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FOREWORD

Dear Gamma Phis:

Every report should be a report of progress. Our next convention is rapidly approaching when all committees will be called upon to give an account of their stewardship. It remains for you to decide what these accountings shall be.

Our committees have been approved by you and you have pledged to support them.

One committee, in particular, is working for the benefit of every Gamma Phi, *The Endowment Fund Committee*. Its aim, as you undoubtedly know, is to accumulate a fund that will bear sufficient interest to permit loans to assist in building new chapter-houses, to enlarge and improve those already built and to promote all kinds of improvements for which financial support is imperative.

The alumnae chapters are making a special pre-convention drive. Gratifying results are already being reported.

The active chapters, who will be most benefited by this fund, have been called on for small contributions, so that they may feel that they have had a share in making this good work possible.

Your committee wishes to be able to make such a report to convention that both its work and your efforts shall be justified. A report that shall show true progress and prove that the time when this fund shall be a *working* fund is not far off.

If you have not already sent in your contribution or made the drive, which you can make, will you not get about it at once.

Send in all your contributions for this year before May the first if possible.

Active and alumnae sisters let us make the building up of our Endowment Fund our watchword for the next two months.

BLANCHE SHOVE PALMER.

THE VALUE OF AN ENDOWMENT FUND

BALTIMORE

One of the first considerations of the Baltimore Chapter in planning its 1920-21 program was the question, "How can we materially aid the all important Endowment Fund?"

As early as the first meeting of the year a goal was set toward which to aim and means and methods discussed toward the consummation of a clearly defined purpose.

In November a committee was appointed by the president and at the next meeting several concrete plans were presented to the chapter, one of which was accepted at once and others held over for future consideration.

Probably before the Endowment Number of *THE CRESCENT* appears, the accepted program will already have been carried to a successful completion. On March the fifth, the Baltimore Chapter will give a Subscription Bridge Afternoon for the Benefit of the Endowment Fund at the home of Mae Wescott Hays's mother, Mrs. J. W. Westcott in Guilford, the most beautiful suburb of Baltimore.

Further, tentative plans of the Committee include a rummage sale and a subscription dance, these to take place during the coming months.

KATHERINE TREIDE.

NEW YORK

The endowment fund is an accumulated sum of money, the interest of which is to be used for strengthening the sorority. Writing for an alumnae chapter I shall not ask you to consider the many ways in which such available funds might aid existing college chapters. Let us consider here just one concrete instance where the executive committee might have been justified in granting a sum from the endowment fund for our general advancement.

Once it was desired to establish Gamma Phi in a university where sororities had recently been admitted and two nationals had already established chapters. No group had petitioned Gamma Phi, and anticipating that one would do so, it was thought advisable by the officers to have representatives sent by Gamma Phi to acquaint themselves with the situation and to choose the girls to start our new

chapter. This meant that intimate knowledge of the girls must be obtained, and true friendships formed. The Gamma Phis felt that two weeks of contact with the girls would be a reasonable time for them, living in the university town, to absorb the university spirit and to select the girls for the chapter. They did it,—but who paid their expenses? We had no endowment fund then.

In the establishing of new chapters there is a heavy expense to the girls we have accepted. If the helping hand of the endowment fund could be extended with our cordial welcome it would mean much to the new sisters. And then the chapter wants a house—but that is one of the instances to be left to the active chapters for discussion.

There was a time when THE CRESCENT could have been more cheerfully published if we had had an endowment fund to aid it. Fortunately those days are ended—but wouldn't it be a grand and glorious feeling to know that behind any emergency there was a fund merely waiting to be spent?

Work for the Endowment Fund!

RUTH JOHNSTON HAKES.

NEW YORK

"Well, what shall we do to raise money for the Endowment Fund this year?"

It's an annual query and it's usually made at one of those cozy luncheons that the New York Alumnae of Gamma Phi holds each month.

Stage business: Everybody looks at Mrs. Palmer—a certain Gamma Phi whose gray hair does not signify age.

"We wonder how Mrs. Palmer feels about another card party? They're always *such* fun."

Enter, the heroine: Mrs. Palmer. "Why, I'd love to throw my house open again. That does seem the easiest way for us to raise the money, and have a big get-to-gether too."

And so, that's how it happens. This year it will be on May 7. One girl from each chapter is appointed to "work up" her own delegation. And May 7 will find a jolly big crowd of Gamma Phis and their friends—having the time of their lives—picking up old friendships—and tea-ing, and playing cards between times. Each one pays a dollar—and so we shall hope, as usual, to have a generous amount to send to the Endowment Fund.

FLORA JUDD.

DENVER

Have you ever purchased a grapefruit—sight unseen—for fifteen cents and then have learned to your economical dismay that you could have bought two for a quarter if you had looked into the matter? If you have had experience with something not quite so

plebeian as a grapefruit, the principle is the same and the argument remains unchanged. It is known that capital begets capital. With a capital of ten cents, you can make a shoddy pair of shoes live a much longer life. Some place in this CRESCENT, you will find an article that will tell you just what we could accomplish with our Endowment Fund, if we might have it as we want it. Look for that article, start at the back of the magazine and read through. You will learn many things before you finish. REALIZE what we could accomplish with such a purchasing power, and then recognize the fact that the value of anything rests upon the PURCHASING POWER.

OUR EFFORTS

As the idea always comes to one sooner or later, so it came to the Denver Alumnæ chapter that we were not putting forth our best efforts to promote and prolong the life of the Endowment Fund of Gamma Phi Beta. It was decided therefore to make this our chief effort until we had a means firmly established that would enable us to give a larger amount to the fund. Our plans were laid to have a source that could be so improved each year that our contribution might show an increase in proportion. With barely a month for preparation, we determined upon a Christmas bazaar. This bazaar was surely a success and made it possible for us to send more than we could have anticipated as our measure for the Endowment Fund. This year with such an advantage of extended time; a better knowledge of how to plan; and an unbounded enthusiasm, we can see nothing to prevent us from doubling our efforts and consequent aims.

DOROTHY MARTIN HILLIKER, *Tau*.

MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis feels with the rest of the Gamma Phi chapters that an Endowment Fund is a necessary and decidedly worth while fund to have. We wish that we might contribute more towards it than our annual \$20 and hope this year to bring up the twenty to fifty with a prospect of doing better next year.

At our alumnæ meeting a few nights ago we talked the matter over very thoroughly and decided that we are in favor of sending all that we can, but that we are absolutely unable to give any money from our fair of this year. Instead we have agreed to tax each person twenty-five cents who attends our fortnightly bridge club meetings, which start February twenty-third, and continue until some time in June. We usually have enough people for three or four tables at these meetings, and the amount thus made (probably about \$25 or \$30) we wish to send to National for the Endowment Fund. Of course we realize that this is but a drop in the bucket, but with our house still unpaid for and with the \$15 that we devote to Social Service Fund yearly we feel that it is all we can do at present.

ELLA TOWNSEND MORSE.

LOS ANGELES

We of the Los Angeles Alumnae chapter like all other alumnae folk, feel that we are far enough removed from the college days to see the value of such movements as an endowment fund with less prejudice and better perspective than those of you still in the class work. To us it takes the national aspect as one of the pegs on which the national organization rests. If we could not concert our effort in such work as this we would not have the national consciousness which comes with working with and for people who are not an integral part of your own community life.

But, aside from regarding the work as a coercive factor, it must of necessity be looked at for its direct worth. Some less unselfish work might still serve to hold our scattered chapters together, but would not merit our support as this endowment fund does. It is to the university people that the student in need of aid to obtain an education must look, as they are better qualified to appreciate his needs. If university people do not support the universities; if Gamma Phis do not support Gamma Phis; to whom shall the universities turn and whom shall Gamma Phis trust and love?

Realizing the worthiness of the work and wishing to do our little share towards it, the Los Angeles Alumnae have decided to raise money through a raffling contest. Each girl is to donate something of value which can sell chances. It is our plan to have articles which will appeal to our married members and their friends and other articles which might be purchased by girls in work or at home or still in college. We believe we shall open our raffle to everyone and sell as many chances on each article as we can. Chances will be priced according to the worth of the article for sale. All money raised this way will go to the Endowment Fund.

THELMA CARLISLE, *Mu.*

ST. LOUIS

The St. Louis Alumnae Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta fully appreciates the need for a large sorority endowment fund, and recognizes the fact that with a strong financial background lies one secret of national strength. The uses for such a fund are infinite and its benefits legion.

It is with the greatest regret that the St. Louis Chapter is not undertaking any special project as a means for raising its share in the endowment campaign. Local conditions make it unwise at this time to undertake any such large financial project, but because we recognize the need for this fund, we are planning to raise our share through the prosaic method of individual assessment.

Every Gamma Phi in this district has received a letter from the district secretary explaining the purpose of the fund, and asking that she contribute at least three dollars so that this district may have a worth-while share in the securing of the fund by convention time.

It is not possible at this date to estimate how many will respond to this appeal but, as we have requested that this money be sent before March 1st, we should be able to report before long at least an approximate figure. It may be that later we may undertake a more definite project for this purpose. St. Louis Alumnae Chapter sincerely hopes that the goal will be attained, and that it may have a real share in the attainment.

MARY HEROLD WEST.

WHAT OTHER SORORITIES DO

KAPPA ALPHA THETA'S ENDOWMENT FUND

Kappa Alpha Theta's Endowment Fund grew out of an emergency—and time after time it has prevented emergencies since its inception in 1903.

Kappa Alpha Theta had believed in the policy that a fraternity, having no old age to provide for, was justified in living up to its income. So, in common with many similar organizations, it was accustomed to having its treasury depleted by the costs of its biennial Grand Conventions.

But once upon a time, at the close of a Grand Convention, the Grand treasurer reported a very presentable surplus on hand. With child-like confidence in the permanency of this pot of gold, convention at once voted to reduce per capita dues two-thirds. (A reduction in income which cold figures could have proved was greater than the entire new surplus.)

Things moved on as they must, and inevitably at the close of the next convention the treasurer could report nothing but a very evident state of bankruptcy—a deficit so great that officers had to borrow money to get the delegates home, and to provide for incidental expenses for the six months before another set of dues would be due. Needless to say before that convention was allowed to adjourn, per capita dues were restored to the figure prevailing before that treacherous surplus had appeared.

And every officer, as well as many delegates, vowed that this should "never happen again." Something beside current income should support the fraternity.

So the Endowment Fund came into existence to solve that simple problem, an insurance fund against emergencies. Since, it has taken on new obligations, created new opportunities for service.

The foundation of the Endowment Fund was a three dollar per capita national initiation fee, to be collected by chapters and remitted to the Grand treasurer. The fund itself was to be kept intact, except by vote of convention, when, upon recommendation of the Grand Council, specified sums for specified purposes could be permanently appropriated from the Endowment.

The interest on the fund was to form a Council contingent fund to be spent at the discretion of and by vote of the Grand Council. As this contingent fund grew it paid the expenses of council meetings, of special visits to chapters, of extra aid to newly chartered chapters or to older chapters facing emergency conditions.

It is astonishing how rapidly even so modest a per capita Endowment fund mounts into a large sum. Soon the more farseeing began to wish for the fund wider usefulness than providing interest, so came the happy idea of using all of the endowment, except a reserve equal to possible emergencies, as loans to chapters for chapter house building, buying, or furnishing.

Next convention made the plan legal, and the rate of interest was fixed at 5%, the maximum loan at \$1000. (So as many as possible could be aided.) Recently the maximum loan has been increased to \$1500. The loans are all long term notes, usually representing the last payments to be made on houses, since only the interest can be spent anyway. At this writing, fourteen chapters have loans outstanding.

There came a time when Theta's Scholarship fund had more opportunities for service than it had funds, then convention voted that one-third of the annual increase in the Endowment fund should be made a free will gift to the Scholarship fund every year henceforth.

Like other fraternities, Kappa Alpha Theta became interested in life subscriptions to its official magazine. The final plan adopted was by way of a national initiation fee of \$9.00 per capita, life subscriptions being open to all previously initiated Thetas at the same rate, \$9.00, or \$10.00 if paid in two installments one year apart.

Too many funds make too complicated a financial system to burden a busy officer with, beside the divisions seemed to serve no real purpose as the funds grew larger; so at its 1919 Grand convention Kappa Alpha Theta's Endowment funds were consolidated.

Today there is one Endowment fund supported by one national initiation fee, which pays for a life subscription to the magazine, too. This fee is now \$12.00, one dollar of which fee goes to the Scholarship fund as a gift, the other eleven dollars into the general endowment. The interest of the Endowment fund now furnishes the income, aside from direct subscriptions, of the fraternity's magazine.

The principal, up to at least 90%, is still available for loans to chapters. The rest forms the emergency reserve, subject to possible permanent appropriations for definite things or for emergencies, or for loans to the general treasury for the temporary financing of unusual publications such as catalogues and songbooks, which in the end pay their own way, if not making a profit.

Today Kappa Alpha Theta's Endowment fund is approximately \$37,000, and its annual increase from now on will be between \$4000 and \$5000. Our far-seeing planners see in the distance a day when the Endowment fund's income will meet every possible expense of the fraternity, and after that day is reached they have great plans as to what new things Kappa Alpha Theta may undertake to accomplish with such financial backing.

L. PEARLE GREEN, *Grand secretary.*

ENDOWMENT FUND OF ALPHA CHI OMEGA

Alpha Chi Omega's Endowment Fund is represented principally by what is known as its Reserve Fund, inaugurated in 1912, for the purpose of making loans to chapters for house building and other legitimate purposes and of financing various enterprises of the national fraternity for which money must be borrowed. The first funds were secured by canvassing active and alumnae chapters and clubs. Each active chapter gave \$100 toward the fund, each alumnae chapter at least \$25, and many alumnae clubs \$10. This nucleus was added to by generous individual gifts, but a steady increase in the fund since 1912 has been assured through a very definite financial policy. One dollar of each per capita tax from members of active chapters goes to the Reserve Fund, and all profits from sale of publications, which are sold slightly above cost, and a certain sum from the charter fees of each new chapter are turned into the Fund. The latest report of the treasurer of the Reserve Fund Committee, Alta Allen Loud, who was Alpha Chi Omega's national president for many years, showed that the Fund has grown from the small beginnings eight years previously to well over \$12,000.00. For a time all interest from the Reserve Fund (chapter loans pay 4 per cent) was turned into the fund itself but for the past year and a half the interest from this fund has been used to help finance the central office.

The Reserve Fund has proved to be an undisguised blessing to the fraternity in every way. Its growth is taken care of automatically, so that about \$2,000 was added to it during our last fiscal year with scarcely any conscious effort on the part of any member and with no financial burden. Since 1912, six of our twenty-two chapters which are established in colleges where chapter-house ownership is permitted have purchased or built new homes, two more have purchased town lots, four have very definite plans for building in the near future, and there is not a chapter, even among those which are not now allowed homes of their own, which has not its own building fund to which regular contributions are made. In other words, through the financial help given by the Reserve Fund, the fraternity now owns real estate valued at over \$140,000.00, whereas eight years ago it boasted of ownership of one lodge valued

at \$3,000. Not the least valuable asset is the fact that our chapters are yearly becoming assured of a more comfortable and congenial college home life, unharassed by financial worries.

The cost of publishing the History, Songbook, and Directory has been defrayed from the Reserve Fund, no interest being charged for these loans, but all profits accruing to the Fund.

The Lyre, our quarterly magazine, has raised its own endowment fund of over \$11,000.00 since 1915—but that is another story.

Loans to individuals are made from the Scholarship Fund, which was inaugurated in 1915 and which now totals over \$5,000. This fund is increased automatically each year by profits from the sale of badges by the official jeweler and by one dollar from each alumnae note, the nucleus of the fund being gifts from chapters and alumnae clubs as well as individuals. Loans are made to members of the fraternity without interest during their college course and with or without interest at 3 per cent after leaving college depending upon the plan of repayment chosen.

MARY-EMMA GRIFFITH.

Secretary-Editor

DELTA GAMMA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Delta Gamma Scholarship Fund was decided upon at the Biennial Convention of 1911. It is raised and maintained partly by taxation of the active chapters and partly by gifts from both active and alumnae chapters and associations.

Beginning with 1914, the interest has been used as a loan fund for the benefit of undergraduate Delta Gammas. The loans bear no interest and are returnable within two years of graduation. Applicants must be recommended by the Dean of Women, two professors, with whom they have studied, and by their chapter president.

So far, the Awarding Committee has made nineteen (19) loans to students representing twelve different colleges. Of these, nine were made to students in their senior year, six to juniors, and five to sophomores.

This policy of using the interest as a loan fund is, of course, a temporary one, which it was felt wise to pursue while the Fund is accumulating. When it is of sufficient size to justify such action, scholarships proper are to be established and rules for awarding them, determined upon. In the meanwhile, the loans are serving a very useful purpose, enabling students, who, for want of just such aid, might have to leave college, to finish their course.

LYDIA A. MULLON,

*Chairman Awarding Committee,
Delta Gamma Scholarship Fund.*

UNDERGRADUATE LOAN FUND OF PI BETA PHI

The Undergraduate Loan Fund was established by the 1910 Convention which voted to loan \$200 annually at a low rate of interest to Pi Phis who needed assistance to complete their college work.

Two years later it was voted that repaid loans should no longer revert to the Grand Treasury but should be returned to a Permanent Loan fund.

In 1915 the Alumnae Department voted to increase the allowance by an annual appropriation of \$250. Gifts from clubs and individuals have been received. To date the Loan Fund has assisted 38 girls loaning them from \$200 to \$25. Among the recipients are students who have held or are holding offices in both their college and their chapter. They have won honorary degrees and as graduates are filling positions of honor and trust in their community.

JENNIE L. BRADLEE.

THE STUDENTS' AID FUND MAINTAINED BY THE KAPPA KAPPA
GAMMA FRATERNITY

About fifteen years ago one hundred dollars was sent to a Kappa convention by an alumna with the request that some good work of some kind be started with it. The convention decided to make it the beginning of a graduate scholarship in biology. Shortly after this time, however, it became noticeable that the urgent need for assistance came from the undergraduates, and that graduate students could usually manage to continue their work by themselves. Students who had been in the habit of obtaining their educations by attending college one year and teaching the next year were finding difficulty in procuring positions without their degrees. The prospective Phi Beta Kappa would lose her opportunity if she were not able to continue her course uninterrupted. She needed our assistance. There was also the girl, who like the most of us, was not so brilliant as to inspire friends to open their purses for her education and not poor enough, apparently, to be appealing to people who like to lend money to worthy young persons. She certainly deserved a helping hand.

Thus from this small beginning, purely experimental, but with that most inspiring of all incentives, results, Kappa's fund increased in a few short years by leaps and bounds. Do you wonder that at the convention of 1920, the Golden Jubilee Convention, after a report of "59 Kappas graduated in ten years by means of the Students' Aid Fund and no loans lost," the fraternity in its enthusiasm voted to keep on increasing the assets and to give other college women the same benefits which they had been able to enjoy?

Kappa's fund is maintained by a one dollar tax upon each initiation fee and by contributions from individuals, chapters, and alumnae associations. An applicant must present satisfactory recommendations as to scholastic and general college standing from her dean of women and at least one of her professors. She must have completed her freshman year and be attending a college where a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma is established. She is required to give us other security than her personal note bearing interest at four per cent due upon maturity.

We know that several other women's fraternities have similar funds with perhaps greater assets and broader activities, but may Kappa urge those who have not yet undertaken this democratic branch of fraternity work to begin at once. Give your own girl and the other girl her chance. Invest all the money you can get together in your fellow student. Then watch the returns of interest one hundred per cent in personal loyalty and gratitude and achievement, in the fulfillment of fraternity ideals, and in the breaking down of the dividing line campus life. A loan fund is one of the most valuable resources a fraternity can possess in eliminating the unfortunate criticism of snobbishness and in making it possible to get the full benefits of the things that fraternities can contribute.

CHARLOTTE P. GODDARD,
*Chairman of Students' Aid Fund
of Kappa Kappa Gamma*



MOUNT RAINIER, WITHIN A FEW HOURS' AUTO TRIP FROM SEATTLE

Lambda and Seattle

extend an invitation to all members

of

Gamma Phi Beta

*to meet in convention during the last
of August*

at

Seattle and Lake Crescent

*The exact date and complete information
in regard to program, tickets, etc., will
appear in the June edition of The Cres-
cent.*

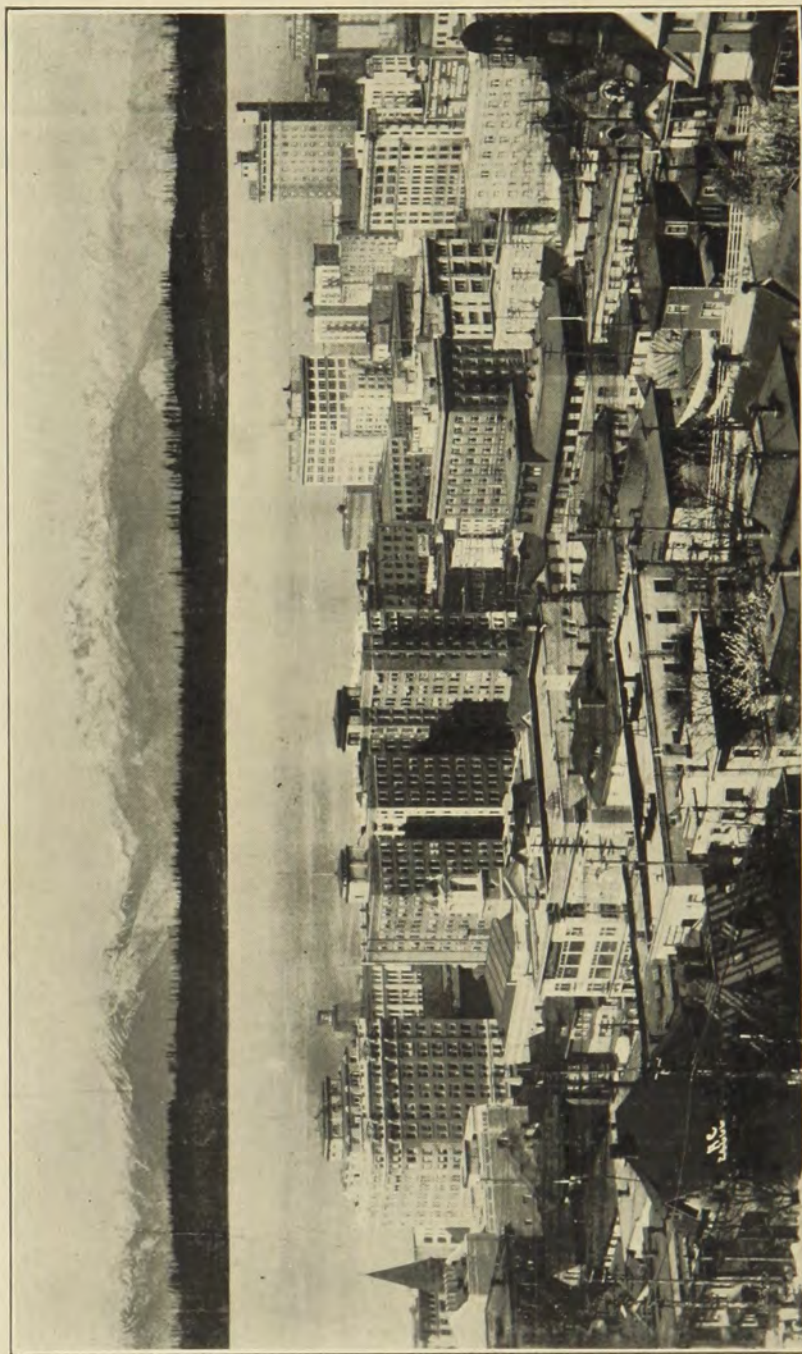


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SEATTLE'S SKY-LINE, SHOWING PUGET SOUND AND THE OLYMPICS WHERE LAKE CRESCENT LIES CRADLED BY SNOW COVERED PEAKS

FIRST NEWS CONCERNING CONVENTION

The folders issued about Lake Crescent say "A Nature Paradise amid the Peaks and Pines of the Rugged Olympics." But we know that it is more than that for its very name is symbolic of the spirit of Gamma Phi Beta sorority and we hope to send you all back to the "far-most" points of our chapter roll with brighter hopes, higher aims and clearer ideals of the sorority than you have ever found before.

Lake Crescent is reached by a short boat trip from Seattle, then a twenty mile drive through the uncut forests of spruce which the Government used during the war in the making of airplanes. The lake itself nestles among the foothills amid snow-draped crags of one of the most rugged mountain ranges on the continent, and is twelve miles long. The real honest-to-goodness salty Pacific ocean is only six miles away.

The committee in charge begs the girls to realize the distance to be travelled after leaving Seattle and asks that no trunks be carried, and with the exception of something light for informal evening wear at the Tavern, nothing be taken but sport or outing clothes. The formal banquet will be held upon our return to Seattle. Visitors will find a warm coat convenient in the evenings and heavy shoes comfortable for walking. By all means tuck in your bathing suit as the water is delightful in August.

You see, we want you to plan this as a real vacation, we want you to live the wonderful life of the good out o' doors that makes this section of the country one of the healthiest in the world.

During our stay at the Lake there will be a hydroplane for those daring and flighty enough to desire to soar with mountain eagles, there will be a trip (at your own expense) to Mora on the ocean beach; there will be fishing, boating, hiking, trap shooting and tennis for those enjoying them.

The boat trip on Puget Sound rivals anything to be seen on the Hudson as this long body of salt water winds in and out among fir-covered hills and islands to the very base of the Olympic. This will be a feature to delight the hearts of those from the prairies and inland stretches. (And it's as smooth as a calm lake so we'll all be good sailors!)

The committee (consisting of Meta Becker Hergert, of Lambda, Nora Buell Stewart of Gamma, Marion Alexander Walter of Lambda and Marion Fargo of Lambda) suggests that those leaving from Minneapolis travel via the Canadian Pacific, in order to see the Canadian Rockies, Lake Louise, Banff and picturesque Victoria. A side trip will be arranged for those desiring to visit Victoria which is a veritable bit of Old England transplanted.

The delegates and visitors will gather in Seattle, and the start will be made for Lake Crescent on a chartered boat. Many will enjoy seeing Seattle with its immense harbor and its daily dockings of ships from the Orient; and ample time will be allowed for this. There is fun and business planned for every minute of the stay; and we know that you will leave with love in your hearts for the great northwest and for our wee nook on the map.

And please, oh please remember that we are to be sole "owners" of the entire camp and Tavern at Lake Crescent during the entire convention and that means that we are going to have a better chance to know each other—to find out just what the real working, enthusiastic spirit of Gamma Phi is—we are going to know more about our national plans, more about our various chapters, but best of all the girls from Eta are going to become close and chummy with the girls from Alpha and the girls from Hollins are going to adore their cousins from Toronto—if the wild western training in "mixin'" has any power. For it's the love in our hearts for each chapter, that welds us into a national force, isn't it?

So come—every last one of you—even if you have to "ride the rods," and see how we live and work and learn—out here where the trees are always green and roses bloom outdoors at Christmas—where it isn't half as rainy as it is painted, and where more babies live longer than anywhere else in the world, where the Seattle Spirit moves immense hills and knows no obstacle to its inspiring energy—and we'll be happy if you feel about our city, that

"To see her is to love her,
Love but her and love forever!"

CONCERNING THE ALUMNÆ

CRESCENT CHATTER

The heart of the editor has been rejoiced by the receipt of a clever little publication called *Crescent Chatter*, issued by the Chicago Alumna Chapter and full of news concerning interesting activities of that chapter and of Epsilon.

The rushing season is discussed in an article entitled *Full of Thrills*. The annual formal banquet of June 11 is already announced and exploited. There are *Campus Notes* and *Epsilon Echoes* and an interesting description of the bazaar which netted \$900. An alumna card party has been held for the benefit of the building fund, one rummage sale has cleared \$300 and another has been scheduled for March. An account of the House Fund chronicles \$1500 in Liberty Bonds, \$7540 in pledges, \$100 in banks and their pledges of \$250 each, to be given after the sum of \$10,000 has been reached.

And we quote a splendid little appeal:

CHICAGO ALUMNÆ CHAPTER

WHERE DO YOU STAND?

Are you an asset or a liability? Are you a debit or a credit?

All Gamma Phi Beta alumnæ in the Chicago district are undergoing one of the most rigid and cold-blooded inventories in the history of the sorority—the acid test of “Where do you stand?” Our twentieth century division of the sheep and the goats is determined by those who do and those who do not belong to the Chicago Alumnæ Chapter.

Is your name on the books? If it is and you have paid your dues of \$3.50, which includes your CRESCENT subscription, then you are an asset. If you are not identified with the organization, then you are a liability.

Our chief concern right now is to turn our liabilities into assets. Won't you help us, you alumnæ who could so easily do that much and more?

Liabilities are liabilities, whether good, bad or indifferent. We don't parlez vous on the rank and file of your liabilities, although we'll admit it's mostly rank. We are solely concerned with the result—the effect on the chapter. You may have good intentions packed away in that cerebellum cold-storage of yours, but they might as well freeze to death as far as the benefit to the alumnæ work is concerned. If you're a liability, you're a dead weight, a millstone 'round the neck of our ambition and possible attainment.

We find that we have three classifications of assets—the Lukewarms, the Warm, the Hots. If you are a Lukewarm, you will recognize yourself by these symptoms: Member of chapter in spirit, but not in flesh; conspicuous by absence from meetings and when there is any real work to be done; on hand for an occasional party.

If you are a Warm, your temperature reads thusly: Member of chapter; attends meetings fairly regularly; accepts responsibility without assuming it; hard worker when the spurt is on.

If you're a Hot,—you're preferred stock—100% par value—full of pep—reliable—dependable—regular in attendance and performing duties.

Come on, now, all you backsliding alumnæ, do a little inventorying on your own account. Confess your sins. And this every minute call up our treasurer, Marvel Trojan, Kildare 8625, or write her at 4326 North Kildare Ave., Chicago. Tell her you're in sympathy with the chapter and its work and you want to have a part in it. Do that, even though you are quite sure that your part must be a small one. It's wonderfully encouraging to know you are with us and doing all you can.

Notices of monthly meetings and special affairs have heretofore been sent out by the secretary to all those on the mailing list. A new mailing list is being prepared, and hereafter only members of the Alumnæ Chapter who have paid their dues will receive notices of meetings.

ANNUAL LETTER SENT FROM GAMMA

Dear Sister in Gamma Phi Beta:

This, the eighteenth fall letter carries with it kindest greetings from those of us at home to those of you away, and wishes you all success and happiness. This report is much the same as last year—work, play and college activities keep all busy indeed, outside activities forming no small part in the daily duties. The following list gives in a nutshell a meagre idea of the number of these and of the number of girls taking part in them. There were twelve girls in

dramatics, six in Twelfth Night, five in W. A. A., five in Red Domino, three in French play, three in Clef Club. The S. G. A. council, Y. W. C. A., Athletic Board, Pan-Hellenic, Badger Board and Union Vaudeville all had representatives from the chapter. Besides these Helen Harper made Mortar Board, Marguerite Nuzum made Phi Kappa Phi, senior honor society, Julia Hanks, Catherine Meyer and Aline Smith had honors in dancing. Mildred Rogers was on the Y. W. C. A. Commission, Marguerite Nuzum on the Vocational Conference, Irene Haley had the lead in the joint production of all the dramatic societies, Helen Harper had the lead in the Junior Play, which was produced by Julia Hanks. Helen Harper was also vice-president of Yellow Tassel and Julia Hanks vice-president of the Junior Class. Three cups were won for college campaigns, and last but not least there were two Phi Beta Kappas—Frances Turney and Louise Smith. Last year the chapter adopted a French orphan and an Armenian baby. To have the above different organizations enumerated means little to many of you, but as an addition to the regular routine of college life, it requires much time and strength and forms an important part in the girl-of-today program. Scholastic work has not been neglected, for Gamma Phi for the year ranked fifth in scholarship in the list of sororities, of which there are now sixteen.

Lucy Wallrich, '19 and Clara Williams, '19, are in the faculty this year, both being instructors in the department of Physical Education.

The ambition of the officers of the association has been to keep "high cost of living" as low as possible for the chapter. Last year in their desire to keep expenses down, they overstepped a little, and this year it has been found necessary to raise both room and board—rooms now being seventy-five dollars a semester for each girl and board seven dollars a week. Improvements to the house this year have consisted in calcimining the walls and refinishing the floors. Besides this there is a new rug in the chapter room and also new shades and curtains, all these add materially to the good appearance of the room, but made heavy inroads on our bank account.

Rushing was much the same as last year. One of the old alumnae remarked last winter that she noticed signs of age creeping in this letter in the fact that for many years, pledges were always introduced as stars, and the last few years they have simply been *splendid* girls. It gives great pleasure to announce this year that we have a *splendid all star cast* of sixteen pledges, whom we present to you with great enthusiasm and whom you may be proud to meet at any time: Mildred Anderson, Winnipeg, Canada; Marguerite Baines, Janesville, Wis.; Helen Brannum, Oak Park, Ill.; Margaret Brenecke, Aurora, Ill.; Mignon Bryant, Joliet, Ill.; Mary Burchard, Ft. Atkinson, Wis.; Catherine Corbett, Plymouth, Wis.; Ruth

Daggett, Ottumwa, Ia.; Dorothy Frank, Chicago, Ill.; Julia Jackson, Madison, Wis.; Louise Kinzie, St. Louis, Mo.; Grace McClimons, Franklin, Pa.; Anne Robertson, Milwaukee, Wis.; Hazel Smith, Mason City, Ia.; Helen Smith, Joliet, Ill.; Elizabeth Witmer, Kansas City, Mo. Of these Mildred Anderson, Margaret Brenecke, Ruth Daggett, Grace McClimons, Anne Robertson, Hazel Smith and Helen Smith are upper classmen, and can be initiated this semester, as can also Grace Maxey and Ruth Parkhill, two girls pledged last year. The chapter is happy in having affiliated with it two transfers from Theta (Denver) chapter—Margaret Dennison and Mary Ruffner, both of Denver, Colo.

For the first time since having a house, the girls have a real Gamma Phi as their housemother; they are most fortunate in that a Gamma "old girl," Ella Davis Goodyear is with them. She gives them her help in all their house cares and worries, and already there is a splendid atmosphere in the house and a fine relationship between the girls and their sister housemother.

The Gamma Phi Beta scholarship of one hundred dollars is held for the year 1920-21 by Gladys Greene, Madison, Wis.

The expansion committee reports the installation of Alpha Beta Chapter at Grand Forks, North Dakota, last June, making twenty-five active chapters.

Convention will be held next August at Seattle, Wash., Lambda chapter as hostess.

No additions to Gamma's Grandmothers' Club has been reported this year. If there are any, please send word at once to Mary C. Brittingham, who has undertaken to keep a record of all members of this club.

The following is the chapter roll:

Seniors

Rosamond Allen, Boston, Mass.

Dorothy Carlock, Mechanicsville, Ill.

Pauline Cornish, Denver, Colo.

Alice Louise Evans, West Point, Miss.

Mary Farnum, La Crosse, Wis.

Marguerite Francis, Brooklyn, New York.

Julia Hanks, Madison, Wis.

Helen Harper, Burlington, Wis.

Marcia Hinkins, Chicago, Ill.

Helen McCarthy, Madison, Wis.

Grace Raymond, Boston, Mass.

Mildred Rogers, Highland Park, Ill.

Harriet Scofield, La Crosse, Wis.

Frances Smith, Madison, Wis.

Leona Yerly, La Crosse, Wis.

Juniors

Julia Colman, La Crosse, Wis.

Lucille Campbell, Madison, Wis.

Esther Guerini, Boston, Mass.

Doris Lovell, Fargo, N. D.

Dorothy Pearson, Montclair, N. J.

Florence Schroeder, Milwaukee, Wis.

Dorothy Shaner, Philadelphia, Pa.

Louise Smith, Madison, Wis.

Sophomores

Margaret Dennison, Denver,
Colo.

Olivia Fentress, Hubbard Woods,
Ill.

Carol Goodyear, Madison, Wis.

Louise Haley, Tulsa, Okla.

Aileen Hall, Winnipeg, Canada.

Florence Kelly, Wausau, Wis.

Mildred Rieck, Chicago, Ill.

Mary Ruffner, Denver, Colo.

Deborah Shaner, Philadelphia,
Pa.

Aline Smith, Milwaukee, Wis.

Loyally,

Dunmoven,

Madison Wis.

October 30, 1920.

MARY C. BRITTINGHAM.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNÆ CHAPTER

Berkeley, November 17, 1920.

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The past year has been a busy one for us all and before we launch into the new year that will bring Convention to the coast, let me outline the progress made and jot down a few suggestions for the coming year.

We have had a membership of seventy-one as compared with sixty-six for last year, Eta, Mu, Lambda, Theta and Nu being represented on our rolls. Let us have at least a hundred members next year. The chapters represented could be more than doubled as there are Gamma Phis from Beta, Delta, Gamma, Zeta, Chi and Omicron living about the bay.

Thanks to the response and enthusiasm of both alumnae and college girls the Big Sister Movement has become a working reality.

During the last portion of the year each member of the Executive Committee has attended an Eta meeting once a month. Could we not urge them to send like representatives to our monthly meetings?

A Calling Committee has tried to call on all newcomers and extend the hospitality of the Chapter to them. I would suggest that this committee be increased to three and that at least one member be appointed from the new members. Could we not notify them if any member is ill so that a note, flowers or call might express our sympathy.

A Scholarship Committee has formulated plans to keep a permanent record of Eta scholarship, asking each Big Sister to commend an improvement and rectify a drop by giving help. The comparative rating of the House with and without her record should be furnished to each Eta Little Sister. Sometimes the difference between first and tenth place is caused by the marks of a small group. Above all things let the Alumnae Chapter back Eta in her scholarship stand.

Three new names were added to the scholarship cup, Dorothy Deardorf, Helen Wurster and Gertrude Tormey. We regretted the inability to present the cup at Initiation banquet but have Eta's assurance that the alumnae are to be represented at the next initiation. We feel that it should be the policy of the alumnae to pay for Initiation Banquet so that the question of expense would never cause Eta to exclude us.

An alumnae committee met and welcomed transfers while the girls were absorbed in rushing. Perhaps we might follow the idea of the "Theta Center" for transfers and P. G.'s

The card catalogue at the House has been revised and tabs attached which make it easy to pick out the graduates, transfers, those living in Berkeley, Oakland and San Francisco. It is most necessary that we have one more color to indicate paid up members in the Alumnae Chapter so that the girls may know to whom to send invitations. Please report any changes of address to Eta's Corresponding Secretary, Helen Saylor and also to Mrs. C. J. Carey for the Alumnae Secretary's file.

Over a hundred and seventy sunshine boxes went out last year and about a hundred are to go this year. It has been suggested that special Sunshine meetings be held once or twice a year and that the regular meetings be devoted to a condensed business so that the Social hour may be the main thing.

The Program Committee has given us two interesting hours during the year. Just before Charter Day Mrs. Thelan gave interesting reminiscences and Margaret Garthwaite outlined the work of the U. C. Alumnae Association and made a plea for more Gamma Phi members. At the October meeting Dorothea Epley, Vice President of the Junior Class, conducted a discussion of Number Twelve. Personally I feel that we should not abandon the plan of having a program at least twice a year.

The Alumnae gave the Senior Breakfast at the House on Commencement morning and I think we all feel that Eta should be encouraged not to let the tradition die out. If the Juniors find it impossible to take the responsibility, perhaps the entire House or the sophomores might be responsible. A basket of flowers was sent to Mu seniors for their Commencement. The Alumnae Party for the freshmen, sophomores and transfers at Mill Valley in October proved a great success. The freshmen had tea with us after the October meeting and one senior responded to the invitation to spend the day with us in Ross in September. At least two girls have been invited to every meeting. The juniors are the only class that have not been invited during the year; could we not have them soon and also fête the transfers. If possible let us make the Saturday meetings come in S. F. and invite the Stanford girls by classes. There is a standing invitation to all members of Eta Executive Board to

attend our meetings. During rushing the regular Alumnæ Picnic was held at the home of Sarah Patterson, a tea was given after the August meeting with Eleanor French and Mrs. Waldron, Mrs. Vaughan and Mrs. Colby had luncheons, teas and entertainments to help the girls.

Our work would have been facilitated had we planned a budget at the beginning of the year and kept a daily or monthly file. Doubtless the new Board may profit by our mistakes. The Executive Committee has met at least half a dozen times throughout the year; has formulated plans for meeting, entertainment, etc.; has handled one case of discipline, one case of proposed inactivity; has recommended to the Hall Association that no girl be allowed to live in the House at any time without a chaperon; has held a joint meeting with the Eta Executive Committee in regard to scholarship rules, has sent a representative to each regular Eta meeting and has met with the incoming Executive Committee to discuss plans and policies. At this last meeting it was recommended that no information be given to the press regarding the Association except by the President. The President was asked to communicate with all newcomers and invite them to meetings.

On behalf of the Executive Committee I wish to thank all members for their ready response throughout the year. Grateful thanks are also due all the officers and committee chairmen for their untiring effort. If the enthusiasm for the welfare of our beloved sorority does not abate, the incoming year should be one of progress for Gamma Phi Beta. May each member strive to prove that her link is firm, strong and unyielding. Your new President can accomplish wonders if she has your loyalty as support. She deserves it; will you promise it?

Sincerely submitted,

GRACE PARTRIDGE UNDERHILL.

ALUMNÆ DEPARTMENT

Last month, I said that we cannot progress or accomplish things if the greater part of the Alumnæ Secretary's time is spent in sending follow-up letters. This is all too true! Of twenty-three letters that I sent out in December, I have nine answers at the present writing in February. However, the general trend of those received makes it possible for me to state that there is a greater interest among the alumnæ at the present time than ever before, and that the younger alumnæ are at last realizing that Article II of The Rules and Regulations is an important and live part of our Constitution. (If you are not familiar with this Article, I suggest that you ask your District Secretary what it is all about. She will gladly tell you.)

The surest way to stimulate *alumnæ* interest in any town or city seems to be by organizing to do something definite for Gamma Phi Beta, whether it be to raise money for the endowment fund, to support a scholarship in the nearest university, or to assist the college chapter in one way or another. Do not wait for the District Secretary to urge you to form associations. There are many towns and cities where five or more Gamma Phis are now living who are not officially united in any way. Association carries little added responsibility, but is an infinite help not only to national officers but to any college chapter that draws its members from that section of the country. Organize an association now!

HOW TO FORM ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATIONS

To become an association, there should be a minimum of five members in the group.

A secretary should be appointed who will send the request to the National *Alumnæ* Secretary, together with the names and addresses of the charter members of said group. It is preferable to send such through the District Secretary so that she may be in touch with activities in her district.

The National *Alumnæ* Secretary puts the request to the Council and usually the group will receive a letter from the Council, directly after its next meeting, that the request is granted. Recognition will then be made in the next CRESCENT.

The obligations are:

National Dues and Crescent Subscriptions for all members.

Periodical meetings (preferable at least monthly).

Try to keep in touch with National affairs through discussion of national problems as expressed in the Council letters.

Help the nearest college chapters in all possible ways but do not try to rule them.

No definite amount is asked from the Associations toward the endowment fund or national social service, but it is your privilege to help when you can.

Associations may send a letter to be published in THE CRESCENT if they desire.

Associations have a voice in National affairs and at Convention but no vote.

Some day in the not far distant future, I am going to give you the figures as to which district shows the keenest interest and which sections of the country are the most lax in their *alumnæ* loyalty.

The following is typical of the District Secretary reports I receive from every section of the country.

"There were twenty-nine Gamma Phis living in my district outside of those that were already active in the *alumnæ* chapter and those that were near enough for me to reach personally by call or

phone. I sent letters to the twenty-nine. To these letters, I received eight replies. From twenty-one, I heard nothing. The letters were not returned to me so I presume that they were delivered. This fall, I sent the same letter to these twenty-one, underscoring the sentence 'At least respond to this letter in some way promptly.' I have so far received three replies. This leaves eighteen still to be reached in some way. I am not yet discouraged and intend to make one more appeal."

ARE YOU ONE OF THESE EIGHTEEN? There are entirely too many of these *alumnæ* who, through carelessness and press of other interests, surely not from disinterest, fail to respond to our call. It is not much that we ask of you, but to be sure that the National Officers, CRESCENT Manager and your District Secretary have your correct name and address, and, if you can send the name and address of some other member, your loyalty means much. Pass your CRESCENT on to some Gamma Phi who does not subscribe and urge her to read it through and renew her interest.

ELIZABETH BRIDGE,

Alumnæ Secretary.

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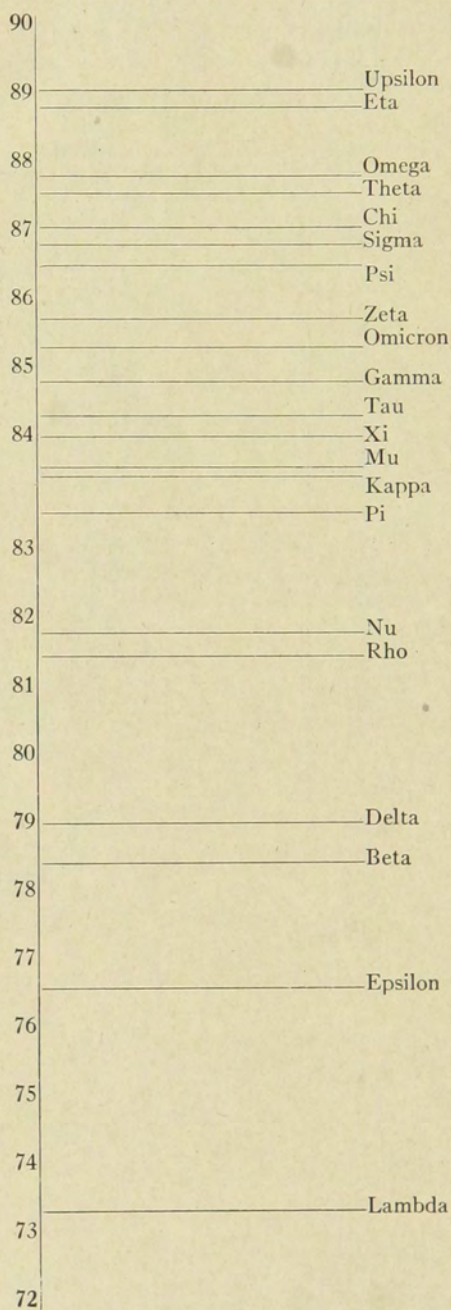
WANTED

Wanted—A LOYAL member of Gamma Phi Beta living in Michigan or Ohio to act as district secretary. Don't be bashful! Apply to Miss Elizabeth Bridge, National Secretary, Mill Valley, Cal.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Chapter	Average	Rank	Percent of highest grades	Percent of failures
Alpha.....	No data was	available		
Beta.....	78.5	8th	16%	1%
Gamma.....	84.7	5th		
Delta.....	78.9		19.8%	.3%
Epsilon.....	76.6	6th	11.4%	4.6%
Zeta.....	85.6	2nd	2.3%	.5%
Eta.....	89.0	3rd	20%	0%
Theta.....	87.63	4th	7%	1.5%
Kappa.....	83.6	7th	7.5%	5.5%
Lambda.....	73.3	15th		
Mu.....	83.63	3rd	10.5%	.8%
Nu.....	81.7	6th		
		7th		
		5th		
Xi.....	84	2nd	29.9%	.04%
Omicron.....	85.38	4th		
		1st	23.8%	2.3%
Pi.....	83.3	8th		
		10th	13%	2.6%
Rho.....	81.6	8th	5.4%	1.9%
Sigma.....	87	5th	20%	2.6%
Tau.....	84.4	3rd		1.9%
		1st		
Upsilon.....	89.1	1st	7.4%	0%
Chi.....	87.04	6th		
		4th	22.5%	1.37%
Psi.....	86.5	7th		
		5th	34.1%	0%
Omega.....	87.67	1st	4.5%	0%

COMPARISON OF CHAPTER AVERAGES



COMPARATIVE STANDINGS

		Number of National Sororities
First.....	Omicron (second semester).....	
	Tau (second semester).....	4
	Upsilon (year).....	6
	Omega (year).....	8
Second.....	Zeta (year).....	7
	Xi (year).....	4
Third.....	Eta (year).....	18
	Mu (year).....	10
	Tau (first semester).....	4
Fourth.....	Theta (year).....	5
	Omicron (first semester).....	
	Chi (second and third quarters).....	9
Fifth.....	Gamma (year).....	15
	Nu (third quarter).....	10
	Sigma (year).....	11
	Psi (second semester).....	10
Sixth.....	Epsilon (year).....	12
	Nu (first quarter).....	10
	Chi (first quarter).....	9
Seventh.....	Kappa (year).....	11
	Nu (second quarter).....	10
	Psi (first semester).....	10
Eighth.....	Beta (year).....	9
	Pi (first semester).....	13
Tenth.....	Pi (second semester).....	13
Fifteenth....	Lambda (year).....	17

PHI BETA KAPPA ELECTIONS

Beta.....	Dorothea Hinterman
Gamma.....	Frances Turney, Frances Smith
Delta.....	Elizabeth Macy
Epsilon.....	Ruth Tracy
Mu.....	Margaret Burton, Grace Jones
Omicron.....	Charlotte Welch, Marian McAnally
Pi.....	Genevieve Addleman, Harriette Ashbrook
Rho.....	Frances June Nelson, Helene Blattner
Sigma.....	Lucy Hackman

Sigma Xi

Rho.....	Frances June Nelson
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OTHER SCHOLASTIC HONORS

Beta—Honor Roll—Jane Dickinson.
 Delta—Delta Mu Delta—Doris Hopewell.

- Epsilon—Sophomore Honor Roll—Mildred Frick.
 Freshman Honor Roll—Marian Drew.
- Zeta—Scholarships—Frances Coventry, Edna Buhrer.
- Theta—Sigma Phi Alpha (election requires an average of 90%)—
 Helen Campion, Marguerite McKelveen, Lucile Hudson.
- Xi—Phi Upsilon Omicron—Bessie Newman, Verna Wilkinson.
- Pi—Scholarship to Emerson School of Dramatics—Genevieve Addleman.
- Rho—Pi Lambda Theta—Alice Camerer, Helene Blattner, Frances Nelson.
- Sigma—Mu Phi Epsilon—Frances Riley.
 Omicron Nu—Lucile Rarig.
 Delta Phi Delta—Katherine Larkin.
 Dean's Honor Roll—Margaret Larkin.
- Upsilon—Honor Roll (almost half of the chapter)—Kathleen Kelly, Alice Signaigo, Dorothy Shaw, Lillian Holladay, Virginia McCoy, Virginia Martin.
- Chi—Phi Theta Kappa—Lynette Svenson.
- Omega—Omicron Nu—Esther Robson, Mildred Eason.
 Phi Kappa Phi—Marion Garland.

METHODS USED BY THE CHAPTERS TO PROMOTE SCHOLARSHIP

BETA

Grades are posted and discussed.

GAMMA

A prize of twenty-five dollars is given by the Alumnæ to the girl having the highest record.

The girl who is the best student in the freshman class has her name engraved on the Scholarship cup.

DELTA

Cuts and marks are sometimes called for in meeting.

THETA

An average of 85% is required for initiation or the privilege of taking part in Theta's annual play.

The Alumnæ offer the chapter a prize of \$50, provided the chapter makes an average of 85% and no individual has an average below 80%.

KAPPA

Those who make poor records are limited in their social engagements. Grades are reported in chapter meeting twice each quarter.

MU

A study hall is maintained each school night.

A card index is kept of all grades received by each girl.

XI

A card index of grades is kept. Date privileges are limited for those doing poor work.

PI

Supervised study for freshmen. Freshmen are allowed no mid-week dates. Those doing poor work are allowed no mid-week or Sunday dates.

RHO

Pledges are not allowed to have week night dates. Quiet study hours are kept from 8:30 to 10:30. The freshmen have a scholarship cup.

SIGMA

A prize, which is usually a pin, is given to the freshman, having the highest grades.

UPSILON

Any girl who has an average below 80% is not allowed to vote in chapter meeting. No girl lost her vote last year.

A scholarship cup is offered to the freshmen.

CHI

A freshman scholarship cup.

All grades are reported in chapter meeting each week.

The penalty for a D grade, is the loss of one date a week-end.

PSI

A study hall is kept for pledges—individual tutoring if possible.

A Gamma Phi Beta ring is given the pledge making the highest grades.

Monthly reports are sent to parents of pledges and members who receive grades below 87%.

OMEGA

All grades are reported in chapter meeting.

The senior who makes the highest average has her name engraved on the scholarship cup.

Girls doing poor work are required to give up some of their social engagements.

SUMMARY

There are four chapters which have no failures—Eta, Upsilon, Psi and Omega. Four others have less than 1%—Delta, Zeta, Mu and Xi.

Nine chapters have an average above 85% which is a good average. They are Upsilon, Eta, Omega, Theta, Chi, Sigma, Psi, Zeta and Omicron.

There are only four chapters with an average below 80%. They are Delta, Beta, Epsilon and Lambda.

Fourteen chapters rank among the first five in the comparative reports published by the Universities.

Nine chapters have Phi Beta Kappas for 1919-20. There are fourteen girls who received this honor.

Rho gives us our only Sigma Xi.

There is no report for Alpha, Phi or Alpha Alpha.

Alpha could not secure the data from the University.

Phi lost her blanks and did not write for more until after the final date set for reports, February first.

Alpha Alpha sent a report, but the system of grading used by the University of Toronto is so different from that of American Universities that I felt I could not translate them accurately without further information. After a talk with their delegate to convention, I hope to be able to establish a means of comparison.

LOIS M. DEHN.

UPSILON WINS SCHOLARSHIP URN

It is with great pleasure that the Council announces Upsilon as winner of the coffee urn offered by Gamma Phi Beta to the chapter having the highest scholarship. Eta receives honorable mention, ranking third among eighteen sororities and having a membership of fifty. Hereafter the urn will be awarded each January.

"IF I WERE PRESIDENT—"

ELEANOR SHELDON, '04, deals with the Dormitory Problem.

[We are glad to reprint this article appearing in the *Minnesota Alumni Weekly* from the pen of our own Eleanor Sheldon, former chairman of expansion. We know of no one better fitted to speak with assurance on this subject. Miss Sheldon has spent most of her time since graduation at close range with housing problems. She is now at Betty Barbour House, University of Michigan.]

I don't know what I should do if I were playing the game of pretending to be the president of the University of Minnesota, but I am glad to accept the invitation of your enthusiastic editor and write at random about the housing of women. A person who has tried to furnish, equip, and settle dormitories in the last few years would be perfectly happy if she could secure a sympathetic ear into which she could pour her opinions of the insolence of labor and the freight's delay. Architects and builders would come in for a goodly share of her fault finding. But one can scarcely expect that the alumni

will be intrigued by an impassioned account of telephone systems that are installed in total ignorance of the way they are to be used, of shower baths adapted for use in gentlemen's clubs, of living- and dining-room built so that they divide the house in spirit instead of fostering unity, of vast amounts of money expended on luxuries the overhead on which must be paid out of a reasonable charge for board and room. It would be easiest to win the ear of librarians, for they have long struggled to care for books and serve book users in structures erected of, by, and for architects and builders. The alumni will be spared my tirades against those who have planned and built the halls in which I have lived, not only because they would be bored, but also because I feel like the good old soul who said, "Oh, yes, my dear, I can help you with that baby's sore throat. I've had seven children die of it."

In a humble spirit, then, knowing only a very few consummations devoutly to be avoided, I should like to suggest that a building for women ought not to be too palatial. Palaces are of greater interest to tourists than to the citizens of the town in which they are located. A feeling of harmony in color and excellence in design which can be carried over into the home life of the girls is obtainable from the simpler building. It is quite possible to overdo the sleeping porches, elevators, full length mirrors, glass door knobs, and clubrooms on upper floors to which Sunday morning breakfasts may be sent. We furnish these wild young people with the appointments of the Blackstone and the Waldorf Astoria and then wonder why they comport themselves like habitués of the Crystal Ball Room and Peacock Alley. The great outstanding advantage of the simpler building is almost too apparent to be mentioned.—In it, the same amount of money reaches a much larger group of girls and does for them the essential things. It takes courage in these days of imported fabrics and hand carved reproductions to be simple, but there can be no doubt in my mind about the wisdom of such a course, for there can be beauty and durability without extravagance, and these can produce the right influence in the lives of the girls.

The best spirit seems to be obtainable in buildings for approximately 100 girls. Twenty over or twenty under make little difference, but the group of 200 would seem to be too large and 50 seems perhaps extravagantly small. Economy comes in buying for large numbers, but this saving can be effected by having one business manager buy for more than one building or by having separate units (like Sanford East and Sanford West) served from a common kitchen. In other places it is being done on a much larger scale than at Sanford.

In spite of all the talk over the country about building new dormitories, and there is a vast deal of it, buildings will not solve the housing problem in our state universities for many a long year. Here

at Michigan 280 out of approximately 1600 women are housed in dormitories. The others live in sorority houses and boarding houses.

By the way, Minnesota alumni might learn the giving habit from Michigan alumni. Beginning with September 1915, there have been gifts of 3 dormitories for women to this university, which would cost today to build, furnish, and equip over \$1,000,000. These were gifts from Michigan men, and each has been named by the donor in honor of his mother.

But to return from dormitories to the general housing problem. The sorority houses help to solve it in a very small way, and it would seem to me wise to encourage the growth of sororities and sorority houses in a school where the system is already established. Whatever evils attach to the system are already to be found in a school like Minnesota. To increase the number of houses would multiply the good and not increase the bad.

Coöperative houses meet the needs of the girl who must work for part of her expenses in a fine way. I understand that for some reason those started at Minnesota have been abandoned, but I also notice that funds are being raised to start a new one. This is welcome news indeed, for coöperative houses can be operated successfully, and they do perform a valuable service.

In spite of the valiant and ameliorating efforts of deans of women, living in the average college boarding house is sad and expensive. Poor double rooms in Ann Arbor rent at \$10.00 a week, while attractive rooms in dormitories rent for \$3.33 a week. But the expense is not so serious as the sadness. There is no need for particularizing; all college people know the facts. I know of no one who has ever built a kitchen, dining-room, and living-room which would bring together certain ones of these boarding houses into a social unit, but I should like to see it tried. I do not mean a union or cafeteria, but a dining-room, where each girl has her own place, and a living-room that belongs to them all. This would be one way of making a relatively small amount of money reach a large number of girls in boarding houses, and I fear that we shall always have these girls with us so that the investment would not be in nature of a temporary expedient.

When I play that I am president of the University of Minnesota, or that I am in any position which permits me to attach the problem of housing women students, I should be guided by these general principles:

Increase the housing facilities under direct university supervision as rapidly as possible. Rush the matter of securing money from public and private sources, in large and small amounts. And have a definite program in the future.

Once the money, any amount, big or little, has been secured expend it with the wisdom of a serpent. (I don't know the source

of supply of this wisdom, but I do know that architects haven't a monopoly of it.) Make the money reach as large a number of women as possible just as soon as possible.

I cannot close without adding this bit of personal gossip. Minnesota alumni would have been amused if they could have heard, on the evening of the Michigan-Minnesota game, the girls of my table in Betsy Barbour House give a Minnesota yell and song learned naturally during the meat course. Naturally, too, these same girls joined lustily in the Michigan yell that followed and in an impromptu version of "Little Brown Jug." But the "Ski-u-mah" was heart warming.

REPORT OF GLASGOW CONVENTION

BY MILDRED WELCH, *Omicron*, '21

It is a rather difficult thing to know what to include and what to exclude in the report of a great conference like that of the British Student Movement held in Glasgow, Scotland, January 4-9. I had the good fortune to represent the Undergraduates of the United States there. I should like to tell you about the trip—the ocean voyage and the journey through England and Scotland, but I must limit myself. Suffice to say that it was a great experience, and that we made the best use of our fifteen days spent on the British Isles. Our travels took us through the lake and mountain country of England and Scotland where the hills were green, and the streams not frozen even in January. We had a chance to "see the sights" in London, Glasgow, Edinburgh and Oxford before three of us sailed for home on the *Carmania*, January 15. With me were Dr. Kenneth Latour-ette, who will take the chair of missions at Yale next fall; Mr. W. H. Tinker, one of the Y. M. C. A. field secretaries, and a member of the International Committee; Miss Laura Ley Smith, '20, secretary for the Student Volunteer Movement; and Miss Katy Boyd George, member of the National Board of the Y. W. C. A. We formed the official delegation for the United States. In Glasgow, however, we were joined by several others,—Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. secretaries from the continent, and students in Oxford, Cambridge, Edinburgh and Aberdeen. I was very proud of America. I never realized before what it means in honor and responsibility to be a citizen of the United States!

Some of THE CRESCENT readers were present at the Des Moines Convention last year. You will remember the crowded halls, the college yells, the singing, and all the rest. Glasgow was like that yet differed from it in many respects. There were only four thousand at Glasgow. Of that number five hundred were foreign delegates—imagine an American being an *alien*! We were billeted

with scores of other foreigners near the meeting place, which was St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow's largest public hall. There were no college yells—they don't have them there—no wild confusion, no applause—this was strictly forbidden, for one reason, I judge, because they applaud not with hands but with their *feet* over there—and little singing. They told us that the British student dislikes Fourth of July oratory, and emotional appeals, so the speaking was almost all in the nature of plain, straight-forward statements, with a spoken or unspoken "What are you going to do about it?" at the end.

We can't realize till we see it and hear it ourselves, what Great Britain—and she is far better off in every way than Europe—is undergoing today. There are nearly a million men unemployed, twenty thousand disabled, and a half million working on short time in England today. In Aberdeen, while we were there, the minister of Labor was mobbed by unemployed workmen. Housing conditions are in a bad way, statistics showing that in Scotland, half of the people live in houses having not more than two rooms. Prices, of course have soared sky-high, and besides all this she owes the United States billions of dollars of war debt. Ireland threatens from the west; India shows symptoms of breaking away at the southeast. She's crippled financially and industrially, and she's lost hundreds of thousands of men during the late war. You don't realize how many she has lost until you go to Oxford and see the long lists of the names of Oxford men who lost their lives. And we in America think we are having difficulties!

Two things struck me forcibly as being characteristic of the thought of the convention. First, their openmindedness, and second, closely allied to the first—their practical interpretation of modern Christianity. During the course of the convention a letter was read by the chairman from the man who is head of the German Student Movement. The writer said he regretted that although they had been invited, the German students felt that they could not attend the convention, not because they were personally antagonistic or disinterested, but because they felt they could have no part in a convention where missionary subjects were to be discussed when their own missionaries were no longer allowed in foreign fields—for by the terms of the treaty, German missionaries are prohibited from carrying on their work in those lands which are now under the control of the former Allied powers. The writer pled for the members of the convention to protest against this action which was denying them the right to exercise their Christian faith. With one accord, that audience, made up almost without exception, of students from the former Allied powers—burst into the only storm of applause that was allowed during the meetings. And they meant it. We saw evidences all during our stay of the willingness of British and conti-

mental students to forgive and forget, and they are condemning the government for not doing the same. We found them surprisingly sympathetic with Sinn Fein Ireland and with the nationalists of India—and nearly one hundred percent of the India students are nationalistic. With this openmindedness goes a desire to make Christianity practical in its application industrially, politically, internationally, and the subjects of the speeches were chosen with this in mind. The first address by Viscount Edward Grey was "The Need and Possibility of a New World." "Is Christendom Fit for a World Task?" was another subject, dealt with on two successive nights, first by Mr. Kenneth McLennan, one of Britain's foremost industrial leaders, and then by Maude Royden, the world's foremost woman preacher. An entire afternoon was given to a consideration of "The Resources and Responsibilities of the Universities." It was no hollow, oratorical, impractical conference, but one which helped us all to get a perspective on a needy world, and our responsibilities to it as college students.

I was so glad that the United States delegation was permitted to have a part in it all. We were the only foreign delegation given that privilege. We spent an afternoon telling them of "The U. S. and the World Situation." They have had some pretty harsh opinions of us, in regard to our relation to the League, and now in regard to the attitude we are taking towards Japan and also to the armament question. May I quote what Viscount Grey said regarding the latter: "There is a struggle going on today between what is ideal and what is material, and we can see it in the United States today, where a discussion is going on which is most important *because what the United States does is more important than what any other single nation does, on the question of armaments.* There has been put forth the view that the great and powerful country should make its armaments the strongest in the world. But there is also the view that the United States ought to take a lead in getting other nations together to prevent the competition in the growth of armaments and to restrict the growth of armaments." And with the comment that it was "a powerful, true and strong statement," he quoted the words of General Pershing in a recent speech: "Unless some such move is made (that of reducing armaments) we may ask ourselves whether civilization does not really reach a point where it begins to destroy itself, and whether we are thus doomed to go headlong through a destructive war of darkness and barbarism." All the speakers seemed to feel that the United States must lead the world in establishing and bringing to a realization certain great ideals, disarmament being one of them. So we were glad to show them that we are not all "seekers of the all-mighty dollar," but that we, too, have our idealists.

We found them surprisingly liberal in admitting their faults in dealing with their colonial problems in India and Africa. "We cannot permanently govern will by force," said Lord Grey in speaking of India and Egypt. "We must hold India by service, not rule, by human kindness, not machine guns," said Dr. Frazier, one of Britain's foremost missionaries. They are keenly aware of their shortcomings and of the need of a practical application of christian principles.

The real keynote was spoken by Dr. Grey, author of "The Christian Adventure." He said, "The one way out of our difficulties is the Christian Way. The Kingdom of God on earth is to be built only by those who take Christianity gladly."

I came back with a new realization that being an American and a Christian means obligations as well as joy. I have been thinking that we college people, as well as the students in Great Britain, have a special duty, for we are to "carry on" in the next generation. What we think and what we do now is to determine what is to be our measure of service in the years to come. Our industrial problem is by no means solved; our armament problem is the biggest problem internationally that we have today; our relations to the Philippines and to Mexico—are we proud of all we are doing there? Can't we use our influence to induce our country to respond to the *ideal* side in order that it may strengthen it in our dealings with ourselves and other nations?

ANN ELSTUN (THETA) AND Y. W. C. A.

Theta Chapter is very proud of the honor which has come to one of the seniors—Ann Elstun—who has just returned from the Y. W. C. A. Conference in New York City. The following article appeared in *The Rocky Mountain News*:



ANN ELSTUN
(Theta '21)

Miss Ann Elstun, a senior at the University of Denver, who has been chosen to represent the student body of the Y. W. C. A. in the west central field, left this week for New York City, where the National Y. W. C. A. Conference is to be in session from February 6 to 10. Miss Elstun was elected delegate to the national convention last August, when the west central district, including Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico, met for a conference in Estes Park. She will be one of the eleven college girls in the United States who are attending the national convention in New York.

Miss Elstun has been a forceful worker in the student Y. W. C. A. during her entire college course, and it is generally felt that she will be an able representative from this territory. Besides attending the convention at New York City, Miss Elstun will visit organizations in various cities on her return trip to Denver. She has obtained a leave of absence from the university for two weeks, and will spend most of this time in the interest

of student association work. She is a senior at the university and a member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Beside Miss Elstun, two representatives from the downtown association are to attend the conference. Mrs. Charles M. Kassler has been chosen as the delegate from the industrial department, and Miss Mildred Inskeep will represent the field secretaries of this district.

THE DOROTHY TODD MEMORIAL FUND

It sounds rather paradoxical that a Stanford person should be holding the position of Community Service Secretary in the University of California Y. W. C. A. but it is true in this case. There is one place in Berkeley where I feel all things in common and that is in the midst of Eta Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta. It is to tell you of a piece of work that they started that I am writing.

Last Spring, Dorothy Todd of the Eta Chapter took my position as Girls' Work Secretary in the San Francisco Young Women's Christian Association and put in months of earnest, cheery, effective service among the clubs of High School Girl Reserves. This is an organization in the Association for Grade School, High School and young employed girls. Its purpose is to give girls "through normal, natural activities, the habits, insights and ideals which will make them responsible women, capable and ready to help make America more true to its best hopes and traditions."

Dorothy's heart was in this work and all obstacles were overcome by her gayety of spirit, her steady courage and the deep purpose that lay back of her work. To her hundreds of friends among the younger girls, her college associates, and the many older people who loved her, the word of her death last summer brought a deep feeling of loss. Dr. French of Los Angeles wrote of Dorothy, "One cannot be sad over such a triumphant life as her's just because it is taken to a higher service, but one can feel poorer at the thought of her going."

The Eta Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, knowing Dorothy's love for the work of the Association, gave us ten dollars toward a memorial. This has been the basis of the scholarship fund that the Girl Reserves of the Pacific Coast have decided to raise as a memorial to her. Some deserving High School Girl Reserve who could not otherwise go to college, will be chosen by a committee of High School teachers and the Dean of the University of California to attend the University on the terms of the scholarship.

Friends have already sent contributions from Honolulu, Los Angeles, and the Bay Cities, and Girl Reserves from Southern Arizona to Northern California will be working to raise a sum adequate for such a memorial. The scholarship money must be in the hands of the University of California before the end of March.

The sisters of Gamma Phi Beta can be proud of having had a member whose life has meant so much to her friends, young and old, that they want to carry on her memory by broadening the opportunity and vision of another girl. If anyone wishes any information about the scholarship further than I have given *you*, or if there are any Gamma Phis who would like to know the outcome of our effort to raise this fund, I shall be more than glad to let them know more about it.

AIDA C. GILCHRISTE.

THE SUMMER AT CAMP PANHELLENIC

All fraternity women who visited Camp Panhellenic last summer are enthusiastic in their praise of the location, organization and ideals, which prompted the founding of such a camp.

What is the outstanding characteristic of Camp Panhellenic? What one word will convey the subtle atmosphere of that delightful spot, and make clear the spell it casts on all who sojourn there. "Satisfying" seems most appropriate. From the time when the red glow of the uprising sun spreads across Lake Michigan, tipping the tree tops of Rock Island, and bidding the eyes of the sleeping tentdwellers open and see a new and more beautiful day, till the soft moon silhouettes the tapering evergreens in the quiet waters of Jackson Harbor, and even and anon the vivid Northern Lights shine in eerie splendour, there is a sense of completeness, of satisfaction in all the surroundings and experiences, that makes each day perfect and apart.



CAMP PANHELLENIC

It is a wonderful and stimulating experience to see the birth of a new idea. It is a thrilling experience to watch that idea grow, and take form and become larger and more beautiful than was dreamed for it. Given the most suitable sites for a camp; given the pluck and enthusiasm to enter the wilderness single-handed and shape a place that rejoices the eye, and typifies the ideals of beauty and health; and given the faith that college women desire just what such a camp can give; and one sees the foundations that underlie Camp Panhellenic.

Those who have been privileged to spend part or all of this first summer at the camp, living in the big out-of-doors, watching the wealth of colour of Michigan and Green Bay, whether of blue in the days of the Northwester, or of green in the days of the Northeaster, or of slate grey flecked with foam, in the day of the big

storm from the southeast, feel that something has come into their lives that many days of hard and monotonous work through the winter cannot drive out.

What of the joyful days spent together tramping the woodsey trails! What of the beach fire each night and the songs that accompanied it! What of the nights in the open under the stars when we watched the Great Bear make a half circle around the North Star, and saw the moon set and the sun rise! What of the morning dip in the crystal clear waters of the little channel, with the sun and air to dry one and make one feel altogether new made! What of the still moonlight on Lake Michigan when the canoe seemed to float suspended between air and water, and the stones on the bottom were perfectly seen at twenty feet deep! What of the gay, blue days on the fishing smack when nets were lifted and the silvery harvest was gathered in! In retrospect one sees and remembers so much that is indelibly impressed on mind and heart.

The great usefulness of Camp Panhellenic, however, lies in the opportunities it affords for meeting women from other colleges and other fraternities. All the joy and beauty of the camp would be small if it were not shared with others of similar tastes and ideals. New lasting friendships are made quickly because the conventional bars are down. Lasting friendships are made because what is true and good in each is immediately recognized. One cannot camouflage in the heart of nature.

Can you see the group of tanned, healthy faces, and the straight well poised bodies standing around the table in the high ceilinged, airy dining-room and singing:

Here's to Kappa Alpha Theta,
Here's to Alpha Phi,
Here's to Kappa Kappa Gamma,
And the arrow of Pi Beta Phi,
Ring, ching, ching,
Here's to Gamma Phi and Tri Delt,
And all the girls' fraternities,
But here's to Panhellenic,
United are we.

They typify the spirit of Camp Panhellenic.

E. H. G.



If the necessity of an endowment fund has not by this time been impressed upon every member of the sorority, surely this issue of the magazine with its manifold practical examples of what other Greek letter organizations are doing in this line and what wonderful results can be forthcoming will prove that such a necessity exists. The question that Gamma Phi Beta is called upon to answer is, "What is each chapter doing for the endowment fund?" Let the response be willing, enthusiastic and substantial, so that we may count our sorority among those who are so splendidly meeting pressing everyday needs.

Every great cause has its inspiration; and the inspiration of the Endowment Fund has been and always will be Blanche Shove Palmer. Originating the movement, she has labored faithfully in its behalf, receiving at times little encouragement but never for a moment relaxing her effort or failing in enthusiasm. For years Mrs. Palmer has been the truest of Gamma Phis; she has done much for the organization whose symbol she proudly wears; and Gamma Phi Beta can best show appreciation of such service by supporting—and supporting magnificently—the Endowment Fund!

It seems but a short time since the editorial column rhapsodized over the beauties of Estes Park and urged all Gamma Phis to meet with Theta and Denver. Now, again, convention is calling us—and this time to the northwest where Lambda and Seattle promise us a Gamma Phi lake by the name of Crescent and just as many good times as can be crowded into the allotted time. May August bring together Gamma Phis from all sections of the country—and may the gathering mean new inspiration, new enthusiasm and new friendships for all of us!

Upsilon wins the Scholarship Coffee Urn! The report of the chairman of the scholarship committee tells just how it was done and how the other chapters are ranking; and we ask all Gamma Phis to become acquainted with this very complete record of scholastic

achievements. We are exceedingly proud of some chapter efforts in this line; but cannot withstand the temptation to urge each group to "lift better up to best" and not to be afraid of the old saying, "a little knowledge is a dangerous thing."

The Gamma Phi Beta history—definitely christened *The Story of Gamma Phi Beta*—is incomplete in some respects owing to lack of information. Unfortunately, the historian cannot improvise facts and dates, and imagination is hardly a factor of a publication which is supposed to be authentic. Accordingly—if some very worthwhile and necessary fact concerning your own chapter is missing, the fault lies with the one who compiled the information; since the historian has done her best with the material on hand. To Minneapolis alumnae chapter, which replied so minutely and so comprehensively to every request, the author is particularly grateful. And as a last word to Gamma Phis in general, the plea goes forth—buy a history!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The June issue of *THE CRESCENT* will be *Before-Convention Number*. Each college chapter is to be represented by photographs and informal biographies of its delegates. There will also be complete plans for convention; pictures of Lake Crescent, of Seattle, of Lambda and of Lambda homes. See that no chapter is unrepresented.

Camp Panhellenic will open its season on July 2 and close September 16. All college girls, active or alumnae are eligible for registration, for all or part of the season. For information write Gladys R. Dixon, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri.

Unless calculations fail, the songbook will be ready for distribution in April. The history has gone to press.

Many pictures sent for the history, while interesting and attractive, could not be used on account of their present day value—such as chapter groups. Such groups appear in this issue of *THE CRESCENT*.

Will anyone knowing the whereabouts of the following please communicate with Mrs. Elizabeth R. Carey, 2545 Baker St., San Francisco, Cal.

1. Marian Snyder Lewis, Xi Chapter.
2. Marian Dorn Poor, Mu Chapter.

3. Rae B. Mortan, Mu Chapter.
 4. Marian Skinner, Mu Chapter.
 5. Lorene Wilcox, Mu Chapter.
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DEPARTMENT OF THE GRAND COUNCIL

Now that convention becomes an event of the near future, the Council impresses upon each chapter the necessity of submitting all business in time to present it to the sorority for vote. See that delegates are fully instructed in every detail.

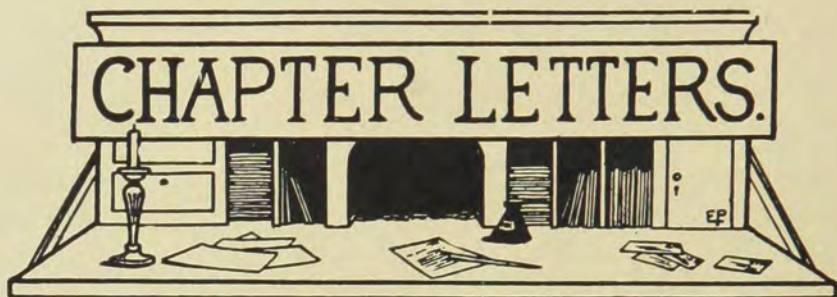
In regard to Social Service Work and Endowment Fund, two of our largest problems, we are making progress slowly perhaps but surely. The committee upon social service is working on a plan which will duly be presented to the sorority; the alumnae chapters are reporting various methods for increasing the endowment fund; accordingly, definite results may be expected before the end of the college year.

Mrs. Dehn submits her very interesting and satisfactory report upon scholarship in this issue of the magazine and Upsilon is declared winner of the Scholarship Coffee Urn. Mrs. Banks has sent to all chapters outlines for exercises in preparation for the annual examination; Mrs. Fulmer has the promise of the publisher that the songbook will be forthcoming during April. The history is now in process of publication.

Since the last number of the magazine the freshmen have been initiated. To each one who is now wearing the crescent shield the Council, individually and collectively, sends greetings and best wishes, with the hope and belief that each will be strong in love and loyalty and that each will do her part in strengthening the national organization.

Cordially yours,

LINDSEY BARBEE,
President of Gamma Phi Beta.



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

ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

The crime wave has reached Alpha Chapter! At least, we felt some of the spray from it the other night, and there is one "sweet maiden" who says that, for her, the line in the Gamma Phi song, "suddenly she met a stranger," has taken on an entirely different significance. Perhaps the circumstances that surrounded the meeting were not quite propitious. At any rate, when she encountered him on the second floor of the Gamma Phi house during the dinner hour, it was not *love* but *fear* that shone in his eye. As for the gentle colloquy which followed according to the song ("Ah! said he, as he espied her"), it didn't happen at all. The maiden could do nothing but shiver and shake, while the stranger with his three dollar loot disappeared through a balcony doorway. A minute later there was nothing to remind us of his visit except the tracks in the snow. It was fortunate that the first, real snow of the winter had fallen for, as somebody said, "What is the use of having a robber, anyway, if he doesn't leave some traces to show to your friends?"

The next morning the girls set about erecting a guard in front of the house. She stands there now, brandishing a broomstick in one snowy arm, a corpulent female with an angry, red ink flush in her cheeks. People may smile as they pass by, but they do not stop to rob us!

Other events of a less, sensational character have been happening in Syracuse. The morning after the Women's Swimming Meet, the Syracuse *Daily Orange* announced that the Gamma Phi "natators," Ruth Buckman, Eleanor Howarth, Margaret Goreth and Elizabeth Marot had carried off honors. The Gamma Phi basketball team ran up a score of 72-0 against the opposing team in a preliminary contest for the championship of the Women's Living Centers. Florence Ryder has been elected Chief Executive of the Freshman Women's Organization. Julia Gant and Helen Myers "made" Boar's Head Dramatic Society. Julia Gant was the understudy for one of the leading parts in the recent Boar's Head production of "The Tailor Made Man." We have a new pledge, Mary MacKenzie, '24, and Florence King '22 has deserted us for the University of Arizona. We also have two new initiates, Ellen Hayes '22 and Helen Rieck '22.

Last week we entertained Eliza Bennett Young from Zeta, Marjorie Pelton from Delta, Virginia Martin from Upsilon and Quineth Summers, Doris

Sprague, Frances Weimer, Ethel Williams, Kathleen Hatton and Helen O'Leary from Beta.

Alpha sends best wishes to every Gamma Phi,

DOROTHY JEAN FRISBIE.

BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Dear Sisters:

We are in the midst of examinations, and if you could see our scholarship chart with its many A's and B's, and its scarcity of D's, you would realize that we are taking college work very seriously this year. Alice Comfort, '21 was elected to Stylus, honorary rhetoric organization, and Winifred Smeaton, '24, won a fifty dollar Greek and Latin scholarship.

Before Christmas vacation we had our annual tree with presents of cloth-



CHAMPION BASEBALL TEAM (BETA)

Top row, left to right: Quinneth Summers, Frances Weimer, Doris Sprague, Immogene Hoyes, Marion Walker, Mildred Henry.

Second row: Bertral Summers, Marguerite Cavendish, Helen O'Leary, Ernestine Hall.

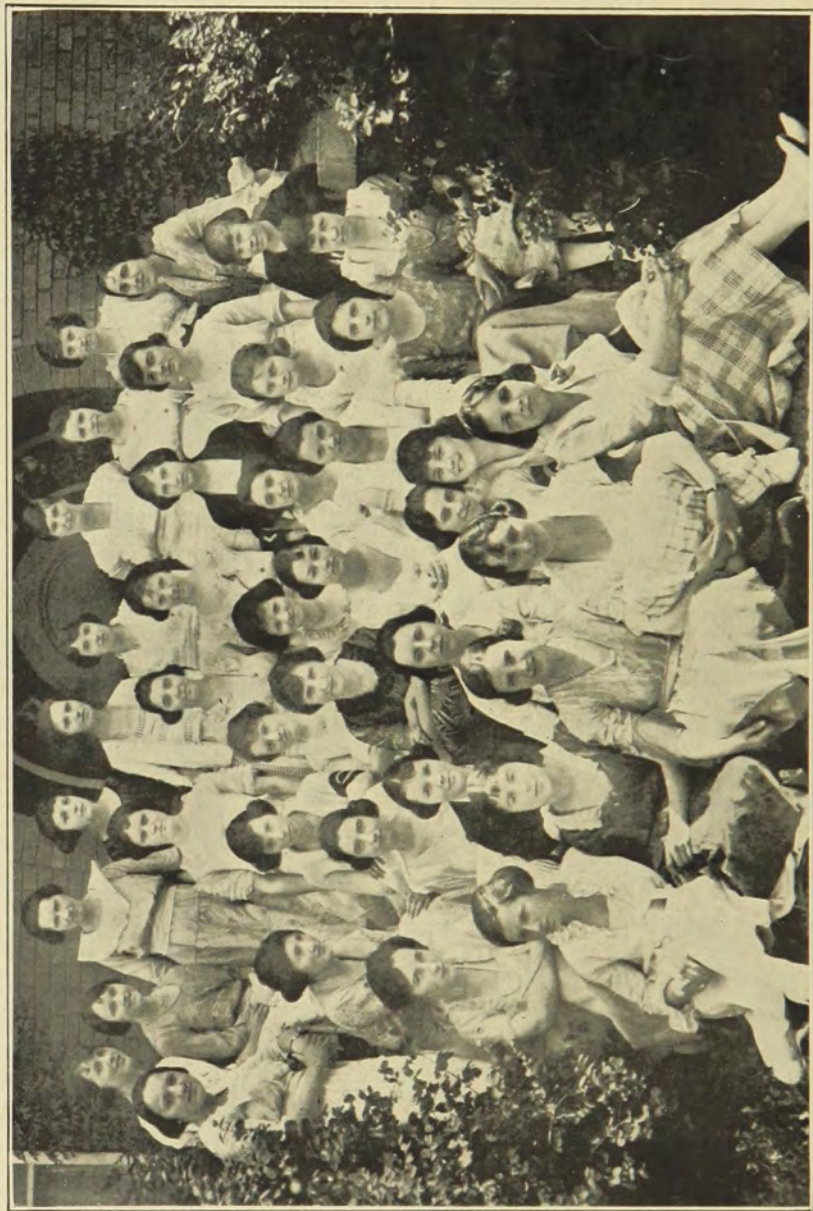
Bottom row: Helen Bishop.

ing and toys for a poor little girl in the neighborhood. We attended the annual fancy dress party in costume, and felt elated over receiving honorable mention for the artistic effect. Valentine's day we had a formal dinner for ourselves, and we had a great deal of fun with our valentine box which contained many unusual and original valentines.

Best of all was the Alpha house party! The six girls who were lucky enough to go are still bubbling with enthusiasm over their good time. They were Ethel Williams, delegate, Frances Weimer, Helen O'Leary, Kathleen Hatton, Doris Sprague and Quinneth Summers. The rest of us will never feel satisfied until we know our Alpha sisters.

We are looking forward to the junior girls' play in March, as many of our juniors are in the cast. Harriet Gustin is business manager, and Frances Weimer has charge of the costumes.

Formal initiation will be held on March 12, and we are planning to make the week-end a home coming for our out of town alumnæ. The initiates are



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Hortense Hoad, Winifred Smeaton, Dorothy Bishop, Dorothy Weimer, Carol Huysett, Paula Miller and Dorothy Maitland.

All of Beta wishes you the best of luck and happiness for the coming year.

Sincerely,

LAURA GRIDLEY.

PERSONALS

Doris Sprague, '22, has been elected our delegate to the convention in Seattle.

Clara Stimson, '17, is doing landscape design work in Ann Arbor for several months. Dorothy Duncan, ex-'19, spent several days before Christmas with us.

GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

Just at present, everyone is getting ready for Junior Prom, the social event of the year, or preparing to leave Madison. We are unfortunate in that we are to lose three of our girls the next semester, Julia Colman is to spend the spring in France, Aileen Hall is going to Europe for the spring and summer, and Helen Brannum expects to travel in South America. We have one recompense for our losses, for Catherine Meyer, who left us the first semester to go to Smith, has decided to return to Madison for the spring term.

Ethel Garbutt, who frequently comes down from Milwaukee to see us, was here for about ten days, while rehearsing for a faculty play. She was the only woman, not a member of the faculty, who was asked to take part.

We have recently pledged Edith Crane from Burlington, Wis., and Gertrude Bohrer from Bloomington, Ill. We have also initiated three girls, Anne Robertson, Hazel Smith and Mildred Anderson.

We had several girls visiting in the house the second week end in February. Evangeline Maher, Gladys Wang, Frances Clark, Marjorie Neville and Sue Hayes, have all come back for Prom. Kay Mabis is also coming to visit us on her way east.

Best wishes to all the Gamma Phis.

Very sincerely,

ROSAMOND ALLEN.

PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Mathews (Betha Van Dusen, '91) and their daughter Marjorie are living at 304 S. Reno St., Los Angeles, California.

Mrs. Elliott Bright (May Pratt, '96) and her daughters Eleanor and Anne are spending the winter at the Chadfonte, 1847 Jefferson Ave. E, Detroit, Mich. They plan on going to England in May.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Moss (Kathryn Mathewson '94) have just moved into their country home at Thiensville, Wis.

Mrs. C. A. Dickson's (Katherine Hardy, '93) new address is 3629 3rd St., San Diego, California.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Woodward (Jessie Bell '89) are spending the winter at 37 Kenilworth Ave., Kenilworth, Ill.

Mrs. G. B. Harrison (Gertrude Barron, ex-'91) is living at 1327 Rockland Ave., Beechview, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Rankin (Winifred Coon '10) live at 106 S. 7th St., Yakima, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Steward (Nora Buell, '11) live at 5408 20th St. N. E., Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Rudow (Eva White, '11) have their home in Me-nomonie, Wis. They announce the birth of a little daughter, Ann Southworth, on November 19, 1920.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fryer (Hazel Houser '11) are at 410 Delaware Ave., Bartlesville, Okla.

Marguerite Samuels, ex-'07, has just returned from Yokohama, Japan, where she has been secretary of the Park Union Foreign Banking Corporation of New York for the past two years. She is visiting her father at Darlington, Wis.

Delia Linwell, '13, is studying under the direction of Sarah Bernhardt. Those who read *The Theater*, will note the reference in an interview with the Divine Sarah to our "little Delia."

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Grout (Temple Irwin '14) live at Winchester, Ill. Mrs. Grout has been very active in advancing education, addressing the Farmers' Institutes of the State.

Dorothy Crain, ex-'13, who has been living at Hull House, Chicago, for a number of years, is now connected with the School of Fire at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Genevieve Stump, '15, has a studio at 917 Fine Arts Bldg. in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Alan J. Kane (Stella Hayden, '15) and small daughter are now permanently located at 55 Arlington St., Dubuque, Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldemar A. P. John (Hildegard Hagerman, ex-'14) and son live on Villa Road, Birmingham, Michigan. Mr. John is a contributor to the *Saturday Evening Post*, and our Hildegard has verses in *Scribners*.

Helen Marie Nielson, '16, is teaching in Ridgewood, N. J. Before going East, she did some splendid social service work in Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Grimm, Jr. (Helen Aurland '17) and small son live at 7 Parkview Apartments, Dayton, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert D. Kelly (Susan Law, ex-'21) are at 5587 Cabanne Ave., St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Kelly is the St. Louis manager of Prudden & Co., Municipal Bonds.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Morrill (Jean Towsley, ex-'21) live at 1045 Maple Ave., Evanston, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Hayes (May Wescott '17) are at 3016 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Maryland.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lewis (Myrtle Milner, '17) live at 363 S. Main St., Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Marion Mayers, '18, who has been teacher of Art at Grafton Hall, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, for the last year and a half, has a leave of absence and will spend the winter with her mother Mrs. T. B. Pray at 2507 S. Lambert St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Rector (Mary Clarke, ex-'18) live at the Knickerbocker Apartments, Spokane, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. O'Brien (Eleanor Fisher, ex-'20) are at their own home at 895 Head St., San Francisco, California.

Verena Baker '18 has returned for a visit with her mother in Fond du Lac. She has just finished nine months with the Chautauqua in Canada, going all over the four western provinces, and as far north as the railroads go, even farther using dog sleds in some instances. She will be in Fond du Lac until June.

Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Rosenberger (Gretchen Koss, ex-'20) have an apartment at the Riverside Sanitarium, Milwaukee, Wis. Dr. Rosenberger is with Dr. Studly at the Sanitarium.

Doris Simonson, '20, is teaching at Stoughton, Wis.

Elizabeth A. Macfarlane, '22, is at Wells College, Aurora, New York, for the year.

Irene Haley, '20, is doing Child Welfare work in Tulsa, Okla. Her address is 1160 N. Cheyenne St.

Florence Finnerud, '21, is spending the year at the University of California, at Berkeley.

Mary Gifford, ex-'23, leaves Omaha January 1 for New York, where she will take up a course in nursing.

ENGAGEMENTS

Julia Colman announced her engagement to Mr. Robert Thompson.

Margaret Dennison, who came to us from Theta, announced her engagement to Mr. Charles M. White of Denver. She is spending the remainder of the year at home.

DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters:

So many things have happened at Boston University and in Delta chapter that I hardly know where to begin. I think that I will start at the end and work backwards. Pledge Day is over and the following girls are to be real Gamma Phis: Helen Bidwell, Katherine Miles, Mildred Hatch and Irene Miller.

We had our conflict party at Betty Macy Kauffman's on Wednesday, February 9, and pledged on Valentine's Day. We think that Delta received very nice Valentines. As you know our Panhellenic Association voted for second semester pledging this year and to have no formal rushing as in the past. However it was not against the rules to be friendly with the freshmen and to invite them to luncheon with us. Around Christmas time Panhellenic noticed that the friendly interest in the new students was getting on their nerves, so it was decided that the two weeks following the vacation would be closed to rushing and that the freshmen would have the privilege of inviting the upper classmen to luncheon or to take a walk. This plan seemed to work very well and the freshmen were delighted to have the opportunity to be with the ones they really liked. We wish that the other chapters would explain their systems of rushing a little more in detail.

Now for a few social announcements. Delta Alumnae gave the annual tea to the active girls at Betty Kauffman's December 29. The class of '21 held an informal dance January 10 in Gardener Hall, Brookline. Gamma Delta dance was held at the Somerset on the evening of February 4. For those who may not know just what Gamma Delta is I will say that it is the organization of all the women students in the College of Liberal Arts, and that every year it holds three important social events, a banquet for the women only, a dance, and Klatsch in the spring.

We are to have our dance this year on the night before Washington's Birthday at the Fritz-Carlton Hotel. This will be the night before a holiday which will make the evening all the more enjoyable.

VIRGINIA E. TURNBULL.

PERSONALS

Ruth Tobey is a member of "The Chemia" an organization of students who are doing their major work in chemistry.

Elizabeth Moore is a member of the student council at the College of Secretarial Science.

Marjorie Pelton was Delta's delegate to Alpha's houseparty February 4.

MARRIAGE

Esther Anderson, '23, was married to Guy Calafato, December 10.

EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN

Dear Sisters:

Rushing is at last over, having closed December 15, with Gamma Phi possessing seventeen pledges. Four sisters, Mary Alice Merrill of Montclair,

N. J., Phyllis Trajan of Chicago, Irene Penwell of Pana, Illinois, and Virginia Wales of Winnetka, Illinois, and a niece, Lois Heilman of Idagrove, Iowa, are wearing the little brown pin. The others are Norma Craven of Tipton, Iowa; Kathleen McKittrick of Chicago Heights; Helen Washburn of Kentland, Indiana; Katherine Redfearn of Oak Park, Illinois; Katherine Squiers of Evanston; Margaret Brackin of Montpelier, Indiana; Hope Summers of Walla Walla, Washington; Ella Crimmins of Redwood Falls, Minnesota and Frances Dickey, Margaret Wiegand, Vesper Dickson and Virginia Alcott from Chicago. One of the many reasons why we are so proud of them is because of their activities. Mary Alice Merrill is President of Freshman Commission, is in dramatics, basketball and on Y. W. C. A. Membership Committee. Phyllis Trajan is vice-president of the freshman class and vice-president of Freshman Commission, and is on the freshman basketball squad. Ione Penwell is a member of the Y. W.



PLEDGES TO EPSILON

C. A. Social Committee, Norma Craven is a member of Freshman Commission, Helen Washburn was elected to Alethenai Literary Society and the Helen Club, and Margaret Brackin is a member of the North Shore Music Festival Chorus. Kathleen McKittrick is on the freshman basketball squad, hockey team, is a member of Woman's Athletic Association, and is on Y. W. C. A. Welfare Committee. Frances Dickey is on Y. W. C. A. membership and finance committee, and Margaret Wiegand is a *Daily Northwestern* reporter and is on Y. W. C. A. finance committee. Hope Summers was elected to Alethenai literary society, is president of the freshman class in the School of Oratory and is chairman of discussion group in religious education committee (Y. W. C. A.). Ella Crimmins was elected to Alethea literary society, and is on Sophomore hockey team, and Virginia Alcott is a member of French Club.

Our sorority house fund is still progressing. Through the bazaar which we held on December 4, we secured \$1,000, and on January 8, we had a card party, one of a series which our alumnae are sponsoring for the cause. Plans are now in progress for another rummage sale to be given in the latter part of March, from which we sincerely hope to receive as big returns as we did from our last one. At present we have \$12,000 and soon hope to have the required amount.

Since 1916, it has been the custom of the pledges of Gamma Phi Beta to give a tea for all freshmen and new girls in the college. The teas are given with a purpose of promoting a more democratic and friendly feeling among the new girl members of Greek letter organizations and otherwise, and to bring everyone together on a friendly footing. On Thursday afternoon, February 10, our pledges entertained most successfully at their tea, and what with "stunts" given by such charming hostesses, a good time was enjoyed by all.

ALVERA ALLEGRETTI.

PERSONALS

Jean Ford, Gamma, has been affiliated. Mrs. Heilman, wife of Professor Heilman, Dean of Commerce School, took the leading rôle in the Faculty Play, *An Ideal Husband*.

Mary Alice Merrill took the part of Ellen in the play, *He and She*.

Nell Purcell, '22, has returned to college.

Betty Brydon had the leading rôle in *The Philosopher of Butterbiggins*, a play given by Campus Players.

June Vivian, '23, to George Wittbold.

ENGAGEMENTS

June Vivian '23 to George Wittbold.

Ruth Tucker, '23, to Kenneth Mullins.

ETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Dear Gamma Phis:

The "Big Game" with Stanford is won, the New Year's game with Ohio is won, and California proud and happy is already fighting the spring-fever!

Although we had closed rushing this semester, Eta has been quite busy since the beginning of the year. On January 8, we had initiation. The ceremony was held in the chapter-house and in the evening the regular initiation banquet was combined with alumnae spring banquet at the Berkeley Inn. It was a wonderful banquet and after toasts and speeches, we had a roll-call of the chapters. It was like a young convention as nearly every chapter had a representative present. Our eight initiates were greatly impressed and were very proud to wear their pins when college opened the following Monday.

The next week we pledged three sisters, Martha Thrum, Frances McDougal, and Frances Purcell (Epsilon). We are surely glad to have them with us. In fact we think we have a very fine freshman class. Glen Johnson, Betty Thomas, Dorothy Cornell and Blanche Harris are on Freshman Glee Committees and Kathryn Ann Shattuck is on the art staff of *Pelican*, a campus publication. She was also one of the five girls chosen to design posters for the Parthenia. Parthenia is the annual out-door masque produced solely by women. Virginia Byrne, '23, is to have a speaking part and several of the girls have dancing and walking parts.

Of course Y. W. C. A. is one of the main activities in which we are interested. Helen Robinson, '21, Helen Williams, '21, Margaret Osborn, '22, and Helen Deamer, '23, are Social Service secretaries while several others are on finance and membership committees. Dorothy Deardorf, '21, is leader of a discussion group.

The two large standing committees on the campus, Women's Council and Student Welfare, are doing fine work this year and are a great aid in strengthening the Honor System and Student Self-government. There are eight Gamma Phis on each of these committees.

A. W. S. Class Open-houses have proved a great success in enabling the women of each class to become acquainted. There is always a good



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entertainment followed by dancing. Peg Ellis, '21, is general chairman of all open-houses. Charlotte Moore, '23, is chairman of Women's Loan Fund. Every senior is a member of a Senior Week committee and there has been a Gamma Phi office holder in each class during the year except the senior.

Of course we are thrilled about having convention so near us this year. We all want to go and I am sure many of our dreams will come true and we can see you all in Seattle next fall.

Sincerely,

HELEN C. DEAMER.

PERSONALS

Alice Searby, '21, has been in Rome, Italy, since December.

Helen Bridge, '23, is leaving in February for an extended trip through Europe.

ENGAGEMENT

Ellen Penniman, '22, to Allan W. McComb.

THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Dear Gamma Phis:

The great deed is done. It sounds like Caesar but it is initiation. Theta has increased her circle by thirteen new members. We were so sorry not to be able to initiate Virginia Wood, who was very ill at the time of initiation, which was held at the home of Mrs. Julian Moore. How specially favored is Theta to have our grand president, Lindsey Barbee, at initiation. We also had her as toastmistress at the banquet at the Metropole along with all the other good things that we had. We are so proud and happy to have our thirteen new sisters with us and we look upon them as every doting parent with the thought that they are the hope not only of the university but of the world.

The pledges' dance, which was given in December while it happened a long time ago, is still fresh in all of our memories because it was such a wonderful dance and we all had such a good time.

Theta is truly stage struck. It happens every year at this season they tell me. Just like the measles everyone of us has caught the epidemic but it is lots of fun since we all wanted to. I don't know whether our parents are as crazy about our condition as we are. Sometimes when play practice is rather late on college nights, a few object I've heard. We are fortunate to have Dr. Barbee to administer acts, scenes, and such like as our epidemic grows worse and we really need professional attention. The fascinating thing about this disease is after you get it you don't know what is going to happen to you. Even Dr. Barbee doesn't seem to know whether you will be killed off in the second act or drift into indefiniteness or whether you will be allowed to smile in the third act and live happily ever after. Every dose of medicine is a glorious surprise and we have absolute confidence in our doctor.

Sincerely,
MARY JANE CALLAN.

And speaking of work—dear gentle reader, listen—we have plans on foot that you'll be tremendously interested in and the accomplishment of which will be an opportunity for us all. We are determined through expansion of membership and effort to make this the largest and liveliest *alumnæ* chapter in the country, a credit to ourselves and to Gamma Phi. Last year we had 50 members. (And confidentially, about 75% of those were Lukewarms.) Let's double, and if possible triple, this membership this year and, steaming up a bit, turn all the Lukewarms into Red Hots. What do you say?

PERSONALS

Theta is glad to have Elizabeth Cornish from Epsilon with her this semester.

Ann Elstun left Wednesday, February 2, for New York City, where she will attend the national convention of the Y. W. C. A. as representative of the Central Western Field. She is one of the eleven representatives chosen from the different sections of the United States.

ENGAGEMENT

Margaret Dennison is engaged to Charles White, Beta Theta Pi.

KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

"No rushing this quarter" was the report which we received from Panhellenic. We will, however, have a season during the spring quarter. Definite plans have not been made as yet, but we anticipate a ten-day period. Instead of announcing pledges at this time Kappa announces the initiation of Ruth Fitch and Francis Ellison from St. Paul, Genevieve Bezoier, Katharine Hall, Lorraine Hanson, Ella Grace Haverson, and Margaret Hinks from Minneapolis; Lucile Curtis from Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin; and Leonora Long from Beaver, Oklahoma.

Through the help of our *alumnæ* our chapter-house is becoming more and more attractive. Only recently we were presented with an upholstered chair, an attractive living-room table, two lovely pictures, a much needed fire basket, and several straight back chairs for the chapter-room. Several of the rooms have been redecorated too, so we are all ready for another rushing season.

The freshmen have been doing a great deal for us this quarter. On January 22 they entertained the active chapter at an informal dance at the chapter-house. The house was prettily decorated with many balloons, and after dancing lovely refreshments were served. Friday, February 4,

the "Gopher" gave a dance at the Armory at which all the sororities were expected to put on a stunt. Our freshmen decided on a chorus which sang "Kentucky Blues." They were dressed in pretty organdies and did justice to Gamma Phi even if they did not receive the loving cup. Under the auspices of the Women's Athletic Association, the annual Penny Carnival is to be given Friday, February 18. We have asked the freshmen again to give us a proof of their creative ability in successfully providing an attractive booth for our chapter.

Since Christmas we have entertained our alumnæ at spread, and we have also given a Parents' Tea. The alumnæ were here Monday evening, January 24. After spread the talented ones in our midst entertained the rest of us with readings and music. Sunday evening, January 30, was the time given to the Tea which was held at the house. We wished our parents to know our friends and their parents, our chaperon, and to become acquainted with the house.

All kinds of good wishes to all Gamma Phis from Kappa.

Sincerely,
HELEN SCHEL.

PERSONALS

Virginia Morrison graduated from college in December, and Reine Pino and Harriet Thompson will finish in March.

Leona St. Clair, Owatonna, was a guest at the house in January. She is staying at home this winter.

Marion Parsons of Fergus Falls is spending the winter traveling in the East. She expects to spend most of the time in New York and Washington.

Otilia Maier is attending St. Catherine's in St. Paul this quarter.

Evangeline Skellet, who went to school in New York last fall, is back with us again. Virginia Yers, who was also in New York before Christmas, is now at home.

Mabel Prothers, Minneapolis, and Gladys Quinn, Melrose, are not in college this quarter.

Alice Kidder has the honor of being fourth in line at the Junior Ball which took place at the St. Paul Hotel on February 21. We were well represented at this affair as several of the other girls attended.

ENGAGEMENTS

Virginia Morrison to Colin MacDonald, Sigma Chi.

Helen Drennen to Raymond Bros, Delta Tau Delta.

MARRIAGE

Frances Gunderson to Elnathan Clark Gates, Kenyon, Minnesota.

BIRTH

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Comstock (Frances Fraser), December 13 at Moorhead, Minnesota, a daughter, Jane.

DEATH

The sincere sympathy of Kappa chapter is felt for Gladys Barke Kroeze in the loss of her father, Mr. John Owen Barke.

LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Dear Gamma Phis:

Lambda's greatest and most worked for ambition at the present time—is a new home. What could be grander! We are all doing our bit in trying to make this ambition a realization. We are giving up our formal this year, but the financial end of it will be the same and maybe a little bit more—

this will go into the house fund. The date for the above mentioned dance had been set for February 25, but now on that same evening the freshmen and sophomores will give the chapter a little informal dance. The evening before this dance we are having, at the chapter-house, what we call a house fund party. All the alumnae are invited and a fine supper will be the chief attraction of the evening, after which we will present our formal money to the building committee.

This year we have adopted a new system of dividing the work among the different classes—the freshmen are in charge of rushing, the sophomores, social affairs, juniors, scholarship, and the seniors' discipline. This new plan has worked out very successfully and efficiently so far.

The next big event is freshmen training. The committee in charge was Chairman, Elizabeth McElroy, Alice Nettleton and Irene Burns. The poor freshmen, I am sure, thoroughly deserved initiation when that horrible week was over. Sunday evening, January 30, proved the all wonderful night for the frightened girls. The initiates were the following: Beatrice Gould, Carol Wakefield, Genevieve Moore, Geraldine Moore, Rachel Niblock, Helen Pendleton, Bernice Kennedy, Ruth Terrel. After initiation, we all sat around the fireplace and enjoyed a delicious spread, and sang all the old Gamma Phi songs.

We also have a new system on our campus of becoming acquainted with other sororities. Every Thursday night is set aside for this purpose. Two sororities exchange five girls each. For instance, if we were to exchange with Theta, five of our girls would go to their house, and five of their girls would come to our house to dinner. This goes on all over the campus once a week.

We have a new pledge Adele Jones from Portland, Oregon.

Sincerely,

CORRINNE MOLDSTAD.

HONORS

Katherine Peterson, '23, and Connie Martin, '21, were pledged Mu Phi Epsilon, honorary music fraternity.

Katherine Peterson also was given second lead in the spring opera.

Irene Burns, '23, won second place on the Varsity Debate Team.

Geraldine Moore, '24, was elected captain of the freshman hockey team. Doreen Kennedy, '21, Junior Girls' Vaudeville Committee, a vaudeville given yearly by the junior class of the "U."

Lurline Brown, '22, Junior Prom Committee.

Iris Canfield, '22, was named soloist to appear with the Seattle Symphony Orchestra. She was one of four soloists who were chosen from fifty aspirants.

PERSONALS

Ruth Floyd, '21, is spending this quarter with her parents in Walla Walla, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson Smith (Ruth Norton) have returned from an extensive trip in the East.

Kathryn Barnhisel, '21, left February 7 for a two months' trip in California.

Dorothy Hagget, '24, is attending the University of North Dakota this quarter.

Maxine Dodge, '22, of Anacortes is back in college.

Doris Deszendorf, '22, is with her parents in Portland, Oregon. She expects to leave soon for California.

Frances Lamborn, '23, who was out of college last quarter on account of her health, has returned.

Helen Burns (a pledge) is remaining at home with her parents.

Helen Salisbury, '22 is attending Cheney Normal this quarter.

Marion Troy, '21, has just returned from Pullman, Washington, where she has been investigating a prospective chapter.

MU—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Dear Gamma Phis:

'Tis said that procrastination is the thief of time, but he'd have to be a mighty quick thief to catch old Father Time, now at least in the process of his college education. Did you ever see time fly so fast, in your life? Just last week-end, a half second ago, we were dancing madly at our Gamma Phi Beta informal. Quite a few of the California girls from Eta were up, and we had a most marvelous time.

January 28, just a second before—we had a big tea given for our house-mother, Mrs. Seaman, which everybody said was a huge success. The head of our entertainment committee, Clarise Habermeld, introduced the custom on the campus of having fraternity men invited to the tea. The men as well as the girls must have liked the idea, because they came in great numbers.

January 21 we held initiation and were very proud to make our new pledges Gamma Phis. After initiation we had the freshman banquet. As usual the freshmen were asked to sing songs of their own composition. We were delighted to discover that we had a regular composer in our midst—Evelyn Miller. The fact that so many alumnæ were able to be present helped much to add to the jolly time.

Then in between, snatching every infinitesimal bit of a second, we have had exchange dinners with houses on the row, faculty dinners and dinners with the Roble girls. Wednesday the Theta Xis have asked our house to a dinner-dance. Thursday we have an exchange dinner with the Beta Theta Pis.

Mr. and Mrs. George Habermeld presented us with a victrola over which we are wildly enthusiastic. We dance every night now, after dinner and even betwixt and between.

We are glad that another of our girls, Hester Proctor, made Cap and Gown, a local honorary society composed of girls prominent in campus activities.

Already in dramatics we have been well represented by Virginia Woodruff and Margaret Lies. They took part in the Masquers' play, *Trelawny of the Wells*.

Just now we are all thrilled over basketball. Last night we played and won from Washington. Friday we expect to defeat California, even though she did whip our football team.

With best wishes to every chapter.

ELJAH BARRICK LOW.

PERSONALS

Margaret Benton, '20, is visiting Gamma Phis this week. She is to be bridesmaid at the wedding of Herva Dunshee, February 10.

Margaret Brown, '20, is also visiting the house, and will remain over for the wedding.

Mabel Angell, Juliette Holman and Mrs. Dick Bullis attended our dance February 5.

Helena Douglas is in Los Angeles now on account of ill health but intends to be back for the spring quarter.

Jessie Duggan is in San Francisco this quarter, but she pays us flying week-end visits. She, also, expects to come back for the spring quarter.

ENGAGEMENT

Ruth Bacon, '19, to Robert Vickory.

MARRIAGES

Herva Dunshee, '18, to William Boekil, Beta Theta Pi, February 10.

Margaret Jackson, '21, to Frederick Supple, '20.



NU CHAPTER, 1920

NU—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Our formal on January 22 was truly a huge success. The house was gay in elaborate springtime decorations and a supper was served at the end of the evening. Seven Portland rushees came up for the dance and spent the week-end with us. So of course with the usual hurry and skurry of getting ready for a formal, there were seven little rushees to be taken all around and entertained.

We have set aside Wednesday evening for exchange dinners with the other sororities on the campus; and Thursday evening we entertain the fraternities. We began this at the beginning of the winter term, and find it proving as much of a success in widening acquaintances and furthering democracy, as in former years.

Initiation was held February 19, at which time we opened our arms to ten new sisters; girls that we are certain will always hold and cherish the true sister love nearest their hearts. They are: Margaret Murphey, Helen Idleman, Georgia Benson, Frances Manary, Virginia West, Georgia Shipley, Dorothy Schmeer, Doris Hoepler, Eleanor Earle, and Arita Littlejohn. Of course during pre-initiation, as usual, we enjoyed being queens with our jokers, and entertainers, at our feet to do our bidding—and also to arise late in the morning and find our oxfords freshly polished just outside our doors. Isn't it a wonderful feeling to be an upper classman—when it comes to initiation time. But along with this necessary foolishness, we realize more than ever the *real* Gamma Phi spirit and fellowship.

On Valentine's evening we found at our places, at the dinner table, mysterious looking envelopes turned face down, and needless to say, we were warned *not* to touch or peek, but between courses we found that they revealed little red hearts, or cupids, on which was inscribed appropriate verses for each sister regarding her love affairs. Much of our time during the first course was spent discussing just which one of us seemed the most probable as having been entranced over into the other world.

But sad to say (or maybe glad) no little pin found its way around the table.

At the present date Gamma Phi is heading the list of the winners in the girls' basketball games. We have won, so far, every game we have played, and that is more than any other organization on the campus has done. Won't we feel proud if we carry the big silver trophy cup home for Nu's mantel.

Nu sends her best wishes for the springtime, with its bonfires and beef-steak fries.

GERTRUDE LIVERMORE.

PERSONALS

Helen Nelson, '22, is one of the five girls to win a varsity O sweater. Helen's strong hold is swimming.

Dorothy Wootton is a member of the Company, of the public speaking department, and appears in various plays at frequent dates. Her work is the center of considerable comment.

Leonore Blaesing, '22, who is now attending the art school in Portland attended the formal, and spent a week with us at that time.

ENGAGEMENT

Vernice Robbins, '21, to John Masterson, '21, Kappa Sigma.

XI—UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The weeks since vacation have been so full of good times and work that we scarcely realize that we are well started on our second semester. Be-



OMICRON, UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, 1920-21

Top row, left to right: Kathryn Clark, Esther McVay, Anna Bale, Mary Jordan, Kathryn Peterson, Helen Meyer, Bliss Seymour, Clare Meyer.
 Third row: Edna Oakes, Mary Parsons, Juliette Armstrong, Beatrice Gray, Ruth Warren, Roxie Stuart, Connie Vircoe, Letty Say, Christine Hyland.
 Second row: Thelma Marion, Helen Smejkal, Gertrude Sponsler, Kathryn Stubbs, Del Gratia Miller, Gladys Pennington, Christine Stubbs, Bobby Johnson, Alys Haron, Ruth Rhoades.
 Bottom row: Ida Herron, Lenore Eversole, Margaret Brayton, Helen Moore, Mildred Eversole, Mildred Welch, Betty Wingert, Rose Doris Briem, Sylvia Cawthorne, Sophia Theilen, Clara Tillotson.

tween classes and examinations we have stolen time to coast, skii and toboggan.

During the past semester our freshmen have certainly made us proud of them. They have done their share toward reaching the scholarship standard Xi has set for herself this year.

The annual Christmas party given by the freshmen to the active girls took the form of a black and white party. Black and white predominated in the refreshments, entertainment and decorations. It was a lovely party, and the climax came when Bessie Newman ran around the table, announcing her engagement to Russell Scott, Beta Theta Pi. As if this was not enough for one evening we were surprised by a lovely Christmas gift from the Boise Alumnæ, a mahogany piano lamp.

On February 12 we "fastened the crescent over the fast beating hearts" of our eighteen pledges. The banquet was held that evening. Mrs. Evan Lewis (Elizabeth America Dunn), a charter member of Xi Chapter, acted as Toastmistress. The toasts carried out the idea of the Gamma Phi Trail. They were as follows: Freshmen, The Foot Hills, Pearl Stalker; Sophomores, The Mountain Trail, Mary Ball; Juniors, The Wayside Inn, Verna Wilkinson; Seniors, The Summit, Virginia Dermott; Alumnæ, The Valley of Contentment, Grace Eagleson. The Prophecy was given by Ruby Gates.

Various new Greek-letter organizations are making their appearance on the campus. A local group, Alpha Kappa Epsilon, has received a charter from Phi Gamma Delta. Another local group is petitioning Alpha Tau Omega. A new sorority, Omega Phi Alpha, now occupies its own home.

Several representatives from western chapters have visited at the chapter-house. They were inspecting a local sorority, Kappa Beta, at Pullman. Members of Xi have also visited there.

Sincerely,

BERNICE BABCOCK.

PERSONALS

Gamma Phi Beta announces the initiation of Helen Patterson, Louise Mc Martin, Louise Nason, Agnes Cox, Gussie Barnhart, Nell Carscallen, Pearl Stalker, Joan McCallum, Ruby Gates, Maxine Billings, Dorothy Shallis, Susan Lommel, Margaret Leuschel, Edena Edwards, Jean Morris, Esther Morris, Mildred Collins and Elizabeth Thatcher.

Marian Troy, Francel Hill (Lambda), Mrs. Thayer (Sigma), Grace Maxwell and Ada Shirk (Chi) have visited at the chapter-house.

Bernadine Moser, '23, Thelma McGee, '23, and Leah Faris, '22, attended the initiation banquet.

Nell Carscallen and Helen Roberts are at home this semester.

ENGAGEMENTS

Florence Hoffman, '22, to Elwin Le Tendre.

Bessie Newman, '22, to Russell Scott, Beta Theta Pi.

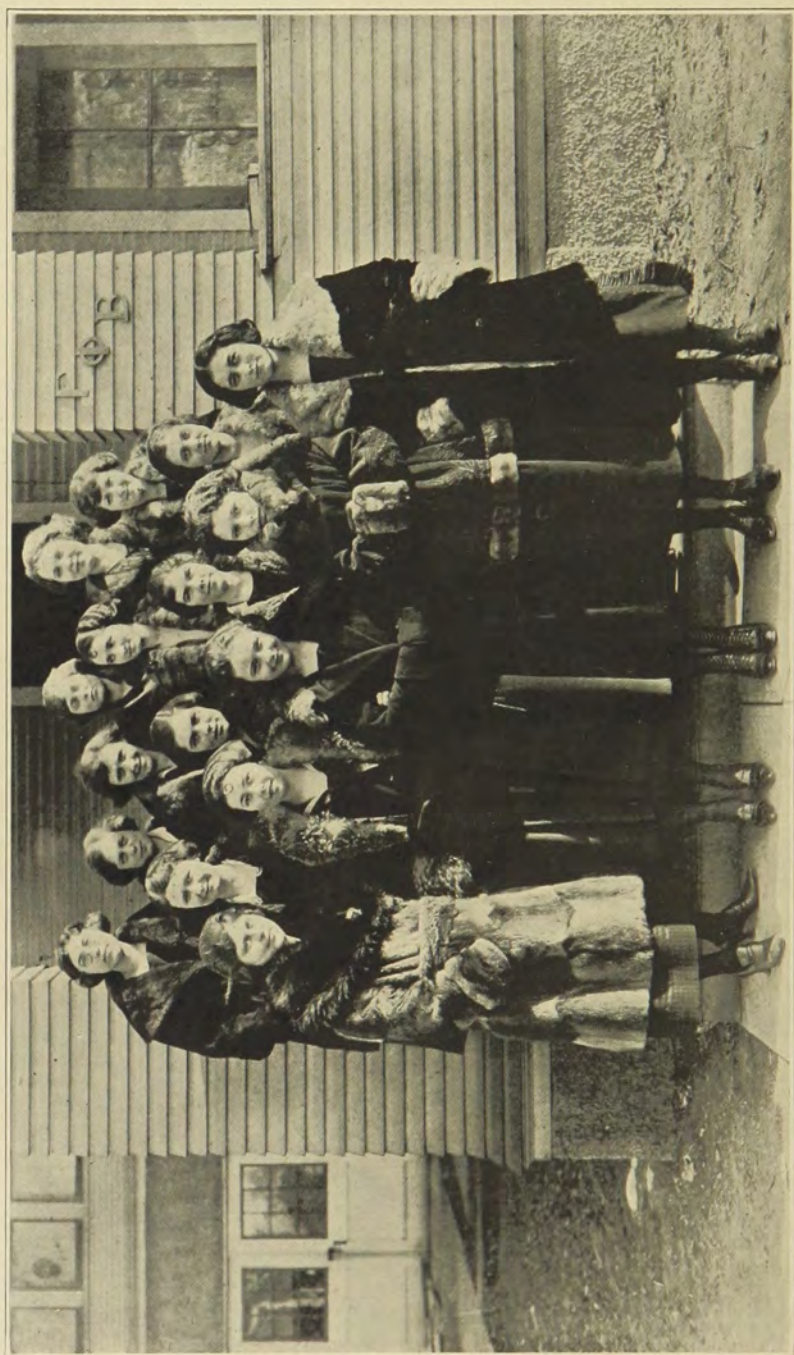
PI—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We are starting in the new semester with three pledges—Ann Neuman, Eleanor Felton, Susan Riches—Lincoln. As the second semester rushing is even more exciting than the first semester, due to the informality of the mid-year custom, we feel very elated over our good fortune.

It was decided, beginning with this year, that every freshman must have an average of eighty percent to be initiated. This seems quite a stringent rule, but we have found it very beneficial to our scholarship and also unusually successful.

We are now planning our banquet. It is to be on March 5, which is also the day of initiation and every one is anxiously awaiting the day; the anxiety



RHO FRESHMEN, 1920-21

due, I believe, to discovering who among our members have been concealing frat pins or diamonds.

We feel proud of the number of girls who are taking part this year in student activities. Margaret Henderson is vice-president of the Student Council, and Mary Hardy is secretary and treasurer. The Council is a recent development, and we are proud to have two offices held by Gamma Phis. We also had nine girls in the hockey tournament which was held recently. In a recent campaign there were four beautiful lamps offered to the organizations, which sold the greatest number of tickets for the University Players. Pi chapter was the recipient of one of these lamps.

There has been a new scheme worked out by which every girl is responsible for some activity. She is allowed to choose from the list, the things which most interest her. Her name is then posted and she is held responsible for her activities. The plan has worked well, and many girls discover things which interest them greatly.

The freshmen entertained the active chapter at a Valentine dance February 11. Every day we discover new cleverness among them, and this party was about the most clever and original ever held at the house. We are anxiously awaiting the next number which will tell us all about the plans for convention.

Very sincerely,

MARGUERITE SMITH.

HONORS

Margaret Henderson, basketball leader.

Belle Farman, Theta Sigma Phi, Assistant Society Editor of the *Daily Nebraskan*.

Nell Bates, U. S. G. A. Board, Committee for All University Party.

Doris Bates, Committee on Hoover Relief Fund.

Geraldine Nusbaum, Reporter for *Daily Nebraskan*.

Margaret Henderson, W. A. A. Board, Y. W. C. A. Membership Staff.

Mary Hardy, President Junior Hockey Team.

PERSONALS

Doris Bates, '22, was operated on for appendicitis, and is recovering nicely.

Vivian Bahr, '22, is teaching in Plattsmouth this semester.

Marguerite Morrissey, '20, and Nell Morrissey, '17, attended the informal party, January 22.

MARRIAGE

Gertrude Henderson, ex-'21, to Elmer Shellenberger, '20, Alpha Tau Omega.

RHO—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Dear Sisters:

Life at the "S. U. I." has been one round of ardent work and play since last we wrote. The mid-year formal parties have been in full swing and also (and nearly as important) semester examinations—from which we have all survived none the worse for "burning the midnight oil."

The latest exploit of our freshmen was a Valentine party, at which they entertained the pledges of all sororities on the campus. The ability of our Gamma Phi "babies" as decorators, entertainers and hostesses cannot be surpassed.

One of our group, Frances Alberta Turner was graduated in the February Convocation and has gone to her home in Avoca, Iowa.

Many of the girls have been missing their meals and astonishing the rest with various cartwheels, handsprings and somersaults, all in preparation for the Women's Athletic Association Vaudeville to be given February 24.



SIGMA CHAPTER

Top row, left to right: Alice Charvat, Kathryn Larkin, Lucile Rarig, Georgia Francis, Laura Harkrader, Caroline Harkrader, Margaret Larkin, Stella Dutton.
 Third row: Marjorie Garlinghouse, Leona Stillwagon, Lois Sharpless, Marjory Frater, Marian Hargett, Lila Martin, Georganna Holland, Vera Saunders.
 Second row: Kay Warring, Marion West, Harriet Thurmar, Clela Johnson, Dorothy Derge, Bernice Bridgens, Ida Tudor, Miriam Lamar.
 Bottom row: Louise Saltmarsh, Ethel Dick, Nell Smith, Jennie Glendinning, Marguerite Adams, Louise Holdman, Ruth Davis, La Verne Bronaugh.

Helene Blattner, '20, is coaching the play to be given in connection with the vaudeville.

We have a new social organization on the campus composed of representatives from various sororities and fraternities and known as Tau Phi Kappa. "Rho" boasts of two charter members, Frances Nelson and Lucille Everett.

We are happy to announce the pledging of Esther Beckett of Burlington, Iowa.

Cordially yours,

ALBERTA DYER VASEY.

PERSONALS

Ruth Van Law, Sophomore Basketball.

Florence Zetner, Freshman Basketball.

Alberta D. Vasey, Chairman of Music and Setting Committee for Women's Athletic Association Vaudeville.

Prue Baker, Pledged to Hesperia Literary Society.

Lucille Bennison, Annual "Hep-Zet" play *Seven Chances*.

Lucille Everett, Pledged to Gamma Epsilon Pi, honorary commerce sorority.

SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Fourteen shiny new Gamma Phi Beta pins on fourteen new Gamma Phis! Sigma chapter can almost think of nothing else. Initiation was completed the afternoon of February 12, and the banquet held that evening, with fifty-two Gamma Phis present. The freshman songs were the occasion of much hilarity, and a number of very lovely ones were added to Sigma's long list. Five charter members of the chapter were present, Helen Rhoda Hoopes, Genevieve Dahlene, Marguerite Gregory, Elizabeth Apel, and Isabel Gilmore. Miss Hoopes spoke of the duties of the sorority woman, representing the alumnae. The other toasts were named for Gamma Phi's motto, "Founded on a Rock." Elizabeth Apel spoke on "Founded," Marguerite Adams was "On," and Jennie Glendenning told of the "Rock." The initiates were as follows: Elsie Frisbie, Louise Holdman, Louise Saltmarsh and Mirium Lamar of Kansas City, Ruth Davis of Minneapolis, Alice Charvot of Phillipsburg, Georgia Francis of Cherryvale, Georgiana Holland of Russel, Lois Sharpless of Atchison, Marjorie Garlinghouse of Iola, Cleta Johnson, Ethel Dick, and Marion West of Lawrence, and Caroline Harkrader of Pratt.

Initiation was the more delightful for the large number of alumnae present. Elizabeth Apel and Frances Kennedy Fink came from Wichita, Mildred Gilmore and Helen Robb from Junction City, Olive Reynolds from Holton, Anita Hostetter from Emporia, Dorothy Devin and Marguerite Gregory from Kansas City. Alumnae from Lawrence were Isabel Gilmore, Marie Hostetter, Katherine Glendenning, Genevieve Dahlene, Helen Rhoda Hoopes, Lucy Hackman, and Mary Tudor Hanna. Iva Hayter from Pi chapter, who is living in Topeka, was also a welcome guest.

Just as this letter goes out, preparations are being made for a St. Valentine's dinner at the chapter-house, probably with an appropriate mis-sive from Cupid for each girl. On February 19, the freshmen will entertain the upperclassmen at an informal dance.

Sigma was happy to have Mrs. Katherine Allen Woodward of Theta as an inspector this month. Her suggestions were most helpful, and her visit encouraging and inspirational in every way. We hope that she may return to us often.

A new pledge to Gamma Phi Beta is Marjorie Lynn, '24, of Kansas City.

Sigma chapter doesn't wish to be boastful about it, but we are indeed very proud of our scholarship standing this year. The freshmen have distinguished themselves, and the upperclass grades have been excellent. In common with other chapters, Sigma keeps weekly records of grades as well as of activities on the hill, and finds it a stimulating practice.

With best wishes,

MARGARET LARKIN.

PERSONALS

Lucile Rarig, a Torch! This organization is composed of nine Senior women, elected every year from among prominent university leaders. Their aim is the promotion of student interests, but the personnel of the group is not announced until the second semester. This is one of the greatest university honors, and Sigma is justly proud of Lucile. Only two other sororities were represented in the group this year.

Bernice Bridgens, chairman of the Social Committee of Y. W. C. A., will have charge of the K. U. Carnival this year, one of the largest All-University parties.

Margaret Larkin has been elected to membership in the American College Quill Club, honorary authors' fraternity. She was one of eight pledges from among eighty applicants.

Marguerite Adams is playing the leading rôle in *The Importance of Being Earnest*, a play by Oscar Wilde, which will be presented this month by the K. U. Dramatic Club. The cast will tour the state after appearing in Lawrence.

Lola Smith of Tau, has come to K. U. for the second semester, and is a welcome addition to Sigma.

Emma Esther Hollebaugh, of Omicron, was a recent visitor from Kansas City.

Sigma acknowledges the following Christmas gifts, which were very much appreciated: a pair of candlesticks from Florence Arends, two pairs of silver salt-cellars from Marie Nuz Rohrer, a jelly spoon from Ione Wilbur of Beta, a doily from Esther Roop, and three pairs of tiny silver salt and peppers from Bernice Rankin, a firm friend of Sigma. Gifts of checks were received from Margaret Lodge, Elita Brownlee, Florence Ingham, Mildred Gilmore, Lucile Nowlin, and every member of the Lawrence Alumnae.

Elizabeth Apel left a remembrance behind her, a dozen silver teaspoons, engraved with Sigma's letter. They are highly appreciated.

Harriet Thurman, a first semester pledge, who was unable to return the second semester, remembered the chapter with a lovely bronze card tray on St. Valentine's Day.

ENGAGEMENTS

Stella Dutton to Ormond P. Hill, of Kansas City.

Frances Riley to Lane Dutton, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

We think it an interesting coincidence that these two engagements should be announced within a short time. We are glad to claim Lane as a double brother.

MARRIAGE

Gladys Sharpless to Mr. C. A. Harrel, Alpha Chi Omega.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. George Welsh (Muriel Brownlee), a daughter, Jean.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rohrer (Marie Nuz), a daughter, Janet.



TAU CHAPTER, 1920-21

TAU—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Just at present Tau is slowly recovering from mid-year's, and we are pulling ourselves together and taking a firm grip on our second semester's work, and, incidentally, reviving a faint interest in life.

The winter months have been very busy for Tau. On November 13 we gave our annual dance in honor of the pledges. Several of our alumnae were present, and the affair, from our viewpoint, was a decided success.

Next came a surprise in the form of a house-dance, given by the pledges for the active girls. They worked for hours transforming the house into a perfect bower of butterflies, and had a man for each one of us at the house at eight-thirty. Only one shadow darkened an otherwise perfect evening—the orange ice was stolen out of the kitchen before the party began. It almost broke the hearts of the pledges, but did not mar our good time in the least.

On the Monday evening before Christmas vacation we had our annual Christmas party. Our mothers and our patronesses were present, as well as the active girls and alumnae, and the little gifts with clever applications of verse caused a great deal of fun. Our house was overwhelmed with lovely gifts. Our patronesses gave us a beautiful mahogany standard for a floor lamp, and we bought the shade with a generous check sent us by an enthusiastic alumna.

Shortly after Christmas we pledged Beatrice Geiger, an assistant professor in the chemistry department, a girl whom we feel confident will be a splendid acquisition to our chapter.

When the freshmen felt that initiation was drawing near, they upheld a chapter tradition in giving to the active chapter a stunt. It was given at the home of Lois and Mildred Long, and was one of the cleverest the freshmen have ever given. It was given in the form of a vaudeville and was full of funny stories on the "ladies and upperclassmen."

We are now looking forward to initiation and the time when our pledges will be more closely related to the chapter activities.

Tau sends her best wishes to each and every one of you.

FRANCES R. FOSTER.

PERSONALS

Grace Wakefield left us at the end of the first semester. She will finish the year at Ann Arbor, but expects to return in the fall.

Helen Jamieson, who left college in November, is spending the winter in California.

Lola Smith was initiated on January 15, and left immediately to attend Kansas University. We feel that our loss is Sigma's gain.

ENGAGEMENT

Ruth Fuller, '19, to Dean Wells, Sigma Nu.

MARRIAGE

Fay Porter, '18, to Milton Coy Hoffman.

DEATH

The sympathy of Tau chapter is extended to Dorothy Martin Hilliker in the loss of her father on February 2.

UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

At last our mid-year examinations are over and we can settle back with a certain sense of peace and well-being until the finals next June. (Please notice the qualification for I must confess that our faculty *has* been afflicted

by the quizzing-bee of which Zeta complains. We shall have to console each other, Zeta!) But what should follow upon the heels of said enemy, examinations, but a regular epidemic of "the rash"—some say it is measles, but no one seems to know just what it is. However, no one seems to be really ill so we hope it won't last long.

This has certainly been a year of changes and upheavals here at Hollins. Old traditions and customs which have been a part of the college since 1842, have been changed and done away with until one would hardly know it for the same place. I fear that our *alumnæ* will feel very ancient when they come back and see how we have progressed.

One of the changes, which surprised us very much, is the way in which our reports are now given to us. It has been the custom since the earliest days, to read before the whole student body at the end of each quarter, the marks which each girl received during that period. None of us liked that very much so we are all highly pleased that they are now sent to us alone, and that no one outside of Upsilon need know our marks. Of course if they are good we can not keep them to ourselves; but if they are not ———

Another alteration of which we do not approve so much is that we now have to change our tables in the dining-room more often. I believe, though, that the scheme is working out better than some of us expected at first.

But the greatest surprise of all to which many of us have not yet adapted ourselves, is the one in which the secret organization of the Fairies of Freya has been changed into an open, honorary society. Only those girls who excel in scholarship, leadership, or college spirit are eligible, and one of these qualities alone is not sufficient. A girl must not only be proficient in one but must possess in part all three. Its standards are very high and Upsilon is indeed proud to discover (by the little pins which they are wearing) that five out of her sixteen girls are members—Miriam McClammy, Kathleen Kelly, Lilian Holladay, Genevieve Garrette and Alice Signiago. Yes, it is a great honor to belong and we are so proud of them, but I for one, cannot look at their pins without blushing. You see, the change was so sudden and so recent that it is still, for me, a secret organization.

Just before we went home for the Christmas holidays our pledges gave us a most charming dinner party at the Tinker Tea House. It was such fun and the stunt which followed certainly testified to their cleverness.

Speaking of the dinner party reminds me of the house-party at Syracuse which Virginia Burks Martin attended. She enjoyed her trip so much that losing her suit case in New York could not mar her pleasure, and she makes us positively green with envy by her account of the good times.

We have two new Gamma Phis since I last wrote you. Margaret Adams Vance and Mary Wells Knight. One of our pledges, Ann Amelia Welton, was not able to return after the holidays on account of illness. We certainly do miss her for we are so small as to quantity that we hate to lose any of the quality for which we are famous.

We are hoping to have initiation soon and it is hard to tell who is the more excited, active members or pledges.

The top o' the morning to all Gamma Phis.

ELIZABETH STEPHENSON.

PERSONALS

Lilian Holladay represented the Student Government Association of Hollins at the convention held at Elmira, New York, in November.

Alice Signiago is to represent the Y. W. C. A. at a convention in Salem, Virginia, in February.

Lilian Holladay and Genevieve Garrette have prominent parts in the junior play to be given here on Founders' Day which is February 21.

ENGAGEMENT

Dorothy Shaw, ex-'22, to Mr. Boley Cochran, the wedding to be in June.

MARRIAGE

Frances E. Rocke, ex-'20, to Mr. John Carroll on February 7.

PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Dearest Gamma Phis:

Do some of you remember perhaps that in our last CRESCENT letter I told you about the scholarship cup that our alumnae chapter had presented to Panhellenic? At the time the letter was written, we were anxiously waiting for the awarding of the cup, and now it has at last been presented. No, dear sisters, I am sorry to tell you that it is *not* adorning our rooms. Alpha Chi Omega has it this year, but we ran them a close second, so that gives us hope for the future.

All the sororities here are very much interested in an inter-sorority basketball series which Panhellenic has arranged. The games are to be played during March, and Phi's "basketeers" are hard at work. We also have a Panhellenic Ice Hockey Team picked from the best players in all the sororities. Next Wednesday evening the team is to play a team composed of some of the débutantes of the season, and there will be two Gamma Phis in the line-up, while two more will be on the side-lines as substitutes.

Early in December we acquired a new member from Iowa. Her name is Georgeanne Tracy, and she has already been chosen a member of Clais, the honorary freshman society.

Our biggest social event of the year—our annual tea—was held on January 16 at the home of Marguerite Francis, '23. This year we entertained about eight hundred students, faculty members, and friends. Our birthday is very near now, February 23, and we are planning to have the nicest "homiest" party just for the chapter, pledges, and alumnae.

Phi sends you all the best of wishes.

DORIS TALBOT.

PERSONAL

Josephine Michael, '20, of Mobile, Alabama, visited the chapter the first week in February.

ENGAGEMENT

Alma Urban to John Callahan of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

MARRIAGE

Irene Hastings, '24, to John Wood, Alpha Tau Omega, from the University of Wisconsin.

DEATH

The chapter extends its sincerest sympathy, to Georgeanne Tracy on the death of her father.

CHI—OREGON STATE COLLEGE

Dear Chapters:

It's spring in Oregon and the daffodils are almost in bloom. If it weren't for the daffodils we wouldn't know it because it still rains and bids fair to continue—*indefinitely*.

Don't let me give the impression that we Oregonians don't like our climate—we *love* rain. We defend ourselves vigorously when our California friends make caustic comments on our weather. We tell them how perfectly wonderful it is here in the spring. To which they reply, "Oh, and when is that?"

We are very busy getting ready for the Annual Stunt Show. Each group on the campus puts on a seven minute stunt. The prize is a silver cup given by the Dean of Women and is awarded for originality, cleverness and general mirth. The cup remains permanently with the group which wins it three times. Here's hoping the Gamma Phi stunt is as clever as we think it will be.

The Co-ed Ball is another annual event and is to be given very soon. It is purely a feminine affair and there is much competition among the various orchestras, each one hoping to be allowed to play for the "Girls' Smoker." The upperclass girls, dressed as men, usually, take the freshman girls. Each one tries to dress a little more *spectacularly* than the other and the result—is peculiar, to say the least.

It is a time honored joke in the fraternities to get some unsuspecting rook to call up a girl to ask her to the Co-ed Ball. Even though time-honored, it is always a hilariously funny joke.

Matinée dances are greatly in vogue at O. C. C. just now. The Gamma Phis gave such an affair a few weeks ago which was decidedly successful. It was really a combination of dance and bridge-party since we gave our housemother a bridge party at the same time.

The Juniors in the house are giving a dinner-dance for themselves and the sophomores are giving a dance for the freshmen. In this we are showing ourselves to be truly unselfish; not to mention the fact that it will help to create good feeling between hereditary enemies.

We are now giving our basketball team strong moral support—as befits such institutions as we all enjoy.

Sometimes in the evenings we take time off from our studies to go up to the gym to joyously proclaim ourselves loyal Beavers.

At other times in the cold, gray dawn we rush down to the depot, partially clothed, perhaps, hair flying in the wind, to greet the conquering heroes as they come. People who don't go to college might call that idol worship.

Good feeling and friendship is almost essential among the sororities on the campus. We have a very good plan for promoting this feeling. This is a program of exchange dinners arranged by the Panhellenic association. The dinners which are always on college nights are very informal and last only until study hour. We send eight or ten girls to one of the houses, they send the same number to our house, and we have the nicest times getting acquainted. It is surprising how many girls one learns to know and then what a friendly spirit it develops.

It will soon be picnic time. We always have house-picnics that are more fun than dances or anything else. The freshman picnic is one of our traditions and it is always a great event. We have stunts and fried eggs and pan-cakes and the most fun.

The hills around Corvallis are blue and hazy and on sunny, lazy afternoons they call so much stronger than chemistry lectures and cooking labs. One repeats repeatedly, "Yield not to temptation."—and sometimes yields even then.

But why sit and dream of such things? It is raining still and now is the time to study.

Chi sends love and best wishes.

Sincerely,

VERE JAMIESON.

ENGAGEMENTS

Aimée Lucie Pernot to James Beasley Hyde, Kappa Theta Rho.
Rhoda Mae Taylor to Richard Whitted, Sigma Chi.

MARRIAGE

Elinor Marie Siloner to Francis Scott Wilkins.

BIRTHS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Allworth (Peggy Walker) a son, Edwin Alfred, December 1, 1920.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stidd (Beth Ketchum) a daughter, Betty Jean, February 4, 1921.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Whelpton (Lorene Parker) a son, J. Parker, January 19, 1921.

PSI—UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Dear Sisters:

We are approaching one of the most exciting and wonderful events of our college year especially for those of us who are pledges, the time for mid-year initiation.

We have passed that most strenuous of all periods, examination week. Mid-year rush and Hill week followed close upon its heels and now tomorrow February 13, the climax will come in the form of our initiation. As one of our girls would say—"It has been a dizzy month."

The State Teachers' Convention is meeting this week and it is almost like home-coming for many of our alumnae are back and will remain for initiation and banquet.

Our days since Christmas have been taken up with such a variety of things, that it seems almost like ancient history to refer to our Christmas party but I must tell you about it.

It is an annual custom of Psi Chapter to give a Christmas party for the needy children of the community. Children come to us from all over the country and are given one useful present and one toy. Usually we are assisted in the work of getting in touch with these little folk by the County Social Service Committee. There were about fifty present at our party this year.

We had a great time playing games and telling stories. Late in the afternoon the doors of our chapter-room were thrown open and there stood a lovely Christmas tree laden with presents and a jolly Santa Claus to distribute them. After the excitement had subsided apples and popcorn balls were given to the children.

And now I must close with a greeting to all of you from all of us and a hope that this new semester will bring added joy and success to every Gamma Phi.

With love,

GENEVIEVE DUNAKIN.

PERSONAL

Mrs. Horace Smith of Pawhuska came over for initiation, February 13.

ENGAGEMENTS

Eva Whitehurst to Herbert Hoover, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Jewelle Dougherty to Dwight Schaub, Kappa Sigma, Kansas University.

Carrie Wantland to Roger Meyer.

BIRTHS

Born to Prof. and Mrs. W. G. Schmidt on November 9, a son, William George, Jr.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ratliffe (Blanche Cooley, '18) a daughter.

OMEGA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE

Dear Sisters:

We have all been having a grand and glorious week-end showing the other divisions of the college what Home Economics Day really is. They

called it a day, but our celebration started at four o'clock on Friday afternoon with gymnastic stunts, folk dances, soccer ball between the sororities and æsthetic dancing. The H. Ec. spirit was at its highest in the evening when the girls put on a regular vaudeville of nine acts. They were composed of a real darky minstrel in which Jean MacFarlane was an end man. *Mary Make Believe* was a take-off on the hardships of the life at Ames. *Fraternity Revelations* featured Rose Storm and Lucile Draper as scrubwomen from the T. K. E. and Tri Delt houses. A number of Gamma Phis exhibited their H. Ec. dresses in the Style Show. June Wallace impersonated Anna Eva Fake. Six H. Ecs. sang our new song written by Jean MacFarlane. A violin solo, the latest advertisements and the *Love Nest* in which Edith Wallis danced, closed the program. Two performances were given in order to take care of the crowd.

Saturday morning exhibits from all of the departments were displayed in Home Economics buildings. The art departments appeared as Paris shops, showing all the latest as executed in Ames. The food exhibits consisted of sandwiches, coffee, candy, cherry pie with ice cream, and pop corn balls all of which was given to the visitors holding a ticket. Something over two thousand of each of these were devoured by the friends of the H. Ecs.

On Saturday evening the crowning feature was the big dance. The decorations were in college colors, concealing the lights. June Wallace gave a Spanish feature dance during the intermission.

We all came home, worn out but happy over the success of our celebration. We hope that next year many Gamma Phis from other chapters may be here to enjoy H. Ec Day with us.

Sincerely,

LUCILE DRAPER.

PERSONALS

Amber Swihart was elected the prettiest Senior at Iowa State College in the 1921 beauty contest.

Jean Stewart was chosen on the cast of *Contrary Mary*, the sophomore class play.

Gamma Phi had four nominees for the Typical Ames Girl contest, Ruth Blanshan, Ruth Pohlman, Elizabeth Storm and Lucile Draper, but a junior Pi Beta Phi was elected.

Elizabeth Storm was chosen editor-in-chief of the *Iowa Homemaker* the first home economics magazine published by college women in the United States.

June Wallace gave a feature dance at the Home Economics Day dance, February 12.

Rose Storm was elected feature editor of the 1923 *Bomb Board*, the college annual.

Dorothy Cass, one of our pledges was elected secretary of the freshman class. Dorothy is also president of the freshman commission.

Mrs. Cameron, grandmother of Clarissa Clark, one of our alumnae here, died Sunday morning, February 6.

Our big dance for the quarter was given February 5, at the Sheldon-Munn Hotel, with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. LaGrange chaperoning.

Mildred Elder, Ruth Pohlman, Louise Talbot and Lucile Draper pledged Mortar Board, junior and senior honorary.

ALPHA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

Dear Gamma Phis Everywhere:

"In Quest of Gold!" That is a familiar slogan in varsity halls these days. Every girl around college seems either to be canvassing someone, or being canvassed by someone, for some fund or other. Of prime importance, of course, is the fund for the new Women's Buildings, and every

girl in college is doing her best to add her widow's (or spinster's) mite to the rapidly increasing pile. Practically every women's society and organization at varsity has contributed its share, and, of course, we have all made individual contributions. The sororities have done splendid work in this respect. Most of them have already given a tea, or dance, or musical to add money to the swelling fund. So far, Gamma Phi has done nothing—as a sorority, that is—although, as soon as the stress and strain of spring examinations is relieved, we also intend to do our share.

Another "Quest for Gold" is being conducted at present by the Women's Undergraduate Association in aid of Destitute European Students. There are many thousands of students in Europe whose university courses have been interrupted, and indeed, frustrated, on account of losses sustained by the war. To help them to continue their varsity courses, the W. U. A. instituted the Destitute European Students' Fund, and the result has been most successful.

Life at varsity this year is simply brimful of excitement. Our rugby team covered itself with glory by winning not only the Intercollegiate Championship, but the Dominion Championship as well; and now one splendid hockey team seems in a fair way to be duplicating the rugby victories.

The college dances this year have been more successful than ever. They have been so numerous and so delightful that, I'm afraid, lectures have been sadly neglected in their favor. The annual "at-homes" of the different faculties, Arts, Science and Medicine, were all held as usual in Hart House, and were the jolliest affairs imaginable. We held one Gamma Phi annual dance at Tenkins' Art Galleries on February 1, and it was a great success. February 7, the Alpha Gamma Deltas held their dance at the King Edward Hotel, and our representative there was enthusiastic in her account of it. February 15, the Alpha Phis are holding their dance at Tenkins' Art Galleries, and one of our girls is to represent our sorority.

Since our last letter we have initiated thirteen of our fourteen pledges. Genevieve Brock preferred to remain a pledge for a year.

We are all eagerly anticipating Mrs. Garrett's visit. If our "new" girls appreciate her as much as we "old" girls do, Mrs. Garrett will have a staunch set of admirers in Alpha Alpha.

Best wishes to all Gamma Phis.

JEAN ROSS MACMILLAN.

PERSONAL

Agnes Brown, '22, one of this year's initiates, has been appointed Women's Managing Editor of *Varsity*, the university newspaper. She is taking the place of Dorothy Hardy, '21, also a Gamma Phi, who was forced to resign owing to pressure of work.

ENGAGEMENTS

Jessie Crumb, '21, to Mr. John Mills.

Emma Clark, '22, to Mr. Harry Horning, B.A.

ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

Since our last letter we have had initiation services and can introduce to you as actives the following: Marjorie Miller, Anne Louise McCain, Carol Harm, Estelle Deichert, Lillie and Muriel O'Keefe. The two last named will really be in the alumnae organization, as neither of them is taking university work this year.

Our alumnae entertained for us before the Christmas holidays, at a jolly Christmas-tree party. It was held at the home of "Peg" Mares

Smith, who is one of our last-summer brides, and has a cozy apartment in the city. The alumnae had planned several clever stunts, and after they were over, Peg played Santa Claus and doled out a present for each of us. They were all just trifles—but most of them had clever verses attached and we had a lot of fun over them. Even the Gamma Phi house itself came in for its share, with a half-dozen luncheon cloths made for us by two of our pledges—Clara Hay and Marjorie Liebacken.

Most of us left a few days later for Christmas vacation—leaving Aura and Hazel Chaffee to keep watch over the house occasionally. Classes began again on January 4, and we celebrated our return by pledging, two days later, Pearl Griffin of Devils Lake. Pearl is a junior, having been at Minnesota University this year until Christmas, and we feel that she will be a big addition to our group.

On January 18 the weather broke all North Dakota records by staging a dust-storm in place of a blizzard—and on the same day (though by no means to be connected with the storm) one of the Gamma Phi pledges from Seattle, Dorothy Haggett, arrived for a visit with President and Mrs. Kane. In spite of the rather discouraging appearance of the city that day Dorothy has stayed on—and is to be here at least till March. Even our urging cannot induce her to lengthen her stay until June.

The next Friday, January 21, was the date for the Junior Prom, the biggest social event of the college year here, and on the following evening we had our annual “prep” dance, given by the pledges for the actives and alumnae. It was an unusually pretty dance this year, for the decorations carried out the idea of a valentine party, with hearts, cupids and red crêpe paper. Favors were valentines and red carnations, and to give a pretty color effect we girls all wore organdie dresses.

At our first meeting after the beginning of the semester, February 9, we had installation for our new officers. Lucile Allen is to be president, Anne Louise McCain, vice-president, Carol Harm, recording secretary and Harriet De Puy and Francis Ohnstad retain their offices of treasurer and corresponding secretary.

Although we are losing several of our girls this semester, we still hope to finish the year with as much success as we have had so far—and can only say “Same to you!”

ANNE MITCHELL.

PERSONALS

Alpha Beta is losing six girls this semester: Dorothy Serumgard, Flossie Peterson and Norma Ellestad intend to stay at their homes for one semester. Marie Lippert has been forced to leave on account of ill health. Marjorie Miller is planning to go to Chicago to study expression. Thelma Thorson, one of our seniors, has finished enough work for her B.A., so is taking no more university work.

Ethel McGruer, '20, and Mabel Hay, '18, of Tower City, visited at the house the week after Christmas.

Evelyn Mayer of Crookston and Eleanor Sarles of Hillsboro were present at the “prep” dance on January 22.

“Vange” Mayer of Devils Lake visited at the house on her way home last month.

ENGAGEMENTS

Harriet De Puy to H. Mowatt Waldron, Synergoi.

Norma Ellestad to Archie McQuarrie, Phi Delta Theta.

Huldah Ellestad to Harold Nomland, Phi Gamma Delta, Minnesota U.

CHICAGO

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

We hope you have already learned of what we have been doing through the *Crescent Chatter*—the very first edition of our newspaper devoted to alumnæ and Epsilon activities, a copy of which we have sent to each chapter. We are rather proud of that first attempt and proud to have girls like Ruth Bartels and Willa Jansky, who got behind it and saw it through.

Needless to say, our attention now is centered on the House Fund for Epsilon. We have something over \$9,000 in bonds and pledges, and although that is a long, long way from our "Tipperary," yet we are mighty confident that every Northwestern Gamma Phi, past, present and future, will respond to this urgent need to the very best of her ability.

Through bazaars, rummage sales, and card parties, we expect to be constantly changing our sum totals. Our rummage sale last fall netted us about \$300 and our bazaar in December about \$900. We would be mighty glad for suggestions from any of you who have undertaken the building of a chapter-house and any help that you can give us. Maybe some of you near neighbors could send us some rummage for our March sale.

On Saturday, February 5, we had a luncheon and business meeting at Marshall Field's. Aside from the House Fund campaign, we discussed the advisability of organizing Oak Park, South Side, and North Side sub-chapters, to meet separately every month and to come together in one meeting occasionally. In this way it is thought we can secure the active interest of the greatest number of Chicago alumnæ and entirely eliminate distance as a popular excuse for non-attendance.

JESSIE M. VAWTER.

PERSONALS

Helen Bernheisl (Mrs. Wayland G. Hier) has moved to Oracle, Ariz.

Katherine McCutcheon (Mrs. Sherwood Baker) visited in Evanston recently.

Frances Phelps is doing Government work at Great Lakes, Illinois, having been transferred from Washington, D. C.

Mary Richardson visited Ardis Ade in Kentland, Indiana, the week-end of February 5.

Beula Truit recently sailed for New Zealand to do concert work.

Dorothy Winchell Keller is spending the winter with her family in Florida.

ENGAGEMENTS

Willa Jansky, '19, to Mr. J. P. Bauer, Phi Delta Theta.

Mildred Clark, '19, to Harry Masters.

Loyola Kelly, ex-'23, to Earl Hupp, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

BIRTHS

Zita Murphy (Mrs. Ted Armstrong), a son.

Anne Roy (Mrs. Lynn Sifford), a son, Lynn Dewitt, Jr.

L. Louise Wheeler (Mrs. C. C. Dennis), a son.

Marjorie Grantham Loveland, a daughter.

SYRACUSE

Dear Gamma Phis:

The days of an unusually mild winter period have been, for the most part, well filled by the activities of the alumnæ members in matters of church, club, hospital and welfare work. In every city club of which women are members, every hospital auxiliary, every church organization, there are to be found several Gamma Phis in the list of officers or upon the governing boards. Therefore, the Syracuse alumnæ are a very busy crowd.

Several most pleasant social affairs have served to bring the sisters together in goodly numbers. Initiation with supper at the house was attended by the alumnæ in such force as to prove the interest of the latter in the success of the active chapter.

During the holiday season, the committee in charge entertained the alumnæ and those of the active chapter in the city at a delightful Christmas party, which was held at the chapter-house. A resplendent tree was laden with amusing gifts for everyone. Each person drew a number which corresponded to the number marked on a parcel, so that there was much excitement in the "drawing." So many of the "old girls" are back in the city during the holidays that there is always a glad-reunion at that time.

A tea was held on Friday, February 4, from four to six o'clock by the alumnæ at the home of Norma Brannock. The tea was given in honor of visiting members from eastern chapters and active members of the local chapter.

The alumnæ chapter met with Millie Morgan Dorr (Mrs. Carl Dorr) for the regular monthly meeting, on Saturday, February 5. Beside the transaction of regular business the afternoon was spent in sewing for one of the hospitals. The committee in charge consisted of Mrs. Helen Avery Noble, Mrs. Belle Gage Dibble, Gertrude Andrews, May McChesney, Blanche Knapp, Mrs. Laura Page Flick and Alice A. Graves.

MABEL WELLS.

PERSONAL

May Loveland has charge of all of the recreational activities of the Junior church which has lately been instituted by the First Methodist Church of the city.

Katherine Branch Mellen (Mrs. Winthrop Mellen) sails for France on February 17, to join her husband who is foreign engineer of the Atlantic Coast Oil Corporation, with headquarters in Paris. She will be accompanied by her mother and two children.

Marguerite Cooke Doubleday (Mrs. Ralph) is now living at 441 Meeker Street, South Orange, N. J. She is located only a few blocks from Esther Potter (Mrs. Samuel E. Darby).

Kathleen Halstead has gone to California to live.

Alice Kenyon Watkins is living in Baltimore. Dr. Watkins is interne at St. Agnes.

Anna Cole has settled in Berkeley, California. She has been engaged for several years in Y. W. C. A. work.

Mrs. Helen Graves Sprague has been visiting in Washington, D. C., for several weeks as the guest of Miss Williams on Connecticut Avenue.

ENGAGEMENT

Barbara Watson to Mr. Rudolph Chamberlain of Auburn.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Doubleday (Marguerite Cooke), a daughter, Priscilla Stafford, in October, 1920.

To Mr. and Mrs. Winthrop Mellen (Kittie Branch), a son, Winthrop Warren Mellen, Jr., on December 26, 1920.

To Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Brown (Katherine Dawley), a daughter, Susan Dawley, December 26, 1920.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Lyon (Betty Brooks), a son.

NEW YORK

Dear Sisters:

Our January meeting was held at Students' Hall, Barnard. A gray morning had made umbrellas seem a necessary part of one's costume, but, as the luncheon hour drew near, the faithful were greeted by the balmy air and golden sunshine that have favored us this winter to such an extent that we almost feel as if we had gone south for the season!

We had our luncheon in cozy fashion in groups of four, and, when the tables were empty, returned to the room set aside for our use on these occasions. Most of our time was spent on the list of Gamma Phis living in and near New York, which had been in the hands of a committee for revision. Our new alumnæ district secretary, Mrs. Hartwell, is hoping to have it in good shape soon, so that wrong addresses will not prevent our keeping in touch with all our members. However, people do move, and new people come to the city for a few months, and among the six millions, more or less, it is rather difficult to discover wearers of the crescent unless they make themselves known to us.

The roll call by chapters showed twelve from Alpha, ten from Iota, three from Delta, one from Theta, and one from Gamma.

Our February meeting was well attended, and, after a luncheon, an important topic of discussion was the New York Panhellenic that has recently been organized largely through the efforts of Mrs. Maxfield, a Pi Beta Phi from Boston. There is to be a Panhellenic luncheon at the Hotel Pennsylvania on April 16, and every effort is being made to draw a large number of Greeks to this meeting.

There has never been any difficulty in seating all of the Gamma Phis who have come to the alumnæ meetings this year. We meet again on April 2, and May 7, and will be delighted to welcome any and all of you, who can come.

Sincerely,

ISABELLE D. WHITE.

PERSONALS

Irma Schoepflin was a guest of Mrs. Graham in January and February. Isabelle White spent the Christmas holidays in Boston.

Alice Ives is teaching in Scarsdale. She is making her home in New York, and so was able to attend the February meeting of the alumnæ.

Margaret Fraser, Theta, who has been in the Studio Club for a few months, has gone to Boston.

Mrs. Mildred Ross Williams, Epsilon, has been in New York several weeks this winter, and attended our February meeting.

Sara Rome and Ruth Hakes gave a shower for Elda Fink at Miss Rome's studio, 49th Street, near 5th Avenue, on February 19.

Margaret Gant, Mrs. Elizabeth Archbold Boyd, Florence Murray, and Dorothy Buck, have attended meetings this year.

Mrs. Louise Lee Cannon and Mrs. Christine Reed Townsend met with us in January.

Mary Bingham was a guest of Mrs. Graham in February, and attended the meeting at Students' Hall on February 19.

BOSTON

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

It was very easy to say "yes, I'll write the alumnæ letter" but it is a task which should never be delegated to a young alumna who is alternately shockingly young and frivolous and grave to the point of dullness. As usual I have to use an inelegant New Englandism, "bitten off more than I

can chew." And besides I am in a gossiping state of mind and Gamma Phis do not I'm sure, approve of gossip. The grouching having had sufficient room. Now for business.

News is of an unofficial kind, since we are holding few formal business meetings, in the hope of having larger ones. The idea is like that one embodied in the recent song "The Flatter the Plate, the Fewer the Soup." You get the idea? My ears are full of music from two neighboring victrolas so please don't blame me if I rave.

We entertained the active chapter at Christmas spread at Betty Macy Kauffman's. There was a Christmas tree for Delta, and lots of old friendships to renew for the alumnae chapter. Freshmen were missing this year as Boston University is having second semester pledging.

Some of us "young uns" have been wasting our substance in the riotous living of the second balcony, where we gossip gaily between acts. Here-with are some of the facts gleaned therefrom:

Constance Flanders Walker's five months' old son is named Frederick Burgess Walker. (It hasn't taken Con. all this time to name him. THE CRESCENT correspondent has merely been recalcitrant.)

Eleanor Simmons is teaching in Westerly, R. I.

Edna Simmons is teaching in New Britain, Conn.

Thelma Hollander is teaching in Plymouth.

Eleanor Ferguson is interne at the Massachusetts Homeopathic Hospital, and medical adviser for B. U. College of Secretarial Science.

Mary Holland is doing social work in connection with the State Insane Hospital at Taunton. Her friends are much relieved not to have to put that on her mail; it is camouflaged under *Drawer D*, Taunton. Her tales of "nuts" (Lucy Waite Leavitt's expression, *not* Mary's professional one) are keenly interesting and most unusual. And she said I mustn't publish them!

Apologetically,

EDITH SNOW.

SAN FRANCISCO

Well Dear Editor:

If this letter misses the boat it won't be my fault, because first my husband calmly sold our house and gave me thirty days to fix up another one—but it is all over now and we have been a week in this house and there are enough finger prints on the nursery wall paper to convince anyone that we had been there years. And secondly, about half a dozen of my relatives are going to Europe next Monday and I have to get them ready, and thirdly my cook stayed in bed yesterday and I'd like to see any body write a decent letter in the spare time I have.

Anyway here goes for a letter. Our Christmas meeting was at Ruth Wetmore's in San Francisco—one of the most important matters we decided was to try to continue the Sunshine work. Marie Derge found that this year it took so much personal enthusiasm to obtain the articles that she almost ran out of enthusiasm and so a committee was appointed to continue the work with Marie still the guiding hand. Since it was one of our reasons for existing, let us all keep up the good work which has been started so well.

Next, the banquet. It was simply splendid—and certainly solved the problem of initiation banquet at the house. The Berkeley Inn served a wonderful dinner and the decorations were beautiful. The flower arrangement was Japanese Quince in bright Oriental bowls—added to which were fascinating designs in colored paper, arranged by Marie Derge. There were more than a hundred present, and it was a joyous occasion to have so many "seldom seen" ones there. A few of them were Ione Garnett Rainey, Dorothy Coombs, Sarah Patterson, Ora Muir Thelan, Luzina Denio O'Hara, Mrs. Thomas Sanford, Miriam Phillips from Delta. A great many of the chap-

ters were present. Mrs. Tucker from Mu was there, Violet Marshal from Delta, Gladys Williams Pfeiffer from Epsilon, Mary White King from Lambda and Gladys Lahman.

Margaret Webb made a fine toastmistress. The speakers were Helen Roberts, Dorothy Deardof, Dorothy Eppy and Catherine Ann Shattuck.

Sincerely yours,

WINIFRED B. ALLEN.

PERSONALS

Lorraine Andrews, '12, has a position in Willard Intermediate School in Berkeley.

Barbara Bridge and Genevieve Tully are planning to return May 1.

Gladys McCasslin and Elizabeth Blakeslee from Omicron are on the Campus. Elizabeth is taking a course at California and her present address is 1726 Tacoma. Betty Blakeslee is at the U. C. Hospital.

Eunice Gray of Gamma who was housemother at the Alpha Gamma Delta house is leaving for the Philippines.

Leslie Lockwood is on her way from Camp Lee, Virginia, to the Philippine Islands. Leslie Margaret who is now nearly two is with her.

Alma Easton is with the Junior Red Cross and is in charge of the Nevada Section.

Ora Muir Thelan is now at her home in Clairmont. Mr. Thelan has again opened his law office for private practice after several years in public life.

During the April quarter May Morgan Brown will be at Stanford. Prof. Brown is in the History Department.

Dorothy Daniels Van der Lick is now in Berkeley at 1630 San Lorenzo Avenue.

Lora Van Buren Sterns is at 963 Garfield Avenue, Oakland, California.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sanford have moved from Russian Hill to Berkeley.

MARRIAGES

Helen Spinney, ex-'17, was married February 16 to Frank Bell. They will live at Auburn.

Dorothy Clark, ex-'19, married Sunday, January 23, to Charles Robert Peteler of Pasadena. They expect to live in Los Angeles.

ENGAGEMENT

Elizabeth Bridge, '12, to Fansworth Currier.

BIRTHS

To Bernice Barker, a son, Jonathan Arnold Barker. Mr. Barker is now Lieutenant-Commander.

To Ruth Anderson Phillips, a son, Monday, February 14.

Persis Beull (Mrs. Robert V. Welts) writes that Barbara, two and one-half years, has a brother, Robert, who came at Christmas.

DENVER

Dear Gamma Phis:

Bazaar! That was the most important word in our vocabulary until December 15 and then we substituted success for it. I am sure you will be glad to hear that we cleared the sum of \$409.15 as a result of our efforts. Do you wonder that we are still talking about it and planning what we shall do next year, for this was the largest amount we ever made from a bazaar or fête? We are satisfied, more than ever now, that Gamma Phis can do what they wish if they will only attempt it.

As soon as we realized how much money we had, the next thing to consider was how to spend it. After much discussion and planning it was

finally decided to give \$100.00 to the National Endowment Fund, \$75.00 to Theta's Building Association, to be used by the girls in whatever way they wish, and a similar gift of \$75.00 to Tau chapter.

For some time we have wanted to give the active girls some incentive to higher scholarship so we made an offer of \$50.00 to them if the sorority average should be 85% or above and no individual average below 80%. Since Denver chapter draws its members from Tau and Theta we decided that the same offer should be made to them. We haven't heard as yet whether Theta was able to reach the goal. The average for Tau is to be taken for the second semester so they still have the road to travel. We are wishing them both success.

At Christmas time, to go back a few weeks, we helped the active girls to finance the dinner for the men at Craig Colony, which certainly is one of the best things the chapter does. Then, too, the men at the Recuperation Camp continue to have birthdays and we try to brighten the day with a cake and a card from Gamma Phi Beta.

During the recent drive for the Federated Charities, there was a Gamma Phi team which collected \$317.00 in a house to house canvass.

The most recent social affair was initiation and the banquet which Theta will tell you about, I am sure, but I must add that we are indeed proud to see the crescent on those fourteen new girls.

At our last meeting we talked of having a card party or rummage sale sometime during the spring, in order to increase our gift to the Endowment Fund. Probably by the next issue of THE CRESCENT I can tell you all about it. Now, the most important affair for us is the annual play to be given next month.

Success and best wishes to all.

ETHEL TOBY.

PERSONAL

Lucia Young is recovering from a serious illness of several weeks.

MARRIAGE

Louise Paulsen, Tau, to Hobart Northrup, S. A. E., on January 13.

BIRTHS

To Genevieve Knight Smith, a son, Norman Burnam.

To Katherine Ramsay Haggart, a daughter, Barbara Allan.

To Amy Spears Donaldson, a son, David Spears.

To Mary Bryant Lee, a daughter, Barbara.

To Dorothy Steele Miller, a daughter, Caroline.

To Marie Harris Fabling, a daughter.

To Ruth Anderson Appell, a daughter.

MINNEAPOLIS

Dear Gamma Phis:

How does a membership of 106 strike you? That is what our alumnæ chapter here has at present, and we are pleased as Punch about it.

It was largely due, no doubt, to our big membership and intense enthusiasm that we cleared \$1,182 at our fair early in December. The amount taken in was \$1,380, but the smaller sum was *cleared*. Does all this sound like bragging? I hope not, but we *are* proud.

With the money taken in at the bazaar we paid \$700 on our house (we have now reduced our mortgage, which when we built the house seven years ago was \$15,000 on the lot and house, to \$3,100), put \$200 into a sinking fund, which we maintain for emergencies, invested \$200 in a new chair, davenport table, picture, and some collapsible chairs for the chapter-house, and laid aside the rest for our candlestick fund and other incidentals.

On the Wednesday between Christmas and New Year's we had our Christmas party at the house. That is always great fun, for there are usually many people present whom we have not seen before for ages. A month or so later the active chapter gave a spread for us after meeting one night, and it was a highly successful affair. After supper we were entertained by the girls who had entered this year, both pledges and initiates. A great deal of varied talent was exhibited in dancing, singing, monologues, reciting of original verses, etc.

At our January meeting at Louise Brace's we elected Millicent Lees Hoffman president for the coming year, with Eva Kaye Rutherford vice-president. Katharine Whitney Kingsbury continues as treasurer and Anna Paddock Barton as secretary.

At that meeting we decided to present Marion Jones's pin each year at the banquet to the junior having the highest standing for the three years. We feel that we could do nothing more appropriate with Marion's pin (she herself was a Phi Beta Kappa and a thorough student) nor indeed anything that would have met more entirely with her approval.

ELLA TOWNSEND MORSE.

PERSONAIS

At the Panhellenic meeting held in December at the Blackstone Hotel in Omaha, Marie Moreland of Kappa chapter answered the roll call for Gamma Phi Beta.

Ruth Simpson left in January to spend the winter in California.

Alice Andrews of St. Paul is now chairman of the milk bottle fund for Minneapolis and St. Paul. Proceeds from the milk bottles are to be devoted to the Allied Nations and the Near East Committee.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Wallace (Maude Hyser) have moved to Sioux Falls, Iowa.

Dorothy Bell spent Christmas vacation here in Minneapolis visiting her parents. She is teaching this year in Salt Lake City.

Kathleen Hart Bibb has just returned from New York, where she gave two recitals, one on January 25 and the other February 6.

Beatrice Utman Pierce has just been elected president of the Wisconsin alumnae in Minneapolis.

Leland Stanford alumnae will be interested to know that Rachel Beard is editor of the *Minnesota Alumni Weekly*. Last year she ran a very popular series of sketches in it called "The Old Grad Comes Back."

Kenena McKenzie is also on the staff of the *Alumni Weekly*.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoffman (Millicent Lees) have bought a new home at 5134 Colfax Avenue South.

Grace Moreland, after being a dietitian in Tacoma for several years, is now acting in that capacity in the State Hospital for Crippled Children, St. Paul.

Lucille Babcock had a leading part in one of three original plays presented at the Women's Club January 25, for which plays prizes were offered.

June Ames spent the Christmas holidays in Minneapolis visiting her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendrell T. Burns (Mary Ray) will leave here in June for Columbus, Ohio, where they will make their home.

Ethel Robinson is spending the winter in California.

Jeannette Welch Brice is now assistant librarian in the Minneapolis Central High School.

Ruth M. Hall is in the technical department of the Minneapolis Public Library.

Dorothy Jones is doing personal service in Atkinson's.

BIRTHS

To Dr. and Mrs. Francis B. Kingsbury (Katharine Whitney), a daughter, Eleanor Bulford, November 30.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur C. Erdall (Eunice McGilvra), a daughter, Eunice Joan, January 2.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar M. Allen (Gertrude Hagy), a daughter, Barbara.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Comstock (Frances Frazer), a daughter.

DETROIT

Dear Gamma Phis:

Detroit alumnae have been having the most delightful gatherings this winter. Our December meeting, held at the home of Irene Gilbert Watkins, was in honor of Beta freshmen who came in from Ann Arbor. We are hoping to have members of that chapter as our guests, frequently, as it is our wish to establish a closer relation between the active and nearby alumnae chapters. A delicious supper was served by four of our members, acting as hostesses, and we had a real party.

In January, Detroit Gamma Phis lunched together at The College Club, and in February, we met at the home of Helen Tuthill Pulford for the afternoon.

Our next meeting is to be a big business meeting, and we are hoping for a large attendance, not only from Detroit but from Ann Arbor, Port Huron, and Toledo. We have not had a meeting of this kind for some time, as we felt that regular monthly meetings of a purely social nature do the most toward building up a chapter, so sadly disrupted by the war, as Detroit was. We have been very successful in thus reaching Detroit members, and we hope for equal success in reaching our out-of-town members.

Detroit sends best wishes to all chapters.

Sincerely,

EVELYN ROEHM MAY.

PERSONAL

Ruth Ely, Beta, is teaching in Royal Oak, Michigan.

BIRTH

To Dr. and Mrs. Earl W. May (Evelyn Roehm), a son, Donald George, December 25.

DEATH

Detroit alumnae deeply mourn the death of Winfield I. Roehm (Beta '17), November 27, one of Gamma Phi's loyal members.

BALTIMORE

Dear Sisters:

We have all of us heard of people who are dominated by one idea—maybe we have known one or two Toonerville Trolley minds—but, can you imagine a whole alumnae chapter of Gamma Phi Beta possessed by one ambition, a single track impulse? Conjure up a mental vision of such a remarkable phenomenon and call it—the Baltimore Chapter. That's us these days! For two months now, the twenty-two of us have thought one thought, impelled one impulse to make our Endowment Subscription Bridge Party, which happened on March 5, the sort of party that you reminisce about to your grandchildren fifty years hence. Because most of you can't come, we shall not give all the lurid details until it is over, but strictly in confidence, as it were, we should not be one whit surprised to receive telegrams from our friends in California or even the sunny South Seas—notifying us that they couldn't bear to miss the fun and please expect them at THE PARTY.

Although before this great event, all other activities have rather submerged themselves into our subconscious minds, they are none the less important for their temporary dismissal. Indeed, we have had three splendid meetings since the last letter in *THE CRESCENT*; we've given a Christmas party with a Christmas present to Zeta, helped them find another chapter room, generally maintained our abiding interest in their welfare by having an alumnae representative at each meeting and continued our system of Grandmothers. All this has undoubtedly aided in establishing a more intimate and consequently more friendly association between the active chapter and us. And finally we held our annual election of officers of the chapter in November with the following results: Mrs. Eugene Smith, president; Hilda Clark King, recording secretary; Katherine Treide, corresponding secretary, and Alvahn Holmes, treasurer.

It would have been splendid to live in the days of fairies. For then we should capture a good fairy godmother, who would wave her wand and cry "Presto, every Gamma Phi from coast to coast can travel on my broomstick to Baltimore, March 5." And we hope so many of you would want to come, that we'd have to appoint a conductor to urge you "Not to push, plenty of room up front."

Cheerio,

KATHERINE TREIDE.

PERSONALS

Hilda Clark King took a prominent part in the Annual Dramatics given by the Baltimore Chapter of Goucher College on February 12.

Alvahn Holmes is teaching in one of the junior high schools of Baltimore.

The Baltimore chapter welcomes Francis Sweezey of Eta. Miss Sweezey's father, Colonel Sweezey, beloved of Baltimore's overseas men, has accepted the responsible position of Head of our Maryland Penitentiary.

Katherine Treide is editing the monthly house organ of one of Baltimore's large department stores.

Recent news from Virginia Merritt speaks of her increasing interest in London and in her work at the London School of Philanthropy.

SEATTLE

Dear Gamma Phis:

The results of our bazaar were so well worth while, that we cannot help telling you that we cleared twelve hundred dollars for the annual scholarship fund. This scholarship is awarded yearly through the university faculty to some partially self supporting upperclass college woman in the English department, who has shown great promise during the year. Mrs. Winifred Haggett, Beta, is a member of the English faculty, which fact adds to our interest in making the bazaar a success. We sewed for months, and then held the bazaar at the New Washington Hotel, December 5, with dancing in the evening.

Winsome Dorothy Haggett, and Rachel Niblock, pledges from the active chapter, wore Frenchy organdie frocks, and sold original paper frilled boudoir bouquets, from trays suspended from their shoulders by ribbons. There were the usual popular candy and delicatessan booths, booths for painted articles, aprons, baby wearables, and hand made articles. We were more than pleased at the profits this year as we had unusual competition from several sororities on the campus. Each year has taught us new lessons in the gentle art of bazaaring. The work of the bazaar has done more than anything else to weld the varied interests of the alumnae. Those of us who have been out in the world for some years, and those of us whose interests are still limited to the new beaux of some sister, find a common meeting place to truly enjoy the fun and pleasure and loyalty

to ideals offered by the sorority. In addition to this the bazaar has brought us closer to the active girls.

The regular December business meeting took place December 7, at the home of Mrs. Miller Freeman, and at this time the report of the bazaar committee was read, and the articles left from the bazaar were auctioned off. This auction of left overs is an event that always means laughter and excitement among the girls and is sure to bring a record crowd.

The regular January meeting was held on Tuesday, January 11, at the home of Anne Harroun. If we tell you a secret and a good joke on Epsilon, will you promise not to tell? In the October number of *THE CRESCENT* there was a list of missing members from Northwestern. Anne Harroun's name appeared on that list in a somewhat disguised spelling. Now, dear sister, let me tell you that Anne is a very active, happily interested, and much beloved member of Seattle alumnæ; in fact she is corresponding secretary for the chapter at this time. We simply can't understand how Epsilon ever lost track of such a girl especially since the last directory had traced her to Seattle. Anne herself says that she thinks she prefers to keep her whereabouts secret until she has helped to put over the convention, and see Lambda with a chapter-house of her own.

Convention is to be held the last week in August at Lake Crescent, surely an ideal and symbolic location for a Gamma Phi Beta convention. You have doubtless read the advertisements about Seattle in various magazines recently, but the treasures of Seattle and the Pacific Northwest are best known by actual contact. You may stand upon any one of Seattle's seven hills, and look down upon three city circled lakes. You may see Elliot Bay, one of the finest harbors in the world, with the great piers, where the silk cargoes or wonder freighted ships from the Orient, lie at anchor. You will see Puget Sound, a great river like body of salt water stretching hundreds of miles from the ocean, and meandering through fir covered islands and village dotted mainland. It is through this sound that we will take you to Lake Crescent.

Still standing on Seattle's hills you raise your eyes and gaze eastward to greet the snowcapped Cascades lying like a rope of pearls with Mount Rainier a majestic pendant to the south. Rainier stands 14777 feet and is the mecca of summer tourists with its myriad flowers, snow fields and approach through virgin forests. Alpine ruggedness and Swiss mountain splendors are duplicated in the Olympic Mountain range which shields Puget Sound from the Pacific Ocean. These mountains are so wild, so perilous to climb, and so untrodden even by the Indians, that their potential natural wealth may only be guessed. Among the snow iced peaks and valleys, hunters are always certain of deer and other game in season. It is among these mysterious Olympics, rosy hued at dawn, and purple shadowed at dusk, that you will gather with us for convention at Lake Crescent.

All these beauties are within a fifty mile radius of the city, with its population of 315,652. In Seattle we will show you miles of boulevards, parks, and our own campus at the university of Washington, just six miles from the heart of the city.

On the campus, we will proudly show our Stadium, built in less than a year from the time the idea was conceived. It was completed at Thanksgiving time for the Dartmouth-Washington football game, and has a seating capacity of thirty thousand.

Lambda held initiation recently, and the alumnæ were impressed anew by the ideals set forth by the founders, as well as the love of the active girls for Gamma Phi, and all she stands for in the way of womanly purposes.

Please plan your vacations this August so that you may see all the wonders of our city and environs. Seattle alumnæ are planning to be

regular tourist guides for you, and are arranging many side trips to beautiful spots, if you care to take them.

See you in August.

AIRDRIE KINCAID COATS.

PERSONALS

Sylvia Nold Haasch is living in Eugene, Ore. Before her departure, a luncheon was held in her honor, November 29, at Frederick and Nelson's. The guests included Mrs. Haasch, Mrs. Clara Taney Mill, Mrs. Josephine Carman Fox, Mrs. Bess Henchan Evans, Mrs. Meta Becker Hergert, Mrs. Ava Dodson Stevenson, Mrs. Jessie Ludden Horsfall, Mrs. Anne Harroun, Mrs. Bees Bogle Freeman and Mrs. Airdrie Kincaid Coats.

Helen Brehm had as her guest at Christmas in New York City, Jane Thompson, who is attending Smith College this year.

Bernice Sully entertained with a luncheon at her home in February, in compliment to Mrs. Harrison Harvey (Ida McGinnis, pledge), who has returned from Juneau, Alaska, to make her home here.

Mrs. Hergert and Mrs. Teal went to Everett on February 1, to discuss convention and the new house for Lambda with the Everett association. They were the guests of Mrs. Rucker during their visit.

MARRIAGES

Myrtle I. Pugsley to Mr. Jack McAfee of Portland, Ore., November 9.

Jeannette Morrison to Mr. Harry Wirt, Delta Upsilon, December 28 in Spokane.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Robin Welts (Persis Buell), of Mount Vernon, Wash., a daughter.

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

PORTLAND

Dear Gamma Phis:

Many things have happened among Gamma Phis in Portland since our last letter to you. The most important was our Bridge Tea which was given so that we could assist our National Endowment fund as well as do our share toward charity in this city. The party was at the home of Elizabeth Wiggins and proved to be a success, socially as well as financially.

Our annual Christmas luncheon was well attended. It was given at the Hotel Portland this year with thirty-five active and alumnae members present. This annual luncheon is a means of keeping in closer touch with the girls in the nearest active chapter.

The January meeting was held at the home of Helen Houghton and was an unusually enjoyable one when plans were made for the work this year.

The active chapter gave a small rushing party in the form of a dance at the home of Eloise White, during the Christmas vacation.

HELEN B. HOUGHTON.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Ray Ryan (Virginia Benson), Lambda, is now a resident of Portland. We are hoping she will be as active in our alumnae chapter as she was in Lambda.

Mrs. Geo. Lawrence Dutton (Nita Hunter) is living in Portland.

Doris Dezendorf (Nu) who has been attending University of Washington has returned to Portland for a much needed vacation.

Grace MacKenzie has just returned from a five month trip in the East. Grace says she had a lovely trip but Portland looked mighty good to her. While in New York Grace visited Flo Cleveland, doing Social

Service work, Helen Johns, attending Pratt and assisting in a Library and Grace Hammerstrom teaching at Brests on the Hudson.

Ruth Morton Myers and Beth Ketchem Stidd, both of Chi chapter, are now residents of Portland.

Kate Stanfield and Mary Johns have decided to change their life work. The Portland Branch of the Mass. Mutual Life Insurance Co., Portland, has annexed them to their staff. They will be agents in Eastern Oregon.

DES MOINES

Dear Sisters:

With the coming of the New Year, we started upon our second year's activities as an *alumnæ* chapter. It was at this time last year that we were struggling with the intricate mechanism of a petition for our authorized existence.

Since that time we have had many ups and downs, many worries, many things to puzzle over, but at all times we have felt that our troubles were far out balanced by our pride and happiness in becoming a real part of Gamma Phi Beta. Now that we are getting wiser in *alumnæ* ways, we hope to have nothing but happiness this coming year.

At our meeting last month we raised our dues and laid plans for what should prove an interesting and successful year. The following officers were elected:

Mrs. George Kraetsch, President.
Mrs. John Wooden, Vice-President.
Mrs. Howard Gray, Treasurer.
Chloris Waterbury, Secretary.

CHLORIS WATERBURY.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Givin Chase (Marie Mabis, Gamma) is spending the winter in Los Angeles with her two sons.

Katherine Mabis (Gamma) has gone to Wheeling, West Va., for the remainder of the winter.

Mrs. Murray Rumsey is spending the winter in California.

SAINT LOUIS

Dear Gamma Phis:

"If a body love a body
More and more each day,
Can a body tell a body
On Saint Valentine's Day?"

The very word "valentine" calls to my mind recollections of the party the *alumnæ* gave at Christmas for the active girls. You can't see the relation of the two? You will—because both are "*affaires d'amour*." On December 27, dozens of Gamma Phis, including those in Saint Louis just for the holidays, were entertained at Alma Urban's home. After a real talk fest each girl was given an end of a spider web; many twists and turns were untangled and at the end of each cord was a tiny favor containing an announcement of Alma's engagement to John Callahan. To make the whole party right Mr. Callahan came. No date has been set for the wedding.

On January 23 Irmgard Zetlmeisl was at home to the Saint Louis Gamma Phis. This party came just in the midst of examinations at Washington, and Irmgard's cordiality was a pleasant contrast. Needless to say, the pledges were everyone excited, over the outcome of their maiden voyage.

Every Saturday a table for Gamma Phis is reserved at the Saint Louis Lunchroom. All the *alumnæ* and active members downtown on Saturday

know that they may find other Gamma Phis at this place. If any of you are here on Saturdays, won't you come?

At the last regular meeting of our chapter we decided to give to Phi this year as a birthday present a fund sufficient to pay initiation fee and dues for a year for any desirable girl who could not otherwise enter the sisterhood. Although Phi does not need this now, such a fund will doubtless be of great advantage in the future.

Our endowment fund is being raised by assessment. The amount is increasing constantly, and if our spirit had material value, we will soon be "over the top."

With every greeting from Saint Louis,

ADA MARIE KELLY.

PERSONALS

Our one regret is that Lois Keim has gone to South Carolina. All winter Lois has conducted Phi's pledge meetings. Her absence will be felt by every one.

Gamma Phis are everywhere. After Elizabeth Wood and Elizabeth Callaway met Dorothy Fry, Psi, in Boulder, Colorado, there were many picnics and parties.

Florence Murray, Alpha, has been in Saint Louis; all the Gamma Phis who met her have one more reason for believing our crescent the best ever.

Ada MacHenry Walker, Gamma, has come to Saint Louis to live. It was most enjoyable to have her with us at our last meeting, and she will be a great asset to our chapter.

Josephine Michael has visited us twice of late; she was here Christmas and again February 1. The distance from Saint Louis to Mobile seems little to Jo.

Margaret Ewing spent the holidays here with her parents.

We often catch a glimpse of Dorothy Jennings over the week-end. Centralia, Illinois, Dorothy's winter abode, is not far distant. Though some say distance lends enchantment, we'd rather have less enchantment and more of Dorothy.

Mrs. M. C. Gamble is enjoying six weeks in sunny California.

LINCOLN

Dear Gamma Phi Beta Sisters:

We held our last meeting at the home of Heila Albrecht at which time the most important business was the election of officers for the coming year. As we are so few in numbers we each had the pleasure of either being a newly elected officer or an ex-officer. Our new president is Mrs. Gertrude Hopewell who is taking such a keen interest in both the active chapter and the alumnae association. We appreciate this all the more as she is not a member of Pi chapter but came to us from Idaho, as well as our ex-president, Mrs. Leon Decker. Ethel DeYoung is our secretary and treasurer and Bertha Helzer corresponding secretary and CRESCENT correspondent. We also decided to hold our meetings once every three weeks on Monday night at the chapter-house instead of a luncheon every third Saturday of the month at the Lincoln Hotel. We thought by doing this we could attend the meetings of the active chapter as well as our alumnae meetings and also help to carry out the boycott against high prices in which movement all the students at the University of Nebraska are taking part.

Our meetings have been rather irregular up to this time due to the illness of our president but we feel now that we have joined forces and we are trying to make the Lincoln alumnae association something more than just an association in name. We are putting forth our efforts to help the active

chapter and hope that we will have something definite to tell you in our next letter.

Sincerely,

BERTHA HELZER.

PERSONALS

A luncheon was given at the Lincoln Hotel by the active chapter for Gladys Wilkenson who returned from abroad a short time ago.

Kate Helzer spent a few days in Lincoln during the Christmas holidays. On January 1 she started her new duties as head dietitian in the West Pennsylvania Hospital, Pittsburgh.

Sarah Cole Usinger has recently returned from her honeymoon abroad and is now living in Pittsburgh.

MARRIAGES

Gertrude Henderson, '21, to Elmer Schelenberg, an Alpha Tau Omega. They are now living at Potter, Nebraska.

Marjorie Cobb to Horace Johnston at Fort Worth, Texas, where they will reside.

TORONTO

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

The Toronto Association is, as you know, still small in numbers but we have to admit of ourselves that we are enthusiastic. We have eight new members this year, including the five graduates of 1920, Ina Gillies, '16, Grace Campbell, '17, and Bessie Harvie, '19. We hold meetings fortnightly and have organized an interesting program in an effort to give every member some share in the responsibility.

We aim to keep as closely as possible in touch with the active chapter, which by the way is almost twice our number. The alumnae were guests of the active chapter at their Christmas supper party. There is something so cozy about those supper parties. It is so good to be with the girls still in college, to hear about the class parties, the newest "prof" and to feel in your soul an echo of that old-time dread of "EXAMS." And then you never forget the distinction of having a senior take your coat and give you the nicest chair. Just as if you were your grandmother! Oh, we wouldn't miss one of those parties—not we.

Quite often the alumnae have supper parties in the chapter-rooms, which reveal surprising, unexpected culinary arts on the part of least suspected members. May Harris, for instance, can make anything from soup to dessert—she really can. When we have reached the state of perfect satisfaction with the world which follows one of these repasts, the call comes for a song from Mary Dalley, a vaudeville effort from our Grace Tremere (of rosy cheek fame) or a story (preferably Scotch) from Daisy MacGregor—but then any story told in that inimitable accent of hers is irresistible. Well, so we go the rounds and so the evenings slip away. Simply spent, you say, but oh, so happily!

The annual formal dance held in Jenkins' Art Gallery on February 1 was a glorious success, at least from the viewpoint of the alumnae, who had all the pleasure and none of the planning, but who were there en masse with the very best intentions of looking dignified among the undergraduates but failing delightfully (thought we). One misguided alumna danced right through the lucky number dance and when about to receive the prize, discovered her number had been called with the first group. She went straightway and sat down in the far corner.

We had planned a skating party for February 4 but about seven o'clock that evening the weather man decided to send rain. Just to prove that we cherished no malice toward him of the ever-changing mind, we altered plans and the members and their escorts spent the evening at the home of

Alice Smith, principally around the grate fire and the piano. But we still want a skating party and in a spirit of optimism we have set the date for February 18, when the active chapter are to be asked to join us, going afterwards to the home of May Harris. Cold weather? Here's hoping.

With kindest greetings from Toronto,

Sincerely,

ALICE I. SMITH.

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. Sanford Alley, Alpha, spent Christmas in Syracuse, returning to Toronto about February 1.

Ina Gillies, '16, is teaching in Weston High School, a few miles from the city and living at home in Toronto.

Grace Campbell, '17, for some time of Cleveland, is living with her parents in Toronto since the death of her husband.

Edythe Cockburn, '19, of Ottawa was in Toronto for a few days at the first of the month to attend the Gamma Phi Beta formal dance.

Gertrude Beasley, '20, is specializing in Moderns and History this year at the Ontario College of Education.

Helen Glaister, '20, is taking a secretarial course in Toronto.

Jean Stevenson, '20, is in charge of the household science centre of the Fred Victor Mission in connection with the Methodist Church.

Olga Young, '20, is chief losses clerk for the Toronto branches of the British North-Western, the Eagle Star and British Dominions, and the British Crown Assurance Companies.

Daisy B. MacGregor, ex-'19, is current ledger-keeper in the Royal Bank of Canada.

ENGAGEMENTS

Inez J. Ford, '20, of Oakville, Ontario, to Wilfred Ford of Hamilton, Ontario.

Helen Glaister, '20, to Mr. John MacKenzie Dobson.

EVERETT

Dear Gamma Phi:

On December 2 we met at the home of Lura Pendleton Cooley, who is here from Alaska for the winter. We had election of officers and Ruby Rucker was reelected president and Arline Swalwell secretary and treasurer. We decided to take charge of the Orphanage Christmas tree as we did last year, so we appointed our committees and decided to meet at the home of Grace Listman on December 10, where we made the Carleton stockings for the tree and distributed three of the children's Christmas letters to each Gamma Phi. On December 24 we had the tree in the playroom of the orphanage and we certainly felt fully repaid for our work when we saw the joy of those fifty little children.

Our last meeting was at the home of Alice Gardiner Duryee. As we had no important business to discuss we spent a very enjoyable evening at bridge.

Sincerely,

ARLINE SWALWELL.

PERSONALS

Lura Pendleton Cooley is here from Alaska for several months.

Grace Listman has moved here from Yakima.

PITTSBURGH

Dear Gamma Phi:

Four years ago, Louise Hill Sonle literally dug up from the by-ways and hedges of our numberless Pittsburgh suburbs, the eighteen members of our

present association. We meet for luncheon the first Saturday of every other month, and for the time, slip back into our girlhood. Our only difficulty is that we live too desperately far apart.

Louise Hill Sonle, Alpha, lives a life of exceeding activity at Wilkesburg, and has made for herself a place of honor and respect. She says she is busy with one husband, one child, and numberless clubs.

Beth Opp Houseknecht, Alpha, laughed from across the luncheon table, and said, "Yes, report me, too, as having one husband and one child."

Doris Fancher Wilson, Alpha, always seems to be off honeymooning or motoring to Syracuse with her husband. She has a delightful home, and a lovely two year old baby.

Mae Webster Buell, Alpha, resolutely and faithfully puts on her bonnet and makes the long journey from Edgeworth. And although she says, "I will report three children and no maid," she has a gay little laugh, and the brightest spirit in the world.

The learned member of our distinguished body is Blossom Henry, Theta. She is professor of French in the University of Pittsburgh, and says that she may be reported as having no husband but one hundred and twenty-five children.

Our organization would perish without Lois Johnson Smith, Epsilon. She has been untiring in hunting up new members, finding suitable meeting places, collecting dues, data, etc.

Sara Cole Usinger, Pi, is our newest acquisition. We were thrilled to learn that she had just returned from her wedding journey in France and Germany. She had just broken her wrist, which fact, together with the rainy day, made her not so sure she liked Pittsburgh.

Margaret Dodds Nelson, Beta, seems to be the oldest member, has the reddest hair, and the most children, four.

Faithfully yours,

MARGARET DODDS NELSON.

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ALPHA meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapter-house, 113 Euclid Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
- BETA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter-house, 1520 S. University Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich.
- GAMMA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter-house, 428 Sterling Court, Madison, Wis.
- DELTA meets every Friday afternoon at 5 P. M. in the chapter-rooms, 101 Newbury St., Boston, Mass.
- EPSILON meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 P. M. at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall, Evanston, Ill. Telephone Dorothy Rioch, 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 Harriet Shannon, 1201 Race St.
- KAPPA meets Monday afternoon at 5:30 at the chapter-house, 310 10th Ave. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.
- LAMBDA meets Monday evening at 6:45 at the chapter-house, 4524 University Blvd., Seattle, Wash.
- MU meets every Monday evening at 7:15 at the chapter-house, Stanford University.
- NU meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 1316 Alder St., Eugene, Ore.
- XI meets every Monday afternoon at 5:00 at the chapter-house, Moscow, Idaho.
- OMICRON meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 1110 West Nevada St., Urbana, Ill.
- PI meets every Monday at 7:15 at the chapter-house, 1629 R Street, Lincoln, Neb.
- RHO meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 310 N. Clinton, Iowa City, Iowa.
- SIGMA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 1244 Louisiana, Lawrence, Kansas.
- TAU meets Wednesday evening at 7:15 at the chapter-house, 430 Remington St., Fort Collins, Colo.
- UPSILON meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 in Room A West, Hollins College, Hollins, Va. Telephone Lilian Holladay.
- PHI meets every Monday afternoon at 1:30 at the chapter-rooms in McMillan Hall, St. Louis, Mo.
- 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 Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 at the chapter-rooms, 88 St. George St., Toronto. Telephone Dorothy Hardy, 81 Collier St.
- ALPHA BETA meets Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 2914 University Ave.
- 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.

- BOSTON meets the first Saturday of each month at the Delta rooms, or at the home of a member. Telephone Carlotta Brant, Haymarket 624.
- NEW YORK meets October 9, November 13, January 8, February 19, April 2, May 7, at Students' Hall, Barnard College, Broadway and 117th Sts., New York. Luncheon or afternoon tea. Write Florence Beiler, 519 W. 121st St.
- 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. Vaughn, 5845 Ocean View Drive, Oakland, Cal.
- DENVER meets fortnightly at 3:00 on Friday at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. C. E. Hilliker, 112 E. 8th Ave.
- 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 third Saturday of each month for an informal luncheon at the College Club. Telephone Alice Camerer, 2295 W. Grand Blvd.
- BALTIMORE meets monthly at Zeta rooms, 111 W. 23rd St., with the exception of three luncheons held at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. Alan C. Sutton, 2129 St. Paul St.
- SEATTLE meets for luncheon the second Tuesday of every month at the different homes. Telephone Mrs. William Laube, 1154 21st Ave. N.
- PORTLAND meets at the homes of members the second Saturday of each month. Telephone Mrs. Ormond Rankin, 528 E. Burnside.
- LOS ANGELES meets the third Saturday of each month at the houses of the members. Telephone Mrs. Paul Jeffers, 206 S. Gramercy Place.
- 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.
- LINCOLN meets the third Saturday of each month for a 12:30 luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel. Telephone Elizabeth Decker, 1460 Washington.
- OMAHA meets the last Saturday of each month at homes of members. Telephone Mrs. George Howell, 5013 Western Ave.
- TORONTO meets every alternate Monday evening at 7:45 at 91 Breadalbane St. Telephone Grace Tremee, 288 Gerrard St. E.
- EVERETT meets the first Monday evening of each month at homes of members. Telephone Mrs. David M. Hartley, 1118 Rucker Ave.
- ASTORIA meets monthly at the homes of members. Telephone Betsy Wootton.
- PITTSBURGH meets every two months at luncheon at the Chatham Hotel at 2:30. Telephone Mrs. Dean R. Wilson, 1505 Shady Ave.

OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

FOR DECEMBER:—*Banta's Greek Exchange*; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta; *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

FOR JANUARY:—*Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta; *Centaur* of Alpha Kappa Kappa; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Quarterly* of Alpha Phi; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Owl* of Sigma Nu Phi; *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi.

FOR FEBRUARY:—*Desmos* of Delta Sigma Delta; *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho; *Journal* of Sigma Phi Epsilon; *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi.

From *The Quarterly* of Alpha Phi we quote the article, *Fraternity Finance* by Cora Allen McElroy, Chairman of Alpha Phi Endowment Fund:

FRATERNITY FINANCE

BY CORA ALLEN MCELROY

Chairman of Alpha Phi Endowment Fund

Today we live in a world which is vitally busy in readjusting itself. The increasing number of students in our universities with their overtaxed equipments is perplexing those in authority, and as in the past, the national Greek-letter college fraternities are anxious "to lend a hand" to enhance their usefulness.

In 1902 Alpha Phi called the first National Panhellenic Conference. The eighteen women's college fraternities now composing this body have developed with proper reservations an organization whose initiative and co-operation is best illustrated internationally by the proposed League of Nations.

The Greek-letter men marveled at the women's audacity, but five years later founded the Men's Interfraternity Conference. In 1912, when anti-fraternity legislation and propaganda was rife, the two organizations co-operated and were successful in interpreting the true status of the fraternity to the public and showing the faculties' need of carefully supervised groups.

Due to these Panhellenic emergencies, men and women fraternity workers became better acquainted with other fraternities and more appreciative of their merits.

With many thanks Alpha Phi is able to record something of the endowment funds of several men's fraternities.

Mr. W. C. Teague, the Executive Secretary of Sigma Chi, whom we now quote, is too modest in his explanation of Sigma Chi's splendid endowment:

"It is an integral part of the Sigma Chi constitution that there shall be several endowment funds and that they shall be divided or designated as follows: Chapter-house Building Endowment Fund, Scholarship Endowment Fund, Endowment Fund for Chapters, General Endowment Fund, and Student Aid Solicitation Fund.

"These funds have, in the comparatively recent past, been put into the hands of a trust company with whom the Grand Council of Sigma Chi

executes a proper trust agreement. Money for these funds may be raised by donation, bequest and by statutory enactment. At present each man at the time of his initiation signs certain notes which are payable to the General Fraternity on the first and second years following his initiation and the net proceeds of such notes are applied in part to the endowment funds. Sigma Chi has tried these plans for years and has had a fair measure of success."

Through the kindness of Mr. Harold H. Swift of Swift and Company, who is a trustee of the university of Chicago and an Alpha Phi brother and uncle, we learn that at its seventy-fifth anniversary and Victory Convention in New York in December, 1919, Delta Kappa Epsilon established a permanent Endowment Fund which is now handled by some Chicago Dekes, and for which an accredited committee has power to solicit funds. This Endowment after taking over the property of the Delta Kappa Epsilon club in New York, secures through its income permanent, adequate, and fitting quarters for Delta Kappa Epsilon executive body, and, also, provides for all members of Delta Kappa Epsilon permanent, general headquarters which any man entitled to wear the badge is privileged to come and enjoy as his own; and through this medium to encourage and enlarge interchapter camaraderie among graduate, undergraduate and non-graduate members.

From Mr. Erman J. Ridgway of New York, one of Delta Upsilon's trustees and a noted Alpha Phi husband, we learn that fraternity has made progress toward a large Endowment Fund, having among its definite objects: a *Quarterly* for every Delta Upsilon, to enable the General Fraternity to be of more practical assistance to the chapters, and to provide a General Secretary to visit annually each chapter and alumni club. President John Patterson writes:

"The fraternity with a future must appreciate that the college experiences of its members is only a training and that the greater part of its usefulness must come through service of the alumni body. I have been surprised, and gratefully so, to find the same thought so appreciated among the Delta Upsilon men all through the East where I have been able to go. Perhaps this new ideal has been a great part of the cause for the success of our (Endowment Fund) campaign."

Mr. William C. Levere "the most popular Y. M. C. A. man in France," a noted fraternity worker and Sigma Alpha Epsilon's War Historian writes of Sigma Alpha Epsilon finances:

"The Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity has no endowment fund in the ordinary usage of that term. We have a subscription fund to our national magazine, the *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, which is obligatory and out of which we believe we are developing an endowment fund. We require every initiate into Sigma Alpha Epsilon to pay \$10.00 at the time of his initiation for his life subscription to our magazine. This was commenced in 1913 and since that time I have collected between fifty and sixty thousand dollars. None of this money is expended, but is placed in the hands of our Board of Trustees who invest it for us and the interest at present is used to help pay the expenses of publishing the magazine. We expect in time that there will be sufficient interest not only to pay for the magazine, but also to form an endowment for the Fraternity.

"We also have another considerable fund which, although it has never been called an endowment fund, really answers that purpose. This fund is generally known in the fraternity as the surplus fund and is also in charge of our Board of Trustees, who loan it to chapters who are building houses. This surplus fund is the money which has accumulated over our expenditures through the years.

"Our requirements in regard to our Board of Trustees is that they should all live in one city; that no two of them shall come from the same chapter, and that they should all be heavily bonded. They serve without pay."

Mr. William M. Austin, recently president of Alpha Delta Phi, and a Chicago banker, in writing of the oldest college fraternity states:

"The first substantial sum of money received by Alpha Delta Phi was about twenty-five years ago in the form of an endowment of a scholarship given by Clarence Seward, at that time president of the fraternity. It was intended that the income should be used to send one student through a four years' college course. The principal was so advantageously invested there are always two and sometimes three men in the fraternity going through college on these funds.

"No other large gift was made to the fraternity until a few years ago when the Amherst chapter in celebration of their seventy-fifth reunion raised and gave to the fraternity a fund as a nucleus of an endowment fund to support a traveling secretary. Three years later the convention was held with the Williams chapter and Williams duplicated the Amherst gift. Smaller amounts have been added from different sources but the fund is still far short of what it should be.

"A fraternity is too important an organization to allow it to run without supervision. Good supervision costs money and this money must come either from the students or the alumni or from an endowment fund. It goes without saying the students should not bear all the burden; the alumni must do their share. In other words, they ought to supply an endowment fund. Annual dues from alumni are all right in theory but an endowment fund is better."

Dr. Francis Shepardson, president of Beta Theta Pi and the Nestor of fraternity workers, writes:

"I congratulate you on the progress already made toward the Alpha Phi Fraternity endowment fund. I have such confidence in the high idealism of the fraternity workers of the present day that I believe every dollar invested in endowment for an organization of this kind will yield many times its value in rich returns in years to come.

"Beta Theta Pi in its eighty-first year has established two funds: The Baird fund is a memorial to the late William Raimond Baird, Beta Theta Pi's editor for a quarter of a century and the author of *American College Fraternities*. To this fund 'a payment of ten dollars brings a life subscription to the magazine, and a consciousness that when life for the individual is closed, the small contribution will continue to earn interest through the long years of the future.' The surplus of the Baird fund will be transferred before long to the Founders' Fund which receives legacies and larger subscriptions than \$10.00."

Among the women's fraternities, Chi Omega is campaigning for a \$40,000 endowment fund; Alpha Chi Omega already has a comfortable endowment fund; Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi are justly proud of their scholarship funds. Kappa Alpha Theta's editor in the January *QUARTERLY* says in reminiscing:

"So we had our Endowment fund with the ultimate aim of contributing to both housing and cultural problems of colleges by establishing model chapter-houses. Then came the Scholarship fund, to insure the needed training of our members for individual service."

In reviewing Alpha Phi's records since 1872, we find Alpha Phi in its earliest days had a "tidy sum" laid by, which grew to be a factor in Alpha Phi's nationalism, while it was the early policy of the older chapters to maintain scholarships and to duplicate one of Alpha's achievements in owning the first woman's fraternity chapter-house on the campus.

In 1908 at the Wisconsin Convention the keynote of expansion was sounded because it was noted that women were coming to college in large numbers and to coeducational universities where they had been heretofore few in number. With expansion came the question of the financial

responsibility, alike, of groups applying and of Alpha Phi in accepting them. The "tidy sum" now became the recipient of subscriptions.

Since 1910 Alpha Phi's Endowment Fund has increased 100%, and had not the war intervened with its heavy toll and Alpha Phi's financial support of the Foyer at Roanne, France, for women munition workers, Alpha Phi's fund would have doubled, no doubt.

The other day, a small sum came to the Fund from an Alpha Phi after she had read the Endowment Fund Ad in the back of the *QUARTERLY*; it was doubly blessed as it added to the Fund and enriched the giver in increasing Alpha Phi's opportunities.

Every Alpha Phi is privileged to send a gift large or small or to bestow a legacy upon the Endowment Fund and, in so doing, she will show her interest in maintaining Alpha Phi's standard and also her desire to repay her Fraternity an uncanceled debt of honor.

In acknowledgment of my indebtedness to my fraternity, for what it meant to me in college and for the associations since then, I subscribe

.....Dollars

to the Alpha Phi Endowment Fund. I make this pledge so that the fraternity may continue its helpful influence among the present college generation and in years to come.

Name..... Chapter.....

Address.....

Date.....

Mr. John Howard McElroy, 5759 Kenwood Avenue, Chicago.

Also from the *Quarterly* of Alpha Phi:

Five years ago an Alpha sister sent \$50.00 to the Endowment Fund. In a recent note she writes laconically: "Follow that impulse." "*QUARTERLY* received October 11 at 3:10 p. m. Endowment Fund advertisement read at 4:30 p. m., decision made to send \$50.00 bond at 4:35 p. m., October 11, 1920."

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Dear reader, the day of miracles is here, The chairman just opened a letter from an Iota alumna who thoughtfully enclosed a \$100.00 bond; she too, had read the *QUARTERLY*.

In 1922 when Alpha Phi is fifty years old, and we sit at her banquet table extolling the past and glimpsing the future, we shall merit the right to be satisfied if the Endowment Fund can show twelve hundred sustaining members among the Alpha Phi alumnae, because then the *QUARTERLY* will be anchored by life subscriptions; the Visiting Delegate will be in the field six months annually, developing new chapters, inspiring older ones and keeping the alumnae informed and keen for service; the business of the fraternity will be creditably organized without raising the present moderate collegiate dues or imposing upon the generosity of Alpha Phi's officials, and the Endowment Fund will yield sufficient income to guarantee some

definite and far reaching educational service for which the fraternity is so well fitted to carry on.

Seize the opportunity at hand to pay the debt you owe Alpha Phi by sending at once a contribution or pledge to the Endowment Fund and make the gift doubly valuable in stimulating some other Alpha Phi sister to "Follow that impulse."

And again:

An opportunity for *alumnæ* chapters to give financial support to a common fraternity cause was offered by Pi Beta Phi in several practical fashions. Pi Phi puts her Settlement School first in her financial obligations. Her Fellowship Fund and the Undergraduate Loan Fund vie for second place. To raise sums for these "a circular letter was sent to *alumnæ* clubs soliciting financial support. The clubs are responding each year with gifts of \$5, \$10, and \$15, showing that the Loan Fund is remembered in their budget. One active chapter responded with a monthly gift of twenty-five cents from each member."

Sigma Nu advertises its campaign in the following way:

Like the cub lion who grew up with the sheep as its foster mother and then discovered itself, the *Sigma Nu* Fraternity has awakened to the fact that it has become a great National College Fraternity.

No longer can it be on the defensive, but it must become a great active and constructive organization. Its obligations have become multiplied by the rapid increase in the number of its Chapters, and its membership. We must provide for its future internal development and expansion by creating the powers and resources that will permit it to function in the right direction.

The war has demonstrated the wisdom of our foresight and frugality. We were able to continue our activities, publish our magazine and maintain our Chapters during the war.

WE NOW NEED A PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

to insure our future. This Endowment Fund will enable us to help finance and build Chapter-houses. Its income will insure a better Central Office, and the employment of men of the highest type and ability to lead the policies of our fraternity.

Our fraternity has become more than an association of active college men. It is now a National Fraternity of Alumni as well. We now have on our rolls 14,000 alumni and 2,000 active men. Shall we as alumni be awake to the opportunities that are given to us to help train college men to be versatile and outstanding leaders in the Christian Activities of the World?

A life subscription to the Permanent Endowment Fund or an annual fee from you as an alumnus of our fraternity will accomplish this result. We need 2,000 Life Subscriptions to the Permanent Endowment Fund to put this across. Awake alumni and active men to the possibility of this opportunity.

And this is the plan:

The plan approved for raising the fund is very simple. It consists of:

(1) A paid up life subscription to the endowment fund in the fraternity, carrying with it a life subscription to *THE DELTA*, \$50.00 cash or Liberty Bond. (Payable on easy terms or cash down. You write your own ticket.) Or, (2) Annual contributing subscription of \$5.00, which includes *The Delta*.

This is all voluntary. There's nothing compulsory about it. Nothing to guide you but your conscience. Once a Sigma Nu always a Sigma Nu—but that's just the point. Your moral duty to help make a better Sigma Nu is a duty you can't dodge. Your pride in Sigma Nu is something to make you come across.

What is said in the comments on this endowment fund among the reasons why Sigma Nu Alumni should support this fund covers so many phases of the question that we shall not try to cover that question here. Every man has his own *individual* reason, and the reasons are as numerous and so varying that they would require this issue of THE DELTA to cover them. It may be a son, who will soon be ready for Sigma Nu—it may be a start in business life to which he is indebted to Sigma Nu, it may be real *friends*, the world's most priceless possessions, brought him through the bonds of Sigma Nu. Whatever the reason or reasons we know this plan will have the support of every alumnus financially able to contribute.

From the *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta:

It is earnestly hoped that this movement will not only result in the establishment of a permanent fund which will eventually be sufficient to make it unnecessary for any undergraduate member of Delta Tau Delta to give up his college career because of financial conditions beyond his control, but that it will serve to awaken renewed interest in the alumni throughout the country in the fraternity and thereby advance it in many other ways. At the present time our alumni are, as the automobilist is quoted to have said of pedestrians, divided into two classes—the quick and the dead. I hope this Undergraduate Loan Fund campaign will demonstrate that the second class among our alumni is a negligible quantity.

Phi Kappa Psi is also conducting a campaign for increasing its Endowment Fund. This fund at present is \$17,000 and the goal is \$100,000:

Nearly all pledges were made within a half hour on the floor of the 1914 G. A. C. There has been scarcely \$500 pledged since then. The amount originally raised has not only clearly demonstrated the value and need of the endowment fund but its use has shown the necessity of greatly increasing it. This should be done immediately. There will be imperative calls upon the fund during the next year or two, and there should be sufficient funds to meet all worthy requests. Sixteen Phi Psis have already been enabled to complete their college courses through loans from this fund, even though no loans were made during the two war years. All loans have been, or are being, repaid as agreed, and the interest is met regularly. The principal is invested in safe securities, and is in charge of three responsible brothers elected to serve as trustees.

Think it over. What better way can a Phi Psi find to be of some real service to his brothers than to have a part in increasing this endowment fund, and thus make the fraternity an active, vital means of fraternal helpfulness to its members? The fund ought to be at least \$100,000 and this at an early date.—*Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi.

Kappa Delta is in the midst of a whirlwind campaign in behalf of its Scholarship Loan Fund. Here are some of the heavy type sentences scattered through the pages of *The Angelos*:

SURPLUS CASH

There is cash for candy, for caramels and cream,
For finery, and even for knowledge,

But who will take heed of the Council's fair dream
 To keep every K Δ in college?
 The Loan Fund, the "bone-fund,"
 The fund with the right aim in view;
 Can't *you* spare a dollar
 For a K Δ scholar?
 Think what college meant to you!

Have you a little dollar in your home? We mean that Kappa Delta Loan Fund dollar, of course.

When you see the motto, "Do it now," dig down for the K. D. Dollar.

The Loan Fund is Kappa Delta's "Rainy Day Fund."

Have YOU sent YOUR dollar to the Scholarship Loan Fund?

Every Kappa Delta Dollar Helps a Kappa Delta Girl.

See that your dollar rolls in. Roll it now!

And from *Banta's Greek Exchange* come the following interesting paragraphs:

The convention of K K Γ took place July 1-6 at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan. Members met in honor of the Golden Jubilee of the sorority. The general note of the convention was hope and enthusiasm for the future. An interesting history of the organization was read. It was voted to increase the Students' Aid Fund to \$50,000 in order to double its usefulness. The sorority will receive applications for loans from non-sorority women in those colleges and universities where chapters of K K Γ are located. A very successful stunt night was enjoyed and a banquet terminated the conclave.

The convention of A Φ was held at De Pauw University, Greencastle, Indiana. It was voted to maintain a paid secretary in order to lighten the duties of the officers. A visiting delegate, to be active six months of the year was also established. Reports show that the endowment fund has far surpassed the hoped-for mark. Policies pertaining to Panhellenic were discussed and the following adopted:

1. A short rushing season.
2. Open rushing as opposed to closed.
3. Uphold the ruling against high school sorority members.
4. That each fraternity in local panhellenic have two votes, one alumna and one active.

From a social standpoint the convention was a success. Those attending enjoyed a garden party, dinner-dance and banquet.

One alumnae chapter of K A Θ raises money for the scholarship fund in a novel manner. Each member brings to the meeting some delicacy, for which she is noted and the articles are sold under the auctioneer's hammer to other members.

The student aid fund being raised by K K Γ will in 1920 reach the \$10,000 mark. Loans from this fund will be available to any worthy girl who has successfully completed one year of college work.

At the last council meeting of $\Delta \Gamma$ it was determined to devote the energy of the sorority toward educational work. A scholarship fund has therefore been established.

Cleora Wheeler has designed attractive Christmas cards to be sold to chapters of K K Γ . The cards are to be sold, in turn, by the members of the chapters and one half of the proceeds will be turned over to the Grand Treasurer, for the general philanthropic fund. It is estimated that the sorority may clear \$2,000.

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