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MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH CONVENTION OF GAMMA PHI BETA

FIRST SESSION

THE Thirty-fifth Convention of Gamma Phi Beta was called to order by the President, Laura L. Graham, at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, on June 21, at 2:30 P.M.

I Corinthians, Chapter 13, was read. The regular Opening Exercises were led by the President.

On motion, the minutes of the last Convention, held at Lake Placid in June, 1924, were dispensed with. Eleanor Sheldon Myers, Director of Province II, in the name of all Gamma Phis in the Province, greeted the delegates and visitors to the Convention.

The President read telegrams of greeting from Helen Dodge Ferguson, Bertha M. Schneider (Columbus Alumnae Chapter), and Grace Howard Smith. On motion it was voted to send night letters from Convention to these three.

The President announced the appointment of the following committees:

Findings:

Alice Ringling Coerper, Milwaukee Alumnae

The Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta

Clara Taney Will, Seattle Alumnae
 Frances Lucas, Los Angeles Alumnae

Parliamentarian:

Kathryn Allen Woodward, Kansas City Alumnae

Resolutions:

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis Alumnae

Beatrice Locke, Portland Alumnae

Helen Baker, Baltimore Alumnae

Reports from the following officers and committee chairmen were read and accepted:

President—Laura L. Graham

Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary—Laura L. Graham

Secretary-Treasurer—Mary T. McCurley

Panhellenic Delegate—Lillian W. Thompson, read by Ruth
 Bartels Fox, Chicago Alumnae

Inspection—Margaret Younger

Expansion—Isabel Gage Dibble, read by Pansy Blake, Detroit
 Alumnae

Central Office Secretary—Anna Boardman

CRESCENT Editor—Lindsey Barbee

Scholarship—Carmel Riley, read by Secretary

Uniform Examination—Helen S. Wilkie, read by Helen Car-
 penter

Historian—Lindsey Barbee

Publicity—Lindsey Barbee

Endowment Fund Board—Marion Van Patten, read by Presi-
 dent

Director of Province II—Eleanor Sheldon Myers

Director of Province III—Kathryn Allen Woodward

On motion the meeting adjourned.

SECOND SESSION

The second session of the Thirty-fifth Convention of Gamma Phi Beta was called to order by the President on Wednesday, June 22, at 10:00 A.M. Regular Opening Exercises were led by the President.

All members of the Grand Council, except Lillian W. Thompson, National Panhellenic Delegate, and Isabel Gage Dibble, Chairman of Expansion, responded to roll call; Directors of Provinces, except Mildred Bigelow Price, Director of Province I, and Margaret Nachtrieb, Director of Province VII. Bertha Gray Harker alternated for Margaret Nachtrieb. All Greek-letter chapters were represented by their delegates, and all alumnae chapters except Boston and Syracuse, whose delegates were detained by illness, and Columbus, Madison, and Spokane.

Announcements were made by the Secretary, and letters and telegrams of greetings from other sororities were read by the President.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The reports of the following Province Directors were read and accepted:

Province IV—Marie Moreland

Province V—Madaline Miller

Province VI—Beatrice Locke

Province VII—Margaret Nachtrieb, given by Bertha Gray Harker

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, moved that the question of national finances be discussed. The motion was seconded and carried.

Kathryn Allen Woodward, Kansas City, moved that the National initiation fee be changed from \$14.50 to \$25.00—this to include a life subscription to *THE CRESCENT*. Motion was seconded and lost.

Clara Taney Will, Seattle, moved that a committee be appointed by the Chair to consider the matter of a financial survey and report to Convention. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mary Dalley, Toronto, reported the reason for the delay of the "Crescent Moon."

Virginia Greene, Mu, moved that undergraduates be permitted to purchase jeweled pins. The motion was seconded and carried.

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, moved that the question of the purchase of Gamma Phi Beta badges from unauthorized jewelers be investigated at the Convention. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Chair announced the following committee to consider the matter of a National financial survey:

Clara Taney Will, Seattle Alumnae

Bertha Gray Harker, Los Angeles Alumnae

Helen Williams, Cleveland Alumnae

Mary T. McCurley, Baltimore Alumnae

On motion the meeting adjourned.

THIRD SESSION

The third session of the Thirty-fifth Convention of Gamma Phi Beta was called to order by the President on Thursday, June 23, at 10:00 A.M.

The regular Opening Exercises were led by the President.

All officers in attendance at Convention, all Greek-letter delegates, and all alumnae delegates answered to the roll call.

Telegrams of greeting were read by the President.

The minutes of the second session were read and approved.

Necessary announcements were made by the Chairman of Convention and by the Secretary.

Frances Hosterman, Zeta, moved that we adopt a uniform Gamma Phi Beta badge, jeweled and unjeweled. The motion was seconded.

Ruth Russum Shearman, New York, moved that the motion be amended by striking out "we adopt" and inserting "that a committee be appointed to canvass the question of the adoption of" a uniform badge, jeweled and unjeweled and "that a report be made." The amendment was seconded and carried. The motion as amended was seconded and carried.

Virginia Greene, Mu, moved that Gamma Phi Beta adopt recognition pins. Motion was seconded and lost.

Yvonne Harley, Eta, moved that the Gamma Phi Beta crest be allowed on jewelry. The motion was seconded.

Kathryn Allen Woodward, Kansas City, amended the motion by adding "to be worn only by members of the Sorority." The amendment was seconded and carried. The motion as amended was seconded and carried.

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, moved that the Grand Council be authorized to penalize members buying Gamma Phi Beta jewelry from unauthorized jewelers. The motion was seconded.

Georganne Tracy, St. Louis, moved that the motion be tabled. The motion was seconded and carried.

Pansy Blake, Detroit, read the report of the Expansion Committee regarding a group at Queen's College at Durham, North Carolina, desiring to petition for a charter of Gamma Phi Beta.

Bertha Gray Harker, San Francisco, moved that we dissolve into a committee of the whole for discussion of expansion. The motion was seconded and carried.

Pansy Blake, Detroit, took the chair and discussion of expansion, especially in the South and Canada, followed.

Estelle Pickerell, Xi, moved that we rise from the committee of the whole. The motion was seconded and carried.

Pansy Blake, Detroit, reported for the committee of the whole:

1. The consensus of opinion of Convention is that the Expansion Committee needs more money and more power for investigation of the expansion of Gamma Phi Beta in the South and Canada.
2. When the Expansion Committee has been given power and makes definite recommendations to chapters regarding openings for the Sorority, that they should be given greater consideration.

On motion this report was accepted.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

FOURTH SESSION

The fourth session of the Thirty-fifth Convention of Gamma Phi Beta was called to order by the President on Thursday, June 23, at 2:45 P.M.

Alice Kenyon Watkins, Cleveland, moved that the Opening Exercises be dispensed with. The motion was seconded and carried.

All officers and delegates present at Convention, with the exception of the delegate from Des Moines, answered to roll call.

Helen Baker, Baltimore, moved that we dispense with the minutes of the last session. The motion was seconded and carried.

Clara Taney Will, Seattle, moved that we dissolve into a committee of the whole for the discussion of affiliation. The motion was seconded and carried.

Clara Taney Will, Seattle, took the chair. The problems of affiliation were presented by Annabel Hall, Lambda.

Kathryn Allen Woodward, Kansas City, presented a proposed affiliation blank.

Sara Preston Finley, Minneapolis, moved that we rise from the committee of the whole. The motion was seconded and carried.

Clara Taney Will, Seattle, reported for committee of the whole:

The tradition in Gamma Phi Beta is to affiliate all members transferring to a campus. The Committee recommends:

1. A uniform period of probation during which those desiring affiliation must abide by the by-laws of the chapter.
2. That there be an understanding of welcome and friendship between members of a chapter and all Gamma Phis coming to the campus.
3. That there be a national uniform blank of recommendation sent by the president of the chapter, a member of which is transferring to another institution, to the president of the chapter in the institution to which the member transfers. In case of doubt as to how unqualified this recommendation shall be, consultation shall be had with the Province Director.

On motion the report was accepted.

The President read greetings from Alpha Phi fraternity.

Bertha Gray Harker, San Francisco, moved the number of votes and delegates to Convention to which any chapter is entitled be regulated by the age and size of the chapter. Motion was seconded and lost.

Eleanor Sheldon Myers, Ann Arbor, moved that the Convention go on record as favoring a provision for resignation from membership in Gamma Phi Beta. The motion was seconded and lost.

On request copies of a song written by Audrey Miller, Omicron, were distributed and Convention joined in singing it.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

FIFTH SESSION

The fifth session of the Thirty-fifth Convention of Gamma Phi Beta was called to order by the President on Friday, June 24,

at 10:20 A.M. The regular Opening Exercises were led by the President.

All officers, alumnae and Greek-letter representatives, except Zeta, answered to the roll call.

The minutes of the third and fourth sessions were read and approved.

Necessary announcements were given by the Secretary.

In lieu of Mrs. Price, Director of Province I, who was forced to leave because of illness, Mrs. Younger gave an informal report of Province I. On motion the report was accepted.

Margaret Meany Younger, Seattle, gave a report of the Province Directors' Conference and moved its adoption. The recommendations were considered individually and the report was then adopted as a whole.

Clara Taney Will, Seattle, moved that a girl, transferring from one college or university to another, who has been disapproved as a rushee by a chapter of Gamma Phi Beta in the first institution, shall not be pledged by Gamma Phi Beta in the second institution until the expiration of one quarter or one semester after her matriculation. The motion was seconded and lost.

Marion Watkins, Theta, moved the adoption of the following amendment to the By-Laws, Article II, Section 1, b:

Any non-sorority woman coming from a college where Gamma Phi Beta has a chapter and matriculating at a college where there is also a chapter of Gamma Phi Beta shall not be pledged by Gamma Phi Beta in the second college without the advice of the first college. *The home town chapter shall have precedence in the matter.* This privilege shall be cancelled if the reply is not made within a specified time.

The motion was seconded and carried.

Kathryn Allen Woodward, Kansas City, moved that a penalty be imposed for infringement of the rule stated in the By-Laws, Article II, Section 1, c: "No chapter may pledge a girl from a city in which there is an active or alumnae chapter of the sorority without first securing the assent or reasonable grounds for objections from said chapter or chapters." The motion was seconded and carried.

Bertha Gray Harker, San Francisco, moved that the affixing of the penalty be left to the discretion of the Grand Council. Motion seconded and carried.

Bertha Gray Harker, San Francisco, moved that Article VII, Section 1 of the Constitution—"The sorority shall hold biennial conventions" be amended by adding "unless the Grand Council is otherwise authorized by vote of the chapters." The motion was seconded and carried.

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, moved that wherever the word

"non-active" occurs in the Constitution and By-Laws it shall be changed to "inactive." The motion was seconded and carried.

Madaline Miller, Denver, moved that Convention adopt an official Gamma Phi Beta playing card, to be purchased through the Denver Alumnae Chapter, for the benefit of the Denver Camp for Children. The motion was seconded and carried.

Madaline Miller, Denver, moved that the Gamma Phi Beta crest be used on the backs of the playing cards. The motion was seconded and lost.

On motion the meeting adjourned.

SIXTH SESSION

The sixth session of the Thirty-fifth Convention of Gamma Phi Beta was called to order by the President on Friday, June 24, at 2:15 P.M.

Alice Ringling Coerper, Milwaukee, moved that the Opening Exercises be dispensed with. The motion was seconded and carried.

All officers and chapter delegates answered to the roll call.

The minutes of the fifth session were read, corrected, and accepted.

Necessary announcements were given by the Secretary.

Alice Ringling Coerper, Milwaukee, gave the report of the Findings Committee, and moved its adoption. The motion was seconded and carried.

Sarah Chickering, Gamma, moved that officers of Greek-letter chapters be elected twice a year instead of annually. The motion was seconded and lost.

Alice Ringling Coerper, Milwaukee, moved that the Gamma Phi Beta badge be used only as a pin and that no replica of it be used in any other way. The motion was seconded and carried.

Kathryn Allen Woodward, Kansas City, moved that the laws of Heraldry, regarding the use of a crest, be incorporated in the Manual. Seconded and carried.

Marjorie Peacock, Omega, moved that Gamma Phi Beta publish a new song book. The motion was seconded and lost.

Bertha Gray Harker, San Francisco, gave the report of the Committee on the Financial Survey, and moved its acceptance. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, gave the report of the Resolutions Committee and moved its acceptance. The motion was seconded and carried.

The President read an invitation from Province III inviting the Sorority to hold its Thirty-sixth Convention with them in 1929.

Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, moved that, if the incoming Grand Council approve, the invitation be accepted with thanks. The motion was seconded and carried.

Pansy Blake, Detroit, presented the following slate for National officers, drawn up by the Nominating Committee:

Since it was the sense of the Nominating Committee, after due investigation, that the Sorority wished the next National Officers to come from Province II, we beg to present the following report:

For President—Mrs. Ernest Barbour, Epsilon and Chicago.

For Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary—Miss Agnes Wells, Beta and Cleveland.

For Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Alice Camerer, Rho and Detroit.

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE ETNYRE, Chairman, Chicago Alumnae

MRS. H. W. DOUGLAS, Ann Arbor Alumnae

PANSY BLAKE, Detroit Alumnae

ANNA DIMMICK, Cleveland Alumnae

JEAN STEVENSON, Toronto Alumnae

On motion the report was accepted.

The President called for further nominations. Mary T. McCurley, Zeta and Baltimore, was nominated for Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary.

Georganne Tracy, St. Louis, moved the nominations be closed. The motion was seconded and carried.

The Secretary was instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Elizabeth Davidson Barbour as President. The motion was seconded and carried.

Bertha Gray Harker, San Francisco, moved the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous ballot for Alice Camerer as Secretary-Treasurer. The motion was seconded and carried.

Yvonne Harley, Eta, moved that the vote for Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary be by secret ballot. The motion was seconded and carried.

Mary McCurley, Zeta and Baltimore, was elected.

Recess of ten minutes was taken for résumé of minutes of the sixth session of Convention. The minutes were read and approved.

Matthew 5: 13-17 was read by the President.

The Convention was then adjourned *sine die*.

MARY T. MCCURLEY
Secretary-Treasurer

II. REPORTS_x

1. OFFICERS_x

PRESIDENT_x

WHEN the new Council took office in 1924 one of the first tasks was the revision of the Constitution and By-Laws of Gamma Phi Beta. A very able committee from Syracuse Alumnae Chapter presented their report, and, after many consultations, we sent the result out to the chapters. Many provisions were accepted and many were rejected, which necessitated new provisions. These were sent out in the fall of 1926 and were finally accepted and put into effect.

The next large task was the organization of provinces. The twenty-five districts were unworkable, and we gained the idea of provinces from several other sororities and fraternities which have used that method of government with very good results. The sorority was divided into seven provinces on the basis of ease of railroad transportation. Each province has from four to six Greek-letter chapters and a fair proportion of alumnae organizations. About a year ago Mrs. Younger indicated to us that she could not make a long trip of inspection, which would mean twenty weeks at least, and resigned her position as Chairman of Inspection. We had decided that it was necessary to have every chapter in the sorority inspected during the year, and, consequently, gave the work to the province directors. That meant a trip of not more than three weeks for each Director, and in this way *every* Greek-letter chapter, and many alumnae organizations, have been inspected during 1926-27. Reports on each of the thirty-three Greek-letter chapters have been brought to Convention, will be thoroughly discussed with Mrs. Younger, who is able to be present, and conclusions as to our future policy can be reached. Powers and policies of province directors, work to be done by the province secretaries, and the importance of the province organization will be discussed and put in a concrete form by a competent committee. Greater unity and better understanding of local problems have already been the result, and we hope that there will be more national spirit developed, more inter-chapter friendships formed, and more leaders discovered for the national work.

A natural corollary of the province system was the method of making a whole province act as official hostess to Convention. This method is being tried out for the first time, and seems to be more successful than the method of having a single chapter act as hostess.

The Lake Placid Convention granted charters to Alpha Theta in October, 1924, at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee, and to Alpha Iota in August, 1924, at the Southern Branch of the

University of California, Los Angeles, California. A charter was granted to Alpha Kappa in June, 1925, at the University of Manitoba, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

A number of chapter houses have been built during the last three years—Sigma, Rho, Epsilon, Nu and Gamma—and plans are being made for Alpha Delta, Alpha Epsilon, and Omicron.

We have an average membership of eleven hundred in the Greek-letter chapters. Of those eleven hundred there are three members who have shown such a lack of interest in their sorority that their pins were asked for by their chapters. There are four who have not conformed to our Gamma Phi Beta standards, and their pins are being held by Central Office. One of those has been expelled, one has been suspended, and investigations are being made in the other two cases. This is a small number, but a source of regret that these girls have not appreciated their membership in Gamma Phi Beta sufficiently to abide by our rules and maintain our standards.

In April, 1926, I attended the Conference of Province I at Syracuse, and in November, 1926, I inspected the chapters of Province II and attended the Conference at Ann Arbor. I included Alpha, Alpha Theta, and Phi in the course of this trip, and my only regret was that I could not visit every chapter on our list. The girls gave me a wonderful reception, and I gained an insight into the needs of the Greek-letter chapters which could be obtained in no other way.

There are a number of points which came to me as a result of this trip. We should appreciate the fact that we belong to a national sorority and have the opportunity to meet our own members in all parts of the country. I noticed a splendid Panhellenic spirit among the girls, for in Delaware and in Nashville I had most beautiful flowers sent me by other sororities. When I was in Washington, D.C., I was invited to luncheon with the freshmen of Pi Beta Phi, and the members of that sorority could not have been nicer to me had I been one of their own officers.

Then we come to the question of scholarship. Some of our chapters have reported Phi Beta Kappas and election to various honorary societies, but all too many rank low in scholarship because of poor work done by a few. Is proper attention given to scholarship as qualification in a rushee?

This work as your President has been most delightful and has given me great happiness through the many friendships I have gained in the work. I wish to thank all of you for your hearty co-operation in everything that has been undertaken.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA L. GRAHAM

*President of Gamma Phi Beta and
Temporary Chairman of Inspection*

ALUMNÆ SECRETARY

As Alumnae Secretary for three years, I have had as my aim a larger number of interested and paying alumnae of Gamma Phi Beta. I have sent letters to the alumnae organizations and have had many replies telling of wonderful activities in local charities and work for our Endowment Fund. I shall mention a few of these varied activities. Syracuse has been contributing to the Endowment Fund of the University; Boston assists Delta with an apartment; New York has had to take over several shares of Panhellenic House Stock; Baltimore assists Zeta; Toronto is educating an orphan; Chicago is aiding Epsilon in their house project; Denver has its camp for undernourished children; Minneapolis helps Kappa; Madison is assisting Gamma build a new house, and Seattle helps Lambda and gives a scholarship each year. San Francisco stands back of Eta in every endeavor, and Los Angeles has helped Alpha Iota to develop into a strong chapter. St. Louis was the first alumnae chapter in the city to pledge \$5,000 to the Woman's Building on the campus of Washington University, and, as a result, Phi Chapter will be able to have rooms in this new building. There have been many other unselfish deeds accomplished, but the authors have hidden their lights under bushels and have not told me about them.

The number of alumnae organizations has been increased by the formation of four new alumnae chapters—Madison, Ann Arbor, Kansas City, and Columbus. There have been nine new associations formed—Wichita, Kansas; St. Joseph, Missouri; Davenport, Iowa; San Diego, California; Winnipeg, Manitoba; Nashville, Tennessee; Austin, Texas; Duluth, Minnesota; and Grand Forks, North Dakota.

I have tried to reach the alumnae all over the country through the district secretaries, and did succeed in enrolling many as national members and subscribers to *THE CRESCENT*. When we merged the districts and formed the provinces we sent letters and urged the alumnae to join the nearest chapter or association, or if that was impossible, to pay dues directly into the national treasury. Some of our alumnae organizations are very lax in paying their national obligations, and are the first to object when an attempt is made to live up to rules. Why is this condition true? Haven't we our Endowment Fund for which to work? When we consider the work done by this Fund it should encourage us to greater efforts.

This year I have had reports that Colorado Springs, Davenport, and Pittsburgh have ceased to function; while Ames, Astoria, Austin, Boise, Duluth, Everett, Grand Forks, and Salem have paid no national dues. Washington, with a small and changing membership, sent us fifty dollars for the Endowment Fund; Nashville is helping Alpha Theta with their house; Champaign-Urbana has been aiding Omicron very materially with their plans for building, while St.

Paul assists Kappa in all of her activities. Rho has had splendid support from the members of Iowa City, although there is no national affiliation there. A number of the other associations have assisted their respective chapters with gifts of money, help in rushing, etc., but have done nothing toward the national organization.

When we sent letters, Constitution, and By-Laws to the chapters, we included the associations, for we feel that they should be preparing for the work of a chapter.

The alumnae of Gamma Phi Beta should realize that we have more standing than do the alumnae in some of the other Panhellenic sororities. Therefore, since we have equal voting powers with the Greek-letter girls, we should be willing to pay our dues and be thankful that we have the opportunity. We should also appreciate the high quality of our magazine, and the fact that we have a genius for an editor. Miss Barbee has placed *THE CRESCENT* in the front rank of sorority magazines.

In order to be a real power in the sorority the alumnae should be willing to pay more in money and effort, for the work cannot be carried on in a slipshod manner.

We have had a rule for many years that every member of an alumnae organization pays national dues of \$2.50 a year, which covers a subscription to *THE CRESCENT*. We also have a by-law to the effect that any chapter whose initiation fees and national dues are not paid when convention assemblies shall lose its vote. Strange to say, we have had letters this year expressing surprise over being obliged to pay any attention to such rules. We have printed the names of all of the associations in front of *THE CRESCENT* with the hope that they would realize their duty, but we recommend that the names of those associations which do not keep the rules be dropped.

There must also be a more serious effort on the part of the alumnae to bridge the gap between the alumnae and the Greek-letter chapters, and make the undergraduates realize that we are ready to help in any work which they are doing to forward the work of Gamma Phi Beta.

I wish to thank all of the presidents and secretaries of alumnae organizations who have helped to interest our members in the national work. The secretaries of former districts and the secretaries of the provinces should have their share of praise as well, for many have been interested through their efforts.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the alumnae work, and would not minimize the splendid work done. However, the organizations which have observed the rules and done the most work have accomplished this quietly, while we have had to spend more time and attention on those which have given us no response.

We must always remember that the alumnae help is needed to

carry on the work of developing our sorority and making it of importance in the college world.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA L. GRAHAM

Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary

SECRETARY-TREASURER

TO GAMMA PHI BETA IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED:

The Convention of 1924 authorized a Central Office of Gamma Phi Beta to be established in Chicago. Immediately following the close of Convention an effort was made to find someone, experienced in Gamma Phi affairs, in Chicago to fill the position of Central Office Secretary. Failing in this, a search was made for an experienced member who would be willing to reside in Chicago and undertake the work. Again failure rewarded our efforts. Since all of the officers were new and since no two resided in the same city or less than two hundred miles apart, it seemed unwise to establish a new office with an inexperienced person at the head in Chicago, an eighteen-hour ride from any officer. Therefore, after due deliberation, it was decided to establish it in Boston or Baltimore so that it would be possible for the Central Office Secretary to work in close collaboration either with the President or Secretary-Treasurer. Anna Boardman, a resident of Baltimore and a member of Upsilon chapter, was approached and agreed to accept the position. Though \$1,800 had been set as the minimum salary, it had been with the idea of filling the position with a member experienced in Gamma Phi work. Since no such person was available and since the sorority's finances were at a very low ebb, a much smaller amount was offered. However, the Secretary of Central Office is now perhaps better versed in Gamma Phi national affairs than any other member and should command a very much larger salary than she is receiving.

The Convention of 1924, in recommending the establishment of the office, made no provision for office expenses. A very small office in any of the larger office buildings in Baltimore rents for not less than \$720, and an office on the outskirts of the business district for \$600. Therefore, a room in Zeta's apartment was turned into an office and the low sum of \$180 annual rental paid. This included light, heat and cleaning.

Two steel filing cases have been purchased and all Gamma Phi Beta correspondence has been filed under headings so that information regarding any chapter or member is available almost instantly.

Because the work could be done so expeditiously in the Central Office, few Council meetings have been necessary. Your Secretary attended one held in New York in November, 1924, and another

in February, 1925. In November, 1925, the Council met in Baltimore, and your President has made two trips to Central Office since that time. On each occasion of a visit to Central Office by other members of the Council it has been the pleasure of the Central Office Secretary and the Secretary-Treasurer to act as hostesses, a rôle which they have enjoyed exceedingly.

Until Grace Howard Smith was forced by illness to resign the Presidency of Gamma Phi Beta in March, 1926, one or two letters a week passed between her and the Secretary-Treasurer, all relating to matters to be attended to in Central Office. Since then Laura Graham and Anna Boardman or the Secretary-Treasurer have used the mails almost daily trying to give service to members of Gamma Phi Beta and conferring on questions relative to our sorority.

At the last convention the L. G. Balfour Company was made the third official jeweler to Gamma Phi Beta. Within the last three years this firm has supplied the greater number of Gamma Phi Beta badges. The dealings of the Secretary-Treasurer with the company have been most pleasant—rebates on all badges, one lucrative source of income for our Endowment Fund, are received promptly and the few complaints are followed up most satisfactorily. A. H. Fetting Company has maintained its usual high standard of efficiency. With J. F. Newman, Incorporated, the situation has been different. Unfortunately that company was forced to undergo a financial reorganization which delayed payments of rebates on badges for many months. After repeated letters, and a few personal calls, some satisfaction has been received. However, to date, no rebates have been made on purchases of September, 1924, to April, 1925, and November, 1926, to June, 1927. Moreover, whereas Balfour and Fetting have forwarded their checks to cover advertisements in each issue of *THE CRESCENT* promptly, it has taken two letters to extract each check of \$10 from Newman. The question of continuing this firm as an official jeweler of Gamma Phi Beta is certainly debatable.

Although not listed as an official jeweler, Kents, Limited, of Toronto, was granted permission, upon the establishment of Alpha Alpha chapter, to supply our Canadian members with badges. Within the last three years the question of rebates on orders was raised with this firm and the Endowment Fund is now a bit richer for every Gamma Phi Beta badge purchased there. In the last three years 1,500 pin authorizations have been signed and 1,500 pins purchased from these firms.

Although stated repeatedly that Gamma Phi Beta badges are to be purchased *only* from official jewelers, it has come to the attention of the Secretary-Treasurer that a few members are buying

elsewhere. No authorizations have been issued for these badges, no record can be kept of them and naturally no rebate is received on them. Obviously it is unfair to the firms which are delivering only upon authorization, paying rebates on all purchases, and endeavoring to render the best possible service, to have members of Gamma Phi Beta fail to live up to the sorority's agreement.

It was the will of Convention in 1924 that the name, chapter, and date of initiation on membership certificates be engraved in Old English, rather than written in longhand, as was the custom. Commercial engravers who bid on the job quoted \$.50, \$.60, and \$.75 as the cost of the finished certificate. A member of Gamma Phi Beta has agreed to engrave them at twenty-five cents each. The blank certificate costs ten cents and the remaining fifteen cents, for the price to each member is now fifty cents, covers mailing to the engraver, the Grand President for her signature, and finally to the chapter president. Six hundred and twenty-four membership certificates have been engraved since 1924.

The Central Office Secretary has attended to all details of correspondence, reports, announcements, etc., and her report will give a picture of life in your national office for the past three years. As the office was located very close to the place of business of the Secretary-Treasurer, your Central Office Secretary and she arranged to have lunch together every day, except Saturdays and Sundays. The lunch hour has been turned into a conference hour with the result that it has been possible to discuss and pass upon all matters coming into the office without delay. Without doubt the experiment of the last three years has proved that Gamma Phi Beta needs a Central Office and that its work can be done best by centralization. It is hoped that from this modest beginning, financed as economically as possible, may develop a permanent headquarters with a member at the head who, imbued with Gamma Phi Beta loyalty and trained in the business world, may carry our Sorority forward to take its stand with progressive organizations.

Until 1924 Gamma Phi Beta's investments were handled by the Secretary-Treasurer. In the fall of that year they were placed with the Harris Trust Company of Chicago, trustee of the Endowment Fund. The report of that fund will be given later.

During the last three years an effort has been made to discover where the sorority was headed financially. Receipts and disbursements have been distributed under the following headings: (a) Organization, which has included the salary and expense connected with running a Central Office, inspection, expenses of officers and national committee chairman; (b) CRESCENT, salary, printing and expense; (c) Miscellaneous—song books, histories, making of robes, etc.; and (d) Endowment.

<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Disbursements</i>	
1924-1927		1924-1927	
Dues	\$14,879.80	Organization	\$ 7,379.93
Endowment	12,595.96	Endowment	9,628.42
CRESCENT Sub	13,800.30	CRESCENT	13,583.18
CRESCENT Ads	340.00	Miscellaneous	3,471.25
Miscellaneous	3,139.15	Convention	341.36
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\$44,755.21		\$34,404.14	

Balance on hand June 13, 1927—\$10,440.64.

Deducting from the balance, money due THE CRESCENT and Endowment Funds we have \$6,915.98. It is estimated that the Convention will cost the national treasury about \$5,000. If held biennially this means \$2,500 must be put aside each year to meet the expense. This will leave a balance of about \$2,000—little enough with which to start a new year, for dues for the year 1927-28 will not be paid until the winter. Meanwhile there will be salaries and office expenses.

During the past year, \$896.88 has been spent for inspection as against \$200.81 for the year 1925-26. From the reports made by chapters these visits have been well worth while.

Dues from Greek-letter and alumnae chapters have totaled in 1926-27, \$5,236.45. The cost of running Central Office has been \$2,000. Deducting this and the cost of inspection there is a balance of less than \$2,500 per year for expansion work, convention, and any extras that may occur.

It is a satisfaction to report that THE CRESCENT is now self-supporting.

<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Disbursements</i>	
1924-1925		1924-1925	
Subscriptions	\$3,982.25	Salary	\$1,100.00
Advertisements	110.00	Expense of Editor...	150.00
<hr/>		Printing Magazine ..	3,664.49
Total	\$4,092.25	Miscellaneous	33.13
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		Total	\$4,947.62

<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Disbursements</i>	
1925-1926		1925-1926	
Subscriptions	\$5,191.05	Salary	\$1,200.00
Advertisements	110.00	Expense of Editor...	150.00
<hr/>		Printing of Magazine	3,445.26
Total	\$5,301.05	Miscellaneous	114.53
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		Total	\$4,909.79

1926-1927

<i>Receipts</i>		<i>Disbursements</i>	
Subscriptions	\$4,627.00	Salary	\$1,100.00
Advertisements	120.00	Expense of Editor . . .	150.00
		Printing of Magazine . .	2,443.88
Total	\$4,747.00	Miscellaneous	56.89
		Total	\$3,725.77
Balance in Fund			\$557.12
Estimated expense for remainder of year			125.00
Probable Balance			\$432.12

Two payments of the Lindsey Barbee Fellowship have been made. Though due in advance in July, this had not been paid for 1924 when the present treasurer took office. Payment for 1924-25 was made in the fall of that year. No payment was made for the year 1925-26, but \$500 awarded for 1926-27. On the advice of the Fellowship Committee of the A.A.U.W. the Council voted to award this every other year instead of annually and to increase the amount to \$1,000. Therefore, no award has been made for the year 1927-28. Hereafter this money will be a part of the Endowment Fund.

Several years ago chapters were requested to use the Baker-Vawter System of Bookkeeping. In many respects this system seemed very complicated and unfitted for sorority use. Complaints from some chapters and a total disregard of the request by other chapters followed. Mr. G. I. Butterbaugh has devised a system, now used by several large Panhellenic sororities, which seems to meet our need. Already several of the chapters are using this system and can testify to its success. During the past year Mr. Butterbaugh has prepared budget forms for the national treasury. These are simple and easy to handle and will, if followed, make it possible for Gamma Phi Beta to have a more accurate record of its financial status.

In summing up the work of the three years I want to express my appreciation of those chapter officers who have forwarded promptly the money due and who have complied with all requests sent out from Central Office, to the other national officers and especially to Anna Boardman, who has handled so efficiently the work of the Central Office.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY T. MCCURLEY
Secretary-Treasurer

EXPANSION

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF GAMMA PHI BETA, IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, GREETINGS:

Since the convention at Lake Placid in 1924, the Expansion Committee has been in correspondence with fifty-one local organizations. The action taken on these for the first two years has been given in the annual report at the end of each year.

During the past year groups have been refused at Illinois Wesleyan, North Dakota State College, Rollins College, College of Pacific, Ripon College, University of Gettysburg, Florida State College for Women, Akron University, Albion College, Baldwin-Wallace College and Sophie Newcomb.

The local at Adelphi, carried over from last year, has also been refused. Four chapters disapproved of the location.

During the past three years, of the fifty-one groups considered, only one has been granted a charter, Alpha Kappa.

A group at Queens College, Charlotte, North Carolina, is presented to you at this convention for consideration.

Complete reports and all expansion material have been sent all chapters and associations during the past three years.

For the convenience of future Expansion Chairmen, all official reports of the past eight years have been copied and bound in a black leather cover. In similar form, general information relative to Gamma Phi Beta has been collected for the benefit of future installing officers.

The Expansion Committee acknowledges, with grateful appreciation, the material added to the installation trunk through the efforts of Katherine Taney Silverson. With the exception of pledge pins and cap and gown the trunk is now complete. These articles should be added to the trunk before another installation.

The Committee wishes to thank the many chapters and individuals who have written friendly, helpful letters, some of which it has been impossible to acknowledge. The close association with the chapters has been a source of pleasure to the Committee for the entire three years.

The Committee wishes to ask your continued interest in Southern expansion, for we feel sure that opportunities in that direction are only beginning. The outstanding sentiment of the South seems to be for better educational facilities. Everywhere is a deep desire for better equipment, better trained instructors, and more endowment so that the colleges may have the same rating that our Northern colleges have. This feeling, as you know, is new to our Southern states. Only a few colleges have stood out above the rest for their good scholastic standing. Co-education in the South is fast becoming an accepted situation and co-educational colleges

are very receptive to the idea of national fraternities. In two instances college presidents have asked Gamma Phi Beta to give her serious consideration to their institutions. The administrations in the South have a closer oversight over the college organizations than our Northern institutions exert.

We believe, however, that, in most cases, expansion in the South will be carried on by colonization, due to the very great emphasis placed on family connections and because many sororities which had their origin in the South have a very strong foothold in that section. In at least one of the finest Southern colleges, where several nationals have existed for years, there is a wealth of unorganized material. The existing chapters are small and many girls of the finest families are not affiliated with these organizations.

Your attention is called to the possibilities of colonization in Sophie Newcomb and in the Florida State College for Women. We believe that there is room for Gamma Phi in both of these institutions, but entering either without colonization would be dangerous.

Here the Committee wishes to stress a paragraph in the Expansion report of 1921:

The Expansion Committee cannot too strongly urge that those deeply concerned over expansion work focus their energy upon creating a special fund for this purpose or forcing the present Endowment drive with a view to employing part of that money to this end. We have proved that talking does not accomplish the desired condition. Let us turn our attention to concrete work.

No finer use for a part of our money could be found than for the inspection and colonization of groups in certain Southern colleges.

Most Southern colleges are small now, but with the great activity started in both educational and industrial interests, they are bound to grow rapidly and in the right direction, and, with proper introduction, a strong national sorority should have no difficulty in establishing the finest chapters.

The Expansion Committee's greatest wish for our Sorority is that she may develop with farsightedness and do even greater things in the future than she has done in the past. The day of small things is past and we must develop and enter the right institutions with the *right personnel*. While our numbers may be somewhat larger it will be within our power to make our culture more intensive through better supervision, better stimulation, and broader dreams. We should build wisely and only as rapidly as the right opportunities present themselves.

Respectfully submitted,

ISABEL GAGE DIBBLE

Chairman of Expansion Committee

DELEGATE TO NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONGRESS

Since convention last met at Lake Placid, the National Panhellenic Congress has held one meeting at Dallas, Texas. Three items of particular interest came before the meeting. First, petitions for membership in National Panhellenic Congress were presented by one Jewish sorority, one Catholic sorority, and one Eastern Star, or Masonic sorority. All three petitions were rejected and once more National Panhellenic Congress announced itself in favor of general sororities rather than one line sororities. Second, a legal injunction, gotten out by one sorority against a college Panhellenic, forced National Panhellenic Congress to take a stand against the law as a means of settling sorority disputes. In the future any sorority having recourse to the law is automatically dropped from National Panhellenic Congress at the expiration of a month. Third, the committee on college Panhellenics presented a plan for simplifying rushing rules and regulating penalties so that serious troubles may be avoided. Mrs. Brown of Alpha Chi Omega, the chairman of this committee, has been working to get all college Panhellenics to adopt the National Panhellenic Congress plan. Never before has National Panhellenic Congress kept in touch with college Panhellenics as a whole, and, while this has involved much work for the committee, it seems to be succeeding well.

This spring your delegate sent to all active chapters a questionnaire concerning Panhellenic conditions. All chapters except Kappa responded. The first question asked was whether the college Panhellenic was organized under the rules sent out by Mrs. Brown's committee. Of our thirty-three chapters, twenty-four answered "yes" to this question and eight answered "no," two saying they had never heard of the rules. These were Oklahoma and Iowa State. Your delegate sent a list of delinquent colleges to Mrs. Brown, who is writing them.

The next question was, "What is your college Panhellenic doing beside regulating rushing and bidding?" Only two chapters answered, "Nothing." They were Idaho and St. Louis. All the others were busy at a variety of tasks. The largest number, seventeen, reported that they were giving intersorority social affairs to promote friendliness. Dances, exchange dinners, teas, banquets, and luncheons were mentioned, while the Northwestern Panhellenic was trying to organize a Yellowstone trip for this summer. Two Panhellenics, Vanderbilt and Los Angeles, were sponsoring intersorority athletics. The next great interest was scholarship. Some Panhellenics were offering cups for the sorority having the highest average. Some fixed a standard for scholarship and deprived any sorority falling below it of some social privilege. Some encouraged freshman scholarship prizes. Next in order of interest came the regulation

of all matters of sorority interest on the campus, from house rules and college rules to social conduct, including smoking and drinking. Then came such objects as friendliness between sorority and non-sorority groups, co-operation with the dean, and the enforcement of rules. Finally, four colleges reported philanthropic work. Northwestern provided some one to take a blind girl to classes. Los Angeles gave a yearly scholarship of \$750. Hollins gave \$70 a year for an Italian war orphan and Kansas is working on a scholarship fund. All these activities are worth while—all have grown out of local needs. Your delegate hopes that some of them may suggest activities to Panhellenics who have not yet lived up to their opportunities.

The next question was about the bidding plan used. Practically every college uses the preferential system, the only variation being in the person through whom they work. Some use a lawyer, some the dean, and some a disinterested person. Only two colleges seem not to use this method of bidding, which has done away with the worst abuses of the bidding season.

The last question was on Panhellenic troubles. Seventeen chapters replied that there had been none in the last two years. The others reported infractions of rushing rules, settled locally. It was interesting to note the sororities reported as breaking rules and receiving penalties. They were Kappa Kappa Gamma, penalized in six colleges; Kappa Alpha Theta, penalized in five colleges; Pi Beta Phi in three; Delta Delta Delta in two; Gamma Phi Beta in two; Alpha Phi in one; Delta Zeta in one; and Alpha Gamma Delta in one.

This questionnaire seems to show that in the colleges where Gamma Phi Beta is represented, Panhellenic conditions are good.

The special service which a Panhellenic delegate owes to her sorority is to keep informed of the lines of development followed by other sororities, in order that convention may be able to judge whether Gamma Phi is keeping abreast of her rivals. There are at present three fields of sorority endeavor, in each of which we need to work strenuously if we are not to be left behind—first, finance; second, scholarship; and third, alumnae leadership. The most progressive sororities are putting in financial supervisors who arrange a budget for each chapter, receive monthly reports on uniform sheets, and oversee every detail of expenditure and receipt. Duplicate reports are sent monthly to province directors and, through them, to Central Office or the national treasurer. The savings effected are very great, and the financial troubles averted greater still in some cases. These financial supervisors are usually college professors of economics who are experts in this field. Both Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Gamma talked most enthusiastically of

the results of their systems and offered to help any sorority to install it, using the same blanks and bookkeeping outfit.

A glance at the wealth of Gamma Phi Beta, made possible by material gathered for a National Panhellenic Congress report, shows that the sorority is handling very large sums of money, such as no corporation would dream of expending without expert advice. We own houses, lands, and furniture valued at \$768,000, cost price. Our running expenses are \$243,793. Our national treasury handles large sums besides these. Does it not seem reasonable that such sums could be handled with considerable savings through expert advice? The table of property and expenses handed to the delegates will enable you to make some interesting observations on the wide differences in expense in various chapters. Our national treasury and our national dues need special study and reform so the sorority may keep up with others in its national life. Several chapters stress inspection as one of our greatest needs, and they are right, but adequate inspection is expensive—no chapter suggested how the treasury was to meet this added expense, and with our present income no such sums are available. The expansion chairman reports that her work has been made almost useless these last two years by the lack of funds for inspection of new fields. Other sororities seem to have no trouble in sending inspectors where they are needed. Why should we?

Your National Panhellenic Congress delegate therefore urges convention to authorize a committee to study and, if they think best, install an adequate system of financial supervision both for active chapters and for the national treasury in order that our income may be adequate and spent to the best advantage.

Our second great need is scholarship. In our last report it appears that one-third of our active chapters, eleven, stand within three of the bottom of the list in their respective colleges. Only three of our thirty-three chapters stand first. This is a very bad showing and calls for heroic measures. Several sororities require their chapters to stand within the upper third in scholarship or be penalized by loss of voting, or social privileges, or both. Several sororities, Delta Gamma among them, have installed study systems binding on all active chapters. We need this badly, judging by a report on pledge standing which lies before me. The Delta Gamma pledges are third—ours are nineteenth in a total of twenty-three. Our standing is just about half that of the leading group, Kappa Delta. While these figures are from one college only, they show the need for a system which shall make such a showing impossible in any Gamma Phi chapter.

The third thing Gamma Phi needs to use her best efforts for is alumnae leadership. In all the most progressive sororities it is the alumnae who are working out plans to better the sisterhood nation-

ally. Active girls cannot get the comprehensive national view that is needed if we are to keep abreast of sorority leaders, for the actives must use their strength on local problems. Our province conventions should be the training schools for alumnae leaders. They should be preparing the material for national officers and for committee chairmen, because they give some view of national needs and possibilities. Our weakness as a sorority has been our lack of national vision, but already our province organization is modifying that fault. Chapters are showing by their convention recommendations a much greater insight into national needs. They are stressing inspection, expansion, finance, which shows a decided growth in outlook.

In conclusion, your delegate urges you to study and provide for financial supervision, study supervision, and alumnae leadership.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN W. THOMPSON
National Panhellenic Delegate

CENTRAL OFFICE SECRETARY

TO GAMMA PHI BETA IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED:

The report of Central Office is the account of a few big accomplishments and the record of a host of details, trivial in themselves, which en masse compose the history of Gamma Phi Beta from 1924 to 1927.

The Central Office Secretary has been the Business Manager of *THE CRESCENT* also, and a large amount of time has been spent in correcting names and addresses on the mailing list. The average circulation for 1925-26 and 1926-27 has been 3,000 copies per issue. From 75 to 100 copies are returned, unclaimed, to the publisher after each issue. This is due to the fact that members move, leaving no new address behind them. The name on each returned copy is traced, sometimes four or five letters are written in the effort to discover the correct address, and finally the name with the correct address is replaced on the mailing list.

A complete set of *CRESCENTS* beginning with Volume V, through Volume XXVI, 1926, has been bound and is on file in Central Office. A copy of the first issue, published in June, 1900, is in the Office, but no further copies until 1905. It would be a great satisfaction to have the set complete, and assistance in securing the missing numbers from members is solicited.

Another part of the work, requiring many, many letters, which is now running smoothly, is the collection of premiums on the insurance policies by means of which we are building up our Endowment Fund. Thirty-three chapters (Greek-letter and alumnae) hold policies issued by the *Ætna Life Insurance Company*. The amounts of the premiums are \$64.87 for a fifteen-year policy and \$100.81 for

WEALTH AND EXPENDITURES OF GAMMA BETA SORORITY

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Lot</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Board</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total running expenses for year</i>
Alpha-Syracuse	\$2,000	\$16,000	\$18,000	\$21.60	\$32.40	\$54.00	\$8,630
Beta-Michigan	3,300	21,000	24,300	20.00	30.00	50.00	15,223
Epsilon-Northwestern	University land	80,000	80,000			61.00	15,681
Gamma-Wisconsin	42,000	65,000	107,000	22.50	30.00	52.00	18,941
Beta-California	3,000	12,500	15,500	25.00	30.00	55.00	14,206
Theta-Denver		Lodge	4,000				
Kappa-Minnesota	2,000	12,000	14,000	12.00	30.00	42.00	9,937
Lambda-Washington	4,500	38,000	42,500	16.00	22.00	38.00	11,106
Mu-Leland Stanford	University land	12,000	12,000	15.00	30.00	45.00	9,056
Nu-Oregon U.	6,000	40,000	46,000	10.00	27.00	37.00	9,197
Xi-Idaho	2,000	25,000	27,000	8.00	30.00	38.00	10,077
Omicron-Illinois	21,000	58,000	79,000	15.00	30.00	45.00	10,328
Pi-Nebraska	5,000	Rents		15.00	30.00	45.00	10,935
Rho-Iowa	11,000	39,000	50,000	15.00	28.00	43.00	18,519
Sigma-Kansas	4,000	31,000	35,000	16.00	30.00	46.00	16,900
Tau-Col. Agriculture	Rents			10.00	30.00	40.00	4,170
Chi-Oregon Ag.	15,000	17,500	19,000	10.00	20.00	30.00	7,114
Psi-Oklahoma	3,000	45,000	48,000	15.00	30.00	45.00	10,890
Omega-Iowa State	2,200	Rents		20.00	25.00	45.00	7,378
Alpha Beta-N. Dakota	500	14,500	15,000	10.00	30.00	40.00	8,110
Alpha Gamma-Nevada	1,000	10,000	11,000	5.00	35.00	40.00	3,343
Alpha Delta-Missouri	Rents			11.00	30.00	41.00	7,755
Alpha Epsilon-Arizona	1,450	Rents		15.00	25.00	40.00	4,161
Alpha Zeta-Texas	Rents			10.00	24.50	37.50	3,579
Alpha Theta-Vanderbilt	Rents			12.50	25.00	37.50	3,420
Alpha Iota-Los Angeles	Rents			20.00	25.00	45.00	5,137
Alpha Kappa-Manitoba	will	rent	next	year			

SUMMARY

Number of active chapters	23
Chapters living in houses	23
Chapters not living in houses because of campus conditions	7
Chapters owning house and land	17
Chapters owning house and land	3
Chapters renting	6
Total wealth on houses, land and furniture (at cost price)	\$768,000
Most expensive property—Gamma	107,000
Most expensive house—Epsilon	80,000
Total yearly running expenses	243,793
Highest chapter budget—Gamma	18,941
Average chapter budget	7,387
Average wealth per active chapter	23,372
Average wealth per active member	717

a ten-year policy. Eight chapters hold four policies, each one being responsible for one-half a policy, and one policy is held by four chapters. The collection of premiums on policies held by more than one chapter is difficult, but with the Insurance Company and Central Office working together good results have been obtained. Notices are sent from the Insurance Company to Central Office and from there forwarded to the treasurers of the various chapters. Failure of a chapter to report the names of officers, here, as in other cases, cause many delays and much wasted time. Chapters have co-operated much better during the past year and we are happy to report a more prompt payment in 1926-27 than in 1925-26.

During the Endowment Fund drive, 1923-24, 309 pledges were secured. Since then three members have died so that we now have a total of 306 pledges. As a bait for pledges a life subscription to *THE CRESCENT* was offered to the first fifty members pledging \$50. Fifty-nine fifty-dollar pledges were received. Seven of the first fifty have paid nothing during the four years though, in accordance with the agreement, they have received their *CRESCENTS* regularly. To all of these have gone the regular notices and personal letters in addition. In 1924-25 and again in 1925-26 notices were sent to all who had pledged any amount, stating the total amount of their pledge, amount paid to date, and amount due. During 1926-27 the regular notice was sent with a follow-up to those who failed to reply. The response has been gratifying.

The revised Constitution and By-Laws represent not only a large amount of time and thought on the part of the Revision Committee and the Grand Council, but many hours of clerical work in Central Office. The preparation of the first copy for discussion by chapters, additions sent later, checking of votes on articles accepted or rejected, and the final revised copies, now in every chapter's President's Book, were worked over for weeks. All of the material contained in the President's Book has been checked and each chapter supplied with a book complete, except for the articles pertaining to initiation and ritual, in which no changes were made. A Province Director's Book has been compiled and placed in the hands of each Director.

In addition to the regular Central Office work the Secretary has typed and sent out semi-annual reports for the Endowment Fund Board; questionnaires for the National Panhellenic Survey on Cost of Fraternity Life and Fraternity Housing; Literary Exercise material; National Examination questions; questionnaires for National Panhellenic Delegate, the National Publicity Chairman, and the Province Directors; report blanks to be filled out by the Province Director on chapters visited and report blanks to be filled out by the chapter after the visit of the inspector; miscellaneous blanks for securing information regarding the condition of chapters; and letters

from the Grand Council to chapters and individual members. The compilation and forwarding of this material has taken a large amount of time and effort. However, it is nothing compared with the time and effort required to collect from chapters this same material by a specified time. Chapters are slow in sending requested information and it is sometimes necessary to forward two or three notices before receiving a reply.

The extraction of funds from chapters is a slow and painful process. Apparently many members are perfectly willing to enjoy all of the rights and privileges appertaining to membership in Gamma Phi Beta, but are reluctant to pay for them. Newly initiated members have worn their pins with great pride, but have sometimes allowed the weeks to slip into months and the months even into a year without paying the national initiation fee. For that reason it was found necessary to enforce the regulation that no pin authorization would be signed until the initiation fee had been paid. Some few chapters object to this ruling on the ground that they wish "to initiate the freshmen with their own pins." The answer to this is—have initiation fees paid in advance. In general the co-operation from chapters on this point has been splendid. The result has been twofold—first, prompt payment of fees, and, second, a much simplified jewelry situation—no pins to be returned to the jeweler because the pledge left college or failed to make her grades and no pins in possession of those ineligible to wear them.

The promptness of payment of the annual dues by Greek-letter members can be improved. Though payable January 1, the dues from one chapter were received May 17, from another on June 1, and from still another on June 7. Probably the only reason they arrived so soon was the chapter had been notified that according to the new By-Law, Article VI, Section 1 (e)—"Any chapter whose dues and initiation fees remain unpaid when convention assembles shall lose its vote." This by-law was made necessary because of the above mentioned slowness of some chapters in meeting national obligations. Drastic action must be taken when Greek-letter chapters send in dues a year late and alumnae chapters not at all.

The collection of alumnae chapter dues presents a more serious problem. While Greek-letter chapters are required to pay national dues for all members in college, whether active or inactive, alumnae chapters cannot be expected to pay for all Gamma Phis living within a certain radius, some of whom have no contact whatsoever with the chapter. It is difficult to determine who are to be considered chapter members and who are not, and it is obviously unfair to make a whole chapter lose its vote because one Gamma Phi has subscribed to *THE CRESCENT* but has not paid the entire national tax of \$2.50. We therefore recommend that as alumnae chapters are required to pay \$25 national dues for the first five years after being

chartered (making ten as the minimum number of members) this be the *minimum* amount required from all alumnae chapters, and those falling short shall lose their votes.

No record as to the number of letters written in Central Office has been kept, but to give some idea of the volume of work it is only necessary to state that since October, 1926, over ten thousand sheets of mimeographed copy have been cut. This does not include any of the typewritten correspondence with chapters and individuals.

The majority of the chapters have given the Central Office Secretary their co-operation. However, there are exceptions—in 1924 and 1925, when we were trying to bring our lists of members up to date in order that the Directory, about to be published, might contain the name of every Gamma Phi with her correct address, it required eighteen letters and one telegram from Central Office to one chapter to secure the chapter list. When it arrived, finally, the Directory had been published. Six letters were written between January 5, 1926, and August, 1926 (seven months), to collect three dollars due from one chapter for two song books.

The Central Office was organized for the benefit of the chapters; its purpose is to furnish information and to be of service. We have endeavored to live up to this as far as possible since 1924, but to assure the efficiency of the Office and to make easier the work of the next secretary, we want to impress upon each member of Gamma Phi Beta that co-operation with your Central Office is absolutely essential to its success.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA BOARDMAN
Secretary of Central Office

Central Office recommends that:

1. A complete card file of every member be secured.
2. A supplementary to the Directory be published.
3. Province Directors give written report to chapters visited.
4. Each out-going chapter officer give full instructions to incoming officer regarding work of that particular office.
5. Those who pledged \$50 to the Endowment Fund and paid nothing be stricken from list of contributors to Fund and Life subscribers.

2. COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN ENDOWMENT FUND BOARD

TO GAMMA PHI BETA IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED:

At last Convention it was voted to establish a National Endowment Fund Board in Chicago with Harris Trust and Savings Bank of that city acting as trustee. The first meeting of that Board con-

sisting of Lillian W. Thompson, Beta, Lucy Babcock, Alpha, Marjorie Etnyre, Gamma, and Marion Van Patten, Epsilon, was held December 27, 1924. Lucy Babcock has been replaced by Elsie Heilman, Delta, in accordance with the provisions for re-election as prescribed by our Rules and Regulations.

We were all thrilled to learn at the Lake Placid Convention, our fiftieth birthday, that our Endowment Fund with a goal of \$50,000 had been realized. However, this did not represent all cash, but was also made up of pledges and insurance policies. The actual funds turned over to the new Board by the retiring Treasurer amounted to \$19,611.02, which itemized was as follows:

Investments

Bonds	\$14,100.00	
Notes	2,874.50	\$16,974.50
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Cash	2,636.52	\$19,611.02

Today we have \$31,470.37 in the Fund, made up as follows:

Investments

Bonds	\$22,245.63	
Notes	4,473.50	\$26,719.13

Cash

Capital Account	\$ 3,282.28	
Income Account	1,468.96	\$ 4,751.24
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		\$31,470.37

This represents an increase of approximately \$12,000, \$7,000 of which has been realized through pledges, national tax, etc., and \$5,000 through the interest and enhancement on our investments.

At the time the Board was incorporated we were lending to four chapters, Sigma, Chi, Psi, and Alpha Beta, in the total amount of \$2,874.50. Since that time we have received requests and granted loans, including chapter and individual, to the extent of \$7,650. Psi has increased her loan \$500, and four additional chapters, Omicron, Rho is to be especially commended, for her loan was paid back within a year. Rho, Pi, and Alpha Gamma have applied for loans of \$1,500 each. The applications from the last two chapters are more recent. Pi has asked that her loan commence as of July 1, of this year, and Alpha Gamma as of August 1, which accounts for the reserve of over \$3,000 in our Capital Account uninvested.

Five individuals have availed themselves of the assistance of the Fund to the extent of \$1,150. The chapters represented by these individual loans are Beta, Epsilon, Zeta, Omega, and Alpha Theta.

The Fund is still too young to demonstrate how much good it can do, but there are unlimited possibilities and it has been a satisfaction to the Board to know that during its short existence it has been able to supply aid when it was needed.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION VAN PATTEN

Treasurer Endowment Fund Board

PUBLICITY

The Chairman of Publicity feels that her work in this limitless field has been only of pioneer nature. It depends upon her successor to evolve a complete and effective system that will bring definite results, and that will inspire in each chapter an enthusiastic interest and a ready desire for co-operation.

The plan of the Chairman included a sub-chairman in each chapter whose duty was that of seeking news items, compiling notable chapter achievements both collective and individual, and of sending such a compilation to the editor of *THE CRESCENT*. The chairmen were duly elected, but few functioned; and the contributions received for the magazine were conservative in number. On one hand we have the knowledge that our members are distinguishing themselves in various fields of activity; that our chapter activities are often worthy of detailed reports; that judicious advertising is desirable and productive. On the other hand we insist that chapter and individual interest and effort be so aroused as to provide the proper channel toward public announcement and recognition.

Accordingly, the Chairman of Publicity reports this definite procedure since 1924.

1. The election of sub-chairmen in publicity from every chapter.
2. A personal investigation in this line by the Chairman.
3. A report at stated time to *Banta's Greek Exchange* of items of interest concerning Gamma Phi Beta and Gamma Phi Betas.
4. The editing of a Publicity Department in the magazine.
5. The compilation of a booklet known as *The Handbook of Chapter Traditions*. A word of explanation in regard to this booklet is necessary. At the time of the Conference of Province V, an informal discussion relative to an exchange of chapter ideas, customs, and social affairs resulted in an expressed desire for such a compilation. The suggestion was referred to the President of Gamma Phi Beta and met with her approval. Accordingly, the Chairman of Publicity issued letters asking for chapter traditions, chapter functions during rushing season, and any innovation in the way of toast schemes, place cards, favors, date books, etc. The result, while not entirely satisfactory, produced enough material to issue this handbook which, at present, is on sale at Convention. The following chapters made no response to the appeal: Beta, Gamma,

Delta, Eta, Kappa, Nu, Rho, Psi, Alpha Gamma, Alpha Delta, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Iota, and Alpha Kappa; while the alumnæ groups were represented only by San Francisco, Detroit, and Toronto.

One realizes after noting such lack of response and such inadequate representation, how difficult it is to accomplish definite results. It is hoped that the *Handbook* may prove of practical help to new chapters, may acquaint all members with customs and traditions, and, by the interchange of ideas, may furnish some constructive aid.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDSEY BARBEE
Chairman of Publicity

SCHOLARSHIP

TO SISTERS IN GAMMA PHI BETA IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED,
GREETINGS:

I have submitted my report in two parts, first a tabulated statement of the scholarship standing of the various chapters from the fall of 1923 through the spring of 1926 (the reports for the academic year just closed, 1926-27, are not yet available), and second, a letter which is to go out to the chapters in the fall. This letter, which goes perhaps into unnecessary detail for the lay member, will, nevertheless, serve to give the members of the sorority at large, both active and alumnæ, an idea as to just what the work of the Committee on Scholarship consists of. I am hoping that this letter may be printed in *THE CRESCENT* so that the active chapters may have it in readily accessible form.

If I may make a suggestion as to the discussion to follow this report, I should ask that the means used to promote good scholarship by (1) each institution, and (2) each chapter represented at the Convention, be presented, and that the delegate take detailed notes to carry back to their chapters.

If sorority women as a whole are a picked group they should be above the average. Applied to scholarship, this means that they should maintain a scholarship standing somewhat better than the general university average. In my opinion an average grade corresponding approximately to from 70 to 80 per cent is unsatisfactory for such groups. They should maintain an average of from 80 to 85 per cent, and without doubt they could if each individual would exert more effort. The task before us is to make each girl realize her personal responsibility in this matter.

Several chapters, other than Kappa and Alpha Kappa, the winners of the urn for the two years just past, deserve special commendation for the work that they have done. Theta Xi and Upsilon have high averages and high comparative rank as well. Chi,

Psi, Omega, and Alpha Beta have good averages but do not rate as high comparatively. Tau has high comparative rank but low average.

In the table of averages, blank spaces mean that the chapter in question failed to submit reports. Two requests have been sent out each year to each chapter. Since this indicates a careless attitude, the delegates from these chapters should, I think, be instructed to especially call the attention of their chapters to this delinquency.

There is one suggestion which I should like to make and which should perhaps be brought up for general discussion as to its efficacy. This is the matter of having the chapter chairman of scholarship retain her office for two years. In one year a girl is hardly more than familiar with her work; in the second year her experience would enable her to carry more weight.

I shall be glad to give information or help in any way possible to my successor.

Respectfully submitted,

CARMEL D. RILEY, *Chairman*

TO CHAPTERS:

Enclosed you will find forms on which you are to keep a record of the grades received by each girl in the chapter. These forms are to be kept in any ordinary binder. If you will record each girl's grades or rather the number of hours or units of A, B, C, etc., or H, M, S, etc. (according to your marking system) each girl makes, as well as her average for the semester or quarter, as soon as the reports are out, you will have on hand the material from which to make up the chapter average to be sent on October 15 of each year or at the close of each semester, or quarter, if you choose, to the National Scholarship Chairman. Even if the University makes up the average for the different sororities, you should keep the records of each individual for filing in the chapter scholarship book. This book should be turned over from one scholarship chairman in the chapter to the succeeding one each year. In making your report to the National Scholarship Chairman, I do not think it is necessary for you to send copies of these forms. The National Chairman is concerned with the chapter average primarily.

These are the points on which the National Chairman needs information for the purpose of making her report to the Grand Council:

1. Chapter Average

In explanation of this, give a key to your grading system. You will find it printed in brief form in your University catalogue or Circular of Information.

2. Comparative rank of your chapter among other National Panhellenic Sororities at your institution. Give the number of

National Panhellenic sororities who have chapters at your institution, indicating your place in the list.

3. Give the number of members of your chapter who have been elected during the year to Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, or other scholastic honor societies. In the case of others not as well known as Phi Beta Kappa or Sigma Xi state for what they stand (Mathematics, Economics, etc.), and if they are national or local.

SCHOLASTIC STANDING OF THE CHAPTERS OF GAMMA PHI BETA SORORITY

	CHAPTER AVERAGE				COMPARATIVE RANK*	
	1923-24	1924-25	1925-26	1923-24	1924-25	1925-26
Alpha	79.50	79.70	.....	15/19	.....	.....
Beta	79.40	77.70	.....	7/16	12/16	.....
Gamma	81.30	80.55	81.00	6/17	11/17, 10/17	15/18, 10/18
Delta	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Epsilon	.....	81.50	81.00	.....	7/18	6/18
Zeta	74.80	74.30	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eta	80.30	79.76	79.90	7/19, 6/19	5/20, 11/20	5/20, 13/20
Theta	85.15	85.50	85.98	5/6	2/6	1/6
Kappa	78.70	80.00	78.60	5/18	1/18	2/18
Lambda	80.00	83.00	78.50	5/7	3/7	14/?
Mu	.....	.....	80.80	.....	.....	3/10
Nu	74.50	76.78	75.90	.....	9/14, 10/14, 12/14	7/15, 13/15, 8/15
Xi	.....	78.00	86.75	.....	3/6	1/6
Omicron	80.00	81.51	81.75	15/20	5/20, 6/20	9/20, 6/20
Pi	80.70	81.75	81.90	2/17	10/17	11/17, 15/17
Rho	79.55	73.46	78.80	9/12	12/13	12/15
Sigma	80.00	81.50	82.90	2/12	2/12	3/12
Tau	.....	83.25	82.99	.....	3/5, 2/5	.....
Upsilon	.....	80.20	84.00	.....	2/7	1/7, 1/7
Phi	74.76	74.20	.....	4/7	4/7	.....
Chi	.....	.....	86.41	.....	.....	5/? , 3/? , 11/?
Psi	85.10	.....	83.00	.....	.....	12/?
Omega	.....	.....	86.71	.....	.....	4/?
	Bet.	Bet.	Approx.			
Alpha Alpha	80 & 84	78 & 82	85.00	.....	.....	.....
Alpha Beta	.....	83.53	85.01	5/10	6/10	7/9
Alpha Gamma	.....	.....	83.50	.....	.....	2/4, 4/4
Alpha Delta	.....	79.20	76.80	.....	6/13, 3/13	10/13, 12/13
Alpha Epsilon	.....	81.35	78.00	.....	5/6, 2/6	7/7
Alpha Zeta	73.00	81.00	79.80	9/11	1/13	10/13
Alpha Eta	.....	83.43	79.70	.....	3/12, 7/14	17/17, 18/18
Alpha Theta	.....	80.70	76.00	2/5	.....	3/5
Alpha Iota	80.00	79.00	80.60	.....	3/10	2/16
			Approx.			
Alpha Kappa	Established in	87.00 or				
	the fall of 1925	88.00				

* Numerator indicates position of Gamma Phi Beta; denominator indicates number of National Panhellenic Sororities. In cases where more than one fraction is given, the semesters or terms of the year have been reported separately. Cases not reported are those from which I have been unable to secure material.

4. Give any special means used or incentives held out to promote scholarship in your chapter.

If you have any questions please write to the National Scholarship Chairman.

If each chapter scholarship chairman will pass instructions on to her successor we ought to be able to keep this work systematized.

Thank you for your co-operation during the past three years. Please remember that immediately after the opening of the fall semester, 1927, you are to send in your chapter report for the academic year just past, that is, 1926-27. I am resigning the Chairmanship of the National Scholarship Committee, and ask that until the next chairman is appointed, you send in your material to the Central Office Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

CARMEL RILEY

Chairman of Scholarship, 1924-27

UNIFORM EXAMINATIONS

The Chairman of Uniform Examinations begs leave to submit the following report concerning her work of the last three years.

In making out the study outlines for the years 1924-27 I have had in mind several objectives:

1. Increased knowledge of the national work done by the fraternity.
2. Important points and essentials in regard to Gamma Phi Beta history—national and local.
3. Familiarity with *Roberts' Rules of Order* because of general lack of ability to follow parliamentary law procedure.
4. Sympathetic and intelligent understanding of Panhellenic problems.
5. Serious consideration of such problems as rushing, freshmen training, province organization, publicity, scholarship, expansion, and the relation between pledges, actives and alumnae.

A great deal of material in the Literary Exercises has been taken from THE CRESCENT. College and University women are all so busy and are apt to find the National Examination a burden. For this reason just valuable material has been included in the study—enough to develop intelligent, well informed, and broadminded Gamma Phis.

The examination each year has included questions of objective and of subjective nature. Complete reports including a copy of the questions asked, a criticism of the papers received, and the ranking of chapter results appeared in the December CRESCENT for

1925 and 1926. A report for the year 1926-27 will appear in one of the fall issues of *THE CRESCENT*.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN SCHEI WILKE (Mrs. Paul W.)
Chairman of Uniform Examinations

HISTORIAN

The history of Gamma Phi Beta first appeared in 1921; and since that time the Historian has kept on file in the Central Office a connected account of all sorority chapter and individual achievements, appearing under the title, *Story of Gamma Phi Beta, Part Two*.

Usually, the history of one year is placed under a chapter heading with a separate chapter for the events, constructive measures and personnel of convention; and material for these chapters is gleaned from personal investigation, chapter letters, publicity contributions and official reports. Since 1924, four chapters have been added to the history; and the Historian has endeavored to include in these chapters all vital statistics, including—

Sorority organization

Sorority activities

Sorority achievements

Chapter activities

Chapter achievements

Individual achievements

Gamma Phi Beta in National Panhellenic Congress

The true history of an organization, compiled in the approved fashion, would include a personal, detailed study by the Historian of chapter records, and an endless investigation of all related events. Our *Story of Gamma Phi Beta* is what the name implies—the story of the organization from the very beginning, including such details as are necessary, and recording as far as possible all achievements of interest and all alumnae of note; but, in the strictest sense, not a history of minute investigation. The Historian suggests a convention discussion of this subject—whether it is wise to continue the history in this informal way, or whether the organization demands a more detailed record and a more personal application.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDSEY BARBEE, *Historian*

EDITOR OF "CRESCENT"

The curtain rises upon an editorial room whose chief adornment is a large and overflowing desk. Large in that it accommodates a typewriter, a pile of magazines with dark brown covers, a series of note-books and a ream of paper. Overflowing in that pigeon holes

are bursting with contents, letter racks are crowded to capacity, loose sheets of paper are peeping in and out of the general débris. Over all is a spirit of delirious and delicious disarray.

The editor person sits before the desk, brandishing a pencil, but making no effort to put it to practical use. Her face is furrowed with care; her eyes are glazed with lethargy; the loss of a wisdom tooth has resulted in a corresponding loss of mentality. Outside, a crescent moon mounts the sky; but the room itself is lighted only by the midnight oil and the pale cast of thought.

Just as the pencil prepares to descend upon the paper, a sudden soft radiance fills the room—an indescribable radiance—permeating, enveloping, even halo-ing. And as the bewildered editor struggles to her feet, a tall, stately and altogether gracious personality enters. A robe of double brown is drawn around her; a golden fillet is about her brow; and a single crescent shines in the depths of her dusky hair.

THE EDITOR: (*stammeringly*) I—I—

THE STRANGER: Please don't try to explain.

THE EDITOR: (*mustering her scattered senses*) You are Gamma Phi Beta!

GAMMA PHI BETA: Of course. (*As the Editor glances out of the window*) Yes, I came on the crescent moon—straight from Baltimore.

THE EDITOR: Baltimore?

GAMMA PHI BETA: I'm dropping in—informally—upon all my officers; and I've just had an interview with the Secretary-Treasurer.

THE EDITOR: We're all very busy, you know—preparing for the coming convention.

GAMMA PHI BETA: That's why I'm interviewing each of you. (*As she seats herself in a nearby chair*) Now—just what goes into your report? (*The Editor seats herself before the desk, renews the midnight oil, and resumes the pale cast of thought.*)

THE EDITOR: (*as she points to her pile of magazines*) Here are all my efforts since the convention of 1924. First of all—the Convention Number—golden anniversary memorial—lettered in gold and abounding in illustrations. (*Her eyes grow luminous in a frenzy of extravagance.*)

GAMMA PHI BETA: (*emphatically*) It *should* have been in gold; it *should* have had all possible illustrations; and it *should* have chronicled every detail.

THE EDITOR: I'm glad that you approve.

GAMMA PHI BETA: It gave all those who were absent a perfect idea of everything that happened.

THE EDITOR: And that's what a Convention Number ought to be.

(*She Pauses*) Then the next issue we called Campus Activity Number. Nine careless chapters chose to be inactive.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Is there no way to make the correspondent realize her responsibility?

THE EDITOR: When the secret of perpetual motion has been explained; and the fourth dimension has been discovered; and the square of the circle has been evolved—perhaps she will. (*Hastily*) Oh, of course, many of them are conscientious and reliable—and—

GAMMA PHI BETA: But there is no excuse for disregarding the request of an editor. (*Pauses*) I am often mortified to find so many delinquent chapters.

THE EDITOR: (*hopefully*) Perhaps if we make them pay for their carelessness—

GAMMA PHI BETA: (*thoughtfully*) Perhaps. (*Pauses*) We'll think about that. Now, what was your next number?

THE EDITOR: Scholarship Number. Rho was the only chapter that failed to reply to the letter of instruction.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Splendid percentage.

THE EDITOR: And as an inspiration we had the drawing of a Phi Beta Kappa key.

GAMMA PHI BETA: It is my desire that the value of fine scholarship be impressed upon every chapter.

THE EDITOR: I try to impress it. Indeed, my editorial column fairly spills over with admonitions.

GAMMA PHI BETA: What is your next number?

THE EDITOR: Information Number—designed as a snare for the wary freshman, and telling everything about all of us.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Did it prove of value?

THE EDITOR: Minneapolis wrote a letter saying that it did. Minneapolis is always thoughtful, and always responsive to every appeal.

GAMMA PHI BETA: (*as she flutters the pages of a nearby volume*) And Publicity Number came next.

THE EDITOR: Yes. (*Pauses*) Publicity needs a private impetus.

GAMMA PHI BETA: It does, indeed. But I notice that we are copied by other periodicals and are often asked to contribute.

THE EDITOR: And this is the Directory Number! (*Pauses*) One who does not possess a sense of humor should never edit a Directory Number. Those Gamma Phis who do not boast husbands acquire them; those who have such impedimenta lose them in the shuffle; and in some cases the fair maid is credited with two different mates. Since there was not time to write back to headquarters, we listed the latter in all their dire and dreadful and dual personality.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Our chapter records are inadequate, I suppose.

THE EDITOR: Inadequate—and carelessly kept. Editors are supposed to know, without prompting, just when a member marries—and whom. And as to the mailing list—(*she sighs*) well, the poor business manager must divine by means of her sixth sense just what new name comes to a Gamma Phi—and just where she takes up her abode. (*Pauses*) If the editor and the business manager could do *that*—(*she hesitates*) well—they would make their fortunes as clairvoyants.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Senior Number next. And giving them a number all to themselves should send them straightway into the arms of the *alumnæ*.

THE EDITOR: It should—but it doesn't.

GAMMA PHI BETA: (*seizing another magazine*) Province Number. The explanation of so great an innovation as this should have been supported by all the chapters, symbolizing as it does unity—co-operation—representation.

THE EDITOR: (*thoughtfully*) Unity—co-operation—representation, Strange as it may seem, this Province Number marks the high point in delinquent chapter letters. Fourteen missing from college chapters; fourteen from *alumnæ* chapters. (*Pauses*) At least we have a due sense of balance and proportion. (*Gamma Phi Beta sighs. Chapter carelessness and indifference are grievous to her.*)

GAMMA PHI BETA: What about this *Alumnæ* Number?

THE EDITOR: Only four *alumnæ* chapters failed to respond. *Alumnæ* chapters are usually willing to meet all requests, and they *do* read the magazine. Portland even took the trouble to answer the editorial question *Who reads editorials?* by the enthusiastic *I do*.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Panhellenic Number was a fine expression of friendship and Greek-letter spirit.

THE EDITOR: And Before Convention Number has endeavored to present the beauties of Mackinac and the joy of comradeship.

GAMMA PHI BETA: The list of delegates is not complete.

THE EDITOR: But I can't help that. (*In a moment she has turned the pages of a notebook.*) May I give you a few statistics?

GAMMA PHI BETA: Only a few—for I must soon be off.

THE EDITOR: Listen, then. (*Pauses*) From October, 1924, through May, 1927, the following Greek-letter chapters have been loyal to their trust and loyal to their sorority by representation in each issue of the magazine—Gamma, Theta, Pi, Upsilon, Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Eta, Alpha Theta, Alpha Iota, Alpha Kappa. And two *alumnæ* chapters—Minneapolis and Portland.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Nine college chapters—and two *alumnæ* chapters. (*Pauses*) Hardly a creditable record—and—(*Suddenly*

the air is filled with a buzzing, strident noise as if hundreds of little wings are brushing against each other. The crescent moon is hidden by a cloud; and the midnight oil becomes inactive; the pale cast of thought has long since disappeared. Gamma Phi Beta's voice trails into nothingness—her eyes are frightened.)

THE EDITOR: (*cheerily*) Don't be alarmed, Gamma Phi Beta. These are only my little devils that come ever so often in order to torment me. (*Gamma Phi Beta's eyes become still more frightened. The Editor is talking strangely—and acting strangely. Perhaps—no, surely not—and yet—sometimes people do become obsessed—sometimes minds do give way—and to have a mentally unbalanced person in the editorial chair—well—*)

THE EDITOR: Look at the long thin one in the corner. I've disposed of her hundreds of times and yet she always comes back.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Who is she?

THE EDITOR: *Greetings to sister chapters.*

GAMMA PHI BETA: There's another one close by.

THE EDITOR: She comes only after rushing season. I call her—*Of whom we are justly proud.* (*Pauses*) The one that can't be separated from her is *The cream of the campus.*

GAMMA PHI BETA: Who is the one so ungainly—so unsteady—so out of shape?

THE EDITOR: That's Panhellenic. The H is always capitalized—and, of course, he doesn't balance.

GAMMA PHI BETA: And there's one that doesn't seem to get anywhere—nothing definite about him—

THE EDITOR: That's the editorial address. It's never definite—and it sometimes doesn't get anywhere.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Who is the untidy one?

THE EDITOR: Untyped letters.

GAMMA PHI BETA: And the frisky little fellow?

THE EDITOR: That's *College*. He was stately and dignified until all the correspondents began to call him *school*.

GAMMA PHI BETA: What about the thin, frail, unhappy one that stays to himself?

THE EDITOR: That's *Style Sheet*. Nobody pays any attention to him, and he's wasting away. (*The noise grows less and less and dies away. The crescent shines resplendent. The midnight oil comes into its own; and even the pale cast of thought becomes a wee bit flushed.*)

GAMMA PHI BETA: Haven't you anything to offset these little devils?

THE EDITOR: A few perfectly good little fairies.

GAMMA PHI BETA: And who are they?

THE EDITOR: Good English, for one.

GAMMA PHI BETA: And Good English is the priceless possession of the college girl.

THE EDITOR: News Items.

GAMMA PHI BETA: So necessary to the well-rounded, interesting chapter letter.

THE EDITOR: Punctuality.

GAMMA PHI BETA: For lack of which there is no excuse.

THE EDITOR: Desire to please.

GAMMA PHI BETA: Invaluable.

THE EDITOR: Painstaking regard for details.

GAMMA PHI BETA: All of which should be observed. (*And suddenly she rises.*) I must be going. Time flies—and before I go, I shall grant you three wishes. (*Pauses*) What shall they be? (*For a moment the Editor is silent. And then she turns.*)

THE EDITOR: Give me back my beautiful brown paper—and my illustrations—

(*She pauses*)

Choose for me such assistants as will best fulfill the duties of their office.

(*Another pause*)

Create an abiding interest for a loyal support of the magazine. (*A moment more, and Gamma Phi Beta with her crescent moon has quietly disappeared. The Editor bends low over her desk and scribbles ad lib furioso. The hours pass; the dawn appears; and, as the first rays of the sun creep through the windows, she writes the following words at the end of her paper.*)

Respectfully submitted,

LINDSEY BARBEE, *Editor of THE CRESCENT*

3. PROVINCE DIRECTORS

PROVINCE I

Alpha

Alpha chapter of Gamma Phi Beta was inspected by Laura L. Graham, the Grand President, in October, 1926, for Mildred Price, Director of Province I. Mrs. Graham reported very favorably on this group. She found the girls representative, rather than of one type; the classes well balanced with the Sophomore class the weakest. Alpha's scholarship is medium, her activities on campus fair, and her social life, "too good." The officers co-operate with the University and the chapter, and fulfill their duties toward chapter, national officers and Central Office. They are leaders in the chapter. The records are well kept. Notebooks are used by all the officers and chairmen of committees. Alpha presents a beautiful

initiation ceremony and the properties are well cared for. Mrs. Smith, a cousin of two Gamma Phis, is the chaperon and is capable and pleasant, respected and loved by the girls. Mrs. Graham heard the usual stories about knocks, etc., during the rushing season, but thought the freshman delegation very strong and promising. She felt the need of paying more attention to scholarship and activities. The girls are liked and respected by the dean, and the group is one of the three best on campus.

To this report, I would like to add that in April all the chairmen reported again in chapter meeting when Mrs. Robinson, the president of our Syracuse Alumnae Chapter, and I were there, and this program especially arranged. Gamma Phi then ranked sixth in scholarship, and, at the end of the year, was proud to announce that Norma Chapin was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. The deficit in the treasury had also been made up. The corresponding secretary reported that they had a new filing cabinet, in which letters from Central Office, material for initiation, Endowment Fund, etc., are kept. The president has a book in which all mentor's reports and outlines of meetings are filed. The house president has kept a list of her duties, the chaperon's duties and information about opening and closing the chapter house. All chairmen keep splendid notebooks, with records and information relative to their particular activities. It is my earnest wish to get in closer touch with the Alpha girls this year. If possible, to visit them although I lived away, for we best know people when we live with them.

Delta

I arrived in Boston in the late afternoon on Thursday, December 16, 1926. Went to the chapter room for "supper" and chapter meeting. This was a small meeting, owing to a change of date and some illness. The group was representative, with the Senior class weak in numbers. The scholarship and social life are medium and outside activities fair. The officers are leaders in the chapter and co-operate with the University and sorority, fulfilling their duties toward chapter, national officers and Central Office, though Delta has been criticised for not paying bills and answering letters promptly. They receive much help financially from their alumnae chapter. The chaperon was away for the meeting night, but the girls said she maintains her position creditably, but feel "she is selfish." The Panhellenic relations are good and rules kept. Dean Warren spoke very highly of the alumnae and well of the girls. The standing of the sororities fluctuates, but Delta chapter ranks as one of the first three. Their biggest need is more money. While there, I was a guest in the house of Mrs. Strickland, who was an Alpha girl, whose daughter attends Boston University. Mrs. Strickland proved a very

gracious hostess and was very helpful in my inspection of Delta chapter since she knows the girls so well. There was reason to believe that there might be some discord in the chapter and letters from there have since brought news of inharmony. However, with the splendid Boston alumnae back of them, and their new president, an outstanding girl in the chapter, at the head, I hope to find the situation clearing up when I go there this fall.

I was so pleased to have been Mrs. Grabow's roommate for the short time at convention, and I know she will take back to the Boston alumnae such enthusiasm and inspiration that Gamma Phi will have a deeper and richer meaning than it has ever had before.

Zeta

Tuesday, April 19, 1927, I attended a delightful supper meeting of the District of Columbia Association of Gamma Phi Beta, at the home of Mrs. J. A. Rolls, in Washington. Nine present. Believe this group a good nucleus for an alumnae chapter. On Wednesday, April 20, I arrived in Baltimore just after dinner time. Met by Margaret Denmead, the president of Zeta chapter, and taken to hotel and then to Gamma Phi rooms, where I met about half of the chapter informally. The next day Margaret Denmead called at ten o'clock and took me to college. Then we attended chapel and visited several buildings. Spent an enjoyable hour with Peggie Stover and had conferences with Dean Stimson—student counselors, Miss Mason (Alpha Phi) and Miss Connor (Gamma Phi Beta). Pleasant visits but giving no information as to Gamma Phi. All three class the students as individuals, not as members of any group. Met our own "Mary Tom" McCurley for few minutes before luncheon. In afternoon, guest of honor at a reception, at which members of the faculty and representatives from other groups were present. After dinner went to chapter meeting and installation of officers. Conferences with some chairmen of committees after meeting and then back to Hotel Belvedere for night.

On Friday, April 22, visited the art gallery, then out to college where I attended history of art class under Dr. Froelicker. Then had luncheon and delightful talk with "Mary Tom." Drive and tea at the home of Mrs. Dulaney. Later we attended a most enjoyable supper meeting of Baltimore alumnae at home of Mrs. Treide, the president, where I spent the night.

I spent part of the morning, Saturday, April 23, with Mrs. Treide, then went to Central Office, where I met Anna Boardman—talked to freshmen and had conferences with chairmen of committees. Spent remainder of day with alumnae, leaving in evening for Washington.

There was a good attendance at a well-conducted chapter meeting. Recommended notebooks—some in use—also filing system. CRESCENTS not bound; properties in good condition. The officers are capable.

Zeta is first in scholarship, with three Phi Beta Kappas and four girls having senior honors. The chapter should be especially proud of Helen Dodson, who has had all A grades for the last two successive semesters. A splendid all around girl, most energetic and capable, and one whose college career is a fine example to her sorority. The chapter average is taken twice each year and individual records kept. Gamma Phi Beta average is compared with other sororities according to Panhellenic.

No chairman of finance, but the girl in charge is the treasurer.

Literary exercises not oftener than twice per month. Drills on Gamma Phi history at each meeting. CRESCENTS read and assignments made. Later discussions, songs studied and practiced at suppers. There is no historian. The chairman of athletic or outside activities uses filing system. Zeta has four Sigma Zeta girls out of twenty in college (this is an honorary senior society), also chairman of 1927 May Day, four on varsity basketball, three on hockey; editor-in-chief and business manager of college year book for 1928; one of four varsity swimming, president of Senior class, the Athletic Association, G.A.L., City Girls and Sophomore class; two class cheer leaders (sophomore and senior), two on executive board of Student Organization, and ten members on Athletic Association board.

The freshman adviser reported weekly meetings held. A chart for the amount of study for freshmen used. They sign up for not less than three hours daily. Sign for extra activities. Talks by alumnae, instruction in parliamentary law. Freshman chairman keeps account of activities, chapel cuts, etc. Freshman teas held among sororities. President's book followed with college traditions and activities added. Upperclass advisers called grandmothers. Scholarship chairman assisted.

Librarian reported CRESCENTS on file but not bound. Has *Baird's Manual*.

Social chairman reported a series of teas every other Wednesday and suppers every other Monday. Christmas party before vacation, one formal dance per year; Easter morning breakfast for seniors; and house parties.

Social Service and Expansion chairman ill, but I learned from other girls the following: Party at Christmas; \$25 donated toward United Campaign Fund (Student Friendship). Last year and this year, Gamma Phi junior was the Junior Month delegate to New York from the whole college. Twelve colleges are represented with one girl from each.

Rushing is conducted according to Panhellenic, with but one formal party allowed. No summer rushing. No "automobiles, airplanes or yachts" can be used. Can pay only carfare, \$65 allowed. Alumnae bound by same rules as active chapter. Can send flowers. Ten days of rushing; chapters "draw" date for formal party. Preferential bidding.

Pins are bought at Balfour's or Fetting's. The corresponding secretary uses file. Zeta has eight seniors, ten juniors, ten sophomores and four freshmen, with five pledges—a splendid group of whom we may be justly proud. The group is representative, with very strong seniors and the freshmen the weakest class. The standing in scholarship, social life and campus activities is good. The officers co-operate with the college and sorority, and seem to fulfill their duties well. The alumnae co-operate with both college and sorority. The Gamma Phi rooms are very attractive and well managed. Panhellenic relations are good, and the co-operation with the college good. The campus estimate was a little difficult to find. Gamma Phi certainly stands high, and Alpha Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi are probably the other best groups. Dean knows the girls only as individuals. Would suggest that freshmen work hard to keep up good record set by seniors.

Upsilon

On Sunday, April 24, 1927, I arrived in Roanoke about 10:00 A.M. Met by Martha Spilman and Caroline Jones and taken to room in Tinker Tea House, then to college, where I met some of the girls. Was shown most of the buildings and attended chapel. Had dinner at college and then went back to room to unpack. Gamma Phi Beta chapter meeting, well conducted, at 4:00 P.M. Gamma Phi Beta tea for Gamma Phis at 5:00 P.M. Church in the chapel at 7:30 P.M. with Grace Sellars, president of the chapter. Stayed at Tinker Tea House. Next morning breakfasted at Tinker Tea House, then had conferences. Met the matron of West Hall, by chance, who asked if I was the "Inspector." When I said I was, she said, "You certainly have right fine girls in your sorority here." Lunched at Tea House. Conferences in afternoon. Splendid banquet at the Patrick Henry Hotel in Roanoke; attended by all Gamma Phis, their sponsor, Miss Drinker, and a Gamma Phi instructor in the college, Miss McClammy. Attended play in Little Theater and then went back to the Tea House for night. Next day had breakfast at Tea House. Conference with Dean Williamson, a very charming woman, who was most helpful and spoke very highly of the girls as to reliability and good standing. Conference with chairmen of committees. Talk to freshmen. Conference with Miss McClammy and then lunch at college. In afternoon a Pan-

hellenic tea given for me, where I met representatives from other groups (the Panhellenic delegate and president of the chapter). Supper at the Tea House; packed, back to college, then left for Washington.

Good attendance at a well conducted meeting. Recommended notebooks. Some in use, also filing system. CRESCENT file incomplete and not bound. Properties in good condition. The officers are capable and charming girls. Chairman of Scholarships reported that Gamma Phi has always been high in scholarship, but this year is fifth. Was first both semesters of last year—a high first. This year is 1.5 against 1.9 of last. Sophomore bidding (preferential) this year. Girls are not pledged until they have made the grade required by the college. Gamma Phi Beta requires three points more than any other group, or Panhellenic, for initiation. Has four members of Frye, honorary junior and senior society of almost twenty members. Marks are given out twice a year. Chairman uses notebook with individual records. Incentives (1) scholarship cup (sophomore), and (2) grades read in meeting. All sorority average lower than last year. Second year bidding given as reason by the *girls* but *not* by the *dean*.

Eight members on honor roll, three of whom had high honors.

No finance committee—so called. Treasurer uses notebook and has budget. Dues \$15 first semester.

Chairman of Literary Exercises reads CRESCENTS, articles relating to fraternities, things typical of school life, etc. Has literary exercises at each meeting. Does all the work herself. Recommended that all take a part in program. Historian has scrap book of all Gamma Phi events.

Outside activities. Chairman uses card index system and notebook. Announces activities in meeting. Grace Sellars, the president, is senior representative in Student Government council. Mary Ellen Franklin elected house president of West building 1927-28.

Alice Robinson, assistant house president of East building 1927-1928. Mary Agnes Snyder on cabinet Y.W.C.A. 1927-1928. Upsilon has three members of Monogram Club (ten in all), one member of two large basketball teams, one member senior basketball, one member junior basketball, one member sophomore basketball; captain of senior swimming team; one member of hockey (junior); one member of varsity hockey; assistant editor of *Spinster*; three members of May Day Court; two members of four who wrote music for May Day pageant, and one girl in one of the three plays of the year.

No freshmen, so the adviser is called sophomore adviser. Uses notebook—holds meetings once per week. Trains for Gamma Phi Beta examination, Gamma Phi Beta scholarship, outside activities,

suggestions from Central Office, etc. Librarian reported CRESCENTS complete as far back as September, 1923. Before that time, at least one number per year missing. *Baird's Manual*, *Banta's Greek Exchange*.

Social chairman has charge of banquets, Gamma Phi Beta room, cabin trips, breakfasts in the woods, breakfasts for seniors, etc. Two or three girls appointed by the president have charge of weekly teas on Sunday. Social service chairman uses card index. Panhellenic social service sends \$70 to Italian war orphans and Gamma Phi Beta contributes \$10 of this; Gamma Phi Beta paid \$10 and sent a Christmas box to mountain-white girl, intending to contribute \$10 per month, but girl became insane and was sent to an institution. Then Gamma Phi Beta assumed \$5 per month (all year) to care for little girl with tubercular spine. Gamma Phi Beta contributes to Student Fellowship Fund, as do all groups.

Rushing—no open rushing, according to Panhellenic; second year bidding, three dates per day. Each sorority allowed two girls in rushee's room; no parties, no money spent. May write during summer. Five or six days of rushing in 1926-1927.

Pins ordered from Balfour. Corresponding secretary uses file. Executive committee—president uses notebook, in which she files mentor's reports, general supervision, suggestions. Nine seniors, two juniors, three sophomores, four pledges. Splendid group—representative; seniors, very strong. Of two juniors, Mary Ellen Franklin one of strongest girls in chapter. Group very unified—like large family. Good co-operation; scholarship and social life good, and activities on campus also good. Panhellenic relations are good. Co-operation with administration is splendid; the group, one of two or three best. Dean spoke very highly of the girls—knows all girls as to character, work, etc. Very reliable. Hope freshmen will try to bring work up to splendid record set by seniors—a very fine group.

Upsilon reported no visiting delegate or inspector for five years. No bill or statement referring to A.C.A., Endowment Fund or notice to treasurer has been received since 1924. Did not know certificates had been raised in price until notified money sent in was insufficient. Upsilon seemed anxious for Southern chapters.

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED BIGELOW PRICE
Inspector of Province I

PROVINCE II

Greetings to Gamma Phi Beta assembled in our Thirty-fifth Convention.

The Director of Province II begs leave to submit the following report:

We are now a group of ten chapters, four Greek-letter and six alumnae since the addition of the newest alumnae chapter at Columbus, Ohio. Relations with the Director have been excellent all the time. However, Mrs. Graham very kindly did the inspecting for the Director, a plan which gave greater benefit to the chapters, but left the Director out of touch with her family.

The first Province Conference was held in Ann Arbor on November 13-15, 1926, with Beta and Ann Arbor Alumnae Chapters as hostesses. It was greatly assisted by the presence of Mrs. Graham. The conference was financed by a tax of \$10 upon each of the nine chapters in the Province, and it was further financed by a per capita tax of \$4 upon both of the two hostess chapters. Guests were entertained by the members, so that there were no hotel bills. All details were kept as simple as possible.

Greek-letter chapters report on their rushing as follows:

All four chapters report rushing against the leading other sororities except Beta. Her president names only one rival. This, I believe is an insufficient report of the true situation. All report losing bids except Beta and they report no record kept. All except Alpha Alpha report preferential bidding, under which system there is no way of knowing how many bids were lost. This system of bidding seems, to the Director, excellent.

No Panhellenic difficulties were reported from any of the chapters.

Pledge meetings were uniformly successful.

Epsilon suggests a standardized freshman training manual with all Gamma Phi Beta information in it. No other suggestions.

No pledges were broken except one at Beta for which no explanation is given.

Beta and Alpha Eta do not use the budget system; Epsilon and Alpha Alpha do. Beta reports a monthly report as her only check and Alpha Eta uses the Baker Vawter System.

Beta reports balance in her treasury unknown; Epsilon \$500; Alpha Eta none; Alpha Alpha reports \$350.

None of the chapters report that there have been cases of girls leaving college because of financial reasons.

All chapters report their premiums paid on insurance policies taken out for the Endowment Fund.

All chapters report complete initiation properties.

Beta ranks low in campus activities. Epsilon ranks *extremely high*. We are proud of them. Alpha Alpha ranks fair as far as I can judge. Alpha Eta ranks fair. It is difficult to judge of the report unless one knows the campus better than the Director does.

Report on scholarship is incomplete for all chapters here. Epsilon is twelfth from the top, which is not good enough for so fine a chapter. The others are very vague. This matter should be pursued in the fall again when the college records are complete and records issued.

No pledges and no members were dropped from college for scholarship. It would be interesting to know how many pledges failed to make grades high enough to permit initiation, but the report blank did not ask this question and no one gave the information.

There is only one Phi Beta Kappa in the whole four chapters. She comes from Epsilon. This is very bad. I should like to say that Beta's scholarship is better than last year, but not good enough yet.

Beta has smoking in rooms and in living-room with men callers.

Epsilon has a college rule against smoking.

Alpha Alpha, no smoking in public anywhere.

Alpha Eta, no smoking in chapter room.

There is need of a chapter desk in all chapters.

No chapter reports a complete file of CRESCENTS, but all are working except Alpha Eta.

All report chapter harmony.

In conclusion, the Director would like to say that the year's work has been a process of re-educating her in National work, which she has not followed since 1917. It has been a delightful experience filled with new stimulation and new friendships. She has been greatly helped by the constant and generous assistance of the members of the Grand Council and especially by Mrs. Graham.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR SHELDON MYERS
Director of Province II

PROVINCE III

MADAME PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF GAMMA PHI BETA IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED, GREETINGS!

As Director of Province III, I herewith submit the following report for the year 1926-27:

Enthusiasm for the province form of government received great impetus at our spring conference, held with Sigma chapter, May 15-16, 1926, at Lawrence, Kansas. Many fruitful suggestions were offered; great interest was shown in the reciting and comparing of chapter problems; fine friendships were formed and a wonderful opportunity was given, for the first time, for cementing closer inter-chapter relations and mutual understandings. Is it any wonder that Province III felt as though a new vista had been opened and there was a promise of richer things to come?

With our open motto foremost in our minds, the officers of Province III felt a firm foundation essential if there were to be real progress and the attainment of permanent results. Therefore, we determined to devote our efforts the first year to inculcating a proper chapter routine and business-like procedure. This, we felt, could be accomplished best by means of a Province notebook which would contain all Province material, such as general letters, reports, budgets, scholarship rating, activities, honor roll—in fact everything of interest in the building of a fine sorority morale. Miss Gresham, our secretary, has had this work in charge and I am happy to say she reports splendid co-operation from all the chapters. We have asked the chapters to bring their notebooks to Convention, so that those of you who are interested may see the results we have obtained.

A visit to all the chapters in Province III by the Director in the early fall of this college year convinced her that, though there were some purely local conditions to be considered, in the main, the vital problems to be solved were applicable to each and every chapter; therefore, she determined upon an attempt at a definite standardization of accomplishment for every chapter, and it has been her aim to make every chapter feel that it be required to meet the acid test of chapter efficiency in house management, conduct of national and chapter business, scholarship and service to college, sorority, and individual. As this goal can be reached only through close supervision and eternal vigilance, an attempt was made to draft *alumnæ*, both as individuals and as organizations into service, not only to stimulate their interest, an aim sufficient in itself, but to make them a real factor in inculcating Gamma Phi Beta ideals and traditions and fostering the highest and best in sorority life. In fact, to make them feel that, instead of having a passive interest in Gamma Phi Beta, it should be a *vital*, living thing. Young people are amenable to suggestion and we find that when intelligent, tactful, and interested *alumnæ* help is offered, the active chapters are always responsive. Letters and questionnaires were sent to the *alumnæ* to stimulate their interest and the organizations were urged to conduct their own sorority business and finances so as to be an example to the active chapters and to do all in their power to give Gamma Phi Beta proper publicity; and, through their interest and knowledge of their nearest active chapter, to spread Gamma Phi propaganda in their respective neighborhoods.

As a short résumé of the work accomplished, Province III feels it has made decided gains in developing responsibility in the officers elected to carry on the chapter business and routine, and this, we hope, will lead to building up a higher chapter morale as efficiency always makes for confidence. By the use of the budget and in-

sistence upon monthly financial reports, much has been done to encourage the chapters to meet their obligations promptly and to get the proper perspective between income and expenditure. The outstanding work, without doubt, is the Freshman Manual prepared by our secretary, Miss Nina Gresham. It will be an invaluable aid to the chapters in training their freshmen. Omicron has used it this year with splendid results, and we hope to have it in the hands of the chapters this fall.

In closing my report, I wish to express my appreciation to Miss Gresham, Miss Boardman, and the National Officers for their invaluable assistance in carrying on the work this year. Unstinted praise should be given Miss Gresham for the unusually efficient way in which she has conducted the Province business; and to the chapters, associations, and my co-workers in Province III, I give thanks for their fine co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

KATHRYN A. WOODWARD
Director of Province III

*Supplementary Report—Compiled from Information Supplied
by Chapter Presidents 1926-27*

Numbers in chapter varied widely from 25 to 45.

Average—30 actives, 4 pledges (second semester).

1. *Rushing*

Gamma Phi Beta rushes against twelve sororities in Province III; Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, Alpha Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Alpha Chi Omega, Phi Mu, Sigma Kappa, and Alpha Omicron Pi.

We meet Kappa Alpha Theta in every field; Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and Delta Gamma are close rivals, and in certain sections Alpha Phi and Delta Delta Delta are very active. The other six are not serious rivals.

Thirty-two bids were lost in Province III.

Preferential bidding makes it impossible to tell number gained from other sororities.

2. *Panhellenic*

No chapter in Province III reported any complaints filed for or against Gamma Phi in Panhellenic.

3. *Freshman Training*

Pledge meetings were unanimously reported successful. Director feels that a great deal more can be done along this line.

Omicron has a splendid addition to Freshman Training in Miss Gresham's Manual.

Eight pledges broken; Omicron 1; Phi 5; Alpha Delta 2.

Reasons: Incompatibility, leaving college, attitude toward men; indifference to sorority standards.

4. *Finances*

- a. All chapters used budget and benefited by its use.
- b. Any balance in treasury is turned to building fund.
- c. All chapter report current expenses for this year.
- d. No member left college on account of finance.
- e. Chapters maintaining new homes report a tendency of members to evade obligations by living outside chapter house.

5. *Endowment Fund*

All but one chapter (Alpha Theta) subscribed for Endowment Fund. Sigma's premium, \$100.70; Alpha Delta and Phi \$32.40 each; Omicron \$64.87.

Social Service—Province III, all chapters but Alpha Theta, contributed to the Camp for Underprivileged Children at Pine, Colorado. Amount optional with chapters. Total raised—\$90.

6. *Initiation*

All chapters report properties and robes complete.

Miss Gresham's Initiation letter very inspirational.

7. *Activities*

Omicron, Sigma, and Alpha Theta have excellent activity records; Phi and Alpha Delta moderate. (Freshman training is probably inadequate for production of high activity records.) Omicron, Sigma and Alpha Theta have one Phi Beta Kappa each. Sigma, Phi, and Omicron have one Mortar Board each.

8. *Scholarship*

Omicron—good, ranks third in sororities; Sigma has same record.

Alpha Delta—poor, ranked fifteenth first semester, thirteenth second (three girls made inactive because of poor scholarship).

Phi—moderate, ranks ninth in sororities.

Alpha Theta—good, ranks third in sororities.

9. *Miscellaneous*

CRESCENTS—Sigma and Alpha Delta have files complete and bound; Alpha Theta has files complete and unbound; Omicron and Phi have incomplete files and unbound.

Chapter desk—Omicron and Alpha Theta, yes; others, no.

Responsibility and co-operation—Reports favorable.

Smoking—not serious problem. Fines for punishment.

Dating—Freshman dating only limited.

K. A. WOODWARD

Secretary-Treasurer's Report, 1926-1927

Receipts		Expenditures		
Kansas City	\$10.00	July		
Omicron	10.00		Stamps, notebook, cards and telegram	\$ 2.83
Phi	10.00	Sept.		
Alpha Delta	10.00	28	Typing of by-laws and Conference minutes	14.00
Alpha Theta	10.00			
Sigma	10.00	Nov.		
St. Louis	10.00	15	Province stationery	13.50
St. Joseph	5.00	17	Envelopes, stamps .....	.80
Wichita	5.00	11	Flowers for Mrs. Moss	4.50
Lawrence	5.00	26	Stamps .....	.12
Nashville	5.00	Dec.		
Champaign-Urbana ..	5.00	1	Printing of Province Alumnae letters	6.25
	\$95.00	11	Mrs. Gard, typing	4.12
Expenditures	80.45	8	Stamps (alumnae letters)	4.00
		13	Stamps	3.50
Balance on hand June 1, 1927	\$14.55	18	Registered mail .....	.19
		Jan.		
Report of money collected for the Denver summer camp for Children:		10	Registered mail .....	.38
Champaign-Urbana ..\$	5.00	11	Mrs. Gard, typing	4.85
Nashville	5.00	11	Stamps .....	.12
St. Louis	5.00	22	Typing (initiation letters)	1.00
St. Joseph	5.00	24	Stamps .....	.31
Lawrence	5.00	Feb.		
Phi	10.00	1	Typing of Manual	4.00
Sigma	10.00	9	Typing of finance letters	2.75
Kansas City	25.00	28	Typing (Mrs. Gard)	5.00
Alpha Delta	15.00	Mar.		
Omicron	5.00	11	Stamps (Mrs. Woodward)	2.50
	\$90.00	Apr.		
		* 23	Typing spring letter	2.50
		25	Stamps	1.73
		May		
		28	Typing of reports	1.50
			Total	\$80.45

Respectfully submitted,

NINA GRESHAM
Secretary-Treasurer

PROVINCE IV

DEAR SISTERS IN CONVENTION OF GAMMA PHI BETA:

At the suggestion of Kappa chapter of Minneapolis, Minnesota, at Lake Placid Convention in 1924, the province idea was introduced and passed by Convention.

The first Province to take action was that of Province IV. A group of St. Paul and Minneapolis alumnæ asked permission for a conference. This plea was granted by National, and the first

Province Conference was called to take place in Shevlin Hall of the University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, March 5 and 6, 1926.

Province by-laws were drawn up by the delegates in Conference and were sent out to all chapters concerned. The by-laws which are in the Director's Book were those adopted by the Conference.

Certain changes in the revised constitution of Gamma Phi Beta were recommended.

March 7, the newly elected Director of Province, Marie F. Moreland, wrote to the President of Gamma Phi Beta a report of the Conference.

March 10, a report of the resolutions committee was sent out to each president of the various chapters, urging the chapters to act on the by-laws and suggestions made by the conference. The resolutions committee was as follows: Alice Coerper, Milwaukee Alumnae; Gladys Black, Alpha Beta, and Marie Moreland, St. Paul Association and Minneapolis Alumnae Chapter. The letter contained a copy of the by-laws of the Province, and also changes recommended by the Conference for the revised Constitution of Gamma Phi Beta.

March 12, the Director sent out a letter asking for immediate action on the conference by-laws and recommendations; the letter also asked for payment of dues for the Province.

May 26, the Director sent out a letter asking that delinquent chapters pay the dues asked for in the former letter. By June 1, practically all the money was in except from the Associations at Davenport, Ames, Duluth, and Grand Forks. Davenport, it was reported, was reduced to a membership of four. Ames was not very active, and the Duluth officers could not be ascertained. Those who paid were the active chapters: Gamma, Kappa, Rho, Omega, Alpha Gamma, Alpha Kappa, and the alumnae chapters: Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Des Moines, and Madison; and St. Paul and Winnipeg Associations. A financial report will be given separately.

About October 1, the Director had 1,200 letters typed, accompanied by a chart showing all the chapters and associations of the Province. These letters were sent to every person known to be in the Province, announcing the formation of Province IV and urging co-operation. An answer from each member was requested, enclosing five postage stamps. Fifty-five answers were received. The answers and return letters showed that there were some changes in the Province, but the addresses seemed to be fairly correct. These letters were, most of them, folded and mailed and addressed by volunteers, but the result was that the letters were not mailed for a number of weeks. Province IV lacks a file of Wisconsin. The reports from the secretary in the old district formation including Wisconsin have never been located.

Efforts to Form New Associations: Requests for forming Associations in Iowa City and Cedar Rapids were received, and the Province visitor, in her tour, visited each group. Iowa City decided not to form a group, as they wished to work entirely for Rho. This idea, I believe, is a mistake. They would understand better what they should work for if they were a Gamma Phi Association in touch with National and with the Province.

Cedar Rapids has not reported any action to us.

Alpha Beta felt the need of an Association at Fargo and Moorhead, and our Province visitor tried to organize a group there, but no definite action has been taken by the members called together to be organized.

Other sororities whose members are leaders at Grand Forks have an association at Fargo, and it is very unfortunate that Gamma Phis do not feel inclined to form an association themselves. There are about ten alumnae in Fargo—representatives of Gamma, Eta, Beta, Alpha Beta, and Kappa.

Alumnae Chapters: The alumnae chapters at Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Des Moines, and Madison are all meeting and doing Gamma Phi work of some kind. These were visited by the Province delegates.

Alumnae Associations: Grand Forks is supporting Alpha Beta loyally; St. Paul is helping by assisting Minneapolis chapter in its payment of insurance for the Endowment Fund and is helping the active chapters to rush; Ames is assisting in building Omega's new house; Davenport is out of the running for a while. Winnipeg is raising money for a future Gamma Phi house and is assisting the active chapter constantly; but Duluth is not really an organization at all. We regret to say that Duluth was not visited this year, but every effort will be made to reorganize a group next fall.

Active Chapters: Copies of the reports made by Province delegates after visiting active chapters are on file at Central Office, and in the President's Book; copies of chapter presidents' report are enclosed in this report in separate copies. The following report is merely my deductions from all the reports received. There are six active chapters in the Province, all of which are living in houses except Alpha Kappa and Winnipeg. The conditions there do not make a house possible for some time, but the alumnae are beginning to raise money toward that end. The sorority idea is absolutely new to Winnipeg; we are the only national sorority and almost all the girls live in Winnipeg.

Gamma, Kappa, Rho, and Alpha Beta own their own houses; and Gamma is building a magnificent new one now. The only house not adequate was Ames House, and Ames is building a very attractive one this summer on a well located lot. On the Dakota

campus, the Delta Gammas are splurging in house building, and we are waiting to see whether the cost of carrying such an investment will be an attraction to rushees or not. The Gamma Phi house is adequate, but not so expensive nor so up-to-date as this new Delta Gamma house.

Financially all our chapters seem to be doing well, meeting their obligations and, in a few cases, saving a little. The budget system is not being used generally, however.

Scholarship should be improved in Rho and Gamma; other chapters are standing up well on the list of sororities.

Aid to the Endowment Fund is not being given as substantially by the newer chapters as by the old, naturally. Alpha Beta is not assisting at all. I have no report on Alpha Kappa in this respect.

Panhellenic relationship seems to be good except for a little trouble at North Dakota. The dean of women belongs to another sorority, and I cannot ascertain how fair she is as I hear varying reports. The rules of rushing are not reported definitely enough to the chapter.

Within the chapters co-operation is very good, except in Omega. We ought to visit them two or three times a year. The new house will help, I think, to unite alumnæ and actives. Conditions at Ames make it hard for the upper class girls to get to know their freshmen.

All the chaperons this year seem to be very successful. No friction was reported and the deans speak well of the chaperons.

Smoking is allowed at Gamma only.

In rushing we get only one side of the story—our losses, because there is no way of finding out what the losses of the opposing sororities are. The present system of rushing leads to taking chances in bidding and makes the losses seem larger than they are. For example, at Minnesota, Kappa took chances as there was great confusion in the dean's office about getting out invitations to parties. Many girls did not get invitations at all to the last party, due to poor management on the part of the dean, for which she apologized. Consequently the girls did not know whom to bid, especially as, at Minnesota, open talking to candidates could not be done honorably.

I do not know very much about rushing in the various chapters. Gamma seems to have her rushing well organized. I can give one criticism for Kappa's rushing. Kappa is peculiarly placed between two cities with many alumnæ always in the game. Minneapolis and St. Paul alumnæ do not aid actives enough in talking Gamma Phi. None of them are especially trained for this business. Alumnæ of several other sororities of the campus do a great deal of rushing by means of talks, especially Alpha Phi, Kappa, and Delta Gamma. Minneapolis and St. Paul help in rushing by giving one

of the big rushing parties and by advising the active chapter.

I feel that all the Associations and Alumnæ Chapters should be stimulated to take an interest in Gamma Phi Beta nationally; they are all too local in feeling. However, they are improving. Much can be done if there is a good deal of conferring with the Province Director.

The inspectors were chosen to suit the chapters they were to visit; this was the advantage of having three inspectors. The drawback to this scheme is the knowledge that the Director gets is all second-hand, and the chapters do not know the Province Director. I believe the inspection visits have helped to create a friendly feeling among the chapters, and that the chapters really gained by the advice offered them. All the chapters gave most cordial greetings to their inspectors.

Financially the amount raised for Province work lasted only one year. If the Province is to be looked after the way it should be, more money will have to be raised for the second year's work. This may be too much to ask of the chapters and associations.

Province Convention comes again next March or April. This expense seemingly will have to be borne by Madison alumnæ, where the meeting is to be held. At Minneapolis the expense of the first Conference was paid by Minneapolis and St. Paul alumnæ, with the exception of the cost of the banquet plate and transportation to Minneapolis. We believe that the Province Conference should be very simple. The Minneapolis Conference did not cost the members very much for the delegates were entertained at the homes of the members and in the Gamma Phi house. The tax on the members who were not entertaining delegates was not more than \$2.00 and this was paid only by those who volunteered to do so. Expenses to the Conference were defrayed by the chapters sending delegates.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE MORELAND
Director of Province IV

Financial Statement of Province IV

Receipts

Six Active Chapters.....	\$ 60.00
Four Alumnæ Chapters.....	40.00
Two Alumnæ Associations...	10.00
Advance from National for inspection trips.....	113.42
Additional advance from National for visiting delegates' expenses	15.89
Total	\$239.31

Disbursements

Stationery, posters, mimeograph letters, stamps, etc.	\$ 65.52
Stenographic service.....	2.75
Visiting delegates' expenses to Winnipeg.....	59.23
Visiting delegates' expenses to Iowa.....	43.08
Visiting delegates' expenses to Milwaukee, etc.....	35.02
Total	\$205.60

Balance in Treasury June 13, 1927.....\$ 33.71

LOUISE MAUER

Financial Chairman of Province IV

NOTE: This report does not contain dodgers sent to alumnae concerning Convention—

Printing cost.....\$7.50

For stamps and addressing and folding..... 7.40

Typing report of Director for Convention..... 4.00

MARIE F. MORELAND, *Director*

PROVINCE V

MADAME PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF GAMMA PHI BETA IN CONVENTION ASSEMBLED:

In the early fall of this college year, a visit to all the active chapters, alumnae chapters and associations of Province V proved to the Director that there were vital problems of each and every chapter which had to be met and solved in their own particular ways. First, after making the girls feel that the Director was of a friendly nature, there to help instead of criticise, build up instead of tear down, a move was made to investigate house management, efficiency, budgeting, scholarship, activities—in short, a thorough inspection. The chapters were made to feel their responsibility to the National organization and officers. Recommendations were made such as the budget plan of operating the chapter houses, study tables for pledges and members to raise scholarship, promptness in taking care of National and Province business, in a word, keen chapter efficiency in every matter.

As a result of a suggestion made at the Province Conference, held in Denver, November 26 and 27, 1926, the only definite work of the Province was a compilation of ideas, in pamphlet form, from the different chapters in the Province, excluding Alpha Zeta and Psi, which was compiled by Lindsey Barbee. Other than the suggestion of the booklet and the compiling of it, we accomplished little at the conference, save the forming of friendships, representation from different chapters and associations, the discussion over the possibility of making the Denver Alumnae Camp a Province undertaking, which I would like to see backed by the National organization, and a suggestion that Province V be redistricted. Representations from Theta, Tau, and Denver Alumnae were inadequate, however. We were hampered by having no house in which to entertain our guests and in which to hold our meetings. It seemed difficult to arouse and stimulate interest which probably was also due to the fact that we had no house. In summary, outside of an interchange of ideas and new friendships made, there was no vital business of a National or Provincial nature transacted or accomplished at the Province Conference.

As a short review of the work accomplished in Province V, the Director feels that some of the chapters have benefited by the use of the budget system, in that it makes them feel the responsibility of meeting their obligations promptly and keeping themselves within their incomes. Many have benefited by the study table and have raised the chapter average.

To close my report, I wish to thank Mrs. Graham, Miss Boardman, Mrs. Kline, Secretary of Province V, for their help to me in my work, and to give my most hearty thanks to Lindsey Barbee, who has advised me so wisely and helped me with the problems which have confronted me during this last year.

Respectfully submitted,

MADALINE MILLER
Director of Province V

Supplementary Report

Numbers in chapters varied from 18 to 35.

1. Rushing:

Gamma Phi rushes against fourteen sororities in Province V: Pi Beta Phi, Sigma Kappa, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Delta Pi, Chi Omega, Alpha Chi Omega, Phi Mu, Kappa Delta, Zeta Tau Alpha, Delta Gamma, Tri Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Phi.

Nineteen bids were lost—three to Pi Phi, six to Kappa Alpha Theta, one to Alpha Delta Pi, two to Kappa Kappa Gamma, one to Delta Gamma, one to Tri Delta, one to Chi Omega, one to Kappa Delta, and three bids lost to girls not going any sorority.

Eleven bids were lost to Gamma Phi Beta—this is all we can tell because the preferential bidding system makes it difficult to know. Pi Beta Phi lost to us; also Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi, Alpha Omicron Pi, and Tri Delta.

2. Panhellenic:

Theta chapter was penalized, charged that budget exceeded the stated \$100. Charges brought by Pi Beta Phi. Penalty—no pledging until September, 1927.

No chapter in Province V reported any complaints against any other organization.

3. Freshman Training:

All chapters reported pledge meetings successful. However, the Director feels more can be done for freshmen.

One pledge broken—Pi chapter. Reason—lack of funds and approaching marriage.

4. Finances:

All chapters but Psi used the budget system and found it helpful. Psi keeps a complete set of books where accurate account of all expenditures and money is kept.

All chapters report current expenses covered and balances in the bank, with the exception of Pi and Alpha Zeta and their money is put in a building fund.

All chapter house finances coming out evenly, except Tau and Alpha Zeta, but debts can be paid off in fall.

One girl forced to leave college because of financial reasons.

5. *Endowment Fund:*

All chapters have taken out an insurance policy: Theta, \$1,000; Pi, \$1,000; Tau, \$1,000; and Psi, \$1,000. All premiums paid this year.

6. *Initiation:*

All chapters report complete initiation properties with the exception of Alpha Zeta—lack lamp but will have it soon; and Psi lacks model robes but intends to buy them next year.

7. *Activities:*

Psi and Alpha Zeta have fine activity records; Pi has a good record; and Theta and Tau have fair records.

Psi has four Mortar Boards and Alpha Zeta has one Mortar Board.

All chapters subscribe for THE CRESCENT only.

8. *Scholarships:*

Theta—excellent, first sorority on campus.

Pi—nineteenth first semester; tenth second semester.

Tau—last in five sororities.

Alpha Zeta—ninth out of fifteen sororities.

Psi—

Theta average—85.6; Pi 80; Alpha Zeta 80 or B; Tau 81; Psi 80.

Chapters report no members dropped on account of poor scholarship.

Chapters report no pledges dropped from college on account of poor scholarship.

All chapters but Psi repledge a girl who has not made her grades during one calendar year.

All chapters but Tau report maintenance of study tables for pledges and delinquent members.

Pi reports two Phi Beta Kappas and four members belong to other scholastic societies.

Alpha Zeta has one Phi Beta Kappa.

Psi one Phi Beta Kappa; one belonging to another scholastic society.

Theta—two members of honorary scholastic society.

9. *Miscellaneous:*

Co-operation good; all members do not assume responsibility; good harmony in all cases.

Absolutely no smoking in houses or out of houses.

Theta has no ruling for pledges' or members' dates except a girl is deprived of social privileges if her average is not 80 or above.

Pi—no dates for pledges or sophomores; upperclassmen any night.

Alpha Zeta—no way to regulate pledges' dates as they do not live in sorority houses. No upperclassmen can date midweeks.

Tau—no midweek dates for freshmen or sophomores; one for juniors, and seniors may date any time.

Psi—no midweek dates for any girls in University.

10. CRESCENTS:

Theta—Incomplete and unbound.

Tau—Incomplete and unbound.

Psi—Complete and bound.

Pi—Complete and bound, except of 1926-27.

Alpha Zeta—Complete and unbound.

Chapter desk—Theta has none; Pi and Psi, yes; Tau, no; Alpha Zeta, trunk.

PROVINCE VI

Greek-Letter Chapters

Lambda, 37 initiates, 16 pledges and transfers; Nu, 36; Xi, 38; Chi, 21 initiates, 7 pledges.

The following report is based on the answers received to the questionnaires sent from the Central Office:

Rushing: All chapters rush against Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta, with Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, and Alpha Chi Omega also mentioned. At Oregon Agricultural College Alpha Chi Omega is one of the strongest on the campus, and for many years was considered "the" best.

Nu and Chi lost no bids, Lambda one to Theta, and Xi one to Delta Gamma, while six were lost to Xi from Theta, Delta Gamma, and Kappa. None were lost to Chi, but in Nu and Lambda it is difficult to determine since the actual bidding is secret.

Panhellenic: No penalties or complaints were filed against the chapters, but Lambda filed a complaint against Pi Phi and was granted a special privilege with the rushee.

Freshmen: The freshmen meetings have proved successful this year, but Lambda offers the suggestion that a knowledge of campus affairs be required with Gamma Phi material. Several chapters have added this to the already prescribed material.

Nu, unfortunately, found it necessary to release one of the freshmen from her pledge on account of consistently low grades, poor

house attitude, and general unsuitable conditions. Chi also broke a pledge on account of dishonesty and general "misfittedness."

Finances: The financial situation of the four Greek-letter chapters seems admirable, although Xi ended the year with a number of bills held over to be met next year, and Nu found it necessary to raise the board in June to an amount higher than usual for that month. However, the budget has been reapportioned and the outlook is splendid for next year, as the taxes on the new house, which could only be estimated that year (and proved considerably higher than expected) will be figured on an actual and not imaginary basis. Chi has about \$100 in the bank, besides having paid up some bills of the year before. Lambda has a surplus this year, besides a balance for rushing and the money to send an unofficial delegate to convention. In no case was a member compelled to leave college on account of financial difficulties.

Endowment Fund: Lambda and Chi have not taken out policies, but Xi's premium is paid and Nu's was figured with the June budget.

Initiation: All chapters have the properties, with the exception that Lambda reports she did not "realize they should have model robes other than white initiation robes, but will try to get them for next year."

Activities: Lambda is especially active on the campus and reports secretary of Associated Students, president of Panhellenic, secretary of Senior class, chairman of advisory committee of Women's Federation on the Union Building Problem, chairman of High School Conference, social chairman of Women's Federation, vice-president of Spurs (underclass women's honorary), and secretary of Freshman class, besides five girls in Mortar Board.

Nu has president of Mortar Board, and five girls in honor organizations.

Xi held president of Women's League, president of Women's Athletic Association, and president of Y.W.C.A., and five honor societies.

Chi held secretary of Junior class, secretary of Collegiate Players, and vice-president of Senior class, with seven honoraries.

Lambda permits her house to be used for various matters, political and social, and expects to give more exchange dinners next year. Exchange dinners are also popular with Nu and Xi, the latter, particularly with the "Hall" girls. At Nu the "hello" spirit is one of the outstanding democratic features much treasured by all students, and Nu often entertains campus visitors. Only Xi subscribes to *Banta's Greek Exchange*.

Scholarship: Lambda has raised somewhat her average from last year, but as yet no comparative standings, which are issued but

once a year, have been available. She is not near the top and should have higher place, with an estimated average of 6.6.

Nu raised her grades from sixteenth last spring term, to seventh in the fall term and fifth in the winter term, and hopes for a better place in the spring rating.

Xi fell from top to fifth in first semester and rose one place in the second, with an average of 4.6.

Chi fell to eleventh in the fall, but rose to second in the winter, averaging about 85.

No initiated girls have been dropped on account of scholarship, but Nu reports one pledge dropped at the end of first semester and one at end of spring term.

Whether a girl who has not made her grades for a calendar year is repledged, depends upon how desirable she is.

Pledge study tables are maintained everywhere, and all but Xi maintain them for all members who have low grades, and a specific number of hours must be spent in study. Xi reports two Phi Beta Kappas this year.

Miscellaneous: In chapters where all CRESCENTS have not been bound, an effort is being made to acquire the missing numbers.

Xi has no special desk for all chapter business.

All chapters report a splendid co-operation of members with officers, and unusual harmony throughout.

Smoking is prohibited in all chapter houses, but Xi has a fine of \$10 and Oregon Agricultural College rulings name expulsion as the penalty if a person is caught smoking in a chapter house.

Lambda rules that freshmen and sophomores must be in by 7:30 P.M. and members by 10:15 P.M. week nights. Nu gives sophomores one midweek date till 10:30 P.M., juniors and seniors are permitted to use discretion, but must be in by 10:30 P.M. Xi permits freshmen and sophomores one special date a month, with girls, and the latter may also have one with a boy; juniors allowed one a week with boys, and seniors use their discretion. Chi permits no underclassmen to have midweek dates, but juniors and seniors may have one, except spring term, when seniors are given special privileges.

Alumnæ Chapters

Seattle: Early in the fall, the chapter was working hard on its annual bazaar, but the death of one of the leaders who has always been a moving spirit in the bazaar put a damper on the affair, and it was canceled, the articles being sold later at the chapter house instead of in a large hotel. Bridge parties bring the younger and older girls together better than just business meetings. Seattle is fortunate in having had for so many years national officers or committee chairmen, and thus avoids some problems faced by other

chapters. The chapter has a new system of financing, also gives \$100 scholarship to a girl in the University each year.

Portland: The chapter meets regularly once a month for a luncheon at the home of one member, who is assisted as hostess by two others. This year, it has assisted in several benefit affairs for the University of Oregon Fine Arts Building Fund campaign, to which it pledged and has now given \$100; has sponsored a benefit motion picture and fashion show which netted over \$225; has assisted a blind man to make a living by sponsoring the sale of his brooms; gave baskets of clothing and provisions to poor families at Christmas. The greatest problem is to interest all the Gamma Phis who should come to the meetings—the attendance is fairly good, different girls coming to the meeting, in addition to the regular “standbys.” At Christmas, the chapter arranges a luncheon for all girls home from Nu and Chi and Lambda, and Gamma Phi mothers, and there are always more than a hundred covers at that time. The meetings range about 30.

Spokane: Ten girls meet regularly every two weeks. In March a rummage sale netted \$57, which they have used in aiding a poor family adopted at Christmas time. They secured a good position for the father and with his salary and Gamma Phi aid, the debts have been paid, the baby given milk regularly, and the other five children clothed and sent back to school. Now the chapter is looking into another case. Sickness of two officers, earlier in the year, caused delay in sending national dues, but the chapter is actively functioning.

Alumna Associations

Boise: The group is small, but enthusiastic, and has been meeting regularly. However, a misunderstanding caused the premium on its insurance policy to lapse, and the strain of meeting the back payments and the current rate was so heavy that the girls felt they could not pay dues this year. However, they do a great deal for Xi chapter, which relies on them a lot.

Everett: This is an active organization, and assists greatly with Lambda rushing. The girls meet regularly and assist in much charity work in Everett.

Eugene: This group is small, but the members assist Nu in an advisory capacity. The girls are called upon for many philanthropic things and to assist in raising funds for University benefits.

Salem: The girls promised last fall to reorganize, but I cannot even secure an answer to my letters now. They promise, but do not act. As individuals, they are enthusiastic, but as a group—inactive.

Astoria: For several years, the group has been disorganized, but when I visited a number of the members early in June, the girls promised to reorganize and help with summer rushing there.

Moscow: These alumnae do much for Xi, of which most, if not all, of them are graduates. There are about eighteen members.

I have visited all these chapters and associations this year, except Boise. We have sent letters to three hundred Gamma Phis asking for national dues and have received some returns.

Respectfully submitted,

BEATRICE M. LOCKE
Director of Province VI

PROVINCE VII

There are five Greek-letter chapters, three alumnae chapters and one alumnae association in Province VII. The chapters, both Greek-letter and alumnae, have been visited this year, and we have been in touch with the association. I found that two of the chapters had not had a visit of inspection for two years—a thing which I hope will not happen again, for the chapters need a yearly contact with a National representative.

It looks as if there would be two new chapter houses in the Province within a year. Alpha Gamma expects to move next year, and Alpha Epsilon reports that ground has been broken for their new house. The greatest problem in Tucson has been that of housing, so I am more than glad it is about to be solved. They deserve it on other accounts, too, for socially they showed poise, understanding, and good taste in all they did.

Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Gamma, and Mu were especially cordial, efficient, and courteous when they were visited. All the chapters were well balanced, containing representative girls. Of course, we desire very good scholarship, so I think the achievement of Mu chapter the past year is worthy of mention. They raised their scholastic standing from seventh in ten to third place in one year. And they are keeping it there.

Some of the younger chapters have a splendid national feeling, but that sense was painfully lacking in every pledge meeting. If some formality could be observed, such as a simple opening exercise and a brief closing, greater dignity would be lent to the meetings and more importance attached to the material the girls have to learn. And the Gamma Phi songs should be sung at every meeting, either before or after the business session.

The pledges should be informed in their meeting of all important action taken by the chapter and any matter requiring special assessment should not be in force until both groups have voted on it. Permitting nine girls to settle everything for thirty girls, from rising hours to the spending of allowances, causes dissatisfaction and lays the foundation for future trouble.

There seems to be a feeling that a six-months' novitiateship has to be served by a pledge, regardless of her year in college. As I understand it, the six-months' period was instituted to establish the freshman scholarship. Where college scholastic ability has been determined, I feel that chapter loses by keeping a girl as a pledge for too long a period. When the upperclasses are over-balanced by the pledges, there is an added reason for an early initiation of the pledged sophomore, junior, or senior.

The cleavage between house girls and town girls is too marked. As a step toward obliterating the distinction, all the girls ought to meet at least once a day for one meal, preferably luncheon. Of course, participation in campus activities always excuses a girl.

In choosing a housemother the girls ought to consider carefully before giving the position to a relative of a chapter member. If she is satisfactory, all is well, but if not—. And the girls are apt not to feel free to talk out a fancied grievance.

The check books should be kept up to date so that the bank balance may be seen at a glance. Every chapter should have a check book with the name of the sorority printed on each check.

We are carrying out the alumnae advisorship plan in every chapter.

Our alumnae chapters are strong and flourishing. Los Angeles, especially, shows a fine record of attendance for the past year. They have organized neighborhood groups to build up interest and supplement the regular meetings. The plan is almost a necessity in regions where the distances are measured by miles and cities, and I am delighted with its development. They sent out a news letter about three times a year, and have just published a directory of over two hundred Gamma Phis in that part of the country.

This year San Francisco Alumnae have devoted their efforts to building up a permanent scholarship fund, but progress has been slow.

We always expect the Greek-letter and alumnae chapters to be on friendly terms, but it is seldom that the situation is as ideally realized as it is in Nevada. What the alumnae lack in numbers they make up in enthusiasm.

My next report shows that every alumnae chapter in the province publishes a news letter at least once a year, and a chapter directory at least every two years, and that every Greek-letter chapter is in the upper third of the scholarship list.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET NACHTRIEB
Director of Province VII

REPORT OF PROVINCE DIRECTORS' SESSIONS

We recommend that the following provisions for Province Government be included in the Standing Rules:

1. Finance
 - a. All interim expense of Province be borne by the Province.
 - b. All Conference expense be borne by the Province.
 - c. If possible, a National officer shall be sent to each Province Conference.
 - d. All Province Directors shall be sent to National Convention at expense of the National Treasury.
2. Inspection
 - a. There shall be yearly inspection of every college chapter by Province Director or her deputies.
 - b. Inspection visits shall be a minimum of four days, if possible.
3. Duties of Province Directors
 - a. It shall be the duty of the Province Director to stimulate individuals and to organize groups in her Province.
 - b. The Province Director shall be the intermediate authority between all chapters and the Grand Council.
 - c. The Province Director shall have authority to impose an advisor in any branch of college chapter activity.
4. There shall be a Department in THE CRESCENT for Province news and information.

We recommend that the following methods of procedure and interpretation be included in the Presidents' Books:

1. Breaking Pledge
 - a. Expiration (National Panhellenic regulation).
 - b. Any chapter wishing to break a pledge must first consult with the Province Director.
2. Expulsion
 - a. Any chapter wishing the Grand Council to suspend or expel a member must first make a formal appeal to the Province Director.
3. Any case involving temporary removal of a Gamma Phi Beta pin for discipline shall be reported immediately to the Province Director.
4. An inactive member is one excused, in the authorized way, from payment of regular local dues and is non-voting. This does not excuse her from payment of National dues. Any request from a member to become inactive must be referred to the Province Director.

MARGARET M. YOUNGER

4. CONVENTION COMMITTEES

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Since it was the sense of the Nominating Committee, after due investigation, that the Sorority wished the next National Officers to come from Province II, we beg to present the following report:

For President—Mrs. Ernest Barbour, Epsilon and Chicago

For Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary—Miss Agnes Wells, Beta and Cleveland

For Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Alice Camerer, Rho and Detroit

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE ETNYRE, Chairman, Chicago

MRS. H. W. DOUGLAS, Ann Arbor

MISS PANSY BLAKE, Detroit

MISS ANNA DIMMICK, Cleveland

MISS JEAN STEVENSON, Toronto

FINDINGS

I submit the report of the Finding Committee and move its adoption as a whole.

I. The report of the President of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority recommends:

- ✓ 1. That all chapters foster a cordial Panhellenic spirit in dealing with other sororities.
- ✓ 2. That greater attention be paid to scholarship as a qualification in a rush.

II. The report of the Alumnae Secretary recommends:

- ✓ 1. That the names of those alumnae associations which do not keep the rules be dropped.
- ✓ 2. That the alumnae chapters, associations, and individuals remember their obligations to their sorority and pay their dues promptly.
- ✓ 3. That there be a more serious effort on the part of the alumnae to bridge the gap between the alumnae and the Greek-letter chapters.
- ✓ 4. That we always remember that the help of the alumnae is needed to carry on the work of developing our sorority and making it of importance in the college world.

III. The report of the Secretary-Treasurer calls attention to these facts:

- ✓ 1. That the Central Office Secretary is now perhaps better versed in Gamma Phi national affairs than any other member and should command a very much larger salary than she is now receiving.

2. That the Convention of 1924 recommended the establishment of the Central Office, but made no provision for office expense.
 3. That the question of continuing the firm of J. F. Newman as an official jeweler to Gamma Phi Beta is certainly debatable.
 4. That although not listed as an official jeweler, Kents, Limited, of Toronto was granted permission to supply our Canadian members with badges.
 5. That it is unfair to our authorized jewelers to have members of Gamma Phi Beta fail to live up to the sorority's agreement with them.
- IV. The report of the National Panhellenic Delegate urges you to study and provide for:
1. Financial supervision.
 2. Study supervision.
 3. Alumnæ leadership.
- V. The report of the National Committee on Scholarships suggests:
1. That sorority women should maintain a scholastic average higher than the general average of the university.
 2. That the chapter chairman of scholarship retain her office two years.
- VI. The report of the Historian wishes to know whether the informal form history, as it has been kept, is satisfactory, or whether the organization demands a more detailed record and a more personal application.
- VII. The report of the Central Office Secretary suggests improvement in the promptness of sending:
1. Requested information.
 2. Annual dues
and that
 3. Alumnæ chapters be required to pay a minimum of \$25 national, annual dues.
 4. That those failing to do so shall lose their vote.
 5. That complete card file of every member be secured.
 6. That Province Directors give written report to chapters after visit.
 7. That a supplementary Directory be published.
 8. That each out-going chapter officer give full instructions to incoming officer regarding work in that particular office.
 9. That those who pledged \$50 to the Endowment Fund and paid nothing be stricken from the list of contributors to the Fund and from the list of Life subscribers.
- VIII. The report of THE CRESCENT Editor requests:
1. That the brown paper and the illustrations be returned.

2. That such assistants be chosen as will best fulfill the duties of their office.
3. That we create an abiding interest for loyal support of the magazine.

IX. On the question of Expansion the following recommendation were made:

1. That the Expansion Committee be given more power.
2. That it be given more financial support.
3. That the committee's recommendations be given more careful consideration by the chapters.
4. That a provision be made for colonization.

X. On the question of affiliation the following points were recommended for consideration:

1. That a spirit of affiliation among Gamma Phis is traditional.
2. That a period of probation be prescribed, during which the transfer must live up to the chapter by-laws.
3. That a uniform affiliation blank be used in sending information between chapters.
4. That Gamma Phis not yet affiliated shall be made welcome at the chapter house.
5. That all disputed cases of affiliation be referred to the Province Director.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE RINGLING COERPER, *Chairman*, Milwaukee

CLARA TANEY WILL, Seattle

FRANCES LUCAS, San Francisco

FINANCE

DEAR SISTERS ASSEMBLED:

After a careful consideration of the needs, finances, and resources of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, we submit the following budget:

Central Office	\$1,800
Rent	300
Organization	600
Inspection	1,000
Convention	2,800
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	\$6,500

Our present income is \$5,000, plus tax of \$4.00 each from approximately three hundred initiates or \$1,200, making a total of \$6,200, which does not meet the above budget. By raising the active chapter national initiation fee to \$25, which will be apportioned as follows: \$7.00 to Organization, \$3.00 to Endowment, and \$15.00

to THE CRESCENT; and the Alumnæ dues to \$3.00, which will cover a subscription to THE CRESCENT, our income will be as follows:

Present income	\$5,000
300 Initiations	2,100
Alumnæ	480
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	\$7,580

This will give \$1,000 for the following: (1) Survey Expenses, (2) Expansion and Colonization, (3) National Officers' expenses, and (4) Sundries.

This report is but a temporary one. We are fortunate to have an expert within our ranks, Miss Helen Williams, Omega and Cleveland Alumnæ, who has consented to make a financial survey which will be presented within six or eight months.

However, may I add, first: this budget does not include alumnæ delegates' convention expenses, which would mean an additional tax of \$1.50 each, and second, THE CRESCENT, which, without counting the time spent by the Central Office, is self-supporting. Nor can we make any definite promise as to its efficiency until Miss Williams finishes her reports.

We recommend that all branches furnish a minimum and maximum budget and the Expansion Chairman an estimated budget, as these will assist Miss Williams a great deal.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA TANEY WILL, Seattle
 BERTHA GRAY HARKER, Los Angeles
 HELEN WILLIAMS, Cleveland
 MARY T. McCURLEY, Baltimore

RESOLUTIONS

The Committee on Resolutions hereby offers the following report:

In order to put on record the grateful acknowledgment of Gamma Phi Beta of the efforts which have made possible this Thirty-fifth Convention of the Sorority:

Be it resolved:

1. That Convention hereby express to the officers of Convention and officers of Province II its appreciation of the hospitality of Province II.
2. That Convention express its appreciation to the Grand Council for its effective work and splendid co-operation.
3. That convention hereby recognize the splendid co-operation between the Greek-letter and Alumnæ delegates in Convention.
4. That Convention extend to the hotel management its appre-

ciation of the assistance and courtesy extended to Gamma Phi Beta during Convention.

MARIE MORELAND, *Chairman*, Minneapolis

MARY HELEN BAKER, Baltimore

BEATRICE LOCKE, Portland

III

GAMMA PHI BETA NEEDS ORGANIZED PROMOTION OF POWER

AT LAKE PLACID the report of the Chairman of Inspection was an analysis of one great need of this Sorority—the organization of province government.

The project I present today seems more intangible. I believe the greatest need of Gamma Phi today is the organized promotion of the importance and power of this Sorority. Marshaling of facts for annual reports always startled us with the size, importance, and achievements that failed to impress in the daily grind.

Let us analyze the situation from the chapter viewpoint. We pledge from four to twenty-four members—an average of, say, ten initiates in thirty-three chapters. More than three hundred girls every year come under the influence of Gamma Phi Beta. With the exception of the five chapters who do not live in chapter houses—we spend a very conservative average of \$1,000 a month in operation of each chapter. Translate that into individual responsibility. Not many chapter presidents will ever again hold the power to build the general intelligence, financial responsibility, cultural tastes, personal habits, and life-long friendships of twenty-five girls. Not many chapter treasurers will soon have the opportunity to spend \$1,000 a month. Not many freshmen trainers will again find ten girls eager to control and build themselves to conform to her standards.

Do you catch my vision?

In the toil necessary to fulfil the minimum requirements of each task among the riotous distractions of college life—girls do not see the power they hold until their term is over—if ever. The strength of chapters shrinks and expands in ratio to its members' understanding of power and importance of her sorority within alumnae groups.

Not many alumnae officers realize that for a tremendous number of Gamma Phis their sorority contact is the chief stimulus to maintain academic traditions, the chief source of information concerning intellectual progress, university news, that queer younger generation, and the good old girls—and, of course, the basis for their most cherished friendships.

Benefits, rummage sales, and new chapter houses are vital, but don't let's be smothered in detail. Without our sorority as organized units and if we could lump all the darned socks, crippled children, college buildings, endowments, and Syrian orphans in one bundle, what a mark Gamma Phi would make on community life in this nation!

In our hearts we feel the strength of Gamma Phi—in our minds we do not comprehend the power. Can we not through all our branches of government as well as our progress of publicity build a living sense of power and importance of Gamma Phi? I am convinced that here lies the real solution of financial handicap, disciplinary difficulties, scholastic slumps, and many of our constant problems. I *do* know that every Gamma Phi chapter and nearly every Gamma Phi needs a greater understanding of the importance of her sorority—it is our greatest national need.

MARGARET MEANY YOUNGER

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LISTS OF DELEGATES AND VISITORS

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OFFICIAL DELEGATES

Alpha—Dorothy Ehlers
Beta—Ruth Moore
Gamma—Sarah Chickering
Delta—Virginia Smith
Epsilon—Josephine MacRae
Zeta—Frances Hosterman
Eta—Yvonne Harley
Theta—Marion Watkins
Kappa—Katherine Baker
Lambda—Annabel Hall
Mu—Virginia Greene
Nu—Ruth De Neffe
Xi—Estelle Pickerell
Omicron—Lois Baker
Pi—Vera Stephenson
Rho—Adeline Taylor
Sigma—Ruth Van Riper
Tau—Frances Gilkison
Upsilon—Mary Ellen Franklin
Phi—Glen May
Chi—Lucille Morton
Psi—Neva Black

Omega—Marjorie Peacock
Alpha Alpha—Lois Poyntz
Alpha Beta—Genevieve Parsons
Alpha Gamma—La Verne Blundell
Alpha Delta—Gladys Siemon
Alpha Epsilon—Bonnie Wade
Alpha Zeta—Mary Frances Llewellyn
Alpha Eta—Katherine Whitney
Alpha Theta—Carramaye Evans
Alpha Iota—Jean Paulsen
Alpha Kappa—Eileen Magill
Ann Arbor—Eleanor Sheldon Myers
Baltimore—Helen Baker
Boston—Florine Courtright Grabow
Chicago—Ruth Bartels Fox
Cleveland—Alice Kenyon Watkins

<i>Denver</i> —Madaline Miller	<i>New York</i> —Ruth Russum
<i>Des Moines</i> —Sadie Whitney	Shearman
Mishler	<i>Portland</i> —Beatrice Locke
<i>Detroit</i> —Alice Camerer	<i>Reno</i> —Elvina Blevins
<i>Kansas City</i> —Kathryn Allen	<i>San Francisco</i> —Bertha Gray
Woodward	Harker
<i>Los Angeles</i> —Frances Lucas	<i>Seattle</i> —Clara Taney Will
<i>Milwaukee</i> —Alice Ringling	<i>St. Louis</i> —Georganne Tracy
Coerper	<i>Syracuse</i> —Mildred Bigelow
<i>Minneapolis</i> —Sarah Preston	Price
Finley	<i>Toronto</i> —Doris Armitage

II

CHAPTER REPRESENTATION

- ALPHA—Dorothy Ehlers, Annette Hastings, Helen Kelly, Dorothy Stark, Alice Kenyon Watson, Laura Latimer Graham, Ruth Russum Shearman, Mildred Bigelow Price.
- BETA—Ruth Moore, Lucinda Sherwood, Monie Burt, Esther Merrick, Caroline Colver Potter, Pansy Blake, Alice Weber Fitzgerald.
- GAMMA—Sarah Chickering, Dorothy Bateman, Marjorie Nee, Alice Ringling Coerper, Isabelle Brownell Kuehn, Carrie E. Morgan.
- DELTA—Virginia Smith, Doris Mildrum, Florine Courtright Grabow.
- EPSILON—Josephine MacRae, Geraldine McKinley, Beatrice Lumley, Lucille King, Alice Dibble, Mary Jane Dovel, Betty Dovel, Patricia Hellweg, Vesper Getman, Dorothy Hediger, Helen Kennedy, Nancy Loucks, Eleanor Lawson, Vivian McConnell, Margaret McBroom, Florence McKee, Wilma Rusboldt, Marion Schirfflin, Isabelle Van Kirk, Nellie Weston, Gertrude MacRae, Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, Ruth Bartels Fox, Gladys O'Connor Borland, Nilla Jansky Bauer, Catherine McCutcheon Baker, Mary Lyons Dibble, Bertha Gray Harker.
- ZETA—Frances Hosterman, Charlotte Bush, Beulah Leech, Helen Baker, Mary Thomas McCurley.
- ETA—Yvonne Harley, Clara Whiting, Carolyn Whiting.
- THETA—Marion Watkins, Norma Van Orman, Branche Taussig, Myrna Louise Sydnor, Helen Henry, Madaline Miller, Helen Barbee, Lindsey Barbee, Thalia Van Orman Woods, Kathryn Allen Woodward, Jean Paulsen.
- KAPPA—Katherine Baker, Harriet Jackson, Grace Cornwall, Elizabeth Ryan, Margaret Watson, Mary Carpenter, Helen Car-

penter, Martha Shute, Mary Wilde, Marion Ashley, Eleanor Sheldon Myers, Clara Taney Will, Marie Moreland, Sara Preston Finlay.

LAMBDA—Annabel Hall, Jane Horsfall, Katherine Redpath, Theodosia Winfree, Helen McDonald Sander, Margaret Meany Younger.

MU—Virginia Greene, Virginia Bunnell, Emma Demond.

NU—Ruth De Neffe, Lillian Luders, Mary Luckel, Nancy Lucke, Beatrice Locke.

XI—Estelle Pickerell.

OMICRON—Lois Baker, Elsie Dose, Lucille Meeks, Jessie Williams, Nina Gresham, Sarah Worst, Nona Shimmin, Helen Williams, Mildred Dimmick.

PI—Vera Stephenson.

RHO—Adeline Taylor, Janice Hynes Howes, Eleanor Mueller Bloodgood, Alice Camerer, Sadie Whitney Mishler.

SIGMA—Ruth Van Piper, Hester Markentin.

TAU—Frances Gilkison, Grace Humphrey, Thelma Schlichter, Georgia Fleming.

UPSILON—Mary Ellen Franklin, Anna Boardman.

PHI—Glen May, Georganne Tracy, Virginia Black, Laura Hinchman, Frances Lucas.

CHI—Lucille Morton.

PSI—Neva Black, Dorothy George Sanborn, Kathryn Younger, Mrs. Lee Delle Rose, Puilla Hill, Lois Scarritt Gillett, Dunlop Thorp.

OMEGA—Marjorie Peacock, Nell Taylor.

ALPHA ALPHA—Lois Poyntz, Beatrice Menzies, Doris Armitage, Marxine Wrigley, Isabelle Whitman, Mary Dalley, Mary Harris, Leone Harris, Isabelle Peaker, Jean Orr, Mary Scott, Mrs. J. H. Hornung.

ALPHA BETA—Genevieve Parsons, Alice Schrap, Marjorie Miller.

ALPHA GAMMA—La Verne Blundell, Pearl Ripley, Elvina Blevins.

ALPHA DELTA—Gladys Sieman, Elsa Peabody, Mary Ellen Hubbard.

ALPHA UPSILON—Bonnie Wade, Martha Vinson, Arno McKee, Louise McKee, Verla Oare, Ethel Baxter.

ALPHA ZETA—Mary Frances Llewellyn, Marjorie Hayes.

ALPHA ETA—Katherine Whitney, Martha Ballenger, Esther Acklin, Helen Blair, Pauline Peiffer.

ALPHA THETA—Carramaye Evans.

ALPHA IOTA—Lucille Berry, Lois Cleland.

ALPHA KAPPA—Eileen Magill.

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LIST OF DECEASED MEMBERS

CHAPTER ROLL

(1924-1927)

ALPHA:

Marguerite Cook Doubleday (December, 1926).
Agnes Lancaster Leiter (December, 1926).

BETA:

Jessie Horton Koessler (February, 1927).
Florence George Breive.

EPSILON:

Sybil Bauer (January, 1927).

ZETA:

Anna Palmer (February, 1927).
Ethelyn Phipps Austin (March, 1927).
Margaret Wilson (April, 1927).

THETA:

Mary Way Puffer (October, 1925).
Frances Hoop Ritter.
Flora Shattuck Harper.
Ora Bowman Moore (March, 1927).

IOTA:

Helen Wilkes (1926).

LAMBDA:

Elizabeth Joyner (November, 1926).
Lucille Hicks Antes.
Meta Becker Hergert (November, 1926).

NU:

Katherine De Neffe (August, 1926).
Margaret Morrison.
Gertrude Parker.

PI:

Ruth Huntling (October, 1925).
Helen Kummer (November, 1924).

RHO:

Ruth Van Horn.

TAU:

Olga Mae Heisen (November, 1925).
Elaine Hendricks Burnett (December, 1926).
Eleanor Nicky (October, 1924).

CHI:

Ruth Bamfort.

PSI:

Maurine Rives (March, 1926).

ALPHA ALPHA:

Gloria Hill Moore.

ALPHA BETA:

Muriel O'Keefe Sullivan.

ALPHA GAMMA:

Eula McArthur.

Marcelline Kenney.

ALPHA EPSILON:

Catherine Montgomery (1925).

Maude Plunkett.

ALPHA ZETA:

Ardis Keeling (May, 1925).

