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## CONVENTION PROGRAM

### *Wednesday, March 28.*

10 A. M.—Alumnæ Council, Stafford Hotel. A trip to Walter's Art Gallery for those who care to go while the Council is in session.

1:45 P. M.—Opening session, Stafford Hotel.

4:30 to 6—Tea to meet city friends.

8:00 P. M.—“Stunt Night,” Girls' Latin School.

### *Thursday, March 29.*

9:30 A. M.—Second Business Session, Stafford Hotel.

1:30 P. M.—Third Business Session, Stafford Hotel.

4:00 P. M.—Auto trip through Green Spring Valley.

8:00 P. M.—Musical.

### *Friday, March 30.*

9:30 A. M.—Fourth Business Session, Stafford Hotel.

1:30 P. M.—Fifth Business Session, Stafford Hotel.

7:00 P. M.—Banquet.

### *Saturday, March 31.*

A “personally conducted” trip to Washington for any who care to take it.

## NOTICES ABOUT CONVENTION

All delegates will stay at the Stafford Hotel.

Visitors will be taken care of at the Girls' Latin School at \$3.00 per day. The Latin School is near the Stafford and is in charge of two Gamma Phis.

Mary T. McCurley, 2730 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, is chairman of the Publicity Committee. All communications regarding rooms, rates, arrivals, etc., should be sent to her.

Nell Watts is chairman of local arrangements.

Zeta girls will be at the different stations (Pennsylvania and B. and O.) to meet all Gamma Phis who inform the chapter, of their arrival—and will wear double brown for identification.

All those who come by Pennsylvania, be sure to check baggage and get off at *Union Station*. Those who come B. and O., at *Mount Royal Station*.

Price of a plate at the banquet will be \$2.50.

The *Convention Headquarters* are

Hotel Stafford,  
Baltimore, Maryland.

(Do not send any communication to Gamma Phi Beta House, for there is none!)

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## BIOGRAPHIES OF CONVENTION DELEGATES

### JOHANNAH POTTER (*Alpha*)

*Johannah Elise Marie Potter*, better known to us as "Joie," was recently spoken of by the mayor of Syracuse as the best all-around girl in the city, and we, being only undergraduates and knowing Joie, cannot dispute the mayor. Joie is first of all, a most delightful person to know; for she has an even disposition, a charming way with her, and—dare I say it? She is most good looking. She can swim, play tennis, basketball, field hockey, anything in athletics and yet her scholarship is helping us to keep that Panhellenic cup year after year. We hope you will all like her as well as we do and we don't say, "Look for her good qualities," because they're all good and you can't miss 'em.

### IRENE CUYKENDALL (*Alpha*)

*Irene Cuykendall*—clever, clandestine, and conscientious.

Clever—meaning what? Scholarship average nearer 100% than 95; fraternity examinations passed above 95 without even studying;





THE DELEGATES

Johannah Potter, Alpha  
Herva Dunshee, Mu

Irene Cuykendall, Alpha  
Emma Wootton, Nu  
Barbara Bridge, Eta

Florence Murray, Alpha  
Catherine Chrisman, Xi  
Margaret Boveroux, Eta

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Kathrina Helzer, Pi  
Helen Strauss, Theta

Emily Ellinger, Zeta  
Marie Hostetter, Sigma

Shirley Skewis, Lambda  
Dorothy Martin, Tau  
Nena Louis, Rho





and repartee—why Mark Twain himself was not more subtle nor brilliant in that art.

Clandestine—"Never say 'chapter room' above a whisper," says Cuyk—and that Psi Upsilon man—dear, dear shall we ever be informed about him?

Conscientious—who else would have spent hours and hours on the new Gamma Phi directory or worried about whether the banquet programs would ever be ready in time?

"Cuyk" has never told us but we believe this is her secret creed: "That best portion of a good man's life,

His little nameless unremembered acts of kindness and of love." Such is "Cuyk" whom we all love—and just a point on the side: the better we know her the more we love her.

#### FLORENCE MURRAY (*Alpha*)

*Florence Murray.* Hair of the softest, deepest Titian shade, brown eyes, with a golden twinkle in them, and a mouth whose corners always turn up—a violin matching her hair in color and her disposition in sweetness (and a letter bearing a Cornell seal). Now you know Florence. Whether it be to wipe all the dishes Sunday night, or to play in Factories on Social Service expeditions, or to soothe our spirits with "Pretty Baby," Florence is always on the spot, smiling and willing. You'll like her immensely, everybody does. Like Postum—there's a reason.

#### PANSY Y. BLAKE (*Beta*)

Beta's delegate to the Spring convention is Pansy Yolande Blake of Wyandotte, Mich. In spite of her romantic name—she pronounces it Yo'lande to make it seem less theatrical—she is a peach and I know you all will love her. Pan is a junior and has been prominent in campus affairs all during her college life. She is on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet and is an untiring worker for Y. W. Last year she was on the Freshman Spread Committee, and this fall she undertook to run the house in respect to board. She is very efficient and businesslike, and though she has repeatedly raised the price of board until we are all poverty-stricken, we still keep our confidence in her unshaken. But, if she buys a load of new clothes for Convention we will lose that splendid confidence, and begin to make inquiries. (I s'pose I ought to stop maligning Pan, for she is in a position to poison me very neatly by putting a pill in my apple-sauce or mashed potato.)

Just a word more; so you will recognize your Beta sister when you see her. She is tall and dark-haired, with lovely red cheeks (there Pan, isn't that nice of me?) and an adorable mouth. Her



nose turns up (but it *does* Pansy, and you know it. They'll discover it eventually, anyway) with a most inquiring expression, but it's a cunning nose and we like it 'cause it's Pan's. And we love all of her just 'cause she's Pan, and when you see her you'll love her, too.

AGNES DURRIE (*Gamma*)

"And she is fair and fairer than that word, of wondrous virtues," can well be said of Agnes Durrie, Gamma's senior delegate to convention. Agnes came to us from Smith College three years ago, and since that time she has taken an active interest in almost every phase of college life. She was elected to membership in the Women's Athletic Association, she was a reporter on the *Cardinal*, and is now on the staff of the *Wisconsin Literary Magazine*, she received sophomore honors in scholarship, and has been on Homecoming and Prom committees. In addition she is prominent in the social life of the university. However, it will not be necessary to tell those of you who meet Agnes, that she is indeed an all-around college girl, such as Gamma Phi is always proud of.

HELEN DAVIS (*Gamma*)

Helen Davis, Gamma's junior delegate to convention, is one of those rare girls who combine capability, efficiency, and charm. She is president of Panhellenic, vice-president of Euthenics Club (Home Economics), was elected to Wyslynx, one of our honorary girls' societies, is a member of Y. W. C. A., and is on this year's prom committee.

THELMA HOLLANDER (*Delta*)

Thelma Hollander is a demure little miss of twenty. She is fair-haired, blue-grey eyed, very quiet, and latently mischievous. She is devoted to pursuing her education and has never hung over her desk the notorious couplet of Rowena—

"When joy and duty clash  
Let duty go to smash."

But when Tuesday's essay and Wednesday's theme have been finished and neatly folded away, she is a rare sport.

She is really a most lovable and efficient young woman, qualities, which—to travesty Stevenson's unkind verdict—are the more to her credit as she comes from New England.

MARGARET BOVEROUX AND BARBARA BRIDGE (*Eta*)

The two delegates Eta sends to convention are Margaret Boveroux, President of the active chapter, and Barbara Bridge, Vice-president, both energetic and efficient girls ready and willing to give up personal pleasures for the good of Gamma Phi.

Margaret Boveroux is in appearance fair-haired, red-cheeked, medium tall, and striking. Her manner is vivacious, joyous, her mind alert and keenly receptive, but a sense of conservatism and balance is revealed when the necessity for work or the adjustment of affairs arises.

The name of Bridge has been familiar to us for many years, for Barbara is not only a cousin but a little sister of older Gamma Phis and in active affairs emulates her elders. Her complexion, like Margaret's, is fair but subdued, with cheeks not so ruddy, while Barbara's hair gives life and color to her whole appearance. In manner she is more retiring and serious, though always with a twinkle in her eye and a sly sense of humor that saves many a situation from being embarrassing.

Both are all-round, representative girls, familiar to a detail with the workings of Eta, and well able to carry on chapter affairs, as shown by this past year's administration. We send Margaret and Barbara because we know them able to serve us all well;—both know the needs of our western chapter and through long association recognize the worth of the order, and thereby ever enlist ready leadership.

#### JANE KENDAL (*Epsilon*)

In choosing a delegate for convention, each chapter, I suppose, is confronted with the same two problems, namely—

Who can best represent our chapter at Convention and who is most able to bring the spirit of convention to us. Jane Kendal is Epsilon's solution to these problems. She is a girl tremendously well liked here at Northwestern—an A student with fair hopes of becoming a Phi Beta Kappa. She does everything well that she undertakes whether it is running her Cadillac at rushing time, making a circus costume, heading the scholarship committee of Gamma Phi Beta, being a charming hostess, or "pulling" an A in mathematics. She is such an adorable little monkey that you all can't help but love her.

"If to her lot some mortal errors fall

Look on her face and you'll forget them all."

#### HELEN STRAUSS (*Theta*)

Along with Helen Strauss, Theta wishes that she might send convention a glimpse of Pike's Peak, a sample of Colorado sunshine and a few western breezes! But since these articles cannot be conveniently packed into the delegate's suitcase, the chapter suggests that, in Theta's efficiency, you will find a worthy substitute for our noble mountain: in her smile, a perfect imitation of the



aforesaid sunshine; and in her pep, all the breezes rolled into one and we who constitute Theta modestly add that we trust you will gauge us all—by her.

When Helen entered college, she was torn by conflicting emotions—Gamma Phi and a rival sorority being the emotions—and it was a proud day for the chapter when the crescent pin was placed upon her, as a freshman she was ideal. She cleaned the Lodge without a word; she learned the directory without a murmur, she conquered Gamma Phi history without a struggle and, like Alexander, sighed for more. As a sophomore she has proved an irresistible rusher—ask the freshmen; she has entered into every possible activity and along with Lucia Herbert of the senior class, has represented the chapter wisely and well in college Panhellenics. And representing Gamma Phi in this year's Panhellenic has been no easy task—for it has been a troublous time—and tact, cleverness, and good breeding have been necessary in meeting the situation. In Y. W. C. A. Helen has been a steadfast worker; she is prominent in the Spanish club and has just been elected vice-president of Evans Literary Club, one of the old and prominent societies of the university. And just how dear a Gamma Phi she is—we leave you to find out!

#### AUDREY BORDEN (*Kappa*)

Audrey Borden is Kappa's delegate to Baltimore. She is a member of the junior class and is very prominent in college activities, being a member of the Girls' Glee Club and also of the feature staff of the "Gopher," Minnesota's yearbook. Her voice and personality won for her the leading part in the sophomore vaudeville. She is a typical Kappa girl and the keen interest she has shown in her sorority work assures Kappa that they have chosen an admirable and capable delegate.

#### SHIRLEY SKEWIS (*Lambda*)

Shirley Skewis of Tacoma is a sophomore at the University of Washington. Although this is only her second year she is developing a wide influence on the campus and in the chapter. As vice-president of the sophomore class, elected by a unanimous vote, she controls the activities of the sophomore girls. By taking extra hours and making highest grades in all her subjects she will complete her college course in three years. She is in line for Phi Beta Kappa and a high office on the campus. Her position as underclass Panhellenic delegate and her place on the social committee of the chapter make her the biggest girl of her class although she is only five feet two. Shirley's few years of experience between



preparatory school and college have given her a poise which is unshaken by wide popularity or such an undignified nick-name as "Squirrelly."

EMMA WOOTTON (*Nu*)

Our delegate this year to the National Convention is Emma Wootton. She came from Astoria in the fall of 1913 to take journalism and imbibe Oregon Spirit. She made the glee club and the dramatic club in her freshman year and did some work on the college paper. The following fall she did not come back to school so she is only a junior now. Last spring she was elected editor of the college yearbook, the *Oregana*, and she spends all of her time preparing the book for press. She is also a member of Theta Sigma Phi.

HERVA DUNSHEE (*Mu*)

Herva Dunshee, Mu's delegate to convention, is a native daughter of California. Her home for the past four years has been in Palo Alto. Herva entered Stanford University as a freshman in the spring of 1915. She is now a highly esteemed junior and, during her college career, has become prominent in activities and conspicuous for her high scholarship. She is also prized as a very helpful member in the house.

Herva has played on the varsity baseball team and won her numerals in basketball, tennis, and volleyball. She is a member of the Tennis Club, Stanford Art Club, and La Liana. She is the Gamma Phi representative to our local Panhellenic.

We, as a chapter, are very happy to send Herva Dunshee, as our representative to convention.

CATHERINE CHRISMAN (*Xi*)

Dear-Gamma-Phis-everywhere, let me present Miss Chrisman—Miss Chrisman, The Gamma Phis. There—you are formally introduced, but formal introductions are always stupid, so I'm going to tell you informally about Xi's delegate to convention.

First of all, you mustn't call her "Miss Chrisman"—she is not the sort of girl one wants to "Miss." She came to college Catherine Verlinda, she was immediately dubbed "Chrissie," and "Chrissie" she has been ever since. She is perhaps our most representative girl, full of life and enthusiasm, an A student, active in college affairs, and interested in the serious welfare of the chapter. Her clever ideas are usually behind the stunts and parties given at the house, and her gift of making others laugh has endeared her, not only to the chapter, but to the college.

She is the smallest girl in the house, but her influence on the underclassmen is the biggest and greatest. In the chapter she has

always been prominent and her fresh ideas have revived old offices and customs.

On the campus she has not only given the Gamma Phis cause to be proud of her position as secretary of the junior class, but her work in dramatics has been particularly good. It was Catherine Chrisman who played "Gwendolyn" in *The Importance of Being Earnest* last year, and "Phyllis" in *Green Stockings* this year. Her humorous impersonation of the "Divine Sarah" was one of the cleverest things in the sophomore stunt last spring at the annual stunt feast.

Col. Chrisman, Catherine's father, is stationed in Panama, and we feel mighty fortunate in having a girl who comes from so far away. She has lived with her father and mother in most of the countries which the rest of us know only through the pink and green medium of grammar school maps. Col. Chrisman was once stationed at Moscow as commandant of the University battalion. This was when Catherine was a freckled little youngster, and used to give birthday parties, to which some of us who are now Gamma Phis went in curls and pink sashes. But the senior Chrismans have always been fond of the Gem of the Mountains University, and it is here that they have chosen to send their two children. Col. Chrisman and his son, Ord, are both members of the Idaho chapter of Kappa Sigma, and we feel proud that we can call Catherine a Xi chapter Gamma Phi Beta.

#### LILLIAN WOERMAN (*Omicron*)

Lillian Woerman, Omicron's delegate to convention, was graduated from Soldon High School in St. Louis, in January of 1915—and is now a junior in Household Science. Besides being a member of Y. W. C. A., Lillian is chairman of Social Service Committee at McKinley Memorial Church; is a member of the Chemistry Club and is also interested in athletics.

#### ELEANOR FRAMPTON (*Pi*)

Eleanor Frampton, tall, dark, and full of pep, is generally known on the campus as "Framp." She was one of the first pledges after the installation of Pi chapter. Last year she attended Wellesley College and returned to us again this year as a junior. During this year she has been an instructor in the dancing classes in the Physical Education Department, Russian ballet being her speciality. The swimming lessons of the past semester have also been given under her instruction. Her home is in Lincoln at which we have had jolly times and good eats.



KATHRINA HELZER (*Pi*)

Kathrina Helzer, popularly called Katee, is our house president. She is of medium height, brown hair and possesses, to her dismay, a Roman nose. She is our refuge in time of need and also a great helper in various school activities. She is our Panhellenic delegate and acts in the capacity of treasurer; a member of the Girls' Club Board; treasurer of Silver Serpent, the junior intersorority organization; member of the university mixer committee; vice-president of the Home Economics Club; assistant business manager of the Home Economics annual and is active in Y. W. C. A. work.

NENA LOUIS (*Rho*)

Our delegate, Nena Louis, is a resident of Iowa City. After graduating from the Iowa City High School, she entered the State University as a special student in 1913, and took special work in Home Economics. She was a member of the first class to be graduated from the Home Economics Department of Iowa, having majored in foods and dietetics. When the chapter was founded, Miss Louis was a charter member and an enthusiastic assistant to Mrs. Robert Carson. Both she and her mother have opened their home time and again to the girls of the chapter. For two years Nena has made the chapter an efficient and capable treasurer besides carrying many responsibilities during the summer months of our absence. She stands to the girls of Rho as a loyal and enthusiastic worker and a member who would sacrifice much for the good of the chapter which she helped to form.

MARIE HOSTETTER (*Sigma*)

Marie Hostetter is one of the most efficient workers Sigma possesses. She has been faithfully executing her duties as president this year and is as constant and energetic as a true Gamma Phi can be. Beside her work as our president we have put on Marie's shoulders many other responsibilities. She represents Gamma Phi in our local Panhellenic, and a hundred other matters are straightened out by her only too willing hands. Sometimes we think we thrust too much upon her, and hesitate when considering who shall do this and that. "Let Marie Hostetter do it; she is the best"—is what we all say—and Marie does it. We think that we are doing Sigma a very great justice in choosing to represent us at our Gamma Phi Convention, our true little sister, Marie Hostetter.

[The editor cannot help endorsing this sentiment, for Theta had the pleasure of initiating Anita and Marie Hostetter and they have always been the best and truest type of Gamma Phis.]

DOROTHY MARTIN (*Tau*)

Dorothy is a girl of sterling worth and pleasing personality. Versatility is her watchword. In sending her as a representative of Tau we feel that we are sending a girl who can best represent the aims of our chapter and the ideals of Gamma Phi.



## CHAPTER STATISTICS

## ALPHA

*Syracuse University*I. *Sororities in College in order of founding:*

Alpha Phi; Gamma Phi Beta; Kappa Kappa Gamma; Kappa Alpha Theta; Pi Beta Phi; Delta Delta Delta; Delta Gamma; Alpha Xi Delta; Alpha Gamma Delta; Sigma Kappa; Mu Phi Epsilon; Alpha Chi Omega; Alathea; Chi Omega; Zeta Phi Eta.



ALPHA CHAPTER HOUSE

II. *Average number in chapter*—thirty-two.

III. *Value of chapter house*—\$18,000.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Every year the alumnae give a prize of twenty-five dollars to the Gamma Phi girl having the highest average in scholarship for the year.

This year the alumnae are offering a prize of ten dollars to the freshman girl in Gamma Phi Beta who attains the highest average.

Alpha always tries to have our fall banquet as nearly as possible on the day of Gamma Phi's founding.

Every year the sophomores give a "Donation party" in the spring. The party is usually a take-off on the upperclassmen in the sorority.

At present there are two pair of twins in the active chapter.

Alpha had three girls including the lead in the Boar's Head play cast this year. There were only four girls in the entire cast.

V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Among the offices which our girls hold on the "hill" are:

1. President of Y. W. C. A.
2. 1st Vice-president of Women's League.
3. Secretary of Women's League.
4. Vice-president of Women's Athletic Association.
5. Chairman of Junior Welcoming Committee.
6. Chairman of Conference and Convention Committee Y. W. C. A.
7. President of Silver Bay Club.
8. Chairman of social committee Women's League.
9. Secretary and Treasurer of Women's Glee Club.

Alpha has won the Panhellenic Scholarship cup for two successive years. Four times has the Hiram Gee Fellowship in painting been awarded to Gamma Phis.

VI. *Prominent Alumnae.*

1. Grace Smith Richmond—Author.
2. Luella Palmer Ford—President of National Women's Baptist Missionary Society.
3. Mabel Hunter—Professor at Wellesley College.
4. Lillian Smith—Professor at Agnes Scott College.
5. Minnie Mason Beebe—Professor at Syracuse University.
6. Jesse Truman—Head of Colonial School, Washington, D. C.
7. Nellie Wilmot, Jeannette Wilmot—Heads of Girls' Latin School in Baltimore.

## BETA

### *University of Michigan*

I. *Sororities in College in order of founding:*

Gamma Phi Beta; Delta Gamma; Collegiate Sorosis; Pi Beta Phi; Kappa Kappa Gamma; Alpha Phi; Kappa Alpha Theta; Alpha Chi Omega; Chi Omega; Mu Phi Epsilon; Theta Phi Alpha; (Catholic local sorority).

II. *Average number in chapter—thirty.*

III. *Value of chapter house, \$30,000.*

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Every girl initiated into Beta of Gamma Phi Beta becomes a member of Gamma Phi Beta incorporate which is incorporated like a business firm. There is an executive board at the head of this firm composed of five Ann Arbor alumnae, one Detroit alumna;



the head of the active chapter is a member *ex officio*. This board has absolute power over the house and the house is rented from them.

V. *Definite chapter achievement.*

Social service work.

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Jane Sherzer, Ph.D.—President of Oxford College for Women. One of three women to take a Doctor of Philosophy degree at Berlin.

Violet Jayne Schmidt—Former Dean of Women at University of Illinois. National officer of A. C. A.



BETA CHAPTER HOUSE

Alice Hosmer Preble (deceased)—Prominent club woman in Chicago.

M. Ruth Guppy—Dean of Women at University of Oregon.

Marie L. Goodman—Former Assistant Secretary of the Missouri State Horticultural Society.

Officer in Missouri State Federation of Women's Clubs.

President of Kansas City Branch of A. C. A.

Mary Ford Armstrong—Head of Rockywold Camp in New Hampshire.

Rose and Elsie Anderson—At the head of the Smead School in Toledo.

## GAMMA

*University of Wisconsin*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Chi Omega, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Gamma Delta, Achoth.

II. *Average number in chapter—Thirty-five.*III. *Value of chapter house—\$20,000.*

GAMMA CHAPTER HOUSE

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

First chapter to own its chapter house. (All stock in the house is owned by Gamma Phis and no one person has a monopoly. The largest amount owned by any one person is five hundred dollars worth.)

V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Establishment of Gamma Phi Beta Scholarship of one hundred dollars for some worthy student of the university. Awarded by faculty.



Silver loving-cup on which is yearly engraved the name of the freshman having the highest average.

Establishment of Red Domino (dramatic society) in the university.

Pioneer work in social service.

VI. *Prominent alumnæ.*

Carrie E. Morgan.—President of Gamma Phi Beta, City Superintendent of Schools in Appleton, prominent in club work.

Leora Chase Sherman.—President of Fifth District of the Minnesota Federation of Women's Clubs. Established Household Economics Committee.

Ella K. Smith.—Assistant manager of the Albert Teachers' Agency. Business manager of CRESCENT.

Gertrude Ross.—Head of English Department in high school; prominent in A. C. A.

J. Cora Bennett.—Head of Chemistry Department of Cleveland High School. Skilled in hand printing and illuminating.

Nell Perkins Dawson.—Literary critic on *New York World*.

Lulu Jane Abercrombie.—In grand opera.

Ethel Virgin O'Neil.—In grand opera in Europe; studio in Connecticut.

Laura Case Sherry.—Head of Wisconsin Players; prominent in Drama League; played with Mansfield.

Alice Ringling Coerper.—Played in *Kindling* with marked success.

DELTA

*Boston University*

I. *Sororities in college in order of founding:*

Kappa Kappa Gamma; Alpha Phi; Gamma Phi Beta; Delta Delta Delta; Pi Beta Phi; Sigma Kappa; Alpha Delta Pi; Zeta Tau Alpha; Alpha Gamma Delta.

II. *Average number in chapter, eighteen.*

III. *Value of chapter house.* No chapter house.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Has an annual house party.

Is distinguished for high grade of scholarship.

V. *Definite chapter achievement.*

A larger proportion of Delta girls than of the other sororities is usually elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

VI. *Prominent alumnæ.*

Katharine Aldrich Whiting—First woman to deliver a Phi Beta Kappa poem.

Magazine writer.

Grace Ward Lofberg—Author of *In the Miz*.

Clara Whitmore—Author of *Woman's Work in English Fiction*.

Esther Willard Bates—Winner of Sylvia Platt prize for best poem written by a Radcliffe student.

Author of *Pageants and Pageantry*.

Magazine writer.

Head of English Department in the West Roxbury High School.

Author of several plays.



DELTA MEETING ROOM

Annie Jocelyn Gray—Magazine writer.

Maisie Whiting—Author of several plays.

Florence Marshall—Organized Girls' Trade School in Boston.

State Supervisor of Industrial Education for Girls.

Only woman member of Commission on Factory Inspection.

Head of Manhattan Trade School for Girls.

Member of National Commission on Vocational Education.

Marion West—Secretary to the Dean of Boston University.

Rachel Hardwick—Head of Woman's Gymnasium.

Katherine Dame—Head of New York State Library in Albany.



## EPSILON

*Northwestern University*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding:*

Alpha Phi; Delta Gamma; Kappa Kappa Gamma; Kappa Alpha Theta; Gamma Phi Beta; Alpha Chi Omega; Pi Beta Phi; Delta Delta Delta; Chi Omega; Sigma Alpha Iota; Kappa Delta; Alpha Omicron Pi; Alpha Gamma Delta; Mu Phi Epsilon.

II. *Average number in chapter.* Thirty-three.III. *Value of chapter house.* (No chapter house.)IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Epsilon has a point system by which so many points are given for scholarship, athletics, and student organizations—such as Y. W. C. A. and Woman's League. Every member of the chapter is required to make a certain number of points each semester and no freshman may be initiated without the required number.

V. *Definite chapter achievement.*

Yearly social service work.

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Aileen Higgins Sinclair—Authoress and poet. Member of Lyceum Club.

Nell Brooker Mayhew—Artist.

## ZETA

*Goucher College*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Delta Gamma, Alpha Phi, Tau Kappa Pi, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Gamma Delta.

II. *Average number in chapter*—About 17 or 18.III. *Value of chapter house*—Has no house.IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Until the charter was granted Upsilon chapter last spring, Zeta was the only southern chapter of Gamma Phi Beta.

Zeta is the only chapter of Gamma Phi Beta in a distinctly woman's city college.

Zeta has long been noted for a great lack of musical talent.

X. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Zeta girls have long been famous for holding and losing a great many big offices at Goucher.

In 1907 Zeta of Gamma Phi Beta had the Students' Organization Presidency at Goucher. Since then every year, with one exception, a Gamma Phi has been the defeated candidate for this office. We are good sports. We are known for holding offices great and small,

for doing work great and small. We are in college life and try to help it along in whatever way we can. We have had more than our share of members in the Goucher College honor societies. We have had quite a few class presidents, the president of the present senior class being a Gamma Phi. For the past two years a Gamma Phi has been elected to the presidency of the Social Service League.

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Watts, Nellie Snowden, 1905.—Alumnae Trustee of Goucher College; member of the Alumnae Council of Goucher College.

House, Lillias (Mrs. Andrew Dale), 1913.—Member of the Alumnae Council at Goucher College.

Hayes, Emma Beulah (Mrs. James D. Nisbet), 1901.—Member of the Alumnae Council at Goucher College.

Williamson, Margaretta, 1913.—Federal Children's Bureau. She has made a special investigation of infant mortality in the rural districts of the South.

Sawyers, Mary D. (Mrs. Wm. G. Baker, Jr.), ex-1907.—Vice-president and acting president of the Baltimore Y. W. C. A. and member of the Metropolitan Board.

Romberger, Charlotte, 1913.—President of the Poor Board Association (an association which directs activities of all charitable organizations in the city). She is the first woman to hold this position.

Myers, Faye, 1911.—Worker in the Federated Charities, Portland, Oregon.

Handy, Margaret, 1911.—M.D., Johns Hopkins, 1916; interne at Woman's Hospital, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Lee, M. Margaret (Mrs. Morris Horner), ex-1903. Ph.D at University of Chicago.

McCurley, Mary T., 1910.—An active Goucher alumna, Miss McCurley is at present directing an investigation of the conditions of poverty in Baltimore (under the Bureau of State and Municipal Research).

ETA

*University of California*

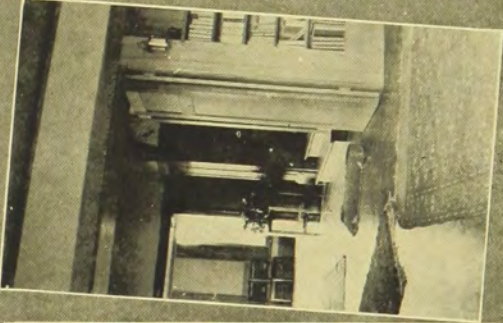
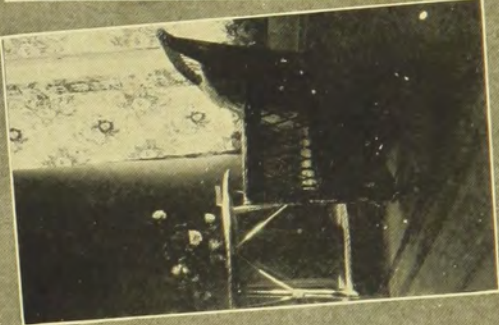
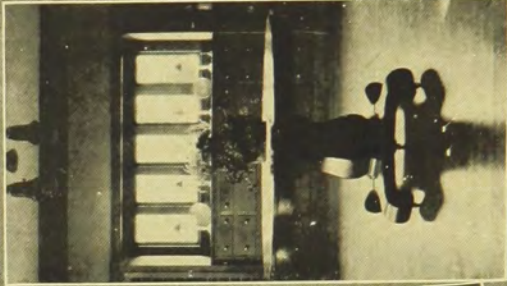
I. *Sororities in college in order of founding:*

Kappa Alpha Theta; Gamma Phi Beta; Kappa Kappa Gamma; Delta Delta Delta; Pi Beta Phi; Alpha Phi; Chi Omega; Alpha Omicron Pi; Delta Gamma; Alpha Xi Delta; Alpha Chi Omega; Sigma Kappa; Alpha Delta Pi; Alpha Gamma Delta.

II. *Average number in chapter*—forty.

III. *Value of house*, \$12,000.





ETA CHAPTER HOUSE

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

First organized society to petition Gamma Phi Beta.

Chapter house planned by two Eta architects.

V. *Chapter achievements.*

1. Supporting two French babies.
2. Making garments for Belgians.
3. Giving a Christmas party for the poor and distributing gifts.
4. Paying for the house. (Card parties are given to raise money to buy furnishings as rugs; and we coöperate with the alumnae in working for shares to pay for the house.)

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Elizabeth Austin—Architect.

Florence Hincks Sanford—Architect.

Gertrude Comfort—Architect.

Rachel Vrooman Colby—Lawyer, active in Legislature, prominent in club work, translator of German books, author of article on Mining Law for the Carnegie Institute.

Loraine Andrews—Secretary of Berkeley High School.

Alice Hoyt—Prominent in Y. W. C. A. work.

Veda Redington Volkhardt—Physician.

Margaret Henderson Sawyer—Bacteriologist.

Frances Gearhart—Artist.

## THETA

*University of Denver*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Pi Beta Phi; Gamma Phi Beta; Sigma Kappa; Kappa Delta; Delta Omega (local).

II. *Average number in chapter—Thirty.*III. *Value of chapter house—\$5000 (clubhouse).*IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Each year, since 1905, Theta has presented a play at the Woman's Club, written by Lindsey Barbee, an alumna. This play, more than anything else has brought the sorority into prominence and favor with Denver people.

Theta had the first sorority house in Colorado.

Each Christmas, the college girls, in conjunction with the alumnae, give a dinner to Craig Colony, a settlement for tubercular men. The alumnae furnish the dinner and the active girls prepare a program and serve the dinner.

The Lodge—Theta's chapter home—was not built until every penny necessary to its erection was in bank. Accordingly there is



no debt—and the same policy is being followed in regard to furniture.

The bindings of *THE CRESCENT*, the guestbook, and the scrapbook are all from the Roycroft Shops.

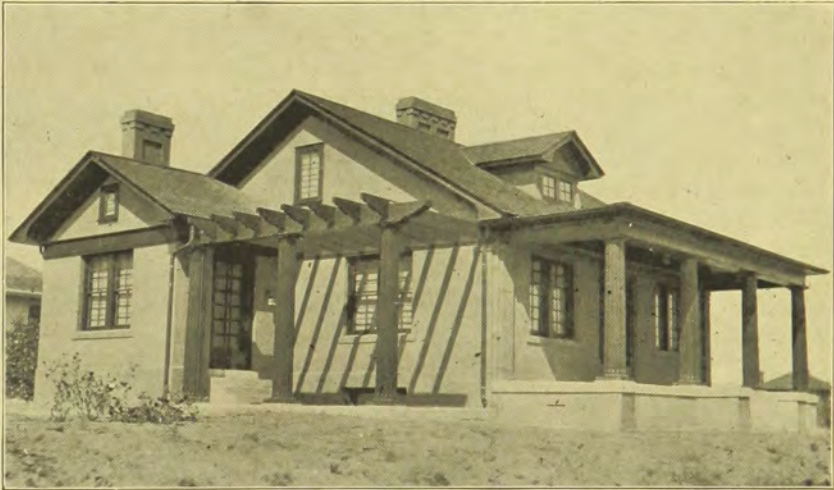
The University of Denver has had but three chancellors and the daughter of each chancellor has joined Gamma Phi Beta.

V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Theta has given a thousand dollars to athletics and has presented all the trees on the north campus.

The first subscription toward the proposed Women's Building was given by Theta.

In the first Endowment Campaign, the Gamma Phi Beta team was instrumental in raising two thousand dollars for the University. In



THETA LODGE

the second campaign the college girls helped the alumnae to raise a specified sum which gave them the right to bestow a scholarship. The scholarship was called the Olive McDowell Scholarship and was given to Lucile Hendrie of the South Side High School. Lucile Hendrie was pledged to the chapter in September.

Theta won the Scholarship Cup offered by Denver Panhellenic for the highest grade among sororities at Denver University.

VI. *Prominent Alumnae.*

Kathryn Allen Woodward—Originator and charter member of the University honor society, Sigma Phi Alpha.

Lindsey Barbee—Author of all the chapter plays since 1905. (Published by Denison & Co., Chicago.) Author of *In the College Days*, a book of monologues and of *Little Men and Women in Stageland*, also of a number of other plays. Editor of Gamma Phi Beta CRESCENT. Wrote the Anniversary Ode for the celebration of the fiftieth birthday of the University. At the Anniversary Celebration of the University, was the only woman graduate to receive an honorary degree and was at that time declared Official College Poet. First president of the Alumnæ Club of the University. President of Panhellenic, 1910-11. One of the few women who have written songs for Beta Theta Pi. Presented with a Kappa Sigma Pin by the Denver chapter of that fraternity.

Lisle Brownell Milton—Prominent musician of Denver.

Elinor Culton Hines—With Lee Dietrichsen in *The Concert*. In *Don't Weaken* at the Maxine Elliott Theatre. Leading woman for School Players.

Daisy Dillon Stephenson—Author of charming juvenile poems and stories.

Helen Hersey Tuthill—Concert singer. First woman to sing in Dartmouth Chapel.

Beulah Hood—Former head of Advertising Department of Roycroft Shops.

Louise Iliff—Has liberally endowed the Iliff School of Theology and is a director. Member of Fortnightly Club (an exclusive literary society).

Margaret Packard Taussig—Former head of French Department in University of Denver. Head of Romance Languages at Saturday College of the University. Member of Fortnightly Club. President of Alumnæ Club. Chairman of Examination Committee of Gamma Phi Beta.

Carlota Roose—Assistant in chemistry at University of Denver.

Mabel Rilling—Assistant Dean of Women. Director of Physical Education for Women at the University of Denver. Lecturer on Chautauqua Circuit.

Winifred Willard—Public work for Foreign Missions. Conference Corresponding Secretary for Home Missions. Leader of Interdenominational Mission Study Classes. Lecture Course on China at University. Greek teacher at Pueblo High School. Former head of English Department in Iowa Wesleyan College.

#### KAPPA

##### *University of Minnesota*

##### I. *Sororities in college in order of founding:*

Kappa Kappa Gamma; Delta Gamma; Kappa Alpha Theta; Alpha Phi; Pi Beta Phi; Delta Delta Delta; Gamma Phi Beta;





KAPPA CHAPTER HOUSE

Alpha Xi Delta; Alpha Gamma Delta; Alpha Omicron Pi.

II. *Average number in chapter*—Thirty-five.

III. *Value of chapter house*—\$14,000.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Although the house was only built in 1914, it is already more than half paid for, by means of teas, bazaars, donations, candy tables, etc.

V. *Chapter achievements.*

The planning and building of the house.

Sending baskets to the poor each Christmas.

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Kathleen Haut Bibbs—Recently soloist with the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra. Studied in the East and in Europe.

Maude Harte—Writer of charming stories.

Alice Andrews—Author of the Newcome-Andrews textbook of English literature.

Mary Gray Peck—Prominent in national suffrage work.

Marie Moreland—Organizer of civic dramatic clubs in small towns.

Cordelia Paine—Pianist. Has given recitals in Europe and America.

#### LAMBDA

##### *University of Washington*

I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Alpha Gamma Delta, Chi Omega, Delta Delta Delta, Sigma Kappa, Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Phi, Achoth, Delta Zeta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Delta (Local).

II. *Average number in chapter*—Thirty-two.

III. *Value of chapter house*—\$15,000. (Offered to us for \$20,000.)

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Simultaneously, Gamma Phi Beta and Delta Gamma entered the University of Washington as the first national sororities on the campus. Lambda is 14 years old and has 183 initiated members.

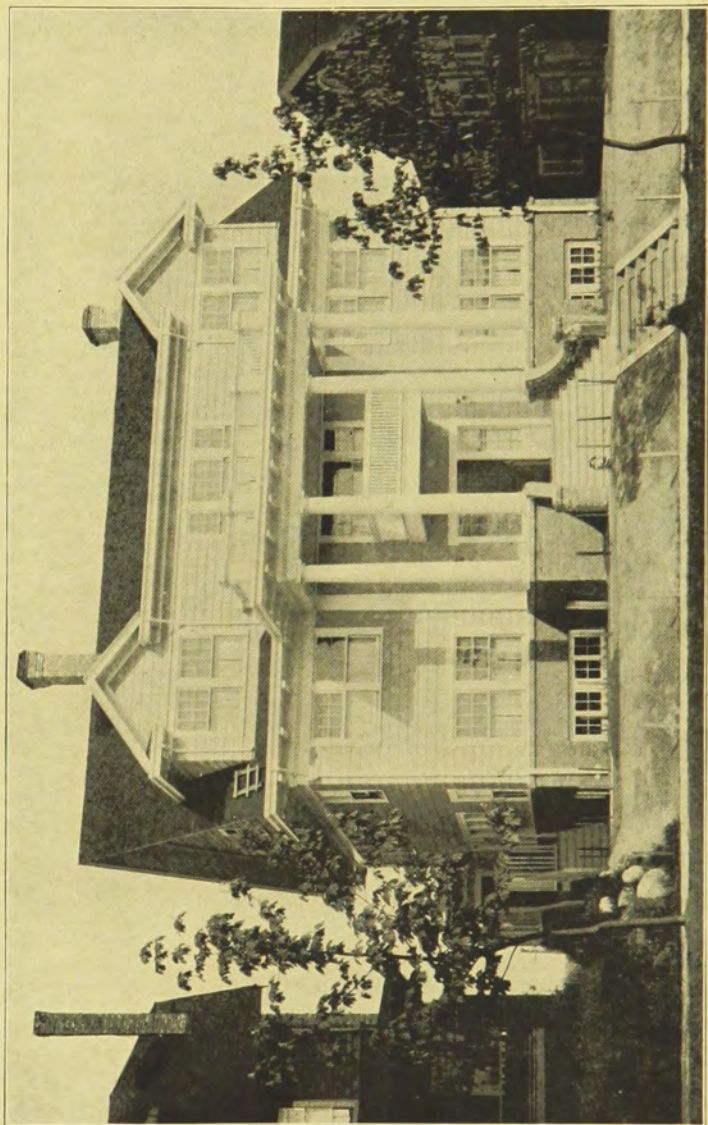
Gamma Phi Beta was the first sorority to have a house at the University of Washington.

Grace King and Helen Urquhart of Lambda were charter members of Tolo Club, the Women's Senior Honor Society.

The editor of the first *Tyee*, the University of Washington annual, was Zoé Kincaid (Penlington) of Lambda.

Katherine Edwards was the first "Campus Day" general.





LAMBDA CHAPTER HOUSE

Among the twelve alumni of the University of Washington chosen for their prominence, the only woman was Zoé Kincaid Penlington.

The first campus Y. W. C. A. president was Helen Wetzel, a Gamma Phi Beta.

Since the organization of the Associated Students of the University of Washington, Gamma Phi Beta has had five secretaries.

#### V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

In 1916 Gamma Phi Beta was found to have stood third in scholarship for the school year with an average much higher than either the general or the sorority averages.

The Women's League, an association of all the women in college, was organized by Gamma Phi Beta and Louise Wetzel was elected the first president.

Lambda of Gamma Phi Beta was the organizer of our College Panhellenic.

Gamma Phi Beta was the first sorority to establish a loan fund on the University of Washington Campus. It consists of \$100 a year and is open to all students.

#### VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

The only alumna of Lambda who has achieved world-wide recognition is Zoé Kincaid Penlington. She is an author and journalist of prominence and resides in Tokyo, Japan, where she edits a magazine.

There are a great many of our alumnae who are prominent in their local circles.

Wilhelmina Schumacher is a teacher and journalist.

Margaret Meany Younger is a member of the Northwest Field Committee of the Y. W. C. A., and a very successful organizer and leader of clubs for high school girls.

Mrs. Arthur Sewall Haggett is a prominent church worker and chairman of the advisory board of the University Y. W. C. A. of which Margaret Younger and Lois Dehn are also members.

Florence Finch Dickson is an active worker in a mission school in Seattle.

Persis Buell Welts is very prominent in church work in Mount Vernon, Wash. She is also well known in musical circles.

Prominent workers in the Women's University Club and the A. C. A. are Jeanette Perry, Martina Henchan, Jessie Ludden Horsfall, Mrs. Arthur Sewall Haggett, Myrn Cosgrove Kinnear.

Bernice Sully is secretary of the University of Washington Alumni Association.

Alma Delaney Teal is corresponding secretary of the University of Washington Alumni Association.



Leah Miller, daughter of the Representative to Congress from Washington is a member of the Standard Grand Opera Company, composed of Seattle talent, and has scored considerable success in important rôles in a number of operas produced. Leah is also soloist in one of Seattle's churches.

Emmy Schmitz, a graduate cum laude of the College of Fine Arts of the University of Washington, is also prominent in Seattle musical circles where she is engaged as a teacher of piano.

Margaret Motie, who has the honor of representing the city of Spokane as "Miss Spokane," is continuing her work in dramatic art at the School of Oratory of Northwestern University.

Margaret Fowler has recently entered upon work at the Cornish School of Music in Seattle.

Anna Baker is teaching English and Dramatics in Pe Ell High School and is being especially successful in her coaching of Dramatics in this small town of Washington.

Geraldine Doheny has specialized in kindergarten work and has a kindergarten in Walla Walla, Wash.

Agnes Hart has achieved success as an Art teacher in Blackfoot, Idaho.

Dollie McLean holds a fine position as teacher of English and Dramatics in Chehalis High School.

Kristine Thomle has been credited with being the best teacher of high school history in the state. She has also organized, in Everett, Wash., the first class in Norse ever conducted west of the Rocky Mountains.

Louise Fowler took up the study of abnormal psychology while an undergraduate and now is working among the defective children at the state school.

Other prominent teachers in the state are Sally Hill, Jeanette Perry, Emma Dalquist, Grace King, Pansy Olney.

Violet Dungan Keith, Pearl McGrath, and Zella Steele are all connected with the Extension Department of the University of Washington which is doing a very important work.

Gezina Thomas is children's librarian in one of Seattle's Branch Libraries.

## MU

### *Stanford University*

#### I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, Sigma Kappa.

#### II. *Average number in chapter—Twenty-three.*

III. *Value of house*—\$12,000.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Ruth Bacon is president of Y. W. C. A., vice-president of Women's Governing Body, member of conference and council, and Cap and Gown, the women's honor society.

Ruth Long is president of Panhellenic and vice-president of Education Club.

Frances Holman, Marian Boeks, and Peggy Brown are prominent members of the Tennis Club.

Herna Dunshee is on several class teams and the varsity basketball team.



MU CHAPTER HOUSE

Gladys Knowlton and Aide Gilcrist are on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.

Mary Willis Taff belongs to the Schubert Club.

Florence Fabling is vice-president of the freshman class.

Margaret Burton has been in several little stunts at university parties.

V. *Chapter achievements.*

Mu has stood third in scholarship among the ten sororities on the campus, the past year.

VI. *Prominent alumnæ.*

Helen Thoburn is the editorial secretary for the National Y. W. C. A. Board.



Grace Helmick was state secretary for the Hughes' party in Montana.

Mildred Gilbert is in Washington, D. C., with the National Union for Suffrage.

Pauline Gartman is prominent in educational and Y. W. C. A. work in San Diego.

Dorothy Womack is Y. W. C. A. secretary in Oakland, California.

Ruth Brainerd is very prominent in educational and psychological circles in Los Angeles and is head of the employment bureau of the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Marian Dorn is attending San Francisco Art School. Two of her pictures have been accepted by the exhibition and she has been mentioned very highly in the Art Magazine as one of California's coming artists.

Sue Coombs of Riverside is one of the most influential club women of that part of the state.

## Nu

### *University of Oregon*

#### I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Gamma Phi Beta, Chi Omega, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Delta Gamma, Alpha Phi, Pi Beta Phi.

#### II. *Average number in chapter—Twenty-five.*

#### III. *Value of chapter house—\$6,500.*

#### IV. *Interesting facts about chapter.*

Nu chapter has always been noted for its cleverness in stunts. For two years we received the silver cup at April Frolic for the most original stunt, the second time the cup was ours to keep. The first time our stunt was a take-off in the form of a "swat the fly" campaign, and the second time we had an evolution stunt that was very clever with its parodies on many popular songs. Last year the house stunts were discontinued and a prize was awarded to our Dorothy Collier for her unique costume. She was a walking alarm clock.

Nu was the thirteenth chapter of Gamma Phi Beta to receive a charter. This charter was granted on Friday, the thirteenth. There were thirteen in the chapter and the house was on Thirteenth Street.

Last year Nu received honorable mention for our float in the water fête at junior week-end with our barge of frogs and toadstools.

Nu had the largest house on the campus last year.

#### V. *Chapter Achievements.*

Nu chapter of Gamma Phi has always been foremost in enforcing college rules and regulations. On account of the death of a student who was drowned in the river last year, restrictions were made on the canoeing. While many houses failed to keep these rules, Gamma Phi enforced them.

For three semesters Gamma Phi led all fraternities in scholarship.

Gamma Phi has been first in bringing about desired changes in Panhellenic rules.

Gamma Phi Beta has three members in Theta Sigma Phi and two members in Mu Phi Epsilon.



NU CHAPTER HOUSE

Nu gives a Christmas party for 20 poor children each year.

Nu has given \$100 to the fund for a Women's Building at Oregon which is more than any other organization on the campus has given.

Nu requires each member to enter two activities.

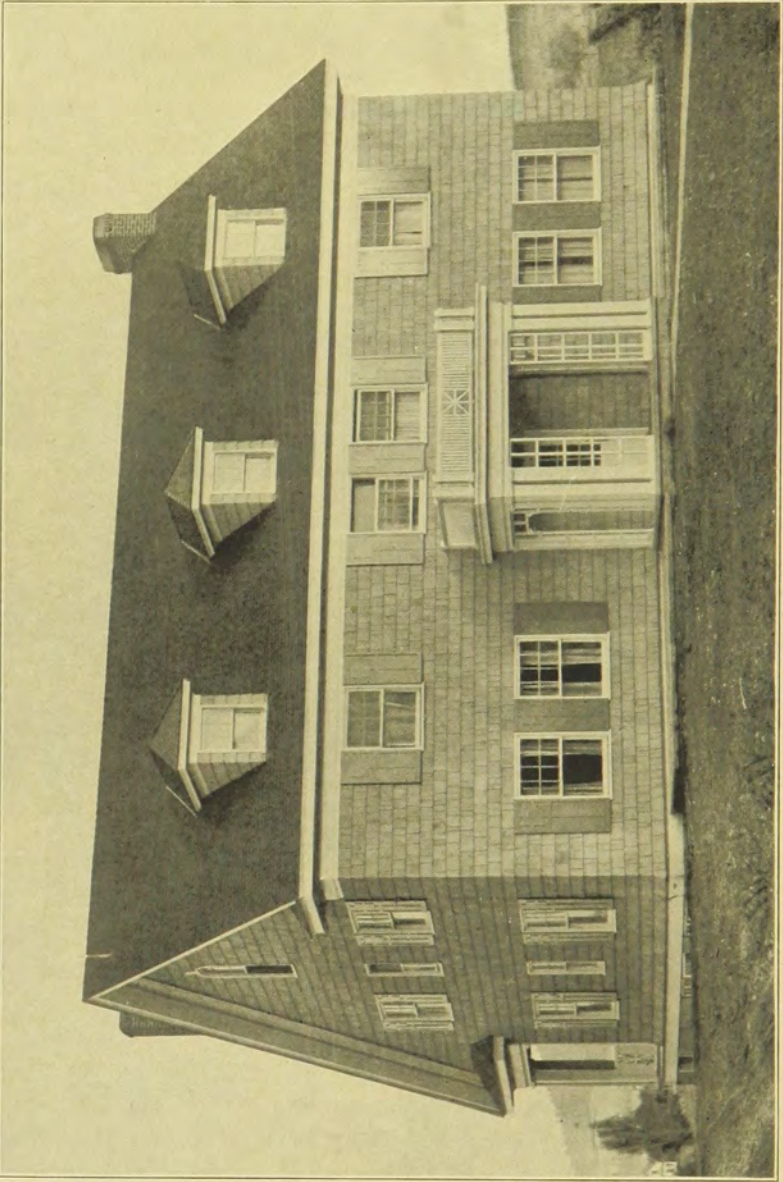
#### VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Florence Cleveland is doing Y. W. C. A. work in the state capital.

Ruth Dunniway has been attending a dramatic school in Los Angeles and has been acting for motion pictures.

Esther Carson is assistant secretary to the Governor of Oregon.





XI CHAPTER HOUSE

## XI

*University of Idaho*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Gamma Phi Beta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Kappa Gamma, and Xi Delta Theta (local).

II. *Average number in chapter*—Twenty-seven.III. *Value of chapter house*—\$10,000.IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

For the last four years Xi has had the highest scholastic average of any fraternity or nonfraternity group in college. One year, made *A* honors as a chapter, never done by any other group.

Organizes the freshmen who meet each week to study sorority questions, reports on the different departments and activities of the college, and attends to any business which concerns them.

Has a Christmas party on the Sunday evening after vacation at which each class and the alumnae give presents to the house while the freshmen furnish the entertainment and the spread.

V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

A new chapter house for which the chapter itself is paying.

The presentation of a large picture to the college library.

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Ruth W. Broman—For three years treasurer of Latah County, Idaho.

Winifred Calkins—Superintendent of Schools in Latah County.

Edna Dewey—Head of the department of Home Economics in Moscow High School.

Lucy Mix Day (Mrs. J. J.)—Wife of Idaho's greatest mining magnate and a prominent society and club woman.

Betsy Hays Decker—Formerly in Extension Department of the University.

Mayme Hunter Fischer (Mrs. Charles)—Superintendent of schools in Clearwater County of Idaho.

Florence Umhoff—Superintendent of schools in Shoshone County.

## OMICRON

*University of Illinois*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding:*

Kappa Alpha Theta, Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Chi Omega, Chi Omega, Alpha Xi Delta, Sigma Kappa, Delta Gamma, Alpha Omicron Pi, Achoth, Gamma Phi Beta.

II. *Average number of chapter*—Thirty.III. *Value of chapter house*—Not owned by chapter.



IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Formed under the supervision of one of the founders, Frances E. Havens Moss.

Claims the only daughter of a founder to become a Gamma Phi—Alida Moss.

Has a scholarship cup on which is yearly engraved the name of the freshman having the highest average.

Holds a Home-coming Banquet each October at which the pledges give a stunt show.

Offers a stunt each year for the Stunt Show held by the University during interscholastic week.



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Has a "Post-exam Jubilee" each year at which groups or pairs of girls give stunts.

At Christmas either gives a sum of money to the United Charities or entertains poor children.

Each Monday at meeting each girl must report upon at least one activity in which she has taken part that week.

V. *Definite chapter achievement.*

Is represented in almost every campus activity.

VI. *Prominent alumnæ.*

Augusta Krieger—President of Chicago Alumnæ. Head of the German Department in Deerfield-Shields High School.

Gertrude Elliott—Retiring chairman of Cookbook Committee. In charge of the women's dormitory at the University of Washington at Pullman and of the University Commons, the large cafeteria for all students. Gives a course in cafeteria management.

Miriam Gerlach—Assistant Dean of Women at the University of Michigan.

Lita Bane—New chairman of the Cookbook committee.

Florence Nightingale Jones—Has a summer resort, "Griswolda" in Ludington, Michigan, which has fifty acres of grounds with twenty cottages, a hotel, and a store.

## PI

### *University of Nebraska*

#### *I. Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Delta Gamma, Delta Delta Delta, Pi Beta Phi, Chi Omega, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha



PI CHAPTER HOUSE

Phi, Alpha Chi Omega, Delta Zeta, Achoth, Alpha Xi Delta, Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Delta Pi.

II. *Average number in chapter*—Twenty-three.

III. *Value of chapter house*—Not owned by chapter.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

First sorority at Nebraska to own its own home. (The house proved unsatisfactory so was sold.)



V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Each member of the chapter is interested in some college activity.

Each Saturday morning is given over to work at the Charity Organization.

VI. *Prominent alumnae.*

Marguerite McPhee—Assistant Professor of Rhetoric.

Dorothy Morehead—Daughter of the Governor of Nebraska.

## RHO

*University of Iowa*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, Delta Gamma, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta.



RHO CHAPTER HOUSE

II. *Average number in chapter.*—Twenty-five.

III. *Value of chapter house*—Not owned by chapter.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Formed by Mrs. Robert Carson (Alpha), a resident of Iowa City.

## SIGMA

*University of Kansas*I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Pi Beta Phi, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Pi, Sigma Kappa, Alpha Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta, Alpha Xi Delta.

II. *Average number in chapter—Thirty.*III. *Value of chapter house—\$5,560.*IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

SIGMA CHAPTER HOUSE

Every other Monday evening is a "spread." All the chapter sits in a circle in the dining-room while the freshmen serve a two-course luncheon. Afterwards, in the living-room, the freshmen present a stunt.

Ex-Chancellor Fraser of the University of Kansas brought with him from the East, two traditions: The "Cooky Shine" and the "Muffin Worry." Pi Beta Phi adopted the custom of giving "Cooky Shines" and Gamma Phi Beta gives "Muffin Worries" which are very enjoyable frolics.



V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Although a very young chapter, Sigma is now ranked with Kappa Kappa Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta and has already purchased its own chapter house.

VI. *Prominent Alumnæ:*

Helen Rhoda Hoopes ( $\Phi$  B K)—Instructor in English Department at University of Kansas.

Marjorie Templin—Dietitian in Shepherd Pratt Hospital at Baltimore.

Gladys Harries—Prominent in Kansas City for æsthetic dancing.

Carolyn Greer—Settlement worker in Kansas City.

Helen Greer—Is compiling a Spanish grammar and assisting in the compilation of three Spanish books.

TAU

*Colorado Agricultural College*

I. *Sororities in college in order of founding:*

Tau Epsilon Tau; Gamma Phi Beta; Kappa Delta; Delta Phi.

II. *Average number in chapter—*Twenty-five.

III. *Value of chapter house—*Not owned by chapter.



TAU CHAPTER HOUSE

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

At one time there were only four girls left in the local chapter—town girls. Two of the graduated seniors returned to college and

kept the chapter house going. There were only six girls rushing and at the end of the season they had pledged each girl they rushed.

There are more girls in Tau chapter than in any other one sorority in the college, and they are entered in more college activities.

V. *Definite chapter achievements.*

Tau was chosen as the one sorority to be a member of the Associated Charities of Fort Collins.

The chapter has always stood second in scholarship among the sororities of the college, both as a local and a national chapter, this year being just two-tenths of a point behind first place.

VI. *Prominent Alumnæ:*

The alumnæ are very "new" and have hardly had time to gain prominence. However, they are well started along the road.

## UPSILON

### *Hollins College*

I. *Sororities in college in order of founding.*

Gamma Phi Beta (Phi Mu Gamma), Kappa Delta, Phi Mu, Beta Sigma Omicron, Delta Delta Delta, Lambda Gamma (local).

II. *Average number in chapter*—Twenty.

III. *Value of chapter house*—No chapter house.

IV. *Interesting facts about the chapter.*

Originally, Alpha chapter of Phi Mu Gamma.

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## FROM THE ACTIVE CHAPTERS

[Articles for this department were requested from Gamma, Upsilon, Kappa, Xi, Pi, Rho, and Sigma.]

### THE LARGE CHAPTER PROBLEM

Sororities at Wisconsin today have considerable sympathy for the old woman who lived in a shoe and had so many children that she didn't know what to do. Not that our sorority houses bear any resemblance to old shoes, or that every sorority does not ardently desire each one of its members, but the majority of the chapters here are so large that they have completely outgrown their chapter houses.

The average sorority house at Wisconsin is built to accommodate from twenty to thirty girls, while the average sorority has from forty-five to fifty members. The largest sorority here has a membership of sixty, exclusive of its pledges. Hence, practically all except two or three of our sororities have a membership too large for their chapter houses. So the problem of having one's chapter together has come to be a rather serious one. Of course, new and larger houses is the ideal solution, but neither alumnæ nor students



are millionaires, as a rule. Until recently those members who could not live in the house have been forced to find rooms wherever they could. Recently a partial solution to the problem has been found through the "sorority annex." Several sororities have been successful in renting houses within a few doors of the chapter house, where the rest of their members can live.

But aside from the housing problem, large chapters are exceedingly unwieldy. When the editor of our Sky-rocket column frequently suggests that some of our largest sororities hold a mixer among themselves, he is really suggesting something which is almost a necessity. We all know that it is a practical impossibility for fifty or sixty girls to be intimately acquainted with one another. They may have a common enthusiasm for sorority ideals and aims, but after all, intimate fellowship is needed as a vitalizing force in all sorority life and work.

The majority of sororities at Wisconsin realize the difficulties of large chapters only too well, but the existing conditions cannot be changed at once. The cause for the increased size of chapters has been the rapid expansion of the university within the last few years, which has brought with it a larger number of desirable girls than ever before. While the university has expanded, the number of sororities has remained almost stationary, and the number of desirable girls each year has been more than enough to go around.

So every rushing season finds the sororities beset with temptations to take more girls than they actually need, and usually it succumbs to the temptation—the girls are so very attractive. And even under these conditions, many girls who would make excellent sorority material are left out. Recently two new sororities have been added to the Panhellenic circle, and these will help us to solve the problem. Achoth, a branch of the Eastern Star, and a chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi, have already been established here, while another national sorority is even now seeking admittance. The real solution for too large chapters seems to be this continuance of Panhellenic expansion, until the number of sororities is in proportion to the number of desirable girls here.

MARY MORSELL (*Gamma*).

"A MOVEMENT FOR DEMOCRACY AMONG SORORITY AND NON-SORORITY GIRLS AT MINNESOTA UNIVERSITY"

There has been a tremendous wave of democracy that has swept like a conflagration, bearing with it every individual interest, into one mighty whirlpool of the common good. This wave has swept over our United States of America, and our noble women

have already proved that they were able to meet it in the right way. Women of every class and nationality in our country have united into relief societies for the purpose of providing comfort for the wounded of Europe.

Democracy must begin at home, and must be especially insisted on and promoted in our institutions of learning, for they are, of a certainty, the molders of the nation.

It has been charged against sororities at our university that they are the greatest detriment, as they mean segregation instead of congregation. They cultivate the friendships of the few to the exclusion of the many.

This we believe to be in a measure true, and with the realization of this fact we, of the Kappa chapter of Gamma Phi Beta, are looking about us for every opportunity that may present itself for the furtherance of the spirit of democracy and sisterhood between sorority and nonsorority students.

In the first place, we have come to the realization that we as sorority girls must go more than half way towards the formation of friendships with our nonsorority sisters. For we have the advantage of them in the general trend of college life. For many reasons a nonsorority girl will not force herself into the friendship of a sorority girl. There is ever that feeling of estrangement between the two. This feeling can, however, be demolished if we will do our part, and "give of ourselves." This last is the true impetus to friendship.

In consideration of these facts, we are taking especial pains to pay attention to nonsorority girls on the campus, not in a patronizing way, of course, but in a friendly, interested manner. We try not to move about in our own little clique, but to associate ourselves as much as possible with our nonsorority friends. In classes we no longer sit by our sorority sisters, but separate and "mix." In college activities we are trying to do our best and to work with every girl for the good of our college and not for personal glory.

There is another way in which we can show our good-will and that is in the form of entertainment. It is true that we had what college people call "open house" after every football game, during the season now past. To this each girl was privileged to invite those among her friends whom she might wish her sorority sisters to meet. "Open House" proved to be an affair where sorority and fraternity people gathered, and at which so great a number were present that no one really became well acquainted or had a genuine good time.

So we have decided to give a tea once every month to which each girl may ask one of her nonsorority friends.



We believe and earnestly hope that this will go a little way, at least, in the mingling of the two elements here at Minnesota, and that it will show that we are at least trying to uphold the standards of our university and our sorority at the same time.

HELEN C. JENSWOLD (*Kappa*).

#### THE OLD GUARD AT IDAHO

Spring will soon be here with robins, squirrels, and the Old Guard. When the inspecting officer comes, fresh from the office of the Inspector-General, full of military science, importance, brass buttons, and orders, to see how many things he can find to condemn in our battalion of cadets, he is going to find two bands of fighters. For at Idaho a second corps exists for one day, an army that will make his eyes glow with recollection of the old days at West Point when the Cadet Corps stood at dress parade in a long, straight, grey and white uniformed line.

Our Old Guard is a great organization; it is a fighting machine of efficient men, gallant juniors and seniors, who drilled as freshmen and sophomores and are now trained warriors.

While the Inspector puts the battalion through untold agonies, the Old Guard is forming its phalanx on the edge of the campus. Napoleon is often there, dressed in pajamas, ballet skirt, and boots. It is easy to see that he is Napoleon because he keeps his hand tucked away in his chest—that always means Napoleon.

The cannon—a stove-pipe mounted upon a wheelbarrow and aimed at the sky like a forty centimeter gun—is guarded by several worthies in various states of informal uniform. The color sergeant wears a blue and white checkered apron, cork helmet, knitted bedroom slippers, and valiantly carries the loved colors high on a candy cane.

In the ranks there are clowns, inmates of harems in the Far East, Yankee Farmers, Eskimos, and Chorus girls.

On the outskirts of the Army Carranza slinks, pot-shotting a brave soldier of the doughty Old Guard from ambush now and then.

This has been a custom for years. The upperclassmen, who are no longer required to drill, have great sport at the expense of the underclassmen, who have it thrust upon them. The mustering in of the Old Guard is an event. When we hear the Old Guard Military Band strike up a march, we leave classrooms, library, laboratories, and practice-rooms and in our mad race are like the mice following the Pied Piper.

CATHERINE CHRISMAN (*Xi*).

## SPREAD NIGHT

Time: Monday, six P. M.

Place: Sigma chapter house.

Discovered:

The dining-room filled with Gamma Phis. The table is pushed back, and the girls are seated in irregular lines on each side of the room. Five or six freshmen are filling plates, passing them to hungry girls, and bumping into one another at every turn. Much chatter and laughter is heard.

"Be sure to give me two olives," suggests Jeannette.

"Two lumps in my coffee, please," says Lucile.

And now that everyone is served, the freshmen fill their own plates, taking care not to cheat themselves. Sandwiches are passed, and then passed again, and the olives almost mysteriously disappear from their two long dishes.

At last the plates are cleared away. Doris strokes a few chords on the ukulele, and thirty-three voices sing out "Peanuts and Olives" and "Once a Maiden."

Then there comes dessert, really Gamma Phi dessert—caramel ice cream and chocolate cake. The girls had long thought their colors were pretty, but they did not know they tasted so good. Last of all, there are peanuts, of course, lots of peanuts.

"Take your seats in the Theater," one of the freshmen announces. Now the Theater, as you must know, is the long living-room with a wide doorway at one end which opens into the hall and so forms a stage. All the lights are turned out, except the two on each side of the stage. There are no footlights—there are, instead, *sidelights* on the play.

A choir, lying on its side, is covered by Irma's plaid coat. The stage director announces that this object which looks like a covered chair is really a basket, and the stage the empty loft of an old barn. The mewling of hungry kittens is heard, and a stocking-capped head with very big, pointed ears (one is torn, but seems to cause the kitten no pain) is thrust above the basket top. Another head follows. The two kittens have been told to stay in the basket while their father and mother are away, or Mr. Rat will get them, but they are naughty kittens and climb out to see the big world.

Mr. Rat, a very fearsome fellow in a long black robe, strides across the stage. The poor, frightened kittens beg for mercy, but the heartless rogue declares that he has come to eat them up. One of the kittens is more resourceful than might be expected from his extreme youth, and succeeds in so flattering Mr. Rat that the stupid fellow wastes many moments in demonstrating a new dance.



"Don't step on my coat," calls an irrelevant voice from the audience.

Mr. Rat is not at all discomfited, and continues his stately dance. He then turns to the kittens to make good his threat, but, instead of the timorous little beasties, he faces—Father Cat.

Father Cat advances, and, with a single stroke, lays the villain low, and thus saves the precious babies.

The floor director then announces, "That's all!"

"Spread nights are the most fun!" the girls all agree, "and it's only two weeks till the next one!"

ESTHER ROOP (*Sigma*).

### SINGLE TAX

When I had notice that Pi chapter was responsible for an article on some college subject I immediately thought of our Single Tax movement at Nebraska. We are very much interested in this at present as we voted on it when registering for the new semester. To us it is a new thing, and we are very anxious for it to be voted on acceptably.

It has been outlined as follows: All students registered for twelve or more hours will pay an additional tax of three dollars and fifty cents, although excuses for financial inability or other good and sufficient reasons will be accepted. This three dollars and a half will form a budget of nearly twenty-one thousand dollars a year which will be distributed to the various divisions of college activities.

\$10,000 will go to the athletic department which will support both men and women athletics. The students will be admitted free to all athletic contests, intercollegiate games, and exhibitions.

\$5,000 will go to medical supervision which we have not had at Nebraska but desire very much. This will entitle each student paying the tax to free expert medical advice when needed.

\$3,500 will go to our *Daily Nebraskan* and every student will then get a copy. This will result in a more efficient and more representative paper and a greater number of interested students.

\$600 will go to Student Dramatics and will insure to each student a free performance of every play of the School of Drama including the Senior and Junior Plays.

\$500 will go to the popular University Mixers which will make every student want to be present.

\$300 each to Agricultural College Judging Team, University Night, and Ivy Day making each of these departments better able to live up to what is expected of them.

\$200 will go to Convocations and we will then be able to have nationally famous speakers.

All excess over this \$21,000 will go to make up an incidental fund. This would include, for the students, free admission into the art exhibits and various other student activities.

Dean Carl C. Engberg, our executive dean of the university, makes this statement: "The Single Tax, a plan whereby students pay once for all, through the medium of one agency, for the support of the various student activities, dramatics, debating, the college paper, etc., is worthy of serious consideration. Not only does this plan put these activities on a firm financial basis, but also it creates a community interest, and so tends toward the forming of what we need above all else—a college spirit."

MILDRED PRICE REES (*Pi*).

#### UNIVERSITY OF IOWA'S SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION

Few people realize how much science has gained through the activity of the naturalists at the University of Iowa. Altogether, over ninety expeditions of one kind or another have gone out from the various departments of science here, and they explain perhaps in a measure, the excellence of the instruction that is being offered. We are all proud of the results of such trips as the ones through the North by Frank Russell, Professor Nutting's Bahama expedition of 1893, a similar one to the mid-Pacific, and the famous Laysan Island expedition of 1911. Better known perhaps is the Arctic trip made in 1903 when a new race of Eskimo was discovered.

We Iowa students are now interested in plans for another scientific expedition by the university. Prof. C. C. Nutting, head of the department of zoölogy, is formulating a plan to conduct a party to some point off the South American coast during the spring and summer of 1918 for the purpose of studying various types of marine life, to secure material for scientific work in the laboratories, and to collect specimens for our extensive museums.

In this work the university plays an active part in providing the equipment and funds. The party will be made up of fifteen persons who are deeply interested in zoölogical investigation. This expedition is to be the last word in modern scientific expeditions, because of the demand for zoölogy which is on the increase here. Fifteen or twenty years ago thirty students registered in that department was average. Today there are five hundred, besides many graduates. A laboratory base will be established at a convenient place on shore. Here students may study the living forms which have hitherto been available only as preserved in alcohol, which is



an experience highly valuable. From this station, trips will be taken among the reefs, where surveys of different depths and regions will be made, and facts carefully noted. Native boats, also, which are very efficient among the reefs, will be employed, and in the shallow water skilful divers are to be hired to explore the water for specimens, directed from the deck of the university ship by professors and students. Many methods of marine investigation which have never been used before will be employed.

Such a trip as this will enable Iowa University to put into the hands of students, zoölogical material which no other college or university has ever secured. Graduate work and extensive scientific research work will thus be encouraged and a broad, new field opened. Iowa's aim is to keep her rank, as having one of the best of university museums.

HELEN SCHMIDT (*Rho*).

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## THE CASE FOR THE DEFENSE

*A Study of the Cost of Living in Women's Fraternity Houses at the University of Washington*

BY ETHEL HUNLEY COLDWELL

(*Dean of Women at the University of Washington*)

[Miss Coldwell's investigation of the so-called extravagance of sororities is indeed interesting, and we appreciate her kindness in giving us so generously of her time and ability.]

Such a bitter warfare has been waged against the woman's fraternity and such is the hostility throughout the state of Washington at the so-called extravagance of the Greek-letter organizations that before I had been a year at the State University I was moved to begin an investigation of the cost of living in chapter houses. In accordance with this plan and assisted by certain university women who were interested in the problem, I formulated and sent out the following questionnaire:

### *Questionnaire on Expenses of Women's Fraternities*

"This investigation is being conducted at the request of President Suzzallo in order that specific information may be available for answering the arguments constantly made against Greek-letter organizations.

"The person making the report is requested to present her reply at the regular chapter meeting before returning it to the office of the Dean of Women.

## GENERAL EXPENSES

What is your initiation fee?

## ANNUAL EXPENSES

1. What assessment is made for extra rushing expenses?
2. What assessment is made for extra entertaining?
3. What is the cost per plate of the annual banquet?
4. What are your national sorority dues for each member?
5. What is the average cost of assessments levied for outside activities? (Subscriptions to University magazines, trip of band to California and such items.)
6. What is the price of the subscription to your chapter magazine?
7. What sum does each member subscribe as a gift to the house at Christmas?

## MONTHLY EXPENSES

1. What is the cost to resident members for board and room?
2. What are the monthly dues?
3. What are the expenses of town members for:
  - A. Upkeep of house?
  - B. Meals taken in house?
  - C. Night's lodging in house?

If the chapter has a special fund for purchasing new furniture, china, silver, glass, etc., or for repairs, please specify the amount *per capita* for:

1. Purchases
2. Repairs."

The results were tabulated from the replies, which were listed by numbers assigned to the various chapters, by Miss Catherine Montgomery, a research student whose discretion, experience, and scientific spirit insured accuracy. Fifteen houses reported.

## GENERAL EXPENSES

What is your initiation fee? Fifteen houses reported.

Median . . . . .	\$28.75	Average . . . . .	\$26.66
Least . . . . .	\$15.00	Greatest . . . . .	\$35.00

## ANNUAL EXPENSES

1. What assessment is made for extra rushing expenses?
 

Median . . . . .	\$5.00	Average . . . . .	\$ 4.90
Least . . . . .	\$2.00	Greatest . . . . .	\$10.00

Five not given. Four reported "None" and one "A Special Tax."



2. What assessments were made for extra entertaining?

Median .....	\$5.50	Average .....	\$5.72
Least .....	\$3.50	Greatest .....	\$8.50

Four reported "None," one "Division of Cost," and one "Special Tax."

3. What is the cost per plate of the annual banquet?

Median .....	\$1.50	Average .....	\$1.64
Least .....	\$1.00	Greatest .....	\$2.25

One reported "Do not have."

4. What are the national sorority dues for each member?

Median .....	\$4.00	Average .....	\$3.75
Least .....	\$1.00	Greatest .....	\$7.00

One not given.

5. What is the average cost of assessments levied on the chapter for the outside activities? (Subscriptions to magazines, trips to California, and such items.)

Median .....	\$1.75	Average .....	\$10.60
Least .....	\$.25	Greatest .....	\$37.00

Two reported "Chapter dues," one "None" and one not given.

6. What is the price of the subscription to your chapter magazine?

Median .....	\$1.00	Average .....	\$1.11
Least .....	\$1.00	Greatest .....	\$1.50

One was for life and was not included; one reported "In national dues," one "Chapter dues," and one "Dues and invested funds."

7. What sum does each member subscribe as a gift to the house at Christmas?

Median .....	\$.75	Average .....	\$.75
Least .....	\$0.00	Greatest .....	\$1.00

Four reported no contribution, three were "Voluntary."

#### MONTHLY EXPENSES

1. What is the cost to resident members for board and room?

Median .....	\$26.00	Average .....	\$26.83
Least .....	\$23.50	Greatest .....	\$30.00

2. What are the monthly dues?

Median .....	\$1.00	Average .....	\$1.78
Least .....	\$.78	Greatest .....	\$5.00

One report was blank.

3. What are the expenses of town members for:

A. Upkeep of house?

Median .....	\$2.70	Average .....	\$2.35
Least .....	\$1.00	Greatest .....	\$5.00

Three not given and one "Included in dues."

B. Meals taken in house?

*Breakfast:*

Median .....	\$ .15	Average .....	\$ .18
Least .....	\$ .10	Greatest .....	\$ .35

Two no report.

*Lunch:*

Median .....	\$ .15	Average .....	\$ .236
Least .....	\$ .20	Greatest .....	\$ .25

*Dinner:*

Median .....	\$ .30	Average .....	\$ .266
Least .....	\$ .25	Greatest .....	\$ .35

C. Night's lodging in house?

Median .....	\$ .15	Average .....	\$ .17
Least .....	\$ .10	Greatest .....	\$ .25

Twelve reported no charges.

If the chapter has a special fund for the purchasing of new furniture, china, silver, glass, or for repairs, please specify the amount per capita for:

1. Purchases.

Two reported charges of \$.50. Thirteen reported "No charges," or "Provision from other sources."

2. Repairs.

No assessments were made in any of the fifteen houses.

These figures were highly gratifying to the college authorities, inasmuch as they disproved conclusively the general belief that fraternity women necessarily spend a great deal of money. The investigation shows clearly that they need not do so. It is, unfortunately, not so easy to prove that all are frugal. Moreover, it is extremely probable that those who have no surplus money are tempted to extravagance by those who spend unwisely.

My greatest doubt in regard to the accuracy of the replies was in reference to the second and fifth questions under Annual Expenses. It is possible that there may have been a desire to minimize the assessments for rushing, for this is an expense item which even the most lenient and well disposed Dean of Women will not view with complacency. I am inclined to believe that the exact figures were not at hand and that a hasty estimate proved inadequate. It is a somewhat singular coincidence that the only rushing assess-



ment which I happened to know should have proven to be the maximum.

The remarkable variation in the answers to question five show either lack of understanding of the question or great carelessness in computation. The results in this case are valueless, but they are not of enough importance to alter materially the final results.

Summing up these answers, the investigation found that the median for all yearly expenses per month was \$31.77; the average, \$35.71. The minimum for all yearly expenses per month was \$26.92, and the maximum \$46.42, but since neither could actually occur for the reason that in no case does one house remain consistently either highest or lowest, these figures are unimportant.

It is now about eight months since these reports were made, and as the cost of food and labor has increased materially in that time, it is possible that a survey made now might show a corresponding augmentation. I question whether the average housekeeper who keeps a budget and furnishes a similar quality of food and service, and who heats a large house to a temperature of 60° will be able to prune expenses very much more closely than the students have done. The winter of nineteen hundred and fifteen and sixteen was unusually severe in Seattle, and the bills for fuel were abnormal. The organized groups, moreover, were assessed to an unpardonable degree for every student enterprise which required donations. Since that time an attempt has been made to check the calls for subscriptions and charities, the burden of which should fall equally upon all the students.

The standard of living is not higher than it should be in our chapter houses, and the entertainment furnished is usually of a very simple character. It is but justice that an attempt be made to present the facts in regard to the necessary expenses of the members.

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## “AN OCCUPATION OTHER THAN TEACHING”

ELIZABETH WILSON, *Secretarial Department, National Board of the  
Young Women's Christian Associations*

In the Women's Debating Club at the University of Oxford, England, all who agreed with the honorable proposers—the affirmative—sat on one side of the room; the adherents of the honorable opposers sat in opposing ranks of chairs; and hearers with minds yet to be made up sat at the lower end of the rectangle facing

the speakers at the upper end. When a listener's mind had been influenced by a powerful argument she joined the group whose opinions she now shared. If the audience was large and the supply of chairs could not provide seats on both sides for the vacillating, each new adherent came dragging her chair after her.

The question for debate among women students is now before the house: "Shall I teach when I finish college?" and student after student is dragging her chair to the side of the opposition. What moved her? Was she fleeing from the schoolroom, or fleeing toward some occupation of which she knew little or nothing when she matriculated, but which swam into her ken in the very years of her decision? Happy is the college woman who can see in her life work "the very thing I should be doing as a volunteer if I were not doing it professionally"! This is the exact circumstance of many a senior who as a freshman knew nothing of the Young Women's Christian Association, but who now sees in it a place in which to use her economics and sociology, her public speaking and English composition, her languages, ancient and modern, her philosophy and science, as well as a field in which to continue her promotion of class and sorority, musical and literary, religious and welfare activities.

At present there are about 2,000 American women, serving as secretaries and other employed officers in Young Women's Christian Associations in every state of the Union, and in half a dozen foreign countries under the World's Committee of Young Women's Christian Associations, and every year several hundred new candidates are needed. These are recruited most satisfactorily from among the younger alumnæ who have been leaders in the student Christian Associations of their Alma Maters and are ready for the specialized training now required in all professions. Young women ought not to decide upon any Christian calling by process of elimination, but by force of attraction balanced by thorough knowledge of the work and of their own capacities. Good undergraduate opportunities for this knowledge are found through work on Committees, attendance at Silver Bay or Geneva, or the other summer conferences, and at the great Student Volunteer Movement Convention once a quadrennium, from visits of secretaries to the college, from intercollegiate deputations to other student communities, from week-ends spent at city Associations, and summer fortnights spent at industrial camps, from human contact in dormitory life and spreads and stunts, from experience as a group Bible teacher. As for personal leadership, one is sometimes born to it, or may have it thrust upon her, but she rarely achieves it by setting out in pursuit. It comes as an unlooked for reward of useful living.



Aside from acquaintance with the movement and a recognized ability for leadership, a girl needs health and common sense, an interest in human beings close at hand, such as colleagues, club members, and women on committees of management, et cetera, and a conviction that Christ's program of abundant life can be attained by every girl if the Christian Association and the Christian church work closely enough together.

If, then, these 2,000 American secretaries have much in common, their places and plans of work vary in the highest degree: two hundred and fifty city general secretaries act as advisers and executives of the boards of directors regarding opening new departments, engaging staffs, securing property, launching city-wide policies, and coöperating with other religious and social forces. The industrial secretary works in factories at noon, in self-governing clubs at night, and in vacation camps in summer. The girls' secretary winds her way in and out among troops of young school girls and employed girls, and uses roller skates, Camp Fire insignia, Bible study texts, chafing-dishes, songs and "yells" with equal felicity to accomplish her purpose! Directors of religious and cultural education, secretaries for membership and social features, also need be college women, as must be, of course, the local student secretaries, some sixty or seventy in number, and the local county secretaries who are uniting the rural life movement and the Young Women's Christian Association movement in a fascinating way.

Another group of these 2,000 is made up of physical directors, cafeteria directors, teachers of domestic art and science who are practicing their professions within the Young Women's Christian Association and find great opportunities among the girls who come voluntarily into these departments, for the Association is a part of the present "advance" in vocational education, housing, recreation, dietetics and whatever affects young womankind. More than one hundred "traveling secretaries" and forty-five in foreign lands extend the city and county and college work as locally known, or administer summer conferences, the training of employed officers, the publication of Association literature, et cetera.

For twenty-five years, the necessity for some kind of graduate training has been recognized, and the erection of the National Training School building in New York City in 1912 set the seal of approval upon various earlier attempts, and promised something even better for the future. Now, in 1917, a reorganization has just been effected, and a two-year course adopted, of which the first year—for young alumnae—is nonresident, and consists of much practice, and little theory, at the minimum of expense, and leads to minor salaried positions. The second year for employed officers

of experience, is given at headquarters in New York City and offers courses in Bible, Religious Education, Sociology, and Missions, and the Young Women's Christian Association in two parallel sections, one for women with bachelor's degrees, the other for secretaries lacking such degrees. There are also graduate summer courses in physical education and other technical branches.

Professional training means professional range of opportunity, and salary from the living wage of \$600 or so, in the first position to which the Bureau of Reference has recommended her, to the positions offering four times that sum to the women of vision who have power to bring that vision to pass.

Is this an argument for the opposition? Anyone who cares to write to the Secretarial Department of the National Board, 600 Lexington Avenue, New York City, can secure the definite data which will help her to decide this for herself.

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## Y. W. C. A. PUBLICATIONS

THE CRESCENT calls attention to two publications of the Y. W. C. A.—each of which should be in the hands of every college girl.

### THE INCH LIBRARY:

Each inch contains nine little leaflets of different colors, put up in an inch wide slide case—and each leaflet is on a subject which appeals to the average girl. *Are You Triangular or Round?* (Willie Young) tells you the shape of your personality; *Being Good Friends With One's Family* (Alice Colter) introduces you to the Togetherness Plant; *A Little Essay on Friendship* (Elvira Slack) is just the thing to read at chapter meetings; *The Way* (Oolooah Burns), *The Difference Between Feeling and Willing in a Girl's Religion* (Bertha Coudé), and *A Girl's Questions on Prayer* answer the inquiries in every girl's mind; *Peter of the World* (Mary Sims) is a fable on social service; *Discovering a Year* (Ethel Cutler) deals with "The sad days and glad days, the dull days and dear days bound up in the bundle of a year"; and *The Kingdom of Our Thoughts* (Rhoda McCulloch) tells of "the country where you must live all the days of your life."

The Second Inch contains the following: *A Girl's Courage* (Temple Bailey); *Your Grandmother's Job and Yours* (Lucy Carner); *Pulling Together* (Anna Owens); *A Girl and the Caste System* (Jessie Wilson Sayre); *Broken Swords* (Martha A. Chickering); *The Secret of Eternal Youth* (Anna Susholtz); *The Prayers of a Week* (Marie Drennan); *The Gift of Leadership* (Abbie



Graham); *God's in His Heaven* (James W. Raim). We give the following quotations—just to show what splendid thoughts are hidden away between the rainbow covers.

“Worldliness is a great misfortune. It is spiritual deafness and blindness.”

“‘Pulling together’ is the secret of the only success worth having in this big job of ours. Can we do team work? Are we ‘good sports’?”

“The secret of eternal youth is a secret only because many fail to grasp it. The secret of eternal youth is that of eternal life.”

“The Gift of Leadership is the Gift of the Spurs of Steel.”

“Let’s welcome the friends that chance throws in our way. Let’s keep keenly alive to the possibilities that each new contact brings us.”

“We can go out into our day with our faces turned heavenward.”

“Life is a big thing and a beautiful thing if you are brave enough to believe it.”

“If we learn to accept and carry out the will of the majority in our small group, we shall have gone far toward preparing ourselves for that larger responsibility, the vote in municipal and national affairs.”

#### THE GIRLS’ YEAR BOOK.

This is a little book of bible readings and comment for every day in the year—and is the work of nine collaborators, most of whom are at present leaders in Y. W. C. A. work. There are illustrative stories, splendid quotations and bits of poetry that are worth the memorizing; it is easily carried, attractive in appearance, and may be used as a birthday book. It is divided as follows:

### PART I

#### *The Way*

“To Know Him” . . . . . January 1 to February 29, Oolooah Burner

“Follow Me” . . . . . March 1 to April 15, Rhoda E. McCulloch

“I Have Sent Them” . . . . . April 16 to May 31, Helen M. A. Taylor

An Out-of-Door Interlude . . . . . June 1 to 30, Jane Taylor Wolfe

### PART II

#### *Belonging to the Kingdom of Friendly Citizens*

The Ways of Prayer . . . . . July 1 to August 14, Elizabeth Clark

The Gift of Life . . . . . August 15 to September 14, Mary Alice Finney

Work and Play . . . . . September 15 to October 14, Alice Brown

Being Friends . . . . . October 15 to November 30, Margaret E. Burton

A Christmas Interlude . . . . . December 1 to 31, May Susanne Edgar

## THE GAMMA PHI BETA SOCIAL SERVICE FELLOWSHIP

[Three hundred copies of the following announcement have been mailed by A. C. A. to leading colleges and universities in the United States; and other copies have been sent to our own members so that they may know of our plans. Miss Florence Heermans is chairman of our Social Service Committee; and in the February *Journal* of A. C. A., a full page notice of the scholarship is made.]

The Gamma Phi Beta Sorority offers a fellowship of *five hundred dollars* available for the academic year of 1917-18.

This fellowship shall be devoted to preparation for the profession of social service and is open to any woman who is a graduate of a college of recognized collegiate rank, and who has done in addition at least one year of graduate work. Some of her courses must have been in the department of social science.

It is understood that the fellow will devote herself unreservedly to preparation for social service work in a school whose standing is equal to that of the New York School of Philanthropy.

There are no application blanks for this fellowship. Application must be made by letter to the chairman of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae committee on fellowships before April 1, 1917, and must be accompanied by:

1. Testimonials of health, of character, and of scholarship from those competent to judge of her probable success in her chosen field.
2. An account of previous educational training, and a definite statement of the plan of study and of the object in view.

The committee prefers letters of recommendation written directly to the chairman, and these letters are not given to the applicant. Theses or papers are not required, though the committee would appreciate a statement regarding researches carried on by the applicant in any field of social science. The stipend is available September 1, 1917.

Applications should be addressed to Margaret E. Maltby, Chairman Committee on Fellowships of the A. C. A., Barnard College, Columbia University, New York, N. Y.

Inquiries may be addressed to Mrs. Gertrude Martin, Executive Secretary of the A. C. A., 934 Stewart Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.





To "Know thyself," another admonition should be added—namely, "Know other chapters." For the benefit of those who "rush," the statistics in this number of the magazine have been compiled—imperfect in many respects but comprehensive enough to give definite facts for definite rushing. Oral discussion of one's sorority does not always prove convincing to a freshman; but, verified statements must necessarily be of some force. In gathering together these facts concerning Gamma Phi Beta, the following points have been considered—the kind of college Gamma Phi Beta enters; its standards of scholarship; its part in Panhellenic organizations; its coöperation in college activities; its material possessions and the prominence gained through alumnae. The pictures of the various chapter houses should be of some value—and if these brief outlines of chapter achievement prove of any practical use in rushing season, time and energy will not have been expended in vain.

Apropos of rushing comes the suggestion of a Gamma Phi scrap-book for each chapter—not a *chapter* scrapbook but a *sorority* scrap-book. In this volume a space should be set aside for Alpha, one for Beta and so on; and in each division should be found pictures of the chapter house, the girls and whatever pertinent newspaper or CRESCENT clippings are available. Then—when the wavering freshman is alarmingly wobbly—let her pursuers present the magic book—and lo—she may see us as we are!

Behold the countenances of those who will sit in solemn conclave at Baltimore and in whose hands we have placed our destinies. It is an imposing delegation, and the various "write-ups" are interesting and illuminating. Those of the Alpha girls, written by Marguerite Woodworth and that of the Beta delegate by Margaret Walsh are just such "informals" as warm the cockles of an editor's heart.

Another weapon with which to fight the antifraternalists! Miss Coldwell, Dean of Women at University of Washington, proves conclusively that fraternity women do not spend a great deal of money and that the general belief concerning the extravagance of Greek-letter organizations is unfounded. The figures are published in *THE CRESCENT* for the first time—and to those studying the problem, they will be interesting. We are deeply indebted to Miss Coldwell for permitting us to present "The Case for the Defense."

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Read convention notices carefully.

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Articles for the June *CRESCENT* are asked from Epsilon, Eta, Theta, Lambda, Mu, Nu, and Tau.

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The June *CRESCENT* will be Convention Number.

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On February 24, 1917, Phi chapter of Gamma Phi Beta was installed at Washington University in St. Louis. Full account of the installation will appear in the June *CRESCENT*.

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The statistics concerning Rho and Upsilon are imperfect—due to the fact that the editor wrote them, rather than have any chapter unrepresented.



## DEPARTMENT OF THE GRAND COUNCIL

*The third meeting of the Council for the present collegiate year was held at the Blackstone Hotel in Chicago on February 20. The chief topic of discussion was plans for convention and the business to be transacted there. Bulletins concerning the same have been sent to the various chapters. The Baltimore Alumnae and Zeta chapter have been busily engaged on their plans for entertaining the convention and we hope that every chapter will be well represented. Visitors expecting to attend should communicate with Miss Mary McCurley, 2730 N. Charles St., Baltimore, Md. The last CRESCENT contained full directions concerning transportation. Let us make this convention one of our best.*

*An announcement of the greatest interest to all Gamma Phi Betas is the establishment on February 23 and 24 of Phi chapter at Washington University, St. Louis. Washington University has been coming very rapidly to the front during the past few years. It has splendid buildings and a good endowment and is a university in which we may be proud to be represented.*

*We are sorry to announce that Mrs. Coerper has been ill and will not be able to continue her work on the directory. At the time of writing this letter her successor has not been appointed, but announcement will be made later. In the meantime, do not cease your labors on your chapter directory, if the work is not yet complete.*

*We are hoping for definite reports upon the directory, the cookbook, the A. C. A. scholarship fund, the Endowment fund, and other important undertakings at convention.*

*Very sincerely yours,*

CARRIE E. MORGAN,  
*President of Gamma Phi Beta.*



MRS. WM. GRAHAM, Editor of Chapter Letters, 380 Ninth St., Brooklyn, N. Y. Send *all* Chapter Letters and Personals to Mrs. Graham. Next letter *must* be in her hands by *April 15*.

#### ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

"Bold eyes looked love to eyes that spake again,  
And all was brazen as a dinner bell."

Mournfully chanted an unfortunate person who remained at home from the senior ball; but those gay young creatures who did go—oh how can I tell you what they said about it—especially Dot Buck, and Polly, and Agg, who wore great corsages of *real* orchids, and Connie Banks who had "Chuck" here. Never has there been such a ball in Syracuse: white picket fences, spring flowers, moonlight, the alluring strains of "Poor Butterfly" and thirty-one Gamma Phis present!

The night before came the Boar's Head Play, *We Are Seven*. If you've read the play you know there are only four girls in the cast—but to the point, three of all rare those four were Gamma Phis. Think of it! Noreen Cavanaugh, '19, as a modern young woman, interested in sociological problems and the "metropolitan body politic" played the part of leading lady in a delightful manner. Doris Leake, '17, played the second lead, as a charming but prim maiden aunt. Marguerite Woodworth, '18, was a truly petrified maid. If one may judge from applause, flowers, and press reports the play was a wonderful success. Noreen had a supper party at the Onondaga hotel after the play and with a free conscience we enjoyed that rarest of all rare treats, dining in a hotel after the theater; for that is absolutely forbidden in our code of Women's League rules. This time our Dean made an exception. Three cheers for Miss Richards!

Dear me, I seem to be going backward all the time instead of beginning at the right end, but if you don't mind, why—just go on reading please.

You've all been through mid-years and lived to tell the tale, for which we are truly thankful, and I value my reputation too keenly to tell you about ours—though we know they were the hardest and longest and the worst et ad infinitum, ever given in any college. Therefore 'tis best to pass that subject over in silence.

Everyone has begun knitting golf stockings and slip-ons again, for next Christmas. Which reminds me that we had some Christmas festivities in our house this year. First we gave a *big* social service party for the



Nettleton factory girls. We planned to entertain thirty and guess how many came? No less than eighty-five. The poor entertainment committee was just about up a tree when Alice Ives came to the rescue. She impersonated a ridiculous district school teacher conducting Christmas exercises on the day that school closed. Her pupils were two dignified seniors and several flippant juniors who kept everyone laughing for hours. We put on our shadow graph plays again and never did we have a more appreciative audience. Holiday ices and sweetmeats topped off well. The Sunday before we went home we had a Christmas tree for ourselves with presents, supposed to be sly and subtle slams, for everyone. We gave a holiday dance, too, just before vacation.

As far as the scholarship committee has been able to find out our freshmen came through the mid-years very well. We are anticipating initiation soon.

We are all starting the new semester strong and happy and enthusiastic for Syracuse and Gamma Phi.

MARGUERITE E. WOODWORTH,

#### PERSONALS

Edith Thompson, ex-'17, is spending a few weeks at the chapter house.

Jean Leete, '16, has returned to Syracuse and is teaching freshman English in the University.

Helen Leete Keefer, '15, spent several weeks in Syracuse in December.

#### ENGAGEMENT

Noreen Cavanaugh, '19, to Donald Douglass, Psi Upsilon '17.

#### MARRIAGE

Katherine Branch, '16, to Winthrop Mellen, Phi Kappa Psi '16, on February 8, 1917.

### BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

As no collegiate year is ever passed without a scare I will tell you about our small pox—it's a tale that's not so rare. Five cases were discovered by the varsity board of health and everybody started to pack their books and clothes and wealth; with thoughts of home and mother their breasts were fondly filled, and then the epidemic stopped and all our hopes were killed.

Next on the list, our freshman dance was just the nicest time. We danced till one, then ate and sang till two the clocks did chime. While speaking of our freshmen—we have a brand-new pledge: Lucille Johnson from Buffalo, a peach we all allege.

On the last Monday evening before vacation set us free the Frosh gave us a party, with our usual Christmas tree. Each girl received two presents with most uncomplimentary rhymes; and since, in trying to get revenge, this house has seen wild times. After the gifts were given out we spent an hour or two before our cheerful fireplace, where we sang and chattered too. And the firelight on those faces and the Christmas carols clear are memories we all will have with us for many a year.

We had a funny experience the other afternoon: all of the girls were preparing to leave for "two o'clocks" very soon, when we saw the fire department come racing up the street and everybody bundled up from the proverbial "head to feet." And we all set out with vim the gorgeous fire to

hunt, but by the time we'd reached the door the engines stopped in front. And up the walk the firemen came running two by two. We were so stunned and overcome we knew not what to do. Our furnace had been smoking—just a little spree, that's all—and some good-natured neighbor very kindly sent the call. It was the funniest thing to see the girls "on second" and higher, lean from their open windows and say, "Is *this* house on fire?"

At present we're all interested in something rather new. The university has a plan it's trying to put through. They've had it other places—the honor system it's called, and some think by it they are freed, and some that they're enthralled. The Lit department wants it too, but not the Dents or Laws (we hope their doubtful honesty is not the only cause).

Next week begin our "mid-years" 'midst sorrow and despair. One-half the chapter kneels and prays, the other tears its hair.

But after "mid-years" comes junior hop, and all the town is gay; for thoughts of "flunks" and "cons" and things we boldly cast away. And what's a mere exam when placed beside the Junior hop? But you can't picture such a thing; so do not try—I'll stop.

Now sisters dear, I'll say farewell, with love to everyone and hopes that some day we'll all meet. Now wouldn't that be fun?

MARGARET WALSH.

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. Russel E. Dean (Ethelyn Bolen '16) was a guest for a few days in December.

Alice Wieber, '17, has been appointed Associate Editor of the yearbook, the *Michiganensian*.

Alberta Bolen, '18, and Margaret Walsh, '19, have been elected to the Classical Club.

Dorothy Durfee, '19, will enter the university again after a semester's absence.

Elinor Trueman, '18, will spend the next semester in San Diego, Cal., returning to college in the fall.

Alice Wieber, '17, has become a candidate for the degree of Master of Arts.

Stella Knapp, '14, of Bellevue, Ohio, was the guest of Beta for a week-end.

Anita M. Kelley, '17, has the honor of being the first woman representative on Student Council.

Pauline Kleinstück, '15, of Kalamazoo, Mich., was our guest in December for a week-end.

#### BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Potter (Carolyn Culver) announce the birth of a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Abbot (Emily Ely) announce the birth of a son.

#### DEATHS

Beta sincerely mourns the loss of Mrs. John Kenny (Louis Wieber, ex-'13).

#### GAMMA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

After reading the pathetic letter in the last CRESCENT on "What Makes the Editors Take Aspirin," I have started this chapter letter with the firm intention of preserving the health of the CRESCENT editors. So I shall



not say, "We have just pledged ten wonderful girls," or, "The holidays are over and now we are bending assiduously over our books in preparation for finals," or "Once again the semester is drawing to a close," or even that dear old stand-by when one knows of nothing else to say, "I suppose you have all been just as busy as we have since we last wrote." It was really a shame to expose all our lovely stock of well-frayed expressions, but even we must admit that the exposition was delicious.

So to commence in a firm, businesslike manner, Gamma wishes to announce that on December 8, we initiated six of our upperclass girls: Evangeline Maher, Mary Clark, Clara Williams, Eleanor Dana, Marion Boyce, and Jean Towsley. We tried to make our initiation ceremony as beautiful in every detail as the model initiation given at convention, and everyone felt that we succeeded in giving the most finished initiation we have ever held. At our banquet a large number of the Madison alumnae helped us to make the occasion really memorable, and with some slight aid from Shakespeare, we carried out an attractive scheme of toasts which were responded to by Jean Towsley, Beatrice Utman, Dorothy Funk, Agnes Durrie, and Mrs. Sullivan.

Last Monday night in great suspense we elected our delegates to convention. The honor fell to Agnes Durrie of the senior class and Helen Davis, of the junior class. A later article in *THE CRESCENT* will tell you more of Agnes and Helen, while those who attend the convention will have the opportunity to become personally acquainted with them. So I only mention the matter here to arouse your curiosity.

Gamma is more sorry than it can say, to lose our chaperon, Mrs. Mayers, who leaves us at the end of this semester to marry Mr. Pray of Stevens Point. Mrs. Mayers has for six years given an unlimited amount of her time and strength to forwarding the interests of Gamma Phi. All those who have ever visited the house remember her gracious hospitality and her charm. We feel fortunate in being able to secure Mrs. Simmonson, the mother of one of our pledges, to take Mrs. Mayers' place.

In order to bring the chapter in closer touch with its pledges, we have adopted a new scheme, which had its initial trial last Monday night. We invited all the pledges and all the girls living outside the house to supper, making it an informal buffet affair. After supper the pledges hold their meeting upstairs, while the active chapter meets in the chapter-room.

Panhellenic recently proposed a new plan of rushing here, which has received some support, although the general sentiment seems against it. According to the plan, rushing is to be in the fall, as formerly, but there is to be no bidding during the first week of rushing. A period of silence is then to intervene, during which time written bids are sent out, and the girls make their decisions. Gamma feels that this plan with its artificiality and constraint, is on the whole undesirable.

As a chapter, we are considering enlarging the scope of our social service work. Under the supervision of Helen Dodd, our social service chairman, we are already helping to conduct classes on Saturday afternoons at the Associated Charities, but the girls feel that we can do more than this, and so we are looking about for the best opening. The sororities and fraternities here are uniting to send an ambulance to France, and subscriptions have been very generous. Our chapter made a pledge of sixty dollars last week.

But I have said little of the social side of life at the university, and those who have ever visited here know that Madison and good times are almost synonymous. "Prom" is but two weeks distant, and we are again

overjoyed at receiving the permission of the governor to hold the affair in our beautiful new Capitol, as was done for the first time last year. Our sorority formal is to be on February 23, and discussions as to music, decorations, and programs are starting vigorously.

We have had some distinguished speakers here recently. On January 15, Max Eastman, editor of the *Masses*, gave us genuine enlightenment on Socialism, and was a surprise to those who conceived of a Socialist leader as a long-haired, eccentric, and bomb-throwing individual. Close on the heels of Max Eastman came William Jennings Bryan, who drew a tremendous crowd with a message rather different, but quite as pointed.

We are losing three of our finest girls at the end of this semester. Dorothy Bannen, who has had a teaching fellowship here this semester, leaves to take a position in Wausau. Helen Aurland graduates from the Home Economics course, and Ada McHenry is leaving to take a position in the Milwaukee schools. However, the law of compensation applies here, as elsewhere, for Myrtle Milner, Marie Bird, and Genevieve Jackson, who have all been out a semester, are coming back to graduate.

Since I can think of no way to close which will not make the editors want to take aspirin, I shall merely give Gamma's wishes for all success in the new semester, and diplomatically cease.

MARY MORSELL.

[The following resolutions will be of interest to many CRESCENT readers, since Archibald Case was the son of Nellie Smith Case (Gamma '89).]

ARCHIBALD W. CASE, *Wisconsin Alpha '11*

With members of his family at his bedside, Archibald Williston Case, Wisconsin Alpha '11, twenty-three years old, son of Major J. F. Case, engineer and former director of public works in the Philippines, died in St. John's Hospital, Long Island City, on August 24.

Brother Case was a civil engineer, employed by Snare & Triest, who are building the overhead iron work of the New York Connecting Railway Bridge across Ward's Island and Hell Gate to the Astoria shore. On the afternoon of August 23, as he was working on the Astoria shore, Brother Case was struck by a heavy box which fell from the structure above. His skull was crushed, and he was hurried to St. John's Hospital. The hospital physicians, assisted by specialists from Manhattan, operated on him that night, but he failed to regain consciousness.

Archibald Williston Case was graduated from the University of Wisconsin with the class of 1915. During his years as an active member of Phi Psi he took a live interest in the affairs of Wisconsin Alpha. In the summer of 1914 he was delegated by his chapter to represent her at the Grand Arch Council which convened that year at Cleveland.

His was the highest type of Christian manhood. At all times he stood firm for the right and the higher things of life. To his personality the poet's thought seems peculiarly applicable:

None knew thee but to love thee,  
None named thee but to praise.

In his death, Phi Psi has lost one of her most faithful sons, and his wide circle of friends have lost one the memory of whose sterling character and kind heart can never grown dim.

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Resolutions adopted by the Wisconsin Alpha Chapter  
Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, in His infinite wisdom, to take from us our beloved brother, Archibald Williston Case; and



*Whereas*, We, his brothers in Phi Kappa Psi, realize that in his death we have lost one of our truest friends and most loyal brothers; be it therefore *Resolved*, That we, the Wisconsin Alpha Chapter of the Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, express our deep sorrow and sympathy to the bereaved family; and be it further

*Resolved*, That a copy of these resolutions be entered upon the chapter minutes and a copy sent to the bereaved family, and to *The Shield*.

HENRY J. OLSON  
ARTHUR M. MOLL  
NORMAN C. BRADISH

#### PERSONALS

Mrs. Laura Sherry, a Gamma Phi who is prominent in Milwaukee dramatic circles was in Madison during January to coach the Red Domino, Edwin Booth play.

Agnes Durrie has been elected to the staff of the *Wisconsin Literary Magazine*, while Marion Flaherty, is on the business staff.

Ethel Virgin O'Neil, Gamma, is now living at 43 West Ave., South Norwalk, Conn., and has several concert engagements for the winter. Mrs. O'Neil spent several years studying in Europe before the war broke out.

Mrs. T. E. Brittingham (Mary Clark, Gamma) is spending the winter in the South.

Mrs. Minnie Knox Kreutzer, Gamma, has gone on a trip to the South. Cora Bennett, Gamma, is head of the Chemistry department in the East Cleveland High School. She spent the summer doing advanced work at Columbia.

Mrs. Leora Chase Sherman, Gamma and Minneapolis Alumnae, is actively interested in Women's club and Civic work in Minneapolis and holds positions on several prominent committees.

Mention is made elsewhere in this CRESCENT of the sad affliction of Mrs. Nelle Smith Case, Gamma, whose only son was killed in an accident at Hell Gate bridge, New York, last August.

#### MARRIAGES

Mildred Herrington to William Thompson, D. U. '14, on January 19, at Chicago.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Harriet Snell, '18, to Henry Hastings, Zeta Psi, Yale '12.

Beatrice Utman, '18, to David Harry Pierce,  $\Phi \Sigma \kappa$  '10, St. Lawrence University.

#### DELTA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

Dear Chapters:

(That sounds as if I were the Grand President.)—Just after MID-YEARS x Model Chapter Letters as they ought to be in the Exchange CRESCENT number + a tenderly clinging Boston cold = Despair—to this Deltan. I loathe mathematics—that is rather unnecessary information to Delta—and that (loathing math) is the reason, I suppose, for that little formula, for I'm in a contrary state of soul.

I would rather be led out and politely executed than write this masterpiece.

But as they sing *chez* Mr. Wm. Sunday, "Brighten the Corner Where You Are." Mr. Wm. Sunday has just left Boston—and, oh girls, you should see the improvement in Delta. We are only hoping that Miss Nachtrieb

will fall upon us at once and catch us before it all wears off. Amy B. is wondering just what I mean. *She* hit the sawdust trail. Sims is wondering whether she can ever afford to speak to me again. *Sims* wouldn't even go.

I think I stated that I was in a contrary state of soul.

Here's fishing for pleasant thoughts ——— Got him!—the Alumnae Christmas spread to Us. (He's a beauty, girls.)

It really was *very* nice. We like the looks of our alumnae and it's like a sort of inner initiation to be entertained by such a large crowd of them. It was at Mary and Dorothy Taylor's. I won't say what nice hostesses they were—and always are—for Dot is so modest that she would blush at a compliment even on paper—I mean typewriter paper. (Dorothy, I am in a contrary-state-of-soul.)

Then after the last examination had been bluffed, flunked, or killed, the remnants of the Triangle Chapter—(I just sneaked through Solid Geometry—and it still haunts me soul)—the remnants of the Triangle—as I was saying—met for a Bat.

We all went to the theater, properly and sweetly chaperoned by Miss Fitz, came home, ate very gorgeous—I don't dare say *eats*—Mrs. Graham expurgated that from my last—well—we ate very good rarebit, olives, sandwiches, peanuts, punch—and so on.

Then we said good night to Miss Fitz, escorted her home—she lives in the suite across the hall—and—Delta is holding its breath for fear I am going to tell.

Well, I am. (Please remember I'm in a contrary state of soul.)

We rehearsed several scenes from Miss Springtime—the evening's play—(notably one awful chorus entitled "Blood! Blood! Blood!" Rachel and I disgraced ourselves by dressing up in a Paris green fairy costume (it was originally *one* costume), one of us wore a black Arab veil and was unkindly compared to Fatima of the Billboards—I think you did that, Sims.

There was a full Symphony Orchestra (I hope I don't get a libel suit for that). There were first tin pans, second tin pans, toasters, egg-beaters, and general cutlery. Those who had sneaked off to bed must have had infernal dreams. Adaline Bullen showed us that Thetas at least can be ladies or, in this case, gentlemen, and sweetly and ukulelely (don't hunt it up, it's only in the Hawaiian Standard Dictionary) serenaded the sleeping sisters.

At 4:45 all was calm.

The next morning a maid came up and timidly announced that she was to tell us that "there had been noise in the night." Of course, Mrs. Graham may have to censor all this, too.

Also, according to Mrs. Graham's suggestion, let me tell you Other Chapters, that Boston University of Boston, where one is so conservative that one would not affirm that there ever had been a Boston Massacre until after re-looking up the event in the Public Library, (don't any of you people ever dare go through Boston without "doing" the Public Library) and Boston University is right next door; I can see that this sentence is luring me on to say, "Please come over and do us, too." Seriously, Other Chapters please don't be offended! Never mind about the sentence. What I was going to say before the typewriter and the English language got the best of me was: Boston University has turned topsy-turvy progressive and bought out the Walker Building vacated last fall by the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (vulgarly and conveniently called Tech) and established therein a College of Business Administration with courses from



Economics to Russian, said courses leading to the degree of B.B.A., which being interpreted is, Bachelor of Business Administration. Boston has fallen in with the idea and already the C.B.A. is a great success and promises to mean much in the future in bringing the University into active relation with the life of the city.

Oh, something else! This is a model example of a "well-handled transitional paragraph." The Boston University girls gave a huge and enchanting Christmas tree to a hundred little North End tots whose letters to Santa the committee filched out of the Postoffice dead letter box.

Tolstoy and all the rest of the socialists are a perfect success when applied to children. They were all adorable, from the thin little yellow pig-tails to the wool with the kink that wouldn't come out. And Santa Clause swallowed all the polysyllabic names with a practiced throat and tossed their owners' dolls, zoo-specimens, apples, mittens, ribbons, caps, and candy. One of the Alpha Gamma Delta girls danced as a shimmering fairy around the tree, a Kappa Gamma sang Christmas songs, and we shooed home a hundred tired and excited tots back to their gray land of every day.

In your days of pink hair-ribbons and fluffy petticoats, have you ever been shamefully pinioned to your seat after school and under the evil eye of Teacher had to write out that wrongly spelled word 25 times? And do you remember how you felt when you said, "Please, may I go now?"

Please, may I go now?

I see that it isn't quite plain just who is Teacher in this case. It may imply the Chapter Letter Editor or the whole Chapter Roll. I know I never can figure it out, and it's against my principles to erase. Anyway, if you remember, Teacher, too, always looked relieved.

EVA MABEL SADLER.

#### EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi:

It is difficult for us (Editorial we) with our head in a web towel studying to beat Alpha Phi out of her first place on the scholarship list, to compose our thoughts and be interesting. In spite of all the gentle hints of the last CRESCENT to the effect that chapter letters are a bore, our cerebrum refuses to work. Add to our present state of brain fag the score of our basketball game with the University of Chicago last night and you have a condition rarely equalled since Ophelia tossed the posies.

A brief résumé of events since the last installment shows that we have two pledges not mentioned in the list, to wit: Katherine McCutcheon, pledged at the beginning of the fall term, and Anna Roy, who pledged just before the holidays. And while speaking of pledges, let me impress upon your minds that they are truly a bright constellation, however, poor form it may be to say so. The upperclassmen have to keep on the go-scholastically as well as socially—to keep up with them. The As that they bring home regularly are astonishing. We expect to initiate them soon although it will be one of the labors of Hercules to do so. (See last count which shows 22 pledges to our credit.)

As I anticipated last time, we danced informally at Winnetka December 16 and had a lovely party, since then we have buzzed most of the time. Fraternity and University dances have come thick and fast. Our Christmas party at Jane Kendal's was a success and everyone left for the holidays feeling very gay. They came back much less gay and a great deal sleepier

from excessive gadding. Last week some of the girls sold flowers at the Allied Bazaar—a stupendous affair in which all the city and suburbs have been interested. Friday we had a tea at Elizabeth Well's for the Grand Council. We hope they enjoyed being with us half as much as we enjoyed having them.

The course in Red Cross Nursing which is given here in the evenings is interesting many of our fair coeds. They have learned how to make beds and bandages and people comfortable. And not at all in connection with that, but yet of interest, is the lecture to be given here by Alfred Noyes tomorrow evening. There is a great demand for tickets which is indicative of glimmerings of cultural interest in our community. Plans have been proposed to bring our professional departments out to the North Side nearer the Liberal Arts school. This would doubtless promote athletics and college spirit to a tremendous degree.

We envy the fortunates who are going to convention. Jane Kendall is going as our delegate, and she surely deserves the honor.

We send our best wishes to every Gamma Phi,

SARAH RADEBAUGH.

#### PERSONALS

Ruth Clarke Callis has just moved to Rockford, Ill., and we hope to see her often. Toledo was a long distance away.

Mary Snell, one of our pledges, was unable to return to college after the holidays because of the illness of her mother.

#### MARRIAGES

Margaret Fargo to Charles Skinner, Dec. 15. Mr. and Mrs. Skinner are at present living on the North Side.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Zeta Murphy to Ted Armstrong,  $\Delta T \Delta$ .

Helen Bernheisel to Wayland Hier,  $\Sigma A E$ .

Marjorie Grantham to Gilbert Loveland.

Clea Cozzins to John McLean.

#### ZETA—GOUCHER COLLEGE

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

Hence gloom! On with the smile for mid-years have come and gone! What a relief it is to walk down Goucher Hall and once more be greeted with smiles, instead of haggard-looking girls, with dark-circled eyes and gloomy countenances. Many were the quarts of mid-night oil burned in the halls of Goucher College, in spite of the incessant plea for "preparedness." It reminds me of "Do your Christmas shopping early," but one never does. I am fully convinced that if one began on the day after Christmas to shop for the next Christmas, on the twenty-fourth of December there would still be heaps of things to do. And it is exactly the same way with mid-years, or perhaps just a little different, for by the time one had finished reviewing, all that we reviewed first would have been again forgotten and the painful process would have to be repeated all over again. Besides if you don't do eleventh hour cramming it takes away half the fun of being excited and fussing about examinations. You certainly all do admit, don't you, that there is a certain amount of pleasure derived from assuming a sort of martyr-like attitude? Each day, as the examinations passed off the atmosphere became less and less tense till, well, you can imagine the



seventh-heaven state of mind we are all in now. I am sure that the greatest reaction will be felt in the gate receipts at the movies, theaters, and the number of lunches served at the Dutch Tearoom. I suppose, though, the most of you have been having similar experiences or are having them now, so I wont heighten your misery by dwelling on the dreaded subject.

We did have one bright spot, just before mid-years to cheer us on our dangerous way, and that was a Zeta reunion with a few guests from other chapters. It was a truly reunion, for all those who were not able to be present wrote letters or sent word to tell what they were doing. We had a lovely gossipy time hearing all the news about everybody. Gamma Phis must have particular charms for the men, judging by the overwhelming majority who are married. The next profession in popularity was teaching (I am not sure whether that signifies anything or not), and the remaining ones varied from the medical profession to real ladies of leisure. Those of the alumnæ who were present told us themselves what they were doing and gave us a lot of information about many others. We were delighted to have Marion Crist and Miss Gilbert, both of Stanford, with us. Miss Crist is now studying architecture at the George Washington University, and Miss Gilbert has come all the way from the coast to help put through the federal amendment for woman suffrage. At present she is one of the silent sentinels, doing picket duty before the White House gates. It was real thrilling to have a picketer with us. She made us so enthusiastic that a number of Gamma Phis are planning to go to Washington to help. Here is hoping that she will succeed in making the President do something. I suppose I ought not to express partisan views in the CRESCENT, but I just cannot help it.

One thing which makes us very sad is the departure of one of our pledges, Elizabeth Wingert, who will, however, be an initiate member before she leaves. Betty's health has been very poor all year, so she is going out on a ranch to recuperate. Rebecca de Mott, one of our much loved seniors has also had to go home owing to the ill-health of her mother. The only thing that reconciles us to Becky's leaving is that she will probably be back with us again next fall.

As soon as the semester grades are in we are to initiate our pledges. It will certainly be fine to have such a number of enthusiastic new girls in our chapter meetings and activities. Our little room, I am afraid, will be too small for initiation, so I guess we shall have to persuade somebody to lend us one. Such are the trials and tribulations that your poor sisters, who have no chapter house, have to combat. Well, there is no use grumbling about it, so we shall have to hope, as I heard it very naively said in a play just recently, that "if you want a thing very much, just keep on wishing for it and it will turn out just the way you wished it." I hope that will be true about our chapter house dreams.

It is hardly necessary to say that we extend to each and every Gamma Phi a most hearty welcome to Convention. If you are all as anxious to come as we are to have you there will not be a Gamma Phi to be found anywhere except in Baltimore during Convention.

AGNES L. WILBON.

#### ETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Dear Crescent:

Greetings and all love to you! We crave your sympathy if we appear self-centered this month, but our situation is appalling. It is a case of

affianced to the right of us, affianced to the left of us; Freshies no sooner know our names than they're bereft of us. Even the Christmas tree was not spared, for in the middle of the distributing process Santa Claus opened a box of candy announcing the engagement of Emily Stewart to Rev. Bayard H. Jones.

The chapter is suffering from too much excitement along this line, for we expect six weddings this summer. Imra Wann, our beloved Imra, who has run about everything on the campus from Y. W. C. A. down, is to be married to Dr. John Buwalda of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. We hope that Dr. Buwalda will make Berkeley his permanent home so that Gamma Phis for years to come may attend his classes and to the discomfiture of other students hail him as "Brother."

For more reasons than one we love Dr. Buwalda; but what do you think of a perfectly nice man who persists in living in Central America, and of one of our very finest girls who insists on loving him more than Gamma Phi activities? Dora Atwater is to be married in March to James Wallace, a Sigma Chi. The wedding will take place three miles out at sea on the way to Central America, where Mr. Wallace has business interests. Dora will be accompanied by Mrs. Atwater and Joliet.

Luzina Denio is now Mrs. George O'Hara. The wedding took place in Vallejo just before college opened, so ten of the girls were able to attend, and they returned with glowing accounts of the sweetness and beauty of the ceremony.

Enough of these matrimonial affairs! We're mighty happy that our engagees are happy, but don't think we still haven't some serious minded people who give college affairs due attention. Esther Sinclair has made Prytanean Honor Society in her junior year, besides managing the house, and, incidentally, giving us all plenty to eat. Confidentially speaking, the red cheeks resulting therefrom are responsible for all this sudden success in matrimonial circles, though, of course, no one else admits it. We have more than a little for which to thank Esther.

Grace Partridge is leaving the end of January for Nevada, where she has accepted a position to teach domestic art in one of the high schools. It is those who really put to use their college training that make the rest of us want to acquire some knowledge or training likewise, and it is comradeship with such girls as Grace that makes the chapter the potent factor that it is.

Again the Partheneia comes,—and in April, the house is represented with a vim and vigour unequalled, for each year we realize more keenly that this masque, produced wholly by women students of the University, is a powerful contribution to the art of the West in literature, music, costuming, and dancing. The rôles have not yet been assigned but the constructive committee work has started with Esther Sinclair, Eunice Barstow, Helen Sutherland, Annette Ruggles, Florence Hoefler, and Ruth Wetmore working on costumes, both designing and sewing. Margaret Boveroux and Elizabeth Ruggles are active on the property staff.

We are all more than glad to see the spirit with which the freshmen enter into college affairs. At first it is a difficult thing to do because in a university of this size it is easier to lose than to distinguish oneself, and the temptation is not to try, but Dorothy Hanna dared, and won a place in Treble Clef.

During the Christmas holidays we initiated nine girls. Have you met them? Katherine Lahanne, Dorothy Hanna, and Ellen Power, Helen



Sutherland, Annette Ruggles, and Elizabeth Buffington, Dorothy Meredith, Persis Edwards, and Helena Fairbanks.

We thank Minnesota for sharing Beatrice Washburn with us this year. We certainly are glad to have such interesting members transferred.

Our latest gifts to ourselves are two delightful pledgees, Helen Brehm from Seattle, and Pearly Saul from San Francisco. We promise you'll hear more from these two soon.

With all this new material to mold, Eta hopes to send you word of five things accomplished this semester. But for this time we give New Year hopes for the best of good things to all Gamma Phi.

RUTH WETMORE.

#### THETA—UNIVERSITY OF DENVER

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Denver is undergoing a bit of advanced spring weather, and college students are suffering from premature spring fever; it seems impossible to think that since the last chapter letter, Christmas has come and gone, and finals have left us a little wiser and a little sadder.

Christmas vacation was filled to the brim for Gamma Phi. The custom of serving Christmas dinner to the men at Craig Colony was repeated this year. The girls go out to this Colony for Tuberculars, about ten o'clock Christmas morning, some of the talented ones give a program and "These ~~also~~ serve who only stand and wait" type prepare the usual goodies. After the dinner is over, the girls all declare "it's the best Christmas we've ever had."

The pledges, in a burst of enthusiasm gave the girls an informal dance at the home of Pauline Cornish, Thursday, December 28. It was a lovely party, with the girls duly appreciative and the pledges duly impressed. Speaking of impressions, Miss Nachtrieb made such a lasting one, that her visit is one of the main subjects of conversation among us. We were made to feel what a wonderful thing National Gamma Phi is, and what wonderful efficient, capable, attractive girls Gamma Phis are all over the land, and also what a wonder Miss Nachtrieb herself is, so efficient, helpful, and charming.

A joint meeting of the board of directors of the lodge and the active girls was called for last Saturday morning at the lodge, and when we walked in our front door, imagine what met our eyes. Instead of an electric light globe hanging from a cord in the ceiling, there had been installed through the house, an indirect lighting system, that is simply too wonderful to be true, and we are the proudest girls in University Park. Theta is all excited now about the biggest event in the college year, the Play. Lindsey Barbee, as usual is the authoress, *The Spell of the Image*. Though we thought that the last year's play was the last word in amateur theatricals, we are firmly convinced that nothing can surpass this year's." We surely owe Lindsey a debt of gratitude, for the work, the enthusiasm, and the energy she expends on these plays. The performance is to be given February 17 and about twenty of the active girls have parts, so it is our center of interest just now.

Initiation will be the next event on our calendar, but that will take place the last of February, so more about it in our next letter.

With best wishes to Gamma Phis from Alpha to Upsilon.

LOUISE BLAUVELT.

## PERSONALS

Gertrude Sharp of Tau, is gladly welcomed into Theta this semester.

We are glad to have Delta know and love Adaline Bullen this semester, just so she comes back to us next year.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Katherine Ramsey to Barton Haggart, of Des Moines, Iowa.

## KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Dear Girls:

"How did you come out in your finals?" This is the all-important question at present, for final week is just over and the registrar is sending hundreds of little valentines in the form of "blue slips" to delinquent upper-classmen as well as to trembling freshmen. But he seems to have slighted the Gamma Phi's this semester so we expect to have a good scholastic record at the end of the year as well as a fine lot of freshmen to initiate next month.

Margaret Nachtrieb spent four days with us last month on her regular inspection tour. Of course, she is one of our own alumnae so it was rather hard for us to be on our best behaviour and make a "good impression." We gave a tea for her and invited all the other sororities and their chaperons. The day of the tea was a cold, blizzardy one, but, even so, it was well attended. At the special meeting called for the visiting delegates' report she gave us many constructive ideas which we are now putting into practice and finding very beneficial.

Next week we are giving an alumnae spread, so at present we are all busy planning stunts and amusements for the event. One of the features of the evening is to be a vaudeville by the freshmen. They are working in secret, but judging from the mysterious look on their faces and from our previous experience with their productions we can expect something very clever. But I can tell you more about that in the next letter.

Myrna Lindquist, ex-'17, was a visitor at the house last week. Myrna surprised us several months ago by announcing that she was to discontinue her kindergarten work and go home. The cause of the disturbance was a beautiful diamond on her left hand. She is to be married February 17 to Albert Cummins of Chicago.

Enid Wilcox, '15, and Verna Hermann, '16, were also among our visitors for the past month. Enid is spending several months in Minneapolis and Verna has returned to her home from Bellingham, where she was teaching.

At present we are all looking forward to the coming of Dr. Marion Le Roy Burton, the new president of the University. Dr. Vincent's resignation was a surprise to all of us and there was considerable excitement as to who his successor would be. Dr. Burton is president of Smith College, and Minnesota considers itself most fortunate in securing him for the new president.

The various girl's dormitories, coöperative houses, and sororities are planning a basketball tournament which is to begin next month. Last year we made second place in the tournament and this year we hope to be the winners.

Kappa's love and best wishes to all of you.

MARGARET GILLESPIE.



## LAMBDA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

Dear Gamma Phis:

One might think that the last issue of our honored CRESCENT was a gentle (?) hint to us unappreciated chapter letter writers. It is with fear and trembling that I attempt to relate to you the happenings at Washington of the past few months.

We had a wonderful Christmas party on the fifteenth of December, the day Christmas vacation began. (Although I wasn't going to mention it Christmas vacation really is over and this is really and truly examination week.) The freshmen took entire charge of the party, from the cutting of the first sprig of green to the drying of the last spoon, and they certainly deserved all the praise they received for it. At five in the afternoon we eager upperclassmen were admitted to the living-room which had been closed to us all day. The long room was disguised with a profusion of Christmas greens, and in one corner stood a glistening Christmas tree. We grouped ourselves about the tree and waited for the presents for the house which were piled beneath its branches to be unwrapped. We received many useful as well as beautiful gifts, among them a number of sofa cushions, a long mirror for the hall, a mahogany table to stand beneath the mirror, a lovely candle lamp, two dozen bouillion spoons, and last but not least a wonderful Oriental rug. After a spread, we got ourselves into some party clothes and hurried downstairs to welcome the men who were to be our guests for the evening. The dance was a huge success, and as the country newspaper puts it, "a fine time was had by all."

And what do you think? Right after vacation those very same freshmen were hostesses to us at another party, La Dansant, this time even inviting the men and footing the bills.

The University of Washington, you know, has a glee club. They are very good, at least the club itself thinks so, for every year they take themselves on a tour of the state to give the isolated settlers the benefit of their talents. A short time ago the club gave the students a treat in the final concert of the year. It was really splendid, and after it was over we had lots of fun at a big dance in the gym.

There is to be a Tolo Club dance soon. Have you heard of Tolo Club dances before? They should be famous by now. Once a year on this occasion it is the honor as well as the privilege of the women of the university to invite, escort to the party, and dance with the men of their choice. It is loads of fun to take the initiative in "fussing," and it is highly amusing to note that some of the men who have inflated ideas of their own popularity are conspicuous by their absence from the party. The proceeds of the dance go to the loan fund of the club which is a senior girls' honor society.

But we have been doing more than partying at Washington. Week-ends of good times are made up for by getting in and digging through the week, and cramming our heads with tons and tons of learning, for you know Lambda has a record to live up to and our freshmen are realizing more and more what our high scholarship means to us.

Family characteristics must be pretty strong in the Sully family, for both Bernice and Fredericka have been elected to membership in  $\Pi \Lambda \Theta$ , a national educational fraternity.

Right on top of a lot of post vacation excitement we pinned the ribbons on a new pledge. Nu, you know who she is—Katherine Swem. We know you will be awfully fond of her and we expect to share her with you, more or less, as her home is in Medford, Oregon.

CHARLOTTE DOHENY.

## PERSONALS

Lucy Gallup, our gifted contralto, is now a member of Masque and Quill, a sort of diversified talents club.

Emma White is traveling in the Orient.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Willow Coffman is wearing a perfectly gorgeous diamond, the gift of Mr. Jack Healey, of Seattle, who is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

## MU—STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

We have been through a great deal since the last chapter letter was sent to THE CRESCENT. Our most exciting time, before final examinations, was initiation. Several of our alumnæ came back to see us initiate, with great glee, our eleven freshmen. One is a very recent pledge so I take special pleasure in introducing to you, Aida Gilcrist from San Mateo, Cal. Aida is on the Y. W. C. A. cabinet and a girl we are very proud of. Following initiation we had our senior-freshman banquet. Herva Dunshee, our Baltimore convention delegate, was toastmistress with the following subjects on the program:

Welcome—Freshmen  
 Duties of the new  $\Gamma \Phi \Sigma$   
 Fraternity Ideals  
 The "Old Girls"  
 "Looking Ahead"  
 Farewell—Seniors.

We were only half so sad as usual at the mid-term graduation, for half of the graduating girls were coming back, the half being, Ruth Long. The leaving half was Lorene Wilcox. We do miss her for she was our star tackle on the after-dinner indoor football team.

The night after the banquet we had our annual Christmas party. Each girl gets a toy with an appropriate verse. The toys are then given to some children's institution. After all these good times we settled down meekly to take our final examinations.

After our three weeks' vacation and the receiving of our grades from the registrar, we were most happy to see all our girls back. The first night we celebrated by giving the first campus dance. The next night two of the girls entertained the house in their new quarters, with a housewarming.

Soon we gave a backward dinner, beginning with bouillion in after-dinner coffee cups and ending with coffee in soup plates. The next week we were hostesses to the women of the university at the Woman's Clubhouse. Since then we have been studying all the time, all except week-end nights.

Mrs. Vernon Lyman Kellog, wife of the professor of entomology here, and a  $\Gamma \Phi \Sigma$ , has just returned from managing some relief work among the children in Belgium. She addressed the university last week with a most interesting account of her work and impressions of Belgium's courage and cheerfulness.

Military drill is being given at Stanford this year. About three hundred men are wearing uniforms, which gives our campus a very military air.

With greetings to all the Gamma Phis.

GLADYS KNOWLTON.



## PERSONALS

Lydia Long, Marjorie Fitch, and Mildred Gilbert have visited us lately. Marian Dorn, a last year's  $\Phi B K$ , has been spoken of very highly in a recent number of an Art Magazine. Two of her pictures have been accepted for exhibition in San Francisco.

## NU—UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

February finds us up to our ears in examinations but with the great relief of knowing that they will soon be over. They are tightening up on us here at Oregon by raising the standard about ten per cent a year, so soon won't we be more than perfect? We talked about it a great deal, and then did a great amount of studying for we decided that Nu chapter must not make Gamma Phi Beta any lower in scholarship than possible. So you see we have done our best.

Conditions here are in rather a perilous condition just now. The state legislature has decided that the people are paying too many taxes, so they set out to find where the difficulty lay. Last Saturday they came down here in a body to investigate us and find out just how extravagant we were. It was rumored, too, that they were not strongly in favor of fraternities. We did our best by turning out in a body to welcome them, and by showing them the true Oregon spirit. The week before they had visited the agricultural college and examined conditions there. We don't know the outcome of it all yet. We still have our hopes that they will give us our much needed appropriation for a women's dormitory, as we have none here. They have, however, declared themselves not opposed to fraternities.

For three weeks before the examinations there is nothing at all to distract us from our work, so there has been an absence of all kinds of entertainments. We have done nothing at all in that line since our Christmas tea in Portland. The tea was given at the home of Beatrice Locke, '16, with about two hundred and fifty invited guests. All of the active girls were there, returning from their holiday vacation early. We all felt that the tea was very successful as it gave us an opportunity to meet not only a great many rushees but also many of our alumnae.

There are five of our girls who are very much interested in dramatics and who all take part in the campus plays. We have, in our administration building, a little theater that is ideal for these plays.

Two of our freshmen were initiated into Mu Phi Epsilon just before Christmas. Viola Crawford is a splendid violinist and we are very proud of her. She plays first violin in the orchestra. Irene Strowbridge is our other Mu Phi. She has a beautiful, round mezzo voice.

We shall initiate our six pledges on the tenth of February, winding up the ceremonies with a banquet at the hotel. We are in hopes that several of our alumnae will be with us.

All of the girls look forward so to the coming of THE CRESCENT. They seem to be taking a special interest in it this year.

EMMA WOOTTON.

## MARRIAGES

Mildred Thomas, ex-'19, was married to J. Ward Arney, Sigma Nu, on the twentieth of December. Helen McCormack and Agnes Miller were present at the wedding. Mr. and Mrs. Arney are making their home in Boise, Idaho.

## PERSONALS

Vernice Robbins, '19, who has been at home this last semester is returning to register this semester.

Dorothy Montgomery, ex-'19, is doing kindergarten work in Astoria.

## XI—UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

Dear Gamma Phis:

Examinations have descended upon us with the usual "dull, sickening thud" and I shouldn't be surprised if this letter turned deep blue or futuristic purple while I write, from the very gloom of my forebodings. Yet I *do* have some pleasant things to tell you. Our Gamma Phi Christmas party is one of them. It began with a really lovely oriental scene, with incense, soft lights, bright costumes, weird music, and the other accessories. Clarinda Bodler, one of the pledges, gave a rythmical, mystic dance that held us all spellbound in admiration and surprise. Clarinda displayed another branch of her ingenious talents a few moments later in a chatty little "chalk talk," which changed our admiring "oohs" and "aahs" to shrieks of laughter. Lorene Latta and Gladys Dwight, stuffed out like fat little birds, hopped and whistled out a delicious bit of pantomime called "The Irreconciliation." But the last stunt was the loveliest of all: a miniature morality play called *Every Pledge*. Ferol Richardson was the sweet, little, white-clad pledge with an enormous buff and brown bow over her heart. Most of the other pledges appeared as the characters of the modern allegory: Greenness, Conceit, The Sororities, Dates, Formals, The Profs, (hand in hand with Hurry-Ups), Examinations, Initiation, and so on.

At the conclusion of the stunts, we were taken to the reception room, where the tree shone forth in all its holiday glory. Margaret Denning distributed the gifts, lovely, useful gifts for the house, and good-natured jokes for the active girls. Bathaline Cowgill read a presentation "pome" which went with the substantial and good-looking andirons given by the freshmen. Then we all went downstairs to a real spread, served by the pledges at small, daintily arranged tables.

Last Saturday, January 27, three of our girls appeared in a very successful production of *Green Stockings*, given by the Dramatic Fraternity. Catherine Chrisman and Grace Eagleson did some very excellent work in it, but I want to mention it particularly, because it was a sort of farewell triumph for Byrd Wall, one of our best loved sisters. She had the big part of the play, *Celia Faraday*, and she did it wonderfully! Then, leaving us that last fine picture of her, she flew off on the 8:15 train the next morning to teach school in some faraway village. She has completed her college work in three and a half years and with highest honors at that!

A new local fraternity, Zeta Chi Alpha, has recently been formed here at the University, and has taken up its residence in the "old Gamma Phi House." Its members all have a high scholastic average and it looks forward to soon obtaining a national charter.

Gladys Collins-Lehman entertained us all charmingly on January 21 at her home in Pullman, Washington. Pullman is only nine miles from Moscow and the Washington State College is located there so, of course, we enjoyed meeting the people from our neighboring college very much. Lita Bane, Gamma Phi's new national Cookbook Chairman, who is an instructor in Home Economics at Pullman, poured tea, and helped Mrs. Lehman in dispensing her well-known hospitality.

CAROL RYRIE.



## PERSONALS

Verna Johannesen, ex-'18, is expected to return to college for the second semester.

Bernadine Adair, '19, assisted with her beautiful voice at the piano recital of Miss Jennie Peterson, a Delta Gamma.

Bathaline Cowgill, '20, sang the lead in a musical stunt given at the Guild Hall by the Sigma Nus.

Byrd Wall, '17, and Ola Bonham, '17, are members of the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet.

Gertrude and Permelia Hays, '18, Catherine Chrisman, '18, Bernadine Adair, '19, Dulcea Van Ostrand, and Jessie Smith, '20, are members of the Orpheus Club.

## ENGAGEMENTS

Byrd Wall to George McMullan, Sigma Nu.

## MARRIAGES

Grace Bolger to Norman Barker, Δ K E, at Twin Falls, Idaho.

## BIRTHS

To Marjory Zumhoff-Adams, a girl.

## OMICRON—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

This is a gloomy time to write any sort of a letter, with final examinations sniffing at my heels, and to think that this letter is for the Convention number of *THE CRESCENT*! Oh, well, if it wasn't examinations it would be something else, ergo—

Listen, my sisters, and I shall impart

The deeds of our chapter, from *finish* to *start*.

(Pardon the inverted order—poetic license!)

There dwelt in Urbana, the land of the wise,

A group of fair maidens, *les belles Gamma Phis*,

Now this was as merry and happy and keen

And brilliant a group as you ever have seen.

The king of the land, \*James the first, I believe,

Looked down from his throne, saying, "I can't quite conceive

How they can be so brilliant and manage so well.

Send for one of their number and ask her to tell."

Behold, soon there came to the throne of that king,

A Gamma Phi maiden, their praises to sing.

Her eyes were of blue and her stature was tall,

Her hair was as red as the leaves in the Fall.

She bowed to the king and began to declaim

How the Gamma Phi maids had achieved so much fame:

"We love one another and, bound by one tie,

We work for the crescent of dear Gamma Phi,

Besides all our work we find time for some play;

We try to win honors and make friends each day."

The king interrupted and begged her to tell

Of their work and their play—and their honors as well.

She said, "I could never relate to you all

Of our work, play, and honors, beginning with Fall;

So I'll start with December and tell you from there

The things that we've done and the honors we bear  
 We've had two gay parties—the first was the best—  
 'Twas just before Christmas—why haven't you guessed?  
 It was then our dear Ella confessed to us all  
 Her love for Jack Watson, a Zeta Psi tall.  
 At the other we danced till 'twas twelve by the clock,  
 Then we had some refreshments and homeward did flock.  
 And you know, oh great king, you have brightened our days  
 With the Symphony concerts, great speakers, and plays."  
 The king smiled his pleasure, his eyes gleamed with fun,  
 "Now tell me the honors that Omicron's won."  
 "One maid, she's as dainty and neat as a pin  
 Made Scribblers, an honor that very few win.  
 Then one of our seniors—oh, what a fine scheme!  
 Was chosen to captain her basketball team.  
 A tall, dark, young junior—she's Irish I think,  
 For she's clever and droll, and as quick as a wink  
 Brought fame to our chapter when chosen this year,  
 As 'annual member' of the Y. W. here"  
 "Enough of your honors! You say not a bit  
 Of the work that you do. Tell me something of it."  
 She began, "Why we study, and just in a day  
 Our final exams come"—then fainted away.  
 And still being weak from the shock of it all,  
 And bumped black and blue with the force of her fall,  
 The charm and the beauty she cannot relate,  
 Of Lillian Woerman, our dear delegate.

ASTRID DODGE.

[\*President James, President of the University.]

#### PERSONALS

Miss Grandy visited us in December and we immediately proceeded to get a "crush" on her. It's such a relief to discover that the seemingly unapproachable National officers are so human and lovable!

Miss Montgomery, a niece of Miss Hitchcock, our chaperon, visited her for a few days.

#### HONORS

Harriette Dadant—Captain of senior basketball team.

Flora Hottes—Scribblers' Club, Athletic Association.

Lucile Pierson—Athletic Association.

Jennis Barry—Y. W. C. A. Annual Member, Manager of Interscholastic Stunt Show.

Hazel Barackman—Athletic Association.

Lois Scott—Leading part in *Indian Summer*, given by the Literary Societies.

Lillian Woerman—Chemistry Club.

#### MARRIAGES

On January 1, Ella Tillotson was married to Jack Watson, Z  $\Psi$ , President of the Y. M. C. A., and Captain of the Varsity Football team.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Gladys Treat has announced her engagement to Chester Haddon, Acacia.



## PI—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Dear Gamma Phis:

"Skaters Skimming Sleety Streets See Showers of Shining Stars"—that's what greeted us yesterday morning in the "Rag" as we call our *Daily Nebraskan*, and I thought possibly I might, too, see stars if I didn't hurry and obey the call of our ever-demanding editor. About the skating, though, I really have come to the conclusion that you see fewer stars by skating to college than by attempting—notice the emphatic "attempt"—to walk. Such sport as the students have been having with the ice! You see our streets are covered with an icy coating caused by a rain followed by a severe frost.

This morning we were awakened from our slumbers by a dear little rooster crowing in our basement. The crowing came up the registers and caused our little freshman, Genevieve, to jump out of bed and cry, "Oh, my little rooster will get loose!" She hurriedly dressed and went to the basement while we lay in wonderment until we realized that tonight Genevieve Addleman was to take the lead in *Fanchon, the Cricket* put on in the Dramatic Department. The little rooster was a good advertiser for we are all very keen to see her in it now. Also Bertha Bates takes an important part in the production.

While I am writing about dramatic ability I will tell you of Carolyn Kimball's share in such work. She was a member of the cast that put on *Ready Money*. It was so well liked that David City asked that it be given there and last Friday saw the cast depart to said city, bringing back glowing reports of a very appreciative audience. Carolyn has also been appointed chairman of the girls' club stunt for University Night.

University Night is given over entirely to University Students and no one but students and faculty will be admitted. The program consists of various stunts put on by University organizations. The Girls' Club is, indeed, a large representative organization and we are glad that Carolyn will have charge of it.

The Cornhusker Party which I mentioned in my last letter was very successful as to the number of girls that were present, and, also, as to the stunts put on. After much arguing about the most popular one we decided to let Eleanor Frampton take us in charge and we practiced faithfully with her at a stunt called *The American Rag*. About fourteen of us dressed in clown suits of various colors and sang a series of popular "Rags." Gladys Wilkinson alone dressed like "The Girl on the Magazine Cover," and we fell into the mood of a clown very readily. I think the most fun we had was in making the suits. Our chapter-room was a medley of all shades and colors of clown goods and everyone wanted the one and only sewing machine at the same time.

There is to be another University affair next week in the form of our popular "Mixers." The seniors are planning it and no doubt it will be as well attended as the previous ones.

I think the next event of importance was Miss Nachtrieb's visit to us. We all enjoyed her visit at Lincoln and she left with us the important feeling of being a unit of a wonderful organization. At the same time of Miss Nachtrieb's arrival in Lincoln we also had the delightful surprise of a visit from Marion Weaver, Alpha, traveling in vaudeville as Vivian Revere.

Just before we went home for our Christmas holidays we had our Christmas entertainment. We had a "splendiferous" tree loaded with real Christmas goodies along with ten cent gifts that were proper take-offs on ourselves. We had a regular Christmas dinner with candles and holly and

all that's nice, after which our freshmen put on a Three Part Stunt. It was a true representation of our sorority life with many a ripping joke on each of us.

Eleanor Frampton and Marjorie Green both are kept busy with their dancing. Eleanor has been asked to coach the dancing of a high school play in a nearby town. At present she is assisting the Physical Education department by teaching two asthetic dancing classes. Marjorie has had charge of the Women's Club Gymnasium class all year and has been given the entire charge of the gymnasium work for the coming summer school session.

The swimming classes of the year were conducted by them, and we feel that from the number of our girls that started lessons we ought to have them form a swimming team.

We were also very happy upon learning that Sarah Cole and Orra O'Neal made the Kosmet Klub Play.

Our girls still continue in the Social Service work at the Charity Organization by doing personal calling on needy families.

Since coming back from the Christmas holidays our town members have been more than hospitable with their homes. On the first Sunday afternoon Mrs. Eigenbroadt had us all out to help celebrate Heila Eigenbroadt and Martha Leads' birthday. We girls feel we are still "kids" enough to enjoy a birthday cake. We have made it a custom here at Pi chapter to have a candle-lit birthday cake for each member when their anniversary comes. We all wait breathlessly while the victim blows the candles to see when her "Knight comes Riding."

Gladys Wilkinson had us out to her home which has always been open to us for rushing parties. We had such a delightful "get-together" talk and on the following Sunday Eleanor Frampton had us out for another of these famous Sunday teas.

This letter has been written on the installment plan and since the first writing we have had a delightful surprise by the Dramatic Club voting to make Genevieve Addleman a member because of her ability as shown in the play, *Fanchon, The Cricket*.

On January the twenty-eighth we initiated Eliza Bickett who is forced to leave college on account of her health.

We are now at the close of another semester and Lucille Coates who is home this winter at Grand Island is having a Gamma Phi house party. What a relief after all this cramming.

Our thoughts are now busy planning, talking, and dreaming "formal." We will tell you all about it in our next letter. Until then—adios.

MILDRED PRICE REES.

#### PERSONALS

Virginia Chapin spent a few days with us last week preparing to reënter college the second semester.

Florence Jenks will leave for New Orleans the latter part of February.

Doris Weaver was recently chosen President of the Latin Club.

Kate Helzer was on the Junior Prom Committee.

Marjorie Green danced at the Christmas mixer. An unusual feature being a real live tree on the campus decorated as a Christmas tree.

Pi chapter was the recipient of the useful gift, a dinner gong, from Mrs. Harry Campbell (Margaret Haley, ex-'16).



Gladys Wilkinson graduates this semester and will take graduate work at Smith College. We will miss her happy spontaneity and helpful rushing ability.

Doris Bates was one of the girls chosen to dance in *Aida* produced by the Baron-Wheatly Studios of Lincoln.

Eleanor Frampton danced at a cabaret tea given for the benefit of the Association of Collegiate Alumnæ.

#### RHO—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

Surprise! Many interesting things have "not" happened to Rho, examinations are "not" over, and we are "not" looking forward eagerly to vacation. There now, I know I've started my letter out in an entirely different way. As to the first point, rushing has been over for some time, and that naturally removes much of the excitement from our every day lives. However, during November we pledged both Gladys McCaslin of Kansas City and Eldura Haynes from Rudd, Iowa. Secondly, examinations are not successfully over, but they are on their way. Several of our girls have been excused from taking their finals in some subjects because of a good average for the term, but, nevertheless, there will be a goodly company of us cramming psychology and apples through the "wee sma' hours" of examination week. Of course, we are not looking forward to vacation again so soon—we enjoy being together too much for that.

On Sunday, January 21, our loyal friend and the founder of our chapter, Mrs. Robert Carson, invited the entire sorority over to tea. No one could help but enjoy the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Carson and their two daughters.

Miss Nachtrieb arrived in Iowa City on December seventeenth, and, from the moment the girls of Rho met her until the time of her departure, everyone was charmed by her personality. On December eighteenth, we gave a tea in her honor, to which the professors' wives and the chaperons of each sorority, with its president, were invited. The Monday following, we had our Christmas party. A brilliantly lighted tree with presents in a draw-bag caused much excitement. Everything from crêpe-de-chine handkerchiefs to little "good Fairies" were unwrapped. Candy, popcorn, and apples were passed by the freshmen, and in return, each was presented with a toy, thoughtfully provided by the older girls. We sang, we danced, we all talked at once! Such a mixture of Gamma Phi spirit and Christmas spirit made it seem dubious whether the roof would stay on or not. When Miss Nachtrieb left, we wonder if she realized how much we really wished it, when we said, "Come back again soon!"

Rho sends best wishes.

HELEN SCHMIDT.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

After having expected this for some weeks, we now find ourselves happily surprised to learn of Frances Wyland's engagement to Ralph Bohn, Phi Delta Theta, who is attending Iowa University. We expected Frances back with us second semester, but between Cupid and Ralph, we think there is no chance for us now.

Edith Lillian Hoover, one of our very own active girls, has also "gone and done it." She is engaged to Floyd Gilliland, Delta Chi, and has our sincere congratulations.

## SIGMA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

All through quiz week we had something so delightful ahead of us that we didn't mind them as much as usual. Mabelle Miller gave a Gamma Phi party at her home in Kansas City the Saturday after quizzes. About twenty-five of us took the car Saturday morning and arrived at the party at two o'clock. All the Kansas City alumnæ were there and we had a real Gamma Phi party. We sang our chapter songs for the other chapter girls, then all joined in on "Peanuts and Olives." In the evening we had a theater party. We were entertained at the homes of the different Gamma Phis till Sunday evening. We certainly loved Gamma Phis more than ever after being with them in their homes and becoming so well acquainted.

We are busy with plans for our Fathers' Day on February 11. The girls' fathers receive invitations to Sunday dinner. We are expecting quite a number and hope they will become well acquainted with us and with each other. None of the other sororities on the hill have ever had a Fathers' Day. We intend to establish this custom and have one every year.

You may be interested in the scholarship requirement for initiation at the University of Kansas. Local Panhellenic has recently passed a ruling that every pledge must pass all work and make ten hours of I's and II's. Panhellenic also established the custom of awarding a loving-cup to the sorority of highest scholastic standing on the hill. If a sorority wins it three successive times, it becomes a permanent possession. Theta received the cup last semester.

We often congratulate ourselves on our freshmen. They are making a fine pull for grades this semester, and, since they have such a fine foundation now, they are planning to enter into student activities to a much greater extent.

Initiation will come the third Saturday in February. We will tell you about that in the next letter along with a lot of other things we are planning for the next few months.

With very best wishes for the next semester.

OLIVE REYNOLDS.

## PERSONALS

Opal Plank and Doris Roebke will not be in college next semester. They expect to return next fall.

Gail Hall, who spent the first semester at home in McPherson, Kansas, will be enrolled here next semester.

## TAU—COLORADO AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Oh, wad the Power the giftie gie us,  
To see ourselves as ithers see us,  
It wad from many a blunder free us  
And foolish notion.

Margaret Nachtrieb has been with us for an entirely too short visit. And what enthusiasm she will instill in a group of girls. A suggestion here and a suggestion there, a corrected mistake, or a little headway gained until Tau as a body was absolutely filled with "pep," and we surely do appreciate being able to have Lady Margaret with us. This just echoes your feelings, doesn't it? And do you not feel there is a heap more to say if you just knew how?



Just before the Christmas holidays, the individual charity organizations formed one association to be known as the Associated Charities of Fort Collins. In previous years, our chapter had aided in giving the poorer people of Fort Collins a Thanksgiving dinner. The money for this purpose was collected on a day set apart for tagging. With the organization of these charities, Tau was chosen as a fraternity member, our part being to hold the annual tag day. This year we collected two hundred and sixteen dollars. The tagging was done almost entirely in the morning, too, for we were all present at the "Big Sister" entertainment given at the college that afternoon. In another week we shall have our second duties to perform, and those are to serve and to do all the decorating of the ballroom at the first Charity Ball.

Last week was the date set for our mid-year rushing. Of course, we do not plan anything elaborate, but we did have a little entertainment at the chapter house. The entertainment was in the form of an "indoor picnic" held at the noon hour to take the place of a luncheon. The so-called "meal-tickets" were placed in a Jack Horner pie in the center of the table. Connected with these by long brown ribbons were unique place-cards. The pie was broken open at the pulling of the ribbons and we all formed the "bread line" in cafeteria style. On the formal pledge day, Tau added two more to her list of pledges, Jessie Smith, a sophomore, and Mildred Mitchell, a freshman. Our initiation will be held February 3.

The Convention in Baltimore is occupying a great part of the conversation among us now, each trying to persuade the other that she is going, therefore, the usual excitement and enthusiasm reigns. Dorothy Martin is the delegate from Tau and she told me in all confidence that she was literally walking on the air. Goodbye until we all meet in Baltimore.

DOROTHY F. MARTIN.

#### UPSILON—HOLLINS COLLEGE

Dear Gamma Phi:

Wonder if you've ever tried to write a letter on a rainy day after taking six examinations in the past week—if you have you know—but since it is not the happiest time of any one's life we won't talk about it, though when you are having "them" there is little else happening.

Late in November we pledged two sisters, Edith and Kathleen Kelly of Bristol, Virginia, and on the thirteenth of January we initiated Edith Kelly and Carrie Lee Templin who have junior and sophomore standing, respectively. It is hard to tell who were the more excited, we or the initiates, because, you see, that was Upsilon's first initiation. We were glad that Margaret Stuart, who was not in college before Christmas, was back to help us sing, because with the usual "after-Christmas-colds" we were not a very musical crowd.

The same evening Hollins enjoyed having Mrs. Edward Macdowell with us again. She talked of the work of Macdowell Memorial Association, showing pictures of Peterboro and the pageant given by the students there, and played many of her husband's compositions.

Mr. George Bagby Matthews recently painted and presented to the college two very fine portraits, one of Robert E. Lee, and the other of "Stonewall" Jackson. They were presented on Lee Evening, the annual open meeting of the Euepian Literary Society, when all the college unites in paying tribute to the memory of the great Robert E. Lee. Mr. Matthews

has just finished a portrait, very artistically done, of our president, Miss Matty L. Coker.

Upsilon is looking forward with pleasure to the Convention and Miss Nachtrieb's visit.

FRANCES MCINTOSH.

#### CHICAGO

Dear Gamma Phi Sisters:

At the December luncheon December 2 Mrs. Sherry of the Wisconsin Players was the guest of honor and gave an interesting account of this group of Players. A number of the members of the club attended the *matinée* given by the Wisconsin Players that afternoon.

On December 9 an extra luncheon was held with Miss Morgan and Miss Sheldon as guests of honor. The luncheon was well attended, thirty or more being present, including a large number from Epsilon. The speeches by Miss Morgan and Miss Sheldon were very much enjoyed. Remarks were also made by Lillian Thompson and Adah Grandy. We consider ourselves fortunate in Chicago to have these opportunities of getting into closer touch with the members of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Buell, who has two Gamma Phi daughters and who has been for the last four years chaperon of the Gamma Phis at Seattle, Washington, was a guest of Miss Minnie Patterson at the January meeting luncheon. We were all glad to hear her enthusiastic report of the work Gertrude Elliot is doing in the university.

At the luncheon February 3 it is hoped that Mrs. Frances Haven Moss, one of the founders, will be present as the guest of honor. As the only one of the founders who has had an opportunity to come in contact with and exert her influence upon the western chapters, Mrs. Moss has played an important part in Gamma Phi development. To the members of the Omicron chapter especially she has been a rare guide and councillor.

FLORENCE N. JONES.

#### SYRACUSE

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

"The Moving Finger writes; and having writ,  
Moves on; —————"

All too fast it seems to move toward the day for CRESCENT letters, for once again an urgent summons comes—write and tell us more of what the Alpha alumnae are doing—so, perforce, I must obey.

We are doing and have done many things.

On December 27, we held our annual Christmas meeting at the chapter house. This meeting we aim to make one apart from the others. In it we are joined by all the active girls living in Syracuse, and we enjoy ourselves in a true Gamma Phi way—and at this especial meeting we seemed to enjoy ourselves most particularly. One reason for this may have been that it was given by that group of which Mrs. Louise Klock French is chairman, and to all who know Mrs. French that fact alone speaks eloquently. It surely did to us. We were invited to come to a most delightful luncheon and bring three things—money, White Elephants, and shirts. The money? That was to pay for our luncheon that a nice fat sum might be added to our growing fund for Social Service. The White Elephants? If you have never given a White Elephant party, do so at once—it is loads of fun. From bureau drawers, clothes presses, shelves,



attics, whatever the place of concealment, these cumbersome pets (?) were led forth to be paraded before the admiring sisters and to be auctioned off to the highest bidders. Thus, what to one was a scorned, burdensome White Elephant became to another a cherished treasure and was lugged off in triumph to become useful or ornamental, as the case might be. So you see, to us White Elephants were things "Whose ransoms did the general coffers fill," and—'nuff said. Now, the shirts? We were requested to beg, borrow, or steal from our respective husbands, or in lieu of husbands, any male relative who might be handy, one shirt, two shirts—the number did not matter, so long as we brought shirts. These we mended and altered and then sent to the French Relief Bureau here, to be used to further that splendid work which is being done for the suffering soldiers across the sea. So much for our party. Now don't you believe we did have a good time?

On February 2 we shall hold our next meeting at the home of Mrs. Cuykendall and at this time the members of the senior delegation of Alpha will be our guests. They are a group of splendid girls, many of whom we hope to have in our membership next year. At this meeting we are to make and fill ambulance pillows to help in the War Relief work here.

At this meeting on February 2, we also hope to complete our plans for the Ella French Memorial Fund which we are establishing. The name of Ella French is one very dear to all Alpha girls for it is a name synonymous with duty, fidelity, and love for Gamma Phi Beta. Ella French was the daughter of Dean French, a former dean in our College of Liberal Arts. She herself was a professor in the College of Fine Arts here at Syracuse University. At all times, her life was identified with the deepest interests of Gamma Phi Beta; so, in loving memory of her loyalty and love, those who know her best are establishing this memorial fund to be devoted to some permanent social service. The definite use is not yet determined upon. We shall be very glad to hear from those of you who, having known and loved her, wish to take active part in this memorial to Ella French.

Alpha has many alumnæ of whom she is justly proud, and it pleases us especially to hear them recognized as those who are making their marks in this world of workers. At a meeting of the Syracuse University Alumnæ Club on January 21, a report was given about the Syracuse women who are accomplishing big things in the various fields of enterprise, and the names of Gamma Phi Beta were by no means lacking on this list. The names of Mrs. Minnie Mason Beebe, professor of history and French in the College of Fine Arts, Syracuse University; Mabel Boomer Hodder, professor at Wellesley College; Lillian Scoresby Smith, professor in the Agnes Scott College in Georgia; the Misses Wilmot, who have a Girls' Latin School in Baltimore—all these were spoken of as prominent in educational circles. In the field of literature, Grace Smith Richmond was mentioned as a writer known and loved by many. In the field of art, the names of four of our younger girls were specially mentioned: Hilda Grossman and Rachael Bulley, '12, Augusta Briggs, '13, and Mary Stevens, '14. The poster work of Augusta Briggs and the portrait painting of Rachael Bulley were noted particularly, and some of Rachael's pictures were on display at the meeting.

So, as I said before, we have done and are doing many things and we hope to do many, many more things which are very much worth while before it is time for you to hear any more from the Alpha alumnæ.

MARGUERITE G. COOKE.

## PERSONALS

Jean Leete, '16, has been awarded a fellowship in English in the College of Liberal Arts, Syracuse University.

Helen Crane, '15, of the University of Minnesota, is teaching in the Normal Arts course of the Teachers' College, Syracuse University.

## BOSTON

Dear Sister Chapters:

There isn't any news at present, and Saturday there will be a perfectly good Boston chapter meeting and luncheon, where endless things worth recording will probably happen. Also Beth Hacker is to have a tea for granddaughters and grandnieces and their respective relatives, where no end of personals will probably transpire. But dare I wait three days, with the latest letter from the stern Editor staring from my mirror till I hate to do my hair, for it begins "The goblins will get you if you do not have the chapter letter in my hands by February 1" (let's call that sentence ended)? I dare not.

So all I can say is as follows, namely: that they say there was a "very enjoyable" Christmas spread at the Taylors' on December 28. I have it on the best authority, so you may believe it, although the undersigned was not there—for which she annually wails. The Christmas spread, by the way, always reminds me of a circus. You know a circus is primarily intended—isn't it?—for children. In like manner, the Christmas spread was originally planned as an entertainment of Delta. But as we occasionally see grown-ups "rustling" for a child to take to the circus as an excuse, so the alumnae, from their numbers, seem to appreciate the spread more than the guests—or else it comes at the time when centripetal force drives home the scattered elders and centrifugal power sends the youngsters scattering. Anyway "those present" always have a good time, and "this was no exception" (see list of *Expressions Every Chapter Letter Should Contain*, in the last CRESCENT).

The worst pang, for one who could *not* be present, was in hearing of the ones who can be seen only then: Mabel Robbins, Leah Wood, Frances Vinton, Lilyan Lake Moseley, Florence Sherman, and last, but I need not tell any Boston girl, "not least"—Dora Clapp Danforth. There are times when one wishes the chapter could get over missing the girls who have moved away; but perhaps it is better to keep, as we do, the warm spot and the comfy chair for the ones we can't forget.

Speaking of forgetting: Marguerite Brant was married on October 14 to Frederick Choate Eaton, Dartmouth, '11, and, as it was never announced in THE CRESCENT, is living at 59 Strathmore Road, Brookline, in a state of considerable uncertainty as to the legality of the ceremony. It was legal. The editor (with a small e) has on a particularly scratchy sackcloth suit and her hair is all messed up with ashes in token of abject and grievous humiliation. She "just knows" she sent that notice along, but a frenzied search through two CRESCENTS has reduced her to the above most uncomfortable state. Imagine forgetting Marguerite! Answer: You couldn't.

That, ladies, is *all there is*—a poor thing, but in on February ye first. Happy St. Patrick's Day to everybody!

KATHARINE ALDRICH WHITING.



## MARRIAGES

Marguerite Brant, ex-'13, to Frederick Choate Eaton, Dartmouth, '11, on October 14. They are living at 59 Strathmore Road, Brookline.

Louise Nelson, '09, was married on November 25 to Mr. H. A. Vickers of the Oregon Agricultural College, and is now living at 2406 Jackson St., Corvallis, Oregon.

## NEW YORK

Dear Sisters:

After reading the cautions, recommendations, directions, advice, and prohibitions regarding chapter letters, how to write them, and alas how *not* to write them, it is truly wonderful that any of us have courage to put pen to paper. This letter will try to state simply, modestly, unobtrusively, without undue emphasis or superfluous words that we had a meeting at Edna Stitt Robinson's on January 13 with our usual good time. We elected Edna Robinson and Laura Graham as delegates to the convention, with the regret that we can not all attend. We are to have our next meeting at the home of Clara Ely in Rutherford, N. J., on February 17, and are looking forward to good attendance, as these meetings in the suburbs are always rare treats.

JESSIE GROAT RICHARDSON.

## PERSONALS

Minnie Curtis Dinsmore entertained on St. Valentine's Day for Kate Gardner Cooke, Alpha.

Nellie Bacon Groat, Alpha of Alpha Phi, has been visiting her sister, Jessie Groat Richardson.

Isabelle White spent the week-end of February 10 at Lakehurst, N. J. Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Dinsmore are to go to Pinchurst, N. C., the first of March.

The Syracuse Alumnæ Club of New York is to have a meeting February 24, at the National Board Building of the Y. W. C. A. The object of this club is to keep alive the interest of alumnæ in New York, and to aid in raising money for the Woman's Building.

February 24 is also the rally day for Barnard alumnæ.

MILWAUKEE  
(No Letter)

MARIE LEAVENS.

## SAN FRANCISCO

Dear Active Gamma Phis and Alumnæ Sisters:

Dearest Fellow Sufferers—the other Corresponding Secretaries!! Greetings and love to the first—sympathy, condolence, and tears to the last.

Did you read what they said about us in the last CRESCENT? Would that we downtrodden scribes could get our heads together for a new mode of attack. Dear tortured sister, if you know how to begin—how to end—how to greet—how to tell what happened without falling into some pitfall you are cleverer than this meek and innocent sister.

I am sorry but things *aren't* different here, there're the *same*, it's just like it always was. Vacation *did* come—we *were* tired—Christmas *is* gone—we *did* make 106 poor little kiddies happy—it *is* a happy new year—college *did* begin—and initiation *was* the finest we ever had. I can't make up what isn't true and I would give a dollar to any one who would write this letter. The only different thing I know is that California and Minneapolis have

*different* requirements for their corresponding secretaries. *There*, because one "took unto herself a husband," another was appointed in her place, while *here*, poor me had the "job" thrust upon me because I *was* married with "nothing else to do." (Poor deluded unattached ones!)

As I said before, things are the same, nothing is unusual, measles are holding their own and the grown-ups have the grippe. Wanda just said at last meeting she had to take her boys out of school because something "catching" was going around at the Crocket school. That's a small town near here where the Hannas have moved and Tom said they would have to clean the place up so he appointed himself the Board of Health and Wanda makes speeches and they got a REAL nurse from San Francisco and things are doing. They talk nice to one Italian mother and tell her she is good and clean and she straightway tells them yes she is but "Mrs. Tamale isa da bada one" and in that way the cases are found and everything is progressing in a TomandWanda style. Wanda has four boys and all this work but she finds time to come to meetings.

When you say "Wanda" then you say "Ione." Wanda says Ione has one of the finest boys ever and he and his Pa and Ma are on a ranch at Marysville and so are Hazel and her two boys. When I was South this Christmas I saw Greta and her curly red headed boy. You will all have to keep moving if your young men keep up with "Bobbie." Edith Furry Van Deusen is in Los Angeles also and has three children. I heard Pearl Curtis Durrell had moved with her husband and babies to a ranch and likes it very much. Ida says the southern girls are fine and make one feel so at home. I wish they had a real *alumnæ* chapter. It helps to know you are pulling with the rest and not just looking on. I feel quite sure the chapter letter wouldn't be different, however, for there is nothing irregular about the southern girls either—they are very much like us. May Atkinson, one of them, is engaged to Chauncey Reed and Dora Atwater is going away to be married. I didn't hear particulars but there was something about South America and married on board ship three miles from everywhere and he is an engineer. And Mary Riley is betrothed to Wolcott Stanton. Mary said Zoe and her baby were getting along finely. Inez Whipple Harold's baby boy had scarlet fever but is almost well and Inez is to bring him down with her for a visit to Cecil's and Cecil's boy is trying to wear the sidewalk out with his "Irish Mail." Little Veda is quite acquainted with the *alumnæ*, as much as her three tiny years can be. I think if we should ask her what she liked most about us she would say refreshments. Sarah has three future Gamma Phis that we certainly will be proud of, the last one isn't named *yet*. Henry won't rush it, Sarah doesn't worry, and it isn't my fault. It's worth the price of admission to see Winnie's face beam when you say "Mary Elizabeth" that young lady being just eight weeks old at last meeting and Winnie managed to get there. Talk about loyalty! She had to come from San Francisco at that. Some of you other *alumnæ* who don't come to meetings, stop, and think of Winnie. This sounds like a baby letter but most of us don't play football any more—anyhow what can be greater or nobler. I know of nothing startling about anyone, most of us are plain folks and whenever I say plain folks it makes me think of Abraham Lincoln who said he was glad he was just a plain folk—"God must love them *most* for he made most of them." I might add a few more untold secrets if I dared but whenever I hear anything particularly interesting I am told it mustn't "get out." We had such a good time at Mable's, I know her family must have thought we were never going home and the girls said Lillian's Christmas meeting was fine as so many who cannot come other times were there.



I am sorry I missed it. Lillian has a "corner" on the Christmas meeting and I am glad she feels that way for she is a charming hostess. There is one of those pitfalls "charming hostess," I suppose it would be different if I said she was a "BEAR." Well, she is both and she is going to be our delegate at convention—Hurrah!

To you who can't come to meetings, Lulu is president and we won't let her get out of the chair for she fits it just right and Marietta is secretary. Susan Dunbar is treasurer *still* and we certainly thank her for her loyalty. Mable is chairman of the entertainment committee and collects money for endowment funds and all other funds, too, and is historian. Mable is unfortunate—she is possessed of a sweet disposition and we ride it like the proverbial "white horse." We have some great affiliates and they get right in the spirit of things and help a lot, so we would like some more of their kind.

I wish you could sit in this nice warm sunshine and enjoy this perfect day. This is a fine New Year. It's good to be alive, and here's heaps of love to you all from San Francisco.

MAY MORGAN BROWN.

Following an annual custom, alumnae members of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority will play the rôle of Santa Claus on Sunday afternoon and will distribute "sunshine boxes" to some 115 children of Berkeley.

In the "sunshine boxes" will be articles made by the sorority members throughout the year, in addition to paste, pencils, and scissors, provided each child for fashioning things provided by the girls. The sorority each year holds a "sunshine Christmas" and last year gathered some sixty or more children at the chapter house, 2732 Channing Way, for a Christmas party and all of the attendant joys. This year, in order to spread their gifts over a wider field, the girls will cover the city in autos, dispensing their gifts themselves. All of the gifts with which the "sunshine boxes" are filled have been made by the girls themselves and include gay Indian headgear for boys, doll's furniture made from box wood, and other things. Scrap-books with pictures to be pasted, paper doll outfits, and other articles to be made by the children are provided by the girls for the amusement of children of all ages.

Miss Marie Derge is chairman of the sorority's sunshine committee, while assisting in the plans are Miss Lulu Minor, Miss Mary Randall, Miss Mabel Williams, Miss Mary Webb, and other alumnae members of the sorority.

## DENVER

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Not having received my January CRESCENT, I am at a loss to know where I left off in my previous letter. However, I'll begin at an interesting point, trusting that I am not omitting anything important.

Friday, December 15, we met with the Misses Lindsey and Helen Barbee in their attractive apartment. The meeting was devoted to business, and surely there was much to be done. We had not met for this purpose for some time and under Mrs. Grant's able leadership we fairly vied with each other to follow all the proper usages of parliamentary law. An executive committee has been appointed to prepare the business program, and this seems to expedite matters considerably. We now alternate business and program meetings, and find this plan highly satisfactory.

At this point in the year's work, we decided that we needed a little recreation, and so a Christmas party was planned. The function took place December 28 in Mrs. W. P. Smedley's home, and was a delightful affair. We indulged in youthful games, such as tiddledy winks and anagrams, which was almost too much for some of our group, but everyone survived, and some few were lucky enough to win prizes. Another game, based on points about sororities and fraternities, was interesting, but some of us were impressed with our ignorance. Many of the girls, who are away at other times, come to the Christmas meeting, and that makes it one of the most enjoyable occasions of the year.

January 13, the meeting of the Building Association was held at the Lodge in the morning, with a basket luncheon afterward. In the afternoon the regular business meeting was held.

January 26, there was a "program meeting." Ruth Wallace was the hostess, and her friend, Miss Jane Ward, described her experiences in China and told of the customs there. The talk was not only interesting but also very instructive. Other delightful programs have been planned for the remainder of the year and no doubt we will be much enlightened, as well as entertained.

Very sincerely yours,

MADelyn MOORE KEEZER.

#### PERSONALS

Lindsey Barbee is writing the play for the active girls again this year, and it promises to be better than ever.

Kathryn Herbert has gone to California, to be gone until summer.

Mrs. Thomas R. Garth (Ethel Tucker) is in Richmond, Virginia, for the winter.

#### ENGAGEMENTS

Dorothy Steele to Bartlett Thurman Miller.

Mary Carman to Ronald Billington.

Mildred Hansen to William Cochran.

Amy Speers to Morris Donaldson.

#### MARRIAGES

December 30, Gertrude Bent and Harold E. Rose of Chicago were married.

January 17, Belle St. Clair and Mr. W. S. Pickerel of Durango, Colorado, were married.

#### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Howard R. Carroll (Elizabeth Hessler), a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Puffer (Mary Woy), a daughter.

#### MINNEAPOLIS

Dear Gamma Phis:

The Minneapolis correspondent with a cold in her head and a pen in her hand will attempt another CRESCENT letter, having not been forced to resign her position since the last onslaught. Perhaps after this feeble attempt she will be asked to resign, though. In fact, she is so very unhappy this evening that only the horrible vision of seeing "Minneapolis—No Letter" in the March CRESCENT leads her to try feebly to do what she can.

I promised to tell you in this letter about our "movie-bazaar," didn't I? It was a great success. The theatre, which is a large one, was crowded,



and the lobby, where all our fancy articles were on sale, was packed so full that we could scarcely breathe, or rather, corpulent people like me found it difficult. The film shown was Mae Murray in *Sweet Kitty Bellairs*, and before the picture was flashed on the screen one of the ushers got up on the stage and said "during the intermission following, members of the *Gamma Fee Beta* sorority will sell candy. So if you will be good enough to open up your hearts and purses—" and so on, though the remainder was drowned in laughter. However many people attended I do not know, but we made between \$500 and \$600, which is, I think, the best we ever did at any of our bazaars.

On December 30 we had our annual Christmas party at the chapter house, which is always a most enjoyable event. On that day and on the evening of our banquet we get more alumnæ together than on the other days and evenings of three years, probably. We had no tree and presents this year as we so often have, but just a good old comfy talk together and a short business meeting wedged in. Three of our alumnæ who were present you all know, I think; Eleanor Sheldon, whom we never see save during the holidays and summer, Mrs. Silverson, whom of course we see much oftener, and Margaret Nachtrieb, who had returned a short time before from the West.

Needless to say, everyone was glad to see Margaret again, and a tea was given for her during the next week by the active chapter, to which were invited all alumnæ and representatives from all the other sororities on the campus.

How we all wish that we might go to Convention this year at Baltimore, especially those of us who were fortunate enough to go to Asilomar two years ago. And we know that our eastern sisters will make every bit as wonderful hostesses as were our western ones (no one could be better). How we wish that we might all go, but as we cannot and as the Zeta girls would not know what to do with us if we did swoop down upon them in a perfect mob, we will try to content ourselves with wishing those who do go the best possible time and enjoyable Convention.

Loyally yours,

ELLA T. MORSE.

#### PERSONALS

Katherine Silverson and little son, Charles, have gone south for the remainder of the winter.

Verna Hermann, 1916, who has been teaching during the fall in Bellingham, Minn., came home ill before the holidays, and is now working down at the Associated Charities.

Ruth Eaton, 1916, has recently been made secretary to the man who is arranging the James J. Hill portion of the St. Paul Public Library.

Mrs. Eugene Bibb (Kathleen Hart) will leave this week for New York to study music for a few months.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Keating (Grace Wilcox) who have been in Twin Falls, Idaho, for several months, have taken a house in Minneapolis until June. Enid Wilcox, 1915, is visiting them.

Frances Works took part in Galsworthy's *Joy*, which was given by a downtown organization not long ago.

#### BIRTHS

To Dr. and Mrs. Harold Leonard (Marion Slater) a son, Edwin Slater, January 20.

To Dr. and Mrs. Henry Michelson (Dalie Lindsay) a son, Robert, January 15.

DETROIT  
(No Letter)

CAROLINE COLVER PORTER.

## BALTIMORE

Dear Sisters:

Convention in Baltimore in 1917! The new year is past, and the greatly anticipated gathering of Gamma Phis from all over the country, just two short months away. How proud we are to be your hostesses, and how gladly and busily we are preparing fun and play for every spare minute! Needless to say, convention is the one topic which fills our thoughts and conversation whenever we meet.

I think we all find it hard to settle down to serious thinking so soon after Christmas as January 3, so instead of a business meeting, we had an informal tea in the rooms, to which all Gamma Phis in town at the time were invited. We had quite a gay time together, as several who are busy elsewhere had returned for the holidays.

But after Christmas when all Gamma Phis were back in Baltimore, we had a much bigger and gayer party. This time it was Zeta that entertained, and what a splendid hostess she made! A whole month before, we had received mysterious invitations begging—if we could not possibly come ourselves, to write and send a picture. But who would not make every effort to be present in person, at such a gathering? Zeta, active members and pledges, received us most graciously, and then, when the wanderers had been brought back, we had a regular meeting, such a treat for those who had not been here in some time. Next on the program was the roll call, and not a name of all Zeta chapter was omitted. It was great fun, hearing from sisters, some of whom we had never seen, or suddenly discovering the whereabouts of a long-lost sister, who explained why she so sadly neglected us. One fact this roll call revealed clearly, that the activities of Gamma Phis do not end with graduation, but each and every one is a busy worker, and the majority by far, are occupied in some sort of altruistic work. But the roll call was not an all-evening affair, for we had plenty of time for real Gamma Phi festivities afterwards, much talking and laughter, singing, and to remember it by, tiny rocks, bound in our colors. Then goodbyes, but not for long, for these and many more will gather together in a few weeks.

We were all highly elated recently, on hearing that Nell Watts had just had the honor of being elected a Trustee of Goucher College. She is the second Gamma Phi who has had this office, the term of which is four years.

Now Gamma Phis, I shall not write extensively about Convention, because I know all news of that will appear elsewhere in this number. But I do want to urge you all to come; we want you—and if you don't, let me predict, you will miss the best of Gamma Phi Beta Conventions.

CLARA WAGNER.

## PERSONALS

Myra Manifold, '05, is assistant to the General Secretary of the Federated Charities of York, Pa.

Nellie S. Watts, '05, and Bess Brown, '05, visited in Durham, N. C., in January.

Ruth Porter, '10, was in Baltimore for a week at Christmas.

Bess Barnes, '11, of York, was here for the Alumnae Rally on January 13.

Anna D. Blanton, '11, is studying interior decorating and costume designing in New York.



Charlotte Romberger, '13, Secretary of the Federated Charities of Williamsport, Pa., has been made President of the Poor Board.

Aleda Hier, '14, is to be married in June to Mr. Fred Martsof, of Pittsburgh.

Virginia Merritt, '15, is teaching in Carroll County, Md. The school house is the recreation center for the neighborhood, so Virginia has large opportunities for social service.

Isabel Drummond Gibson, ex-'15, came up from Virginia for the Alumnae Rally on January 13.

Margaret Nottingham, ex-'18, who is studying at Simmons College, Boston, spent Christmas in Baltimore.

#### DEATHS

The chapter was deeply grieved to hear of the sudden death of Mr. E. Clay Shriner, father of Ethel Shriner Dulaney.

#### MARRIAGES

Margaret Martsof, '14, to Mr. Earl Thomas Fiddler, on December 26, 1916, at New Brighton, Pa. They will live at Miramar, San Juan, P. R.

Lillias House, '13, to Mr. William Andrew Dale, in October, at Nashville, Tennessee. They will live in Columbia, Tenn.

#### SEATTLE

Dear Friends:

The first item in my letter to you is one of sadness. On December 22 death took from us Beatrice Prosch, sister of Edith, whom many of you know, and Phoebe Prosch. The facts that she was the first Lambda to go, and was a great favorite among us make us more keenly feel our loss. She graduated from Washington in 1908 and was for a time in Japan with Jeannette Perry and Zoe Kincaid Penlington.

We know that the sympathy of all will go out to Edith and Phoebe who have not only suffered the strain of Beatrice's four years' illness but the sudden loss of both father and mother in an auto accident less than two years ago. The girls leave soon for Los Angeles for an indefinite stay. Though their courage and cheer has been an inspiration to us all we know that a complete change of climate and environment is the tonic they both need.

In my last letter I mentioned an article in *Collier's* by Zoe Kincaid Penlington. There are copies of the *London Illustrated Times Supplements* in the University of Washington Library that contain articles by her on the Japanese stage and different Japanese ceremonials. One of these papers also contains an article, "The Coronation—The Significance of the Enthronement" by Mr. J. N. Penlington.

The bazaar over which we labored for many months was at last held, December 9, in the Louis room of the Washington Hotel. It was a pleasant event socially and such a decided success financially that our minds are at rest for another year as regards our University loan fund. We all take our hats off to Mrs. Fred Marontate (Winifred Johnson), chairman of the bazaar committee.

And now for the personals which are few, indeed. The Minneapolis list in last issue was a wonder. How does she do it?

ALMA DELANEY TEAL.

## PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. William T. Burwell (Imogene Carraher) who were married in the fall are living in Seattle. Mr. Burwell, a Phi Gamma Delta, is the son of the late Admiral Burwell who was, at one time, stationed at the Bremerton Navy Yard.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Mabel Springer (Lambda) and Mr. Philip D. Northcroft, Phi Delta Theta, of Olympia. The wedding is to take place February 14.

Jessie Ludden Horsfall, who with her husband, Dr. Frank L. Horsfall, had a very delightful trip through Canada and the Atlantic states to New Orleans and California, returned home in time for the bazaar.

Rosa Wald Klingenberg, one of the original Lambdas, has returned from Los Angeles to make her home in Seattle again. Her husband, Mr. Theodore Klingenberg, died suddenly while they were living in California.

Martina Henehan (Lambda) is on the entertainment committee of the Women's University Club.

Jeannette Perry (Lambda) is one of the trustees of the Women's University club.

Mrs. George C. Teal (Alma Delaney, Lambda) has been made one of the trustees of the loan fund which the University of Washington Alumnæ Association maintains for upperclass women students who need assistance.

Mrs. Arthur S. Haggett (Winifred Sunderlin, Beta) is chairman of the advisory committee to the Campus Y. W. C. A.

Mrs. J. Arthur Younger (Margaret Meany, Lambda) is on the northwest field committee of the Seattle Y. W. C. A.

## BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Stewart (Nora Buell, Gamma and Eta), a son, Frederick Buell Stewart, December 24.

To Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Shroeder (Violet Megrath, Lambda), a daughter, December 22.

## PORTLAND

Dear Sisters in Gamma Phi Beta:

Since the holidays the Portland chapter has settled down to the usual routine of Thursday meetings. Before Christmas we were busy with the Panhellenic bazaar. Each sorority had charge of a booth, and two hundred and fifty dollars was cleared toward the five hundred we pledged this year for the Woman's Building in Eugene.

During the vacation, the active and alumnæ girls met for a luncheon and social meeting at the Hotel Benson. On January 6 we entertained with a large tea at the home of Beatrice Locke. Most of the active girls from all parts of the state were present, and the affair was a very delightful and successful one.

BEULAH BRIDGES.

## MARRIAGES

Mary Belle Meldrum and Frank Shields, a  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  from Idaho, were married in December.

Flawnice Killingsworth and Mr. Ardel O'Hanlon were married February 14.



## DIRECTORY OF CHAPTER MEETINGS

- ALPHA meets every Friday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 113 Euclid Ave.
- BETA meets every Monday evening at 7:00 in the chapter house, 1520 S. University Ave.
- GAMMA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 in the chapter house, 428 Sterling Court, Madison, Wis.
- DELTA meets every Friday afternoon at 4:15 in the chapter rooms, 22 Blagden St.
- EPSILON meets every Monday from 5:00 to 6:00 p. m., at the sorority rooms, fourth floor, Willard Hall.
- ZETA meets every Saturday evening at 2113 St. Paul St.
- ETA meets every Monday evening at 7:30 at the chapter house, 2732 Channing Way.
- THETA meets every Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Lodge in University Park.
- KAPPA meets Monday afternoon at 5:30 at the chapter house, 310 10th Ave. S. E., Minneapolis, Minn.
- LAMBDA meets Monday evening at 6:45 at the chapter house, 4524 17th St. N. E.
- MU meets every Monday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house.
- NU meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 1316 Alder St.
- XI meets every Monday afternoon at 5:00 at the chapter house.
- OMICRON meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 1002½ California Ave., Urbana, Ill.
- PI meets every Monday at 7:00 at the chapter house, 330 N. 14th St.
- RHO meets Monday evening at 7:00 at the chapter house, 227 N. Clinton, Iowa City, Iowa.
- SIGMA meets every Monday night at 7:30 in the chapter house, 1144 Indiana St.
- TAU meets every Thursday evening at 7:15 at the chapter house, 121 West Olive.
- UPSILON meets every Sunday evening at 9:00 in Room A West, Hollins College.
- BOSTON meets the first Saturday of each month at 11:00 a. m. usually at the Delta rooms, 22 Blagden St.
- BALTIMORE meets the first Tuesday of every month at the sorority rooms, 2113 St. Paul St.
- CHICAGO meets the first Saturday of each month at the Chicago College Clubrooms—17th Floor, Stevens Bldg., 16 N. Wabash Ave., Luncheon at 12:30.
- SYRACUSE meets the first Friday of every month at the homes of members.
- DENVER meets fortnightly at 3:00 on Friday at the homes of members.
- DETROIT meets the third Saturday of each month for an informal luncheon at the College Club.
- NEW YORK meets for luncheon at one, at the homes of members, on October 21, November 11, January 13, February 17, March 24. Tea at Mrs. Palmer's April 28.
- MINNEAPOLIS meets the last Friday of the month at the homes of members. Banquet in May.
- SAN FRANCISCO meets the third Wednesday of one month; third Saturday of next month.
- MILWAUKEE meets the third Saturday of every month at the homes of members.

## OUR CONTEMPORARIES IN BLACK AND WHITE

FOR NOVEMBER:—*Beta Theta Pi*; *Purple, Green and Gold* of Lambda Chi Alpha; *Quarterly* of Sigma Chi; *Desmos* of Delta Sigma Delta; *Star and Lamp* of Pi Kappa Phi; *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta; *Themis* of Zeta Tau Alpha; *Adelphcan* of Alpha Delta Pi; *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega; *Trident* of Delta Delta Delta; *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

FOR DECEMBER:—*Quarterly* of Phi Alpha Gamma; *Quarterly* of Delta Upsilon; *Journal* of Sigma Phi Epsilon; *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi; *Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi; *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi; *Alpha Xi Delta*; *Delta* of Sigma Nu; *Banta's Greek Exchange*; *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta; *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma; *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon; *Phi Gamma Delta*; *Quarterly* of Phi Chi; *Triangle* of Sigma Kappa.

FOR JANUARY:—*Quarterly* of Alpha Phi; *Anchora* of Delta Gamma; *Aglaia* of Phi Mu; *Owl* of Sigma Nu Phi; *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega; *Journal* of Kappa Alpha Theta.

FOR FEBRUARY:—*Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi for December has two especially interesting articles—"The Presidents of Phi Kappa Psi" and "President Wilson as an Undergraduate."

Phi Mu devotes the January issue of the *Aglaia* to Y. W. C. A., discussing the topics of general interest and also the student side of the organization as shown in the colleges where Phi Mu has chapters.

Aimaro Sato, Japanese Ambassador to the United States, was a member of the class of '81 at De Pauw and also a Beta Theta Pi. The fraternity magazine has an interesting sketch of him.

Lambda Chi Alpha devotes the November number of the *Purple, Green and Gold* to Purdue University with pictures and sketches of the college and the fraternity.

Lieutenant Kiffin Rockwell, the American aviator in the service of France who was killed on September 23, 1916, when alone attacking four German avions at 13,000 feet height, was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon. The *Journal* for December gives a full account of his daring career and heroic death and quotes many splendid tributes from French and American papers. Kiffin Rockwell and his brother Paul went to France at the beginning of the war and enlisted in the Foreign Legion.

Alpha Phi's *Quarterly* says: "Not so cheerfully but just as heartily we again acknowledge our indebtedness to THE CRESCENT of Gamma Phi Beta for the baby number idea."



The *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta for November has a letter from every chapter—the chapter roll is a long one!

Brand Whitlock, Minister to Belgium, is a Sigma Chi—class of '93 at Ohio Wesleyan.

Phi Gamma Delta has lately initiated a pledge of twenty-four years' standing.

The January *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega has a long article, "Chapter House Ownership," and photographs of the very attractive houses at University of Wisconsin, University of Michigan, and Syracuse University.

Four magazines of professional fraternities whose articles and chapter letters are always interesting are—*Quarterly* of Phi Alpha Gamma (Homeopathic), *Quarterly* of Phi Chi (medical), *Owl* of Sigma Nu Phi (legal), and *Desmos* of Delta Sigma Delta (dental).

The December *Quarterly* of Alpha Gamma Delta is an "Alumnæ Number" with pictures of the "rising generation." Elizabeth Corbett, whose book, *Cecily of the Wide World*, is being extensively reviewed is a member of Alpha Gamma Delta.

Another interesting Alumnæ Number is the February *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma. A special feature of this number is the fact that chapter correspondents were requested to write about the *alumnæ*—and as a result, much interesting news was gathered. This paragraph, quoted from the Adrian College letter is significant:

My fellow correspondents, did you find it a perplexing problem to find out all this "who, which, when, why, where"—especially the "who"? It was quite a revelation, wasn't it, to suddenly realize how little we know of the "girls who have gone before"? And I fear it is true that the active members in looking toward the future of Kappa and revelling in the present, often neglect the splendid past. One of the things toward which we are working is to keep the interest of our members after they leave college, and yet we cannot expect too much if we do not go our half the distance in having at least a general knowledge of "Who's who." And there is another thing, our Fraternity today is not so much what we active members have made it as what has been built up, bit by bit, by the girls of other days. Let us not forget our alumnæ, girls, for in forgetting we give them the chance to forget us.

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Kappa Alpha Theta also has an ideal Alumnæ Number with a most interesting illustrated article upon "Mothers and Daughters in Theta" (which we plan to copy some day) and a host of "alumnæ-graphs" some of which we quote:

Chapter traditions must come from the alumnæ.

A woman receives from her fraternity as she gives to her fraternity.

I can't keep up my interest without doing something. There are a hundred things I could do, if my ship would come in; but in the meantime, I can keep up my interest by sharing with the college girls some of the things experience has taught me to value.

It is the alumna's responsibility to work the reforms in modern fraternity life that are needed to place fraternities before thoughtful people in their true light.

How utilize the force and power of alumnae for the best interests and good of fraternity and college?

There is nothing alumnae can do more appropriately, or more helpfully to the cause of education than to encourage the maintaining of high scholarship.

We are no longer merely a college girls' sorority. We have grown into a woman's fraternity. This means responsibilities. Who could better assume that responsibility than our several thousand, experienced, university-trained alumnae?

Conditions in colleges change rapidly, so what was a wise policy ten years ago may be entirely inadequate today.

Through lack of interest in her chapter, an alumna denies to the present college girls the privileges that other alumnae made a sacrifice of time and money to give her when an undergraduate.

A chapter needs the inspiration that comes with visits from alumnae.

Unless alumnae visit the college frequently enough to know the changes in college life, no matter how good their intentions, their advice will not be very valuable.

The fraternity is a living thing, not a statue.

The time is coming when the existence of fraternities will depend entirely on the action of their alumni.

We must watch over the college chapters as we would over our own younger sister.

If a chapter feels that its alumnae expect a certain standard to be maintained, there will be second thought before action is taken that will jeopardize that standard.

We are in a position to look at things from a broader viewpoint than can the college members, for we have passed through all the stages, outsider, rushee, pledge, initiate, active member, and now alumna.

The promises you made when freshmen to stand by high ideals of sympathy, helpfulness, and loyalty are just as binding upon you as alumnae.

Renew your youth by a visit to that fountain of perpetual youth, a chapter of enthusiastic undergraduates.

A chapter which does not keep up its alumni connections is like a house divided against itself, like a bank without depositors, like a single soul on a desert island.

Every alumna should visit the nearest college chapter at least once a year.

We so readily forget how much we, when undergraduates, appreciated what the alumnae did for us and how we looked to them to make the advances and felt hurt if they didn't.

If there is not something worth while in fraternity life, how account for the enthusiastic loyalty of many alumnae?

It would be easier to keep in touch with my chapter if once in a while I was told something of what was doing in chapter and college.

How many of us have known a weak college chapter made strong through the untiring efforts of alumnae?

In conversation with an undergraduate fraternity woman, I expressed disapproval of certain customs of the chapter. Her reply: "The things you do not like and deem unworthy of real fraternity spirit, and I feel the same



about them, are the direct result of the influence of alumnae, who like and encourage these customs that bring criticism to the chapter."

For those who can afford it, it would be a glorious privilege to establish a fund in a chapter that would see some worthy girl who lacked the necessary financial backing, through her college course with the incomparable benefit of four years of fraternity life.

Charges brought against fraternities are snobbishness, frivolity, secrecy, low scholarship. Such criticisms and prejudices 'tis the alumnae's work to overthrow.

How destroy the sense of orientation which too often leads alumnae to regard graduation as a river of forgetfulness.

Alumnae chapters as groups of trained women, should be ready to do any work that may come to them.

College faculties would welcome gladly a system of alumnae supervision of chapter houses.

An "Appreciation Number" of the *Sigma Kappa Triangle* is an inspiration and we ask you to substitute *Gamma Phi* for *Sigma Kappa* in the following quotation:

*What Sigma Kappa has done for me?*

Expressed in a few words, Sigma Kappa has given me—

1. Steadiness of purpose.
2. A wealth of friendship of purest gold.
3. An ideal which I serve with deeper love and reverence every year of my life.

*My hopes for Sigma Kappa.*

I desire for Sigma—

1. Healthy growth—neither under or over-development. Growth in chapter roll—growth along Panhellenic lines—growth in method of management.

2. The loyalty of every member to our ideals.

*What I want to do for Sigma Kappa.*

I desire to give Sigma Kappa careful, earnest service; to be prompt and efficient in performing the duties that come to me, not self-seeking but self-sacrificing, giving cheerfully and heartily of time and labor in so far as home duties permit.

Let us have some new Gamma Phi Songs, too!

We're going to have a new songbook! Last convention voted to have a paper-bound supplement to the present edition, but, as the present edition is now a thing of the past, we are to have a splendid new book of songs Delta Gammas love to sing.

There are many chapters which have good rousing Delta Gamma songs that the other chapters know nothing about. Let's have them! Also, the committee wants from every chapter a list of its favorite songs in the old book.

Above new songs—we want more like the Omega toast—original music and words.

Following is a list of "taboos" for contributions.

No songs will be accepted which:

1. Slam other fraternities.
2. Use trite and over familiar music—such as “Marching through Georgia.”
3. Do not include a copy of the music to which the words are set—original or otherwise. It is not enough to say, “To be sung to the tune of ‘Annie Laurie.’” No words will be printed in the new book without music.

—*Anchora* of Delta Gamma.

Alpha Sigma Phi is the tenth oldest college fraternity in the country; there are, therefore, thirty-three general fraternities younger than our own. We are justly proud of the galaxy of notables who were active Sigs at Yale in the forties and fifties, and it is especially gratifying that all of the survivors of those days have shown an active interest in the Fraternity as it is today.—*Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi.

Apropos of convention:

To be a delegate to a national convention is, indeed, a great privilege. It is one of the most important honors within the power of a chapter to bestow upon one of its members, and it is likewise an opportunity for greater service for the chapter and the Fraternity. Assuming that the right man has been selected, he will begin to inform himself as to the problems which will be presented for discussion. He will know *Roberts Rules of Order* from cover to cover. He will know  $\Sigma$  A E history, and most certainly go to the convention with a determination to express in thought and action the highest ideals of his chapter. He will learn to express his thoughts on the floor of the convention, and nothing will prevent him from giving the best that is in him towards the solution of convention problems. He will attend every session of the convention, all convention functions, and observe committee assignments. This, of course, is one phase of his duty, but another, and equally important matter for him to remember is that he should be prepared to make a good report of the convention to the chapter. He should return filled with new ideas for raising the chapter to the level of the most efficient.—*Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

This is from the *Lyre* of Alpha Chi Omega:

This is the time of year when the national standing of fraternities is much discussed, here and there. We are often asked concerning this matter. A few things to look for in making up one's mind are the following:

1. What kind of colleges does the fraternity enter?
2. What is its method of extension? Has it a dignified and healthful growth, or promiscuous expansion? Does it expand and then attempt to raise the standard of the group, or does it raise the standard of the petitioners before chartering them?
3. Are its scholarship standards high?
4. Are its Panhellenic standards honor, courtesy, and fairness?
5. What are its national material possessions?
6. Is there dignity and refinement in the local groups?
7. What degree of cooperation is there shown toward the best of university activities and ideals?



And this from the *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma:

Do you remember the days at college when you used to sit 'round after chapter meetings and have a grand old talk-fest?

Do you remember that there was always a lack of chairs—good, decent-looking, comfortable chairs—and how the "brother" who preëmpted the one leather chair was "cussed" out by the rest of you?

Do you remember the need of good pictures, curtains, a table cover, sofa pillows, books or magazines to read, new victrola records, to add to the *House's* attractiveness and make of it a *Home*?

If you do—then:

Why not buy *one* chair and ship it as a wonderful surprise to the old chapter. A laurel wreath will be yours for the asking.

Why not send *one* picture, *one* pennant, *one* record, to surprise and delight the brothers, whoever they may be, of the old chapter? A multitude of blessings will be heaped upon thy pate.

Or—failing the above—why not ship *one* crate of oranges; *one* large box of nuts; *one* basket of any sort of "eats" to the old chapter? Even one small cake or one two-dollar box of cigars would call down blessings on thy head from brothers in Kappa Sigma.

WHY NOT?

From an interesting number of the *Adelphian* of Alpha Delta Pi upon the chaperon question:

The chaperon's chief reward, then, must come through appreciation. If we look upon our chaperon merely as a paid housekeeper to make out our bill of fare or as a kind of duenna, who must shield us from criticism by spreading the mantle of propriety over us while, in reality, we scorn her old-fashioned judgment and pay no attention to her suggestions, we will not be able to keep such women as we most desire. Young girls in college need the guiding restraint of one who understands the problems of life, and if they are not to turn to their "housemother" for counsel and accept her suggestions in the right spirit, they are worse off than the girl in the ordinary boarding-house.

The problem, then, I believe, rests largely with our girls in the active chapters. It is only by giving the chaperon a share in the life of the sorority, by turning to her with sweet deference, and by making her see the love and appreciation we feel for all her efforts that we shall be able to keep as housemothers such women as we need and desire.

William C. Levere in *Banta's Greek Exchange* writes:

A freshman comes into a chapter full of admiration and affection for the older men. They have met him with kindness and have shown him their best side, until he, appreciating their many charms of fellowship, feels in his heart a great delight that he has been blessed by good fortune in winning the friendship of so many good fellows. But once he is pledged there are certain men in the chapter who set about to destroy the high opinion he holds of them. They become dictatorial, seek to humiliate him at every opportunity, take advantage of their authority to bully him and by varying species of meannesses impose upon his good nature to the breaking point. If they do not succeed in making him thoroughly dislike them during

his pledge days, their supreme chance comes at the hour of his initiation. At the moment when he at last faces the widely flung open doors of brotherhood, with every impulse of his nature keyed to glad anticipation, they descend upon him with staves and with bludgeons and like the thieves of Jerico, they leave him wounded and sore at the roadside. At last they probably succeed in their purpose. They have won his lasting disdain. The keen edge of loyalty to his fraternity is dulled by the knowledge in his breast that among those who stand about its altars are some whom he will always despise as men who do not hesitate to take advantages of those whose position prevents them from retaliating. The better side of the fraternities are against such impositions on their younger brothers. It is only a man here and there, who champions such misconduct. The fraternities make a mistake in tolerating a condition which is in direct opposition to every theme of their rituals, and is a weapon in the hands of the opponents of fraternities, which cuts like a two-edged sword.

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The following notice has been given wide publicity through the Associated Press.

Seattle, Wash., October 10.—Playing daddy to homeless waifs is the newest stunt of University of Washington fraternities. It started with Clarence Eckberg, 5, adopted by the Sigma Nu "frat" in a burst of big brotherly sentiment. They found Clarence in a children's home, took him to the Sigma Nu chapter-house, washed him, fitted him up with new clothes, gave him the squarest meal on record and made him about the happiest kid alive. At dusk the sleepy, contented youngster smiled at his twenty-five "fathers and brothers in one" and informed them that he was used to going to bed at eight. About fourteen helped him into his nightie and tucked him into his own bed in a corner of the large, airy room.

"NOW I LAY ME"

As the lights were turned out a plaintive, boyish treble began to recite, "Now I lay me down to sleep." One of the active chapter members, a "football roughneck" and noisiest in the fraternity, looked thoughtful for the first time in his life. Pledges were made that "Son" would be given a proper bringing up. And the spirit of these pledges, carried out rigidly and tenderly, has wrought a revolution in fraternity chapter-house life. Professor Edward M. Meany, Washington's venerable historian and a member of Sigma Nu, said of the adoption: "It is one of the finest things I ever heard of. I believe this act really means a big step toward new and vital service in the lives of collegians." When "Son" sings "Bow Down to Washington," the U. of W. campus song, the smoke of their pipes is very apt to get in the eyes of his twenty-five "daddies."

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From the *Arrow* of Pi Beta Phi—which is having a series of articles about each chapter:

LET'S GET ACQUAINTED

When you have read a letter from Pi Phi in some distant chapter, haven't you often wished that you knew something about her college home and student surroundings? When you have unexpectedly discovered that some



woman of prominence is a Pi Phi, haven't you ever wondered about her chapter relations? Have you ever been curious concerning the honor roll in other chapters? All these little intimate family matters should interest us all and this series of short, personal articles about every active chapter should make us better acquainted.

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From the *Delta Upsilon Quarterly*:

At the triennial council of Phi Beta Kappa at Philadelphia in September, the Rev. Oscar M. Voorhees, Rutgers, '88, Secretary of the organization, recommended that the yearly admission of women to membership be curtailed. Brother Voorhees based his recommendation on the fact that of those admitted to membership within the last few years about one-half have been women.

"The reputation of the society," the report ran, "will rest in years to come upon the work of those whom we are now electing to membership. It will be generally conceded, I think, that a larger share of its reputation must come from its men than from its women members."

Women were first admitted to Phi Beta Kappa in 1875, although it was not until 1893 that a charter was granted to a women's college. Vassar received the first.