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## PRESIDENT'S GREETING

DEAR SISTERS IN GAMMA PHI BETA:

MANY of us have just returned from a most successful convention; a convention where enthusiasm and cheer swept us irresistibly into a closer bond of friendship and a higher plane of devotion to our beloved sorority; and the thrill of this renewed reunion is still upon us.

To those of you who were there, may I express the real pleasure and pride I felt in meeting and knowing you—and to you who were not present, my joy in the knowledge that a happy meeting is yet in store for us in the near future.

No small part of its success was due to the progressive spirit manifested by the convention, both by the delegates and by the visitors. It is to the furthering of this progressive spirit, its development and execution, that we are pledged.

The outstanding accomplishment of the convention was the legislative act ordering a National Survey. This is a long felt need, because only after a proper survey has been made and studied, will it be possible to create an efficient, successful budget system.

The installation of a budget system for the handling of our finances is of vital importance. It is the accepted, modern business method, and we are pledged to its use as quickly as it can be created. We are counting on the united cooperation of all the chapters in making this a success.

Education, the recognized foundation of our social existence, points an unwavering finger toward the all important need of developing our scholarship. Lindsey Barbee, in her Province number of *THE CRESCENT*, has written a splendid editorial on this subject. Phi Beta Kappas are an asset to any sorority, and we desire to create greater incentives to our members for this and similar honorary achievements so that we may always feel proud of our standing in the colleges. Statisticians will tell you where we stand in the fraternity world.

Proper publicity or correct advertising is another of my pet hobbies. May we always remember to mention the name of our sorority when discussing our attainments.

Gamma Phi measures her cultural development by the achievements of her members; by the individual honors and distinctions bestowed upon them. Let us, therefore, broadcast them to the world through our editor and publicity chairman.

Our physical growth is accomplished through intelligent expansion, and it is hoped that several new chapters may be added to our roll in the near future.

The Province System has, in its brief history, proved to be the most efficient and satisfactory method of handling our rapidly growing sorority; and, while the Grand Council constitutes the chief executive office and administrative head of the organization, the Province directors are the media of personal contact, acting somewhat as "mother confessor" and occupying a position similar to the "Dean of Women" in the colleges.

Central Office will, for the present, be located in Epsilon's new house, where it will have the exclusive use of the chapter's administrative quarters. It is with the deepest personal regret that I must announce the retirement of Anna Boardman from the office, but she feels it would be futile to accept the position as her stay would be too limited to be justified. This regret is tempered, however, by the knowledge that Alice Dibble has accepted the office and the work will continue in her capable hands.

While, of course, a progressive, efficient business administration is always necessary and will receive even more than its due share of study and attention, we must not lose sight of our social obligation to one another; the privileges and benefits of our associations; and the finer qualities underlying and dominating our activities.

For our sorority, we desire on our march of progress a strict adherence to the ideals of our beloved founders; no shattering of honored traditions; no selfishness of viewpoint; but, rather, an intelligent interpretation of our present day needs; a saving sense of humor; and the assurance of love and perfect understanding.

Loyally,

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Weston, Gertrude MacRae, Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, Ruth Bartels Fox, Gladys O'Connor Borland, Willa 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, Blanche Taussig, Myrna Louise Sydnor, Helen Henry, Madaline Miller, Helen Barbee, Lindsey Barbee, Thalia Van Orman Woods, Kathryn Allen Woodward, Jean Paulsen.



CLOSE UP VIEW OF  
GRAND HOTEL

KAPPA—Katherine Baker, Harriet Jackson, Grace Cornwall, Elizabeth Ryan, Margaret Watson, Mary Carpenter, Helen Carpenter, 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 Riper, Hester Warkentin.

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

UPSILON—Mary Ellen Franklin, Anna Boardman.

PHI—Glen May, Georganne Tracy, Virginia Black, Laura Hinch-  
man, Frances Lucas.

CHI—Lucille Morton.

PSI—Neva Black, Dorothy George Sanborn, Kathryn Younger,  
Mrs. Lee Delle Rose, Puilla Hill, Lois Scarritt Gillett, Dun-  
lop 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 Schraps, Marjorie Miller.

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

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

ALPHA EPSILON—Bonnie Wade, Martha Vinson, Amo 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.

### III

#### FROM A DIARY

##### TUESDAY

Blue sky. Sharp wind. Silver flash of a sea gull. Gay laughter. Ever-moving groups of girls. First glimpse of the fairy island. The Grand gleaming white in the emerald setting. Disembarkment to the strains of *The Gang's All Here*. A vision of orange and black directing the disposal of the baggage. A long line of equipages. Phaetons. Barouches. Surreys. Victorias. Great lilac trees. Clusters of purple and white blossoms. Charming summer homes with boarded windows. Frame houses. Old stone chimneys. Tang of burnt wood in the air. Marvelous golf course. The Grand's hospitable entrance. Another vision of orange and black with the courtesy of Sir Walter Raleigh. Shouts of welcome



from the pre-arrivals. Third vision of orange and black guarding the door. Long line of registration. Eager bell-hops. White spats. Rain. Silvery shafts of it. Alumnæ deliberation. Reports. Get-together-get-acquainted tea. Five gracious courtiers to do the honors in the dining room. Music. Demi-tasse in the lobby, superintended by the orange and black prime minister. Constant patter of rain. Fog horn. Initiation in all its serious beauty as a fitting close to the first day.

## WEDNESDAY

Morning sunshine over the lake. Path of gold. Turquoise sky. Turquoise waves. Diamond spray. Slow-moving boat. Lilacs heavy with rain tapping against a window. Breakfast greetings. Brisk walks along the piazza. Business. Round tables. Crowds around the fascinating jewelry tables. Scores of steps down to the tea garden. Orange umbrellas. Orange and black dancing floor. Pergola. Bright-hued gowns against the green background. Moving camera in a crescent shaped path. Again a line of vehicles. Narrow twisting roads. Boughs meeting above. Flashes of the lake. Fort on the heights. British landing place. Souvenirs. Winged boat beneath the arch. Winding road along the lake. Evening gowns. Spanish shawls. Sleek heads. Silver slippers. Bridge. Shuffle of cards. Gay chatter. Delectable prizes. Cool night air. The lighthouse.

## THURSDAY

Horseback riders. Swimming pool. Golf links. Speed boats. The village. Curios. Dock. Promenade chairs. Sport shop. Incidental business. Boat whistle. Les Cheneaux. Vaudeville. Opera singers. Janitor. Twinkle toes. Chapter songs. Grand right and left. "Snatch your partner!" Gales of laughter. Enchanting music. One-two-three-four—men! Gay groups in the lobby. Strolls on the piazza. Tea garden in the magic light. Flash of the lighthouse. Lilac scent again. Twelve o'clock. One o'clock. Two o'clock. And so to bed.

## FRIDAY

Delegates alert. Last minute business. New officers. Applause. Resolutions. Regretful adjournment. Chairs along the board walk. Dashes into the village. Last tea with the prime minister. Committee conferences. Province conferences. Officers—old and new. Perfect twilight. Sudden hush. Low, sweet bird call. Passing of a steamer. Glow on water. Soft lights. Masses of flowers. Triumphant music. The banquet. Vari-colored gowns. Smiling faces. Happy voices. Snatches of song. Shining bracelets. Many telegrams. Clever toasts. Partings. New friendships formed.

Old friendships strengthened. Quiet night. Again the hush. Golden crescent of the moon.

## IV

## THE TEA

"My dear, the HOUR!" exclaimed my neighbor unofficial-delegate, after the manner of *Life*. "But I just *couldn't* leave while those *reports* were on! Did you ever *dream* a *business* session could be like *that*? I mean, my dear, every *minute* so *interesting* and EXCITING! But, *heavens*, here it is time for the Cleveland tea, and NO DRESS! I mean I haven't had a *second* to get a *thing* pressed, and isn't it just *ghastly*? I mean with all this *rain* and all, I'm *sure* neither that chiffon nor that crepe has shaken *out* yet! And *really*, my dear, one just *can't* go in WRINKLES, can one!"

But one could and did! And not just one, but many a sister! Neither wrinkles nor rain, however, could mar the delightful hour of welcoming friendship extended to all delegates and visitors to convention by the alumnae of Cleveland. One wing of the hospitable hotel lobby had been converted into a "private" Gamma Phi Beta drawing room, and there, with lovely flowers, fragrant tea, gracious hostess-ship and (of course!) charming guests, the opening social function of convention became a delightful memory—the Cleveland Tea.

FRANCES LUCAS,  
*Los Angeles*

## V

## THE INITIATION

To the alumna, unfamiliar with the new rituals, the model initiation must have been a surprise. To the active, fully conversant with its details, it must have been an inspiration to see one of our newer chapters go through the work with so much precision. Handicapped by the lack of a natural setting for the ceremony, the girls of Alpha Eta did wonderfully well in carrying out the details. To the initiates, who had come long distances for the ceremony, it must have been most impressive, and it will be a delightful memory to foster all their lives.

Far too seldom in this work-a-day world are we brought face to face with the beauty of symbolism, and fortunate are those, who in their fraternal organizations have the opportunity to love and cherish these things.

Those of us who are distant from active chapters are doubtless more impressed by these ceremonies than those who see them every year, and one of the lures of convention is to live over the pleasures we have experienced as actives and to have the opportunity to keep in touch with the ever-changing world.



Fifty years have brought many changes not only in ceremony, but in customs, mode of living, and sorority life in general. When we compare the simplicity of even a quarter of a century ago, we are surprised and impressed with the growth of the sorority, and the power it has come to be in college life. Our sincere hope is that it may continue to be a benefaction to those who belong, a help to the college in general and of some service to mankind.

CARRIE E. MORGAN, *Gamma*

## VI

### THE RIDE

With great glee the Nine climbed into the three seated vehicle. The Nine hailed from a distant chapter—all of them—and much to the disgust of one of their number—the Old Lady—who desired a scatteration among other chapters, they descended upon this passing equipage and precipitated themselves—and her—into its depths. The Driver—young, goodlooking and impressionable—balanced himself precariously upon the infinitesimal seat allotted him and thrust his legs into the vast unknown; while the Bride, the Giggler and the Initiate presented themselves as a background. Into the next seat climbed the Delegate, the Curlyheaded One and the Dark-eyed Maid; while into the rear were thrust the Director, the Alternate, and the Old Lady, still gloomily lamenting the fact that they were getting better acquainted with each other which wasn't necessary.

"I've never before been in a buggy," whispered the Alternate, responding rapturously to every sudden move of the carryall. "Maybe we'll find some Lady Slippers" caroled the Curlyheaded One. "I wonder if he can drive," muttered the Old Lady.

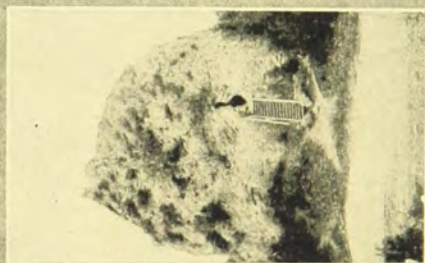
Into the shade of a winding way they rode, sniffing the woodsy odors, peering into the shadowy ferns, exclaiming over the lacy boughs that almost met above them. "Maybe we'll find a Lady Slipper," repeated the Curlyheaded One. "Fairies!" whispered the Dark-eyed Maid, pointing to a sequestered nook; while the Old Lady, anxious to show that Shakespeare was her daily vocabulary, murmured, "I know a bank whereon the wild thyme grows." "Lover's Lane," commented the Bride with a reminiscent smile. "I wish I could drive," contributed the Giggler; and "Maybe he'll let us," added the Initiate. And as the Initiate smiled, the Driver became as clay in the hands of the potter.

"That is the Fort," said the guide, philosopher and friend with a sweeping gesture—one eye on the Initiate and the other on the horses. (The Giggler was driving.) Historic, whitewalled and picturesque, the old building looked down from the heights, suggesting many stories of the early struggles with the Indians,

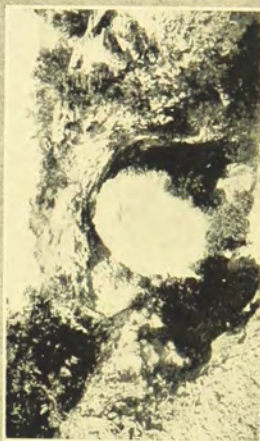




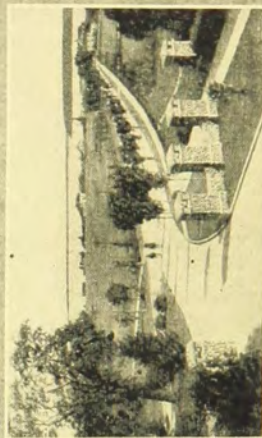
Fort Mackinac  
Road to British Landing



Sugar Loaf Rock  
Monument at British Landing



Arch Rock  
Approach to Grand Hotel



French and British. The Director grew retrospective as she declaimed, "The mind pictures easily the colorful procession of Indians, trappers, voyageurs, missionaries, fur traders, and soldiers that crossed the island in the days when the early history of the great North West was in the making and three nations were fighting for possession of the New World." "You read all that in the *Crescent*," sniffed the Old Lady. She knew whereof she spoke. "Under three flags," continued the Director placidly, "Isn't there a book by that name?" "The author restricts it to two, I believe," replied the Old Lady sarcastically, "but don't let that make any difference." "I won't," drawled the Director. "I was never good in mathematics."

"Was that a Lady Slipper?" shrieked the Curlyheaded One as the amateur efforts of the Giggler bore them on one wheel around a curve. "No time for Lady Slippers!" wailed the Old Lady, "*Hold on.*" And at this breathless stage in the journey, the Delegate chose to free her mind of a dread possibility. "Will we be called upon for a stunt?" she asked. The Old Lady held on more vigorously. "At this rate, you won't be here to do *any* stunt." But the Alternate rallied to the support of her comrade—even in the face of danger, like Casabianca, she thought only of duty. "Let's practice," she whispered to the Delegate. Straightway a crooning sound arose, even as a chant of courage before the charge to battle.

"Sugar Loaf Rock!" came from the Seeing-Mackinac megaphone, and up went nine heads, intent on beholding the wonder. "Doesn't appeal to me," sighed the Director. "I've given up candy." And straightway, before anyone could comment further or could add to the brilliant repartee, a sudden swerve—the reins were now in the hands of the Initiate—sent the companionable Driver prostrate with his head in the lap of the Bride; an event regarded by him as a direct act of Providence. The Bride smiled graciously; and the Old Lady made a mental reservation to telegraph the Groom.

The Souvenir Stop! And with a flourish, comparable to that of Ben Hur in his chariot, the Initiate checked her steeds. Around the tables and into the shop they fluttered—the Nine of them; and, emerging from the bewildering enticements of moccasins, beaded work, baskets, balsam pillows and Indian dolls, they climbed the heights; and, behold—through the rugged beauty of a picture frame arch glistened the marvel of the perfect picture. Still higher—and the world was before them! A fairy world—an exquisite world—a blue expanse that fired their imagination and held them spell-bound. The rehearsal for the stunt was forgotten; Lady Slippers faded into insignificance; and even the irascible Old Lady became as a gentle lamb.

Along another beauteous path they made their way; on one side, the forest of maple, beech, birch, pine, cedar, and balsam, on the



other, the ever-shifting panorama of sea and sky, with its rainbow lights, its whitesailed boats, its rifts of clouds. A sudden shriek broke the dreamy contemplation. "I saw a Lady Slipper; I did, I did!" sang the Curlyheaded One. The Old Lady glared. She had been evolving a literary gem, and the frenzied ejaculation had made its entrance between the subject and predicate of a sentence which in its artistic perfection was to startle the world. With the dignity of advanced age, she addressed the Driver. "Would it be possible for us to linger for a few moments in order to settle this question permanently?" The Driver beamed. Any delay was acceptable, for with a slight turn, he could revel in the depths of the Initiate's eyes. "Sure," he grinned. And ere the vehicle had stopped, the Curlyheaded One had bounded over the obstructing wheel, and, like Goldilocks of old, had plunged into the Unknown Forest. Five minutes passed—unnoticed by the Driver, employed in rehearsal by the Delegate and the Alternate, spent in meditation by the Director. The Dark-eyed Maid became nervous. "She's been gone pretty long," she ventured. "We're in no hurry," volunteered the Driver. "But she may be murdered," persisted the Dark-eyed Maid, determined to add a note of cheer—"Murdered!" "Perhaps she has come across an entire shoe store," remarked the Old Lady with a feeble attempt at a joke; but before anybody could ask what she meant, the Curlyheaded One appeared, bearing in triumph six golden beauties. "I *did* find them—I knew I would," she beamed, presenting a particularly luscious one to the Old Lady, who smiled benignly, quite mollified, and incidentally wondering if *The Quest of a Lady Slipper* wouldn't be a fine name for a play.

The British Landing, with its solitary cannon, infused the proper amount of respect; and the Dark-eyed Maid, with a due sense of what is expected of a sophomore, began a dissertation upon the history of that period. The Director, feeling that a poetical touch was necessary, began to murmur—"Cannon to right of them, cannon to left of them, cannon in front of them"—and as she paused, the Old Lady shook her head in despair. "Numerically twisted again," she wailed—"There's only *one*!"

A turn—another path—another gorgeous vista—and, presto change, the Grand itself flashed into view; and along the tree-bordered approach, through the hospitable entrance rolled the chariot. The Major-Domo, all in orange and black, extended a helping hand and bestowed a smile of welcome. "Thanks for the buggy ride," said the Giggler, voicing the sentiment of the crowd. While the Initiate, claiming the last word, added, "We've had a wonderful time!"

## VII

## THE CHICAGO BRIDGE PARTY

On Wednesday evening, the delegates and visitors at convention were entertained with a charming bridge party, given by the Chicago Alumnae Chapter. The Egyptian ball room, with its soft colored lights and gay hangings, formed a lovely background for the diversion of the evening.

After four rounds of bridge, the tallies were collected and the winners given their choice of fifteen lovely prizes. Among them (to mention a few) was a lovely batik scarf, a pocket book, stationery with the Gamma Phi monogram, a pen and pencil set, beads, bracelets, and handkerchiefs. As we saw our friends with high scores walk up and take their choice, I am sure there was a feeling of envy within us, and a fervent wish that we had played better bridge.

Besides giving us a chance to enjoy the game, the party was unusually successful in helping us to get better acquainted with each other, and to know something about the different chapters and what they were accomplishing.

GEORGANNE TRACY,  
*St. Louis*

## VIII

## THE MEMORIAL SERVICE

Doubtless the most impressive ceremony at convention was the beautiful memorial service, written by Lindsey Barbee and given for the first time at the golden anniversary at Lake Placid three years ago.

Beautifully read by Pansy Blake of Beta Chapter, assisted by Beta girls, it left a lasting impression upon all present. In the midst of business and gaiety, it came as a fitting reminder of the serious side of life and of the brief span of years allotted to our existence here. It was an incentive to all for greater consideration of the big things and less thought for the petty and frivolous.

Mingled with its sadness there arose before us the beautiful vision of the spiritual life of the sisters who have gone to the great Beyond, and we were mindful of the call, which, sooner or later, must come to each of us, and the happy reunion, which, for centuries, has been the greatest hope of mankind.

CARRIE E. MORGAN, *Gamma*



## 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 Woy 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).

IX

THE VAUDEVILLE

SCENE: Room No. 168 at the Grand Hotel.

TIME: Midnight, Thursday after the Epsilon Vaudeville.

*The curtain rises, showing two wearers of the crescent ready for bed, but not for sleep.*

The Tall One: (*Trying to sing*) Only a Rose ta-ta-ta-

The Short One: Heavens—stop singing that song. It's a desecration after the way that darling Patty Heller-veg sang it tonight.

The Tall One: Wasn't she wonderful? And very lovely when she sang her encore.

The Short One: And those dancers—Eleanor Lawson and Billie Rushbolt. They had some clever steps, and they promised to show me how they did some of them.

The Tall One: And they looked so attractive in their dainty pastel shaded chiffon dresses.

The Short One: And the Opera—I was convulsed—We almost had to carry out some of the alumnae.

The Tall One: You know, that must be the attitude of a lot of men who are dragged to the Opera. They can't understand a word, and they always vow they could do one "just as good."

The Short One: And using the apartment house setting was original—and, of course, the janitor as the villain. Isabel Van Kirk played the villain.

The Tall One: And she was chairman of the whole show. . . .

The Short One: And the duet in the Opera between Patty Heller-veg, the Prima Donna, and Billie Rushbolt, as the hero. When they sang about smelling smoke. . . .

The Tall One: And those realistic sniffs; I almost smelled smoke myself.

The Short One: That ballet! Wasn't it screaming? In bed room attire, night caps 'n' everything.

The Tall One: Remember how funny Al. Dibble looked with her head all tied up?



The Short One: And their dance—Shades of Terpsichore!

The Tall One: Wasn't it clever when Geraldine McKinley, who had been introducing all the stunts, announced the reading by the *Attractive* Miss Geraldine McKinley?

The Short One: I loved that story. About the "Wee" house in London, and the wartime romance.

The Tall One: I saw some of those houses last summer; they really are like doll houses.

The Short One: Don't you envy Epsilon her talent?

The Tall One: I wish we had a little more in our chapter.

The Short One: And the Panhellenic stunt. That will be marvelous for rushing.

The Tall One: Won't it? Have your different groups of girls sing and act typical songs of the different sororities on the campus.

The Short One: Let's see if I can remember—The dignified Kappa, the bored Thetas, and, and, . . .

The Tall One: Vampy Pi Phis—then sweet Delta Gammas, and the athletically inclined Alpha Phis!

The Short One: And then our own dear Gamma Phi. Wasn't she lovely? Patty Hellerveg certainly outsang them.

The Tall One: And one of the very nicest things was at the end of the program when Epsilon led the singing.

The Short One: And after we sang *Fidelity*—I was more thrilled with being a Gamma Phi than ever before.

The Tall One: That's what convention does for one—Makes her thrilled with being a Gamma Phi.

The Short One: Good night!

The Tall One: Good night!

Finis

GEORGANNE TRACY,  
St. Louis

## X

### THE BANQUET

The banquet! Four days we had waited for it, some of us working as well as watching, all of us eager for its high excitement, yet loath to see convention draw to an end. But such an end! "Wasn't it just perfect!" sighed one of the six very new initiates, and we, who were older in Gamma Phi, happily and contentedly admitted its success.

"Just one thing troubles me," murmured a young delegate. "How can I ever transport to my chapter the beauty and glamor of these hours? How can I make them feel the loveliness and the brilliancy of our Lindsey, as toastmistress? And the gracious maturity

of our beloved Mrs. Graham, in contrast to the young charm of our eager new president; and the fine idealism of all the toasts, whether from the exquisite youth of our undergraduates or from the sweet dignity of our alumnæ—I want to share it all with them! I want them most of all to sense the feeling of rededication to service in and through Gamma Phi that swept over all of us who stood there in the closing Mystic Circle. So much I want to give them! How can I do it?"

"Child," responded an alumna, "you may not be able to do all that. But this you can do: you can so describe the beauty of this banquet that all your chapter will decide to come to participate in the banquet that closes *next* convention—for it, too, will be a Banquet Perfect, refreshing, in all who come, their deep and constant love for our sorority."

FRANCES LUCAS,  
Los Angeles

#### THE MENU

*Fruit Cocktail Supreme*  
*Cream of Tomato Chantilly*  
*Celery Hearts*                      *Mixed Olives*  
*Broiled Mackinac Whitefish Maître D'Hôtel*  
*Sliced Cucumbers*                      *Potato Chips*  
*Sliced Breast of Young Chicken à la King*  
*June Peas*                      *Parsley Potatoes*  
*Hearts Of Lettuce, Thousand Island Dressing*  
*Philadelphia Vanilla Ice Cream*                      *Assorted Cakes*  
*Demi Tasse*

#### TOASTS

Toastmistress—LINDSEY BARBEE

#### TOASTMISTRESS

We are never too old for the game of Let's Pretend; we are never too engrossed with the prosaic routine of everyday life to forego the glimpses of the Enchanted Land. Accordingly, with a desire to impart a magic touch to the goodbye that is soon to follow, the Fairy of the Last Night Together transports us to the Golden Land of Fancy. The castle shines in fairy light; the princesses are crowned with golden fillets; the treasure chest yields its hoard; the winding stairway resounds with echoes of other days; the tower reveals to our wondering eyes a panorama of earth, sea and sky, and reflects the vivid hues of a gorgeous sunset.

And yet—is it a faraway land, or are we merely investing the near and dear things of everyday life with the prismatic colors of imagination? For the castle resolves itself into the beloved and familiar outline of our sorority; the guardians and the princesses are just ourselves; the treasure chest holds our hopes, our ideals



and our aspirations. After all—we seek for happiness only to find it close at hand; we look for romance, and, lo, it is just around the corner; we sigh for adventure—and we cannot see that adventure is merely the red feather in the cap of Everyday. When the rainbow glow of imagination fades away, we find the precious gold of—reality.

Every important event is heralded by a bugle call—whether the event be the advent of a royal personage, the inauguration of a president, or the heroic deed of a Lindbergh. Tonight, our royal personage and our president are one and the same. Her shining crown bears the jewels of achievement; her golden sceptre points the way of progress.

#### THE BUGLE CALL

Laura Latimer Graham, *New York*

The castle gleams  
In fairy light;  
The towers shine  
In splendor bright.  
The sunset fades,  
The shadows fall—  
Then sweet and clear,  
The bugle call.

One night last winter, I was driving across Manhattan Bridge just before dark. The tall office buildings became lighted suddenly, while the spans of all the bridges burst into the light at the same time. It was a veritable fairyland and set me dreaming of the Gamma Phi Beta castle. Then over the quiet air of the water, came a clear bugle call summoning me to enter. I looked to see if I had the keys necessary for admittance and I found seven which seemed most useful:

1. Scholarship, attainment in all branches, the arts, sciences, languages, music, painting.
2. Adaptability, which means the ability to fit oneself into a group so as to become an integral part of that group without losing one's personality.
3. Responsibility, a devotion to duty even when it means personal inconvenience.
4. Appreciation of beauty in Gamma Phi Beta and in each other.
5. Loyalty to each other, to one's university, and to the national organization.
6. Friendship, the rare jewel which comes to us whenever we meet congenial spirits.
7. Service to one another and to those in need of us.

When we have used these keys for entrance, we can be ready for the bugle call which summons us to further endeavor for the sorority we all love so well.

TOASTMISTRESS

Our castle is a mighty fortress; it upholds the tradition of the past; it makes the tradition of the future. Its doors are open wide for those who wear the insignia; its baronial hall is resplendent with the banners of its thirty-three clans; its turret is crowned with a flag of double brown; its foundation is on the rock. There are those who were first to enter the doors; first to don the insignia; first to place the banner in the baronial hall; first to wave the bonny brown flag. In the castle of Gamma Phi Beta, our mother chapter is ever dearest and most revered.

In these days when thrills are so necessary, each one of us is apt to linger over her own. And the toastmistress lists three separate and distinct thrills in her connection with Alpha Chapter. First, the archives where the minutes of that first meeting are found; next, the song, *We're Gamma Phis Forever*—sung with lowered lights as only Alpha can sing; lastly, but doubly cherished, the fact that Alpha has extended the privilege of membership to her. Tonight she rejoices that she is a synthetic member of Alpha!

It is fitting that the castle be entrusted to one who so beautifully upholds the traditions of those who have preceded her—Annette Hastings.

THE CASTLE

ANNETTE HASTINGS, *Alpha*

Serene upon the heights it stands,  
O'erlooking wide and prosperous lands,  
Rejoicing in its loyal bands—

The Castle!

A long time ago in a far-away land, the beautiful river of dreams ran undisturbed to the sea. The green meadows on one side, and the high cliffs on the other, were untrampled by the work of man, and the highest cliff of all was called the cliff of peace and concord.

One day, four travelers passed through the land looking for a place to build their castle, and, viewing the high cliff, deemed it a worthy place for the site of their future home. And so, gradually, the castle was built, leaving room for future additions and improvements as the need and opportunity arose. The foundations were laid on faith and good will. The walls were cemented together with love and friendship. Reaching toward the sky were the towers of truth and loyalty, and, in a small window of the highest tower, a lamp burned all day and night, spreading light over the whole country and the adjoining one. Above the massive doorway was a crescent on which was written the Hebrew word *Arba*, in memory of the four travelers.

For many years the castle has stood invincible to all storms and strife; and we know that in the future as in the past its safety is assured—for it is *founded upon a rock*.



## TOASTMISTRESS

The enemy—in the famous fifty-seven varieties—stalks through the pages of drama, of literature, and of real life. The wartime enemy, perhaps—vindictive and unrelenting; the political enemy—suave and subtle; the personal enemy—envious and ready to strike. And, in the natural course of events, every castle must have an enemy and must be defended. Kite-shaped shields may resound with warlike clangor; shining arrows may find their mark; powerful foes may *anchor* a desired victim; and yet, oftentimes, the battle cry is followed by the pipe of peace. Panhellenism means more at the present time than ever before; those who wear our badge have learned that those of different insignia have the same ideals, the same standards, the same goal. The Panhellenic melody is wafted from the lyre of Alpha Chi Omega; the key of Kappa Kappa Gamma unlocks treasures for all; and our particular wagon may be hitched with impunity either to our own crescent or to the three stars of Delta Delta Delta.

It requires tact and cleverness to conciliate an enemy; and our choice for this delicate task is one whose name is synonymous with these characteristics. With infinite skill she has directed the policies of Detroit alumnae; with infinite efficiency she has flaunted their banner during convention days; with infinite wisdom she will help to guide the destinies of Gamma Phi Beta throughout the coming term—Alice Camerer.

## THE ENEMY

ALICE CAMERER, *Detroit*

Our castle walls we'll e'er defend;  
But sometimes canny fate will send  
An enemy that proves a friend—

The Enemy!

To reply to such a toastmistress I should come from that state where all who do not write fiction speak it! *The Enemy* might have many interpretations, but the chairman has determined this one by National Panhellenic Congress. Program titles are such as *The Castle—The Princesses*—but for us there is only *The Enemy*.

Over the continent are other castles with other winding stairs, other towers, where dwell other princesses—our enemies. Among the important factors, most significant in life, are the motives and purposes directing thoughts and actions. These enemies have the same worthy purposes as we in Gamma Phi Beta—real friendships, high attainment, true service. Were it not for the stimulus of National Panhellenic Congress members, we might, with “poor Jim Jay, get stuck fast in yesterday.” Other princesses in their castle strongholds are real enemies when their standards do not urge us to higher personal development, greater achievement. Our only defense from the Enemy is—to excel.

## TOASTMISTRESS

The following classic bit may be used in reference to an alumna:

Consider the cheese  
When old age frets—  
The older it grows,  
The stronger it gets.

Now far be it from me to designate any honored member of our organization by the vernacular of *cheese*; for my point is to impress the important fact that *strength* depends upon *age*. We alumnae may not use the latest dance step; our hair may lack the permanent wave; our campus vocabulary may bear the earmarks of used-to-was; but, just the same, we are the guardians of the castle; we are the stronghold in time of peril; we are often the pest in times of rushing. And the fact remains that we are indispensable.

A personal meditation upon the Director of Province Three is allowed to a friend of years' standing—one who remembers the day of her pledging, one who recalls the chapter meeting where this belligerent little somebody, whose feet never reached the floor, maintained her argument to the bitter end. And she was always right! Were I to be asked to name an alumna whose unselfish devotion to her sorority has never wavered, whose enthusiasm for Gamma Phi Beta has never weakened, whose example is one for college girls to follow—I would unhesitatingly reply—Kathryn Allen Woodward.

THE GUARDIANS      KATHRYN ALLEN WOODWARD, *Kansas City*

Quick to raise a strong right arm,  
Quick to sound the least alarm,  
Quick to shield and save from harm—  
The Guardians!

A very interesting ceremony in England is the changing of the guards at the Palace—a most impressive scene and one which fills the eye of the beholder with the glory and majesty of the Crown. Our Gamma Phi Beta Castle has an equally brilliant guard; and as the English names suggest a sort of symbolism to me, I am going to borrow them in describing our guardians.

Introducing the *Coldstreams* and *Grenadiers* to you, I present a colorful picture. Each is resplendent in brilliant uniforms and the gleaming trappings of royalty. Not unsimilar in personal appearance; yet what a world of difference lies in the hearts of the two guards.

The Coldstreams! Haven't you seen alumnae whom the name fits only too well? I may be confidential this evening, for the Coldstreams never attend convention; their hearts are not attuned to such a thrill. When their college days are over, they lay aside



sorority interests and bury deep all such tender associations; instead of nurturing them and letting each little tendril of love and faith and good will twine closer around their hearts. 'Tis these alumnae who fail to keep in touch with the college chapters and who have no part in the splendid growth and development of Gamma Phi Beta.

But, now, the Grenadiers! How different! Doesn't the very name spell martial spirit? The will to do or die? Their proud spirit goes marching on—always in the van—to protect and foster Gamma Phi Beta's true interests. Theirs not always the big or noble thing to do—often, only the trivial tasks fall to their lot; but they show the same willingness and enthusiasm, whatever duty falls to them. These stalwart ones are the pride of our hearts. Loyalty unbounded; service unstinted; love incarnate.

As I look around this table at our college generation, I am assured that the Coldstreams are fast disappearing from our ranks and that our future guardians will all be Royal Grenadiers!

#### TOASTMISTRESS

There is a good story with which Theta Chapter is already familiar, and in which the toastmistress has always rejoiced—which goes as follows: Chancellor Emeritus Buchtel of Denver University was talking with his small granddaughter and was endeavoring to point out the beauties of knowledge. "I want you to be educated, Mary Belle," he reiterated—"I want you to be educated." Mary Belle was silent for a moment and then she made her famous reply. "But, Grandfather, I don't want to be educated. I want to be a Gamma Phi."

All of which brings us to the question, *What constitutes the education of a princess—our princess of Gamma Phi Beta?* For education is many sided; and our royal highnesses must be dowered with all that is beautiful and true and worth while.

For four days we have met and conferred together—and a child has been among us taking notes! Just what viewpoint has come to Alpha Kappa is of interest to us all. She is our youngest princess—our baby princess—our English rosebud. Eileen Magill.

#### THE PRINCESSES

EILEEN MAGILL, *Alpha Kappa*

Each wears her robe of double brown,  
Each bears her sparkling golden crown  
That tells of well-deserved renown—

The Princesses!

In a far distant land, there were assembled, in the principal kingdom of that country, a number of maidens seeking to find the best that life might offer. Each had long been searching for the key

to the secret of happiness, and each had come to feel that, alone and unaided, the goal would always remain unattained. So it happened that when they gathered in that place where the wise men and ancient waited to disclose the Kingdom of the Knowledge of the Ages to the youth of the land, each kept her eyes and her heart open and alert, on the lookout for others whose search resembled her own.

And in the course of time it happened that slowly and by degrees, as these maidens met and conversed and lived together, they found that there were many of them fired by the same aim, and seeking the same goal. On the strength of this, they drew close together and found strength and inspiration in working to realize their common ideal. Bound by the cord of mutual sympathy and understanding, they found that life became more full and more rich in meaning, and in promise.

Together they sought out Wisdom, and, being made wise, came to know that there is more in life to be learned than the knowledge in books. As they developed their minds, so did they develop their bodies; they became proficient in those arts and sports which train the eye and the hand, and teach endurance and loyalty. And, that nothing might be neglected, they gave time to the lighter and gayer aspects of life in that Kingdom of Learning, and spent many hours in play and dance. They learned, too, the secret of *noblesse oblige*, and strove to live up to that wise maxim in working for those less privileged and less fortunate than themselves.

This went on until there came a day in which they heard rumors that they were not alone in their search for the key to the secret of life's happiness. They heard that there were many other such groups of maidens, banded together in a great order, who were moved by like aims and like ideals. Since they themselves had found strength in banding together, would they not find greater strength and greater inspiration by joining their band to these others in the great order?

Deeply and seriously was the question deliberated. These other maidens were of another country. They had other traditions and other customs than theirs, and, perhaps, they might not find their outlooks compatible. But it was not long until they reasoned that these maidens were of the same blood and race as themselves, and known to be seeking to live up to the same ideals; and, surely, these considerations, the deepest and most worth-while in life, would outweigh any of the more superficial differences between them. And so it resulted.

They sent a message to the groups, seeking admittance to their order, and when it was granted they were filled with a great joy. And that joy has grown and grown and developed into a deep pride that they, too, are a part of the order. They are filled with a



sense of greater strength and power; for now are they not bound in a long chain of love and good will and common ideals and aims, giving them inspiration and hope that their goal is nearer and more accessible than ever before!

And now there comes a day in which one of the members of the band in that country to the North has been called to an assemblage of members from every band of the great order. She has come forth from her own land bearing a heartfelt message of greeting. And the welcome she is accorded by all her sisters of the order has given her great joy and happiness; and she is able to give the message of greeting and to say from those that she has left at home that she and they are realizing more and more that they have taken a great stride toward the achievement of their great goal of Happiness—now that they have become a part of that great sorority

Who wear their robes of double brown,  
Who bear the sparkling jeweled crown  
That tells of well-deserved renown—

The Princesses!

#### TOASTMISTRESS

Once upon a time, a little girl named Pandora opened a mysterious treasure box and scattered a host of evils, leaving us—hope. Later on a bride, hiding in another mysterious chest, closed the heavy lid—and was forgotten. Alpha Zeta is about to raise the lid of the treasure chest in our castle, and she will tell us what she finds. We know that hope will be there—but we do not expect a skeleton. And, incidentally, we wonder if the ugly letter R which so many of us possess and which our Southern sisters scorn—is also hidden in this chest. At any rate, “The eyes of Texas are upon you,” and, in the parlance of Dixie, “I’m mighty glad to introduce to you-all Mary Frances Llewellyn of Alpha Zeta.”

#### THE TREASURE CHEST, MARY FRANCES LLEWELLYN, *Alpha Zeta*

To the chest each reveler bid,  
Raise the creaky heavy lid,  
See what wondrous things lie hid—

The Treasure!

We open the lid of the treasure chest and find not a host of evils as Pandora found, but a wealth of wonderful jewels.

The chest is full! The sparklings and deep colors are mingled. There is one harmonious, beautiful heap. As we lift out each jewel separately we understand how the whole can be so lovely.

Within is loyalty as true blue as the sapphire.

Scholarship is pure gold and is found in large quantities in our treasure chest.

Love is a long string of pearls white and pure, and the string is strong and binding.

The emeralds with their deep lovely colors typify the lasting and deep friendship we find in Gamma Phi.

The blood red of the ruby is symbolic of the courage of each true Gamma Phi in overcoming difficulties that each must meet.

The chest is also full of diamonds. They are memories that shine and reflect always our joy in Gamma Phi.

#### TOASTMISTRESS

There is something eerie and witching about the winding stairway in the castle. The footfall of someone we cannot see—but can only feel; the scent of a flower—the rustle of brocade—now a whisper and now a sigh. Someone is passing—someone whose winsome ghost has come back to the scene of former happiness—as the clock strikes twelve! The winding stairway goes upward and ever upward; and it has a symbolism all its own. There is no one more competent to tell of this symbolism than our Lambda princess—Annabel Hall; for Lambda has followed her own stairway to the heights, and in her own ascent she follows the path of Gamma Phi Beta.

#### THE WINDING STAIRWAY

ANNABEL HALL, *Lambda*

To the crescent we aspire;  
Guided by ambition's fire,  
Climb we high and ever higher—

The Winding Stairway!

If it were not for the stairway, how could we get up into the higher and more beautiful parts of the castle? The stairway in the castle of Gamma Phi Beta is built of different types of steps, though each is necessary in making a strong and an impressive stairway. The stairs are built by the deeds we do and the things we accomplish. Some of them are built by activities. Girls who become prominent on their campuses through their activities bring honor to Gamma Phi by their Mortar Board pins and those won in other phases of activities. Many steps are built by scholarship. Phi Beta Kappa is always a coveted honor, and steps decorated with these keys are that much stronger. There are steps of loyalty built by the loyal friendships of members and of chapters. The help, sympathy and understanding that we get from these friends make the stairway so much stronger. Many steps are built by the opportunities which Gamma Phi Beta affords us. Being sorority women, we make so many more contacts with other people than do the independents. With a chapter standing behind each of us, things are made so much easier for us both on and off the campus.



It is what we do with these opportunities that build the steps. The stairs we build can be either strong or weak ones. We should make use of our opportunities to the best of our ability, and build the strongest steps we are capable of building. Other steps are built of love—that love which we have for our sisters and for Gamma Phi Beta. The step is that much stronger where there is peace and harmony.

We should strive to make all of these steps even, for surely there is nothing more ungainly than a stairway in a beautiful castle which has its steps all uneven and out of proportion. We should try to build these steps so that the ones built by activities should not overshadow the ones built by scholarship or any of the others.

No stairway is complete without a banister. It is almost necessary to have something on which to lean in order to help us on our climb. When we first start the journey, we find that each balustrade in the banister is a pledge. We lean on our pledges during our college career because they are the ones on whom the future of our sorority depends. Our pledges should be well chosen, for each one who brings or gives no definite thing to the chapter makes the banister that much weaker. Each pledge who drops out or who does not become initiated leaves a hole where a strong balustrade should be. As we climb higher and higher, and our active college days have passed, we find that the balustrades are our friends in Gamma Phi. We lean on them for a great deal of our happiness, and we know that they are true friends on whom we can depend.

Are these steps polished or have a few of them dull marks? How beautiful they would be if each could have a high lustre! May all of our dealings, both inside and outside of the sorority, be upright and fair so that there may never be any dull places on the stairs!

Such an elegant stairway is not complete without a carpet. This carpet may be symbolized by the spirit of Gamma Phi Beta which makes the climb an easy and imperceptible one.

The stairway is not a straight one. It winds through the shadow and the sunlight. The dark places—the problems and difficulties which seem to be inevitable—seem hard to overcome, but, having pierced this darkness, we emerge a stronger and a more unified body.

Though we climb on and on we shall never reach the top of the stairway, for we never stop progressing. We keep on building and climbing and making each step a safe and a sure one.

#### TOASTMISTRESS

And now we have reached the tower—and the world is ours! Behind us, in the fairy light, lie the glories of tradition; before us, in the starry heavens, is the promise of achievement; upon us, in the quiet of contentment, rests the spirit of the castle itself.

The Past has taught its lesson; the Present has its duties; and the Future, its hope.

Virginia Greene of Mu brings us her California sunshine, shares with us her California spirit, and points, with her glittering scepter, the shining, circling path of Gamma Phi Beta.

THE TOWER

VIRGINIA GREENE, *Mu*

Beneath Hope's tranquil golden star,  
Confident, we gaze afar  
On things that *will be—were—and are—*

The Tower!

We have climbed the winding stairway, up, up, and up, until at last we come upon the turret of this castle of Gamma Phi Beta. From the broad balconies of the tower room—the lookout—stretch the long and beautiful vistas of past, present, and future.

Far in the past, stand four girls, who, fired with the ideals that are now Gamma Phi Beta, founded our order. From that simple beginning, we have grown and expanded until now, north and south, between two nations, east and west between two seas, we stretch, an ever growing, ever strengthening chain.

Three years ago we celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of Gamma Phi Beta, ending an era of glorious achievement. May our hundredth birthday find us even greater, still living by the same standards and ideals that have always been ours. This is the brilliant star of Hope that hangs above our tower.

TOASTMISTRESS

The sunset has faded; the shadows have deepened; the darkness has fallen; and into the velvet softness of the heavens rides the golden crescent of the moon. Our gathering is over; our paths diverge; our comradeship is broken. But the friendship endures; the inspiration is ever with us; the bond has been strengthened. Before we part let us promise to each other, to our chapter, to our sorority, the sincerity of service, the sincerity of effort, the sincerity of broad vision, the courage to do our part as we see it. *Sincerity and courage!*

When earth's last picture is painted and the tubes are twisted and dried,  
When the oldest colours have faded, and the youngest critic has died,  
We shall rest, and faith, we shall need it—lie down for an æon or two,  
Till the Master of All Good Workmen shall put us to work anew.  
And those that were good shall be happy; they shall sit in a golden chair;  
They shall splash at a ten-league canvas with brushes of comet's hair;  
They shall find real saints to draw from—Magdalene, Peter, and Paul;  
They shall work for an age at a sitting and never be tired at all!  
And only the Master shall praise us, and only the Master shall blame;  
And no one shall work for money, and no one shall work for fame,  
But each for the joy of the working, and each, in his separate star,  
Shall draw the Thing as he sees It for the God of Things as They are!



## XI

## PERSONALITIES

Imagine, if you will, Gamma Phi Beta in convention assembled. Mrs. Graham is in the chair—Mrs. Graham with her kindly smile and her gentle manner. At her left sits Mary McCurley, the picture of efficiency—every hair of her beautifully marcelled black hair in its place—her perfectly pointed pencil poised for action, her face beaming with cordiality as she sights familiar faces here and there. Beside her is Anna Boardman, who carries on her slim, young shoulders the sexless title—Central Office. Because you may have had a mental picture of this as high, square and with many windows, I hasten to correct your vision. It is a slim, blond girl in the early twenties, pretty and friendly.

The meeting is called to order, the opening exercises finished and the business of the day begun. A question is brought before the house—any question. An alumna jumps to her feet followed by another and another—often two at once. Mrs. Graham tactfully decides which one has the floor, smiles sweetly at both, and the alumna speaks. The moment her knees show signs of sagging (and the knees all showed at convention) another of those tireless alumnae is on her feet. Then another and another. Mrs. Graham is Griselda herself through it all. Then from the rear of the room comes a voice—deep, controlled. Mrs. Dean Myers rises quietly and assumes a standing position. The din is quelled. Mrs. Myers knows whereof she speaks. She wanders not in swampy places—she steps lightly on firm ground. When she finishes speaking everyone knows just how to vote and votes that way.

Another question. Again the loquacious alumnae. Back and forth bounds the argument like a well-managed tennis ball. Sarah Chickering calls "Question." They do things just that way at Gamma.

Another question. Mrs. Harker of San Francisco offers a suggestion. She knows it will be defeated but she represents her chapter and bravely does as she has been instructed. Marie Moreland, Minneapolis, bounds to her feet and pounces upon the suggestion with such force that there is not a suggestion of the poor little suggestion left and still Mrs. Graham smiles sweetly.

More questions. Again the ever present alumnae. Someone suggests that we hear from the actives. Not a bad idea. It takes them a little while to get their voices after their long silence but they speak up nicely and await their turns as they have been taught to do. Katherine Baker of Kappa speaks not loudly but with conviction; Virginia Green of Mu knows what she is talking about; Carremaye Evans of Alpha Theta charms me so with her Southern

drawl that I lose the thread of her argument; Dorothy Ehlers speaks with the traditional Alpha understanding.

Miss Morgan—dear Carrie Morgan whose presence completes a convention—rises and asks for attention. Everyone is immediately quiet. Mrs. Graham asks her to come to the front that all may hear her. As she comes she is given an enthusiastic ovation. She tells her story—with words carefully chosen and with that delicate humor so characteristic of women who have seen much of life and have learned to distinguish the important from the trivial. She carries her point, of course, and the question is settled.

But why this air of uneasiness among the actives? I look at my program for the day to see what is the next question to come before the meeting. Ah, that explains it! The girls are sitting on pins! Pins! Pins! Where may we wear them? How may they be adorned? At last the *alumnæ* are resting. How the slim, little, round-cheeked, clear-eyed, *long-haired* girls hop to their feet. Many times not waiting their turn. Tut-tut, such confusion! At last we know where their hearts are—in their pins, of course. Well, girls, if I had my way you could have them electric lighted if it would please you. For you I would sweep every cloud from the sky, and send to hard labor each tear in your eye—but, oh, dear, I'm getting away from my subject. Mary Ellen Hubbard, Alpha Delta, spoke so feelingly on the subject of pins, badges and crests that the convention let her have her way.

The meeting adjourned for lunch, and fat and thin, old and young dashed toward the dining-room as if they never expected to see food again.

There were six business sessions; but to describe one describes all. Mrs. Graham always courteous; Miss McCurley occasionally rising with a "this is too much" expression on her face to see that proper attention was paid to certain matters whose importance the assembly did not always appreciate; Miss Boardman putting us right now and then by telling us some of the real problems of her office. Always the *alumnæ*, full of ideas and eager to try them out. There was Georganne Tracy of St. Louis, an alumna with the viewpoint of an active, whose suggestions were always good; Mrs. Will of Seattle who unintentionally got herself into the chair but handled the situation with great poise and tact. There was Mary Dalley of Toronto with her joyous enthusiasm and her ready wit. And then there was Mrs. Younger. Pause here. Margaret Younger, the Autocrat of the Round Table. No matter how involved the question, how hedged about with arguments, Margaret sees clearly the real problem and knows unerringly the remedy. The profession lost a fine doctor—or was it a lawyer—or shall we say a philosopher—or a diplomat. Whatever she might have been, she is a great Gamma Phi.



Shall we sneak out of this business meeting? Would you like to know about some of the interesting people who did not legislate? Then I must first tell you about our hostess—Mrs. Borland—she of the flame-colored hair and the piquant smile—she who looked the picture of feminine helplessness and was efficiency itself—a delightful paradox—for whom any and all of the hotel employees would willingly have laid down their lives.

There was Pansy Blake, whose reading of the Memorial Service was so filled with beauty and reverence that we were unable for some time after to break the spell that her loveliness cast over us.

And then there was Lindsey—the Fairy God-Mother of Gamma Phi—who presided at banquet with her usual charm. She introduced Mrs. Barbour, our newly-elected grand president—her black eyes bright with excitement—her lips a bit quivery with emotion—her voice subdued with earnestness. Mrs. Barbour is young, energetic, intelligent, straight-forward and likeable. The future of Gamma Phi Beta is safe in her hands. If you will excuse me while I pack my trunk, I'll leave you here to get acquainted with her.

ALICE RINGLING COERPER, *Milwaukee*

## XII

### DECISIONS OF THE 1927 CONVENTION

1. Undergraduates may be permitted to purchase jeweled pins.
2. The crest of Gamma Phi Beta may be used on *jewelry* to be worn only by *members* of the Sorority.
3. Gamma Phi Beta has no recognition pin or button.
4. The Gamma Phi Beta *badge* may be used *only* as a pin and no replica of it may be used in any other way.
5. 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 chapter in the first college. *The home town chapter shall have precedence in the matter.* This privilege shall be canceled if the reply is not made within a specified time."
6. 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 affixing of the penalty to be imposed for the infringement of this rule shall be left to the discretion of the Grand Council.*"

7. Constitution, Article VII, Section 1:  
"The sorority shall hold biennial conventions *unless the Grand Council is otherwise authorized by vote of the chapters.*"
8. Convention authorized the adoption of an official Gamma Phi Beta playing card, to be purchased through the Denver Alumnae Chapter, for the benefit of the Denver Camp for Children.

MARY THOMAS McCURLEY

### XIII

#### CONVENTION-ALITIES

We missed the following seasoned conventionites:

Grace Howard Smith—Our president, 1924-1926. Always a delightful companion and a loyal Gamma Phi.

Lillian Thompson—Our Panhellenic delegate, whose keen mind and store of information are sorority assets.

Isabel Gage Dibble—Our Chairman of Expansion. Fine, impartial, foresighted.

Irene Cuykendall Garrett—Our former Chairman of Expansion, whose expansion survey in 1923 was deemed the most noteworthy contribution to the Panhellenic world.

Marion Van Patten—For years business manager of THE CRES-CENT. The editor's chief joy and reliance.

Katharine Taney Silverson—First visiting delegate. A wise officer and a charming woman.

Margaret Nachtrieb—A former visiting delegate, and, at present, the efficient Director of Province Seven.

Mary Wellington—Once president of the sorority, whose convention zeal never wavers.

Four grand presidents of Gamma Phi Beta were at the Mackinac gathering—Carrie E. Morgan (Gamma), Lindsey Barbee (Theta), Laura Latimer Graham (Alpha), and Elizabeth Davidson Barbour (Epsilon).

The following Province Directors attended convention: Mildred Bigelow Price (I), Eleanor Sheldon Myers (II), Kathryn Allen Woodward (III), Marie Moreland (IV), Madaline Miller (V), and Beatrice Locke (VI). Margaret Nachtrieb (VII) was unable to be present.

The following Gamma Phi Beta husbands graced the occasion—J. P. Bauer, David Bloodgood, James Gillett, S. E. Brown, and Dr. Dean W. Myers.



Mary Lyons Dibble and daughter, Alice, came straight from Northwestern graduation, where Alice received her diploma.

Jane Horsfall (Lambda) is the daughter of Jessie Horsfall, one of Lambda's most active members; and Lucille Berry, who was in the Alpha Iota delegation, is a daughter of Grace Adele Lasher (Epsilon).

Four—perhaps more—Mortar Boards were at convention—Josephine McRae, Beatrice Lumley and Alice Dibble, all from Epsilon; and Katherine Baker of Kappa.

Esther Merrick, one of the Beta delegation, is the author of *Eight Till Eight*, a three-act play, given in March by the Junior Girls of the University of Michigan.

The toast program of the banquet included some specialties not on the program. The new initiates were introduced; a call for grand presidents resulted in charming speeches from Carrie Morgan and Elizabeth Barbour; a beautiful bead bag was presented to Laura Graham in appreciation of her loyal service. Telegrams were read; clamorous applause greeted the announcement that Mr. Balfour had presented the bracelets as convention favors; while a chapter roll call showed Epsilon in the lead with twenty-eight; Kappa, second, with fourteen; Alpha Alpha, third, with twelve; Theta, fourth, with eleven.

Particular interest was manifested in the leader of the orchestra. For he was heard to declare that he had a daughter ready for college, and that he wished she could belong to this very organization in convention assembled.

Pretty badges of double brown, allowing a place for name and chapter, were presented to all delegates and visitors; while the hostess chapters were adorned with special marks of distinction.

Gladys O'Connor Borland proved an ideal chairman of convention, always planning for the pleasure of visitors, always on hand to answer any question and to solve any problem. Lucinda Sherwood evolved a delightful banquet; Alice Kenyon Watkins and Mary Lyons Dibble were an ideal hospitality committee.

The editor took especial delight in meeting and knowing some of her CRESCENT correspondents: Annette Hastings of Alpha; Ruth Moore of Beta; Sarah Chickering and Dorothy Bateman of Gamma; Alice Dibble and Nancy Loucks of Epsilon; Virginia Bunnell of Mu; Lillian Luders of Nu; Mary Ellen Franklin of Upsilon; Laura Finchman of Phi; Puilla Hill of Psi; Marxine Wrigley of Alpha Alpha; Lucille Berry of Alpha Iota; Alice Weber Fitzgerald of Milwaukee; Sadie Whitney Mishler of Des Moines.

Louise White Haller, a member of Epsilon and one of those who installed Theta Chapter, spent one day in Mackinac, detouring from a motor trip. Her daughter, Charlotte Haller, a member of Kappa Alpha Theta, accompanied her.

Many telegrams from Greek-letter organizations, from other chapters, and from individuals were received during the convention.

An attractive song, *Lady of the Moon*, words and music by Audrey Miller of Omicron, made its appearance at convention time, and each delegate was presented with a copy.

Mr. George Henri represented the L. G. Balfour Company and displayed a most bewildering array of beautiful jewelry and favors. His patience and courtesy were unfailing.

The appearance of the *Crescent Moon* was a daily excitement and a daily joy; and the editorial staff labored most valiantly and gathered news most assiduously. Great disappointment attended the non-appearance of the first number—and thereby hangs a tale! All copy and cuts, mailed from Toronto four days before convention, were lost on the border and never recovered. The daily issue contained all news of social affairs and of convention discussions; commented upon the various attractions of Mackinac; included various convention reports in its columns; and interspersed its copy with personals. Beatrice Menzies of Alpha Alpha was editor-in-chief; Mary Dalley of Alpha Alpha was business manager; Jean Orr of Alpha Alpha was in charge of subscriptions. Associate editors were Marxine Wrigley (Alpha Alpha), Pauline Pfeiffer (Alpha Eta), Mary Nancy Loucks (Epsilon), and Esther Merriek (Beta).



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SNAP SHOTS



THE PAGES



CHAIRMAN OF  
CONVENTION



A GROUP OF OFFICIALS



THE BELL HOPS

THE PAGES

To our pages we call your attention.  
Their charms are too many to mention.  
Tall Lou—little Gerry—  
Both winsome and merry—  
Our aid and our joy through convention.

THE CHAIRMAN OF CONVENTION

Behold the convention magician  
Whose hair is so gorgeously Titian;  
To rout ev'ry trouble—  
Our joys to redouble—  
Was her own and particular mission.

AN OFFICIAL GROUP

Official affairs e'er directing,  
And each chapter *faux pas* correcting,  
They legislate, gracious  
And ever sagacious.  
Constructive construction effecting.

THE BELL HOPS

There were some who declared they were cunning;  
There were others who said they were stunning.  
They were always on hand  
To meet every demand,  
And whenever we called they'd come running.





THE MAJOR DOMO

## THE MAJOR DOMO

With lordly and dignified bearing,  
 The orange and black he is wearing.  
     Each evening and morning  
     The portal adorning,  
 For everyone's comfort he's caring.



THE DOOR MAN

## THE DOORMAN

With dignity ever unswerving,  
 The tea and the demi tasse serving,  
     This courtier so smiling  
     And gently beguiling,  
 Of eulogy now is deserving.

## THE CONVENTION INITIATES

HELEN HENRY, *Theta*

**G**RADUATING in 1926 from Kent School in Denver, Helen Henry entered Denver University where, once upon a time, her brother had directed the destinies of the Student Association and had been counted a foremost figure upon the campus. In reflected glory she basked until she established her own little sphere of action; and, in due time, after a serious contemplation of other emblems which were dangled before her, she chose the crescent. When the opportunity came for a convention initiation, Theta was proud to produce Helen; and she was given such an immediate view of national conditions, activities and personnel as to inspire her to fine and helpful membership. An accomplished horsewoman, possessed of a sweet dignity, an unusual poise and a charming manner, she was counted one of Denver University's most attractive freshmen; and when a survey of coed beauties was made by an authority for the college annual, she was among the six who were chosen.

NANCY LUCKEL, *Nu*

Nancy Luckel, Nu's initiate at convention, was one of the most popular girls in the chapter this past year, and the entire house was happy with her in the prospect of the treat in store for her at Mackinac Island. And it was even more wonderful, says Nancy, than she had anticipated and she feels her Gamma Phi life will be much richer for the experience. One of the lovely features of the ceremony, especially to Nancy, was that her sister, Mary (also from Nu) assisted in the initiation. Both girls, whose home is in Portland, Oregon, have been spending the summer with relatives in Rochester, New York, and visiting various points of interest. Nancy is a major in physical education at the University of Oregon, and especially interested in the dancing classes. She has made many friends on the campus, and was one of the "promising" freshmen.

ALICE SCHRAPS, *Alpha Beta*

Alpha Beta Chapter was very much honored to have the opportunity of having one of her pledges initiated at convention at Mackinac Island. In choosing Alice Schraps to be initiated, we felt that she would be a true representative of our pledge chapter. Alice is very versatile in her talents, having listed among her major activities at the University last year, the rôle of Wendy in *Peter Pan*, the annual University May Fête production; several parts in Playmaker plays, chief of which was *The Admirable Crichton*; and composer and director of the *Gamma Phoible Blues of 1927*, a dancing skit, which won first place for Alpha Beta Chapter in the





# CONVENTION INITIATES

Elsa Peabody, Alpha Delta

Elsie Doss, Omicron

Helen Henry, Theta

Alice Schraps, Alpha Beta

Nancy Luckel, Nu

Lucille Weeks, Omicron

annual University production of *The Flickertail Follies*. Alice has also maintained a very high average in her scholastic work throughout her entire pledge year. We feel it will be a very great addition to our chapter to have Alice an active during the coming rushing season, and the years to come.

ELSA PEABODY, *Alpha Delta*

Last fall Alpha Delta pledged fourteen girls; but only four were freshmen in college and one of these was Elsa Peabody. Of course, there was no distinction in their pledge life because they were all freshmen in Gamma Phi Beta; but it was not until the end of ten weeks when we held initiation for the girls who had advance standing and were making their grades that it was realized how it hurt to be one of four little lonely freshmen who through no fault of theirs could not be initiated until they had been in college for a semester and had passed their final examinations.

Elsa soon got used to her once-pledge sisters wearing pins and went on working and looking forward to the time when she would join them. In the spring, toward the end of college things were so rushed that we found it impossible to hold another initiation. Elsa had made wonderful grades and, of course, the sting was even sharper when she was told she must wait again, until the following fall to be initiated. There were not a few tears shed at the thought of postponing through the summer months the proud glory of wearing a pin.

It was then we thought of the possibility of having her initiated at convention. We found it could be done and I shall let Elsa tell you sometime just how she felt when she was told that she was to be initiated after all and at national convention.

## IMPRESSIONS OF CONVENTION

LOOKING back, Convention appears to have been made up of four joyous days filled with meetings, parties, drives, entertainments; throughout which ran a most wonderful enthusiasm for Gamma Phi Beta.

DOROTHY EHLERS, *Alpha*

Full of fun, interesting friendships and common interest, Convention was so brief that it tantalized.

SARAH CHICKERING, *Gamma*

Convention gave me a deeper realization of the true value of Gamma Phi, a better knowledge of the fine spirit of cooperation and friendship among her numbers, and chapters, and a thrill of pride to belong to such an organization.

VIRGINIA SMITH, *Delta*



We met, not as strangers from different lands, but as sisters already known to each other; and in that meeting, the spirit of sisterhood and the ideals of Gamma Phi Beta flamed brighter than ever, forging a stronger bond among us all and showing us by the light of convention that there is a national organization—one much greater than our own little group—which is striving for the same ideals as our little group, which is glad to give us help when we need it, and to which we owe our allegiance and a lifetime of service.

JOSEPHINE MACRAE, *Epsilon*

To me, Convention was inspiring in spirit and sincerely helpful.

FRANCES H. HOSTERMAN, *Zeta*

A most marvelous inspiration beyond all conception; unfortunately shared by but a few—but those few, a delightful suggestion of the valor and grandeur of Gamma Phi Beta.

YVONNE HARLEY, *Eta*

My dominant impression of Convention is a deep appreciation of the inspiration which moved Lindsey Barbee to write of Gamma Phi:

Serene upon the rock it stands,  
O'erlooking wide and prosperous lands,  
Rejoicing in its loyal bands—  
The Castle!

MARION WATKINS, *Theta*

National Convention at Mackinac Island meant four delightful days meeting and knowing active and alumnae Gamma Phis, and receiving a finer and deeper interest in Gamma Phi Beta.

KATHARINE BAKER, *Kappa*

A lovely spot scintillating with the most charming and attractive group of girls and women that one could ever imagine.

ANNABEL HALL, *Lambda*

Dominated by a sense of power and strength that is our national, Convention was a delightful combination of work, ideals, fun and frolic, and beautiful girls.

VIRGINIA MARION GREENE, *Mu*

A brighter light that revealed more clearly the Love, Loyalty and Sympathy that dwells in the Castle of Gamma Phi.

RUTH DE NEFFE, *Nu*

Groups of real girls, business sessions which acquainted one with the serious problems and "powers that be" of the organization, and hours spent in novel types of recreation made Gamma Phi Beta Convention an experience.

ESTELLE PICKERELL, *Xi*

Something that made me realize that I was a link in the great chain of friendship, love, cooperation, loyalty, and knowledge that binds all Gamma Phis.

VERA STEPHENSON, *Pi*

Convention brought to me a realization of the past work, a glorification of the present national importance and an inspiration for the future growth of Gamma Phi Beta.

ADELINE TAYLOR, *Rho*

A rainbow of many colors blended together appeared bright in the sky over Mackinac—fascinating personalities, friendly argument, valuable information, realization of responsibility, and the spirit of Gamma Phi predominating all.

RUTH VAN RIPER, *Sigma*

Convention most resembled a garden of roses, and in this beautiful garden of roses were assembled the choice buds of thirty-three chapters, all striving to produce a still more beautiful garden for the future.

FRANCES GILKISON, *Tau*

I think that Convention was most enlightening for every Gamma Phi present.

MARY ELLEN FRANKLIN, *Upsilon*

Convention afforded commendation for those aims achieved, and inspiration for the attainment of still higher ones.

GLEN MAY, *Phi*

Once upon a time the word *Mackinac* meant nothing more to me than another kind of fish, but today, *Mackinac* is synonymous with paradise; paradise on a quaint, sleepy island, overgrown with huge lilac trees, with a spacious, colonial type hotel magically equipped with every sort of amusement and recreation, chapter sessions inspired with Gamma Phi Beta enthusiasm, and last, but not least, the acquaintance of the loveliest, most attractive girls I have ever met, all of them—my sisters!

LUCILLE MORTON, *Chi*



To me, convention was like a great lake, calm, and yet constantly progressing because of a nervous, unsettled undercurrent—a lake, without flaw or shadow except for the restless little whirlpool—each a Gamma Phi pledge—striving to push upward and forward in order to form finally a part of the calm lake which, because of its peaceful perfection, we may call Gamma Phi Beta.

NEVA BLACK, *Psi*

To me, Convention was an inspiration and a realization of the national bonds of Gamma Phi Beta.

MARJORIE PEACOCK, *Omega*

The word Convention brings to me one of the most pleasant memories, and a true interpretation of the meaning of sorority, and of Gamma Phi Beta particularly.

GENEVIEVE PARSONS, *Alpha Beta*

To the western chapters who are somewhat isolated, Convention brings the impression of a great, functioning *national* order; and, to me, Convention was an exemplification of that strong bond of sisterhood which unites by a single tie the east and west, north and south, surmounting all barriers and ever pointing upward to a common ideal.

LA VERNE BLUNDELL, *Alpha Gamma*

Convention meant to me ambition for a model chapter, with the realization of the power of the bonds of Gamma Phi Beta.

GLADYS SIMON, *Alpha Delta*

Convention was a combination of business, pleasure and good fellowship that taught us to know and to appreciate more the national side of Gamma Phi Betas as well as the individual local chapters.

BONNIE WADE, *Alpha Epsilon*

Convention made me proud of the great national organization of which I am a part.

MARY FRANCES LLEWELLYN, *Alpha Zeta*

Days filled with meetings, carriage rides, swims, motor boating, teas; and nights filled with pleasures; and always more friendships formed. *Where? The Gamma Phi Beta Convention of 1927!*

CARREMAYE EVANS, *Alpha Theta*

## WHAT WAS THE GREATEST ACHIEVEMENT OF CONVENTION?

THE most remarkable thing to me about convention was the personality of the girls. If those who are worried about the younger generation could have seen that group of delegates, they would now be hunting for fresh causes for worry.

ELEANOR SHELDON MYERS, *Ann Arbor*

The greatest achievement of convention to me was the absolute assurance of the perfect circle of Gamma Phi through all points north, east, south, and west.

FLORINE COURTRIGHT GRABOW, *Boston*

The creation of a national survey was, indeed, the greatest achievement of the last convention.

RUTH BARTELS FOX, *Chicago*

The morning meetings of the Province Directors with Mrs. Younger proved to be a great benefit both to the Directors and to the sorority as a whole, in that a more thorough knowledge of the work and its connection with the sorority was gained.

MADALINE MILLER, *Denver*

The graciousness and willingness with which active chapters receive the help that alumnae chapters and associations give them, made me, as an alumna, feel the greater need of strong help and constructive criticism on our part.

SADIE WHITNEY MISHLER, *Des Moines*

One very outstanding result of convention was the expressed plan of many delegates to transmit to their own chapters a feeling which they had gained—one of Nationality, not Locality.

ALICE CAMERER, *Detroit*

Twenty years of anticipation crowded into four days of fulfillment made a perfect convention for me; and no achievement can equal the inspiration of the companionship and the interchange of ideas which one gains from such a gathering.

KATHRYN ALLEN WOODWARD, *Kansas City*

The greatest achievement of convention was the resolution to audit and budget the national finances.

ALICE RINGLING COERPER, *Milwaukee*



Meeting so many Gamma Phis, and discussing with them our common problems, proved an inspiration, an added incentive to put forth our best efforts to maintain the high standards of Gamma Phi and build firmly for the future.

BEATRICE LOCKE, *Portland*

Our first national convention with a Province as hostess has left a very vivid picture in my mind of four pleasant days in unique surroundings, and with an all-pervading atmosphere of friendliness about.

CLARA TANEY WILL, *Seattle*

In my opinion the most important achievement of convention was the definite statement of the powers of the provinces and of the province directors.

GEORGANNE TRACY, *St. Louis*

For us Canadian Gamma Phis, a very special significance is attached to the Convention of 1927, for we feel now that we are firmly established in the sisterhood, can offer our own peculiar contribution to the sorority as a whole, and can hope that Canada will now be considered very favorably as a field for expansion; while we are looking forward to the time when our national organization, which Convention makes us understand so much more clearly, will have become international in its scope.

DORIS ARMITAGE, *Toronto*

## OUR NEW OFFICERS

ELIZABETH DAVIDSON BARBOUR, *President*

THE convention at Mackinac Island in 1927 will always be outstanding to Epsilon Chapter, not only because of the joys of convention itself but because it was there that Elizabeth Davidson Barbour of Evanston, Illinois, an alumna of Epsilon Chapter was elected grand president of Gamma Phi Beta. This indeed, is the biggest thrill of all. To have an Epsilon alumna a grand president has been a dream for many years, and to have one whom we all know and love so well is the climax to that dream.

If this were a life of Elizabeth Barbour it would be necessary to mention when she was born and how old she is. But since it *isn't*, it is sufficient to say that her age is not great, just enough to lend dignity and prestige to our sorority and young enough to have a deep and sympathetic understanding of girls. She loves to be with them, to share their joys and sorrows, and to help them when she can. She considers it a great compliment to be made the



*Eugene L. Ray, Evanston*

ELIZABETH DAVIDSON BARBOUR  
President



recipient of their confidences which she listens to in the spirit in which they are given. Since her school days her home and heart have always been open to Gamma Phis and Gamma Phi affairs, and many are the times that her generosity has been put to the test.

A picture of our Elizabeth Barbour will show you a dark-haired, dark-eyed figure of medium height. However, you will not know of the enthusiasm for all things of Gamma Phi Beta, nor of the even temper and good nature that set her apart from all the rest of us. The photograph will not tell of her reliability and steadfastness of purpose, but any member of the Chicago Alumnae Chapter will testify that these characteristic traits have been clearly demonstrated in the past two years as president of the Chicago Alumnae Home Association of Gamma Phi Beta. Through the trying period of planning the new Epsilon house and seeing it built she has patiently and successfully carried the task to a satisfactory conclusion, and has made many admirers in so doing.

Truly, Elizabeth Barbour will be a fitting and wise leader for Gamma Phi, a friend to all, and one whose guidance will prove progressive and constructive. May she be respected and loved by all as she is at home.

ELIZABETH WELLS HARDY

MARY THOMAS McCURLEY

*Vice-President and Alumnae Secretary*

A biography of Mary Thomas McCurley is hardly necessary as far as Gamma Phi Beta is concerned; since, for three years, she has functioned as one conscientious and efficient secretary-treasurer. Her election to the position of vice-president and alumnae secretary met with universal approval; and she enters upon these duties with a background of Gamma Phi Beta achievement, of Gamma Phi Beta information and of Gamma Phi Beta experience.

Before her career as a national officer she was an extremely active member of her own chapter, a charter member of Baltimore Alumnae Chapter, and alumnae adviser for Zeta; and during her Goucher years she was prominent in class and college and sorority activities. After teaching in Poughkeepsie and in Porto Rico, she returned to Baltimore to serve as an assistant in the Bureau of State and Municipal Research and as secretary in the wartime Maryland Food Administration; and at present she holds a most responsible position in connection with Goucher College.

To quote from a former *Crescent*—"Mary Tom might serve as a text for a dissertation upon *What Every Gamma Phi Ought to Be*. She is Zeta's big sister, Baltimore's dependence, and Gamma Phi's very devoted follower."



MARY THOMAS McCURLEY  
Vice-president



## ALICE CAMERER

*Secretary-Treasurer*

Alice Camerer came to Detroit Alumnae Chapter seven years ago and immediately we were aware that here was a new force. She is the sort of person about whom activities center and who exerts an influence in all the organizations in which she is interested.

Her activities outside of Gamma Phi have been connected with Detroit Teachers College where she is head of the geography department. There her leadership and personality have involved her in many extracurricular duties.

Her ability as a leader was immediately recognized by Detroit Chapter and we have been taking advantage of her loyalty and energy ever since. She was treasurer of the chapter for two years and executed that trying job most efficiently. This spring she completed a very successful two year régime as president. The next step was to send her to Convention as our delegate.

Alice possesses the initiative, so much needed in our Detroit Chapter, as well as loyalty to national ideals and an understanding and charm which have endeared her to us all. Her worth-while qualities and success as a leader have made her an invaluable addition to the Detroit Alumnae Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta.

HELEN TUTHILL PULFORD

## ALICE DIBBLE

*Secretary of Central Office*

Two months ago Epsilon lost through graduation one of the most popular and most capable girls that has ever attended Northwestern University; a girl who has always had the best interests of the sorority and the chapter at heart, and who was heartbroken at the thought of severing her ties with them. However, we have not lost our "Dib," for the Central Office has just announced the appointment of Alice Dibble to succeed Anna Boardman as secretary of the national office. This change was made necessary by the removal of the Central Office from Baltimore to Evanston. Miss Boardman has done wonderful work in this line for Gamma Phi, and it will take an exceptional girl to fill her place. Those of you who know "Dib" will agree with us that she is the girl most qualified to carry on.

"Dib" is a real Gamma Phi. Her mother, Mary Lyons Dibble, was identified with both Epsilon and Beta Chapters, while her aunt, Ella Butters Anderson, who is now the chaperon for Beta, was Epsilon's first pledge. Mrs. Anderson's daughter, Ethel Anderson Chandler, is claimed by both Gamma and Epsilon, and Mrs. Dibble's sister, Alice Lyons Mitchell, is an alumna of Epsilon.



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**ALICE CAMERER**  
Secretary-Treasurer



"Dib's" record on the campus would fill a whole issue of the CRESCENT, but here are a few of her major achievements. She is a member of Mortar Board; during her senior year she was president of W.S.G.A.; and the year before was treasurer of W.A.A. These three honors in themselves should be sufficient for any one girl, but on top of this she has an athletic record unexcelled by any other girl in the University; she was a member of the hockey, volleyball, baseball, basketball, and soccer teams, and captain of the latter in her junior year; and this year won her Senior N. She filled in her spare time working on publications, behind the scenes in the W.A.A. show and the Circus and was also official spokesman for the "co-eds" of the University whenever an "inquiring reporter" came around.

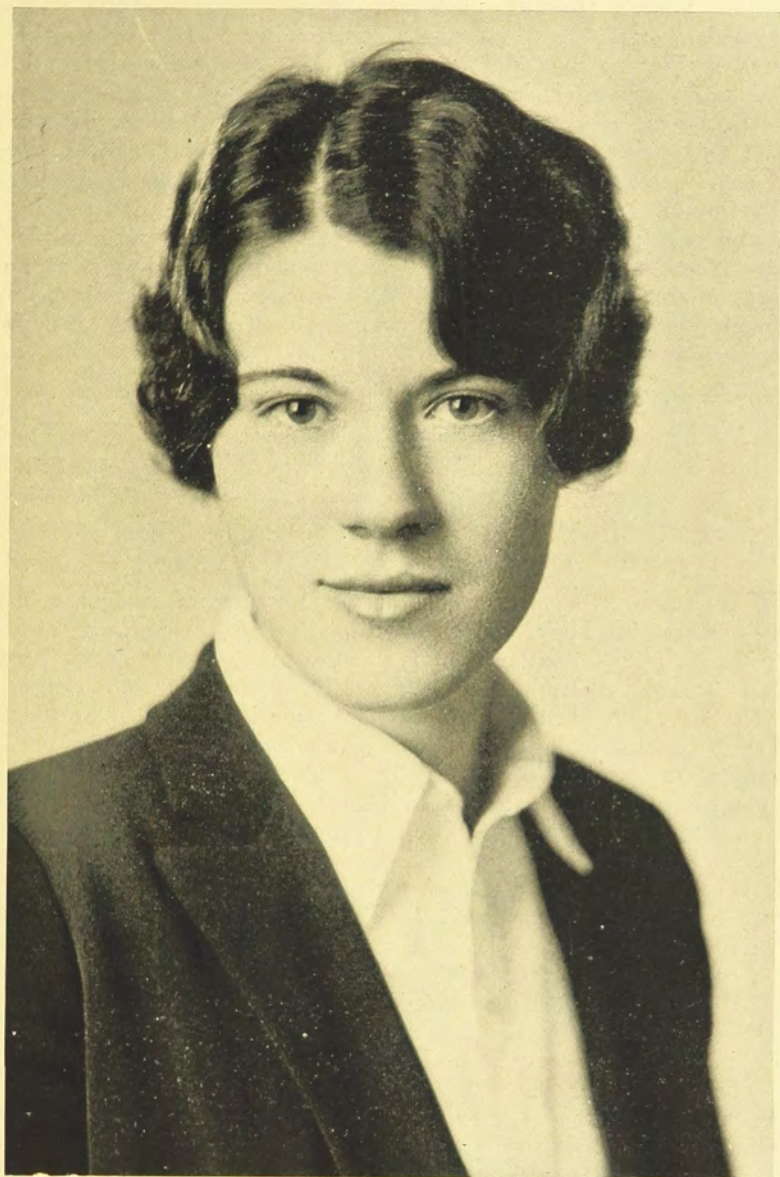
One would hardly expect that a girl with so many duties could be such an excellent student and so universally well liked both on and off campus as "Dib" was. There has never been a more popular girl in the chapter nor have we ever had a more capable or more efficient president. Epsilon feels that Gamma Phi is very fortunate to have a girl like "Dib" to fill such an important position and shall welcome her back with open arms; for, "Have no doubt that she can read her title clear to mansions in the skies, but presently she is more concerned about aiding others in this part of the universe, and she prays with her willing hands as well and perhaps better than with her lips."

GERALDINE MCKINLEY

## A BETA REUNION

ONE of the most delightful meetings in the history of Beta of Gamma Phi Beta, took place in Gregory, Michigan, July 31, at the home of Nettie Daniels. Four Betas left Ann Arbor, one bright morning, enroute for Gregory. There were: Mrs. A. Hinchilwood (Alice Parks) from Miami, Florida, who is spending the summer in Ann Arbor; Mary Putnam of Ypsilanti; Mabel Randall, Ann Arbor; and Ruth Guppy from California, who, during the Summer School, is chaperon of the Gamma Phi Beta house. Mr. Hinchilwood, showed his kindness and friendship by acting as chauffeur.

The day was beautiful; and after a delightful ride of an hour and a half, we reached Nettie's home, where she and her sister, Jennie, were waiting to welcome us. What a greeting it was!—especially for those who had not met for years. Of course, we were hungry; and such a good dinner as followed!—coffee, chicken, cakes and other palatable things. But alas! no peanuts and olives—which we *had forgotten*, much to our disgrace—some of our good sisters would say. We lingered and lingered—there was so much



*J. D. Toloff*

ALICE DIBBLE  
Secretary of Central Office



to talk about: present, past and future. Later, Nettie brought out old time pictures, for us to exclaim over. Did we ever look like that?—long hair built high, very low, or medium—long skirts and such serious looks! Then followed, for our fun, some of Nettie's carefully preserved past grandeurs. A class hat—dark blue velvet with silk tassel of silvery white: long trained gowns of soft material with beautiful lace or dainty ruffles! Ah, those were happy days. None better, even now.

The time passed all too quickly. And after lingering goodbyes with Nettie and Jennie Daniels and many promises, we were once more on our way to Ann Arbor. Old time scenes, jokes, stories and tender memories. What power they hold! Laughter—Tears. Yet we cherish it all.

"Strangely slight the circumstance,  
That has force to turn the mind,  
Backward on the paths of years,  
To loved scenes far behind."

M. RUTH GUPPY, *Beta*

### COPY—1927

THE editor has received, for the purpose of review, a most interesting book, *Copy 1927*—the fourth volume in a series—which is an anthology of stories, plays, poems, and essays, made up from the published work of the Writers' Club of Columbia University. The writings included are remarkable for their style and excellence, and demonstrate more clearly than any other medium the training in this line offered by the University. Each short story, poem and article has appeared in some one of the best national magazines; each play has been produced; and all the work has been selected by a Columbia University faculty committee headed by Miss Helen Hull, assistant professor of English, and author of popular fiction. Accordingly, this anthology is unique in that each contributor must have been a student in one of the University courses; and, in selecting the material (all published during 1925-1926), the committee considered the quality of the story, poem, article or play, endeavored to have a representative variety in the contents, and determined to produce an interesting volume.

The first volume of *Copy*, published in 1924, was an effort to present in book form the evidence that class exercises in the special college writing classes were also acceptable to editors. The interest resulting from the publication of this volume was instrumental in issuing its successors; and the Writers' Club returns each year in the form of prizes to the authors in *Copy* the royalties from the preceding volume. It is most interesting to record in this connection the names of judges and of those who were successful prize winners.

Rachel Crothers, Lee Wilson Dodd and George Kelly acted as judges for the plays, and gave unanimous choice for *Close to the Wind* by Eleanor S. Barnes, editor of *The Lookout*, magazine of the Seamen's Institute. The play is dramatically fine, and is distinguished for its atmosphere, its naturalism and its pathos. Constance Lindsay Skinner, Marguerite Wilkinson and Joseph Auslander were the poetry judges; and the prize was awarded to Parmenia Migel for her *Portrait*. The fact that Miss Migel wrote this poem at the age of fifteen is of interest. Mrs. William Brown Meloney, Blair Niles and Will Irwin gave first place to the article *China's Fight Against Illiteracy* by Frank B. Lenz, director of educational activities for the Foreign Division of Y.M.C.A. The judges for the short story were Henry Lanier, Wilbur Daniel Steele and Margaret Widdemer; and Mella Russell McCallum was awarded first prize for *I Just Couldn't Stand It*—a remarkable bit of work—while the second prize went to Mary Wolfe Thompson for *Zinnias*—unique in its tragedy of everyday life. One must mention in this connection the very unusual *Nigger Gal* by James Marlow (included in Edward J. O'Brien's Roll of Honor for 1926), *Wie Eine Blume* by Marjorie Cone, *First Act, Last Act* by Helen Ormsbee, *A Husband for George-Anne* by Hazel Christie McDonald, and *Enter Eve* by Valma Clark.

The magazines represented in this edition of *Copy* are *Action Stories*, *American Review*, *Argosy-All Story Magazine*, *Sunday American*, *Bookman*, *Catholic World*, *College Humor*, *Contemporary Verse*, *The Forge*, *The Guardian*, *The Lyric*, *McClure's Magazine*, *The Midland*, *Munsey's Magazine*, *The Nation*, *The New York Times*, *The Outlook*, *Poetry Magazine*, *Publisher's Weekly*, *Saturday Evening Post*, *Scribner's*, *The Sketch*, and *Theater Magazine*.

This book should be of vital interest to all students of journalism and short story writing; and it is recommended to each member of Gamma Phi Beta whose ambition lies in this line. We quote Miss Hull's words in the introduction: "Story telling, the relating of news or history, the conveying of ideas, the lyrical shaping of emotion; these differ as widely from the common use of words or the recognition of human motives as does a cathedral or an opera. The discovery of this difference is one of the stimulating and sometimes appalling experiences of those people who follow the desire for expression into the world of writing. The discovery is stimulating to those people who belong by natural equipment to the profession of writing; it is discouraging to those who drifted into the work because they thought it so easy, or because they had heard of enormous prices paid for pieces of writing. The function of the special writing courses is simply to assist the apprentice in his discovery of the methods by which he may turn his familiar tools to these new uses."





### LILAC TIME

and Convention Time! Our memory of the fairy island and of the four enchanted days will be inseparably associated with the great purple and white clusters that lined our driveways, nodded to us from friendly bypaths and adorned impartially our meeting places and our festal board. And even as we reveled in the gorgeous flower and subtle fragrance, we realized that our blossom of Gamma Phi Beta, in friendly rivalry was sending forth its own fragrance of comradeship, cooperation and endeavor.

Convention gave different impressions to different people. The initiate found it a new world, crowded with new friends and new experiences; the freshmen learned that all the names so vigorously memorized during the days of training had been changed into personalities; the sophomore discovered the answers to many puzzling questions; the junior resolved to make her last year in college a profitable one for her organization; the senior rejoiced because she understood the true meaning of alumnae membership; the alumna felt again the glow of enthusiasm and the renewal of interest.

Convention should be not only a beautiful memory but a definite impetus for greater achievement. Let the true spirit of the Mackinac gathering be reflected in our history for 1927-1928.

### OUR HOSTESS

was Province Two; and, individually and collectively, Province Two extended the right hand of fellowship and waved the left hand of hospitality. No one was too busy to extend a friendly word before and after and between meetings; no one was indifferent to the happiness and welfare of a guest; while the gay social affairs that marked the evenings were planned and executed most delightfully. Cleveland's initial tea made everybody acquainted. Alpha Eta's model initiation gave a serious ending to the first day. Chicago's bridge party was charming in every detail. Epsilon's vaude-

ville furnished keen enjoyment. Beta and Ann Arbor captained a successful and memorable banquet.

### OUR NEW OFFICERS

are entering upon their duties seriously, enthusiastically, and conscientiously; and it is the privilege of each member of Gamma Phi Beta to do her part in making their régime fine, constructive and noteworthy. A Council cannot function without cooperation; national problems cannot be solved without chapter understanding; definite achievement cannot be evolved without a background of vital interest, unfailing enthusiasm and staunch support.

Our president, Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, assumes her responsibilities with a splendid spirit that will mean much to us as individuals and as chapters. Her executive ability has been demonstrated by successful management of the Epsilon house; her loyalty to the sorority is unbounded and farsighted; her understanding of college girls will give her an immediate point of contact. Our vice-president, Mary Thomas McCurley, by wish of convention, and by virtue of her knowledge of sorority conditions is transferred to another branch of Gamma Phi Beta work. Our secretary-treasurer, Alice Camerer, brings to her office a record of local efficiency and achievement that will be of inestimable value in national activities.

Let us give the new officers our practical assistance, our exceeding loyalty, and our unqualified support.

### OUR CONVENTION INITIATES

deserve a publicity all their own as well as a formal welcome into our organization. For an initiation shared by every chapter is not only a unique experience for an undergraduate and a memory that no time can efface, but also a signal honor—an honor that involves a definite responsibility. Since to the convention neophyte is brought the true understanding of national spirit, the fine inspiration of association with those from other sections of the country and the proud realization that her pledge has been given to the entire organization. Even as we shared the privileges of Gamma Phi Beta and of convention with the six pledges, we, in turn, shall expect from each one of them six definite attainments.

A realization of the national tie.

A loyalty to the national enterprises.

A desire to be a strong link in the national chain.

A determination to be a chapter asset.

A responsibility to fulfill each chapter obligation.

A resolution to reflect in chapter life the ideals of Gamma Phi Beta.



## A PLEA

for the old songs is next in order. Where, oh where are the inspiring strains of *We're Gamma Phis Forever*—of *Our Pledge*—of *Fidelity*—of *Some Say!* Why aren't we given the privilege of shouting *Crack your peanuts, do?* Why can't we warble concerning the charms of the Gamma Phi maiden? Why have we forgotten to air our Latin in *Gamma Phi Carissima?* Why can't we proclaim to the world that *The Shades of Night Were Falling Fast?*

In no way are we disparaging the gay new songs, the rollicking new melodies. We quite appreciate the maid whose hat is tilted, whose cuffs unwilted, bearing the list of the men she's jilted; we are quite in sympathy with the sentiment expressed in *Dear Old Pals*; we love to declare that we're *Satisfied*; à la Oliver Twist we beg for *A Little Bit More*. But, as honorable alumnae, we do present our petition for more of the old favorites. They are worth while; their rhyme and rhythm are unassailable; they have a sweet seriousness that marks their place in fraternity life.

All of which inspires a dissertation upon chapter singing—and a suggestion that we do more of it. There is nothing in the chapter program more inspiring and more helpful than the chapter songs—more indicative of unity and cooperation; there is no greater incentive for sorority spirit; there is no stronger attraction for the stranger outside the circle. Accordingly—

When you're through with your routine of business—*sing*; when you're gathered around the fireside—*sing*; when alumnae come back to visit—*sing*; when guests are within your portal—*sing*; when the timid freshman is casting a wavering eye upon you—*sing*.

And do it *well*. (Incidentally, use some of the old songs.)

## A MOTTO

carved above a fireside is the choice adornment of a chapter living room; and above the glowing embers in Gamma's new mansion will gleam *Haec Olim Meminisse Juvabit*—the words that have illumined for so many years the mantel of the old home on Sterling Court.

Why not have a motto above the hearth in every new chapter house? It is as necessary in its way as is the grand piano so coveted and prized. It is a friendly greeting—a cordial welcome; it gives the charming atmosphere so essential; it has a cultural value; it adds a personal touch. *The ornament of a house is the guest that frequents it* is a sentiment worth preserving. *As we journey along let us live by the way* means much to the companionable group. *Read the best books first* should inspire a literary

browsing around the hearth fire. And what could be more attractive than this couplet from our own fireside song—

*Sing we again as the flames burn bright,  
Sing we a song of friends tonight.*

Each chapter boasting—or about to boast—a new chapter house—(Epsilon, Omicron, Pi, Omega, Alpha Gamma, Alpha Delta, Alpha Epsilon)—choose a motto for the fireplace. Why not ask from the readers of the magazine a list of sentiments to be published in the next issue?



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CRESCENT CORRESPONDENTS AND CORRESPONDING SECRETARIES

See that your name and address in the Directory is correct, and if there is any necessary change let it be made immediately.

## THE DECEMBER CRESCENT

The December CRESCENT will be Literary Number, and an effort to present sorority activities in that line will be made. Will each chapter correspondent keep this in mind and begin a systematic compilation, so that the letters of instruction may be answered in detail. All material is due on *October 15*.

## A HANDBOOK OF CHAPTER TRADITIONS

This is a booklet containing a list of chapter traditions, of social affairs, and of rushing stunts, compiled with the purpose of furnishing assistance in these various lines to new chapters. The price of each book is fifty cents and it may be ordered from the central office. Individual members are urged to purchase.

## A MOTTO

A motto for the fireplace of each chapter house is suggested; and any member of the sorority desiring to present one is asked to send her sentiment to the editor by *October 15*.

## AN APPRECIATION

Mr. L. G. Balfour, official jeweler to Gamma Phi Beta, presented each convention delegate and visitor with beautiful little bracelets of white gold. The sorority acknowledges with deep appreciation not only the attractive favors but the unfailing courtesy, interest and friendliness of the donor.

## COLUMBUS ALUMNÆ CHAPTER

An interesting event of convention was the announcement that Gamma Phi Beta alumnae in Columbus, Ohio, had been granted a charter. This alumnae chapter will be of great value to Alpha Eta, and will give our organization a definite representation in Ohio.

## SIGMA ALPHA EPSILON LIBRARY

The national library of Sigma Alpha Epsilon now contains about six thousand volumes, including the bound magazines of most of the fraternities, sororities and professional organizations.

The set of the CRESCENT is incomplete, and the editor is exceedingly anxious to furnish the necessary numbers. If any member of Gamma Phi Beta can supply any of the numbers mentioned in the appended list will she send them to the editor so that she may forward them to the proper destination?

Volume 13—Numbers 1, 2, and 3.

Volume 14—Numbers 1 and 4.

Volume 15—Numbers 3 and 4.

### GAMMA PHI BETA PLAYING CARDS

The Denver Alumnae Chapter, by consent of convention and for the benefit of their summer camp for underprivileged children, has undertaken the designing, ordering and sale of Gamma Phi Beta playing cards. These cards will be in sorority colors, will bear the monogram and will be most desirable gifts for individuals and for chapters. A contract for 3,000 in the course of the year has been made, and 85 cents will be the cost of a single pack, or \$1.65 for a set of two packs. A letter of explanation will be sent each chapter, and orders and inquiries may be sent to

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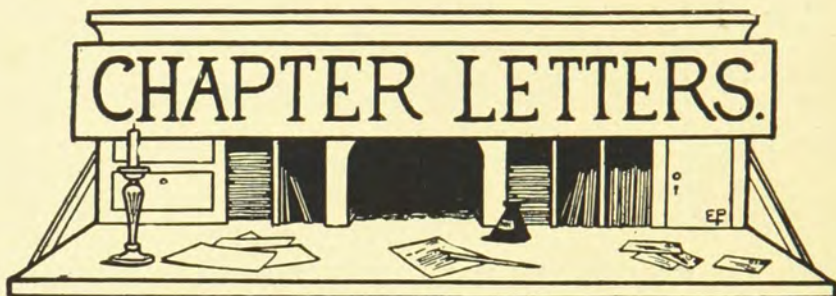
### THE SORORITY HANDBOOK

The eighth edition of the Sorority Handbook is soon to be issued. College binding costs \$1.25; de luxe binding, \$2.25. Orders are sent to 5 Cobden Street, Boston 19 Massachusetts.

### CHAPTER HOUSES

Detailed descriptions and views of the Gamma, Epsilon, and Pi chapter houses will appear in the December CRESCENT.





## DELINQUENT COLLEGE CHAPTERS

*Alpha*—Annette Hastings.*Epsilon*—*Zeta*—Sarah Chapman.*Omicron*—Florence Mae Curtis.*Tau*—Louise Wilson.*Chi*—Myrta Boyer.*Psi*—Ruth Glasco.*Omega*—Winogene Wunder.*Alpha Gamma*—

## BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Engagements and marriages*

Summer vacations aren't very full of information on chapter subjects. Since the last letter from Beta was sent the *Crescent*, we have completed the bustle of another college year. Also, several of our girls have been to the convention at Mackinac. The last information, which included most of the occurrences of importance in the spring term, leaves very little to add. Since that was written we have placed ourselves under a new group of officers and eight of the girls have graduated. The list which I am including of engagements and marriages is the last thing I can think of to tell you this time.

ELIZABETH MORRISON

## ENGAGEMENTS

Jessie Forbes, '28, to Mr. Harry Koenig, Delta Tau Delta.

Margret B. Fitch, '27, to Mr. J. Thurman Clark, Theta Delta Chi.

Florence Pittelco, '27, to Mr. Kenneth Davenport, Chi Psi, Phi Rho Sigma.

## MARRIAGES

Caroline Steen, '27, to Mr. Nathan K. Brumbaugh, Zeta Psi, Phi Delta Phi.

Katherine E. Hubbard, '27, to Mr. June Koffman.

Janet van den Berg to Mr. Hazen Hatch, Phi Alpha Delta.

Emily Ely Woodward, '27, to Mr. Eric Kermath, Delta Alpha Epsilon.

Geraldine Holmes, '28, to Mr. William Reid, Delta Phi.

Mary Haskell, '26, to Mr. Harry Messer, Delta Tau Delta.

## GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

*Goodbye to the old house*

As the summer vacation draws to a close, we of Gamma Chapter are becoming anxious to return to Madison and the new house which is rapidly nearing completion. We are assured that it will be finished by September, and our minds are filled with thoughts of a wonderful rushing season.

The last weeks of college were as hectic as usual, being filled with final cramming, spring formals and packing.

Banquet was most impressive. About sixty alumnae returned for it and everyone enjoyed the evening, although there was a note of sadness at the thought of leaving the old house which is so full of fond memories. As Will Carleton has written:

"Out of the old house, moved up into the new;  
All the hurry and worry is just as good as through,  
Only a bounden duty remains for you and I—  
And that's to stand on the door-step, here,  
And bid the old house good-bye."

We were especially loath to say good-bye to our seven seniors—Elizabeth Adams, Marjorie Biggar, Helen Cody, Lucile Herold, Rose Lauder, Ruth McDonough and Ruth Will.

The Gamma girls who attended convention pronounced it a huge success in every way.

ISABELLE A. KELLEY

#### MARRIAGES

On June 22, in New York City, Agnes Boeing to Mr. Spencer Ilsley.

On April 26, in Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, Mary Janet Burchard to Mr. Leroy James Burlingame. Mr. and Mrs. Burlingame are residing at 450 Woodstock Place, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

On January 29, in Madison, Wisconsin, Julia Judge Hanks to Dr. Andrew Robert Mailer.

On January 22, in New York City, Doris Marion Simonson to Mr. Walter Budd Champlin.

Mrs. George Alvin Loud announces the marriage of her daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mr. Herbert Frederick Leisy on Monday, August 15, 1927, in Duxbury, Massachusetts. At home after November 15, 3359 Maynard Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

#### DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

##### *Suspects rum chasers*

Before Delta was entirely disbanded for the summer and its members scattered from Maine to the Mississippi, came the houseparty, at Wood's Hole on Cape Cod, this year, because Marblehead Neck is unusually bleak and uninviting when the warm season is late in coming. Only freshman finals, always the last, held up the party until June 1, when the girls motored down. Wood's Hole offered a diverse number of interesting things to do.

Jauntily each one rushed into her bathing suit and made a dash for the ocean, but as soon as the blue, frigid waters, almost straight from the North Atlantic, enveloped them, their nonchalance vanished and to stay in over two minutes became the business of a Stoic. Sailing in a fishing schooner on a rough sea, with a genuine Cape Cod Cap'n at the wheel, was decidedly thrilling, and each one had a turn at navigating the craft. The rum chasers in the harbor were personally inspected, and one evening the entire party took the bus to Falmouth where, according to Joseph Lincoln, the majority of the population were old salts and their kin—in other words, "hicks." Alas! for fond expectations. Everything, including the populace, was decidedly metropolitan, and not in the least interested in the invasion of a delegation from the "Hub."

The last night there was not wasted in sleep. At 12:01 Sunday morning, Marion Loud, our president for the last year, was called hurriedly from a midnight bridge party to render first aid to one of the members who had fallen ill mysteriously and suddenly. Marion opened the door into the next room and found it in darkness except where, on the table, was a large birthday cake, lighted with candles; then the girls lying in wait jumped upon her with birthday congratulations. The party had been augmented



by several unexpected members, and sleeping quarters were scarce. Canvas beds ripped and collapsed under double weight, and the one full sized bed in the cottage held four. A combination of lobster and ice cream toward dawn produced hysteria in one girl. Really, Wood's Hole is the best place ever! So much can be done, and so much can happen.

The officers elected for next year are as follows: Virginia Smith, '28, president; Martha Vining, '29, vice-president; Helen Ropes, '28, recording secretary; Ruth Carter, '28, corresponding secretary; Doris Mildram, '28, treasurer.

Rushing soon, and a lot of sorting to do after the *melée* of Registration Day.

MARION M. BROWN

#### ENGAGEMENT

Elizabeth V. McCormick, ex-'27, to Mr. Frank Winslow Mansfield, Jr., Harvard, '21.

#### MARRIAGE

Eleanor M. Nine, '26, to Mr. Edmund Thurston, '27, Beta Chi Sigma.

#### ETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

##### *August seventh first rush meeting*

As our three months of summer vacation draw to a close, all the Eta girls are looking forward to meeting again in the chapter house on August 7. It is on that day that we hold our first rush meeting.

Rushing will certainly be a busy time and we shall have to make haste to put our house in order after the vacation. It will be interesting though, for during the summer months many of the girls have given personal rushing parties at their homes. There are so many "nuggets," that things surely look promising.

But we have not told you of what we were doing before college closed.

In April, Elizabeth Dempster was elected vice-president of the Student Body by a large majority vote. It was certainly a thrilling time in Eta Chapter when the news of her victory was received, particularly as it came during a midsemester rush dinner. Elizabeth was sent immediately by the University on a trip to the East. We are all mighty proud of her. At the first of the semester Elizabeth was elected to Prytanean and later to Mortar Board. Then again, we were proud to have still another member, Caroline Whiting, elected to Prytanean.

In the last of March we had our election and installation of officers in the house. Yvonne Harley is our new president; Wilmore Jordan, vice-president; Virginia Curtner, secretary; Erica Berne, treasurer, and Christine Graves, house manager. We were happy to send our new president as delegate to convention this year. Everyone is so anxious to hear the news that she brings back to us from the Gamma Phis at Mackinac.

Finals were such a struggle in April, but they always will be a struggle—and what a relief to have them over. The chapter house closed in the first week of May, though we gathered again to say good-bye on Commencement Day, May 11. It was on that morning that a group of our generous alums cooked and served our customary senior breakfast in honor of our six graduates, those honored being—Eleanor Atkinson, Virginia Lemman, Norma Perkes, Roberta Sperry, Doreen Tittle and Katherine Godley, who is a graduate at Davis, California. During breakfast we were entertained by a speaker from each class, after which the junior class presented each of the seniors with a silver bud-vase bearing the Gamma Phi crest. To conclude the happy breakfast we all sang Gamma Phi songs. The seniors then hurried into their caps and gowns and were off to graduation, and the freshmen hurried into their aprons and were off to the dishes.

MERVA MARTIN

## THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

*"From formals to finals"*

Looking back to that great event, our "formal," it does not seem possible that over two months have passed since we enjoyed a dinner-dance at the Country Club. Yet, it is so, for May was the month we chose this year for our annual dress-up frolic.

With only a slight breathing spell between, we passed from formals to finals, and thence to bidding our seniors farewell. Shortly after the close of college, the juniors and seniors spent a most delightful day together (at the expense of the juniors), lunching at Baur's, with a theater line party afterward.

It has been said that there is no rest for the wicked. If that is true, then we must be very wicked, indeed, for no sooner had we said adieu to the seniors than some wee, small voice whispered "rushing" to us. With a deep sigh we "buckled on our armor" and proceeded to rush. Our first party was an informal tea at our own double-brown lodge; the next party had the grandeur of the Rockies for its setting. Leaving town at a *very* early hour, we drove to Hosa Lodge for a bridge breakfast. The mountains are beautiful in the early morn, provided that one is wide enough awake to observe them, although spades looked peculiarly similar to clubs to some of us.

Let's leave rushing and rushees behind us for awhile, and travel farther afield. Suppose we take a peep into Theta's travelogue:—

The lure of the Old World has appealed to Gwendolyn Olinger and she, accompanied by her family, is planning to spend two months abroad; Alice Barber, too, has felt the call of foreign lands, and is spending the entire summer on the European continent. The Cosmopolitan urge is not confined to upper classmen, for one freshman, Helen Ramsey, is "doing" Europe. Isabelle Birney is at the summer session of the University of Chicago, taking Religious Education; and last (and least), the CRESCENT Correspondent leaves soon for a trip through Canada and the New England States.

Shall the wanderers return fair and lily-like as they left, or will they resemble the "nut-brown maid" of the poet's imagination? Whatever their complexions may be, their enthusiasm and spirit for the work ahead will keep Gamma Phi at the head of campus affairs.

Theta wishes you a successful rush season; and may you place the crescent on every girl you bid!

CHELLIE WRIGHT

## KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

*First on campus in scholarship*

What happens in the spring cannot always be accounted for—we only know that plenty happened, and that the final quarter of college was so busy it just flew by. To begin with, we went back after spring vacation and heard that Gamma Phis were first in scholarship on the campus for the preceding quarter—with such a long line of A's and B's that we were much impressed, even to the extent of resolving not to succumb to warm weather inertia.

While we studied, we managed also to keep busy in various campus activities. *How* busy is shown by the fact that Katherine Baker is now president of Y.W.C.A., one of the three big organizations, and was also elected to Mortar Board; Florence Pitman was chosen president of Tam O' Shanter, the junior girls' organization, and Elinor Thompson of Pin O' Fore, sophomore girls' organization, and Esther Martin received the appointment of Exchange Editor of the *Daily*.



Along with all this—the studying and the activities—other things happened also. On Mothers' Day we had the customary Mothers' Luncheon at the house, and on Fathers' Day the Fathers' Banquet. In honor of the seniors a picnic was given, at which each departing one was presented with a gift of Gamma Phi Beta stationery. The Mothers' Club gave us all a wonderful time at a picnic at Mrs. Yoerg's home in Hudson, Wisconsin, and on May 21 the Spring Formal was given at the White Bear Yacht Club. Our Founders' Day was honored by the presence of Calvin Coolidge, who sang to us (through his nose, by the way); Will Rogers—he had nothing to say for any but Gamma Phi; Margi, who gave us some of her famous epigrams, and Mrs. Snyder, ruthless murderess, who told us from the electric chair how to join the ball and chain. All were alias the freshmen who entertained at a banquet at Dayton's Tea Rooms.

Rushing meetings were held at intervals, and they were continued during the summer. Enthusiasm is reaching its peak, and we are all set to get those whom we go after in the period of concentrated rushing the week before the opening of college.

We were in the midst of finals all too soon and the last few days of college we turned from thoughts of formals, picnics, activities, rushing, and convention, in order to add a few finishing touches to our class room work. How we envied the graduating seniors who took life easy after the midquarters?

Those who finished were Pauline Yoerg, Janet Christopherson, Helen Rhode, Ruth McLaren, Frances Bowen, Alice Jean Bacon, Mary McGregor, Katherine McNown, Harriet Zuppinger, Mary Carpenter, Katherine Lincoln, and Florence Warnock. After Commencement, Alice Jean and Helen Rhode left for Europe in a party chaperoned by Mrs. Evans, our house mother. Other lucky ones who turned their steps toward Mackinac Island, were Marion Ashley, Martha Shute, Betty Ryan, Grace Cornwall, Margaret Watson, Mary Wilde, Mary and Helen Carpenter, Katherine Baker, Harriet Jackson, and our alumnæ, Marie Moreland and Sarah Finley.

MILLA KARA JACOBSEN

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Agnes Newhouse to Dr. A. Wyatt, Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Harriet Zuppinger to Mr. Kenneth Nelson, Delta Upsilon.

#### LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

##### *Two pledges to Mortar Board*

Lambda honored her seniors on the last morning of college with a breakfast given at the chapter house. Needless to say, we were all "kin' o' smiley roun' the lips an' teary roun' the lashes."—"Smiley" at thoughts of vacation so close at hand, and "teary" at the thought of parting with our seniors of whom we were so proud. The graduating seniors were Helen Lord, Helen Gorham, Florence Fowlkes, Gertrude Ireland, Mary Talbot, Virginia Grey, and Mary Hyland. The breakfast, planned by the freshmen, was a huge success, and, as we had initiated nine wonderful girls shortly before, we were doubly thrilled. Our new sisters are Betty Cotton, Rachel Porter, Helen Coburn, Nan Saunders, Mary Virginia Hart, Phyllis Graham, Helen Demarest, Elizabeth Demarest, and Kathryn Moore.

The last weeks of college were as strenuous as ever and we all put forward extra energy in an attempt to better our scholarship. We arranged a study table every afternoon for girls having D or E grades, and, of course, all others were cordially invited to attend. It proved to be an aid to concentration which seems, for some reason, to be unusually difficult in the spring.

We were fortunate in having two pledges to Mortar Board this year,

Helen Lord, a senior, and Annabel Hall, a junior. Betty Cotton, a freshman, was elected treasurer of next year's Sophomore class in a much contested election.

We are looking forward eagerly to fall rushing. We had a glimpse of some of the fine girls who are coming to college in the fall at our annual spring garden party—and, as always, there are all the appearances of a wonderful "harvest." Ruth Joseph is our rushing chairman for this year.

Thanks to our alumnae, we are having an oil burner installed in our house. It will certainly be an improvement, and we are looking forward to basking in its warmth this winter.

We are glad to hear such glowing reports from convention, and all of us who were not able to attend are experiencing some few pangs of envy. But, perhaps, we can all go next time. Here's hoping.

AMY CHURCHILL

# MU—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

## The seniors meditate

The four sat on the steps of the brown house and gazed pensively out into the gathering gloom. It was the night before graduation. Each of the seniors was tonight dwelling in the land of memories, reviewing the glories of her college days.

"The quarter's been a wonderful ending to our careers," Hazel broke the silence suddenly. "With rushing so successful—"

"Dotty had the lead in the junior opera," Marion broke in. "And Peg and Jax and Julie surely helped to put the opera over with their choristry."

"Did you know that Lorraine and Mary got lower division honors?" asked Helen.

"O yes, and Lorraine is showing up in more than one way," Hazel added, thinking pleasantly of her roommate's achievements. "She and Ema won their script S's on field day too."

"Blonchie's to be women's editor of the *Quad* her senior year," Helen said. "Hurrah for Arizona. I guess that's doing something big."

"Mary and Lorraine made *Quad* staff, too, didn't they?" Wanda asked. Wanda regarded the diamond on her ring finger intently.

"When are you and Clare to be married?" asked Helen, perceiving the direction of Wanda's interest. "Certainly made the banquet exciting to have you come through with the five pounds."

"We'll be married in September," Wanda answered simply. "Did any of you go to Al Whiffen's wedding? She announced her engagement during rushing, didn't she?"

"She wore a rose colored dress and a hat—" some one started to recite. "Oh, Ruthie's to be married this summer, too!"

"And she and Ward will live on the campus next year! Oh, I wish I were coming back!"

"Peg Kalenborn's going to be a sponsor next fall," Wanda changed the subject. "That makes three sponsors in succession for Gamma Phi."

"Virginia didn't do so badly, getting that history scholarship, either." This from Helen. "Imagine me teaching school next spring while these undergrads of ours are having another dance at Deahl's and are frolicking through the gold spring days."

"Look, girls," Marion cried, "There's the evening star. Let's wish!" Sure enough, twinkling lonesomely in the dark blue sky was the tiny "Wishing Star."

"A wish for the chapter we are leaving," Hazel suggested.

And silently, fervently, gazing afar, they wished for new achievements, new triumphs for Gamma Phi.

VIRGINIA GREENE



## NU—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

*"Lively parties"*

"Where there's life there's hope" we feel; therefore both the Portland and Eugene active members and alums are having many lively parties for the rushees. Really, active rushing started when we entertained about ten girls here at the university at the April Frolic, a costume ball for girls, which is held every year. Since college closed the Portland girls have had a dinner dance, a large tea, a luncheon at the Columbia Country Club along with several small teas and luncheons. Last year, not only the Gamma Phis thought we had the best pledges on the campus, but so did many others. Therefore, we're trying to do the same thing again. Rose Crowley of Portland is in charge of rushing.

It was with much envy that we sent Ruth DeNeffe, our official delegate, to convention shortly after the close of college. But we are all hoping for a vicarious thrill when she tells us about it all after college begins. Lillian Luders, Mary and Nancy Luckel and Beatrice Locke, our province delegate, also went to convention, where Nancy, a freshman of last year, was initiated.

Our annual spring banquet was held at the close of college. Every Oregon Gamma Phi tries to do everything in her power to make the banquet more beautiful and impressive each year. Although the alums wouldn't commit themselves and say that this year's banquet was the best ever, their eyes fairly shown with approval. Leta Earl, a Eugene alumna, was toastmistress. Violet Mills, our president for next year, gave the first toast, after which a member of each class gave a toast for her group. Grace Cobb gave the senior toast; Ruth DeNeffe, the junior; Margaret Harbough, the sophomore, and Harriet Atchison, the freshman. Iris Rice, who is now Mrs. Donald Helliwell; Mina Miner, now Mrs. William G. Smith, and Fern Reymers, a member of Chi Chapter at the Oregon Agricultural College, came from out of town to attend the banquet.

The grade list will be published five days before college starts again. Everyone can imagine the anxiety with which we are awaiting its publication. Winter term, we came up from seventh to fifth place, being only a few points below the first four, and spring term every one put forth a greater effort than ever to raise her grades. So we are fully expecting to see Gamma Phi Beta heading the list when it is published.

The new officers for next year are: Violet Mills, president; Dorothy Coffin, secretary; Cornelia Meek, treasurer and house manager.

Nu Chapter wishes the other chapters of Gamma Phi the best of luck in all their endeavors for the coming year.

BESS DUKE

## ENGAGEMENT

Esther Davis, '26, to Mr. Edward Scriven, Washington State University.

## MARRIAGES

Mina Minor, '25, to Mr. William G. Smith, Phi Gamma Delta.

Isabelle Amon, '27, to Mr. Philip Swank, Delta Tau Delta.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. William Wilder Huefner (Gertrude Livermore), on June 28, a boy, William Wilder Huefner, Jr.

To Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Darnell Holdman (Rena Hale), in March, a boy, Clifford Darnell Holdman, Jr.

To Mr. and Mrs. Herald Wellington White, in December, a boy, Herald Wellington White, Jr.

XI—UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

*"Harmony and good fellowship"*

At Xi Chapter we are looking for girls who will "do things." We are ready to sacrifice a little on "looks," family, money and enclosed cars! Guessing what flavor chocolates may have seems to be the extent of some girls' mentality. Not that we have had any of these bonbon maids at Xi, but you never can tell, and we're dodging them. We should like to have some of those active pledges, who, when asked if they would like to join the Glee Club, said: "We'd jump at the chants!"

The past year has been an enviable one for Idaho Gamma Phis. Harmony and good fellowship have reigned in the little grey house on the hill, and our girls have been highly honored with the most responsible positions on the campus. Barbara Rugg was sent by the women athletes to their national convention near New York City; Agnes Bowen was elected Panhellenic president; Ora Budge was chosen by Sigma Xi as an accomplished member in Psychology; Bernice Parrish was a star on the girls' basketball team; Vera Clark and Lucile Haddock have made themselves known at the University as clever pianists; Alma Baker continued to fill numerous campus offices in her senior year; Lucile Eaton was chosen for Mortar Board.

Mrs. Stolle, our beloved house mother, is not returning this year. The vacancy is one impossible to be filled, and our one compensation is that we may visit her in Spokane. Next year we shall be trying the patience of a new chaperon, and already I can see the new lady-of-the-house being tried by such episodes as: House mother: "How do you account for your lateness?" Culprit: "Ma'm, my mother was the late Elizabeth Murphy."

Yes, we are satisfied with the past year's achievements. Our pledges were a joy and every day spent in the house was keen pleasure. Even our officers were "different" (they did what they said they'd do). But, notwithstanding, Xi Chapter realizes that the largest room in the world is the room for improvement and so we expect to work even harder this year.

LUCILE EATON

MARRIAGES

Frances Mingus to Mr. Carol Davis, Beta Theta Pi, Idaho.

Mickey Archibald to Mr. Joseph Frazier, Phi Delta Theta, University of Oregon.

Gwendolyn Moser to Mr. Louis Helphrey, Phi Gamma Delta, Idaho.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Jean Ostrander (Mary Newman), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. F. Norris Neitzel (Margaret Clark), a daughter.

PI—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

*The new house*

A glorious whirl of spring parties, picnics, and serenades—and campus life is over for three months. Then, after being cluttered for a few days with trunks, hat boxes, and bags, the house of Gamma Phi Beta settled down to a peaceful summer. Not so with Gamma Phi Beta itself, however. A short visit in Lincoln assures one that things are still going on there. A big Georgian Colonial house has sprung suddenly from the foundations which we left in June. What fun it is to go from room to room, speculating on what this little nook and that little corner will be when we return in golden September.



Meanwhile, the loyal *alumnæ* and the actives in Lincoln are holding weekly meetings to make dainty ruffled curtains, pillows and lamp shades for Colonial bedrooms. We really regret leaving our dear old-fashioned brick home, but we are getting very excited about the lovely new abode that will be ours.

Rushing is another occupation to keep every Gamma Phi busy, for we want our new home filled with just the right sort of girls. A luncheon and bridge was held at the Happy Hollow Country Club in Omaha recently, and there are soon to be other parties in Lincoln and Hastings.

Gamma Phis scattered out too far to help with parties are busy trying to see who can make the most money for Gamma Phi Beta from small investments. A Round Robin letter is in circulation to keep us in touch with each other this summer, but since it has not yet arrived here, it is impossible to tell the various ways the girls have found to make their money. Even the mothers in Lincoln are busy trying to ascertain the results of a spring and summer sale of tickets on two beautiful quilts. The proceeds are to go toward furnishing the guest room of our house.

News of convention came to me from Vera Stephenson, our delegate. She wrote the following about it:

"Convention was surely inspiring, and I know that if every girl in Pi Chapter had been there, we would have the best chapter of any sorority in America. Convention made me so proud of the fact that I'm a Gamma Phi that I'm just bursting over with enthusiasm for next year. If we'll all get together and work for one standard, we can't help doing big things.

"It was marvelous to meet so many lovely girls and they were all so charming. That was one of the most remarkable things to me—so many women and girls, and yet one would be happy to acclaim them all as their Gamma Phi sisters to anyone, at any time, or in any place. I wish the girls of Pi could know what delightful sisters they have dotted over this land of ours.

"Then, too, Mackinac Island was such a delightful place to hold convention. I surely will never forget the delightful ride around the island, the comfort of the hotel, the delicious meals, the effort everyone made to make it a splendid success. It was certainly well managed. The entertainment by Epsilon was indeed clever, and Chicago and Ann Arbor *Alumnæ* gave us such a nice bridge party. The prizes were adorable!

"Last, but not least, I'd like to mention our new president, Mrs. Barbour, of Chicago. Really, she is the sweetest thing you could ever meet. I had the good fortune of talking with her several times, and also, of playing bridge with her. I can say that she is most interesting either way, just chatting, or at bridge. I hope many more Gamma Phis will have the pleasure of knowing her within the next few years."

According to such a report, convention must have been a great inspiration. We feel certain that Vera will bring back much of it to us this coming year.

DOROTHY PUGH

#### RHO—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

##### *Wanderlust and weddings*

Summer! That interim between spring and fall, when all loyal Gamma Phis are forgetting the drudgeries of a year's hard college work in the enthusiasm of vacation. The approach of this season is enough in itself to possess one with the wanderlust; and Gamma Phis, not being immune, have chosen various places for the satisfaction of this desire. Some have heeded the lure that the lakes of Wisconsin and Minnesota afford for swimming and fishing—and Adeline Taylor, our president, and Irene Black-

man, a last year's graduate, are among these. Still others prefer the thrills and wonders of city life—Lois Klenze has chosen New York as the scene of her vacation.

However, there is another peculiarity of this season which cannot be over-looked—the beauty and romanticism it affords for marriages. Virginia Ayres, '25, and Muriel Martin, '27, and Dorothy Mutz, '28, are among those whom the summer has claimed for brides.

But convention, after all, was the highest ambition of every Gamma Phi. Adeline Taylor and Ruth Phillips represented Rho.

Although the members of Rho may be miles apart, some fascinated by the amusements of city life, others interested by the quietude of the great out of doors, there is one common thought and motive in every mind—that of finding the most worthwhile girls that they may honor them this fall with the crescent of Gamma Phi Beta.

DOROTHY MURTAGH

### SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

#### *Second rush week in new house*

Soon the curtain will fall over all the warm, summer vacation days, only to rise again to disclose a lively scene of going-back-to-college preparations. The last minute thoughts all taken care of—and then we can pause a moment to see what will take place in Gamma Phi Beta the coming year to keep up her enthusiasm and ideals.

Of course, we all expect the convention girls to be full of enthusiasm and pep and new ideas. But we know that they cannot work alone, and all the girls are anxious to help them make the chapter better this year than ever before.

Just before rush week, initiation services will be held for four of our girls: Suzanne Robertson, Elizabeth Limberd, Lois Wise and Virginia Yates. With many alumnae back for initiation and to help us rush, we are planning a wonderful season—the second rush week in our new house. Then, too, we shall have a new davenport to replace one of the old, faithful ones of former days.

With our lovely house and the proper proportion of Gamma Phi spirit—who will be able to resist being a wearer of the double brown?

RUTH SWONGER

### UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE

#### *Member directs her own symphony*

On July 11, Upsilon had its last meeting at Rosecraft, St. Marys City, Maryland, the home of Alice Robinson. Sixteen of our eighteen members spent a glorious week of reunion. This week together was especially welcome, since degrees had been conferred upon nine of our seniors; and at Rosecraft eight of them were with us again.

Mary Ellen Franklin, house president of West of '27-'28 and president of the house committee, and Alice Robinson, assistant house president of East, took this opportunity to assume the duties in the cabin in which we stayed. Together we spent a perfect week of swimming, sailing, beach parties, and moonlight boat trips down into Chesapeake Bay.

Every organization on the Hollins campus, with the exception of the Dramatic Association, was represented. Margaret Wade, Upsilon's new president, is junior representative to Student Government Council; Mary Agnes Snyder was appointed chairman of World Fellowship; at the Monogram party on May 21, during the stunts of various teams, it was announced that Mary Ellen Franklin was captain of Yemaysee Basketball.



On May Day, Upsilon was well represented. Grace Sellars, Mary Ellen Franklin, and Margaret Wade were in the queen's court; Mary Ann Hooper was the queen's page; Bert Gary and Alice Robinson danced, Eloise Kelly and Evelyn Weaver were two of the three girls who composed the music.

At the commencement concert Eloise Kelley directed her own symphony. So, you see, Upsilon is living up to its reputation of versatility. Crescents are now adorning the gowns of two girls, who were initiated into the mysteries of Gamma Phi Beta. They were Elizabeth Steel and Terry Lee Roberts.

MARY AGNES SNYDER

#### PHI—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

##### *First to pledge five thousand*

Washington University is all in a whirl over the prospects of its wonderful new Woman's Building. Just at the close of college the information concerning the erection of the new structure was revealed to the students, and it was found that each sorority would be required to pledge itself to raise five thousand dollars, in order to secure its privileges concerning the use of the building.

Then came the startling news that the first chapter to sign the pledge would get first choice of the rooms and who do you think was first? Why Phi Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta stepped right to the front and presented its signed pledge. As a result, each one of its proud members has set her own little mind that money is the thing she's after, and she's getting it! Actives and alums have combined and are giving their entire efforts toward making this undertaking a huge success. They are using all their ingenuity in planning ways to accumulate the almighty dollar. The alums gave a very profitable bridge just a short time ago, and they are working with the chapter members in selling coffee, collecting old newspapers, and giving rummage sales. Along with all this, the girls are rushing madly around, selling tickets for a boat ride which will be given September 1. Of course we are all expecting to have a grand time, and we hope that we shall be able to make a good donation toward our prime object.

Yes, Phi is very excited and busy, but not so much so that she cannot stop to admire Sibley Merton for making Mortar Board. Sibley is a very loyal backer of Phi, and we are all very proud of her.

EVA RYALL

#### ALPHA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

##### *House party*

Four months of freedom from the grind of the class room—but not from Gamma Phi. The members of Alpha Alpha, scattered near and far, intent on making the best of vacation, have taken with them the memories of a past term, and fond hopes for the coming one. It is with a keen expectancy that we are looking forward to meeting again, all together—with the eager question,—“A nice summer?” while we anxiously wait to start the new rushing campaign.

House party at Hotel Cedemere, Coubourg, was an amazing week of fun and chatter. (Friendship is truly an “entireness, a total magnanimity and trust.”) The “breaking up” might have caused an undue amount of sorrow if our seniors had not had their graduation exercises, activities and what not to occupy their attention.

The results of the year's work gave us our share of honors and specialists—particularly was our senior year successful. That we are sorry to lose the girls of this year was evident at the graduation banquet, our “final” before they are formally received into the alumnae chapter. The under-

lying sadness of the occasion soon gave way to the tune of *I'm satisfied* which after all became the predominant note of the evening.

It was the aim of every one of us to attend convention, but like so many aims not destined to be fulfilled, only two actives were able to make it. Our "grads," however, responded in fine manner, and the questions showered upon them will be ample proof of the interest taken by all.

Nor must this letter be closed without telling you that Ruth MacDonald and Alice Young, two freshies, have become true Gamma Phis, initiated early in June at the home of Lois Poyntz, our new president, under whose leadership we expect to have a splendid year.

WILMA SPEERS

#### ALPHA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

##### *First prize in the Flickertail Follies*

Since our last CRESCENT letter but one discouraging thing has happened. We lost the basketball cup to the Alpha Chi Omega girls. Three games were played, the first was won by the Alphi Chis; in the second, Gamma Phi was victorious; and the third was a thrilling one!—even brought enthusiasm from the entire campus. By the end of the first half our standpatter guard, Dophie Hanson, was taken out on fouls, and by the end of the third quarter another wonderful guard, Fran Haagenson was extracted for the same reason. Our girls fought bravely to the end in spite of the misfortunes and took the small end of a score of 21-18.

But we made up for it in Follies with Clara Sperry as director. She was aided much by Alice Schraps, Hazel Larson and Ione Haagenson. It was whispered around the campus that our costumes had come from New York though in truth they were made by the girls, largely through the aid of the Mothers' Club. We received first prize and now a beautiful and enormous cup graces our mantel, for always. The Follies have been given for three successive years and Gamma Phi has taken first prize in '25 and '27.

Another thing of which we are proud to boast is the May Fete. *Peter Pan* was the theme and nimble Ann Black took the title role. Alice Schraps played well her part of Wendy, and Hazel Larson, Ione Haagenson, Fran Haagenson and Josephine Clark had solo dances.

Of all the month of May, Saturday, the 28th was the most beautiful. Each Gamma Phi and her boy friend enjoyed a dance out at the Country Club with folding stove pipe hats and noisemakers for favors.

A prominent senior Dophie Hanson led the Senior Prom with Harold Goldberg who was president of the senior class.

We're proud to announce that two of our girls, Dophie Hanson and Louise Spriggs were elected to Pi Lambda Theta, national honorary educational fraternity for women; and Jessie DePuy was elected to Zeta Phi Eta, national honorary dramatic fraternity for women.

On April 5, four girls were initiated. They were: Alma Lykken, Frances Rose, Lucille Wilson and Lois McMichael. This summer we were all more than pleased to have the charming Alice Schraps initiated at convention.

We regret a great deal to lose nine lovely girls to the alumnæ. Each one has been an asset to the sorority and has done her part to give Gamma Phi Beta her place on the Nodak campus. The remaining ones extend their best wishes to each. Let those good wishes spread to each Gamma Phi girl in each Gamma Phi Chapter over the land.

LOIS MCMICHAEL

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Clara Sperry (Alpha Beta '28) to Mr. Chauncey Borman (Beta Theta Pi, University of North Dakota, '27.)



Mildred Johnson (Alpha Beta '28) to Mr. Bruce Murphy (Beta Theta Pi, University of North Dakota, '28).

#### MARRIAGES

On June 22, 1927, Lillian Browell (Alpha Beta '22) to Mr. Wallace Carney (Alpha Tau Omega, University of North Dakota).

On July 26, 1927 at Grand Forks, North Dakota, Marie Ann Lysing (Alpha Beta '25) to Mr. Maurice Johnson (Phi Delta Theta, University of North Dakota). Mr. and Mrs. Johnson will reside in Chicago, Illinois.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Mathew Tindall (Mildred Fraser, Alpha Beta, '24) on June 24, 1927, a daughter, Mary Joyce.

To Mr. and Mrs. John McCain (Dorothy Dunlap, Alpha Beta, '26) in June, 1927, a son, John McCain, Jr.

### ALPHA DELTA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

#### *Double laurels*

Now that summer and vacation are here, Alpha Delta gives a sigh of relief, of satisfaction and of pride. Has she not struggled courageously through the winter with the odds against her? Scarlet fever and quarantine nearly played irreparable havoc, but as the spring term sped on its way, the members of Alpha Delta, pulling together with all their might, ignoring often the calls of the beautiful spring to put away work, brought to a successful conclusion their year of college work. Although the list is not yet out, we feel confident that Alpha Delta has raised noticeably her scholarship standings, and at any rate, we know that she has more than met her standard.

Alpha Delta is very proud of Helen Agee, one of her seniors, who brought signal distinction in winning an English contest of essay writing, which was open to all juniors and seniors in the University. Not this alone, but double laurels, Helen bore to Alpha Delta, for she graduated with distinction in English. One of our freshmen, Martha Lloyd, we are very happy to announce, was elected to Cwen, honorary sophomore organization for women. Mary Ellen Hubbard, a sophomore, in her characteristic manner, has succeeded in taking her pick of offices; she is treasurer of the Women's Self Governing Association, and of the Y.W.C.A. for our next college year. Do you wonder that Alpha Delta can but smile benignly upon her daughters, when they place such honors at her feet? Not only these honors, but others, too numerous to mention, have been gained. Four have made Workshop, the dramatic organization on the campus while others have been initiated into language clubs and various honorary fraternities.

Not long before the close of college, Alpha Delta had its annual election of officers. Gladys Sieman was elected president; Catherine Neal, vice-president; Grace Dooley, treasurer; Margaret Helman, recording-secretary; and Mary Agee corresponding-secretary. At Senior Breakfast, Margaret Helman was given the Gamma Phi ring for being the best all-around freshman. We doubt if there is anything which Peggy could not tackle and tackle successfully.

Alpha Delta is looking forward to the next year in anticipation of striving for and winning more and greater honors for Gamma Phi Beta. The new house is not yet started, but we are hoping that our plans for it will materialize in the forthcoming year.

ELIZABETH HARTWIG

MARRIAGES

Frances Hubbard, '26, to Mr. Holden Glen.  
Cordelia Bruns, '26, to Mr. Nelson Riley.  
Wilma Stacy, '27, to Mr. Melville Betner.

ALPHA EPSILON—UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

*Highest campus offices*

With midsummer here, an actual unescapable reality, we begin again, after some six luxurious restful weeks, to think of fall, with its eager expectancy of new things—a delicious feeling of "hominess" in being "back again"—lively, rapid chattering of vacations scatteringly spent—hushed, whispered confidences about thrilling beaux newly found—gay, rippling shouts from room to room about how *good* things look—and, best of all, happy, anxious planning for new rushees and pledges. Oh! it's delicious, the exhilaration and hopefulness that fall inspires in all of us.

The inspiration for much of our optimism is due to the great spurt of participation into campus activities that our chapter has taken. We can gleefully boast of many new members for our Hall of Fame. Foremost and best, rank the two prize honorary posts on campus newly filled by Helen Nelson, with her delightfully-real Irish quirks of speech, and remarkable faculty for inspiring confidence and friendship, and La Verne Rodee, with her winsome, lovable personality. These girls have been awarded admittance to Mortar Board, for which are chosen three new members each spring. Another achievement made by Helen Nelson this past spring has been that of election as president of the Associated Women Students, which office is, needless to say, surpassed only by the Student Body presidency. Helen is indeed a top-notch.

The elections for W.A.A. jobs rallied in four more posts for us; these jobs are filled by Dorothy Houle, Minnie Mae Hudnall, Ione Sparks and Veronica McDonald.

Further enumeration of honors that we proudly cherish include Anne Houle's capturing of the R.O.T.C. silver loving cup awarded for skill in riding, and Genie Pendleton's unquestionable solo hit in the Senior Follies. Genie set a-fluttering many hearts by her graceful, lithesome dance and song hit which is still being talked about. So you see, Alpha Epsilon is picketing its way about campus.

Still not content with this wholesome record, some of the members have soared farther on into honorary fraternity rôles. La Verne Rodee and Helen Nelson have attained Pi Lambda Phi, national educational fraternity; Caroline Airington has been awarded a worthy place in the Home Economics club; while Bonnie Wade was chosen for F.S.T., which comprises all the prominent junior women in college.

So, let's agree that there is a generous license for our pride, and join in three rousing cheers for Alpha Epsilon of Gamma Phi Beta, as we try to bear up under this bitter, galling load of disappointment. The house has not been started yet, because of legal difficulties, but we have tried our best to compensate by this wholesale roping-in of the best campus offices.

Now, once again, we're going to fall into step, feeling justly hopeful for the prospects of a fall term which we expect to be brimming and cluttered-up with success and joys partially gained, and obviously merited.

DOROTHY HOULE

ENGAGEMENT

Irmajean Moore, '27, to Max Wilson, Sigma Chi.



## MARRIAGES

In May, Emily Hart to Lee Moore, Kappa Sigma, of Tucson.

In June, Margaret Duffield to Mr. Sheldon, Alpha Tau Omega.

## ALPHA ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

*Distinctive honors*

"What is so rare as a day in June?" trills the happy Gamma Phi as she splashes in cool mountain streams, gazes at the Leaning Tower of Pisa, or dons her bridal veil! For truly, never before in any summer have we heard of so many delightful trips and thrills, engagements and weddings! But let us save all this for the last,—and gossip awhile of Alpha Zeta honors and achievements.

With the many seniors leaving our chapter last year, it seemed as if the sky were fallin' in, but our other sisters, with the new officers and new initiates, have saved the day. By the way, we must introduce to you our newest initiates, for in the spring term we placed the crescent pin on five splendid girls: Pauline Fertsch of Austin; Mary McDonald of Hereford; Eugenia Barnes of Paris; Alice Marie Correll of Austin; and Mary Lyle Vincent of Brady.

A list of some of our spring term honors will sound almost like an election list, for many juicy plums fell to the Gamma Phis last year. Helen Hamilton, who will be Y.W.C.A. president this year, has been elected to Orange Jackets and Mortar Board, and was also chosen to represent the University of Texas at the Y.M. and Y.W. Convention at Hollister. This adds a few more honors to our Helen's name. Velma Irwin has been chosen vice-president of Pierian Literary Society, and has also been elected to Alpha Phi Epsilon, the Public-Speaking fraternity. Doris Lea is one of the new members of Cap and Gown Council for the coming year. Mary McDonald has been elected vice-president of Chi Upsilon, honorary geological fraternity. Helen Drummond is a new member of Pi Lambda Theta, honorary education fraternity, and also of Sigma Delta Pi, honorary Spanish fraternity. Martha Chamness has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa as the third highest ranking candidate.

Now let us tell you about Virginia Montague, who has astonished us all by the wonderful things she has done with her fountain pen. Aside from being an excellent student, a prominent member of several campus organizations, and a most loyal Gamma Phi, she has time to write verses—charming and fascinating they are too!—but she also directs her pen into the field of essays. And Virginia has shown just what is the way of a Gamma Phi with an essay, for she has won first place in the E.P. Choice essay contest, and third place in the *Atlantic Monthly* contest which was open to all college students. Her subject is the weighty one of International relationships, but her title, "Friday Afternoons," is provocative enough to prick the interest of the most frivolous reader. Verily, the pen is mightier than the sword.

Oh, what good times we had during the spring term, with the tea for the Gamma Phi fathers and mothers; the dinner for the patrons and patronesses in celebration of Alpha Zeta's birthday and the traditional sunrise breakfast which was given for the seniors by the Mothers' Club. Then Isabelle Mayes and Eloise Miller, two of our most talented pledges, gave a beautiful party to announce the approaching marriage of Mary Buckner, a charter member of Alpha Zeta, to Lynn Shaw of Austin. One of our last and most memorable gala occasions was the midnight bridge-feast that Mary Frank Smith gave for the seniors. How we frolicked around that night in our best pajamas, in Frank's dainty orange and white room at the chapter house! And the surprise of surprises! We found the little

card announcing that Fannie Eisenlohr was to be married to Trig Twichell in the fall!

Such happinesses for our Gamma Phis! Won't we have lovely things to remember about our college days when we are all old ladies, sitting together about the fire and smiling into our teacups?

But Alpha Zeta was saddened this year by the sudden death of our house-mother, Mrs. Helen Swearingen Macfarlane. In Mrs. Macfarlane we lost a gracious hostess and a most loyal friend.

Shall we turn to Cupid's "Rogues' Gallery" now? An amazing number of our girls have had their finger prints—or rather, their finger *measures*,—taken this year. Lochinvar has come out of the west, and the east, and the north, and the south! It all began with the marriages of Eleanor Rentfro to Albert Fernandez, and Evelyn Farrell to Gregory Foley. By the way, Evelyn and Greg have temporarily deserted Nebraska for Texas, since Greg has been Instructor and Director of Dramatics here at the University this summer. And now Lola Posey has married Robert Williford, and is living in Austin. We have also received news of the marriage of Mary Steussy, one of our charter members, to Dr. Philip Grey. Dr. Grey is a professor in the Medical College at Galveston. It is remarkable that both he and Mary are members of Phi Beta Kappa. And still one more bit of gossip: A five pound box of delicious candies came to the house announcing the engagement of Bobbie Branch to Clifton Coulter! Bobbie was to have been CRESCENT Correspondent for the coming year, but has decided not to return to college.

So, you see, Alpha Zeta has had a glorious year, with many honors and very many wonderful romances!

MARTHA CHAMNESS

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Mary Buckner, to Mr. Lynn Shaw of Austin.

Fannie Eisenlohr, to Mr. Trig Twichell of Austin.

Bobbie Branch, to Mr. Clifton Coulter, Sigma Nu, of Austin.

#### MARRIAGES

Lola Posey, to Mr. Robert Williford, Lambda Chi Alpha, of Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Williford are at home at 1908 Speedway, Austin.

Mary Steussy, to Dr. Philip Grey, Alpha Kappa Kappa, of Galveston.

Dr. and Mrs. Grey are at home at 1716 Tremont St., Galveston.

#### ALPHA ETA—OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

##### *Four pledges as climax*

Alpha Eta finished up the year with a grand climax. We pledged four lovely girls—Mary Louise Selley, Cleveland, Ohio, a transfer from Western College; "Judy" Henderson, Franklin, Pennsylvania, a freshman; Mary Edwards, Leipsie, Ohio, a freshman; and Bee Haskins from Gallapoli, Ohio, also a freshman. Mary Louise Selley left the next morning for summer school at Winona Lake and Judy, Mary, and Bee went to their homes for the summer, so we have yet to become acquainted with them as sisters. But we are expecting big things this fall from these most promising girls.

Alpha Eta was represented by five girls at convention; our president, Kathryn Whitney, Pauline Pfeiffer, Martha Ballenger, Helen Blair, and Esther Acklin. We all feel that we have profited very much by convention, and we are anxious to get back to college so that we may put some of our new ideas into practice. Rushing, at Wesleyan this year, will take place the second week of college.



We are all very much grieved over the death of Jane Grove, Mildred Grove's sister, who was to enter Wesleyan this fall. Jane has visited Wesleyan several times and we saw great possibilities in her as a sister.

Most of the members are working this summer and no doubt we will have many interesting tales to relate to each other in September.

ESTHER ACKLIN

#### ALPHA THETA—VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

##### *Initiation follows banquet*

Gunga Din, being a better man than I am, might be able to give coherence to the straggling array of news items that comprise Alpha Theta's summer letter, but I make no such ambitious pretensions. Perhaps to divide these items into Past, Present and Future will give a unified appearance to this, my maiden flight.

Under Past would come, of course, graduation. Naturally nine such worthy maids as Alpha Theta furnished to the 1927 graduating class could not fail to come in for a share in the honors, Helen Hopkins graduating *Magna cum laude*, and Nora Mae Borthick, who will receive her degree in August, being elected Phi Beta Kappa. Katherine Yates, who received her B.A. in 1926, received her M.S. in chemistry which is, in itself, honor enough. But speaking of seniors, the annual banquet given by the chapter to the seniors on the last night of examination week was marked this year by an extra feature, an initiation which took place immediately following the banquet. As nine good girls and true stepped out of chapter activities, one good girl and true, Pattee Lawrence, stepped into them, a sort of "Nine actives are dead, long live the actives" effect. But graduating is not all our girls can do, for Irene Langford, one of our most zealous alumnae, was married to Tourk Young on June 8.

As for the Present, the individual members of Alpha Theta are for the most part pursuing separately their separate pursuits. One of them, Helen Hopkins, is teaching this summer in a Kentucky mountain school; some are working; some are attending summer school; and some are merely vacationing. The some who are attending summer school at Peabody, aided and abetted by others not Gamma Phis who are doing the same thing, have made possible the keeping open of the chapter house this summer. Under the capable management of Nora Mae Borthick and Willie May Ogden, we are hoping that this arrangement will net us enough to pay most of the summer's rent which has an unfortunate habit of emulating Tennyson's brook whether the college session is on or off.

The Future would deal, of course with our plans for this fall. Of the nine graduates nearly all have already accepted teachers' positions, but one nonconforming spirit as far as positions are concerned, Dorothy Knight, is already ensconced in a position as technician in a hospital in Temple, Texas. Two of the nine are returning for their M.A.'s, Martha Ragsdale for her Master's in Economics and Helen Hopkins for hers in English. As for the rest of us—well, after September 26, we may be seen on the campus of Vanderbilt University, striving to attain one step nearer to a B.A. from that worthy institution.

GLADYS SMITH

#### ALPHA IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES

##### *Fathers' dinner*

It was on April 16 that we had our most important affair—the spring formal. The dance was held at the Beverly Hills Woman's Club, and as a change from the usual refreshment a midnight supper was served in the inclosed patio. The favors were leather bookmarks bearing the University seal. More than the usual amount of credit is due our social chair-

man, Eley Eddy, for the success of the dance. This last semester saw the establishment in our chapter of another custom, a Father's Dinner. The dinner was undertaken somewhat dubiously, but the pleasure and enjoyment of the fathers was so marked that we decided then and there that it was hereafter, to be an annual affair. Perhaps we daughters, engrossed in our personal affairs forget that fathers appreciate being included in our college and sorority activities, socially as well as financially.

Activities at the house closed with a senior breakfast June 10 at which our seniors were the guests of honor; and a rush affair June 11. Carol Morse, Louise Gibson, Hazel Tilson and Florence Andrews were the graduates. The girls realize that the four vacancies in our sorority life will be neither easily nor quickly filled. Just a word of description concerning each of them. Carol has just completed a most successful year as president of Panhellenic Council as well as president of the chapter. She was elected to Prytanean and Agathai, women's honorary societies, and was highly commended by the physical education department for her work there. Louise, in addition to holding the office of vice-president of the associated students, found time to serve on numerous committees, held responsible positions in the Y.W.C.A., and last winter, as a delegate went to the Y.W.C.A. conference held in Minneapolis. Then to make her record complete, she was graduated with honors in the mathematics department. I almost forgot to mention that she too was a member of Prytanean and Agathai. Hazel, an unusually clever artist, was our "stand-by" when necessary items such as dance programs and favors were to be made. She conducted several art classes at the University, and also, as freshman advisor, managed to keep our pledges up to standard. Florence, our musician, makes us realize more clearly the truth underlying Ben Jonson's statement.

"True happiness consists not in the multitude of friends, but in the worth and choice."

A garden party, an annual affair, marked the first of the summer rushing events and on the invitational list were over forty names. Unfortunately there were so many interesting girls that the elimination process promises to be difficult.

DORIS BOWERMAN

#### ALPHA KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

##### *First Alpha Kappa baby*

The one thought on which every Alpha Kappa mind seems to be concentrating is our house. "Shall we venture now or wait another year?" "If now which house shall it be?" "Have we sufficient funds to carry out our scheme?" Such are the worrying thoughts surging through our brains, but very soon we hope to make the final decision.

Our traditional week-end held this year at Helen Gourley's summer camp near Kenora, June 24, was as great a success as ever, and we had three days of the most perfect weather for swimming, canoeing and enjoying a lazy life. We all missed Eileen Magill, but we can hardly wish she had been with us now that we have heard her account of the wonderful time she spent at convention.

We are so proud of our coffee urn and are eagerly awaiting the time when we can see it in the most prominent position of our new house.

Now for the great news. The first Alpha Kappa baby was born a few weeks ago—Never was a baby so popular even though we were a little disappointed that it was a boy; but we are consoled by the fact that he is sure to marry a Gamma Phi—

E. MARY CUSSANS

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. H. Whittaker (Vera Gunn) in May, a son.



## DELINQUENT ALUMNÆ CHAPTERS

*Ann Arbor*—Mrs Charles McCallum.*Detroit*—Mrs. W. A. P. John.*Madison*—Mrs. Eugene Sullivan.*Portland*—Mrs. Kenneth Cockerline.*Seattle*—Mrs. George Teal.

## BALTIMORE

*Program manager*

The final meeting for the year was held at the home of Belle Baker Treide, and was well attended by an enthusiastic crowd. Very interesting discussions of convention questions occupied a large part of the evening. The officers elected for next year are: Belle Baker Treide, president; Ethel Shriner Dulaney, vice-president; Alvahn Holmes, corresponding secretary; Ruth Fugundus, recording secretary; Hester Corner Wagner, treasurer; Margaret Lippincott Emmons, CRESCENT correspondent; Florence Oehm Hawkins, program manager. This office is new and is planned for the purpose of making the meetings as attractive and profitable as possible. Mrs. Hawkins will arrange some meetings for afternoons, others for evenings, some to be held in the chapter rooms, others in the homes of members. Each meeting is to have a definite purpose, either for pleasure or for profit. A finance committee is to be appointed to make a budget for the year and to put through the raising of necessary funds. The chapter is proud of having one of its members, Mary Thomas McCurley, Zeta 1910, elected to the office of national vice-president.

Three of Zeta graduates are to be in Baltimore next year, and the alumnae are delighted to welcome them into the group. It is good to get new blood and youthful enthusiasm, and to form a closer tie to the active chapter. These girls are Helen Dodson, Muriel Lee and Margaret Denmead.

MARGARET LIPPINCOTT EMMONS

## BOSTON

*Annual spring luncheon*

Although our annual Spring Luncheon is now but a pleasant memory of the past, I really can't let this CRESCENT letter go by without telling you something about the interesting event. Truly it was one of the finest and largest Spring Luncheons that I've ever attended. There were over sixty present, and one of the nice features was that there were about a dozen Gamma Phis from other chapters. Perhaps the one outstanding person of this latter group was Emma Lowd, a Boston University graduate but now affiliated with the New York Alumnae Chapter. We were all so glad to have her back with us once more and to hear all about the new Panhellenic House in New York City.

Then, too, the new University Club proved an ideal place for the luncheon. The tables were most attractively decorated, the food was excellent and the service most satisfactory. Altogether the Spring Luncheon was a very successful affair.

Just now we are looking forward to the reopening of our Boston Alumnae Chapter activities in the fall. Here's wishing everyone a highly successful and active year.

GLADYS KINGMAN

## PERSONALS

Elizabeth Moore Charlton, ex-'23, has been spending the summer months at a delightful estate in Duxbury, Massachusetts.

Florine Courtwright Grabow, ex-'05, spent several days in Detroit after the Gamma Phi Beta Convention, where she represented the Boston Alumnae Chapter.

Elsie Norris, '20, is working for Brown Brothers and Co., a banker's firm of New York City.

Doris Prout, '23, is to teach Latin at the Knox School, Cooperstown, New York.

Edith Snow, '20, attended the Library Convention at Toronto, Canada, in June. Edith has just accepted a fine position at the Portland Library, Portland Maine. She will take up her new work here in the fall.

Ruth Tobey, '21, is to teach chemistry and mathematics at the Knox School, Cooperstown, New York. Ruth just recently returned from a delightful two month's trip through England and the Continent.

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

#### ENGAGEMENT

Elizabeth McCormick, to Mr. Frank Winslow Mansfield, Jr., Harvard, '21.

#### MARRIAGE

Eleanor Ninde, '26, to Mr. Edmund Thurston, Boston University, '27.

#### BIRTH

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

#### CHICAGO

##### *House all ready*

All who attended convention at Mackinac came home so enthusiastic, and so full of such glowing reports and descriptions that those of us who had to remain at home almost felt that we had been there too. Chicago and Epsilon are proud to have had the largest delegation present; but more especially were we proud that from among us had been elected the new Grand President, Elizabeth Davidson Barbour. For the past year she has been capably filling the difficult position of president of Chi House Corporation, and we all know that she will make a wonderfully attractive, conscientious, capable and efficient grand president.

All the plans we have told you for the beautiful new chapter house at Northwestern are practically realized. The members of the furnishings committee are buying the last few pieces of furniture, and by the time you all are reading this, everything will be all settled and everyone moved in. It certainly promises to be gorgeous.

We have had no monthly meetings since May when we entertained the fifteen Epsilon seniors. The annual banquet was held in June at the Edgewater Beach Hotel, and seventy-six Gamma Phis responded to the count. We were especially glad to welcome several out-of-town Gamma Phis—among them; Carrie Morgan of Appleton, a former grand president; Mrs. Dibble of Cleveland; Mrs. Kraetch of Des Moines; Ruth Philippi Sparling of Dakota; Bertha Gray Harker of Berkeley; Florence Wallace from Chicago Heights; Mrs. Weay from Iowa City; "Marnie" McConnell from Woodstock; Ivy Berry Perkins of Chicago, and her niece, Mary Booth, of Omicron.

Chicago and Epsilon have been honored by having still another Council member from among us—Alice Dibble, last year's president of Epsilon Chapter, who was voted as the one who had done the most for her sorority and her class during her college course, it to be the secretary of Central office. The office itself is to be in the Gamma Phi house, and Alice will



live there; so everyone is overjoyed that she will be back among us again this year. Cleveland alumnæ will be missing her, but Chicago will be benefited.

Autumn will bring us all together again after our vacations, and with renewed energy we shall attack the work of the winter. We wish for all Gamma Phis a successful year.

GLADYS WILLIAMS PFEIFER

#### PERSONALS

Frances McCarty was visiting in Evanston for a few days this summer.

We regret the loss of Mildred Golden, president of Chicago Alumnae Chapter, who has moved to Philadelphia.

June Kindall Hoffman has been visiting with her family in Los Angeles.

Marjorie Etnyre and Margaret Daly are spending the summer in Europe.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Harriet Sluss, of Tuscola, in the loss of her father, and to Mrs. C. W. Snyder in the loss of her husband.

#### BIRTHS

Eleanor Bennett Buckmaster has a little girl, born in June; Virginia Alcott Lareau, a little boy; and Virginia Wales Bushnell, a son born on June 28.

#### CLEVELAND

##### *Mothers' Tea*

Strange things do happen in this Cleveland Chapter of ours. It seems for instance, that one is not *asked* to do something, but at an appointed hour, is *told* that she is to take upon herself the title of a certain officer. That is the only reason which I can give for trying to be a veritable scribe, when, in reality, no other art is quite so remote from my being. And you, poor reader, are the victim of it all; 'tis you who must suffer the consequences.

It seems like ancient history to go back to last April, but in so doing I merely try to take up the chain of events where they stopped with the last issue of *THE CRESCENT*. The luncheon for this rainy month was held at the home of Marguerite Stevenson Evans (Theta), with Ruth Hier (Zeta), and Florence Freeman, (Alpha Eta), as assisting hostesses. Florence is completing this year's work at Western Reserve University instead of returning to Ohio Wesleyan, and it gives us all a feeling of rejuvenation to have an active member in our midst. Ruth Burrington, (Beta), attended this, her first meeting, and we extend a welcome to her and her sister at any time they are able to attend. As I recall, the rummage sale was the main subject of conversation.

This annual spectre fell on the following Saturday. All the nickels and dimes which our unabashed customers haggled over for hours, were hoarded away in the treasury where they were muchly needed. As for the workers, we managed to wend our ways homeward in safety.

The early part of May we had our first Mothers' Tea. I say *first* because lovely and enjoyable occasions always call for more of the same. I am sure that everyone enjoyed this family gathering so much that we will want to repeat this innovation next year. Dorothy Winchell Keller, (Epsilon), whose hospitality is never lacking, offered her lovely home for this affair, and a more beautiful setting could not have been found. Invitations were sent to the mothers or near relatives of all the Cleveland Gamma Phis, and as the mothers of several Alpha Eta girls reside here, they too were asked to attend. Of course, no one refused to come. Our newest Cleveland member, Mrs. Margaret Taylor, (Gamma), entertained us most delightfully with a group of songs and was accompanied by Ruth Staples, (Epsilon.) Mrs. Taylor has a studio in the city and we hope she

finds every inducement to cause her to remain here with us. Her present address is 7801 Euclid Avenue.

The week following the Mothers' Tea, the May luncheon meeting was held at Marion Deming Horr's unique little home. We all felt like carrying away an antique or two. It seems that Kitty has visited all the shops that the rest of us are always looking for. Her assisting hostesses were Anna Morris Dimmick, (Zeta), and Florence Adams, (Alpha Eta). Questions to come up at the convention and which, by this time, should be settled, were voted on by the chapter. Helen Williams' mother was our most welcome guest at this gathering.

For our last regular meeting of the year Lillian Boynton Smith, (Beta), was hostess with Mary Lyons Dibble, (Beta and Epsilon), Grace Sprague Cameron, (Epsilon), and Abbie Lane Anderson Geibel, (Upsilon), assisting. It was at this meeting that we welcomed Helen McDonald Sander, who comes from Seattle, Washington. We understand thoroughly the letter which came from her old chapter explaining how much she meant to them and how they would miss her. During her short residence here she has already become associated with several organizations in Lakewood, where she resides at 1462 Belle Ave.

We were all so sorry to hear Pauline Adams Drake, Beta, announce that, due to the illness of her two small daughters, she would be unable to attend convention as our delegate. And after saying such nice things about her in *THE CRESCENT* too! Marion Deming Horr, (Gamma), was elected to take her place.

The new slate of officers for 1927-1928 was read by the chairman of the nominating committee and includes:—President, Marion Deming Horr; Vice-president, Gladys Whittam Stearns; corresponding secretary, Abbie Lane Anderson Geibel; recording secretary, Ruth Hier; treasurer, Marguerite Stevenson Evans; Panhellenic Delegate, Alice Kenyon Watkins.

Shortly after this meeting those who were lucky enough to go, set off to convention. From Cleveland proceeded Alice Kenyon Watkins, as delegate, Mary Lyons Dibble, together with her daughter, Alice Helen Williams, Helen McDonald Sander, and Mildred Dimmick. We are all anxious to hear their reports.

I suppose you all are getting tired of reading of our various meetings but this letter would not be complete without the mention of the lovely July day spent with Mrs. Alice Beckwith at her summer cottage at Madison-Golf-Lakelands. The only thing to mar the occasion was the fact that so many Gamma Phis were out of town visiting or on vacations, and only a small number could attend. Things we can't enjoy in the city were indulged in here—from eating lunch in the yard to idling time on the beach. We all felt that it isn't so bad, after all, to be at home in the good ole summer time.

And now, lest I be called as loquacious as our last year's corresponding secretary, I shall end this with a few personal items. Those not mentioned in the list could not be roused by the urgent ring of the phone.

ABBIE LANE ANDERSON GEIBEL

#### PERSONALS

Mary Lyons Dibble (Beta and Epsilon), left the early part of June to attend the Commencement exercises at Northwestern University, from which her daughter, Alice, was graduated. From there both Alice and her mother went to convention, and, according to the latest news, they are still visiting relatives and friends in northern Michigan.

It was quite a blow to all of us to learn that Anna Morris Dimmick, Zeta, has been confined to her home on account of a broken leg. This necessitated her giving up a summer course which she planned to take



at Western Reserve University this summer. Of course we all know that Nan does not need to acquire any more knowledge, but it is hard to think of her being inactive at any time. We are all hoping for a very speedy recovery.

Mildred Dimmick (Omicron), Nan's sister, who teaches French at DePauw University, is spending the summer with her mother and family.

Pauline Adams Drake (Beta), spent a short time with her mother in Northern Michigan.

Marguerite Stevenson Evans (Theta), and her husband, after spending some time in Iowa and the Middle West, are planning a trip home via the Great Lakes.

Ruth Hier (Zeta), is taking a summer course in psychology at Ohio State University.

Gladys Whittam Stearns (Epsilon), spent the early part of the summer at her father's home in Illinois.

Ardys Stoner Nichols (Beta), is enjoying the summer at her parents' country home at Chagrin Falls.

Mrs. Alice Beckwith (Alpha), has been vacationing with her family at their summer cottage at Madison-Golf-Lakelands.

We understand that Alice Kenyon Watkins (Alpha), has been devoting her summer to golf.

#### BIRTHS

Katherine Ramsey Haggard (Theta), plans to be at home this summer to take care of her little son, Barton, who was born last March. Grace Sprague Cameron (Epsilon) also has a month-old son, little Bill. Grace, being a little more venturesome than Katherine, plans a trip to her mother's home in Evanston the last of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Fisher (Lenore Ebersole, Omicron), have a little boy, Eugene Albert, born in April.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hecker (Frances Colvin, Alpha Eta), boast of a young daughter, born in May.

#### COLUMBUS

##### *The newest alumnæ chapter*

The Columbus (Ohio) Alumnæ Chapter is happy to make its debut in Gamma Phi Beta circles this year. A group of resident Gamma Phis took dinner together at the Maramor the night of April 20 and decided that the time was ripe to form an alumnæ chapter. The petition was presented and in due time signed by fifteen alumnæ who now form the chapter. Absence from town for the summer of many of the members has made it necessary to postpone our organization meeting until fall. We hope to have it the latter part of September. At that time we intend to elect officers and make plans for the coming year. We are all looking forward to enjoyable times with one another and also to helping Alpha Eta Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan University by our counsel and support in whatever ways we can. We hope through a strong, active alumnæ organization to furnish a background of real benefit and influence for them.

Following is the roster of the Columbus Chapter:

Mrs. Anne Reisner Allgyer, Geneva Bane, Mrs. L. Merle Harbarger Cox, Sada A. Harbarger and Bertha M. Schneider, all of Omicron Chapter; Margaret Bing, Marion E. Bradley, Mrs. Mary Katharine Thomson Noland, Mrs. Lucille Stalter Oliver, Ada Scott Radcliffe, Mrs. Lucille Hull Sisson, Mrs. Margaret Robinson Sisson, Mrs. Olive Sines Stager, Mrs. Betty Lupton Yassenoff and Mary Roxana Young, all of Alpha Eta Chapter.

BERTHA M. SCHNEIDER

## DENVER

*Camp a success*

Those Denver alumnae who have never been to a convention have missed one of the great experiences of sorority life and they should not fail to attend the next gathering of Gamma Phi Beta. Those of us who went to convention this year had a most wonderful time and we wish the entertaining chapters could know how very much we enjoyed every minute of it.

The ones in charge of convention chose a very delightful place—Mackinac Island. This small island is situated between Lake Michigan and Lake Huron, about fifteen miles from the northern coast of Michigan. It is fortunate in having deep, cool forests and many natural formations of extreme interest. Old Fort Mackinac upon a high cliff overlooks a quaint, little vilage of odd stores and fascinating curio shops, and commands a view of the harbor which during the summer is filled with sailing vessels of every description. On this island there are unlimited forms of amusement and recreation so that one never lacks for something to do. There are no automobiles or street-cars, only carriages and rolling chairs; no smoke or dirt, only the clear air and cool breeze from the lake. It is truly a perfect resort, an island of peace and quiet, quaintness and beauty.

We met many charming girls at convention and many brilliant women. Among that group of women who have and are still giving their best to Gamma Phi, was one of whom Denver Alumnae Chapter should be very proud—our own Lindsey Barbee.

Considering everything, convention was a success and those who attended should return to their chapters imbued with new ideas and enthusiasm with which to instill new life and a greater incentive in their sisters, that they might all give their best to Gamma Phi during the coming year.

The Denver Alumnae Summer Camp for underprivileged children has closed for another year. Twenty-seven little girls who came from poverty stricken homes in the worst parts of the city have had a perfectly wonderful two weeks' vacation at our camp in the mountains, and have returned to their homes better physically, mentally and spiritually. It is a very interesting and satisfactory social work and it is the hope of the Denver Alumnae to make this camp a big thing. Still we need help and we hope that all the chapters of Gamma Phi will become interested enough to help us expand.

THALIA VAN ORMAN WOODS

## PERSONALS

Those who attended convention from Denver Alumnae Association were: Lindsey Barbee, Helen Barbee, Madeline Miller and Thalia Van Orman Woods.

Frances Mauro Malmberg (Theta), of New York is vacationing in Denver this summer.

Jane Butchart has returned from a very delightful trip to Hawaii.

## MARRIAGES

On June 10, 1927—Florence Fink (Theta '26), to Mr. Floyd C. Taggart.

On August 24, 1927—Jessie Helen Huffsmith (Theta), to Mr. Clyde C. Schrepferman.

On August 23, 1927—Anna Katherine Winne (Theta '24), to Mr. Robert Judson Mason. Mr. and Mrs. Mason will reside in Chicago.



## BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Joseph L. Adler (Florence Kob, Theta), on June 26 a son, Sidney Kob.

## DES MOINES

*Summer meetings*

The Des Moines Alumnæ Chapter has had but two meetings since the last letter.

The May meeting was held at the home of Mrs. George Kreaetch. It was a pot-luck luncheon with eleven members and one guest, Helen Hamilton Nelson, now of Mankato, Minnesota, present.

After luncheon we enjoyed the lovely garden of tulips and hyacinths which made up the spring beauty in Mrs. Kreaetch's garden. The June meeting was a luncheon held at Younkers-Harris Emery's Tearoom. Fourteen members were present. The chapter voted to pay the traveling expenses of a delegate to the national convention and Sadie Whitney Mishler was elected. The July meeting was postponed because Mrs. Mishler and Mrs. Rice were both away on vacations, as were many other members. The officers were anxious for a large attendance in order to hear Mrs. Mishler's report. The next meeting will be in August, at which time the fall working program will be perfected.

SADIE WHITNEY MISHLER

## KANSAS CITY

*"Many interesting things"*

The CRESCENT letter due and me away from the scene of activity! Kansas City Alumnæ Chapter has done so many interesting things that it would be a shame to overlook any of them.

In April, Catherine Barrons and Marie Louise Croysdale, with the help of the Alumnæ Chapter, had a rummage sale for the benefit of Alpha Delta house fund. The big financial and therefore important undertaking of this spring was our benefit show, May 3, in which we contracted to sell tickets, in return for a percentage of sales in the stock company's performance, *The Ghost Train*. Contrary to expectations and to previous records of other organizations, we more than cleared our quota and made two hundred dollars. Part of this money was sent to the Children's Camp, maintained by Denver Alumnæ, and part is to be a gift to Alpha Delta's new house. The success of the project is due to Leverne Bronaugh Stover, chairman, and to her committee, Mildred Odell Blum, Dorothy Washburn Dana, Marcia Payne Stonebraker, Elsie Frisbie Norman, and Laura Frances Cottingham.

The annual Alumnæ Tea, given at the home of Mrs. Paul Simonds on June 11, was more lovely than usual. It was a joint rush party for the Missouri and Kansas chapters. July 30, the Alumnæ Chapter gave a musical tea at Mission Hills Country Club for Gamma Phi Beta Mothers, and rushees and their mothers. This has become an annual party, as has our progressive dinner, which is before the girls return to college in the fall.

On July 16, at Boulder, Colorado, the Gamma Phi Betas of various chapters gave a dinner at the Boulderado Hotel. The guests included Evelyn Fulton, Sigma; Vada Morris and Laura Frances Cottingham, Alpha Delta; Ruth Gates, Omicron; Helen V. Pietenpol and Justine Sarkisian, Theta; Grace Montross Giehm and Genevieve Clark, Pi; Stella Faver, Tau; Marox Young Dunton, Alpha Eta; Pauline Fertsch, Alpha Zeta.

We sang, but found the *Blessing* and *Gamma Phi*, I'll ne'er forget thee, the two and only standard songs known. Such a singing need for a new song book was never felt before, a song book which should be memorized by every coming Gamma Phi. But, it was an enjoyable party and we were so glad we were of a conservative group.

Esther Platt and Laura Frances Cottingham, Alpha Delta, and Ruth Gates, Omicron, had a very interesting and entertaining visit with Lindsey Barbee, while in Denver. If only all the pledges and Gamma Phis could have a personal visit with her!

L. F. COTTINGHAM

#### ENGAGEMENT

Helen Jean Castor, Sigma, to Dr. William Ketchem.

#### MARRIAGES

Caroline Jolly, Sigma, to Mr. Earl McAdow, Pi Kappa Alpha.

Frances Hubbard, Alpha Delta, to Mr. Holden Glenn.

Cordelia Bruns, Alpha Delta, to Mr. Harvey Jennette, Phi Kappa Psi.

Wilma Stacy, Alpha Delta, to Mr. Melville Bitner, Phi Delta Theta.

#### LOS ANGELES

##### *Wedding day for college and alumnae chapters*

The June meeting of the Los Angeles Alumnae Chapter was held on the twenty-fifth. It was a bridge luncheon at the Studio Club in Hollywood, with Helen McKee, Alpha Iota '26, acting as hostess, and brand new Alpha Iota graduates were guests of honor. Your CRESCENT correspondent was unfortunately unable to attend, owing to a vacation trip to the Santa Cruz Mountains where chicken pox, poison oak and a wood tick descended upon three of the family.

It's an ill wind that blows no good, however. The enforced early return enabled said correspondent to attend the Senior Breakfast at the Alpha Iota Chapter House, carrying her poison oak along with her, but leaving at home the chicken pox and wood tick victims. She tells me that that party was one of the nicest if not the nicest Alpha Iota party she ever attended.

Parties are held every year for dozens of rushees, less than a quarter of whom we ever really know, the social calendar overflows with bridge parties, dances, faculty dinners and "what-nots." The freshmen are "presented" and the alumnae are entertained. There is a Mothers' Tea and a Fathers' Dinner, parties to celebrate engagements and showers galore, initiation banquets, benefit bridges, and so on. But the crowning glory of the year is the Senior Breakfast. It is our hope that when the New Home at Westwood has exchanged its present phantom floors for a tile roof and a hearth stone, that the Senior Breakfast will come into its own and be the most largely attended function of the year. For it is the Wedding Day for the College and Alumnae Chapters, both contracting parties promising to "love, honor and cherish until death do us part."

The Initiation Banquet is our Christening Ceremony. Just as it is the hope of every proud parent that the children of their hearts will, in their turn, grow into a wholesome maturity, a happy marriage, a home of their own with the joys, albeit responsibilities too, of parenthood, so we "old timers" breathe a silent prayer at the Initiation Banquet that the new sisters admitted into our clan life may survive the vicissitudes of collegiate and extra-collegiate demands and don the cap and gown of academic accomplishment. Such a Wedding Day is necessarily gay!



There were five candidates for the Bachelor's Degree this year! Florence Andrews, our sparkling eyed musician; Carol Morst, our "gym girl" and House President; Hazel Tilson of the blue smock and art fame, the girl who was Alpha Iota's first president; Helen Hoover of business fame, who couldn't be present (she finished her studies in February); and Louise Gibson of mathematical majority, who needs her adding machine brain to count up the multiplicity of campus honors that have been hers.

Marilyn Manbert had made clever place cards for the seniors and her father contributed appropriate limericks, copies of which repose in the bureau drawer of your correspondent five hundred miles away in Los Angeles. She had planned to use them for this letter, but will slide them in for "personals" in the next issue of *THE CRESCENT* if your editor will permit.

Two five-pound boxes of candy went the rounds with the greetings from two lucky lads, and all present expected another announcement when Helen McKee and Louise Gibson passed a huge ribbon-edged heart and spoke in mystified terms of Greek Mythology, of "the two parties and the unseen but very important little third party." But it was a clever fiasco and merely revealed the identity of the April Foolers who, two and a half months previously, had thrown the house into consternation and unsolved suspense.

Jean Paulsen, the incoming president, greeted the seniors; Ruth Shepherd welcomed them for the *alumnæ*, reading a very appropriate quotation from a fraternity magazine; Eley Eddy voiced the farewells; and Louise Gibson read the Class Will, a bright bit which left all sorts of bequests to survivors who were either over-stocked with the named gifts or unacquainted with their usefulness. The four seniors present, all of whom have enviable naturally curly hair, left their curling irons to the house; Carol left "Joe" in the lurch; and Louise left by the back door, having been caged in the band-box Breakfast Room for the semester.

Flowers came, mothers arrived, gifts poured in, "good-byes" were hurled into the air, auto doors slammed, and they were off for Commencement!

We are all anxiously awaiting the first fall meeting when Frances Lucas will give her report of convention. Those of you who attended convention need no introduction to Frances, the rest of you deserve it.

A graduate of the George Washington University and a member of Phi Chapter, she is one of Los Angeles' most valuable and capable officers. A member of the faculty of the University of Southern California, where she teaches psychology, she is intensely interested in college students and their problems. Faculty Adviser of the Panhellenic group at U.S.C., she has also represented Los Angeles *Alumnæ* for several years as Panhellenic delegate and has just completed a successful term as president of City Panhellenic. *Alumnæ* adviser for the Alpha Iota group for a year, she guided the girls through a critical period and gave so unsparingly of herself that her health suffered. A clear thinker, forceful speaker, wise leader, ardent Gamma Phi, she has endeared herself to the whole chapter. No wonder that she was unanimously elected delegate to convention. She is to be our president this coming year.

Ruth Shepherd of Epsilon will assist her as vice-president; Lillian Jones will magnetize the five dollar bills, and Eleanor Whitman of Eta will be corresponding secretary.

We all feel that a debt of gratitude is due to Mabel Sperry Stone of Omicron, who reluctantly took the abandoned helm last fall and has steered us into quiet waters and a safe harbor. With Marie Kuhl of Epsilon piloting the social activities and Constance Owens waving the distress signal of blank checks, a neat sum of money was also brought to port. Anne Gilmore of Omega has been our radio operator, news-reporter

and printing press all in one, and her delightful announcements and Gamma Phi Specials have enabled the sisters on isolated islands to keep in touch with "What's Doing on the Gamma Phi Ship." Jessie Duggan of Mu has recorded minutes in the books and pictures for the press. She is our "Open Sesame" to society editors and gathers printed news of the chapter. An excellent year has passed, a brilliant one awaits us. "The King is dead, Long Live the King!"

GRACE PARTRIDGE UNDERHILL

#### PERSONALS

Mildred Cleland of Alpha Iota was in Nanking the day of the Socony Hill firing. She had been teaching in the Hillhurst School and was among the band of refugees who were carried to Shanghai and safety in warships. She held us all spellbound the evening of the Alumnæ Buffet Supper for the Alpha Iota Chapter, by telling us of her escape.

Thelma and Louise Gibson of Alpha Iota are touring in Europe this summer.

Dorothy Mosher of Alpha Iota was married in June.

Ida Hale Livingston, formerly of Los Angeles Alumnæ, is visiting her mother and father in Berkeley this summer. Eleanor French Whitman and Grace Underhill are also visiting at their old homes in Berkeley.

#### MILWAUKEE

##### *Picnic meeting*

Once more our year has been brought to a happy conclusion with our picnic meeting at the home of Mrs. Marshall Moss in Thiensville.

Could you but accompany us to this old home, replete with the furniture of our grandmother's and great-grandmother's day, and wander with us over the three acres of yard and old-fashioned gardens, each part of which vies with the other in interest and charm, or sit on a stone bench beside the rippling brook to be rewarded with the occasional glimpse of a speckled trout, then you, too, would know why this meeting is looked forward to all the year and why the day is always too short when it comes.

We chose a day in July this year that we might hear all the delightful details of convention from the girls who were so fortunate as to have been there.

And soon, now that August is here, we shall be gathered together again after vacations spent in as many different ways and places as there are girls, for another year of work and play.

ANNE McCAWLEY GLENNON

#### MINNEAPOLIS

##### *Post-convention enthusiasm*

Minneapolis Alumnæ Chapter held its last meeting of the year in June at the country home of Geraldine Brown Batson near Lake Minnetonka. This was a rushing meeting. The active and alumnæ rushing chairmen being present with their lists and all obtainable information on girls who will come to Minnesota in the fall. We are firmly convinced that we have a very definite work to do in rushing—that of representing to the new girls the National strength of Gamma Phi; and we try to be able to answer any questions or offer any information they may need. So before we separate for the summer we devote this all-day meeting to our plans for rushing season.



On the Sunday afternoon following Convention week, Katharine Silverson entertained the returned delegates and all Gamma Phis who might be passing through our city, with the local chapters at a convention tea, where the enthusiasm and renewed idealism of those privileged to go to Convention were poured out to refresh and stimulate those who remained at home. Marie Moreland reported on the business transacted, Clara Taney Will and Margaret Younger of Seattle drew the picture of the fun and comradeship and the splendid girls who were gathered there. We feel very fortunate in having had, besides our regular delegate and our province director, eight Minneapolis girls at Convention, and by eagerly assimilating all they have to tell us, we hope to become more "Nationally-minded" than ever before.

Our chapter has been scattered from coast to coast since early summer. We expect soon, however, to begin next winter's activities. A newly-appointed finance committee has a bridge club—with a fee which goes into our bottomless coffer!—benefits, rummage sales and many other activities for bringing us together in the service of Gamma Phi. It is truly a joy to realize that other groups all over the country are embarking on the same program of work and fun together; and in all your interests everywhere we wish you the best of luck.

SARA PRESTON FINLEY

#### NEW YORK

##### *New officers*

The last spring meeting was held in May and the following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Leon Cornwall, president; Mrs. George Easterbook, vice-president; Miss Peery, recording secretary; Kathryn Herbert, treasurer; Mrs. Roy Richardson, corresponding secretary.

Mrs. Bert Cumber will continue as group chairman and a very ambitious program has been planned for next year.

HELEN CODLING HALSTED

#### PERSONALS

Doris Simmonson, Gamma '20, was married on January 22 to Mr. W. Budd Champlin, a graduate of the University of California and a member of Chi Psi. Mr. and Mrs. Champlin are living at 2 West 67th Street, New York City.

Dorothy L. Pearson of 169 Christopher Street, Montclair, New Jersey, returned in May from a trip around the world.

#### LOBRANO—FLICK

Albany, April 15. (A.P.)—Miss Dorothy Jean Flick, daughter of State Historian Alexander C. Flick and Mrs. Flick, was married today to Gustave S. Lobrano, of New York. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. J. V. Moldenhawer, of Westminster Presbyterian Church. Mr. Lobrano, who is connected with a steamship agency, is a graduate of Cornell University and Mrs. Lobrano is a graduate of Syracuse University, and a member of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

#### RENO

##### *"A really truly home"*

Sometimes dreams do come true, and we of Reno Alumnæ Chapter are so excited to think that a long cherished dream is about to be realized a home, a really, true home of our own for Alpha Gamma.

To Janet Morrisson, who has led and inspired us in this dream, is most of the credit due, for she it was, who, when the rest of us became faint-hearted and discouraged, would not give up the ship, but kept gallantly on and roused our flagging spirits to do likewise.

At last Reno sees its way clear to buy a house—not as modern as some, 'tis true, but just a great big old-fashioned, homey house with great possibilities. Now all we can think or talk about is bathrooms, showers, sanding floors, kitchen-sinks, etc., for when one has a vivid imagination and a limited bank account it takes considerable planning and scheming to make the two coincide.

We have visions of a very lovely house some day, so we plan to do what we can this summer, and then in another year complete our plans. At present a modern heating plant and modern plumbing with plenty of showers are taking up all our minds and money.

A house would seem to be enough "thrill" for one summer, but Reno Chapter has had more than its share. So many of the "old" girls are back in town. The other day at the beautiful new Riverside Hotel we held a reunion luncheon and what a gorgeous time we had "reminiscing." Georgiana Steiner Boyer, Hulda Shartel Dixon, George Money, Ann Brown, June Harriman Waite, and Erma Eason Duborg were with us, and as it was the first time in four years we had all been together you can imagine what a wonderful time we had.

Elvina Blevine, our beloved "Blevy," gives a most glowing account of convention. Everything seems to have been perfect, but "Blevy" is like Reno Chapter. One thrill wasn't enough for her, for what did she do upon arriving home, but get married and hie herself away on another and more wonderful trip. Reno Chapter extends to "Blevy" and her husband love and best wishes for great happiness and prosperity. We are overjoyed that she will continue to make her home in Reno, for she has ever been an inspiration to us and is one of our most faithful and willing workers.

I don't know what we would do without our Los Angeles Alumnae, for they are as much enthused over our house as we ourselves. It is a joy and inspiration to feel that a group of our girls several hundred miles away, love us enough to work for us and help to make our dream house come true.

PEARL TURNER

#### PERSONALS

Georgiana Stiener Boyer, ex-'20, is visiting in Sparks. Her home is in Los Angeles.

Erma Eason Duborg, '24, and infant daughter, Barbara, are visiting relatives in Carson City. Their home is in Beaumont, Texas.

George Money, '23, of Los Angeles, is visiting Ann Brown, '23, of Sparks.

June Harriman Waite, '22, and two small sons are visiting relatives in Fallon.

Hulda Shartel Dixon, '18, was up from Los Angeles for a few days, and we were delighted to see her at the Reunion Luncheon.

Clementine Shurtliff, '24, is spending the summer in Reno. She will return in the fall to Williams, Arizona, where she is a very successful and popular teacher.

Janet Morrisson had a very delightful trip to Hawaii in March.

Laura Shurtliff is to be married in August, and we regret very much that she will make her home in Sacramento. Reno Chapter needs Laura and we shall miss her very, very much.

Orva Williams came in from Fallon to attend the Reunion Luncheon.



Julia Klinge was married to John Cahlen in the spring; and we are so happy that her marriage brings her to Reno, where she not only lends a willing hand but a most decorative touch to Reno alumnæ, for Julia is better looking than anyone has a right to be.

#### MARRIAGE

Elvina Blevins to Mr. Thomas Doherty.

#### SAN FRANCISCO

##### *Many members abroad*

The last meeting of San Francisco Alumnæ was in June at the home of Annette Wellington. There was very little business to discuss at that time and the gathering was rather small, as many of the girls had already gone away for the summer. We are looking forward to the August meeting, however, as we shall hear all about convention from Bertha Harker.

There has been quite a gathering of the clans in Berkeley this summer and we have had a number of nice reunions. Leslie Underhill Lockwood is here from her home in Seattle, and Grace Partridge Underhill and Eleanor French Whitman from Los Angeles, each of the three accompanied by two young daughters. Another visitor was Eleanor Thrum Mallott, who made a flying visit of ten days from Cambridge, Massachusetts. It was fine to see her, but we were disappointed not to see her baby, Bob, whom she left in Kansas with his grandmother. Katherine Philleo Jones has been visiting from Woodland, and Frances Jones Freyer has just returned from China with her husband and two little boys. They have been living in Pekin for a number of years, but owing to the unsettled conditions, they do not know whether they will be able to go back.

Elizabeth Bridge Currier recently gave a picnic for grown-ups and kiddies at her home in San Mateo and all had a wonderful time. Elizabeth and her family are leaving in August for four months in New York, as Mr. Currier has to be there on business. Barbara and Marjorie Bridge are also in the East, just having returned from a delightful year abroad. They are to visit Margaret Boveroux Sanders, who is now living near Chicago. Peggy now has three sons, the third one having arrived a short time ago.

The Stowell sisters, Helen Sutherland and Katherine Millberry, are home in San Francisco, after their interesting travels abroad; while Margaret Webb and Helen Martin are expected back soon. Our alumnæ chapter has been well represented in Europe this last year and it will be fun to hear all about the adventures. Ruth Bell is living in Paris, where she has opened a shopping service bureau. Isabel Faye is to spend another year abroad, we hear.

ANNETTE RUGGLES WELLINGTON

#### BIRTHS

To Dr. and Mrs. Archibald Granger (Marion Allen, Eta '22), on July 15, 1927, a daughter, Barbara.

To Mr. and Mrs. Otis Marston (Margaret Garthwaite, Eta '15), in July, 1927, twin daughters.

#### SPOKANE

##### *Spring Rummage Sale*

Spokane Gamma Phis, in this past year, seem to have been affected with the wanderlust. Such comings and goings! And particularly has it bitten the CRESCENT correspondents! If we have been delinquent with letters it wasn't because we were napping, but rather that the last corre-

spondent had departed for "Timbuctoo or Kalamazoo," before we would hardly know it, let alone appoint another—lo! There was a CRESCENT, and Spokane noticeable by her absence.

Of our activities, the late spring Rummage Sale netted us \$57.00 toward our charities, as well as much fun. We will not soon forget the picture of Maryan Shipman sweetly lacing up a pair of high-tops, white, "hand-me-down" shoes on a plump customer!

In June we held our annual picnic in a shady glade of Natatorium Park. Several active girls, visiting in town, were our guests. Among them were Harriet Frost and Edna Eikenberry, of Lambda; Louise McKenney and Virginia Hulburd, of Xi.

BETTY C. WILLCOX

#### PERSONALS

Agnes Miller Brooke, Chi, and family recently returned from an extensive eastern trip.

We have an addition to our chapter in Eckford Cameron Thompson, Chi, who has recently moved here from Portland.

Bernice Stanbaugh, Xi, who has been in a hospital here for many weeks following a nervous breakdown, is much improved.

#### MARRIAGE

On June 18, at Spokane, Dorothy Oein, Lambda, to Mr. Clarence Stevens.

#### ST. LOUIS

##### *Busy bees gathering dollars*

As I sit here in my garden, I see a busy bee gathering honey from a holly-hock. Well, we've all been busy bees, gathering dollars for our Woman's building—Yes, I say, "our," for the Gamma Phis were the first sorority to agree to contribute five thousand dollars toward this building of Washington University, and, as a reward, they will have first choice of rooms, ahead of the other sororities who agreed to make the same contribution.

To you sisters who are in the midst of planning new houses, our undertaking may seem small, but since our chancellor will never agree to sanction sorority houses on or off the campus, we feel that these rooms are the next best things, and are glad to do our part.

We are doing lots of things to raise this money by January 1. We gave a big benefit bridge at the Woman's Club, and, thanks to the good work of all, especially Elsie Harris and Beatrice Kototream, we made five hundred and fifty-five dollars. We are selling coffee and old newspapers and magazines. We expect to make more money by our Rummage Sale and Christmas cards, later in the year, when the wandering bees return to the hive.

We miss our good workers who are away and shall welcome them home. Dorothy Peters, Ruth Black and Virginia Sankey are in Europe. Laura Hinchman, Virginia Black, Glen May and Marguerite Vierhaeller are touring the East, and there are many others who have wandered away. Elizabeth Owens and Mary Jones Snyder wandered our way, however, and it seemed good to have them in our meetings once more. We only wish that every St. Louis girl who wears the crescent would come to the meetings, for we want them, and need them all, since we have a full program ahead of us.

GRETCHEN WILLIAMSON  
(For Laura Hinchman)



## SYRACUSE

*"Bridal spring"*

Summer finds us scattered; some abroad, some in the mountains, and others too far out on the golf links to get any news about the rest of us.

This has been a bridal spring, indeed, with us. Honor Lennie and Robert Dubuque were married on April 9 and went abroad on their wedding trip. In May, Jean Flick was married to Mr. Gustave Lobrano, and sailed for Europe, where they expect to make an indefinite stay. Marion Peters was married on June 16 to Dr. Edward Hughes. Marion has made all Gamma Phis justly proud of her by winning the first M.A., in painting, ever awarded by Syracuse University, as well as being the last Gamma Phi to get the Hiram Gee Fellowship. Dorothy Olmsted and Carleton Hommel had a lovely home wedding late in June. Julia Gant was also a June bride, marrying Edward Wyllys Taylor Gray, Jr. A truly Gamma Phi affair was Marion Wood's marriage to David Pierson Kilpatrick. Three of the four bridesmaids were Gamma Phis, while another played the wedding march on her harp. A reception at the chapter house followed and the house seemed to bloom with Gamma Phi friends. Our dearest wishes for all joy and happiness go to our summer brides.

The June banquet this year was another truly Gamma Phi affair. Alpha is fortunate in having a Gamma Phi who has a most delightful tea room, and Mrs. Chambers served us a delicious banquet amidst most attractive surroundings. The Misses Graves at the door to welcome, we felt we were indeed having a "come back" party. The rooms opened into each other delightfully, so each college era could look from room to room and remember when she was rushed and whom she helped to bid.

ELIZABETH CAMPBELL

## PERSONALS

Marguerite Woodworth has recently received her M.A. from Syracuse University, before leaving for Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin, where she has been appointed Dean of Women.

Cora Graham was recently elected president of Friends of Reading.

Mrs. Palmer and Betty Marot are both abroad for the summer.

Gladys Fearon will leave Oneida this year for a fine new position at White Plains High School.

Dorothea Keeney expects to be "on the hill" this fall and complete the work for her Ph.D.

## ENGAGEMENT

Erma Stoecker, '24, to Mr. Pendleton, Chi Psi, of Amherst.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Jefferson Gamble (Marion Lovett, '25), in March, a daughter, Elizabeth Jayne.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. Judd Stewart (Peg Rice, '24), in April, a daughter.

## TORONTO

*A little bit of everything*

And so—Convention is over! It was wonderful in anticipation, more wonderful in realization, and, in retrospection, it is most wonderful of all.

That is the nicest thing about convention, really, living over again the breathless days that flew by on charmed and all-too-swift wings, recalling friendships made and long talks about everything from finances to frivol-

ties. We can laugh again at Epsilon's clever stunts, we can feel the warm pride of belonging to a sisterhood of such friendly, talented and vivid personalities, and we can thrill again to Lindsey Barbee's magnetism as she conducted the toasts at the farewell banquet. We reiterate—it was wonderful. And if our vocabulary seems limited, please just go to convention next time yourself. We'll wager our favorite golf shoes that you will return with a one-word vocabulary, too!

Important things have been happening among Toronto Gamma Phis recently. Helen Robinson McElroy is devoting all her energies this summer to a wee bit of Dresden-China femininity who has been named Beth Louise. Daisy McGregor Smith has a brand new baby boy, and Helen Glaister Dodson has twins!

Alice Smith became Mrs. Karl Heisey last month, and after an extended motor trip honeymoon, left to make her home at Kirkland Lake, Northern Ontario. Eileen McElroy is now Mrs. Neil Delahay and will make her future home in Montreal. For the summer, the Delahays have taken a cottage at Woodlands, Quebec, right next door to the cottage where Helen Burford Vernon and her husband are spending the summer. We hear that the two brides are having a splendid time together and that Marion Stirrett, who is a student dietitian at Montreal General Hospital, runs out to Woodlands every now and again to make a real Gamma Phi party. Janet MacDougall is to be married very soon.

Alpha Alpha and Toronto are to have new quarters in the fall. We have graduated into the apartment class, which is next best thing to having a house. The active chapter is deep in plans to raise finances and is determined to make the venture a real success. Their enthusiasm is catching, and active and alumnae are both putting their heads together planning new curtains, bedroom furniture and the color of the living-room lamp shades.

Then there is rushing! Which reminds me to ask: Could we not have some sort of exchange of practical, unique and successful rushing parties? It would be very helpful to us all, don't you think? MARXINE WRIGLEY

## ALUMNÆ ASSOCIATIONS

### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

#### *Small but active*

This will not be much more than a greeting from the Washington, D.C., Alumnae Association, as I am just recovering from an operation and have been ill for eight weeks. But, since this is my first CRESCENT letter, I do not wish to fail you with a report.

During my short residence in Washington, I have attended only one Gamma Phi meeting, which was a thoroughly enjoyable dinner at the Women's University Club. It was great to meet Ernestine Hall Rolls again, as I had not seen her since we met at the installation of the Toronto Chapter. Beta Chapter was best represented, and I was somewhat surprised, as I expected to see mostly Zetas, due to the proximity of Goucher.

Though Washington is centrally located and various chapters are represented, it is greatly handicapped by the constant change in membership, being such a transient place. When we had the election of officers for the coming year, it was a serious problem to find those who would be in Washington for the next twelve months.

The Association is small, but very active. We even had two representatives at convention this summer; and, by the way, very attractive girls—Louise and Amo McKee. They will return in the fall with much enthusiasm and news of convention.



I hope everyone noticed the place given us in the new *Baird's Manual*. Of course, we always have known we were good, but it's making others realize how good we are that really counts.

Here's hoping every active chapter wins a large number of desirable freshmen, and that every alumna will seek to ally herself with some alumnae chapter or association, so that this will be the biggest year Gamma Phi has ever had.

LISLE MAYNARD LARKIN

## ST. PAUL

### *Many summer activities*

St. Paul Alumnae activities have been but momentarily suspended for the summer. A continuous paper sale is being carried on under the direction of Emma Bolt, and plans are being made for a rummage sale to be held early in the fall. Our ever active (though alumna) Marie Moreland is planning a benefit bridge to be given in the near future to replenish a treasury somewhat depleted by a recent substantial payment made to the house fund.

At the last spring meeting, held at the home of Marie Moreland, the following officers were elected for the coming year: Elinor Lagerman, president; Josephine McKown, vice-president; Marion Bock, recording secretary; Emma Bolt, corresponding secretary; Florence Ide, treasurer; Janet Christofferson, rushing chairman. Janet, one of our most recent acquisitions, was active rushing chairman last year, so brings experience, as well as native efficiency, to the position. Plans are already under way for a rushing meeting.

Alluring tales of convention were brought home to us less fortunate beings who could not go. St. Paul was represented by Marie Moreland, and by Mary Wilde and Margaret Watson of the active chapter. We were proud to learn that Marie, as Director of Province IV, was instigator for district luncheons which were held during convention for the purpose of furthering acquaintanceship of members and establishing understanding and unity in pursuit. Province IV is composed of Marie Moreland, St. Paul; Mrs. Roland Coerper, Milwaukee; Mrs. C. S. Mishler, Des Moines, and Mrs. J. E. Finley, Minneapolis, alumnae delegates, and Sarah Chickering, Gamma; Katherine Baker, Kappa; Eileen McGill, Alpha Kappa; Marjorie Peacock, Omega; Adeline Taylor, Rho; Genevieve Parsons, Alpha Beta, active delegates.

AIMÉE J. WHITE

## OKLAHOMA CITY

### *Graduates and weddings*

Summer in Oklahoma means the fitting of Gamma Phis to every imaginable spot in the United States and abroad, and very little happening, other than the comparing of news from the lucky ones by the few faithful who are left behind.

We have had small informal meetings during the summer to keep the ball rolling. In June we entertained for the graduating seniors at the home of Mrs. Wm. Schmidt. Lulu Clark, Dorothy George Sanborn, Joyce Burt, Pauline Redevelle, Elizabeth Massey, Lucille Walters, Lucile Farmer, Gertrude Rabon, Mary Frances Hawk, Marguerite Hays, and Erskine Hague were the guests of honor, and, since that date, have been with us in the new rôle of alumnae. May they continue to do honor to Gamma Phi Beta.

There has been the usual large number of June and July weddings. Elizabeth Massey to Mr. Francis Barry, Kappa Alpha, and Billie Rives to Mr. James Boone, Alpha Sigma Phi.

And a new member for Psi! Lu Anne Lancaster arrived June 22 and has been named for an illustrious and exceedingly proud aunt, Lulu Clark. We hope to pledge her in September, for her mother is our own Gladys Clark Lancaster.

Two of Psi's members received degrees in July at the end of summer school—Jewel Stone and Lulu Clark. The others graduated in June.

We have been thrilled by all reports from convention and especially envious of the girls who were lucky enough to attend. Those going from Psi Chapter were Dorothy George Sanborn, Puilla Hill, Flora Dunlap Thorpe, Lee Dell Shives, Rose Neva Black and Katheryn Younger. It must have been wonderful.

Now we are looking forward to September and the return of the merry-makers. There will be rushing, and many, many other things to keep the alumnae busy. Our house we have always with us! However, work is sweet if done in the service of Gamma Phi Beta.

DORRIS SNAVELY

### ST. JOSEPH

#### *Two rushing parties*

Our "personals" this time probably will tell you more about us than our letter. However, I shall mention briefly the two parties which we gave early in June and let the personals tell the rest.

When we found that most of us were to be away during the summer, and therefore would not be able to do any definite Gamma Phi work, we decided to look around for available college material for next fall and to bring ourselves to their notice. We have two good sources of material, the graduates of our own Junior College, and our high school graduates. We decided that it would be better to give two parties than to try to entertain all our guests at once.

For the first party, we took our guests in automobiles to a nearby town, where we played bridge and were served a delicious lunch at an attractive tea room. For the second one, we planned a picnic with "good eats" and original stunts but which, "weather compelling," we were obliged to hold indoors. However, we availed ourselves of the newly completed lunch-room in the Y.W.C.A., which is most attractive and which we had all to ourselves, where we served our picnic supper, gave our stunts and spent the rest of the evening in singing songs and just having a good time.

We were fortunate in having with us to help entertain our guests, in addition to our own St. Joseph active members of Alpha Delta, Bernice Lyons of Pi Chapter, and Jean Stingley and Elizabeth Stingley Tallant of Omicron.

We are regretting very much the loss of Margaret Huston, who has gone to Columbia to take charge of the 4-H Club work in Missouri. She has been in charge of this same club work in Buchanan County. Also, we shall greatly miss Margaret Stein, who will make her home in Oklahoma City after her marriage in the fall.

We also regret that none of us was able to go to convention, even though we are not entitled to a vote.

JESSIE ROBERTS

### PERSONALS

Louise Barthold entertained her niece, Bernice Lyons of Pi Chapter, in June.

Margaret Huston drove to Washington, D.C., early in June to attend a conference of 4-H clubs. She accompanied the prize winners of her 4-H clubs in the state contests last spring.

Elizabeth Hawkins is spending the summer in Europe with a party of friends, two of whom are Gamma Phis.



Esther Platt is spending her vacation in Colorado.

Beulah Bennett is attending New York University.

Louise Barthold is attending Columbia University, New York.

Bess Bristow has accepted a position for the summer in Chicago.

Marion Lehr went to Rochester, Minnesota, in July, with her mother, who underwent a successful operation.

Jessie Roberts is studying at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Edith Rhoades expects to spend August in Denver and other Colorado points.

#### ENGAGEMENT

Margaret Stein, Alpha Delta, to Mr. Harry W. Seamans of Oklahoma City. Mr. Seamans is a graduate of Park College and has been taking graduate work at the University of Illinois.

#### FORT COLLINS

##### *Three bridges and a rummage*

With the first cool days, each member of the Fort Collins Alumnae Association looks forward to the opening of college with all the zest of a college girl. Then we realize how "great" it is to belong to an organization which keeps us so closely linked with youth and all it personifies.

While making plans for the coming fall, we can't resist borrowing a few minutes from Father Time in which to enumerate our accomplishments of the past year. As usual, we were greatly handicapped by having so few active members in our association; but, in spite of this, we engaged in more activities than any year since our organization.

During the winter we sponsored a very profitable rummage sale as well as a subscription bridge, and this summer two more bridges were given. All the money earned in this way was given to the active girls. With this small aid and the wise management of Mrs. Smith, Tau Chapter is now on a firm financial foundation and the girls who return this fall will start out with a clean slate.

We all feel keenly the loss of Elaine Hendricks Burnett. During the year that she was a member of our association, she gave unselfishly of her time and energy, and, at the time of her death, was acting as our treasurer. She was beloved by all, from the oldest "alum" to the newest pledge, and in taking her just at the beginning of her career as an alumna, death has robbed us of one of our most promising Gamma Phis.

Vera Carter Ault became actively allied with our association during the past year and in that short space of time we have found that a great share of our burdens will find a resting place upon Vera's competent and willing shoulders. She is now serving as our active representative to the active chapter.

So the years slip by, each with its losses and its compensations, and as each one is buried in the memories of the past, we turn our eyes ahead and step into the next year, there to work only for the glory of our beloved Gamma Phi.

MARY HADDOX WOLFER

#### NASHVILLE

##### *Summer bridge parties*

The active and passive Gamma Phis have been meeting every other week at the chapter house for an informal bridge party, for some of the chapter girls who remained in Nashville for extra work at Peabody College have been running the house. These meetings have been purely social and have done much toward fostering the Gamma Phi spirit through

the summer season. At these meetings two girls acted as hostesses and the parties were planned on very simple lines. An attractive prize of an inexpensive nature was awarded the high scorer; refreshments and plenty of Gamma Phi talk completed the afternoon's entertainment. Katherine Andrews will entertain us next at her summer home on the mountain.

Plans have been made for the annual Christmas bazaar. The bazaar will be held in the chapter house and each afternoon tea will be served; so this makes it a social, as well as a financial affair. We hope to make it even a greater success than it was last year.

Rushing by the alumnae is positively forbidden at Vanderbilt, but there is no law against discussions and suggestions for the fall campaign for freshmen; and we alumnae at these recent bimonthly meetings have contributed our share. We expect to aid the chapter in every possible way and yet remain within the law. Morale and money will be contributed to all the active chapter's enterprises.

There were a number of the teaching alumnae at the Peabody College summer school. Iva Lou Myhr, Mary Nell Harper, Mary Cecil Morrison, Willie Mae Ogden, Thelma Riggs, were doing work on their Master's degrees.

MARY CECIL MORRISON

#### PERSONALS

Irene Langford and Robert Turk Young were married at Irene's home on June 8. Irene is to make her home here and every Gamma Phi is delighted.

Elizabeth Strayhorn has resigned her position in the mathematics department in the Girls' High at Augusta, Georgia, and plans to enter Vanderbilt for her Master's degree.

Elsie Waller Sharpe (Mrs. Joseph), with Joe, Jr., is here from Florida on a visit to her mother.

#### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boyer (Johnny Mae Harkey), a girl.

#### SAN DIEGO

##### *Delightful times*

The regular May meeting of the San Diego Alumnae Association was held at Mrs. Horace Avery's charming home in Grossmont. After a delightful picnic supper, election of officers took place. Virginia Black Buchanan, Phi, was chosen president; Eleanor Berry Edmiston, Phi, vice-president; Helen Simpson Parkinson, Epsilon, secretary; Amy Speers Donaldson, Theta, treasurer; Grace Hammarstrom, Nu, corresponding secretary.

Our June meeting at the Churchill hotel was followed by bridge at the home of Helen Cobb White at Ocean Beach. In July, we assembled twice for luncheon and bridge at the Coronado Yacht Club. In August, we are planning to meet at the La Jolla Yacht Club.

There are the facts, but that isn't the half of it. The California Boosters Club would never, never forgive me if I should stop here. Do you know Grossmont—that charming little village tucked away in the "back country"? Do you know Sunset Cliff at Ocean Beach and "Cobb-y's" hospitality? Have you ever sat on the veranda at the Coronado Yacht Club and watched the sail boats glide lazily by? You have? It was fun—wasn't it—but wouldn't it have been even more fun with twelve Gamma Phis by your side, ready to talk and laugh and "reminisce" with you? Then you'd never want to leave—not even when the distant mountains of Mexico turned dark with purple shadows.



And that is our text this time. There are so many of you coming to California this winter—won't you please look us up? When you make out the inevitable list of tooth brushes, golf clubs, iodine, et cetera, won't you write at the bottom, *Call Helen S. Parkinson, Hillcrest 5588M, immediately upon arrival.*

GRACE HAMMARSTROM

#### PERSONALS

Marion Spencer Smith, Gamma, was a very welcome visitor at our June meeting.

We enjoyed having Beatrice Jones Fraser, Alpha Epsilon, with us at Coronado.

This summer La Jolla proudly boasts of seven additional Gamma Phi Betas: Viola Clymer Smedley, Theta; Grace Evans Shannon, Theta; Harriet Shannon, Theta; Helen Eggers, Tau; Harriet Gridley, Beta; Julia and Helen North, Mu.

#### ENGAGEMENT

Helen Eggers, Tau, to Mr. Ray Warren Metheny.

#### NOTES UPON CHAPTER LETTERS

1. The following chapters sent letters *written* on both sides of the paper—Alpha Alpha, Baltimore, Chicago, Des Moines, District of Columbia, San Diego.

This means always that the editor is forced to reconstruct the entire letter, as no publisher receives a manuscript which is prepared in this way.

2. The following chapters sent untyped letters—Alpha Alpha, Alpha Iota, Alpha Kappa, Baltimore, Chicago, Des Moines, District of Columbia, Gamma, New York, Oklahoma, Phi, San Diego, Spokane, St. Louis, St. Paul.

3. Each correspondent is asked *again*—

To use the editor's *name* and *address* on the envelope. A special delivery sent to the Editor of *THE CRESCENT*, Denver, Colorado, is apt to cause trouble.

To omit the greeting, *Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta*.

To report engagements of *seniors* only.

To consult the style sheet.

To spell *Panhellenic* in the proper way.

4. In considering all essentials of the acceptable chapter letter—style, appearance, construction, news, originality, conformity to requirements—first place is given to Alpha Zeta, written by Martha Chumness, with honorable mention for Alpha Beta, written by Lois McMichael, and Alpha Theta, written by Gladys Smith.

Among *alumnæ* chapter letters, first place is given to Los Angeles, written by Grace Partridge Underhill, with honorable mention for Cleveland, written by Abbie Lane Anderson Geibel, and Toronto, written by Marxine Wrigley.

## OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

FOR APRIL—*Purple, Green, and Gold* of Lambda Chi Alpha; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Banta's Greek Exchange*; *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Monad* of Sigma Phi Sigma; *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Diary* of Alpha Kappa Psi; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Emerald* of Sigma Pi; *Quarterly* of Delta Upsilon.

FOR MAY—*Triangle* of Mu Phi Epsilon; *Paper Book* of Delta Theta Phi; *Pentagon* of Phi Omega Pi; *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi; *Journal* of Kappa Alpha; *Aldebaran* of Beta Phi Alpha; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *To Dragma* of Alpha Omicron Pi; *Journal* of Sigma Phi Epsilon; *Eleusis* of Chi Omega; *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Angelos* of Kappa Delta; *Quarterly* of Delta Chi; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Lamp* of Delta Zeta; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Carnation* of Delta Sigma Phi; *Journal* of Beta Kappa; *Kappa Alpha Theta*; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma.

FOR JUNE—*Beta Theta Pi*; *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta; *Diary* of Alpha Kappa Psi; *Urn* of Beta Sigma Phi; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa; *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Quarterly* of Alpha Phi; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Laurel* of Phi Kappa Tau.

FOR JULY—*Emerald* of Sigma Pi; *Quarterly* of Delta Epsilon.

From the *Eleusis* of Chi Omega, we print the following interesting article in regard to a sketch entitled *Shall My Daughter Join a College Fraternity?* which appeared in *Holland's Magazine* and was written by a member of Chi Omega:

"Shall My Daughter Join a College Fraternity?" is an interesting sketch of the whole fraternity problem, and no doubt many mothers found the answer to their questions in this sane and sensible and unprejudiced view of the situation. The following are a few excerpts from the article which is too long to reprint, but which will interest both fraternity and non-fraternity people.

"What is the college fraternity? Is it worth while? Should my daughter join? You are a college woman, tell me." These questions were put to me by the mother of a girl ready for college; they are typical of the questions mothers are asking everywhere.

Of all the problems that confront the freshman, the fraternity is the greatest and farthest reaching. It begins at college, but its effect remains in after life. Probably no other feature of campus life, unless it be athletics, is of as general concern to the student body. And, unfortunately, the inquiring freshman can seldom find an unbiased answer to her query, "Shall I join a fraternity?" The advocates of the fraternity system are as enthusiastic as its opponents are bitter. The members of the faculty are generally as prejudiced as the students, and the parents are ignorant of the matter, so the freshman must work out her own salvation.



The article goes on to explain the different items connected with a fraternity, such as membership, purpose, ideals, expense, national organization and chapter organization and methods. It continues:

Although the fraternity advocates and opponents spend the whole four years of college in endless and futile debate over its right to existence, it seems to them in later years a waste of energy, for the perspective has changed and the interest has shifted. . . . The world outside makes new classifications and the actual interest in the past gives way to all-important issues of the present.

"Shall my daughter join if she has the opportunity?" Now that you know the facts, let's summarize the situation and ask a few questions. Your daughter is about to enter a college where fraternities exist and where her attitude will not change their *status quo* in the least. Possibly there will be several nationals, a few locals, and a still larger body of non-fraternity members. You want her college experience to be a happy one and you are prepared to do your part in helping to make it a big success.

Ask yourself these questions; if the answer is "yes," then you are safe to sign your name to the check for the initiation fee.

Does she love social life? Can you afford financially to indulge this craving? Is she ritualistic by nature? Does she love to work for a cause? Is she "clubby"? Does she dread to face problems alone? Can she mix at close range and maintain her good disposition, tact and individual standards of conduct? . . .

The right sort of girl will find herself and in time will learn that, after all, happiness will come either way, for its source is from within. The truly superior person can adjust herself to her environment and rise above the obstacles and disappointments; the really big individual will be outstanding anywhere. The fraternity can push the ambitious, it can rescue the perishing, but the worthy and capable do not need pushing or rescuing, for they can stand on their own feet—not on the Greek portals or on non-fraternity alibis.

In regard to the ever present alumnae question we quote three fine observations from the *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa:

#### ARE YOU A BITTER ALUMNA?

Are you a bitter alumna? Do you feel left out? That the present chapter isn't as good as it used to be? That the girls don't realize your importance? That they don't know and don't care what you did for the sorority while you were in college? Do you think nobody pays any attention to you when you *do* go back for reunions? Do you think they don't miss you if you don't come?

Then sit down and think things over. How much interest do you take in the present chapter? Do you try to remember the girls' names or do you have to be introduced all around every time you go to the house? Do you ever do anything for the girls, invite them for the week-end, help make luncheon-cloths or initial napkins, or send rummage when the call goes out, take any interest in any alumnae organization, help the girls with their rush-parties? (Not financial help anywhere, but just "standing-by" that the girls so appreciate.) Do you congratulate the girls who have been elected to Mortar Board and Phi Beta Kappa, or who have won other honors? Do you entertain *yourself* at the chapter house or do you sit down stiffly, waiting to be entertained? Do you try to impress upon them your social or financial standing, or what you did for the chapter? And are you trying to live on the merits of what you did then? Do you

get peeved if they fail to pledge someone you recommend, especially if the girl you recommended meant nothing to you before you made her non-election an issue? Do you talk in disparaging tones or gossip about any other alumna to the girls?

Grade yourself as generously as you can, and see what kind of an alumna you really are, and how much right you have to be bitter.

#### THE BEST WAY TO RUN AN ALUMNÆ CHAPTER—INTO THE GROUND

1. By all means stay away from the meetings.
2. Should you weaken, and go, go late.
3. If the weather doesn't suit your mood, or the meeting is in an inconvenient place, dismiss the idea of going without further ado.
4. Do not allow the officers and members to go away from any meeting you attend, without hearing your frank criticism of the work they are doing.
5. Decline any chapter office; it is so much easier and safer to criticize when you are not one of the doers.
6. Should you be appointed on any committee, find it impossible to attend the committee meetings; but do not fail to express your grievance if you never do get an appointment.
7. Whenever an expression of opinion is called for, always reply that you have nothing to say. You can always tell the girls after the meeting just what should have been done.
8. Do only those things you absolutely cannot avoid; but do not fail to apply the name "clique" to such members as put forth some effort to carry on.
9. If possible, avoid paying dues; if you must pay, pay late.
10. Never put yourself to any trouble to interest new Delta Zetas in the chapter; that is the membership committee's work; let them do it!
11. Howl at every change that National proposes to make; show the others just what a fatal mistake is being made.
12. Shun any reading matter which might keep you in touch with your college, your chapter, or your fraternity. It might necessitate some change in your ideas.—*The Lamp* of Delta Zeta.

#### THE IDEAL ALUMNÆ CHAPTER

Is organized as well as the college chapter. Has definite committees with definite work assigned. Each committee reports at each meeting.

Has a definite program of raising money, and a fixed budget for the year's expenses.

Is interested in the nearest college chapter's scholarship and student activities, and offers prizes for proficiency in each.

Devotes part of each meeting to study topics, so that each member will be well informed on all phases of sorority work.

Publishes a news-letter at a cost-price for its out-of-town members.

Entertains the pledges, the seniors, and if possible the entire college chapter, at least once each year.

Supports the national philanthropic and scholarship funds.

Does its share in Panhellenic work, and has a report from the Panhellenic delegate at each meeting.

Welcomes out-of-town alumnae at any of its meetings.

Makes a strenuous effort to locate every member of the sorority living in the community and extends each one an invitation to join, and has some-one call for the new member to take her to the first few meetings so that she will not stay away through shyness.



While the following paragraph, one of "Billy" Levere's last editorials, is a fine and ringing call for alumnae loyalty and support:

You say you belong to Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Are you sure of it? You belong! All of you, your heart, your sympathies, a reasonable amount of your time, your purse, at least some part of it. If you do belong, then it means all of you belongs. Or when you say you belong do you merely mean that you enjoy the prestige which comes from wearing the badge, the companionship that comes from mixing with fellow S.A.E.'s the help that some of you have had to get jobs, the assistance in the early days of your profession, the opportunity to enter substantial and refined homes, that it has been the getting of these things you have appreciated? Every bit of this has been good. I am glad Sigma Alpha Epsilon has brought you these honors, these helps, these good things, but I want you to bring something to Sigma Alpha Epsilon for it is bad for a man to receive everything and bring nothing. You have your chapter, your province, your national fraternity, for which to do something. All the strength the fraternity has comes because others have done something to build the fraternity. Are you going to be a builder? When you point out the points of your fraternity edifice in which you take pride, will you be able to discern some part of the structure you have builded? If so, I felicitate you, for service brings reward, unselfishness finds joy in work for a beloved object, the satisfaction of doing something for a cause is beyond words. I challenge every S.A.E. who says he wants to do something for the fraternity to act and not wish, to do and not hope.

—Record of Sigma Alpha Epsilon

The following is but one of the many tributes to that finest of fraternity men, William C. Levere:

There is one more vacant chair. When the old friends meet again in New York there is one more gap in the ranks. Once more when the roll is called a comrade must answer for the absent one, "Died on the Field of Honor."

For our friend and comrade, friend and comrade to all of us, beloved "Billy" Levere, is gone from us. Genial, kind, ready always to smile with us, to sympathize with us; it is ended—he is gone. Best of all the differing sorts of fraternity men was he, for he loved his own fraternity with all his soul, but withal a lover of the fraternity ideal for its own sake; and he counted all his brothers.

A gentle, kindly and earnest brother has left us and gone with the great Chapter beyond and joined the tens of thousands of brothers gone before. He is with the myriads of the blest where all are brothers in the presence of God, the Father of us all.

I have known William C. Levere for many years, and been with him many times. I rejoiced in calling him my friend for he was a friend. I cannot recall one instance when he was not gentle and kindly. Vigorous in debate and with a humor of his own I cannot recall that he ever said a mean thing. I cannot think of an instance when he did a mean thing. Not only his brethren of Sigma Alpha Epsilon will miss him; we all will miss him.

GEORGE BANTA, SR.

From the *Adelphian* of Alpha Delta Pi:

#### THE CAMPUS

The freshman tottered along vaguely. The huge buildings loomed up before her startled gaze and the long expanse of green lawn made her

feel like a gnat on the moon, so insignificant was her own tiny form in comparison. The upperclassmen sauntered by her, chatting gaily, quite obviously unaware of the magnificent and solemn grandeur of this stupendous arena into which they all had been tossed by fate. They took on the appearance of super-humans in their lordly calmness, and the freshman scurried on in frightened admiration. The great bell in Old Main tolled a solemn warning, like the voice of an uneasy guardian spirit.

The sophomore floated along tenderly. She smiled gently and her face appeared pure and hallowed, as if touched by angel hands. Her Secret Sorrow had spoken to her! "Hello," he had said in his deep, manly voice. The doves in the bell tower of Old Main were cooing throatily, and a pert little sparrow chattered companionably on the lower limb of one of the old spruces. As the sophomore billowed on, she paid little attention to the forms hurrying past—they were Philistines in her kingdom, they knew nothing of love! The soft melodious lovenotes of Old Main bell caressed her ears, like the voice of a beloved one—saying "Hello-o."

The junior scuffed along resentfully. This was *certainly* getting to be a punk school! She'd *certainly* go to a bigger one next year. The grass needed mowing; the old place was *certainly* going to seed. Why didn't the college authorities do something about those dirty birds littering up the campus with pieces of paper and strings? Not a decent-looking man on the campus this year. Now what was the sense in wearing a fur coat in such warm weather? The bell of Old Main hiccupped at her resentfully, like the voice of an exasperated drunkard.

The senior trudged along sadly. Her last year—and she did love the old place! The cozy little buildings cuddled up closely to one another, the green cool lawn, the soft exquisite bird voices, and all her dearly loved college friends would be lost to her forever. She listened for a moment to the soft wind through the spruces, interrupted by the mournful chant of the benevolent Old Main bell, like the voice of a cherished friend at parting.

A fitting tribute to one of our most brilliant and best known Panhellenic women:

Last month in Washington, D.C., Phi Delta Delta, national women's legal fraternity, extended an honorary membership to Mrs. Mary C. Love Collins, national president of Chi Omega. It will be remembered that Mrs. Collins was asked to speak during the national convention of the Professional Panhellenic in Washington several months ago, an account of her address appearing in the next number of *Phi Delta Delta*.

Mrs. Collins has been an attorney since her graduation from the law school at the University of Kentucky, in which state she was the first woman to pass the Bar. She has passed the Bar in several other states but has not been active in the legal profession since assuming her many duties as president of Chi Omega.—*Eleusis* of Chi Omega

The following article from *Kappa Alpha Theta*, entitled *Tau's Five Hundred Foot Shelf*, is not only an interesting account of an alumnae enterprise but a practical suggestion for any alumnae group:



Evanston may be the Athens of the U.S.A., but even a modern Athenian would have to be as rich as Cræsus to purchase all the new books he wishes to read in these days of prolific presses.

So Tau Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta seized upon an idea with a two-fold achievement—money for the house fund, and service to, rather than charity from, those who furnished the money.

More precisely, just four years ago this month Mrs. George Peaks, a Tau alumna living in Evanston, decided that a book a day would keep the sheriff away, when the long-dreamed-for fraternity house began to rise, and the bills began to come in. Mrs. Peaks, with her associate, Mrs. Frank Murray, rented space in a store, bought a few books and started the Theta book-shop. Membership was one dollar, and that means for as long as you live, as long as you can read, as long as you can be read to, as long as you want a new book to grace the library table.

The fee was placed at 3 cents a day per book, and the book might be kept out so long as the reader wished.

It was a small start on a big idea.

Things went well. Mrs. Peaks and Mrs. Murray were, and still are, in active charge. That adjective is more than rhetoric. By active I mean in efficient, everlasting, industrious, itinerant charge. The Evanston alumnae and many of the undergraduate girls at Northwestern serve in the shop. The day is divided into two segments; 9 to 1, and 1 to 5; with a full day (and two instead of one girl working) on Mondays and Saturdays. For Evanston, apparently spends much of its Sunday in reading.

A few statistics to indicate the success of the venture.

The book-shop has been functioning for 4 years.

It has now moved into larger quarters, occupying a comfortable section in Mr. Willard C. Davis' Book-Shop, at 1555 Sherman avenue, Evanston.

There are 1,521 members. Rather, there were yesterday when I dropped in there; perhaps there are 20 more now.

The library consists of approximately 3,000 volumes. This, too, is a fluctuating number. Old books are sent away on journeys of charity.

New books come tumbling into the shelves every day.

At first the pair of Thetas in charge put in, along with the fiction, some of the new biographies and works of science and literature. This experiment, while pleasing to those who wanted that type of books, was not supremely successful from the standpoint of the debit and credit columns. These books were not sufficiently in demand to have them justify their purchase. Consequently, now, the library is entirely one of fiction.

The new books, those, let us say, that have been starred by some library association, or highly recommended, are purchased in triplicate, or more. Sometimes there are as many as eight copies. A customer seeking a new book, despairing of ever getting it from the public library, comes in, puts her name on a waiting list. As soon as one of the eight copies as available, the girl in charge at that particular time consults her request list for that volume, calls the first name on the list, and the demand is served in the most expeditious, fair way possible.

Started originally as a house-fund, the monies are now being channeled into the house-furnishing fund.

There are several tangential achievements of this money-raising plan which seem to me to be splendid.

In the first place, the fraternity doesn't beguile from a friend or stranger without giving full, adequate return. It is most decidedly a full value proposition. Nobody is asked to buy a ticket to an entertainment they don't want to see; nobody is urged to purchase a table of bridge

when she hates cards; nobody is wooed into a tea-room when she'd prefer to be getting her luncheon at home.

Everybody wants to read. Books are expensive. Fiction, especially, has often a transitory but definite momentary value. A rented book of fiction answers the need. The shelves are not filled with cast-off Elsie Dinsmore books, sent in by a woman cleaning out her attic. They are carefully selected. Mrs. Peaks and Mrs. Murray know what's what in books and authors. They follow all the reviews; they are estimable critics themselves, and more than one customer finds advice as well as a book, in the shop.

The Chairman of Publicity insists upon every member's perusal of this article:

#### PUBLICITY—WHAT IS IT?

Publicity is the art of interpreting the ideas of an organization to the public, so that they will be understood. Carried further, it is the science of transmitting such ideas so that the public will react in the desired way.

The secret—that in order for an action, an idea, a person or an organization to be of news value it must depart from the commonplace—has become public property. One must compel attention nowadays, to stand out from the crowd. In other words, be different. It is possible to be different without being great but it is not possible to be great without being different. This is equally true of an individual or a group of individuals acting collectively in a club.

Success, that little thing we moderns spend most of our lives thinking about, talking about, striving for, is largely dependent on the work we do to "put ourselves over." By this is not meant that we need incline to boastfulness or be braggarts. If any idea ever is to bear fruit, someone other than ourselves must be made aware of it, vividly aware of it. The idea needs publicity to make it an actuality.

Many organizations through a sense of exaggerated modesty hesitate to commit themselves to the use of the word publicity and describe this activity under a number of phrases, among which is the expression "educational campaign"; but, as a matter of fact, such campaigns are essentially publicity, and may well be described as such.

From an ethical viewpoint there has been some criticism of those frankly attempting to secure publicity, on the ground that they are trying to influence public opinion unduly, and the assumption seems to have been that this influence is necessarily a harmful one. But there is no reason why one cannot wax as enthusiastic over a sound idea as over an unsound one. Neither need it be an idea that aspires to "set the world on fire" in order to make use of publicity.

Propaganda, as the word is generally used, differs from publicity in that it is usually a war of opinion on opinion. Publicity may become totally ineffective when it smacks of opinion and does not confine itself to facts as such.

News to be news must be timely. The newspaper sells on the street today for two or three cents a copy, as the case may be, by tomorrow that same copy is worth only at the rate of thirty or forty cents a hundred pounds, or whatever may be the prevailing price of old newspapers. So it is with news: it has lost much of its value by tomorrow.—"Clubwoman," Detroit.—The *Triangle* of Mu Phi Epsilon via *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha

A little poem, exquisite in detail and written by Helen Field Fischer, a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma, has been extensively quoted, and is most symbolical of sorority life:



## BORDERLAND

There is a mystic borderland that lies  
 Just past the limits of our work-day world,  
 And it is peopled with the friends we met  
 And loved a year, a month, a week or day,  
 And parted from with aching hearts, yet knew,  
 That through the distance we must loose the hold  
 Of hand with hand, and only clasp the thread  
 Of memory. But still so close we feel this land,  
 So sure we are that these same hearts are true,  
 That when in waking dreams there comes a call  
 That sets the thread of memory aglow,  
 We know that just by stretching out the hand  
 In written word of love, or book, or flower,  
 The waiting hand will clasp our own once more,  
 Across the silence, in the same old way.

This account of Woman's Day at Syracuse University, written by Marguerite Woodworth, Alpha, former Assistant Dean of Women of Syracuse University, appears in the *Lamp* of Delta Zeta, under the heading, *Commencement Customs*:

One of the loveliest traditions of Syracuse University is Women's Day, which is celebrated every year in the month of May. From early morning until late in the evening the day is one of festive and picturesque carnival. A May morning breakfast held on the old stone bridge in the castle grounds begins the day. The first strawberries of the season served with cream, crisp bacon, rolls, and hot coffee are served to all who come. If the day is warm what color one sees—green linen smocks, watermelon-colored sweaters, blue jersey suits, and occasionally a dashing yellow gown or a striped dress like a peppermint stick of candy. It is a carnival of color.

All through the morning athletic contests are held on Hendricks Field. In the afternoon a large pageant is held—one year it was Robin Hood. Always there are hundreds of fairy and elf-like dancers, music and pantomime. The presence of the May Queen, who is elected from the Senior class, with her court of attendants, is a distinctive feature of the pageant.

The day closes with the beautiful and symbolic Lantern ceremony which takes place on the sloping hillsides of Crouse College. The seniors, wearing their caps and gowns and holding lighted lanterns, form the numerals of their class. They sing the women's Alma Mater as the juniors, gowned in white, come in, and taking the lanterns, form the numerals of their class. The juniors sing the lantern song and at the close of the ceremony all the women students together sing the Women's Day hymn, "These are Thy gifts we lay them on Thine altar."

The following clever bit, inspired by the nation wide frenzy of *Ask Me Another*, appears in Alpha Phi's ever delightful *Dipper*:

## ASK ME NO MORE

Compiled by Who is D.I.P.

(Use of the above title by what poet wrote "The Princes" is borrowed from who edits the Conning Tower.)

1. What freshman said of what fraternity, "Love me and the world is mine"? Did she get in?

2. How many General Boards make an industry?
3. What college president first said: "Give me chapter houses and I'll build no dormitories"? Do you think he did right?
4. How many pints will the Dipper hold? Wet or dry?
5. What is the climate of California? Are you sure?
6. Who devised the first budget-system and what asylum is he in now?
7. Define that school-girl complexion. Where do you keep it?
8. Name the author of the following couplet:  
By the pricking of my thumbs.  
Something Mencken this way comes.
9. Where do lost handkerchiefs go, and why not?
10. Who said, "Any port in a storm"? Was he within the three-mile limit?
11. When did the Boston police first promote book-legging?
12. Who is your milliner? Why?
13. How many elbows have thumped how many tables with "Slap, bang! Here we are again"?
14. What is the population of Yap? Who cares?
15. What is eating who wrote "Elmer Gantry"?
16. Give Alpha Phi's stand on such international subjects as: The League of Nations, Old Dutch, Lord Balfour of Attleboro, and the wearing of pearl ear-drops.
17. What have the following in common: Panhandle, Pan Dowdy, and Panhellenic?
18. Who said what to whom and where. What of it?

The following information is gleaned from *Banta's Greek Exchange*:

At the Alpha Phi convention in Swampscott the question of a memorial to Cora Allen McElroy was discussed and the suggestion made that there be printed annually in the *Quarterly* a Cora Allen McElroy memorial letter. This suggestion was adopted. The tribute to Mrs. McElroy is an especially fitting one, because she was the first editor of the magazine and throughout her life an ex-officio adviser, editor and counselor. The January number of the *Quarterly* will present the first memorial, an article "Three Pioneer Women" by Alice Stone Blackwell.

The sororities on the campus at Northwestern University have pledged their allegiance to support the "Anti group and Greek letter politics" movement that started in that Institution recently. With the signing of Alpha Phi the twenty-six sororities on that campus were represented. The pledge reads as follows:

I, the undersigned, authorized by the vote of my chapter, do hereby promise on my honor and on the honor of my chapter, that said chapter shall not line up politically with any organized group on the campus of Northwestern University from February 1, 1927, to February 1, 1928.

From the Sigma Phi Epsilon *Journal* we quote:

A senior coed at the University of Iowa, according to a recent press dispatch, condemned fraternities and sororities before a meeting of the Christian Endeavor for the "social barriers they erect" and their "artificial standards" and she announced her withdrawal from her sorority and from the senior girls' honorary society of which she was a member.

No doubt well intentioned, this girl has frustrated her own purposes. If she has made any study of fraternities and sororities she must be convinced that her withdrawal will not eliminate them from the picture—nor tend to do so. She has unmistakably evidenced her disapproval of them



but aside from a certain personal satisfaction, perhaps, she has gained nothing.

Genevieve Forbes Herrick, Kappa Alpha Theta, representing the Chicago *Tribune*, was among the newspaper folk who met Queen Marie's steamer in New York harbor and was privileged to travel in an official capacity on the special train's car for reporters. When the royal party reached Indianapolis, Mrs. Kate Milner Rabb, Kappa Alpha Theta, representing Indiana's literary celebrities and educators, presented the queen with two volumes of James Whitcomb Riley's poems which had been autographed by Indiana's score or more of famous authors and poets.

Dolores Callahan of Denver, Colorado, has recently been appointed secretary to Dr. Neil M. Judd, noted scientist and leader of the Pueblo Bonito expedition of the National Geographic Society. The appointment of a girl for a trip involving extensive field work is spoken of by the Denver press as unusual. Miss Callahan was chosen because of her special qualifications, such as talent for writing and her ability to ride and shoot as well as the average man. She has been assistant to Dr. E. B. Renaud, head of the department of anthropology at Denver University, and has completed a major in anthropology. She will be the only woman member of the expedition, which will leave Washington, D.C., for Chaco Cañon, New Mexico, on May 1. Miss Callahan is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha.

The recent death of Sybil Bauer, Gamma Phi Beta, whose fame as a swimmer is international, has brought universal sorrow. In her memory the Athletic Association of Northwestern University will erect a bronze tablet—the first time such an honor has been given to a woman. Miss Bauer, aside from her athletic prowess, was a fine student, a prominent figure on the campus, and greatly beloved by her fellow students.

It is common for sororities and fraternities to warn their new freshman pledges that the most difficult period of their scholastic career is their first semester in the university. The theory seems to be that if one survives the first semester the rest of the journey is a smooth one. According to Dean John R. Effinger, of Literary College at the University of Michigan, he agrees in part with this theory but he feels that the other periods have their peculiar requirements and difficulties just as the first semester does.

Marie Potter Daggett, Kappa Kappa Gamma, has made a queen live and breath, suffer and rejoice for us, as any common democrat might do. In her book, *Marie of Roumania* (Doran), we live the daily life of Marie, see her in all the phases of a royal life and feel as we close the book that we have been friends with a real woman of extraordinary vividness and variety of qualities. Had she by some mysterious fate been born a peasant, she must still have risen to high places.

Among the initiates at Swarthmore Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma appears the name of Sarah Fisher. Rumor has it that she is winning distinction for her name without the assistance of the notable fact that she is the daughter of Dorothy Canfield Fisher, Beta Nu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Dr. Charles M. Moss, Psi Upsilon, whose recent death brought sorrow to the University of Illinois, of whose faculty he was a member, was the husband of Frances E. Haven Moss, a founder of Gamma Phi Beta.

The first woman debater and orator, also the first woman to win the coveted Brown debate at James Millikin University, Decatur, Illinois, is Louise Bradford Dillavou, a member of Zeta Tau Alpha.

Zeta Tau Alpha at the University of Washington has been working very hard to raise a scholarship fund. The chapter house is transformed into a veritable shop. One room is fitted up as a candy store, another as a beauty parlor and a third as a secretarial office for the typing of themes.

Esther Willard Bates, Gamma Phi Beta, head of the religious drama department of the School of Religious Education of Boston University, recently gave an address before the national conference on the drama, held at Yale University.

Theresa Guerini of the Palace Players at Manchester, who successfully interprets character rôles, is a member of Gamma Phi Beta at the University of Wisconsin, also of Phi Beta Kappa. She declares that her two contributions to domesticity are the designing of her own gowns and the successful cooking of Italian dishes.

Maud Hart Lovelace, an alumna of the University of Minnesota and a member of Gamma Phi Beta, is the author of an interesting novel, *The Black Angels*, which has received enthusiastic comment from the press.

The Portland Mothers' Club of Gamma Phi Beta has realized in a year's time from the sale of a cook book, the sum of fifteen hundred dollars.

Ruth Morris, Delta Gamma, is an interior designer for Lasky's Famous Players Studio in Hollywood.

The Delta Gamma alumnae chapter in Boulder, Colorado, set before other chapters of the sorority throughout the country an enlargement of the loan service to college women as a tribute to the memory of Jessie Roberson Kingery. During her life Mrs. Kingery threw all her marvelous energy into the attempt to raise \$500,000 for a loan fund for college women.



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