority life. Which leads up to a final admonition—study the scholarship report as duly outlined in this issue of the magazine.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHAPTER EDITORS TAKE NOTICE

Owing to the necessity of mailing The Crescent by June 1 to insure delivery before the close of college, all material must be in the hands of the editor by April 15. And manuscripts must be typewritten.

Hereafter all orders for songbooks and histories will go to the Central Office.

Will each association see that the editor has the correct name and address of the corresponding secretary? Several letters have been returned and there has been no way to rectify the mistake.

If material for chapter book is not complete, notify Miss Dunlop and she will supply the missing parts.

Do you like the freshman contributions? If so, vote for whatever in your estimation is the best and have the corresponding secretary send her chapter vote by *April 15*.

Which chapter letter in your estimation is the best? Send your chapter vote by April 15.

### CAMP PANHELLENIC

Last, summer Camp Panhellenic registered sixty-five women representing twenty-eight colleges, eight fraternities and eighteen states. It is steadily meeting the demands of college girls who are seeking the kind of vacation it offers. Write Miss Gladys R. Dixon, Blackwood Hotel, Clarendon Blvd., Chicago, for particulars.

#### STATIONERY

We are pleased to submit the following reduced prices for printing letter-heads for Gamma Phi Beta. The stock will be the same brown linen we have been using, and will be printed in dark brown ink unless otherwise ordered.

		250	500	1,000
81/2" x	11"	\$4.25	\$5.50	\$ 8.50
No. 10	envelopes	4.25	7.00	12.00

We also have a new price of \$1.15 on Eaton's Highland Linen, twenty-four sheets and envelopes, either white or buff, stamped with Gamma Phi Beta crest in gold or brown, postpaid. Other papers are more or less expensive according to quality. Samples on request.

Yours very truly,

L. R. KENDRICK,
KENDRICK-BELLAMY Co.,
16th and Stout Streets,
Denver, Colo.

# DEPARTMENT OF GRAND COUNCIL

The Council, in its recent letter, placed before the chapters the various problems and procedures which have demanded attention and settlement. This message will be in the nature of an addition to that letter.

### SOCIAL SERVICE

It is with regret that we announce the resignation of Mrs. Bahlke from the chairmanship of social service, in which capacity she has labored so faithfully and so efficiently. Her successor will be named as soon as possible.

### DISTRICT SECRETARIES

There are also several changes in the list of district secretaries. The death of Elizabeth Ruggles Carey of District 21 brings sorrow to many Gamma Phis all over the land and especially to Eta Chapter, of which she was a loyal and devoted member.

#### SONGBOOKS AND HISTORIES

On account of ill health, Mrs. Fulmer has resigned from the chairmanship of the songbook committee. The sorority owes Mrs. Fulmer a debt of gratitude for her efficiency in bringing the songbook to a successful publication. As the work now consists in receiving and forwarding orders, the Council has decided upon a plan by which all orders will pass through the Central Office. Hereafter send all communications in regard to these two publications to Miss Dunlop, who will notify the publishers. Orders must be accompanied by checks.

#### ARMENIAN RELIEF

The response from the sorority in regard to the coupon books which have been sent has been most gratifying; and the Council expresses its appreciation of the stand which so many of the chapters have taken.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service has been ratified and becomes an official ritual of the sorority.

### NEW ASSOCIATIONS

The Council has been officially notified of the following new associations—Sacramento, Fort Collins and Eugene—and it is rumored that others are to follow. To these new groups the sorority offers a most hearty welcome.

#### VISITING DELEGATES

Mrs. Younger and Mrs. Smith have almost completed their district inspection; Mrs. Carson's visiting has been interrupted by

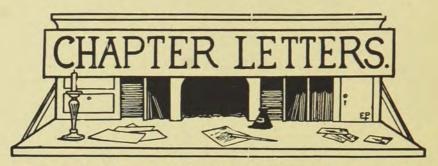
a temporary illness; and Miss Cobb has also been detained by illness.

### ENDOWMENT FUND

Checks for the endowment fund from alumnæ chapters are beginning to arrive. May each chapter be urged to contribute as much as it can to this steadily growing fund. A corrected list of collections from the Founders' Day celebration appears below. These gifts are entirely separate from the annual tax upon the chapters.

me.	20.00	CI:	9.05
Beta	39.00	Chi	. 0.20
Epsilon 1	15.00	Psi	. 10.00
Theta		Omega	
Mu	5.00	Alpha Alpha	. 10.50
Nu	10.00	Alpha Beta	. 7.25
Omicron	12.00	Alpha Gamma	. 8.00
Pi	10.00	Chicago	. 22.00
Rho	16.50	New York	
Sigma	5.00	Seattle	
Tau	7.90	St. Louis	
Ungilen	21.00		
Upsilon	0.45		\$256.55
Phi	2.40		4200.00

LINDSEY BARBEE, President of Gamma Phi Beta.



Send all Chapter Letters and Personals to Miss Barbee. Next letter must be in her hands by April 15.

### DELINQUENT CHAPTERS

Delta—Helen Bidwell Lambda—Eileen Reddy Rho—Dorothy Smith

# ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY All Freshmen to be Initiated

Dear Gamma Phis:

Examinations are over and we are well launched on the new semester with a determination to make it a successful one for Gamma Phi.

Since Christmas, our thoughts have been centered on "making averages"; but that is past and we are now planning for many interesting things that are about to happen. March 9 is the date set for our first big rushing party—the opening event of spring rushing. But, before that, comes initiation which is scheduled for February 24. There are eighteen freshmen who are waiting eagerly for it and we shall be able to initiate every one with the exception of Elizabeth Seiter, who entered college this semester and whom we pledged a few days ago. They have all shown great spirit in the way they have entered into the activities of the Hill and we are truly proud of the delegation who will soon be "sisters."

Last year we won the cup in the Intersorority Basketball Tournament and it is our aim to retain it. We have played only one game—others are to follow—but every Gamma Phi is interested and has the fighting spirit. We are out to win again!

Recently the juniors entertained our freshman delegation at a Valentine party at the home of one of our city girls and a few days ago the freshmen were hostesses to the juniors at a lively theater party. This is done each year to help strengthen the relationship between the two groups.

With good wishes to all Gamma Phis-

ELIZABETH BUCKMAN.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Grace Eddy, '23, to Edward Boone, Psi Upsilon. Ruth Buckman, '23, to Albert C. Armstrong, Delta Kappa Epsilon. Margaret Rice, '23, to Thomas S. Harley, Psi Upsilon, Yale, '21.

### BETA-UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Beta Evades the Bluebook Blues!

When college reopens after Christmas there is inevitably a sorrowful feeling that the days stretch endlessly ahead, too full of study for fun and culminating in the dreaded "finals." It is undoubtedly the low-ebb time of the college year—a time dedicated to small hours and wet towels

and "shishes."

Yet the chapter has apparently evaded the annual attack of Bluebook Blues. To be sure we move in an atmosphere of intense quiet—never else known—of notebooks and goggles and questionnaires; but our spirits seem stimulated rather than strained by our academic devotion. We are incorrigibly peppy! A week ago—on the very brink of exams—five of our girls took over the entire third floor of our house and held a jubilant Slumber Party. The dormer windowed rooms were made to look their most Bohemian, low-lighted and cushiony best; and in them were entertained seven girls from other sororities.

This week is giving its free moments entirely to delighted expectations and plans for the "J Hop" which will come on next Friday. Isn't it surprising how things do turn up to fill this humdrum winter term? Before we can catch our breath, initiation will be on us and our eleven sweet little pledges will step into their places. They have been most industrious freshmen, too, as is proved by the fact that not one of them will be excluded on account of low marks. The date has been set for February 25 and we

want this year to be a real homecoming for all the old girls.

CONSTANCE LING.

### MARRIAGE

Mary Helen Spencer (Beta, '19) to Ralph W. Cowan.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar W. Bowen (Helen Gable, '09), a daughter, born November 13, 1921.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Keatley (Adele Crandall, '17), a daughter.

To Dr. and Mrs. Robert Fitzgerald (Alice Weaver, '17), a daughter, Margaret Hoyt.

## GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

# Examinations Conquered

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

This month I am afraid there is little to say of interest to you all, because we have been struggling to get through exams. However, I believe we have mastered them in the best possible manner.

Elizabeth Baldwin from West Allis made Omicron Nu, the honorary home economics organization. Other than that and the honors which some of Gamma's girls made in the fall, there has been nothing to chronicle.

All of our new upperclassmen have been initiated, and are becoming strong members; their loyalty and interest in Gamma Phi makes us very proud.

We sincerely hope that there may be more of interest to write about

next month.

Love to all the chapters in Gamma Phi Beta.

CAROL M. GOODYEAR.

### PERSONALS

Flora W. Waldo, '89, is spending the winter with her brother, Mark, at Bartow, Fla.

May Pratt Bright, ex-'96, spent four months last summer with her two daughters abroad, motoring through England, visiting Paris for six weeks, and sight-seeing in Holland and Switzerland. Her address now is 8643 East Jefferson Ave., Detroit, Mich.

Helen Dorset, '99, is spending the winter with her brother in Denver,

Colo. Her address is 1159 Logan St.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan T. Holcomb (Grace Burgard, '12) are living at 851 West End Ave., New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis (Myrtle Milner, '12) have changed their

address to 334 Seling Ave., Kenosha, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Urquhart, Jr. (Loretta von Syberg, '15) have

moved from Detroit to 958 Prospect Place, Ashland, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Wooden (Carolyn Stubbs, ex-'20) have taken possession of their new home at 6 Foster Drive, Linden Heights, Des Moines, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Farnam (Leona Yerly, '21) are spending the winter in the South.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Rector (Mary Clarke, ex-'19) are now living at 2007 Pierce St., Des Moines, Iowa.

### MARRIAGES

Frances Elizabeth Winton (daughter of Zerlena Knox Winton, Gamma,

ex-'87) to Mr. Frederick Percival Champ, on December 28, 1921.

Gertrude Louise Harrison (daughter of Gertrude Barron Harrison, Gamma, ex-'90) to Mr. Frank Morton Gould, on December 17, 1921. Mr. and Mrs. Gould are at home at 133 West 15th St., New York, N. Y.

Lucile Ruth Works (Gamma, '18) to Mr. Robert Paige Boardman.

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Rosenberger (Gretchen Ross, Gamma, ex-'2!), a son, Andrew James, on November 10, 1921.

To Mr. and Mrs. John E. Urquhart, a daughter, Martha Elizabeth, on August 16, 1921.

## Epsilon-Northwestern University

# Gamma Phi Has Sixty-six at Panhellenic Luncheon

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

It seems that just yesterday was pledge day; and here we are again preparing for another siege of it, although this time not quite so strenuous. We have planned to entertain our rushees at an afternoon "cozy," at an evening spread and at a Valentine party to be given on the day before the bids are issued.

Since Christmas so many things have happened. One of the biggest events for us is the prospect for a Gamma Phi house for next year. Encouraged by our wonderful success with the bazaar, the actives and alumnæ are working like Trojans—always planning new schemes so that the shekels will accumulate more rapidly. A large bridge party has been scheduled for this month and we expect to sell many tickets—especially when the prospective buyers learn that there will be food and prizes!

The Panhellenic luncheon which was held last month at the Drake Hotel was a huge success—especially for Gamma Phi. We had the largest percentage of any sorority. After the Kappas, who were supposed to have by far the largest number, were called and had counted thirty-five, Gamma

Phi answered with sixty-six. Naturally we were mighty proud.

Our informal dance was another of last month's bright star features. We continued our custom of inviting a girl from every sorority. We are now impatiently checking off the days until our formal dinner-dance which is to be held March 18. We have never before been permitted to have dinner-dances at Northwestern and we are very happy over the prospect.

The college chapter and the alumnæ have started the ball of a Mothers' Club rolling. This is to get all our mothers acquainted so that they will know each other and also the girls; and we hope this will mean more than

ever an interest in Gamma Phi and a knowledge of the high and worthwhile ideals of our sorority.

This has been a very prosperous year for Epsilon; and we are continually realizing our ambitions and hopes as well as accomplishing what we had planned. Here's hoping luck will stay with us and will multiply!

A prosperous New Year to all our Gamma Phi sisters—and best wishes

from Epsilon.

HELEN WASHBURN.

### PERSONALS

Maxine Meighan on account of illness has been obliged to leave college.

Marian Drew has been elected manager of the W. A. A. musical comedy,

Amazon Town.

Gertrude Shields, Helen Schleman and Phyllis Trojan have been elected to the sophomore basketball squad.

Margaret McConnell has been elected to Pen and Ink.

Peg Weigand, Decie Terrill, Lois Taylor, Margaret McConnell, Ethel Saari, and Helen Washburn are members of the rifle squad.

Marian Drew took first place in the popularity contest.

Une Green is captain of Syllabus staff.

Mary Alice Merrill has been chosen for Student Council. We announce the pledging of Bernice Hill of Onargo, Ill.

#### MARRIAGE

Lorraine Kindred, '25, to Mr. Ralph Kennicott Pottle of Indianapolis, Ind.

### ZETA-GOUCHER COLLEGE

# Zeta Initiates Its First Chapter Daughter

As I write, my pen is fairly bobbing with excitement; for I have just returned from a meeting in our rooms where, with the rest of the chapter, I had one of the finest surprises of my life! As we entered the door a wonderful brand new piano fairly leaped from the wall to meet us. We have wanted one for so long that we could hardly believe our eyes—especially since no one in the chapter claimed to know anything about this one. When our curiosity had grown unbearable, five of our members admitted that they were presenting it to the chapter.

Mid-year examinations are over and freshmen initiation is almost here. We are planning to have a special celebration this year, for it is the first time that Zeta has had the privilege of initiating a chapter daughter. And Helen MacMurtrie is not only that but she is the daughter of one of Zeta's founders. We hope to have a rally of our alumnæ and we are making strenuous efforts to have all of our founders present on this occasion.

We have just come back from a week-end house party in the country.

A big snowstorm added to our fun there.

Zeta sends all good wishes for the spring term to Gamma Phis everywhere.

HARRIET TYNES.

# ETA-UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

# Snowstorm Thrills Berkeley

Dear sisters:

Those of you who are used to white winters will be surprised when I tell you that a snowstorm has been the chief event of the semester in Berkeley. On Sunday morning, January 29, the first glimpse of the landscape gave evidence that our familiar green hills were completely under cover. Tiny white flakes filled the atmosphere, and the world in its new garb seemed

to offer a universal invitation to come out and play. Not satisfied with the thin layer of melting snow on the sidewalks and gardens, the bulk of Berkeley's population, from great-grandfathers to babes-in-arms, set forth for the hills. A few venturesome motorists who foresaw sport in plowing through the blanketed roads soon discovered their mistake in attempting the journey in such style, and longed to be on foot with the common herd. For they proved excellent targets for novices in the art of snow-ball slinging; and black eyes—to say nothing of broken wind shields—were common sights at various points along the highway. Such was Sunday. On Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday—attendance in classes was strangely small. On Thursday patches of green which had been gradually appearing grew rapidly in size—and by the time Sunday had come round again we were searching anxiously for remnants of our sport.

Fortunate it was that warmer weather interrupted our play, for we might have shamefully neglected our work—and also our new freshmen whom we had recently pledged: Marjorie Bridge, Barbara Curtis, and Helen Rohen. Helen, who is really a sophomore, having come to us from

Occidental, has already made Treble Clef, women's singing club.

The first social affair of the semester was the annual banquet, which was held at the Berkeley Inn, on Friday evening, January 13. We had initiated our four pledges of last August on the same afternoon, so we combined our traditional spring banquet and the initiation supper. Needless to say, it was a great success, as this is one of the rare occasions on which active girls and their alumnæ sisters have a chance to come together and to discuss everything that has happened since the last banquet.

The next event on the social calendar—with the exception of rushing parties—was a bridge-tea, given at the chapter-house for the benefit of our own Eta Chapter. Virginia Kendall, '23, was in charge, and cleared almost

\$45.00. On the strength of that we hope to give another one soon.

In order to keep in touch with our faculty, and to give the individual girls a chance to know their professors, we have faculty dinners at quite regular intervals. Already this semester the juniors and freshmen have entertained their professors and wives, and the sophomores and seniors will each have a chance to do so in the near future.

Attention is beginning to focus on our "Informal," which will be an event of February 17. By the time you read this letter, however, it will be in past history, so I will wait until the next CRESCENT to tell you whether

or not it was a success.

Other events to which we are looking forward are: a Christmas party, a brothers' dinner, a fathers' dinner, a party to be given for the seniors by the juniors in the house, and one for the sophomores by the freshmen. So you see we are by no means neglecting the social side of our college life.

This week we are suffering under the strain of mid-term examinations, trying to live up to, and excel, the standard we set for ourselves last year. At the end of the semester we ranked number four in relation to the other sororities on the campus, as far as scholarship is concerned. According to the rate of improvement over the year before, we should stand at the head of the list in May!

Eta sends love to her sisters in other colleges.

Doris G. Hoyt.

#### PERSONALS

Frances Stowell, '22, is president of Lambda Upsilon, public health honor society, of which Helen Gardiner, '22, is secretary.

Elizabeth Allardt, '22, has been forced to take a temporary leave of absence on account of diphtheria. She hopes, however, to be able to graduate in May, as she had planned.

Lois Brock, '23, has been chosen as junior representative on the student

affairs committee.

Helen Williams, '22, and Margaret Osborne, otherwise known as "Peg O.," are back in college this semester, after a six-months' leave of absence.

Margaret Smith, who graduated from Wellesley last May, is back in California taking graduate work, and is active in our chapter. Margaret spent her first two years at this university, and her last two at Wellesley.

Charlotte Moore, '23, is chairman of the arrangements committee for

Parthenaia, annual spring pageant.

Virginia Byrne and Gertrude Tormey both made parts in Parthenaia. Dorothea Epley, '22, was unanimously elected treasurer of Senior Women's Hall.

## THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

# Rehearsals for Annual Play

Dear Gamma Phis:

The sages have a habit of believing that there are only two events of importance in a man's life, namely birth and death; but I am quite sure that any one of our newly active freshmen will dare to contradict these wise ones and say that there is a third happening of superlative importance—initiation; for on February 10 the pledges experienced the solemnity of that momentous occasion. As Beatrice Edwards and Flora Shattuck had been initiated earlier in the year there were only eleven—but they were a really wonderful eleven who distinguished themselves at the banquet afterwards by their clever toasts.

However, making speeches is not their only forte, for here I must devote a whole paragraph to the telling of their achievements on the campus. Helen Morse is vice-president of the freshman class and is a member of Evans Literary Society. Flora Shattuck and Anna Katherine Winne belong to Phi Alpha. Evelyn Ruenette is a member of the Glee Club and of the French Club, and Beatrice Edwards is an officer of the French Club. Marjorie Howe is a member of the Glee Club and of the orchestra. Esther Brown has an important place on the Y. W. C. A. Council and Dorothy Bromley made the Drama Club. Katherine Bennett was elected the Beauty Queen of the freshman class; and so you see we have a great and varied assortment of talent among our highly accomplished freshmen.

All indications to the contrary, freshmen have *not* been our only activities lately. We are in the midst of rehearsals for our annual play, which Lindsey Barbee has written for us, and which is so thrilling and so exciting that we really hope none of the faculty will drop dead.

I seem to have started by telling every thing in reverse chronological order, so I will be consistent and continue in that way. There was a dance given for us by the pledges (that is those who were) on Friday the thirteenth; but in spite of the ladder under which the guests had to pass in order to go into the door, and in spite of open umbrellas and the like, no one met with worse misfortune than salt down his neck. Then we had supper one night after meeting. The alumnæ took charge of it and it was great fun. We gave the pledges a dance and a Christmas tree and even had a Santa Claus for the little dears; and then last or first according to one's method of timing, we had a Christmas party for the lodge. That brings us back to Christmas, which is a very good place to stop.

FRANCES HAWKINS.

### PERSONALS

Dorothy Bell is an officer of the French Club.

Eleanor Whitford is the Beauty Queen of the sophomore class.

Helen Wheeler has made Alpha Zeta Pi, the honorary Romance language fraternity.

Edna Traylor is a member of Phi Alpha literary society.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Katherine Bennett to Stanley Lupton, Beta Theta Pi. Hazel Kearney to Nevin Carson, Beta Theta. Flora Shattuck to Arthur Heiner, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

### IOTA

"Iota is no longer a college chapter. But Iota is still a chapter."

Iota sends greetings to her Gamma Phi sisters:

Yes, Iota girls are still Iota. We wish you might have looked in upon us the first Saturday of the new year and realized that the letter our Greek alphabet lacks in The Crescent list is still engraved on the badges of a loyal group of the sisterhood's alumnæ and still binds together, with its strong ties of friendship, the girls whose college days at Barnard were

gladdened by all that our crescent signifies.

When every Iota received a note and recognized the writing to be that of Helen Newbold Black we guessed that there was to be an Iota party—for "the Iota Party" has become an annual affair at Helen's. On the appointed day we assembled at her home in Jersey City for luncheon—a real Gamma Phi luncheon with plenty of peanuts and olives, and other good things galore. There were thirty-six of us present—and I wonder if, as you read that number, you realize that there were thirty-six of us present in spite of the fact that there has been no active Iota Chapter since 1915, seven years ago.

Have any of our younger Gamma Phis ever wondered why Iota is missing from The Crescent alphabet? Let me tell you just what happened at Barnard. Let me tell you why Gamma Phi no longer has a chapter in the

college.

When I entered Barnard in 1907 I soon learned that there was a group of girls who wore three mysterious letters above a crescent. I learned, too, that there were other groups with other letters, and then my sophistication showed me that no freshmen wore any symbols at all. Then I began really to learn things, and I found out that no freshmen were going to be allowed to wear sorority badges that year. Pledge Day had been decreed to be "in April of sophomore year." April of sophomore year! That meant that those seniors of whom we were so in awe would be gone—that splendid group of Gamma Phis that included the senior president. That would leave just three junior and three sophomore Gamma Phis to hold the fort alone over our treacherous sophomore year till April!

Barnard was a small college in those days, for my own class had quite excelled in coming in over a hundred strong. There were eight fraternities in the college. Can you realize what good times we had for almost two whole years? Every girl in every fraternity knew every girl in our class by the time that rushing season was over. We were lunched and danced and theatered, and really relieved when that April day came at last and eleven of us went to classes wearing the crescent pledge pins.

Meanwhile Panhellenic rushing rules became complicated. Perhaps it was because the two years of rushing had been rather demoralizing—anyway, the next year Pledge Day was moved ahead to November of sophomore year. Do you realize the responsibility those six Gamma Phis had had in rushing our class and keeping in line the girls of the class below us? We of 1911 had had just two months of sorority life, broken by the summer vacation, when it was time to pledge the girls from the class below. From that class of 1912 six girls became Gamma Phis and the sorority came out of its two years of trials, victorious. That was in 1910.

During the next years "fraternities" became a general subject for discussion in college; faculties frowned upon them, and Greek-letter girls

were kept continually wondering what next. A "spirit of democracy" was fostered among the students which became among the radicals a spirit of socialism. Fraternities were regarded as indications of caste. report for the year, the dean says, "Agitation against fraternities became acute in the autumn of 1912 when there was an exceptionally active discussion among our students concerning advantages and disadvantages of such organizations." This agitation against fraternities the dean attributes to "a wide movement apparent in many sections of the country." The Student Council took up the matter but was unable to reach a decisive vote and finally an investigating committee was formed of the six members of the faculty committee on student organizations, four alumnæ (two fraternity girls and two not) and four students (two of whom were fraternity girls and two not). This general committee held fifteen meetings receiving testimony from all undergraduates and alumnæ who wished to appear before it, from Student Council, fraternity representatives, and officers of the college. Its final conclusion was that the evils of fraternities outweighed the advantages, and the faculty committee on student organizations finally recommended and the faculty adopted the resolution that for a term of three years no fraternity should elect new members in Barnard. At the end of the three years all sorority girls would be graduated and then a vote would be taken for the restoration or rejection of sororities. Meanwhile the radical spirit spread, fostered and led against sororities by a sister of a sorority girl and a determined band of followers, who swayed the indifferent students to their side, and when the vote was taken, sororities were out of Barnard forever.

That is why Iota is no longer a college chapter. But Iota is still a chapter. Please think of us as older sisters, new Gamma Phis. Many of us belong to the New York alumnæ, and many more would if commuting distances did not take the mothers so far from the cries of their babies. Through the New York alumnæ we are helping with the Endowment Fund; we are interested in the last convention, and in the next, where we hope to meet many of the sisterhood and say to them, "I'm

from Iota."

RUTH JOHNSTON HAKES, Iota, 1911.

# KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

# Musical Comedy a Great Success

Dear Gamma Phi sisters:

We have just recovered from all the excitement of giving our musical comedy last week. It was quite a success and was said to be one of the best performances of its kind ever given on the Minnesota campus. We gave it two nights and each night we had an exceedingly large audience. We realized quite a sum of money which we hope to use very soon for the building of a chapter-room in the basement of our house.

Our visiting delegate, Mrs. Younger, has just left us and we were all sorry to see her go. She had so many splendid new ideas which will help us in the future work of our chapter and brought many clever and interesting plans which are used in other chapters. Kappa Chapter certainly

thanks Mrs. Younger for all she has done for us.

We are not rushing this semester, that is—we are not having a regular rushing season; but we have pledged a splendid new girl last week, Elizabeth Craddick of Minneapolis. We consider ourselves very fortunate in having Elizabeth in the sorority.

Best wishes from Kappa Chapter.

LEGRA M. SHERMAN.

## MU-STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Endowment Fund Campaign for University

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Just now the thing which is absorbing us especially is the anticipation of having our visiting delegate with us for next week. It is wonderful to have someone to help by making suggestions for improvements from her wider knowledge of other chapters individually and Gamma Phi Beta as a whole.

One thing that makes us very happy is that we can report a very high scholarship record for last quarter. Activities were not neglected but everyone realized that the college work must have its very prominent place

in the college life.

The Endowment Fund Campaign for the university was begun last week and has since absorbed the interest of the whole student body. The ten sororities on the campus were reported as contributing very generously. The individual returns have not been published, but I can assure you that Mu Chapter did not fall down in her duty. As soon as this excitement dies down, we hope to sell all the coupons in the little book, "The Life of a Child." People have not been especially enthusiastic up to this time, however, owing to the larger interest.

Our initiation was very successful this quarter. Owing to the generosity of our alumnæ we were able to have the new properties. They certainly add to the effects. The ceremony was followed by the banquet in honor of the initiates. Their songs were clever and peppy and Willa Ashley, '22, supplied some extra excitement by announcing her engagement to Charles

Dudgeon Howe, '19.

Helena Douglass surprised us at Christmas time by sending us word of her marriage to Clarence Boyle, which had taken place in October. We were terribly shocked to hear of the death of Mildred Gilbert in China.

She contracted a case of smallpox and died during December.

The usual quiet of the winter quarter has settled upon the campus and the social calendar has not been very full. We are having our "big dance" next week. The system of exchange dinners among the sororities has been continued very successfully. We are exchanging with the Alpha Omicron Pi this week. Rushing, a faculty dinner, and a couple of informal little dances have kept us busy socially. Our new house-mother, Mrs. Hill, is working for her master's degree in the English Department.

These are the principal happenings of Mu Chapter, and when I write next time I shall be able to tell you of the inspiration which Mrs. Smith's

visit will have given us.

WILLA ASHLEY.

# NU-UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

# High Scholarship the Goal

Dear Gamma Phi sisters:

The new quarter is half over and with chapter affairs running more smoothly we are striving now for higher scholarship. We certainly feel inspired for greater things after having our visiting delegate, Mrs. Smith, with us, and our only regret is that she could not remain here longer.

Our social calendar has included various forms of entertainment. Mrs. Unander's home in Portland was the center of a large rushing tea during the Christmas holidays—one of the most delightful that we have ever given with alumnæ. Soon after we returned to college plans for our annual formal dance demanded a great amount of our time. The affair was a huge success—a formal dinner at the chapter-house and dancing afterward at the Women's Building. The decorations were novel, carrying

out an Oriental effect with music and lightings in accord. We had a number of Portland girls as our guests.

The biggest event of the quarter was the initiation of nine of our pledges. Sylvia Wold Haasch was toastmistress at our formal initiation banquet held at our leading hotel.

We have already given a formal dinner for the faculty and will entertain next week in honor of our patronesses. We are looking forward to a most successful completion of this college year.

LE LAINE WEST.

### PERSONALS

Mu Phi Epsilon (national honorary musical fraternity)—Hildred Hall. Triple A (freshman girls' society)—Margaret Rankin, treasurer.

Girls' Glee Club (competitive try-outs)—Hildred Hall, Margaret Philips

Pi Lambda Theta (national honorary educational fraternity)—Le Laine West.

#### MARRIAGE

Lenore Blaesing to Maurice Mann, Phi Gamma Delta.

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Dowd (Edith Davies), a daughter. To Mr. and Mrs. Herold W. White (Bula Smith), a daughter.

## XI-UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

# Freshmen Give Christmas Party

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

"It never rains but what it pours"-exams, plays, spring operas and

initiation all in the same hour, without even a breathing space.

Xi Chapter girls enjoyed Mrs. Smith's visit in January so much. The night of her arrival we entertained her at a formal reception. The next evening we were hostesses at a dinner party in honor of Mrs. Smith and our patronesses; while on the next day they returned the compliment by giving a luncheon for Mrs. Smith and our seniors. The last night Mrs. Smith was with us, Beta Theta Pi gave a dinner in her honor.

Before I go farther I must tell you of the delightful Christmas party that our freshmen gave us the first Sunday after the holidays. They called it "The Golden Pheasant," and certainly our house was typical of any modern cabaret. During a lovely six-course dinner we enjoyed a regular Pantages vaudeville act. Then we had our tree and as to surprises—we certainly had plenty that evening. We received the most denightful gifts, such as candlesticks, candlestick holders, Haviland china, silver, two Windsor chairs, and many pieces of linen. We surely wish that Christmas would come at least four times more this year.

The most exciting thing on the campus at this particular time is initiation. Purple polka dotted collars, derby hats, and back door entrances

are absolutely up-to-the-minute styles.

We have had one rushing party so far this semester. We think it was a most successful date since being so close to Valentine's Day we used hearts, arrows and red carnations for decorations. Our last rushing date is next Saturday afternoon, then pledging is Sunday.

GUSSIE BARNHART.

### Personals

El Mina Jones is vice-president of the freshman class this semester. Eleanor Farris is president of Panhellenic.

Joan McCallum has the lead in the spring opera.

Bessie Newman is teaching at Fallon, Nev., this year.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Christ, Gladys Clarke, Mary McKenna, and Ginger Dermott have visited at the chapter-house this fall.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Lila Smith, '22, to Lowel Flitner, Sigma Nu. Dorothy Shallis, ex-'24, to Charles Seymour, Kappa Sigma.

## OMICRON-UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

# Omicron's a Stage

Dear Gamma Phis:

Our editor says—"Tell us about your freshmen." How, I ask, can one tell all about their varied personalities in a letter? But orders are orders and as General Pershing told us, in his recent visit to the university, must be obeyed.

Omicron of Gamma Phi Beta has set its stage for 1925 with an all-star cast of eleven players. We think each is an actress of talent sure to be

a popular success.

Our play opens with a scene in the chapter-house. Annette Gross is seated at the piano composing music, playing with a sweet seriousness. She would perhaps be the temperamental genius in one of Belasco's productions. Under the reading lamp, her golden hair illuminated by the soft light, Mary Long sits drawing. She is the artist and is practical enough to plan already to redecorate the house. Marian Bebb is also seated at the table, studying. The phone rings! Annette strikes a false note, Mary sighs, and Marian answers it. The front door opens and shuts with a bang-and Marian Patrick rushes in with her blond, bobbed hair, to ask, "Did I get a phone call?" and to rush away again in a spasm of giggles. We thought her to be the ingénue until she played the part of an old hag at our stunt dinner. To see what all the noise is about Anzolette Alton enters the stage. With her stately manner, Anzolette would have fitted into the rôle of the society leader of white hair, airs and a lorgnette. Mary Werts strolls in, the popular type of girl that draws men for her blond sweetness and then surprises them with brains. Natalie Dodge, perhaps the Cinderella of our play, after much coaxing confesses her "A" average. Helen Burpo in a babyish voice tells of her latest illustration which has been accepted, and Mildred Barackman, of red hair, and Charlotte Gillert, of blond hair, turn on the victrola and start dancing. Anita Gillert enters to remind her more socially inclined sister that the home folk would like a letter.

Two new players have been recently added, Genevieve Hays and Katherine Schmidt. Katherine has refused a Theta and an Alpha Phi contract for our production. Perhaps she felt like Connie Vercoe, one of our older players, when General Pershing asked her if she happened to be a Tri Delt. "No," replied Connie. "Why not?" asked the famous man. "Be-

cause I would rather be a Gamma Phi," replied Connie.

Of course our newest players are just starting in their parts and all are still in the first act. Their real worth will be proven in the succeeding years, for

"All the world's a stage,
And all its men and women merely players."

JULIETTE ARMSTRONG.

### PERSONALS

Ruth Pumpelly, ex-'22, is back at the university. Beulah Clute, ex-'22, is attending the university.

Marian Patrick, '25, had a minor lead in the Woman's Welfare Operetta, Sari.

### ENGAGEMENT

Katherine Stubbs, '24, to Richard Smykal, '22, Lambda Chi Alpha.

### MARRIAGE

Luella Moline, '22, to Lucins Barnett, '22, Chicago.

## PI-UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

# Pi Entertains Nonsorority Girls

Dear Gamma Phi sisters:

By the time you read this letter our pledges will be initiated Gamma Phi Betas, for initiation is February 18. Since we require an eighty per cent average for initiation we are eagerly awaiting the registrar's report of the first semester grades. A banquet for initiates will be held at the Lincolnshire Club following initiation. The regular banquet to which alumna will be invited will be held in June as a part of the big Homecoming Week celebration. All the organizations in college have agreed to hold their banquets on one night as an added inducement for alums to return.

Our Christmas bazaar netted about \$275, which goes into the building

fund.

On December 10 we entertained at tea for the nonsorority girls who live in the dormitories. It was an innovation here, for although there is a fine spirit among sorority and nonsorority girls on this campus, it has not been customary for sororities to entertain their nonsorority friends. The party was a real success and it is hard to say whether our one hundred guests or our girls enjoyed it the most. We also gave a Faculty Tea in December. At our annual Christmas party and tree with funny presents for everyone there was also a number of lovely gifts for the house.

In our social calendar for the second semester two dates stand out, March 3, our formal party at the Hotel Lincoln, and April 21, our spring

party.

We are glad to welcome to Nebraska Mildred Wyland from Rho Chapter, who entered college here this semester.

BELLE FARMAN.

### PERSONALS

Josephine Gund, '23, is snapshot editor of *The Cornhusker*. Margaret Black, '23, is also on the annual staff.

Beulah Grabill served on the all-university party committee.

Davida VanGilder, '23, and Beulah Grabill, '23, passed the dance tryouts in the W. A. A. and will appear in a dance fantasy in the spring.

Belle Farman, '23, is managing editor of The Daily Nebraskan this semester.

Margaret Henderson, '22, was a member of the executive committee for the big Sherwood Eddy series of meetings.

### MARRIAGES

Ethel DeYoung to Phil Watkins, Phi Kappa Psi. Mr. and Mrs. Watkins will live in Lincoln.

Claire Stroy to Fred Henderson of Winter Haven, Fla.

## SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

# Honors for Freshmen and Upperclassmen

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

What could be more appropriate for a freshman number than an account of initiation? Sigma held initiation February 11 for twelve pledges, Mary Lois Ruppenthal, Francis Martin, Inez Heaston, Emily Fuller, Dorothea

Deane, Edna Brown, Ruth Ashley, Mildred Alford, Mary Allen, Verla Patton, Sue Mason, and Dorothy Washburn. A number of girls were back to help with the services, including the following from out of town: Marguerite Gregory, Marguerite Adams, Dorothy Devin, Marjorie Garlinghouse, La Verne Bronaugh, Aleta Brownlee, Isabel Gilmore, Lola Smith, and Allis Herin.

In the evening the annual initiation banquet was held in the chapter-house. Jennie Glendinning, president, acted as toastmistress, and Louise Saltmarsh, Laura Harkrader, Marguerite Adams, and Francis Martin responded to toasts. The usual hilarity accompanied the singing of the freshman songs, and some fine new chapter songs were added to the list, notably, "The Gamma Phi Beta Man," by Sue Mason, which nearly created a riot.

Our last letter was written just about the time of the Thanksgiving vacation, and Santa Claus, semester quizzes and the excitement of re-enrolling have intervened. We celebrated Christmas with our annual Santa Claus party for the chapter, and initiation might well be termed our celebration

for quiz week.

Our freshmen are a pretty fine bunch, we think. The accompanying picture will speak for their good looks, and the following list of their achievements will say something for their intelligence.

Sue Mason, captain in stadium drive, freshman Y. W. C. A. commission. Emily Fuller Delta Phi Delta, art sorority, and treasurer of that organi-

Verla Patton, Gamma Epsilon Pi, economics fraternity, and worker in the Y. W. C. A. membership campaign.

Dorothy Deane, Delta Phi Delta, and worker in the Y. W. C. A. membership drive and the stadium drive.

Frances Martin, worker in the stadium drive.

Mildred Alford, secretary of her county club and a member of the Y. W. C. A. membership committee.

Ruth Ashley, Y. W. C. A. committee, class hockey team, and speaker for the Christmas tradition plan.

Dorothy Washburn, Home Economics Club.

Edna Brown, MacDowell fraternity, vice-president of her county club, organizer of an alumni banquet.

Inez Heaston, Dramatic Club, Y. W. C. A. membership committee, and

worker in the stadium drive.

Mary Lois Ruppenthal, Glee Club, Y. W. C. A. freshman commission, Y. W. C. A. welfare work committee, captain in the stadium drive, member of the clean-up squad in the stadium drive, and secretary-treasurer of her county club.

Freda Oakes, stadium committee, and freshman basketball team.

MARGARET LARKIN.

#### PERSONALS

The deepest sympathy of the chapter goes out to Louise Holdman in the death of her father.

Marguerite Adams is organizing Delphine clubs in the middle west. Ruth Ashley has been both pledged and initiated since our last letter. She is from Pleasanton and is a sophomore.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Dorothy Washburn to Marshal Dana, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Ethel Dick to M. Lee Sorey, Jr.

### MARRIAGE

Stella Dutton surprised us all during the Christmas vacation by taking the name of Mr. Ormond P. Hill as her own. She will finish her last semester of college work this year.

### BIRTH

A daughter, to Mrs. Harold Hall (Evelyn Peck).

#### HONORS

There isn't much of a list left in the way of honors after listing all the activities of the freshmen. However, we old "fellers" are still struggling along somehow. The biggest and best announcement we have to make is that Jennie Glendinning and Laura Harkrader were recently announced to be members of "Torch." Torch is an honorary organization of nine senior women who are distinguished for activities directed toward the interests of the university. It is one of the most coveted honors in the university, and we are very proud to have these two members from Sigma, a most unusual circumstance.

Miriam Lamar is playing a rôle in Twelve Hundred a Year, one of the

all-university plays.

We have always maintained that the worst feature about this position is that it puts a check on our natural desire for publicity. We now propose, however, to overstep all the bounds of modesty and toot our own horn. Margaret Larkin has been elected to membership in the Kansas Authors' Club. New Mexico papers please copy.

## TAU-COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

# Beautiful New Women's Building

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Because of my absence from college for over two months Tau Chapter has not been able to tell you about our eight wonderful pledges whom we were proud to claim after a strenuous rush season. From the enclosed

freshman letter you can judge, for yourselves, of their worth.

It was only last week that the chapter received "complimentary tickets" to the "Gamma Flea" Circus under the management of Tau's freshmen. This we were sure was the Freshmen Stunt, so we arrayed ourselves appropriately and, at the appointed hour, "Maggie and Jiggs, Mr. and Mrs. Katzenjammer, Hans and Fritz, the Village Belle," and quite a number of "foreign population" arrived at the "Circus." With the "bareback" rider, the clowns and everything it was just like a real circus.

Wienies, buns, pickles, olives, peanuts, coffee, and marshmallows made an imaginative picnic "after the show," as we all sat about the fireplace and listened to the banjos and "ukes" played by the frosh. Needless to say,

"a good time was had by all."

Somehow, in writing a chapter letter, all the social functions seem to come to mind, but really the chapter has been considering some of the serious things of life, for every one of our freshmen is to be initiated, each

having a total average of eighty, or above.

We are all rather anxiously looking forward to the time when all the girls will be "actives," which will be after February 17 and 18. The midnight service is to take place on the seventeenth and the other services on the eighteenth, and this will be followed by the formal banquet at the Northern Hotel.

The beautiful new Women's Building on our campus was dedicated last week with very fitting exercises. A teacher and senior student from every high school in Colorado were guests of the college, which of course necessitated courtesies and entertainment by the various groups on the campus. Every Gamma Phi had some duty, but six of our girls took prominent parts in the evening pageant and the afternoon exercises.

Now we are busy planning our Annual Waffle Breakfast on February 22. It is from this that we raise our social service money. We hope also to add

to this fund by having Theta Chapter give its annual play here, providing suitable arrangements can be made.

GRACE WAKEFIELD.

### PERSONALS

Genevieve Simms has been elected president of Omicron Nu, honorary home economics sorority.

Mary Haddox has recovered from an operation for appendicitis.

Gertrude Lauche has left college because of ill health.

Lois Trumbull was pledged on December 4.

### MARRIAGE

Helen Bunkhalter was married to Donald Shriber, Phi Delta Theta, on January 19.

BIRTH

Born, to Mrs. F. Light (Florence Jones), a son, Jack.

## Upsilon—Hollins College

# Many Honors for Freshmen

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi:

Since this is the Freshmen Number I must begin right away to tell you about Upsilon's fine freshmen. First of all, we have increased our seven to ten, by the addition of Willie Carter Witt, Lorraine McWilliams, and Margie Ward. We are very proud to have had two Gamma Phis, Martha Cree and Willie Carter Witt, out of the three freshmen on the scholarship honor roll for the first quarter. Dorothy McIntosh was on the freshman basketball team and is cheer leader of the class. Three girls, Margaret Rose Smith, Dorothy McIntosh, and Lorraine McWilliams have been bidden to first-year social clubs on the campus.

Now that exams are safely behind us, we can heave a sigh of relief and look forward to the joys of initiation. We are delighted to initiate eight of our freshmen. This means that they have passed all of their work, as

Upsilon's requirements for initiation were raised this year.

The chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha, which was installed at Hollins early in December, was welcomed by a Panhellenic Tea.

Upsilon wishes to congratulate Omicron on winning the coffee urn for session 1920-21. We hope they will enjoy owning it as much as we did.

Love to all Gamma Phis.

MARY V. THOMPSON.

# PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

# Phi Has a Surprise Party

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi:

Finals over with few casualties, and a new term ahead! Oh, isn't it a grand and glorious feeling! And the best of it all, we initiated six of our freshmen February 11. The new wearers of the crescent are: Grace Hayward, Gladys Hammacheck, Grace Kleykamp, Ruth McCown, Jessie Tyler,

and Betty Powell, Phi's first Gamma Phi daughter.

So much has happened since my last letter-oh, the fond recollection of Christmas and the giddy whirl of the holidays!-that I don't know just where to begin, but I must tell you about the darling stunt Phi had in Keod Vaudeville-Keod is the honorary senior society, and once a year it gives a vaudeville show to which each sorority and campus organization contributes a stunt. Our stunt was called "Bobs," and although we hate to brag, etc., yet in all due justice to ourselves and the rest, I must admit (with blushing modesty) that it was TERRIBLY CLEVER and original and

"went over" just great. There was nothing amateurish about it—setting, costumes, and acting were the *real* thing. The Manning sisters, Gretchen and Charlotte, took the vocal parts, and they made our popular song paro-

dies the hit of the evening.

But just let me tell you about the surprise our freshmen gave us just before Christmas. It is Phi's custom to have a "cozy" or get-together every other week. Each member in her turn has the "cozy" at her home, but this week, although it was a pledge's turn to entertain, the freshmen got together and sent the chapter an invitation to a party in the Gamma Phi rooms at the dorm. So, on the appointed day, the clan gathered, little suspecting what Fate had in store! When we opened the door, the surprise and joy was so great that for a moment there was silence—then an intaking of breath and then "Oh! Isn't it darling!—Oh you precious pledges!—Look, look !-- Why, you could hardly tell these were the same old rooms.-- Isn't it grand !- And we didn't even suspect!" etc. It was true-the rooms didn't look like the same old rooms we had left the day before. New curtains with attractive blue over-draperies, pictures rearranged and hung on silk cords, a wonderful gold-framed mirror, furniture polished, floor bright, darling little lamp shades, polychrome candles, brass candlesticks with blue candles, a brilliant orange quill pen-just one surprise after another! There were ohs and squeaks of delight until everyone had seen and inspected everything from pillows on the couch and the darling little blue screen that hid the telephone to the new cake of soap in the brand new soap dish. And then they brought in the food—an unlimited supply of nice gooey sandwiches, nutty cakes, and throat-tickling punch. It is unnecessary to say that the party was a great success, and oh how proud we are of our freshmen!

Hoping Fate has in store for all of you as wonderful a surprise as she

has bestowed on Phi,

GRACE OBERSCHELP.

#### PERSONALS

Marguerite Francis is to be married on February 22.

Virginia Callahan has won her athletic W, has been pledged to Delta Psi Kappa, the honorary athletic sorority, and is on the senior squad in basketball.

Dorothy Peters and Norma Driemeyer are on the junior basketball squad. Dorothy is manager of junior basketball and has made Pleades, the honorary hockey society.

Tiny Rackerby has been made an instructor in swimming.

We have recently pledged Marjorie Stamm, a freshman, and Dorothy Conners, a sophomore.

### CHI-OREGON STATE COLLEGE

## Boasts an Alumnæ Association

Dear Gamma Phis:

As this is to be the freshmen number, we only wish you could see for yourself our freshmen, of whom we are so proud. We have fourteen pledges this year, Jane Becker, Marcella Sandon, Harriet Howells and Eldora Campbell, all sisters of Chi members; and Bessie Atkinson, Carlina Breusing, Dorothy Cockerline, Esther Howard, Clara Raymond, Margaret Lucious, Laura Reed, Edna Pence, Helen Andrews, and Ferna Hills.

Mrs. Horace Smith, our visiting delegate, was with us several days in February. From her we received much encouragement and many helpful suggestions. Mrs. Smith organized an alumnæ association in Corvallis which has about nine members, with the following officers: Mrs. Noon (Mu), president; Helen Sandon (Chi), vice-president; Theresa Beckwith (Mu), secretary and treasurer; Ruth Middlekauff (Chi), Crescent corre-



PSI FRESHMEN

spondent. By her charming personality, Mrs. Smith endeared herself to

all of us, our only regret being that she could not remain longer.

Miss Miriam Haynes, a graduate of Tau, and state leader of extension work in Colorado, visited us for a few hours while attending the Northwest Extension Conference in Portland.

ALLEGRA MCGREAL.

### PERSONALS

Esther Harris has been elected manager of the Women's Stunt Show. Esther Howard has been elected to Mask and Dagger, a dramatic society. Margaret Harding is on the sophomore basketball team.

Nona Becker and Vida Rich have been re-elected as secretary and ser-

geant-at-arms of the Commercial Club.

Captain and Mrs. E. C. Allworth (Peggy Walker) and small son, who have been living near Washington, D. C., paid us a very delightful visit.

Dorothea Cordley has one of the leading parts in the cantata which is

to be given by the Madrigal Club while on its tour.

Theresa Beckwith, '21, of Mu, is on the college staff of the Entomology Department.

ENGAGEMENTS

Agnes Houck, '19, to Walter Taylor. Glenva Gray, '22, to Howard Cooper, Alpha Tau Omega.

MARRIAGE

Eleanor Howland, '23, to Joseph Tabor, Phi Delta Theta.

# PSI—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA Psi Presents Scholarship Ring

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Allow me to introduce to you sixteen new Gamma Phi Betas: Lorena Craft, Lois Brunt, Pauline Fullerton, Fyrne Jones, Allice Hamly, Pruella Hill, Gertrude Bonnell, Velma Vaughan, Lulu Smith, Thelma Neal, Irene Ware, Frances Sanford, Margaret Newblock, Mattie Shives, Louise Gurlack, and Faye Rackley. Initiation for us was unusually important, as we were fortunate in having with us seventeen alumnæ and as the service itself was held in the lodge room of the new Masonic dormitory which is so well arranged for ceremonies of this kind. Initiation was followed by a formal banquet in the chapter-house, at which time the scholarship ring was presented to Louise Gurlack, who made the highest pledge average.

As December 21 was pledge day, the pledges gave their annual pledge stunt—a play in which the French chef stirred in his big kettle all the qualities which go to make up the *ideal girl*. The plot was very cleverly worked out, each girl adding her bit; and after a spirited stirring the Ideal Girl appeared from the depths of the kettle—being no other than Louise

Gurlack.

Alexine Avery and Gertrude Bonnell were recently elected to The Duck (swimming club) and Norma Dean to the University Glee Club. Margaret Newblock is now a pledge to Phi Mu Gamma (dramatic sorority).

Wishing for all a successful semester, Psi sends her love.

MYRTLE BRAZIL,

#### PERSONALS

Esther McVey and Bliss Seymour from Omicron and Merle Knipe from Rho are teaching in Okmulgee and were with us for initiation.

ENGAGEMENT

Lulu Smith to Loren Khale, Beta Theta Pi.

MARRIAGE

Jewell Dougherty, '22, to Bailey Vincent, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

## OMEGA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE

Freshmen Give Cherry Hop

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta: .

It has been a long time since we had our bazaar, but it was such a grand success that I want to tell everybody about it. The whole college and town turned out en masse it seemed, and just bought us out in no time. We thought that we had made enough things to supply the community with Christmas presents, but we even had to take a few extra orders. Some people just insisted that we make them an article just like that which some friend had purchased. This was the first bazaar that we have held, but we were so satisfied with the affair that our plans now are to have one each year.

A few days before we went home for vacation we gave a Christmas party for the poor children of Ames. We had much fun playing games, telling



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stories, and singing songs. The children were quite thrilled about Santa

Claus, the presents, the ice cream, and candy canes.

Our pledges gave a party Saturday afternoon for all the other pledges on the campus. It was a "Cherry Hop," and the merriest party you could imagine. The house was decorated in red and white streamers, with cherries hanging from the ceiling and from every imaginable place. Two girls dressed as George and Martha Washington met the guests at the door and introduced them to the other girls. The party began with a grand march, which was led by George and Martha Washington, and which was followed by a dance. One of the girls gave a solo dance in which she presented each guest with an artificial cherry bearing a letter of the Greek alphabet. This served as a means of finding a partner for one of the dances. There was a short program before the refreshments were served.

It is near the end of the quarter and we shall soon have examinations. After the beginning of next quarter, as soon as we get the grades of our freshmen, we shall initiate them. We are looking forward to that time.

All the Omega girls send their best wishes to all Gamma Phis.

ALICE BOWIE.

### PERSONALS

Dorothy Cass and June Wallace are in the cast for Clarence.

Dorothy Cass was elected to the membership of Masqued Players.

Dorothy Olsen is a member of the sophomore basketball team.

Ada Herring has recently been appointed head dietitian of the hospital at Saginaw, Mich.

### ENGAGEMENT

Elizabeth Storm to Fredrick Ferguson, Alpha Gamma Rho.

## ALPHA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

# Hockey at Alpha Alpha

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

I wonder if any of you girls are quite as busy just now as we are in Toronto. College work is pressing hard, for it is essay season again and the thought of May examinations is beginning to instil in us a dull fear. Still, we are doing our best to crowd as many good things as we can into this month, for March will all too soon bring the annual "drive."

This evening, February 10, we are holding our annual formal dance at Jenkins' Art Galleries. Quite a few of the girls are coming in from out of town and everybody is looking forward to a perfectly wonderful evening.

We wish some of you could be with us to join in the fun.

Since the new year, Alpha Alpha has had little time to become bored with life. The first meeting after the holidays was a Santa Claus supperparty, where every girl brought some little gift for the chapter-room. Tissue paper, scattered all over the floor, and lovely new cups and saucers, spoons, plates and other things made the room look like a gift shop, and we all felt as if it were Christmas again.

On January 19 our mothers had an opportunity of meeting each other and the different girls at an afternoon tea at the chapter-rooms. They were all very lovely and we were delighted to entertain them. We wish we could have more of these little affairs, so that our mothers would be-

come well acquainted with each other.

This year, Toronto University is very proud of its fair coed hockeyists, and we of University College especially admire our players. In two weeks' time the girls' hockey team of McGill University will come to Toronto to play in an intercollegiate game. This should prove very interesting, as it will be the first of its kind here and, of course, we are hoping Varsity will be victorious.

Alpha Alpha Chapter sends best wishes.

LEONE A. HARRIS.

#### PERSONALS

Beatrice Foex, '24, is not back at college this term on account of her mother's illness.

### Honors

Agnes Brown, '22, has been elected vice-president of the permanent executive of the graduating class.

Muriel Moran, '23, is lady councillor on the executive of her class. Charlotte Valentine, '22, is vice-president of the Honour Science Club. Genevieve Brock, '24, is secretary of the Student Christian Movement.

## ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

# Thirty-six Below Zero!

Dear sisters:

Hurrah for our side! Our pledges number fifteen now. Agnes Parsons attended the Agricultural College at Fargo the first part of this college

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year, but finding her course unsatisfactory, she decided to begin the new year in the right fashion by coming here. She belonged to a local sorority at the Agricultural College—Delta Phi Beta, but on arriving at the University of North Dakota she was persuaded to change the Delta to Gamma and on January 4 was pledged to Alpha Beta Chapter. At the beginning of the second semester:

> Two little freshmen, sprightly and gay, By Gamma Phi Beta were spied; Now honored are we and honored are they-For the crescent-shaped pin is their pride.

The "two little freshmen" are "Babe" Lysing and Helen House, both of

Grand Forks. Their formal pledging took place February 10.

We had expected Mrs. Younger on Tuesday evening and were very much disappointed when the telegram came telling us of her delay. But the happy Wednesday that brought her! That evening we all gathered together for a comfy "at home" and before its close Mrs. Younger had proved she was a sister among us. She told us she loved us but we know we love her more because we're thirty strong.

Mrs. Younger wanted to see one of our North Dakota blizzards but our weather man refused to stage one for her. But we've had one since. A high wind, much snow, and a thermometer falling to 36° below zero. In its wake were many huge drifts. Back of our house there was a drift as high as our heads, which afforded much amusement, as some of us built a snow-house in it. Do you wonder we like Eskimo pie?

We have been rather unfortunate lately in having sickness among our girls. Harriet De Puy has been ill for some time and is in the hospital now with a serious case of quinsy. We felt that Gamma Phi should live up to the precedent set by Lu Allen last year when she had diphtheria, so Pearl Griffin felt it her bounden duty to have smallpox. Our house was quarantined for forty-eight hours and poor Pearl paced in pain the peaceful pest-house. Then, at a very inopportune time, Florella Tetrault had an infection in her foot. You see, Florella plays center in the sophomore basketball team. The sophomore-senior game being scheduled at that time, she was unable to play although she was offered a wooden leg and crutches.

We were very proud of our basketball team, which was composed of all U. N. D. "first team" girls. Honors were won for Gamma Phi Beta in the

campus league games.

We send you greetings of happiness and wish you luck of St. Patrick. E. MARJORIE WATT.

# ALPHA GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA

# Pledge Heads Scholastic Record of Manzanita Hall

Dear Gamma Phis:

With the beautiful and invigorating snowstorm that we are enjoying, the delightful visit of Mrs. Horace Smith, and the pledging of three new freshmen, we are feeling more than exuberant and interested in the progress of our chapter. Mrs. Smith's visit was extremely enjoyable and we feel that her charming association and ideas served to reveal to us as a young chapter, in a new way, our part as women of a national sorority. Mrs. Smith's visit unfortunately terminated one day before bid day, and thus she could not be with us to share our good fortune of pledging three lovely girls, Rae Griswold, Gladys Douglass, and Jean Davis.

Alpha Gamma now has ten pledges, and they have certainly made us proud of them by showing the real Gamma Phi spirit of aggressiveness and reliability. Lucille Blake, one of them, headed the scholastic record of Manzanita Hall, the women's dormitory. They proved themselves to be

gracious and hospitable hostesses when on Saturday, February 4, they were "at home" to the active and alumnæ members, Gamma Phi mothers, and pledges of the other sororities, and again at a tea given in order that Mrs.

Smith might meet the women of the university.

In striving to be efficient Gamma Phis, our athlete, Anna Maud Stern, after attaining a place on both the class hockey and volleyball teams, has been selected for the varsity basketball squad; Jean Davis has been elected to Campus Players, a dramatic organization, and is also a member of the Glee Club; Rae Griswold has been appointed as a member of the staff for the Y. W. C. A. edition of the Sagebrush.

The pledges are now looking forward to initiation, and we are no less anxious than they for the day to come when they shall be full-fledged

Gamma Phis.

## Cordially,

MARCELLINE KENNY.

### PERSONALS

Ruby Spoon, who plans to spend the winter in Chicago, has left college. Marcelline Kenny and Georgie Money have been elected to Campus Players. Norma Brown is secretary of this organization.

June Harriman has been chosen as guard on the varsity basketball team.

Clementine Shurtliff has been elected treasurer of D. A. E. Marcelline Kenny and Verda Luce have been chosen as editor and assistant editor, respectively, of the Y. W. C. A. edition of the Sagebrush.

Alpha Gamma announces Mrs. S. E. Wheeler and Mrs. Wm. Dunne as patronesses.

### ENGAGEMENTS

June Harriman, '22, to Noble Waite, Alpha Tau Omega. Dorothy Harrington to Philip Frank, Alpha Tau Omega. Marjorie Worthington, '25, to George Cowden.

### MARRIAGE

Mildred Brainerd, ex-'20, to Lloyd L. Savage.

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Mark Scott, née Mildred Griswold, '20, a daughter, Isabel Rae, on January 20.

## ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

# Alpha Delta Rejoices in the First Visiting Delegate

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We are trying to make this year as successful and worth while for Alpha Delta as we can. This is our first new year as a chapter and we want to make the ideals of Gamma Phi our standard for nineteen hundred twenty-two.

About the first of January we heard that our visiting delegate would soon be with us. We weren't exactly happy about it because we realized just how inefficient we really were and how positive the fact that there were many, many things which we did not do in the right way. Other sororities had whispered how awe-inspiring and how critical their visiting delegates had been; accordingly, we were a bit terrified with this coming experience of ours.

The important personage was scheduled to arrive on Sunday afternoon and on Sunday night we were to hold initiation. We had rehearsed the service backwards and forwards in order that it might not be too apparent that this was only the second time we had initiated. Some of the girls went to the train while the rest of us congregated in one room. And then Mrs. Carson came—and our fears disappeared as if by magic! She was so very charming and so understanding of all the many problems belonging to a new chapter. All during initiation we felt that she was our very dear friend who, by her very presence, added impressiveness to the service.

We initiated seven girls: Lois Maupin, Mildred Kendall, Cordelia Burns, Martha McCune, Sybil Johnson, Blanch Baker, and Emily Corbin. There are now twenty-four active members in our chapter. Last fall Gladys McKinley affiliated from Sigma. Gladys always has seemed one of us; no wonder that we forgot to mention her in the last chapter letter as an affiliate.

Monday afternoon we gave a tea for Mrs. Carson, inviting representatives from each sorority, the chaperons and several town people. Everyone said it was a success and we were so proud to introduce Mrs. Carson as "our visiting delegate." Tuesday night we had our banquet for the initiated girls. They were asked to sing their songs and most of them were very good—songs which we could use. Mrs. Carson talked to us and so did Gladys Pennington, an alumna of Omicron, who is teaching at Stephens College in Columbia. We all love the comradeship of such nights; for one of the best things about being a Gamma Phi is to feel the spirit of friendship which prevails when we are all together.

Each of us had a conference with Mrs. Carson and she talked to all on Friday afternoon. I know that this year in Gamma Phi will mean more than ever to us because of having Mrs. Carson, and we shall never again

dread a visiting delegate!

We gave our first big dance during the first week in January at the Tavern, where the formal dances are usually held. There were about one hundred fifty guests. It was a Parrot Party; and we had parrots among the pines and boughs in the ceiling and strung across the room. The favors for the men were leather bill folders bearing the crest and for the girls there were leather address books, also with the crest.

We now have four pledges: Bess Bristow, Lucile Jones, Pauline Dalton

and Roberta Barnett, on whom we placed our pins last night.

Alpha Delta sends so much love to all her sister chapters in the United States. Isn't it a wonderful feeling to be part of a great national group like Gamma Phi Beta!

JEAN HAMILTON.

### PERSONALS

Elwyn Bridgens has been initiated into Theta Alpha Phi, an honorary dramatic society, while Ruth Phillips has made Theta Sigma Phi, an honorary journalistic fraternity.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Farley Bertram to Charles Close. Gladys Danielson to Harry Simpson.

## DELINQUENT CHAPTER

Syracuse-Mabel Wells

### CHICAGO

Chicago Alumnæ Home Association of Gamma Phi Beta Incorporated

Dear Gamma Phi sisters:

"With malice toward none"—what more appropriate thought for the new Crescent correspondent who makes her literary début on Lincoln's birthday!

January was not what the busy, money-making Chicago Alumnæ Chapter would call a profitable month. However, it was profitable in that it again

afforded us opportunities to be with the active chapter: at their informal dance on Friday evening, January 20, at the Winnetka Woman's Club, and at the Chicago Panhellenic luncheon. As many alumnæ as could comfortably make the journey to Winnetka went to the dance to enjoy Epsilon's hospitality (and good food), and also to welcome the other sorority guests who were invited to represent their groups. With good music and plenty of Gamma Phi company, who could help but enjoy herself (or himself)? At any rate we all danced to our heart's content, under the chaperonage of Mr. and Mrs. George Dickson, parents of Vesper Dickson, '24, and Professor and Mrs. Frank Thayer. The appointment of Professor Thayer to the faculty of Commerce School brings to us a Gamma Phi from Sigma Chapter in the person of his wife.

The annual Chicago Panhellenic luncheon on January 14 at the Drake Hotel was a huge success, for didn't Gamma Phi have more loyal representatives there than any other sorority? Out of a possible four hundred Greek-letter women sixty were Gamma Phis. We did not even have a close second, for Kappa Kappa Gamma came next with thirty-five members present. All of the speakers were most interesting, and every Gamma Phi who went felt that it was worth while.

Each day Chicago and Epsilon come nearer to their "heart's desire"a chapter-house on Northwestern University campus. After months of hard work and earnest effort we progress another step in our campaign and the Chicago Alumnæ Home Association of Gamma Phi Beta, Inc., sees the first light of day. Mr. Hubert Page, Beta Theta Pi, husband of Mrs. Page of Gamma and Chicago, is largely responsible for this achievement. For some time Chicago alumnæ have been debating as to which step should be taken next, and finally decided to incorporate so that they might not be hindered in future business dealing by any lack of proper organization. Mr. Page very ably procured the charter and attended to all requisites necessary for its filing, and now has had it safely recorded at Springfield. We are indeed very grateful to him for the help he has given and the interest he has shown. The newly organized corporation has an advisory board of five directors chosen for the period of a year: Helen Paddock Truesdell, '14; Harriet Durham Coffman, '03; Ruth Bartels, '19; Marion Van Patten, '18, and Effie Chase Page, Gamma '96, who was elected president of the corporation by the board of directors. The other officers are Helen Paddock Truesdell, '14, treasurer, and Grace Adele Berry, '99, secretary.

A set of by-laws was also drawn up by the board, who decided that each Gamma Phi who has paid the first installment of her pledge shall be a member of the corporation. So if you Epsilon and Chicago Gamma Phis want to have a voice in the affairs of the Chicago Alumnæ Home Association of Gamma Phi Beta, Inc., you must pay the past due installment on your pledge. At present the corporation holds about \$10,000 outstanding in unpaid pledges. Of our \$4,700 cash, \$4,600 has been turned over to the university, which pays us six per cent interest. And so we try to swell our fund.

At the last monthly meeting and luncheon at Field's on February 11 the following new officers were elected for the coming year: Ruth Bartels, '19, president; Marjorie Etnyre, Gamma, '19, vice-president; Lila Robbins, '21, secretary; Elizabeth Wells, '19, treasurer; Willa J. Bauer, '19, corresponding secretary. At this luncheon, as at all others, each Gamma Phi present paid twenty-five cents toward the endowment fund. A small amount is easily raised in this way, and after several luncheons we have enough to warrant our making a chapter contribution.

And now what can I say about the freshmen? They never know how glad we are to have them with us until they are no longer freshmen and in turn are welcoming others. At present we are happily awaiting Mrs.

Younger's visit, and know that she, better than any one else, can inspire and welcome the "children of the sorority."

### PERSONALS

Ann Potter, '14, has left Chicago and is now living in Morrison, Ill. Ruth Warrington Gilson, ex-'14, who recently made her home in Omaha, has returned to us and is living now in Winnetka.

Margaret Walsh, '19, leaves for St. Petersburg, Fla., the first of March. Eleanor Bennett, '21, and Dorothy Maguire, '21, are both teaching, "Elly" in Braidwood and Dorothy in Downers Grove.

Lila Robbins, '21, has accepted a position with the Evanston Chamber

of Commerce.

Irmgard Zetlmeisl, '18 and St. Louis alumnæ, visited in Chicago last week.

### ENGAGEMENT

Dorothy Engquist, ex-'22, to Philip Stokes, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

## MARRIAGES

Jeanne Wheeler, '13, to Chauncey Booth. Gladys McManaman, '21, to Wm. Duncan.

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Pfeifer (Gladys Williams, '19), a daughter, Nancy Jane.

To Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gibb (Mary McClear, '14), a son, on February 3.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. Damm (Joyce Farr, '15), a son, Robert Carl, on
January 19.

### BOSTON

Boston's Verdict upon Delta Freshmen—"I'm Satisfied."

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi:

What with a cold in my head and recollections of a recent two-alarm fire in our neighborhood (served from 12 to 2 a.m.) I can see no possibility of a climax for this letter. My dualism of personality (or some such rot, as Wodehouse's Archie would say) is rending me asunder. In my desire to do and dislike to have done I am reminded of one of the later optimist-pessimist conversations which columnvists(!) perpetrate. "The worst is behind us," as the optimist observed (Crescent letter for last time); "And coming strong," added the pessimist (Crescent letter for this time).

The Alumnæ Spread for the active chapter was at Isabelle Turnbull Blood's where Bobbie, Jr., and Betty shared their Christmas tree with the Gamma Phis. Betty was already wearing the double brown which pleased us all immensely. Among those present (I always say that, alas!) were the Putnams of Lynn, Beth Hacker (whose married name was in the CRESCENT last fall but refuses to be anywhere else at the present moment), Frances Davis Wright, the Simmonses—big and little, Mrs. Grabau, Celia Marshall Jordan, and Peg Osgood. Not least to be heralded was the unseen presence of several loval, helpful, dishwashing husbands behind the scenes. Later they were allowed to leave their voluntary slavery to come in to see the company. (Moral: Always stay late at a party of Gamma Phis; don't run for the 7:35 train.) Of the freshmen who are the cynosure of all eyes at the Christmas party I can only say that (is it to be "welcome, admonition or eulogy?")-the general verdict is "I'm satisfied." They themselves have none of that air, which a long rushing season sometimes produces, reminiscent of the darky who joined a secret society. When asked why he was joining he said, "To find out what am de secret." Delta (who will probably speak for herself also to this effect) is fortunate in having

this year a Gamma Phi daughter, Isabelle Sweetser, whose mother was

Nina Rogers, '94.

The first Saturday in February took us again to Lucy Waite Leavitt's in Wollaston. Ye Crescent correspondent arrived late to find the meeting simply boiling with plans. The secretary's notes showed such diversity as "Help for Armenian babies," "City Panhellenic," "Alumnæ visits to active meetings," "Delta's 35th anniversary." You may be interested to know that Frank Leavitt, aged five months, cooed most appreciatively over the Memorial Service. We were glad to welcome to that meeting Ellender Wills of California, who is at the Prince School here, and Mrs. Roetes of Wisconsin.

Initiation on March 4 is the next big event to which we are all looking forward. It is to be followed by a formal dance, which is an innovation for us. The customary banquet is to be postponed and transformed into a luncheon to celebrate Delta's anniversary. And the dance is being held at a time when the freshmen may wear real Gamma Phi pins instead of the much-debated-of pledge pin. Hope for us that we may all have as good a time as the girls who went to the big "get together" last spring minus men and monopolized their friends' husbands. (I hope I have that correct and free from implication of Mormonism. The remark is intended to be without rancor. I have no husband. On second thoughts, there may be something questionable in the tale. I missed that party—to my ever-present regret.)

In closing let me hold out to you the faint hope that by next letter I shall have become sufficiently imbued with a sense of the dignity of my position to assume a properly fitting tone of decorum. (I should never be able to maintain it. Another pious hope dashed!) Aside from its Crescent correspondent, Boston Alumnæ Chapter is to be considered most fortunate in its officers; and the winter is proving to be a most happy and profitable one. (Thirty-one active members, dues paid.)

EDITH NICHOLS SNOW.

### NEW YORK

### Blizzard Fails to Daunt New York

Our January meeting was held in Brooklyn on the twenty-eighth of the month at the beautiful home of Elva Russum Shearman. Mrs. Shearman's duties as hostess were shared by Mrs. Minnie Curtis Dinsmore, Mrs. Irene Copley Albright, and Mrs. Laura Latimer Graham. The twenty-eighth dawned bright and fair, but by two-thirty a lively blizzard was raging. Brooklyn and a blizzard! a terrible combination! though perhaps I should reverse the order and say a blizzard and Brooklyn; for all real New Yorkers firmly believe that the distance from New York to Brooklyn is far greater than that from Brooklyn to New York! Nevertheless, eighteen valiant souls ventured forth, our usual faithful Manhattanites among them; and had their reward.

Reversing our usual procedure, we had business first and pleasure afterwards. The chief topic under discussion was convention expenses. It seems to be the general belief of New York alumnæ that all the chapters in a district, collège and alumnæ, should share the expenses of convention when it is held in that district. The burden of entertaining grows steadily greater as our numbers increase, and is, in our opinion, too great for any one chapter to bear alone. So we are giving thought to this, and we take this opportunity to bring the matter before the various chapters. Our favorite topic, the endowment fund, was not neglected, and the usual discussion as to ways and means of increasing it took place. It did not end in talk merely, for each guest paid fifty cents into the fund to add to the ten dollars collected at our Founders' Day meeting.

After the business meeting we adjourned to the dining-room, where feasting and frivolity met and were reconciled. When dusk began to fall

we went out into the whirling snow and, as far as is known, all reached home in safety in spite of storm, subway and distance. We hope everyone is free from the "flu" and will be present at our next meeting, April 1.

ISABELLE D. WHITE.

#### PERSONALS

Helen Newbold Black, Iota, entertained Iota girls at a delightful party January 7, of which an account will be given by one of the guests.

Mabel Page Plumer, Delta, now living in Westfield, N. Y., is to affiliate

with this chapter.

Hazel Plate, secretary to Colonel Thompson, has had the privilege of attending the Washington Conference on the Limitation of Armaments. Colonel Thompson was in charge of keeping in touch with the public opinion of the country. Besides attending the sessions of the Conference and seeing all the great ones, Hazel attended many of the receptions given in honor of the famous visitors.

Bert Sayre, Iota, 1915, is again in New York, working as secretary to Dr. Goldsmith of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, in connection with his work on Spanish-American relations. He publishes a magazine called *Inter America*, and is in touch with important South Americans who visit this country.

Nina Ostrander, Alpha, a recent accession, is connected with the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research. She is in charge of the room where

culture media are made.

Emma Lowd, originally of Delta, but long a loyal New Yorker, had charge of the Making of America pageant of Morris High School last November. She made a success of this, as of all that she undertakes.

Blanche Palmer has recovered from the effects of the automobile accident of last fall, in which she was one of the principal participants. She is working on the Panhellenic Council with all her usual enthusiasm and ably represents Gamma Phi.

The Panhellenic luncheon will take place on April 22. Place to be announced later. All Gamma Phis in or near New York please note date

and attend.

### BIRTH

To Alice Mallison Denniston, Iota, ex-'15, a second daughter, Dorothy Darlington Denniston, on January 8.

### MILWAUKEE

# Milwaukee Clears the Nursery

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Writing this letter reminds me of straightening my children's playroom after a "successful" Saturday—so many different sorts of things that I scarcely know where to begin or how to arrange them. For, like the children in the nursery, our alumnæ chapter is composed of members of such different ages and varied interests that scarcely any two of us play with the same toys. This has been, of course, our weakness as an organization, and yet I cannot justly say it is as deplorable a situation as it appears, for the "toys" that I spoke of are in every case activities—educational, philanthropic or domestic—worthy of the interest taken in them.

philanthropic or domestic—worthy of the interest taken in them.

For example, Gertrude Ross, '95, and Allison More Kieckhefer, '09, are enthusiastic workers in the "Girls' Club," a splendidly organized home for working girls. Although the girls themselves pay the running expenses, the burden of the organization rests with the directors, among whom Mrs.

Kieckhefer and Miss Ross are guiding spirits.

Janet Lindsay, '20, gives the most of her time and interest to the Family Welfare Association—formerly known as the Associated Charities—in which she is a visitor.

Marion Boyce Young, '19, and Ethel Germer Schmidt, '16, have so recently joined the P. P. A. (Perambulator Pushers' Association) that their interest is still all-consuming. As a matter of fact there are few

of us in this chapter who are not raising presidents!

Helen Harper, '20, and Mildred Rogers, '20, edit a magazine for the employes of the Schuster Store and by so doing exert an inspiring influence over a large number of people whose educational advantages in many cases have been limited.

Ann Robertson is a librarian in the East Side Branch of our public

library.

Many of our members are enthusiastic workers in the American Association of University Women. Mary Loflin Jones, '97, a former president of the Milwaukee Branch, is chairman of the local meetings committee, Bernice Hunter Hoffmann, '06, is on the table committee, and Julia Richardson McLenegan, '95, serves on the social committee.

We are very proud to claim Anna Raymond, dean of the Milwaukee

Downer Seminary, as a member of our chapter.

Ye Scribe, having a future "Babe Ruth" in the parochial school, is laboring under the strain on the presidency of the schools' Parent-Teacher Association.

These are only a few of the activities in which our members are engaged, but they serve to show the diversity of interest which until today seemed to keep us apart. But today marked an important event in the life of our chapter. Mrs. Younger visited us. In those four words lies a wealth of inspiration. The nursery is about to be cleared! Mrs. Younger's keen insight has perceived the relationship between the toys. She has suggested that Tommy can play with dolls too, if he plays Doctor; and that Jane will love to play with Tommy's soldiers if she can be Red Cross Nurse. In short, she has just reawakened in us the true spirit of play—she has shown us how to go back to those dear days when you came to my house and played with my toys and I went to your house and played with yours. We are looking forward to these meetings at which we will help each hostess in her individual charity. While thus enlarging our interest we will develop a spirit of co-operation and unify our strength as a local unit.

The meeting today, at which we were so pleased to have Mrs. Younger as our guest, was held in Mrs. Hoffman's charming home. With the exception of those girls who teach or are otherwise occupied in the afternoons, practically every member was present, which helped to increase the enthusiasm created by Mrs. Younger's inspiring suggestions. Ethel Germer Schmidt, our president, appointed the following committee to arrange the program of meetings and stimulate interest in our new activities—Anna Raymond, Gertrude Ross, Allison Kieckhefer, Janet Lindsay, and Helen

Tarper.

It was decided to change the day of our meetings from Wednesday to Tuesday and the next regular meeting will be held February 21 at the home of Isabelle Brownell Kuehn.

The first of our evening meetings—to bring together those girls who are not free to attend the afternoon meetings—will be held on the evening of

the twenty-third at Mary Boorse Kieckhefer's home.

I can't begin to tell you all the splendid plans that were made at our meeting today, but I hope that in my next letter I can tell you of those that will be well under way by that time. With the help of Mrs. Younger's suggestions and the enthusiasm of a brand new staff of officers—Ethel Germer Schmidt, president; Alice Ringling Coerper, secretary, and Marguerite Duffy Caldwell, treasurer—there will be no excuse for us if we don't progress. Please wish us well!

As this is the freshman number I must devote a part of my letter to them. It need only be a small part, for freshmen need so little—they already have everything—youth, opportunity, youth, enthusiasm, youth, faith, and once more, youth. What can one offer to those who have everything? Ah, yes—advice! And this is mine. Be selfish, be stingy, hoard everything you have, take everything you can get! Knowledge, fun, opportunity, take them all—beauty, virtue, honor, youth, give not the tiniest bit away! For what you give away now you will never regain—and the more you take now, the more you will have to give in those years to come when giving is living.

Heigh ho! Are we all moralists at thirty!

Enough for now. Milwaukee Chapter sends to all her sisters her kindliest greetings!

ALICE RINGLING COERPER.

### PERSONALS

Mrs. J. R. McDonald (Margaret Ryan, Gamma. 09) is spending several weeks at the Poinciana Hotel, Palm Beach, Fla.

Mrs. Charles Pollock (Florence Sayle, Gamma, '12) of Fargo, N. D., is

visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Sayle, in Milwaukee.

Bess Newell, Gamma, '13, Chicago, is spending the week-end here with Ethel Schmidt. Bess is a very successful commercial artist, being at the head of the staff of artists in Mandel Brothers' advertising department.

#### MARRIAGE

Beatrice Barnes, Gamma, '11, to Dr. Albert Tormey, Delta Upsilon, January 18. They will make their home in Madison.

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Schmidt (Ethel Germer, Gamma, '16), a daughter, Julia Olga, May 23, 1921.

To Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Monroe Young, Jr. (Marian Boyce, Gamma, '19,), a son, Wm. Monroe III, September 25, 1921.

## SAN FRANCISCO

## San Francisco to Hold a Bazaar!

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We of San Francisco alumnæ were treated to a rare experience yesterday by a snowstorm of several hours' duration and our beautiful Berkeley hills are still clothed in their ceremonial robes. The small boys rolled snowballs down our lawn, and as they progressed they gathered more snow unto themselves until huge balls were formed. Would that every Gamma Phi would roll her ball of enthusiasm until the cold or lonely sister could be swept into the mass so that our units which we call alumnæ chapters might become more firm and useful.

We have had but two meetings since I wrote the last letter and yet things seem to be happening "fast and furiously." Our December meeting was held on the twenty-eighth with Mrs. Small of Alpha at her very attractive "Nancy Tea Room." There were twenty-seven of us present and we were glad to welcome Margaret Smith home from Wellesley and abroad. It was fine to see Mrs. Mosher and the Pattons there. The most important business of the meeting was the decision to hold a bazaar early in December. At our last meeting we voted to divide the proceeds as follows: half for local social service and the other half for national and local fraternity needs. We hope in this way to enlist the support of all members. Every one is expected to contribute three dollars and a half's worth of material made up into attractive articles, or five dollars in cash. Of course there are some who will want to do more and no restriction is to be placed on them. We have such loyal mothers that we know that they too will want to help, so

they are to be asked to donate an apron apiece. We can hardly wait for December to see our dreams a reality and we have already had one informal meeting to work on articles. Every one is asked to bring samples of suitable pieces to the next meeting, which will be held in San Francisco with Grace Butler. There will be dressed dolls, babies' clothing, card table covers, nifty new hot roll holders and all sorts of convenient household gifts, as well as handkerchiefs by the dozen and a most delectable delicatessen department—in other words, we hope to make this one of the best bazaars ever held. Thus we hope to contribute more than mere enthusiasm to the endowment fund.

Just four days after Christmas our dear Eleanor French became Mrs. Alfred Russell Whitman. It was typical of Eleanor to invite the entire chapter, as she has always been generous in sharing her joys with others. And it was a true Gamma Phi wedding, the bride, matron of honor, and one of the bridesmaids all being Gamma Phis. We are sorry to have Eleanor move away, but the girls at Sacramento are lucky. Her address

is Maydeston Apartments, 15th and J Sts., Sacramento.

On Friday the thirteenth our annual banquet was held in conjunction with Eta Chapter and ninety wearers of the crescent assembled at Berkeley Inn. Alpha, Delta, Eta, Theta, Mu, Nu, and Alpha Gamma were repre-The banquet followed the initiation of Eta's four new freshmen: Monta Carpenter, Elizabeth Preston, Margaret Deahl and Mae Leichter. It certainly is a pleasure to welcome such splendid girls into the sisterhood and we do not tremble for the future when we see the crescent pinned over their hearts, for we feel assured that the welfare of Gamma Phi Beta's ideals lies guarded with them. And how anxious we all are to meet the three new pledges, Barbara Curtis, Helen Rohne, and our own Margery Bridge, sister of "E. B." or Mrs. Farnsworth Currier and Barbara Bridge and cousin to Winifred Bridge Allen and Helen Bridge. But to get back to the banquet. We all knew that Marie Derge still loved us when we entered the dining-room and saw her original and artistic decorations. And the gay balloons seemed to respond to our happiness; perhaps they too were puffed up with pride. The next day they brought joy to the hearts of the children at the Dispensary, so you see their pride was not all selfish after all. Winnie Allen made an admirable toastmistress and our Mabel Williams spoke for the alumnæ. Each college class was represented by an active girl and we were especially impressed by the sweet womanliness which rang through the words of the junior, Marian Hunt. Marian came to us from Wellesley last year. Small bouquets were presented to Doris Hoyt, Lois Brock, Sylvia Searley, and Frances MacDougall, who led their classes in scholarship. Special mention is due Lois Brock, who made straight "A," fifteen hours of 95% or more. As a great surprise came the announcement of the engagement of Olive Mills, ex-'19, to Ray Chatfield, U. C. '14. The traditional five-pound box looked more like a ten-pound box, but then there were ninety of us present so we didn't object. Olive was married in February and will live in Canada.

The January meeting was held last week at the home of Lulu Minor. We were glad to welcome Ethelwyn Crockett, Helen Saylor, and Persis Edwards as new baby alumnæ and delighted to have with us Mrs. Carl Pierce Lewis (Bathaline Cowgill of Xi), who is living at 1348 Balboa St., Burlingame; Mrs. E. J. Hopkins (Esther Show of Mu), residing at 2611 Keith Ave., Berkeley, and her sister, Mrs. Kotok (Ruth Show of Mu), whose home is at 960 Tulare St., Berkeley. It was a decided pleasure to have Mary Underhill Hall with us. Plans for the bazaar were discussed

and work for the year outlined.

Eta is giving a benefit card party on Thursday and we expect that to be a gathering of the clan, and, as such, enjoyable as well as beneficial.

Do you who live out of town scan these letters for news concerning your old "pals"? If so, remember that all the sisters do likewise and send me all the interesting news. A scribe must have memory, but her imagination will do her no good, so send the facts, and thanks in advance.

San Francisco sends greeting to Gamma Phis wherever they are.

Grace Partridge Underhill.

### PERSONALS

Jeannette Dyer Spencer (Mrs. T. E.) is studying at the Ecole du Louvre

and her address is 12 rue de la Cavalerie, Paris, XV, France.

Bess Rothermel is teaching at Mills College, where she has charge of the Home Economics Department. Dorothy Deardorf, '20, has been teaching history at Mills.

Maude Allen has returned from Europe and was home for the holidays. Her daughter is planning to enter Vassar, so she has returned to New York.

We are glad to welcome Mrs. Hunley, Marie Pohle, and Bonnie Stephens from Alpha Gamma. Miss Stephens is teaching school in San Francisco.

Miss Hinkel from Gamma is teaching physical education at the Berkeley

High School.

Barbara Bridge has returned from a three-months' trip to the Orient. While in the Philippines she visited Leslie Underhill Lockwood on Corregidor Island in the bay of Manila.

Imra Wann Buwalda recently addressed the "Queen's Bench," a national

association of women lawyers.

Esther Sinclair, Luzina Denio O'Hara, and Eleanor Thrum came from out of town to attend the banquet.

We were glad to meet Anna Cole of Alpha and Bernice Bowen of Theta at the banquet.

Helen Bridge has returned from an extended trip abroad.

After a month spent in Italy, Isabel Faye has returned to Norway. Her address is Erling Skjalsons gd. 3, Christiania, Norway.

Imra Wann Buwalda is our representative at the Eta meetings.

We are looking forward to a visit in May from Vida Redington Volkhardt, who has made her home in Chicago for the last two years.

Marie Derge is conducting two art classes, using the paper cutting medium, involving interpretative birds and flowers as a basis for design in clothes, crafts, and interior decoration.

Genevieve Tully has returned from Honolulu.

Professor and Mrs. G. R. Noyes are domiciled in Warsaw, Poland. Pro-

fessor Noyes is an expert on Slavic languages.

Katrine Morse, whose book, *Uncensored Letters of a Canteen Girl*, met with such decided success, now has a volume of poems off the press. She is living in Greenwich Village and we understand that she has recently contributed several articles to magazines.

### MARRIAGES

Eleanor French, '12, to Alfred Russell Whitman. Olive Mills was married to Ray Chatfield, U. C., '14, on February 21.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd E. Pfeifer (Gladys Williams of Epsilon), a daughter, Nancy Jane, in September. They are living in Chicago. We were very sorry to lose Mrs. Pfeifer, as we had grown to feel that she belonged to San Francisco.

To Mr. and Mrs. Peel (Mayowen Edwards of Mu), a daughter, Julia

Bishop, born January 24, in Mayer, Ariz.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Carey (Elizabeth Ruggles of Eta), a son, Charles Josef, Jr., born January 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Hincks (Hazel Pierce), a daughter, Margaret, born in September.

DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to three Gamma Phi families in the loss of their dear ones: Florence Ewing, whose mother died in December; Ellen Penniman McComb, who lost her father, Dr. Penniman, and Tallulah LeConte Elston, whose husband, Congressman Arthur Elston, has passed away.

## DENVER

# Joint Meeting, Initiation and Play

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The last letter from Denver spoke of our December bazaar, which was far too quickly sold out. The profits have now been counted and we are able to say that the sum netted was close to \$500.00. Theta and Tau each received a little present out of this, various funds had their needs attended to, and if you can believe it, there is still money in the bank. The sad part of the affair is, that with more material we could easily have made twice as much money. Of course we plan to correct this mistake next year if we have to sew all summer.

A recent affair, both unique and enjoyable, was a joint meeting of both active and alumnæ chapters in our lodge at University Park, followed by

a supper and an impromptu vaudeville show.

The Great Annual Initiation, with its banquet, is, of course, an event belonging to alumnæ as well as active members. This took place the afternoon and evening of Friday, February 10. Eleven new girls became Gamma Phis. I am sure you will find their names in Theta's letter.

No midwinter report would be complete without mention of *The Play* now in rehearsal. Lindsey writes a new play every year, and I am informed on reliable authority (that of the youngest actor) that this season's drama is "keen—very keen."

You will probably find press notices about our play in the next Crescent.

Denver sends best wishes to all her sister chapters.

EDITH BOUGHTON DENIOUS.

As the magazine goes to press comes the shock of the death of Edith Boughton Denious, a very beloved member of Theta and Denver, and correspondent for the magazine. Perhaps the most brilliant alumna of her chapter, of an unusual personality and always a loyal Gamma Phi, her place in the sorority circle will be hard to fill.

### MINNEAPOLIS

# Minneapolis Tabulates Big Events

Dear Gamma Phis:

If I hadn't written a good part of this letter a month ago I am sure I should not have been able to remember the swift succession of events which have come to Minneapolis Alumnæ Chapter and her little baby sister, St. Paul Association. I think I shall tabulate.

The Fair: Our annual Christmas Bazaar netted the sorority \$1,200. Part of this money helps to pay off our fast dwindling mortgage; part goes to keep the house in repair; part goes to actual expenses of the alumnæ

chapter, and part to national.

MEETINGS: Two regular Minneapolis meetings have been held since the last report. The first was with Mrs. Charles Silverson. It truly was wonderful to see so many good-looking Gamma Phis encircling Katharine's charming living-room and sunroom. I counted fifty as I sat in meeting. The next meeting was held with Mrs. Thomas Welch but I was unable to

attend so I have no details to give except that I heard much business was transacted.

THE ST. PAUL Association has, in the momentum of getting started, speeded into six meetings at the homes of the following members: Marie Moreland, Mrs. Allan Briggs, Mrs. Withy, Jr., Mrs. Harold Blodgett, Mrs. Donlad Simpson, and Mrs. Harold Summers. The next meeting is to take place Friday, February 10. It is to be a supper meeting at the home of Helen Hauser so that all Gamma Phis who are holding business positions may attend.

Two members have given teas: Alice Andrews for Mrs. Elmer Albritton, and Gertrude Hauser for girls home from college. At Miss Andrews' tea, Miss Josephine Huse, an Alpha Phi, who has been doing work for the Near East Relief, gave a talk about the Armenian orphans. We were glad to get into direct touch with the conditions overseas as it stimulates us to carry on our efforts in behalf of European children by means of our

"milk bottle stands."

Social Service: Minneapolis' latest efforts have been in connection with the Red Cross Unit in making layettes. The Allied Relief Work is being

continued both in Minneapolis and St. Paul as usual.

Active Chapter Vaudeville: The Gamma Phi musical comedy, Two Nights, presented January 25 and 26, was a decided success. It was played to two full houses at the Woman's Club, Minneapolis. Very pretty girls, staid college professors, a frat freshman—all the joke features of the college world frolicked and sang for two hours, while the gallery cheerfully poured tapioca in gentle showers on the slightly embarrassed actors. While great credit must be given to our charming actives, much praise must be bestowed upon two Gamma Phi alumnæ, Margaret Simpson and Florence Warnock, who composed the music, assisted by Valentine Sherman, who wrote the lines and did much of the coaching. George Lamb helped to make the play a success by his comical portrayal of a college "prof." Never before did Gamma Phi Beta receive such publicity. One couldn't pick up a daily paper without seeing Gamma Phis in furs, Gamma Phis in evening gowns, Gamma Phis on pogo sticks, Gamma Phis on kiddie kars, and Gamma Phis in print in every edition of the paper.

THE VISITING DELEGATE: Margaret Meany Younger certainly captivated the hearts of all the Gamma Phis here, although she did not fail to make

very definite demands which we all hope to fulfill.

Our Freshmen: We take great pride in our freshmen from the standpoint of prizes in rushing, personality, etc. On the point of their scholarship, the ink from my pen refuses to flow, and my tears begin. However, we trust that this will never happen again. Immense precautions are to be taken in the future to prevent such a catastrophe in scholarship.

News from Chicago Alumna: We are most happy to acknowledge a letter from Ruth Bartels, a Chicago alumna, containing a Crescent Chatter. Write again! We are most interested in the building of your chapter-house.

CHANGE OF CRESCENT CORRESPONDENT: Next month I expect to see the name of the new Crescent correspondent at the end of the Minneapolis alumnæ letter, as I am resigning this position and that of president of the St. Paul Alumnæ Association in order to give my whole attention to the duties of alumnæ representative to the active chapter.

Best wishes to all the new alumnæ associations!

MARIE MORELAND.

### PERSONALS

The marriage of Mary Mosher to Homer Best Winchell, Princeton, '16, took place June 25, 1921. Mr. Winchell is an instructor in the United States Naval Academy. Mr. and Mrs. Winchell are residing at 23 State Circle, Annapolis, Md. Mrs. Winchell has joined the Baltimore Alumnæ Chapter and enjoys the luncheon meetings very much.

Grace Ferguson is in charge of the work of the Associated Charities on the East Side in Minneapolis. She is living at the Gamma Phi house during the winter months.

Virginia Yers has announced her engagement to Mark Clarity of Psi

Three St. Paul girls have also announced their engagements: Louise Arosin to Paul G. Maurer, Jeanne Borden to Edward S. Walsh, and Gertrude Hauser to Dr. Noel Ruhberg.

Mrs. Clarence Tanner (Lora Gooding), who has been residing in Saska-

toon, Canada, has moved to Los Angeles for the winter.

Ruth Simpson and Gladness Wilkinson left the last day of January for a three-months' trip on the Mediterranean.

Mrs. John Downey is on the Minneapolis committee of the Minnesota

Russian Relief Association.

Mary Jones is in charge of the recreation work for soldiers at the Aberdeen Hospital, St. Paul. Mary was one of the Minneapolis Alumnæ who did active war work overseas.

Mrs. Irvin Salzer (Helen Little) and son, Jack, are spending several

months with her mother, in Miami, Fla.

Olga Frank is now office secretary for the Thursday Musical Club, Minne-

apolis.

Francis Works has opened a studio of expression in Minneapolis, and is making a specialty of coaching plays, of public speaking, and of programs for study clubs. She coached the Woman's Club plays, the Northrup Collegiate Christmas play, and has given many programs both in St. Paul and Minneapolis.

Out-of-town Gamma Phis present at the December Minneapolis alumnæ meeting were as follows: Mrs. Fred Keith (Georgia Campbell) from Princeton, Minn., Mrs. Wm. Kerr (Ethel Works) of 33 North Grove Ave., Oak Park, Ill., Mrs. Chas. Lewis (Mary Haupt) of Beaver Brook, Wis., and

Mrs. C. S. Hamilton (Frances Howe) of Winnetka, Ill.

This February, Ethel Cosgrove has obtained a position in the Johnson High School, St. Paul. For the past few years Ethel has been making a tour of the world, teaching as she went along. Porto Rico, Hawaii, Japan, and China have been on her itinerary. Italy, France and the Jugo-Slavic States were visited by her in connection with war work after the signing of the Armistice.

## Los Angeles

# Representatives from Eleven Chapters

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We read with great interest the accounts of the work of our sister chapters, as given in the last Crescent. Los Angeles has also been quite busy.

Our Christmas party at the Bouchet Mission was most enjoyable for both the guests and the hostesses. The afternoon was spent in playing games, singing and story telling, and for lunch the kiddies had just what they wanted—candy and pedigreed hot dogs.

Our December meeting was a combined business and social one. Miss Frances Martin gave a most romantic account of her experiences in China while with the Rockefeller Foundation. We all wished we might partake

of some of the tempting Chinese dishes she described to us.

The officers for the new year were elected at the December meeting, and were installed at our January meeting, held at Blackstone's tea room. We were quite thrilled to have representatives there from eleven different Gamma Phi chapters.

Were not the chapter letters this time exciting? We almost wished we could have been there to welcome the new pledges-or better still to have

been among those just entering the portals of Gamma Phi, filled with high hopes to make their links in the chain of friendship sterling bands. But of course we couldn't all be freshmen, for there wouldn't be enough sweeping and dusting jobs to go around, so after all we shall still be content to be alumnæ, so long as we're in the circle.

Los Angeles doesn't have a close active chapter to mother, so we shall just extend a most hearty welcome to the freshmen of all active chapters.

Margaret Burton sails February 21 for a month's visit in Honolulu.

Mrs. Seamann entertained some of the Stanford girls at her home in Pasadena on the afternoon of February 9.

Frances Lucas has accepted a position as assistant to Dr. Bogardus of the Sociology Department of the University of Southern California.

EDITH BREEDEN KIBBY.

## DETROIT

## Fifty-six at Luncheon

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

It was before Christmas that I wrote you last, and so much has hap-

pened since then!

On December 3, Detroit and Toledo and Ann Arbor alumnæ had a most delightful luncheon at the home of Mabelle Leonard Douglas in Ann Arbor. Five of the Ann Arbor alumnæ, as well as Mrs. Douglas, were hostesses. We had a short business meeting after lunch and it was most interesting because the seniors from the college chapter were there and they told us a great deal about the chapter. Including the seniors, there were fifty-six present. Isn't that a big luncheon party?

January 6 we had our regular tea at the College Club. There were only thirteen there, but one of those was Mrs. Baker of Alpha. Just imagine! She's been a Gamma Phi since 1877. She happened to be visiting in Detroit

and when she heard of our tea, came.

Then, yesterday, February 11, we had a luncheon at the Women's City Club. There were thirty present—and best of all, many who hadn't been with us in a long time and many alumnæ from other chapters than Beta. A couple of Beta seniors were present and urged us to come to Ann Arbor for initiation February 25. They even informed us that there would be beds for all who desired to stay over the week-end, and you know what it means to be assured of some place to sleep, especially in visiting an active chapter.

We decided to have our next meeting March 11 with Evelyn Roehm May. There will be election of officers preceded by a luncheon, and followed by a "white elephant sale" for the benefit of the endowment fund. Again we expect Ann Arbor and Toledo alumnæ, so I (or someone else) will tell

you all about it next time.

PANSY Y. BLAKE.

### BALTIMORE

# Baltimoreans Plan Alumnæ Rally

Dear Gamma Phis:

Just at present all of Baltimore's Gamma Phi energy (or, at least, most of it) is being spent in plans for a Gamma Phi alumnæ rally for the weekend of February 18, when the Zeta freshmen are to be initiated. One of the pledges, Helen McMurtrie, is a daughter of Adelia Bawden McMurtrie, a charter member of Zeta. Of course Mrs. McMurtrie will be here and we hope that one or two other charter members can come to share our festivities and help make this a *real* celebration. In addition, we hope to have some alumnæ, both old and new, from various cities and towns in this dis-

trict. We Baltimoreans are looking forward to a mighty good time at the initiation and supper on Saturday night preceded by an alumnæ matinée

party in the afternoon.

Due to these plans for our rally we have postponed action as to the raising of our share of the endowment fund until after February 18; but there are several schemes up our sleeve. Then, too, there are rumors of a combination Zeta and Baltimore card party at Frances Sweezy's home for the benefit of our social service fund.

We wish to extend an especially warm welcome to the Zeta freshmen so soon to become real, full-fledged Gamma Phis; and we hope that they

may know the full joy of ever living up to Gamma Phi ideals.

We alumnæ have been enjoying our monthly luncheon meetings with a special class of the actives invited each time to join us for the lunch. We are next to have the freshmen. We have also enjoyed a few "at homes" with the college girls.

The best of wishes to all of you from Baltimore!

AGNES E. THOMAS.

### PERSONALS

Elizabeth Fehl Ely, Zeta, '19, is in South America for a few months. Eliza Bennett Young of Louisville, Ky., Zeta, '21, spent several weeks visiting in Baltimore. We were all glad to see her.

Marie Connor Hayes, now living in New York, is attending the Goucher

Alumnæ Council meeting here in Baltimore.

Margaret Lukens and Emma Thomas are also here in Baltimore this week-end.

Katherine Treide is managing a 1917 Exchange for the benefit of the Goucher \$6,000,000 campaign.

Frances Sweezy is acting as chairman of the social committee of the College Club in Baltimore.

### ENGAGEMENTS

Dorothy Sippel has recently announced her engagement to Mr. William H. Maltbie; and Ruth Treide, to Mr. Garland Dunnington.

### MARRIAGE

Anna Blanton, '11, to Mr. Landon McDuffie Townsend of New York, on February 13, 1922.

### BIRTHS

Mary Bunting Yeager of Gamma, now living in Hagerstown, Md., has a daughter, born last June.

May Wescott Hayes has a daughter, Mary Kendall, born on February 11.

#### SEATTLE

# New Plan for House Fund

Dear sisters:

Apologies to Mr. Pluvius—in our last chapter letter we credited Seattle with his permanent residence but subsequent events prove this to be untrue; January was the dryest January our fair city has experienced in thirty years and we have basked in golden sunshine and distant vistas of snow-crested mountain ranges; while today the first buds are breaking their winter wraps and the pussywillows are nodding greetings from the thickets.

Before we tell of the "doings" of the alumnæ chapter we must add our mite in the way of greetings to all the new pledges and freshman initiates—to let them know that with their knowledge of the wonderful ritual of Gamma Phi Beta they become the torchbearers of the sisterhood—without their enthusiasms and eagerness the sisterhood would soon vanish. Seattle Alumnæ looks to the freshmen pledged to Lambda this year to carry on

the traditions of the chapter with devoted interest, and as they are typical of these ideals the alumnæ chapter knows that its confidence is not mis-

placed.

To bring the new pledges closer to the alumnæ group Lambda follows closely the training plans accepted at the convention in Baltimore—weekly meetings are held with an active adviser in charge; the freshmen elect their own president and carry on their own business meetings; and their study of the sorority which prepares them for their initiation is directed by the active member. Alumnæ members visit these meetings and talk informally to the girls on the traditions of Lambda, the work of the alumnæ, the wonderful organization of the national sorority and the place that Lambda holds at Washington. In fact, every effort is made to acquaint the newcomers with the meaning of Gamma Phi. We feel that the strength of the active chapters is limited by the unity of the freshman class, and the alumnæ are always seeking new members that will make true Gamma Phis in college and loyal alumnæ members in after years.

Seattle alumnæ has out-buzzed the traditional busy bee in the past month or two—!et us tell you quickly of the events that have been crossed from

our calendar.

The active chapter moved into the new house during the Christmas holidays and as soon as the last picture was hung and the last study room arranged, a successful open house was held for members of the university faculty, students and town friends and relatives of the girls. No formal invitations were issued but the rooms were crowded with friends who came to offer their congratulations. We wish everyone of you might have dropped in during the evening and might have seen what delightful hostesses our Lambda girls were.

Alumnæ meetings will be held the second Tuesday of every month at the chapter-house instead of at the homes of members. The first meeting was held January 10 with sixty members present. The February meeting

took place Valentine's Day with a gathering of thirty members.

Among the plans under discussion was the bazaar which will be managed this year by department heads, many of whom are already at work on their part. It will be held the first Saturday in December at the New Washington Hotel as usual and will be launched on a far more business-like scale than formerly. At the February meeting Geraldine Doheny, ex-'15, who has just returned from three years' service with the Red Cross

in Europe, gave a delightful talk on her experiences abroad.

The ever-active mind of Nora Buell Stewart has evolved a scheme which promises to assist the house fund without the aid of an overdose of "silverteas" and card parties. Husbands, fathers, and brothers connected with prominent business concerns in the city have volunteered to give us a percentage of their profits on merchandise sold to Gamma Phis and their friends. The receipted bills are handed each month to the president of the alumnæ association and she in turn hands them back to the various firms, who in turn send her a check for the amount of the total per cent. The firms include such merchandise as auto tires, autos and auto parts, candy, cleaning and dyeing, printing, multigraphing, photographs, real estate, machinery, electric ironing machines, letterheads, life insurance, and magazine subscriptions. We will tell you more of the plan once it is in working order.

It is always a pleasure to welcome a visitor from another chapter, but the pleasure increases when the visitor comes on official business and brings all the charm and graciousness that one dreams of in an ideal sister. So it was when we welcomed Florence Mitchell Smith during the latter days of January. She seemed "one of us" rather than a sister from our middle western chapters. We were fortunate to participate in a "nightie" party the active girls gave for her after hours one night—and although the first allotment of ice cream vanished from the pantry and we all suspected the

dessert-less neophytes, the affair was a success.

The alumnæ chapter enjoyed meeting Mrs. Smith at an informal gathering of the business girls' meeting at noon January 26 at the Northhold Inn. Her visit was of special interest as we are eager to develop more alumnæ strongholds in the northwest cities, and were glad to hear of the organization of a group in Spokane.

Now for a few spatterings of gossip and we'll close this long chattering

with the happiest wishes for springtime days.

AIRDRIE KINCAID.

#### PERSONALS

Agnes Frem was among the party of mountaineers which visited Paradise Inn among the snow fields of Mount Ranier during the Christmas holidays. This is an annual event and is an occasion for skiing, toboganning, snow-shoeing and other snow sports. Membership is attained by proven ability to hike.

Vernita Swezea, who has been studying art at the Parsons School in

New York, left in January for several months in Europe.

Geraldine Doheny, who has served for three years with the Red Cross in Europe as a hut worker and canteen worker, later in the bureau for registration of soldiers' graves and also in the main Paris offices of the organization, has just returned to Seattle. During her year's service she visited Montenegro, Italy, Spain, and all parts of France and England.

Helen Harvey of Walla Walla is making her home here.

We have just discovered another literary light among the Lambda initiates—Verna Abbott, who has contributed short stories to various publications. Verna, who is a pupil of Ruth St. Denis, has also made a success with her dancing.

Adelaide Almond Linne sails soon for a several months' tour in Europe. Agnes Hart Wilson and her husband have moved from Tacoma and will make their home here.

Charlotte Perry-Dillingham is spending a few weeks in Seattle.

#### ENGAGEMENT

Marjorie Holmes to Arthur Anrud.

#### MARRIAGES

Seldom do we have an opportunity to record an honest-to-goodness elopement, so it is quite an event to be able to tell you of the marriage of Helen Troy to Robert Bender in Everett. Helen's father is one of the pioneer newspaper men of Alaska and a power in northern Democratic circles and fortunately he was in town at the time and was the only one "in on" the secret. Helen was on the Daily staff in college and is a member of Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalism sorority. After leaving college she served on the staff of a Port Angeles paper. Mr. Bender, too, is interested in journalism and at present is acting as an advisory secretary to all publications on the University of Washington campus.

Isabel Summy to Harry Taylor, on January 14. They will make their

home at 3801 Garfields Ave. S., Minneapolis.

#### BIRTHS

A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Stubb (Kathryn Jerome). A daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Dingle (Ardis Ball).

# PORTLAND

# Easter Sale Progressing

We are progressing very well with the plans for our Children's Easter Sale. Every Tuesday we sew all day at one of the alumnæ homes and have completed some very pretty frocks, any one of which, a most particular mother would be proud to see on her young daughter. We also plan to make romper suits for the boys. Our active girls at Nu and Chi, in their spare moments, are making dainty linen handkerchiefs which will be an added attraction of the sale. From the proceeds of this undertaking we plan to send not only our share toward the endowment fund but a contribution to social service.

On Saturday, February 11, nine freshmen were initiated at Nu Chapter who we know will line up to the standards of Gamma Phi Beta.

VIRGINIA W. PETHERAM.

#### MARRIAGE

Lenore Blaesing to Maurice K. Mann on January 28, 1922.

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Tom Ward, Jr., a daughter, on December 17, 1921.

#### DES MOINES

# Des Moines Welcomes the Freshmen

With the approaching spring (although some of us are still shivering in the wintry breezes) we are filled with more enthusiasm and a greater desire to accomplish things. So, in our chapter here, we hope as the new season opens really to "do things."

By the time this CRESCENT goes to press, the pledges will be full-fledged Gamma Phis with their heads full of the secrets and mysteries of the order. We welcome them all and know that some of their happiest times will be in Gamma Phi. If the writer is not careful she will be reminiscing—and in that case it would be difficult to stop.

As for the endowment, Des Moines Chapter has so few members that it cannot do a great deal; but it does want to help. Reports of the other chapters, of their bazaars and of other methods of raising money are surely inspiring. There is no doubt that Gamma Phi can do big things in this line and certainly it is worth working for. We wish it every success.

MILDRED NUTTING LIEBOLD.

#### PERSONALS

Chloris Waterbury is spending the winter in the South.

Gladys Wilkinson Lawrence of Pi has recently come to Des Moines to make her home.

# ST. Louis

# Linen Shower for Phi

## Dear Gamma Phis:

We are very busy just now preparing for our benefit card party on February 25, for the house fund. Although this is occupying almost all the attention of the alumnæ chapter, we have had time to plan a linen shower as a birthday surprise for the college chapter at which we shall give new and used linen to help in Phi's housekeeping. At a recent meeting the alumnæ voted to assume responsibility for the care of an Armenian child for one year, in accordance with the suggestion of the National Council. As soon as the card party is over we shall concentrate on this work.

It is a pleasure to have Mrs. Ralph Faxon (Elizabeth Prue Baker, Rho) with us this winter. She will be a delightful addition to our chapter, we are sure.

Since we are greeting the freshmen in this number, St. Louis wishes to add its welcome—but no admonitions. We have confidence in the ability of this year's members to reach the established standard—and perhaps to create a higher one.

ELIZABETH BAKER.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Elizabeth Wood, '20, to Horace Mize.

Elizabeth Baker, '17, to John H. Walters of Bridgeport, Conn.

## BIRTH

To Mrs. Herman B. Miller (Grace Lewis, '18), a son, February 10.

## RENO

Home-cooked Food—Scholarship—and News of Alpha Gamma's Rushing

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi:

After being reported delinquent in the January Crescent, the correspondent feels so ashamed that she hardly dares show her face in the March issue; but if she may be forgiven this time she promises never again to

make the same mistake.

We all feel new strength and energy after the wonderfully inspiring visit we have just had from our visiting delegate, Mrs. Horace Smith. With such women as Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Colby to help guide its destiny it is not strange that Gamma Phi holds first place in the hearts of all of us. It was with fear and trembling that we prepared for Mrs. Smith's visit, for we had never before had a visiting delegate and we did not know just what to expect. Imagine our joy when we met Mrs. Smith and found her so really charming and lovely. She immediately set to work to help us smooth out the rough places in our organization; and by her kindly advice she gave us so much help and encouragement that we, one and all, hope to have the pleasure of greeting her again as our inspector.

Late in November our Reno Chapter held a cooked food sale on the campus and gathered in a substantial sum with which, at Christmas time, we purchased oranges to send to the Indian school at Pyramid Lake. According to a letter received from the superintendent our gift must have been greatly appreciated; and next year we hope to do much more for the

Indians who need help so much.

As we are so new an organization and as we feel it our first duty to back up the college chapter and to help it in every way we can, we have decided to contribute the minimum amount to the endowment fund this year; but, next year, it will be different. For we are already making plans and if spirit means anything we shall surely do our part to help swell the sum.

One effort by which we hope to help the college girls is that of offering them a fifty-dollar scholarship for each semester. In order to receive this money they must hold first place in scholarship among the women's organizations of the university—something they have often done in the past.

This is bid day for the second semester and we are all waiting with what patience we can for six o'clock, so that we may discover just how successful the girls have been. Never has there been such determined rushing as that of this year.

Donna Dyke Hunley, Marie Pohle and Bonnie Stephens, three of our alumnæ, were guests at Eta's initiation banquet in Berkeley on January 13 and wrote a most interesting account of the event.

Word has just come that Alpha Gamma's bids were all accepted; and now we have four more fine girls to pledge to Gamma Phi.

With best wishes for all Gamma Phis,

PEARL V. TURNER.

## PERSONALS

Donna Dyke Hunley and Marie Pohle have joined San Francisco Alumnæ Chapter.

Phyllis Brown, '20, is making a splendid record for herself and Gamma Phi as instructor in home economics at the Virginia City High School.

Georgiana Steiner, our president, and Elvena Blevins are teaching in Reno.

Pearl Van Eman Turner is secretary of the Nevada Musical Club.

Lulu Sullivan, wife of the lieutenant governor, came down from Carson City to meet Mrs. Smith and to attend the different social functions given for the visiting delegate.

#### BIRTH

Born, in December, to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Scott (Mildred Griswold, '20), at their home in Elko, Nev., a daughter.

## TORONTO

We hear a great deal, don't we, these times about the fevered rush and hurry of modern life? We of Toronto can sigh in corroboration of all that writers and thinkers may write and think about the subject, for we seem to have had scarcely time enough to breathe these last weeks. Yet in spite of it all, we do find time for Gamma Phi Beta, for our meetings and occasional festivities and for keeping in touch to a certain extent with the

active chapter.

Our "get-together" for December took the form of a combined tea and handkerchief shower for Myrtle Flumerfelt at the home of Jean Stevenson. We invited the active chapter, but as college had closed the day before for the Christmas holidays, many of the girls had left town. However, quite a number braved inclement weather and we spent a delightful afternoon together. Myrtle was married in Broadway Tabernacle on December 27 and made a most winsome bride as she stood at the altar with the tall western windows streaming sunshine down on her. Myrtle spent her honeymoon in California, and one day when in Berkeley, she hesitated before Eta chapter-house, debating whether to go in to see the Gamma Phis there. We were very much disappointed that she turned away, for she could have told us so many things we want to know about everyone there, but you know, when one is on one's honeymoon, or rather when two are one honeymoon!—

Early in January the active chapter held a supper party and shower of gifts for the chapter-rooms. Many of the alumnæ appeared, each dutifully producing a cup and saucer, or a silver spoon, as fancy or financial condition of the week dictated. After a satisfying tea, "a feast of reason, and a flow of soul," the company repaired to a movie in order to conclude the evening in a still "lighter vein."

Our January and February meetings are duly chronicled, the February meeting being the first one of Toronto as a chapter. We are much delighted with our new responsibilities and privileges. We are planning to hold a formal dance some time in March to raise money for our social service and endowment fund. At our February meeting we decided to

purchase a Greek lamp as a present to the active chapter.

The annual formal dance, held in Jenkins Art Gallery on February 10, was a most gratifying success as usual. The Gallery is ideal for holding such a dance, with its beautiful paintings and subdued color effects. When the time came for supper, small round tables were placed around the edge of the dancing floor, lending an attractive coziness to a formal party. Four of our out-of-town girls came to the city especially for the occasion, Edythe Cockburn (from Ottawa), Edna Lyle (from St. Thomas), and Ida Gillies and Laura Lyle from Kitchener.

The afternoon following the dance the active chapter gave a most delightful tea at Isabel Peaker's home, for the out-of-town alumnæ, which was thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated by in-town as well as out-of-town alumnæ. The active chapter have quite established their fame as thoughtful hostesses.

Greetings from Toronto to all in Gamma Phi Beta.

ALICE I. SMITH.

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. W. H. Bengess has just returned from a six-weeks' visit in New York State.

Olga Young, '20, is taking a three-months' training course in dietetics in Bellevue Hospital, New York City.

Lillie Speers, 21, has been appointed to the regular staff of the Collegiate

Institute, Regina, Sask.

Edythe Cockburn. '19, who spent last summer in England, France, Belgium and Switzerland, is now teaching in Ottawa. She spent three or four days in Toronto at the time of the annual dance in February, with Iva Wright, who invited a number of the alumnæ to take tea with her on the Sunday of her stay.

## MARRIAGE

A. Myrtle Fleumerfelt to David McLaren.

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred H. Ford (Inez Ford), a son, on January 15.

## ASTORIA

# A. A. A.!

Dear Gamma Phis:

Astoria Alumnæ Association, A. A. A.—distinctive, isn't it?—meets every other Tuesday evening alternately at the homes of the members.

Beginning in the fall we elected the following officers: Dorothy Wooton, president; Mignon Allen Cellars, vice-president; Dorothy Ariss, secretary;

Florence Sherman, corresponding secretary.

Since then our meetings have been not only a great pleasure but profitable as well. November 13 was the birthday of Nu Chapter, so each of us made a fancy pillow for the chapter-house. In May will come that of our other Oregon Chapter, Chi, when we plan something similar for it.

Members of our association are: Mignon Allen Cellars, Nu; Madge

Members of our association are: Mignon Allen Cellars, Nu; Madge Fulton Whittelsey, Nu; Constance Fulton Van Duzen, Nu; Betsey Wooton, Nu; Dorothy Wooton, Nu; Dorothy Ariss, Chi; Blanche Wickland, Nu; Wenona Dyer, Nu; Alice Wherity, Nu; Frances Dunbar, Lambda; Florence Sherman, Nu.

Affiliated are Dorothy Dunbar Dysart, Nu, of Centralia, Wash., and Lynette Swensen, Chi, who is teaching near Astoria. Beatrice Barker, Nu,

was with us but she has returned to the university this term.

As to freshmen, Astoria sent Berenice Davies and Elizabeth Setters to Nu Chapter this year. If all compare with these two we know they are surely worthy of our pride.

With greetings and best wishes from the sisters by the broad Pacific-

for we are truly in sight of it-"Out Where the West Begins."

FLORENCE SHERMAN.

## CLEVELAND

# Cleveland Pledges Itself to Armenian Relief

On February 4 the Cleveland Alumnæ Association had luncheon at Hotel Griswold, where we have frequently held our meetings. There were

eleven present, not including Miss Jane Stearns, daughter of Mrs. Earl Stearns, Epsilon, whose presence gives us the only item peculiarly appropriate for a freshman number of The Crescent.

We were glad to welcome Irene Baltzel, Alpha, 2027 East 115th St., now teacher of French and Spanish in the East Technical High School.

Mrs. A. P. Baston was reported as absent on a visit, from which it is hoped that she will return before the next meeting with news from both Epsilon and Kappa.

During the reading of the Council letter our one Omicron member, Mildred Dimmick, was observed to be visibly puffed up over the news that

Omicron had won the scholarship urn for 1922-23.

The Cleveland Association has taken one of the books of coupons for Armenian relief, and will endeavor before the next meeting to sell as many as possible. This enterprise will be in the hands of Mrs. C. J. Ryan, Theta.

Our orphan in Cenon, France, is still out of work and her mother is ill. We hope to contribute something toward our usual Bastille Day present

to her.

The Cleveland Panhellenic Association is planning a card party and dance at the Woman's Club on the twentieth of this month, the proceeds to go toward the new Panhellenic house. The Akron and Canton Panhellenic members are to be invited.

A recent sketch of Cora Bennett, Gamma, in the Cleveland Mid-Week

Review, made the Cleveland alumnæ very proud.

ACHSA PARKER.

# EVERETT

# Serves Luncheon to Sixty Workers

Dear sisters in Gamma Phi:

Our December meeting was in the form of an all-day sewing bee at the home of Alice Duryea. Each member is making a pair of closet curtains for the new Lambda chapter-house.

Plans were completed for our annual Christmas tree for the orphans—which was a grand success. While election of officers resulted as follows: Verna Pendleton Holmquist, president; and Palma Lee Sipprell, secretary.

The January meeting was held at the home of Helen Stuchell Carpenter; and last week the Gamma Phis served luncheon to sixty Y. W. C. A. drive workers.

PALMA SIPPRELL.

#### PERSONALS

Arline Swalwell is attending Art School in Los Angeles this winter. Verona Morgan returned this week from a four-months' trip in Europe.

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Dean Carpenter (Helen Stuchell), in October, a son.

# SALEM

# Enjoys Visiting Delegate

Dear Gamma Phis:

The last two weeks have been exciting for us, Salem, at its very best, being a sober town, and the life of our small association, uneventful. For one thing, we have been bewitched, hypnotized, anything you may want to call it. Two weeks ago Florence Mitchell Smith, visiting delegate for this district, came to see us, and we fell victims to her charm just as did the delegates at the Beta convention at Estes Park. Our meetings have always lacked the enthusiasm necessary to make them thoroughly successful, but since her visit we have decided that our monthly luncheons are about the

most eagerly anticipated events of our staid existences here. We were fortunate in having an evening and a few hours of a morning with her, and the writer was the lucky one, who had the pleasure of entertaining her at dinner. (Don't ask Mrs. Smith what she had to eat, for I was under a spell and sat calmly by while my rolls burned up entirely and choked us with the smoke.)

Our meeting was held at the home of Sophie Speers, where we had far too much fun to turn to serious matters. You may know that the interest was keen when I tell you that we talked steadily for four hours, while more than one husband wondered "what on earth are they doing?" We were sorry that her visit was so short, but were very glad to be given a few hours of her limited time, and sincerely hope that she will come back to

us again

Next, we have found another Gamma Phi, Rachel Clark Sandford, Boston Alumnæ Chapter, who is living at Mill City. She was unable to come to our February luncheon, to our great disappointment. We dislike to give unfavorable impressions of Oregon, but the road between Mill City and Salem, only thirty-five miles, is so nearly impassable, that Mrs. Sandford could not come down for our twelve o'clock luncheon and get home in the same day! We think of chartering a seaplane, inasmuch as the road may

not improve for several months yet.

Every alum of Nu Chapter, I think, has a very special feeling of pride when she thinks of the freshmen pledged this fall. Nu Chapter, being penalized, could not pledge for six weeks, and these nine girls were willing to wait, in spite of their very inadequate and most uncomfortable housing conditions. This spirit of loyalty and strength of determination should go far as an example, not only to the active girls, but should serve to arouse and stimulate the interest of some of those who "have grown away." We had hoped that this spirit would not die, but grow from day to day, prompting them to bring honor, whatever it may be, to Gamma Phi, and are rather disappointed in their poor grades and their apparent indifference in this matter as well as that of campus activities. Of course, we realize that college is new and strange to the freshmen, and we hope that by next term ours will have outgrown the strangeness of it all, giving us cause to be more than proud.

The members of Portland Chapter have asked us to give money in place of sewing for them. We plan now to do some charitable work here among the many poor families, especially for the children who are unable to attend

school because they have insufficient clothing.

Salem sends best wishes to all Gamma Phis.

EILEEN T. HALL.

## OKLAHOMA

# Oklahoma Plans a Bazaar

Dear Gamma Phis:

We never realize, in this busy life of ours, just how dear the old girls are until we feel their affectionate handclasp and talk over the good old times we used to have. The meeting of our association during the convention of teachers is always "peppy" and the one held this week-end was particularly so.

Though our business session was short we accomplished a great deal. The following officers were elected: president, Stella Jo LeMaster; vice-president, Edith Mahier; corresponding secretary, Jewel Dougherty Vin-

cent; secretary, treasurer and reporter, Werdna Rives.

We were all most interested in the discussion of plans for the bazaar to be given next fall. One bright idea will always bring another and soon there were so many splendid suggestions that we could hardly note them quickly enough. Since this is our first venture, we shall be very grateful to any of the older chapters for advice in regard to those articles which can be easily made and which will sell best in a college community. At a

later date we hope to report rapid progress.

Oklahoma sends good wishes to all chapters—especially those who are at work on the same plans as we. And, please, all good Gamma Phis who reside in Oklahoma or Texas, come along with us. Let us have your correct address and correspond with Mrs. Vincent, the corresponding secretary, or Edith Mahier, the chairman of the bazaar committee, whose address is 1008 Monnett St., Norman, Okla.

Our dues are \$2.50, and to these are added CRESCENT subscriptions and

national dues.

EDITH MAHIER.

#### PERSONALS

We are so happy to welcome into our association and have with us this week-end the girls from Omicron who are teaching in Okmulgee, Esther McVey, Bliss Seymour, Helen McIlhinney, and also, Merle Knipe from Rho.

#### BIRTH

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Walter, a son, Otto Wallace. He will prove a good friend to the Gamma Phis, for one of his first thoughts was to send a box of candy.

## LAWRENCE

# Sigma Freshmen Satisfactory

Dear sisters:

Since our last letter we have been back to initiation and banquet. It surely does us all good to take part once more; to see the old girls and

to renew our acquaintance with the freshmen.

After rushing, when we are all satisfied that the active group has been more successful than ever before, interest, or I should say, the pressure of other duties, dims our thoughts of Gamma Phi, and we rush madly about our own work. But with initiation comes a vacation and we enter into the play and fun of college life again. We learn to know our freshman sisters and never tire of freshman songs.

Each year we think the freshmen are splendid and this year is no exception. They are all for Gamma Phi, trying in scholarship and activities

to do their part in making Sigma a credit to all Gamma Phis.

KATHERINE GLENDINNING.

#### PERSONALS

Helen Rhoda Hoopes is planning a delightful trip through England this summer.

Gail Hall Wright has moved to California.

#### EUGENE

The organization of an alumnæ association in Eugene has long been desired by both the Portland alumnæ and the local chapter. However, it was not until the past month that the number of Gamma Phi alumnæ residing in Eugene was sufficient to form an association. A happy coincidence was the presence on the campus of Mrs. Horace Smith, visiting delegate, who urged us to organize an association at once. On Monday evening, February 6, just before Mrs. Smith left for the South, we met at the chapter-house and Mrs. Smith told us the benefits and possibilities of an alumnæ association. Our new association numbers ten members and we feel that the chapter roll is well represented, including Lambda, Nu, Xi, Omicron, and Chi.

The officers elected are: Constance Hitchcock, president; Dorothy Dixon, vice-president; Sara Waller, secretary-treasurer; Sylvia Haasch, Crescent correspondent. We realize the advantage of being near the college chapter and hope to co-operate with the Portland alumnæ in every way possible.

The girls of Nu Chapter go more than half way in endeavoring to bring about a mutual understanding and spirit of helpfulness between themselves and the alumnæ. While the alumnæ are always ready to assist the chapter in any way possible, the active girls could not be more charming and thoughtful toward the alumnæ. They have really showered us with attention and we almost feel the thrill of being rushed again. This splendid spirit on the part of the girls can not help but react with a desire for enthusiastic co-operation and loyalty on the part of the alumnæ.

Our association plans to meet the second Tuesday evening of each month at the homes of members for a business meeting and social time. Dan Cupid is making plans for other alumnæ to reside here, and we hope to see our association grow so that in time we may become an alumnæ chapter.

SYLVIA HAASCH.

## PERSONALS

Mrs. Horace Smith, visiting delegate, was guest of honor at a Sunday night supper at the Anchorage, at which time the alumnæ had the privilege of meeting and becoming acquainted with Mrs. Smith. Her visit was a great inspiration and help to us and we hope to meet her again at Syracuse.

Dorothy Collier, '18, has returned after two years spent at Wellesley doing graduate work, and is now secretary of the University Y. W. C. A.

Bertha Patterson, of Portland, and Vernice Robbins were among the out-of-town alumnæ who attended the initiation banquet at the Hotel Osburn.

Constance Hitchcock, Xi, has returned to Eugene from Hood River, where she spent the winter.

Dr. and Mrs. Orville Waller are occupying their beautiful new home near the campus.

Dorothy Dixon is spending several weeks visiting relatives and friends in California.

Katherine Howells, Chi, is head of the home economics department in the Eugene High School.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Hogan (Mary Anne Henry, Omicron), a son, Charles Carlton.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herald White (Beulah Smith, Nu), a daughter, Abbie Jane.

# 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 Wednesday night at 7 o'clock, in the chapter-rooms, 844 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., Suite 5.
- Epsilon meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall, Evanston, Ill. Telephone Margaret McConnell, Willard Hall.
- Zeta meets Tuesday evening at 7:45 in the chapter rooms, 111 23rd St., Baltimore, Md. Telephone, Constance Little.
- ETA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 2732 Channing Way, Berkeley, Cal.
- THETA meets every Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Lodge in University Park, Colo. Telephone Katharine Culbertson, Ayres Hotel.
- 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, 4529 17th Ave. N. E., Seattle, Wash.
- Mu meets every Monday evening at 7:15 at the chapter-house, Stanford University.
- Nu meets Monday evening at 7:30 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, 1110 West Nevada St., Urbana, Ill.
- Pr meets every Monday at 7:15 at the chapter-house, 1629 R Street, Lincoln, Neb.
- Rно 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, 1147 Tennessee, Lawrence, Kansas.
- Tau meets Wednesday evening at 7:15 at the chapter-house, 300 South Howes St., Fort Collins, Colo.
- Ursilon meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 in Room A West, Hollins College, Hollins, Va. Telephone Lillian Holladay.
- PHI meets every Monday afternoon at 1:30 at the chapter rooms in McMillan Hall, St. Louis, Mo. Telephone Louise Brouster.
- CHI meets Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 238 South 8th St., 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 Monday from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the chapter rooms, 401 Huron St., Toronto, Ont.
- Alpha Beta meets Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 2914 University Ave.
- Alpha Gamma meets Monday evening at 7:00 at 925 North Virginia St.
- Alpha Delta meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 1501 Rosemary Lane.
- 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 Mrs. T. P. Farmer, 912 Almond St.
- Bosron meets the first Saturday of each month at the Delta rooms, or at the home of a member. Telephone Carlotta Brandt, Haymarket 642.
- New York meets October 1, November 5, December 3, January 28, February 19, April 1, May 6, at Students' Hall, Barnard College, Broadway and 117th Sts., New York. Luncheon or afternoon tea. Write Emma F. Lowd, 2564 Creston Ave.
- MILWAUKEE meets the third Saturday of every month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. H. P. Marshall, 495 48th St.
- SAN FRANCISCO meets the third Wednesday of one month; third Saturday of next month. Communicate with Mrs. R. M. Vaugh, 5845 Ocean View Drive, Oakland, Cal.
- Denver meets fortnightly at 3:00 on Friday at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. H. B. Young, 3856 Tejors.
- MINNEAPOLIS meets the last Friday of the month at the homes of members.

  Banquet in May. Telephone Mrs. Chas. Silverson, 2655 Lake of the Isles Blvd.
- Detroit meets the first Saturday of each month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. H. B. Young, 3856 Tejors.
- Baltimore meets monthly at Zeta rooms, 111 W. 23rd St., with the exception of three luncheons held at the homes of members. Telephone Agnes E. Thomas, 730 Reservoir.
- Seattle meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Lambda chapter-house. Telephone Mrs. William Laube, 1154 21st Ave. N.
- PORTLAND meets at the homes of members the second Saturday of each month. Telephone Beatrice Locke, 694 E. Madison St.
- Los Angeles meets the third Saturday of each month at the houses of the members. Telephone Mrs. D. Y. Kibby, 1078 B, West 39th St.
- Des Moines meets the first Saturday of every month for an informal luncheon at one of the tearooms. Reservations to be made with Mrs. Harvey Blount, 1729 Grand Ave.
- St. Louis meets the first Saturday evening of each month at 8 o'clock in the chapter-rooms at McMillan Hall. Telephone Mary Herold West, 6180 Pershing Ave.
- RENO meets the fourth Saturday of each month. Telephone Georgiana Steiner, 345 12th St., Sparks, Nev.
- Toronto meets the first Tuesday of each month at 8 p. m., at the Alpha Alpha chapter-room, 401 Huron St. Telephone May Scott, 338 Concord Ave.
- Lincoln meets the third Saturday of each month for a 12:30 luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel. Telephone Elizabeth Decker, 140 Washington.
- Oмана meets the last Saturday of each month at homes of members. Telephone Mrs. George Howell, 5013 Western Ave.

- EVERETT meets the first Monday evening of each month at homes of members. Telephone Mrs. David M. Hartley, 1118 Rucker Ave.
- Astoria meets every other Tuesday evening at the homes of members.

  Telephone Florence Sherman, 704 Jerome Ave.
- PITTSBURGH meets every two months at luncheon at the Chatham Hotel at 2:30. Telephone Mrs. Dean R. Wilson, 1505 Shady Ave.
- CLEVELAND meets on the first Saturday in February, April, June, October, and December. Telephone Mrs. N. T. Harrington, 3107 E. 100th St.
- Boise meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p. m. at the homes of members. Telephone Angelina Burns, Boise Barracks.
- SALEM meets on the second Saturday of each month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. K. S. Hall, 545 Court St.
- LAWRENCE meets at 7:30 P. M. on the first Tuesday of each month at the homes of members or at the Sigma chapter-house. Telephone Katherine Glendenning, 921 Kentucky St.
- OKLAHOMA CITY has an informal luncheon at the Criterion Tea Rooms on the first Saturday of each month. Telephone Edith Mahier, 1008 Monett St., Norman, Okla.
- SACRAMENTO meets on the first Friday in the month at the homes of members. Telephone Margaret Griffith, 713 9th St.
- St. Paul meets every three weeks on Friday afternoon at 2:30. Every other meeting is a supper at 6:30 followed by a business meeting. Telephone Mrs. Allan Briggs, 468 Ashland Ave.

# OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

FOR NOVEMBER:—Beta Theta Pi; Sigma Chi Quarterly; Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal; Banta's Greek Exchange; The Trident of Delta Delta Delta.

FOR DECEMBER:—The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta; The Tomahawk of Alpha Sigma Phi; The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi; The Paper Book of Delta Theta Phi; The Carnation of Delta Sigma Phi; The

Caduceus of Kappa Sigma; Phi Gamma Delta.

For January:—The Emerald of Sigma Pi; The Aglaia of Phi Mu; The Angelos of Kappa Delta; The Anchora of Delta Gamma; Kappa Alpha Theta; Alpha Xi Delta; The Adelphean of Alpha Delta Pi; The Lyre of Alpha Chi Omega; The Lamp of Delta Zeta; The Rainbow of Delta Tau Delta; Quill of Sigma Delta Chi.

FOR FEBRUARY: - The Caduceus of Kappa Sigma; The Star and

Lamp of Pi Kappa Phi.

FOR MARCH: - Delta Chi Quarterly.

From the Alpha Phi Quarterly:

# HOW DO YOU ANSWER THEM?

One of Gamma Phi Beta's accomplishments of the past two years has been a handbook in which Gamma Phi has embodied some answers to questions, asked and unasked, which prospective Gamma Phi Betas will want to know. In other words, Gamma Phi Beta has put into the hands of all her chapters an authoritative statement as to why a rushee should want to be a Gamma Phi. Every college girl is entitled to know something of the fraternity she may join. She is not very keen if she does not want to know. And the fraternity which is worthy of getting that girl should have good and substantial reasons for urging her to accept its invitation.

# Apropos our endowment fund:

In a word, what will permanent endowment fund do?

First, it will make each contributor a more enthusiastic, loyal Sigma Nu. Second, it will place the High Council in a position to give real aid to the deserving chapter, in securing a permanent home, in keeping with our standing and ideals.

Third, it will make it far easier during the rushing season, to land the

best men.

Fourth, it will increase the morale of not only the undergraduate, but

the substantial business man as well.

Fifth, if carried to a successful termination, which it will be, it will do more to place us in the front rank of fraternity achievement than any one thing attempted by any fraternity, during the past twenty-five years.

# Another story of the alumna!

There was once an alumna whom a business trip took back to the vicinity of her college town. Her chapter had moved into a house since her graduation, and it was curiosity as much as interest in the strange group of girls that led her to its doorway.

"Of course I don't expect much attention," she soliloquized, "college girls nowadays seem so young and frivolous that they can't concentrate on anything except good times. They're probably selfish and blasé into the bar-

gain, but I'll show them my good intentions."

An excited chorus greeted her: "What a lovely surprise—I've always wanted to meet you—I'll cut class to talk with you—let me take your bag!" And then began the wonders of the house. Two girls were making draperies for the living-room out of bargain lengths, stitching busily while the afternoon sunshine called them out of doors. Painted pine tables and chairs were attractive in the dining-room. "We painted them ourselves, and all the downstairs floors and woodwork too—we came back a week early this fall so we could do it!"

Up in the big room under the eaves, where the seniors foregathered and the furnace failed to reach, the president of the Women's League turned her bed over to the guest. And the alumna, spoiled habitué of steam-

heated apartments, talked hard to herself that night.

"Who's selfish? It's you, not these girls. They share their comforts and discomforts and paint their own furniture, they're learning practical management, and they're finding the joy of working for a common goal. You poor thing, it's too bad you didn't have a chance to live four years in the chapter-house." And when she reached home she sent them a check to help pay for their silver.—The Aglaia of Phi Mu.

# And a paragraph for the freshman:

Rushing is not unlike courting; the aftermath, matrimony. A local newspaper humorist once remarked: "Any fool girl can get married, but it takes common sense to stay married." After all the rice and orange blossoms of your rush-days, it's going to take a fine leaven of vision and common sense to fit yourself into the family without friction or disillusionment.

# From the Kappa Alpha Theta journal:

The work of the education committee was lightened last spring by the sort of unintentional humor that puts so many examination questions in the funny columns of the press.

There is no intention of competing with said funny columns, but here

are a few choice answers that you may find amusing.

"The chair can participate in a discussion by refusing the floor to any one else."

Alumnæ chapter membership, so some undergraduates think, is confined to "only Theta graduates," "only to those who join in the town of the university which they also attended," and "officers and workers on the alumnæ board can belong to no chapter."

The endowment fund's purpose seems strangely inadequate, or overadequate—it is "to provide shingles," "to endow chapter-houses," "to support

the Grand Council."

We are assured that the members of one chapter "are not sensationally popular, but they are lastingly so!"

Alpha was established at various dates ranging from 1770 to 1850. No doubt of our antiquity in the minds of the twentieth century damsel!

Pity the national cataloguer for she is—"to keep charge of all business letters, trace business of conventions, and keep membership cards of each chapter in the past, present and future."

Theta has a chapter named "Row," and another in "Anne Harbor."

Would-be Theta officers take note of your job before next June—"Prospective grand officers visit all the chapters and then the chapters vote on them."

There has been so much controversy and discussion in regard to the recent abrogation by N. P. C. of the rule regarding high school organizations that it is wise to reprint this fine article by Miss Green of Kappa Alpha Theta, which appeared in the journal.

# HIGH SCHOOL FRATERNITIES

The raising of the ban against high school fraternity members as possible members of college fraternities, has elicited so many whys, that it seems appropriate to discuss it further for the enlightenment of our members.

From the time this legislation was first suggested up to the time it was repealed (October, 1921) there have been certain reservations as to its

wisdom, in the minds of officers of Kappa Alpha Theta.

It is the privilege of any organization to set its own membership requirements, but why should one of ours be—no fraternity experience before you join us? To be sure there are plenty of arguments as to the difficulty of assimilating and making good college fraternity members out of such sophisticated young people as come from high school fraternities. We could cite many examples of chapter troubles that have been caused by such sophisticated and spoiled pledges—but we could cite an equal number, at least, of incidents where fine chapter work has been done by such pledges. Knowing the problems such members might bring, why shouldn't any fraternity take the risk of their membership, if it wishes?

Just why should college organizations assume the right to dictate the future relations of high school students? We know all the arguments as to the foolish acts of the high school organizations and the public's failure to distinguish between the high school fraternity and the more dignified college organization, so that, out of the thoughtless and silly actions of the youngsters, anti-fraternity spirit is engendered. We grant you that these

arguments have weight and season to back them, too.

We know, too, something of the problems and the annoyances these pseudo-fraternities have made in high schools. We know how they are frowned upon by high school authorities, and by many parents. But we never did see just why these things made the high school fraternity the problem of the college fraternity. To us, it seemed always to be strictly the business of the parents and the high school authorities. If they couldn't settle the troubles, surely the citizens of their own communities rather than the college fraternities were the proper people to hear the Macedonian cry for help.

We remember the meeting of the National Panhellenic Congress before which came a very eloquent member of some educational association to speak on high school fraternities and plead with National Panhellenic to abolish such organizations by closing the doors of college fraternities to their members. That congress recommended drastic legislation to the fraternities and after several years of discussion and voting, every national woman's fraternity put on its statute books a rule declaring high school fraternity members ineligible to its membership. The deed was done! The recommendation became the law in the fraternity world!

We will always believe that in this matter National Panhellenic was the victim of propaganda, and some of us, too, were victims of our principles in opposing the unanimous vote as a National Panhellenic method of pro-

cedure. So there we were.

So much for a review of the setting. While these questions and arguments were, and still are, with us, it does not follow that we have any desire or intention of becoming propagandists for high school fraternities. We join whole-heartedly in the National Panhellenic's stand in discountenancing high school fraternities. We hold no brief for them. Our only claim is that common sense indicates they are none of our business as college organiza-

tions, however much they may be our business as individual citizens of the city or state.

But we can't refrain from one suggestion. If they are all wrong as they exist, if all efforts to abolish them have failed or been met by subterfuge that is as harmful to character as were the organizations, why not try to reform them? We know one high school where a principal tried that method, and in that school they are, like other clubs, wholesome influences. Can it be that they are going through the same sort of evolution as college fraternities went through? May they not come to be as vital a part of high school life, as we fraternity people think our organizations are of college life? Who dares to prophesy as to that now when it is deemed wise to begin organized co-operative clubs almost in the kindergarten, with the training classes for would-be scouts, and other useful organizations? At any rate, other methods having failed, reform is worth trying.

But turn from these arguments to the facts that developed to defeat the success of the National Panhellenic's attempt to abolish high school fraternities—an attempt that was hailed as a miracle almost by all those interested in getting rid of high school fraternities by the labor of someone else than the people whose business it was.

Did the high school fraternities cease to exist? No. Many of them went serenely on. Not more than one out of ten of their members would ever go to college anyhow, so why worry? As a matter of fact, few young people are planning on college as early as the freshman year in high school.

Many others simply changed their names from Greek letters to German, Arabic, or some innocent English words, but they did not change their character with this change of name though escaping the ban against high school fraternities. The ultra-selfish college fraternity person claimed this accomplished our purpose, as they could no longer be confused with fraternities, and the latter held accountable for the foolishness perpetrated by the former.

Others ceased to be high school organizations, initiation being delayed until after high school graduation, or girls not in high school being admitted to membership, too—any sort of a subterfuge that would avoid the penalty was considered a clever move. Did such procedure improve high school conditions and elevate the character development of students, not only of those inside, but also of the bystanders witnessing the clever maneuvers?

Others still, simply became *sub rosa* organizations, thus developing the deceit that is not especially commendable as a factor in life. (Doesn't some of this read like the past history of the struggle of college fraternities for a secure place in the college world?)

A few chapters of a few high school organizations were honestly disbanded, but for every one so disbanded, a new one was formed some place else.

So much for the school situation under the rule. How about the administration of the law in the colleges?

It was early realized that it was impossible for every college Panhellenic to know the past history of all entering girls, for anyone in the rush of the rushing season to verify all the rumors and all the possible ramifications of public, semi-public, sub rosa, et cetera membership in high school organizations. Then why not depend upon honor! All right, that is the method. So when invitations for parties went to freshmen, they carried a question as to what high school organizations they belonged to. From these replies, the sincere Panhellenic prepared its list of girls ineligible because of high school fraternity membership. But weeks after pledging it would develop that girls on this taboo list were members of the same high school group as so-and-so pledged to so-and-so. In other words the canny freshmen avoided the penalty by ignoring the question or "forgetting" to include the high

school fraternity among activities listed. Nice ethical standards to start

fraternity life on!

Again, two girls from one high school fraternity, intimate friends, enter different colleges—one is soon pledged to a fraternity but the other is declared ineligible by the Panhellenic in the college where she has gone. It may develop that while one Panhellenic was endeavoring to live up to the spirit and the letter of the law, the other had deliberately agreed to ignore this rule and no one to report on any one else. Nice fraternity and Panhellenic ethics that!

Again it might be with perfect innocence and absolute good faith on the part of both rushees and fraternities that such ineligible girls became fraternity members. To get actual and accurate data was difficult, to put it mildly—especially when sometimes there was confusion as to when initiation into the high school organization had actually occurred, or when it had ceased to be a strictly high school fraternity by initiating outsiders or by changing its name, or when—as frequently occurred—girls came from high schools whose authorities loudly proclaimed no such organizations existed in their schools—regardless of actual facts. This last difficulty was only another phase of the situation in the state where it was claimed there could not be high school fraternities in the schools, since they were forbidden by a state law. And legally that is true, regardless of facts, so the best informed lawyers admitted. But what of the ethics that searches for such technicalities to justify ignoring the Panhellenic rule!

Because it is difficult, we know, is no argument for throwing up a job. However, since the difficult job of enforcing this rule was confronted by the facts that the rule was not fulfilling its purpose, the abolishment of high school fraternities, that it was leading to subterfuge and trickery among high school students, college freshmen, and fraternity chapters, it seemed only futile and absurd to attempt further enforcement. All that the rule had ever accomplished was endless trouble and disputes, the loss of many attractive girls to the fraternities, and the depriving of many a

worthy girl of the privilege of fraternity membership.

After all, as voluntary social organizations, what justifications have college fraternities for passing judgment on the right of other social organizations to exist? With our democracy standard set toward giving the privileges of fraternity life and experience to all college students who want such life and experience, how can we reconcile the policy to the denial of membership to students on the ground of mistakes or activities in adolescence? How can we presume that the college fraternity relations of the few high school girls who enter college are so important as to justify denying fraternal companionship to the numberless girls who never get to college? There is more at stake in this whole matter than the smug security of chapters from over-wise members, of fraternities from criticism.—L. Pearle Green, N. P. C. Delegate.