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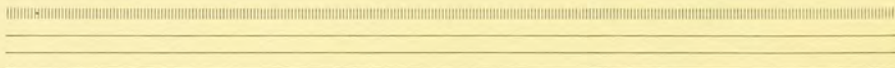


Birchmont Hotel

An Invitation to Convention

THE various groups of Province IV extend to all Gamma Phis an urgent invitation to attend convention, June 28 to July 2, at Birchmont, Bemidji, Minnesota. It is a delightful resort, on a beautiful lake in picturesque Minnesota, an ideal setting for our gathering. We promise you a wonderful time.

FLORENCE S. SULLIVAN
Director of Province IV





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*Province IV Invites You to the Land of the
Sky Blue Water*

KNOWING that you will all enjoy as contrast to last year's splendid city convention in Kansas City, a meeting with rich vacation possibilities, the Grand Council has chosen for the 1931 convention one of the most select resorts of Minnesota's famous Land of Ten Thousand Lakes—Birchmont, on beautiful Lake Bemidji. It is not far from the Canadian border, and the flag of the Dominion of Canada always flies with the Stars and Stripes from its tall flagpole, marking it at once as a fitting place for a meeting of our great international order. We are to have exclusive use of the resort for the period of convention. For five days the hotel and cottages—all with steam heat, great fireplaces, and hot running water in real bathrooms!—the wide lawns, the perfect beach with every kind of equipment for water sports, tennis courts, and one of the best golf courses in northern Minnesota will have as guests only the wearers of the crescent pin. It will be one huge and glorious house party!

The talents and enthusiasm of the girls of Alpha Beta, Alpha Kappa, Alpha Omicron, Gamma, Kappa, Rho, and Omega are already stirring eagerly with plans for your pleasure and amusement. Several hundred alumnae of this north central group of chapters are looking forward to the thrill of being hostesses to the whole sorority next June. Your international officers have vitally interesting plans and developments in the life of our organization to place before you for

discussion and action. Won't you decide *now* to be one of those lucky Gamma Phis who will enjoy this week together? Remember! Birchmont, June, 1931. Province IV will welcome you!

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Ames, Iowa	*22.90	Milwaukee, Wis. (4)	*28.85
Ann Arbor, Mich.	*41.95	Minneapolis, Minn.	*10.70
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Columbus, Ohio	*45.05	Portland, Ore. (7)	75.60
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Everett, Wash. (7)	75.60	Syracuse, N.Y. (2)	74.14
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Ft. Collins, Colo. (6)	65.20	Tucson, Ariz. (1)	103.10
Grand Forks, N.D. (6)	4.20	Tulsa, Okla.	*46.45
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Kansas City, Mo.	\$32.20	Vancouver, Can. (7)	75.60
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Mrs. J. E. Finley, International Chairman of Inspection



Province Conferences

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE ONE

THE province convention held in Baltimore from April 11-13 was intensely interesting. It brought together girls from the eastern chapters as well as from the far south. Syracuse, Boston, Goucher, and Rollins College were represented and there were alumnæ present from Syracuse, Boston, New York, Baltimore, and Washington.

Emma Lowd, as province director, conducted the meetings, and she certainly is to be congratulated on her efficient way of transacting business. Both Miss Lowd and Mrs. Willcutt, the province secretary, astounded the newer members by their knowledge of Gamma Phi affairs and parliamentary law, and the tremendous amount of work accomplished during their term of office. Mrs. Ernest Barbour was an inspiration to everyone and we were especially interested in her talk on expansion and the Denver Camp.

Mary Tom McCurley and Alvahn Holmes from the Baltimore Alumnæ Chapter just seemed to know everything and certainly arranged everything in the best fashion.

The first day a luncheon was served in the chapter rooms by the active Zeta girls. This was a revelation to some of the delegates who came from chapter houses with large kitchens and all conveniences. A supper was held at the Girls' Latin School. The Misses Wilmot in their lovely new house across from the Baltimore Country Club gave us a real insight into southern hospitality. We were entertained by a model chapter meeting held by the Zeta girls, a daring apache dance, and other skits which included a delightful impersonation of a truly lily white maiden, given by a Gamma Phi from the far south who reminded me of Sara Powell Haardt, the Goucher girl whose engagement to H. L. Mencken, the critic, has just been announced.

A tea was given at the home of Mrs. Henry Treide where we met the dean of women of Goucher, some of the instructors, and other sorority girls. The banquet was given in the Alumnæ Lodge and was unusually interesting because so many active Zeta girls were present. Each girl was such a decided type that we were quite fascinated, for we have heard so much of colleges that are so lacking in individuality that all the girls seem alike. There was the clever toastmistress, the tall athletic looking girl who always carries a hockey stick at night because she is so timid, and the small but brilliant senior who is to be an assistant instructor at Vassar next year.

There was delightful hospitality and an enthusiasm for Gamma Phi affairs that was stimulating and made the delegates feel as if they should go home and devote all their spare time to helping Gamma Phi Beta.

HELEN CODLING HALSTED
(New York)

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE TWO

THE conference of Province II was held in Delaware, Ohio, April 26-27, with Alpha Eta Chapter as hostess. And very charming and gracious hostesses they were, for they had foreseen all the little things that would add to the comfort and pleasure of their guests. Mary "Bee" Ames, Alpha Eta Chapter, was general chairman of the committee on arrangements for the conference. She was ably assisted by Virginia Madden, Dorothy Burnap, Lois Shilling, and Martha Humphreys.

All day Saturday, April 26, was given over to business sessions at which Bertha M. Schneider, director of the province, presided. The delegates were: Marion Seitz, Delphine Johnston—Beta; Mary Glendon, Jane Dibble—Epsilon; Ruth Wythe, Mary Sinclair—Alpha Alpha; Dorothy Burnap, Virginia Madden—Alpha Eta; Martha Gardner, Eleanore Poole—Alpha Nu; Freda Braun, Mary Louise Sutton—Alpha Pi; Freda Kiebler, Ann Arbor; Gladys O'Connor Borland—Chicago; Ruth Hier, Frances Hecker—Cleveland; Sada Harbarger, Mrs. Warren Sisson—Columbus; Charlotte Bush, Mary Helen Holmes—Detroit; Margaret Neutzenholzer—Springfield; Leone Harris, Emma Weir—Toronto.

Besides reports from national and province officers and matters of general business, there was general discussion of topics such as "The Freshman Manual," "Scholarship; How Achieved and Maintained," "Mental Hygiene for the College Girl," "Chapter Attitude in Campus Politics," "Probation or Courtesy Week Before Initiation," "Sanity in Activities." Each of these topics was introduced by a delegate who was able to give an account of some aspect in particular institutions. It was an unusually interesting and thought-provoking discussion, concisely and effectively presented, indicating thoughtful consideration not only of problems related to our sorority, but also of those met by college women everywhere.

The invitation to the formal banquet held Saturday evening read:

To the Gamma Phi World 'twas a Bishop who said,
I've a love in my heart and a plan in my head!
Let the Gamma Phi Sisters, wherever they be
Come dine with the King, Queen, Knight,
Pawn and me!

(The Bishop, it should be said in explanation, refers to Ohio Wesleyan, whose students are popularly known as The Bishops.) Eighty-

two were present at this banquet and listened with much enjoyment to Lois Shilling, as toastmistress introduce the King, Queen, Knight, and Pawns. Mary "Bee" Ames had as her subject "Come, Dine! Quoth the Bishop," Bertha Schneider gave "The King's Reply," Alice Camerer, "The Queen's Viewpoint," Pansy Blake told how "Knighthood Is Thrilling," and the Pawns spoke for themselves. They were: Mary Sinclair, Alpha Alpha; Freda Kiebler, Ann Arbor; Martha Gardner, Alpha Nu; Leone Harris, Toronto; Charlotte Bush, Detroit; Delphine Johnston, Beta; Ruth Hier, Cleveland; Mrs. Paul B. Sisson, Columbus; and Jane Dibble, Epsilon.

The Sunday morning breakfast served by the freshmen of Alpha Eta, in the Alumni Room of Edgar Hall, was a very pleasant, informal gathering, well planned and efficiently carried out. The freshmen deserved all the praise given them and make safe the prediction that Alpha Eta Chapter will not want strong, loyal, co-operative members to further and perfect Gamma Phi Beta traditions and ideals. After a quiet, little friendship meeting, the delegates were taken sight-seeing.

On Sunday afternoon, the Mothers' Club of Alpha Eta entertained with a tea at the attractive new home of Mrs. Samuel Blair. Here in addition to meeting the mothers of the local girls and of furthering our acquaintance with the active chapter, the delegates and visitors met representatives of the other sororities at Ohio Wesleyan.

From every point of view, Province II conference was worth while. It gave the members of the chapters in this section an opportunity to know others of our name and sign whom we are most likely to meet. It brought them in touch with the national organization in a way in which correspondence and visiting of a national officer in a local chapter cannot. It strengthened fellowship, and brought a new realization of the ideals of the four founders, and a fresh incentive for continuing and extending the finest bonds of Gamma Phi Beta.

SADA ANNIS HARBARGER

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE THREE

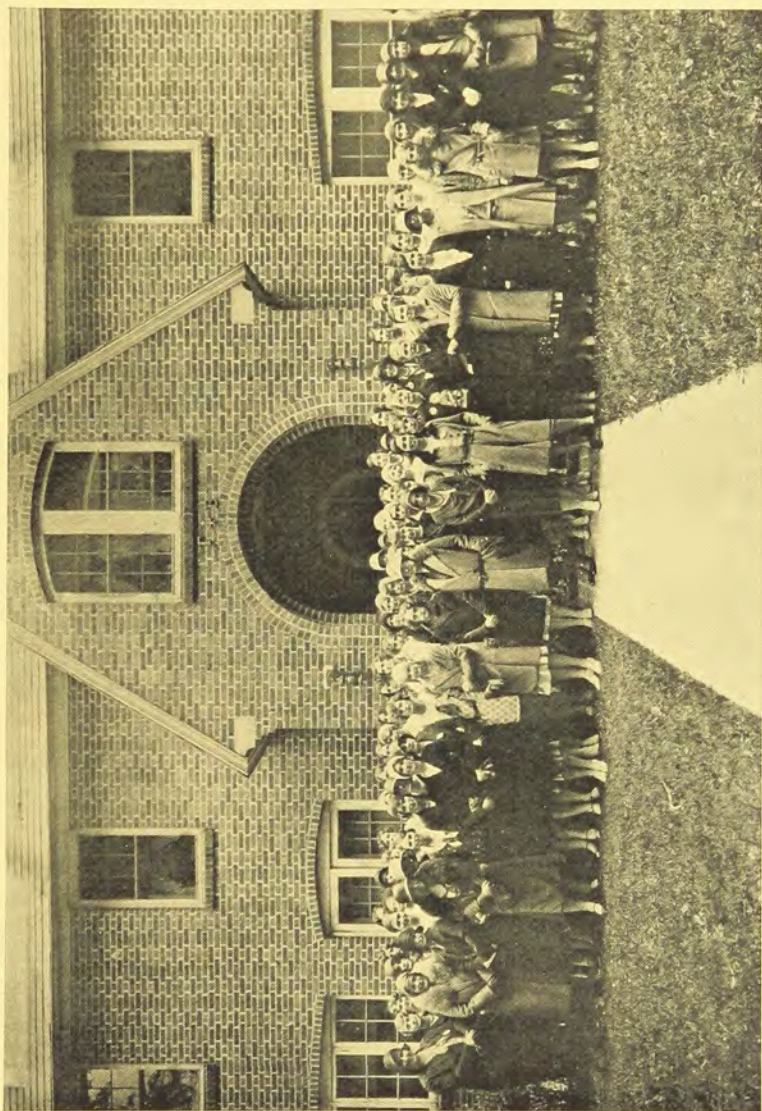
(Gleaned from Minutes of Secretary)

ST. LOUIS, February 21-22. Phi and St. Louis as hostesses. Nina Gresham presiding. Marian Scott acting as secretary.

Discussions: Co-operation with university authorities; discipline within chapter; direction of activities; rushing; pledge training; national problems; expansion; literary exercises; initiation unity; delinquents; scholarship; second voting on pledges; province dues.

Alumnæ discussions: Relationship to active chapter; respect of alumnæ opinion; alumnæ dues and membership; courtesy dates; publicity; suggestions of alumnæ handbook for alumnæ advisers.

Social affairs: Tea given by St. Louis and Phi; bridge party at home of Betty Henby; banquet at Chase Hotel.



Third Province Conference of Province Four, Iowa City, May 16-17

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE FOUR

(Gleaned from program and toast card)

IOWA CITY, May 16-17. Rho as hostess. Florence Stott Sullivan presiding. Dorothy Barnes McGuire acting as secretary. Messages from national officers on finance, endowment, camp, expansion, Panhellenic and magazine.

Province discussions upon scholarship, methods of financing, expansion, and inspection.

Session for active members: Discussions upon freshman training, house rules, stimulation of scholarship, recommendations of rushees, reciprocity among chapters, promptness in correspondence.

Session for alumnae members: Discussions upon attendance, methods of raising money, sympathy and harmony between active and alumnae chapter, house finances, more business-like administration of affairs.

Social affairs: Luncheon at Gamma Phi Beta house. For active chapter delegates—dinner at house and informal dance in River Room of Iowa Memorial Union. For alumnae delegates—buffet supper at home of Mrs. Robert B. Gibson. Motor trip. Banquet on sun porch of Iowa Memorial Union. Toasts given by Florence Stott Sullivan, Gamma and Madison; Ruth Whitney, Alpha Omicron; Betty Gilman, Alpha Kappa; Winifred Tilden, Omega and Ames; Isabelle McConal, Kappa; Elinor Mueller Bloodgood, Rho and Milwaukee; Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, Epsilon and Chicago.

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE FIVE

AND what a conference it was! Such hostesses, such hospitality, and such girls! In the first place, my dear sisters, they were all beautiful, those members of Psi Chapter in Oklahoma; incidentally, the Gamma Phi Beta house itself is perfect, and its owners are rightfully proud of it. The most distinctive touch, the touch that makes the sorority house an individual one among the gorgeous houses on the campus, is the mural decoration which Edith Mahier has designed. The lovely painting above the fireplace in the living room represents the four founders of Gamma Phi Beta followed by other generations. Other murals are in the dining room and the sunroom, while great plans are brewing for elaborate ones in the new chapter room on the third floor.

Personally, I was exceedingly impressed and awed by the marvelous campus with its new, up-to-date recitation halls; its magnificent Union Building, full of such delightful features as a billiard room, a lounge, a dance hall, and a cafeteria; and above all, the new library with its massive Gothic arches, very high vaulted ceilings, and church-

like atmosphere which is so conducive (so they say!) to concentration and study.

Our first meeting was on the afternoon of March 7. Various and sundry matters of Gamma Phi Beta interest were discussed, one of the most interesting being that of expansion. After meeting, Psi Chapter entertained us at a formal tea at which we met many charming residents of Norman, faculty members, and representatives from all the sororities and fraternities. Next, supper, with a most amusing program by the fine and peppy freshmen, a few songs—and another day gone! Or so we thought. But a fire broke out on the roof and was valiantly smothered by a pathetic little boudoir pillow; and everything was almost peaceful again by the time that the fire engine clanged up to the door and the crowd gathered outside the house. All very interesting and exciting!

At the morning meeting of the following day, election of officers was held. Florence Mitchell Smith (Epsilon) was unanimously chosen director to fill the place of Fayne Smithberger Merritt of Lincoln; while Lucille Barrett succeeded Ethel de Young Watkins as secretary. Mrs. Barrett is one of the charter members of Alpha Xi, our very young chapter at Southern Methodist University. Papers were read on assigned subjects by the delegates, and the most interesting of these was the one written by the delegate from Alpha Zeta concerning the relation between chapters and their alumnæ. She summed it up in these words: "The battle cry of the alums is, 'The chapter isn't what it used to be,' and that of the actives, 'The campus has changed since you were active.'"

Another meeting in the afternoon, and then more scurrying to get into evening clothes for the wonderful banquet in Oklahoma City, fifteen miles from Norman which was given by the Oklahoma City alumnæ. We were most delightfully entertained afterwards by a reading of Preston Sturges' *Strictly Dishonorable*. A sleepy ride homewards, and then to bed—the end of a very profitable and entertaining province conference.

The fact that only six chapters of Gamma Phi Beta were represented made it possible for us to become quite well acquainted with each other and with the girls in the house. The delegates were wise and competent girls seriously interested in Gamma Phi Beta, each one of whom possessed a charming personality and a delightful sense of humor.

"Eli" Mahier is worthy of a paragraph all to herself. She is head of the Art Department of the University of Oklahoma, but, most of all, she is guardian angel, wise counselor, and inspiration of Psi Chapter. Divinely tall, with a mop of curly black hair, snapping eyes and a peculiar grace of movement, she radiates vitality, youth, and sunniness. There always are "ideas" accumulating in Eli's fertile brain;

and as she herself said: "I have some of the loveliest plans for the chapter room if only someone practical will help to carry them out."

LIBERTY EWING, *Theta*

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE SIX

MANY of us who attended the conference of Province Six at Spokane, on April 25 and 26, felt that the spirit of good fellowship and co-operation evident at all business meetings and the social affairs was the outstanding feature of the affair and would have as important and permanent an effect on the province as any of the business transacted. Mrs. Stover, who represented our Grand Council, especially commented on this phase of the conference. It was a great pleasure to welcome La Verne Stover, International vice-president, who brought us many splendid ideas and gave us much good advice. Those of us who have met her when she served as chairman of the convention committee in Kansas City last summer were happy to know her better, and those who met her for the first time at once "fell in love with her" (to quote an active delegate's opinion). We were pleased to have as a special guest, too, Mrs. Earl Hovey, Kansas City Alumnae Chapter president, who came west with Mrs. Stover.

Spokane Alumnae, Rosella Mohr Paulson, president, and Berenice Stambaugh, vice-president, was the hostess chapter, assisted by Xi and the Moscow Alumnae Association. Nothing was left undone to make the week-end a happy one from a social angle, which was the special phase of the program arranged by the entertaining groups. The business was arranged by the province director, after having asked for suggestions from all groups of the province to add to the topics suggested by Mrs. Barbour. The Spokane alumnae met all trains on Thursday night and Friday morning, on which delegates and visitors arrived, and on Friday morning arranged special motor trips to show their guests the charms of Spokane, which is a beautifully situated city. A luncheon was given at the Davenport Hotel, headquarters for the conference, where all business meetings were held, and where most of us had rooms.

The business sessions began with formal opening exercises on Friday afternoon, with the province director presiding, and Louise Simmons, Xi, acting as secretary of the conference. That afternoon was devoted to reports of officers and delegates, talk by Mrs. Stover emphasizing especially the Gamma Phi Beta camp at Denver and expansion from the Grand Council viewpoint. Lois McBride Dehn, northwest chairman of expansion, reported on possible fields in her territory. The by-laws and standing rules were put to vote at that session. Dinner that evening was given at an attractive inn, Glen Tana, on the Little Spokane River, where the entertainment later

was given by Xi Chapter. At dinner, actives and alumnae joined in the singing, and several groups offered special Gamma Phi songs which delighted everyone.

On Saturday morning, the program was devoted to local problems, including scholarship and rushing, and in the afternoon the active delegates met for round table discussion with Mrs. Stover and the alumnae with Mrs. Dehn. The findings of these groups were reported at the concluding session at three-thirty o'clock.

It is a custom of Province Six to hold no-host conferences, so that all the luncheons and dinners were on this basis, with the exception of the Saturday luncheon for which Moscow Alumnae were hostesses at the Oasis. This was a happy affair, and almost as large as the banquet at the Davenport Hotel that evening, as more of the active girls from Xi were able to come to Spokane for Saturday. The banquet was unusually successful, with Catherine Chrisman Fuller, Xi and Moscow Alumnae, as toastmistress, and the London Peace Conference as a theme for the toasts given by Jane Cookman of Nu, Margaret Finlay of Alpha Lambda, Kathryn West of Xi, Lucy Wallrich Davidson of Gamma and Seattle Alumnae. La Verne Stover spoke on "Friendship in Gamma Phi Beta" and the province director on the "Fulfillment of Ideals in Gamma Phi Beta."

While this officially closed the conference, Spokane Alumnae entertained with a delightful Panhellenic tea on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. S. E. Lambert, mother of Virginia Lambert, a freshman in Lambda.

We were especially happy that six members of Alpha Lambda came from Vancouver, B.C.—four alumnae besides the Vancouver delegate and the Alpha Lambda representative. This was their first conference, and their enthusiasm did much toward making us appreciate the possibilities of province meetings. With them, they brought some interesting bronze bookmarks bearing the Gamma Phi Beta monogram, which they are offering for sale, as a benefit for the house fund of Alpha Lambda. Five members of Chi motored the almost five hundred miles to the conference, being fortunate in having Marjorie Giese's father to drive much of the distance. A group of Lambda actives also motored to the conference.

Delegates were as follows: Lambda, Arlea Fletcher; Nu, Jane Cookman; Xi, Kathryn West; Chi, Lucille Van Loan; Alpha Lambda, Margaret Finlay; Seattle, Lois McBride Dehn (Lambda); Portland, Carolyn Clark Sanford (Delta); Spokane, Margaret Stolle Baker (Xi); Vancouver, Florence McLeod (Alpha Lambda); Moscow, Kathleen Magee Horton (Xi); Salt Lake City, Gladys Dwight Painter (Xi).

The province conference was, indeed, a happy culmination to my four years as province director.

BEATRICE M. LOCKE, *Director*

CONFERENCE OF PROVINCE SEVEN

(Reno, Nevada, September 5, 6, and 7, 1930)

THE third conference of Province Seven was held at Alpha Gamma Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta in Reno and plans were so well made before the arrival of the twenty-five delegates and guests to the biennial conference that there was none of the confusion that one would naturally anticipate when so many were due. The trains were met on Thursday night and the remainder of our delegates and guests came in on Friday morning. They were all taken to the chapter house and were guests there, which gave the atmosphere of a house party and a unity to the whole week-end which could not have been gained otherwise.

Upon our guests becoming comfortably settled after their arrival, a business meeting was held and the conference opened under the supervision of Margaret Nachtrieb and Wanda Westerfield Smith, our province officers. It was our privilege and pleasure also to have Alice Camerer as the Grand Council representative to the conference. On taking the roll call we found Eta represented by Virginia De Camp and Catharine Conlisk; Nu by Jewell Anderson; Alpha Gamma by Virginia Garside and Elizabeth Johnstone; Alpha Epsilon by Elizabeth Light and Marjorie Hughes; Alpha Iota by Barbara Douglas. The alumnae were represented by Penelope Simonson and Jane Holabird from Berkeley; Eleanor Dickson and Florence Andrews from Los Angeles; Edith Dowd Cunningham and Barbara Horton from Reno; and Wanda Westerfield Smith from San Francisco. We regretted that the San Diego, Phoenix, Tucson, and Salt Lake City associations were not represented.

A delightful addition to the first meeting was the new Scholarship Cup that will be given to the chapter in our province getting the least number of flunks and low marks.

After the morning meeting a ride was taken, followed by luncheon at the chapter house and an afternoon meeting. Mrs. S. K. Morrison had all of the delegates, guests, Reno actives, and alumnae for afternoon tea at her lovely home, where the girls could get a wonderful view of Reno and the surrounding country and mountains. It overlooks the well known Truckee River and is one of the most delightful homes in town.

In the evening a formal banquet was held at the Twentieth Century Club in honor of our visitors and the three new pledges to the Alpha Gamma Chapter. There were over one hundred present and after the dinner and speeches, moving pictures were shown of the Denver Camp and of activities of the Reno chapter during the past year. It was also the privilege of the three new Gamma Phis to be pledged during the evening. Alice Camerer presided and was aided by Virginia De Camp, the president of Eta. The service proved to be the

most impressive I have ever seen, with all of the girls in evening gowns, and with the living room of the club as a stately and dignified background. The group of girls, too, was larger than usual, which gave an added impressiveness to a service which embodies great beauty.

On Saturday after the girls had gathered at the chapter house and had finished breakfast, they motored to Lake Tahoe to the home of Mrs. Samuel Wheeler, one of the patronesses of Alpha Gamma Chapter. A delightful luncheon was served to about fifty guests, followed by the round table meetings. They returned from the lake just in time for dinner at the house and our song and poster contest.

The song contest, which was an innovation at the last conference, proved a great success this year. The songs were charming and the girls proved that, when prompted, they will find talent they do not suspect exists among the members. Every chapter had a splendid song but Alpha Epsilon won the contest with "Good Night"—both words and music original and new. The poster contest entries were favors and programs from the rushing parties given in the different chapters. Alpha Gamma won with a poster of a Hawaiian Party with palm trees, leis, and all the atmosphere of the Island carried out, even to the menu, which had native island dishes.

Sunday morning we drove out to Sandy Bowers mansion, a beautiful estate twenty miles out of Reno, on the Carson City highway. It is an old French chateau, built by Bowers, an old miner who married Eilly Orrum, a servant girl in Virginia City, in the days of its glory. As a wedding present and joke, supposedly worthless mining stock was given to them and they papered the walls of their cabin with it. It turned out to be worth a fortune when ore was found in the almost deserted shaft and they were in possession of a huge fortune overnight. They built the mansion with wood and paneling brought over from Europe, all of which had to be carried around the Horn. They traveled all over the continent and brought home all the furnishings, statuary, and fixtures, all of priceless value. Even the plants and shrubbery in the garden were imported. The door-knobs are of pure gold, so the story goes, but there has been much contradiction of this fact.

On the grounds of Sandy Bowers' place, there are two swimming pools adjoining each other, fed by springs coming from the base of the mountain. One is hot water and the other cold. Our guests had the opportunity of enjoying a swim in the mineral water before eating a picnic luncheon.

We then motored to Virginia City via Carson City, Silver City, and Gold Hill and looked over the historic home of the Comstock Lode where seven hundred million dollars worth of gold and silver were extracted from Mother Earth. It was once a successful and flourishing city of a population of over forty thousand but now is only

a shell of what it was. There are but a few hundred people left in the old town which in the early days contributed so materially in a financial way toward the upbuilding of San Francisco. The girls were much interested in all the glamor of the old days; the famous old Opera House and the register of the International Hotel with the signatures of General U. S. Grant, Mark Twain, Clarence Mackay, Nat Goodwin, Thomas Edison, Booth, Flood, Fair, etc. Now, in another register of more recent date which is being carried on by the Crystal Bar, we have Colonel Charles Lindbergh, William Powell, Will Rogers, etc.

Mark Twain's printing press, now but a mass of ruins, was also of great interest to the girls. The old mining shafts which ran under the city, and have caused most of the remaining town to cave in, had a human interest story for the girls—for here the men worked the mines 3,200 feet below the surface, where the heat was so intense that they could only work fifteen minutes at a time with water being sprayed on their bodies. We returned to Reno just in time to eat dinner and to pack for the early evening trains to the various destinations of the guests whom it was such a pleasure to entertain.

Shall we say that Reno was able to offer a distinctive and slightly different form of entertainment to the girls because of the novelty of the state in having something a little "unusual"! To me, from Delta, Reno has offered a charming contrast to the life and atmosphere of the east and I am sure that all the girls felt the difference and enjoyed the contrast to the usual city life; and yet in Reno itself one could easily imagine, if it were not for the limitation of its size, that she was in some Metropolitan section of the country. The chapter house with its dignified charm and setting could have been any of our university chapter houses and is surpassed by few in attractiveness and size.

The Gamma Phi spirit was ever present in all of our business meetings, and in our play and the conference has again given us the feeling of nearness, sisterhood, and co-operation between states.

ELIZABETH MOORE CHARLTON, *Delta*



New Province Officers

Province One

HELEN BROGDEN TURNBULL, *Zeta*

Director

ALTHOUGH Helen Turnbull never has made a record flight across the Atlantic to win her world fame, her name is one that should be more widely known and more appreciated by others, as it now is by those who know her well. Her career has been a remarkable one, and she is one of the best loved members of Zeta Chapter.

She was born in Baltimore; her early life was spent in the city of her birth; she entered Western High School in 1922 and was elected president for three successive years, during which time she was a member of every class team of every variety—tennis, volleyball, basketball, swimming, hockey, and baseball, in addition to the office of captain on many teams. Her interests, however, were not restricted to athletics, for she took an active part in dramatics, played the leading rôle in the senior operetta and had a part in the senior play. One of the finest accomplishments of her high school life was the formation of the Student Activity Council which gave awards on all student activities and did not limit the awards to athletics. This Council still exists.

Graduating from high school in 1925, she entered Goucher College, was elected freshman chairman and sophomore president, though she was unable to accept the latter office. Again, her interest in athletics revealed itself, for she played upon almost every team in college, and, during her senior year, became president of the Athletic Association. Her time was also spent in work on numerous committees and organizations; and, finally, in her senior year, she won the highest award and honor which the college offers—the “blazer.” This award is an athletic one but is presented to the most all-round girl in college—one who is always neat in appearance, who has a host of friends, who enters into every college enterprise, who upholds a certain scholarship record, and who attains the highest ideals of sportsmanship.

With all her numerous high school and college activities, Turnie, as she is affectionately called, played on the all-Baltimore hockey team from the tender age of twelve until she graduated. She was a member of the Middle Atlantic Hockey Team and during 1929 was a member

of the Southeastern Reserve Team, playing the position of center half or left half. After graduation, she followed social welfare work for a year, and still managed to keep up her hockey and basketball with the Baltimore College Club which boasts of a season without defeats.

One would naturally infer that anyone who has led such a useful and active life might rest during the summer months; but Turnie went to camp every summer. In June of 1928 she was sent as senior delegate to Silver Bay; she attended Redwing for many years, and has been counselor there for the last few years. She also has been to Camp Navaho and to hockey camp.

Although this does not complete her life story, it does cover it by hitting the high spots. Helen Turnbull always has time for everyone, and her accomplishments and awards never have been glimpsed a path to conceit. She has never seen how she is different from anybody else—but she *is* different—one of the sanest and stablest people that ever lived and one of the finest of Gamma Phi sisters. We can always count on her friendship and loyalty, and she never could fail her friends, her family and her sorority.

The writer, a member of Zeta and one of Turnie's sorority "grand-children," cannot voice her praise strongly enough to you of other chapters who do not know her. She is, somehow, above mere words, and words are my only offering.

CAROLYN DENMEAD, *Zeta*

ALVAHN HOLMES, *Zeta*

Secretary

Once upon a time—so the story goes—Alvahn Holmes moved to Baltimore and entered Goucher College as a junior. She pledged Gamma Phi, of course; spent just one year at Goucher; hurried back to her beloved Alabama to win her A.B. degree; and then chose Baltimore as her permanent home.

She was a charming southern girl, dependable, efficient, and full of enthusiasm for her sorority. So it is no small wonder that, in the few years that have passed, she has been given innumerable tasks—big and little—by the Baltimore Alumnæ, and never once has she failed to keep her trust.

She has served as president of the Baltimore Alumnæ Chapter, attended the Province Conference in Boston, was the guiding genius of the committee on arrangements for the Baltimore Conference, and has had several opportunities to know personally the international officers of Gamma Phi Beta.

And now, Alvahn Holmes has been chosen secretary of Province I. She brings to this larger work, of course, all of the charm and efficiency that she has given in the past to the tasks of her local group.

HESTER CORNER WAGNER, *Zeta*



Dorothy Jennings, Director, Province III

Province Three

DOROTHY JENNINGS, *Phi*

Director

DOROTHY is what strangers call her, but "Dot" is infinitely more appropriate. For she *is* a dot. The statistical-minded might get more exact figures, but her Phi sisters have always contented themselves with saying that she is a trifle over four feet high. As to weight, we will grant her eighty-five, although the diminutive one herself will probably claim ninety.

Dot's energy is more extensive than these figures indicate. It dates from the days when she was one of the fastest streaks on the Washington University campus. It has taken her all over Canada, Alaska—to parts never visited until she and her dauntless mother made the trip—and Europe. It followed her through a varied teaching career at Centralia, Illinois, culminating each year in a May Day festival which was a marvel of effectiveness. It led her back, this last year, to Washington University, where she "lived laborious days" in quest of the master's degree in history which she was awarded in June.

Dot did not, however, while living these laborious days quite "scorn delights." She is, it seems, never too busy to get in an occasional horseback ride, a rubber of bridge, or a call. She has an uncanny ability at keeping up her friendships. When any of the St. Louis alumnae wants to track down a wandering sister, it is Dr. Jennings' phone that tinkles: Dot will know the address if anyone does.

It goes without saying that the reverse is true. Everyone has Dot's number, metaphorically and literally. It is a case of "Not to know her is to argue yourself unknown."

JULIA JONAH, *Phi*

ELIZABETH STRAYHORN, *Alpha Theta*

Secretary

Back in the days when Alpha Theta was only a baby chapter, one of the girls who was instrumental in founding it and helping it grow was none other than our new province secretary, Elizabeth Strayhorn. Because of her sunny disposition and charming personality Elizabeth was very popular with all the girls—those of other sororities as well as of Gamma Phi.

During the time she was in Vanderbilt she was always active in the chapter and was recognized as a girl of outstanding ability and constant sorority interest. After she finished college she spent two years teaching in Georgia and then came back to Nashville to receive her

master's degree from Peabody College. Back in town again she was soon in the midst of Alpha Theta's activities—helping to bear the burdens as well as to share the joys and success.

In spite of her many outside duties she has not once lost interest in Gamma Phi and is just as active as an "alum" as she was in college. No member of Alpha Theta, past or present, could surpass Elizabeth in meeting or handling any situation that may arise, and Alpha Theta is justly proud that Elizabeth should represent the chapter in the capacity of province secretary. Though she is weighted down with the many responsibilities attached to the position of professor of mathematics in Western Kentucky State Teachers College, because of her efficiency and never-ending interest and love for Gamma Phi she will come out, as she always does, on the winning side.

THELMA L. RIGGS, *Alpha Theta*

Province Five

FLORENCE MITCHELL SMITH, *Epsilon*

Director

ONCE upon a time, Beta Theta Pi held a convention at Estes Park; and it was declared that the most popular woman at the gathering was one who claimed a Beta husband and two Beta sons (since then, there has been another Beta son)—namely, our own Florence Mitchell Smith. And this statement is indicative of the particular charm that has won the many college girls with whom she has been brought in contact and for whom she has done such fine constructive work.

Florence Mitchell was initiated into Epsilon in 1895, was married in 1897, and lived in Illinois until 1909 when Pawhuska became her home. At one time she was president of Chicago Alumnae Chapter; and later, she inspected the local at the University of Oklahoma and helped to install it as Psi Chapter. Two other chapters has she inspected and installed—Alpha Zeta and Alpha Xi; while an inspection of the local which became Alpha Epsilon resulted in a favorable report. In 1922 she was sent as visiting delegate to the western district; and since then she has done similar work at various times, organizing many alumnae chapters and associations. During the Milk Bottle Campaign she was chairman of Oklahoma. She is a member of Tulsa Alumnae Chapter and of Oklahoma City Alumnae Chapter; and in March she was elected director of Province Five.

So much for the definite facts concerning Florence Smith's sorority career. We supplement the following characteristics that combine in making our new province director not only a fine type of sorority woman but a very charming personality—active in church and civic



Mrs. Horace Smith, Director, Province V

affairs, a valued member of several national organizations and of various social and study clubs, and—always busy; whether it be her home duties, her sorority work, or her gardening. For the Smith home consists of seven terraces, more than an acre of ground, on which are arbors, summer houses, bird houses, and feeding boxes. In addition, she plays a little golf and adores contract!

A dominant characteristic of Florence Smith is her loyalty to Gamma Phi; and she declares, "If I can bring to one girl what my membership in Gamma Phi has meant to me, I shall be most happy." Often has she done this very thing.

And our brief biography would not be complete without due mention of Mr. Smith—always interested in his wife's Gamma Phi work, always willing to drive miles in order that she may have the most convenient starting point for her trips, and perfectly amiable when aroused at 2:00 A.M. with long distance calls!

LUCILLE SHAW BARRETT, *Alpha Xi*
Secretary

The new chapter in Southern Methodist University claims as one of its most enthusiastic and capable alumnæ Lucile Shaw Barrett—one of the trio of charming Shaw girls who are the subject of the article, "Three Sisters Can't Be Wrong," appearing elsewhere in the magazine. She is guide, philosopher, and friend to Alpha Xi, and is always ready to train freshmen, superintend rushing, offer suggestions, and surmount difficulties.



Woman's Building, University of West Virginia



Installation of Alpha Pi

Facts Concerning University of West Virginia

FOUNDED 1867.

Registration of 1,900 men students and 730 women students.

Supported by State of West Virginia.

Fourteen buildings and an extensive building program.

Member of Southern Association of Colleges.

Faculty members—275.

Twenty-five fraternities on campus—nineteen, national; six, local.

Seven sororities on campus—seven, national; three local.

National sororities on campus—Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, Alpha Delta Pi, Phi Mu.
(Mentioned in order of founding.)

The Monongahela Club

FACTS CONCERNING MONONGAHELA CLUB

Representative in all college activities.

Rate socially.

Third among ten in scholastic standing.

Three Phi Beta Kappas since organization.

THE MONONGAHELA CLUB became a chartered organization on the campus of West Virginia University, April 15, 1927. At this time there were twenty-three girls belonging to the club. The individual names of the club members were not announced as the girls thought they would make more progress the first year if they remained a secret club. However, the announcement of the existence of the club on the campus was made in the university paper, *The Athenaeum*, on May 18, 1927.

The girls chose to name this organization The Monongahela Club, thinking the name appropriate as the university is situated along the Monongahela River. At the present time there are active members who are putting forth every effort possible to uphold the ideals of our group. The aim in founding this sorority on the campus was to bring a group of congenial young women of high ideals into a sisterly relationship, which would enable them to bring to our campus a national sorority of good standing. Through this relationship the club desires

to serve the college in every way, not for personal glory, but for the benefit of education and the upholding of the standards of the university.

Upon looking through *Baird's Manual* and comparing the fraternities that had the best national rating with those which were listed by the local Panhellenic as the ones they were desirous of having on the campus, the club had decided upon Gamma Phi Beta when Miss Fulton, the dean, told of the letter she had received from Miss Boardman. The decision was then made final and the initial step in petitioning Gamma Phi Beta was taken.

Installation of Alpha Pi Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta

THE GIRLS of Monongahela Club
Sat at their table
Eating their cherry pie
They put in their forks
And pulled out a—the telephone rang.

President Ruth Grove calmly rose from her seat to answer the phone. Every girl held her fork poised in air and listened, each one expecting that it was she who was wanted. But no, Ruth was talking excitedly, breathlessly. In a moment she burst into the room, gasping the words, "Girls, we—got it." A boisterous clamor transformed the sedate dining room into perfect bedlam. The girls were almost hysterical. Could it be true? "Gamma Phi Beta grants Monongahela Club charter. Congratulations." That was the message from Western Union office. Cries of "We must tell the town girls" rose above the general hub-bub. When the town girls had heard the good news and were already rushing to the house, the telephone was still busy. There were so many to tell, sororities, fraternities, patronesses, best friends, and a host of others. And of course it must be in the morning papers! In the morning everyone knew that Monongahela Club had gone national and that was the reason for so many smiling faces in eight o'clock classes.

Then followed the weeks of anxious waiting for details of installation. At last the date was set—April 18 and 19. Joyously the girls set about making plans for the banquet, for housing guests and alumnae—and at night a passerby might hear from behind drawn shades the low chant of Alpha, Syracuse; Beta, Michigan, and so on, far into the night.

Dear Miss Lowd was the first Gamma Phi to arrive. How glad everyone was to see her! Memories of her first visit a year ago lingered deep in every girl's heart. It was her pride in Gamma Phi Beta,

a pride which radiated from all over her, that had set their hearts and hands soaring toward the Crescent.

Next to arrive were Mrs. Barbour and Miss Camerer. The girls were overjoyed to be able to know the grand president and grand treasurer of the sorority which they were soon to call their own.

On Friday morning the active and alumnae members of Monongahela Club, with pencil and paper in their hands, were gathered solemnly around Miss Lowd, ready for the examination. In an hour it was over and they were off to meet the eleven o'clock train which was bringing the Zeta girls to help with installation. Enthusiasm ran high as new friends were quickly made. In almost no time at all they were calling each other "Barney" and "Turney" and "Maggie" and "Sally" as if they had been sisters forever. The Monongahela house was turned over to the Zeta girls, while both actives and alumnae sought out the homes of the town girls.

That evening the Monongahela girls gathered in the upper rooms of the sorority house. Clad in white dresses and with eyes sparkling expectantly, they waited for pledging. An hour later they stood silently gazing at the little tan and mode pledge pins pinned to their white dresses and listening to the solemn words of the grand president. Still full of the wonder and beauty of it all, the pledges of Alpha Pi Chapter filed out of the house, regretting only that Easter vacation had taken away many who would now be sharing their happiness.

On Saturday the initiation ceremony was held in the new women's building, Elizabeth Moore Hall. The building proved ideal with its beautiful winding stairway and spacious rooms. The actives were initiated in the morning and then were allowed to assist in the initiation of alumnae that afternoon.

The first meeting of Alpha Pi Chapter was conducted by Mrs. Barbour immediately after the initiation ceremony was over. The new chapter officers were formally installed and model business was taken up. The new president took the floor in time to adjourn the meeting. Then everyone hurried away to rest a little and get ready for the formal banquet at the Hotel Morgan that evening.

Around a huge crescent-shaped table, brilliantly lighted with candles, assembled all the installing Gamma Phi Betas and all the members of Alpha Pi Chapter and their patronesses to rejoice together in the new honor which had come to Monongahela Club. The ten guests of honor wore shoulder corsages of spring flowers. A beautiful floral crescent of pink carnations, the sorority flower, centered the table. A single carnation blossomed at each plate. The place cards were plain white with $\Gamma \Phi B$ printed diagonally in black letters. Favors were hand-painted programs of heavy fawn paper, cut in the shape of an artist's palette and tied with seal brown cords. And

especially dear to each Alpha Pi's heart was the little certificate of membership into Gamma Phi Beta which she found at her plate.

After the singing of the Gamma Phi blessing, Marian Williams, Alpha Pi, the toastmistress, gave a short greeting and thus opened the informal program of the evening. Between courses Gamma Phi songs were sung again and again, and many telegrams of congratulation and goodwill for the baby chapter were read at intervals by Miss Camerer. The guests were also entertained by Ruth Morris, Alpha Pi, at the piano. Extemporaneous speeches were made by Emma F. Lowd, parliamentarian, and Helen Turnbull, Zeta alumna.

At the conclusion of the dessert course the real program began. The theme of the banquet was "The Creation." Alpha Pi Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta was a beautiful painting created by Monongahela Club. In the creation of Alpha Pi just as in the creation of a truly worth while picture there was first an Inspiration, then a Sketch, then a Criticism, then an Award, and finally a statement of its Future. Those who took part in the program were: "The Inspiration," Beatrice Cooper (Alumna, Alpha Pi); "The Sketch," Ruth Grove, (Active, Alpha Pi); "The Criticism," Doris King (Active, Zeta); "The Award," Dr. John Roscoe Turner (President, West Virginia University); "The Future," Mrs. Elizabeth D. Barbour (Grand President, Gamma Phi Beta).

Early on Easter morning the Zeta girls bade farewell to their baby sisters. Then one by one the national officers went away, and the new Alpha Pis, full of inspiration and hope for the future, scattered all over West Virginia and Pennsylvania to enjoy the few days of vacation which still remained and incidentally, to display the shining crescents which were so dear to them.

Those present at the banquet were:

Installing officers: Elizabeth D. Barbour, grand president; Alice Camerer, grand treasurer; Emma F. Lowd, director of Province One.

Installing chapter, Zeta, Goucher College: Helen Turnbull, Doris King, Sally Chapman, Carolyn Denmead, Alvyn Holmes, and Margaret Denmead.

Alpha Pi: Alumnae—Beatrice Cooper, Lucille Ahern, Ruth Collins, Ann Culley, Sylvia Sutton, Dorothy O'Roke, Mary Michael, Dorothea Rist, Dorothy Campell, Merle Stemple, Mary Fuss, Irene Frame Fleming, Medora Mason, Verba Snodgrass. Actives—Vera Virginia Hensell, Virginia Baer, Virginia Gross, Kathleen Hoard, Marjorie Wallace, Ruth Blodgett, Virginia Barnett, Ruth Grove, Mary Louise Sutton, Ruby Koon, Freda Braun, Ruth Morris, Mary Kay Bishop, Marian Williams, Helen Pyles, and Ruth Miller. Pledges—Edwina Hartman, Margaret Nutter, Virginia Reed.

Patronesses: Mildred F. Garber (who was initiated with the new chapter), Sylvia Soupart, Mrs. Sheridan W. Bell, and Mrs. E. B. Hall.



Camp Statistics

S ESSION: Six weeks divided into three groups of two weeks each.

Number of Children: Sixty-two girls (ages, eight to twelve).

Manager: Dorothy Bell Joyce, Theta.

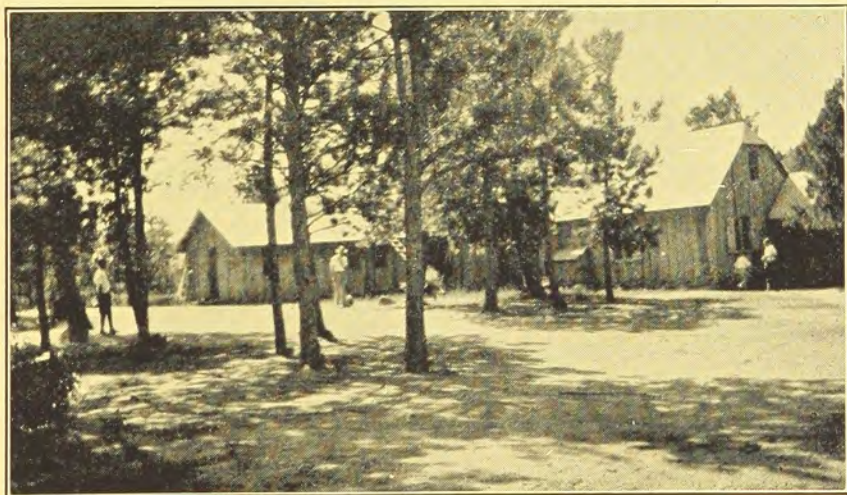
Head Councillor: Laura Frances Cottingham, Alpha Delta.

Councillors: Dorothy Boehme, Alpha Delta; Katherine Huston, Sigma; Betty Paine, Omicron; Helen Fling, Alpha Delta; Lucile Johnson, Alpha Delta; Grace Smith, Alpha Lambda; Betty McDaniel, Alpha Delta; Reata McDonough Murphy, Theta; Lucile Albright, Theta; Helen Cullen, Theta.

Children Supplied by: Head of City Charities, Visiting Nurses Association, welfare worker for public schools.

Donations: Ice-cream and cake sent to each group once through courtesy of Denver Chapter of D.A.R., Milwaukee Alumnæ Chapter, Robert Reeves, Alfred B. Bell.

Outfit for Each Child: Outing suit, pair of shoes, toothbrush and handkerchiefs (these were taken home); nightgown (gowns made by Ann Arbor Alumnæ Chapter); print dress (made by each child); the print dresses were cut out by Columbus Alumnæ Chapter, Madison



Children's Summer Camp

Alumnæ Chapter, Milwaukee Alumnæ Chapter, and Wichita Alumnæ Association.

Program: Setting up exercises before breakfast. Division of each group into four squads, each squad under the direction of a councillor. (This gives a healthy spirit of competition in accomplishing all their tasks and sports.) Instruction in setting tables, washing dishes, making beds, etc. Instruction in sewing. Games, hikes, picnics, songs, and dances for recreation.

The Camp Itself: *Situation*—Twenty-five miles from Denver in the heart of the Rockies. *Buildings*—Dining room, kitchen, and cook's quarters; dormitory—double deck beds for children and double rooms for councillors; recreation hall with fireplace, stage, and many windows. *Transporation*—Camp bus. *Diet*—Menus worked out with the idea of building up undernourished little bodies; plenty of milk, eggs, fresh vegetables, and fruit. *Movie reels*—Two movie reels of the children in the camp are available and will be sent to any chapter desiring to use them for any occasion, upon application to Mrs. Walter Clarke, 776 Vine Street, Denver, Colorado.



Historical Survey of Gamma Phi Beta

I. BEGINNINGS

FOUNDED November 11, 1874, by Frances E. Haven, Helen M. Dodge, E. Adeline Curtis, and Mary A. Bingham.

2. Motto given by Dr. Erastus O. Haven, chancellor of Syracuse University.

3. Constitution written by Helen M. Dodge and adopted January 7, 1875.

4. Badge drawn by Charles M. Moss and Mr. Cobb. Hebrew suggested by brother of Helen M. Dodge, a divinity student. Original size—an inch in diameter with monogram not raised above the crescent's surface. (For twenty years, a guard pin consisting of the letter S was attached by a chain to each pin.)

5. Clara Worden, first initiated. (Also first mother and grandmother.)

6. First initiation, March 19, 1875.

7. First reunion, June 15, 1875.

8. Colors changed on October 1, 1875, from light blue to double brown in honor of Dr. J. J. Brown, a close friend in whose study all meetings were held.

9. First anniversary banquet, November 11, 1875.

10. First song, "List, the Watchword," by Helen M. Dodge. Blessing written by Dr. Moss.

11. First graduate (1876), Helen M. Dodge.

12. Roll call of all members at meeting (March 13, 1876); systematic order of business (March 10, 1876).

13. Membership in 1882—fifty-eight.

14. Term *sorority* bestowed by Dr. Smalley (June, 1882).

II. EXPANSION

First chapters (1882-1893): Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, Epsilon, Zeta. (Six chapters.)

1894-1910: Eta, Theta, Iota, Kappa, Lambda, Mu, Nu, Xi. (Seven chapters.)

1910-1918: Omicron, Pi, Rho, Sigma, Tau, Upsilon, Phi, Chi, Psi, Omega. (Ten chapters.)

1918-1924: Alpha Alpha, Alpha Beta, Alpha Gamma, Alpha Delta, Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Eta, Alpha Theta, Alpha Iota. (Eleven chapters.)

1924-1930: Alpha Kappa, Alpha Lambda, Alpha Mu, Alpha Nu, Alpha Xi, Alpha Omicron, Alpha Pi, Alpha Rho, Alpha Sigma. (Nine chapters.)

III. LEGISLATION FROM TIME TO TIME

1884: Password and test, and signature adopted.

1886: Provision for withdrawal of charter. (A provision for which there has been no need.)

1890: Officially called sixteenth annual convention (Syracuse). Carnation adopted as flower. Friendship grip originated.

1892: First alumnae charter granted (Chicago).

1893: Advisory Board and Executive Committee appointed. Alumnae chapters first represented by delegates.

1894: First election of officers and Executive Board.

1900: Supreme government vested in Executive Board. First issue of magazine. Lillian Thompson chosen Panhellenic delegate.

1901: Committee appointed to formulate ritual based upon ritual of Theta Chapter.

1902: First convention of any college society west of Rocky Mountains, and second west of Mississippi. (Eta as hostess.)

1903: Revision of constitution.

1907: Thirty-third convention at Syracuse graced by the four founders—the only convention which all attended and their first visit together since 1898. (They were never together again.)

1909: First biennial convention (Boston).

1913: Visiting delegate appointed. Election of officers from same district. First chairman of scholarship appointed.

1915: Social service work adopted. Endowment Fund started.

1918: Milk Bottle Campaign inaugurated. (\$10,000 to Belgian babies.)

1919: Office of alumnae secretary created. Four visiting delegates assigned to four different territories. Scholarship urn first presented.

1920: First international chapter. (Alpha Alpha.)

1921: Songbook issued. Publication of Story of Gamma Phi Beta (History).

1924: Fiftieth anniversary at Lake Placid Club. Creation of office of Executive Secretary. Raising of \$50,000 Endowment Fund. Naming of Lindsey Barbee Fellowship. First display of chapter trophies and scrapbooks.

1926: First province conference (Minneapolis).

1928: Adoption of Gamma Phi Beta policies. Appointment of chairman of music.

1929: Denver camp adopted as national social service. Authorization of Central Office in public building. Authorization of committee upon publications. Prize for best singing first awarded.

1930: Appointment of national chairman of rushing. Appointment of chairman of ritual. Directory issued.

IV. CHAPTER ITEMS

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Installation</i>	<i>Value of Property</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>	<i>Prominent Alumnae</i>
ALPHA Syracuse University	November 11, 1874	\$38,500	From the very first has maintained its prominence on campus	Grace Smith Richmond Well known author
BETA University of Michigan	June 7, 1882	\$55,000	Each initiate becomes member of Gamma Phi Beta Incorporated	Ruth Mary Weeks President of National Conference of Teachers of English
GAMMA University of Wisconsin	November 14, 1885	\$112,000	First sorority in Wisconsin and first chapter in Gamma Phi Beta to own home	Laura Case Sherry Actress, director, dramatic critic founder of Wisconsin Players.
DELTA Boston University	April 22, 1887	Chapter rooms	Claims greater percentage of Phi Beta Kappas than any other chapter	Esther Willard Bates Dramatist, and authority upon pageantry.
EPSILON Northwestern University	October 13, 1888	\$96,650	Employs fine point system for campus activities	Nell Brooker Mayhew Artist
ZETA Goucher College	November 24, 1893	Chapter rooms	First southern chapter and only chapter in a distinctly woman's city college	Margaret Fishback Poet
ETA University of California	April 17, 1894	\$30,500	House planned by two architect members of chapter	Charlotte Kellogg Writer and international celebrity
THETA University of Denver	December 28, 1897	\$10,000 (Club House)	Has traditional play written by an alumna	Margaret Packard Taussig Member of Denver School Board and only woman trustee of University of Denver

IV. CHAPTER ITEMS (continued)

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Installation</i>	<i>Value of Property</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>	<i>Prominent Alumnae</i>
IOTA Barnard College (Inactive)	November 4, 1901		Inactive in 1915 by vote of Barnard trustees	Edna Stitt Robinson One of sixteen trustees of Woman's Home Missionary Society of Methodist Episcopal Church
KAPPA University of Minnesota	May 29, 1902	\$50,000	Presented first petition of its kind in sorority world.	Maud Hart Lovelace Writer
LAMBDA University of Washington	May 7, 1903	\$68,000	Formed Panhellenic in Washington and suggested Woman's League	Zoe Kincaid Penlington Authority on Japanese drama
MU Stanford University	January 9, 1905	\$28,000	Local formed with purpose of petitioning Gamma Phi Beta	Helen Thoburn National board of Y. W. C. A. Author of "Hymn of Lights"
NU University of Oregon	December 18, 1908	\$55,000	Thirteenth charter granted to group of thirteen, living on Thirteenth street	Ruth Duniway Kerby Writer
XI University of Idaho	November 22, 1909	\$30,000	For some years held highest scholarship average of any fraternity or non-fraternity group, making at one time "A" honors, never before achieved by any organization	Lucy Day Mix Wife of one of Idaho's most prominent men.
OMICRON University of Illinois	May 24, 1913	\$108,000	Only chapter to be founded by a founder	Lita Bane Staff of <i>Ladies' Home Journal</i> .
PI University of Nebraska	June 20, 1914	\$45,000	First sorority at Nebraska to own its home	Marguerite McPhee Faculty of University of Nebraska
RHO University of Iowa	June 15, 1915	\$55,000	Founded through influence of an alumna of Alpha—Cora Jackson Carson	Alice Camerer Secretary-treasurer of Gamma Phi Beta

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Installation</i>	<i>Value of Property</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>	<i>Prominent Alumnae</i>
SIGMA University of Kansas	October 9, 1915	\$55,000	Inaugurated Gamma Phi Muttin Worry	Helen Rhoda Hoopes Poet and Professor of English in University of Kansas
TAU Colorado Agricultural College	October 15, 1915	\$27,000	First chapter of sorority in agricultural college	Gertrude Lauche Chief dietetist at the Hamilton County Tuberculosis Sanitarium (A branch of Cincinnati General Hospital.)
UPSILON Hollins College (Inactive)	June 1, 1916		Originally, Alpha chapter of Phi Mu Gamma, junior sorority	Beulah Bennett Musician
PHI Washington University	February 23, 1917	Chapter rooms \$7,000 in equipment	Given choice of rooms in new Woman's Building on account of being first sorority to contribute \$5,000 toward building	Julia Jonah Writer
CHI Oregon State College	April 27, 1918	\$40,000	Installed at Phi Delta Theta house	Grace Colborne President of Associated Women Students of Oregon State College and of the State of Oregon
PSI University of Oklahoma	September 14, 1918	\$47,000	Chapter house is distinguished by mural decoration, the work of artist alumnae	Edith Mahier Artist
OMEGA Iowa State College	December 20, 1918	\$50,000	Introduced in college the idea of exchange nights among sororities, and established Panhellenic dinner at which each sorority, in turn, acts as hostess.	Gertrude Shell Iowa State President of Home Economics Club.

IV. CHAPTER ITEMS (continued)

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Installation</i>	<i>Value of Property</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>	<i>Prominent Alumnae</i>
ALPHA ALPHA University of Toronto	October 20, 1918	Chapter rooms	First international link	Bonnie Wickmare Lecturer in Spanish at University of Toronto
ALPHA BETA University of North Dakota	June 16, 1920	\$38,000	Installation reception given by Mrs. Kane, wife of President of University of North Dakota	Mabel Hay Superintendent of nurses at Johns Hopkins with psychopathic ward as particular field. Awarded Rockefeller Fellowship
ALPHA GAMMA University of Nevada	May 14, 1921	\$10,700	From installation has been marked for fine scholarship and campus prominence	Loretta Miller Assistant in botany at University of Nevada
ALPHA DELTA University of Missouri	May 20, 1921	\$50,000	Existed <i>sub rosa</i> as a local until the installation	Elizabeth Bates Ahrens Selected by School of Journalism as one of two outstanding graduates to be given a trip around the world
ALPHA EPSILON University of Arizona	April 29, 1922	\$44,000	Formed by resident Gamma Phiis, each from a different chapter	Helen Nelson Graduate with many campus honors
ALPHA ZETA University of Texas	May 29, 1922	Rents	At present claims four Phi Beta Kappas—on campus—a greater number than any other sorority	Dr. Maud M. Burns Assistant physician at Cornell University
ALPHA ETA Ohio Wesleyan University	November 10, 1923	Chapter rooms	First to enter Ohio Wesleyan after ban on sororities was lifted	Katherine Squire Actress
ALPHA THETA Vanderbilt University	June 25, 1924	Rents	Charter granted at Golden Anniversary in 1924, and delegate initiated at midnight with founder's pin	Martha Ragsdale Assistant in research work at Yale. (Master's thesis published.)

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Installation</i>	<i>Value of Property</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>	<i>Prominent Alumnae</i>
ALPHA IOTA University of California at Los Angeles	June 26, 1924	\$60,000	Charter granted at Golden Anniversary in 1924	Louise Gibson Assistant dean of women in a Pasadena junior college and employment secretary for students and young people, (Only Y. W. C. A. secretary in United States in a four year junior college.
ALPHA KAPPA University of Manitoba	June 5, 1925	Chapter rooms	For years has claimed office of Lady Stick—the highest on campus	Eileen Magill First woman pilot in Canada.
ALPHA LAMBDA University of British Columbia	April 28, 1928	Chapter rooms	First sorority in British Columbia	Freda Wilson Stewart Instructor in bacteriology and author of scientific publications
ALPHA MU	June 9, 1928	Rents	Outstanding in literary achievements	Stella Weston Poet
ALPHA NU Wittenberg College	May 24, 1929	Rents	Distinction of being first Greek-letter society at Wittenberg and a local for twenty-seven years	Helen Ness Moores of Springfield
ALPHA XI Southern Methodist University	September 21, 1929	Chapter rooms	Sponsored by resident alumnae in Dallas	Pearl Wallace Chappell Poet
ALPHA OMICRON North Dakota Agricultural College	February 1, 1930	Rents	Maintains scholarship Fund	Dr. Elizabeth Rindlaub Eminent physician
ALPHA PI University of West Virginia		Rents		
ALPHA RHO Birmingham-Southern	September 6, 1930		Installed recently	
ALPHA SIGMA Randolph-Macon Woman's College	September 13, 1930		Installed recently	

V. ALUMNAE CHAPTERS

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Chartered</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>
Chicago	1891	Issues <i>Crescent Chatter</i> , a newspaper of Chicago and Epsilon activities.
Syracuse	1892	Contributed \$1,500 to Endowment Fund of Syracuse University.
Boston	1893	Annual spring luncheon on date of Delta's founding.
New York	1901	Annual bridge party for benefit of Endowment Fund.
Milwaukee	1902	As a chapter annually aids Community Chest Drive.
Berkeley	1902	Together with San Francisco maintains scholarship in University of California.
Minneapolis	1904	Presents cup to sorority at University of Minnesota attaining highest scholastic standing.
Denver	1907	For six years maintained summer camp for under-privileged children, now a national enterprise.
Detroit	1913	Instead of employing money-making schemes, each member covers her share of budget in yearly dues.
Baltimore	1915	Annually sponsors a benefit at Guild Theatre.
Seattle	1915	Maintains scholarship awarded annually to some worthy woman student at University of Washington.
Los Angeles	1918	Fostered Alpha Iota and aided building of chapter house in maximum degree.
Portland	1918	Contributed \$500 toward Woman's Building at University of Oregon.
Des Moines	1919	Gives material aid to both Rho and Omega.
St. Louis	1920	Aided Phi in raising \$5,000 for Woman's Building at Washington University.
Reno	1921	Was responsible in great part for purchase of Alpha Gamma house.
Toronto	1923	Concentrates on service to Alpha Alpha.
Spokane	1923	Concentrates on social service work.
Cleveland	1924	Holds Christmas party for Gamma Phi Beta mothers and for girls home from college.
Madison	1925	Recently presented reference library to Gamma.
Ann Arbor	1926	Recently supervised and planned renovation of Beta house.

V. ALUMNAE CHAPTERS (continued)

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Chartered</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>
Columbus	1926	Closely affiliates itself with Alpha Eta.
Kansas City	1926	Concentrates on rushing for all nearby chapters.
St. Paul	1927	For some years after the war carried on Milk Bottle Campaign for benefit of Near East Relief.
Vancouver	1928	Concentrates on money raising for Alpha Lambda house.
San Francisco	1928	Recently established Berkeley members in separate chapter.
Champaign-Urbana	1929	Has a yearly meeting with Mrs. Moss, the founder.
Nashville	1929	Includes four Alpha Theta members at each meeting.
Springfield	1929	Organized upon granting of charter to Alpha Nu.
Fargo	1929	Sponsored local that became Alpha Omicron.
Oklahoma City	1929	Chief interest is Psi.
Tulsa	1929	Active in aiding Psi.
Dallas	1930	Aids materially in rushing for Alpha Xi.

VI. ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

<i>Association</i>	<i>Certificate Granted</i>	<i>Interesting Facts</i>
Omaha	1920	Interest centers in Pi.
District of Columbia	1921	Fine social service.
Lincoln	1921	Monthly meetings at Pi house, followed by luncheon with active chapter.
Everett	1921	For years materially aided Seattle's mammoth bazaar.
Boise	1921	Aids Xi in any possible way.
Lawrence	1921	Was hostess at luncheon given in Lawrence during week of 1929 convention.
Moscow	1922	Aids Xi in rushing and in other ways.
Fort Collins	1922	Chief interest is Tau.
Eugene	1922	Aided materially in building of Nu house.
Wichita	1924	Active in Panhellenic affairs.
St. Joseph	1924	Concentrates on service to Alpha Delta.
Corvallis	1924	At present is working faithfully on the proposed Chi house.
San Diego	1925	Sponsored sale of Gamma Phi Beta tally cards for benefit of Alpha Epsilon.
Winnipeg	1925	Demands payment of half the yearly dues before member is considered active.
Austin	1926	Presented bound CRESCENTS to Alpha Zeta.
Grand Forks	1926	Concentrates on service to Alpha Beta.
Duluth	192	Social purposes.
Phoenix	1929	Chief effort for Alpha Epsilon.
Davenport	1929	Affiliates with Iowa chapter.
Salt Lake City	1929	Social purposes.
Tucson	1929	One member supervises study table of Alpha Epsilon; another acts as pledge adviser; another is chapter adviser.

VII. PUBLICATIONS

1. THE CRESCENT. Official magazine, issued as a quarterly.
2. *The Story of Gamma Phi Beta*. (History.)
3. *Songbook*. (Two different issues.)
4. *Directory*. (Four different issues.)
5. *Freshman Manual*.

VIII. GRAND PRESIDENTS OF GAMMA PHI BETA

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| 1895. Ella French, Alpha. Deceased. | 1907. Gertrude Ross, Gamma. |
| 1896. Louise Putnam, Delta. Deceased. | 1908. Amy Phelan Warner, Eta. |
| 1897. Honta Smalley Bredin, Beta. | 1909. Grace Lasher Berry, Epsilon. |
| 1898. Cora Willard Fredrick, Alpha. | 1910. Mabel E. Stone, Alpha. |
| 1899. Mary Wellington, Delta. | 1911. Mary Shepherd, Delta. |
| 1900. Alice Hosmer Preble, Beta. Deceased. | 1913. Una Winterburn Harsen, Iota. |
| 1901. Kate Gardner Cooke, Alpha. Deceased. | 1915. Carrie E. Morgan, Gamma. |
| 1902. Emma F. Lowd, Delta. | 1917. Carrie E. Morgan, Gamma. |
| 1903. Lillian W. Thompson, Beta. | 1919. Lindsey Barbee, Theta. |
| 1904. Minnie Curtis Dinsmore, Alpha. | 1921. Lindsey Barbee, Theta. |
| 1905. Elizabeth Putnam Clarke, Delta. | 1924. Grace Howard Smith, Alpha. |
| 1906. Florence Clifford Savage, Delta. | 1926. Laura Latimer Graham, Alpha. |
| | 1927. Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, Epsilon. |
| | 1929. Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, Epsilon. |

IX. INFORMATORY SUMMARY

Growth: Forty college chapters. Thirty-three alumnae chapters.

Twenty-one alumnae associations.

Altruistic effort: Colorado camp for underprivileged children.

Membership: Approximately ten thousand.

Main objects: Loyalty, friendship, culture and service.

Award: National trophy for scholarship.

Property value: Approximately \$1,133,350.

Historical background: One of the oldest and most conservative of Greek-letter organizations for women.

Internationalism: Three Canadian chapters.

Belgian war work: Approximately \$10,000.

Endowment Fund: Used for scholarship loans and internal development.

Thousand dollars: Lindsey Barbee Fellowship presented through American Association of University Women.

Administration: Grand Council and province directors.



Award of Lindsey Barbee Fellowship

FROM the April number of the *Journal* of the American Association of University Women:

"One other fellowship is restricted to a specific purpose. The Gamma Phi Beta Sorority offers the Lindsey Barbee Fellowship of \$1,000 to a candidate who wishes to 'devote herself entirely to preparation for social service in a graduate school of recognized standing.'

"Gamma Phi Beta Social Service Fellowship. Effie Marie Ross. B.A., George Washington University, 1923; M.A., American University, 1926. Special work at Simmons College, St. Elizabeth's Hospital (Washington, D.C.), and Johns Hopkins University. Hospital social worker, Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D.C., and staff member, National Training School of the Methodist Church.

"Miss Ross will attend the New York School of Social Service, and probably also the School of Social Administration at the University of Chicago, with a view to 'leadership and teaching with special reference to the field of hospital social work.' With the raising in standards for professional social work in the membership requirements of the American Association of Social Workers, the need for well-equipped teachers in the social service field is increasingly evident."



Outstanding Seniors

ALPHA

Virginia Tucker

VIRGINIA TUCKER HAS been selected as Alpha's most outstanding senior. Throughout the past four years she has been one of the most prominent figures on the campus and at the same time has maintained a "B" average and has been very active in the chapter itself.

In her freshman year "Ginnie" took part in many of the sports such as field hockey, basketball, tennis, and was elected baseball manager. She was also a member of the finance committee of Y.W.C.A. and of the Student Union committee. The following year she took active part in the same sports and in addition was made secretary of the Women's Athletic Association. This involved writing, typing, and editing of the W.A.A. handbook. She was also an assistant associate editor of the *Daily Orange*, the campus publication.

Ginnie was more active than ever during her junior year. She was elected to one of the most distinguished positions on the campus—president of the Women's Athletic Association, was also chosen for Eta Pi Upsilon, honorary senior society, was a member of the English Club, Philosophy Club, Historical Association and a delegate from W.A.A. to the conference in Greensboro, North Carolina. She also played hockey and lacrosse when not engaged in all these activities.

During her senior year, Ginnie was treasurer of Eta Pi Upsilon, W.A.A. president, member of Women's Student Senate, a teacher of Senior Guidance, a sponsor of R.O.T.C. (resigned), and handled the funds for Women's Day. Altogether she has been a most active representative of Gamma Phi Beta on the Syracuse campus and has established a record difficult for any aspiring member of Alpha to surpass.



Virginia Tucker, Alpha



Mercedes Jelsna, Gamma

GAMMA

Mercedes Jelsna

THIS IS MERCEDES JELSNA, of Gamma Chapter! In her two years at Wisconsin, she has made a prominent name for herself in campus dramatics, has been elected to Wisconsin Players, and this year became a member of National Collegiate Players, honorary dramatic organization. Mercedes played the leading rôle in the homecoming play, *Kempy*; she was given the rôle of Desdemona in *Othello*, the last production of the year, and is returning during the summer months to repeat the part.

Mercedes leads the chapter scholarship with a 2.6 average.

DELTA

Ruth Middlemas

DELTA CHAPTER OF Gamma Phi Beta presents Ruth Allison Middlemas as its most outstanding senior.

Ruth is a student in the art department of Boston University and her activities for the past year include: president of the student body of the art department, photograph editor of the *Sed* (yearbook of the School of Education in which the art department is represented), and chairman of the Gamma Phi Beta house party committee. Last year she was vice-president of the art department and has held a prominent position in all-college affairs throughout her four years. She recently was elected president of the alumni association of the art department and has attained more honors in her work than any other student on record. This year she received three first prizes and one second prize. She is particularly talented in watercolor and oil painting.



Ruth Middlemas, Delta

THETA

Lucia Young

LUCIA YOUNG, FROM her freshman year has brought great honor to Theta; and not only has she been the acknowledged leader on the campus but she has given to her chapter a fine loyalty, enthusiasm, and idealism.

Entering on a scholarship for high scholastic standing, she became active immediately in athletics and Y.W.C.A. and her activity in these two fields was continued throughout her four years. Belonging to W.A.A. she was a member of the all-star team in hockey, in basketball, in volleyball, in baseball, served on the board as a sophomore, and was elected to Rilling Athletic Club, an honorary organization. She was a member of the Y.W.C.A. cabinet during her four years, as a junior was vice-president, and, on account of her manifold activities, was unable to accept the presidency in her senior year. She was a charter member of Parrakeet, honorary pep organization; and was a member of Mathematics Club, of Alpha Zeta Pi, national honorary romance language fraternity (of which she served as vice-president and was sent as delegate to the convention held at Columbia, Missouri), of Kappa Delta Pi, national honorary educational fraternity, of Delta Epsilon, national honorary society for natural sciences and mathematics, of Kedros, honorary society for senior women. In her senior year, she was elected vice-president of the Student Association, the highest campus office for a woman, and by virtue of this office, she became president of Women's Student League and a delegate to Western Division Conference. In her junior year she assisted in the department of mathematics; with six other students and seven faculty members she served on religious education advisory committee, was a member of the dean's advisory committee and also of the advisory committee for the dean of women. As one of four women, she was chosen for the "Pioneer" section of the annual which contains the photographs of the ten seniors who have been of greatest worth to their college, and was the first woman to be elected by the senior class as one of four candidates for an annual award which is presented through the faculty to the most outstanding senior. In 1930 she managed the May Fête and was Maid of Honor to the Queen; and she will return to Denver University in the fall as graduate assistant



Lucia Young, Theta

in the department of philosophy, president of Alpha Zeta Pi, and a member of the religious education advisory committee.

KAPPA

Kara Jacobsen



Kara Jacobsen, Kappa

KAPPA CHAPTER has voted Kara Jacobsen its most representative senior; and she has been active in every field as you will see in the following list of her activities: Mortar Board, Eta Sigma Upsilon (honorary society for senior women in education); Trailers; Aquatic League; in Women's Athletic Association, ice-hockey head, secretary and social chairman; winner of M; varsity basketball team; all-University tennis runner-up; interhouse tennis champion; Y.W.C.A. discussion group leader; president of junior education; secretary of all-junior class; sophomore assistant on *Gopher*; third in line at Junior Ball.

NU

Edwina Grebel

EDWINA GREBEL, NU's most outstanding senior, claims a long list of activities: frosh glee committee; Christmas college ball in Portland; sophomore picnic committee; junior prom reception committee; vice-chairman of senior ball; secretary of Greater Oregon committee, of Junior Vodville, of senior class; chairman of homecoming luncheon, '29; reception committee and membership committee of Y.W.C.A.; reception committee for homecoming, '29; campus Red Cross drive, '29, and finally, chairman of rushing in '29.



Edwina Grebel, Nu

XI

Marjorie Bloom

MARJORIE BLOOM of Xi tabulates the following campus activities: chairman of senior gift committee; member of W.A.A.; women students' cabinet; English Club; Y.W.C.A.; Westminster Guild.



Marjorie Bloom, Xi

OMICRON

Peggy Leach

Peggy Leach, Omicron

PEGGY LEACH GRADUATED in February with honors from Liberal Arts and Science, and received her degree in home economics. Her campus activities included membership in Alpha Lambda Delta, national freshman honorary scholastic organization of which she was grand treasurer, Shi-Ai, sophomore activity organization, Phi Upsilon Omicron, national home economics organization; Omicron Nu, honorary home economics organization. She was co-chairman of the flower committee for Mothers' Day, '29; chairman of Shi-Ai Sing, '29; financial chairman of women's league, and freshman trainer for the past year.

On April 26, she was married to Norman Williams, Sigma Chi, from Centre College in Kentucky, and is living in Chicago Heights.



Nyle Spieler, Pi

PI

Nyle Spieler

FROM THE DAY Nyle entered the Pi chapter house as a rushee until she left our home as one of the most popular seniors on the Nebraska campus, she has been outstanding for her extremely refreshing personality.

There are few children in Lincoln that have not heard of Nyle Spieler because of her interest and activity in the Children's Theater sponsored by the Lincoln Junior League. She was a delightful and winsome Snow-White in *Snow-White and the Seven Dwarfs* and also played a lead in *Winnie the Poorh*. Her activities in the dramatic world did not stop with the Children's Theater but were carried into the University Players of which she was an active member, playing a leading part in *R.U.R.* She also took an active part in the University dramatic club.

One would think that a girl so busily engaged in numerous dramatic activities would not find time for others, but not Nyle, she was for four years a member of Tassels, Nebraska's honorary pep society. This spring she was candidate for Prom Girl, winning with three others in the primary election; but was beaten by four votes in the finals. We are all proud of Nyle because she seems to radiate the true Gamma Phi spirit, and we shall miss her when we return to college this fall.

RHO

Bernetta Kuenan

HERE ARE THE activities of Bernetta Kuenan of Rho: Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalistic; president of Hesperia, literary society; Women's forensic council; Y.W.C.A.; University student council; University social committee; Memorial Union drive; editor-in-chief of 1930 *Hawkeye*, the Iowa yearbook; junior prom queen, '29; member of Associated Students of Journalism; representative junior woman, '29.



Bernetta Kuenan, Rho

TAU

Naomi Van Horn

HAVE YOU EVER experienced the desire to smile when you recall a certain friend to mind? Such is my state as I write of our little red head at Tau. Her laughing brown eyes and her bright red hair are irresistible. Not only have we fallen for her attractive, efficient, and lovable ways but so have others.

College honors have fallen upon her fast and furiously. First, in scholarship her name is engraved upon the Gamma Phi Beta shield as having the highest average her freshman year. And now as I glance over the records I find that she still maintains this high average and at present heads the chapter in senior year although burdened down with many outside activities, such as being president of W.A.A., member of the associated women student council, editor of women's athletics for the *Collegian*, and Gamma Phi representative on Panhellenic Council. She is a member also of Alpha Chi Alpha, Omicron Nu, and Phi Kappa Phi honor sororities and her picture appears in the "Pacemakers'" section of the 1930 *Spruce*.

*Naomi Van Horn, Tau*

PHI

Elizabeth Schall

THE OFFICES WHICH Betty held in Gamma Phi were assistant treasurer, rush captain, pledge adviser, and vice-president.

The campus activities in which Betty participated were hockey and soccer, glee club, vigilance committee, and Y.W.C.A., of which she was treasurer in her sophomore year. Betty belonged to freshman commission which is the freshman honorary at Washington, and to Ternion, the junior honorary. She served on the sophomore party committee and on the senior prom committee. Betty also participated in the Daisy Chain and she was a maid to the Queen.

*Elizabeth Schall, Phi*



Grace Colborne, Chi

CHI

Grace Colborne

Senior Year. President of the associated women students of Oregon State College and of the state in general; vice-president of Cap and Gown, senior women's honorary petitioning Mortar Board; secretary of the student interests committee; president of Kappa Kappa Alpha, national honorary fraternity in art.

Junior Year. Chapter president; sergeant-at-arms of associated women students; chairman of annual women's co-ed ball; historian of Kappa Kappa Alpha; general committee for all-women's formal tea.

Sophomore Year. Chapter house manager and treasurer; treasurer of Spurs, sophomore honorary fraternity; Big Sister sub-chairman (one of ten); vice-president of the art club.

Freshman Year. Associated Rookess, two hours a week as secretary to the student body president; member of the art club.

OMEGA

Gertrude Shell

OMEGA CHAPTER DECREES Gertrude Shell, in turn its historian and treasurer, to be the most outstanding senior, and chronicles the following honors: membership in Mortar Board; Phi Upsilon Omicron (vice-president), Jack o' Lantern, Y.W.C.A. (freshman commission, senior and junior councils, and junior member of Y.W.C.A. camp placement bureau). In the home economics club she has been president of the local chapter and also Iowa State president.



Gertrude Shell, Omega

ALPHA BETA

Dorothy Elkin

ALTHOUGH ALL OF the Alpha Beta seniors have gained many honors, Dorothy Elkin's achievements are most marked. During this last year, she has been secretary of Phi Chi Theta, vice-president of Panhellenic, president of women's senate, vice-president of women's league board and was initiated into Quo Vadis, the most important senior society. Also, she made a tremendous hit in the Playmaker production, *The Clean-up*; and as a senior in instrumental music at Wesley College is rated among the able musicians on the campus. Not only is Alpha Beta proud of Dorothy, but each member loves her.

*Dorothy Elkin, Alpha Beta*

ALPHA ETA

Virginia Madden*Virginia Madden, Alpha Eta*

"LISTERINE," VIRGINIA MADDEN gravely replied to the freshman who, at the annual Senior Breakfast, asked the secret of her success. This answer was characteristic of Ginny's unassuming way of capturing honors, for her list of offices and activities for the four years is very long and representative. But longer by far is her list of friendships won by her charm and spirit so contagious and so bracing. Virginia's success must be due to the fact that she becomes the spirit of whatever she undertakes. She graced the Y.W.C.A. cabinet in junior and senior years; she was on the staff of the college paper in freshman and sophomore years, becoming society

editor when a junior and the assistant women's editor when a senior; she was a member of the University social committee as sophomore, junior and senior, while during these same years she was ranked as a representative woman. She has been a member of Squibs, philosophy club and Student Chest; she took part in Omicron Delta Kappa's musical comedy, was secretary of her class, a member of Mortar Board, and as a climax—won Phi Beta Kappa.



ALPHA EPSILON

Ione Sparks

FRESHMAN YEAR—social chairman Y.W.C.A., member of W.A.A.; sophomore year—Gamma Phi social chairman and province convention delegate, swimming sport leader, diving champion, and second place in the riding show; junior year—president of Panhellenic, treasurer of A.W.S., pledge captain, A. Club, F.S.T., junior honorary society, and treasurer of W.A.A.; senior year—president of association of women students, president of house, first semester, A. Club, and student council.

Ione Sparks, Alpha Epsilon

ALPHA NU

Julia Ross

JULIA ROSS, OF Urbana, Ohio, contributed unstintingly of her time and varied talents first, to Tau Delta Theta, our local which became Alpha Nu in June, 1929, and then to Gamma Phi Beta. During her four years at Wittenberg she participated in many activities, leading a well-balanced life, having that enviable trait of being able to dovetail her scholastic, extracurricular and social activities.

For four years she took an active part in our college Y.W.C.A., serving on the cabinet in her junior year. During her third year, also, she was chosen for the coveted co-ed position on the junior prom committee. Euterpea, our women's literary society, enjoyed her clever book reviews

*Julia Ross, Alpha Nu*

during her sophomore, junior, and senior years. Along this line of activity also, she was a member of our women's debating team, and a reporter for the *Torch*, our weekly paper. In her senior year, she was a very busy girl, for in addition to her duties as assistant at the Springfield Child Study Clinic, she served as vice-president of Sigma Pi Sigma, national psychological fraternity, chairman of the costume committee for the alma mater fête, and vice-president of the senior class. Nor did she neglect her chapter, for she was our chaplain for a year and capably assumed the arduous duties of house president and manager for two years. In fact when questioned as to her many activities, she claimed Gamma Phi as her "biggest one."

ALPHA XI

Dorothy Sinz

DOROTHY SINZ, ALPHA XI's most outstanding senior, was pledged on Alpha Xi's first pledge day and is now president of the chapter, a task that she is fulfilling splendidly because of her tact, her common sense, her good nature, and her experience in dealing with girls. Scholastically brilliant, she was elected to membership in Theta Sigma Phi, honorary journalism society of which she is treasurer, and chairman of Matrix table. She is parliamentarian of the press club, member of Fourth Estate, the journalism society, and of W.A.A. and Y.W.C.A. Southern Methodist University has given her both a bronze and a silver "M" in journalism for her work on the student newspaper. Dorothy spent her freshman year at the University of Oklahoma where she won a silver loving cup in horsemanship, and was a member of Ducks' Club, an honorary swimming organization. Her junior year she transferred to Colorado College at Colorado Springs where she was assistant professor in the department of physical education and was on the staff of the college paper. She spends her summers as a counselor at a girls' scout camp in which organization she has attained the rank of Golden Eaglet.



Dorothy Sinz, Alpha Xi



Margaret Ballard, Alpha Omicron

ALPHA OMICRON

Margaret Ballard

MARGARET BALLARD'S COLLEGE honors are as follows:

In her freshman year she was on the women's senate, and was the freshman bowling manager.

While a sophomore she was an R.O.T.C. sponsor, an enthusiast in riflery, member of the league of women voters.

As a junior she again sat in the women's senate, and on the Y.W.C.A. cabinet, was military ball leader, a member of the girls' rifle team, was initiated into Phi Kappa Phi, co-eds' honorary, and Pi Gamma Mu, honorary social science.

In her senior year Margaret was president of the local chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, was Guidon president, again an R.O.T.C. sponsor, member of the university board of publications, member of senior staff and Panhellenic council, and May Queen.

ALPHA PI

Marian C. Williams

MARIAN IS ALPHA PI'S prize senior. During her freshman and sophomore years she served on the finance committee of Y.W.C.A., on the judicial board of W.S.G.A. and as a member of Westminster girls' club and Eta Sigma Phi, national Latin honorary. In her junior year she was president of Monongahela Club. She was Panhellenic representative in her junior and senior years, and secretary of Eta Sigma Phi. In her senior year Marian was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. When Y.W.C.A. organized freshman groups Marian was one of six girls chosen as leaders. In her junior and senior years she played in all Latin plays presented by Eta Sigma Phi.



Marian Williams, Alpha Pi



A Letter from Mrs. Moss

Urbana, Illinois

March 8, 1930

606 South Mathews Avenue

MY DEAR MISS BARBEE:

I have been intending to write you for some time and tell you how much I have enjoyed the last few numbers of *THE CRESCENT*. The accounts of Convention, of the establishment of new chapters, the various helpful articles and the items about many persons I have known have been very interesting to me and I am proud of the magazine and grateful to the editor.

I know you are pleased to hear what I am going to tell you about the golden wedding of my sister Mira.

My thoughts go back to the years 1879 and 1880 which were full of experiences, both sad and glad, for our family. During the summer my father gathered us all into a cottage at Thousand Island Park in the St. Lawrence River—my mother, my oldest brother and his wife and little girl, my husband and myself, my sister and my two younger brothers. It was the last time we were all together.

In September my second brother was summoned by telegram to Fredonia, New York. His fiancée, Elizabeth Frances Haywood, one of the first group of girls we had rushed for Gamma Phi, and who had graduated in June, had developed tuberculosis, and her father wished my brother and her mother to take her to what was then known as Indian Territory, to see if a change in climate might prove helpful in staying the dread disease. They were married and went at once on the long journey, but in vain, for on Christmas morning, with the words, "blessed Jesus" on her lips, she slipped away.

In November my little daughter, Nita, was born. My father wished me to be at home to have the services of one of the medical faculty who boasted he had brought three thousand babies into the world and had never lost a mother.

When Nita was six weeks old, we went home to Bloomington, Illinois, where my husband was eagerly awaiting our coming. All this while my sister was preparing for her wedding, and January 28 she was united in marriage to Rev. Gideon F. Draper, and they at once started to Japan, their chosen field of labor, as missionaries under the Methodist Episcopal Board. She was twenty years of age, and he twenty-one. Mr. Draper had an unusual gift for acquiring languages. He

had had some of his preparatory work in Switzerland, could speak French and German, and had studied Latin and Greek. The ministers felt he would gain a better use of the different Japanese tongues by beginning early, and they were correct; for he has the reputation of speaking it as a native and his services are often called upon as an interpreter.

My mother grieved sorely over parting with her young daughter, but when, in May, my father was elected Bishop in our church and his residence was fixed at San Francisco, she was comforted by seeing the steamships that were a connecting link between our land and sunny Japan. Mira did seem so far away!

Just a few days ago, I received a letter from Bishop James C. Baker, dated January 28, 1930, and sent from Honolulu, Hawaii. He wrote: "Today is the fiftieth wedding anniversary of the Drapers, and we have cabled our affectionate greetings. At the Conference session of all the missionaries in Tokio at Christmas time we celebrated both their fiftieth wedding anniversary and their fifty years in Japan."

I have since received long accounts from Japan. Three daughters are active missionaries there. The two younger, Winifred and Marion, are graduates of Syracuse and members of Alpha Chapter. The older, Mrs. P. S. Smith and her husband are in the Protestant Episcopal Mission.

They write that they sent out three hundred invitations to their foreign and Japanese friends, and kept open house from 3:00 to 7:00 P.M.; that the house was a bower of flowers and ferns, and the massive wedding cake a dream. Mrs. Draper wore a gown of black velvet with lace collar and cuffs and carried an exquisite bridal bouquet.

At five o'clock a friend played the wedding march from Lohengrin; and, then, one of the daughters read a poem written fifty years ago by a classmate to commemorate the wedding and departure of the young couple to Japan. There were tears in some of the eyes, but Dr. Draper broke the spell by saying he wasn't half so frightened as fifty years before.

Messages came from Japan, Hawaii, Europe and the United States, and many lovely gifts although the invitations had in the corner the little words, "no gifts." One of the enclosed folders was given each guest as a memento.

I cannot close without mentioning that Dr. Draper was given a silver cup by his Imperial Majesty, the Emperor of Japan, at the time of the coronation in November, 1928, in recognition of his social service in connection with the First School for the Blind which was founded in Yokohama thirty-five years ago by his mother, Mrs. Gideon Draper.

Mrs. Draper has been very active for many years in Mothers' Association work, publishing and distributing a leaflet helpful to mothers, every month, much of which she writes herself. And her

home has always been open to missionaries going to or coming from their stations in China and Japan and to their large circle of friends.

I hope I haven't bored you with this long personal sort of letter, but I don't believe that I have. You have always been so appreciative of all I have written you. You know, old people come to live much in the past, and I am grateful more and more for my store of beautiful memories.

Hoping you are well and enjoying your work, I am as ever,

Yours most sincerely in Pi Kappa Epsilon,

FRANCES E. MOSS



Grace Smith Richmond

There is no brighter star in the crescent sky than that of Grace Smith Richmond of Alpha Chapter; not only because of her splendid achievements in the literary world, but because of her charm, friendliness, and radiant personality. A little pamphlet, entitled "Grace Smith Richmond, Builder of Homes," written by Wilson Whitman and published in 1926 by Doubleday, Page and Company has found its way to the editor; and so delightful a study of our Gamma Phi it has proved to be that we quote as much as possible of the article. For there is nothing more appealing than a glimpse into the home life of a much honored personage and a knowledge of the very qualities that endear her to her reading public; and all this we find in this intimate little picture which we wish might appear in its entirety.

AT FREDONIA, NEW YORK, anybody will direct you to Mrs. Richmond's—or to Dr. Richmond's—house. But suppose no one could? You would be safe enough in looking for a house that was obviously a home, that seemed to welcome you before you got there, with warm red walls and a white doorway, with a front yard shaded with trees and fragrant with lilacs, a house with rambling, hospitable porches and——

Yes, it ought to have two entrances: one of them for the Doctor, with his office hours in gold letters on the door. And it has.

Mrs. Richmond herself will meet you at the other door. You get a quick impression of a welcoming smile, of friendly gray—or are they blue?—eyes beneath soft waves of hair; and then, before you know it, you are comfortably seated in a living room that greets you as an old friend.

An open fire behind the brass andirons has sparkled at you for a beginning.

"Not that we need it," Mrs. Richmond admits. "But this morning's cold for June, and we like the fire so much——"

It requires no explanation. There *had* to be an open fire.

Above, on a white mantel shelf, are June flowers—bridal wreath and bachelor's buttons, with widespread tulips to repeat the color of the flames.

And on either side, literally on every side of the room, are bookshelves. Not books glassed away for safe keeping, but books ready to handle—begging to be looked at——

Only not now. Not while Mrs. Richmond herself is here, in the big chair across from yours, talking to you.

Or, more likely, listening. You feel at once, somehow, that she is interested in you, and indeed you know that she is interested in everybody. The room has welcomed many people before you.

"I wish you could be here when we're all here," she tells you. "The house seems empty just now—it's used to being full of young people. We've had such good times here, my two daughters and my son, and their friends."

Yes, there are three children, all grown up now, though it's hard to believe when you look at this slender person who seems a girl herself, in a gray-blue dress that makes you decide her eyes are blue after all. How can she be the mother of grown-up children?

"Only one is left at home right now—the youngest. You'll meet her presently," you are told.

Meanwhile—shall we go for a walk? What if it's raining a bit? Who minds a rain in June?

And your hostess is running upstairs to make ready, coming down again with a soft hat pulled over her hair and stout shoes on her slim feet. She whistles a tune as you start, like a happy boy; and Peter, the collie, joins the party at the front steps with demonstrations of exceeding joy. You knew, of course, there would be just such a dog!

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Only one thing, she confesses, she hasn't had much time for—clubs and "society." She actually doesn't play bridge! And she isn't happy, really, in large crowds of the sociably inclined—you gather that receptions, luncheons, and pink teas are things to be endured when they can't be gracefully escaped. She's sorry not to have had more time for club work.

But you do some rapid thinking. She talked, not long ago, to a group of mothers about the "modern girl"—(she's for her). The hall table today bears a vase of gorgeous poppies sent by school children to Fredonia's own author, who was interested in their graduation. And you know of your own knowledge that women's clubs all over the country take time to discuss Mrs. Richmond, even if she hasn't so much time to give to them. So how has she been remiss?

"Well, I resigned active membership in several clubs here a good many years ago," she says guiltily.

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Following your unspoken thoughts, Mrs. Richmond is mentioning a writer of the super "realistic" school, whose latest book she has just read. You know the sort of thing—merciless bits of observation that make you wince, sick with protest, and ready to accuse their author of stirring you up to reform measures did he not, apparently, delight in the effect.

But Mrs. Richmond is not condemning him; she has discovered sincerity in his descriptions, a feeling for atmosphere, a wonderful handling of phrases.

"Only, I can't write about things like that," she admits. "Why should I even try? I have my little world and its people to write about; and they are real people, facing life and its problems with

fortitude and courage. Why shouldn't I make studies of their lives, to try to discover how they do it?"

Then, in an unguarded moment, she tells you what you have already guessed—that people from all over the country write in to say that "Red and Black," for example or "Rufus," or "Christmas Day in the Morning," seems written especially for *them*. "How did you know the story of my life?" they wonder. Sorry, says Mrs. Richmond, she didn't; but she is glad the books have come so close to reality.

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Mrs. Richmond, you remember, told the mothers she was in favor of modern girls. When you meet the daughter who is still at home you understand. Take the happiest descriptions of the modern girl, from the top of her smartly bobbed head to the tips of her equally smart shoes, and you have this youngest member of the Richmond family. She'll drive you to the Country Club, she'll swim or dance with you, or ride with you on Bill, her black pony. Or she'll take Peter and go alone for a walk in the woods (this is a walking family). She's not very talkative; she's just back from New York but she doesn't bubble about it. Her cool, somewhat amused eyes have seen the season's plays, approved those really worth while, discarded the rest—and now she's ready for whatever comes next. She's the sort of girl you could rely on to handle almost any situation, you think, as capably as she handles the big car——

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At dinner you will meet the rest of the family. But you might, perhaps, arrive early in order to linger for a moment in the living room that has called you back with the feeling that it is home. Now, at night, the lamplight gleams on soft-toned rugs, is reflected from the polished surfaces of old furniture, touches the bindings of the books with gold.

Mrs. Richmond saw your eyes on the books this morning; she knows you love them or you wouldn't be here, and so she gives you leave to look along the white shelves. Here are the books you've liked best—except those of the mistress of the house, which are conspicuous by their absence!—and those you've always wanted to read. The shelves tell a history of wide and joyful reading by a growing family; they range from the good old standards that everybody ought to be brought up on to the best of recent literary novelties. And they show selection; not only do they represent the best writers, but the best of each writer's work. If you can learn about an author from the books she writes, you can also learn about her from the books she reads!

But there are so many other things to see. That etching of the cathedral, hanging next the pastel of a bit of Cape Cod beach—do you remember it? Of course you do! It's in "Red of the Red-

fields." And there is the "cross-stitch footstool with the bits of arma" that was in Miss Sara Graham's house in "Foursquare."

If there seems here too much of things, too elaborate a description of the setting, let it be considered that there is no surer revelation of a shy yet distinct individuality than through self-created surroundings. Rooms like these are filled with a gracious charm which reflects their owner, and in turn impresses itself upon the visitor. It would be difficult to be disagreeable in such a room. But what good times there have been in it!

Christmas greens have decked that mantel year after year. Stockings have been hung at it—and may be hung again, you know—for this is a home they'll always come back to at Christmas! On Mothers' Day the tall vases were filled with flowers. The conventional thing? No. Snapdragons!

There have been enthusiastic arguments and delightfully inconsequential discussions in this room. There has been music around the big piano. One daughter plays the violin, and the other, the cello. In "The Twenty-fourth of June" you remember that Roberta had this none too common accomplishment, and in the Gray household there was just such a family orchestra as this must have been. The piano is loved; come in early in the morning and you may find Mrs. Richmond herself dusting its keys.

And there have been impromptu theatricals, with lively guests taking thrilling parts, amidst much applause.

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You know before Dr. Richmond enters the room that here will be no case of the "author's husband" who is merely a part of his wife's background. In talking that morning of the modern girl's opportunities, Mrs. Richmond has said, "Now, I—I had no backbone until I was married. My husband furnished it!" You may doubt this, perhaps, but you are prepared to find that the Doctor has backbone for two. His is the face of one who has fought a lifetime against "the last enemy," and not lost courage or delight in the struggle. He won't talk to you about his work—*that* runs in the family. He'll talk about railroads, perhaps, or grape culture on the lake shore.

Dr. Smith's is a beautiful face, as an old man may be beautiful who has lived long and thought much—"He has forgotten," Mrs. Richmond tells you modestly, "more than I shall ever know—and he hasn't forgotten much." And you don't need to notice the Phi Beta Kappa key on his watchchain to know that here is a scholar (those keys are commoner now than they were once; the older the key the more it means). Did you know that Mrs. Richmond is not the only author in the family? Her father, at ninety-one, still writes articles for the more learned reviews. He dictates them, in the carefully modulated tones of one long accustomed to speaking.

"I'm glad to see you, though I don't really see you very well," he

says. And you feel that he is, and that he does see, in a way—for those eyes behind their thick lenses have seen so keenly for so long that a rarer sort of vision seems to linger after the material sense has gone.

You dine in a room with a cheery landscape paper on which figures in hunting pink ride to the hounds—a paper that came from England. Curtains of rose-red repeat the color note; and outside the windows a dogwood tree is peeping in through the dusk.

Dr. Richmond carves, and well, too! But first there is grace before meat, and the rankest heretic would not deny that grace belongs in this room.

Not that it isn't a room, like the rest, for gaiety. There has been many a spontaneous give-and-take across this table. Today there are family jokes, conversation about Fredonia improvements, and the trip to Florida in the car. More animated discussion—which way are they going to Florida? We'll wager that the way Dr. Richmond selects will be it.

And now—halfway through the meal—occurs something you might have known would happen. The maid appears with a message—there's a man who would like to see the Doctor.

And Dr. Richmond puts down his napkin, as you know he has done a thousand times before, times which have furnished the inspiration for Red Pepper Burns' performance of that same act!

You would not have it otherwise, in spite of your loss. This is an American home, as clear and perfect a picture of the ideal type as you are likely to see in your life. Much has been said of late about the disappearance of such homes, the substitution of some other state of society in which institutions shall replace that selfish and inefficient system called family life. To which the apologist for the family is apt to reply that there is nothing better for the community than the right sort of family. For our lives do touch, and peace and contentment flow out in ever-widening circles. . . .

Here, at least, you can believe it true. The Doctor is at the service of the community; the writer at the service of countless readers who, if they cannot come into this quiet dining room, have enjoyed its spirit when brought to them.

And you feel a direct connection with the life of Fredonia itself. The conversation has been, in part, of local church affairs, in which both Dr. Richmond and Dr. Smith are interested. Tonight the Normal School is having a pageant; and everyone is going, because the young man who drives Mrs. Richmond's car plays a part.

The truth is that this family is rooted in the solid, sweet-smelling earth of Fredonia, rooted as it must be to flourish. It may branch out to reach England, or Florida, or New York. But the roots remain, for strength and permanence.

One other thing you notice. In conversation, in general attitude, there is cleverness, audacity, originality in plenty: "Mother's sort of surprising, don't you think? I mean, her way of saying things you aren't looking for," the youngest has put it. You have been reminded, all along, of the heroine's remark in "Foursquare"—"I don't want a woman to be so terribly conventional that she'll never make you sit up and look at her because she's said something you didn't expect her to!" But here is the point; you feel, all the time, that this family laughs without losing that sense of proportion which is the foundation of real existence; there is, under all the gaiety, a basic code that is understood without being dragged into conversation or flaunted. It is merely there to be relied upon, always.

Puritan morality? Certainly there were Puritan ancestors—from them came most of this furniture that would delight a collector of antiques. And no doubt the code is as firm as the marble top of that table yonder, which came, Mrs. Richmond will tell you, from her grandfather's quarry. But how about the other table—the Sheraton? That came over with another ancestor, and its lines are no less lovely for being straight.

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The magic persists. And next morning you think you really must try to set down facts, serious facts, about this famous person. Well—she was born in Rhode Island! But, since Dr. Smith was a minister, she didn't stay there. They lived in Cincinnati a while, then in New Haven, then in Syracuse.

You tell yourself that you should ask a lot of questions: "Which is your favorite book? Your favorite character?" But you realize this would be as rude as asking, "Which is your favorite child?" So you wait and hope that in the course of conversation things will be revealed to you.

And you are rewarded. You are taken, this morning, up to Mrs. Richmond's present workroom—a large, sunshiny room above the living room, and, like the living room, book lined. Only the big desk and the two typewriters, the big everyday one and the little traveling one, proclaim it a writer's workshop. Otherwise, it is the room of a woman who loves to read, who loves to have flowers, and bright chintzes, and the photographs of her friends and family all around. More, it is the room of a woman who thinks about the world: for in the place of honor is a war poster—surely one of those, you see at a glance, that were auctioned off at Jane Ray's in "Red and Black." So many people have almost forgotten the war after all these years; it's not quite fashionable to mention it.

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"Do you keep a notebook? Do you think first of titles or of plots?" Two good stock questions to ask any writer. Mrs. Richmond oblig-

ingly shows you a fat little blue leather-bound volume that holds pages of notes in her very enthusiastic handwriting, notes that record the interesting conversation of a most remarkable Gramercy Park elevator man, beside the carefully polished epigrams of a New York columnist.

As for titles, sometimes Mrs. Richmond thinks first of the whole story, and sometimes of part of it, like anybody else, and there you are. Just now she's working on one called—well, that would be telling. But it's a title you're certain to like.

Now, as you might have guessed, she's talking about other people's books again! Here on top of the desk is a row that will interest you because it represents special favorites. They change, of course—just now essays and plays predominate. But the authors—Barrie, for example—are those you would have guessed. And at one side, on probation, so to speak, are the new books that reviewers are marshalling their adjectives to describe, books with bright saffron or rose-colored jackets that demand attention. They'll have it, in due course; but they must meet a stiff test to displace these older friends.

Among the favorites you will see the best work of several other women novelists, proving—if anyone needs proof—that there is no professional jealousy lurking here! Mrs. Richmond recommends one you haven't read; you really must read her just as soon as possible!

But don't think you can sit forever on the chintz-covered divan, however comfortable it may be. You're going for another walk—to see the achievement, Mrs. Richmond tells you, of which she is *really* proud. You go up Main Street, and presently you come to a house—she calls it the Little House—and you stop and say "Oh!"

It is back from the road—'way back behind nine big trees that a builder without brains might have sacrificed. It is white with green shutters. You reach it—almost running, it beckons so—up a flagged path.

This is the house that Mrs. Richmond designed herself, without an architect; for which she made plans and detail drawings, and—more—got them carried out by village carpenters.

"They didn't like it, at first—they told me it looked a hundred years old," she laughs. "Of course I *hoped* it would look a hundred years old."

And, save for the glistening paint, it does.

Low ceilings. Big fireplaces. Unexpected closets—they'd be secret closets if their designer didn't proudly reveal them to you. Rooms planned for comfort, and yet planned somehow, too, to save cutting down a big apple tree in the back yard! More white bookshelves, like Mrs. Richmond's own. A spick-and-span kitchen. Upstairs—up such beautiful stairs—rooms planned for quiet sleeping. Not a big house, yet there's room for a family and for guests—even an attic!

It's perfect, you sigh. But Mrs. Richmond's own much bigger house was perfect, too, in its way. Is she going to move?

"No," she tells you, "we've lived in that same place ever since I was married, and when you've done that, when your children have been born in a house—no, I don't expect ever to leave it. I just built this one because I've always wanted to. I've never had such fun!"

And she points out further beauties of detail and view, laughingly admitting that Dr. Richmond says "Why don't you give somebody else a chance to praise that house—" while you are saying that if you ever do need an architect, you'll know where to come.

All this time you are thinking that here, in this lovely little place that shows her skill as an architect, Mrs. Richmond has given you a perfect example of her skill as a writer.

On paper or on solid earth—she is a builder of homes.

Out of the atmosphere of her own home she builds for others in the fine old tradition—new homes that look "a hundred years old" and are all the better for that; homes that are built without destruction of older and lovelier ideas—trees, let us say; homes that fit into the surroundings that God—or Nature, if you prefer—has given us; homes with comfortable rooms and gay wall paper, and places for wood fires; homes for cheerful work; homes for children and grown-ups to play in; homes filled with sunlight and surrounded with flowers and green grass; homes that are white and clean, within and without, in very nook and cranny.

And if there are people who prefer dirt and darkness, and complicated decorative schemes, they will be as unhappy among Grace S. Richmond's books as they would be in her house. Those who look for manner instead of matter, for tricky style, clever naughtiness, find them lacking in Mrs. Richmond's books just as "gingerbread work" and grinning gargoyles are missing from her Colonial doorways. Of course there are people who see only lack of invention in simplicity, only inhibition in restraint; and queerly enough they are apt to call themselves sophisticated. Queerly, for they know only half a world and not the whole. For who, possessed of common sense, and knowing both light and darkness, could prefer darkness? Darkness is "reality" to those who have known nothing else; but their most confident denial fails to disprove the existence of sweetness and light.

No—they are woefully unsophisticated, those who see only sordidness and squalor in a world that holds as well, such houses as this one behind the nine trees. And standing on Mrs. Richmond's doorstep one feels a little sorry for them—wishes that they could see for themselves the reality—the enduring, triumphant actuality—of the Little House.

There are, at any rate, a great, happy majority who do see. For most folk like the Little House in the American tradition, as most folk like Mrs. Richmond's books in that same tradition. Most folk, after all, live—or have lived, or hope to live—on the sunny side of Main Street.



Harriet Durham Coffman

Chapter Eternal

EPSILON of Gamma Phi Beta mourns the passing of Harriet Durham Coffman, February 10, 1930. She was one of Epsilon's most illustrious and popular members. Her home in Evanston was a mecca for all actives and alumnae and her interest later embraced Alpha Iota and the Los Angeles alumnae chapters. Her sweet influence is a precious heritage for all members of Gamma Phi Beta and her sorority extends sympathy to her husband, Dr. Ansel V. Coffman, and to her son, Durham.

ELIZABETH DAVIDSON BARBOUR

All members of Gamma Phi Beta will regret to learn of the death on September 1 of Mrs. W. S. Davidson, mother of Elizabeth Davidson Barbour, our grand president. Gamma Phi Beta extends heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Barbour and her family.



Gamma Phi's Literary Corner



"Petticoat Court," by Maud Hart Lovelace

MAUD HART LOVELACE has written a new book; and this volume together with *Early Candlelight* and *Black Angels* forms a delightful trio for each chapter library. The attractive and rhythmical title of this latest book is *Petticoat Court*; and it is a story of love and intrigue in the court of the second empire, written in the author's sparkling, vivid style and presenting this gay and colorful period in a fashion that makes the reader a very part of the stirring adventure, while from the fascinating picture in the foreword to the very end of the narrative we have a succession of brilliant carnivals, splendid cotillions, lavish hunts, and spectacular state balls. We revel in the sparkle of diamonds, the ravishment of airy tulle and golden butterflies and the music of languorous Strauss waltzes; we delight in the enchantment of Eugénie, in the aristocratic aloofness of the Marquise, in the insolence of Castiglione, and—most of all—in the charm of the little heroine, Chloé, of whom the author says: "when she came into a room it was as if a fire had been lit or a vase of lilacs placed or a Persian rug unrolled."

For Chloé, a loyal daughter of the Confederacy, is transported from the danger and depression of the American Civil War to carnival Paris; and in the court of Louis Napoleon and Eugénie she plays her part in diplomacy and intrigue, shares the splendor and gaiety, and follows her own little path of romance.

Read *Petticoat Court*. It is delightful in every way and reflects more glory upon Gamma Phi Beta!

Margaret Fishback's Poems

THE CLEVER, SPARKLING verse of Margaret Fishback, Zeta, appears almost constantly in *Saturday Evening Post*. We quote a few of these little poems.

A Short Kiss and a Merry One

*Please to hug me quickly, dear,
With enthusiasm bold;
Please to kiss me on my ear,
For the tip of it is cold.*

*Please enfold me in your arms
In the style you have devised
For exhibiting the charms
Of a fervor undisguised.*

*Please be swift, my love, and strong,
For a conscience cannot rest
Quietly, for very long,
In a conscientious breast.*

—MARGARET FISHBACK

Into Each Life Some Rain Must Fall

*Sometimes I wish that I were dead
As dead can be, but then again
At times when I've been nicely fed
On caviar or guinea hen
And I am wearing something new
And reassuring, I decide
It might be better to eschew
My tendency to cyanide.*

—MARGARET FISHBACK

Five O'Clock and All Is Swell

*I've polished the silver
And laid out the tarts
And opened the strawberry jam,
I've plumped up the cushions
And powdered my nose
And struggled to work up a little repose.
But this is the sort of a nitwit I am—
I can't find composure in strawberry jam
Or dusting or prinking.
So what can I do
But stand on my head while I'm waiting for you?*

—MARGARET FISHBACK



Betty Macy Kauffman

Done to a Turn

*When I was just a callow brat
I got my fingers burned, and that
Was quite enough. But since the day
I sagely swore to keep away
From conflagrations, I have found
My resolution wasn't sound
In view of feminine endurance.
So now I'd like some fire insurance.*

—MARGARET FISHBACK

A Modern Gamma Phi

BETTY MACY KAUFFMAN rushed me for Gamma Phi Beta. She had just returned from convention at Denver and was still in the exalted state that one reaches at such times. Of course she wasn't Mrs. Kauffman then, but as Betty Macy she was known the length and breadth of Boston University. She was very active in college affairs and was college correspondent on the Boston *Herald* and *Traveler*. In this way she laid the foundations of her journalistic career.

In June of her graduating year, 1920, she announced her engagement to Cyrus S. Kauffman and was married the following August. Much to the joy of Delta Chapter, Betty received Phi Beta Kappa, giving us many reasons for congratulations and best wishes.

Until three years ago Betty was publicity and financial secretary for the Boston Society for the Care of Girls. In the meantime she found time to bring up Elizabeth Nancy Kauffman, now nine years old, to restore an eight room cottage of the Cape Cod type for a charming house, to attend to many social activities, and to develop her interests in interior decorating particularly in its American and early Colonial phases.

Her interest in homes and home furnishings she has expressed in her own home and in articles for several magazines, including *Better Homes and Gardens*, *Your Home Magazine*, *House Beautiful*, *The Antiquarian*, and *The Ladies' Home Journal*. The May and June issues of the last magazine contain articles by Mrs. Kauffman.

A few of the subjects she has written about are Pine Paneling, Pewter, Fruits and Vegetables for Table Decorations, Silhouettes, and Candle-light. She has written up a few modern and old homes of the Colonial Period.

Betty's first article appeared in *House Beautiful*, a charming, personal description of "Home Sweet Home," the John Howard Payne home at East Hampton, Long Island. A friend of Mr. Kauffman's

owned the house and the young couple had the privilege of spending their honeymoon in the delightful atmosphere of 1690. Their first dinner was eaten from an old English Spode Gold set used only once before. "Home Sweet Home" is now a museum, and the Spode china with other furnishings described in the article may be seen by visitors.

There are two little daughters now, Elizabeth Nancy, nine years old, and Marcia Macy, who will be one year old in October. Their father says they are beautiful children that look a great deal like their mother.

The accompanying pictures of the living room and one bedroom will give an idea of the work Betty finds so enthralling. To quote her husband again: She "has read more books on the subject than I thought existed. Many a day I have carted fifteen to twenty-four books either to or from the library. Her interest in these things found expression in our home, where she has had an opportunity to put into practice some of her ideas."

During the past year Betty has been a member of the Women's Council, Boston University, member of the Art Committee, Massachusetts Federation of Women's Clubs, besides doing a great deal of writing, and supervising her home.

A year ago at Spring Luncheon, Betty responded to the toast *A Modern Gamma Phi*, and in her speech she touched on her many activities. With all these many interests, she has kept up her associations in the Boston Alumnæ Chapter and was president of the chapter for one year. We are proud of our "modern Gamma Phi."

VIRGINIA E. TURNBULL, *Delta*

Articles in Current Magazines

CHARLOTTE KELLOGG, *Eta*

Poland's Tenth Birthday in the August *Atlantic Monthly*.

Mrs. Hoover in the September *Ladies' Home Journal*.

LUCILLE BABCOCK, *Kappa*

The Hole Story About Hosiery.



Department of the Grand Council

THE OPENING of the college year brings to us two new chapters and many pledges. To these new members and future members of Gamma Phi Beta the Grand Council sends a cordial welcome.

With her fifty-six years of development to a position of eminence in the sorority world Gamma Phi Beta offers you a background unsurpassed by any other fraternal organization. What will you do for Gamma Phi Beta? Only the future holds the answer to this question but a few pertinent suggestions at this time may assist you in realizing the responsibilities of membership.

Gamma Phi Beta strives primarily for high scholarship. Only by the concerted effort of all members of the organization may this purpose be accomplished. Be loyal to the sorority and to each sister, thus preserving the true meaning of the word "sisterhood." Develop social charm but, in this endeavor, do not confuse graciousness and condescension. Remember that the cultured woman is never a snob and you will have acquired the true Gamma Phi spirit.

You are on the horizon of a glorious experience; all of the riches of Gamma Phi Beta are before you. May you take full advantage of the great opportunity which is offered you and may your contribution add to the glory of Gamma Phi Beta.

CHARLOTTE ROBERTSON WHITE
*Secretary of Central Office and
Chairman of the Educational Department*



Panhellenic Department

Miss Wells is a member of Beta Chapter

Comparative Costs of the Dormitory and Fraternity House

By AGNES E. WELLS, Dean of Women, Indiana University

THE excellent material presented in the survey made in 1928 by Rochelle Rodd Gachet, an Alpha Omicron Pi, on the cost of fraternity life and fraternity housing has been of great interest to college administrators as well as to National Panhellenic Congress members.

This short article will compare the construction cost per girl, for 1930, and the cost of room, board, and group dues in the dormitories and fraternity houses in eleven universities. It will also give the average cost of the fraternity houses for each group on the campuses from which replies were received.

At this time of the year, parents of freshmen girls are anxious to have data on the cost of living at colleges. They are also anxious to know something about the adequacy of the housing at different colleges and how the buildings are constructed. In the middle west, experts have estimated that the construction cost per girl for a fire-proof building, should be about \$2,000.

Requests were made for data from twenty-five colleges and universities principally from the middle west. Replies from eleven colleges make available the following tables.

Table 1, gives valuable information about dormitories and fraternity houses, carefully prepared by the Deans of Women of the universities listed. The results show that the average fraternity girl probably lives in a house that is not of fireproof construction and that she pays a little more per year than does the dormitory. This difference of \$86.00 per year is, however, not an exorbitant amount to pay for membership in a National Panhellenic Congress group.

A COMPARISON OF VALUATIONS OF FRATERNITY HOUSES FOR 1930, WITH VALUATIONS GIVEN BY ROCHELLE RODD GACHET
FOR HOUSES IN THE N.E. CENTRAL DISTRICT FOR 1928

Name of Fraternity	Alpha Chi Omega	Alpha Delta Pi	Alpha Gamma Delta	Alpha Omicron Pi	Alpha Phi	Alpha Zeta Delta	Chi Omega	Delta Delta Delta	Delta Gamma
Number Reported 1930	4	4	4	5	3	4	6	5	5
Average Cost 1930	\$48,250	\$41,250	\$42,250	\$37,040	\$40,750	\$50,150	\$44,550	\$62,000	\$50,080
Average Cost 1928	⁽⁶⁾ \$36,010	⁽⁴⁾ \$34,875	⁽³⁾ \$24,670	⁽³⁾ \$44,840	⁽²⁾ \$30,750	⁽¹⁾ \$15,800	⁽⁵⁾ \$58,370	.....

Name of Fraternity	Delta Zeta	Gamma Phi Beta	Kappa Alpha Theta	Kappa Delta	Kappa Kappa Gamma	Phi Mu	Pi Beta Phi	Sigma Kappa	Zeta Tau Alpha
Number Reported 1930	5	4	6	3	5	3	6	5	3
Average Cost 1930	\$35,820	\$41,250	\$50,500	\$45,600	\$59,400	\$43,300	\$49,500	\$38,400	\$43,600
Average Cost 1928	⁽⁴⁾ \$33,135	⁽¹⁾ \$89,000	⁽⁶⁾ \$47,456	⁽³⁾ \$29,770	⁽⁶⁾ \$43,810	⁽¹⁾ \$78,200	⁽⁵⁾ \$34,000	⁽¹⁾ \$68,700

Colleges and universities for the most part appreciate greatly the excellent support given by the National Panhellenic Congress groups in helping with the solution of the housing problem. The majority of the national officers of the National Panhellenic Congress groups are now requiring that the new fraternity house be made of fireproof construction. The difference of \$676.47, between the construction

DORMITORIES

Universities	Number of Dormitories	Girls Accommodated	Valuation of Property	Construction Cost per Girl	Price per Year: Room, Board, Dues per girl
Cornell U.	6	700	(1) Cost of New Building \$2,000,000	(1) New Building \$6,289	\$560
Indiana U.	2 (Rented)	310	Buildings Owned \$407,000	\$2,017	\$380
U. of Iowa	2	330	.....	.....	\$420
U. of Kansas	2	167	\$285,000	\$2,000	\$305
Miami U.	6	715	\$483,000	\$790	\$260
U. of Michigan	7	660	Cost of 6 \$1,882,000	\$2,448	\$462
U. of Missouri	2	112	\$270,000	\$2,410	\$375
Northwestern U.	12 Including Small Houses	413	.....	\$3,000	\$550
Ohio University	9	375	.....	.....	\$252
Purdue U.	1	...	.....	.....	\$350
Syracuse U.	16	410	Cost of 2 \$120,000	\$900	\$443
Averages	..	Total Number 4191	.....	\$2,481.75	\$396

price per girl of the dormitory (\$2,481.75), and that of fraternity house (\$1,805.28), probably indicates that most of the fraternity houses are not of fireproof construction.

Table 2 gives a comparison of the valuations of fraternity property

FRATERNITIES					
Universities	Number Fraternity Houses	Girls Accommodated	Valuation of Property	Construction Cost per Girl	Price per Year: Room, Board, Dues per Girl
Cornell U.	14	225	Cost of 12 \$301,600	\$1,580	.....
Indiana U.	17	550	Cost of 15 \$848,000	\$1,540	\$456.75
U. of Iowa	17	S | L (5) | (12) 159 | 297	.....	.....	S | L \$524 | \$500
U. of Kansas	18	(13) | (5) 482 | 91	Cost of 13 \$644,500	\$1,270	\$450
Miami U.	No Houses	...	.....	.....	.....
U. of Michigan	20	(2) | (18) 61 | 366	Cost of 17 \$834,500	\$2,241	(2) | (18) \$555 | \$544
U. of Missouri	13	(9) | (4) 300 | 100	Cost of 12 \$610,000	\$1,536	(9) | (4) \$412 | \$402
Northwestern U.	19	445	\$1,530,000	\$3,450	\$550
Ohio University	16	200	All Rented	.....	\$405
Purdue U.	9	231	.....	.....	\$467
Syracuse U.	22	716	Cost of 18 \$731,000	\$1,020	\$516
Averages	..	Total Number 4,223	.....	\$1,805.28	\$482

S—Small

L—Large

for 1930, with the valuations for 1928 given by Rochelle Rodd Gachet for fraternity houses and furnishings in N. E. Central District. The differences may indicate that the houses constructed recently are of fireproof construction.

On the whole, the results of these tables indicate that the average construction price per girl for her college home is \$2,143.51, which compares favorably with the opinions of experts. It also shows that the average price for room, board, and dues in dormitories and fraternity houses (\$439), is well under \$500, which makes it possible for the average girl to accept membership in a National Panhellenic Congress group without being a financial burden to her parents.

The Panhellenic 1930-31 Scholarship Award

THE NEW YORK CITY Panhellenic announces its second annual Scholarship Award of \$500 available in the fall of 1931. This award was first given in April, 1930, and was won by Miss Helen Delano Willard, a member of Alpha Phi who had graduated from the University of Wisconsin.

The New York City Panhellenic has announced the award for three consecutive years.

The recipient must be chosen from the membership of the N.P.C. fraternities.

No applications are to be sent direct to the New York City Panhellenic as each Congress fraternity has been asked to co-operate in selecting applicants. The name of only one applicant will be submitted by each fraternity and the selection of that applicant will be made by the fraternity itself.

The specific requirements to be met by candidates are:

1. The applicant shall be a college senior or graduate on April 1, 1931, and shall be a member of a National Panhellenic Congress fraternity.

2. The recipient shall agree to spend the college year of 1931-32 in study in New York City, pursuing a course leading toward a higher degree.

If you are interested in applying for the Scholarship Award please submit the following information:

1. Letter giving your home address and present address, your age, year of graduation from preparatory school and name of that school, year, course, and major in college, and transcript of your college record. If a graduate, include, in addition, statement of work or study since graduation and present occupation.

2. Statement of the graduate work you wish to pursue in New York City and letters from two of your college professors concerning your qualifications for such work. Also letters from two alumnae who knew you well.

3. Recent photograph.

The name of the successful applicant will be announced April 1, 1931, and the Scholarship Award will be available for use in the fall of 1931.

The closing date for applications is February 15, 1931.

Send all communications concerning the Scholarship Award to

MRS. RALPH E. HEILMAN

731 Clinton Place, Evanston, Illinois



Magazines in the Sorority Advertising Group



National Advertisers

FOR several years past, there has been considerable discussion at Panhellenic Congress as to the possibility of attracting national advertisers to space in sorority publications.

Taken individually, the quarterly publications of the various sororities do not offer a circulation large enough to attract national advertisers. Even though low rates are offered, a publication with only a few thousand circulation cannot attract national advertisers. Collectively however, it is believed that many national advertisers can be attracted and space sold to them at profitable rates.

The Panhellenic advertising committee has been endeavoring to work out a plan whereby those sororities who are interested in obtaining good revenue from advertising pages, could offer space in their magazines as a group rather than individually. In this way, a national advertiser could be assured that his advertisement would be seen by many thousands of readers instead of by only a few thousand.

A plan has finally been agreed upon by twelve national sororities. This plan provides that Mr. C. W. Butterfield, Syracuse, New York, will act as advertising manager for the group. He has agreed to make a campaign and endeavor to sell space to national advertisers. If he is able to secure a sufficient number to guarantee successful operation of the plan, he will pay the group a certain stated sum for each page of advertising carried in the group magazines.

The illustration on page 546 shows the publications in the group. A direct mail campaign is being made to national advertisers, and they are also being personally canvassed by Mr. Butterfield and others associated with him.

Space is offered to advertisers at rates in line with other high class publications having circulations comparable with the total circulation of the magazines in the group. In soliciting, the magazines are being referred to as the national sorority group, and the total circulation is well over 60,000 subscribers.

Naturally there were many details to be worked out and obstacles to be overcome in order to get this group together. It was necessary that the publication dates of all the magazines in the group be about the same, and that all the magazines have approximately the same size page. It is arranged so that all advertising pages will be inserted in the back of each publication. No advertisement will appear on

either cover, and certain types of advertising such as cigarettes and chewing gum advertisements will not be accepted.

It is estimated that six months will be required to sell sufficient space, but it is hoped that Mr. Butterfield will be successful in his efforts. If so, the revenue for each publication in the group, even from a few pages of advertising, will go a long ways toward defraying the operating expenses of each publication.

Complete details of the plan may be had upon request, and it is suggested that some of our readers may be able to help interest certain national advertisers in the program.

Names and addresses of national advertisers who are or might be interested, should be sent to Clayton W. Butterfield, 523-25 Union Building, Syracuse, New York.

Our readers will appreciate that the group magazines offer a medium which is unusual, in that each magazine gets a friendly reception and there is a total of over 60,000 college and university women of yesterday and today reading the group magazines.

Our readers are urged to say a good word for the national sorority group as an advertising medium any time they have the opportunity. Any national advertiser who wants to place his advertising before the better class of women throughout the country, will find the group offering space at attractive prices and reaching a select list of 60,000 subscribers.

Two of a Kind

ALPHA ETA IS rather uniquely classified since we pledged two sets of twins—both, or rather all four, being decided blondes. Mary and Martha Grove of Pataskala, Ohio, are freshmen; Virginia and Margaret Hanson of Tiffin, Ohio, are juniors, having transferred from Heidelberg University.

Our “twinnies” are all so cute and we’re real proud of them! The



Virginia Hanson



Margaret Hanson

Hansons are so alike that it's practically impossible to tell them apart. In fact, one night when having dates, their respective men were telling them apart by the different colored stones they had in their rings. So the Hansons switched rings, and neither man knew the difference!

The Groves are more easily differentiated—although it's awfully “tough” at first, remembering just which is which, and who is who, and what is what. However since this is the third set of twins within the last four years in our ranks, we have grown quite versatile in distinguishing like from like.

Each one of the four often bewails being a twin. For she says that it's more than difficult to get two things alike—especially if one doesn't agree on liking what the other does.

They usually like to have a third person along—whether to act as referee, “yes” man or what, I've never determined.

We hate to boast, but everyone is envying us the distinction of having two sets of twins in the chapter.



The Alpha Eta Twins

Martha Grove

Mary Grove

Now, you can readily see why it was said of us,
"When you look at the Gamma Phis, you think you're seeing
double."

DOROTHY LACOUR

Three Sisters Can't All Be Wrong!

WITH THE INSTALLATION of Alpha Xi Chapter of Gamma Phi came the news that all of the Shaw sisters of Dallas belong to Gamma Phi. The three sisters are: Dorothy, the youngest, Charleene the next in order, and Lucille the oldest, and they are the daughters of Mrs. Bessie Shaw of Dallas and Chicago. To attempt to give a short sketch of one of the sisters is a pretty large order in itself, and to try to include all three in one sketch is almost an impossibility.

Dorothy Shaw, who is now Mrs. W. R. Cochran and has two precious children, is a member of Upsilon Chapter of Hollins College. While at Hollins she served as secretary and it was largely through her sponsorship that the chapter of Southern Methodist University was able to function. Dorothy was president of the Dallas Alumnae Chapter last year and is now rush chairman. She attended the national convention at Kansas City last June and since then has been active in assisting the local chapter.

Charlene Shaw is now Mrs. J. R. Cochran and has one child, a girl. She and her sister, Lucille, attended St. Mary's College in South Bend, Indiana, and both are charter members of Alpha Xi Chapter. Charlene is at present vice-president of the Dallas Alumnae Chapter and is active in work for Alpha Xi.

Lucille Shaw is now Mrs. Steve J. Barrett, and has two adorable children. She is at present freshman trainer for Alpha Xi and province secretary. She had charge of second semester rushing and was the alumnae delegate to Province Conference. She is most active with her help and suggestions for the chapter and scarcely a day goes by that one of the Shaw sisters is not called upon for advice and help.

Thus you have, in a small way, an insight of the three who deserve much credit for the progress Alpha Xi has made; for without their help, especially that of Lucille we could not have gone so far as we have.

DOROTHY C. SINZ

Tau's Prominent Members



Helen Akin, Tau

TAU IS WIDE awake in many ways! Virginia Showalter and Helen Akin have been taking an active part in intercollegiate debating. The team has represented the college at contests involving six collegiate institutions as well as giving many addresses to high school and college chapel groups and church audiences. The team debated on the topic: "Resolved: that nations should adopt the plan of complete disarmament, except such forces as are needed for police protection."

As a reward for their efficient work, both girls have been pledged to Pi Kappa Delta, national honorary forensic.

Virginia Brown, an active member of Tau, has been elected president of the Associated Women Students at Colorado Agricultural College. Her office is the most coveted of all co-ed positions.

Virginia represented Tau at Province Convention this spring.



Virginia Showalter, Tau



Virginia Brown, Tau



From the Editorial Mail Bag



A RECENT COPY of the *Alumni News* of Syracuse University contained an interesting article entitled, *The Ins and Outs of the Women's Winter Sports Program* written by Katherine Sibley, Alpha, director of women's physical education department; and, also, a letter from Dorothy Keeney, Alpha, now in Nanking, which tells of a delightful Chinese feast at the home of a Syracuse graduate, Ginseang Mei, and mentions that Ginseang Mei wrote the dirge, words and music, for Dr. Sun Yat Sen's funeral, and that the new national anthem and this dirge were the only music played during the three memorial days. Another copy of the *News* tells of the camp work of Florence Farnham Osgood of Alpha, and describes her fine camp, Neshobe, on the shores of Lake Fairlee in Vermont, where yearly from ninety to one hundred girls gather under the guidance of twenty-four counselors.

THE *California Monthly* with its artistic cover, beautiful etchings, wood engravings and distinctive type is quite unexcelled; and among the items of interest is one concerning Imra Wann Buwalda, Eta, lately appointed as the only woman member of the Administrative Board of the new International House at Berkeley, and another which tells of the charming work of Marie Derge, Eta, designer and colorist, whose work is in demand by the foremost publishers and manufacturers, and who is responsible for the well-known Sunshine Boxes. The Portland Symphony Orchestra includes a Gamma Phi, Ruth Lorraine Close, Mu, a harpist and one of the best known artists in the west. Katherine Squire, Alpha Eta, is attaining much commendation in her stage career, and especially in her portraiture of Tessa in *The Constant Nymph*; and several delightful notices of work are at hand, also the copy of a charming pastel portrait of her by Walter Brough. One notice from the Cleveland *Plain Dealer* declares that Miss Squire "gives to the character precisely the right temperamental quality of impulsive feeling, of emotion strong and well-regulated, capable of sacrifice and loyalty, tenderness and pride." Katherine Ammons Morton, Epsilon, Wyoming state superintendent of public instruction for the last twelve years, has announced her candidacy for re-election; and her name will appear in the August primary for Republican

nomination. She is a member of the state land board, state board of charities, and other executive boards.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS carries a charming picture of seven members of Sigma Chapter under the caption *Puppies Bring Baby Talk to Kansas Sorority House* which shows the following girls each with her adopted puppy—Louise Corn, Virginia Crawford, Betty Peach, Marjorie Frink, Ann Marie Sellars, Mary Jane Brunner, and Jeanne Blanchard.

A RECENT FEATURE article in a Los Angeles newspaper concerning our Alpha Iota Chapter is so attractive that it must be quoted in full:

All sorts of emotions were stirring when the alumnae of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority held their 300-strong bridge-tea in the grand new Chapter house at the U.C.L.A. campus last Saturday.

There were the proud and expectant youthful active members, bubbling with the *joie de vivre*, there were the young married alumnae feeling alarmingly grown-up; there were the successful ones, competent in careers, and just a sprinkling of the oldest ones, whose memories were flooding fast upon them.

This particular sorority, they claim harbors the girls "that do things," rather than those of mere social aspirations . . . hence they were "pointing with pride" to such satisfying alumnae as Miss Barbara Greenwood, nationally known as the pioneer of the nursery schools, and now guiding the one at U.C.L.A. to triumph; to Mrs. John Davidson, pretty, chic, alert, literary chairman of the Friday Morning Club, making quite a name for herself as a book reviewer, the mother of two adorable small boys, and a collector of celebrated book plates; and to Nell Brooker Mayhew, the artist, the first to simplify the coloring of etchings, whose exquisite work is now being exhibited at the Palos Verdes Art Gallery. Then there is Gail Hall Wright, who has become an advertising expert, and, with her clever mother, has just completed a novel, with advertising as the theme.

Miss Hazel Plate is a fairy-godmother to the Chapter. She, clever girl, is still in her early thirties and the stock market. She put herself through school, took herself around the world, owns a charming home and cars, and has proved a precious aid in the building and furnishing of the new Chapter house on the campus.

Martha Burnham, grand-daughter of the famous explorer, is an active member of this Chapter . . . recently returned from that marvelous trip with her grand-dad via Australia and South Africa. Three clever artists are Mrs. Carl Smith, of the university art department and international lecturer on this subject; Virginia Svarz, who is still a student, and Edna Gearhart of Pasadena. Musicians to bring the Chapter eclat are Margaret Schirm and Kate Frost. One youngster I expect to become famous is Damarinth Smith, one of the youthful students in the house, whose sparkling intelligent eyes promise all sorts of triumphs.



Editorials



Growth

SINCE THE crescent is Gamma Phi Beta's own symbol and since the symbol is one of *growth*, it is well worth our while to consider this meaning as we face the work and responsibility of the current college year. Growth—scholastically; growth—materially; growth—ethically.

The precepts of Solomon declare that wisdom is better than rubies; the Greeks of old delighted in knowledge as a wonderful and precious thing; the Greeks of today, aware of their heritage must find their truest inspiration in the beauty of learning. Pleasures pale; but the words of the great and the learned bring an unending happiness. Fame wanes; but the truths of the mighty endure. Riches vanish; but the treasures of the wise are ours for the asking. The most marvelous of tales are found between our book covers; the finest in intellectual achievement is ever before us; the shining golden key of attainment will open to us a land of magic. Growth—scholastically. Let us have it.

An organization that does not advance, of necessity, must retreat; a sorority that chooses to restrict its boundaries and to conserve its opportunities cannot expect to take its place as a great and mighty force. A judicious addition of loyal and eager groups with college tradition as a background; a wise and sane adjustment of a lengthened chapter roll; a sharing of the crescent badge with those who are worthy to receive it and determined to bring it honor; an increase in the fund that means detailed inspection, internal development, practical aid in chapter enterprises and in scholastic lines—all this will mean a practical growth—a material growth.

In this age of changing values and of shifting standards, it means much to adhere to the old tradition; for, although ideals are no longer fashionable, we still declare that they are the truest inspiration; and even if we do not attain them, we know that our lives are richer and fuller for their very existence. An altruistic effort for the welfare of others; a gesture of self-effacement in our effort for the sorority; an equal division of loyalty and labor; a devotion to the

bond of sisterhood—all this we must realize and must strive to attain. Growth—ethically.

A Glimpse into the Past

"CROSS MY hand with silver," says Gamma Phi Beta in the guise of a laughing gipsy, "and I'll tell you the future," but, at this particular moment we declare, "We're longing for a glimpse into the past." Whereupon, she gives us the rose-colored glasses of Memory through whose magic lenses we trace the far-away years. The beginnings of our order with its time-honored and treasured events; the various steps and varied legislation by which we have reached our present position; the addition, one by one, of loyal chapters; the accumulation of sorority property; the claim upon those who have gained distinction in the outside world: all this we find in our vision of the past.

It is wise, from time to time, to review our history in printed form; it is the duty of a loyal member to familiarize herself with the development of Gamma Phi Beta, to keep in touch with every enterprise of her chosen order. Accordingly, our historical survey—briefly outlined as it is—should be an invaluable aid to the freshman leader, should prove a reference file for the chapter pledges, should offer a worth-while summary to the undergraduate, and should be of greatest interest to the alumna.

It's All in the Viewpoint

"TWO INTERESTING impressions have come my way this afternoon," said the Alumnae President, "and the two of them might unite in furnishing a topic for an editorial." Whereupon the listener gave strict attention, clutching as a drowning man at a straw for a possible subject for dissertation.

"My first impression," continued the Alumnae President, "came from an alumna who, for years, has had no connection with her chapter because of manifold duties and conflicting interests. She chose to appear at a chapter gathering, knowing no member of the group and feeling a natural timidity. Hear her report, 'From the first introduction of myself, I did not lack for attention; and I was led from one to another, presented in a graceful way, and made to feel that my place in the circle had been waiting all these years. One girl was interested enough to ask questions about the events of my college days; another took the trouble to show me the chapter trophies, to explain the chapter activities, to exhibit each room of the chapter house. Another who proved to be the freshman leader called together

her little flock announcing that I was one of those who had helped to build the chapter life, and asking me to say something of the past. For the first time in years, I felt the thrill of freshman enthusiasm and the inspiration of freshman contact. I was placed in the seat of honor at dinner; I listened to all the fascinating songs that had been evolved since my day; I left the room through an aisle of my charming young sisters; I signed the guest book with a flourish; and when I reluctantly took my leave, I felt that something very sweet and invigorating had come into my life; and I vowed that never again would I lose touch with active chapter life."

"So much for the first impression," said the Alumnae President, after a brief pause. "And the second followed shortly afterwards—this impression from a college girl who breezed in for a brief visit. 'We had the *dearest* alumna with us today,' she said, 'and we want her to come again.' 'Why was she so particularly dear?' I queried. 'Oh, because she understood us,' came the quick reply. 'She didn't try to awe us with her own importance; she didn't stand off and criticize; and not once did she say, *In my day we did so and so*. She had an eager little way that made us feel that she wanted to be friendly; she had a personal greeting for every member to whom she was introduced; she was so very interested in everything that we were doing and in every cranny of the house. And the freshmen loved her! For she told them funny incidents of other Gamma Phi freshmen; she impressed upon them the advantage of a group training that was denied to her. At dinner, she made us sing our new songs until she, herself, had learned them; she wrote a cunning little verse in our guest book; and when she said good-by we honestly wanted her to come back.'"

"There!" said the Alumnae President. "Make your paragraph." But with the feminine desire for a postscript, and the alumna urge for a moral, we add that *any* alumna (unless she is an indifferent wearer of the crescent) may have such an experience if she meets her younger sisters in an understanding way, shows that she is vitally interested in them and in the chapter, and enters unrestrainedly into the camaraderie of the occasion; if she eliminates the spirit of criticism, substitutes the spirit of youth, and remembers that she, too, as an alumna, has a definite responsibility and appeal. Also, we insist that any college chapter, if it tries hard enough, may discover some splendid quality in a stray alumna which, if capitalized, will bring vital and valued results.

It's all in the viewpoint.

An Epitaph or a Tribute?

"She is a good rusher." Is it an epitaph or a tribute?

Perhaps, in some chapter of some sorority, there is a member who, in herself, is a distinct type. She does nothing worthy in a scholastic way—she merely "makes" her class; she never is known to participate in a college activity unless it be of a social nature; she does not care to know those outside of her own sorority; she gains no college honors, wins no college office.

And yet—

In rushing season, she expands, she shines, she wins, she has the knack, the gift, perhaps, of attracting the freshmen. She is popular with men and figures conspicuously at each social affair—'tis there that she advertises her organization; she is pretty, fascinating and showy, and she makes an impression.

"She is a good rusher." Is it an epitaph or a tribute? This is a "lady-or-the-tiger" paragraph—answer it as you will.

Alpha Pi

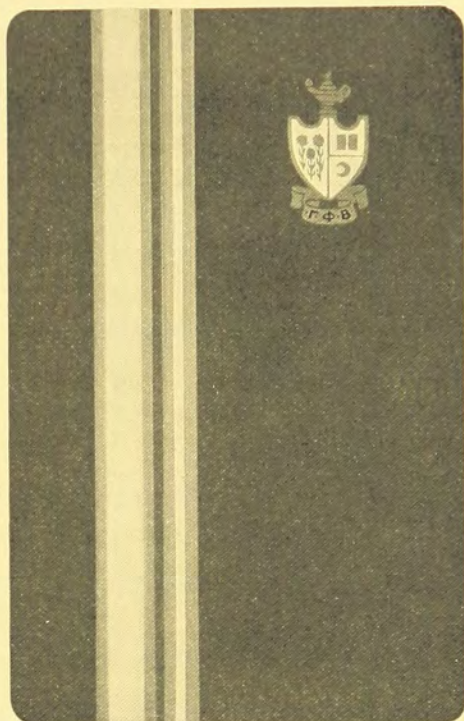
GAMMA PHI BETA has a Flag of Service which bears on its dark brown background thirty-nine stars of lighter hue and which signifies that from Alpha to Alpha Omicron the organization stands for definite work, ideals and helpful co-operation. To these thirty-nine stars we now add another; and at the end of our chapter roll we write Alpha Pi.

Alpha Pi promises to bring us much in the way of tradition, loyalty and efficiency; and Gamma Phi Beta welcomes the newcomer with enthusiasm, with affection, and with the promise of interested guidance and protection.

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Gamma Phi Beta Playing Cards

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In an endeavor to assist chapters and associations to pay their camp and other taxes, International offers them Gamma Phi Beta playing cards at cost. They, in turn, may sell these cards to their members and retain the profit for the expenses mentioned above.

The cards may be purchased in single or double decks of light and dark brown and are made of the best card stock obtainable.

Write to your chapter or association for prices and help your group to make a good showing.

Gamma Phi Beta Talleys

The San Diego Association of Gamma Phi Beta offers attractive talleys and score pads at an exceptionally low cost. Write to Mrs. F. F. Evenson, 3337 Elliott St., San Diego, Calif., for prices.

IMPORTANT NEWS!!

Every CRESCENT subscriber will receive the new 1931 loose-leaf edition of the Song Book in place of the March CRESCENT.

Order your binder, price \$1.00 now, and it will be sent in time for your Song Book. Price to non-subscribers, \$1.50 complete.

Mrs. Jay C. Norman
409 W. 68th St.
Kansas City, Mo.

Enclosed find check for \$. to cover cost of
binders for Song Book at \$1.00 each.

Signed

Chapter



Announcements



Delay of Publication

OWING TO SYNDICATE advertising, the dates of publication of THE CRESCENT have been changed, and the editor has been unable to give any definite time for chapter letters to the many chapter correspondents who have asked for information.

Letters of Instruction

AS SOON AS a definite date for the next issue is given, the editor will send the customary letter of instruction to each chapter correspondent.

Two New Chapters

ALPHA RHO at Birmingham Southern University and Alpha Sigma at Randolph-Macon Woman's College were installed September 6 and 13th respectively. Articles about the installations will appear in the December issue of THE CRESCENT.

Returned Crescents

UP TO the time of going to press approximately one hundred May CRESCENTS have been returned to Central Office by the postal authorities marked "unknown." While this number is small in comparison to the returns for other magazines, Central Office is anxious that all Gamma Phi subscribers receive their CRESCENTS and will appreciate information concerning the present whereabouts of the members whose names are listed below. Until correct address is received future issues of the magazine will not be sent to these subscribers. The May CRESCENT, a directory of all Gamma Phis, will be forwarded to those members whose names appear here upon receipt of twenty cents in stamps to cover the carrying charges.

Alchison, Harriet
Atterbury, Carmen
Bailey, Marcita
Belden, Eileen
Bellatty, Elizabeth

Bellatty, Ruth
Bing, Margaret
Brunstetter, Della
Cameron, Faye
Cannon, Mrs. Chas.

Cash, Hazel L.
 Chessman, Louise
 Crawford, Mrs. Bernice Malaby
 Crimmins, Charlotte
 Crowley, Rose
 Delahay, Mrs. Neil
 Depue, Rowena
 Dilling, Rose
 Donovan, Mary
 Erickson, Mrs. Irving
 Follet, Alice
 Grabow, Mrs. E. R.
 Grant, Margaret
 Hammond, Mrs. J. D.
 Hildinger, Lucile
 Hildinger, Pauline
 Hitt, Mrs.
 Holmes, Mary Helen
 Horton, Mrs. Gerald
 Hoyt, Mary
 Hoyt, Margaret
 Hugos, Helen
 Hunt, Mrs. Leigh
 Hutchins, Mrs. Jno.
 Hyland, Mary
 Hystad, Sigrid
 Jaehnings, Marian
 Johnson, Linda
 Johnson, Mildred
 Kahler, Laura
 Kirkham, Bernice
 Klein, Katherine
 Klingman, Mrs. Chas.
 Klinge, Julia
 Knowles, Alice
 Kuzmier, Mrs. Robt.
 Lainz, Jane
 Land, Ester
 Lea, Doris
 Lumley, Beatrice
 Luttrell, Alice
 McKee, Florence
 McNab, Zora
 McNish, Jean
 Mansfield, Mrs. Geo.
 Matthews, Elizabeth
 Metcalf, Florence

Mooney, Jean
 Morrison, Elizabeth
 Moss, Peggy
 Muir, Mrs. Wm.
 Muse, Mrs. Alden
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Our Contemporaries in Black and White

The magnificent gift of Chi Omega to the University of Arkansas is a matter of much interest to the Panhellenic world:

A Greek Theater, a white monument of classic charm set in the natural verdure of an Ozark hillside, was dedicated the night of June 28 by Chi Omega, national women's fraternity, as a gift to the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, the fraternity's birthplace.

A bronze tablet at the right of the stage states that the theater is evidence of Chi Omega's appreciation of its founding and a symbol of its devotion to the human struggle for enlightenment. On the tablet is the sorority's official seal carrying the head of Demeter "who as the goddess of civilized life was concerned with harvest for human needs."

The original suggestion for a memorial of the founding of Chi Omega on the University of Arkansas campus was that of a social center to be located at the front of the campus. The building, in the style of a Greek Temple, was to be called Founders' Hall.

Eighteen years ago Dr. Richardson, founder, author of the ritual and constitution, in company with Mrs. Mary Love Collins, president of Chi Omega, walked over the campus of the University of Arkansas discussing an open air theater as the best form for a Chi Omega gift, which had been authorized several years earlier.

In May of 1929, Chi Omega Fraternity communicated its offer to the University and in September the institution formally accepted the sorority's offer to construct an open air theater. On June 28 this long cherished dream became a reality, marking too, the thirty-fifth anniversary of the founding of this organization.

The theater, modeled from the orchestra pit outward on the theater that Dionysius built at the foot of the Acropolis of Athens nearly 2,400 years ago, seats over twenty-seven hundred people and is situated on a hillside on the south west corner of the campus of the University, looking out toward the hazy blue of the mountains. The seats curve with a drive that circles the hill and are enclosed by a formal hedge.

The stage is eighty feet across inside the colonnade, with five aisles leading to the stage. At the rear are fourteen columns, each thirteen feet high, emblematic of the fourteen charter members of Chi Omega,

joined by a frieze on which are the five words "Knowledge-Integrity-Courage-Culture-Intelligence," interpreting the fraternity's program. On the wings are two large pylons, eleven feet square and seventeen feet high. A seventy-five foot semicircle of sod is between the stage and the terraced, white concrete seats.

Beneath the stage are two large dressing rooms, one at either side of an entrance hall, and a property room.

Adjourning the sixteenth biennial convention of Chi Omega held this year at Hot Springs, over three hundred fifty members of the sorority gathered in Fayetteville for the final session of the convention and to participate in the dedication of the theater.

—*Banta's Greek Exchange*

The appended paragraph accompanies a beautiful picture of Mrs. Wilkinson in the "Kappa Delta Angelos":

Mrs. Wilkinson, Kappa Delta, is a Panhellenic mother, as her daughter and several nieces are members of Gamma Phi Beta; her daughter-in-law, Mrs. David Wilkinson, is a Kappa Kappa Gamma and a Delta Omicron. Her son, David Wilkinson, is a member of Beta Theta Pi and the vice-president of the National Automobile Insurance Company of Nebraska. Her niece, Enid Williams, is a Chi Omega. Her daughter, Gladys Wilkinson Lawrence, is a member of Gamma Phi Beta and edits the Delta Omicron *Wheel*.

From a fine article upon the chapter library, we take the following paragraphs:

Various expedients may be adopted for building up the resources of the library. One method may be to ask each senior who leaves the chapter to donate a worthwhile volume, by which she may express not only her interest in the library itself, but it may be an expression of her own taste in literature.

It is highly advisable that a good list of books needed be kept by the chapter librarian, from which a selection may be made by those who will become donors.

The alumnae should each receive a letter from the librarian telling of the new library project, and suggesting that a book on the list enclosed will be much appreciated, and will be duly labelled with the bookplate bearing the name of her who sends it.

Oftentimes parents visiting the college may wish to leave behind some little token of interest in the chapter, and to them a book will offer the most welcome means of expressing this interest.

Indeed the range of good books is vast, and a chapter may add many titles to those suggested at the end of this article, which is a plea for books that may prove not "merely literature but guide-posts."

Canon Farrar once wrote: "If all the books in the world were in a blaze, the first twelve which I would snatch out of the flames would be:

"The Bible; Homer; Thucydides; Vergil; Dante; Milton; Imitation of Christ; Aeschylus; Tacitus; Marcus Aurelius; Shakespeare; and Wordsworth. Of more recent writers I would save first the works of Tennyson, Browning and Ruskin."

Be wary of purchasing whole sets of an author, especially in fiction. Select one or two best known titles, and do not cumber your limited shelf space with the less important deadwood type of material. Few writers reach the heights in every product of their pens.

Again from "The Aglaia" of Phi Mu:

How Do You Rate? One of a group of gossiping alumnae, in cozy conversation may put this question, "How does Alpha rate this year?" Some one may answer, "It seems they pledged a good number, but had to depledge several. I don't know why." Another volunteers, "Two of their upperclassmen have been campused for a month."

By this time the first commentator has picked up breath to add, "They haven't done a thing about Jane Jones going with a boy who drinks loudly and boisterously at football games," then, as an afterthought, "their alumnae aren't on speaking terms with the actives because Mary Brown's sister wasn't bid."

The reality of this situation is terrifying. Is it fair, this rating that is passed on by informal report, on every sorority chapter on a campus? By means of such ratings, reputations are made for sororities. And it is curious how reputation may eventually drill into the sorority's character. Pieced together by a word here, a surmise there, an adamant wall is formed, broken down only as the wind of repute veers in another direction.

Fair or unfair, rating is done. Let every chapter be prepared to challenge it. In rating your own chapter you might fairly use a gauge like this one:

I. Has it the quality born of long standing on the campus, or just as valuable, virility and strength as a new chapter? Does it promote good things for fraternities and the college, or must it be content to sit back and let others act for it?

II. Is scholarship high? Does it claim high scholarship at the cost of all other benefits? Its best scholars should be friendly, and enjoyable company rather than mere pedantic book worms.

III. Activities may be valuable to a sorority if one or two girls do not carry the burden of responsibility. Too, the activities should be the participation in established, worthwhile projects. To decide the worth of an activity one must decide what it demands of a worker,

merely "pep," enthusiasm, a "trick" skill, or poise, thought, purposeful work.

IV. Wholesale rating of a sorority by its alumnae, professors, parents, patronesses, other sorority women and fraternity men is done largely on the attitude of members. If girls make friends, willingly, with people from every corner of the campus, they win a fine rating. Avoiding friendships with fraternities which are not demanding the best from their members is necessary to keep one's own high place. And when we consider that ratings are sometimes very bedraggled truth, it is well to remember that well-bred sororities, like families, discuss personal matters only within the doors.

We are not putting the cart before the horse in all this if we allow rating to be, merely, the "outward and visible sign of an inward and spiritual grace." Meanwhile we might well be chary of others, turning the mirror of truth on ourselves, first.

From "Banta's Greek Exchange":

Northwestern Candle Lighting Night, a ceremony unique in the college world, was celebrated in May. At exactly eight o'clock, President Scott kindled the "Great Candle" in the Candle Room of the Tower at Old College. At the same time, alumni clubs all over the world heard an address by President Scott reproduced on phonograph records expressly for the service. Another record, made last year by the university band and glee club, played two Northwestern songs. The undergraduates observed Candle Lighting Night at dinner in the various sorority, fraternity, and open houses on the Evanston campus. At each table were three purple candles, representing past, present, and the future respectively. According to custom, each student lights his own smaller candle from one of the three. The address of President Scott was read aloud by some member in each house. Candle Lighting Night was started two years ago when the "Great Candle," calculated to last 100 years, was presented to the general alumni association by Horace Goodrich, known as Northwestern's first freshman.

Northwestern is the largest school in the Big Ten this year according to a tabulation made by the *Chicago Daily News Almanac and Year Book*. It has an enrollment of 14,664 students, which leads the University of Chicago by 190. Illinois comes next with 14,183, and is followed by Michigan, Wisconsin, and Minnesota.

Lombard College held its final commencement on June 3, completing seventy-nine years of educational work. On the first of July Lombard merged with Knox College, its traditional rival since 1851.

The Syracuse chapter of Alpha Gamma Delta has a room especially adapted for study. It is situated in the basement of the whole of the

house and is nearly soundproof. For that reason, this particular chapter need have no calling hours for the rest of the house.

From an interesting article in "Banta's Greek Exchange" written by Frances Doak, Kappa Alpha Theta, and entitled "Do They Pledge More?" we quote:

"In the main there are two things which appear to be working against the fraternities. The first is the mad rush to build big and luxurious houses, and the second is the growing attitude of indifference that this generation of students feels towards fraternities as well as towards-most everything else. In the old days, Phi Psi, for example, was usually housed in a rather small and unpretentious house and as a result expenses were not high. Since the house was run cheaply it did not take a great number of members to make the finances work out successfully. This allowed the chapter to be small and the boys could exercise a great deal of care as to whom they took in. Thus, the fraternity was composed of men, who, if they did not live in perfect harmony, were mostly rather close friends. To the writer, such a group, composed of let us say, twenty five men, was ideal. Out of such a small select group arose lasting friendships. Nowadays with our large houses the fraternities are compelled to have at least forty five men if they are to run successfully. The expenses of a big house are surprisingly greater than are those of a small one. The obligation to be financially successfully has caused fraternities to adopt the attitude that anyone who can pay his house bill every month is a desirable man and should be pledged immediately. Thus, men are passed who are not well liked by some of the members of the fraternity and the result can easily be imagined. From being a small group of close friends with much in common the fraternities are growing more and more to be large unwieldy groups, not unlike boarding clubs.

"It is common knowledge that this generation is usually blasé. This characteristic is reflected in the attitude of many of the students towards their fraternities. They are indifferent to them. They are a place to eat and sleep. No one cares enough about them to take the responsibility of carrying out faithfully the many duties that must be executed if the fraternity is to be a good one. The boys are too taken with their own affairs to bother with rushees. It is this general attitude of indifference that is the most serious threat to the future of fraternities, for if there ceases to be interest in the fraternities then let their grave be dug. Let them take their places along with horses, and shaving mugs, and all the rest of the things that have fallen by the wayside as this ever progressing world goes hurrying on and on.

"Whether we want that time to come rests with those of us who are in school now and with those who are coming to school in the future. Who knows how we and they shall decide?"

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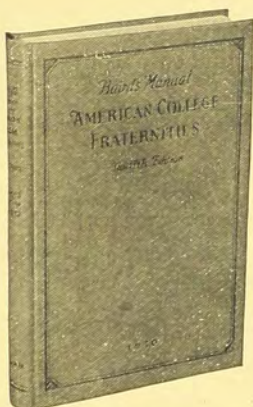
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