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ALUMNÆ MEETING

THE meeting was called to order by Lois Miles Jackson, Vice-president and Alumnæ Secretary.

Several announcements were made after which Mrs. Jackson called for the reports of the alumnæ delegates.

The report of the Chicago Alumnæ chapter was made by Willa Janksky Bauer.

The report of the Syracuse Alumnæ chapter was made by Elizabeth Buckman.

The report of the Boston Alumnæ chapter was read by Mary Wellington.

Grace Burgard Holcomb gave the report for the New York Alumnæ chapter.

Alice Ringling Coerper made the report of the Milwaukee Alumnæ chapter.

Bertha G. Harber read the report for the San Francisco Alumnæ chapter.

The Denver Alumnæ chapter report was read by Madelyn Keezer.

The Minneapolis Alumnæ report was made by Marie Moreland.

The Detroit Alumnæ report was given by Jess Herman.

The report for the Baltimore Alumnæ chapter was given by Mary McCurley.

The report for the Seattle Alumnæ chapter was given by Clara Taney Will.

The report for the Portland Alumnæ chapter was made by Margaret Kern.

Ruth Palmer Shepherd made the report for the Los Angeles Alumnæ chapter.

Grace Sewing read the report for the St. Louis Alumnæ chapter.

Ethel Steinheimer made the report for the Reno Alumnæ chapter.

The Toronto Alumnæ chapter report was made by Alice Smith.

The Cleveland Alumnæ chapter report was made by Mary Lyons Dibble.

Helen M. Dodge Ferguson and Frances E. Haven Moss, Gamma Phi Beta's most honored alumnæ, spoke a few words to the delegates.

Mrs. Jackson called for the reports of the District Secretaries.

Lillian Thompson, National Panhellenic Delegate, spoke on the alumnæ organizations of other sororities.

The meeting was then adjourned.

JUANITA DUNLOP,
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MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH CONVENTION OF GAMMA PHI BETA

First Session

The thirty-fourth convention of the fiftieth year of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority was called to order by the Grand President, Miss Lindsey Barbee, at 9:50 o'clock on Tuesday, June 24, 1924. Frances E. Haven Moss read the opening exercises and Helen M. Dodge Ferguson gave the Scripture reading.

Roll call of officers and delegates followed, with all national officers present, and delegates from all chapters except Des Moines and Spokane.

Miss Gertrude Goreth gave a greeting from Alpha and Syracuse.

Miss Potter gave all necessary announcements.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the reading of the minutes of the last convention be dispensed with.

The following committees were appointed by the President:

Findings:

Miss McCurley, Baltimore
Miss Moreland, Minneapolis
Miss Burchard, Gamma

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The Vice-president, Mrs. Jackson, took the chair while Miss Barbee read her report as Grand President of Gamma Phi Beta sorority for the past three years. Miss Barbee moved that her report be accepted. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Jackson, Vice-president and Alumnae Secretary, read her report for that office. She moved the adoption of the report and the motion was duly seconded and carried.

Mrs. Brinker, Secretary-Treasurer, read the report for her office. Moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

The National Panhellenic Delegate, Miss Thompson, read her report. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

Mrs. Younger, chairman of Visiting Delegates, read her report. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

The Vice-president took the chair while Miss Barbee, Editor of *THE CRESCENT* read her report. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

Miss Van Patten gave her report as Business Manager of *THE CRESCENT*. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

The reports of chairmen of National Committees were then read and accepted.

Expansion by Mrs. Garrett

Scholarship by Mrs. Callow for Mrs. Dehn

Examination by Miss West

Endowment Fund by Mrs. Crouse for Mrs. Palmer, inactive chairman

by Mrs. Jackson, representative on the council

by Miss Dennison for Mrs. Clarke, chairman of Ways and Means Committee

The meeting was then adjourned.

Second Session

The second session of the Gamma Phi Beta convention was called to order at 2:55 o'clock on Tuesday, June 24, the President, Miss Barbee, presiding.

Roll call.

Necessary announcements were made by Miss Potter.

Unfinished business

Miss Elizabeth Marot read the report for the Charter Committee. This report was accepted.

The report of the Central Office was read by Miss Dunlop. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted.

Telegrams of congratulation and greetings from Kappa Kappa Gamma and Miss Morgan were read by the president.

New business

Mrs. Waldron rose for a point of information, and then moved that each chapter, active and alumnæ, have individual votes, according to the number of delegates to which they were entitled. It was seconded, discussed and lost.

Constitutional Changes

It was moved, seconded and carried that the council recommendation in regard to the appointment by the incoming officers of a committee for the complete revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, such a committee to report by December of 1924, be adopted.

Miss Barbee called upon Miss Burchard to explain Gamma's recommendation in regard to the election of chapter officers at second semester. After some discussion it was moved that the words "at least" be inserted in Article 5, Section 3a before the words "one month" so that the article would read as follows:

The officers of the Greek-letter chapter shall be elected for one year, installation to take place at least one month before final examinations.

The motion was seconded and carried.

Miss Plocher of Kappa explained their recommendation in regard to the absolute expiration of a pledge after one year of college work if, up to that time, the requirement of the local Panhellenic has not been fulfilled. It was moved that the recommendation be adopted. Seconded and lost.

In regard to Kappa's recommendation that there be a district convention between national conventions, Mrs. Will moved that the suggestion be referred to the Findings Committee. The motion was seconded and after some discussion was carried.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Third Session

The third session of the Gamma Phi Beta convention met at 9:45 o'clock on Wednesday, June 25.

Roll call.

The minutes of the third session were read and approved.

Announcements were made by Miss Potter.

The President being called from the room, the Vice-president, Mrs. Jackson, took the chair. It was moved by Miss Hakes that Gamma Phi Beta name her A.A.U.W. Scholarship in honor of Lindsey Barbee and that if Gamma Phi Beta should drop the scholarship and take up some other form of social service, that should bear the name of Lindsey Barbee. She also moved that the founders, Helen M. Dodge Ferguson and Frances E. Haven Moss, be given jeweled pins properly inscribed, these pins to be presented at the convention banquet. Seconded and carried.

It was moved by Miss Thompson, seconded and carried, that the committee that made the recommendations continue to serve in executing them as adopted, the committee being Miss Hakes, New York, Mrs. Shepherd, Los Angeles, and Miss Stoner, Beta.

Miss Barbee was then called back to the chair.

Miss Barbee suggested a reconsideration of the proper method of voting, it having been called to her attention that some dissatisfaction existed in regard to the way the matter had been handled the previous session. Mrs. Coerper moved a reconsideration of the question. It was seconded and carried. Mrs. Brinker moved that the vote be according to individuals for all business. Seconded and carried.

Telegrams of greeting were read from Pi Beta Phi and Alpha Chi Omega. A cablegram of greeting from Paris was read from Mrs. Palmer.

Mrs. Callow moved that Kappa's recommendation that there be a national requirement of C average for initiation be referred to the Committee on Revision of the Constitution. Seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the jewelry question take precedence over the next regular business.

Mr. Balfour of Balfour and Company, Mr. Holt of Edwards-Haldeman and Company, and Mr. Gale of J. F. Newman, Incorporated, presented the various propositions of their respective firms. Mrs. Brinker presented the facts in regard to Gamma Phi Beta's connection with the A. H. Fetting Manufacturing Jewelry Company, no representative having been sent from the company.

Miss Moreland moved that the vote on the jewelry question be left until the afternoon session. It was seconded and lost.

Mrs. Scott moved that the convention recommend to the incoming council that Balfour be added to the list of jewelers. The motion was seconded. Mrs. Scott then amended her motion to read that Newman be dropped and Balfour be added. The motion was seconded and lost.

It was moved by Mrs. Coerper that the final decision in regard to the official jewelers be left to the incoming council. Seconded and carried.

It was moved by Miss Butchart of Theta that Gamma Phi Beta adopt an official recognition pin, the design to be selected by the council. Seconded and lost.

It was moved by Miss Wellington of Boston that the San Francisco suggestions be referred to the Committee on Constitutional Changes. Seconded and lost.

To simplify the situation, Mrs. Waldron of San Francisco moved that Gamma Phi Beta have a Central Office. It was seconded and carried.

Miss Fletcher moved that a committee be appointed by the chair to make recommendations to the convention in regard to the duties of such an office, financing and any other points essential to the working of such a scheme. The motion was seconded and carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Brinker that the committee be appointed immediately and report at the afternoon session. Seconded and carried.

It was moved by Mrs. Will to change the order of business, Expansion to be taken up first at the afternoon session. Seconded and carried.

The meeting was adjourned.

Fourth Session

The fourth session of the Gamma Phi Beta convention met at 2:30 o'clock on Wednesday, June 25.

Roll call.

The minutes were dispensed with.

Announcements were made by Miss Potter.

The appointments to the Committee on the Central Office were announced as follows: Miss Thompson, Chicago; Mrs. Waldron, San Francisco; Mrs. Edgecombe, Syracuse; Miss Fletcher, Gamma and Miss Moreland, Minneapolis.

Mrs. Garrett, chairman on Expansion, took the chair. Miss Irene Langford of Nashville, Tenn., presented the formal petition of Delta Sigma Upsilon of Vanderbilt University. Decision in regard to the matter was deferred.

Mrs. Underhill then spoke in favor of the local group, Alpha Sigma Pi, of the Southern Branch of the University of California. Action was deferred.

Miss Smith of Toronto spoke in favor of a group at Manitoba. It was moved, seconded and carried that Gamma Phi Beta send an inspector to Manitoba as soon as possible.

Material in regard to Phi Beta, a local at the University of Montana, was presented by Miss Hermans of Beta. Miss Bishop of New York moved that Gamma Phi Beta inspect the local at the University of Montana. Seconded and lost.

It was moved that the matter of initiating *alumnæ* of new chapters be referred to the Committee on the Revision of the Constitution. Seconded and carried.

It was moved by Miss Burchard of Gamma that the convention resolve itself into a committee of the whole for the purpose of discussing the definite wording and understanding of the clause dealing with the admission of chapters. The motion was seconded and carried. In view of this fact, Miss Burchard took the chair.

Mrs. Scott of Syracuse moved that in case of two negative chapter votes in regard to the granting of a charter, that the matter be referred to a committee composed of the grand council, the chairman of Expansion, and one representative of each of the opposing chapters. This motion was seconded.

Miss Burchard moved for a division of the question. It was seconded and carried.

It was moved and seconded that two negative votes could be overruled. Carried.

It was then moved, seconded and carried that such a matter be referred to a committee composed of the grand council, chairman of Expansion, and one representative of each of the opposing chapters.

It was moved and seconded that a charter be granted to Delta Sigma Upsilon of Vanderbilt University. Beta and Detroit voted negatively.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Fifth Session

The fifth session of the Gamma Phi Beta convention met at 9:50 o'clock on Thursday, June 26, the President, Miss Barbee, presiding. Roll call.

Telegrams of greeting were read from Toronto and Alpha Alpha, and Delta Delta Delta.

The minutes of the two previous sessions were read and approved. Announcements were made by Miss Potter.

Mrs. Garrett took the chair in order to finish the Expansion business. It was moved, seconded and carried that Gamma Phi Beta grant a charter to Alpha Sigma Pi of the Southern Branch of the University of California, only the chapters in the district voting.

Mrs. Garrett asked for an expression of opinion on the present system of chapter expansion representatives and district expansion representatives. The general feeling was to continue these offices.

The President again took the chair.

Miss Thompson, chairman, gave the report of the Committee on the Central Office. It was moved, seconded and carried that this plan be accepted. (See report, appended.)

Miss Thompson read the report of Miss Lowd on the Panhellenic house in New York.

Mrs. French, chairman, reported for the Nominating Committee. The nominations were: President, Mrs. Grace Howard Smith of Alpha and Boston; Vice-president, Mrs. Laura Latimer Graham of Alpha and New York; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Mary Thomas McCurley of Zeta and Baltimore.

It was moved by Mrs. Shepherd of Los Angeles that a unanimous vote be cast for the above nominees. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Jackson took the chair for the Endowment Session. Mrs. Brinker presented the Denver plan for the proper care and safeguarding of the Endowment Fund in some detail. Mrs. Brinker moved that the plan of Denver Alumnæ be accepted. General discussion followed. Mrs. Brinker then amended her motion so that the plan would provide that up to \$1,500 of the principal could be invested with any one chapter at the discretion of the board, and that small loans to chapters for any purpose could be granted at the discretion of the board. It was suggested that the amendment be divided into two parts and considered separately. The suggestion was followed. The first part of the amendment, that up to \$1,500 of the principal could be invested with any one chapter at the discretion of the board, was moved, seconded and carried.

The second part of the amendment, that small loans to chapters for any purpose could be granted at the discretion of the board, was also moved, seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that point 3 should be added under D of Article 10, Section 6 to read as follows:

D. Said income shall be used for the following general purposes:

1. Scholarships.
2. Loans to girls to assist in their education, preferably members of Gamma Phi Beta.
3. The income from the fund be used for the benefit of the sorority at the discretion of the board.

The original motion, as amended, was passed.

Mrs. Jackson announced that Alpha and Syracuse had brought the total of their gift up to \$1,000.

The President then took the chair.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Gamma Phi Beta have new song sheets mimeographed and sold at a small cost, the profits to go to the Endowment Fund.

Telegrams of greetings were received from Alpha Phi and J. Stanley Edwards, trustee, and former president of the National Association of Life Underwriters, Mr. Edwards congratulating Gamma Phi Beta sorority upon being the first one to raise its endowment by the insurance plan.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the payment by each chapter, both active and alumnæ, of room and board at convention for all its unofficial delegates be made.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the wearing of brown robes by all active members be left to the discretion of the chapters.

Alpha moved that the membership certificates have the name and date of initiation of each initiate lettered in Old English. Seconded and carried.

It was moved, seconded and carried that all undergraduates have unjeweled pins. It was then moved that only members who had graduated be allowed to wear jeweled pins. Seconded and carried.

Mrs. Callow of Seattle moved that a committee be appointed to investigate the Panhellenic house of New York situation and present more definite data, and give a definite report as to Gamma Phi Beta's wish to invest any money, this committee to report at the afternoon session. Seconded and carried. The following committee was appointed: Mrs. Holcomb, New York; Elizabeth Buckman, Syracuse, and Mrs. Brinker, Denver.

A note of greeting from Delta Delta Delta was read.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Sixth Session

The sixth session of Gamma Phi Beta convention met at 2:30 o'clock on Thursday, June 26, the President, Miss Barbee, presiding. Roll call.

The minutes of the fifth session were read and approved.

The President called for the reports from the committees. Miss McCurley gave the report for the Findings Committee. It was moved, seconded and carried that this report be accepted.

Mrs. Callow of Seattle gave the report for the Committee on Resolutions. It was moved, seconded and carried that this report be accepted.

Mrs. Holcomb of New York, as chairman of the Panhellenic House Committee, gave her report. It was moved, seconded and carried that convention vote to use the \$50.00, already pledged, toward a \$1,000 pledge to purchase as many shares of common stock as possible in this Panhellenic house.

The chairman of the Chapter Display Committee, Mrs. Coerper of Milwaukee, reported that Alpha Delta of Missouri was awarded

the prize for the best chapter display, honorable mention being given to Alpha Eta and Alpha Epsilon.

Miss Thompson of Chicago moved that the salary for the coming Editor of THE CRESCENT be as large as the treasury could afford and should be decided by the council in consultation with the Treasurer. Seconded and carried.

Miss Barbee introduced the new officers—Mrs. Grace Howard Smith of Alpha and Boston as Grand President, Mrs. Laura Latimer Graham of Alpha and New York as Vice-president, and Miss Mary McCurley of Zeta and Baltimore as Secretary-Treasurer.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Gamma Phi Beta purchase the negative of the two founders with the Omicron girls for \$5.00.

Upsilon chapter extended to Gamma Phi Beta an invitation to have the next convention at Hollins College, Hollins, Va.

The minutes of the sixth session were read and approved.

Regular convention was then adjourned.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON A CENTRAL OFFICE

Your committee submits the following plan for an office to be called Secretary-Treasurer.

The duties to be performed by that office should be approximately the following:

Uniform examinations—sending out forms and getting back examination papers for chairman.

Pin certificates

Membership certificates

CRESCENT mailing list

Directory

Sending out all sorority material; such as,

Constitutions

Rules and Regulations

Presidents' Books

Panhellenic material

All multigraphed letter for grand officers

Furnishing all information

Handling all sorority money; such as,

Sorority dues

CRESCENT dues

Endowment Fund

Social Service Fund

We recommend—

- (1) The office be established in Chicago, or its vicinity.
- (2) That the Secretary-Treasurer be paid a salary of not less than \$1,800, with increase as the work and her efficiency warrant, and that her term of office be indefinite, with the hope that she remain a fixture.
- (3) That all the policies of the sorority remain, as at present, in the hands of the grand council, and that these officers be not paid.
- (4) That convention authorize the coming grand council to put in this plan and experiment with it without any change in the Constitution other than absolutely needed to define the grand council anew, and that the duties of the Central Office be put in the By-Laws, where they can be easily changed as experience dictates.

Advantages—

- (1) Steadiness of the sorority machinery.
- (2) We could get the grand officers we want because the business would be thoroughly attended to.
- (3) All sorority policies will still be in the hands of the sorority officers.
- (4) We keep our body of interested and working alumnæ.

We hope that convention will authorize the use of some of the Endowment Fund income for the Central Office. We feel sure that with this allowance the office could easily be financed. The cost will not be at all excessive.

Respectively submitted,

LILLIAN THOMPSON, *Chicago Alumnæ*,
MRS. WALDRON, *San Francisco Alumnæ*,
MISS MORELAND, *Minneapolis Alumnæ*,
MISS FLETCHER, *Gamma*.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF GAMMA PHI BETA

Fifty years ago, the order which we love and honor was founded by the four members whose untiring efforts and prophetic vision have made to-day a possibility for the thousands who wear the insignia of the sisterhood. The observance of a fiftieth anniversary demands a calm survey of the past, with a serious realization of its heritage; a wise disposal of the present, with an understanding of its privileges; and an earnest hope for the future, with a vision of dreams fulfilled and ambition gratified.

Long ago, the crescent was chosen as the emblem of Gamma Phi Beta—the crescent, symbol of growth. It is very fitting that in this year of 1924, a half century of existence should be characterized by this term—growth; growth, not only through the many years which led to the throbbing, vital life of to-day, but a greater growth still to be chronicled in the years to come. More particularly, since on this fiftieth birthday, we take up the story of Gamma Phi Beta from the time of our gathering in 1921 at Lake Crescent, we confine ourselves to the sorority's development in these three years—emphasizing the various phases of growth—material, internal, altruistic, cultural and idealistic.

I. MATERIAL GROWTH

Since our last convention, three groups have been added to our chapter roll—Alpha Epsilon at the University of Arizona on April 29, 1922, Alpha Zeta at the University of Texas on May 29, 1922, and Alpha Eta at Ohio Wesleyan University on November 10, 1923. Alpha Epsilon was sponsored by a local group of alumnae; Alpha Zeta was formerly the Sigma Club of the University of Texas; Alpha Eta was known as Delta Psi, one of the oldest and most prominent locals on the campus. Alpha Epsilon and Alpha Zeta have maintained houses from the first; together with Alpha Eta they have claimed offices of prominence in the college world, have stood high in campus favor and have proved in every way worthy of membership and of membership privileges.

The problem of expansion has been handled in a conservative fashion, and from many petitions these three have been considered; the department of expansion has been strengthened as never before; investigation in this line has been thorough and comprehensive; action has been taken only after sane and serious reflection. Careless expansion is a detriment; but if any organization is to advance in the college and Panhellenic world, to perpetuate its greatest service, to be national in the truest sense, it must recognize the necessity of wise extension and of unbiased consideration of possibilities.

Three alumnae chapters—Toronto, Spokane and Cleveland—have strengthened the alumnae chain; Boise, Salem, Oklahoma City, Lawrence, Fort Collins, Eugene, St. Paul, Ames, Champaign-Urbana, Colorado Springs, Kansas City and District of Columbia have become thriving associations. By the formation of these alumnae groups there has been a distinct and greatly increased spirit of nationalism and a very vital impetus to the life of the organization.

Several chapter-houses have materialized since 1921—Lambda's beautiful new home in process of construction at convention time, Sigma's attractive purchase, Alpha Beta's home, the first on the

campus to be erected by a sorority, and Psi's artistic mansion with its unusual murals. Epsilon will realize her dream in a short time—and what can be finer to chronicle than the indomitable spirit, courage and perseverance of Chicago alumnae in gaining this end, while Nu, Pi, Rho and Omega are planning for their own homes in the near future.

In Panhellenic progress, Gamma Phi Beta has played a part. Our efficient Panhellenic delegate has been a central figure in all Panhellenic movements, and by several addresses upon Panhellenic subjects has brought honor to the organization; the chairmanship of Panhellenic editors has been given to Gamma Phi Beta; while the most valuable contribution to Panhellenic literature—the questionnaire in regard to Expansion—has been compiled by our own chairman of Expansion.

Under this head of material growth, we may place the greatest enterprise of the last three years—the Endowment Fund. At the last convention, a sum of approximately \$4,500 was reported; since that time, by means of the constitutional measure whereby a certain amount from each initiation fee is appropriated for this fund, by means of the interest from all bonds, the rebate upon badges, the sale of Christmas cards and the contributions from Founders' Day celebrations, the amount has substantially grown. However, in the summer of 1923, the president realized that if the goal of \$50,000 by convention time was to be reached, some immediate measure must be adopted. During the summer various firms were approached with the idea of obtaining appropriate concessions, but this venture proved unsatisfactory, and, in September of 1923, the President issued a letter to each member of the sorority, fully explaining the character and necessity of an endowment fund and asking for a pledge toward this end. The response to this appeal was most inspiring; pledges from college girls and alumnae were sent with a most gratifying promptness, and the result is a fine proof of love and loyalty; but not even pledges, nor the percentage allowed upon stationery, nor the splendid work of our chairman of the hosiery concession could effect our reaching the goal by June of 1924; accordingly, the president made inquiry concerning insurance policies as a method of pledging the desired sum. The plan evolved seemed most complete, and she subsequently presented it to the chairman of Ways and Means; this committee, approving, submitted the proposition to the chapters, and the result has been most satisfactory. Not only is the wished-for sum guaranteed to the organization, but the chapters themselves, in a splendid spirit of co-operation, have made this possible. In 1915, Blanch Shove Palmer offered to the sorority this suggestion of an endowment fund; from that time

until the present day, it has been her dream, and to her splendid faith and perseverance, Gamma Phi Beta owes much. Now that this fund is a reality and is the trust of those whose duty is to administer it wisely and to increase it continuously, it should be, in part, a sum for chapter emergency, for student need and for chapter development.

II. INTERNAL GROWTH

The greatest factor and stimulus in the matter of chapter development is that of standardized inspection. The necessity of yearly visits from an inspector and constant supervision through her deputies cannot be overestimated, and the council regrets the elimination of a visiting delegate during this convention year. Our chairman of inspection has given much invaluable service on her chapter visits and has systematized the reports of her assistants and their subsequent questionnaires; the inspector of each district has carefully supervised her chapters. Since 1921 there has been a noticeable advance in national spirit, in familiarity with national matters, in interest in sister chapters, in prompt response to each national demand and in co-operation of sorority enterprises. The responsibility of the Endowment Fund has brought forth much unification of effort, and the inspiration of a common cause naturally has resulted in greater efficiency and strength.

Several innovations in chapter routine may be noted. A complete outline for use in pledge meetings has proved most valuable; an account from each chapter that owns its house of the method followed in acquiring the house has been placed on file for the use of other chapters desiring to build; a detailed report by the chapter president of the college year has been placed on record; a monthly letter from the chapter president to the national president has established a fine spirit of friendship and a personal touch and has meant much to the national president in helping her to understand chapter conditions and chapter life; the preparation, by the chairman of visiting delegates and the president of the sorority, of a chapter manual in which will be found certain information on chapter customs and procedure will prove a valuable factor in standardization.

The perfecting of a House Mother Bureau is left to the incoming officers; in a small way the present council has endeavored to establish such an enterprise by sending questionnaires to house mothers, and by keeping on file a list of those women who are eligible for this position. Certain requirements for house mothers, approval by sorority officers of those in charge of chapter-houses and constant co-operation between house mothers and officers are greatly needed for satisfactory sorority government, and there should be more thorough understanding by each house mother of

what the council expects from her, what authority she may exert, what deference she may expect and what relation she should bear to the dean of women.

The customary numbers of the magazine have been issued, with a supplement in 1921 containing convention minutes and reports. The lists requested by the chairman of the Directory Committee proved so inadequate and so imperfect that a revision was necessary, and until these revised lists are forthcoming a satisfactory directory cannot be issued. The president has written the history of the organization since the publishing of the official history; accordingly, there is no separate historian report. Each chapter has been asked to file its own history since 1921 so that the historian appointed by the incoming president may have definite data with which to begin her work. The chairman of examinations has issued annual outlines and questions, most comprehensive in every detail; the printing of individual constitutions has been deferred until the revision of the Constitution.

III. ALTRUISTIC GROWTH

As the plan for a Vacation Home for Poor Children, offered by the Social Service Committee, failed to secure unanimous support further action was postponed until sufficient funds for the enterprise could be obtained. It is hoped that the Endowment Fund can aid materially this or some similar scheme for child welfare. The fellowship, presented through the American Association of University Women, has been successively awarded to Margaret Hodgen (a member of Gamma Phi Beta), Dr. Dorothy W. Atkinson, who has done valuable service in public health work among children, and Martha Oliver Eckford.

Until the adoption of a national social service, the council proposed a definite work in behalf of Near East Relief: namely, the responsibility by any chapter that so desired of a book of coupons entitled "The Life of a Child," each coupon to be sold for one dollar. Many chapters gladly co-operated in this work and approximately \$900 was realized. Individual chapters have assumed some form of social service, helpful and praiseworthy and beautifully offered. In most every college in which Gamma Phi Beta is represented there has been some college campaign to which the chapter has generously contributed, while alumnae chapters and associations have been identified with every phase of altruistic enterprise.

IV. SCHOLASTIC GROWTH

At the convention of 1921, the chairman of the Scholarship Committee presented to each chapter a loose-leaf scholarship book in which individual and chapter scholarship records were to be

carefully kept. This plan has been followed during the three years, and the chairman has been most painstaking in evolving for Gamma Phi Beta a scholastic schedule and scheme for developing to the utmost this supremely important phase of college and sorority life. Each year the organization has had its share of scholastic honors and its quota of Phi Beta Kappas, but the national record is not what it should be, and a decided improvement along this line must be registered. Fortunately, there seems to be a general awakening as to the necessity of fine scholarship; almost every chapter is inaugurating some plan for concentrated study, some incentive for higher scholarship, some stringent scholastic rule for initiation. This is most gratifying and most prophetic.

The scholarship urn has been held, in turn, by Omicron, Mu and Pi. Two signal scholastic honors for chapters must be mentioned. In 1922, Mu ranked first among all women's organizations on the campus, and, for the first time, Roble Hall, dormitory for women, was surpassed in scholarship by a sorority. In 1923, Pi not only won the Panhellenic cup at the University of Nebraska but carried 941 hours of work and claimed four Phi Beta Kappas.

V. CULTURAL AND IDEALISTIC GROWTH

Culture was the aim of our four founders—a broad culture including a mental training, a social grace and all that makes for truer, sweeter womanhood. Is Gamma Phi Beta fulfilling the hope of 1874? In the materialistic life of the present are we taking time to cultivate the greater gifts, the worth-while facts, the deepest truths? Certainly, on this fiftieth anniversary, when another epoch faces us, when we are forced to realize our possibilities in the years to come, we should give to our order the finest culture of which college women are capable; we should embody in our sorority life the ideals for which we exist. Gamma Phi Beta is not merely a social organization within whose circle the joy of congeniality is found; it is something stronger, greater, more steadfast; it is a band of women who are true to ideals—the highest ideals. Let us give to Gamma Phi Beta on this fiftieth birthday the pledge of *idealism*, for “without the vision we perish.”

For five years, the retiring President has held the highest office in your power to bestow; she has gloried in her association; she has been happy in the personal friendship; she is grateful and appreciative of the honor conferred upon her, of the co-operation accorded her, of the friendship and loyalty which have been her share.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDSEY BARBEE,
President of Gamma Phi Beta.

REPORT OF VICE-PRESIDENT AND ALUMNÆ SECRETARY

The convention of Gamma Phi Beta, held with Lambda and Seattle at Lake Crescent in August, 1921, made few changes in the alumnae organization plan adopted during the Estes Park convention of 1919. Convention created an additional district separating Nevada from District 21 and making of it a new district—Number 25.

Since convention no districts have been created but many changes in secretaries have been necessary. However, through the co-operation of the retiring officer and of the alumnae organization, capable officers have been secured. To-day we have an excellent working organization and it is possible to reach our entire membership quickly and effectively through the records of district secretaries.

Early in her term of office, your Alumnae Secretary obtained copies of *THE CRESCENT* mailing lists and, after separating them into districts, they were mailed to the proper secretaries. Many corrections and additions to the Secretary's files were thus obtained. Each year the district secretary obtains from near by chapters names of all members leaving college and these are added to her files or forwarded to the proper secretary.

Annual letters with important national information and items of interest have been issued from the Central Office by the Alumnae Secretary. Many district secretaries send these together with a newsy local letter to all Gamma Phis on their lists and these serve as a connecting link between the unaffiliated member and the general organization. They also serve to hold the interest of isolated members who, in turn, may form the nucleus for a new association, or act as introductory rushers to some charming rushee.

In an effort to co-ordinate and simplify the work of the secretaries, the Alumnae Secretary issued to each district secretary a calendar with suggestions for each month's work. With the calendar went a model filing card completely filled out. It was hoped that this card and calendar, made on the filing cards, would be included in the secretary's file and would aid a new secretary to take up the work of her predecessor without confusion or delay.

By means of earnest, persistent work on the part of the district secretaries the names and addresses of almost all members of the sorority are recorded in district files.

In the reports of the secretaries, appended to this report, it is shown that in almost all cases annual letters have been sent to all members with requests for payment of national dues. These requests have met with poor response, due perhaps to the fact that most members pay through the nearest alumnae organization.

Chiefly through the efforts of secretaries, new associations and chapters have been added to Gamma Phi Beta's growing organization. In this branch of the work, your Alumnæ Secretary has been greatly aided by the visiting delegates through whose personal contact interest has been aroused, indifferent chapters have been revived, and lagging members reminded of the joys of association with congenial spirits. The following chapters and associations have been added since the convention in 1921:

CHAPTERS

Toronto
Spokane

Cleveland

ASSOCIATIONS

Ames
Boise
Champaign-Urbana
District of Columbia
Eugene
Fort Collins

Kansas City
Lawrence
Oklahoma City
Salem
Sacramento
St. Paul

Since assuming the duties of this office, your Secretary has sent out hundreds of personal letters, thousands of form letters and, co-operating with the Central Office, has been able to prepare and to offer to alumnæ presidents a President's Book containing all information necessary for directing her work. Those presidents who have taken advantage of this offer have found it of practical value.

In closing, your Alumnæ Secretary begs to assure you that it has been her definite and constant endeavor to promote in every possible way the excellent organization of alumnæ as developed by that splendid organizer, Elizabeth Bridge Currier. To be in touch with the twenty-five secretaries, to keep them informed of national doings, and, through them, to touch hands with Gamma Phis everywhere is a rare privilege. No doubt there have been slips, but, in so far as she has been able, this endeavor has been rigidly adhered to. Rarely is there an opportunity to be associated with such an earnest band of workers, unselfish and painstaking always, as are the secretaries of the alumnæ districts of Gamma Phi Beta. Anyone working for the advancement of the sorority finds ready to her hand such able assistance, such splendid devotion, such increasing interest that consciousness of the small part she is able to take keeps her always humble and contrite. For all these privileges, I thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

LOIS MILES JACKSON,
Vice-president and Alumnæ Secretary.

REPORT OF SECRETARY-TREASURER

Possibly the report of the Secretary-Treasurer of this organization for the past three years would be more lengthy as to the Secretary's part, were it not for the fact that, as a matter of course, seemingly, many inquiries have gone to Miss Barbee, and she has conscientiously answered them. However, that fact has not prevented many letters of all kinds and descriptions from reaching the Secretary-Treasurer, all of which have been attended to properly. Of late, when the burden of arrangements for convention transportation has been the heaviest, questionnaires from other groups have been received in larger numbers than ever before, it seeming that almost every fraternity and sorority in the country is about to have a convention or to change its organization, and is consequently seeking information from every possible source. All of the questionnaires have been carefully answered, especially because of the fact that we, too, had been seekers after light from other organizations, when the Denver Alumnae Committee was endeavoring to formulate a working plan of control for our Endowment Fund, of which you will hear more later.

After the last convention, the handling of pin certificates was naturally turned over to the new Secretary-Treasurer, it having been Mrs. Jackson's work only as Secretary. However, in spite of convention reports, and the printing of the names and offices correctly in *THE CRESCENT* time and time again, as well as giving them in all sets of instructions sent out yearly, pin certificates are still sent to Mrs. Jackson instead of the Secretary. Moreover, at times they must be sent to some *imaginary* officer, if sent at all, for complaints are received in regard to pin certificates not having been sent on to Newman or Fetting, whereas they have never been received by the Secretary, or any other officer, as far as is known. Of course it has been our experience that some letters are lost in the mail, but not enough to account for these certificates that have never been received. Where does the trouble lie? It may be that the certificates are never sent, although the chapter officer fully means to send them, or that they are still more erroneously directed than to Mrs. Jackson.

One instance of the trouble caused by the failure of a chapter officer to send in the authorization blanks at the proper time comes to mind in this connection because of its recentness and particularly aggravating aspects. One morning not long ago a night letter was received from Newman, in regard to orders for pins for the chapter in question, which had not been properly authorized. To make a long story short, after several expensive wires back and forth it developed that the chapter officer had never sent the authorization

blanks to the jeweler or the Secretary at all, as she had been expected to do. The orders had been taken by the company salesman and had been filled, so that the pins were ready, but no authorizations had been forthcoming. The attendant results were that the girls became very impatient to get their pins; the jeweler, the chapter and the National Secretary acquired large bills for telegrams that never should have had to have been sent and everyone's time was needlessly wasted. This is only one of many similar cases.

Recently one chapter has kept writing that it has been sending duplicates of Section C, whereas no blanks whatever have been received from the chapter that have not long since been forwarded to the jewelers.

In keeping with this line of thought, it might be well to suggest at this time that a simpler system of authorization be adopted, and it is probable that one of the jewelers will have a more satisfactory and less complicated system to suggest, which may most properly be taken up at the time of the discussion of the jewelry question. One authorization slip would not only save everyone's time, as well as *postage*, but would do away with many of the possibilities of delay.

To get down to some concrete figures, which may prove interesting to those statistically inclined, one thousand three hundred ninety-nine (1,399) pin certificates have been signed, dated and forwarded promptly to the jewelers, a record having been kept of the name and chapter of each girl, and the date of the forwarding of the certificate. This record has proved very valuable at times.

In spite of the specific instances given to show how trouble has been caused in regard to the authorization of certain pins, nevertheless the general jewelry situation is extremely good at the present time. The plan of having two jewelers has worked admirably from all standpoints, and, as far as the Secretary has been able to ascertain, the general service given is excellent. Moreover, we are given variety in the styles of pins offered, and through the system of ten per cent rebates the Endowment Fund has been materially aided, as you will see from the figures given later.

In regard to membership certificates (which are sometimes confused with pin certificates) the following points may be of interest. In the past three years \$112.85 has been received for membership certificates, which means that 451 certificates have been issued, the extra ten cents being for a seal and ribbons.

The handling of the membership certificates is a very trying piece of work to have to be done in connection with all the many more important details of the Secretary-Treasurer's work, and therefore if it is proper to do so, the present officer would like to suggest a

separate chairman to handle this work, which by itself would not be a serious matter.

It might be well to report at this time that the trunk of initiation equipment collected by the present council for use in installing new chapters is at present in Delaware, Ohio, awaiting orders from the new officers, which will, no doubt, be dependent somewhat on the attitude this convention takes on expansion. The trunk was loaned to Alpha Eta for their first initiation, as they had not been able to gather together all the necessary equipment.

The points which have been covered seem the essential ones for the Secretary's report, and hence we will proceed to the Treasurer's part of the work. This will consist primarily of figures, which, however, are often more interesting than other less tangible matters.

The complete Treasurer's reports for the past two years, duly audited by Collins, Witting, Keller and Company of Denver, certified public accountants, were printed in the January, 1924, issue of *THE CRESCENT*. Thus the figures for those two fiscal years have been in the hands of the sorority at large for some time, and will not be read at this time, unless there is some special request for them. The fiscal year that has been adopted for the sorority runs from August 31 of a given year to August 31 of the following year, and hence the report given at this time is not the complete report for the year. Moreover, that could not have been given for other reasons: namely, the necessity of attending to convention bills, up to the last minute, the necessity for finishing up tag ends of business, and the necessity of having the books duly audited at the end of the fiscal year, to be handed over to the incoming officer. In view of these facts May 31 was selected as the date for figures to be given in this report. However, informally, the main figures added to the accounts between May 31 and June 24 will be given.

There have been no changes in the investments since the last audit, except for the loan to Mu chapter. It gives me great personal satisfaction to report that through the efforts of Mrs. A. E. Roth, especially, of Mu Alumnae, and also of the active girls of Mu chapter, who really should not have had any responsibility in the matter, their loan has been paid in full.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS OF MAY 31, 1924

Assets

Bonds (see Audit)	\$14,100.00
Loans (see Audit)	2,675.00
Furniture and Initiation Equipment	925.00
Bank Balance, as of May 31, 1924	2,285.87

Grand Total\$19,985.87

Represented by

Endowment Fund	\$16,995.28
A. C. A. Fund	1,402.00
General Fund Surplus	1,588.59
Grand Total	<u>\$19,985.87</u>

REPORT OF MONIES IN THE ENDOWMENT FUND

Balance in Fund August 31, 1923	\$12,088.34
From 1923-24 <i>Receipts</i>	
Rebates	163.44
Active Chapters	233.00
Alumnæ Chapters	647.95
Alumnæ Associations	50.00
Initiation Dues	1,076.00
Interest	735.00
Miscellaneous receipts—From Mrs. Jackson's payments, etc....	2,001.55
Grand Total	<u>\$16,995.28</u>

REPORT OF A. C. A. FUND

Balance August 31, 1923	\$ 1,647.00
From 1923-24 <i>Receipts</i>	
Active Chapters	150.00
Alumnæ Chapters	105.00
Total	<u>\$ 1,902.00</u>
Of which \$500.00 was paid on Fellowship	500.00
Balance	<u>\$ 1,402.00</u>

MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS

Rebates	\$ 163.34
Interest	735.00
Advertising in CRESCENT	30.00
History and Songbooks	63.00
Refunds	160.52
District Dues	51.00
CRESCENT Subscriptions	125.00
Endowment Fund	2,001.55
(From Mrs. Jackson and miscellaneous sources)	
Payment of Mu's Loan and Interest	385.00
Miscellaneous Sources	58.05

As of May 31, 1924

Total Receipts from all sources	\$15,463.59
Total Expenses, as itemized below	13,177.72
Cash Balance in Bank	<u>\$ 2,285.87</u>

COUNCIL EXPENSES AND GENERAL SORORITY EXPENSES

Salaries	\$ 1,282.50
Miscellaneous Council Expenses	312.82
Stationery	345.18
Postage	86.31
CRESCENT Salaries	637.37
CRESCENT Publication Expenses	3,071.63
Central Office	275.00
Charter	10.12
Expenses of Delegates to N. P. C.	1,022.60
A. C. A. Scholarship	500.25
Payments on Insurance Policies	153.69
(In favor of Endowment Fund)	
Transportation 1924 Convention	4,851.29
Expenses of District Secretaries	36.65
Expenses of Visiting Delegates	257.27
Expenses of Panhellenic Dues	15.00
Initiation Equipment	151.90
Inspection of New Chapters	157.90
Examination Committee	10.24
\$13,177.72	

Since the time of the last convention, when the present Treasurer had only held the office of Treasurer for one year, and therefore had really not had sufficient time to make any marked improvements, an adequate set of books has been installed. Previously there had only been one book for all records, what might have been called a journal. Now two large ledgers hold the records, separate accounts being kept for each chapter and all miscellaneous receipts in one, and complete tabulated entries of all expenses in the other, with complete accounts of the separate funds, into which various payments are placed. We also have very complete and convenient bound copies of the Auditor's reports for the past two years.

Previous to the last convention, the Baker-Vawter Bookkeeping System was installed in the chapters, and has been used by practically all of them since that time. In direct proportion to the amount of care given to this phase of chapter life, has been the advantage derived by the various chapters. Some chapters have been negligent about sending in the monthly reports to the National Treasurer, others most punctilious in this matter. In the latter connection, Pi and Upsilon are to be named as the banner chapters.

The Secretary-Treasurer wishes to say in closing that she has greatly enjoyed the privilege of working in Gamma Pi Beta national affairs for the past five years, first as National Panhellenic Delegate on the council in Denver, later as Treasurer, and still later as Secretary-Treasurer, and she has done all within her power to advance the work of the sorority, especially, of course, along financial lines. We are pleased to have been able to report such a sound

financial standing, and trust that as the years go on Gamma Phi will continue to prosper more and more, as it has in the last few years. It has been a great satisfaction to the present council to have made something of the Endowment Fund, with the assistance of all loyal Gamma Phis, and you can know what the growth has been when you consider that, when the books were first taken over, there was only \$1,000 in round figures in the Endowment Fund.

It has been a great pleasure to come into touch with the members of the different chapters, and we only regret that sometimes the vast volume of business has only permitted short business-like communications, whereas we would have liked to have indulged in long epistles. We sincerely trust that the suggestion made by one chapter for regular clerical assistance for the officers will be adopted, for our business has reached the point where it is absolutely necessary. We haven't funds as yet for high salaried officers, but this other would be quite possible.

Respectfully submitted,

MADelyn K. BRINKER,
Secretary-Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PANHELLENIC DELEGATE

The National Panhellenic Congress met this year in Boston at the famous Parker House, an old-fashioned but comfortable hotel where a plain entrance, black walnut balustrades and huge antique mirrors are found to be not incompatible with excellent beds and food. Here the delegates and alternates made themselves at home from Tuesday to Saturday, and faithfully attended meetings morning, afternoon and evening, with the exception of an afternoon spent as the guests of Balfour and Company, fraternity jewelers, and an evening devoted to a Panhellenic banquet.

Mr. Balfour's invitation aroused considerable discussion, for Dr. Hopkins, the chairman of N. P. C., was much opposed to our spending a whole afternoon away from business. Upon its being put to vote, however, a large majority voted to accept Mr. Balfour's invitation, so business was hurried a bit, and the afternoon devoted to a most delightful drive, luncheon and inspection of the factory, where the process of making a fraternity pin was seen for the first time by most of us. The visit closed with the gift of a souvenir to each visitor—a pretty gold mesh bag, which your delegates will be happy to display.

The first item on the program of every Congress is the reading of reports from all eighteen fraternities, telling of their progress for the past two years. These are most interesting and from them I shall freely quote in the second part of my report. Next comes the reading of committee reports. Some of these are very valuable, for they present the results of elaborate investigations undertaken at the command of the Congress. There were reports on college Panhellenics or city Panhellenics, on the health of college girls, on how chapter-houses are being financed, and on how far copyrights can protect fraternity pins.

Any troubles that have not been otherwise settled are brought to N. P. C. One difficulty brought to N. P. C. was the secret interfraternity societies existing at Missouri and Kansas, and composed of both men and women. N. P. C. took a strong stand against them, and the various delegates will so report to their chapters and forbid their members to join. Our grand council has already done so, thus co-operating with the college authorities.

The next most interesting business was the admission of new members to the Congress, which has consisted of eighteen national fraternities since 1912. Seven national fraternities petitioned for admission this last year at Boston. Only three of them were general fraternities like ourselves, and one of these was Theta Upsilon, Mrs. Martin's protégé. The other four fraternities were all organized along some special line; two were Jewish, one was Catholic, and one was Masonic. Thus the Congress was confronted with two serious questions. Shall we encourage specialized fraternities by admitting them to N. P. C.? Shall we encourage commercialized fraternities by admitting them? The discussion over these questions was long and earnest, but after all arguments had been presented, N. P. C. decided to admit to full membership only one fraternity, Beta Phi Alpha, which is a general fraternity, of spontaneous growth, and has been helped to organize by the N. P. C. committee appointed for that purpose. The other two general fraternities, Alpha Delta Theta, and Theta Upsilon, were admitted to associate membership, so that they can be assisted till they are ready for admission. The other four fraternities were refused admission.

The last evening of the Congress was given over to a banquet attended by fraternity women of Boston, and so numerous were the guests that two dining-rooms were needed to hold them.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN W. THOMPSON,
N. P. C. Delegate.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF VISITING DELEGATES

These last three years have been devoted to a survey of methods and needs for chapter inspection. As far as treasury and geography would permit, all chapters have been visited twice. Countless problems of individual chapters have been carefully studied, from hiring cooks and babbling hair to the expulsion of members; general policies of Gamma Phi Beta have been explained and *explained*. There is a greater uniformity in ritual, equipment and conduct of Gamma Phi business; there is a deeper appreciation and understanding of the standing and value of a national organization.

Cora Jackson Carson, Clara Taney Will and the chairman are united in reporting that there is a very general demand throughout the sorority for—

Higher Scholarship
More Information
More Inspection.

Lois McBride Dehn offers valuable suggestions for scholarship. At the Round Table Session a Manual of Information is to be submitted.

For standardized inspection the chairman submits the following plan:

1. One National Visiting Delegate.
2. Division of sorority into provinces—each Province Supervisor to direct from two to six chapters, geographically near. These supervisors shall also serve as our Advisory Board.
3. Chapter advisers who shall attend college chapter meetings, who shall report chapter standing to Province Supervisor every three months.
4. Province Supervisor shall report yearly to Visiting Delegate.
5. National Visiting Delegate shall visit each chapter for at least one week every other year.
6. During the intervening year, the Province Supervisor shall call, in the fall, conference of chapter advisers in order to plan year's program.
7. During the spring the Province Supervisor shall visit each of her chapters in order to inspect progress.

As Visiting Delegates we have thoroughly enjoyed our years of service, and are more proud than ever before that we, too, are wearers of the crescent.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET MEANY YOUNGER,
Chairman of Visiting Delegates.

REPORT OF THE EDITOR OF "THE CRESCENT"

In the archives of Alpha chapter are found the several books that contain the records of the first meetings of our organization—quaint and fascinating accounts which reveal in every line the atmosphere of pioneer days. Now that fifty years have passed, we claim as the archives of the sorority, not only these treasured volumes but the quarterly magazines that have been regularly issued since 1901. The history, the growth, the personality of Gamma Phi Beta—they all are chronicled in the pages of *THE CRESCENT*; more than any other medium, our publication has strengthened the national bond, has retained the interest and enthusiasm of *alumnæ*, has recorded the enterprises and achievements that are synonymous with growth, and has presented to the outside world the worth, the dignity and the ideals of the sorority.

It is interesting to trace the growth of this same *CRESCENT* from the modest first issue with its literary bits, its few chapter letters and its pamphlet appearance, for, in this initial number lay the promise of future strength, and to those women who realized the necessity of our sorority journal, who had the vision of its perpetuity, we owe much. If we may judge by the first issues of the magazine, Gamma Phi Beta, for a time, was but a loose confederation of chapters; there were lacking the united effort and the grasp of nationalism that at present we are able to trace in the various contributed articles and in the chapter letters, and this very nationalism is due in great measure to the growth and to the increasing importance and significance of the magazine itself. We have only to consider the elimination of *THE CRESCENT*, in order to realize the subsequent loss to chapters, to *alumnæ* and to officers of an authentic medium whereby the personal news items, the common interests and the national enterprises of Gamma Phi Beta may be broadcast. A retiring editor can give no more earnest message to the officers who are so soon to take up their duties than this: "Safeguard your magazine; stress it in every possible way; employ every means for its maintenance; insist upon its literary finish, for, through the magazine, Gamma Phi Beta is known not only to members but to the outside world."

Chapter letters or no chapter letters is a topic which is of interest to the Greek-letter world, and many of the fraternity journalists have abandoned this personal department of their magazines, with the argument that the average correspondent has neither the inclination nor the ability to evolve from the mass of college and fraternity data within his grasp a readable and worth-while letter. Gamma

Phi Beta's attitude toward this innovation has been stated in a former issue of *THE CRESCENT*, for the opinion of alumnæ and of college girls has been identical in that the chapter letter supplies a certain point of contact not offered by any other department, and provides the personal touch so enjoyed by those who are interested not only in the annals of their own chapters, but in the growth and achievements of all other groups on the chapter roll. Readable letters are quite possible and are often produced; the combination of college atmosphere, chapter news and literary finish is a consummation not only to be desired but to be realized. If chapter correspondents would add to such assets as these a conscientious promptness in meeting editorial obligations and a definite realization of the duties entrusted to them, the chapter letter would no longer be the cause for exhortations and the subject for criticism.

Several phases in regard to the editing and the publishing of *THE CRESCENT* demand our interest and our attention, and are worthy of convention discussion—more frequent issues, life subscriptions at initiation and a change of cover design.

A statement of the publisher that more issues would mean little extra expense suggests the possibility of printing not only our four regular copies with their chapter letters and their usual contents, but additional copies which, eliminating the chapter correspondence and many of the illustrations would deal directly with the various problems that confront us, and would report in detail the work and the legislation of the organization. Such a departure from the conventional quarterly has been tried and approved by several of the fraternities.

An initiation life subscription would solve many of the problems arising from our present system. The initiate assuming the responsibilities of a life subscription payable in small amounts would place her name upon a stable mailing list—a list that would insure her a copy of each issue of the magazine without further effort on her part save the registering of a change in name or address.

The third subject to call for convention sentiment is the advisability of a change of cover. Already, the publisher has made a suggestion along this line, but it seems more fitting that a new design should be the work of some artist within our own circle who is abundantly endowed with talent and originality.

A brief review of *CRESCENT* history since the last convention is perhaps in order. There have been twelve issues to chronicle: the Convention Number—given over to the delights and achievements of the Seattle gathering; the Freshman Number; the Senior Number, and three Alumnæ Numbers. Social Service has claimed its volume, as has Drama; the subject of athletics has been duly emphasized;

installations for Alpha Epsilon and for Alpha Zeta have been marked by a special edition, while the Expansion Number has contained the first printing of the report upon the questionnaire issued to all N. P. C. sororities and subsequently quoted in so many Greek-letter magazines. Before-Convention Number has heralded the joys of the fiftieth anniversary and has attempted to depict the beauties of incomparable Lake Placid. Through faithful co-operation on the part of the publisher, the editor has been able to secure the publication of each issue a month in advance, so that this last number whose purpose is to serve as a convention guide book to all Gamma Phi Betas has been hurried from the press in time to offer all necessary information.

Added features of the magazine have been the Panhellenic Department, appropriate captions for chapter letters, and the award of small prizes for exceptional efforts of associate editors. One issue showed no delinquency in chapter correspondence, but it has been impossible to secure a continued and unbroken representation, and only by conscientious regard for the honor of her chapter can the correspondent effect the needed reform in this section of the magazine.

Fifty years have brought much of glory and of achievement to Gamma Phi Beta—and much of power. It is safe to say that the power which will come within the next fifty years will be gained in great degree through the pages of our guiding light—THE CRESCENT.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDSEY BARBEE,

Editor-in-chief of THE CRESCENT of Gamma Phi Beta.

REPORT OF BUSINESS MANAGER OF "THE CRESCENT"

From August 15, 1921 to June 1, 1924

Receipts forwarded to Mrs. W. C. Brinker

January 25, 1922.....	\$56.00
January 27, 1922.....	21.50
March 22, 1922.....	78.50
April 18, 1922.....	10.00
June 2, 1922.....	46.00
September 27, 1922.....	16.00
January 12, 1923.....	67.30
May 1, 1923.....	81.00
July 2, 1923.....	20.00
August 24, 1923.....	20.00

August 30, 1923.....	27.00
February 8, 1924.....	77.50
May 28, 1924.....	98.10
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	\$618.90

Disbursements made by Mrs. W. C. Brinker, account CRESCENT

January 19, 1922.....	\$ 7.00
February 5, 1923.....	5.00
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	\$12.00

Respectfully submitted,

MARION VAN PATTEN,
Business Manager of CRESCENT.

REPORT OF THE EXPANSION COMMITTEE

Since the Lake Crescent convention the expansion committee has been in correspondence with fifty-eight universities. Action taken upon these up to September, 1923, has been sent each chapter in the annual expansion reports. This year is reported herewith.

Groups have been refused at Ohio State, Carnegie Institute of Technology, Washington State, Butler, University of West Virginia, Hunter, University of Southern California, University of Pittsburgh, De Pauw, Simpson, Newark, Kansas State, Wittenberg, Washburn and Illinois Wesleyan. A promising group at the University of South Dakota tired of waiting and decided to petition another organization; a second group now requests our attitude. Likewise, definite refusal has not yet been given Occidental College in Los Angeles, until the outcome of S. B. U. C. is known.

During the three years, out of the fifty-eight considered, three have been granted charters, the University of Arizona, the University of Texas, and Ohio Wesleyan University, each in a state where we were previously unrepresented. There remain twenty-four states in which we have no chapter. In six we have two. Comparing our rate with some of our contemporaries who, at times, install as many as nine chapters in one year, and contrasting our national representation with many who have as many chapters in every state as it is possible to squeeze, we feel that we have been carefully conservative.

During the past two years a questionnaire was issued all N. P. C. fraternities, the report of which has been used for the benefit of expansion.

Four situations to be presented in full at this convention are: Vanderbilt, to which the council has given permission to present a petition in person; the University of Manitoba; the Southern Branch of the University of California, and the University of Montana, sponsored by an alumna of Beta chapter.

SYSTEM

All expansion material has, during the past three years, been sent both voting and non-voting chapters.

Attempt has been made to concentrate upon the East and South, according to the desire of the last convention, and report in full of this was sent all chapters in the September, 1923, letter of the Expansion Committee.

Full reports of each year's work have been sent each chapter at the close of the years since last convention.

The Expansion Committee acknowledges with thanks the receipt of a card index made by Miss Lillian Thompson, containing a card for every chapter of each N. P. C. fraternity, its location by city and college, and chapter name—complete to 1915. This has been brought to date by the chairman and is a valuable addition to the extension office.

More systematic training should be arranged and given to groups which are trying to develop to a point where they will be allowed to petition. This is practically impossible for the chairman with the heavy correspondence and work entailed as the office is now managed, but any progress to this end will more than repay the effort. . . . After the group is chartered we distinctly lack a strong and sympathetic supervision, which should be given in addition to the regular Visiting Delegate's work. A new chapter cannot grasp at installation more than a faint conception of its required work as a chapter. It should be visited by competent officers at least twice during the first year, once to explain the problems which have been confronted, and once to check up progress. Many sororities have some such arrangement, the longest period of special supervision being of Kappa Alpha Theta which lasts ten years.

During the past year Kappa Alpha Theta issued a questionnaire inquiring whether the Panhellenic sororities have printed forms for notifying groups what standards they must reach before they will be considered for charters, for keeping records of their progress, and for the actual petition itself. Some organizations already do furnish a standard petitioning form to the petitioners to be filled out by them (Kappa Kappa Gamma) so that expense is greatly eliminated. These are all methods that Gamma Phi Beta might well adopt.

Alpha Gamma Delta, having the same system as we for district and chapter expansion representatives, requires a monthly letter from each chapter representative to the national chairman, the same from each district chairman, and a monthly report from the national chairman to the council.

The system of having district and chapter representatives has been tried out. In some cases chapters have notified the committee that they found this unnecessary. In many it has been evidently satisfactory. A discussion of this matter is desired, as the plan involves too much labor and expense to be furthered if useless.

The system of each new chapter entrance being subject to the consent of its own district and all chapters as near as the farthest in its district, has presented a peculiar problem. The group at S. B. U. C., for example, has according to this ruling to secure the consent of three groups outside its district, or, in all, of a fraction less than three-eighths of the sorority. The Vanderbilt group, on the other hand, must secure the consent of seventeen chapters outside its district, or in all, five-eighths of the sorority. Therefore, according to our present system, we have no just numerical standard of admission.

CONSTITUTIONAL

According to the constitution, alumnae of new groups may be initiated subject to the approval of the investigating committee, the new chapter, and the grand council. This has been found to be most impracticable as all alumnae can seldom be on hand to meet the investigating committee—and almost never can the council express approval from its own experience. The committee has detailed information of the methods of other sororities in the matter, and asks a discussion at this convention, leading to a better defined policy for the guidance of the incoming chairman.

A question has been raised this year as to whether the consent of chapters voting upon a new group is majority or unanimous. As the constitution stands, it is held to be majority. An opportunity will be given at the expansion session to discuss this.

GENERAL

The attitude toward fraternity expansion in general is undergoing what might be termed violent change at the present time. Fraternity journals are full of the subject. Where formerly an organization felt itself to cope satisfactorily with its problem by accepting a sporadic group now and then which satisfied all requirements, now such procedure is wholly impotent in the fraternity world. Only the weakest and least known organizations continue upon a chance basis, and these are rapidly reorganizing themselves

through recognition that a definite policy is necessary to compete intelligently in the university and fraternity world.

The change in sentiment is mainly due to enormous increase in enrollment in colleges; great building and endowment campaigns being successfully carried on; rapid changes in sectional sentiment toward co-education, as in the South and in Canada, and the opening up to sororities of many institutions long closed to them. A modern, competent expansion policy includes two well-defined sections, the first of which questions:

Are we represented in the section; what is the standing of the college, present, and equally important, future? We have too often seen our strongest rivals enter an institution with a dim past, exclaimed in horror and thanked heaven for our own conservatism—only to creep in ourselves ten years or so later, sixth or eighth on the campus of a tremendous institution whose growth our rivals long since foresaw, and were canny enough to grow with. Again, what can we accomplish by entering; can we become more national; can we more efficiently support our chapters in other sections by being known in states whence they draw much material?

The second section of the expansion work involves what formerly constituted most of the entire work—the group itself, its standing, possibilities, etc. Herein lies one of the difficulties hardest to explain to chapters, and experienced and admitted by all nationals. It is never possible to find a local group organized, functioning, selecting members, or competing as well as an established chapter of a national. A local can develop just so far and then no farther without its charter. Our most recently chartered chapters will guarantee the truth of this and tell of the amazing progress their chapters made immediately upon being installed. Reasons for this are that freshmen prefer to join an already established chapter even of a weaker national, to waiting and struggling with a local with undermined affiliation; national support is given the rivals of a local, and withheld from it; the reputation of a national means much in college affairs and materially aids the girls.

In closing five difficult years of expansion, the retiring chairman wishes to acknowledge gratefully the letters of appreciation of both chapters and individuals, whose sympathetic support is deeply valued.

Respectfully submitted,

IRENE CUYKENDALL GARRETT,
Chairman of Expansion.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF SCHOLARSHIP

I send greetings to you all and my congratulations, too, that you are fortunate enough to participate in Gamma Phi Beta's fiftieth anniversary. To you will come the pleasure and inspiration of Gamma Phi's achievements—to you will come the opportunity of building strong and safe the structure of our future.

It is my great regret that we cannot point with pride to our scholastic achievements in this hour of recounted glories. A higher mental culture is one of our avowed purposes to which we have all pledged ourselves. Every chapter has its system of rewards and penalties. The national sorority offers a scholarship urn each year as an incentive to better records, but the rewards and penalties are, for the most part, forgotten until the day of judgment is at hand and it is too late. I would even venture to say that less than half our chapters know to whom the urn is awarded or how their own chapter ranked in the national report.

As I have said in practically every report, there are just two fundamental reasons for low scholarship; (1) the pledging of girls who are by disposition or mental ability incapable of doing good work and (2) poor house or chapter organization. If you pledge only girls who have shown themselves to be mentally capable during their preparatory work and who are by disposition primarily interested in making a success of their college work, you have made one very great step toward a good scholastic record. Then if your house is well organized so that house rules and quiet hours are kept and the distractions of group life are minimized, you have made another step toward success. If, also, you supervise the extra duties so that no one is overburdened with chapter responsibilities or campus activities or social affairs beyond their scholastic strength, I can see no reason for failure. In other terms it is the old case of heredity and environment—good freshman material and plenty of inspiration and opportunity for development. That is our problem then. We have the prescription, but do we know how to fill it.

As a national organization our policy has been to encourage and stimulate chapter pride in scholarship. To this end a scholarship committee was appointed in 1913, whose duty was to receive annual reports from the chapters and publish the same in *THE CRESCENT*. At the Baltimore convention in 1917 it was voted to award a scholarship urn as a further incentive to high records. This necessitated a change in the form of the reports in order to reach a basis for comparison, which is, at best, very unsatisfactory. At the convention in 1921 scholarship books containing the duties of the committee, instructions for making out the national report and

blank pages for the recording of individual grades and all scholastic honors were given to each chapter. This was done with the hope of stabilizing and increasing the efficiency of the scholarship committees.

But all of this does not seem to produce the desired results, as the data you have at hand will show. It is my firm conviction that more pressure must be brought on the chapters by the national organization. To that end I have a few suggestions to offer for your earnest consideration.

Pressure may be brought through greater publicity about scholarship:

A—In the Chapters:

Every grade report at the end of each quarter or semester should be discussed in chapter meeting in detail. If necessary a special meeting should be devoted to this purpose. Those with high records should be commended and those with poor records should be advised and an attempt made to find out the cause of the difficulty.

B—In "The Crescent":

A part of *each* CRESCENT should be devoted to scholarship; either chapter and individual records being given or articles on how to study, etc.

Pressure may be brought through national requirements such as:

A. All chapters shall be classified on the basis of the annual scholarship reports as first, second, or third-class chapters. (I have done this on the basis of the four-year records which you have at hand.)

B. All third-class chapters shall be under strict supervision of the national.

(1) Between pledging and initiation, all third-class chapters shall be required to send the preparatory record of each pledge for approval before initiation. If this record cannot be obtained, the first term record in college must be sent.

(2) All third-class chapters shall be required to report at the beginning of the year what house rules have been adopted. Each quarter or semester the chaperon shall be asked for a report of how well the rules have been kept.

(3) If necessary, the national may require a curtailed social calendar or a withdrawal from campus activities until the scholarship is satisfactory.

C. No chapter whose average is below the university average for a year and a half preceding convention shall be allowed to vote at convention. (This rule was quoted in a recent CRESCENT as one of the rules of another sorority.)

The necessity for some very stringent methods will be evident to you all as you study the very poor records of the past four years. I have had one of these charts printed for each of you in the hope that you will study it carefully. On the basis of the four-year record I have classified the chapters into the three groups: (1) Excellent records, (2) Fair records, (3) Unsatisfactory.

It is my hope that this convention will pass some really effective legislation with regard to scholarship and that the next scholarship chairman will meet with better success than I have done.

Respectfully submitted,

LOIS M. DEHN,
Chairman of Scholarship.

CHAPTER AVERAGES				COMPARATIVE RANK *See Note				
	1919-20	20-21	21-22	22-23	1919-20	20-21	21-22	22-23
Alpha		80.1	78.4	79.7			13/14	13/16
Beta78.5		80.		79.1	8/9	5/13		8/15
Gamma84.		81.	83.04	86.1	5/15	3/17	5/17	5/17
							8/17	
Delta		76.5	76.7	81.07				
Epsilon76.6		78.2		80.3	6/12	13/13		13/14
Zeta85.6					2/7			
Eta89.		82.3		82.	3/18	15/18	17/18	
Theta86.5		86.81	84.88		4/5		5/6	
Kappa83.6		81.8	81.22	81.	7/11	11/11	7/14	6/14
Lambda ...74.		84.	86.4	85.	15/16	11/17	7/18	16/18
Mu83.6		80.45	82.5	83.46	3/10	8/10	1/10	2/10
Nu82.		86.3	85.5	84.36	6/10		8/13	9/13
					7/10		7/13	
					5/10		9/13	
Xi84.		87.1	85.	84.4	2/4	2/4	4/4	2/4
Omicron ...85.38		87.22		83.45	4/18	1/18		14/18
					1/18			17/18
Pi83.3		83.6	86.6	85.26	8/13	9/14	6/15	2/15
					10/13	11/14	4/15	2/15
Rho81.6		82.1	83.43	81.7	8/10	5/10	2/11	10/11
								7/11
Sigma87.		86.99			5/10	1/10		
Tau84.38		80.31	79.8	83.65	2/4	3/4	4/4	2/4
					1/4			
Upsilon89.1		86.3	87.24	86.2	1/6	1/6		1/7
Phi		79.2	76.74	76.6		2/5		4/5
Chi86.69		86.88	87.86	85.71	6/9	6/13	3/10	
					4/9	12/13		
					4/9	10/13		
Psi86.05		86.4	83.05	80.4	7/10		10/10	7/11
					5/10			10/11

* Note—Numerator is Gamma Phi's position. Denominator is number of N.P.C. sororities.

In cases where more than one fraction is shown they represent more than one report given in the year.

Omega87.67	84.55	85.02	85.05	1/7	4/9 6/9 2/9	4/7 3/7 6/7	7/7 3/7
Alpha Alpha								
Alpha Beta		84.64	85.09	84.28		3/6 5/6	5/6	
Alpha Gamma		87.9	88.56	86.21		1/3 2/3	3/3	
Alpha Delta			81.	82.5			10/11	4/11

CLASS I. EXCELLENT RECORDS

1. Upsilon—An unusual record of high averages and first rank among the sororities at Hollins.
2. Mu—A good average and high rank with exception of one year. During the four years Mu had four Phi Beta Kappa elections and one Sigma Xi.
3. Gamma—A good average and good rank. The chapter also had seven Phi Beta Kappas.
4. Sigma—(Two years only. No reports last two years.) These two years show excellent average and high rank.
5. Omicron—(Two years only—a very bad slump the last year) An unusually high average and rank for the first two years. Also five Phi Beta Kappas in the two years.

CLASS II. FAIR RECORDS

1. Pi—A good average and rank improving, also eight Phi Beta Kappas and one Sigma Xi in four years.
2. Xi—Good averages and fair rank.
3. Chi—High averages but not uniformly good rank.
4. Omega—Good averages and rank fair.
5. Alpha Gamma—High averages and rank fair.
6. Zeta—No reports since first year.

CLASS III. UNSATISFACTORY

1. Nu—Average is good but rank is consistently low.
2. Rho—Average is fair but rank is too low.
3. Alpha Beta—Average is good but rank is too low.
4. Psi—Good average but very poor rank.
5. Tau—Average is fair and rank fair but not consistent.
6. Kappa—Average is fair but rank is too low though improving.
7. Theta—Good averages but very poor rank.
8. Eta—Excellent average and rank for first year but *very* poor for next three.
9. Epsilon—Consistently low average and rank, both.
10. Alpha—Consistently low average and rank.

11. Beta—Average and rank both low.
12. Lambda—Average is improving but rank is *very poor*.
13. Phi—Low average and low rank.
14. Delta—Average is low but improving. No comparative data is available.
15. Alpha Delta—Low grade and rank but improving.

The only chapters making first place at any time during the four years are Omicron, Mu, Sigma, Upsilon, Tau, Omega and Alpha Gamma.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF EXAMINATIONS

The most unpopular national committee, the Committee on Uniform Examinations, begs leave to submit the following report covering its activities during the last three years.

The exercises upon which the examination of 1922 was based dealt primarily with the history and constitution of Gamma Phi Beta and resulted, we hope, in a greater individual appreciation and knowledge of Gamma Phi principles and procedure. Gamma, with a chapter average of 97 per cent, led the sorority, whose general average was $86\frac{1}{2}$ per cent.

In 1923, to vary the subject matter, interfraternity affairs were emphasized. Such regulations and policies laid down by the National Panhellenic Congress as every fraternity member should know, interesting facts about other Greek-letter organizations, both men's and women's, and famous personalities in the fraternity world formed the nucleus of the exercises. The general average was raised to 88.85 per cent with Upsilon leading with an average of 98 per cent. Complete reports giving the standing of individual chapters appeared both years in the fall *CRESCENTS*.

During the past year the major portion of the exercises has had to do with current sorority problems such as the Endowment Fund and Expansion. These questions were stressed, not as propaganda, but as a means of necessary chapter knowledge and discussion on these points. The grading of these papers remains as a post-convention duty.

A report of chapter grades for 1924 will appear in one of the fall issues of the *CRESCENT*.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY HEROLD WEST,
Chairman of Committee upon Examinations.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF ENDOWMENT FUND

The pleasure of a trip abroad has been greatly dimmed by the sacrifice of missing our fiftieth birthday celebration, and to me the loss cannot be estimated. To-day I send to each one, founders, officers, delegates and visitors a volume of love and greetings.

The Endowment Fund—my long cherished dream—has been so near my heart since its foundation at the Asilomar convention in 1915 that its growth to the present amount affords me the deepest satisfaction. Too much praise cannot be given to our president, Lindsey Barbee, who as Editor of *THE CRESCENT* has been unfailing in bringing before the sorority the great importance of co-operation and to the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, with the members of her committee, who during the year just closed have so skillfully pushed the project towards the goal. My heart goes out in gratitude to them and to all the Gamma Phis who have assisted in making the Endowment Fund a substantial foundation for our beloved organization.

Although my active work as chairman ceases to-day, my interest and support will remain abiding.

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCHE SHOVE PALMER,
Chairman of Endowment Fund.

REPORT OF COUNCIL MEMBER OF ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

The council member in charge of the Endowment Fund Campaign submits the following report:

At the request of the Grand President, the Vice-president, in the spring of 1923 undertook the temporary chairmanship of this committee, the chairman, Mrs. E. J. Palmer, desiring to be relieved of active work, for a time at least. To Mrs. Palmer, however, must go the appreciation of the entire sorority for initiating, inspiring and persistently keeping before the membership the needs for this fund and the good that would result from a worth-while fund of this character.

In 1919, when the Estes Park convention elected the present council there was in the Endowment Fund something like \$1,000.

At the convention of 1921 it was voted to place \$4.00 from each initiation fee into the Endowment Fund. Pin commissions, by a vote of council in 1920, were already padding it a bit, and the chapter assessments were helping considerably. Christmas cards added \$549.47 during the year 1921, and then in June, 1923, the council decided to make \$50,000 for the fiftieth anniversary the chief work of the sorority for the pre-convention year. To that end the Grand President, the Vice-president and the chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Endowment Fund conferred during the spring and summer of 1923, and it was decided to place before the entire sorority the needs and the means for increasing the fund. The chapters responded by creating an official stationer and by pledging themselves to purchase silk hose of Eiffel Brand. The stationery was sold through that most efficient Epsilon Gamma Phi, Mrs. Lloyd Pfeifer. Through these two sources approximately \$365.00 have been added to the growing fund.

A letter of explanation, together with an appeal for personal pledges, was sent out from the central office in September, 1923. With this appeal went a pledge card for amounts of \$50.00, \$25.00, and \$10.00 pledges to be paid in five annual payments and as an inducement to early responses, a life subscription, to THE CRESCENT was offered to the first fifty pledging \$50.00, and coat of arms guard pins to the first fifty pledging \$25.00. The response in personal pledges was prompt and generous and signed cards are still being received. By this means approximately \$7,000 has been added to the fund.

Founders' Day donations also were suggested and many individuals and chapters took advantage of this plan to show their loyalty to the sorority they love so well.

By one of those strange coincidences which occur and recur in the working out of the worth-while plans of life, the suggestion of an insurance plan for augmenting the Gamma Phi Beta Endowment Fund came from two entirely different sources at almost the same time. The plan was thoroughly discussed and carefully considered, similar plans of other organizations being gone into in detail and to Mrs. Walter Clark (Kittie Lee Bishop, Theta) should go the praise and appreciation of the sorority for successfully working out a plan that was applicable to the needs and practical to the resources of Gamma Phi Beta. The thirty chapters contributing to this plan and assisting in its accomplishment, in many instances at very considerable sacrifice of chapter plans, are also deserving and will receive, I know, your highest approval.

* The plans for increasing the Gamma Phi Beta Endowment Fund have been so varied and have appealed to such different groups in the sorority that I have come to feel that by one means or another, almost every Gamma Phi Beta in this broad land has become personally interested in the fund. This is quite as it should be and it gives me the very greatest pleasure to assure you to-day, that there is paid and pledged to the Endowment Fund, a sufficient sum so that the goal of \$50,000 for our fiftieth anniversary is an accomplished fact and for this splendid showing of loyalty and devotion I most heartily congratulate you.

Respectfully submitted,

LOIS MILES JACKSON,

Council Member of Endowment Fund Committee.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

The Ways and Means Committee wishes to submit the following report on the Endowment Fund: After the appointment, a conference with Miss Barbee and Mrs. Jackson resulted in making inquiries into various methods of raising such a fund. Data from other fraternities was studied and many concerns dealing in various necessities were approached on the subject of commissions for handling their products.

The Eiffel Brand Hosiery seemed most liberal in its offer and hosiery seemed the most salable article that Gamma Phi Beta could market. Mrs. Lloyd Pfeifer of Chicago was made chairman of this division and has most ably taken care of the work. She has been able to send the fund two hundred ninety-nine dollars (\$299.00), after paying all postage and publicity bills connected with the hosiery department.

As Gamma Phi Beta chapters all must necessarily use stationery it seemed as though we might have some rebate (such as is granted on pins) if we had an official stationer. For this plan we wrote to representative stationery establishments in Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Colorado, Maryland, New York and California explaining the situation and asking them to bid on the work if they so desired. From

* The largest chapter donation received is that of Alpha, Syracuse, for \$1,000.

The chapter having the largest number subscribing \$50.00 each is New York Alumnæ.

The chapter contributing the greatest number of pledges is Beta.

The chapter contributing the greatest amount in individual pledges of members is Gamma.

these replies Kendrick-Bellamy of Denver, Colo., was selected to act in this capacity. The Endowment Fund has received eight per cent (8%) and the chapters two per cent (2%) of all orders placed with this firm. From this source the Endowment Fund has received sixty-five dollars (\$65.00).

The work of obtaining personal and chapter pledges was put into Mrs. Jackson's hands and has been most successful, the Endowment Fund receiving in personal pledges approximately \$7,000.

In September, 1923, a letter was sent to every member explaining the above plans and asking for further suggestions in the matter. It was realized that none of these ways would anything like bring in enough by June, 1924, to make fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) and that something bigger must be undertaken by the sorority at large. At the suggestion of Miss Barbee, the matter of insurance was looked into as a means of raising the Endowment Fund. Immediately upon investigation, its possibilities, as well as its drawbacks, could be determined.

After due consideration, it was felt worth while to open this matter for bids and the same were received from all reputable representative life insurance companies, whose articles of incorporation permitted them to handle this class of business. The outlines of their plans and rates were then submitted to a committee of men well informed with insurance and business problems and competent to pass on this issue. The Aetna Life Insurance Company of Hartford, Conn., was selected as best equipped to meet the needs of Gamma Phi Beta Endowment Fund.

Letters were immediately sent to all chapters, active and alumnae, and all associations containing full information and a questionnaire to be filled by each organization. The response in some cases was prompt and in others slow but generally the plan met with hearty approval. Many chapters wished further details and it has been the chairman's good fortune to have many gratifying letters from presidents, secretaries, old friends, and other members of the various chapters from this cause. It is hoped that in each case the plan has been adequately explained. Some chapters, due to their size, their financial condition, or their geographical location, could do more toward this than others, but by combining the small ones and allowing two to pay for one policy, everyone's problem has been met.

There is the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000) in the insurance division alone of the Endowment Fund and the following list includes the subscribers:

Beta	Zeta	Xi
Gamma	Theta	Omicron
Delta	Kappa	Pi
Epsilon	Nu	Rho

Sigma	Alpha Eta	Denver
Tau	Milwaukee	Detroit
Upsilon	Minneapolis	Seattle
Phi	Los Angeles	Portland
Psi	Champaign-Urbana	St. Louis
Omega	Colorado Springs	Reno
Alpha Alpha	Kansas City	Toronto
Alpha Gamma	Baltimore	Boise
Alpha Delta	Cleveland	Fort Collins
Alpha Zeta	Chicago	Boston

The committee is entirely agreed that in no other way except the insurance plan could the Endowment Fund goal have been realized in so short a time. While it was their desire and original plan that the fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) be in cash, they soon found it to be impossible and that deferred payments were the only means of obtaining such a sum. In the insurance plan there is the advantage of annual dividends which allows a small drawing account for the Endowment Fund almost immediately.

The Ways and Means Committee wishes to thank each and every Gamma Phi Beta member for the help she gave toward making our fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) not a dream but a reality. Your help was just as real whether it was service or money. The feeling of thanks is especially great to the young chapters and small associations for their co-operation.

In closing, the committee wishes to recommend that all new active chapters be required to assume a fifteen (15) year policy at the time of their installation and that all new alumnae chapters (not already subscribing as associations) assume a similar policy upon the granting to them of a charter.

Respectfully submitted, this twenty-fourth day of June, in the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-four,

KITTIE LEE CLARKE,

Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee.

REPORT OF CHARTER COMMITTEE

Charters have been issued to the following chapters since the convention in 1921: Alpha Epsilon, University of Arizona; Alpha Zeta, University of Texas, Alpha Eta, Ohio Wesleyan, Delaware, Ohio; Spokane Alumnae and Toronto Alumnae. A new charter was issued to Psi, at the University of Oklahoma.

Respectfully submitted by,

ELIZABETH S. MAROT,

Chairman of Charter Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY**RECOMMENDATIONS ON NATIONAL PUBLICITY**

1. The establishment of a consistent policy of dignified publicity for Gamma Phi Beta.
 - (a) By a more careful education of pledges to the sorority in all sorority history and matters.
 - (b) By the creation of well defined points of contact between the members of the active and alumnæ chapters and the daily newspapers on all things reflecting honor on Gamma Phi Beta.
 - (c) By the establishment of a well-organized national Clipping Bureau, wherein may be filed all printed articles and pictures touching upon the activities and honors of Gamma Phi Beta and her members.

This will begin with a carefully kept scrapbook showing the work of each chapter and its members. As this plan becomes effective each chapter will conduct a mailing plan so that each other chapter will add to its file the items about its sister chapters. This book will prove invaluable in rushing, also in the instruction of pledges.
 - (d) By the circulation of a monthly news sheet containing stories about members, chapters, other sororities and also giving space to Gamma Phi Beta reports and business. This news sheet to be a supplement to *THE CRESCENT* which will be developed along scholarly, literary lines. News sheet and *CRESCENT* to be edited by the same member.
 - (e) All these recommendations must begin first with a full realization by the individual members of the need for dignified publicity for Gamma Phi Beta.

Respectfully submitted,

AIRDRIE KINCAID PINKERTON,
Chairman of Publicity.

REPORT OF CENTRAL OFFICE

September, 1921—June, 1924

Letters written and sent out:

For Miss Barbee, President

Council letters 555

President's letters 1,378

1,933

For Mrs. Jackson

Vice-president; Alumnae Secretary

District Secretary 171

Endowment letters 233

Miscellaneous 204

608

For Mrs. Brinker, Treasurer

Letters of instruction 214

Convention letters 293

Miscellaneous 89

596

For Editor of THE CRESCENT

Miss Barbee

Associate Editors 877

For Mrs. Garrett

Chairman of Committee upon Expansion

Letters on Expansion 523

For Chairman of Directory Committee

Directory letters 101

Miscellaneous 328

Filler for President's Books 291

619

Total letters sent out

5,257

President's Books

Officers and Chapters 10

Alumnae 12

22

Addressing and mailing of special endowment

letters 5,000

Miscellaneous mail

Ritual photographs

Packages 30

Alumnae stationery

Packages 17

Chapter lists for directory returned

Packages 30

77

Total mail sent out

10,356

A FEW SUGGESTIONS

The labor involved in typewriting the Constitution and Rules and Regulations is very great. Therefore it is urged that they be printed.

Emphasis need to be placed again on the advisability of having at hand a supply of typed sheets for the President's books. Requests for these sheets are always urgent and immediate response is expected.

Official stationery of all the officers for whom she works should be at the Secretary's hand and the envelopes of this stationery should carry the return address. No greater time-saver could be devised than this.

Respectfully submitted,

JUANITA DUNLOP,
Secretary.

REPORT OF FINDINGS COMMITTEE

The Findings Committee, after a study of the reports presented to convention, has taken the following suggestions as pertinent to the welfare of the sorority and asks for their consideration:

FROM THE VISITING DELEGATE

- A. Ways and means of assisting the chapters who are desirous of
 - 1. Higher scholarship.
 - 2. More information about all matters pertaining to the sorority.
 - a. Manual on Gamma Phi Beta.
 - 3. More inspection from national representatives.
- B. Plan for standardized inspection
 - 1. Committee with the National Visiting Delegate as chairman.
 - 2. District Supervisors who shall replace the present advisory board.
 - Duties a. to direct from two to six chapters, geographically near.
 - 3. An alumna adviser for each active chapter.
 - Duties (a) to attend all chapter meetings.
 - (b) Report every three months to district supervisor.
 - (c) Attend meetings called by District Supervisor for purpose of planning year's work.

FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF EXPANSION

- A. Systematic course of training for groups that wish to apply for a charter of Gamma Phi Beta.
- B. Definite course of supervision to cover period of some years for new chapters.
 - (New chapters shall be visited at least twice a year by official

representatives who may be especially instructed members of nearby alumnæ chapters, for purpose of explaining problems and checking up progress.)

C. Definite policy of expansion.

What shall it be—

1. In old colleges in a settled district where there are a number of sororities already in the field: e.g., Ohio State University. Would necessitate starting in rather an elaborate way in order to meet competition; everything possible to strengthen chapter must be resorted to.

2. In new institutions in new districts: e.g., University of Manitoba.

Definite information from leading citizens of locality and state such as bankers, educators, legislators, business men and college officials should be obtained to determine whether or not there will be an opportunity for future growth and development.

New chapter would require less financial backing but equal training in Greek-letter and Gamma Phi Beta policies and strict supervision to assure quality.

3. Colleges in a transitional stage: e.g., Vanderbilt University and University of California, Southern Branch.

Problem less difficult than in other types of institutions—past standing of institution and prospect for future should be determined.

Supervision needed always but probably less financial assistance.

D. Southern policy.

With the position of women changing so rapidly in the South there will be an opportunity for sororities to enter institutions hitherto closed to them. Gamma Phi should watch carefully in order to enter these new fields first.

Note: Experience has proved that locals will seldom measure up to national standards.

FROM THE PRESIDENT

The establishment of a House Mothers' Bureau for the benefit of chapters.

We suggest to the Constitution Revision Committee that

- A. Constitution include principles on which the sorority is based and that all definite rules and regulations be put in the By-laws.
- B. Setting a definite national high requirement in scholarship for initiation.
- C. Members of national committees meeting in convention may be represented by proxy.

- D. In view of the action taken by convention that chapters are entitled to as many votes as delegates, that this same apply to between-convention business.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE MORELAND, *Minneapolis Alumnae*.

MARY BURCHARD, *Gamma*.

MARY T. McCURLEY, *Baltimore Alumnae Chairman*.

RESOLUTIONS

The Committee on Resolutions presents the following report:

1. WHEREAS, The Alpha and Syracuse chapters have by their thoughtfulness and efficient management made this, our fiftieth anniversary, most enjoyable and worth while, be it

Resolved, That this convention record its deepest gratitude and appreciation for their charming hospitality and untiring efforts.

2. WHEREAS, The Lake Placid Club management has so generously opened to us all of their wonderful facilities, and has so carefully and thoughtfully attended to all our wants, be it

Resolved, That we extend to them our special thanks and appreciation, and through them—our special thanks and appreciation to their capable assistants.

3. WHEREAS, The following fraternities have shown to us their friendship and fraternal interest in the following manner:

Alpha Phi by sending greetings, flowers, and by providing for our entertainment in Syracuse;

Alpha Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Phi and Delta Delta Delta by sending greetings; be it

Resolved, That we express to each fraternity our sincere appreciation of its courtesy.

4. WHEREAS, All members of grand council have given unsparingly of their time, effort, and consideration during the past three years, and have so judiciously guided the affairs of the sorority, be it

Resolved, That we extend to them our loving thanks and grateful appreciation.

5. WHEREAS, Our founders, Mrs. Helen M. Dodge Ferguson and Mrs. Frances E. Haven Moss, have given us all this delightful and longed for opportunity of meeting and really knowing them, be it

Resolved, That we express to them our sincere appreciation of their coming, of their inspiration, and of our undying love and loyalty to them.

DOLLIE McLEAN CALLOW, *Chairman, Lambda*,

DEL MILLER, *Omicron*,

MARY DIBBLE, *Cleveland*.

DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ALPHA** meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapter-house, 113 Euclid Ave., Syracuse, N. Y.
- BETA** meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter-house, 1520 S. University Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich.
- GAMMA** meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter-house, 428 Sterling Court, Madison, Wis.
- DELTA** meets every Wednesday night at 7 o'clock, in the chapter-rooms, 844 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., Suite 5. Telephone Olive Prout, 22 Cheriton Road, Wollaston, Mass.
- EPSILON** meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 p. m. at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall, Evanston, Ill. Telephone Elvira Woolner, Willard Hall.
- ZETA** meets Friday afternoon at 5:15 in the chapter-rooms, 2309 Charles St., Baltimore, Md. Telephone Jean Turn.
- ETA** meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 2732 Chan-ning Way, Berkeley, Cal.
- THETA** meets every Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Lodge in University Park, Colo. Telephone Eleanor Dennison, 2288 Elm St. Franklin 1699.
- KAPPA** meets Monday afternoon at 5:30 at the chapter-house, 310 10th Ave. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.
- LAMBDA** meets Monday evening at 5:00 at the chapter-house, 4529 17th Ave. N. E., Seattle, Wash.
- MU** meets every Monday evening at 7:15 at the chapter-house, Stanford University.
- NU** meets Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 1316 Alder St., Eugene, Ore.
- XI** meets every Monday afternoon at 5:00 at the chapter-house, Moscow, Idaho.
- OMICRON** meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 1110 West Nevada St., Urbana, Ill.
- PI** meets every Monday at 7:15 at the chapter-house, 1248 J St., 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, 1147 Tennessee, Lawrence, Kan.
- TAU** meets Wednesday evening at 7:15 at the chapter-house, 322 W. Laurel St., Fort Collins, Colo.
- UPSILON** meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 in Room A West, Hollins College, Hollins, Va. Telephone Dorothy McIntosh.
- PHI** meets every Monday afternoon at 3:30 at the chapter-rooms in McMillan Hall, St. Louis, Mo. Telephone Grace Hayward, McMillan Hall.
- 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, 602 W. Boyd St., Norman, Okla.

OMEGA meets Monday night at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 218 Welch Ave., Ames, Iowa.

ALPHA ALPHA meets Monday from 4:00 to 6:00 P. M. at the chapter-rooms, 401 Huron St., Toronto, Ont.

ALPHA BETA meets Wednesday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 201 Cambridge Ave., Grand Forks, N. Dak.

ALPHA GAMMA meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 833 Ralston St., Reno, Nev.

ALPHA DELTA meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 1205 Wilson Ave., Columbia, Mo.

ALPHA EPSILON meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 111 Olive Road, Tucson, Ariz.

ALPHA ZETA meets Wednesday evening at 7:00 at the chapter-house, 610 West 24th St., Austin, Tex.

ALPHA ETA meets Monday evening at 185 North Washington St. Telephone Louise Merwin, Austin Hall.

ALPHA IOTA meets Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter-house, 427 N. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, Cal.

CHICAGO meets the second Saturday of each month, after a luncheon, in Chicago. Telephone Margaret Daly.

SYRACUSE meets the first Friday of every month at the homes of members. Telephone Marguerite Woodworth, Colonial Hall.

BOSTON meets the first Saturday of each month at the Delta rooms, or at the home of a member. Telephone Gladys Kuegman, 168 Arlington St., Wollaston, Mass.

NEW YORK meets October 6, November 3, December 3, February 2, March 3, May 3, at the homes of members. On the third Thursday in each month luncheon 12:30 to 2 at Hotel McAlpin. Red Room on Mezzanine Floor.

MILWAUKEE meets the third Wednesday of every month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. R. E. Fitzgerald, 402 44th St.

SAN FRANCISCO meets the third Wednesday of one month; third Saturday of next month. Communicate with Mrs. John Buwalda, 2531 Ellsworth St., Berkeley.

DENVER meets fortnightly at 3:00 on Friday at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. J. R. Henderson, 1401 Madison.

MINNEAPOLIS meets the last Friday of the month at the homes of members. Banquet in May. Telephone Mrs. J. E. Finley, 5238 Xerxes Ave. S.

DETROIT meets monthly either at the homes of members or at some of the various club buildings. Telephone Mrs. Ralph Holmes, 674 Baldwin.

BALTIMORE meets monthly at Zeta rooms, 2309 N. Charles St., with the exception of a few meetings held at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. Robert B. Wagner, 2425 Guilford Ave.

SEATTLE meets the second Tuesday of every month at the Lambda chapter-house. Telephone Mrs. C. H. Will, 621 West Galer.

- PORTLAND meets at the homes of members the second Saturday of each month. Telephone Mrs. D. W. Lupper, 365 E. 51st St. N.
- LOS ANGELES meets on alternate fourth Thursdays and fourth Saturdays at the homes of members. The Saturday meetings are down town luncheon gatherings. Telephone Mrs. J. H. Pope, 1726 Stanley Ave., Hollywood or Mrs. L. J. King, 2106 3d Ave., Los Angeles.
- DES MOINES meets the first Saturday of every month for an informal luncheon at one of the tearooms. Reservations to be made with Mrs. J. G. Chase, 24 Foster Drive.
- ST. LOUIS meets the first Saturday evening of each month at 8 o'clock in the chapter-rooms at McMillan Hall. Telephone Dorothy Hetlage, 3005 Allen Ave.
- RENO meets the fourth Saturday of each month. Telephone Mrs. W. H. Bray, 545 8th St., Sparks, Nev.
- TORONTO meets the first Tuesday of each month at 8 p. m., at the Alpha Alpha chapter-room, 401 Huron St. Telephone Alice Smith, 19 Northcliffe Blvd.
- SPOKANE meets last Saturday of each month at one o'clock at the Crescent Tea Room. Telephone Thelma Ehrenberg, 106 S. Post St.
- LINCOLN meets the third Saturday of each month for a 12:30 luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel. Telephone Mrs. Philip Watkins, 112 Floral Court.
- OMAHA meets the last Saturday of each month at homes of members. Telephone Mrs. George Howell, 5013 Western Ave.
- EVERETT meets the first Monday evening of each month at homes of members. Telephone Corinne Miley, 1107 Rucker St.
- ASTORIA meets every other Tuesday evening at the homes of members. Telephone Florence Sherman, 704 Jerome Ave.
- PITTSBURGH meets the first Saturday of each month. Luncheon at Duquesne Club for luncheon. Telephone Mrs. Dean R. Wilson, 1505 Shady Ave.
- CLEVELAND meets on the first Saturday in February, April, June, October, and December. Telephone Mrs. R. M. Watkins, 1653 Carlyon Road.
- BOISE meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p. m. at the homes of members. Telephone Ruth Guffy, St. Margaret's School.
- SALEM meets on the second Saturday of each month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. Kenneth S. Hall, 545 Court St.
- LAWRENCE meets at 7:30 p. m. on the first Tuesday of each month at the homes of members or at the Sigma chapter-house. Telephone Sybil Martin, 1004 Mississippi St.
- OKLAHOMA CITY has an informal luncheon at the Criterion Tea Rooms on the first Saturday of each month. Telephone Mrs. B. W. Vinson, 1412 W. 21st St.
- FORT COLLINS meets the last Saturday of each month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. R. V. Billington.
- ST. PAUL meets at 2:30 every three weeks on Friday at homes of members; every other meeting at 6:30 is a supper followed by business. Telephone Mrs. Allan Briggs, 597 Lincoln Ave.
- MOSCOW meets the last Wednesday in each month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. R. E. Everly.

EUGENE meets at 3 o'clock on the third Thursday of each month at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. W. W. Snyder, Bartle Court.

AMES meets first Monday of the month at 7:00 P. M. at different homes. Meetings once a month with Omega patronesses for sewing. Telephone Clarissa Clark, 117 Stanton Ave.

CHAMPAIGN-URBANA meets the first Tuesday of each month at the homes of members. Telephone Georgia Campbell, 710 W. Nevada St., Urbana.

COLORADO SPRINGS meets each week at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. Ralph Gilmore, 20 E. Buena Ventura St.

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KANSAS CITY meets the first Saturday in each month at the homes of members. Telephone Elizabeth Witmer, 363 Pennsylvania Ave.

DAVENPORT meets every second Wednesday at the homes of members. Telephone Mrs. Herbert Lafferty, 22 Edgehill Terrace.