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1926, is conducting a summer class during July and August, in song interpretation and tone color in French, German, English and Spanish.

The folder announcing this class contains the following paragraphs:

Radiana Pazmor comes to San Francisco after impressive seasons in Paris, London and New York. Her concert work in these capitals of the music world marked her as an artist of the first magnitude.

With a rich and robust quality of tone, finely tempered, a mastery of technique, an excellent diction in English, French, German and Spanish, and a broad, sound musicianship, she justly merits her place among the newer roll of vocal celebrities.

American and European critics are alike generous in their praise—

"Her artistry is admirable for its intelligence, finesse and poetic sensitiveness. To the minutiae of interpretation she applies a temperamental magnetism and a spontaneity of expression that endow her singing with a strong vitality. Radiana Pazmor is an artist achieved."

—Ray C. B. Brown (*Musical America*)

"Endowed with a contralto whose timbre is clear and fresh, articulating with a precision which is made easy by an excellent vocal emission, Mlle. R. Pazmor adds to these qualities a sound musical taste and a keen sensitiveness which exteriorizes and communicates itself."

—L. Hombert (*Monde Musical*, Paris)

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—*Signale fur die Musikalische Welt* (Berlin)

Grace Hyatt (Sigma '23), now a member of Kansas City Association, is achieving literary success, and her poems are appearing in well-known magazines. She is a member of the Kansas City Chapter of the Missouri Writers' Guild and is on the Executive Committee. The first poem quoted is from the *Delineator*, February, 1926; the second and third poems appeared recently in *Argosy-Allstory*. Other poems will appear soon in *Child Life* and *Munsey*.

## I

### LITTLE THINGS

I gave a child a tiny sprout,  
A bit of plant I had thrown out,  
And though it was without a flower  
It grew into a garden bower.

The child gave me a fleeting smile  
That made me happy for a while—  
For just a while, I thought, and yet  
It was a smile I won't forget.

## II

## FIRST LOVE

We passed each other in the dark  
And never spoke, but yet I knew  
Your love-lit glance—a burning spark—  
Which kindled love within me, too.

But when we met at noon of day  
I did not raise, to smile, my eyes;  
With lowered gaze went on my way,  
So even you could not surmise!

## III

## THE CHERRY TREE

A lazy urchin neath the tree asleep;  
Bright, wistful watch that rustling robins keep;  
They seem to wonder as they gently peer,  
What purpose brings a barefoot truant here.

Two lofty sparrows from the topmost limb  
Gaze down serenely on the length of him  
As if they feel secure where they have flown  
That he will leave the choicest branch alone.

## EDITH BOUGHTON DENIOUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

A scholarship of five thousand dollars has just been established in the University of Denver by Wilbur F. Denious, as a memorial to his wife, Edith Boughton Denious, who passed away five years ago.

Edith Boughton Denious, counted a most brilliant member of Theta Chapter, was always an outstanding personality in the life of her organization. Her fine mind brought countless honors to her sorority; her loyalty to Gamma Phi Beta is a tradition; her love for the University of Denver was a strong factor in her life. There could be no more fitting memorial to her than this scholarship; for learning was a very dear and precious thing to her, and the pursuit of learning a glorious quest. The perpetuation of her name, her ambition, and her influence means much to Theta and Denver Alumnae Chapters.



## THE DENVER ALUMNAE CAMP FOR UNDERPRIVILEGED CHILDREN

Denver Alumnae Chapter has just brought the second year of its camp for under-privileged children to a successful close.

The camp opened July 6, with a group of twelve little girls selected by the City Charities. An idea of the home life of these children may be had from the following history sheet as given to us by the Charities.

Julia Czajkowski. Age 10.

Mr. Czajkowski has recently returned to the bosom of his family having deserted for over 2 years. He has tried very hard to get work and probably has secured a laboring job by now. Mrs. Czajkowski is not at all well and is under the doctor's care. The family is living with a married son who is receiving government compensation for war service.

Virginia and Bernice Frazier. Ages 8 and 11.

Mr. Frazier has deserted; mother receives help from our office.

Dawn Hanna. Age 12.

This child was referred by the School Health Dept., as being much in need of an outing.

Lena Rossini. Age 8.

There are seven children in this family, father a laborer who works steadily but does not make enough to support his family. The family is Italian. They have good standards and are ambitious.

Marian Schrumpf. Age 10.

Mr. Schrumpf is insane but, according to the doctors, should not be sent to an institution. He is a step-father but has been good to the family. The oldest boy in the family is the principal support. (Mr. Schrumpf died just before the camp opened.)

Elizabeth Somers. Age 8.

Mr. Somers is totally disabled from asthma and T. B. This is an exceptionally fine family, very proud, and make a good appearance. They own their home which is a nice little cottage but have not a cent of income excepting what this office allows them.

Helen and Josephine Ungehire. Ages 8 and 11.

There are six children in this family; father recently died. Children are much in need of an outing as they need building up.

Margaret Drake. Age 12.

Mr. Drake has deserted; Mrs. Drake is ill with cancer and probably cannot get well. The child has had a very hard life as she has been in many orphanages. She will enjoy the freedom and out door life of camp.

Lelah Kealiher. Age 12.

Mr. Kealiher was hurt in an accident and has not been able to work for a year. As yet he has received no compensation. Mrs. Kealiher has done day work when she could get it and has been helped by our office.

Aileen Gregory. Age 12.

Aileen's father has T.B. but works when possible. Mrs. Gregory works too but family needs help from this office.

This group of girls was in camp for two weeks. Each child was given a khaki outing suit and a pair of shoes as most of them had no suitable mountain clothing and only a few had serviceable shoes. They were also furnished with outing flannel nightgowns, towels, soap, etc. The only articles required of the children were a change of underwear and a tooth brush.

Mrs. Stella Planck, a summer visitor from Kansas, volunteered her services as chaperone. She was popularly known to all of the children as "Mother Planck," and rightly so for no mother could have taken a more sincere interest and given loyal care to each and every one as did Mother Planck.

The Councillors for the first camp were Marian Jones, Kappa; Genevieve Miller and Imogene Ross, Theta. These girls were willing workers and did the cooking for the camp as well as taking care of the children. They all deserve special credit as the cooking experience was a novelty to all three. Camp life makes good sports of us all.

The camp was run by a schedule with regular rising, eating, recreation, hiking, rest and retiring periods. One night a week was set aside for an entertainment program. The girls put on several clever acts which showed a marked ability for self expression and an unlimited imagination. The costumes made of various camp equipment were clever and original. Mother Planck's rouge and lip stick were in great demand as make-up. Most of the actresses resembled Indians; and these entertainments were usually concluded with a Charleston contest which would put many professionals to shame.

There were several ideals kept before the youngsters and various contests were held to keep these ideals constantly in mind. There was a "table manners" contest, a good English contest, and a sports-



man contest. Small prizes were offered for each contest such as ice cream cones, candy etc.

On July 26, twelve rosy cheeked, happy youngsters left for their homes. Nearly all of them expressed appreciation for their two weeks vacation and asked if they might return next year. On this same day a new group arrived and one could not help contrasting their pale cheeks with those of the girls who had been in camp. Following is the history sheet of the second group.

Florence Adams. Age 10.

✓ Florence's father died of T.B. There are five children in the family.

Phyllis Brigham. Age 9.

Mrs. Brigham is clerk in one of the down town stores. Mr. Brigham is a cripple from a serious accident. He keeps house and takes care of Phyllis and a younger sister.

Betty Winn. Age 8.

Betty is the second of four children. There is a baby two months old. Mr. Winn is a cripple and out of work. Betty is a very bright child and is anxious to go to camp.

Maurene Bobo. Age 12.

✓ Maurene's father is dead and Mrs. Bobo is a cripple. Has to depend upon her two older girls to help with the work. There are five children, oldest sixteen. Family desperately poor.

Dorris Larsen. Age 9.

Mr. Larsen died with T.B. There are two children in the family, both under weight. Mrs. Larsen is unable to work as she is under the doctor's care. This is very nice family, that makes a good appearance but is really very poor.

Ella Angel. Age 8.

✓ The father has just gone to work in the mines as he was injured and out of work all winter. There are three children, somewhat frail.

LaVeda Carey. Age 10.

✓ Mr. Carey has beginning T.B. and the mother has very bad asthma. There are four children. LaVeda had her tonsils out last week so that she could go to camp. Is a sweet child. May be homesick.

Clara Giesicke. Age 11.

Clara's mother is dead and her father is out of work. Is also almost totally incapacitated from a nervous affliction.

Katharine Davis. Age 9.

Her father has very bad heart trouble and should not work, but he insists upon doing as much as he can. The mother is not very strong and there are several children. Katharine also is not strong and is going to the dispensary to find out whether she should go to camp.

Greta Larrew. Age 12.

Greta's father is very ill and the family is having a desperately hard time to manage. (It may be difficult to find this place. Go along the Broadway Extension Viaduct until you come to the first street on the left from the Viaduct. Then bound over the city dumps until you come to this number).

Mary Gordeaux. Age 11.

Mary's father has deserted and her mother is having a hard time to take care of the family on account of the three year old baby. The mother's two brothers, who are young boys, have been trying to support them, but one is out of work.

For the twelfth child we thought it would be very fine if Margaret Drake, the child from the Queen of Heaven Orphanage, could stay another two weeks, as she needs it so very badly.

There were so few Councillors available for the second camp that it was necessary to hire a cook. The following girls gave splendid assistance for short periods; Louise Lauche, Tau; Eleanor Dennison, Theta; Gertrude Sharp, Tau; and Genevieve Miller, Theta.

These youngsters were very thin when they went to camp but after two weeks of hiking, wading, and plenty of good rest and food their little bodies were quite plump and their cheeks were rosy. The most marked improvement was shown by Margaret Drake, who was almost afraid to speak when she first came to camp. By the end of her second two weeks she had learned to forget herself, and was eager to express her ideas in the evening entertainments.

Denver Alumnae is very grateful to the following firms and individuals who showed an interest in the work. Mr. Eggert of the Eggert Ice Co. donated his bunk houses and dining hall at Crystal Lake, Colorado. These buildings made the camp possible. The Windsor Farm Dairy of Denver donated five gallons of milk daily and ice cream once a week. Bob Fay of the Loop Market, Denver, donated all meats. The camp manager also takes this opportunity of thanking all of the members of Denver Alumnae Chapter who gladly gave their assistance when called upon.



We feel that a real step toward a permanent camp has been taken. We also purchased several articles of permanent equipment, the most important of which is a portable Victrola.

Members of Denver are already looking forward to next year's camp and would be so glad to hear from any other chapters or individuals who are interested in this work.

ELSA HENRY NICHOLS, *Tau*

*Camp Manager*

## AT LAUSANNE

Everyone knows how European universities differ from American ones, that is in the absence of campus life, and in the liberty which the students enjoy. The fundamental difference seems to be that students in Europe are considered, as far as the University is concerned, responsible adults while here they are treated as rather giddy youths. In both kinds of institutions some individuals fit the classification and some don't, which is inevitable and results in a variety of situations that I don't understand and wouldn't discuss if I did. Whoever founded the original European University must have had the Swiss young person created to fit it. He is serious and earnest, painstaking and persistent, has a strong sense of responsibility and as for being an adult, he probably grew up at about the tender age of eight. Naturally the combination of large numbers of such individuals and some very intellectual professors makes an institution where excellent work is customary. Therefore, Lausanne has a wide reputation and probably all new and unacquainted students approach its corridors with awe.

The catalog says no one may be admitted as a real student without a Bachelor's degree from a recognized institution. If the institution is officially unknown, the struggling applicant will have to take examinations. Since I couldn't imagine anything worse than taking three or four of these in French, I was indeed happy to learn that Denver University is recognized by the august authorities of Lausanne. If anyone wants merely to listen to the lectures without piling up credits no credentials are necessary for his admittance. However important a matriculation card made me feel, to get it required not half so much heroism as to capture a library card. Besides the red tape, I had to endure heavy middle-aged creatures clumping around in ugly shoes that creaked. They invariably yelled instead of speaking and feel bound to refuse at least three times before assenting to any request whatever.



Having passed the barricades I didn't know what next to expect but the lectures, though more formal than necessary, might have been worse. They were at least comprehensible. One professor spoke so slowly that I could stop and think between every two words; another went about ninety miles an hour but somehow managed to convey his meaning; and they all used diagrams on the blackboard which left no excuse for not getting the point. Perhaps this great care was for the benefit of the large number of foreigners registered there, or perhaps even the Swiss are occasionally stupid.

One glance at the bulletin board assured me that I wasn't the only foreigner in the institution. I read of German, French, Russian, Polish, Egyptian, and Korean clubs and others, the names of all of which indicated that they were for males only. The natives, then, organized Swiss clubs for men and for girls in order to protect themselves from the invaders. Foreigners are very numerous, not only in the University but in the city of Lausanne. There are foreign clubs, foreign churches, and uncountable boarding schools for foreign children. English is fairly commonly heard on the streets and in the stores so that forgetting a French word is by no means fatal. The natural result of so much invasion is that the Swiss, especially the native Lausannites, keep their social life rather clannishly to themselves, allowing everyone else to amuse himself in his own way. The University is an important fact for the whole population of course, but the real Vaudois, whose civic and cantonal pride is highly developed, has a paternal feeling for the organization. The latter is, moreover, most democratic and highly loyal to the city; consequently, lectures of merely popular interest are often given in the University halls. The municipal museums of natural history, zoology and art are lodged in the somewhat ugly University buildings and are crowded on Sundays with papas earnestly expounding to their offspring the ways of Nature.

BEATRICE G. EDWARDS, *Theta*

[Various members of Gamma Phi Beta have been sojourning of late at different European Universities—Grenoble, Lausanne, Sorbonne, Oxford—and we are eager to hear from time to time of the student life in these foreign universities. Beatrice Edwards of Theta, after graduating with high honors from the University of Denver, spent one year abroad, registering for graduate work at Lausanne.]

## PANHELLENIC DEPARTMENT

June 15, 1926

Fraternity in Convention assembled:

As one of the cooperating sororities in the Panhellenic House Association, Inc., The Board of Directors felt that you might like a résumé of the progress of the work on this project during the past year. In order to make this clear a brief outline of the purpose and history of the House is herewith included.

Sororities from the very nature of their personnel tend toward cooperation and service. For the first time these sororities are cooperating on one big project of service—the building of the Panhellenic House in New York City. The object of the proposed Panhellenic House is to help solve the living problems of college women by providing comfortable and attractive quarters at a reasonable rent. Plans for raising funds for such a House—an undertaking of more than a \$1,000,000—were carefully worked out and have remained substantially the same as in the beginning. The whole sum is to be provided for by the sale of common and preferred stock and a real estate loan. The common stock has been sold to sorority women and an equal amount of common stock is owned within each participating sorority. Each is represented by one member on the Board of Directors elected annually by the stockholders so that the control is equally divided among the sororities. The initial payment of 10% on common stock which accompanied the subscription blanks is on deposit in savings banks and amounts with accrued interest in May, 1926 to \$11,968.69. The balance of payment will be called for according to the original agreement only after the preferred stock has been sold.

The running expenses of the corporation are provided for by the Panhellenic Association of the City of New York. The following sums have been realized from benefits during the past year:

Musicales .....	\$ 241.00
Ball .....	2,135.00
Theater Party .....	780.00
Stamp Work .....	1,010.00
Card Party .....	250.00

Making a total of \$4,416.00 of which sum \$1,000.00 remains in the treasury to carry the work through the summer.

The work of the fall of 1925 began in earnest with the organizing of the Panhellenic Club. Quarters were secured at 17 East 62nd Street, the second floor of a building owned by the National Association of Women Painters and Sculptors, and consist of three



large rooms with the use of an excellent restaurant in the basement. Here the House Association has its office and here all Panhellenic activities center.

The big piece of work now before the Panhellenic House Association, Inc., is the second step in financing the proposition, namely the sale of the preferred stock. It seemed necessary before a drive for the sale of the preferred stock could be launched to make the plans more definite and tangible, for \$300,000 of preferred stock at 7% must be sold to an investing public by fraternity women.

A holding company has been formed and has purchased a site on which the Board of Directors of Panhellenic House Association has taken an option for a period of two years. The property is situated at the corner of First Avenue and Mitchell Place at 49th Street and overlooks the East River. It is a few blocks from the Grand Central Station and the shopping and theater districts and transit lines. The terms of the option are more than generous, so in spite of the ever increasing value of real estate in New York City, the property can be purchased for the sum estimated for land when the first figures on the proposition were presented for this project five years ago.

The architect chosen is John Mead Howells. Mr. Howells in partnership with Raymond M. Hood built the Chicago *Tribune* Building for which the prize of the Architectural League was given. Tentative plans have been drawn for this definite piece of property and the plans will be completed in the early summer.

To visualize the building Mr. Howells has planned imagine a Tower rising up on a corner plot 70 x 80 feet, receiving the sunlight on the east, south and west and overlooking the river for a great distance. There will be twenty stories in the body of the building and five more in the Tower which is set back from the face of the building.

To the east of this towering building on the 38 feet of our land remaining, we will build a two story construction connected with the main building. On the ground floor of this will be our restaurant kitchen and service and up one flight of broad stairs will be our much desired auditorium. This will be an airy hall 36 feet wide and 80 feet long with a stage at one end and a gallery at the other. Above this hall on its flat roof covered with old fashioned tile will be a broad sunny terrace. The object of keeping the restaurant and auditorium in a low separate building is twofold. First for economy, because if a very large room as either of these must be, is forced into the lower stories of the tall main building, a great amount of money must be spent on heavy steel construction above these large rooms and even then they are likely to have posts or columns in them.



By the arrangement of having three large rooms in a separate building the construction can be kept economical. Second, the construction of the main building is then reduced to its simplest form without interruption. The auditorium can have a separate entrance and staircase together with reception and supper rooms and service, so that these can be rented out at a profit with a separate entrance and entirely cut off from the main building.

If you would like to step with us in imagination into the main building through the entrance from the sidewalk on 49th Street, you will find yourself in a spacious irregular lobby from which the elevators go up at one end, a staircase at the other and the information desk and telephone operator are beside you. From the east end of the lobby wide doors lead to the restaurant, all of whose windows face the south into the sun, and beside this is a general lounge. The First Avenue front of this ground floor is given over to stores whose rent is to help support us. To get to the next floor you have a choice of three ways; either by the main house staircase or by the elevators, or if you are a guest at an outside party you will come in by the way of a separate vestibule and staircase.

When you step out of an elevator at the second floor you find yourself again in an irregular lobby surrounded with dressing rooms, cloak rooms, various reception and committee rooms. All the doors at one end of this lobby open into the high airy auditorium seating 500 people, with its stage at one end and gallery at the other. From one end of this a special lobby leading to the street opens and across this lobby is a main reception or supper room 24 x 40 feet in size. When you have left this floor you will go steadily up through 17 floors of homelike rooms averaging 10 x 12 feet square and many of the rooms on each floor have baths of their own. The other rooms having each two closets, one with a wash bowl, are grouped in a horseshoe around the general dressing room in which are compartments for baths, wash bowls and toilets. Here and there in a sunny corner is a larger room which might serve for two occupants. As the body of the main building stands up straight and free on all sides, the rooms on three of the four sides will have sun at some time of the day.

There is a desirable feature which we think will be a pleasing relief to many of us. A small lounge in the center of each floor will be tucked away behind the archways that limit the elevator hall where those of us may go who may be a little tired of our own rooms, or who may wish to talk intimately with friends without having to go down to the general lounge.

These seventeen floors of bedrooms are much alike, but above them are five floors in the Tower, in each of which is a group of

small apartments probably consisting of two bedrooms, living rooms, bath and closet space. There is also a lofty sun room at the top of the Tower which is surrounded on four sides by high arched windows.

It is needless to say that this building will be built under the latest regulations of the Building Department, Zoning Laws, Bureau of Highways, Fire-Prevention Bureau, the Board of Fire Underwriters and all those organizations which watch over us so carefully. It will be a clean, bright, fireproof building with light and air on four sides.

It is possible to build this pictured House because of a generous offer by Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn, President of the Board of Directors. Mrs. Hepburn is showing her enthusiasm for an confidence in the Panhellenic House by offering to present to the Association \$100,000 to be invested in Common Stock to be held in the corporate treasury and to have no voting power, and will also purchase \$100,000 of preferred Stock when the original \$300,000 has been subscribed. This means an increase of \$200,000 in capital stock of the Association and the Board of Directors will recommend the acceptance of this generous offer to the stockholders at a meeting to be called in October. This increase of capital stock will put the proposition on an assured financial basis according to our financial and real estate adviser, Mr. Harry Hall, President of William A. White and Sons. No step involving a question of legal importance is taken without consulting one of the better known law firms, Cravath, Henderson and deGersdorff, so we are carefully guided by our architect, financial adviser and legal counsel.

The Board of Directors of Panhellenic House Association, Inc., appreciates the cooperation of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority and earnestly urges the members to continue their interest by actively engaging in the preferred stock drive which will be launched in the fall. Save up and take advantage of this opportunity for a good investment in real estate at 7% and help make this Panhellenic House, your New York Home, a thing of brick and mortar!



## FROM THE EDITORIAL MAIL BAG

Hear all about Gamma's new home!

"I wonder if you would be interested in Gamma's latest venture," writes Mary Clark Brittingham. "I take it for granted you are, and so am sending you my fall letter. This is positively my Gamma Phi swan song: My letter had been gone but ten days when I had individual responses of \$1,450 stock turned back and given, \$1,725 pledged, \$475 of which is already cash in hand. I call that a fine record."

And here are a few extracts from that inspiring letter:

"The Time has come," the Walrus said, "to talk of many things." This time *the* thing to talk about is a new Gamma Phi house. It has been twenty years since we took possession of our present one, and our present house has been a fine and much loved home for all who have lived under its roof. BUT twenty years brings with it many changes and demands and 428 Sterling Place must give way to other advances. The Building Bug is at large, and Gamma Phi is to keep up with the procession. Yes, we too have not been idle, for we have purchased Mrs. Mason's property, corner Langdon and Frances Streets—one block from the lake, one block from the street car, and two blocks from the Library, a beautiful high corner with 75 feet on Langdon and 150 feet on Frances. I consider it by all odds the most desirable lot in Madison for a sorority. . . . Our last house was financed by selling stock in The Sorority House Association of Gamma Phi Beta—stock that never failed to pay its 5 per cent dividend. That was a small portion compared to our new undertaking. We expect to sell our old house and lot for nearly enough to buy our new lot. Building is very much higher than twenty years ago and our investment will be so large, that this house must be built with gifts, not dividend bearing stock. I have worked out a plan that will not be a burden to any one. I am asking each one to give \$100.00, giving those who wish it, four years to pay it in—only \$25.00 a year. I am sure you will all agree no one ever knew of a house built so easily as that.

The interesting little pamphlet, *Fraternity Life*, issued by Burr, Patterson and Company, contains in its last issue of a charming photograph of Barbara Harris (Kappa), and designates her as "one of the most active girls on the Minnesota campus."

Delinquent chapter letters are a trial to any editor (anyone may imagine the editorial state of mind concerning this particular issue!) and a personal note like the following from Audrey MacBride (Alpha Beta) is a real help:

The sight of my name in big black print on the Delinquent List for the last issue was enough for me. Never again will I depend on someone else. It was an awful mix up this spring—with the letter finally written and lying on my table—didn't the house have to catch on fire! Some great hero of the hour took my masterpiece and flung it with books, pictures, clothes, and everything out of the window. I fractured my ankle in the last game with the Thetas, which we lost 14 to 13, and complication set in



making me very ill. Somebody else was appointed to rewrite it—or find it—and it was such a muddle. I'm very very sorry this had to happen, but as I am *Crescent* Correspondent for another year I'll try to make amends for my lack of efficiency in the past.

*Crescent Chatter* is always a welcome visitor and always contains interesting information. From the last issue we draw attention to four clippings—one, a word in regard to the Epsilon house; two, an appreciative paragraph concerning Marian Van Patten, for some years the editor's faithful ally; three, an example of Chicago's publicity about the annual fair—which other chapters may emulate; four, an idea which may be profitable for other alumnae gatherings.

## I

Noon on Alumni Day, June 12, has been designated as the fatal moment when the cornerstone will be laid. We hope to have some excavation made before then, but as Miss Potter says "that will not prevent digging a hole with a fancy spade." Appropriate exercises will accompany the laying of the cornerstone or the "ground-breaking" whichever is the proper title. Mrs. James A. Patten will be one of the speakers, and other plans will be announced later.

## II

Marian Van Patten is known as one of Epsilon's most capable representatives in the Chicago Alumnae Chapter. She graduated in 1919 after a most successful four years on the campus. Her executive ability was so evident that she was elected president of Epsilon chapter in her Junior year, an honor and responsibility not often placed on anyone but a Senior.

After graduation she went into business, but she kept enough time and enthusiasm for Gamma Phi to become Business Manager of the *Crescent*. This brought her into National work, and she was placed upon National committees.

Another phase of her Gamma Phi interest is the Building Corporation, of which she has been president and director. It is needless to say how fortunate the Chicago Alumnae Chapter is to have such a leader at its head.

## III

Dig deep in your scrap-bag; get out the needle and thread and a yard or two of something and concoct an article guaranteed to sell at next year's Gamma Phi Bazaar. Make your vacation recreational as well as restful and hem a towel or stuff a pillow.

Gamma Phi needs some more bricks in the walls of her new home to say nothing of the floors and wall-paper; and every handkerchief helps. Start now and you will be ahead of the other fellow—Lingerie and Infant's Wear, Linen, Aprons, Fancy Goods, Bakery and Cooked Foods, Grab Bag and Christmas Cards. From such a variety surely you can find something that you can do well, and don't forget we need your contribution.

## IV

Big and Little Sisters found each other at the annual party March 21, at the home of Mildred Hunt, 2404 Lincoln Street, Evanston. A number was pinned on each little sister as she entered; a corresponding number was worn by an alum and Little Sister hunted until she found her.

Mary Alice Budinger was in charge of the party which served as another link to foster the bond between actives and alums.

One of Alpha's most interesting members is Dorothy Keeney, '17, who is doing such splendid work at the Women's College in China. At a recent banquet of Alpha and Syracuse she responded to a toast *in absentia* with the following poem:

Hail, Sisters gathered in Gamma Phi,  
Oh, what would you do if you were I  
And a doctor decreed, "No social stunts,"  
In spite of all pleading for "just this once."

You'd probably sit as I am now,  
Propped up in bed a-wondering how  
In the world a toast can thus be writ  
That for reading at banquet would ever be fit.

I longed to be with you, again to feel  
The thrill of Gamma Phi's ideal,  
To sing her songs, to grasp the hand  
Of each one in our loyal band.

Were I only with you tonight, I'd tell  
Of some of the places I love so well,  
Of beauties of mountains and river and plain,  
Of the lure that draws me back again.

Oh, words and rhyming! They fail me quite  
When I think of describing a moonlit night  
On the river Ulin—on houseboats gay  
Where whims of the moment may have their way.

For college life, be it here or there  
Is much the same, and I fain would share  
With you, all its countless joys and thrills  
Of work and play among our hills.

A garden spot is our Foochow,  
Where flowers bloom all year; and now  
If you were to visit our college there  
You'd find girls a-blossoming e'en more fair.

O, would that I could make you see  
The joy these Chinese girls bring to me,  
As they sit in my classes and eagerly learn  
The lessons we sometimes are wont to spurn.

Or, as out thro' the plains we hike together  
Enjoying the beauties of Foochow weather.  
And once a year, perhaps in May,  
Down by the sea we spend the day.

The joys of the classroom and teaching aren't all,—  
There's swimming, and tennis, and basketball,  
Or glee club picnics when the moon is bright  
And parties and stunts by day and by night.

But that which makes it all worth while  
Is the leaders we see going forth with a smile,  
To teach, and to serve, and to live to the end  
The ideals they have learned from those they call "friend."

Now isn't that just what we Gamma Phis do,  
When, after college, we aim to be true  
To the highest and best we have learned on the hill  
And to friends who have helped us in faith and good will?

So here's to the spirit of our dear Gamma Phi  
May the flame once alive in our hearts never die!  
And wherever we go, whatever we do  
May we to the Sisterhood always be true!





### "WE ARE SEVEN"

*Gamma Phi Beta est omnis divisa in partes septem* we decide quite in the fashion of Julius Caesar; and, inspired by the thrill of imitation, we add: *quarm unam incolunt Alpha, Delta, Zeta et Upsilon: aliam, Beta, Epsilon, Alpha Alpha et Alpha Eta*. Then, after enumerating our seven divisions—and seven is the perfect number we're told—comes the Caesarean summary: *Hi omnes lingua, institutis, legibus, inter se non differunt*.

The seven provinces will not differ in the observance of fundamentals, of sorority customs, of sorority regulations; but each will impress its own individuality upon the life of the organization and will rule its own little kingdom in its own way. Frequent meetings will mean discussion of Gamma Phi problems; thorough discussion will bring keener insight, wiser judgments and greater interest; while knowledge of other chapters, association with other wearers of the crescent must strengthen the ties of friendship and promote a finer camaraderie.

Province One radiates the spirit of *yesterday*—the traditions, the fine conservatism, the high ideals that have played so great a part in the history of Gamma Phi Beta; Province Two—extending into Canada—gives promise of what real *teamwork* can do; Province Three, including five wide-awake chapters, will maintain an enviable *activity*; Province Four—largest of all and containing Kappa, winner of the scholarship urn—must ever point to the goal of *learning*; Province Five, reaching from the sunny southland to the snowclad Rockies, should stand for *opportunity*; Province Six—four strong—means *leadership* in the great Northwest; while Province Seven, with the background that Eta and Mu can give, is inspired by *youth*—the splendid enthusiasm of three new and ambitious chapters.

*Yesterday—teamwork—activity—learning—opportunity—leadership—youth!* If we take the key word of each province, rearrange them all so that we have *Learning—Opportunity—Yesterday—Activity—Leadership—Teamwork—Youth*, and choose initial letters we find the magic word—LOYALTY. A splendid slogan for the seven new provinces—LOYALTY.

## MENTAL CULTURE—THE GREAT COLLEGE ACTIVITY

The scholarship report appearing in this issue of the magazine, while praiseworthy in some respects, does not gratify the ambition of Gamma Phi Beta and is in no way indicative of what the sorority can do in this greatest of college activities. Gamma Phi Beta always has encouraged scholarship to the maximum degree; each chapter has its awards and incentives; the national organization presents a trophy; and there is every reason to expect a shining scholastic record.

Contemplation of figures suggests the procedure of other Greek letter societies—such as the requirement not only for admission but for active membership, of sound scholarship; the suspension of a chapter for inadequate chapter work; the suspension of a member who does not make the average; the refusal of a vote upon national business on account of poor scholastic record. Would such ruling aid the solution of chapter problems? Without question, the organization would gain respect from college and from community; it would do more than emphasize the *raison d'être* of the college itself; it would eliminate the incompetent member and the perennial failure; and would send forth strong and worthwhile alumnae.

The words of a former chairman of scholarship come to mind: *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. 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?*



To Kappa, winner of the scholarship urn and first among eighteen sororities, the sorority extends its heartiest congratulations; to Theta, acquiring the highest average among all chapters, goes a word of sincere commendation.

#### "THE PESTIFEROUS ALUMNÆ"

This title (substituting *æ* for *i*) is borrowed from an article in the July *Harpers*—a most clever and illuminating article by Percy Marks—which opens with the following observation of a college president who is discussing what he may do after he has retired from college work; "I want to be a warden of a penitentiary. The alumni never come back to visit." Which closes with the statement that alumni can best serve Alma Mater "by giving money to her, by keeping their hands off, and by maintaining a brilliant and profound silence."

Incidentally, the discussion relates to alumni participation—and precipitation—into college affairs, and we are not declaring that the sentiment finds echo in the heart of any chapter in the sorority during rushing time; but, sometimes it happens—it may happen—only during this particular season—that the *alumnæ* are distinguished by some adjective equally expressive but not so all-embracing as *pestiferous*.

*Alumnæ* can be pestiferous—we grant it; they can be quite devoid of the sixth sense that tells one just when to subside; and they may not realize that the viewpoint of the college girl is not always that of the older member. We even grant that there are those who would maintain "a brilliant and profound silence," and we agree that oftentimes the *alumnæ* spirit becomes aggressive and tactless; while we know, of course, that "the active girls are the ones who have to live with her!" For, as you surmise, we are moralizing upon rushing season and upon the Nemesis of that hectic time—the *alumnæ* recommendation.

But—after all—this paragraph is a plea for the *alumna*—the right sort of an *alumna* who has always given her best to the chapter, to the sorority; whose judgment is sane, whose vision is keen, whose first thought is for the chapter good. Her choice is usually a wise one; her contribution to chapter life must truly be constructive; and, in the light of service to the organization, and for its welfare, her recommendation compels serious and sincere consideration. The consideration may not mean the pledging of the proposed freshman; but, at least, it indicates the appreciation of *alumnæ* interest and the honest effort to repay it.

For—to summarize the facts concerning the defense—Who laid the foundation for the present chapter structure? Who established sorority reputation in the community? Who began treasured traditions? Who had the vision of a chapter house? Who made the dream become a reality? Who stood in readiness to grant demands? Who loved—and cherished—and labored for—the chapter?

The splendiferous alumnæ!

### THE MODERN GIRL—AS A RUSHEE

So much has been written about the modern girl—her frankness, her fearlessness, her freedom—that the subject is seemingly exhausted. She has been defended and denounced; excused and ex-coriated; and now that rushing season is upon us, we are confronted with the fact that we are about to open our doors to her.

All of which we are content to do if she be modern in the best and finest sense; if her frankness means the scorn of subterfuge, the absence of affectation and the desire to be true to her own self; if her fearlessness endeavors to voice her own opinions, to stand for what she thinks is right, to solve her own problems; if her freedom brings a development of character, a newness of viewpoint and a wise assertion of individuality. Frankness that results in any lowering of ideals we do not crave; fearlessness that delights in the shattering of time-honored conventions and cherished traditions has no place in the chapter circle; freedom that ridicules the rights and privileges of others, that laughs at the restrictions of college and of chapter house, that emphasizes a selfishness of viewpoint is not an attribute of the true sorority girl. Freedom that characterizes the attitude toward college men may mean the fine comradeship and worthwhile friendship that endures or it may be interpreted by the cheapening of one's personality, the lowering of one's standards and the forgetfulness of one's breeding. What is easily obtained loses its value; thoughtless habits result in the sacrifice of dignity, of refinement and of respect. Better the attitude of the frank, fearless and free little freshman who declared: "Certain girls have cheap and vulgar ways of obtaining their popularity; if I must depend upon these tricks in order to win attention from men instead of relying upon my own intelligence and my own personality, I'll forego the popularity."



## EDITORIALS—AS SUCH

The old order of things changes in a most bewildering fashion; established traditions take their place on the procession of the past; and now we hear that the editorial like the chapter letter, is in danger of its life.

"Who reads editorials, anyway?" declares the Spirit of the Age, upon whose defenseless head so many innovations—and indiscretions—are heaped. Who *does* read them we wonder; and, being old-fashioned, we are stubborn enough to adhere to the old custom of the time-honored column. The official organ of a sorority lacks its necessary dignity and its traditional atmosphere unless it voices its policies, moralizes upon its problems, and attempts to effect some constructive work. At the recent Editors' Conference in Dallas, the journalistic heads declared in favor of the editorial, emphasized its value, and recommended that it be retained.

Who reads editorials, anyway? We wonder if you'll tell us that *you* do!

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CRESCENT CORRESPONDENTS

1. If you haven't a style sheet, send for one—and adhere to it.
2. Engagements of seniors only are published. Unless an announcement is so designated, it is **omitted**.
3. Please learn the new address of the editor—1421 FILLMORE STREET, DENVER, COLORADO. DO NOT SEND TO 1431 COLUMBINE.
4. If the letter of instruction is mislaid, there is no excuse for the absence or delay of a chapter letter as the magazine tells when it is due.
5. Send only *typed letters*. For this issue Beta, Pi, Alpha Epsilon, Portland, Chicago, sent untyped letters. Portland had extenuating circumstances but Alpha Epsilon used both sides of *the* paper.

## PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN

Do not forget to send the editor clippings and items of interest. Beginning with this issue there will be a department devoted to Publicity, the success of which depends upon *you*. Help to make the magazine a record of personal achievement.

## CORRECTIONS

Since the Directory of Chapter Meetings is omitted from this issue, the following corrections are noted in this column:

The address of the Delta Chapter Room is 270 Bay State Road, Suite 2. Boston.

Kansas City Alumnae Chapter meets at the different homes for a bridge luncheon the first Saturday in each month at one o'clock. Telephone Mrs. Marshall Dana, 1312 West 50th Street, Terrace.

Lincoln meets at the Pi chapter house, 1144 J Street, the first Monday evening of each month. Telephone Mrs. C. C. Minter, 1120 North 37th Street.

## FROM CHAPTER LETTERS

We learn that the following Gamma Phis are Phi Beta Kappas:

- Esther Merrick, Beta.
- Margaret Beebe, Epsilon.
- Marion Bolman, Mu.
- Linda Walling, Mu.
- Helen Boysen, Alpha Zeta.
- Dorothy Siemering, Alpha Zeta.



We also learn that

Beta has three fine traditions—Faculty Spring Tea, Washington's Birthday Party, and Breakfast Dance.

Gamma has sold 428 Sterling Court and will soon claim a new abode.

Epsilon has broken ground for the long-anticipated chapter house.

Zeta will have new rooms.

Mu claims two Phi Beta Kappas.

Pi expects its own home by the fall of 1927.

Upsilon claimed the only girls to receive Hollins monograms.

Alpha Beta claims a member who was president of the junior class, led the Junior Prom, was elected for the second time Regimental Sponsor of R.O.T.C., as Honorary Colonel led the Military Ball, officiated at Sponsor's Review and made the Gray Gown society.

Alpha Epsilon boasts the best all around sophomore girl—according to college decree.

Alpha Zeta has two Phi Beta Kappas and a Mortar Board.

Alpha Eta individually is earning ten dollars.

Alpha Theta has the sole co-ed on Student Activity Board.

Alpha Kappa has sent a member to Oxford.

Alpha Iota reports fine campus honors.

Boston is planning a bazaar.

San Francisco entertained the Grand Council and alumnae of Kappa Kappa Gamma during the recent convention.

Minneapolis, Portland and Cleveland have been indulging in rummage sales.

St. Louis has its summer meeting in the form of picnics.

St. Paul plans to go to Winnipeg in the fall.

Denver successfully manages its mountain camp.

#### FROM DELINQUENT CHAPTER LETTERS

We learn that Alpha, Eta, Kappa, Lambda, Nu, Xi, Omicron, Rho, Tau, Chi, Psi, Omega, Alpha Gamma, Alpha Delta, Syracuse, New York, Milwaukee, Los Angeles, Detroit, Baltimore, Seattle, Des Moines, Reno, Toronto, Spokane, Madison, do not have sufficient interest to send their chapter letters.

#### HELP LOCATE ALL MEMBERS OF GAMMA PHI

Will every Gamma Phi look over the Directory, February, 1926 *CRESCENT*, very carefully, and cooperate in helping to secure a correct list of all members of Gamma Phi Beta?

Please send all corrections and additions to—Anna Boardman,  
2030 St. Paul Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

1. Are your name and address correct?
2. Is the information concerning your chapter and class correct?
3. Have you noticed any misspelt names?
4. Have you noticed any incorrect addresses?
5. Can you furnish information about any member of Gamma Phi not included, or incorrectly given, in the directory?
6. Can you furnish addresses for any members listed below?

## ADDRESSES UNKNOWN

*Alpha*

Cobb, Katherine Ex-'23  
(Mrs. Charles Martin)  
Thurber, Helena P. Ex-'82  
(Mrs. G. Riker)

*Beta*

Heath, Ada  
(Mrs. M. M. Owsley)  
Stewart, Bernice  
(Mrs. Harry Lourie)  
Wilkin, Marcia B.  
(Mrs. Frederick W. Post)

*Gamma*

Corbett, Catherine '24  
(Mrs. James W. Halls)  
Day, Eleanor

*Delta*

~~Bragdon, Lillian A.~~ '97  
~~Brant, Pauline M.~~ Ex-'15  
~~Dike, Alice H.~~ '18  
~~Hanscom, Wilhelmina C.~~ '98  
~~Lodge, Leta Alberta~~ '90

*Epsilon*

Ackerbury, Margaret  
Bassett, Agnes Ex-'10  
Berry, Ivey B. '03  
(Mrs. Theodore Perkins)  
Bode, Ruth  
(Mrs. K. Ray)  
Dunlap, Louise  
Fuller, Gulena H.  
Latimer, Ray M. '17  
~~McNown, Katherine~~  
Martin, Maude M. '04  
(Mrs. Jas. P. Kratz)  
Monagon, Edith S. '09  
Niccols, Mary Hall

*O'Day, Margaret*

Ross, Tessie E.  
(Mrs. T. A. Moon)  
Scott, Lucy M.  
Stainfield, Adrienne  
(Mrs. Franklin Barrett)  
Thorpe, Bertha  
Walton, Ruby L. Ex-'16  
(Mrs. R. E. Waggoner)  
Wells, Ella  
White, Jessie C. Ex-'02  
(Mrs. Douglas B. Beedell)  
Whitney, Myrta V. '91  
(Mrs. Chas. Washburn)  
Wicks, Jennie

*Eta*

Bethel, Theresa '19

*Theta*

Brown, Frances Ex-'12  
(Mrs. M. E. Wetson)  
Clawson, M. Josephine  
Hovey, Florence  
(Mrs. C. S. Taylor)  
Stingley, Lola L.  
(Mrs. N. Campbell)  
Tucker, Bernice  
Wagner, Helen

*Iota*

Rome, Sarah '09

*Lambda*

Benson, Virginia Ex-'21  
(Mrs. Raymond Ryan)  
Carnet, Imogene Ex-'19  
(Mrs. James E. Powrie)  
Crawford, Zillah '15  
(Mrs. Fred Glenn)  
Duck, Helen Ex-'22  
(Mrs. Philip Henshaw)



De Force, Helen	'23	<i>Tau</i>	
Hoffman, Isabella	Ex-'19	Dickinson, Mildred	'19
Johnson, Evelyn	'21	Hendricks, Elaine	
Kincaid, Zoe	'03	(Mrs. Holmes Burnett)	
(Mrs. John Penlington)		Sneider, Mabel	'21
Logan, Helen	Ex-'22	Soles, Helen	'22
(Mrs. Irving W. Hart, Jr.)			
McCurdy, Helen	'06	<i>Phi</i>	
(Mrs. Fred Marvin)		Rudel, Lucille	'20
Millard, Margaret	'10	(Mrs. Walter Miller)	
Martin, Connie	'21		
(Mrs. Harry Newman)		<i>Chi</i>	
<del>Robinson, Maveilyn</del>	Ex-'24	<del>Morton, Ruth</del>	'17
<del>(Mrs. Carl Halstrom)</del>		(Mrs. Meyers)	
<i>Mu</i>		Scott, Frances	
Cattern, Mary Mae		Vaughan, Velma	<i>Psi</i>
Mirlan, Rae Belle	'09	<del>Ware, Irene</del>	
Mullen, Georgia	Er-'08		
(Mrs. D. Beardsley)		<i>Alpha Delta</i>	
Veblen, Clara	Ex-'16	<del>Robbins, Lela</del>	'24
		(Mrs. D. W. Cook)	
<i>Nu</i>		<i>Alpha Zeta</i>	
Colwell, Gladys Norene		Moore, Bernice	
Henderson, Catherine			
Killingsworth, Hawnice			
Limmerman, Marie			
Montgomery, Dorothy			
(Mrs. Fertig)			
<i>Incorrect addresses and chapters unknown:</i>			
<i>Nu</i>		Chapman, Dorothy	
Morrison, Geraldine		(Mrs. John Tomlinson)	
Parelius, Florence Irene		Box 438, Tulsa, Okla.	
Wilbur, Helena Pearl		<del>Howe, Frances</del>	
(Mrs. Hall)		(Mrs. C. S. Hamilton)	
<i>Xi</i>		796 Pine St., Winnetka, Ill.	
Billings, Maxine	Ex-'24	Hudson, Eugene	
Bowman, Ruth	Ex-'26	Flatonia, Tex.	
(Mrs. Fred Herman)		<del>Lodge, Margaret</del>	
Henderson, Constance	'09	39 Fernwood Rd., Boston, Mass.	
(Mrs. Geo. Hitchcock)		Lynn, Florida	
McMahon, Tress	Ex-'18	203 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.	
(Mrs. Tracey Journey)		Smith, Mabel	
Rank, Lorraine	Ex-'16	University Hospital, Denver, Colo.	
Stanford, Kathryn	Ex-'23	Townesley, Jean	
<i>Omicron</i>		1045 Maple Ave., Evanston, Ill.	
<del>Welch, Helen</del>		Harvey, Mrs. Gladys	
(Mrs. A. L. Gennig)		1729 Grand Ave., Des Moines, Iowa.	
<i>Pi</i>		Hays, Mrs. Stewart	
Chopin, Virginia	'18	2319 I St., Washington, D. C.	
O'Neal, Ora	Ex-'20	White, Mrs. C. D.	
Thornton, Gladys		1524 Hayes St., Nashville, Tenn.	

## DEPARTMENT OF GRAND COUNCIL

MY DEAR GAMMA PHIS:

We wish to send you the greetings of the summer season, and trust that you have had restful and profitable vacations.

The sorority has voted in favor of the provinces, and we have been organizing those divisions with a view to making a more compact and efficient system. You will find in the front of the magazine a list of the officers of each province with the names of the chapters and associations properly grouped. Mrs. Younger, our Chairman of Inspection, finds it impossible, on account of illness in her family, to make any trips this next year, which fact has caused us to start an entirely new system of inspection. Our plan is to have each province director, or her representative, visit each chapter in her province this fall, thus assuring a fairly uniform procedure in all the chapters. If, at any time, such an emergency should arise that an extra visit of an inspector is necessary, please write out a full description of the events, and send it to the director, with a request for an extra visit.

May I urge again prompt replies to letters sent out by officers? We have written many official letters this year, and all too many have been unanswered. A very few have come back to us, "unclaimed." Is it asking too much to keep us informed of correct addresses?

We take great pleasure in announcing activity among the *alumnæ*. Certificates have been granted recently to groups in Austin, Texas, Nashville, Tennessee, Duluth, Minnesota, and Grand Forks, North Dakota. We have also had inquiries from two associations in regard to the method of forming an *alumnæ* chapter. We are highly gratified to announce the organization of an *alumnæ* chapter in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and the change from an *alumnæ* association in Kansas City, Missouri, to an *alumnæ* chapter.

It has long been one of our pet theories that membership in Gamma Phi Beta is for life, so that the connection between these various groups of devoted *alumnæ* and the national organization is welcomed very warmly. When we can keep our *alumnæ* in close touch with the Greek-letter world, we can progress and accomplish many things which are impossible without their help.

If Gamma Phi is a vital form in our lives, and she is worthy of that high position, let us have her welfare at heart, and do all in our power to further her advancement. In all matters, let us consider that we are building, not for the present alone, but for the future, and, since we have such wonderful foundations, why not erect a structure that will endure?

Loyally,    LAURA L. GRAHAM,  
*President of Gamma Phi Beta*





Letters for the next issue of the magazine must reach the editor by OCTOBER 15.

#### DELINQUENT CHAPTER LETTERS

*Alpha*—Nadyne Wythe  
*Eta*—Constance Howard  
*Kappa*—Alice Bacon  
*Lambda*—Eileen Beldon  
*Nu*—Dorothea Prael  
*Xi*—Lucille Eaton  
*Omicron*—Geraldine Turner

*Rho*—Adeline Taylor  
*Tau*—Louise Lauche  
*Chi*—Edna Rickard  
*Psi*—Gertrude Rabon  
*Omega*—Dorothy Cooley  
*Alpha Gamma*—Romaine Foley  
*Alpha Delta*—Adelaide Weeks

#### BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Corsages and dinner favors,  
 Teas and receptions,  
 All for the mothers!*

On looking through the last *Crescent*, I note that our letter accounted for Beta's activities through March. In order to complete that report in like vein, I might say, "And then came Spring—" and let it go at that! Ann Arbor's springs are notoriously glorious with all the fascinating lures—such as steak roasts, and swims in the Huron, and horseback rides through Barton Hills—that come with spring to keep one from the routine of academic studies. But we are proud to say that in spite of all these insistent calls from the books that our scholarship shows steady rise. Esther Merrick, our never-failing all A student, came through again this June like the true scholar she is. Several others ran close behind her, with their records, in her non-stop flight straight for Phi Beta Kappa. A few of those who deserve mention for their splendid work are Helen Reece, Florence Pittleco, and Marie Burt.

I find I must go back to February to tell of our two seniors who received their degrees at that time—Florence Pittleco and Mary Pell. Mary left us then and is now assistant buyer of dresses in one of Detroit's most exclusive stores. Florence remained with us, and at this time has finished one semester's work more than successfully toward her Master's degree.

It was in February, too, that Janet von der Berg, one of this year's seniors, was forced to return to her home in New York because of her health. It is hard to express our feeling over Janet's loss, but we are all glad that she is resting and regaining her health at the Clifton Springs Sanitarium.

Peggy Fitch returned to us in February from New York where she had been attending the School of Journalism at Columbia since September. She was lonesome for Beta and just had to come back; and we are more than glad to have happy Peg with us again.

To return to the account of our spring's events. Plans for our Mothers' House Party next occupied our attention. It was set for the week-end of National Mother's Day. On Friday we took our mothers to classes with us and spent the rest of the week-end in showing them all the places of interest and in tea-ing and dining them. At mid-night Saturday night, after the mothers had been to the Comedy Club play, our freshmen put on a stunt for them—and a very amusing stunt it was, too. On Sunday we sent them corsage bouquets, took them to student convocation, and at dinner presented them with favors—just like any other house party! They said they had never had such wonderful times. A few days later, we were surprised to receive some beautiful new silver for the house. In our great need our mothers had not forgotten us!

In the senior mock elections on the campus, our Mary Hoskell was voted the prettiest girl in the class. Her picture appeared in papers all over the country, and her mail each day resembled a movie star's! Our other seniors were Doris Harrington and Mary Tyler Southan.

We decided to hold a reception and tea for the faculty on a Sunday afternoon late in May as we had done last year. It proved so very successful that we have pledged Faculty Spring Tea on our list of Beta traditions along with our Washington Birthday Party and our Breakfast Dance. By the way, our Breakfast Dance was held on the most beautiful Saturday morning of the spring, and as usual, it was more of a success than ever, and that's saying a lot.

After examinations, on June 6, we initiated Betty Hubbard and Mary Hellyer who were pledged in February. Betty is a freshman; but Mary was graduated from Vassar last year and entered Michigan this fall to study law, proving her adaptability by being elected secretary of the freshman law class. We feel we are very fortunate in having her a Gamma Phi.

June 9 and 10, our Biennial Convention was held in Ann Arbor and accomplished very much that was worth while in spite of the absence of quite a few of our girls who had already left for home.

Summer finds Beta not forgetting plans for the fall in the midst of present intriguing activities. Rushing comes immediately upon the opening of college, so that we are formulating many plans for that busy time right now.

JESSIE FORBES

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Cornelia Shepherd, '25, to Morgan S. Campbell, '23, Psi Upsilon, Williams College.

#### MARRIAGES

On May 27, Ardys Stoner, '25, to John Hatcher Nichols, '26, Alpha Kappa Kappa, Michigan.

On June 22, Helen Reece, '27, to Charles Lynn McCallum, '26, Beta Theta Pi, Nu Sigma Nu, Michigan.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Babson Merrill (Mildred Henry, '22), a son.



## GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

428 Sterling Court

*With all its memories, its traditions, its happy history,  
Makes way for The New Home*

Since the last CRESCENT a great deal has happened in Gamma Chapter. We initiated seven girls who promise to be the up and coming kind that will put the chapter first in everything. They are Jean Hay, Margaret Hipple, Isabelle Kelley, Evelyn McElphatrick, Oneia Payne, Marion Quain, and Dorothy Vogel. They come from all parts of the country and ought to bring us a lot of new ideas. The joy of these new initiates is somewhat dimmed, however, by the loss of nine seniors, with the prospect of losing two more this February.

Our old custom of having a Senior Banquet was followed again in May with the added spice of Helen Missett's engagement being announced. She was presented with a cook book entitled *A Thousand Ways to Keep a Husband*, and we hope she makes good use of it, for it has been said that she knows little about cooking. Eleanor McEwen read the Senior Prophecy and cleverly foresaw Rachel Leavnard, our journalist, carrying her typewriter around under her arm in the future. Alice Lyon, the girl who made this chapter famous by her work in the Wisconsin Horse Shows, was represented as a bare back rider in one of the largest circuses, and Kathleen Ballard, our art student, had switched her interest in engravings to human beings and was proving a noteworthy rival to her father's fame as a doctor. Time alone can tell how close these guesses come.

Soon after came Mothers' Week-end. Senior Swingout, with Elizabeth Adams in charge, was very impressive. The Mothers' Banquet was a big success, with entertainers chosen from the cast of Haresfoot's play *Mary Ann*. The rain spoiled the glory of Venetian Night and only a few floats dared to go out. The Chapter Banquet for the Mothers was enjoyable in every way and we had the finest kind of a time. The week-end activities were brought to a close with Memorial Day services which were extremely effective.

The Gamma Chapter Alumnæ Banquet was a great success. Dorothea Curtis Chickering, '01, was toastmistress and the theme was *The Building of a House* which was appropriate because we are starting the foundation for our new home this fall. The old one has been sold to the Arden Club of the University but we have full possession of it until a year from now when our new house will be completed. The plans show a house which will be not only interesting but essentially practical.

Sarah Chickering has been elected president of the French Club for this year, and has also been elected to Crucible, Junior Woman's Honorary Society. Now we are looking forward to a fine year under the leadership of Helen Cady, our chapter president.

DOROTHY A. BATEMAN

## MARRIAGES

On May 22 at Hubbard Woods, Illinois, Olivia Fentress (Gamma '23), to Mr. Hermann Andrew Lang Behlen.

The following announcement of the marriage of Frances Turney (Gamma), to Dr. Jean Gré is printed in entirety.

*Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Turney announce the marriage of their daughter Frances and Dr. Jean Gré, Resident physician of the French Hospital at London.*

*Madame Pierre Gré a l'honneur de vous faire part du mariage de son fils, le Docteur Jean Gré, Médecin résident de l'Hôpital Français à Londres, avec Miss Frances Turney.*

*La bénédiction nuptiale leur a été donnée*

*le Mardi 2 Mars 1926 à la sacristie de l'Eglise Notre Dame à Bordeaux.*  
*Fairfield Iowa, U.S.A. Bordeaux, 13, Impasse des Tanneries.*

On July 24, at Madison, Wisconsin, Marie Louise Steensland (Gamma) to Mr. James M. A. Payton.

#### BIRTHS

To Dr. and Mrs. Dana Byron Dishmaker (Olga Haney, Gamma) on July 7, a son, David Michael Dishmaker.

#### DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

*Delta dances*

*And elects*

*And plans for rushing*

During March, the Delta girls gave an entertainment and dance. Because of studies and college activities, we did not attempt to do much of the entertaining ourselves. In addition to a few sketches by our girls, a prize play, written by one of the college boys, was given. The affair was a success in every way.

In April, we elected our officers for next year. They are as follows: Marion Loud, president; Dorothy Gibb, vice-president; Esther Carrier, corresponding secretary; Abbie Scott, recording secretary, and Helen Ropes, treasurer.

In addition to losing our seniors, I am sorry to say that Betty McCormick and Dorothy Gibb are leaving us. Betty is to train for Social Service work, and Dorothy is planning to teach music.

It will soon be time to go back to college and to rushing. Delta is wishing the best of luck to all.

HELEN G. ROPES

#### EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

*Echoes*

*Of the Ground Breaking*

*And the house party*

*And the campus honors*

Our college year had a grand and glorious culmination. So many wonderful and exciting things happened with such rapidity that our heads were fairly in a whirl by the time Commencement came around.

Perhaps the most thrilling event was the Ground Breaking for our new house on June 12. Our house at last begins to seem a reality, and we are anticipating a grand moving day, sometime in the fall of 1927.

With exams far behind, sixteen of us enjoyed a rip-roaring house party at Magician Lake for a week. Initiation and commencement festivities called us back and on June 12, eleven of our pledge group became wearers of the crescent. They were: Evalyn Black, Chicago, Ill.; Charlotte Crimmins, Redwood Falls, Minn.; Onalee Dawson, Davenport, Iowa; Ilene Doop, Winterest, Iowa; Janice Gray, Chicago, Ill.; Vesper Gettman, Evanston, Ill.; Martha Holloway, Ligonier, Ind.; Florence McKee, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Geraldine McKinley, Evanston, Ill.; Nadine Munns, Minneapolis, Minn., and Nellie Weston, Geneseo, Ill.

Our Annual Spring Alumnæ Banquet was held June 11, at the Edgewater Beach Hotel. Elvera Woolner, '25, made a most enchanting toast-mistress, and we all enjoyed having so many of our faithful alumnæ back.



Gamma Phi seems to have been victorious in most of the spring campus elections, but what else could be expected.

Our energetic, well beloved Al Dibble, '27, was elected president of W.S.G.A., and was also elected to Mortar Board, the senior honorary organization. Lucille King has been elected social chairman of W.S.G.A. for next year; Helen Mearns is president of Daughters of Neptune; Gladys Crimmins is president of Dot and Circle, the honorary Rifle Club, and Bea Lumley is vice-president of the same organization. Margaret Beebe was elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa and has won a fellowship in Zoology; Mary June Fellows has been initiated into Zeta Phi Eta, and has also been elected into Orchesus, the honorary dancing sorority. Helen Kennedy is president of Alethenai; Gertrude Drew is next year's social chairman of Blue Lantern, a senior girls' organization; Josephine MacRae is a member of Student Council, and Eleanor Luse has been elected to Campus players.

The next point at issue is rushing. We expect to have a most successful season under the able direction of Lucille King and Jo MacRae. Now that they are actually digging out for our house, we should like to hold a party in our private hole.

NANCY LOUCKS

#### MARRIAGE

Catherine Van Deusen, '26, to Richard Law, Phi Kappa Sigma.

#### ZETA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

*New plans,  
New hopes,  
New rooms,  
New girls,*

The thought of new rooms fills a large portion of our minds these days. New rooms were inevitable; but at Commencement time it seemed that we would have to be satisfied with one less partition and a few new wall papers. Now, however, we expect to sport our new house number in time for rush week, which this year has been changed from the second month to the second week of college.

Francis Burkhalter is our rush captain, and in addition to this, is succeeding Bernice Ryan, one of our last year's seniors, as president of Goucher's Athletic Association. Charlotte Bush is president of the senior class; Muriel Lee, 1926, was elected chairman of College Spirit; and Dorothy Koch, 1926, was elected Editor-in-chief of *Kalends*. Other Gamma Phis elected to college offices are Jane Bisbee, Helen Turnbull, Francis Hosterman, and Helen Dodson, who is representing Goucher this summer at junior month in New York. Francis Hosterman is holder of the championship title in tennis at Goucher and was among those members of the chapter who brought home numerals, sweaters and whole constellations of stars in the athletic awards at the end of the year.

All in all, one is inclined to look forward to a very successful year for Gamma Phi at Goucher.

WILHELMINA WARKENTIN

#### THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

*Parties for seniors, for rushees, for brides!*

Parties! Parties! Oh what parties we have been enjoying since the curtain fell on the college session last June! Big parties, little parties, private parties—all have had their turn in the summer routine of the life of Theta.

Before we bade the last farewell to our loyal seniors, we entertained them at the beautiful home of Isabelle Birney. It was a lovely party filled with joy and gladness until the hour came to say farewell to those who had given all their love and loyalty to Theta for four years; and then a cloud seemed to settle over us—a cloud with a bright edge however, because we knew they would be near us in the alumnæ chapter.

College closed with a bang and with Gamma Phi claiming the May Queen—Thalia Van Orman—and the freshman attendant to the May Queen—Norma Van Orman. Then rushing came to the front with plans made, discussed, changed, rearranged and finally accepted. The latter part of June and most of July was filled with bridge luncheons and teas held at our lodge where every one feels at home and fully enjoys herself.

On August 2, the rushees were taken to the theater and then to the home of one of the pledges where refreshments were served in the spacious garden that surrounds the house. Lights were hidden in the shrubbery giving the effect of moonlight—a very pretty selling with the gayly clad rushees in the foreground.

Beefsteak fries, teas, and house parties are still to be enjoyed, and then the opening of college and the real hard week of rushing.

From rush parties we scurry to the showers, teas, and luncheons that are honoring our future brides—Thalia Van Orman, Dorothy Bell, and Gertrude Shannon. Constance Whitney was an incentive for such gayety up until the middle of July, and she has now entered the ranks of charming matrons.

A few weeks more and college will open bringing us all together again for a season of love and real hard work—the events of which be told in our next letter.

GENEVIEVE YOUNG

#### MU—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

*Golden haze of achievement*

*Purple mist of memories*

*Spring at Stanford!*

Spring at Stanford! Like a dream come true it surrounded us with a golden aura and a purple mist that made us wonder if it were quite real. And events toppled one upon another in their haste to crowd themselves into the glorious days that sped so rapidly by.

Rushing brought us eight delightful pledges, some of them almost famous already. Mary Cox, lovely and blond; Julia North, full of all sorts of pep and giggles, who has made her name in campus dramatics; Hollis Yerrington, who looks very dignified till you find out how much fun she is; Helen North, already a member of Music Club, which is in itself quite an honor; Ema Demond, who plays the piano and sings, and organized the first ukelele club on the campus. Lorraine Raeder, with her eye on a Phi Beta key has almost a straight "A" average; Kathryn Deahl is a charming literary aspirant, and Quanita White is a small bundle of delightful surprises. And then besides that, Lorraine, Quanita, Helen and Ema all made their numerals in athletics. Not bad for a beginning!

But this is not nearly all that a golden spring brought to Mu. In the last few days of finals we learned that Marion Bolman and Linda Walling had been elected to the illustrious ranks of Phi Beta Kappa, and that Virginia Bunnell and Irene Fox has received Lower Division Honors!

Then there was the Junior Opera with Margaret Kalenborn and Nancy Farmer singing in the chorus, and the Senior Farce in which Virginia



Greene appeared on the Stanford stage. Wanda Westerfield was chosen to be one of next year's sponsors, which by the way, is the highest honor that a Stanford women can receive.

Then there were all our parties. The formal was a lovely affair—a house full of greenery and tall baskets of flowers, and pretty girls in gay gowns, and men correct in black and white, swaying to soft melodies. There was a handkerchief-shower-dinner, too, that we had for Kate Clemens and Dottie Swain who are soon to wed. One evening the freshmen slipped in and gave us a surprise party that was loads of fun; for besides having perfectly delicious food, they had for our entertainment some of the cleverest stunts that we had ever seen. Just a day or two before finals, we of third floor gave a party for second floor, as a sort of final wind up to the social season, as it were.

Not so many days ago a card came from Ruth Montgomery to tell that she had announced her engagement to Ward Hill at a pink and silver luncheon. So with this final touch of romance I smiled to think of the wonders of spring at Stanford. Autumn will be spreading its reddish haze when we all return, but there'll be days and days, and we can wait with confidence for the gold of another spring.

VIRGINIA GREENE

# PI—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

*Plans all finished,  
Blue Prints forthcoming,  
Foundation dug,  
The Pi House*

Rush week of the fall of 1926 we hope will be our biggest and best. Not only are we expecting twenty-two members back in college, but the plans and blue prints of our new house are to be finished and the foundation dug. The house itself will be completed by August or September of 1927. Even without this grand prospect, rushing again at the "Old Homes' Place," with its lovely terraced lawns, and its stately old house, could not help but be a success. Jay Schaffer with Bernice Lyons as her Lincoln assistant is our rush chairman.

Florence Grahm, who has been teaching, is coming back this fall and will be our new president; Joyce Adair is vice president; Grace Hall, secretary; Mildred Beckman, treasurer; and Jean Hall, house president.

Those of the 1926 seniors who will be teaching during the coming year are Norma Heine, Myrth Alyne Cheney, Dorothy Peterson, Agnes Sorenson and Mary Howe. Ruth Heine will attend the University of California; Ruth Wells will study at Simmons College in Boston.

The following chapter honors are listed: Cyrena Smith, elected to Mortar Board; Helen Van Guilder, chosen for Silver Serpent; Vera Stephenson, given Xi Delta; Viola Hoper, made a member of Delta Omicron and Matinée Musical. Louise Weaver, who came to us from Washington University will spent the year in study abroad.

CHARLENE COOPER

## MARRIAGE

Vida Townen to Mr. Dale Reynolds, Alpha Sigma Phi

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Stroy (Marvel Trojan), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Baugh (Davida Van Gilder) a daughter.

## SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

*Glory of House*  
*Of Province Conference*  
*Of campus offices*

Our first big affair was the Province Conference held May 15 and 16 at the chapter house. The program, which included social events as well as more serious business discussions, brought out many unusual features which helped iron out more than one local problem. Katharine Allen Woodward (Theta and Kansas City) was elected director of the province.

## MEETINGS

*Friday*

Guests arrived in afternoon.  
 Informal and Bridge.

*Saturday*

9:00 A. M.—Formal business meeting  
                   Chapter room  
 12:45 P. M.—Luncheon  
 2:00 P. M.—Informal meeting  
 6:30 P. M.—Formal banquet

*Sunday*

1:00 P. M.—Dinner  
 2:30 P. M.—Drive

## PROGRAM

*Saturday, May 15—9:00 A. M.*

1. Business meeting
  - a. Literary exercises
  - b. Address of welcome
  - c. Election of Province Officers
  - d. Organization Problems
    1. Need, value and rotation of Province Conference
    2. Relation and responsibility of Province to National
    3. Need and value of sorority Inspection.

*Saturday, May 15—2:00 P. M.*

1. General Discussion
  - a. Freshman Training
    1. Scholarship
    2. Activities
    3. Attitude
  - b. Relation of Active and Alumnæ Chapters
  - c. Relatives
  - d. Rushing

*Sunday, May 16—9:00 A. M.*

1. Round Table Discussion
  - a. Financial Discussion
  - b. Chapter Problems



## CHAPTER REPRESENTATIVES

Omicron—University of Illinois  
Sigma—University of Kansas  
Phi—Washington University  
Alpha Delta—University of Missouri  
Alpha Theta—Vanderbilt College  
St. Louis Alumnæ Chapter  
Champaign-Urbana Alumnæ Association  
Lawrence Alumnæ Association  
St. Joseph Alumnæ Association  
Kansas City Alumnæ Association

Late spring social functions included a Sigma Alumnæ Reunion at the house on June 10 where a breakfast was combined with an informal business discussion, and on May 24 our annual Spring Party which was truly distinctive.

Looking forward to this year's activities reminds us that we are well and ably represented in Hill offices. In Women's Student Government we find Harriet DeWolf, secretary, and Ruth Van Riper junior representative as well as council representative to Y.W.C.A. Moynes Rice, our president, as usual has far outstripped all budding activity aspirants by another term on Y.W. Cabinet as Worship Chairman, by managing the annual Carnival, by making the Girls' Basketball Varsity, and by walking off with the Emily V. Burger Memorial Loan Scholarship. Elise Arbuthnot is secretary-treasurer of the Fine Arts School. Muberta Russell made El Ateneo, honorary Spanish Club. Florence Good wrote the skit for the spring Water Carnival and made Quill Club (honorary literary). Eunice Wallace was elected Pen and Scroll; while Anna Lois Voights and Betty Sickles are president and secretary respectively of McDowell which is an honorary musical, literary and art society. Merle Fair is secretary and treasurer of the Jay Janes, the girl's pep organization.

We plan to hold initiation shortly before the opening of college for Eunice Wallace, Betty Findley, Norma Sabin, Margaret Amos, and Gertrude Ohleman and thus add five more gleaming crescents to our roll.

Rush week looms brightly before us and brings to our attention numerous desirable future co-eds. Our success is not assured; but if the Wichita House Party and the enthusiastic Kansas City rush parties are any indication we feel sure that we can hold our own and even surpass previous records.

ALEENE CRANSTON CARSTER

## MARRIAGES

Mildred Odell to Mr. Howard Blum, Sigma Alpha Epsilon.  
Jennie Elen Denning to Mr. John McComb, Sigma Phi Epsilon.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Rutherford (Verle Palton, Sigma), a daughter.  
To Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Linscott (Susan Mason, Sigma), a son.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellsworth (Lucile Rarig, Sigma), a son.

## UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE

*Letters for music,*

*Letters for scholastic honors,*

*So many letters that they weave themselves into monograms!*

In so short a time the middle of summer has come. There are so many interesting things to relate, yet for some time I've been puzzled just where to begin.

Last spring Grace Sellars made the Sub-Odd Baseball Team, Julia Lee Higgins, Manager of Baseball, Elizabeth Thomas and Mary Ellen Franklin the Even Baseball team. Our athletic season at Hollins closed with the annual Monogram party. At this time the only girls who received monograms were Gamma Phis. Did Upsilon not feel proud?

Then, again came the festive May Day. This year it was of particular interest, for the music and the dances were of original composition by members of Freya. Upsilon was well represented; for Evelyn Weaver and Page Stone composed part of the music and Alberta Gary and Julia Lee Higgins danced. Mary Byrd Buxton and Grace Sellars were in the May Court and Page Stone sang on this occasion.

We are always glad when our girls receive athletic honors; we are proud when they perform in any festive occasion; but there is great joy and certain indescribable pride when they receive scholastic honors. This year five Gamma Phis achieved "High Honor," four "Honor."

Nearly two months have passed since Commencement and at that time there was great fun for us all. We rejoiced with our seniors; we welcomed back the alumnæ; and yet there was sadness for our seniors were going. We shall miss them.

A certain air of strange excitement will reign on Campus this fall for the freshmen will not play "the important part" at the very first. The sophomores are to be bid. Upsilon is going to try for those girls whom she feels are worthwhile—not because they are now in the lime light, but because she feels they are girls of whom Gamma Phi will be proud.

MARY ELLEN FRANKLIN

## PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

*Once,*

*And yet again—*

*Engineers' Queen!*

It hardly seems possible that summer and our vacation days are almost gone; but there is the thrill of the rushing season to anticipate before the reality of classes. Gamma Phis at Washington look back over a year of happy events that brought honors to a number of its members and to the chapter, too.

Since the last CRESCENT letter appeared, the Engineers at Washington have chosen Nelle Houghton, one of our seniors, to preside as Engineers' Queen over the festivities of the Masque that was the climax of their St. Pat's celebration. Nelle succeeded Margaret Williams who was a freshman in the chapter last year. We were all disappointed that she could not be in St. Louis for the ceremony, but we couldn't help but be excited over having two of our girls in the procession. Bernice Thompson, a



sophomore, was one of the maids to the queen. In the last two years this special honor has been given to four of Phi's members.

Every one is busy now over rushing plans, and a number of interesting parties have been planned so that we have high hopes for a very successful season. In spite of the fact that many of the girls have gone away for the summer, there have been some charming summer parties wedged in between times. Bernadine Merton entertained with a bridge for Edythe Sylvester, a senior, before she left for her home. Then Virginia Sankey was the hostess at a dance on the J. S. in the early part of the summer before she left for Europe with her mother. Recently Elizabeth Carson, a charter member of Phi Chapter, gave a bridge for her sister, Christine Chapin, who was a freshman last year.

Since the last letter, Joan Davis has become a member of the active chapter, and Louise Weaver has been pledged. We are all looking forward with enthusiasm to rushing and to the fall term with the new pledges.

MARGARET HOUGHTON

#### ALPHA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

*What could be happier than that "get-together" at Orchard Beach with its cozy fires, its many sports and its friendships!*

*Why—another house party!*

A summer hotel on Lake Simcoe and about thirty-five Gamma Phis is an ideal setting for a good time; and, didn't we have it though?

As soon as we could we hastened up to Idlewyld Hotel, Orchard Beach, to recuperate at this delightful spot from the trials and worries of the recent exams. How easily we forget the annual ingenuity of the Board of Examiners to test our winter's work; and, having this eradicated from our systems, we absolutely prohibited all speculation as to the probable outcome of our efforts, for, "sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

Though it truly was a cold and backward season in May, what did that matter with a "homey" place, our dearest friends, a good piano, a sunny pavilion, cosy fires and books that ignored philosophy and psychology! Fun and plenty of it was the order of the day. Outdoors we enjoyed tennis, riding, boating and golfing, so that every minute was filled to the brim. Such perfect days—what more could we ask? Just another such house party the next year, where we could again be together and cement our link of friendship even more.

When results *did* come we found that our sorority had evidently been a hive of industry; for ten out of ten juniors had become "grave old seniors" and all our former seniors "sweet girl graduates."

Our senior dinner at the Diet Kitchen was, as usual, an enjoyable affair, "a feast of reason and a flow of soul." Our seniors! How we'll miss them from our active circle, and what an addition for our worthy alumnæ chapter they will be.

We shall try to live up to the standards set for us, and with our eager members the task should be an easy one. We are looking back on a very successful year and looking forward to what we hope to be an equally successful one; and we are anxiously awaiting our reunion in September.

DOROTHY MCCORMICK

## ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

*What matter if we didn't win the cup!  
On with the Race!*

"Do not waste time for that is the stuff that life is made of." Yea, verily so. In both our work and play this spring we strove harder than ever to gain success in each and every undertaking. "Honors galore were piled at our door." There was only one that we felt was really lacking—one we missed above all others. It is tough to get up to the last turn and then to lose in the race. We played for the Intramural Basketball Championship—won all games in our league, then our league. In the finals we lost the first, won the second, and lost the third game. The last game was a thriller—final score 13 to 14. The girls played that night as they had never played before—they seemed to put their whole heart and soul into the game. They played and lost—for Gamma Phi. It only fills us with a greater determination to win that cup next year and keep it.

Dorothy Richards, our star forward, whose brilliant teamwork is the best North Dakota has, will be the only one gone this fall. That means a lot though—guess we'll have to make a second Dot Richards out of Lila Argue, our little red-headed pledge who has proved to be quite a flash at the game. Josephine Hansen, Dorothy Richards, Vivian Law, Frances Haagenson, Emily Laemmle, Ione Taagenson, Lila Argue, and Audrey MacBride, Manager, composed the team members.

For another year a Gamma Phi was elected to the presidency of the Women's Athletic Association. "Doph" Hansen, our fair-haired athlete with the baby blue eyes, holds the coveted office. "Dot" Richards was the president last year. In the elections on the Board of Control Audrey MacBride was elected basketball manager for the coming year. Emily Laemmle has had no dangerous competitors for her record shot put—she still holds the "U" record. Fran and Ione Haagenson won honors in many events at the spring track meet.

*Omar Khayam*, Miss Martendale's last May fête, was a glorious success. Many of our girls took prominent parts in the dances. Ione Haagenson gave a solo dance which was a representation of the dawn. As Ione is only a pledge we have great hopes for her future, and it was her brilliant ideas and clever dancing that made our Follies Act such a howling success. It must have been mostly "howling" from the judges' standpoint. However, we were mighty proud of it—defeat only makes us the more determined to get it next year. In the May fête—Fran Haagenson and Ann Black were two of a group of six who gave a marvelous clever Potter's Dance. Vivacious little Ann interpreted her dance especially well. Clara Sperry and Josephine Clarke were in special dances.

We ought to set aside a little page all for Josephine Clarke for she has brought us honors each year. This year she was president of the junior class and in said office she led the Junior Prom. For the second time she was elected regimental sponsor of the R. O. T. C.—Honorary Colonel, the highest of honors—and in this office she led the Military Ball this spring and officiated at the Sponsors' Review. Josephine was also a Grey Gown.

Milly Johnson has fully assured us that we will never find her in the poor house. It takes Milly to sell it, be it Stadium subscriptions, Folly tickets, or *Dacotahs*. Mildred won individual honors in the *Dacotah* sales contest and she had a whole page devoted to her in the 1927 *Dacotah*. That picture looks mighty nice to us. She has a smile that gets them all.



It was Mil who captained us through the Folly ticket sale and won first prize for us.

Each year four girls and eight men of the junior class are chosen as the most representative in the class to usher at Baccalaureate and Commencement. Madge Allen and Josephine Clarke were two of the four girls to be chosen. Needless to say, we are very, very proud of both of them. Madge is a hustler—too much credit cannot be given to our dark-haired beauty. Of course she was one of the Prom Beauty Queens—we never need worry about a Beauty Queen while Madge is with us. She was again honored by her election to Quo Vadis, honorary senior society.

Alpha Beta chapter is pleased to announce the formal pledging of Dorothy Edwards, Fargo; Dorothy Muldowney, Grand Forks; and Borghild Mork, Grand Forks.

"Look out, you are going under that ladder again!" was the most frequent of the thousand and one remarks passed at Guild Hall early one May morning. We had a great time decorating for our formal party and when completed, it was the beautiful Mardi Gras one could only wish for. Harlequin dolls hanging from the light and the streamers in their fantastic shapes made the carnival scene most complete. Our favor was a double leather picture holder with the Greek initials in gold in one corner. Many bestowed greater favors (?) on their escorts by putting their pictures in said folders. But you don't know the half of it. It was the most glorious spring night we had ever spent for many a moon. Dancing amidst the colored spot lights and gayly colored streamers—'twas a shame it all had to end—that glorious evening!

Much credit is due Genevieve Parsons, general manager. It was the cleverest of spring formals, and Gen managed it in her usual business-like manner—no last-minute work to be done. Another thrill that went with the party was the fact that we had as our guests Eleanor Harvey and Marion Bridgemen, two of our sisters from Alpha Kappa Chapter at Winnipeg, Canada. It was quite a revelation to find them so much like ourselves—they seemed to fit right in with everything. We enjoyed their visit with us immensely.

Within the chapter, officers for the coming year will be: president, Madelyn Colton; vice-president, Vivian Law; secretary, Madge Allen; corresponding secretary, Clara Sperry; treasurer, Genevieve Parsons; CRESCENT correspondent, Audrey MacBride; rushing captain, Frances Haagenson, and senior representative to Panhellenic, Madelyn Colton.

The Fathers' Banquet was quite a success this year—several of the out-of-town fathers were able to attend. Clara Sperry and Vivian Law were in charge.

Jessie DePuy, a reserve member in the Dakota Playmakers, was admitted to active membership this spring.

"Petie" was back this year—studying Anatomy on "third floor back" till three o'clock every morning. We knew something would come of all this "midnight oil" for Marie is now a member of Phi Sigma, honorary biological fraternity.

Something new in Alpha Beta this year was the Gamma Phi Beta Province Convention held at Minneapolis. Dorothy Richards and Gladys Black attended. They were both very much enthused with the idea of a Province Convention—it seems to bring us all, as Gamma Phis, closer together. Dot and Gladie brought back many splendid ideas to be discussed by the chapter.

Fran Haagenon, as our rush captain this fall, promises to make things interesting. Already I have two spicy letters that I just couldn't help answering right away. Getting interested is what counts. This friendly competition is only a part of the great worldly strife going on—it is that which makes the world go around. In just three months I hope to be writing again to tell you the "results" of the most enthusiastic rushing season that Gamma Phi Beta has yet gone thru at North Dakota University.

AUDREY MACBRIDE

ALPHA EPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

*Be ever before us,*

*Ever our goal—*

*House of our dreams*

Summer again, with the members of Alpha Epsilon Chapter scattered all over the continent! Our "round robin" letter, the summer news sheet, will wander from Louise and Amo McKee in Washington, D. C. to Okla Carson who is spending the vacation with her sister, Ola Carson Robinson, "somewhere in Mexico."

Alpha Epsilon came in for her share of honors both in scholarship and activities, with the elections and honor awards at the end of the year. Bonnie Wade was elected to the House of Representatives; Martha Vinson, president, and Leah Thrift, secretary of the Home Economics Club; Helen Nelson, vice-president of Varsity Villagers, and Leah Thrift, president of the Art Club. In scholarship, Ethel Young won freshman, La Verne Rodee, sophomore, and Verla Oare, senior honors. Best of all, Helen Nelson, our own Irish "Nell," was awarded the Mortar Board cup presented to the best all around sophomore girl.

The university of Arizona is instituting a new system of rushing for next year. Rushing begins one week after the first day of college; and until Rush Week no pins are to be worn. The Big Sister movement is to be "tried out," and official guides (about fifty girls chosen in equal number from each sorority and dormitory) meet the trains and handle the registration of all freshman girls. Every evening of Rush Week a Panhellenic Court will be held to decide any question, settle any disputes and act upon any breach of the rush rules. Heretofore there has been a great deal of controversy over rushing, and it is hoped that the new plan will cause a better feeling among sororities.

On May 1, Alpha Epsilon held initiation for Catherine and Veronica McDonald of Inspiration; Jeannette Palmer of Phoenix; Okla Carson of Globe, and Eileen Dwyer of San Diego, California. After initiation, the annual spring banquet was held at the Santa Rita Hotel, in honor of the initiates.

Next year we hope to see our dearest dream materialize; for we are expecting to start the building of our house by the first of January. No other sorority on the campus owns its home and we hope to be the first. With the prospect of this new house, twenty members back, and Minnie Mae Hudnall in the president's chair, we should have no difficulties in rushing, in activities, and in scholarship.

MARGARET CHRISTY



## ALPHA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

*With two Phi Beta Kappas,  
A Mortar Board,  
A scholarship cup,  
All kinds of campus honors,  
Why shouldn't Alpha Zeta have  
A successful Rush Week?*

Rush Week is coming, and all Alpha Zeta is excited over it, for we are hoping to pledge several very promising girls. Edna Maye Coldwell, our pretty and efficient Rush Captain, has regular office hours for writing rush-letters, and the rest of us are trying to help her, too. There are parties to be planned, letters to be written, dates to be made, and all kinds of things to be done! No wonder we are already excited!

It seems that 'most all the Gamma Phis left Austin this summer, so that Glynn Mitchell and Evelyn Farrell were the only ones who stayed on at the chapter house. But we were delighted by having some of our alumnæ return: Mattie Belle Crook, Mary Buckner, and Dorothy Hudson, charter members, have been here, while Ruth Hilliard, former president of the chapter, and Fay Coffey, one of last year's pledges, also have been staying at the house. Then, too, Dorothy's sister, Mrs. Zook (Jean Hudson, Pi '22), is in town, and we always find it a great treat indeed to have our sisters from other chapters visit us!

Last year Gamma Phi Beta maintained her traditional prominence in campus activities. The names of Helen Boysen and Dorothy Siemerling, two of our most brilliant seniors, were added to our list of Phi Beta Kappas, which is steadily growing, since we produce at least two "Phi Betes" most every year.

Fannie Eisenlohr and Kathryn Bryant were elected to Nu Upsilon Tau Tau, (NUTT), and our pride in their honor is augmented by the fact that they are the first Gamma Phis to belong to this organization.

Loraine Decherd, one of our precocious pledges of last year, and now a full-fledged Gamma Phi, was elected to Ashbel Literary Society. Since we are best represented in Sidney Lanier and Pierian Literary Societies, we are glad to have Loraine win laurels for us in another group.

One day last year we were all alarmed by seeing Helen Hicks and Frances Cheatham, two of our most attractive girls, wearing new pledge ribbons, but when we saw their "pins," we found that it was the emblem of the newly organized Barb Wire Fraternity. We are not yet certain as to the purpose of the organization, but we know that it is a very exclusive group within the Scottish Rite Dormitory, and are happy at this tribute to the popularity of our girls.

Now let me tell you about Evelyn Farrell and her many, many honors! For Evelyn is just about the peppiest girl in college, and was the most popular entertainer on the campus last year. She is a singer, dancer, musician, actress, and artist, so that we were not at all surprised when she was elected to Orange Jackets, the all-round organization. We could tell you much more about Evelyn and her social successes, too, but we're afraid you will think we are exaggerating since she really sounds just too good to be true!

There are a few other scattered facts to be mentioned, such as Eva Belle Huling-Quaid's election to Mortar Board, and the awarding of our scholarship cups. It's a secret now, but we will soon announce that Velma

Irwin won the pledge cup, while Margaret Chamness has her name engraved on the cup for the initiates.

And something else! We haven't yet written about our wedding, have we? Shortly after graduation Dorothy Siemerling married Carroll Sherburne Towle, an instructor of English in the University, and now they've gone away off to Maine. Next year they will both enter Yale, and we predict a brilliant record for them both.

Alpha Zeta hopes to add still more to Gamma Phi Beta's glory, and to send in our next letter an account of a happy and very successful Rush Week at Texas University!

MARTHA CHAMNESS

#### ALPHA ETA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

##### *For every Alpha Eta there's a way to earn ten dollars*

Just before the hustle and bustle of college was over, and just before our books were pushed away in a dark corner for the summer, a brilliant suggestion was made by one of our girls. This suggestion had to do with each girl earning ten dollars during the summer recess. Why? For Alpha Eta, of course.

Now ten dollars seems like such a little bit—sometimes; but this is one of the times that it seems like a hundred. Each Gamma Phi is to EARN the ten dollars so that it won't seem like charity from Dad. Perhaps some of us have that intangible something called talent which makes ten dollars easy to earn, while others of us feel exceedingly helpless for we have "no such animal."

The next question to be considered is, how are we to earn it? Our president has started a "Round Robin" which makes it possible for each girl to explain her particular way of annexing the elusive ten spot. It has not reached my door as yet so I am unable to tell any of the methods they are using. Perhaps some of them are turning themselves loose in the kitchen to do anything from washing dishes to preparing a dinner; others may have found altogether new and novel ways to make themselves useful. One fact remains: we can all find a way, for while there's life there's hope—we have both.

A backward glance over our calendar for the past college year shows us that it has been full. The twenty-fourth of April was spent with the Cleveland Alumnae Chapter where a series of unusually attractive events provided by our guests made the week and complete.

Then we had Lillian Thompson with us for a few days and it wasn't half long enough. We worried before her arrival, wondering just what we might do to make a good impression, and just how she would like this and that. Our anxiety was quickly dispelled when she did arrive and we found her "one of us" in the most fraternal sense of the word. We were happy to have her and proud because of the impression she made upon other sororities.

The latter part of May marked the first inter-sorority sing sponsored by Mu Phi Epsilon, musical honorary, a spirited contest in which we placed third under the capable direction of Heloise Davis who is a member of Mu Phi Epsilon.

We gave our spring formal May twenty-eighth at the Delaware Country Club. The weather man was good to us and presented us with a full moon.

Gamma Phi seniors were honor guests at our annual Senior Breakfast, which was featured by shivers of sadness which crept over us at the thought of the girls who were to leave our circle.



The most important event of the term was final initiation as a result of which seven girls wear the badge. Three of the spring initiates were Delta Psi alumnae. Florence Adams, Cleveland; Mary M. Whitney, Marysville, Ohio; and Mary Elizabeth Myers, Raridon, New York; were the alumnae initiates, while Pauline Pfeiffer, Margaret Marshman, Mildred Grove and Florence Freeman exchanged their pledge pins for the active badge.

Norma Nelson was honored by election to the office of Judiciary President of the Woman's Student Government. Ruth Thomson and Martha Ballehger were awarded letters for participation in girls' baseball, Martha being captain of the winning nine.

RUTH STEPHENS

#### MARRIAGE

On June 27th, Dorothy Faulkner, '23, to Mr. La Verne Fulton, Beta Theta Pi.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Oliver, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Edgar S. Nolan, a daughter.

#### ALPHA THETA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

*Inspiration,*

*Ideals,*

*Companionship,*

*Cooperation,*

*All from the Province Convention*

Doubtless the recent convention of the Third Province will claim due notoriety elsewhere, but, as a fortunate guest, I must testify as to the wholehearted and fine hospitality of the Sigma girls. Were I prof, each one would receive an A double plus. The whole thing was planned and put over by Sigma and her loyal alumnae, and was a thorough success. Isn't it wonderful to meet so many girls who really *are* all the things you've idealized in Gamma Phi? And it's so consoling to discover that other chapters have the same troubles, and, at the same time it's so inspiring to realize that they are so good in spite of aforesaid troubles. Alpha Theta is so isolated and so young that such a meeting is especially helpful.

As will be sympathetically understood, the spring semester was a hecticly busy time, or rather a series of times. We enjoyed a visit from Miss Dimmick, Omicron, who lent assistance to eight new and untried officers. Then two sisters announced prospective weddings and you know what that means. The freshmen gave the upperclassmen a perfect party at the summer home of Kathryn Andrews at Ridgetop. There were men and wienies and marshmallows and a campfire and a moon. On the last night of the term we entertained the seniors and alums with a Gamma Phi dinner at the Andrew Jackson Hotel. We gave toasts to everybody and gifts to the seniors; we sang all our songs and tearfully said our goodbyes. It was a night to be remembered.

On May 27, the annual Panhellenic luncheon took place at the Hermitage Hotel. Needless to say, Gamma Phi was present *in toto*. Sigma Kappa recently installed a chapter at Vanderbilt.

We received our full share of officers in the spring elections. Mary Bates was chosen the sole coed member of the Student Activities Board, and also secretary of the Student Council. Carrimae Evans was elected a member of the Council and Y. W. C. A. Cabinet. Ellen Couch, our

dramatic star, made *Three Arts*, an honorary organization devoted to the fine arts. Katherine Yates is the only coed member of *Skull and Bones*, a premedical club.

The chapter house, the chaperone, and our rush-list with the necessary plans pertaining thereto are all ready for the fall term. We sigh in anticipation.

HELEN HOPKINS

#### MARRIAGES

On December 26, 1925, Emma Louise Stewart to Mr. J. Hubert Wallace of Hendersonville, North Carolina.

On June 9, Elizabeth McLane to Mr. William P. Smith, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, of Nashville, Tennessee.

On June 26, Jane Odom to Mr. Theodore Lockyear, Phi Kappa Sigma, of Evansville, Indiana.

#### ALPHA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SOUTHERN BRANCH

*The growth of the chapter*

*Keeps pace with*

*The growth of the University*

These lazy summer months here in Southern California are a well-earned breathing space for Alpha Iota, for the past year has been filled to overflowing with thrilling, vibrant activity in all fields of college life, with the present lull interrupted by periodic spurts of renewed social events.

Our chapter has reason to be proud of the accomplishments of its members toward the end of the semester, for the Gamma Phis have stepped right to the fore in the honor-winning scramble. Louise Gibson is our pride and joy, for, not content with being elected first vice-president of the student body, the most important position open to a woman on this campus, she has gained for herself national prominence by ably representing students of the entire western district of about six states in the Y. W. C. A. conference held recently in Milwaukee. In addition, she was chief student executive at the Asilomar students' convention in the north which opened the summer months, and at the close of college was voted membership in Prytanean and Agathai, the two best women's honorary fraternities in the University.

Gladys Bruner, one of our athletic graduates, distinguished herself likewise by winning the Higher Award, an athletic medal given only to those girls who by superlative sportsmanship and all-round achievement represent the highest type of young womanhood. "Jerry" was the first in several years to win this award as no one has met the high standards for three years. Helen McKee, in addition to being president of the Friends of the University, a newly organized and important cultural organization, has been given membership in Prytanean after being on the campus only two years. Another sister to distinguish herself is Kate Frost, who, although she has not been on the campus for the past semester, previously brought us honor by serving as vice-president of the Friends of the University and being invited to membership in one of the large musical honorary sororities. Kate will be back with us again next year, however, when she will serve the important mission of training our pledges.

In case you may like to know who our newly elected officers are, here is the list: President, Carol Morse, vice-president, Eley Eddy; corresponding secretary, Ruth Chase, recording secretary, Thuel Ross; treasurer, Jean Paulson; CRESCENT correspondent and publicity chairman, Ruth Hubley; house manager, Eleanor Chatfield.



May 1 was a gala day for us, for it not only meant a lovely bridge tea at the home of Evelyn Kline, one of our new pledges, but at the end we had a fund of over \$80 in our treasury. Undoubtedly we'll have another benefit soon when they are so profitable.

Having initiated Evelyn Smith and Dorothy Dodds at an evening ceremony, we began to think of new members for next year, and so, just before final exams, held a charming rush garden party in our house, with home-made trellised bowers entwined with flowers and vines of the most flamboyant and brilliant colors and all the lovely accessories of hand tinted bridge scores and favors contrived by our many clever art majors. It was certainly a huge success and we had many delightful guests, some of whom we later entertained on July 31 at a tea at one of the elite beach clubs. If our success at rushing this fall is anything like last year's we should be the marvels of the campus!

One affair that we always look forward to at the end of college is our Senior Breakfast at which we bid farewell to our graduating seniors just before they receive their degrees. This year, with our seven departing sisters, it had a touch of sadness that was only concealed by the gaiety of the traditional songs and ceremonies. We had two boxes of candy sent us on that morning—gifts from the fiancés of those Gamma Phis who announced their engagements. Lois Cleland and Evelyn Smith upheld the matrimonial honors this time, with Evelyn's marriage closely following within a few weeks. As a part of the day's events, we had a hope chest sale, with each of our girls contributing a personal article suitable for a hope chest and receiving one in return from her sisters.

Summer time is always joyous for us, for it means the annual two-weeks' house-party at Catalina Island, where the warm days are filled with every imaginable summer sport from horseback riding to swimming and aquaplaning across the crescent-shaped bay. And Catalina's nights! This year we will go for the last two weeks in August, and can hardly wait for the time to arrive.

With the fall, many of our girls will be scattered all over the country. Eileen Meade, our past president, Eleanor Friend, and Marion Shaw are all attending the University of California at Berkeley where they are taking postgraduate courses; Jerry Bruner plans to teach in Mexico; Marjorie Kelly will be teaching art in Pasadena; Lois Cleland will teach Physical Education and be Dean of Girls in Huntington Beach High School; while Helen McKee will be far off in New York.

The growth of our chapter is keeping pace with the rapid growth of our University, and with the spirit which pervades everything we undertake, Gamma Phi cannot help but be an out-standing force among our fellow students.

RUTH HUBLEY

#### ALPHA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

*A happy summer with a house party and a breakfast party—and financial plans*

Dead! Rather not! A little sunburned from lolling on the beach and a little stiff from mountain climbing perhaps, but our Gamma Phi spirit is much alive nevertheless.

You would think so too if you had been with us at our annual week end held this year at the Lake of the Woods. Mr. Drewery, grandfather of one of our members, very kindly allowed us to use his camp, and with gorgeous weather and every one in the best of spirits, we crowded more fun into those three days than most people have in a lifetime. The week end gives

us a peep into the joys of a house life for which we can only long and sigh and look hopefully into the future.

I am sure it was this ever busy Gamma Phi spirit which prompted one of our most prominent and energetic members, Peggy Moss, to relinquish a summer of delicious idleness and to devote herself to Social Service work at the Lakeside Fresh Air Camp.

Beth Osborne is also interested in Social Service to such an extent that she is taking a post-graduate course at Smith.

Breakfast parties are Alpha Kappa's favorite mode of entertainment. We have given three lately—two for our brides, Vera Gunn and Dorothy Davis, and one for the Grads. They were all most successful although at the latter (which took the form of a picnic) the weather man apparently decided to prove the veracity of our song

"In clear or cloudy weather."

However the showers did not dampen our spirits and we continued our breakfast indoors.

I must tell you about our plan for making money. We call it talent money, and find it very successful. Each girl must earn by her own efforts a fixed amount of money during the summer. This serves the double purpose of filling the sorority coffers and of exercising talents which might otherwise remain dormant.

We have been holding informal meetings at our homes every two weeks and are making plans for an inter-sorority council with the locals on our campus.

Ruth Herriot has left for England and will spend next year studying at Oxford.

Alice Herriott and Isabel Gunn are also abroad this summer with the students trip.

Meryl Marshall, the very successful heroine of the University play, will appear behind the footlights in the Little Theater this summer.

We are looking forward with more enthusiasm than ever to the reopening of college in the fall. Now that we have become more accustomed to Gamma Phi's ways and that other sororities are springing up around us to offer competition, we hope to accomplish a great deal.

EDITH POOLE

#### DELINQUENT ALUMNÆ CHAPTERS

*Syracuse*—Dorothy Brown  
*New York*—Mrs. Donald Halstead  
*Milwaukee*—Mrs. G. M. Glennon  
*Los Angeles*—Kathryn Smith  
*Detroit*—Mrs. S. W. Fraser  
*Baltimore*—Mrs. Alan Sutton  
*Seattle*—Mrs. Russell Callow

*Des Moines*—Mrs. Merle Liebold  
*Reno*—Alice Brown  
*Toronto*—Mary Dalley  
*Spokane*—Mrs. P. R. Easton  
*Madison*—Mrs. E. S. Sullivan  
*Kansas City*—Mildred Odell  
*Ann Arbor*—

#### CHICAGO

*Luncheon for seniors,  
 Banquet for alumnæ,  
 And—three baby boys!*

All alumnæ activities in Chicago have rather died down for the summer but will be taken up in the fall with fresh vigor after all of our varied vacations. Our last meeting and luncheon was held in May and the Epsilon seniors were guests. The annual banquet this year was held in the Black Cat Room of the Edgewater Beach Hotel and there were over eighty



reservations. Alvera Woolner made a splendid toast mistress and every one voted it a most enjoyable and successful banquet; while a large number stayed to dance afterward. Some of the out of town alumnae were Hope Summers, "Mamie" Grant, Joyce Farr Damm and Frances McCarty. Tekla Rompel Crocker, Laura Wilburton Shepherd, Alice Lyons Mitchell, and Florence Wallace, all of the class of 1907, were present.

Alumnae day at Northwestern this year was a memorable one in that we actually witnessed the breaking of ground for the new sorority houses. All of the excavating is now completed and foundations are in, so it really looks as if our longed for dream is to become a reality.

An item of interest to all Gamma Phis who have ever attended many sorority affairs in Evanston is that Helen Truesdell in having her house remodelled and will have a gorgeous new one. Some one said "Wherever will we have pledging this year for Helen's house is all torn down." I don't believe a pledging has been held any place else in ten years and countless cozies, spreads meetings and rushes have been given there too.

Dorothea Wales Cutler, Jane Kendall Hoffman and Lila Robbins Weichbrodt all have baby boys. Lila just moved into a lovely house in North Evanston last month. Margaret Fargo Jansen was recently married to Mr. Catlin of Evanston.

We will have more news to tell in our next letter.

GLADYS WILLIAM PFEIFER

#### SYRACUSE

##### *Mabel Van Winkle Hoyt*

Alpha of Gamma Phi Beta in its half century of existence has enrolled many fine women and among its choicest was Mabel Van Winkle Hoyt, who graduated from Syracuse PhB. in 1899, and who died April 1 after a six months illness.

Two years after graduation she married Gordon W. Hoyt, Syracuse 1893. For years she has been a familiar figure in philanthropic work and among the many offices she has held might be mentioned—that of President of the Syracuse Rummage Shop, Inc., which she filled for four years; a member of the Board of the Traveler's Aid Society and President of the Woman's Guild of the General Hospital. During the war she was head of the knitting department of the Syracuse Chapter of the Red Cross and some of the most earnest work was in the Primary Department of the First Methodist Sunday School. For eight years she was a trustee of the Corporation of Alpha; her great constructive and executive ability were always freely given to her sorority. Her father, Edward B. van Winkle, a contractor, gave us valuable assistance in the construction of our present chapter house.

With a natural histrionic talent, with a fine sense of humor and unusual beauty of person she will never be forgotten by the Sorority for all she contributed in the way of entertainment during the years since her graduation. Her radiant optimism made her a delightful companion and during a friendship of many years I cannot recall depressing conversation. Her philosophy of life was the finest and although she gave much time and strength to public matters, her real contribution to the world was the making of an ideal Christian home where she was conscientious and devoted to the last degree to the interests of her family. With rare ability she made the best of everything and the most of every opportunity. Her mother, her husband, and a son, three daughters, a host of friends and her sorority are deep and sincere mourners, but she will live on in the memory of her

friends, a lovely unfading picture of the finest type of American college womanhood.

GRACE NEBB EDGECOMB

From *Syracuse Herald* of April 1, 1926

### MRS. M. V. B. HOYT IS DEAD AFTER LONG ILLNESS

*Career Crowded With Social, Charitable and Civic Work*

Funeral services will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock for Mrs. Mabel V. B. Hoyt, wife of Dr. Gordon W. Hoyt, who died yesterday afternoon after an extended illness.

Mrs. Hoyt had been affected several months and died at her home, 603 Comstock Avenue, where the funeral will be held with burial in Morning-side Cemetery.

Bearers will be Huntington B. Crouse, William H. Emond, Dr. J. Mumford Keese, Judge Ernest Edgecomb, Dr. O. M. Wiley and George Norris.

The daughter of Edward B. Van Winkle and Lillian Seager Van Winkle, she was born in Syracuse, April 13, 1877, and educated here.

Mrs. Hoyt was graduated from the University in 1898 and was a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority. In her subsequent career she was active in social, charitable and civic work, founding the Rummage Shop and serving as a member of the Board of the Travelers Aid Society. During the World War she had charge of the Knitting Department of Red Cross work here.

She was a member of the Board of Trustees of the General Hospital of Syracuse and was a member of the First Methodist Episcopal Church.

She is survived by her husband, her mother, one son, Gwynn W. Hoyt, three daughters, Mrs. W. C. Lipe and the Misses Barbara and Lucy Hoyt, and two grandchildren, Gwynn Hoyt, Jr., and Suzanne Lipe.

### BOSTON

#### *Boston looks forward to the fall luncheon*

Vacation thoughts are so much in my mind, that truly it seems a most difficult task to begin writing a *Crescent* letter once more. But I don't want to see the name of Boston among the "Delinquent Alumnæ Chapters," so I'll do my best and endeavor to keep my thoughts from wandering too far.

Boston Alumnæ Chapter closed a most successful year last June. Under the two years' leadership of Betty Macey Kauffman, a great deal has been accomplished, perhaps the most outstanding of which has been the new apartment and furnishings for Delta chapter. We are surely sorry to lose Betty as our president, but feel perfectly confident that under the leadership of Harriet Ross Wilcutt the chapter will progress as it has in the past two years.

We have already planned a number of events for the coming year, among which is our fall luncheon and annual Christmas reunion. Then, too, there is favorable talk of holding a bazaar in conjunction with the active chapter. We hope that the bazaar idea will materialize and in my next letter I shall be able to tell you more of Boston's plans for the coming year.

GLADYS KINGMAN

### PERSONALS

Joanna Falconer, '22, has accepted a position at Greenwich Academy, East Greenwich, Rhode Island, where she will teach French.

Mildred Felt, ex-'25, is now engaged in secretarial work at Fort Meyer, Florida.



Judith Moss Harlow, ex-'22, has recently moved to New Haven, Connecticut. Professor Harlow has accepted a position at Yale University and will take up his new work in the fall.

Olive Hillman, '25, is now financial secretary at the Walnut Hill School, Natick, Massachusetts.

Mary Holland, '17, is engaged in social service work at the Danvers State Hospital, Danvers, Massachusetts.

Persis Hurd, ex-'27, is to join the Redpath Chautauqua at Chicago in the Fall. Persis is very clever with her violin and we wish her success.

Juliette Lemay, '19, is spending two months in England and on the continent.

Madeline Lewis, '21, has accepted a position to teach chemistry at the House in the Pines, Norton, Massachusetts.

Eleanor Ninde, '26, is to teach English at Montpelier Seminary, Montpelier, Vermont.

Mabel Page Plumer, '12, is president of the College Club at Westfield, New Jersey.

Doris Prout, '23, has accepted a position at Dean Academy, Franklin, Massachusetts, where she will teach Latin.

Hazel Simmons, '25, is engaged in social service work at the Danvers State Hospital, Danvers, Massachusetts.

Constance Stecher, '26, is to teach mathematics and history in the Westminster High School, Westminster, Massachusetts.

Ruth Tobey, '21, has accepted a position at Dana Hall, Wellesley, Massachusetts, where she will teach mathematics.

Virginia Turnbull, '21, has been taking a summer course in biology at the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

#### MARRIAGE

Grace L. Durgin, '02, to Mr. Frederick S. Waite of Wollaston, Massachusetts.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. James A. Callard (Marjorie MacLatchy, '21), a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Russell H. Leavitt (Lucy Waite, '18), a daughter, Catherine.

#### SAN FRANCISCO

##### *Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Zeta all conventioning in California*

After a very busy spring San Francisco Alumnæ have scattered to the four corners on vacations. Many have gone across the seas. Many to the High Sierras, and many to the beaches. In fact it is hard to get enough together to plan summer meetings. Besides there is an added zest to the August meeting to hear about vacation adventures. Elizabeth Currier has planned a picnic at her new home in San Mateo for all the girls and their children, who are in town. On August third Rachel Colby is opening her lovely home so that San Francisco alumnæ of Gamma Phi Beta may entertain the Grand Council and alumnæ delegates to the Kappa Kappa Gamma convention. San Francisco has had three national sorority conventions this summer, Delta Zeta, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Kappa Kappa Gamma. Each program has sounded very interesting, featuring much that is distinctive of California.

However we all felt that our own district conference in April was equally as interesting. The splendid contacts we made will mean much toward better unity of interest for Gamma Phi Beta. It was so very satisfying to meet so many charming Gamma Phis that we hated to have the end come. The Committee had arranged a program that gave varied social diversions between the business meetings. These included a tea at the Berkeley Country Club, a bridge supper at Ovo Thelen's, a luncheon at Rachel Colby's a supper at Eta Chapter House, and a day with Mu at Stanford.

Since the conference we've had two meetings. The April one was held on the twenty-second with Dorothy Westrup Berry as hostess. It gave the girls a chance to enjoy Dorix's new home and we all do appreciate the fact that Dorix now has more time for Gamma Phi. Of course, both the business and social sides of the conference were much discussed. In May we had our annual tea to meet the Eta and Mu seniors. Winnie Bridge Allen was hostess and that should hint that it was a very lovely party. We are always so glad to welcome the seniors as alumnae whom we hope to see often. Then too, many of the girls who can't come often were there and that is always a joy.

#### RUTH GENUNG

##### PERSONALS

Barbara Bridge (Eta '16), and her mother have gone to England where Marjorie Bridge (Eta '25), will join them.

Lorraine Andrews (Eta '12), goes to Manila to teach in the college.

Harriet Pasmore (Eta '14), is back from a year in New York. She sang a solo part in the San Francisco production of *Elijah* in May.

Beth Hoyt (Eta '15), expects to go to Paris this fall to join Doris Hoyt (Eta '20), who is studying violin.

Berkeley has been the summer mecca for Grace Underhill, Irma Buwalda, and Eleanor Whitman, with their respective kiddies. Both we and their maternal families have been glad.

Among the girls who enjoyed the High Sierras have been Winnie Bridge Allen, Carmelita Piper, and Penelope Simonson.

Ruth Genung (Eta '13), expects to teach in Pasadena next year.

##### MARRIAGES

On September 1, 1925 at Santa Barbara, California, Margaret Osborn (Eta '22), to Dr. Wilson Stegeman (Delta Kappa Epsilon, Chicago). They are at home in Eugene, Oregon.

On March 22, 1926, at Cristobal, Panama, Helen Spinney Bell (Eta '17), to Captain Richard McClure, U.S.A.

##### BIRTHS

To Lieutenant and Mrs. Charles Rend (Helen Deamer, Eta '23), a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Van Brunt (Katherine Ann Shattuck, Eta '24), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Wellington (Annette Ruggles, Eta '20), a daughter, Elizabeth.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Harker (Bertha Gray, Epsilon '14), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Farnsworth Currier (Elizabeth Bridge, Eta '12), a daughter, Mary Virginia.



DENVER

*Goal of endeavor,  
Fruition of hopes,  
The camp!*

Although formal meetings of the Denver Alumnae were brought to a close with the June meeting, our activities in behalf of the camp for underprivileged children have been quite strenuous. On July the fifteenth, twelve excited little girls were taken to the station, put on the train and sent to camp. When they arrived, each child was supplied with a khaki suit, heavy stockings, tennis shoes and, best of all, a warm, outing-flannel "nightie." All these things the child was allowed to keep. A life full of interesting activities coupled with a splendid balanced diet and much rest showed marked results in these little girls who two weeks later returned rosy-checked, and with several additional pounds of weight! The following weeks showed the same results with another group of children from eight to ten years of age.

The camp has been run by an efficient group of Gamma Phi councillors on a definite and carefully thought-out schedule, with special hours for classes in the morning, a two-hour rest period in the afternoon, followed by a hike, picnic supper, stunt night, or some other form of activity in which all the children have participated. Nor have certain duties been overlooked. Each child has made her bed, helped in the washing and drying of dishes when her turn has come, and has certain monitorial responsibilities.

Even though the camp was conducted on a small scale this year, we hope that is only the beginning of a very worth-while project which surely cannot fail to enlist interest and support of every one of us.

DOROTHY B. BELL

MARRIAGES

On June 3, 1926, Kathleen Jacob (Theta), to Mr. John Sterling Kennedy.

On June 25, 1926, Florence Kob (Theta), to Mr. Joseph Adler.

On July 7, 1926, Constance Whitney (Theta), to Mr. Paul Milton Davis, Beta Theta Pi, University of Denver. Mr. and Mrs. Davis will make their home in Detroit.

BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Walter Freeman (Frances Foster, Tau), on April 20, a son, Richard Allan.

MINNEAPOLIS

*Enthusiasm from the Province Convention*

*Merged into a rummage sale, two meetings and a picnic!*

Minneapolis Alumnae Chapter had a rather uneventful spring this year. Doubtless everyone was tired after the Province Convention, for all that we attempted besides the regular business meetings was a Rummage Sale on April 28 and 29. Marjorie Wingert Earle was in charge of this sale and due to her untiring efforts we raised \$114 which was more than enough to complete the \$500 needed to meet the yearly expense on the Chapter house.

The April business meeting was held at Eva Rutherford's and the May business meeting was held at Pearl Hall's. We finished the year with a picnic lunch on June 4 at the home of Jerry Baton at Wayzata.

Now everyone has scattered for the summer and those of us who are left at home are enjoying some of the out of town Gamma Phis who are here in Minneapolis on visits.

ANNA P. BARTON

#### PERSONALS

Catherine Serviss Miller of Psi is now living in Minneapolis. Her husband is in the Mathematics department of the Engineering College of the University of Minnesota.

Carol Albrecht Kelley came back from Omaha for a visit in July. Her address in Omaha is 804 N. 33rd Street.

Minneapolis Alumnae Chapter extends deepest sympathy to Helen and Mary Carpenter in the sudden death of their father.

Katherine Whitney Kingsbury returned to Minneapolis with her three children for a visit of two months.

Marion Slater Leonard will move to Milwaukee in September.

Grace Kingsley Wales of New Rochelle, New York, visited in Minneapolis this summer.

Margaret Preston Goddeyne also visited in Minneapolis this summer.

Marjorie Wingert Earle visited her family in Dixon, Illinois, during the month of July. Anna Boardman will spend a day with her when she passes through Minneapolis in August on a trip west.

Gertrude Hagey Allen has moved to California.

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Irving English (Lorraine Hanson), in March, 1926, a daughter, Edith Marie.

#### PORTLAND

*In spite of hot weather and scattered members Portland makes plans and the Mothers' Club remains active*

Having been affiliated with the Portland Alumnae Chapter only since April, and, during that interim not knowing that I was to become the new CRESCENT correspondent for the ensuing year, I have not as complete a record of past events, as I should like to have. Since the latter part of June, when elections were held, I have scurried about in search of news, but due to intense heat, with the accompanying exodus of the sisters from town, in search of cooler areas, I have had little success.

To my knowledge, the first big event occurring after my joining the Portland Branch, was the Gamma Phi Beta Province Conference, which was held here on Friday and Saturday, the twenty-third and twenty-fourth of April, with Portland Chapter, as hostess.

At this highly successful conference, one of the most happy gatherings was the picnic luncheon which was given on Saturday afternoon, at the country home of Caroline B. Unander. There, in a natural auditorium under the tall pine trees, Gamma Phis from Washington, Idaho, and Oregon discussed their problems, expressed their views, and drew closer together in friendship and understanding.

The closing banquet on Saturday evening, at the Sign of the Rose Tea Room, was the most inspiring of all the events. At this, Ruth Lauraine Close was toastmistress, and Margaret Meany Younger and Clara Taney Will gave talks that made each member present glow with the love of Gamma Phi Beta. At this time Beatrice Locke of Portland, was elected Province director, and Grace Maxwell Gray of Portland was chosen province secretary.



Following this province conference which was without doubt a most successful working out of national plans, came the May meeting in the form of a luncheon at the home of Helen McDonald Sander, which is located in Beaverton, a small town within a pleasant ride's distance from Portland. After the serving of the prettily appointed luncheon, future social service work plans, the coming rummage sale and a social gathering with the active girls of Nu and Chi Chapters were discussed.

The result of these plans was the actual occurrence of a rummage sale, which netted a neat profit, and on June twenty-nine a picnic for the active girls.

Caroline B. Unander again opened the doors of her summer home to Portland Alumnæ Chapter. Mrs. Unander's home is delightfully situated on the banks of the broad and swift flowing Columbia. Active girls and "alums" spent the afternoon in swimming, chatting, and generally becoming better acquainted. A short business meeting took up part of the time, at which officers were elected for the ensuing year. Virginia Wilson Petheram, was reelected president much to the pleasure of all, for Virginia has just piloted Portland Chapter through a most prosperous year. Helen Andrews Smith was elected vice president, Mildred Reichardt, treasurer, and Eileen Tompkins Hall was chosen corresponding secretary with Geneva Stebno Cockerline as CRESCENT Correspondent.

Since that last picnic, the month of July has come and gone with the social calendar vacant as to any alumnæ "doings."

The Mothers' Club has remained enthusiastic throughout the hot summer months. Two picnic meetings have been held, both at the home of Mrs. O. M. Rankin at Green Hills.

Though it is now midsummer, and we are glorying in vacations at beach or mountain resort, it is but a month until we will all be in the city, meeting once again, and making plans for a splendid, workable program for the year of 1926-27. So there's to a bigger and better year for every Gamma Phi Beta alumnæ chapter!

GENEVA STEBNO COCKERLINE

#### PERSONALS

Edna Pence (Chi), has returned from a summer's trip to California.

Helen Andrews Smith (Chi), spent a part of the summer in visiting with friends and relatives in Minnesota.

Janet West (Nu), is making a tour of Europe this summer.

The sympathy of the sisterhood is being extended to Jennie Parelius Campbell and Florence Parelius Everett on the death of their father.

#### MARRIAGES

In April at Los Angeles Grace McKenzie (Nu), to Mr. Joseph Goulding. Mr. and Mrs. Goulding will make their home in San Francisco.

In June, Anne Roberts (Nu), to Mr. Clarence Hogan.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Holman (Janice Parker, Lambda), on June 9, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Young (Maxine Malkup, Nu), on May 28, a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Kurtz (Lillian Crawford, Chi), in May, a son.

## ST. LOUIS

*Picnics and discussions, and plans for Phi's rushing*

This summer the meetings of the St. Louis Alumnae Chapter are being held, picnic fashion, in Forest Park. We assemble in the afternoon with our lunches, and discuss the business which has accumulated since the last meeting. Naturally, the subject of paramount interest right up to the present time is the establishment of a committee to gather data about every prospective rushee. In this way, we will know the antecedents of every girl we pledge and thus avoid the troubles which are apt to arise after Pledge Day.

As usual, Gamma Phi is well represented in College Club offices. Mrs. Walter Kirchner, Irma Gamble and Beatrice Kotsream are all on the Board, and Bea is corresponding secretary as well. Grace McGeoch is Chairman of the Educational Committee.

There is the usual summer dearth of sorority news, as everyone is either just going away or just coming home, so with best wishes from St. Louis for a successful rushing season.

CHARLOTTE BRUCE ROBERTSON

## PERSONALS

A number of St. Louis Gamma Phis are in Europe this summer. Virginia Black, Georgianne Tracy and Margaret Ewing are touring the continent, while Louise Brouster is visiting relatives in England. Incidentally, Louise is making quite a name for herself in musical circles with her lovely contralto voice, doing church work as well as concert work.

Lucile Riedel Mueller and her husband have just returned from a wonderful three weeks tour of the east.

Dorothy Jennings and her mother are in Alaska.

Ada Marie Kelly has gone to California for a year's rest. In all probability she will matriculate in one of the western universities for the second semester, and will spend part of the fall with Mary Constance Roach, who is teaching there.

Mary Jones Snyder and her husband, who are now living in Albuquerque, New Mexico, are visiting Mary's parents.

We are delighted to welcome Mrs. Livingston, who has recently moved to St. Louis.

Dorothy Peters and Charlotte Briner were delegates to the District Conference.

## MARRIAGE

Sara Kennedy to Albert T. Brueggeman of Santa Monica, California.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Lowe, II (Ilmgarde Zetlmeisl) on March 25, a son, Albert S. Lowe, III.

To Mr. and Mrs. Max S. Muench (Beulah Rackerby) on April 10, a daughter, Elsa Katherine.

To Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lauenstein (Helen Scholz) in February, a son, Milton, Jr.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Briner (Molly Bamberger) on June 8, a daughter, Jane Ann.

## DEATH

James A. Rackerby, father of Beulah Rackerby Muench, on Decoration Day. Our sincere sympathy is extended to the bereaved family.



CLEVELAND

*Brides—three of them; travelers—many of them; and the time-honored Rummage Sale!*

Alumnæ chapters can enjoy only in memory many of the thrills of active days—"the rushing," the "proms," the "big game"; but we share most truly with the active girls the lure of vacation days. It may mean to us the welcoming of our own sons and daughters home from college, the opening of summer homes, the entertainment of summer house guests or travels far and near.

We are anticipating delightful talks at our meetings next winter from our much travelled members. Nan Dimmick, Frances Bredin, Anne Spencer Harrington and her daughter Doris, who graduated from the University of Michigan in June, are spending the summer in Europe. Pauline Adams Drake, Lillian Boynton Smith, and Gladys Lewis Eggeman are spending some time at their former homes in various parts of Michigan. Ruby Laird Baston is at one of the lakes near Detroit, while Dorothy Winchell Keller is enjoying her new summer home at Charlevoix, Michigan. Alice Kenyon Watkins has been renewing college days by a visit at Syracuse and Abby Lane Geibel by a visit at Hollins.

Cleveland Alumnæ Chapter continues to have its meetings take the form of monthly luncheons. In a group as small as ours, there can be a more intimate relationship than in the larger groups. Possibly we have stressed the social side too strongly, but we seem very well satisfied with the informality of our meetings.

To be able to welcome three brides at once is a real event to which we look forward this coming year. The brides who will be with us are Grace Sprague Cameron (Epsilon), Frances Colvin Hecker (Alpha Eta), and Ardys Stoner Nichols (Beta).

The marriage this spring of Celeste Beckwith, daughter of Mrs. A. E. Beckwith (Alpha), was also an occasion of interest to our chapter.

There are interesting events in our past history which we have not yet told you. The April luncheon was held at the home of Nan Dimmick who was assisted by Ruth Hier and Helen Williams. The hostesses for the May luncheon held at the Woman's City Club were Lillian Boynton Smith, Gladys Lewis Eggeman and Mary Lyons Dibble. The final luncheon before separating for the summer was in June at the Alcazar.

Our money making ventures still cling to the time honored rummage sales. The one this spring met with its usual success—*socially* and *financially*. Former Cleveland alumnæ members please note.

The Red Letter Day in the short history of Cleveland's alumnæ chapter was the visit of Lillian Thompson, National Panhellenic Delegate, as our guest on Saturday April 24. A representative from each of the Panhellenic sororities was invited to meet her at a luncheon preceding the tea given in her honor by the Cleveland Panhellenic Association at Hotel Cleveland. We were very glad that Mrs. Harris, vice president of Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Miss Louise Leonard (Alpha Gamma Delta) Chairman of National Panhellenic could be present to share the honors with Miss Thompson. All three took part in the program. A real Gamma Phi Beta banquet was held in the evening at the Clifton Club. Pauline Drake presided as toast mistress, and responses were given by Hónta Smalley Bredin, Mary Lyons Dibble, Nan Dimmick and Eleanor Quass of Alpha Eta preceding the main speaker, Miss Thompson. Eleven of Alpha Eta's members as our guests added greatly to the pleasure of the day.

Miss Thompson's visit with her rare charm of personality and her long experience in sorority affairs was of inestimable value as well as greatest pleasure both to the Cleveland chapter and to Alpha Eta. The younger members were inspired to "greater deeds" because of the meaning of it all and the older members to "carry on" for Gamma Phi Beta, though college days were many years ago.

MARY LYONS DIBBLE

#### ST. PAUL

*From province problems, province play, there comes the certain  
power of province understanding*

The actual fact of the District Conference over, we are turning our attention to the working out of the province affairs. Having two of the officers, Marie Moreland, president, and Mrs. Paul Maurer, Chairman of Finance, in our chapter, we get quite a "close up" of the workings of a province of a national sorority. The chairman of Finance says the treasury is beginning to take form to the extent of about one hundred and twenty dollars.

At our June meeting we were all urged by Marie Moreland to plan our finances and vacations so as to be able to go to Winnipeg this fall. Sorority life at Winnipeg is a new thing; various adjustments have to be made; and many national sororities are realizing the value of Winnipeg as a new field of expansion, and consequently, the balance of power between the University and sororities needs watching. We do hope that many of us will be able to make the trip, both for the pleasure, and the value as an insight into province affairs, and for a closer unity between chapters.

Soon the university will be opening, and with it the thrills and throes of rushing. The chapter house was put in such first class shape last fall and has been kept so splendidly all year by Mrs. Evans, that there is little to be done this year. With such a smoothly running house, we ought to be able to concentrate on the actual business of the hour. What success we have you will hear of later.

VIRGINIA MACDONALD

#### PERSONALS

Grace Moreland is taking her vacation in Yellowstone.

Marie Moreland is studying staging under Dr. S. Chatwood Burton of the University of Minnesota.

#### MARRIAGES

Josephine Hurd, Kappa, to Paul McGowan.

Evalyn Strothman, Kappa, to Robert Gall, Alpha Delta Phi.

Audrey Borden, Kappa, to Alfred Bierman, Alpha Delta Phi.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Walsh (Jean Borden), a daughter.

To Mr. and Mrs. Berrisford Tudor (Margaret Kinney), a son.

To Dr. and Mrs. R. L. Bower (Alice Gall), a son.



## AUSTIN

*Eighty-five Gamma Phis in Texas, from twenty-one different Chapters*

Although this group is one of the "baby association" of Gamma Phi Beta, we are very much alive, and have high aims and aspirations. We have discovered that there are some eighty-five alumnæ in Texas, representing twenty-one different chapters! These alumnæ had not had the opportunity to belong to a Gamma Phi association or chapter until the Austin Association was organized. We have assumed the responsibility of giving these alumnæ a definite affiliation if there are not enough to form associations in the various home towns; at the same time, are urging the organization of as many associations as possible. By Christmas, we hope to have every alumna in Texas as a member of some association.

Rush week for Alpha Zeta is now looming in the horizon, and the Austin Association is exceedingly anxious to help in obtaining the finest pledges. Doubtless we shall have many more items of interest for the December CRESCENT.

KATHRYN BRYANT

## LINCOLN

Lincoln alumnæ are ready for fall with our heads filled with the new house plans, which we are using to advantage in individual rushing before college opens. A new set of officers duly elected and organized, will carry on the real work of the winter.

Officers for the year are Clarice Greene, president; Fayne Smithberger Merriot, vice president; Susan Riches Minter, secretary and treasurer; Belle Farman, corresponding secretary. Summer gatherings have been in formal and irregular, but beginning in September, meetings will be held at the chapter house, 1144 J Street on the first Monday of the month at half after seven in the evening.

The house committee has been working over time this summer; so plans are now completed by the architects, and general contracts for the new Pi chapter house will be let this fall. The house committee, to whom we owe the completion of these first stages in the building of that southern colonial home, is composed of Clarice Green, Susan Riches Minter, Ruth Wells, and Dorothy Peterson.

Every alumnæ plan is a plan for the active chapter. Now we are turning our thoughts to the party given by the alumnæ at the fall rushing. We are enthusiastic about fall rushees, and also about the two tiny prospective Gamma Phis who have joined the local alumnæ chapter this summer.

BELLE FARMAN

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ogden (Dorothy Teal), on June 21, a daughter, Barbara Mirriam.

To Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Watkins (Ethel DeYoung), on July 13, a daughter, Phillis.

## OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

**F**OR NOVEMBER—*Eleusis* of Chi Omega; *Quarterly* of Sigma Chi; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Emerald* of Sigma Pi; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi; *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta; *Pentagon* of Phi Omega Pi; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Journal* of Kappa Alpha; *Monad* of Sigma Phi Sigma; *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta; *Triangle* of Mu Phi Epsilon; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Messenger* of Theta Kappa Psi; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Triangle* of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

FOR DECEMBER—*Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa; *Quarterly* of Zeta Beta Tau; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho; *Paper Book* of Delta Theta Phi; *Laurel* of Phi Kappa Tau; *Octagonian* of Sigma Alpha Mu; *Lamp* of Delta Zeta; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

FOR JANUARY—*Pentagon* of Phi Omega Pi; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta; *Quarterly* of Sigma Chi; *Triad* of Acacia; *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Emerald* of Sigma Pi; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Triangle* of Sigma Sigma Sigma; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Banta's Greek Exchange*; *Magazine* of Sigma Chi; *Carnation* of Delta Sigma Phi; *Quarterly* of Alpha Phi.

FOR FEBRUARY—*Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho; *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta; *Diary* of Alpha Kappa Psi; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Journal* of Sigma Phi Epsilon; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Triangle* of Mu Phi Epsilon; *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Monad* of Sigma Phi Sigma; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Paper Book* of Delta Theta Phi; *Palm* of Alpha Tau Omega; *Purple, Green, and Gold* of Lambda Chi Alpha.

FOR MARCH—*Phi Gamma Delta*; *Lamp* of Delta Zeta; *Triangle* of Sigma Sigma Sigma; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Quarterly* of Alpha Phi; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha.



FOR APRIL—*Beta Theta Pi*; *Banta's Greek Exchange*; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Messenger* of Theta Kappa Psi; *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Diary* of Alpha Kappa Psi; *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta; *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Purple, Green, and Gold* of Lambda Chi Alpha.

FOR MAY—*Triangle* of Mu Phi Upsilon; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta; *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Quarterly* of Delta Chi; *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi; *Triangle* of Sigma Sigma Sigma; *Magazine* of Sigma Chi; *Laurel* of Phi Kappa Tau; *Lamp* of Delta Zeta; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Fraternity Life*; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Paper Book* of Delta Theta Phi; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi; *Journal* of Sigma Phi Epsilon; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Eleusis* of Chi Omega; *Carnation* of Delta Sigma Phi; *Pentagon* of Phi Omega Pi; *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega.

FOR JUNE—*Aldebaran* of Beta Phi Alpha; *Diary* of Alpha Kappa Psi; *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta; *Beta Theta Pi*; *Quarterly* of Alpha Phi; *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi; *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa; *Compass* of Theta Phi Alpha; *Purple, Green, and Gold* of Lambda Chi Alpha.

FOR JULY—*Quarterly* of Delta Upsilon; *Monad* of Sigma Phi Sigma; *Emerald* of Sigma Pi; *Wheel* of Delta Omicron.

Apropos of the editorial upon *The Modern Girl*, we print the following from the Sigma Kappa *Triangle*. This appeared originally in *Alpha Xi Delta*:

#### TO MAKE YOU THINK

Once upon a time there was a girl  
Who believed in kissing every man who wanted her to,  
And who laughed at the traditions of  
High ideals.  
I wonder if that girl  
Ever stopped to think that  
Every kiss she carelessly threw  
Away took with it part of her personality; if  
She never envied the  
Popular girl who does not pay for  
Each dance or each box of candy  
With some bestowal of affection—  
(For popular girls do exist who  
Do not practice promiscuous loving).  
—And if she should ponder over the thought,  
“Would I want my mother to have done  
As I am doing” or “Shall the

Girl who is to be my daughter  
 Be a 'necker' with my consent,"  
 Do—  
 You—  
 Suppose—  
 She would still strive to be "a modern?"

From *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha comes this interesting information:

Of all the words used extravagantly and without real thought as to their meaning perhaps none is more prevalent than the word *snob*. We are prone to select our words with gay abandon and trust to luck that the one haphazard choice is an apt designation. *The Emerald* of Sigma Pi gives an explanation of this word that may give us reason to pause and think before it is used again. For nearly always it is called into play to denote a sense (often a false sense) of exclusiveness, whereas "the word snob is not, as many believe, mere slang, but it is of respectable, yes, even of distinguished origin, for it is the abbreviation of two Latin words, *sine nobilitate*, meaning 'without nobility.'

"This term was once used to indicate English university students who were not of the nobility. The pretensions of these men brought the word into ill favor, for they aped the manner of clothing of the nobles. There are nobles and snobs in our schools and fraternities today, not by accident of birth, but because some persons recognize true standards of gentility and others do not."

Two clippings in regard to the lost art of conversation—the first from *Alpha Xi Delta*; the second from *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha.

From the *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega:

A fraternity officer who has been a guest in many chapter houses deplores the fact that conversation is a lost art among college girls. To be sure the visitor is an older person, yet not too old to have lost her sympathy with youth or her understanding of the modern girl. To be sure there was conversation, plenty of it, but it was based on trivialities of the last party or dance, or plans for another one to be given or attended soon, incidents of minor value about the chapter house, college gossip. The older woman felt left out entirely for she had no part in the conversation, could have no part in it.

Being a thinking person she faced some facts as they were presented, and drew the conclusion that these were not rude girls, thoughtless, or careless girls, indeed, they were wholesome, likeable girls, busy with college classes and campus matters, busy with their own small world, and shutting out the world of thought and affairs. Were they not here in college to obtain a broader grasp of things, a better understanding of the world today and of yesterday? Did they know the outside world? They were to be the women of tomorrow, women with the vote to be wielded for good or evil, leaders in the church, in the home, in social and in civic affairs. Were their interests beyond the college world? Were they training their minds for broader interests?

Being a thinking person she drew the further conclusion that the dearth of conversation was due to fact that college girls, many of them, do not read. She reports few chapter houses which subscribe for a city newspaper of high standing, or for the better class of magazines which deal with



current history. Many college girls are not well informed in the realm of poetry, art, literature; do not have a grasp of national or international affairs, hence cannot sustain a conversation which might drift beyond the borders of their own campus. The thinking person would not advocate that conversation at table be centered on the foreign policy of Sweden, or the French debt or the last Rifian encounter, nor would she be spared a few hours of boredom when she visits chapter houses.

Her plea is for more reading of the kind that enriches the mind and the soul and therefore the whole life and the lives of others. College students today have unlimited opportunities to glean the best from the past and the present. How shallow the life, how warped the soul that does not know the power of Ruskin's words, "Make yourself nests of pleasant thoughts! None of us yet know, for none of us have been taught in early youth what fairy palaces we may build of beautiful thoughts, proof against all adversity; bright fancies, satisfied memories, noble histories, faithful sayings, treasure houses of precious and restful thoughts, which care cannot disturb, nor pain make gloomy, nor poverty take away from us, houses built without hands, for our souls to live in."

Tea time—that cozy hour of relaxation for a good cup of tea and a bit of interesting conversation, something beyond mere chatter and the automatic utterances of platitudes fitting for certain occasions. In the winter an open, glowing fire, comfortable chairs and a snatch of contentment from the busy grind of the day. As such we have always commended the custom of afternoon tea but as the pivot around which might revolve the culture of a nation—that is a new angle to share, and think about.

The *Toronto Star* recently published an interview with a rising young executive (a Gamma Phi Beta) who predicted the coming popularity of gifts of books, instead of candy and flowers, to the clear-eyed, straight thinking girl of today, and—

"You see," she finished quaintly, "Canada has a much better chance to become a really cultured country . . . because Canada has tea tables."

"Tea tables?" I repeated blankly.

"Yes, don't you see? In England, the center of British culture—if you go to a tea party you are absolutely out of it if you don't know about the latest books and the articles in the best magazines. You are looked down upon and scorned! And in Canada, we have kept the English custom of afternoon tea. The Canadian tea table is going to be the most important factor in the birth of Canada's intellectual national life."

Obviously, the busy life of the college girl precludes many delightful customs of a seemingly more leisurely type but, for the alumnae hostess, the tea table as a cultural center is not without its interest. When we consider what we have said at the average tea we conclude that we might have done better. When we try to remember what has been said to us, we can't. It is gone. So we conclude that there are teas and teas, at which the conversation is often not more stimulating than the strength of the tea and the astonishing transparency of the wafers. This is not the fault of the guests but of the atmosphere we create, the example we set, and the custom we maintain.

Many are the speculations we find on the subject of: "Is the art of conversation dead?" If we are to believe what we read we might conclude that, more and more, people are doing a great deal of talking, without saying anything in particular. Perhaps that is neither here nor there but the tea table as a contributing cultural factor is increasingly interesting when viewed in the light of the quoted authority.

A word for the freshmen:

Just what is a Freshman?

Thanks to the recent contest conducted by *College Humor* we know for the first time what a Freshman is. Here are some of the prize-winning definitions:

A Freshman is what Mother prays for and Dad pays for.

A Freshman is a creature so low that he can walk under a radiator wearing a plug hat.

A queer bird which migrates each fall toward gridiron fields. Peacock, a week; scavenger, a year. Eats from a mantel, and sleeps in a bathtub the night of the big game.

A Freshman is a person who gives the rest of the college its physical training.

A boy is a Freshman when he is old enough to go without garters.

A Freshman is a pore from the open spaces, learning to pour things in great open faces.

Freshmen are corns on the feet of Miss Alma Mater.

That period of life when nine out of ten fellows start to prepare themselves for the bond or insurance business.

His brother's keeper—dispenser of gent's furnishings to his majesty, the upperclassman. Possessor of a battered roadster, an autographed raincoat, and many textbooks, some slightly used.

A Freshman is a college person who is four years too young.

A Freshman is the sad ruins of last year's high school sheik. A little pin in the lapel with an order to clean up the cellar. The zero age.

A Freshman is a campus chameleon: starts out green, turns black and blue, and finally takes on the colors of his college.—*The Magazine of Sigma Chi*.

Through *Pentagon* of Phi Omega Pi

Another word for the seniors:

DO YOU WEAR YOUR BADGE?

We often read the line, "After graduation what?" May we say instead, "After graduation what about your badge?" Do you wear it or are you guilty of any of the following remarks heard at alumnæ meetings and wherever there are members of Greek letter organizations gathered together:

"I found my pin on my last winter's dress; when I happen to wear it, it stays on that dress."

"I suppose I really should wear my pin when we are on a trip, but I never wear it when I am teasing, so I forget."

"I saw two of the loveliest Theta's on the street car, while I was in California last winter, but I didn't speak to them because I didn't have my pin on."

"Did you realize that one of the guests at this party is a Tri Delta, a newcomer in town? Did you wear your pin? I'll dash up stairs and get mine, for we must have our pins where they'll show."

"I suppose I ought to get a pin. I lost mine, you know. I never think of it while at home, but I like to have one when I am away on a trip."



Is the badge to be worn only on occasion? Instead, let it become a habit, train yourself to feel that there is something lacking without your pin.

In regard to wearing one's badge while teaching, my personal experience has been that high school students admired my badge, asked what it was, remarked that I always wore it and wanted to know where I attended college.

In connection with the idea of being on the shelf after graduation, how many times have you read this stereotyped phrase in the home town newspaper when a wedding is written up? "The bride attended the university and was a member of — sorority."

An exchange is being printed in many of the fraternity journals now, under the title, "How many of theumnæ can pass this examination?" And the first question is—"Do you wear your badge?"

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