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SOME OF THE ZETA PHIS WHO BECAME KAPPAS AT ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY, OCTOBER 16.

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OUR NEW CHAPTER

Beta Beta, St. Lawrence University, Canton, N. Y.

Installed Saturday, October 16, 1915

Another chapter has been added to our roll—Beta Beta of St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York, organized as Zeta Phi, a local fraternity, and now a large and flourishing Kappa chapter. We have reason to know that it is large, for on October 16 we installed a group of twenty-three members, and with their aid initiated twenty-four more. We have reason to know that it is flourishing, for we know the calibre of the girls that make up its membership and the life they have in their roomy, hospitable chapter house.

The festivities began officially with the reception given on Friday night, the fifteenth, in honor of Katherine Tobin Mullin, Beta Sigma, the installing officer. However, we have been given to understand that for a long time before this the Zeta Phi house, soon to be known as Kappa Lodge, had been the abode of mystery and the scene of all kinds of preparations, some in charge of the initiates and some, of a very secret nature, in charge of the alumnae. They had come from all directions, and Beta Tau and Beta Sigma, the installing chapter, had sent delegations. Miss Martha Willetts assisted Mrs. Mullin in conducting the installation, which took place on Saturday afternoon.

The initiation banquet followed, on Saturday evening. Tables filled the living rooms and overflowed into the hall, for there were about one hundred present—Kappas of all degrees from gray-haired alumnae to pledges in their "teens." Above the long main table stretched a rainbow path of tissue-paper streamers, and at its end hung, in place of the pot of gold, the Golden Key. In the speeches that followed the banquet, the Beta Betas told us how they had followed the Kappa rainbow. Beta Tau and Beta Sigma welcomed them, and the alumnae spoke of

Kappa's meaning for them and their hopes for the new chapter—Dr. Lucia Heaton and Mrs. Cammie P. Gaines and Mrs. Helen Abbott, the toastmistress, and Mrs. Harriet Blakeslee Wallace of Beta Tau.

There were gifts to the chapter—"christening presents"—and a great heap of letters and telegrams of congratulation from all over the country. The other St. Lawrence fraternities (one women's and five men's) came to congratulate the chapter by serenading them. There would be a call outside, answered by our "Ai Korae," and in would come the serenaders to sing to us while we stood to listen, and to go out again into the night, their call dying away in the distance.

We had our own songs, too; and if there is one accomplishment of the Beta Betas that impressed us more than another, it is their singing. They give evidence of having sung together, and moreover, of having worked and lived together. They bring into Kappa the same fine spirit of coöperation that rang in their music on the night of their installation. And we are glad of this reënforcement of our ranks, happy to share with them our problems and pleasures, and hopeful for great things in the future from Beta Beta of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

ROSALIE B. GEER, *Beta Sigma*.

AND NOW WE HEAR FROM BETA BETA

It's so very hard to begin—and so much harder to go on—and it will be hardest of all, probably, to end—this writing about our Installation. Well, the flowers from our beautiful rainbow banquet are fading—they will be all dead when you, dear Kappa sisters, read this, but do you know even as they fade and droop right before our eyes they aren't dying. It's magic, I guess, but they are coming to life again, the souls of the flowers have taken deep root in our very hearts and are blossoming out into wonderful, wonderful blossoms called Kappa Ideals. They are all very lovely and very pure, and we are going to take care of them so carefully and guard them so jealously—these flowers. Just now we are a little afraid of them—they seem so dreamlike—everything was so dreamlike—but we're going to keep right on loving them and watching them until maybe some day, who knows, the tiny little buds called Beta Beta will blossom out into a glorious flower and the Beta garden may rejoice.

Tell us not in mournful numbers
 It was all an empty dream,
 Mrs. Mullin's but an angel,
 And things were not what they seem.

Kappa's real and Kappa's earnest,
 Though its goal we may not see;
 Dust thou art, to dust returnest
 Was not spoken of the key.

Not commencement—no—nor honors
 Is our selfish end to be,
 But to act that each to-morrow
 Find us true to K K I.

Lives of Kappas shall remind us
 We can be great women too.
 Beta Beta sends her greetings
 Kappas dear—to all of you.

ELEANOR M. ALDRIDGE, *Beta Beta*, '17

AND BETA TAU'S IMPRESSIONS, TOO

October 16, 1915, was a great day for the girls of Zeta Phi at St. Lawrence University and large numbers of alumnae from the old Beta Beta chapter which was located in St. Lawrence 1882-1898.

The ceremonies of installation took place on Saturday afternoon. In the evening occurred the great banquet at which one hundred plates were laid. Mrs. Helen Probst Abbott, Beta Beta, class of 1900, proved a talented toastmistress and inspired the whole company with her spirit and enthusiasm. The toast list follows:

- Welcome Mrs. C. K. Gaines
- Response Mrs. H. B. Mullin
- Greetings from Adelphi Rosalie B. Geer
- Greetings from Syracuse Marie Wood
- Behind the Scenes Esther H. Radcliffe, '14
- The Rainbow Path Doris E. Perry, '17
- Our Kappa Symphony Martha Willetts

No description can picture the rejoicing and exultation manifested in the festivities. Mothers who were old Beta Betas vied with daughters who were new Beta Betas in the singing

and speechmaking. The toasts were most happy and called forth great applause.

Mrs. Gaines said, among other things in her telling speech: "One may hardly describe heaven on earth, but the fellow knows what it is who has been away from home a long while and then gets back again." The banqueting room was decorated in a unique manner. Above the long central table was erected a great arch put up in tints to represent a rainbow, while beneath was arranged a profusion of cut flowers and palms. The place cards were hand-painted fleur-de-lis.

The new chapter had learned many Kappa songs, and made music ring while Beta Tau and Beta Sigma took turns in presenting their latest additions to Kappa compositions; and interspersed were the good old songs that every Kappa knows and the old Beta Betas sang as if they had never had a chance before.

A custom of St. Lawrence gave novelty and charm. Serenades were enjoyed during the evening from Beta Theta Pi, Alpha Tau Omega, Chi Sigma, Delta Delta Delta, and Pi Beta Phi.

Telegrams and letters of congratulation were there in scores and added greatly to the joy of the occasion.

On Sunday morning, when some of the visitors had to take trains at 6:48, the new enthusiasts insisted on furnishing early breakfast and lending sweet company to the station. Then came the day of Sunday when Beta Beta, Beta Sigma and Beta Tau took opportunity of making a more intimate acquaintance, and when they were obliged to separate, all felt that the occasion had been one of rare and wonderful experience.

HARRIET BLAKESLEE WALLACE.

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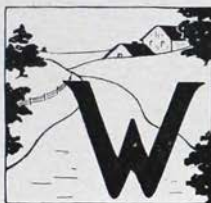
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SIX MONTHS IN A LONG ISLAND VILLAGE

SARAH HARBINE WEAVER, B N

ILLUSTRATED BY FRANCES RICHARDSON, B I

Have you ambitions to be a writer? Are you humorous? Are you a good observer? Mrs. Weaver is all of these, and it will be profitable for you to study her style and to smile at her experiences with the early ministerial callers, the dark brown paint, and the early Victorian personalities.



AS there ever a flatter title than that? Six Months in Lassa, Six Weeks in the Trenches, Six Days in the Antartic, Six Minutes in an Aëroplane—any of these might prove interesting, exciting, and if a real “punch” be demanded, even fatal.

Take warning in advance and learn that there is no gripping denouement to this short tale, and I obstinately refuse to expire to supply one. Some of my friends might debate that point, and argue that to classify myself among the live ones was really making too large a claim. But however commonplace the experience of spending half a year in a town on Long Island, we have known few dull moments since we followed our Lares and Penates from a Manhattan apartment and settled here.

Moving in November to a house that is being prepared is perhaps as pleasant as going to work in a glue factory in August. This is merely surmise, but if I am ever forced to chose between these delectable alternatives, I shall vote for the fragrant gluepots. While the last of the furniture was being carried in, our first caller, the Methodist minister, arrived. With some appropriate and well-worn witticism about the preacher arriving with the last van, he proceeded to make himself at home among the boxes of books, rolls of wall-paper, paste, chairs, tables and confused miscellany, and seating himself comfortably got ready for

a long cheerful conversation. As we conversed the two wallpaperers, lambs of his flock, listened with contented faces and slapped away at their sticky work. The next day the Episcopal rector made his appearance which might be termed of a somewhat



burglarious nature. The front door sticking, he was admitted by an indignant maid, through the kitchen and butler's pantry. At the time, I was engaged in painting with dark brown paint and utter impartiality, myself and a small table. Outside of a minstrel show I was strictly unpresentable. After a hurried gasoline bath, more effective than dainty, I ran up the back stairs and sallied down the front stairs and greeted the rector. He was gazing out of the windows and I was struck by the contrast of the serenity of the out-of-doors and the wild disorder still prevailing in the house.

Among our next visitors were two whom we had known for some time. The man has retired—perhaps he was always tired—and it is probable the pair could have a home in any spot they fancied. Yet when I asked Madame how she liked our village she answered, "I don't believe I could live any place else." She said it very modestly and sweetly as if totally unaware she was saying something extraordinary. She has never lived anywhere else (and she has lived some time too), and she has never been outside of the state. To those of us who are most at home when not at home, and to whom the jiggle of a train is not unpleasant, this nontraveled dame, is in a measure, disconcerting. Yet she is probably as intelligent as many of us, and as happy as most of us, perhaps happier. Kant never wandered forty miles beyond Königsburg and doubtless one spot is as good or as bad as another, according to the state of one's liver and one's conscience.

There are some weird people in our village, as indeed where are there not? On the main street, across from the postoffice, live quietly side by each, two widows. One resides in a large house on the corner, the other in a smaller frame with a pump near the

front door and with the general appearance of having undergone no modern improvements since the year 1776. And the old woman who sits by the window inside with her wrinkled face, full black skirts and voluminous shawls, exactly matches her house. One day I saw the withered madame next door cleaning her yard by the rob-Peter-to-pay-Paul method of shifting the bottles from her front yard to the street or auto way. I wondered if it would do to suggest, intercede or argue. Eleven bottles! I looked around for our police force in variegated yet perfectly modest costume of grey, brown, black and blue, but being a true policeman—in spite of his resplendent garments—he was nowhere to be seen.

One of the very “splendidest” and most popular residents of this place is the Quaker preacher. She does untold good in a quiet Christian way. In spite of the fact that a Friend’s Meeting



House is no place for courtin', since the boys and men sit on one side of the room, the women and girls on the other, the young people enjoy her services which are a marblecake of silences and talks. No singing save the singing of the birds in the oak grove where the little chapel is built. The priest of our village is a big personality too, and a brilliant one. Besides people we have a free library, movies, a suffrage committee, a club and a very charming countryside dotted with estates remarkable for their variety and beauty. Much of Long Island is flat, but near us there are delightful rolling hills, winding green lanes that lose themselves among the forest trees, and unless one was born in the mountains and can not get over it this region does extremely well. Now that summer has come we have a garden, an orchard, Orpingtons, tennis, porches (technically we had them in the winter but they were not popular), and a horizon—a real horizon. *Les enfants* emphatically declare that they would not go back to the city for “piles of gold” and we gaze at each other, and in our eyes is the query: “Why didn’t we pull up stakes before?”

BACK FROM THE FRONT

Dr. Mary M. Crawford, Psi '04, is home again. More than a year ago she went with six other surgeons, all the others, men, to work at the American Hospital in Paris. In that year she has had wonderful experience. The following are excerpts from an interview with Dr. Crawford by a representative of the New York Times.

"We had all kinds of patients—English in the early days after the battle of the Marne, Turcos, Senegalese, even at the beginning a few Germans. These last, however, had to be treated as prisoners, and the care of them was too much for the hospital authorities. It seemed hardly fair, besides, either to them or to the French and English, to mix them all up together, and they are now sent to special hospitals. Some of our English cases were so desperately wounded that they remained with us for months. Our last Tommy left us only in August."

"Tommy Atkins is a darling," declared Dr. Crawford, "and he makes a splendid patient, grateful, obedient, and heroic about bearing pain. Of course, he has not the gay charm of the French. But you don't need to tell him that; he knows it as well as you do. This exaggerated partisanship of nationality is unfair, I think, and rather stupid. It is foolish to make comparisons between the French and English soldier, when both are doing their very utmost. The men themselves would never do so. The Tommies do expect a lot, and they are quite right to do so. You see, the men we had were those of the first expeditionary force, seasoned soldiers, who had seen service in India and in Africa, and who were thoroughly accustomed to being well taken care of by their empire. They are quite unlike the soldiers of France, who leave ordinary avocations at the summons of mobilization, and do not know what to expect. Tommy is a professional, not a conscript or a peasant."

"The famous Moosa, the Senegali who has become so celebrated that he is almost a bore, was in one of our wards. Of

course, he is a character. Just one degree removed from an ape, he was a woolly headed savage when we got him. He came in with an awful leg fracture, and still limping about on canes and undergoing an operation every little while to remove another bit of dead bone. He was a handful in the beginning. He would hit and try to bite every one who came near him, and tear off his bandages at night and pray over his wound. He has just two words of French, 'Attends!' which he growled at you when you tried to do anything for him, and 'Champagne!' for which he shrieked continually. He would bang his cup and yell for a solid hour, while his nurse went on serenely with her work, and finally give in when she ordered him to bed.

"We were at a loss at first to account for his expensive tastes, but we found that he had been fighting in the Champagne country, and they had been accustomed to ripping open cellars whenever they came across them, and drinking the contents. He gradually became tame, and he is now a most accomplished, polished gentleman. The first time that he was given a meal on a tray was funny. There was butter on the plate. He inspected it, then felt it, then smelled it, and then he greased his feet with it.

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"The Turco can't get used to having women in the place. Women, with him, are creatures solely of the background; but to have women, and white women at that, all about him—worse than all, to have them in authority over him, to be forced to take their orders—is too much for him to understand. He is childlike, however, in many ways; learns quickly.

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"The majority of my patients," she continued, "were French, and, oh! they are the best of all! We had peasants from Finis-terre, from Normandy, from the Midi, so many types all so distinct and all so different from the ordinary boulevardier type of Frenchman whom most Americans think of as a representative Frenchman.

"One of them, a boy from Normandy, made 'la Docteusesse,' as they called me, a 'diploma' very gorgeous with the American and French flags entwined and a verse of appreciation in the

middle. One gave me his képi, another his water bottle, and I have dozens of postcard photographs 'pour souvenir.'

"France has done more than awaken the admiration of the world. She has amazed herself. She is still speechless over her own achievement and has not in the least got over the surprise of it.

"This is the parting gift that my French wounded gave me," she pointed with pride to a bronze Victory, represented as a youth with drawn sword and arm outstretched to grasp the prize. The tricolor was tied about his shoulder.

"On the last day," she continued, "every man who could be moved from my five wards were crowded into one, and the room was so packed that there was hardly room for me to squeeze in when everything was ready. There on a table was this bronze, covered with a cloth, and one of the men standing beside it ready to make a speech. It was a charming speech, and at its end he pulled away the cloth and showed their gift. I began to go into raptures, but my voice choked up, and soon every one in the room was crying with me.

"Then I made a return speech as well as I could in my awful French, shook hands with every man in the room, and received the 'diploma' on which all their names were written. It was the most perfect tribute I ever expect to have and the loveliest moment of my life. After that, the wrench of leaving them was worse than ever."

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Just as we go to press we learn that our war "docteresse" was married quietly on November 30 at the Holy Trinity Church, Brooklyn, N. Y., to Mr. Edward Schuster. Mr. Schuster is a lawyer, a Columbia University man, and began his law career in the office of Mr. Gilbert Holmes Crawford, the bride's father, who died soon after the doctor returned from France. Mr. and Mrs. Schuster will live in New York City, and professionally Dr. Crawford will retain her maiden name. At all the hospitals with which she is affiliated, she will still be known as Dr. Mary Crawford.

CHAPTER HOMES I HAVE KNOWN

CLEORA CLARKE WHEELER

OKLAHOMA

Tucked away in this bit of a brown cottage, our Oklahoma chapter has spent the first year of existence. There's clear air



in Oklahoma, and striking blacks and whites of shadows and high lights; there's blue sky overhead, and Beta Theta had a flowering quince or almond in full pink bloom beside the door, and a wealth of green to look out upon—surely a charming setting. The University is like a fairy tale come true—buildings of delicate tracery set in a field of green with bright tulips set before, to do them homage. To make the fairy tale complete, Beta Theta has had four fairy god-mothers at hand: Mrs. Monet from Iowa, Mrs. Alley from Kansas, Mrs. Dwight from Colorado, and Miss Nickle

who wears a Beta Theta key and who has been mother and older sister complete at the head of the dear home. We found a luna moth, just out. The clearer green like jade for wings. Yellow for its body and legs. The most delicate brown and lavender marking the edge of its wings which grew and stiffened for use. Whenever I think of Oklahoma I think of color and space and freedom.

KANSAS

If you had a chance to build your home on the highest point of an old estate that looked out over the valleys of the Kaw and the Wakarusa rivers, you too might defy a hill to climb and build it there. For the hill doesn't have to be climbed except by chance, and often one has company. It makes possible what

many sigh for—a chance to have a kitchen below stairs, and in this case because of side hill slant, both kitchen and dining room can open out on ground level, and the view from the open casement windows gives towards the valley. The whole first floor of our Kansas chapter house is living room spaces. Two floors of bed rooms above, the views from each sweeping the country for miles around. We took the short-cut one night, forty or



fifty of us, after an initiation. Down that hillside in the dark, no way to see the trail between the trees—but by degrees we left the level of the University and reached the level of the town. Under the great trees whose tops we had seen, we strolled and sang. You learn two things when you go to Kansas. That it is not flat as you once thought, and that Kappa songs under the wonderful old trees of Lawrence somehow are very sweet.

TULANE

In the resident section of New Orleans there stands behind a stately entrance of iron gates, what once was a plantation house. Spacious parlors on either side of a spacious hall and a grand staircase at the end, stands as in the past. Above, an auditorium has been added, and all joined to another building of the same proportion by an open stairway and porch. From here you look out over the tennis court and grounds set with palms and live oaks across to the art school and chapel which are too, within the high iron fence enclosing the block. Outside the fence, brick walks with pomegranates, magnolias and Spanish honeysuckles

growing close, and across the street the famous Newcomb pottery. This is the Sophie Newcomb college of Tulane University, the



home of our Beta Omicron chapter. The women's section is in the same city but not on the same campus as the men's. Honeycombed beneath the parlor floor of the original plantation mansion the women's fraternities have their chapter rooms. You find yourself at the entrance of Beta Omicron's where wide glass doors push back to give light and admission. One step down and you are within. Soft creams and browns, and plain rich blue—that is the first impression—creams and browns for walls and woods, blue

for upholstery; and a hooded light in the center shedding its glow softly over all. It is the same room Beta Omicron has had since she was installed; the same room the Charlotte Prentiss japanned each year, the Charlotte Prentiss whose name appears on the pages of the *Atlantic Monthly* nowadays. July Brezeale brought everyone down there the night of her recital and the room could scarcely hold us for the flowers. Earll brought her army fiancé there to introduce him and I fancy it could hardly hold him for his pride of her. It is the heart of Beta Omicron's most interesting life.

TEXAS

The hospitality of the South and the freedom of the West are combined in Texas. We who can claim no share in being allied to her geographically, like to think that some of the vigor and energy of her people has come from the North and East. Even the trees there repeat this. The china-ball tree is truly southern. It smacks of Louisiana, as does the trailing gray moss on the

live oaks. They, the oaks, tell of the West. But together with them grow the magnificent pines and maples of the North and East. Among these people and these trees stands the home of our Texas chapter, and there you will find a welcome as sincere



as it is open hearted. Two deep cut rivers mark their way through Austin and give the setting of the University. On their banks among the grass grows the cactus with huge silken orange blossoms. There too, looking out over the bluffs of the western river, stands a dear bungalow—the second home of Beta Xi. In it, the little daughter of Mary Stedman-Graves looks down from her queenly throne upon her mother's knee, on Beta Xi all gathered there in adoration.

MISSOURI

Serenades in any clime are captivating. Under the windows of the sleeping porch of our Missouri chapter house they are exceedingly worth while. From the troubador's viewpoint, for he is sure to be under *her* windows; twenty maidens are within the same windows. From the fair one's viewpoint it is equally satisfying. She can fancy her beloved's touch in each and every note. Sent en masse it is an offering to all and a special message to one, who surely knows. There is more than one way in which this sleeping porch of Theta chapter is like the story of Alladin's lamp. You go to sleep there alone. You wake to strains of

sweet music—and is it the atmosphere or the way they play in



Missouri that is so bewitching? You find nineteen others there, all awake too, but how did it happen? There hasn't been a sound until now. The music is over; the clapping is over; another serenade; more clapping—surely there is a storm; some of the windows are closed. You look around again. It's morning, and early; there has not been a sound, and yet you are alone again. Were all those nineteen merely a dream? Or did they come and go on a wishing-blanket?

OCCUPATIONS

ARTICLE II

In the October number a list of possible occupations, other than school teaching, was printed. This will be repeated, so that you may know the professions about which we are able to get expert advice for you. If there are any on the list or any others about which Kappas, active or alumnae, are interested, write to *THE KEY* about it. Questions and answers will be printed unsigned if you give us permission to do so. Otherwise your communication will be confidential.

The Occupation Department in the February *KEY* will be devoted only to questions and answers. Most of the letters this time came too late for them to be sent to busy Kappas afar who were capable of answering them carefully and helpfully. However, several questions may be answered now, the information secured through the Intercollegiate Bureau of Occupations. Any alumna who may be able to answer these questions published will confer a great favor on the young Kappa sister who is seeking advice if she will send her reply to the editor for publication.

I.

Is it possible to work into a business by means of accounting as an entering wedge? Would stenography give one a better start?

C. M. A.

Answer: It is well known that young college men are often taken into business houses at low salaries, and are taught the whole structure of the business, advancing gradually to positions of responsibility. Young women are much less likely to get their start in this way. A knowledge of some useful tool such as accounting, stenography, typewriting, bookkeeping and filing is most important in the beginning.

2.

What else is there in "social service" beside house to house visiting?

C. M. A.

Answer: Child welfare; correctional work in reform institutions; health work which is divided into four groups—(a) that which is carried on in, or in connection with hospitals and sana-

taria, (b) that which is done by visiting nurses' associations, (c) preventive work carried on by associates for the prevention of tuberculosis, infant mortality, blindness, insanity, (d) food inspection and visiting housekeeping; industrial work—welfare work in factories or department stores, research (through special commissions created by legislative action or private philanthropy) institutional work; organized charity; recreational work; religious work; settlement work.

This is such a big subject that it will be taken up in detail in a later number.

3.

I have taken a domestic science course at college and would like to know something about the demand for dieticians.

R. D. H.

Answer: Dietetics is coming to be recognized as a highly specialized profession. Calls for dieticians come from hospitals, clubs, and progressive institutions, public or private. Salaries are not yet fully standardized and the duties are not always clearly defined. This fact probably explains the relative scarcity of good dieticians. The necessity of special training is peremptory. A woman who supplements her academic courses with thorough training in dietetics will find herself in demand at a beginning salary of \$60 per month and maintenances, and when experience is gained \$150 and maintenance.

4.

What is the salary of a bookkeeper?

M. D.

Answer: Experienced bookkeepers demand \$18 to \$25 a week. The work requires great accuracy, patience, love of detail, but there is little opportunity for initiative and originality. However those who do possess initiative are sure to press on into more highly specialized fields of expert accounting and costs statistics.

Questions will be answered about the following:

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| 1. Artist—painting; illustrating; applied art—interior decorating, furniture | making, jewelry designing, etc. |
| 2. Architect—draughtsman. | |

3. Banker.
4. Buyer.
5. Business woman—stenographer, secretary, etc.
6. Chemist.
7. Civic worker.
8. Dramatic artist.
9. Dog fancier.
10. Dentist.
11. Domestic scientist—dietician.
12. Farmer.
13. Florist.
14. Insurance clerk.
15. Journalist.
16. Lecturer.
17. Librarian.
18. Lawyer.
19. Minister.
20. Magazine editor.
21. Novelist.
22. Photographer.
23. Physician.
24. Politician, public office holder.
25. Social service worker.
26. Shopper, professional.
27. Trained nurse, hospital consultant.
28. Tea room proprietor.
29. Writer of textbooks.

KAPPAS KNOWN TO FAME

LALAH RANDLE WARNER, DEPARTMENT EDITOR

Since the opening of this department in February, 1913, the photographs and biographies of forty-five distinguished women who are members of our fraternity have been featured. Seven of these are writers of distinction, five economists and social workers, five physicians, four artists, four wives of college presidents, three professors, one sculptor, one an orator and parliamentarian, one a reader and interpreter, one wife of a governor (He really had only one!), one an architect, one a photographer, one a lawyer, one an interpretive singer and actress, one a vocational advisor, one a geologist, one an educator and lecturer, one a professional story-teller, one a Y. W. C. A. missionary secretary, one a woman who was the first woman regent of a great university, one a translator and war relief officer, one a reader and actress, and one a domestic science authority. Of these, twenty-nine are married, sixteen were at last account unmarried—and you can't tell which from 'tother in the matter of achievement! Behold! Oh anti-feminists!

Again, of the forty-five, Phi and Psi have each had five, Chi four, Mu and Iota three each, Lambda, Beta Epsilon, Beta Delta, Theta, Beta Zeta, Beta Nu and Gamma Rho two each, and Sigma, Beta Sigma, Kappa, Beta Alpha, Pi, Beta Tau, Beta Eta, Upsilon, Omega, Beta Lambda and Alpha each one. Haven't some of the rest of you some "Known-to-Fames" about whom we ought to know? A card suggesting such a name is always welcome and its claims will be at once investigated.

MRS. BERNICE ANDREWS FERNOW, *Psi*, '04

Miniature Painter

Bernice Pauahi Andrews Fernow was named for a Hawaiian princess, her father's schoolmate. She is a "hyphenated American"—a "Turkey Sandwich"—as her father was born in Hawaii, commonly known as the Sandwich Islands, and her mother in Constantinople. From her mother, who is half Armenian, she receives the foreign blood which seems to predispose to art. This tendency appeared early and developed rapidly under the



MRS. BERNICE ANDREWS FERNOW
From a miniature of herself

sympathetic guidance of Olaf Branner, the gifted Norwegian painter in charge of the Fine Arts department of Cornell University. Following his advice, she left college at the end of her first year and returned to her home in New York City to devote her entire time to painting. For several years she studied at the Art Students' League of New York, being elected a member in 1903. In 1908 she married Bernhard Edward Fernow, Jr., one of Cornell's famous "crew men." They have one child, who with a temperament and voice that point to an operatic career, at the age of three has herself chosen her vocation—to be a mother!

Mrs. Fernow's work is known through the exhibitions of the National Academy of Design and the miniature societies of New York, Philadelphia, Boston and Chicago. Her miniature of Jonathan Scott Hartley, the sculptor son-in-law of George Inness, was one of the American miniatures chosen for the recent International Exhibition at Rome, Italy, and five of her miniatures were requested for exhibition in The Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. Her studio is at present in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, her husband's business having taken the family to that city.

DR. MABEL SIMIS ULRICH, *Psi*, '97

Health Lecturer

Kappas may well be proud of the increasing number of her members who have vision of a larger life and greater opportunity for women. Among these is Mabel Simis Ulrich. By natural talent and thorough training, by wide experience and rare personality, she is marvelously equipped for this special service. Her collegiate and scientific training began at Cornell where she took her B.S. degree in 1897. Four years later she received her degree of Doctor of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University. During this time, four girls—Mabel Simis, Mabel Austin (*Chi* '93), Dorothy Reed, graduate of Smith College, and Margaret Long, daughter of the Secretary of the Navy, lived together in Baltimore in "The Pill-Box"; together they volunteered their services as nurses to the Navy during the summer of 1898 and were assigned to the hospital in the Navy Yard at Brooklyn. A de-



DR. MABEL SIMIS ULRICH

lightful result of this nursing experience is a deliciously funny story by Mabel Simis, "The Swede's Angel," which was published in *Everybody's Magazine*.

In the summer of 1901, Mabel Simis was married to Dr. Henry L. Ulrich (Johns Hopkins 1901). The following year the Doctors Ulrich came to Minneapolis where they have since continued in practice. They have two daughters, Katherine, aged thirteen, and Josephine, aged four.

To one so interested in the possibilities and needs of women as Dr. Mabel Ulrich, private practice led inevitably to social work. Under the direction of the local Young Women's Christian Association, she began to speak on health subjects and sex problems to factory girls at noonday meetings. This work gave her the idea of the great usefulness of an evening dispensary, centrally located, where girls employed during the day could consult good physicians for a nominal fee. She therefore established and conducted for a time such a dispensary which proved to be, moreover, a pleasant meeting place where entertainment was often provided.

Through her private practice and social work, Dr. Ulrich became impressed with the great ignorance on the part of mothers and teachers concerning sex physiology and the psychology of children and adolescents. Her lectures on health and educational questions gradually became courses of instruction along these special lines. Her unusual fitness and her marked ability as a speaker were early recognized by various organizations and boards of education with the result that she has given courses in many cities.

In 1913, the National Board of the Young Women's Christian Association engaged as much of her time as she could spare from her home for courses in state universities and normal schools throughout the country. She spends a week in each college, gives six lectures and sees hundreds of girls in private consultation. This work has grown to such magnitude that Dr. Ulrich has been obliged to give up her private practice.

Clear in her thinking, direct in speech, democratic in spirit, believing in women and in larger freedom for them in every



Ira L. Hill's Studio, New York City.

MRS. ELIZABETH GOWDY BAKER

sphere, political, social and mental, she brings to this new and hitherto neglected field, qualities that ensure service commensurate with the opportunity.

NELLIE L. MERRILL, *Chi.*

MRS. ELIZABETH GOWDY BAKER, *Alpha '81*

Well-known Painter of Portraits

Among the many Kappas known to Fame in New York, Mrs. Elizabeth Gowdy Baker holds an unique place. She was born in Xenia, Ohio. She was educated at Monmouth College and was there a member of Alpha chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma. She began her study of art at Monmouth and later, after studying in New York City, had charge, during her junior and senior years' of the art department.

She continued her study in Philadelphia, New York and Boston, and at that time met Mr. Daniel B. Baker a southerner who was living in Boston. Since her marriage Mrs. Baker has studied abroad, in France and Italy. For a number of years she has had her studio in New York City and has devoted herself especially to portraiture. During the summer she sketches from nature in many parts of New England, and along the Pacific coast—particularly in Southern California where her mother and sisters are now living.

Her portraits are owned and treasured all over this country, and even abroad, and are distinctly individual and in many ways different from the work of other artists. She has achieved distinction by her strong and beautiful color, careful and correct drawing, faithful likeness, skillful posing and especially for her ability to portray the spiritual character of her subjects whom she seems always to see at their best. For these reasons she has been repeatedly congratulated on her good fortune in having so many beautiful women and fine looking men as subjects for her brush.

She is master of both oil and water color, but by preference uses the latter for her portrait work. As her works are large, with charming backgrounds and life-size figures, she is alone in such handling of pure aquarelle. With it she gets depth and delicacy of color, wonderful truth to life and the absolute certainty that her work will endure throughout time without change. Her



MARGARET LOOMIS STECKER

style suggests that of the early English portrait artists—Gainsborough and Sir Thomas Lawrence. The annual exhibition of her work at Knoedler's Galleries is one of the features of the art season.

She finds little time for clubs generally, but besides being a member of the New York Alumnae Association she is a member of the National Arts Club, the Iowans in New York, the Daughters of Ohio (of which she was president for three years), and the Equal Franchise League.

MINNIE ROYSE WALKER, *Iota*.

MARGARET LOOMIS STECKER, *Psi*, 1906

Expert on Industrial Questions

Margaret Loomis Stecker, Psi 1906, was born at Mount Vernon, N. Y., and was educated in the public schools of that city. She entered Cornell University on a state scholarship in September, 1902, and was soon initiated into Kappa Kappa Gamma. After her graduation in 1906, she spent a year in graduate study at the School for Social Workers in Boston, and later she studied at the University of Wisconsin and again at Cornell. At each of these latter institutions she held a fellowship in political economy, an honor rarely conferred upon a woman.

Her interest has always been directed toward the field of labor problems and she has made several valuable studies of different phases of the subject. Among these should be mentioned an investigation of five hundred immigrant girls in Boston, for the Women's Educational and Industrial Union; a study of the living conditions of self-supporting women and girls in some of the large cities of the country, for the United States Bureau of Labor; a study of certain questions connected with the relations of trade unions and employers' associations in the United States, for the United States Commission on Industrial Relations, and minor investigations for the Young Women's Christian Association and the Consumers' League.

She has been a special agent of the United States Bureau of Labor and of the United States Commission on Industrial Relations. At present she is an instructor in economics and sociology at Mount Holyoke College. She is an active suffragist, her latest

manifestation of interest being participation in a parade in Springfield, Mass., with thirty-five other members of the Mount Holyoke faculty, and one hundred and fifty students, in full academic costume. She is a member of the various scientific societies devoted to the field in which her chief interest lies, of the Cornell Women's Club of New York and of the Kappa Alumnae Club. Her address is 270 First Avenue, Mount Vernon, N. Y.

CHARLOTTE BABER, *Psi*, 1908.



KAPPAS IN BOOK AND MAGAZINE

BOOKS.

The Lure of San Francisco by Elizabeth Gray Potter, Pi, 96, editor of THE KEY 1906-1910, and Mabel Thayer Gray, her sister. The early history of San Francisco told in conversational form and threaded through with a little romance of the present day. Delightfully printed and bound by the Paul Elder Company at their Tomoye Press in San Francisco.

Are Women People? by Alice Duer Miller, Beta Epsilon, '99. A witty argument for suffrage, brimming with epigram, verse and aphorism. Clever in the extreme. Published by George H. Doran and Company. Price, 60 cents.

MAGAZINES.

American Dialect Literature by Lalah Randle Warner, Iota, '07, in *The Methodist Review*, September-October.

The French Woman's Fight for Equal Rights by Mabel Potter Daggett, Beta Tau, '95, in *The Pictorial Review* for November. One of a series of articles on feminism in its foreign phases—the life and interests of the modern woman across the sea.

THE BENT TWIG

BY DOROTHY CANFIELD FISCHER, *BN and BE*

It is not too much to say of Mrs. Fischer's new novel that it stands well forward among the best American fiction of this or any previous time, for it is at once true in its portraiture of life, unusually artistic in its craftsmanship, interesting in its story, and vitally worth while as a study of human nature. For her method the author has taken the best features of the realistic school and while making her portrayal of character and her reflection of life with copious detail and relentless truth she has not missed interest, vitality, and significance.

The "bent twig" of the story is a girl of a State university town in the Middle West, and the theme is the influence upon her character of the environment of the home in which she grows up, and, in particular, of her strong, vivid, and wholesome mother. One would have to seek far in recent fiction to find a more interesting character than this of Mrs. Marshall, Sylvia's mother, or her

equal in the strength of personality and the illusion of actual being with which she fills the pages, even when she is not present in the text. All the first half of the tale is concerned with Sylvia's youth in the university town, where her father is a member of the Faculty, Professor of Economics, and is caring for his family on a salary of \$2,000 per year. Possibly the picture of the life of the town emphasizes a little too much the aspirations and struggles toward aristocratic distinction of such a society. But the author has had experience with State university towns in three Middle Western States, and her first-hand observations in some one of these doubtless gave her the material upon which to base her structure. And, in the main, in life and color, in truth and sincerity, it is a noteworthy portrayal of a conglomerate American community.

Toward the middle of the book, when Sylvia has reached her early twenties, the opportunity comes through a wealthy aunt for her to gratify her longings for the luxuries and amenities of life, and she sinks into the surroundings which her relative provides with the keenest enjoyment. Her delight in all the physical and mental and emotional pleasures which money can procure seems for a while to be sapping her character, but finally the environment of her early years and the strong, pervasive influence of her mother's character enable her to choose the life which she knows will be really worth while.

The book has that quality, too rare in American novels, of a background rich in observation of life and much thought upon its problems. And the author has achieved with notable success the difficult feat of completely clothing with her deeply interesting story the theme which is its heart and purpose.—New York *Times* Book Review.

Will Kappa writers please notify this editor, Mrs. Everett Warner, 717 West Charles Street, Muncie, Indiana, of their published works as soon as they appear. Brief reviews will be given where complimentary copies of books are sent.

PARTHENON

**Canadian
Women's Service**

As the days become darker in this our time of national suffering, it is hard to realize that the supreme task of Canadian women is to play the game at home, and, like the Crusaders of old, make the white flower of a perfect life their contribution to the state. Everything assumes such abnormal proportions, we become insanely delighted over the slightest gleam of hope, slight losses send us to the depths of despair, and most intensely irksome in their triviality do our everyday duties become, when we recall the service rendered by our splendid men, our light-hearted companions of a year ago, now wearing the King's uniform.

This year the question before the University woman was, "What can we do to be of most service?" Red Cross work has been carried on with a will, but while a great material help, can only have a temporary effect upon both our own characters and the future of the nation, thus we have determined that our part now, more than at any other time, is to keep conditions normal, strive to overcome all feelings of hatred and bitterness towards our enemies, and by our cheerful courage and energetic performance of the task that is nearest, make Canada seem the most glorious place on earth to our soldier boys when they come marching home. To this end the women of the University have formed a league of patriotic service whereby each one pledges herself:

- (1) To do the work of her course faithfully regarding this as her first and chief means of serving the State.
- (2) To strive through study and observation to learn the meaning and responsibility of citizenship.
- (3) To give a definite portion of her time to Red Cross work or other work for the war.
- (4) To practise economy in personal matters; to devote the money thus saved to war or relief purposes.
- (5) To adopt such habits of life as will make her physically fit for service.

BEATRICE G. WINTERS, *Beta Psi*.

Our Inspiration

There is no more vital interest to us Kappas than the friendship and interest shown us by our alumnae. Alumnae interest means something more than the support we receive from our grand officers and Kappa nationally. It means the real interest you Kappas are showing toward the active chapters near you.

We want so much to keep in that feeling of comradeship and helpfulness which means so much to us. Fraternity is not merely a society for undergraduates. As much as it means to us while in school, so much more must it mean to you, when Kappa is enhanced by memory and the sweetest and dearest friendships ever formed.

The active girls need your help. You have reached the beautiful in life. We are still in the making and need your wise counsel and love. Years should make no difference in our relations. You are our big sisters and we look to you with respect and awe. If you could only realize how grateful we are when you show an interest in us. When we see that that interest is real and vital, how quickly we come to you for help and advice.

We Kappas are proud, and justly so, of the heritage you have left us. Each Kappa realizes the beauty and sacredness of the tie which bound those first Kappas together. It has inspired all of you who have gone before, and it has made a golden pathway down to us. Beyond, far down the vista of years is the house of golden windows toward which we are walking. You are standing there, and we are striving hard to follow that light which is beckoning us on to the Ideal, to Truth.

And so Kappa Sisters, you are bound so closely to us in the most sacred of friendships, do not feel that you have outgrown us. We have not outgrown you, and we want *real* friendship from you. For remember, your lives are shining examples to us, and what of Kappa in the future?

PAULINE DORION, *Phi*.

The Things That Count

How unnecessary some things are! Can we each be depended upon for the very littlest things? That is the question we should all be happy to answer in the affirmative. Perhaps other colleges do not find it hard to get dependable girls, but it seems especially so in our University.

The amount of work a fraternity can do along this line is endless. We forget so often the importance of doing what we have once been told to do. The girl who is slipshod in the smallest things in college will find the duties of her later life very hard to perform. The character developing we can do in college will be of countless benefit to us in our profession, our art, or our home-making. But how can we help best? How we should all like to cultivate the use of the kind, thoughtful words of help and encouragement, the loving air of a true sister who wants to do her best by all, rather than the hasty criticism, the air of superiority or of patronage. How much better off we should each be, if in our every day life on the campus, in our social life or in the fraternity, we could think before we act:

“Whatsoever ye would that men do unto you, do ye even so unto them.”

Or we may better express our meaning in the lines of Wordsworth:

“Nor can I not believe but that hereby
 Great gains are mine; for thus I live remote
 From evil-speaking; rancour, never sought,
 Comes to me not; malignant truth, or lie.
 Hence have I genial seasons, hence have I
 Smooth passions, smooth discourse, and joyous thought:
 And thus from day to day my little boat
 Rocks in its harbour, lodging peaceably.
 Blessings be with them—and eternal praise,
 Who gave us nobler loves and nobler cares—
 The poets, who on earth have made us heirs
 Of truth and pure delight by heavenly lays!
 Oh, might my name be numbered among theirs,
 Then gladly would I end my mortal days.”

EMILY T. SPRAY, *Beta Mu.*

Unnatural Rules With each new college year come new rushing rules. Pledge day at end of first six weeks of unlimited rushing was found to be trying on fraternity members and freshmen alike. Since scholarship and parties do not work together well, Panhellenic established an entirely new plan. Each fraternity entertained its rushees with but one

party, the date, hours, and cost of which were specified. Further, no freshman could be pledged until the first semester's work was satisfactorily completed. The details of this rule provided that no fraternity woman could even walk across the campus with a freshman though they had been the best of friends for years. Could any rule be more absurd? The "Natural Friendship" clause was added which provided that old friends need not comply with restriction in strictest sense. It is almost incredible that fraternity women could be so narrow, so suspicious of others. By that time the faculty were aroused, and since then we have followed their dictates.

Initiation is held in first semester or second year for those who have passed twenty-four hours work. Last year we pledged on May the first; a plan which did not work out as well as expected. It required some rushing all year, the effects of which, were felt by every one concerned. Our University Registrar reported that grades of freshmen were unusually low. Panhellenic filed a petition asking that the only requirement for pledge day be registration. So now our rushing season is during summer and terminates on registration day. We have new problems to work out now with pledges for twelve whole months, but the outlook is much more hopeful than it has been for some time. Experience has shown us that the ever-changing of rules is detrimental to the fraternity. Our advice to you, dear sisters, is to make friendship as natural as possible.

CATHERINE METZLER, *Beta Nu.*

Fraternity Secrecy

Have you ever seen some member of a secret society go strutting around college with the I-am-far-above-the-rest-of-you air and laughed up your sleeve at the ridiculousness of it? It reminds you of prep-school days when "our sorority" was the most important thing on earth. But, although you laugh at it and feel yourself far above it, this attitude shows itself in fraternities quite frequently. Tease some girl about her fraternity and see if she does not put on an air of injured dignity and try to impress you with her superiority. If she does not it will probably be because she is too fussed. There is a way to avoid such foolishness and

if we stop to ask ourselves the reason for fraternity secrecy perhaps we shall see what it is.

A fraternity ought to hold in a small way toward the college life of a girl the place that her religion holds toward her whole life. It should be her refuge when college life is too burdensome, the place where she can come for strength and encouragement, the source of inspiration, the fountain of high ideals. We have often felt the strengthening power of an hour of quiet thought when life becomes too boisterous; a fraternity meeting pledge service, or initiation ought to leave us with much the same feeling. We are better fitted to take up our work by having come close for a time to the big things of life.

Looking at it from this point of view it is easy to see why fraternities should be secret. We do not go about showing our inmost soul to the world nor need we wear the heart of our college life on our sleeve. It would lose much of its sacredness if we did. Let us not have the—"I know something I won't tell," point of view, casting an unnecessary air of mystery over our fraternity; but let us rather feel that it is a very real part of us that has grown into us with our college life and which is too vital to be shown carelessly to the world. If we really feel this there will be no danger of making our fraternity seem ridiculous by acting in a foolish and artificial way.

HELEN N. SPILLER, *Beta Iota*.

The little knot of blue and blue
 A pledge pin worn by one so true,
 Who can know what joy it brings,
 And how the heart—it sings and sings?
 Who can know more sure than she
 Who wears the blue so loyally?
 Indeed, no senior, with her key
 Feels half such joy and pride as she.

The Freshman Point of View

So the freshman, enthusiastic and happy, finds her joy complete when the colors are finally pinned upon her. Pledge day is to be remembered as the first and perhaps the most important experience in her Kappa life. She has looked forward for weeks, and possibly for months, to wearing the blue, and pledging comes as the realization of her highest ambition.

Do we as juniors and seniors remember how vital a step pledging was for us, or have our broader experiences made us forget? Are we able, as full-fledged Kappas, to hold the viewpoint of a pledge, and to understand her joys as well as to anticipate her troubles? We must do so, if we are to help her gain the one, and to shield her from the other. We must take the freshman point of view, if we are to be her most helpful friends and her most competent advisors, if we are to be true upperclassmen.

As we hold this point of view we shall discover that the pledge is an idealist, as far as Kappa is concerned. She feels that success will surely be hers, and that her desires and ambitions will be realized in Kappa. We, as upperclassmen, should not destroy her ideal, but we may guide her, gradually, to a more practical point of view. We can show her that her own attitude will have more effect upon her happiness than anything else; that only as she becomes a vital part of Kappa life can she share its benefits. So by helpful suggestion we can combine the ideal and practical in the freshman and teach her to live according to our Kappa Symphony.

PAULINE HALLIWELL, *Beta Lambda*.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

BETA BETA

The telegrams and letters of greeting which kept the Western Union office and the Postoffice busy at Canton, New York, on the day Beta Beta was installed in its old home at St. Lawrence University, only half expressed the good wishes of Kappa Kappa Gamma to her newest chapter. And what made this one of the most thrilling and interesting of installations was the presence of so many of one of the oldest chapters, the old Beta Beta, which numbers some of our finest alumnae. Greetings came that night to these women from such Kappas as Mrs. Tade Hartsuff Kuhns, our first Grand President, Mrs. Vladimir Simkovitch, and others who expressed their joy at Beta Beta's reorganization.

Here's to you, Beta Beta,
To your spirit ; to your youth ;
To your search for good and beauty ;
To your seeking for the truth.

Here's to you, Beta Beta,
To your spirit ; to your age ;
To your book of happy mem'ries ;
To the new beginning page.

BARNARD SEES NEED OF FRATERNITIES

Barnard College is beginning to feel that it made a mistake when it abolished sororities two years ago so that the college could see how it would fare three years without them. Dean Virginia C. Gildersleeve, in her annual report to the trustees of Columbia University, which was made public recently, says the need of the sororities is badly felt.

It was the opinion of the Barnard authorities, according to Miss Gildersleeve, that the students would form new social organizations which would have all the good features of the sororities without the obnoxious features of the old societies. This has

not been the case, reports Miss Gildersleeve. She finds the college is not holding the interest and attention of the students as it did in the past and that the students do not have as much in common as they did when they met in their sororities.

Her report is as follows:

"The second year of the experimental three year period during which the fraternity chapters are not allowed to elect new members, has passed without any very definite development in our system of social development, in our system of social organizations. Contrary to the expectation of the faculty, no new organizations have grown up to take the place of the fraternities; nor has there been any notable increase of interest and activity in the departmental clubs and other existing organizations. The omission of fraternity elections has brought a welcome relief from the agitations of 'rushing' and 'pledge day' and from some undesirable forms of college gossip. On the other hand, the lack of some such social organizations makes close acquaintance between students in the different classes far less frequent, and results in fewer opportunities for informal social intercourse and the formation of intimate and congenial friendships. An administrative office notices also some lack of that beneficial influence of older students on younger ones and that aid in the development of a sound public opinion in the colleges which the fraternities sometimes felt the responsibility of contributing."

AS OTHERS SEE US

We feel that in justice to the department editors this letter should be printed. Also we'll confess that we seldom get letters like this.

To the Editor,

Personally I am an ardent believer in giving the flowers to the living, so I want to compliment you on the delightful appearance and make-up of *THE KEY*—also upon the contents. The comparison with other fraternity publications is most gratifying.

Your idea of departments is splendid. They are interesting, bright and snappy, and that sounds the *key* note of the times—to make poor pun—the "Hoots" do a lot for the interest of the magazine, and the Alumnae Department and Kappas Known

to Fame have especial appeals to the "old faces" as we jokingly call the alumnae at De Pauw. I have felt more personal interest in THE KEY this year than ever before.

No doubt you are continually pelted with "ideas" and "suggestions" but here's another one. Our fiftieth anniversary is not far away. Are we making any plans for its due celebration? I think such things need a lot of thought and preparation and it takes time to set all the big wheels and little ones turning. If we could arrange for a big simultaneous celebration in all the states it would be splendid, I think, with all the charter members fêted, and many reminiscences encarthed and perhaps a souvenir history written in a readable way, printed for the occasion.

I should be very glad to take part in any such plans. If I am needed pray let me help.

Cordially,

Mu Alumna.

And another:

I want to wish you all kinds of success as Editor of THE KEY, and I hope that it will prove of enough interest to Kappas to call forth the best that is in them in the way of contributions. The special articles are of this sort most decidedly, but some times I am disappointed in the lack of dignified womanly purpose that some of the chapter letters display. This is not a criticism in any way, but it is a regret that some of us don't realize what a valuable instrument of mutual help and progress we have in our very hands in having a magazine well organized and well circulated among the best and most active women in America—I do not refer to Kappas, alone, but to all fraternity women.

But I am forgetting how much more than any of us you have all this at heart. Only I am stirred to write an article on The Chapter Letter sometime—or am I right in thinking that it has been done?

Beta Eta Alumna.

THANK YOU, DEAR CORRESPONDENTS

Our "Cut This Page Out" page in the October KEY did some good. There was a noticeable following of rules in the chapter

letters for this number of THE KEY. The short list of clingers to old habits follows:

News letters sent to Business Manager—Iota.

Not double spaced—Beta Tau, Beta Omicron.

Late letter—Psi, Beta Theta, Beta Phi.

SAY:

1. We *shall* give a reception—not we will. Inhabitants of Massachusetts, with all their faults, seem to be the only Americans who know the correct use of *shall* and *will*.

2. Alumnae, not alumni, because that's what we are.

3. Nothing at all if you find yourself writing "quite," or "very."

4. Some other word for "spike." We realize that its use is sanctioned in some parts of the country—notably the Middle West, but nevertheless we have an inordinate hatred for the word.

5. Panhellenic—not any other form is correct. This we just learned, ourselves. The word was discussed at the Editors' Conference at National Panhellenic, and Greek authorities were afterward consulted. Remember, no hyphen, no Capital "h."

CHAPTER LETTERS

No chapter letter received from:

MARION REED, *Beta Omega*, University of Oregon

Next letter due January 1. Please note change of address of editor. It is now 175 West 94th Street, New York City.

ALPHA PROVINCE

KAPPAS FROLICSOME IN CLASSIC BOSTON

Phi, Boston University

October 15, was the scene of wild excitement at B. U. A circus was given by the Y. W. C. A. and our classic halls were transformed into cages for wild animals, the only ones in captivity. Everywhere there were side shows, pink lemonade stands and peanut vendors. And you should have seen the parade and heard the barkers! Each fraternity was held responsible for some particular stunt. The Kappas gave Bluebeard and his wives. Marjorie Colton alias Bluebeard shrieked madly before our door carrying the mysterious key. And behold—within were a wondrous row of pale powder-bedrenched Kappas hanging by their hair. The whole affair was voted a great success. It was gratifying to see the interest shown by our girls.

Cards have been received announcing the engagement of Genevieve Huntington '14, to Doctor Bertrand E. Roberts. The engagement is announced of Eleanor Crooker to Albert Johannessen.

Marjorie Colton is Chairman of the Publicity Committee for Y. W. C. A. this year.

Doctor Emerson of our faculty is conducting a series of earnest talks on Students' Standards. The classes are large and by the enthusiasm shown it is easy to see that this has been a long-felt want among the girls.

Our first rushing party was given on October 8, at Appleton Towers, Malden. It is a beautiful estate and an ideal place for a dinner party. Dinner was served at 6:30. There were about forty present, active girls, alumnae and nine freshmen who were our guests for the evening.

Our tables were prettily decorated with lighted candles and strewn with pink and yellow roses. The menus were light blue with dark blue cord, and we used our Sigma in Delta for place cards. Kappa spirit ran high, and from grape-fruit cocktail to black coffee we sang our songs which are so dear to us. Loyal to our college, the lights throughout were covered with red and white and the walls banked with autumn foliage.

After dinner we had a most lively entertainment. Paderewski was with us for the evening. What was left of our equilibrium when he gracefully retired listened to the rest of the programme. Marjorie Colton sang several songs in costume, and Rae Carpenter did classic dancing to Bohm's Silver Stars. And last but not least came a sketch of our beloved faculty. You should have seen the dignified professors. And if you never knew before what goes on in faculty meeting, ask us. After the entertainment

we danced and sang until the little clock on the mantel reminded us that in five minutes we would have to walk home.

Now we are making plans for our second party which is to be November 10, and a conflict party with all the fraternities. As pledge day this year is November 15, it leaves us but a few weeks before the eventful day.

The year is well under way, and we feel that we have started well. The spirit of union and sisterhood is even stronger among us this year than ever, and it furnishes us with real strength and inspiration for the attainment of our ideals.

PAULINE DORION.

FIVE WENT TO BETA BETA INSTALLATION

Beta Sigma, Adelphi College

Excitement has been in the air that Beta Sigma breathes from the time we first discussed the installation at St. Lawrence to the present moment, and the tenseness is not growing less as we near the heart of the rushing season. Not that an outsider would know it! Outwardly we are as calm as faculty members; inwardly we have all the feelings of the ardent lover, without his freedom of expression. Our only advantage over him is in the knowledge that our uncertainty will be definitely ended on December 14—that is to say, Bid Day.

Panhellenic is strongly organized at Adelphi, and watches over us all with paternal care. This year it has decreed that each fraternity (there are five at Adelphi) may have one tea and one banquet only. Kappa drew what you may term either the right or the duty of having the first affair in each case, and our banquet will be on November 22, while our tea took place on October 22, at Mildred Downey's home. Eleven freshmen were our guests, eleven personalities too various to be covered with the blanket term "fraternity material," so let us call them "promising possibilities!"

However, let us return to the first mentioned excitement, the installation of Beta Beta, at which Beta Sigma had the honor of being the installing chapter. Five of us went from Beta Sigma for that eventful week-end; and as we boarded the Pullman, we caught the gleam of a key and discovered no less a person than our Grand Treasurer, Miss Martha Willes. We had good company on our homeward journey, too, for Marie Wood, Marie Mevis and Rita Parker, all of Beta Tau, were with us. As for the many Kappas, old and young, that we met and liked at St. Lawrence, and the good times that we enjoyed with them and because of them, and the installation itself—"these things," as our friend R. K. would remark, "have been related in another place." But we cannot resist saying here that Beta Beta's hospitality was warm and beautiful, and that we felt that they welcomed us as their sisters no less than we welcomed them into the bonds of Kappa.

ROSALIE B. GEER.

FROM MAY TO DECEMBER IN "PHILLY"

Beta Alpha, University of Pennsylvania

Many things have happened to the girls of Beta Alpha since the last chapter letter was sent. Last year ended very happily for the Kappas. The week after the initiation, March 20, at the home of Dorothy Keeney, the alumnae and actives celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of Beta Alpha. It is needless to say how happy the active girls were! Beside the best of good times, the alumnae gave us a beautiful new archive chest, and chair, silverware, and embroidered linens for our Kappa teas.

On May 21, was the final Kappa tea and on May 1, the Panhellenic tea. Both were well attended in spite of the showers and the Suffrage parade.

June 16 was an eventful one for the Kappas. Commencement was in the morning and in the afternoon the annual Alumnae Day. In the plays and dances, the Kappas took the lead.

The Kappa seniors received darling little silver pins of the Kappa seal. Well they deserved our little tokens of affection for we had just cause to be proud of them in college, fraternity and outside life! Of the five who were graduated, Janet Jamieson received her senior honors. Genevieve de Turck had done splendid work as president of the Undergraduate Association.

The last week of June, ten girls from Beta Alpha had a glorious house party near Salem, N. J. The bungalow, appropriately called "Skeeterhurst" fronted on the Delaware River "just around the corner from the Bay." Behind was beautiful country with its farm-houses. We enjoyed every minute of the time in true Kappa fashion, with swimming, tramping, and dancing. It was an ideal outing, one to be always remembered.

This college term many of the girls did not return. We have now but sixteen girls including our splendid new affiliates, Elfreda and Virginia Van Meter of Beta Mu.

Shortly after college commenced, Mrs. Catlin, our Province President paid a long-looked-for visit. In those two short days we endeavored to show her all phases of our college life and the good times we have in spite of the peculiar position of the girls at Pennsylvania. The freshman question was a vital one for there are so many freshmen this year and rushing has full sway.

Our first Kappa tea was a great success and the freshmen were greatly impressed. Our alumnae came to help us and "right jollily did they help."

Last week-end eleven of us spent at the home of Dorothy Keeney, at St. David's. Esther Miller, our president, kept us in an uproar. Sunday morning we explored the beautiful and picturesque Walton Estate.

We had our last Beta Alpha meeting in the woods of Lansdowne near the home of Kathryn Dougherty. Around the fire under an Indian Rock we cooked and ate our dinner, and performed our mystic rites.

Two of our alumnae have been married; Anna Zimmerman to Mr. Kelly of Iowa City, Iowa, and Cecel Hanna to Mr. Malcolm Keir of the Wharton School, of U. of P.

Beta Alpha wishes all the other Kappa chapters a successful year.

MARY H. BOYD.

HOUSE PARTY AT THE SEASHORE

Beta Iota, Swarthmore College

Every Kappa came back to Swarthmore full of pleasant stories of the good times we had at our house party at Cape May. Mrs. Rose Spencer Lynd chaperoned us.

Rushing season at college started Wednesday morning after matriculation day, and lasted until Saturday noon. Kappa's "big" party was a progressive dinner. The last course, of the usual ice cream, cake, etc., was served in the chapter room. After dinner, we spent a pleasant hour talking, and singing Kappa songs.

Now we have nine Kappa pledges: Isabell Briggs, Catherine Belville, Elizabeth Frorer, Dorothy Thomas, Mildred Tily, Marian Stokes, Eleanor Runk, Margaret Wilson, and Frances Young.

Initiation is to be held October 27 at the home of Mrs. Douglas '03, in the village.

Mrs. Catlin, our province president came to visit us about two weeks ago. A tea was given in her honor to which the other fraternity and non-fraternity women were invited. We all enjoyed having Mrs. Catlin with us those few short days and are already looking forward to her next visit.

Last Saturday was Founders' Day. In the afternoon class songs were sung on the front campus. After the singing, addresses were made by Governor Martin G. Brumbaugh of Pennsylvania and Governor Charles R. Miller of Delaware who came to help us honor the founders of Swarthmore College.

LOUISE K. LEWIS.

BETA PROVINCE

DANCE FOR TEN NEW PLEDGES

Beta Tau, Syracuse University

College opened September 21 with all the Kappas back. After spending a delightful summer we were all anxious to return. Rushing commenced the first thing. We are happy to say that we have ten new pledges—Miriam Beard, Anne Beard, Althea Kimberly, Naomi Carter, Hazel Burdick, Helen Burns, Violetta Burns, Lola Green, Laura Rounds, and Ruth Colt.

This year we have two affiliates with us—Vivian Diefenderfer and Marian Klingler from Gamma Rho chapter.

The third week of October we held our annual dance in honor of our freshmen. Our house was decorated with autumn leaves, shrubs, and flowers. We were certainly proud of our ten new pledges.

Three of our active girls and two alumnae went to St. Lawrence University to the installation of Beta Beta. They came back full of enthusiasm and declared they had never been more royally entertained. We are hoping that some of the Beta Betas will be able to visit us at the time of the Colgate game, the biggest game of the season.

Beta Tau sends greetings for the coming year.

MARGARET C. ABEL

RED CROSS WORK CONTINUES AT TORONTO

Beta Psi, University of Toronto

Beta Psi has returned sadly depleted but not at all subdued and as a result our poor president's fingers are quite out of joint from calling the unruly meeting to order. For the proud mother of the new Kappa, besieged with questions murmurs between knocks, "Yes, Cutie has her bath at ten," while in the meantime Winnie and the scribe are extricated from behind the presidential chair where discussion was rife over the virtues and vices of a probable sophomore. All serene the meeting continues. "Oh, what a sweet pin!" (pause) "P. P. C. L. I.!" (pause). "Princes Patricia Canadian Light Infantry!" "Oh!" (very subtle with rising inflection). At last, however, the irrepressible Beta Phi's regain their normal calm. This year we miss Van's vivacity and Agnes' purposefulness, but hopes are high about the sophomores. While the freshies! Unfortunately it's "look at but don't touch," but this year we make the most of what opportunities the fates permit us, and our eyesight becomes quite dazzled.

Be it known that Beta Psi is hard at work. Relapsing into bored and blasé juniorhood and the responsibilities of grave seniorhood, the follies of the past years are forgotten, and there being no necessity for the exciting but nerve-racking delights of rushing, we peacefully knit, haunt the library assiduously, and only emerge, tired but most virtuous in time to slip into the college tea room. The canteen, in the vernacular of our military friends, has as its aim, besides the refreshment of voracious students, that of the augmenting Red Cross funds, so on three afternoons a week the Ladies' Study becomes befussed and befrilled, and haunted by enticingly smiling deities dispensing largesse—in the shape of tea and toast.

So far the proceeds have been contributed to the Trafalgar Day Fund, a national fund for which an appeal was made on Trafalgar Day, October 21, through the medium of the British Red Cross Society to the people of the Empire for our own wounded Canadian soldiers and sailors especially, together with all other British subjects on active service. In response to this appeal an energetic campaign was conducted throughout the whole University, and when at the close it was found that double the amount expected had been received, we became almost arrogantly proud that we had thus been able to honor the anniversary.

Red Cross work has been organized at all the colleges, and at Victoria, not only are we expected to flit about the tea room, serving and being generally agreeable, but the work has been divided into three departments, knitting, making surgical supplies, and making scrap-books, etc., for the entertainment of wounded soldiers.

But Kappa, sisters, it is not all Red Cross and studies, nor am I about to unfold any social triumphs (fox trots and one steps are not to be thought of)—but the Dramatic Club must not be overlooked, especially as the "all-star" caste of the club contains two of us. We are playing *Much Ado about Nothing*, and while it may be hard to imagine our lively president and champion of the University in tennis, as the quavering and genial old Leonato, still many things are possible with Helen, whose most serious consideration at present is the assigning a position of her newly acquired T on a sweater already decorated like a futurist thunderstorm, with similar tokens.

Many things more might be said, if the scribe weren't so sleepy and if this letter weren't late already, and if there weren't two essays and two parties at the end of the week (a fatal combination), but in view of the circumstances, we fear any other gems of eloquence must be denied the readers of THE KEY for the present.

BEATRICE G. WINTERS.

WHERE NEW KEYS GLEAM

Beta Beta, St. Lawrence University

Beta Beta is glad to meet you all, to know you all and proud to belong to you.

After that very wonderful and happy installation of October 16, things quieted down for a little while—that is, for over Sunday. Monday morning the excitement began again, and ever since we have been busy just being Kappas. On October 23, the Pi Beta Phi girls gave a reception for Beta Beta. It seems as if every one on the Hill wants to admire our new keys, and congratulate us and be glad with us.

On October 12, the day set by our Panhellenic council, we had pledged seven girls, six freshmen and one sophomore. We are now busy with initiation "preliminaries," and if all goes well, next time we shall introduce each new Kappa to you.

The Fantasia—the event of the season in its success, scenic, dramatic and financial, was given by the college students on October 26, 27 and 30 by the joint performances. We made two hundred dollars and, as a result, our "new Gym" looms nearer. Kappa talent was widely and successfully distributed in the positions of Juliet, darkey clog dancer, classic dancer, Jap girls, "Sweethearts," "Skaters," "Indian Maidens," and "Whitewash men."

Saturday night, the sixth, we serenade at the Pi Beta Phi and Beta Theta Pi initiatory banquets—Our first Kappa serenade!—and we are

making veritable *prima donnas* out of ourselves in the attempt to make it the best we've ever given. And that reminds me that I must go and learn my songs "just like a freshman."

DORIS E. PERRY.

PSI, CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Although "1919" seems far distant, it is just those figures that have brought to Cornell many things. First of all, is "1919"—and that is primarily the "Frosh Class"—the girls are 206 in number, as against about 180 last year. Down below the Library slope—and all those who are familiar with Cornell know that that is where are held the wonderful open-air Commencements in June—are the new "Dorms." These are not for the girls, although they need another one, in spite of the fact that one was just finished last year, occupied now by the sophomores and seniors. On the other side of the campus is the new Stadium—the Schoellkopf Memorial Athletic Field; and there is the new Mascot "Touchdown," the little black cub from Maine. The charm of his presence must have been telling, especially if judged by the Harvard and Michigan games.

In the women's dormitories there was started in November the new *Cornell Women's Review*, the magazine as President Schurman expresses it, that will represent women's interest at Cornell and also the interests of Cornell women. It will also interpret Cornell women to other colleges and universities.

On November 2, election day in New York State, a straw vote was taken on the campus concerning Women's Suffrage, with the result that it won. It is interesting to note that the vote in the "biggest little city, Ithaca" was in favor of Women's Suffrage by a majority of 182; and those are the citizens—no students are allowed to vote at the city polls.

Y. W. C. A. has made rapid strides in the interests of the 699 girls now enrolled in the University. One Sunday, a Finance Committee of about 80 girls set out on a Campaign to raise \$300 by voluntary contributions. On that day was realized about \$230, with many people still not approached.

What is ahead of us this year in regard to music is the Pre-Festival Series of Concerts, when will be heard Fritz Kreisler "the foremost violinist of our time," Madame Louise Homer, the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, and Ossip Gabrilowitsch with Alice Nielsen. Then in May these are followed by the annual Festival of Music—truly all a "feast for the gods."

Last but not least, we have received a "yes" from every girl to whom we extended Kappa's invitation to join us in the fraternity.

Your future 1919 Cornell sisters are: Josephine Banks, Ithaca, N. Y.; Helen Bell, '17, Bristol, Pa.; Florence Berkeley, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Elizabeth Churchyard, Buffalo, N. Y.; Ruth Conklin, Joplin, Mo.; Ger-

trude Gillam, Lockport, N. Y.; Anna Selkirk, '18, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Emma Townsend, Staten Island, N. Y.; Leota Wadsworth, Brooklyn, N. Y.

From all of us at Cornell—greetings!
MARION W. GUSHEE.

GAMMA PROVINCE

NO BADGES FOR FIRST TWO WEEKS OF COLLEGE

Gamma Rho, Allegheny College

On September 14, the Gamma Rho girls gaily returned to college, and the day was spent in greeting one another, meeting the new girls, and attending to the term registration.

In accordance with the agreement made by the Panhellenic Council last spring, no fraternity pins were worn by any of the girls for the first two weeks. This experiment was a great success and will probably become a regular custom, as it not only helped the freshmen to make friends easily with all the older girls, but it made a more friendly feeling among the different fraternities as well.

The first week of October was devoted to getting ready for our annual fall party. This year, on October 7, we gave a progressive dinner at the homes of some of the town girls. Bernice Thoburn had the first course and the tables were lovely, decorated with anemones and blue fleur-de-lis. From there we progressed to Dorothy Mason's, where we sang, talked, played with our button-baby place cards, and incidently enjoyed the dinner. We were seated at a long table lighted with many blue candles, which were tied with fluffy bows of tulle. Gail Richmond, who had the next course, had a big centerpiece of fruits and leaves; and cheery brown owls, perched on the tables, awaited us at each place. The color scheme used for the last course, at the home of Florence and Helen Downing, was pink and white, and we each received a pink rosebud to carry home in memory of the festive occasion.

We were very glad to pledge Bessie Preston, a junior, on October 18.

On October 23, the annual Panhellenic dance was held at the Saegertown Inn for the freshman girls. This dance is especially appreciated, as it is the only party for the freshmen which our rushing rules allow. We all had a lovely time.

We are eagerly awaiting Bidding Day, which comes on November 13, this year. Most of our spare time is now devoted to the freshmen, and by the time the next letter to *THE KEY* is due, I hope I shall be able to tell you of some new pledges for Kappa.

HELEN EASTERWOOD.

SOUP TO NUTS—PROGRESSIVE

Beta Upsilon, University of West Virginia

The girls who returned this year are Anna Mary Marshall, Myra Nefflen, Sara Reiner, Beulah Posten, Hazel Riss, Helen Davidson, Estelle Hamilton, Kathryn Alger, Nelle Prichard, Valerie Schultz, Virginia Brown, Pauline Brewster, Eva Savage, Bess Sheppard, and Hallie Stealey.

We are all very enthusiastic about our new room. It is a large one on first floor situated very conveniently both for the girls living in town, and the dormitory girls.

Beta Upsilon had a most successful rushing season this fall. On October 4, we sent invitations to nine girls and October 5, we pledged every one of them. The new pledges are Dorothy Carney, Charleston; Gwendolin Collier, Tulsa, Okla.; Elizabeth Goucher, Toronto, Ohio; Frances Furbee, Mannington; Merle Mayfield, Middlebourne; Frances Kinsey, Keyser; Isabel Toy, Bramwell; Jean Ritchie, Morgantown; and Edna Miller, Fairmont.

We were allowed to have two parties during rushing season. On Saturday, September 25, we had our annual picnic and dance at Oak Park. This year for the first time we invited men, and took an orchestra along. We spent the afternoon in rowing, walking, and dancing. After supper we danced until train time.

On Thursday, September 30, the active chapter and alumnae gave a progressive dinner. For the first course we went to Mrs. James Moreland's home. The meat course was served at the Madiera Hotel. Then we had the salad course at the home of Mrs. Madison Stathers. About nine o'clock we went to Mrs. Roy Lough's where we had ice cream, cake, and coffee. We spent the rest of the evening singing Kappa songs.

Mrs. Boaz Cox entertained the active chapter, alumnae, and new girls September 23.

Last Tuesday night after the regular meeting of the chapter, we initiated Isabel Toy, one of our pledges who entered this year as a senior from Randolph-Macon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George B. Vieweg (Alfreda Carney '14) on October 15, a son.

Kathryn Kumler visited Estelle Hamilton October 15 to 17.

Helen Tavenner of Parkersburg visited Mrs. C. Edmund Neil and Ruth Weidenhamer for one week during rushing season.

HALLIE STEALEY.

FOOTBALL ENTHUSIASTS

Lambda, Municipal University of Akron.

College opened September 15. We have been extraordinarily busy on account of rushing mixed with our studying. We have campus rushing but did not make dates with freshmen, take freshmen to fraternity rooms, or spend money on them. Each fraternity had a rushing party. Ours

came last this year which was the week-end of October 22. Our house-party was at the home of Ruth Theiss. We all met at Ruth's home Friday afternoon, had an early dinner, then drove to Cleveland in machines to see the play *Tonight's The Night*. Afterwards a lunch. Saturday morning we drove to Congress Lake, about eighteen miles from Akron, to the Country Club for luncheon, after which we came back and attended the University of Akron vs Reserve football game. That evening we had dinner at Ruth's to which our alumnae were invited, and afterwards entertained them with a vaudeville show.

Monday, October 25, was pledge day. We are very glad to announce that we have three freshmen, Sara Bowman, Helen Hardie and Doris Feederle. The freshman class is usually small this year so we only rushed the three girls we pledged. On September 20, we pledged Florence Tanner, a sophomore.

September 7, Ruth Fieberger '13, was married to Aaron Gulick. They had a large church wedding, and all actives were invited. Her sister Charlene was maid of honor.

On October 2, Juliette and Ann Allen entertained us at a supper in their home in honor of Ruth Harter '14, who was married a few weeks ago.

Three of our girls are attending other schools this year. Dorothy Hunter at Smith, Charlene Fieberger at Wellesley, and Josephine Joy at University of Wisconsin. We miss them greatly.

Nearly every Saturday afternoon we attend the football game, and afterwards have a spread in the fraternity rooms.

If any Kappa ever comes to Akron remember that our latch string is always out and a hearty welcome awaiting inside.

FRANCES M. WHIGAM.

SPRING PLEDGING A FAILURE

Beta Nu, Ohio State University

Beta Nu was unfortunate in having her letter arrive too late for the September KEY. However, we shall try to tell you all that has happened during the last six months.

May pledging, tried at Ohio State for the first time last year, proved to be a decided failure. The nervous strain told on both the fraternity girls and the rushees. During the year campus rushing only was permitted. In the last week of April each fraternity was allowed one party with an expense limit of \$50.00. On the evening of April 27, we entertained our prospective members with a progressive dinner at the homes of some of the girls. The last course was served at the home of Edna Rogers. In the center of the table we had erected a miniature May pole banked around the base with roses and sweet peas. The place cards were old fashioned girls, holding the ribbons which reached the top of the May pole. Other ribbons tied to the flowers were stretched to each

place. The freshmen pulled the ribbons and the flowers separated into corsage bouquets. After dinner we sang Kappa songs.

On May 15, bids were sent out and that evening we held pledge service for five new girls—Marguerite Heiner, Frances Mills, Elma Hamilton, Catherine Riddle and Helene Cashatt.

After much agitation the faculty decided upon an important change whereby the system of pledging immediately after matriculation should be tried. This meant rushing all summer but we thoroughly enjoyed it. It kept the girls closer together and worked up a fine spirit and enthusiasm.

The first of July, fifteen of us went to Rye Beach, Ohio, for three weeks of good times. When we returned we opened up the rushing season with a garden party at Louise Scott's home. The decorations were Japanese and a stringed quartet furnished music throughout the evening. A few days later we went out in the woods and cooked our breakfast over an open fire. Breakfast?—Well hardly that. It had rained the night before and we could only fan up a blaze enough to broil ten pieces of bacon. Of course the freshmen received those and the rest of us poor "Babes in the Woods" had only bread crumbs. We had many more good times during vacation, picnics, luncheons, and all kinds of teas and afternoon affairs.

College opened September 21. The night before we gave a dinner at the Columbus Club followed by a dance at Ida Bringardner's home. The next evening we pledged Harriet Day, Minette Fritz, Anita Thomas, Ruth Albritain, Jenny Heyne, Mary Bonnett, Eleanor Anawalt and Ethel McKean.

We initiated our pledges of last year at Helen Zeller's home on October 2.

In celebration of the birthday of Beta Nu we held a banquet at the Chittenden Hotel, October 13. A large number of alumnae were there, and those who were unable to attend sent greetings. Mrs. George Cless told of the installation of the chapter twenty-seven years ago.

In the presentation of *Romeo and Juliet* by the Browning Dramatic Society last June, we were proud to have three Kappas—Marie Fahl, Olga Elifritz and Ida Bringardner chosen for leading parts. Ida is attending Bryn Mawr this year.

We enjoyed having Dorothy Evans, Theta, with us during the summer.

Four marriages have occurred since our last letter. In April, Helen K. Taylor was married to Perl Miller.

Mary Ellen Yontz and Leon Miesse were married June 16.

The marriage of Fancheon Seeds and Harry Howard took place in July.

Hazel McKean was married to Dr. Harry Wieser of Memphis, Tennessee, on September 15.

DORCAS LEACHMAN.

INTEREST IN NEW WOMAN'S BUILDING

Beta Rho, University of Cincinnati

The days have passed so quickly since the opening of the fall term at the University, that it seems impossible that it is time for "mid-terms"—or very near it, and time to begin to plan our rush parties.

It is so splendid to be whirled back into University life again—into convocations, "pow-wows" and classes. We have such pleasant times at noon when we all gather around one big table in the dining room and try to crowd into this short hour all we wish to say. There are gala days when our seniors of last year come back to us at that hour, and we try to pretend that they are still our seniors—ready to fly off to a class at any moment.

There were certainly a goodly number who came back to join us in a dinner at the University on the evening of Founders' Day. We felt festive with our blue and blue ribbons beneath our keys, and our older Kappas smiling back at us from across the table.

There are a few things happening this fall which are of particular interest to the women here. In the first place the Y. W. C. A.—a mere infant last year—has grown to unbelievable proportions as the result of a great membership campaign and a banquet at which more than a hundred women were present. Our Dean of Women, Miss McVea, and a number of women prominent in Y. W. C. A. work, spoke. All this means that the Y. W. C. A. is going to be one of the big organizations of the University this year.

Everyone is tremendously interested in the long-promised Woman's Building, which now presents for our inspection a foundation and about half of the first story. It is to contain a gymnasium and swimming-pool of generous proportions, study and rest rooms, and is also to be the home of the Household Arts Department. And joy of joys—it has even been hinted that there is to be a roof garden!

We have been holding our meetings at McMicken Hall from twelve 'til two, on Saturdays, during the football season. Some of us are planning to go to Lexington, Ky., to the next football game—and incidentally to meet the Beta Chi Kappas.

We can scarcely wait for Thanksgiving vacation, for it is to bring home to us one of our dear girls who is teaching in the high school, at Mt. Sterling, Ky. Doubtless, by the time THE KEY reaches you, we will have had our revel, and be back at work again.

Beta Rho sends hearty greetings to all Kappas.

EUGENIA L. REMELIN.

DELTA PROVINCE

FIRST WEEK, EVERYBODY PINLESS

Iota, De Pauw University

Rushing season is over at De Pauw, and Iota has been most successful. For the first week of school no sorority pins were allowed to be worn and the strictest rules were enforced as to being with freshmen. Monday of the second week spike began with parties every afternoon and evening until Saturday, when we pledged: Catherine Beck, Helen Kixmiller, Ruth House, Jessica Woods, Florence Bogle, Arabelle McCalib, Mildred Chandler, and Stowe Leazenby. Everyone is delighted with the short spike, as we are now free for the rest of the year.

We have moved into a new house which is much more satisfactory than the one where we lived last year. We are testing the dormitory system and find it successful. With this plan, sixteen girls and a chaperon stay in the house. A few of our most energetic members arrived before school started this fall and put the house in living condition, and to them we are all grateful.

De Pauw girls are trying the plan of Student Government this year and one of our own seniors, Dorothy Lockwood, has the honor of being elected president of the organization. Other honors which have come to Kappas this year are as follows: Florence Storms, treasurer of Y. W. C. A.; Rose Singleton, vice-president of the junior class; Agnes Steiner, president of Le Cercle Français, and vice-president of El Circulo Español; Lu Ethel Davis was elected to membership in Duzer Du, the dramatic fraternity of which Esse Summers is vice-president; Florence Storms and Catherine Allison are members of the University choir.

We are looking forward with great pleasure to a party in the country with Mrs. Torr, one of our alumnae. We are also living in hopes of being entertained soon by our freshmen. They are keeping us in suspense as to the nature of their entertainment.

During the last few weeks several of our young alumnae have been married and we certainly shall miss them. Florence Black '13, to Lawrence Sloan, Phi Delta Theta; Mary Lockwood '13, to Walter Letzler, Phi Delta Theta; Winona Montgomery to Robert Gilliland, Phi Kappa Psi.

We shall be putting all our attention on the entertainment which we shall give on Old Gold Day. Mrs. Donner is helping us with this and it is to be a parody on "Every-woman," and called "Every Co-ed."

De Pauw has a new Dean of Women, Miss Katherine Alvord, who is a Kappa from Beta Delta chapter. She is a charming woman, and we are certainly proud of her. Iota is looking forward with hopeful prospects to a successful year, and sends her best wishes to each and all of you.

KATHARINE BENEDICT.

ORIGINAL DINNER PARTY

Mu, Butler College

Mu reopened rushing season, after the summer festivities, on September 14, with a unique seven o'clock dinner at the home of Mrs. Virginia Harris in Irvington. The guests were seated at a long table in the center of which was a large basket from which ribbons extended to each place card. At the end of the first course each girl pulled her ribbon to see what her favor from the basket might be. Mr. Harris, Robert Brewer '17, Neal Moore '16, and Richard Moore '17, dressed as chefs with mustaches, white coats, etc., topped off the dinner with their extreme excellence in catering and by singing original Kappa songs. A dance at the Turnverein followed.

September 15, we matriculated the rushees, and on the next day Mrs. Joe Rand Beckett gave a beautiful luncheon for the girls and the "prospectives." Silence began at four o'clock on that day and lasted until noon the next day. Saturday September 18, Mu pinned the colors on thirteen splendid freshmen. That night Charity Hendren and Beulah Stockdale gave an informal dance for the new pledges. We later put the colors on Josephine Adams of Bloomfield and Martha Ousler of Noblesville. The latter, along with Ruth Montgomery of Shelbyville and Genivieve Hughel of Indianapolis, are Kappa sisters. We have two Mu Kappa daughters in Katherine Kautz of Indianapolis and Henrietta Morris of Columbus, Ind. Our other pledges are Margaret Clough, Margaret Lahr, Beulah Stockdale, Cleon Colvin, Elsa Holzworth, Opal Cornell, Dorothy Talbott, Harriet Roepke and Josephine Lewis, all of Indianapolis. Pledge service was held at the home of Mrs. Thomas Carr Howe on September 24. An event which turned our minds from rush was the marriage of Dorothy Kautz, '14 and Robert Hamp, '14, Phi Delta Theta. They are "at home" at 3044 Bellefontaine St., Indianapolis. On October 2, we initiated Mildred Marr, Charity Hendren and Lorene Pearson.

Mu chapter is greatly pleased with the honors awarded one of her seniors, Georgia Fillmore, who received the senior scholarship and who is one of the representatives of the senior class on the Student Council. Georgia and Elsie Felt are on the executive committee of the Lotus Club. Florence Moffett, Henrietta Cochrane and Charity Hendren have been taken into the Butler Dramatic Club and Elsa Holzworth is a member of the Butler orchestra.

Our active chapter is supplying the streetcar fares and meals for two tubercular children who are taking a cure near Indianapolis.

Fern Wright is attending the California fairs but will be in school next semester.

Butler's enrollment this fall has exceeded all former years and everything points to a splendid year.

EDITHA K. NEWSOM.

SEVENTEEN "JUST-HAD-TO-BE-HAD" PLEDGES

Delta, Indiana

Delta chapter is fortunate this year, in having as chaperon Miss Ruth Maxwell, an alumna who is in the faculty of the University. She has always taken an active interest in the chapter since she returned to Indiana to teach, and we could not possibly think of anyone whom we would rather have as chaperon.

College began September 20. A few days before we initiated Charlotte Wagner, who was pledged last spring.

As we had about thirty girls back this fall, we really did not need many freshmen. But there were so many Kappa daughters, sisters, and others that we just had to have, that we pledged seventeen. We did not feel that we could leave any of them out, just to limit the number, and we could not do without any of them now, though when they all come to the house, it looks like a flourishing "Female Seminary." I shall now introduce them. They are: Marjorie Lewis, from Marion, Ind.; Emily Reynard, Union City, Ind.; Marie Mount, Crawfordsville, Ind.; Merah Schrum, Jeanette Schrum, and Helen Blood, from Lynn, Mass.; Mary Sweet and Shirley McNutt, Martinsville, Ind.; Ethel Durno, Indianapolis; Ellen Vellom, Saltillo, Ind.; Helen Coblenz, Milwaukee, Wis.; Wanda Mottier, Doris Reed, Mary Elizabeth Louden, Florence Dye, Pauline Reed, and Carol Hoffman, from Bloomington.

Ruth Moffat '15, was married October 28, to Hubert Hickam, Phi Kappa Psi. A chapter of Tri Delta is to be installed at Indiana University, sometime this year. There is plenty of room at Indiana for more sororities.

The Wranglers, a men's club, has been granted a Delta Upsilon charter. Indiana has started the semester system this year, and now we shall not have our anticipations of Christmas vacation spoiled by the thought of examinations occurring just before.

Margaret Canine was elected this fall to the French Club, and Dorothy Bell, Kathryn Fee, and Mary Reeves to the German Club, Ruth Weatherly is president of the French club, and Anne Koch, vice-president. Mary Elizabeth Louden is freshman representative to the board of the Women's Athletic Association. Nelle Johnson is secretary of the Woman's League, which is planning great things this year. This bids fair to be a banner year for the University. Our enrollment is much larger than ever before, and the freshmen seem, on the whole, to be especially well prepared and capable. We hope it may prove a splendid year for all Kappa chapters.

DORIS HOFFMAN.

KENTUCKY HAS PANHELLENIC BANQUET

Beta Chi, Kentucky

Beta Chi chapter is just closing its rushing season, and all of the girls are awaiting anxiously the results of bid day.

Since Panhellenic allows only two parties during the season, we made the most of our opportunities by giving a buffet luncheon at the home of

Mildred Taylor, after which we attended the Sewanee vs. Kentucky game, which, by the way, was a most exciting one, ending in a tie.

Our prettiest party was a dance given at Elizabeth Kastle's home, the two blues being used in decorating the house and in confections. Our patronesses and alumnae were asked to meet the new girls.

We are looking forward with great pleasure to the game with Cincinnati October 30, as several of the Beta Rho girls are to visit us on that day.

Although we did not win the scholarship cup offered by Panhellenic, we have reason to feel proud of several of our girls who have singly won distinction. Katherine Mitchell, '16, and Linda Purnell, '17, of the home economics department, were sent this summer as county agents to demonstrate cooking and sewing in the homes. Katherine has also the distinction of being elected head of the home economics department of Sayre College, a girls' boarding school in this city. Anita Crabbe, of the School of Journalism, has had even a greater honor thrust upon her, having been made managing editor of the University publication, the only co-ed holding this position in any university.

Besides the fact that Panhellenic is bringing the women of the Greek world more closely together, it is tending to raise the scholarship of the five sororities of the University. The first Panhellenic banquet was given this year.

With fourteen enthusiastic girls in our active chapter we have prospects for a happy, successful year, and in the next issue of THE KEY we hope that we shall be able to introduce a goodly share of the new girls as true blue Kappas.

MILDRED TAYLOR.

EPSILON PROVINCE

ALL FRESHMEN TOGETHER IN DORMITORIES

Beta Delta, University of Michigan

After a rushing season of dances, luncheons, dinners, and theater parties we are proud to claim as our pledges Greeso Gaines, Peggy Hutzel, Dorothy Pierson, Marie Cornwall, Clara Mechem, Marian Ackley, and Gene Pixley. Gene came to us from Eta chapter and we surely were glad to give her the most cordial of welcomes.

Rushing this year was much simplified by having all the freshmen living together in the two new dormitories. These dormitories are a matter of much pride and joy to Ann Arbor students in general as they are so wonderfully good looking and thoughtfully arranged and furnished.

Speaking of furnishings, among the Kappa brides this season are Laura Brown, Jane Quirk, Julia Anderson, and Helen Henning—most surely a goodly number! Besides this Betty Ince Brown now proudly boasts of a tiny Ruth Elizabeth who "looks exactly like her father."

Socially, our big affair after rushing was a reception in honor of our new pledges given by Mrs. Hobbes, one of our patronesses. There we

met several of the faculty members and their wives and all enjoyed a jolly informal evening together.

More seriously, Jessie Spence was elected to Mortar Board, the senior honorary society, yesterday, Margaret Bassett is vice-president of sophomore class, while some of our sophomore girls are busy working on committees for the annual freshman spread—so time does not hang heavy for Beta Delta.

LOUISE WILLIAMSON.

TRI DELT AND KAPPA HOLD SWAY

Xi, Adrian

The first fraternity event of the year at Adrian, was the Panhellenic reception given by the members of Delta Delta Delta and Kappa Kappa Gamma for the new girls. The parlors of South Hall were very pretty with big bouquets of dahlias, asters and cosmos. Miss Grace Poucher and Miss Iva Swift received for Kappa. The evening was pleasantly spent in getting acquainted and a short program was given, after which refreshments were served.

Xi chapter is glad to announce a new pledge, Miss Gertrude Miller, of Adrian.

Adrian Kappas are sorry to lose Miss Edith Hoag who has left for Duluth to spend the winter. In her honor, Miss Gertrude Miller entertained the active girls of Xi on October 18, at a pretty farewell dinner. The color scheme was in yellow, with yellow candles lighting the table and big yellow chrysanthemums as favors.

Our first rushing party was a spread in our president's room, after literary society on the night of October 15. We tried to be graceful as the Japanese, but sitting on the floor isn't a restful thing to do. The table was spread very low, with candles and ribbons in the double blue. Everything tasted so good, that we all agreed that informal parties were the nicest.

We have been very busy ever since, as it is now only a few weeks before pledge day. Before that time we are planning to give at least two more rushing parties and then we hope with the publication of the next KEY that we can announce several new girls to become Kappa sisters.

Xi announces the marriage of Miss Muriel Donnelly to Mr. Mark Cope, of Sheridan, Wyoming, on September 8, also of Miss Vera Swift, ('11) to Dr. Harry Pamment of Toledo, Ohio, on August 25.

Mrs. Wilber Brittain ('07) of Steubenville, Ohio, spent a week with her sister, Miss Eloise Walker who entered college this fall.

Xi sends greetings and best wishes to all sister chapters.

HAZEL POTTS.

\$90,000 ENDOWMENT FUND RAISED*Kappa, Hillsdale College*

Isn't it good to be back and at work again? We are finding plenty of work, too, but we are glad for it.

There is much to make us happy both in college and chapter affairs. We have this year the new \$90,000.00 endowment of which we have been so desirous. And then the football team—our team is splendid, and we feel proud to read in other college papers a description of Hillsdale's team.

But I can wait no longer to tell you we have a Kappa house and oh! it is *so* nice to have a chapter home. It is an unending source of pleasure to us and a great assistance in becoming acquainted with the new girls.

We have found some splendid girls among the freshmen and, if occasionally we felt discouraged about one of them, some one is sure to say, "Oh, but girls, she's a typical Kappa girl." Then we smile and feel better. Indeed, our prospects are bright and we have found many new outside friends who are wishing us well.

As usual, we went without our keys the first two weeks, a fact which caused one of us to rush back into the house saying, "Why, I'm not half dressed. I haven't my key or a handkerchief."

A Panhellenic Council, comprised of one active and one alumna member from each fraternity, with the dean of women presiding, meets semiweekly. Thus all matters are discussed and settled quietly.

To change the subject, girls, think of the most beautiful moon you ever saw and then go serenading with it. That is what we did. It was such a wonderful night we had to sing, we could not help it and—we'll just whisper this—some said it was the best serenade they ever heard in Hillsdale; but, much as we enjoyed it, thoughts would creep in of Marian Willoughby in Iowa and Elizabeth Goodrich in Florida and—we don't like to even say it—of how soon Doris Mauck was going away. We didn't tell her we felt sad, because she is going to have a wonderful trip with her parents to New Mexico, California, and the Hawaiian Islands.

We had a dear little Kappa bride in October, when Ada Roberts was married to Howard Marshall, and also a sweet maid of honor, Ruth Harn-den, from the active chapter.

Don't let me forget to tell you that we feel encouraged about our grades. With an unusually busy fall, we felt grave fears for our studies but so far we stand the test and perhaps we hope to make Kappa stand first in scholarship again as she did last year.

FRANCES MAUCK.

ZETA PROVINCE**CHRISTMAS FAIR FOR NEW HOUSE***Chi, University of Minnesota*

Chi chapter's numbers have been swelled by fourteen new pledges. The hurry scurry of rushing is over and we now have that settled homey feeling which we all look forward to after pledge day. There were ever

so many nice freshmen this year, and we feel that we have "the finest of the fine." They are, from Minneapolis, Carolyn Dean, Dorothy Roberts, Evelyn Keith, Elizabeth Olds, Dorothy Fritsche, Niome Field, Josephine Allen, Marjory Rogar, Merlin Holton, and Agnes McCarthy; Virginia Mott from St. Paul, Eugenia Wagner from Green Bay, Wis., and Marjory Zeuch from Davenport, Iowa. The active chapter entertained in honor of these pledges at a dance Saturday, October 23. Initiation this year is not to be until second semester, and no girl who has not passed in all her subjects can be initiated.

In my last letter I told you about the house which we were going to build. We can really see it going up now, and we are so interested that we fairly count the bricks.

On November 17 we have our usual Christmas Fair, but this year we are planning to have the biggest and most successful that we have ever had. A large number of very attractive things have been made, and already we have begun to feel the Christmas Spirit. We hope that we may send a little of that spirit to all our sisters, and that they will feel they have as much to make their Christmas happy as Chi chapter has. A merry Christmas and the happiest of New Years.

RACHEL LYNCH.

OUR LARGEST CHAPTER

Eta, University of Wisconsin

On Monday, October 11, we initiated our pledges of last fall together with our new pledges. Our initiates were Florence Beatty, Davenport, Iowa; Margaret Chamberlain, Milwaukee; Clara Fauerbach, Madison; Josephine Ferguson, Madison; Alice King, Madison; Mary Porter, Madison; Marion Ward, Milwaukee; Adele Barwig, Mayville; Dorothy Brown, Wilmette, Ill.; Frances Enger, Chicago, Ill.; Ruth Tobey, Wausau; Sarah Vance, Louisville, Ky.; Frank Weeks, Racine; Elizabeth Wilson, Keokuk, Iowa; Marion Townsend, Des Moines, Iowa; and Norma Woodhouse, Bloomington, Ill.

Our new freshmen pledges are: Helen Brownlee, Davenport, Iowa; Mavis Chubb, St. Louis, Mo.; Loretta Conklin, Winnepeg, Canada; Marion Clancy, Evanston, Ill.; Marie Elston, Duluth, Minn.; Mildred Evans, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Marian Fay, Madison; Elizabeth Fuller, Oak Park, Ill.; Irene Hafner, Oak Park, Ill.; Brynhilde Murphy, Stoughton; Bertha Ochsner, Chicago; Elizabeth Owens, Dixion, Ill.; Jean Patterson, Appleton; Margaret Peterson, Chicago, Ill.; Kathleen Robinson, Green Bay; Lulu Saul, Denison, Iowa; Alice Ward, Milwaukee; and Lucile Yates, Oak Park, Ill.

As you may imagine from the above list, we had a successful rushing season. Our old girls who were back to help us during rushing week were Katherine Meyer Nathan, Bess Morison Schroeder, Mary Dupuy, Alice Bitner, Bertha Weeks, Helen Drew of Chi, and Helen Upham who stopped here on her way to Simmons College, Boston.

We have had visits since then from Helen Williams, Marian Casterline, Cecil Davidson, Gladys Williams and Anna Kurt Rietow Steffans. Adele Hall of Upsilon was here the week-end of the Ohio game.

Hope Munson is to be married this month to Mr. Nuzum of Viroqua.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bray (Nina Edwards) have a new little son, Charles Paige Bray, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harding (Helen Swenson) announce the birth of a son, Charles Harding III.

The engagement of Gertrude K. Johnson to Walter Bemis, '15, Σ A E has been announced.

Elizabeth Owens, Loretta Conklin, and Lucile Yates have been pledged Mystic Circle, and interfraternity society.

December 4 we are to be entertained by our freshmen at the annual "Freshman Stunt." December 9 we have our annual formal party.

We were all astonished to hear that one of our freshmen of last year, Maude Parker, had left for London as a war correspondent. She studied journalism here last year.

Carol McMillan made Red Domino Dramatic Club.

The freshman gift to the house this year was a mahogany parlor lamp, wicker tea cart, and a beautiful tapestry chair. Besides these things, Gertrude Johnson, one of the active girls, gave a tapestry davenport to the house.

We are expecting a large delegation of girls from Chi to visit us at the time of the Minnesota game.

Eta's scholarship has been accepted by the Board of Regents.

RUTH THOMAS.

SILVER CUP FOR SELLING TICKETS

Upsilon, Northwestern University

We have had seven very busy weeks and only now are we taking the proper amount of time for healthful breathing. However, we have enjoyed it all and have much to tell of what happened.

The six of us who live away from Chicago were graciously asked to return early and help in the rushing which began before registration. So on Thursday, September 15, we arrived. The next day rushing began. It is much harder to take care of a week of uninterrupted rushing in a chapter where there is no chapter house, for the burden of entertaining falls on so few of the girls and with such a force that it is not quite fair.

We had morning drives and parties, luncheons, afternoon teas and evening parties on Friday, Saturday, Monday and Tuesday. Sunday we did no rushing and just rested up for Monday, the first registration day.

The week of rushing closed Thursday, and we started to classes with nine splendid girls wearing the blue and blue. Of course you probably do not know any of them, but I think that you might enjoy seeing their names: Grace Milnor from Plymouth, Indiana; Ruth Hinrichs, who lives

in Chicago; Ruth Mitchell who lives in Evanston now, but until this summer has lived in Burlington, Iowa; Martha Kelsey, Nancy Knight and Harriet Hopkins of Evanston; Eloise Wilson, a Kappa daughter who lives in Wabash Indiana; Millett Davis, whose mother also was a Kappa, hails from Duluth, Minnesota, and last year went to Mrs. Somer's School for girls in Washington; and last but not least, Lillian Billow, who lives in Chicago and whose musical accomplishments are already known to musicians of the city. We were very proud to put the colors on these girls, and we are sure that you would agree with us if you knew them.

Last week we initiated three girls, pledges of last year who were unable to be initiated because of a shortage in credits. So now, Minerva Fouts, Lillian Stephenson and Clara Vernay are wearing the key, and our active chapter numbers twenty-seven.

Outside of fraternity interests, we are well launched, together with all the women of the University, on a campaign for a Woman's Building on the campus, and our first effort this fall to raise funds was a concert at the gymnasium by the United States Marine Band. Mrs. Hall, Adele Hall's mother, was one of the Managers of the concert and started a contest among the fraternities for the largest sale of tickets. Kappa Kappa Gamma came out ahead with a large margin and as our reward received a silver loving cup with a large N and Kappa Kappa Gamma engraved on it.

The girls of the University are interested in hockey and play a great deal. The captain of the freshman team is one of our new pledges, Harriet Hopkins.

Helen Williams, one of our seniors of last year, is teaching in Syracuse, Indiana, this year. Mildred Pfeiffer, also of last year's class, will visit us in two weeks, and we shall be very glad to see her.

Thanksgiving vacation is to be exciting for us, as Pauline Bundy is to be married on November 27, and Katherine Stevens and Mildred Pfeiffer will be in her wedding party.

We were much disappointed to return this fall and learn that Vera Lutz had decided to go to Smith this year with Lucile Woodruff.

I have already taken up quite a bit of otherwise valuable space, so no more until next time.

HELEN FRANZIER SEEGAR.

STRICT PANHELLENICS AT WESLEYAN

Epsilon, Illinois Wesleyan

We of Epsilon chapter have just emerged from the strenuous and exciting times of the rushing season and are now trying to again concentrate our efforts on scholarship. The rushing season was shortened one week this year making three weeks in all. Panhellenic legislation is strict here, but we all tried to keep most religiously to the rules, and I think we did. We gave three parties, each being the latter part of the three rushing weeks, and in between times did some individual rushing. To

one of the parties we invited men. The Alumnae Club also delightfully entertained the active chapter and rushees one afternoon. Pledge Day was Friday, October 8. We bid and pledged four girls. They are Rachael Green, Sally Miller, and Marguerite Niehaus of Bloomington, and Faith Foley of Clinton, Illinois. The bids were sent out at noon Friday and we held pledge service that afternoon in Kappa Hall.

The chapter is a bit smaller than usual this year. There are nineteen of us, including the pledges. Five of last year's girls were seniors, and they of course left us; three others are not in school this year, and another is going to the University of Illinois.

During the second week in July we had a house party, or rather a camping party at the country home of Florence Gregory, near Shirley. There were about fourteen of us there together with Laurastine Marquis, our province president, and Julia Holder as chaperons. We all had a delightful time.

Since last year's \$500,000 Endowment Campaign our University shows much improvement. The main building has been modernized, several additions have been made to the faculty and courses, and plans for some new buildings are being laid.

November 13, Wesleyan plays Millikin at Decatur in football. As there is great rivalry between these two schools it is the most exciting game of the season. We are making plans for the chapter to go down in a body to see the game. I think it may be said that the Kappas are not lacking in college spirit. We try to give our united support to all college activities.

Epsilon sends her best regards to all Kappas.

VERNA HARRISON.

SCHOLARSHIP AVERAGE 87.99

Beta Lambda, University of Illinois

"Good-bye girls, we're through!
 Each house where we have been,
 We say, 'Good-bye to you,
 We'll wear the Kappa pin.'
 We're through with Delta Gamma,
 Pi Phi and Theta too.
 There's but one to whom we're true.
 Good-bye, girls! Good-bye, girls!
 We're wearing the blue."

So sang the nine pledges, *ex tempore*, Saturday evening, October 2, as we jogged merrily homeward from the annual pledge night fête at Blacksmith Woods. The charming nine are as follows: Ruth Liggett of Camp Point, sister of Irene Liggett; Katherine Webb of Chicago, sister of Helen Webb Brady '05; Agnes Fairfield of Harvey, and Jeanette Fairfield of Rutland, Vermont, cousins of Helen Fairfield '14; Lois

Evans and Marian Smith of Monticello; Jane Curtis of Decatur; Dorothy Haupt of Chicago; and Daisey Martin of Champaign.

Rushing festivities began with a house party the week-end before registration and a dance at Crystal Lake Saturday, the eighteenth. There is nothing like a house party for getting acquainted. By the next Sunday evening we had the promise of each of the nine for Friday, October 1, formal dinner and evening, so that dinners of the second week seemed like "family affairs."

Laura Bardwell has been elected vice-president of Senior Illinae.

Rowena Kohl and Jean Mason were chosen for Yo Ma, the sophomore intersorority society.

Marvine Campbell and Jean Mason have been elected to the Athletic Association.

Mildred Drew was made a member of the senior council.

Beta Lambda were second in scholarship for last semester with an average of 87.99. Gamma Phi Beta beat us by only .27.

Mildred Scroggin '15, has announced her engagement to Baxter Foster, Psi Upsilon.

MILDRED DREW.

ETA PROVINCE

COMPROMISE ON FEBRUARY PLEDGING

Beta Zeta, Iowa State University

The sorority girls at Iowa City had sophomore pledging foisted upon them last winter, but it proved too strenuous and expensive to be satisfactory. Therefore a compromise was decided upon, which ruled that freshman girls this year are to be pledged the twenty-sixth of February, two weeks after the end of the first semester.

Beta Zeta has thirteen pledges who are to be initiated very soon. They are: Helen Haw, Helen Brownlee, Edith McGrew, Josephine Scarff, Marjorie Coast, May Disert, Lydia Eicher, Florence Blackmar, Beatrice Blackmar, Christabel Loos, Lillian Prentiss, Katharine Mitchell, and Lenore Bullard. Four of these girls have Kappa sisters.

Our pledges this year gave the chapter an Edison phonograph. We are proud of it, and derive a great deal of pleasure from it.

Iowa "Home-coming" is November 13, and we expect a large number of the "old girls" back, and many guests.

Beta Zeta sends best wishes to all Kappas.

RUTH BEWSHER.

CUPID BUSY IN MISSOURI

Theta, University of Missouri

School began at the University of Missouri on September 13. With the exception of five who graduated last spring, and three or four others, we are all back. There are twenty girls in the house, completely filling it.

Rushing season lasted two weeks. Marion Sanders, Anna Mary Mills, Frances Maxwell, Katherine Mize, and Margaret Hughes came back to help us. On September 25, we sent out fourteen invitations, and, within an hour, fourteen girls wore the knot of blue and blue. Our pledges are Estelle Stone, Eleanor Taylor, Gretchen Dunaway, Grace Kinealy, Julia Cave, Bertha Leslie, Eleanor Grubbs, Frances Peck, Dorothy Sihler, Frances Bright, Avis Hamilton, Lulu Hazard, Marjorie Jones, and Cecile Stone. As a number of them have advanced standing, we hope to have initiation in the near future.

As usual, the annual Founders' Day banquet was a splendid success. Ruth Rollins presided as toastmistress. Toasts were given by Dorothy Thompson, one of our alumnae, and by a member from each class. Frances Yeater '15, was an out of town guest. We were much disappointed not to have Estelle Kyle, our Grand Registrar, with us on the occasion. However, we hope her visit will not be long delayed.

Since the Kansas-Missouri football game will be held in Columbia this Thanksgiving, we are expecting a large number of Kappas, Kappa mothers, and Kappa little sisters to visit us at that time.

It would seem as though all Theta alumnae were getting married. On October 14, Anna Mary Mills '14, and Paul Simmons (Delta Tau Delta) were married in Kirksville, Missouri. They will reside in St. Louis. Marie Smith and Errol Pearman, Kappa Alpha, were married in Carthage Missouri, on October 16. They will remain in Carthage. Margaret Dorsey and Warren Fuqua (Kappa Sigma) were married on October 26, in Columbia.

During October, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker, of St. Louis. Mrs. Walker was formerly Gertrude Zoll. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Marshall of Twin Lakes, Muskegan, Michigan. Mrs. Marshall was Sarah Moss prior to her marriage. A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. John C. Grover of Kansas City. Mrs. Grover was formerly Helen Weber.

SARAH F. HALLIBRUTON.

SOME KANSAS PERSONALITIES

Omega, Kansas University

We have pledged nine splendid girls. They are: Ruth Moore and Esther Moore, Hutchinson; Dorothy McCamish, Kansas City; Bess Ainsworth, Lyons; Ruth Foster, Topeka; Marjorie Dumm, Junction City; Lucile Smith and Florence Butler, Lawrence; Mildred Pitts, St. Joe, Missouri. We are certainly proud of our pledges, and we wish all of you could meet them, but since you can't, I will tell you about them.

Dorothy, Bess, Ruth Moore, Marjorie, Esther Moore, Lucile, play the piano, Mildred, the violin, and Ruth Foster has dramatic inclinations. Ruth Moore and Ruth Foster entered the University as juniors, Ruth Moore having come from Ohio Wesleyan and Ruth Foster from Wash-

burn College. Florence Butler is the daughter of Horace L. Butler, Dean of Fine Arts, who recently came from Syracuse University. Ruth and Esther Moore are sisters and Bess Ainsworth is the sister of our KEY correspondent. Jane Waters of Beta Mu has affiliated with us, so that we now have ten new girls. Several of our alumnae and Jeanette Maxwell of Theta were here during rushing.

After rushing was over some of our active girls visited the Lambda Lambda Theta girls at Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, and the Beta girls at Washburn College, Topeka.

From October 14 to 16 we enjoyed a visit from Miss Estelle Kyle, Grand Registrar. Miss Kyle is one of the most charming Kappas, we have ever met, and we wish that all Kappas could have heard the helpful talks she gave us. We gave a reception for her and planned to have a "weenie" roast, which was a failure on account of rain.

We are carrying out the same plan that we had last year, entertaining two fraternities each week until we have gone the rounds. The men are allowed to call from seven until eight during which time we dance and have refreshments.

Mrs. Eustace Brown, Advisor of Women has been giving a series of teas for the girls of the University. Each tea was well attended, and we all think it is a fine way to meet the new girls.

We are glad that our girls are so enthusiastic about Y. W. C. A. work this year. A new Y. W. apartment, in which meetings and entertainments are held, has been opened near the campus.

Football season has started with much spirit this year. The team has played and won three games. The Men's Student Government Association has made a new rule, that freshman men can not take girls to football games. This may be hard on the freshmen but one way to increase the size of the rooter section at the games.

Omega sends greetings and best wishes to all Kappa chapters.

LYDIA L. AINSWORTH.

FIRST IN SCHOLARSHIP ALL LAST YEAR

Sigma, Nebraska State University

Sigma is proud to introduce to Kappa fourteen new freshmen; Helen Bloodhart, Helen Curtice, Marguerite Loram, Marion Brown, Helen Minier, Lolah Neeley, Faith Dedrick, Dorothy Dean, Myra Buntz, Louise Carlisle, Helen Hasbrook, Lucile Becker, Dorothy Pettis and Marion Hall.

We feel sure that every one will rejoice with us in receiving first honors in scholarship both semesters of last year.

Ella Williams and Helen Clark were the guests, October 2 and 3, of Beta Society at Washburn college. They reported a most enjoyable time and the Betas royal entertainers.

Four of our alumnae were married this summer. Della Ladd to Warren B. Romans, of Lincoln, Loretta Slater to J. B. Chase of Chicago,

Jetty Taylor to John Harvey Gray, and Otis Hassler to George Tunison of Omaha.

Helen Thomas, Ruth MacDonald, and Helen Sorenson were in San Francisco on Kappa day and met the members of the Grand Council.

Isadore Sheldon and Doris Clarke were entertained at the Lambda Lambda Theta house at Manhattan, Kansas, for the K. U.—Aggie game. They had a most delightful time and enjoyed meeting the Theta and Omega Kappas very much.

We are very much pleased in our representation, in both Dramatic and Kosmet Club, this year. A large number of our girls were successful in the tryouts.

DORIS CLARK.

DRAMATIC ABILITY AT BOULDER

Beta Mu, University of Colorado

Beta Mu has good cause to be happy this year over the outcome of rush week, which gave us ten pledges, who we think will make ideal Kappas. They are: Georgia Kistler, Amy Pitkin, Dorothy Hale, Brenda White, Agnes Cary, Olive Birney, Elizabeth McGowan, Freda McCoy, Edith Walton and Helen Solt. They have just lately proved their worth by entering into the school activities, Amy Pitkin being elected as secretary of the combined freshmen. Edith Walton and Georgia Kistler made the Dramatic Club, which is deemed a great honor. We had a chance to see Edith's dramatic ability at the Club House vaudeville which was held in the auditorium Saturday night.

Georgiebelle Musser, one of our sophomores, also made the Dramatic Club this year, and was elected for one of the leading parts in the annual dramatic club production.

Besse Low was elected to join Mortar Board, a senior honorary society, and Kappa Delta Pi, an educational society.

Our pledges have also shown a democratic spirit by the reception to which they invited the other freshmen of the University. This proved very successful, and many have already followed their example. We expect to hold our initiation services on February 12, and are looking forward to this.

JUNE G. MAGNAN.

THETA PROVINCE

NEW CHAPTER HOME

Beta Theta, University of Oklahoma

During the three days of rushing Beta Theta lived in a cloud of excitement. There was a continual whirl of dances, parties and dinners. Suddenly from the haze emerged seven splendid girls whose hearts proudly beat 'neath a knot of blue and blue.

The pledges are: Grace Deatherage, Dallas, Texas; Alice Mulvey, Yukon, Oklahoma; Edith Ross, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Bess Settle, Wynnewood, Oklahoma; Lillian Roach, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Margaret Dunn, Poteau, Oklahoma; Gladys Mabry, Beaumont, Texas.

We are now comfortably installed in our home at 535 University Boulevard. The chapter feels fortunate in finding a home so near the campus and so well suited to its needs.

Kappa is well represented in student activities this year. Mary Gordon is president of the Zetaethan Literary Society, and secretary of the Student Council. Edith Ross and Stella Ostenberg are members on the Women's Council. Ruth Klingsmith is secretary of the Oratorical Council. Mary Ried is on the Sooner staff; and Ruth Klingsmith and Lottie Conlan are on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.

During the week-end of the Kansas-Oklahoma football game, we shall have a house party of alumnae and friends.

On October 29, the chapter will give an "At Home" to the faculty and students of the University.

With best wishes to all our sister chapters.

LOTTIE ANITA CONLAN.

VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES AT AUSTIN

Beta Xi, University of Texas

Greetings to you Kappa sisters from the girls of Beta Xi!

We of Beta Theta, Beta Omicron, and Beta Xi are so far away from the center of Kappadom, that many of you could never hear of the wonderful things we are doing unless we tell you ourselves, so I for one shall take it upon myself to tell you all the nice things I know about Beta Xi. Twelve active girls are in the chapter, and all of them exceedingly active where Kappa is concerned. It is necessary to be so, however, to look after our eighteen new pledges. They are as fine a bunch of freshmen, though, as you could find anywhere, and need as little looking after as any freshmen could. But not only for Kappa are we active. Our girls are known all over the University as enthusiastic and efficient Y. W. C. A. workers, two of them being on Cabinet, and the majority of them doing active work on committees, such as that of Social Service, where the girl gives of herself to help someone else. In addition, eight of our girls are members of Ashbel Literary Society, and two of Sidney Lanier, and eleven of them are members either of *Anglers* or *Rabbit's Foot*, the girls' dancing clubs of the University. Eugenia Welborn is manager of the basketball team, Della Lawrence sophomore representative to athletic Council, Roberta John the freshman representative to Woman's Council, Carrie Hopkins senior representative to Women's Council, and again Eugenia represents the junior class on Woman's Council. Carrie Hopkins is also a student assistant in the Education Department. The dramatic genius is not lacking either; Geraldine Wilson has been elected a member of The Curtain Club, the

leading dramatic association of the University, and one of which only five girls are members. A great many of our girls are taking part in athletics of all kinds, trying for T's. The D. A. R. scholarship for this year is held by a Kappa girl. And I was about to forget to tell you of Leona Givens' being a member of *Scribblers*, a club composed of people of literary bent. Practically all the members are graduate students, or members of the faculty, so it not only is a great honor for Leona to be a member, but the fact that she was elected when a freshman makes it still a greater one.

But I have saved the choicest morsel for the last, Frances McQueen is the vice-president of the *Law Department*. Now can't we reasonably sing,

"Who's the girl that's comme il faut?

She is the Kappa Gamma girl!"

I wish you could all have been at our annual banquet at the Driskill a few nights ago. A number of out-of-town alumnae were with us, and we had a regular Kappa time.

But enough of Beta Xi. She wishes each of her sister chapters a most successful and happy year.

RUTH HALL.

DRESSING UP THE CHAPTER ROOM

Beta Omicron, Tulane

Here's a big "hello" and lots of good wishes from Beta Omicron!

So many things have happened since you last heard from us. In the first place, all the excitement of pledge day is over, and on October 13 five lucky girls were made Kappas: Martha Foster, Treeby Michie, Ida Milling, "Jack" (Edith) Henderson and "Harry" (Harrison) Hester. Now we have settled down and are looking over the "Freshies" to see whom we want for next year.

No formal parties have been planned, as yet. In fact we are trying to do away with the strenuous rushing which goes on here at Newcomb.

Our alumnae are helping us with plans for the future, they are always with us in everything, especially "Lucile," Mrs. Gillican she really is, out to us she is just plain jolly, very much alive "Lucile." We don't know what we would do without her.

Eleanor Luzenburg and Hilda Phelps, both alumnae, have come home from their summer trips and have brought with them news of our Kappa sisters in East and West. It is very interesting, and makes us feel nearer them than ever.

Another thing in which we are all very much interested is the making over of our Kappa room. Down here there are no fraternity houses—"the room" is everything. We go there first in the morning, we study and lunch there. And there isn't any article which can't be found in it, "gym" clothes, books, hairpins and powder boxes, guitars and mandolins, everything the girls ever use. So this room is a most sacred and precious

possession, our little Kappa home. Therefore we are all much delighted at the idea of "dressing it all up" again and making it cozier than ever.

And now we of Beta Omicron again send you all our "bestest" wishes.

HARRISON HESTER.

IOTA PROVINCE

QUIET RUSHING SEASON

Beta Phi, University of Montana

At the University of Montana, the Panhellenic rules for this year make the rushing season a much quieter one than any we have had for some time. Pledging comes at the end of the first semester, and here-to-fore the sororities have been limited to one party in two weeks. But since this has proved to be rather strenuous, this year, each sorority decided to have just two parties at which more than two freshmen are present. Our first one comes on November 6, and will be in the form of a progressive dinner with covers for fifty. The courses are to be served at different homes of the girls and after the last course we shall all go to Dorothy Sterling's home where the alumnae girls are to present a farce called *Each One in his Own Place*. The following is the cast:

Sausage—Margaret Lucy Thane

Coal—Isabel Ronan

Straw—Mary Rankin

Snowflake—Mary Elrod

Sugar Loaf—Dorothy Sterling

Dog—Josephine Polleys Mason

Stage Director—Ona Sloane.

Our freshmen are also to appear in a mirth provoking specialty.

Our other party will probably be a formal dance given after the holidays. In the meantime, we are getting acquainted with many attractive freshmen on the campus, at little informal "firesides" and teas where we meet one another in small groups, and at general University gatherings. In this way, the personal element in rushing is emphasized, and after all that is what should count the most.

Our newest Kappa baby is John Lindsay Swift, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Swift. Mrs. Swift was formerly Abby Lucy, '11.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Mathewson of Anaconda spent several days visiting their daughter Grace. While in Missoula, Mr. Mathewson delivered an interesting lecture at the University, his subject being "The California Expositions."

Ann Rector has been initiated into the junior and senior honorary society—Penetralia.

Mr. and Mrs. Washington J. McCormick have returned from their wedding journey and are at home to their friends in Missoula. Mrs. McCormick was Edna Fox, '10.

Charline Johnson, who was pledged during the week of Commencement last year, was initiated October 25. A spread was enjoyed by the active chapter and a number of alumni, after the ceremony.

JESSIE RAILSBACK.

PHI GAM-KAPPA WEDDING IN CHAPTER HOUSE

Beta Pi, Washington University

Beta Pi is still congratulating herself on the eleven fine freshmen she took in on matriculation pledge this fall. Three of them were sisters the chapter had been patiently waiting for through some years, Katharine Goodheart of Bellingham, and Marion Lewis and Monica Hughes of Seattle. The other town freshmen are: Cornelia Hooper, Julia Fisher, Miriam Cole, Helen Eagleson, and Marie Leghorn. The out-of-town list includes: Laura Robinson of Everett, Gertrude Fullerton of Spokane and Elizabeth Palmer from North Yakima.

Washington plays a big football game with Berkeley the first part of November and there is much excitement over the trip down on the steamship Congress which will be turned over to the two hundred rooters. Six girls from the house have already made the reservations and some others are hoping to make the trip. They will visit the Kappas at Berkeley and see as much of the Fair as their three day stop-over will allow.

Miss Ethel Hunley Coldwell has taken the place of the late Isabelle Austin as dean of women, and the women are delighted with their new advisor.

Beta Pi is in a state of constant thrills at the outlook of a wedding in the house. Rozelle Milburn and John McFee are to be married soon in the house which was the to-be bride's home for four years. Mr. McFee is a member of Phi Gamma Delta and the wedding will be a Phi Gam-Kappa affair. The girls are going to convert the house into a little forest of greens and palms, take charge of the buffet supper and make the wedding so lovely that it will linger in their memories as one of the most beautiful experiences of their college lives.

Two of our girls were elected vice-presidents of their classes, Julia Fisher, freshman, and Catharine Burnside, sophomore. Hazel Benjamin was pledged to Theta Sigma Phi, the national honorary journalism fraternity.

We are missing several of our girls this year who were unable to return. Susy Bair, junior, Blanche Troutman, junior, and Dorothy Church, Beatrice Lee, and Margarite Carlberg, all sophomores. Dorothy has been ill for a long time although we are glad she is slowly getting better and hopes to be in school next semester. Margaret Crahan is in New York having a bad finger straightened and hopes to be back in time to take up her semester's work.

The house is well filled this semester. Seventeen girls are out all the time and several more are planning to move out after holidays.

HAZEL BENJAMIN.

KAPPA PROVINCE

MANY KAPPAS VISITED CALIFORNIA

Pi, University of California

We have been glad to see so many Kappas in California this year, it is a wonderful opportunity to know so many of them and we feel that by the time the exposition closes we shall all be very well acquainted.

We had a number of rushing parties this fall. The girls living in Berkeley and San Francisco have been especially kind about giving parties in their homes.

We gave our annual reception for our freshmen September 17, and we were very proud to introduce them to the college public. It lasted until ten o'clock and then we danced, every one agreeing that it was a very successful party. We were so glad to have Katherine Jewell Everts, Chi, help us receive. She is giving a course in vocal interpretation at the University this semester, and we all feel that it is a great treat to have her so near us.

On October 9, we initiated our nine pledges, Madeline Benedict, Bernice Carr, Helen Cowell, Dorothy Davis, Sarah d'Ancona, Henrietta Johnson, Mirian Putnam, Constance Rogers and Marjorie Waldron. It was a lovely initiation and we were glad to have so many of our alumnae and visiting Kappas there.

The Saturday following initiation, October 16, the chapter house was turned over to the alumnae for a reunion and judging from what they told us they must have had a merry time.

Pi sends greetings to all her sister chapters.

ESTELLE E. COOK.

"BELGIAN MARKET" TO RAISE RELIEF FUND

Beta Eta, Leland Stanford

Beta Eta, "the record no-letter chapter," is hanging her head in surprise and shame. It is not that she has been willfully silent, but that her literary efforts have not reached their destination. She is exceedingly sorry for the mistakes, and promises a bulky epistle-filled future.

Rushing season is over, and eight fine freshmen were heartily welcomed on Bidding Day, October 2. Angie Cross, Christine Weatherby, Luetta Wight, Doris Gibbs, Lola Lee, Ethel Lee, Grace Eubank, and Dorothy Hanna are wearing the pledge pin.

At last the question of rushing which has been smoldering for some time has burst forth into flame. Everyone feels that a climax has been reached and that some form of rushing which will work greater happiness for all, must be adopted. Panhellenic is doing its best to rectify the evils and many plans are being suggested by everyone. Kappa is lending every effort toward smoothing out the turbulent affairs.

Once again a Kappa is on the Flower Committee, which is one of the greatest honors in college. The very proud young woman this semester who carries flowers to the Stanford Mausoleum is Madeline Turner.

In spite of our studies and pleasures, we have not forgotten the suffering across the water, and everyone was vastly interested in the Belgian Market which was held to raise money to help the victims of the war. Kappas—both alumnae and active—were much in evidence in their brightly colored European costumes, buying and selling at the various booths. Mrs. Herbert Clark Hoover was an active helper, and was glad when \$3,000 was sent through the Stanford Belgian Relief Committee to aid Mr. Hoover in his relief work abroad.

The alumnae of Beta Eta overwhelmed us not long ago by presenting to the house beautiful wicker furniture for the living room and library. We are very grateful indeed, and hourly express our utmost satisfaction.

Beta Eta is prominent this year in dramatics. Laura Anderson has the leading rôle in the sophomore play, and Nellita Choate has taken a leading part in the Cardinal Players productions at Muir Woods. Several of the girls have parts in the Masquers Vaudeville performance next week.

It might also interest you to know that Mrs. Albert Coogan (Marjorie Emmons) has a little girl, the first Kappa baby from the class of thirteen.

Remember, Kappas far and near, that this sleeping chapter has at last awakened and sends good wishes to all. Should any sisters visit the western coast they will always have a hearty welcome here with us at Stanford.

DORIS M. SEYMOUR.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

CHAPTERS

Any member of Kappa Kappa Gamma is cordially invited to attend meetings of the active chapters.

PHI

meets every Thursday afternoon at five o'clock at the chapter rooms, 10 Museum Road, Boston, Mass.

BETA ALPHA

meets once a week alternating Wednesday evenings at half-past seven and Thursday evenings at half-past five at the Kappa room, 306 Women's Dormitory, University of Pennsylvania, 122 S. 24th Street, Philadelphia.

BETA IOTA

meets at seven-thirty on Wednesday evenings in a room set aside as a chapter room, in the girls' dormitories, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania.

PSI

meets in room 3300 of Prudence Risley Hall, Ithaca, New York, every Saturday evening at eight o'clock.

BETA TAU

meets every Friday evening at seven-thirty o'clock in the chapter house at 907 Walnut Avenue, Syracuse, New York.

BETA PSI

meets every second Saturday at eight o'clock at the homes of the girls in the city. Definite information may be had by telephoning Miss Helen Scott, Hillcrest 227.

GAMMA RHO

meets every Saturday night at eight o'clock in the chapter rooms on the fourth floor of Hulings Hall, Meadville, Pennsylvania.

BETA UPSILON

meets every Tuesday evening, at 6:45, chapter room in the White Building, High Street, Morgantown, West Virginia.

LAMBDA

meets every Thursday afternoon at three o'clock on the third floor of Curtice Cottage, girls' dormitory, on the campus of Akron University, Akron, Ohio.

BETA NU

meets at the homes of the different members in Columbus, Ohio every other Saturday evening at five thirty. Marguerite Heiner, 47 S. Champion Avenue, will give definite information concerning meetings. Telephone—Citizen 2631.

BETA RHO

meets every other Saturday afternoon, at the homes of the girls.

IOTA

meets Saturday evenings.

MU

will hold meetings at two o'clock on Tuesday afternoons at the homes of the Irvington girls. By calling Irv. 352—(old Phone), the place may be learned.

DELTA

meets every Monday evening at the chapter house in Forest Place, Bloomington, Indiana.

BETA CHI

meets on Thursday afternoon at four o'clock at the fraternity house on Maxwell Street, Lexington, Kentucky.

BETA DELTA

meets in the chapter house, on the corner of Church Street, 1204 Hill Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

XI

meets at half after seven o'clock on Saturday evenings, in the chapter rooms, in South Hall, Adrian College, Adrian, Michigan.

KAPPA

meets every Saturday night at seven-thirty in the chapter rooms at the college, Hillsdale, Michigan. Communicate through Marion Willoughby, 225 West Street. Telephone 171R.

CHI

meets every Tuesday at 5 p. m., at 316 16th Avenue S. E., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

ETA

meets every Monday evening at seven p. m., at the chapter house, 425 Park Street, Madison, Wisconsin.

UPSILON

meets on Monday afternoon from five to six o'clock in Room 62, Willard Hall, Evanston.

EPSILON

meets on Monday afternoons at four-thirty in the Kappa Hall in the main building of the university.

BETA LAMBDA

meets every Monday evening in the chapter house, 502 Chalmers Avenue, Champaign, Illinois.

BETA ZETA

holds fraternity meetings at seven o'clock every Monday evening in the chapter house, 431 East Jefferson Street, Iowa City.

THETA

meets Monday evening at seven at the chapter house, 600 Rollins Street, Columbia Mission.

OMEGA

meets every Monday evening at seven o'clock at the chapter house, 1602 Louisiana Street, Lawrence, Kansas.

SIGMA

meets on Monday evening at seven-thirty o'clock at the fraternity house, 330 North 14th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

BETA MU

meets in the Kappa house, 1221 University Avenue, Boulder, Colorado, at seven on Monday evenings during the college year.

BETA THETA

meets Monday evenings, 8:30, chapter house, Norman, Oklahoma.

BETA XI

meets on Saturday at two o'clock in the chapter house at 2308 Rio Grande Street, Austin, Texas.

BETA OMICRON

meets every Friday afternoon at four o'clock.

BETA PHI

meets every Monday evening at eight o'clock at the chapters house, 330 Connell Ave., Missoula, Montana.

BETA PI

meets every Monday from four to six, at the chapter house, 4504 18th Avenue, North East, Seattle, Washington.

BETA OMEGA

meets every Monday evening at seven o'clock in the chapter house.

PI

meets every Monday evening, at seven-thirty, in the chapter room of the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way.

BETA ETA

meets in the chapter house at Stanford University every Monday evening at seven-thirty.

BETA SIGMA

meets every Wednesday afternoon at the College House, 22 Cambridge Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. Supper meetings first and third Wednesdays. We are glad to welcome any Kappas who are in Brooklyn or New York.

MINNESOTA CLUB

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting address, Miss Mary Knight, 3220 Chicago Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

LINCOLN CLUB

meets for luncheon at the Lincoln Hotel at 12:30 the second Saturday of each month.

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATIONS

BOSTON ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month during the college year. For places of meeting, address Miss Florence McArdle, 284 Park Street, Dorchester Center, Massachusetts.

NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday in October, November, January, February, March and April. For places of meeting, address Mrs. G. M. Walker, 924 West End Avenue, New York City.

PHILADELPHIA ASSOCIATION

meets once a month except in July and August, alternating Saturday afternoons and Tuesday evenings. For exact dates and places of meeting, address Miss Sophia E. Foell, 5711 Kingsessing Avenue, West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Phone, Woodland 4074L.

BETA IOTA ASSOCIATION

meets in January, March, May and October, on the second Saturday in the month. For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Susanne Willets, 219 Greenwood Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey.

SYRACUSE ASSOCIATION

meets once a month. For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Georgia A. Wells, 1520 S. State Street, Syracuse, New York.

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

meets in January, March, May, June, September and November. For dates and places of meeting, address Mrs. Byron A. Johnson, 511 Woodbine Avenue, Rochester, New York.

COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday of each month. For places, address Miss Mabel Baldwin, 41 Twelfth Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

FRANKLIN NU ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting address Mrs. H. N. Coons, 414 E. Pearl Street, Lebanon, Indiana.

INDIANAPOLIS ASSOCIATION

meets the third Saturday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Adelaide Smith, 2262 Central Avenue, Indianapolis, Indiana.

BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA, ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday of each month at the houses of the members. For places of meeting, address Miss Leafy Davis, 513 E. 8th St., Bloomington, Indiana.

SOUTH BEND ASSOCIATION

meets the first Monday in October, December, March and May. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Eli F. Seebirt, 507 N. Saint Joseph Street, South Bend, Indiana.

CHICAGO ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday in each month from September through April, at the Chicago College Club, Stevens Building, 16 N. Wabash Avenue, Chicago. Address Mrs. C. M. Marston, 812 E. 53 S., Chicago.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATION

meets the first Wednesday in every month for luncheon at the homes of the members. For places of meeting, address Mrs. John A. Manley, 735 Seward Street, Evanston, Illinois.

MILWAUKEE ASSOCIATION

meets the third Friday of each month from September to June at the homes of the members. For places, address Mrs. Nathan Wilkinson, 301 38th St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ASSOCIATION

meets twice a month from September to June. For places and dates, address Miss Agnes C. Loudon, 1007 N. Prairie, Bloomington, Illinois.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

meets for luncheon at one o'clock on the third Saturday of each month from October through June. For places, address Mrs. Ralph B. Miller, 1915 A Union Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri.

KANSAS CITY ASSOCIATION

meets the first Saturday of each month. For places of meeting, address Miss Hazel B. Clark, 3644 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri.

DENVER ASSOCIATION

meets the last Saturday in each month from September to June. For places of meeting, address Mrs. Charles N. More, 1320 Race Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

PI ASSOCIATION

meets the first week of every second month, beginning with January; also on the third Monday of every month from four to six when tea is served in the alumnae room at the Kappa house, 2725 Channing Way. For places of meeting, address Miss Margaret Witter, 2301 Durant Avenue, Berkeley, California.

LOS ANGELES ASSOCIATION

meets monthly at the homes of the members. For dates and places, address Miss I. Marie Lindsley, 349 E Ave., Los Angeles, California.

PORTLAND ASSOCIATION

meets once a month at the homes of the members. For places and dates, address Miss Margaret Griffin, 488 E. 27th Avenue N., Portland, Oregon.

CINCINNATI ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Freda Gleason, 2005 Delaware Avenue, Norwood, Ohio.

BETA XI ASSOCIATION

For dates and places of meeting, address Miss Ketherine A. Searcy, Brenham, Texas.

DALLAS ASSOCIATION

meets monthly from September to June. For places, address Mrs. H. R. Davis, 1523 Hughes Circle, Dallas, Texas.

CLUBS

PITTSBURGH CLUB

meets for four o'clock tea on the first Saturday of November, February and May in McCreery's lunchroom. Address Miss Bertha Miller, 203 Donaghy Ave., Butler, Pa.

LAMBDA CLUB

meets for luncheon the first Saturday of each month at one o'clock at the Portage Hotel. Address Miss Ruth Harter, 544 Market Street, Akron, Ohio.

FALLS CITIES CLUB

meets the second Saturday in January, March, May, September and November. For places, address Miss Frances Hartley, Beharrell Avenue, New Albany, Indiana.

IOTA

meets every evening at 6:45 at the chapter house, Greencastle, Indiana.
Address Mrs. Helen O. Sigmund, Crawfordsville, Indiana.

ADRIAN CLUB

meets once a month at the homes of the members. For places and dates, address Mrs. Florence Worden, 141½ W. Maumee Street, Adrian, Michigan.

CHI CLUB

meets the third Friday of each month. For places of meeting address Mrs. George M. Gillette, The Plaza, Minneapolis, Minn.

IOWA CITY CLUB

meets the second Friday of each month at the homes of the members.
Address Mrs. Willis Mercer, 326 Johnson Street, Iowa City, Iowa.

OMAHA CLUB

meets the first Saturday of every month at the homes of the members.
Address Miss Mary Alice Duval, 4902 Underwood Avenue, Dundee, Omaha, Nebraska.

SEATTLE CLUB

meets the first Saturday of each month at the homes of the members.
For places of meeting, address Miss Lois Bronson, 239 29th Avenue N., Seattle, Washington.

CLEVELAND CLUB

Address Miss Florence M. Rogers, 3261 E. 132 Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

BETA GAMMA CLUB

Address Miss Florence McClure, Larwell Street, Wooster, Ohio.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

Address Miss Edith Huggins, 2143 Prospect Street, Indianapolis, Indiana.

WE RECOMMEND FOR THE HALL OF FAME

ALICE DUER MILLER

Because, in writing *The Blue Arch*, she proved herself a first-rate novelist. Because she has worked like a Trojan to advance the cause of suffrage in America. Because she can write truthfully of ladies and gentlemen, *chez eux*. Because she is kindlier than clever people have any right to be, and because in her new book, she tries to prove that women are people.—From *Vanity Fair*.

THE ALUMNAE

SARAH B. HARRIS

Grand Vice-President and Alumnae Editor



Words from the wise; an alumnae Parthenon in every KEY; advice to alumnae associations; good reading for everybody, even the freshmen—that is what this Alumnae Department will be in the future. Special articles that will be a real help to you—and then the Personals—short, snappy, easy to read, if you want just gossip.

ALUMNAE SECRETARIES

For an up-to-date, accurate directory of meetings for Alumnae Associations

notify Alumnae Editor, 1145 Elmwood Ave., Evanston of any changes for the coming year before the next issue of THE KEY.

Remember to send personals only, unless you are called upon to send a special article.

Now is the time to send new KEY subscriptions and renewals to Mrs. Parke R. Kolbe, Business Manager, 250 East Buchtel Ave., Akron, Ohio.

FOR AN ALUMNA PER CAPITA TAX

Franklin Nu passed her fifth birthday the ninth of September. In these five years we have had genuine pleasures and "old time" good times. Perhaps we have been some slight help to the fraternity too, but in the line of service for Kappa we have not realized our ideals. For instance, we have planned and promised to send a gift to the student aid fund. We have been unable to do so. Our numbers are small, and we live in different places. These conditions preventing anything like undertaking any money making schemes for the Aid Fund. Our annual dues have been \$1.00 per member. In connection with some work we have done, the Association has borne some heavy expenses. So we have not been able to do anything for our Aid Fund. There-

fore, we are pleased with the plan to tax each alumna member fifty cents as dues and let it apply on our philanthropic work.

It means something to every woman to know that her money goes for some specific purpose. And after all, it is not so much the amount of the price, but what the price will buy that affects buyers and givers. It will surely make a difference in the attitude toward alumnae dues to know that they will be applied in a way that counts. Fifty cents also is a tax possible for all.

Incidentally, this plan, if it succeeds, will affect the future of our alumnae. Some Kappas feel that alumnae associations are accomplishing little, can never be of much help, and unless they begin soon to be of real value to the fraternity, they had better not exist. On the other hand, some Kappas feel that the alumnae should not be expected to do much for the fraternity. They argue that alumnae have heavy financial burdens connected with their homes and various missionary and charitable societies. There is much to support both of these positions.

However, if so small a sum as fifty cents from each alumnae association member will help to support our philanthropic work, then the objection to it for financial reasons is reduced to the minimum and the notion that the alumnae work cannot be availing loses ground as does theory confronted with fact.

So then, we approve of the fifty cent per capita tax plan for alumnae associations. We hope the fraternity will "try it out."

Laura Ogle Goodell.

PERSONALS

On February 21, Nu entertained the Indianapolis Association with a flag party at the home of Mrs. Walter Howe (Bertha Frazier) in Indianapolis. Mrs. J. W. Erther (Claude Keely) gave a reading on the flag. Glen Howe sang Barbara Fritchie. Miss Jennie Thompson gave a talk on palmistry and read some hands, some women of Nu sang an old Kappa song and Mrs. Howe served refreshments.

In June 1914, Mrs. Mary Pond McCay, Nu '84, died in Waverly Massachusetts. A thirteen year old daughter survives who lives with an aunt in Orange, New Jersey.

In June 1915, Mrs. Oscar Jones (Madge McClain) Nu '82, died in Franklin, Indiana. A husband and daughter survive.

Mrs. Payne, mother of Mrs. L. E. Ott (Eva Payne) died last spring. Mrs. Payne's sweet face is associated with all of our memories of chapter days, for we had many meetings and parties in her home.

Within eight months, Mrs. H. N. Coons (Jessie Crubb) witnessed the marriage of all of her children. Miss Mary Coons married Mr. Howard Payne Comstock of Kansas City last December. Mr. John Coons, Sigma Chi, married Miss Helen Ritchie of Lebanon, Indiana, in June. In July Mrs. H. N. Coons and Miss Fern Coons entertained four hundred guests at a lawn party honoring the brides of the family, Mrs. Comstock and Mrs. John Coons. On September 29, Miss Fern Coons, Beta Delta, married Mr. Frank Adney of Lebanon.

Mrs. Walter Howe (Bertha Frazier) and Mrs. Thornburg (Anna Studebaker) announce the arrival of granddaughters.

Mrs. J. W. Erther (Claude Keely) and Mrs. Bert Essex (Nora Whitesides) announce the arrival of grandsons.

Mrs. J. W. Erther has been elected president of the Indiana Auxiliary of the Sons of Veterans. She was a delegate to the recent national convention of the Sons of Veterans.

Mrs. Alice Moore French spent last winter in Washington, D. C., and North Carolina.

Iota has pledged Mildred Chandler, daughter of Mrs. J. L. D. Chandler (Re Whitesides, Nu '81). Some of the women of Nu are going to Greencastle for the initiation.

Laura Ogle Goodell.

TRY THIS IN YOUR CHAPTER

In the face of the present opposition to fraternities I think the strongest argument we could produce is scholarship. If the average standing of fraternity women was far above the university average (and why shouldn't it be?) and if nine out of every ten earned their degrees, the remaining arguments against fraternities would have little force.

As secretary of the Chicago Alumnae Association I have compiled a card catalogue of 237 Kappas from nearly every chapter from Alpha to Omega, and the number of Kappas who have no degrees is appalling. We have recently divided the catalogue into 75 who evince more or less interest in the Alumnae Association and 162 who are as silent as the tomb.

Of the 162 dead ones, exactly two-thirds have no degree!

Of the 75 who are more or less alive, 29, or only a trifle over one-third, have no degree!

This proves that the girl who spends four years in chapter life, who works for Kappa, who is proud of her fraternity and who experiences the senior's feeling of responsibility will have a deeper and more abiding love for Kappa Kappa Gamma and for the principles of our fraternity.

Of course the active girls will say that a girl cannot always say when she enters college whether she can stay four years or not. We admit it. But, honestly, now, in this fall's rushing if a girl dressed in good taste and had a pleasing personality, did you ask her how long she expected to stay?

Sixteen years ago I wrote an article for *THE KEY* setting forth a plan adopted by Lambda chapter of pledging the girls we wanted but refusing to initiate them until they were taking full college work and had expressed an intention of staying four years. It was a stand for scholarship.

Many attractive girls want to spend a year or two in college and then take up nursing or kindergarten or some other kind of work. However important such work may be, I wish to insist that Kappa Kappa Gamma does not stand for Kindergarten work—it stands for a college education and bachelor's degree.

Even if a girl is a good student, I maintain that for the sake of your chapter, for the sake of your fraternity, for the sake of all Greeks both women and men, you cannot afford to initiate many girls who do not expect to stay four years.

ELIZABETH TROWBRIDGE MARSTON, Λ and Β Δ.

Chicago Alumnae Association.

SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGN OF DENVER PANHELLENIC ASSOCIATION

The honor of contributing the first article for the newly instituted alumnae section of *THE KEY*, having bestowed upon the Denver Kappas, it is with great pleasure and pride that we devote the space allotted to us in telling our readers about the plan which the Woman's Panhellenic Association of Denver, has conceived and are now putting into execution among the sororities in the University of Colorado at Boulder, and Denver University in Denver.

At the present time there seems to be almost nation-wide criticism in regard to secret Greek-letter orders in both the high schools and universities, and the legislative bodies of many of the states have undertaken to investigate the comparative scholastic standing of the fraternity and nonfraternity students, with the object in view of abolishing the secret orders if they cannot prove the value of their existence.

So it was unanimously agreed that the main object of "The Woman's Panhellenic Association of Denver" this year, should be to adopt a plan of action which would in a measure tend towards raising the standard of scholarship among the sororities of our two mentioned Universities in Colorado. In order to attain this aim, the idea of pitting one sorority against the other in scholastic rivalry was conceived, and The Woman's Panhellenic Association of Denver was made the offer of a loving cup to each of the sororities of the University of Colorado and Denver University, who at the end of the college years should have attained the highest average of scholarship in their respective sororities. Such loving cup is to be appropriately engraved with the name of the winning sorority for that year, and held by them until the following year, when, if won by another sorority the cup shall then be transferred to the leading competitor.

If one sorority shall win the cup for three successive years, then it becomes the permanent property of the chapter, in which event our association, will offer another in replacement. At the present time there are seven national sororities in the University of Colorado, and four at Denver University, and each Institution has adopted the plan of averaging sorority and fraternity scholastic standing, comparing the grades as a whole with those students who are nonfraternity members. In a way this is unfair to the Greeks as their numbers are far below that of the non-Greeks, but the desire is so strong to prove or disprove the value of fraternity life that it seems the only possible means of comparison.

If, in offering a cup to the sororities, the spirit of emulation will be so stimulated that the standard of scholarship will be materially raised, then a threefold result will be attained, namely, the sorority itself will benefit, the public opinion of Greek-letter orders will be raised, and last but not least the student herself will gain by the greater efforts put forth for the honor of the sorority.

MRS. RANULPH HUDSTON,
Secretary of the Woman's Panhellenic
Association of Denver."
Denver Alumnae Association.

WHY NOT?

Susie Smith, Alpha Alpha chapter, '78, has grown from a girlish, secret-loving member of the literary society that called itself Kappa Kappa Gamma, into a comfortable, middle-aged housekeeper and mother. Jane Hudson, Alpha Omega chapter '15, is a very modern girl, who believes ardently in sophomore pledge day, chapter house financial systems, women suffrage, and the like. Among all the intelligent people in the big city, few people seem to have less in common than these two. Can a Kappa Alumnae Association bring and hold them together? What can it give them in return for the time and effort and money it will cost—just some "good times"? Real friendships that they would not otherwise have? Wider vision of the fraternity movement and of the fascinating world of women's interests today? Revived ideals and renewed courage in meeting problems?

No two of us would answer all the questions alike. All of us probably question sometimes whether the association is worth while for us—whether it isn't on a par with giving Christmas presents that the recipient may not want! And there are inescapable weaknesses in the city association. It must be made up of many Susie Smiths and Jane Hudsons. It must—as any officer will tell you—be nursed through never-ending attacks of unanswered notices, unsigned KEY subscriptions, and unpaid dues. It must have a devoted set of officers, or a congenial group from one chapter, or its case is likely to be hopeless. It must spend about ninety per cent of its income just to keep itself going.

Can the city association, with these handicaps, yet offer enough that is truly worth while, to retain the interest of the best women Kappa claims, whether they be professional women or home-makers? The problem is not a small one; and I do not believe it has yet been satisfactorily solved.

EMMA PARKS MILLER.
St. Louis Alumnae Association.

THE NEW YORK STATE COLLEGE OF FORESTRY AT SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

It has been the custom from time to time to note in *THE KEY* developments in the universities where there are chapters of Kappa. This has led to the belief that you may be interested to know something of the founding and work of the New York State College of Forestry in connection with Syracuse University.

For a number of years before the opening of the college, friends of forestry in the state of New York felt that there should be some institution where students might secure a professional training in forestry. In 1910 bills were introduced into the legislature calling for the establishment of the College, but it was not until 1911 that the bill was passed.

The state of New York does not have a State University other than the Board of Regents and so some years ago it began the establishment of state supported technical schools in private institutions in the belief that in these technical schools better training could be given to young men and women than could be secured in private institutions. It is this relation which the New York State College of Forestry bears to Syracuse University.

The act under which the College was created obligates it to carry on two important and coördinate lines of work, as follows:

First—Such special research and investigation in forestry as will help in the solution of forest problems confronting the State.

Second—It is the institution for educational work in forestry in the State.

The College has acquired several tracts of land for experimental work. Among these are 100 acres of land south of Syracuse for the State Forest Experiment station, 1800 acres in the Adirondacks on which is located the State Ranger School, and 100 acres in the Catskills.

Aside from the general course in forestry offered by the College, there are those in pulp and paper making and arboriculture, or city forestry. The equipment for carrying on the work along these various lines is usually good and this together with a museum and a rapidly growing Forest Library, offer splendid opportunity for general and specialized work.

The total enrollment for the fall of 1915 in the various professional courses is 275, which is the largest registration of any school of forestry in the country.

In 1913 the State appropriated \$250,000 for a State Forestry Building which is now in process of construction on the campus of Syracuse University. This will be one of the best and most effectively equipped State Forestry Buildings in the United States.

M. E. W., *Beta Tau.*

Syracuse Alumnae Association.

NATIONALISM AND KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

College life has been criticized as too self-centered, as a life whose interests are bounded by the four sides of the campus. Within these limits there always have been and always will be social groups formed for the purpose of enjoyment and mutual help. Do these formal groups tend to increase narrowness of interest? Maybe so, if the group is local in organization; most probably not, if the group is part of a great national fraternity. A local organization has its ideals, its symbols, its interests in college affairs at heart as truly as a chapter of a national fraternity; yet the former lacks that broad interest in other colleges and other people that the latter has. I was forcibly impressed at the St. Lawrence University when I had the pleasure of assisting Mrs. Mullin install Beta Beta Chapter. Immediately after the installation, one initiate said to me, "I don't feel a bit different as a Kappa than I did as a Zeta Phi!" My answer was, "Wait till you have attended conventions, till you have made friendships because of the mutual bonds of Kappa!" She did not have to wait long for a little appreciation of nationalism, for the greetings from the four corners of the United States that were read at the installation banquet thrilled her, and not only her alone, with the value of nationalism.

Alumnae, it may take months and even years for us to grasp this idea of strength through nationalism. This idea grows stronger as we work for Kappa, as we realize the privileges and opportunities our fraternity opens for us. Because we are national, remember that just as nature is different in different parts of the country, just so Kappa types may be different, yet each one having qualifications meriting a key. Strive to put

yourselves in harmony with our great national Kappa symphony, which says in part, "To strive only for what I believe to be the highest and best, holding others to no standard which I cannot maintain myself, to be thankful for and improve the Privileges which are mine as a college woman, bearing in mind the added responsibility that devolves upon me because of them."

MARTHA WILLETS,
Beta Iota, Alumnae Association.

COLUMBUS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The forty-third anniversary of the founding of the fraternity and the twenty-seventh anniversary of the founding of Beta Nu Chapter was celebrated October 13, with a banquet at the Chittenden Hotel.

The annual dinner given by the Columbus Women's Panhellenic Association came on October 21. There were two hundred and fifty fraternity women present. This organization offers a silver coffee urn to the active chapter at the Ohio State University having the highest scholarship. The urn was won this year by Delta Delta Delta. Great interest is shown in this association which was organized only one year ago. This year we are planning to have a Christmas shop, the proceeds to be given to a fund devoted to the help of young women who would otherwise be unable to finish their course at the university.

There were two Kappa weddings in July. Elizabeth Brown was married on the fourteenth to Dr. Joseph M. Gallen of Columbus, and on the fifteenth, Marie Carroll and Mr. Reginald Miller Tussing were married. Mr. and Mrs. Tussing are at home in Marietta, Ohio.

The engagement of Ona Menefee to Mr. Leslie M. Wells of Cleveland has been announced.

MABEL BALDWIN.

NORTH SHORE ASSOCIATIONS

Gertrude Carter is spending a month with her sister in Montreal.

Mrs. George Frazer (née Helen James of Beta Lambda) has recently come to Evanston to live.

Mrs. Charles Harding, Junior (Helen Swenson of Eta) is living in Winnetka, and we hope will soon be able to join the association. She has recently become the proud mother of Charles Harding III.

Ethel Tremaine Handy returned from San Antonio, Texas a short time ago, having been called there by the death of her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. David Linton Vail (Marion Burnette) of Milnor, North Dakota, announce the arrival of David Linton, Junior.

Mary Hotchkiss Wescott is one of the two alumnae on the governing board of the dramatic club at Northwestern.

Sarah Harris, grand vice-president, has had lots of interesting things to tell us about council session.

MABELLE PERRIN MANLEY.

ST. LOUIS ASSOCIATION

The two fall meetings have brought us as new members: Ruth Eversole, Theta, who is teaching in St. Louis this year; Sara Pauline Bundy, Upsilon, a new graduate; and Margaret Browne, Beta Gamma, who has won our hearts by choosing Washington University for a postgraduate course.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Walker (Gertrude Zoll, Theta), are rejoicing over the arrival of Charles, Junior.

Mrs. Don F. Gates (Edith Seymour) and Katherine Smith, both of Theta, were guests at the pretty luncheon on October 16, when we wore the colors in honor of the installation of Beta Beta chapter.

Those of us who attended the "Illinois" meeting in September, had the pleasure of meeting Mr. G. W. Meyers, the husband of our chief hostess, (Elizabeth Snyder, Beta Lambda); and also meeting Mrs. L. M. Cutting (May Van Horne, Beta Delta, ex'93). This was the first Kappa meeting Mrs. Cutting had been able to attend in twenty-five years and her comments on the changes she noticed were most interesting.

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. C. A. Cravens was hostess for the opening meeting of the Indianapolis Alumnae Association in September. The new yearbook of the club gives evidence that Kappas are no longer interested in cultural pursuits alone but in social service and philanthropy. Miss Ruth Egge of Eta, who has come to Indianapolis for vocal study, was welcomed to our Association.

For its October meeting, the Indianapolis Association each year, plans the state luncheon to celebrate Founders' Day. This year, on October 16, almost two hundred Kappas met at the Claypool Hotel. The Indiana chapters, Delta, Iota, Mu and Franklin Nu held separate reunions of alumnae and active girls before the luncheon. At one o'clock all gathered in the new Riley Room.

Miss Isabel Hughes (Iota) of San Francisco, married William Henderson Remy, (Phi Delta Theta) in September and will live in this city.

Miss Winona Montgomery (Iota) and Robert Gilliland (Phi Kappa Psi) were married October 23 and will make their home here.

ADELAIDE SMITH.

MINNESOTA ALUMNAE CLUB

A number of Kappas returning from the Fair stopped in Minneapolis a couple of days. Among them were Mrs. Mullin, Editor of *THE KEY*, and Miss Willets, the grand treasurer. Luncheon at the Athletic Club, a drive, and tea at Cleo Wheeler's in St. Paul was the program for their entertainment.

There have been several Kappa weddings. Alice Trimbel and James DeVeau; Florence Robinson and Ellis J. Westlake; Helen Clark and Frederick Hubbel; Virginia Higgins and William Callaway.

The engagement of Elizabeth Shepardson and Alexander Scott-Goodfellow has been announced. The engagement of Mary W. Rankin and Gilbert Quirk was announced last week. The wedding takes place December 1 at the Plaza, and they will live in Los Angeles, Calif.

Among the babies that have entered Kappa homes are a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Blair (Josephine Dayton); a son to Mr. and Mrs. Woodrich (Helen Brown); a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Greer (Ruth Weir); a son to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dougan (Faith Wheaton); a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kohlsott (Betty Bullard).

We are glad to welcome Mrs. William M. Case, who recently moved here from Waterloo, Iowa. Mrs. Case is a member of Beta Tau chapter, Syracuse, N. Y.

"Founders' Day" was celebrated October 15 by a meeting of the alumnae and active chapter at the home of Miss Lind. There were fifty present.

AUGUSTA P. GILLETTE.

MU ALUMNAE CLUB

Mrs. P. M. Dill, one of Mu's charter members was with us at Founders' Day Luncheon, also the active chapter and pledges. Mu alumnae guests from out of town were Mrs. Verna Adney of Lebanon, Mrs. Roy Millikan of Thorntown, Mrs. Carl McGaughy of Greenfield, Miss Jewell Cochrane of Spencer, Miss Mary Merker of Alexandria, Mrs. John Mitchell, Jr., of Greenfield and Mrs. Robert Egbert of Martinsville.

On September 18, Dorothy Kautz and Robert Hamp, Phi Delta Theta, were married at the home of the bride in Kokomo. Mrs. David Hutchcraft of Indianapolis attended the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Hamp will make their home in Indianapolis, and Mrs. Hamp will be one of our active members this year.

Miss Margaruite Hubbard, who has made her home in California for the last two years has returned to this part of the country, and is teaching in the Anderson High School. Miss Hubbard will also be active with us this winter.

Miss Beth Bogert has become a member of the "Little Theater Society of Indianapolis" which will give all its performances at the Herron Art Institute. We all wish her success in her new undertaking.

Miss Mabel Felt and Miss Kate Martin are taking Y. W. C. A. work at Detroit, Michigan.

Miss Ruth Allerdice and Miss Elizabeth Brayton are taking an Agricultural course at the University of Chicago. They will put their knowledge of farming into practical use on a plantation in Virginia. Watermelons, rice and cotton will be their first adventure.

Born to Mabel Gant Murphy and Mallie Murphy, Delta Tau Delta, a daughter, Rosaline Ann, at Washington, D. C., September 1.

EDITH L. HUGGINS.

BLOOMINGTON, ILLINOIS, ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

September 31, the first meeting of the club was held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Probasco. The affair was in the nature of a thimble party and also a rushing party for the active chapter. Luncheon was served at four o'clock.

The engagement of Miss Helen Read, '94, to John Culbertson, Jr., is announced. The marriage will take place on Thanksgiving Day at the Country Home of her grandmother, west of town.

Miss May Bengel has returned from a three weeks' trip to Washington and New York.

Miss Telford of Delta chapter is teaching domestic arts in the Bloomington High School. We are glad to welcome her into our club.

Mrs. Leona Miller Kerns and little daughter of Ottumwa, Iowa, are spending some time with her parents Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller.

AGNES GRACE LOUDON.

BETA IOTA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. Walter S. Gee (Winifred Craig, 1905) has moved from Germantown, Pa., to Swarthmore, Pa.

Miss Maude Kemmerer, '07, having received her Master's Degree in June at Columbia, is teaching at Bridgeport, Conn.

Born in July, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. L. Webb (Mary W. Lawrence, '07) a daughter, Mary Lawrence Webb.

Mrs. Karl M. Miller (Mildred H. Bentley, ex-'08) who was married in June, is living at 23 W. Chase Street, Baltimore, Md.

Mrs. Watson Magill (Margery Cornell, ex-'10) entertained the Kappa Five Hundred at her home in Oak Lane, Pa., Saturday, October 16.

Margaret T. Rose, '10, is assistant secretary to the President of Stevens Institute.

Helen Parker, '11, was married to Franklin Hardcastle, Jr., September 25, and is now living at 670 W. 191 Street, New York City.

Anne S. Haines, '12, who was awarded the Martha E. Tyson Fellowship last June is studying at the University of Wisconsin.

Phebe Lukens, '12, was married to Harry L. Miller, Swarthmore, K Σ '11, October 15, and her new home is in West Chester, Pa.

Josephine Foster has announced her engagement to Ralph Linton, Swarthmore '14, and will be quietly married November 24.

Rachel Shoemaker, '14, has announced her engagement to John Matthews, Swarthmore, Ψ Σ K '15, and Dorothy Phillips, '13, to Alexander Robinson of Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Darlington (Louise Corkran, '10) have a son, born in September.

Reba Camp, '16, who won the Lucretia Mott Fellowship last June, is studying at Radcliffe, with mathematics as her major.

Margaret Milne, '15, has been on the Chautauqua dramatic program all summer, and is continuing along the same lines this winter in the Lyceum movement.

FALLS CITIES CLUB

Mrs. Edwin D. Wood, née Lucy Poucher, who has lived in Cincinnati for the last two years has returned to Louisville, 1701 Edenside, and is again active in the Falls Cities Club.

Bess Ruthenburg, Iota, is Supervisor of Art in the public schools of New Albany, Indiana.

Grace Hartley, Iota, '14, is assistant supervisor of music in the New Albany schools.

Mrs. E. F. Horine, née Helen Ruthenburg, Iota '12, is the mother of Emmitt Field, Junior, born September 26. Mrs. Horine lives at 1036 Bardstown Road, Louisville, Kentucky.

The Falls Cities Club held its September meeting with Frances Hartley, New Albany, Indiana.

The Alpha Phis and Thetas were hostesses at the October meeting of the Falls Cities Panhellenic Club.

Winifred Conner, Iota, of Silver Hills, New Albany, has moved to Detroit, Michigan.

Lillian Neal of Noblesville, a graduate of De Pauw, is teaching in Corydon, Indiana, and expects to be with us at some of our meetings this winter.

BETA XI ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

A beautiful Kappa wedding occurred in Austin at All Saints Chapel on October 27 when Dora Rogers Thornton, '13, was married to John Stewart Boswell. The active chapter, alumnae and pledges attended. Mr. and Mrs. Boswell will make their home in Ft. Worth, Texas.

On Monday, October 25, the alumnae and active chapter entertained with a tea at the home of Clara Thaxton in honor of Miss Dora Thornton.

Helen Devine, Julia Ideson, Kitty Devine and Katherine Searcy attended the annual meeting of the State Library Association which was held in San Antonio, October 13-15.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke Baker (Bennie Brown, '08) of Houston will spend the winter in Philadelphia.

Josephine Brown, '14, was married November 11 to Dr. Homer Wilson. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson are living in San Antonio.

The Houston Kappas held a very enthusiastic meeting with Mrs. Fred Clemens on October 9.

Katherine Searcy spent the month of October at the chapter house in Austin.

KATHERINE SEARCY.

CHICAGO ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

Mrs. L. W. Jared (Bessie Dalzell, Beta Gamma) may now be addressed as Mrs. George H. Hoyland, 3901 Manleim Road, Kansas City, Missouri.

Mrs. E. M. Sweet (Ada Dalzell, Beta Gamma) has moved to 5121 University Avenue.

Irene Farnham (Upsilon) is in Boston this winter. Her address is 86 Charles Street.

Deaconess Jane B. Gillespy (Beta Epsilon) is at Bishop McVickar House, 66 Benefit St., Providence, R. I., this winter.

Harriet Gates, one of our enthusiastic Beta Lambda girls, is in school at Normal, Illinois.

Mrs. E. C. Taylor (Betty Ince, Beta Delta) has a Kappa daughter in her home now.

Mrs. Frank E. Jones (Josephine Van Leer, Epsilon) added a son to her interesting family last February. She lives at 1635 Lunt Avenue.

Mrs. O. K. Earl (Dorothea Rouse, Beta Delta) has returned to Chicago and is living at 3453 W. Adams Street.

Helen Abbott of Beta Lambda is learning to be a nurse at Johns Hopkins. We shall miss her very much.

Mrs. L. E. Ives (Flossie Scott, Beta Delta) has moved to New York.

Elizabeth Beye (Eta), is teaching in the Normal at Emporia, Kansas. She may be addressed at 927 Merchant Street.

Miss Lucy Helen Pearson (Beta Rho), for years known as a State and National Field Student Secretary, has now withdrawn from association work and is in residence at Monnett Hall in the interest of all young women students in Chicago and vicinity. Her address is 4948 Indiana Avenue.

Mrs. George Fuller (Patrice Butler, Phi) 3625 Pine Grove Avenue, has joined us this year.

Mrs. William Healy (Mary S. Tenny, Eta) is living at 849 Willow Road, Winnetka, Illinois.

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION

The Western New York Association is glad to have the following girls added to its membership:

Christine Thorpe is teaching at Perry, New York.

Cherrie Sutton is associated with the United Charities in Rochester, New York.

Florence Sayre is teaching at Honeoye, New York.

Eloise Green is teaching at Fairport.

Marjorie Gardner Johnson, Beta Tau, '07, has a son, Byron Arthur Johnson, Junior, born June 17.

Harriet Curtiss is now Harriette Curtiss Gaylord of Sodus, New York.

The Kappas of Rochester were glad to have Miss Ella Blakeslee in Rochester during the summer.

MILDRED LINCOLN.

DENVER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The first monthly luncheon of the Denver Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma was held at the home of Mrs. E. C. Healy, Beta Tau, our president, on September 25, Mrs. Matlock and Miss Morrison assisting as hostesses. About twenty were present, and plans were made

to assist the Student Aid Fund as our philanthropic work for the winter, in addition to making garments for the Florence Crittenden Home and other charities. We shall probably raise money by selling tickets to a moving picture theatre for one afternoon.

We are glad to have with us this winter two new active members, Mrs. W. A. Phillips, Omega, whose husband is the new president of the Westminster College, and Mrs. Lewis C. Greenlee, Epsilon, whose husband is our City Commissioner of Property.

Mrs. Alexander McCaw (Alice Maitland, Sigma) has gone to California for the winter with her invalid father, and will be greatly missed at our meetings.

All who attended the Estes Park Convention will remember the Van Meter girls, who were so active as Beta Mu hostesses. They have entered the University of Pennsylvania this winter, and we hope have affiliated with Beta Alpha. They have both entered as special students, Virginia is taking a mixed course in the Schools of Education and Biology, with a view to specializing in anaesthesia, and Elfrieda is taking courses in Analytical Chemistry and Medical Laboratory work, intending to take up later Surgical Illustrating.

Our next meeting will be held October 30 with Mrs. J. Y. Parce, Omega, as hostess, Mrs. Phillips and Miss Grace assisting.

LOUISE BOLARD MORE.

LOS ANGELES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The Los Angeles Alumnae Association broke into the pleasures of the year 1915-1916 with a prettily appointed banquet the night of October 13—known to Kappadom as "Founders' Day."

Miss Leila McKibben of Berkeley is a new member, being a teacher in Marlborough School for Girls.

Miss Nell Epler (Iota), also we have added to our lists. She is a teacher of Domestic Science in the Polytechnic High School, coming here from Portland.

Mrs. Mabel Coombs Speery, Stanford, we are more than happy to welcome as a newly arrived resident of Los Angeles.

One of our interesting members—for we have many—is Mrs. A. E. Ressor, one of the three original girls initiated at Alpha chapter in Monmouth, Illinois.

Mrs. Louise Lindsley Parsons with Miss Smith are our two "pledge" honorary members, the former from Beta Delta, the latter from Delta.

The new board for the year consists of Mrs. Arthur M. Hadley, Delta, president, Mrs. C. M. Daniells, Sigma, vice-president, Marie Lindsley, Beta Delta, corresponding secretary, Belle McKee, Xi, recording secretary, and Jessie Robertson, Beta Beta, treasurer. These names stand for ability and "something doing."

The Panhellenic held open house all summer in the Y. W. C. A. Building, and Kappa did her part as usual.

In August a hurriedly and informally called reception was held for Miss Sarah B. Harris. Those fortunate enough to be there are glad, those unable to attend are full of regrets, for an officer of the Grand Council is not an everyday affair.

Congratulations we wish to extend to Beta Beta, so recently installed. We are glad to have three of its alumnae on our roster, namely, Dr. Jessie Smith, Mrs. Charles W. Ward and Miss Jessie D. Robertson.

I. MARIE LINDSLEY.

MILWAUKEE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION PERSONALS

The first meeting of the Milwaukee Association was held at the home of Mrs. Clifton Williams in September.

We have decided to do some philanthropic work here in the city this winter. If Kappa Kappa Gamma nationally decides to do something, we may give this up later, but for the present we will open a Kappa cupboard at the Associated Charities. The idea is to aid the official housekeepers of the Associated Charities, making baby outfits, supplying linens, etc.

Mr. and Mrs. Kackel (Jessie Course, Eta) have recently moved here from Racine.

We announce two new babies since our last letter. A son born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Detienne (Eva Wallis, Eta) in September, and a son born to Mr. and Mrs. William Reiss (Rhoda Rietow, Eta) of Sheboygan in October.

Our very delightful Christmas luncheon of last year will be repeated this year through the hospitality of Mrs. Smith, mother of Mrs. Gertrude Smith Slocum, one of our members.

HELEN M. WILKINSON.

SYRACUSE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION

The annual Christmas meeting of the Syracuse Alumnae Association will be held Thursday evening, December 28, at the home of Mrs. W. I. Wallace. All Kappas who will be in the city or the vicinity at that time are most cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Miss Emma Brigham '89, left in October for South America. She expects to be gone about three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Revis (Marguerite Stuart, '09) of New York City, have returned to their home after spending the summer in California.

Doretta Distelhurst '10, is continuing her study of music at the University this year.

Dorothy Boggs '15, is taking postgraduate work in the University.

Jane McBirney is teaching at Remsen, N. Y.

Maude Losee is teaching at Fair Haven, N. Y.

Christine Thorpe '12, is teaching at Onondaga Valley, N. Y.

In August occurred the marriage of Pearl Alark '08, and Laurence Coits '07, Phi Kappa Psi. Mr. Coits is practicing law in New York City.

On September 9, occurred the marriage of Ethel Wilcox and William Rogers.

Six members of Beta Tau chapter attended the installation and banquet of Beta Beta chapter held at Canton, October 16. They were Mrs. W. I. Wallace, Marion Wilson and Clara MacFarland Hammer of Potsdam, New York, Marie Wood, Rita Parker, and Marie Mevis. Charlotte McCall '96, of Syracuse, a Beta Beta alumna, also attended the banquet.

Miss Mildred Wood '14, librarian of the college of forestry, on invitation of the Secretary of the State Library Association attended the meeting of that organization in Catskill in September. This was the first time that the Forestry College library had been represented at this gathering. Miss Wood spoke on the development of the forestry library collection in Syracuse, and the efforts being made with other libraries of the state regarding the methods of sending out lists of books on different phases of forestry, and of lending books to libraries elsewhere in the State.

GEORGIA A. WELLS.

In Memoriam

LOUISE MORGAN SLAYTON

November 11, 1886—July 11, 1915.

Initiated into Chi chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma,

October 14, 1915.

While Colonel Morgan was Commandant at the University of Minnesota, three daughters were initiated into Kappa Kappa Gamma. Almost immediately after Louise's initiation this interesting army family was ordered to the Philippine Islands, and we had hardly more than possessed ourselves of this happy little sister than we found ourselves bidding them all bon voyage.

In 1910 she married Charles Churchill Slayton a young officer of the United States navy. A year ago they went to Samoa with their two little children. At Tutuila, Samoa, after an operation for appendicitis, she passed quietly away. These extracts from a letter from Mrs. Poyer the wife of the American governor make us feel how real was the devotion shown her:

"The services were held on the most perfect day I have ever seen. All sent every flower that could be found, and natives were sent far out to gather all they could. The Reverend Mr. Hough of the London Mission gladly walked sixteen miles to read the service. My husband and the officers of the little naval colony carried her to her last resting place and could you have been here we feel you would have been impressed and satisfied."

We are glad to know that so much deep sweet human kindness was given to her, to her husband, and to her little son and daughter.

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Mrs. Nat U. Hill a charter member of Delta chapter died at her home in Bloomington, Indiana, on October 18. Mrs. Hill was sixty years old, and is survived by two sons.

EXCHANGES

ROSE AFFOLTER

Please send magazines to Miss Eva Powell, 2703 Dwight Way, Berkeley, Cal.; Mrs. H. B. Mullin, 175 West 94th Street, New York City; Miss Rose Affolter, Box 298, Riverside, Cal.

If we have at times felt a little breathless after clipping our way out of three or four dozen exchanges, the experience is not to be compared with the terror of facing even a long-distance editor with an exchange column made from seven magazines. Since the mysterious disappearance of our large parcel of exchanges we have received September numbers of the *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta, *Alpha Phi Quarterly*, *Garnet and White* of Alpha Chi Rho, and in some way there have drifted, in the May *Adelphean* of Alpha Delta Pi, June Sigma Kappa *Triangle* and a June *Rainbow*. And that's all.

Since Sigma Nu has entered Nevada, Pi Kappa Alpha the University of New Mexico and Kappa Sigma the University of Arizona, every state in the union can boast (if it will—roast if it will not) one or more fraternities.

Among the fraternities less widely known are Tau Kappa Alpha, orator's and debater's fraternity, whose publication is the *Speaker*, Theta Sigma Phi journalistic sorority publishing the *Matrix* and Sigma Delta Xi journalistic fraternity issuing the *Quill*.

We find the letters in the Sigma Kappa *Triangle* from members in the Orient, very interesting reading. One gives her experiences as a missionary in China. O, you girls of the countless parties and picnics, with all the frills and thrills belonging thereto, how would you like to be down in the middle of China with only ten white people in the community, your sole diversion a prayer meeting and social chat every Thursday evening, your occupation learning Chinese and teaching English?

The other is the fifth of a series entitled "Around the World with a Sigma Kappa" and is written from Calcutta, where her observations have led her to remark that if she had to be born

in India she would hope to be a monkey or a white cow—anything but a woman.

The Scroll and Record bring the war right home with letters from members at the front.

The June *Triangle* is a Service Number. This taken from one of the contributions is selected not so much for its originality as for the emphasis on thoughts we subconsciously hold and need to be reminded of.

What does a sorority mean to us? It is a place—a boarding house—in which we spend our time, in which we eat and sleep? Is it a few girls with whom we are intimate to the exclusion of the other girls in college? Is it a group of girls to afford us amusement and to furnish a step upon the ladder of success in the butterfly world? Is it the opportunity of wearing a distinctive badge to show that we do not associate with the rest of the students? If that is our ideal of a sorority, if that is what a sorority means to us, then we are not desirable members of a sorority or of any other organization.

Our sorority must serve the college. It must support the movements upon the campus, which tend to help society. It must help in all the worthy undertakings and must have an influence for right in all things. If the attitude of the sorority is not high-minded, it is detrimental to the college and should not be allowed to continue its existence. It must put into practice all of its highest ideals even in the performance of its slightest tasks. Only by this constant practice can it achieve success and realize its highest service to its members and the university.

Sorority Ethics comes in for a bit of wise and candid comment:

We find a timely quotation in an old *Quarterly*: "Thou shalt not be snobbish in thy choice of new members"—the eleventh rushing commandment it is called—but it seems to us it might well be the first and the second. We do not mean snobbish merely in the matter of judging girls by the externals of dress and looks, but snobbish in the matter of looking for and recognizing scholarly ability and latent talents which might be quickly developed in the appreciative atmosphere of the fraternity. We mean particularly in the matter of considering the timid, retiring freshman who often makes the strongest senior and is as often overlooked by the fraternity. Heed the advice of the alumnae who are better prepared to judge undeveloped character. Take time, look twice and be willing to be influenced by the advice of the older girls!—Alpha Phi *Quarterly*.

One of the complaints against sororities has been based upon a desire to surpass each other in entertaining which has led to foolish excess. If sororities strove to excel in simplicity and good taste, no complaint could be made. Rivalry among the sororities does not need to be suppressed; it needs to be directed.—*Adelphean*.

The Scroll, while admitting that our virtues are not to be overlooked, thinks there is still room for improvement.

However, we can by no means boast of having attained the goal of fraternity perfection. Close perusal of these self-serving declarations reveals even yet too much of athleticism as compared to scholarship, too much chapter sociality as compared with the better and broader college democracy, too much concerning personal achievements and honors as compared with us of the college and its advancement. All this naturally leads our thoughts to that big old question of what are we for anyhow. Almost any local club can do as much. Should not a large national organization do more? The field is wide, so let us enlarge our ideals and work to larger and greater things during this year just opening. Let us still endeavor to excel in athletics, sociability among ourselves and in personal popularity and advancement, but let us never lose sight of the bigger achievements of scholarship, college democracy and college loyalty.

Ohio State breathes a sigh of relief as the faculty decision fixing pledge day at the end of the second semester, is removed. The strain of wearing company manners for nine months and holding one long protracted rushing party was too great. *The Rainbow* has some practical ideas on just this subject.

In fact, whether pledging is postponed or not, a chapter can adopt no wiser policy than to live always and at all times its natural, every-day life. The man it bids will have to live in that chapter for four years in the closest of relations with its members. If he has selected the chapter with a full knowledge of the real type of its personnel, its atmosphere and style of daily life he is pretty certain to fit in and to find his chapter life happy and congenial. Chapter misfits result far more often from a lack of thorough understanding of each other by both parties to the contract than from precipitancy.

In selecting their fraternity few freshmen pay much attention to the national standing. The personnel and character of the particular chapter of which they are to be a part for four years is of much more importance to them. To a freshman four years seem an endless stretch of time ahead and he is inclined to pay little attention to what is really the most important part of his fraternity life—the alumni years with their rich privileges of service, fraternal associations and mutual brotherly help and encouragement.

The true aim of rushing entertainment is not to outshine a rival with its costliness or to place the recipient under obligations. Its legitimate purposes are to enable a chapter to study a new man in an intimate manner so that intelligent and safe action may be taken in regard to bidding him, and to afford him an opportunity to become acquainted with the members, to size up the ideals and principles of the chapter as exemplified in its daily life and to come to know the character of the chapter's home life. The freshman may not sit down and calmly reason out

that these are the considerations on which he makes his selection of a fraternity; but, consciously or unconsciously, these are in the final analysis the great determining factors.

The Record has this on postponed pledging:

But this early fall pledging has several great drawbacks. So long as selections are made at the beginning of the freshman year the fraternity must depend chiefly on the question "who is he"? rather than "what is he"? Moreover, the freshman is still permitted too short a time to decide whether the group which he is invited to join will be congenial and whether its ideals are his own. It is to the advantage of both parties to avoid a hasty decision.

What a refreshing antithesis to the monotonous wrangle over the fraternities' right to exist, to know that Northwestern University is building houses at a cost of from \$20,000 to \$30,000 each for the fraternity, or other student groups. They are building six quadrangles with seven houses each and the terms as given by *The Scroll* are these:

1. No charge is made for the ground.
2. The cost of the house may be paid in sums to suit each fraternity, so that the payment each year is not less than one ninety-ninth.
3. The houses being on university property, there will be no taxes.
4. The university agrees to furnish heat and light at cost from the university heating and lighting plants.

A fifth advantage is that the university, being a partner in the houses, may better exert a restraining influence on any possible excesses among the students who occupy the houses, and might be better disposed to champion the fraternities in case of opposition, legislative or otherwise.

And speaking of chapter houses the Yale chapter of Phi Gamma Delta completed early in the summer a magnificent four story English Manor to accommodate thirty-six men. Cost? In the neighborhood of a "right smart" sum we judge.

The Rainbow says:

We have sometimes feared that we can detect a successor to the old-time extravagance and rivalry in rushing entertainment in the unnecessary costliness of recent fraternity houses. Delta Tau Delta has foreseen this possible danger and has provided against any of her chapters building extravagant houses for the mere sake of eclipsing a rival. Such houses are of no benefit to the chapter. Their proper maintenance is a perpetual burden saddled on future generations—even when the original cost has not crushed a chapter with a heavy load of debt. A chapter deserves no credit for the amount of money its house cost—but for how much of that cost it *has paid in cash*. Whatever comparative assessed valuations

of houses may be, we doubt if any fraternity can show a larger equity in its houses than can Delta Tau Delta.

But this is rather a question for individual chapters to settle.

The cost of high living is to be reduced at Nebraska this year by a strict ruling against cabs and flowers.

The decision by the Supreme Court against fraternities in the University of Mississippi, robs Delta Tau Delta of its mother chapter.

Each chapter of Phi Gamma Delta has a publication issued from one to four times a year, made up of the usual fraternity magazine material paying especial attention to alumni and chapter news.

One chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon has also begun the publication of a pamphlet with a similar purpose—that of “keeping alive the spark of enthusiasm in the ‘old grad.’”

So much has been done collectively and individually by chapters of different fraternities in the interest of social service that we can hardly agree with you, *Angelos* of Kappa Delta:

Many fraternity leaders question whether fraternities have time or money to carry on social service in a marked degree unless they blindly neglect the supervision of their chapters' scholarship or fail to teach their chapters, successfully, the necessity, as well as the virtue, of keeping Panhellenic rules in the spirit as well as in the letters of the law. Fraternities today are being classified on the campus as *most, more or less* honorable in Panhellenic relations and coöperation.

Isn't that being so busy getting ready for life that we haven't time to live?

We should call it an obituary.

A FABLE FOR GREEKS

Once there was an old frat
 That couldn't read the times;
 The Antis used it for a proof
 That frats all foster crimes,
 And while they flunked and dawdled
 The Antis busy got;
 The legislature made a law,
 And lo! that frat was not.—*Adelphean.*

T. A. Clark, the Dean of Men at the University of Illinois has written many interesting articles inspired by his many years of association with young men and women. While he is dean

of men, the coed has not escaped his notice and the *Adelphian* prints a splendid article on "If I were Advisor to Girls." He says in part:

I have felt, that if in the juggling of events it should ever be my lot to be an adviser to girls, I should not be without a certain fitness. The ordinary advice which the young woman gets is from the point of view of the woman. There are many details, however, in which I think it would be helpful to the girl, if she could get the man's viewpoint. For many years, through no choice or fault of my own, I have occupied a position which has constituted me a general advisor of young men.

One of the first things, perhaps, which a college officer in my position will learn is that we shall not get far in the knowledge of the personal life of young men in college without soon coming to know a good deal about young women as individuals and in general. This information, gathered from the young men I have known, has usually been given me very frankly, sometimes quite unconsciously, sometimes it has been a matter of inference, and often I have woven together the scattered threads of conversation which I have picked up at one place and another, and of them formed the fabric of truth relative to the young man's ideas and reactions. It is because of these experiences that I have come to realize how certain things in a girl's dress, in her toilet artifices, in her personal relations with young men, affect these men, and it is concerning these things that I have felt often that I should like to have a quiet frank talk with girls.

A girl will be wise if she hesitates before making a confidant of a man, unless he be her father or her brother, no matter what the man's age may be or the sincerity of his friendship. The proper confidant of a girl is her mother. "Men are so much more sympathetic," I have heard girls say, "and they often understand girls better than women do!" I should not care to argue that point, but ordinarily I have found that the better understanding, if there were such, was of very little advantage in the developing of the girl's character or in helping her out of her troubles.

If I were advisor to girls I think I should try to let girls see that the things which men often seem blind to, they ordinarily are quite well aware of; that the things they often seem most to admire they care the least for, that the convention against which they rail they do not really despise, and the indiscretions which they frequently advocate they would very much dislike to see engaged in by the young women with whom they associate. Natural manners, natural speech, natural complexions, a quiet self-restraint, modesty in dress, a respect for conventionalities, a low laugh, constancy in friendship—all these I have learned from my contact with men are appealing in women and ultimately win respect and admiration. If I were giving advice to girls I should urge them to cultivate these qualities, and I should assure them that the average young fellow sees through subterfuges, recognizes artificialities, and has little respect for that which is not genuine and conventional in girls.

NEWS OF THE COLLEGES

There were 216,493 students in 567 colleges and technological schools in the United States in the year 1914. These included 139,373 men and 77,120 women.—*New York Times*.

The Connecticut College of Women, the first one in that State, opened recently, lays more stress on the humanities than do most of the women's colleges. The course includes dietetics, housekeeping, practical photography, china painting, athletics to train girls to be instructors in schools or camps.

Officers of the National Security League have announced that arrangements have been made to establish branches in every college of note in the country. Already Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Williams and Dartmouth are at work in these lines.

SWIMS TO DEGREE IN GOOD FORM AND WITH PERFECT SCORE

J. Donald Duncan yesterday swam to his degree at Columbia University. He was already to march with the graduates when an officer informed him he had not taken his swimming "exam," which meant the B.A. degree, ready for him, might be withheld until autumn.

Duncan found the swimming instructor, dashed to the locker room, took off his handsome new spring suit, didn't wait to put on a swimming costume, but plunged in and went through his aquatic paces.

He did them so well that in fifteen minutes he had a perfect mark. Also he had ten minutes in which to get into his new clothes again and join the graduates, who never guessed why Duncan had such splendid color and looked so excited over his B.A.—*New York Herald*.

The Michigan Student Union, founded ten years ago, is working to raise \$750,000 to equip a building at University of Michigan. It is to be a dormitory building, with swimming pool, billiard rooms, meeting rooms, dining hall, lounging room and large banquet hall.

The first and thus far the only woman to whom a fellowship has been awarded in the Graduate School of Columbia University has been named to hold the same for a second year. She is Miss Mabel Newcomer, of Palo Alto, Cal., an A.M. of Leland Stanford University, 1913, and A.M. of the same institution in 1914, who holds the Garth endowed fellowship.

In point of numbers, the University of California is the second largest university in the world this year. Columbia is the largest American university, and the foreign universities are either not open at all on account of the war, or are greatly reduced in numbers. Over 7,000 students have registered. Adding in the attendance at the summer session, a total of 11,223 was obtained. This does not include the "short ags," those taking correspondence or extension courses, or the 400 students at the Davis State Farm. The only foreign university which might possibly equal Columbia and California in size is that of Cairo, Egypt.—*Banta's Greek Exchange.*



HEARD AT BETA BETA INSTALLATION

"Id the dabe ob the Grad Coudcil, I welcub you idto Gabba Gabba Gabba."

Forty-seven Zeta Phi's waiting to be initiated,
 One made a solemn promise,
 And then there were only forty-six.
 And so on.

SURE THING!

A couple of Beta Sigma alumnae were talking of the means they would adopt to earn a living should their husbands "go broke."

"Well," said one, "if the worst should come I can keep the wolf from the door by singing."

"Jean, you can," said the other matron, very earnestly; "that is, if the wolf has a correct ear for music."

The Rah-Rah Artists' Guide.—Anybody can write a story about college life. If he has not attended a college, so much the better. His imagination is less trammled. A few simple rules must be observed, however.

1. All heroes are named Jack, Stanley, or Dick.
2. All college men wear sweaters always, and smoke short, fat-bowled pipes.
3. There is always a "Fatty," who is a funny fellow.
4. Any four college men make up a quartet, which can sing "Mer-hileeee we ro-hull alonnnng" at any time.
5. All college men are wooing a girl named Dorothy or Betty, who is "sweet and pure as an angel."
6. All college men address one another as "old hoss."
7. College men never study, but spend their time in tossing repartee back and forth.
8. All college rooms are adorned with pennants.
9. All college men call their fathers "Pater," and speak of the "honor of the dear old school" in a husky voice.—*Harvard Lampoon.*

À la I. W. W.

I possess a social roommate
 Who is rather long and tall.
 He acquired gym credit last week,
 Without any work at all,
 Swinging all the dumb belles
 At the deaf mutes' ball.

—Cornell *Widow*.

AND SHE WAS SO YOUNG

The Editor opened her mail. It was mostly chapter letters. Finally she came to one in unfamiliar typewriting. She read it. She grew dizzy. She lost consciousness. The doctor came. He worked over her for hours. "Sudden shock" he said. In two weeks they took her to a sanatorium. "Peculiar case," the papers said. Long afterward Husband found the fatal sheet on her desk.

It was a contribution for Hoots.

The sophomore has just returned to college. His best girl noticed something different about him.

"Yes," he said. "I am trying to grow a mustache. And I'm wondering what color it will be when it comes out."

"Well, at the rate it is growing, I should say it will be gray," was the best girl's reply.

REPETITIO AD NAUSEAM

"What you doing?" asked a sociable brother, setting himself in the morris chair and helping himself to the tobacco.

The Chapter Correspondent took his stubby pencil out of his mouth and raised a discouraged face.

"Trying to grind out a chapter letter. Got another notice today that it was due."

The other pulled the string of the tobacco bag together with the aid of his teeth and threw it back on the table.

"I've been sitting here ten minutes now and I can't think of hardly anything to say," the Chapter Correspondent went on.

"Hand 'em some junk about pledging the ten best freshmen in school and how proud we are of 'em," advised the sociable brother.

"I did."

"Well, then tell about the Chicago game."

"I did."

"Something about this being the most prosperous year the chapter has ever had always fills up space."

"I used that."

"Tell 'em how busy we are now gettin' ready for examinations."

"I told 'em all that junk."

'Some of the latch stuff and greetings to the rest of the fraternity is all right.'

"Oh, I said that!"

"Well, did you tell 'em in the beginning that we were all back from Christmas vacation ready for work with renewed vigor?"

"Sure, I did."

"What you bothering me for then? You said everything chapter letters say. You should worry. Come on down town."—*Banta's Greek Exchange.*



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