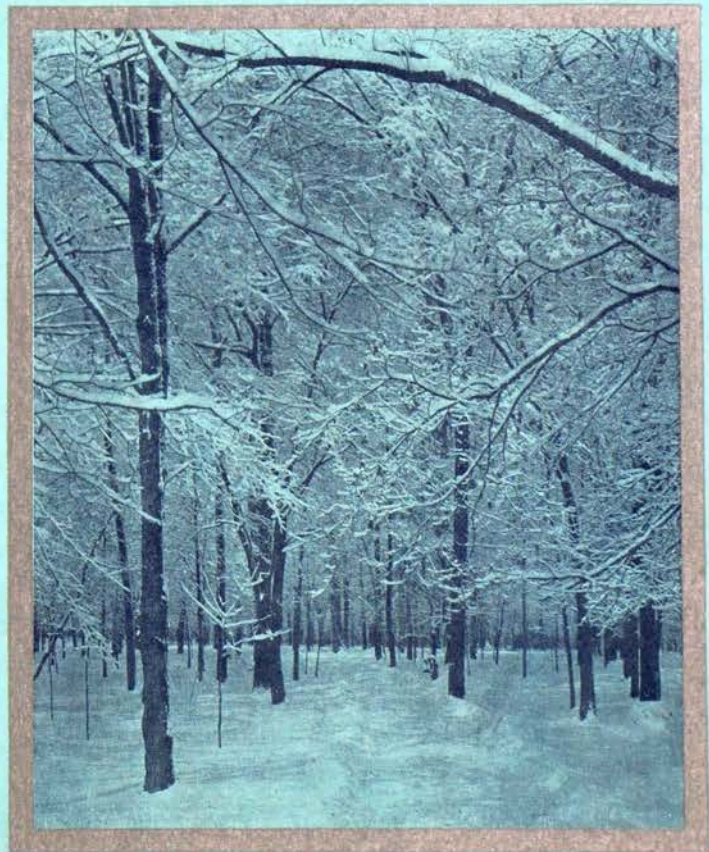


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*Installation Banquet, Alpha Tau Chapter, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., October 25*

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## Alpha Tau Is Installed At Cornell

Impressive Ceremonies Mark Inception  
of Phi Kappa Tau's Forty-third Chapter

By RICHARD J. YOUNG, *Grand Secretary-Treasurer*

WITH the initiation of the members of Phi Delta Sigma and the installation of Alpha Tau Chapter on October 23, 24 and 25, Phi Kappa Tau added Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., to the roster which now includes forty-three chapters.

In the quarter-century of history of Phi Kappa Tau it is hardly possible that any installation ever was surrounded by a more beautiful setting than that presented at Cornell during those three early fall days. From a point of vantage high in the tower of Willard Straight Memorial Hall were the rites of Phi Kappa Tau presented, a point far above the beautiful waters of Cayuga Lake, for which Cornell is justly famous.

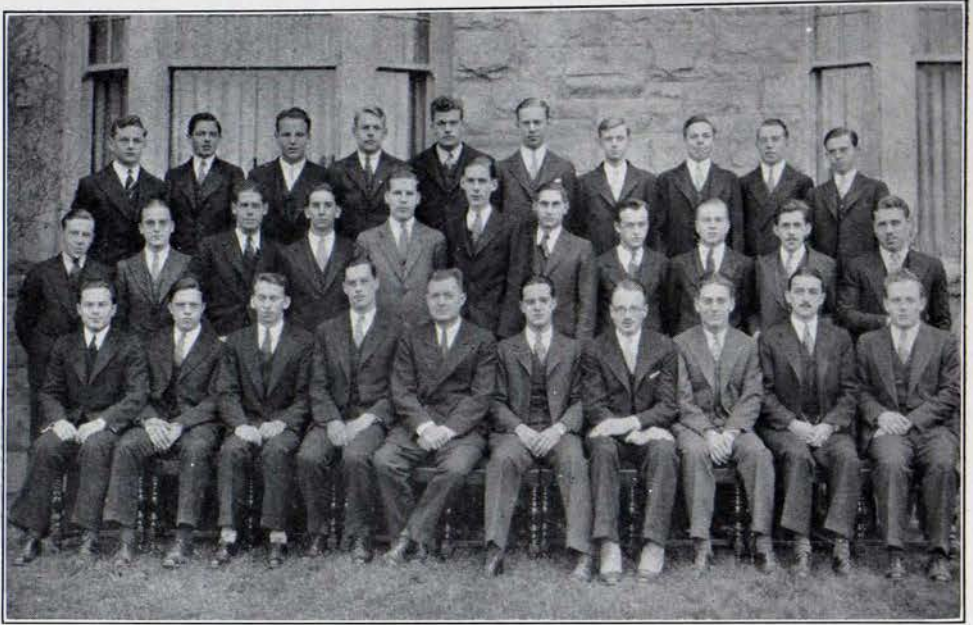
Hospitality and genuine friendliness were omnipresent throughout the ceremonies, and the Alpha Tau installation long will be remembered by those who

participated, either as initiates or as members of the degree team. By an unusually happy combination of circumstances, Phi Kappa Tau enters Cornell with a prestige accorded few fraternities represented at the famous school on the "Hill," for Alpha Tau Chapter, as a local fraternity, has demonstrated more than average ability for over two decades.

Members of the installation team were W. Massey Foley, A, Dr. W. H. Shideler, A, Dr. H. A. Taylor, Y, Dr. H. E. Hoagland, Z, Leonard M. Utz, H, John V. Shankweiler, H, Richard Taylor, X, Robert Gallagher, O, and Richard J. Young, A.

Shortly after arriving in Ithaca the degree team proceeded immediately with initiation of the members of Phi Delta Sigma. Grand President Foley presided, capably assisted by Honored Founder

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### RESIDENT COUNCIL, ALPHA TAU CHAPTER

Left to right—Front: Williams, Roberts, Kiefer, Mason, Captain Curtis, adviser; Netchvolodoff, Putney, Leisinger, Hooper, Beyland.  
Middle: Perry, Maddox, Marquez, Fitch, Brayshaw, White, Carmody, Seward, Huntton, Farrington, Baneroff.  
Rear: Schmidt, Stoye, Del Jurino, Nolen, Chapman, Gardiner, Bean, Crosby, Case, Venable.

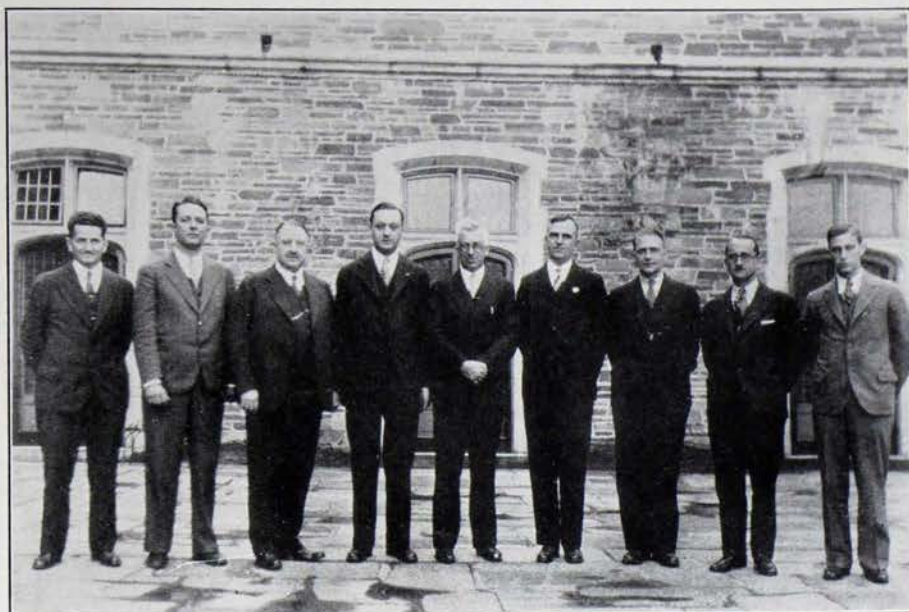
Shideler, Grand Councilors Taylor and Utz, Brothers Hoagland, Shankweiler, Taylor and Gallagher, and Grand Secretary Young. On the afternoon of October 25, with all members of the chapter assembled, President C. Powell Beyland was presented with the charter of Alpha Tau Chapter.

On the evening of Friday, October 25, the new chapter with all guests gathered in Willard Straight Hall for the installation banquet. Presiding as toastmaster was H. Laurens Williams. Speakers on the program were W. Massey Foley, C. Powell Beyland, Dr. W. H. Shideler and Dr. H. A. Taylor.

Following the banquet, Dr. Shideler announced that he would appreciate the

privilege of becoming an honorary member of Alpha Tau Chapter, since Cornell University was his second Alma Mater, he having done graduate study for his doctor's degree at Ithaca. Unanimously did the men accept Dr. Shideler's offer, and together with other charter members appears the name of W. H. Shideler on the Alpha Tau scroll.

Phi Delta Sigma is the offspring of a war marriage of two old Cornell local organizations, Skull and Bandhu. Early in the year 1901, a group of congenial men rooming together, decided to join themselves into an association for their mutual benefit based on friendship. This association adopted the name "Skull" society. Deriving a great deal of pleasure



INSTALLATION TEAM AT CORNELL

Left to right: John V. Shankweiler, Richard Taylor, Dr. Harry A. Taylor, Leonard M. Utz, Dr. W. H. Shideler, Dr. H. E. Hoagland, Robert Gallagher, W. Massey Foley, Richard J. Young.

and mental stimulus from the club, the members decided to expand the fraternity and from this time the growth was steady.

The autumn of 1902 saw the founding of another potential power on the "Hill." Eight Cornell students organized a society to attain the advantages of a fraternity and at the same time eliminate some of the less desirable features. They chose the name "Bandhu," meaning 'good fellowship.' This society prospered and a house was secured. "Bandhu" rapidly became a synonym for scholarship as year after year the fraternity led the honor roll of the University. Up to the war period the fraternity held a clean record for non-failure in studies, not a single man having "busted" for

failure in scholarship. As Bandhu grew, the need was felt for a new home and as a result the fraternity with the support of alumni purchased the present Alpha Tau Lodge.

Then came the war, and Cornell's fraternities responded to the call for men. Both Skull and Bandhu, which had become prosperous organizations, self-sufficient and firmly established on the "Hill," sent most of their members, as did other organizations. During this period many fraternities passed out of existence, and others were hard-pressed financially.

As a result, in order to meet the new fraternity situation, Skull and Bandhu were joined as one and became Phi Delta Sigma in 1918. Splendid parents these

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societies proved to be for the new organization with their heritage of strong alumni and records of scholarship and activities. Their alumni rapidly associated themselves with Phi Delta Sigma. Of the sixty-two fraternities on the Cornell campus, Phi Kappa Tau ranks the twenty-fourth oldest.

Cornell University, like many American universities, had its origin in the Federal Government's grant of a large portion of public lands for the endowment of education under authority of the Morrill Act of 1862. The State of New York devoted all of its share of the land grant to Cornell University, which was established by charter in 1865 and opened in Ithaca in 1868. Although owing its foundation primarily to that grant, the University is indebted in a far greater degree to Ezra Cornell and Andrew Dickson White, to the one for its material wealth and to the other for its educational dimensions.

The Charter directed that the University be located at Ithaca. This had been Mr. Cornell's wish, and it was he who determined the site, with the approval of the Trustees, by giving the University more than two hundred acres of land, overlooking Cayuga Lake, and also \$500,000. On this spot amid bold and beautiful scenery, Cornell University was built.

When the University was opened it was somewhat remote from the village of Ithaca. The first professors found scant accommodations for their comfort at the top of the steep hill. In the earliest years some students lived in the Halls that were first built; however, as these were needed the men were forced to

shift for themselves. The effect of this has been the establishment of a multitude of fraternities at Cornell. The success of the early chapters served as an incentive for nearly seventy fraternities to establish in the University and become an active part in Cornell student life.

The University endowment now totals about twenty million dollars, and it receives from all sources a total yearly income of about seven million dollars. The roster includes nine hundred instructors and more than five thousand students. The two or three original buildings have grown to more than fifty.



### *PITY THE CO-ED!*

Let educators beware in adopting the modern trends in education lest they infringe upon women's rights. Since the old fashioned prayer meeting adjourned for the younger generation, the college is the only matrimonial agency of note that remains. To best serve its constituency, the college adopted low standards so that more could attend.

Now comes the suggestion of higher standards, graduation in two years,—general hard work. Can it be that educators fear not woman's wrath? That they have lost their objective? Do they have a substitute agency to recommend?

If not, let the educators beware!

Sigma Phi Sigma Monad



Alpha Epsilon Pi Day has grown from a national event to an international observance. Throughout the states and over into Mexico the day was celebrated and reports indicate it was a day of real celebrations.

# New Domain Chiefs Assume Duties

## Four New Chapter Councilors Appointed

FOUR new men have been added to the domain chief roster this year, in accordance with the plan for geographical rearrangement of chapters by domains as necessary. Those assuming the all-important responsibilities of counselors to the chapters are the Rev. Horace E. Cromer, Beta; L. A. Kegerreis, Gamma; V. M. Henry, Zeta; and Ray A. Bushey, Psi.

Serving as the direct representatives of the Grand Chapter in their respective domains, these men are to be responsible for maintaining the high standards of scholarship, finance and morals to be found in chapters of Phi Kappa Tau. They succeed four men to whom the fraternity is deeply indebted for the fine service given: J. V. Shankweiler, Eta; Paul F. Opp, Epsilon; Richard C. Lennox, Lambda; and Robert C. Stone, Mu.

Under the capable hand of the Rev. Horace E. Cromer, whose home is in Suffolk, Va., come two chapters, Chi at North Carolina State College and Alpha Theta at William and Mary. Cromer, who long has displayed a deep appreciation and understanding of college men, was a member of the original Barbarians of Ohio University, familiar to older Phi Taus. He holds three degrees, A. B., B. S. of Ed., and A. M. After serving on the faculty at Berea College, he became treasurer and manager of a whole-



*Rev. Horace Cromer*

sale hardware firm. In 1922 he entered the Virginia Annual Conference, and shortly thereafter became pastor of the Methodist Church in Williamsburg, Va., where he likewise served as lecturer in the College of William and Mary. While here he became interested in a local fraternity and served as their chief sponsor until they were firmly established as the Alpha Theta Chapter of Phi Kappa Tau. At present, he is pastor of the Main Street M. E. Church in Suffolk, Va.

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Four chapters, Beta, Ohio University; Gamma, Ohio State University; Phi, Bethany College; and Alpha Xi, University of West Virginia, are in the domain of L. A. Kegerreis, a member of Gamma Chapter. Kegerreis, who already has demonstrated marked ability as a domain chief, has been one of the most active of Phi Tau alumni. Born in 1895 on a farm in Northern Ohio, he attended the Bellevue schools and Ohio State University, receiving a B. S. degree in business. Since college all of his work has been in the selling field, with the exception of one year as school teacher. After representing a textbook company for five years, he entered the insurance field as a special agent, in which work he now is engaged in Columbus, Ohio.

In charge of four chapters in the Middlewest is a man known to many Phi Taus, V. M. Henry, popularly known as "Vic," a member of Zeta Chapter. Under his direction come Zeta, University of Illinois; Lambda, Purdue University; Mu, Lawrence College; and Omega, University of Wisconsin. Henry, whose home is in Chicago, is the main spark of the Phi Tau Alumni Association in Chicago, which bids fair to become an active and aggressive group. Graduating from Illinois with a B. S. degree in Floriculture, he first was a designer with Schiller, well known Chicago florist. He now is in the insurance field, a successful representative of an old company.

Out in Colorado they have nothing but words of praise for the energetic labors of Ray Bushey, who has worked unceasingly to make the name of Phi Kappa Tau respected and admired in



*Ray A. Bushey*

the Rocky Mountain district. One of the charter members of Psi Chapter at the University of Colorado, he is in a large measure responsible for the new home in Boulder. Born in Kansas, he entered the University of Colorado in 1917. After three years of college, he became manager of a Libby, McNeil and Libby canning factory. In 1922 he returned to the University, graduating a year later with an A. B. degree. Since then, he has become owner of the University Cafeteria in Boulder, being enrolled at the same time in the law school of the University. Bushey has attended three conventions including those at Detroit, Bigwin Inn, and Asheville. His keen interest in fraternity activity should materially aid Psi Chapter, at University of Colorado; and Alpha Sigma Chapter, at Colorado Agricultural College.

# • More Phi Kappa Tau Advisers •

## Second Series of Accounts of Men Who Guide The Destinies of Fraternity Chapters

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *The Laurel presents herewith the second of a series of articles dealing with the advisers of the various chapters.*

F. C. VANDEWALKER, *Alpha Pi*

F. C. Vandewalker is a charter member of Alpha Pi. He is an instructor in the College of Business Administration and has completed nine years of



service at the University of Washington. His chief interest lies in accounting, and he is a member of B A Ψ, national accounting honorary.

Mr. Vandewalker spent the first three years of his undergraduate days at the University of Wisconsin,

*F. C. Vandewalker*

received his B. A. degree from Whitworth College and his M. B. A. degree from the University of Washington. He is the author of a textbook on lumber accounting and has audited for several lumber companies.

Mr. Vandewalker is very well liked by all who meet him either in his classes or socially, and has a pleasing personality.

ROY MORELAND, *Kappa*

PROF. Roy Moreland, adviser of Kappa Chapter, is not only a Phi Tau in spirit but in fact as well. Professor Moreland is a member of Theta Chapter at Transylvania

College. Throughout his professorial career the adviser of Kappa Chapter has found time to participate in the ever-growing activities of the Phi Taus in all the Kentucky Chapters, and has proved to be the best adviser the Chapter could have selected. Professor Moreland, always active in his own undergraduate days, has been an invaluable aid in assisting the chapter in its work



*Roy Moreland*

During his own college days Moreland played football with Transylvania and was president of the "T" Club at his school. He is on the Board of Curators at Transylvania, and is actively connected with many activities of his alma mater. While at school he brought many honors to Phi Kappa Tau among them being chairman of the Honor Council, president of the Pericles Literary Society and member of the debating

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team. His untiring efforts in school continued to characterize his activities out of school and after he received his law degree from the University of Kentucky and his J. D. degree from the University of Chicago he became interested in the activities of Kappa Chapter. His assistance and timely advice have been of no little help in keeping the Kentucky chapter in the midst of campus activities.

During the World War Moreland served overseas as a Second-Lieutenant in the infantry. At present he is actively connected with the Kentucky Law Journal and has been named vice-president of the advisory board of the University Y. M. C. A. He is also a member of the Clay Chapter of  $\Phi A \Delta$  legal fraternity.

DR. HARRY ALLEN TAYLOR, *Upsilon*

**D**R. Harry Allen Taylor has been the sponsor at Upsilon since 1923 and has been very outstanding in Phi Kappa Tau during these years. He has served



*Dr. Taylor*

as national president for two terms, and is at present one of the Grand Councilors of the fraternity. Dr. Taylor takes a lively interest in the affairs of Upsilon and is always willing to help in any way possible. He is a member of the faculty of Nebraska Wesley-

an and member of the board of trustees.

CARL SCHWENDLER, *Alpha Beta*

**C**ARL Schwendler, '29, has recently been appointed chapter adviser of Alpha Beta. Carl was graduated from Newton High School in Elmhurst, Long Island, from whence he came to New York University. At New York University he was an active student and he was graduated in 1929. While Carl was attending school he became track manager, for which he received his letters. He also was an active



*Carl Schwendler*

singer, becoming a member of both the quartette and the glee club. Carl is an aeronautical engineer. He is an asset to the fraternity.

RAYMOND F. SMITH, *Zeta*

**R**AYMOND F. Smith, adviser of Zeta Chapter, is a man particularly suited for this position. Besides offering many useful suggestions, he takes an unusually active part in chapter affairs, spending a great deal of time at the chapter house and attending nearly all the meetings. At present, he is stressing particularly the importance of a high scholastic standing. It would indeed be hard to find a man who has the interests of Phi Kappa Tau more at heart than does Ray Smith.

Besides being popular with the members and pledges, Smith always makes a

fine impression upon visitors and parents. Often they have complimented us on our good fortune in having him as our adviser.

After graduating from Miami University in 1927, as a member of Alpha Chapter, Ray came to Illinois and obtained his master's degree here in 1929. He is now engaged as assistant research director in the University of Illinois Bureau of Business Research, and is also an instructor in economics in the College of Commerce.

## Tau Chapter Member Has Flying Experience

**T**AU Chapter has another naval aviator since Howard H. Boys returned last summer from Pensacola, Florida, where he was stationed for training duty. He will succeed C. M. Ellicock, who graduated in June, as the chapter pilot. Both the men are ensigns in the Naval Reserve and hold transport licenses as well as designations as Naval Aviators.



Howard H. Boys working in various aircraft plants since early high school days and took last year off to broaden his experience before receiving his degree in aeronautics from the University of Michigan.

Occasionally we hear stories of various flights from the first solo, through the strenuous tests and different squadrons to the final work in Curtiss fighters. Storms, fog, formation flying, follow stunts in furnishing their share of thrills. Boys was recommended for combat work as a result of placing first in stunting against the other fifteen members of his class.

One hundred reserve student officers, representing some fifteen universities and forty fraternities, were assembled at the naval air station, Pensacola, Fla., last year for flight training, of which only eighty per cent were commissioned.

Tau Chapter is also looking forward to having Harry Coll vie with the rest of the eighty per cent for honors during the coming year.

## Two Alpha Athletes Sign With Minor League Team

**T**WO Alpha men, Don Bollechino and Blanton Dick, have signed to play baseball with the Raleigh, N. C., team of the Piedmont League, a "farm" of Detroit in the American league. Bollechino, a senior at Miami University is a versatile athlete, excelling in baseball, basketball, and track. Dick hails from Phoenix, Arizona and would rather play ball than eat. Both starred during the summer season while playing with an amateur industrial team in Dayton, Ohio.

The Arkansas anti-fraternity law has been repealed, thus clearing the statute works of all the states of adverse legislation.

# ❧ Miami Host to Silver

FOR Phi Kappa Tau, the year 1931 gives promise of being an epochal one in history, for next August 27, 28 and 29 hundreds will trek to Oxford, Ohio, to celebrate the Silver Jubilee Convention at Miami University, where the fraternity was founded a quarter-century ago.

Honor will be paid two particular groups at this twenty-fifth anniversary gathering of Phi Taus. Three of the four Honored Founders, Dr. W. H. Shideler, Judge Clinton D. Boyd, and Taylor A. Borradaile, will be in Oxford, as will representatives of the first six chapters, which played an all-important role in the early years of Phi Kappa Tau.

To all of the chapters in Phi Kappa Tau does Oxford bid a hearty welcome. This historic little village, peacefully nestled among the rolling hills of south-

## Phi Taus Will Gather

western Ohio, for more than a century has been host to a distinguished lot of guests. At Miami men prominent in American history have studied, Benjamin Harrison, Whitelaw Reid, David Swing and Calvin Brice, being a few. And among the native sons of the Village of Oxford there are James Langstroth, the great bee man; Charles Barrows, the Civil War artist; John Shaw Billings, the famous surgeon; and David Swing, the talented liberal preacher.

Of more than passing interest to those visiting Miami is William H. McGuffey, author of the immortal Eclectic Readers, for 'twas while a member of the Miami faculty, from 1826 to 1836, that his books were published. In this short sketch space forbids a further discussion of many more of Miami's great men.



*Miami Campus Gateway*

# Jubilee Convention

## At Oxford In August

Located within sixty minutes of Cincinnati, but twenty minutes distant from Hamilton, and only an easy drive from Dayton, Indianapolis, and Middletown, Oxford is ideally situated, isolated, yet conveniently located. By train, bus or automobile the Silver Jubilee Convention is near all of Phi Kappa Tau.

Scores of events are bidding for a place on the 1931 convention program, and the three days in August give every prospect of being brimful of activity. Building conditions being favorable, it is hoped that the Founders Memorial will be ready for dedication. The new home of Alpha Chapter, recently completed, also will be formally dedicated. Representatives of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, and Sigma Delta Rho, which were founded at Miami, as was Phi Kappa Tau, are to be invited.

One of the greatest of Greek-letter schools in the United States, Miami has

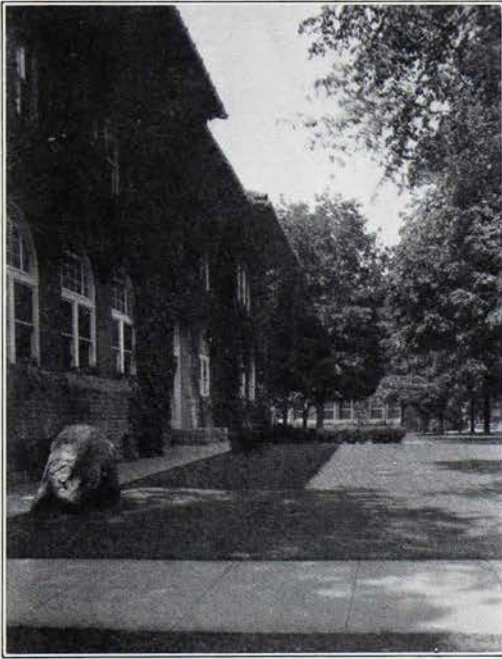
made fraternities an integral part of the University. The name "Miami" is almost synonymous with that of "Fraternity." The Miami Triad, consisting of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Chi, are among the oldest and largest of college organizations. Fortu-

nate indeed is Phi Kappa Tau to have been privileged to benefit by the experiences of these brother fraternities. Not only has the University fostered the growth of these groups, but also has Miami aided chapters on the campus in the solution of problems.

Through the hospitality of the school, Phi Kappa Tau will be extended every courtesy at the disposal of Miami. Convention guests, both men and ladies,

will be housed in Miami University halls.

All in all, the coming convention bids fair to attract a record number of Phi Taus and their families. And with the passing of 1931, Phi Kappa Tau will have rounded out another year of history, mounting still higher the ladder of success in the college fraternity world.



*A Campus Scene*

# Three Outstanding at Alpha Alpha

THREE men in Alpha Alpha Chapter have achieved exceptional prominence on the campus at Michigan State College at Lansing, Mich., for leadership in class, fraternity and college affairs.



D. C. Carruthers,  
A A

Douglas Carruthers, a senior, chapter president, is perhaps the most outstanding man at State. He is president of the Student Council, secretary-treasurer of Excalibur, senior honorary fraternity, and past president of

Blue Key, national service fraternity. He is cadet major in the coast artillery unit of the Michigan State R. O. T. C., a member of Scabbard and Blade, national military fraternity, Mortar and Ball, national artillery fraternity, Phi Lambda Tau, local engineering honorary, Officer's Club, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Carruthers was elected delegate to represent Michigan State at the National Student Federation Convention held at Atlanta, Ga., during the week beginning December 29.

William Pratt, also a fourth year man and chapter

vice-president, received one of the highest honors on the campus when he was elected managing editor of the 1931 *Wolverine*, college yearbook. Pratt is also secretary-treasurer of Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity. He is a second lieutenant in the cavalry squadron, a member of Scabbard and Blade, Officer's Club, Pi Kappa Delta, national forensic honorary, and Excalibur. He is prominent in forensic activities, and was a member of last year's debating team.



Richard W. Cook,  
A A

Richard Cook, a junior, is a social chairman of the chapter. He is a sergeant in the artillery battalion, a member of the Officer's Club, the American Society of Civil Engineers, Blue Key, Interfraternity Council and Student Council. Cook is also the Interfraternity representative to the Student Council, and is prominent in campus social life.

Alpha Alpha Chapter is proud of the accomplishments of these three men. They are setting good examples for other members.



William D. Pratt,  
A A

# Fraternity Has Banner Football Year

## Baker of Pi Chapter Named All-American

WITH the dust on the gridiron well settled and the moleskins put away for another year, reports from various institutions where chapters of the fraternity are located indicate conclusively that Phi Kappa Tau has had one of the most successful, if not the greatest, seasons in football ever experienced by the organization.

From coast to coast members of Phi Kappa Tau have shown themselves outstanding on the football teams at their respective institutions, achieving honors, making records, and winning for themselves not only a name in the eyes of those attached to the institution attended, but in the eyes of the nation as well.

Heading the list of Phi Tau gridiron notables is John W. Baker, stellar player of the University of Southern California football squad and a member of Pi Chapter. Baker was named an All-American star by many coaches and in newspapers chosen as All-American on the first teams by well-known sports editors. Baker also received a considerable number of votes from coaches who cast ballots at the direction of the Newspaper Enterprise Association, newspaper syndicate.

Together with Baker are two other Pi Chapter members who made football

history on the West Coast. These are Byron Gentry and Jesse Shaw. Gentry became a member of the varsity as a sophomore, while Shaw will finish school this year with expectations of doing coaching work next year.

The three Kentucky chapters of the fraternity, Theta, Kappa, and Delta also added a few volumes to 1930 football history. Clarence Crafton, Theta, and Ralph Wright, Kappa, were named grid captains of the teams of Transylvania University and the University of Kentucky, respectively for 1931, while at Centre College, the home of Delta, five members of the chapter received football letters.

Lambda Chapter at Purdue University produced three Big Ten lettermen in White, Kissel, and Ross. White, a junior, was voted one of the three most valuable players on the Boiler-maker's squad. At Alpha Theta Chapter, College of William and Mary, Otis Douglas was named grid captain, while at a nearby institution, Bethany College, seven Phi members, including Kasarda, who was 1930 captain, won awards.

At Xi Chapter, Franklin and Marshall College, five members of the fraternity received letters, with Britton reported as being in line for the captaincy of the 1931 football team. Four mem-



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bers of Beta Chapter made berths on the team and helped Ohio University win the Buckeye championship for the second successive year.

Always strong in athletics, Upsilon Chapter at Nebraska Wesleyan had fourteen members receive letters including the 1930 captain, Ross Bonham, and the 1931 leader, George Miller. These men helped their squad tie for first place in the conference to which Nebraska Wesleyan belongs.

At Alpha Sigma Chapter, Albert White is reported to have played a stellar game of football as a member of the Colorado Aggies. Merrill Morrison was captain of the freshman squad of Penn State.

Always active in other extra-curricular activities Mu Chapter at Lawrence College, Appleton, Wis., had three members on the varsity grid squad during the past football season.

Howard Kissell, of Purdue, was one of the galaxy of mid-western stars selected by Coach Robert Zuppke of Illinois, to play against the pick of the south.

Other chapters not mentioned here also contributed greatly in making the past 1930 football season a banner one for the fraternity and prospects for outstanding achievements in basketball are indicated from early reports of a great many Phi Kappa Tau men at various chapters represented on their varsity cage squads.

## Xi Chapter Acquires New Home

THE Phi Taus at Franklin and Marshall College will soon occupy a new house, as the result of a recent purchase which came as a surprise. For several years the need of a larger house has been felt keenly and tentative plans were made for rebuilding on the present site. In October it was learned that a large private home very near the College was for sale and within a few weeks an agreement was reached whereby Xi Chapter could take possession on December 15th.

The location of the new house is recognized by all as probably the best of any of the fraternities at F. and M. It is directly across the avenue from the dormitories, one block from the trolley. There is ample ground on all sides and beautiful shrubbery. It is a corner house, exceptionally well built, and one

of the finest examples of Colonial architecture in the city. The owner was in the lumber business and consequently built the home of the best material. The property was bought for \$25,000, which is much below the cost of a newly built house.

Remodelling is being undertaken at once, so the house may be ready for occupancy by the beginning of the second semester. Without a great deal of alteration, the home can be arranged to accommodate twenty-four men for study and sleeping. There will be a spacious living-room and dining-room, six study rooms and three baths. The basement is being remodelled to provide a large chapter room, with fireplace and all the equipment for a comfortable den. An oil burner will be installed.

# Phi Tau Is Selected As Architect For Founder's Memorial

By RICHARD J. YOUNG, *Grand Secretary-Treasurer*

FORGING ahead with preliminary plans for the construction of the National Headquarters Building to be erected in Oxford, Ohio, in honor of the men who founded Phi Kappa Tau at Miami University, Grand President W. Massey Foley, in behalf of the Grand Council, announces the selection of Richard C. Lennox,  $\Lambda$ , Purdue University, as architect for the memorial project.



R. C. Lennox,  $\Lambda$

Following authorization granted by the fraternity at the Asheville Convention last August, the Grand Council has made preparation for immediate work. As now planned, the Founders Memorial will be under construction by early spring, to be completed in time for the Silver Jubilee Convention in Oxford on August 27, 28 and 29, 1931. Dedication of this building will be one of the many attractions drawing Phi Taus to Miami University during the three days of the anniversary celebration.

As soon as general architectural plans have been approved by the Grand Council, the whole building project will be placed in charge of a committee consist-

ing of Dr. H. E. Hoagland, Z, University of Illinois, H. H. Beneke and Hugh C. Nichols, A, Miami University. Living in the immediate vicinity of Oxford, this group has been granted full authority to supervise construction of the Founders Memorial.

Heeding the wishes of the men who conceived Phi Kappa Tau more than a quarter century ago, there has been planned a structure which will accommodate adequately the Central Office of the fraternity with its rapidly increasing business. While simplicity of design will characterize the whole of the building, nothing will be spared to make the headquarters of an enduring nature, a fitting memorial to the efforts of Founders Taylor A. Borradaile, Clinton D. Boyd, Dwight I. Douglas, and W. H. Shideler, who sponsored Phi Kappa Tau during its earliest years.

Although final plans have not been approved, the building probably will be of southern colonial design, harmonizing with the many old structures for which the Village of Oxford is justly famous. Located on one of the choice building lots remaining, the Founders Memorial will be almost across from the main entrance to the spacious campus of Miami University. Adjacent are the General Headquarters of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity and the home of the Alpha Chapter of Beta Theta Pi.

And it is of more than passing interest to note that the building is directly across the street from the first home of the Alpha Chapter of Phi Kappa Tau.

The interior of the building, where will be housed the Central Office and the invaluable files and historical documents, will blend with the true southern colonial design of the Memorial. No attempt will be made for ornate display. The floors will be arranged to facilitate the operation of the main business unit of Phi Kappa Tau. With the steady expansion of the fraternity and its ever-increasing membership, there is an immediate need for adequate space properly designed for the operation of the Central Office with its important, detailed work.

In the selection of Lennox as architect the Grand Council is particularly happy to announce the choice of a member of the fraternity. Graduating from Purdue University in 1924, he has met with success early in his career. Located in Indianapolis, Indiana, he is a member of the architectural firm of Doppers and Lennox. For a number of years he was domain chief for the states of Indiana and Illinois, and he has served on many important committees.

### Student Publication Has Alpha Members on Roster

THE *Miami Student*, campus newspaper at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, is well edited, with three of the major posts being held by Alpha Chapter men. Oliver Amos, editor-in-chief, William Amos, assistant editor, and Earl Lokey, copy editor, represent Phi Kappa Tau on this publication.

## Plan Merit System For Gamma Pledges

By CLARK I. WITWER

A plan is being developed at Gamma Chapter in the form of a merit system to be used as a means of correcting misdemeanors of pledges. In its nature it is to be something on the order of constructive justice instead of the destructive. Since the abolition of the paddle during rough initiation the actives have been attempting to devise a scheme whereby illegitimate and uncalled for paddling will be abandoned. The merit system will function in something of the following manner:

A chart is to be posted with the name of each pledge written thereon; and he will be merited and demerited according to certain incentives placed on the chart. For each wrong committed a number of demerits will be posted against them. Then when a day of reckoning arrives the paddle can be used in a constructive way in that the misdeed will be pointed out for him and the nature of the wrongdoing will determine the severity of the punishment inflicted. The system will also contain numerous awards and merits for achievement; it being only fair that a pledge should be commended on good deeds as well as bad ones.

Every aid is being offered the pledges in order that the proper start in university life be gained. And it is hoped that more potential actives will be made of them as a result of such proceedings. This type of plan has been decided upon because of the searching out of the workings of other similar plans in and out of our own organization.

The initiation fee payable to the general office of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority has been increased from \$25 to \$40.

# Fraternity's Scholarship Improving

Dr. Taylor Compares Scholarship Emphasis  
To That Placed on Athletics by Chapters

By DR. HARRY A. TAYLOR, *Scholarship Commissioner*

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Dr. Harry A. Taylor past grand president and present grand councilor of Phi Kappa Tau was recently appointed scholarship commissioner of the fraternity to succeed Dean E. E. Brandon, Alpha, retired. The following article on the all-important question of scholarship was prepared especially for Laurel readers by Dr. Taylor:*

SCHOLARSHIP furnishes the only comparative rating which colleges and universities almost universally make of the various fraternities on their campuses. A comprehensive survey is also compiled of the comparative national scholastic achievements of the members of the Interfraternity Conference. Scholarship is the most discussed subject when the Conference meets.

If ever fraternities are banned from the American colleges it will be because the fraternity man or woman does not average as well scholastically as does the general student body. There can be no censure of institutions when they become displeased with conditions which hinder the proper education of those who enter. Scholarship is rightfully one of the highest aims of a college.

Last year for the first time in its his-

tory Phi Kappa Tau dropped below the line of the average of the student bodies. Though we have plenty of company it is a condition which should cause us to hang our heads in shame. Your scholarship commissioner is pleased to state, however, that the reports of this year generally show improvement.

Should we not place as much emphasis upon scholarship as we do upon the major sports? Almost any freshman who could broad jump twenty-four feet would be fought over during the rushing season. There would not be much concern about how he wears his clothes or whether he has the polish of the social elite. None would stop to wonder whether those flying feet carry much at the upper end. On the

## THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMISSIONER SAYS:

**"It is impossible to have wonderful scholarship without pledging some real students. The same story (the accompanying article) has brought good results with the chapter in this city (Upsilon). The men are looking up the records of the fellows in the high schools."**

other hand if that freshman is simply a likely candidate for Phi Beta Kappa there are members in every chapter who would feel that he should be pledged only after the most cautious and prolonged observation.

We are justly proud of our athletes. Many of them are nation famous. They have brought renown to our fraternity. It is to be hoped that we will never cease to encourage our personnel to en-

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gage in student activities. Usually the athlete is at least a fair student. He must be or he will become ineligible.

What would happen to the boy who could easily have made an athletic reputation but who was so indifferent he would not even attend half the practices? It would not be long until he would be well aware of the indignation of his fellows. He would be made to feel he was a traitor if he did not put forth his best efforts so that old Phi Tau could "rate" on the campus.

Only a few men can hope to get on the squad. Still less can possibly earn an athletic letter. However, all members must be part of the team when the goal of scholarship is sought. To those whose work is excellent nothing but praise can be said. They can do no more. Since the final score is to be the matter of "the average" it is far more important that the poor and indifferent student should advance. His fumbling more than offsets the brilliant forward plunges of the best students on the team. Should not such laggards honestly feel that they are traitors to Phi Tau's reputation?

If every one of our personnel who is below average would put forth genuine effort from now on, Phi Kappa Tau would rise to the very top among fraternal organizations. It is so easy to do. There is no question but that it can be done. Are we fighters? Let's go!!



By a vote of 79 to 7, Beta Theta Pi's recent convention granted a charter to the Delta Tau Fraternity at the University of Florida, which once made overtures to Phi Gamma Delta. The charter grant increases the Beta chapter roll to 87. The chapters which voted against the granting of the charter were Amherst, California, Dickinson, Colgate, Stanford, Virginia and Yale.



"Think over the list of alumni who have been really interested and worked for your chapter over a period of years. Were they the most eagerly sought rush-ees or men whose acceptance of your bid at that time didn't especially interest the chapter?"—*The Purple, Green and Gold of Lambda Chi Alpha.*



Mu Chapter Group



Beta Chapter Group

# Plan For Jubilee At Philadelphia

Will Fete Anniversary of Fraternity's Founding

By PAUL GANTT, *President, Philadelphia Alumni Association*

WHAT promises to be one of the greatest gatherings in the history of Phi Kappa Tau is scheduled to take place in Philadelphia, on March 14. Sponsored by the Philadelphia Alumni Club, this event is planned as a Twenty-fifth Anniversary Banquet and Jubilee Celebration.

The location of Philadelphia as a distributing point for much of the Eastern seaboard travel offers a unique opportunity for the staging of a celebration which should bring together Phi Taus from points many miles distant. The event planned for March 14 should assemble from 400 to 500 Phi Taus representing many of our chapters, including resident councils, graduate councils and national officers. At least one of our Honored Founders, Dr. W. H. Shideler, is planning to be present. It is possible that there may be others. The banquet will be held at the Adelphia hotel, noted for its banquet facilities and centrally located.

A number of the eastern chapters have made preparations to be on hand in a body and others are to be there at least in part. The alumni associations are co-operating toward gathering together all Phi Taus within possible reaching distance. Committees have been at work in cities where no active alumni groups have developed. In this way it has been possible to keep all Phi Taus within at

least a day's journey of Philadelphia in touch with the preparations for this Jubilee.

A special committee in Philadelphia has been active since last fall and is ready for the day to arrive. This committee promises not only a great banquet but a full evening of entertainment and celebration.

The committee includes Lambert, Rho, as chairman; Bishop, Colburn and Dowd, Alpha Iota; Osborne and Walton, Omicron; Bordner, Xi; Steinhauer, Eta; Buck, Gamma; Conrad, Alpha Beta.

The Philadelphia Alumni Club wishes to take this opportunity to extend a special invitation to all the brothers everywhere to come to Philadelphia and join in this Twenty-fifth Anniversary Jubilee. Any information will be forwarded immediately to any of the members who will write to Harold G. Lambert, Germantown Manor, Greene and Horter Sts., Philadelphia, or to the secretary or president of the Club.

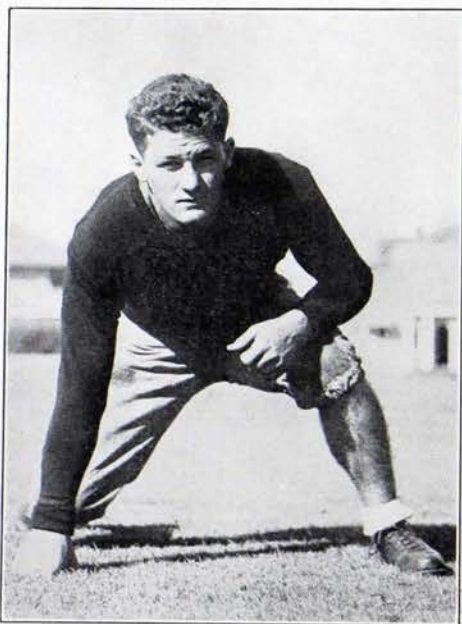
Members of Phi Gamma Delta, meeting for their first convention in New England, voted to increase annual alumni dues from \$1 to \$5. Much talked of were plans for the \$225,000 headquarters temple to be erected in Washington, D. C.—*The Shield & Diamond* of Pi Kappa Alpha.

## Name John Baker, Pi, All-American Guard On Mythical Eleven

By DON H. CORRELL

CAPTAIN of the freshman football team of '28, member of the varsity in '29, replacing the Captain in many of the games, and All-American in '30, is the record of John W. Baker, running guard on the famous Trojan football team of Southern California.

"Johnny", as he is affectionately called by his friends, entered Southern



John Baker

California with many high school laurels to his credit, receiving letters in football, basketball, and track. Since coming to Southern California, "Johnny" has devoted his energies to football

where he has reached his Eureka, being selected on many All-American football teams.

The *New York Sun*, considered one of the best authorities, put "Johnny" on the mythical eleven, as was he by many other authorities. Incidentally "Johnny" was placed on the All-Pacific Coast eleven.

John W. Baker, for that is his real name, was pledged to Pi Chapter in the fall of '28 and initiated in the spring of '29. He has maintained a good record scholastically and is a man that Phi Tau may be proud to claim.

## Malcolm Rush Outstanding Athlete at Bethany College

OUTSTANDING among all-time athletes at Bethany College is Malcolm Rush, president of Phi Chapter. In his three and one-half years at Bethany, Rush has earned a varsity berth in every major sport on Bethany's campus.

In basketball he has led the conference in scoring for three years and excels in baseball.

It does not necessarily have to be an athletic sport to be among those things of which Rush makes a success.

As a student he ranks well, socially he is a favorite wherever he goes, and on the college campus he has attained membership in various honorary societies.



Malcolm Rush,  $\Phi$

## Eta Member Heads Physics Department

ETA Chapter has the honor of furnishing another faculty member to Muhlenberg College. Ira Forry Zartman, Eta, '23, was appointed last semester professor and head of the depart-



I. F. Zartman, H

ment of physics to fill the vacancy left by the late Professor C. S. Allen.

Zartman entered Muhlenberg College after graduating from Lititz High School, Lititz, Pa., with the class of 1923. While at college, he was interested and took an active part in affairs on the campus. He was a member of the varsity track team, managed the varsity basketball team during his senior year, served as junior class president, and treasurer of Eta Chapter during his senior year.

Upon graduation he entered University College, New York University, to take up graduate work in physics, hav-

ing been awarded a teaching fellowship in the department of physics. At the end of the first year at this institution Zartman was elected an instructor in the department, and with the promotion to instructorship, came the added responsibility of raising the ship in the air of matrimony. He married Edythe Grace Wenger from Ephrata, Pa., on June 5, 1924, in New York City.

In 1925 New York University awarded the M. S. degree upon the satisfactory completion of research work in X-rays.

In 1927 he received another Fellowship, this time to the University of California, Berkeley, Calif. At the expiration of this fellowship he was granted one of the two Whiting Research Fellowships which are issued annually to the two graduate students whose work has been considered the most outstanding and who are most capable of doing research work.

His research work required the rebuilding of certain pieces of apparatus, and to bridge this time he came to Muhlenberg as professor of physics in January, 1930. During the past summer he finished his graduate work for his doctorate at Berkeley and in September received the degree of Doctor of Philosophy. The work for his thesis consisted of developing a method and the necessary apparatus for making a direct measurement of the velocities of neutral molecules. The velocities of bismuth molecules at various temperatures were measured. He is at present directing research work in further measurements of the velocity of other molecules in the experimental laboratory of the University of California.

He has recently been elected a member of Sigma Xi, the honorary scientific fraternity. He is also a member of the American Physical Society.

Dr. Zartman is one of three living men who has been able to measure the velocities of neutral molecules.

## Mu Chapter Taking Part In Athletics This Year

By HOLLACE ROBERTS

**T**HIS year more than ever before activities and pledges of Mu Chapter of Phi Kappa Tau are taking a prominent part in athletics on the Lawrence Col-



Keith, M

lege campus, at Appleton, Wis. This year for the first time in the history of the chapter, there are three lettermen in the house.

Heretofore little attention has been centered on athletics by the chapter, scholastic attainments having been stressed in securing new men. This year, however, Mu Chapter,

with its increasing prominence in athletics has already achieved a greater popularity on the campus than it has ever held in the past.

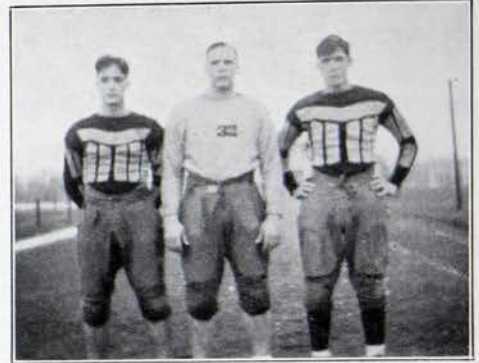
On the varsity eleven, Mu had Oscar Christenson, Chestley Gebhart, and Myles MacMillan. Harold Wurtz and Charles Culmer were on the "B" squad. Christenson was one of the 23 men to be given a football L this year. MacMillan was injured in the third game of the season and was forced out of play for the remainder of the year. Christenson played the entire season in the line and was mentioned for all-conference guard.

Harold Keith won his letter as a member of the cross-country team, being one of three men so honored. Keith is a sophomore and should see two more years on the varsity cross-country squad.

The other letterman in the house this

year is Donald Herschlebb, breast stroke swimming champion of the college. He will be out with the opening of the swimming season this year to battle for a place on the varsity.

At present George E. Hall is a member of the varsity basketball squad.



Gebhart, Christenson, MacMillan

While the final cut of the squad has not been made yet, Hall is fairly certain of being retained on the squad as he was one of the outstanding players on the freshmen squad last season.

In the pledge group, Henry Mattson won his numerals as a member of the football squad. Clifford Burg, Richard Gust, and Robert Schieble were members of the squad also. Rafael Elizando, holder of several interscholastic track records in Mexico, his home, was a member of the freshmen track team. At the present time, Philip Sunnes is holding down a forward berth on the freshmen basketball team.

Phi Sigma Kappa has granted a charter to the Agathon fraternity at Purdue, and now has forty-nine chapters.

Chi Phi will establish its thirty-first chapter at the University of California at Los Angeles, chartering a colonized group.

## Lambda Chapter Observes Tenth Year In Fraternity

**G**ATHERING in the banquet hall of the Purdue Men's Union Building on the evening of November 21, Lambda Chapter celebrated its tenth anniversary in Phi Kappa Tau. Representatives of Founders of Lambda Chapter, the Graduate and Resident Councils, the Grand Chapter and the Purdue administration were in attendance.

Professor Martin L. Fisher, Dean of Men, Purdue University, was speaker of the evening. Joseph C. Matthews, secretary of Lambda Graduate Council, presided as toastmaster.

Others on the program included Captain F. W. Bryant, Lambda, past grand ritualist; John E. Brumbaugh, president of Lambda Resident Council; Richard C. Lennox, president of Lambda Graduate Council; V. C. Manhart, first president of Lambda Chapter; Dr. W. H. Shideler, Alpha, honored founder; Victor M. Henry, Zeta, domain chief; and Richard J. Young, Alpha, grand secretary.

Charter members of Lambda Chapter include Captain F. W. Bryant, L. R. Willey, E. R. Tam, Ray R. Calvert, R. G. Milner, Kenneth E. Gonser, George W. Stuppy, John H. Stuart, A. H. Kroft, B. L. Hummell, Edwin S. Hageman, J. M. Freeland, V. C. Manhart, William B. Werner, M. W. Zadek, G. F. Hill, Jack L. Moore, H. O. Martin, William R. Milner, O. P. Mann, M. O. Cook, B. M. Gartner, C. O. Gossett, and H. R. Keever.

The new constitution of Acacia provides that plans for new chapter houses must be submitted to the National Council for approval—a check on over-enthusiastic local groups which are inclined to become too involved financially.

## Alpha Delta Gives Awards For High Scholastic Rating

By JOHN F. SCHNEIDER

**I**N order that the present fine standing on the campus be maintained, the alumni of Alpha Delta have presented to the active chapter a ten year scholarship cup. Each year the freshman obtaining the highest average in scholarship will receive recognition on this cup. A similar move has been taken by the past chapter presidents of Alpha Delta. The "Presidents' Cup" also of ten years duration goes toward recognizing sophomore scholarship.

## 'Freshman Bible' At Miami Edited By Alpha Members

**T**HE "M" Book issued each fall at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, has been rightfully called the "Freshman Bible." It contains information regarding campus organizations, customs, and traditions. The 1930 edition of this was published in main by Alpha men, with Earl Link, editor; Robert Wiseman, business manager; and Earl Rice and Walter Ott, assistants.

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## Births

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To Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Pearce, '27, O, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hughes, '23, O, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Glenn, '24, O, a boy.

To Mr. and Mrs. B. Ted LaShell, Ψ, a girl, Virginia Louise, on November 14, 1930.

## White Gains Honors On Purdue's Gridiron Squad

By J. H. CARTER

ONE of Lambda's outstanding men is John Aubrey White of Louisville, Ky. His activities in the chapter and on the campus in the past two and a half years have boosted us materially.

As a pledge, White made the highest grades of any of the freshmen, and was easily the best ball-carrier on the frosh varsity football squad.

Two major letters and a team captaincy topped his second year at Purdue. Playing at quarterback as one of the "Four Riveteers" on Purdue's championship grid team gained him wide recognition as a football field general. His work on the tennis team in the spring saw him as runner-up in the state tournament, and he was elected tennis captain for this year at the close of last season.

This fall Jack gained more gridiron honors and was voted one of the three most valuable players on the team. Besides football, he had time to serve on two cadet committees and continue his academic work, which has never been far below the distinguished grade.



Alpha Tau Chapter House

## ❧ Marriages ❧

W. F. Lawson, Jr., A O, to Miss Lucy Belle Holland, Eastville, Va.

C. M. Smith, A O, New York, to Miss Ruth McCalley, Richmond, Va.

C. J. Kyle, '24, A O, Wise, Va., to Miss Charlotte Elizabeth Dotson, Θ Σ P, Wise, Va.

M. Carl Andrews, '27, A Θ, Roanoke, Va., to Miss Mary Spotswood Eggleston, Portsmouth, Va.

H. Schooley Ingle, '28, A Z, to Miss Kathryn Fabrick.

Glen Benson, Ω, to Miss Vivian Volz, Arlington Heights, Ill.

Glenn Reed, A, to Miss Helen E. Stubbs, November 7, 1929, at Dayton, Ohio.

James Smith, A, to Miss Eleanor Smith on October 22, 1930, at Norwalk, Ohio.

Alfred Millard, A, to Miss Helen Stewart, at Miamisburg, Ohio.

Robert McGary, '27, K, to Miss Mary Jane Lyle, Δ Z.

Elmer Gill, '28, K, to Miss Stella Spicer, A Ξ Δ.

L. O. Myers, A K, to Miss Alberta Mayhew, Portland, Ore., on September 29, 1930.

R. H. Bartholomew, '28, O, to Miss Edith LeFever, August 15, 1930, at Lancaster, Pa.

W. R. Ownes, A Δ, to Miss Beth Greer, December 3, 1930.

Lee Fanning, A K, to Miss Elizabeth Brieves, Δ Z, Spokane, Wash., on September 29, 1930.

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"Surely it is a very good sign when four or five chapters will, at the same time, mention in their chapter notes that they have abolished mock initiations, promiscuous paddlings, and other types of horse-play."—*The Unicorn of Theta Xi.*

# Interfraternity Conference Meets

## American Fraternity System Freer of Criticism In Report of Chairman Charles Gerstenberg

AT the recent annual meeting of the Interfraternity Conference, held at New York on November 28 and 29, 1930, one of the outstanding reports made was that of Alvan E. Duerr, chairman of the committee on scholarship, who reported that each of the five years during which he has been chairman of this committee has shown an improvement over the year before, and in the academic year 1929-1930, for the first time, the combined fraternity average rose above the all-men's average.

In closing his report, Mr. Duerr said:

"I should like to express an opinion which has become a conviction as I have watched the accumulation of facts during the past years, and the reaction of our members to these facts. There would seem to be too much of the spirit of discipline in our efforts to improve the scholarship of our undergraduates: Punishment, if they do not; reward, if they do. Think of rewarding a boy for not betraying the trust that his father placed in him at great expense, often sacrifice, to himself! Why not reward him for not stealing? I cannot see that either of these methods has produced real results for the fraternities that have tried them; nor does an elaborate technique do much good. A college man who requires a monitor is a pathetic spectacle, and belongs in a different type of institution. Two years ago our committee recom-

mended the tutorial system as a possible solution of this problem, and we repeat our recommendation at this time; but we do not have in mind a tutor in the American sense of the word, but rather in the Oxford sense: a mature man of such culture and understanding, and force of personality that he would gradually convert the "bull sessions" of the average college group into something that would really satisfy the unquestioned idealism of college men, who would stimulate an interest in things of the spirit and the mind, and so create in the chapter house an atmosphere approaching the intellectual, which is the only lasting stimulus to independent and fruitful study that I know. The tutorial system is not directing study by disciplinary methods, but is inspiring an interest which will lead voluntarily and eagerly to study.

"Too many of our young men come from homes which lack an intellectual background; so we have little right to expect them to have an intellectual interest when they come to us. Too few of our teachers think of study in terms of a glorious pursuit, or of the art of making the mind serve the will of man, or of enriching life by multiplying its contacts; they treat it as a chore, as a grind necessary for some degree, or as a means of acquiring information that may be a fact and again may be only a pipe

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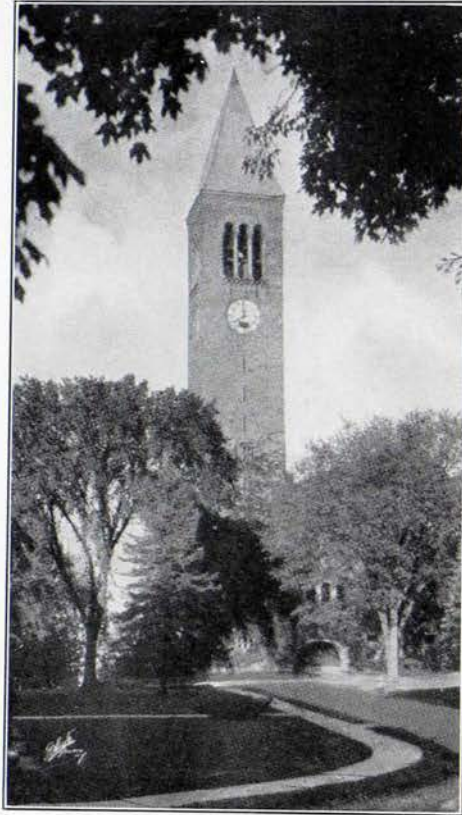
dream, utterly without value as we get out among men. We have no desire to do the work of the college, even when the college falls down; our purpose rather is to give to our members something that will bring to fruition their highest aspirations, and that will send them out into the world the better prepared to be of service. A keener interest in academic work will come as a n inevitable by-product. If you give a young man the right slant on life, the rest of it will come without urging or discipline. We should take the kind of interest in our undergraduate members that an intelligent parent takes in his sons, for if we are substituting, it is for the father and not for the college."

The principal speakers at the Interfraternity Conference Dinner, held at the Hotel Pennsylvania on November 28 were Orion H. Cheney, Phi Gamma Delta, and Charles H. Tuttle, recently Republican candidate for governor of New York.

In discussing the fraternity's place in the field of education, Mr. Cheney said: "Are not these characteristics of team work, co-operation, group loyalty,

straight shooting and community activity, the very ones in which the fraternity is concerned during the boy's years on the campus? If the contribution of the fraternity to the life of its members and of its campus is not to stimulate these qualities then, I ask you, what is it?

"College discipline is more or less only a negative influence in the building of these qualities. The influence of the home is not, unfortunately, what it once was and in many cases, of course, it is not powerful enough to carry across to the campus. The chapel and religion in general are, I am afraid, certainly not increasing in their influence on the college boy. And what then is left? If the fraternities appeal for membership by assuming responsibility for the life of their members outside of the class



*Library Tower at Cornell University*

room, should they not assume some of the responsibility for the results? If character is formed in college outside the class room should not the fraternities accept their share of the task of forming the characters of those who pass through the chapter houses? In the fraternity house, if anywhere, the

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individual may come into his own."

Mr. Tuttle summed up his topic, "The Spirit of Cooperation," in these words.

"There may be other names for the principle of cooperation. We who are Masons speak of it as the brotherhood. In religion it is sometimes referred to as the Kingdom of God. You are looking upon it tonight as the Interfraternity of the world. But whatever name we call it, we recognize that it must be the goal of all human evolution.

"I can put the thought in an alliterative phrase, speaking in terms of evolution. There was first life. That was an individual thing. And then life and next to it in human thinking the principle of liberty, and we got political democracy out of that combination, life and liberty. And then there was added in the process of time to that, another word, "light", and out of those three we got intellectual democracy — life, liberty and light.

"And now as this triumphant principle of cooperation progresses through time and wins its way into the hearts and minds of the peoples of the earth we are finding that not only in individual affairs, in social affairs, in governmental affairs, but even in international affairs we are learning the alphabet of cooperation and that there is coming up over the horizon another word beginning with "L", so that we shall have the ultimate human gospel as resting upon four great alliterative words: Life, light, liberty and love.

"And it is those four words which make the principle of cooperation."

An interesting feature of the dinner

was the presentation of the sound motion pictures of Sigma Chi's Diamond Jubilee Celebration at Oxford, Ohio, on June 27-28, 1930.

All but four of the seventy member fraternities were represented. There were more than two hundred and thirty delegates and alternates, twenty-nine deans, eight visitors and one representative of the United States Department of Education at the meeting.

### *Chairman's Report*

Dr. Charles W. Gerstenberg, Chairman of the Conference, gave it as his opinion that the American fraternity system today is probably freer from criticism than it has ever been before, and cited as the influences to that end the following:

1. The growth of fraternities and the increase in the number of fraternity men.
2. The work of the national boards of management of the fraternities.
3. The willingness of the fraternities to ascertain the facts and to be governed by them.
4. The courage of the fraternities in facing the facts and in acting upon them.

### *Officers and Committeemen Elected*

The following officers and Executive Committeemen of the Interfraternity Conference were elected:

Chairman, Alvan E. Duerr, Delta Tau Delta; Vice-Chairman, Alexander C. Dick, Kappa Alpha Society; Secretary, E. T. T. Williams, Delta Phi; Treasurer, George C. Carrington, Delta Sigma Phi; Educational Adviser, Thomas Arkle Clark, Alpha Tau Omega.

Executive Committeemen, class of 1932: Horace R. Barnes, Phi Sigma

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Kappa; Markley Frankham, Delta Upsilon; Cecil Page, Phi Kappa Psi.

Executive Committeemen, class of 1933: Walter Budd Chaplin, Chi Psi; Harrold P. Flint, Tau Kappa Epsilon; Fred E. Linder, Delta Kappa Epsilon.

Robert S. Binkerd, chairman of the Committee on Alumni, summarized his subject in these words:

"Now, as we view it, under a fundamental concept of alumni relations, where the main contact of the undergraduate chapter is steadily with representatives of — and a growing number of representatives — of their own alumni, that then and then only do you automatically get the greatest value to the alumni themselves, and the greatest value to the college or the university of which the chapter is a part.

"And I wish to point out to you further that under such a concept of the relation between an individual chapter and its own alumni there can be no conflict of loyalty, because those who will grow great in that relationship will do that only by the service they render and that, I am sure, you will all agree is only as it should be."

### *Committee on Investigation of Fraternity Conditions on College Campuses*

Albert S. Bard, chairman of the Committee, in presenting its report said:

"Today colleges should conceive of their fraternities as so many self-governing units in the college community — or as so many little self-governing dominions in the collegiate empire — and should, from the college center, seek to

stimulate and direct, through conference, far more than heretofore, the self-governing activities of the fraternities, both as a group and as individual units within the fraternity group. And the fraternities should respond cordially to such an approach, and should give all legitimate information to that end."

Life is so short and the facts of life so complicated, that youth must quickly put away its follies if it is to meet the challenges of today and tomorrow. Wherever youth organizes itself, therefore, cheap and childish follies must not be its aim nor even its symbols. It is the work of the Greek-letter fraternity in this third decade of the twentieth century to provide the means whereby the living man, moving about in a complex society, will quickly achieve the full stature of leadership. Each of us lives in a world of his own, detached from all the world outside, but acting upon it and being acted upon. As science broadens the outside world, as the bounty of nature increases its complexities, this inside world of ours must keep in step. May the Greek-letter fraternity be the workshop in which you and your brother, I and my brother, by example, by encouragement, by thought and by deed may magnify and beautify the world within us. Let us bring to the art of living new demands, new desires, new aspirations, and let us conceive of the fraternity as a means for satisfying them and glorifying them.

DR. CHARLES W. GERSTENBERG,  
*Chairman Interfraternity Conference.*

# Phi Kappa Tau In The Public Eye

## Crafton Elected Transylvania Captain

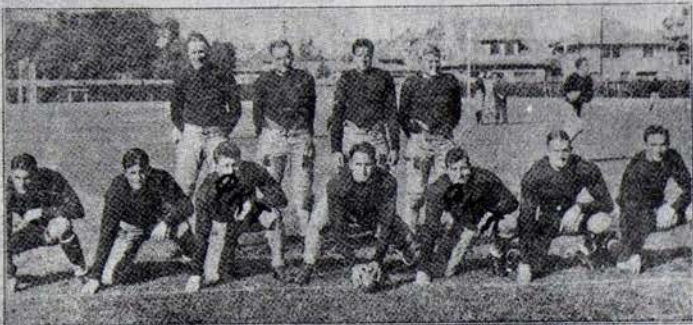
### LETTERS ARE GIVEN TO 20

**By KENNETH SMITH**  
 It took the Transylvania football team just nine minutes to elect Clarence "Cowboy" Crafton, of Henderson, captain of the 1931 Phi Kappa Tau team at the annual football banquet at the Lady's hotel last night. Von Fisher, of Nicholasville, was elected alternate captain. Captain Crafton will succeed Capt. Felix Traylor.

Crafton, who plays quarterback, has been an outstanding lineman on the Phi Kappa Tau team for the past two years. He was awarded an unanimous ribbon for all-time guard this season and Coach Cassidy referred to him as one of the best guards in the S. E. A. A. this year. Von Fisher, who plays at halfback, is recognized as one of the best players in the state and has been mentioned as one of the best offensive backs ever to attend Transylvania.

Cowboy Cassidy gave the credit letters to members of the team, but especially praised the outstanding play of Captain Traylor, Vincent and Crafton.

### This Team Last Obstacle In Rocky Road of Irish



Eighteen feet in a row, some of them among the best in the country, have taken before the retreating march of Kewee K. Backus's famed Irish of Notre Dame in the last two years, and the eleven strikers above are the final obstacle in the rocky road of the Bantlers this season. They are the representatives of the University of Southern California and, although they moved to Washington State early in the fall, most of the members of the Pacific Coast consider them the best there is out that way—also the Irish Saturday in Los Angeles.

A troupe of Irish, hard-driving and well-coached gridlers are there to make so much as that various indications of substituting reached the ears of the press.

The so-called variety, shown in the picture, is composed of: Left to Right, the Line—Archie, Down, Ralph Williamson, Charlie Hall and Wilson; the Backfield; Hacking Left in Blue—Parker, Kent, Meade and Duffield.

Clarence Crafton spoke on "The Phoenix." He listed every member of the team and said that his three years as a member of Transylvania football team had not been worth a pleasure. He introduced Captain Traylor, who passed the support to the 1931 team by saying that he would do everything in his power to make the grid team best ever used in the history of the school.

The Rev. Mr. Thompson, chairman of "Life and Football." The Rev. Mr. Thompson said that the two were closely connected and that a host of situations encountered in football were often occurrences in

### LEADERSHIP GROUP OF Y. M. C. A. MEETS

**Discusses Methods of Conducting Devotional Periods For Boys' Group Meetings.**

The monthly leadership institute for advisors and leaders of the boys groups of the Y. M. C. A. Department was held at the Association Building last evening. Rev. Harry Thompson, chairman of the Leadership Council, presided. The program of the first session was the presentation of various methods for conducting devotional periods for boys' groups.

It was found that many of the groups were conducting a very satisfactory devotional period in charge of the boys members. Other groups have their devotional period under the supervision of the advisor. After

## Babe Wright to Captain 1931 U. K. Wildcats

### Shipwreck Kelly To Be Alternate Leader On Grid

**28 Letters, 29 Numerals Are Awarded, At Banquet.**

**By GERALD GREENE.**  
 The Sports Journal Institute, known as "Shipwreck Kelly," a banquet of letters and numerals at the Phi Kappa Tau room, 1015 Broadway, was held last night. The banquet was the first of the 1931 Kentucky football team.

John Zinn, "Shipwreck" Kelly, half-back sportsman who came to Lexington in 1928 from old home at Springfield, Ky., was elected alternate leader.

### Jess Shaw Will Become Coach Following Final Game Saturday

**By PHYLLIS DORAN**  
 (Editor's Note: This is the second of a series of reports concerning the appointment of the football coach.)

It is terribly cruel to have to take a man away from his favorite outdoor sport just to ask him a few more questions concerning his past history but that is an assignment in an assignment and there isn't anything else to do about it. And Jess Shaw is always agreeable. Any he really wants so awfully put out, got much any



Jess Shaw

### Heads Political Group at Ohio "U"

**DR. WRIGHT SPEAKS TO SCOUTMASTERS**

**Delivers Two Lectures in Training Course Arranged by Lehigh Council.**

Dr. J. M. Wright, had two instructive lectures in the second session of the Scoutmasters Training Course being conducted by the Lehigh County Boy Scout Council held in the Sunday school rooms of Ashbury M. E. Church last night. Nearly a hundred men were in the audience.

The subjects, "Methods of Education" and "Scout Methods of Education," were presented by the lecturer in a manner that evidenced a wealth of knowledge on education and sociological subjects. Mark R. Woodruff, vice president of the Scout Council, stated that Dr. Wright's lectures marked the beginning of a new era of scouting in Lehigh county. Every man present was not only aware of the way to more intelligent guidance of youth, but was inspired to greater service through the stirring messages delivered. Because of the great work to be done the remaining sessions will be held in the gymnasium.



JAMES BERRY.

**REV. R. THOMPSON ACCEPTS CALL TO TORONTO CHURCH**

Nicholasville Minister Will Take New Charge In Canada January 1

Rev. R. Thompson, of the Nicholasville Christian Church, has accepted the call to the Toronto, Canada, church. He will leave for Toronto on January 1.

### Family of Lawyers

Father, mother, sister and brother in the family of Prof. William R. Arthur, professor of law at the University of Colorado at Boulder, are all engaged in the study of the legal profession. Photographs show, left to right—Prof. Arthur, Helen Arthur, freshman law student, and William R. Arthur Jr., senior law student.—Photo of Miss Arthur by Snow studio; others by Palace studio.



## Psi Chapter Member Is Intramural Star

J. Earl Schlupp, Psi, of Longmont, Colorado, is said to be the greatest intramural athlete ever to attend the University of Colorado. Schlupp gradu-



J. Earl Schlupp

ates this year, and the chapter will lose a valuable man with his leaving. He is a member of  $\Sigma \Delta \Pi$ , honorary athletic fraternity. To be a member of this fraternity, a man must be above average in every form of athletics, and Schlupp is one of three members in school at present. His toe has kicked many field goals in interfraternity touchball games and in freshman football four years ago. Name your sport! He is above the average in it.

Of the fraternities that have been on the University of Illinois campus for the last 22 semesters or more, only three have never fallen before the 3 mark in the comparative Greek scholastic average. One of these three is Phi Gamma Delta, the other two being Acacia and Sigma Phi Sigma.

"Can you tell me why a chapter that shambles its ritual almost invariably shambles its ideals, its living, its ambition, its scholarship, its fun?"—*The Phi Chi Quarterly*.

## Absent Chapter

FRANCIS E. WILLIAMS, A ©

ALPHA Theta is greatly grieved over the death of Francis "Sunny" Williams who died November 25 in Portland, Maine. "Sunny" was forced to leave school last year after a serious breakdown from which he never recovered. Doctors say that his trouble started from over work and a weak heart. Complications set in that eventually led to his death after an illness that confined him to his bed for about six months. He was a junior last year, greatly liked on the campus, served efficiently as pledge manager last year, and was to have been varsity track manager this year.

The body was interred in Portland, Maine where the family is now residing.

Ten times has a local at Washington State College presented a petition to Delta Upsilon, ten times has it failed of granting. Seven times has a local at the University of Oregon likewise failed. The Delta U.s at their last convention chartered a local at Washington and Lee University and tabled petitions from Occidental College, University of North Carolina and Duke University.

A movement has been begun at the University of Pennsylvania to revive the interfraternity scholarship competition. If it is successful comparative house averages will be published, and the winner each semester will be awarded a trophy.—*The Sigma Phi Epsilon Monad*.

# PHI KAPPA TAU



# PICTORIAL



Pledge Group, Psi Chapter, University of Colorado



**ROB ROY BUIRGY**  
Letter man on Varsity  
football squad at the  
University of Colorado.



**HAROLD SCOTT**  
Captain of the University  
of Colorado wrestling  
team.

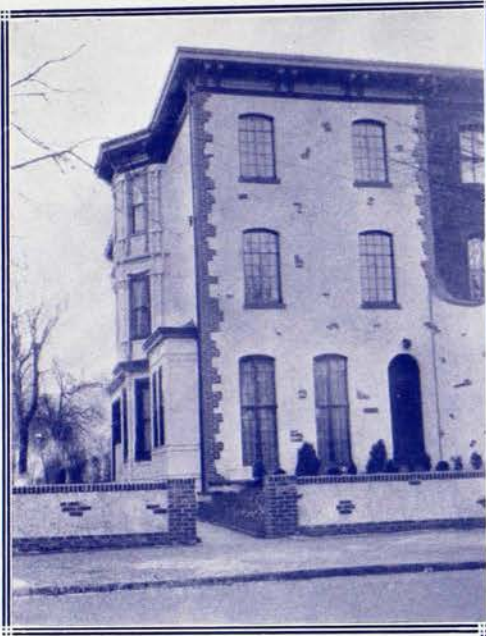


**CARL BENNEWITZ**  
Captain of the University  
of Colorado tennis team.

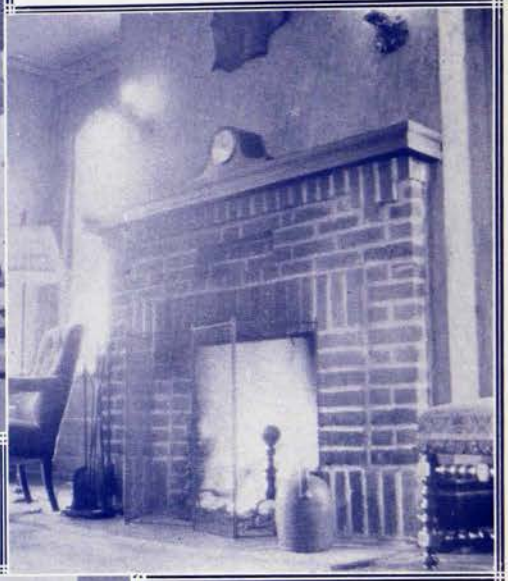


**CARL COMBS**  
Vice President of the  
Freshman Class of the  
University of Colorado.

# Views of New Alpha Iota Chapter Home



The new Alpha Iota Chapter Home at the University of Pennsylvania.



A Cozy Fireplace

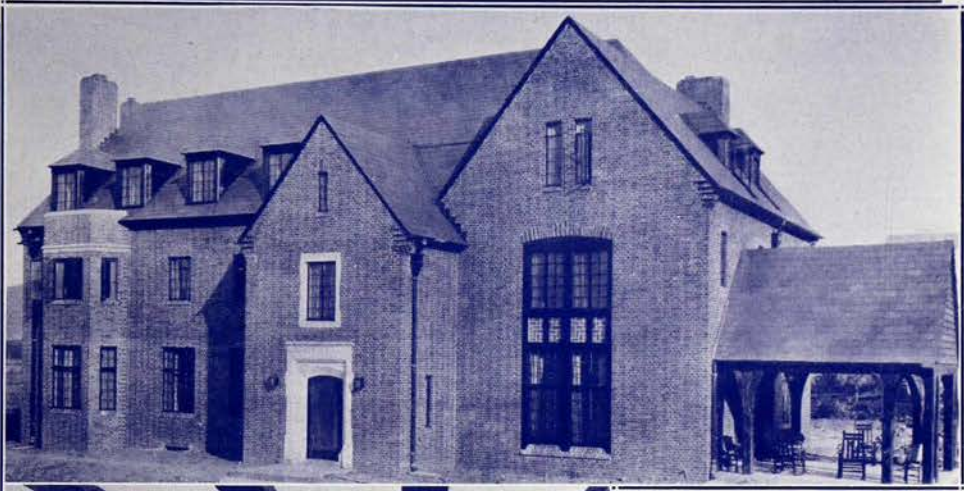


Large Comfy Club Room

A Glimpse into the Dining Room

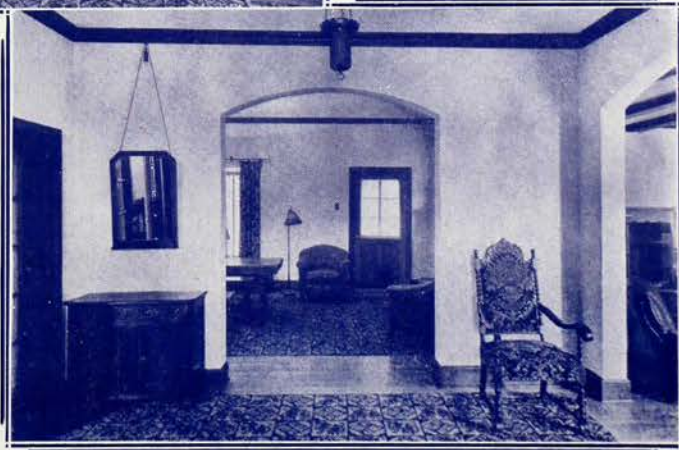


# Omicron's New Chapter House



Here are three views of Omicron's beautiful Chapter House at the corner of Fairmont and Garner Streets, State College, Pennsylvania, which has just recently been completed.

There are three large and splendidly equipped club rooms in this new abode of our Phi Tau brothers.



# Phi Tau Grid Stars of Past Season



JOE COLVIN, Beta



REX BURKE, Beta



FRED JEFFERY, Beta



GEORGE COLLINS, Beta

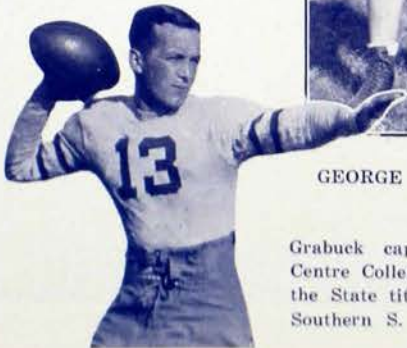
Grabuck captained this year's Centre College team which won the State title and tied for the Southern S. I. A. A.



OTIS DOUGLAS, Alpha Theta



BILL FERRELL, Alpha Theta



BOB MAY, Delta

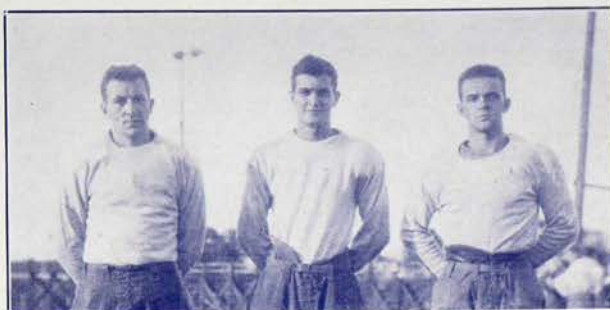


WALTER GRABUCK, Delta

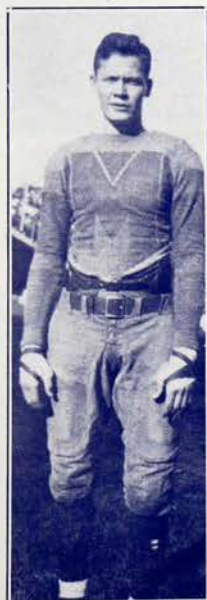
# Here Are More Phi Tau Football Men



CLARENCE CRAFTON, Captain-elect



Pledges Edward Permer, John Schwalm, captain of freshman team, and Louis Pwalowsky, who is suffering from a broken foot received in a game.



EDWARD HUTCHISON, Alpha, tackle on Miami University football squad.



TRADER, Captain for 1930

JAMES WATKINS  
Letterman who played fullback.

# Outstanding Members Of 1931 Elevens



Left—CHARLES RICHARDS, Xi, played his first year of varsity at center.



Right—DAVE SNYDER, Xi, varsity end, who also plays guard on basketball team.



BUD ALLAN, Xi, who played his second year at varsity football guard and is now on wrestling team in the unlimited class.



BILL BRITTON, Xi, leading scorer and ground-gainer this year. Also received Student Senate Award for doing the most in the interest of the college this year.



FRED ZEHRER, Xi, Varsity end of last year, was prevented from playing this year due to an injury received at beginning of season.



To the left—  
BYRON GENRY, Pi, earned letter as freshman football guard, and played on Varsity the past season.

—To the right  
JESSE SHAW, Pi, was a four-letter man in prep school and has been a guard on both freshman and Varsity football teams since entering the University of Southern California.



# Upsilon Actives at Nebraska University



A Group of Men at Upsilon, Nebraska Wesleyan



**WARREN GUTHRIE**, Upsilon, Senior, is editor of school year-book, "The Coyote." He is also president of Pi Kappa Delta, National Forensic organization.



**STANLEY JOHNSON**, Upsilon, President of Chapter. Was basketball captain last season and has been member of track squad for past three years.



Seniors at Upsilon  
Nebraska Wesleyan



**ROSS BONHAM**, Upsilon, football captain for past season. Was selected for All-Conference tackle for last two years.



**JOHN WARD**, Upsilon, is basketball captain. Is three-letter man in basketball and tennis. Won N. C. A. Conference singles two years.

# Groups of Phi Taus



Alpha Alpha actives and pledges  
at Michigan State College, East  
Lansing, Mich.

Officers at Beta Chapter, Ohio  
University, Athens, Ohio.



Alpha Nu Chapter Homecoming Group at Iowa State University.

## AMONG THE GREEKS

### GREEK WORLD JOTTINGS

According to the New York City Phi Gamma club *Year Book*, there are almost 1500 members of that club.

The Phi Gamma Delta chapter at Gettysburg has placed a bronze plaque in their living room in memory of their greatest benefactor, Harry L. Stahler, who left the chapter a bequest of \$25,000.

The Delta Upsilon chapter at Cornell received a bequest of \$5,000.

The eleventh edition of the Directory of Phi Gamma Delta has recently been published, listing over 23,000 names of living alumni and over 4000 of deceased. The Yale chapter has the largest list of initiates.

On Oct. 11, a memorial tablet to Edward H. Williams, founder of Tau Beta Pi, national honorary engineering fraternity was dedicated at Lehigh. It was the 45th anniversary of the founding of the fraternity and the dedication was one of the outstanding events of the convention.

The Hamilton chapter of Delta Upsilon received a bequest of \$1000.

Another new journalism fraternity was born at Bradley. Alpha Delta is its name.

Paris, France has an Interfraternity club composed of members representing 31 fraternities and 35 colleges. Beta Theta Pi leads the fraternities while Cornell heads the list of colleges.

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The smaller and most conservative fraternities seem to have been the earliest to recognize the value of the Canadian fields. Zeta Psi was quickly followed into Manitoba by Delta Kappa Epsilon and into British Columbia by Alpha Delta Phi. Delta Upsilon has since gone

into Manitoba, and Phi Gamma Delta, into British Columbia. Each of these fraternities has three Canadian chapters except Phi Gamma Delta, which has two.

Aside from the six fields now occupied or soon to be occupied by Phi Delta Theta, the University of Western Ontario has a chapter of an United States medical fraternity. Queen's College at Kingston, Ont., had a chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa for eleven years.

The new Canadian institutions opened to fraternities possess unique distinction: Alberta, as the most northern university having a college fraternity; Dalhousie, as the most eastern.

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The eighty-seventh chapter of Beta Theta Pi will be installed at the University of Florida in December, when the local Delta Tau is chartered. This will be the eighteenth national general fraternity at Florida, all but five of which have been installed since 1919.

Delta Sigma Phi reached the half-hundred mark with the installation of Phi Delta Sigma at Louisiana State in October. This is the eleventh national general fraternity in the field.

The young Delta Kappa Phi has placed a chapter, its eighth, at the Detroit Institute of Technology, where no other national general fraternity is represented. Kai Omega Phi was chartered.

The sixteenth chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega, founded at the Interfraternity Conference meeting of 1923, has been established at Alabama Polytechnic Institute. Tau Omega Chi was chartered.

—*The Purple Green and Gold*  
of Lambda Chi Alpha

### HOW TO IMPROVE SCHOLARSHIP

1. Rules alone will not build up scholarship. Some chapters which have excellent rules are continually low in scholarship. Many of our chapters now have too many rules. There must be a belief that it is worth while to do good work. A tradition should exist that it is each man's duty to do his work well, that a man who does not is disgracing not only himself but his fraternity.

2. There should be an efficient scholarship committee consisting of men who are interested and who set good examples.

3. Start at the beginning of each term. Make your plans early and keep it up.

4. Each member should realize the importance of study, consistent work from the beginning.

—*The Alpha Xi Delta.*

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"It is rarely true that a well-rounded man or an excellent fraternity man is made of one who was initially a poor student. There are two necessary qualities that a man must have to become successful in life, and these are mental ability and natural industry. A man who does not have these qualities will never be a leader on any campus. Men with excellent high school grades are more likely to be strong men in college. The records of one of our largest universities show that of those who enter with weak high school grades not one in ten ever make good in the university and graduates. Pick men with brains; do not waste your time with loafers."—*Xi Psi Phi Quarterly.*

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"Pennsylvania Theta at Penn State took the initial step in the movement among the fraternities here to abolish hell week by substituting for it a constructive form of initiation."—*The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta.*

### CHAPTER HOUSE AND ECONOMICS

Fraternities pay distressingly little heed of the economics of fraternity house operation. From a business standpoint the average chapter house presents little that cannot be improved upon. Systematic accounts and records are still novelties and only a very few schools have such arrangements as the Warner system of Illinois or the Mattox System of Wisconsin. What a fertile field for some national accounting firm! Co-operative buying is an even greater novelty, though perhaps by far the most important economy fraternities can effect.

The average boarding-house mistress makes a nice livelihood from the same thing which the average chapter converts into a neat little deficit. The more efficient the business angles of chapter operation the more the time and opportunity for the more natural function of a fraternity.

Economics of chapter house operation is a big problem which men in the fraternity world should undertake.

—*Alpha Epsilon Pi Quarterly.*

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"And just a word, in passing, about ideals. A great deal has been said about fraternity ideals. The unfortunate fact is that so much is said and so little, comparatively, practiced. Some quiet evening sit down by yourself and face the question: How do my fraternity ideals fit into my daily conduct? For most of us that question will cause a nasty twinge of conscience."—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly.*

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Alert, progressive is the Theta Chi fraternity. Among the actions of its recent convention was the adoption of a regulation requiring all active members to reside in and take meals in the chapter house when such service is provided unless formally excused by the chapter.

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### MEN AND MINDS

A fraternity is not made up of things or events but of personalities. The qualities of its leaders through decades of progress are reflected in its character and works, and each individual member sees the fraternity in the form of the men he has met in it and whose company he has enjoyed.

Every purpose a fraternity government pursues is directed toward making the order more attractive to the best of future candidates and toward stamping upon it the personality of its finest minds.

Not in the place or time of meeting, nor in the bare legislative results, do we gain our most lasting impressions of a conclave or a chapter meeting, but in the personalities we face there, the friends we make and hold.

—*The Phi Gamma Delta.*

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The financing of a \$90,000 house has put the Wisconsin chapter of Phi Sigma Kappa on the rocks. Built to accommodate thirty-eight men, the house was never filled and a succession of deficits proved fatal.

"The Experience of Phi Sigma Kappa," says *The Signet*, "has been that where a chapter is loaded down with a financial burden greater than it can carry without hardship, the general morale of that chapter is low. There is not a chapter in this fraternity whose finances are in a precarious condition that does not rate unsatisfactory so far as its scholarship is concerned. Failure in one line tends to cause failure in other lines, and if great and intelligent care is not exercised the complete disruption of the chapter is likely to occur."

—*Triangle of Phi Mu Delta.*

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When the new chapter of Delta Sigma Phi at Stetson University was recently established it was planned to initiate

Governor Doyle E. Carlton, but on the eve of the mystic rites the Delta Chi Chapter at the University of Florida protested that the governor had already joined that fraternity when it was a law school society. Delta Sigma Phi promptly declared the governor ineligible.

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### LEFT \$7,500 TO THETA DELTA

It has been stated in the daily papers that the late Wyatt G. Plantz, Ohio State, '94, whose death is reported on page 451 following, left \$7,500 to Theta Delta chapter of Beta Theta Pi, under a provision in his will. Such bequests are gracious tributes to appreciation of fraternity values.

Not until May, 1924, did the Methodist Episcopal Church grant the right of ordination to women, and when that privilege was granted the first woman in the state of Minnesota to be ordained was Florence Resor, of Zeta Tau Alpha.

"There is always the cry that we have to rush hard and decide quickly before all the good men are gone. I know very few institutions in which there are not as many good men outside of fraternities as there are in. There is seldom any need of haste, nor is it ever wise to 'hot box' a man, or to try to force him to a decision against his judgment. There is no greater rushing hokum than the statement that 'Our chapter never gives an open bid.' The man of character and judgment will often want time to consider so serious a situation as joining a fraternity and the chapter that will not give him time is doing a very childish thing."

Dean Thomas Arkle Clark.

# Beta Leads Graduate Membership

## Alpha Nu Has Highest Percentage of Paid Dues

**B**ETA Chapter at Ohio University with a total membership of 301 members leads the chapters of Phi Kappa Tau in the number of graduate members, according to a report issued recently at the Central Office by Grand Secretary-Treasurer Richard J. Young and sent to secretaries of the various Graduate Councils.

Second on the list of membership is Alpha Chapter, Miami University, with a total membership of 231 members, while Gamma Chapter at Ohio State University is third with a Graduate Council membership of 222 members. A membership of 205 gives Zeta Chapter at the University of Illinois fourth place in the tabulation.

The report issued was in accordance with the instructions given by the Convention at Asheville to make a tabulation of Graduate Council members who paid dues for 1929-30 in comparison with the total number of graduates in the chapter. In this tabulation, Alpha Sigma is listed with a mark of 100 per cent because of the fact that the chapter was installed in 1929 and all graduates were marked as active.

Honors for first place go to Alpha Nu Chapter, Iowa State University, with the high record of 69.8 per cent, having fifty-three Graduate Council members and thirty-seven who paid dues last year. Alpha Iota Chapter at the University of Pennsylvania is placed second in the tabulation with a rating

of 60 per cent, having seventy members, forty of whom paid dues.

Third place was given to Alpha Mu Chapter, Ohio Wesleyan University, with a rating of 45.4 per cent, having a total membership in the Graduate Council of sixty-six members, thirty of whom paid dues. Alpha Chapter, Miami University, placed fourth with a percentage of 41.5, with ninety-six members paying dues, although the total number of active members cut down considerably the percentage.

The report explains the method of compiling figures by stating that "Some will probably question the figures used in the active membership column, since we did not eliminate any reported late in the year as inactive. In compiling this list it was felt that the best policy would be to use the total number in each Graduate Council with the exception of those men expelled or otherwise dropped from the fraternity."

Five chapters are listed in the report as not having any Graduate Council membership dues paid. These include Epsilon, Mount Union College; Kappa, University of Kentucky; Mu, Lawrence College; Alpha Epsilon, Kansas State Agricultural College; Alpha Xi, West Virginia University; and Alpha Omicron, Lafayette College.

At the Silver Jubilee Convention, to be held at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, August 27, 28, and 29 of this year, a similar report will be made, based on figures for the year 1930-1931.

# THE CHAPTERS

¶Zeta makes plans to raise scholarship by supervised study system.

¶Seven Phi members receive varsity football letters.

¶Fourteen members of Upsilon are awarded letters in football. Nebraska Wesleyan 1930 and 1931 grid captains are Upsilon men. Chapter has seven basketball lettermen.

¶Eleven Epsilon members are with the Mt. Union College Glee Club.

¶Omicron and Alpha Iota Chapters open new chapter homes.

## Alpha Men Active on Campus

Miami University

By RICHARD H. BRANDON

OXFORD, OHIO—New Alpha pledges are Laurence Smith, Columbus; William Manthey, Batavia, N. Y.; Serafin Buta, Salem; Robert Trippy, Van Wert.

Alpha actives who were initiated this fall include Blanton Dick, Harvey Eagle, Howard Larick, Earl Lokey, Richard Schotten, and Charles Shrader.

In debate we are represented by William Amos, Cecil Moyer, Wayne Althaus, and Beecher Willman.

In intramurals Alpha teams again won the campus speedball championship, placed second in playground ball, lead all fraternities in cross country, and are looking forward to a successful season in basketball.

Varsity athletics find Alpha represented in basketball by John Steinhauer, center; Cecil Moyer and George Short, guards; and Don Bollechino, forward. Renewal of varsity wrestling includes three Alpha men as outstanding candidates, Gerald Reed, Warren Hammel, and Beecher Willman.

Alpha freshmen have shown themselves exceptionally active in all forms of campus interests. Six pledges who were

among the best on the frosh football squad include Barrett, Snyder, Smith, Cligrow, Csepke, and Mossteller. Eight freshmen survived the first cut in the trials for basketball. The scholastic standing of the twenty-eight pledges is unusually high. They have also shown interest in intramural athletics, campus publications, and debate.

The Miami University Glee Club has four members from the Phi Kappa Tau house including Earl Rice and Robert Long, tenors; and Charles Shrader and Richard Brandon, baritones.

The second house party of the fall season, a real 'hard times' dance, was held.

## Winter Formal Held By Beta

Ohio University

By JAMES F. HUNT

ATHENS, OHIO—Beta Chapter's annual winter formal was held on December 19, at the Men's Union in Athens. Plans included extensive decorations and favors which gave a holiday atmosphere to the party.

Thanksgiving concluded a successful season for athletics. In Intramurals the Beta pledges won the indoor baseball

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title and cup with an easy victory over the X  $\Sigma$  X preps. Pledge Blaho's spectacular pitching and a steady support won every game. The boys are well on the way to the intramural title for indoor baseball, basketball, and track. In football, four men helped win the Buckeye championship for the second year. Colvin and Burke, and Pledges Collins and Jeffery all made berths on the team, while a knee injury kept Morse on the bench most of the season. On the freshman team Pledges Parsons, Lewis, and Lash made numerals, while Pledge Algire made numerals on the managers' squad. Doll and Pledge Saunders are representing Phi Tau in basketball. Pledges Lewis, Blaho and Dorman are out for the freshman team.

Dave Reece is circulation manager for the *Green Goat*, while Pledge McKnight is on the *Green and White* staff.

Formal initiation was held October 12, for William Morse.

### Gamma Men On Varsity Quintet

Ohio State University

By CLARK I. WITWER

COLUMBUS, OHIO—Gamma wishes to announce the pledging of Robert Nickols, Cleveland; Charles Miller, New Jersey; and Ernest Emswiler, Pataskala.

Pledges will receive awards for the following activities during the fall quarter:

William Blodgett, freshman football; Robert Brown, *Makio* staff and pledge council; Merle Ohlemacher, freshmen Y council and baseball manager; Robert Reinicke, varsity basketball; William Fugit, freshmen football and basketball; Walbrook Swank, varsity baseball; Max Main, freshman soccer.

The varsity basketball season has opened and Gamma Chapter is proud to announce that the Ohio State team has as two of its regulars Brooks Paulsey and Harold Ervin. Paulsey was the outstanding man on the freshman squad last

year and he excels at the center position on the varsity this year. Ervin was Ohio's stellar performer at forward last year and was also high point man on the squad.

A house dance was given on December 12 in the form of a Christmas party.

Intramural activities have been successful so far this season. The active and pledge teams both won cups for the house in speedball and thus far in bowling our A, B, and C teams have not been defeated. Witwer retains a high average and is in line for the university team which is chosen from the high average men from all of the teams in the league. Basketball prospects are running high and our team is anxious to get going in that sport.

### Delta Men Active on Gridiron

Centre College

By ALLAN HAMILTON

DANVILLE, KY.—Five awarded football letters; two initiated; Barksdale captain Freshmen; Captain Grabruck, Bob May, Martin Kottler, and Pledges Barton and Hasara received their football letters at the banquet recently. Pledges Barksdale, Saylor, Moody, Haley, and Cassidy received their numerals. Barksdale had been elected captain of the freshman team.

Buford Saul of Franklin, Ohio, and Lawrence Swart, Rochester, N. Y., were initiated November 14. Saul is a freshman and Swart a sophomore spending his second year here, both men were pledges last year.

Our intramural team got under way and is in the finals of the volleyball tournament. Delta has a great chance to win this event and thus to gain the lead for this year's Intramural Cup. The chapter won the cup last year. Basketball practice has been drawing many of our men. Grabruck and May are regular forwards; Humphries, Hasara, and Bell are candidates for varsity berths.

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Pledges Barker, Meese, and Kress are practicing for the freshman five.

In debating Delta is well represented by Homer Neikirk and Pledges Ellis and Carty. Bell is interested in oratory. Carty was selected for a part in the Sock and Buskin Club's play "Hay Fever".



### Epsilon Active on Campus

Mount Union College

By PAUL PERKINS

ALLIANCE, OHIO—Epsilon is in the midst of one of her best years with a representation on every organization or group on the campus. The year started off when seventeen men accepted the Phi Tau pledge pin and at once undertook their duties. Those pledged were:

John Hess, John Heim, John Randolph, Maynard Faloon, Alliance; Harold Stilwell, Akron; Andley Sarver, Freeport, Pa.; Clyde Harrold, Columbi-ana; Ray Schweitzer, Zelton Latta, Canton; Edward Neff, Canfield; John Bond, Port Washington; Howard Bedell, Homeworth; Lyman Brownfield, Columbus; Joseph Ruchman, Sebring; Ori-ent Mollenkopf, Petersburg; Louis Rice, E. Sparta; and Otis Stoffer, Homeworth.

Eleven Phi Taus made the Glee Club after recent tryouts: including Miller, DiCola, J. Perkins, Bair, Rosenberg, and Wright; and Pledges Mackall, Cattarin, Hess, Brownfield, and Sickafoose. Brother Bair is Assistant Business Manager and Pledge Cattarin is a member of the College Quartet.

Epsilon is well represented on the college publications. Paul Perkins is editor of the weekly newspaper with Jack Perkins, managing editor; Earl Schwaab, circulation manager; and George Hartwell, assistant circulation manager. Other Phi Taus on the staff are Winkler, DiCola, and Wright and Pledges Brownfield and Eyster. Winkler is business manager of the college annual with Bair as his assistant. Others on the annual staff are J. Perkins, Di-

Cola, and Wright and Pledge Brownfield.

Bair represents the chapter on the Student Senate. Rosenberg is a member of Purple Mask and of  $\Phi \Sigma$ . Winkler is president of T K A and number one man on the debate team this season. Forster is an alternate on the debate team.

Winkler and Stephenson hold forth as president and vice-president of the local honorary society while Stephenson is treasurer of the senior class. Shears is vice-president of the junior class.

Sickafoose and Peltz are members of B II  $\Theta$ . Winkler and Wright are members of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet with Wright in charge of all the college Gospel teams. Phi Taus claiming membership on these teams are Spies, Winkler, J. Perkins, Wright, Smith, and Eyster. Wright and Eyster are also members of the Oxford Union.

Bonfield and Pledge Quilligan were members of the Mount Union varsity football squad while Pledge Heim was in the starting line-up of the first varsity basketball game of the season. Pledges Sarver, Schweitzer, Harrold, and Brownfield were members of the Freshman football team.

The chapter is maintaining her winning reputation in intramurals by tying for first place in Class B volleyball. The chapter is now defending her Class B basketball title and has also been represented with an extraordinary pledge team.

Social activities are in full swing. The pledge party staged November 14 was voted a complete success while the annual Thanksgiving dinner on November 22 was attended by 40 couples. The fall dance was held on December 13. Shopfer,  $\Phi$ ; and Tilton, A M, have joined us and have been enthusiastically received by the chapter.

Extensive improvements to the house were made this summer and fall under the direction of the Alumni Council

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with Oatis Wilcox and Emmer Shinn heading the committee.

### Zeta Takes Steps to Boost Grades By Supervised Study

University of Illinois

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.—Steps are being taken by Zeta Chapter to raise her scholastic standing. As it is the freshmen, unaccustomed to proper habits of study, who are the worst offenders, the chapter has decided upon a policy of supervised study every evening in charge of an upper classman. The actives are also making special efforts to raise their grades.

Zeta announces the pledging of James Gorman, Gary, Ind.; Allen Thomas, Corning, N. Y.; and Cliff Petrie, Chicago.

Phil Anderson has been appointed chairman of the decorations committee for the Junior Prom.

Pledge Raymond Horne was awarded freshman numerals for football.

Pledge Don Richards holds the freshman wrestling title in the 125-pound class.

The intramural water polo team at present is undefeated. Basketball is just getting under way.

Ray Smith, a member of the Commerce School faculty, has been elected chapter adviser.

The annual Gypsy dinner dance was held at the chapter house December 19.

Dad's Day was held November 2. Quite a large number of Dads came down for this occasion.

### Eta Has Successful Pledge Season

Muhlenberg College

By JOHN HELWIG

ALLENTOWN, PA.—The results of Eta's pledge campaign this year was the pledging of twelve men. A dance at the Americus Hotel, several Saturday night

parties, many conferences climaxed with a smoker, constituted the campaign.

The pledges are:

Albert Neimeyer, '31; Howard Vincent, '33; Franklin Bascom, Emmert Coldstock, Cyril Hinkle, John Holenback, Charles Johnson, Harry Lupson, Robert Mentzer, Roy Reider, Harvey Reinhart, and Asia Wohlson, all of '34.

Eta entertained the Mothers Club at what is now an annual affair, Mother's Day, December 12. In the afternoon the Club held their monthly meeting followed by a splendid dinner, all the brothers being the guests of the mothers.

President Bowman gave the welcoming address. His mother, who is President of Phi Eta Sorority, also gave a short address. Pledge Coldstock, tenor, delighted the mothers and the members with several songs. Snyder played several selections on the piano, and then Miller entertained the audience with his famous comic songs. The Rev. Gomer Rees, a prominent Allentownian, was the speaker of the evening. His speech proved both entertaining and enlightening to the mothers, who enjoyed him immensely. The fraternity quartet then brought the meeting to a close.

Both Charles and George Gernerd, Charles Rhodes, and Pledge Vincent, received their varsity M for playing football this year. The Gernerd twins have now concluded their football careers. George started every game at end position, easily winning his first letter. Charles Gernerd won his second letter this year, sharing honors with Pledge Vincent at pivot position. Charles Rhoads won his letter playing tackle. He also did a great deal of punting and drop kicking for the team.

### Five Theta Men Get Letters

Transylvania University

By H. H. HOLLIDAY

LEXINGTON, KY.—Letters were awarded to five Theta men including Henry

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Miller, George Brandenburg, Clarence Crafton, Felix Trader, James Watkins.

Numerals were given to six including Woodrow Lester, John Schwalm, Edward Permar, Louis Pawlowsky, Pete Knaus.

Theta retains the Captaincy of the Pioneers in Clarence Crafton, who succeeds Felix Trader. John Schwalm, pledge, captained the freshman team this past season.

The following men out for varsity basketball include Bill Highfield, Milton Quintin, Henry Miller, Rankin Powell.

Freshmen include Charles Darsie, Woodrow Lester, Fred Carmen, Ed. Permar.

### Kappa Man Is Grid Captain

University of Kentucky

By MORTON WALKER

LEXINGTON, KY.—The highest honor which can be given to a Kentucky student — the football captaincy — was awarded to a Kappa man when Ralph Wright was unanimously chosen captain of next year's grid team. Babe has been an outstanding tackle for the past two years and this year was named on the All-Southern team by many sports writers. Pledge Bach was awarded his numeral in freshman football and received much press notice for his work in the backfield.

Phi Taus at Kentucky have continued to annex honors. Jennings and Stokely recently won the intramural tennis doubles championship. Darnell was awarded the cup for being the outstanding chemistry student during his freshman year. Walker was elected president of the University Residence Halls Council, vice president of Pan-Politikon, and was appointed by President McVey as the representative of the student body to the Book Store Committee. Chester Jolly has been initiated into A Δ Σ, professional advertising fraternity.

In intramural sports Phi Kappa Tau

has been going great guns and now stands third among nineteen fraternities, being separated from Σ A E and A T Ω by but ten points. Several pledges have reported for freshman basketball and Coach Gilb, Kappa's contribution to the university coaching staff as frosh basketball mentor and assistant in varsity football, announces that most of them show much promise.

In journalistic activities Kappa Chapter is well represented. Murphy was appointed to the position of news editor of *The Kernel*, student semi-weekly, made vacant by the advancement of Walker to the associate editorship. Barnes and Pledge Kingsberry are doing good work as reporters for the paper. On the *Kentuckian* staff are Walker as associate editor and Barnes as assistant editor. Kingsberry has been chosen to Strollers, student dramatic organization.

Kappa Chapter has renewed its custom of having guests from the various sororities for Sunday dinner, and plans to continue its series of monthly dinner dances which have proved very important social activities.

Kappa takes pleasure in announcing the initiation of Ellsworth Jennings, Wilford Lancaster, and William Dickson.

### Iota Holds Annual Dance

Coe College

By DONALD K. MILLER

CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA—Iota Chapter held the annual fall dance October 24.

Domain Chief Eickberg made an overnight visit to Iota Chapter.

Former field secretary Knappenberger, Zeta, dropped in one evening for a brief but enjoyable visit.

Two Iota freshmen were awarded numerals in football. Murphy Davis, Cedar Rapids, who played fullback, and Arthur Nordstrum, Algona, who held down the position of quarterback, re-

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ceived awards. Both of these men were mainstays in the backfield.

With lid off basketball, Russell is working with the varsity, and Pledges Elliot, Nordstrum, Fenner, and Davis are playing with the frosh.

On November 23 formal initiation was held for Everett Russell, Boone; and Russell Natterstadt, Estherville.

### Lambda Gains Athletic Trophy

Purdue University

By J. H. CARTER

LAFAYETTE, IND.—Another cup was added to Lambda's trophy shelf this fall when Pledges Popejoy and Crossman annexed the freshman interfraternity cross country championship. Both are out for freshman track now, and expect to earn varsity numerals this spring.

Tilford is on the basketball squad and is making a strong bid as Johnny Wooden's running mate. Tilford's experience and ability are sure to gain him a place on Purdue's five again this year.

The annual Christmas dance was held December 20 at the chapter house. Following our custom, it was a "Kid Party."

Because of the abolishment of minor sports this year, five Lambda men will not make varsity letters this winter. However, the enlargement of the intramural program promises us more trophies than usual for this year.

Kissel, White, and Ross were awarded varsity football letters at the close of the season. Pledge Engstrom made freshman football numerals. All but Kissel will be back next year to represent Phi Tau on the gridiron.

### Mu Men In Glee Club Work

Lawrence College

By HOLLACE ROBERTS

APPLETON, WIS.—This year, as in the past, Mu chapter boasts of a good

representation in the college glee club. There are five actives and three pledges in the club this season. Actives include Russell Danburg, Myles MacMillan, Freeman Empson, Charles Turver, and Malcolm Knutzen. Pledges include Robert Ruedebusch, Warren Richards, and Carl Senne. Danburg, pianist of the past two years, is piano soloist.

Knutzen, MacMillan, and Danburg, and Pledges Senne, Ruedebusch, and Richards also are in A Cappello choir of the college. Pledges Gerald Brown and Ruedebusch are members of the college band.

Mu Chapter is represented in dramatics by Robert Valentine, Roy McNeil, and Russell Duket, and Pledges William Little and Carl Senne.

In journalism, Hollace Roberts is news editor of the *Lawrentian*, college newspaper, and Pledges Warren Richards and Henry Mattson are on the news staff.

Since the last issue of *The Laurel*, Mu Chapter has pledged Carl Senne of Long Island, N. Y., and Rafael Elizando of Mexico City, Mexico.

Throughout the fall and early winter season, the chapter has been holding social functions at regular intervals. The feature event of the social season was the winter formal held at the Valley Inn, Neenah, December 6.

### Nu Chapter

University of California

No Chapter Letter

### Four Lettermen at Xi Chapter

Franklin and Marshall College

By HOWARD L. GERHART

LANCASTER, PA.—Xi Chapter again boasts of four football letter men on a team that just closed a most successful season. Britton is in line for the captain's position next year. Additional

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honors were bestowed upon him when he was awarded the Student Senate medal for doing the most for the college this year. Allen and Richards, guard and center respectively, held varsity berths throughout the season. Snyder played his usual good brand of football at left end while Zehrer was unable to take his place at right end because of a fractured shoulder received at the beginning of the season. All of these men will be back next year.

Snyder is playing varsity basketball and Allen will no doubt again wrestle in the unlimited class.

Yoder was captain and leading scorer on the cross country team. Pledge Minnich also was on the harrier team.

Our Thanksgiving formal was attended by forty couples. The dance given in honor of Eta Chapter on October 25 was an enjoyable one.

Nineteen new men are now wearing the Phi Tau pledge pin. They are:

John Elrick, Avondale; Eugene Cleaver, Palm; Carl Kocher, Fogelsville; Harry Bauman, Meyersdale; Charles Harshberger, Altoona; Aaron Young, Morrisville; William Lesser, Shenandoah; William Daffer, Baltimore, Md.; Bert Nagy, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Willard Breneman, Millersville; David Eichler, Millersville; Frank Kottcamp, Philadelphia; Walter Hersker, Philadelphia; Richard Iander, Philadelphia; Frank Shenk, Lancaster; Boyd Zacharias, Harrisburg; John Krater, Orwigsburg; Gordon Batley, Camp Hill; and Howard Minnich, Lititz.

Pledge Shenk was recently elected secretary-treasurer of the class of 1934.

Pledge Iander is a member of the Green Room Club.

### Omicron Opens New Home;

#### Sixteen Are Pledged

Pennsylvania State College

By R. C. STEINMETZ

STATE COLLEGE, PA.—When the

smoke from the rushing cigarettes cleared away, the Phi Taus had sixteen pledges, a number exceeded by only one Penn State fraternity in the current season. The pledges are:

Melvin R. Aungst, Mechanicsburg; Hobart F. Kasch, Wilkesbarre; William D. Crowe, Forty-Fort; Bernard T. Jacob, Nanticoke; Richard C. Leib, Harrisburg; David D. Locke, Bellefonte; Merrill B. Morrison, Philadelphia; J. Wenger Miller, Altoona; Donald G. Samuel, Nanticoke; Richard H. Shanaman, Harrisburg; James Mears Sheen, Elkland; David E. Starry, York Springs; Harry L. Yoder, Shamokin; Everett A. Whiteman, Drexel Hill; Richard W. Smith, Hughesville; Horace E. Williams, Washington, D. C.

Every one of these men is trying for some of the campus activities, including football, boxing, wrestling, the military band, publications, and student organizations.

One of the important social events of the College was the formal house opening held December 13 in the new home of Omicron Chapter. Men from each of the other fifty-seven fraternities on the campus attended the dance upon invitation.

Edward L. Everitt, who was graduated last year, has returned in the role of professor. Three members who had left school some years ago have resumed study at State. They include Fred Mauch, who spent some time at the University of Southern California; Jimmy St. Clair, and Chick Ober.

Pledge Merrill Morrison captained the freshman football team this fall, covering himself with glory in holding the more experienced Syracuse team to a scoreless tie.

The new house has become very popular about the campus as a meeting place for various clubs, the Nita-Nee Sorority having requested the privilege of holding their annual formal dance here.

### Pi Chapter

University of Southern California  
Chapter Letter Not Included

### Seven Initiated At Rho Chapter

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

By W. ELTINGE TINNEY

TROY, N. Y.—Rho Chapter formally initiated seven pledges on November 23. Those initiated were:

L. Herbert Clark, Kingston; Walter T. Elston, Kingston; Andre Rubin, Ridgewood; Robert T. Blakely, Didge-wood, N. J.; Aaron Sluyter, Patterson, N. J.; John T. Toot, Albany; Harry A. Meyer, Rutherford, N. J.

Following the ceremony, an initiation banquet was held at the Hotel Troy. President Dunton presided as toastmaster and introduced as the principal speaker of the afternoon, Marty Mac-Donough, noted athlete and Olympic runner, at present cross country coach at Rensselaer.

Rho's first dance of the year was held on October 11. On December 6, following the Junior Prom, a formal dance was held.

Bond and Sowers are both taking an active part in the Dramatic Club this season. Bond appeared in "The Whispering Gallery," taking a major part, and is at present in the employ of a local furniture company as director of their radio program over Station WHAZ. Sowers will also appear in the near future with a prominent role in "Meteor." Robinson and Elmore are members of the technical staff of the club.

Rogers and Meyer were members of the varsity soccer team this season, both receiving their letters. Benzing is again swimming on the varsity, his second year as a member of the team. He is a diver and occasionally swims the 440 when a few extra points are needed.

Clark is playing regularly with the

frosh basketball team. Vega is also ap- prenticing the varsity basketball squad. Rho is making a strong bid for intra- mural athletic honors and has hopes of finishing up in front.

### Alumni Sponsors Bridge Parties At Sigma Chapter House

Syracuse University

By GEORGE R. HAMSTREET

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—The alumni of Sigma Chapter recently showed their in- terest by sponsoring a bridge party giv- en at the chapter house. A similar func- tion will be held each month of the school year.

Our annual Christmas dance was held in the chapter house December 13. Sig- ma Chapter was well represented at the initiation banquet of our newly installed chapter at Cornell. Several of the members of the new chapter returned our visit by their presence at our first dance held November 1.

Sigma's deferred rushing period has just begun and the chapter is hard at work to make it a successful season. The chapter was recently visited by sev- eral of the national officers, Boyer, our domain chief and Young, grand secre- tary-treasurer. Grand Councilor Utz also paid a short visit.

Throop has been made president of the Geology Club for the ensuing school year. Bell is art editor of the *Empire Forester*, the Forestry College yearbook. Coombs has been initiated into Robin- hood, an honorary junior forestry so- ciety.

Ken Flewelling, '30, visited us for several days before leaving for his new work in Thomasville, Ga. Art Spillers, '29, has been visiting us for the past few days. Spillers, who is conducting an economic survey of timber for a south- ern lumber concern, is stationed in New Orleans.

## Tau Social Season Is Underway; Chapter Active In Athletics

University of Michigan

By HARRY B. CULVER

ANN ARBOR, MICH.—Tau Chapter's social season is under full swing, several parties having already been held. The homecoming celebration was a decided success and was attended by about twenty-five alumni. Scholastically Tau Chapter still rates high and midsemester reports were not unfavorable. Since the new scholarship rule has gone into effect the chapter has urged that every member keep up his standing. Tau also has a scholarship cup which stimulates individual members to the attainment of better grades.

Our chapter is pleased to welcome Howard Boys, as an active member. Boys has been at the Naval Aviation School at Pensacola, Florida for the past year and is now an ensign in the United States Naval Reserve and is instructor of Naval Aviation in the Engineering School.

Since the beginning of the school year members of the chapter have gained decided recognition in the social and athletic activities of the campus. Cullen Kennedy was elected secretary of the committee arranging the Junior Hop, the outstanding event of the social year on the Michigan campus. Harry Culver was appointed to a sub-committee for this affair, and John Gurney, George McClure, and Tom Lawry were made sophomore class committeemen.

Tau also looks forward to a most successful athletic season. Jerry Ricketts is jumping center on the varsity basketball team. Bob Crawford has been running on the varsity cross country team and is now out for track. Jimmy Shelton was appointed manager of next season's cross country team. Bill Keller practices with the track squad daily and is practically sure of representing the team in either the high jump or the

hurdles. Jimmy Davis is out for wrestling as is Pledge Dadson. Pledge Childs has been out for freshman football and has excellent chances of getting his numerals in track.

## Fourteen Get Letters at Upsilon

Nebraska Wesleyan University

By MASON BRIDGES

LINCOLN, NEB.—Fourteen Upsilon men lettered in varsity football the past season. The men who lettered included Captain Ross Bonham, Captain-elect George Miller, Vern Gowe, Vernon Clemons, Bruce Fitz, Henry Menke, Don Winship, Waldo Nichols, Max Barrett, Gerald Thompson, Robert Gibb, Russel Trott, Lyle Briggs, and Mason Bridges. Eight of these men played practically all of the time in all of the nine games on the schedule. Nebraska Wesleyan had a successful season in football, getting a tie for first place in their conference.

Four men have been initiated into the fraternity since the opening of the school year. They include Robert Gibb, Max Smith, Warren Guthrie, and Lynn Trombla. All of them are prominent on the campus in various ways. Gibb is a two-letter man in football and both he and Smith are basketball lettermen from last year, while Guthrie and Trombla are outstanding in dramatics and forensics.

Upsilon pledged two more men, Lyle Stevens, Goehner; and Max Barrett, Lincoln. Barrett has already lettered in football, while both men show promise of being good basketball men.

Basketball finds Upsilon with seven lettermen in suit and with a group bidding strong for places on the team. The lettermen are Captain John Ward, Bruce Fitz, Robert Gibb, George Miller, Burns Fellers, Stanley Johnson, and Max Smith. The intramural basketball season is just about over with the Phi Tau team being the only team in the tournament that has not been defeated.

The first party of the year was held

at the chapter house on October 25. The annual pledge party was held at the house December 12.

Oscar Wieberg, '25, is now playing professional football with the New York Giants. Wieberg is one of the greatest athletes turned out in the Middle West and was picked on Rockne's All-Western team in 1925.

### Phi Strong in Basketball; Seven Lettermen on Gridiron

Bethany College

By DONALD B. DALLAS

BETHANY, W. VA.—Phi, during the last football season, had seven varsity lettermen including the captain of the Bethany team. They line up in this order:

Kasarda, (captain) quarterback; Carol Fisher, center; Ralph Buttermore, tackle; Emil Dupke, guard; Samuel McVeigh, quarterback; Fred Vorassi, full-back, and pledge Thomas George, half-back. Emil Dupke made the first team and M. Kasarda the second team in the all-tristate conference selections.

Phi announces the pledging of Ivan Washabaugh, Johnstown, Pa.; and Fred Zimmerman, Hundred.

Seven answered the call for basketball practice and out of this group it is expected that three or four will make the squad. Malcolm Rush (co-captain) heads the group of squadmen this year.

At the Christmas dance held on December 18, the Pennsylvania Radio Entertainers Band was featured with Pledge James Corsaro as saxophonist.

### Six Men Pledged At Chi Chapter

North Carolina State College

By F. R. NAIL

RALEIGH, N. C.—Chi Chapter announces the pledging of six new men this year at the close of rushing season.

They include F. E. Tarrh, Salisbury; J. P. Mauney, Kings Mountain; H. S. Plonk, Kings Mountain; R. L. Stallings, New Bern; R. E. Boykin, Wilson; J. M. Wilcox, Florence, S. C.

After the whirl of rushing season Chi turned its attention to the Annual New Year's Dance. This dance is given each year on the first of January and has gained state-wide prestige. This year it leads the opening of the Mid-Winter Dances sponsored by the Pan-Hellenic Council and is looked forward to with a great deal of interest and enthusiasm.

In winter sports we are represented by Rawlis Guthrie and Frank Fentress on the boxing team. Rawls has shown himself to be of championship calibre and is one of the most dangerous and fastest 145 pound men on the squad while Frank is ranking in the heavier class of 160 pounds.

Chi bid fair to add another cup to its trophy shelf in tennis intramural tournament this year but after winning the opening games, the tournament was called off by the athletic department because of bad weather.

### Psi Wins Touchball Crown; Eight Men Are Pledged

University of Colorado

By ROBERT MAYO TENERY

BOULDER, COLO.—Since the last issue of *The Laurel* Psi Chapter has pledged the following men:

Lester Hamilton, Springfield; Archie Camp, Boulder; Edward J. Cory, Syracuse, Kans.; Wilford Nelson, Boulder; James Seitz, Salina, Kans.; Jack Seitz, Salina, Kans.; William Bremmer, Idalia; Eric Miles, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Phi Kappa Tau defeated Chi Psi recently to win the interfraternity touchball championship for the third consecutive time. The team then played the independent team for the school championship and won 13 to 0. Since touchball was introduced in intramural sports

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in the University of Colorado, Phi Tau has never been defeated and has won the championship every year.

The volley ball team placed second in the interfraternity race. This is the first year volley ball has been in the intramural sports.

### MEN IN ACTIVITIES

Following are the outside activities of various men of Psi Chapter:

Carl Bennewitz is captain of the varsity tennis team. Harold Scott is captain of the varsity wrestling team. He is also a member of M Γ X, "C" Club, Symphony Orchestra, the University Concert Orchestra, and the Model Assembly of the League of Nations. Edward Gimmel is a member of the University Men's Glee Club.

Emeric Huber is a member of A. S. C. E. and M Γ X. John Diebold is a member of A. S. M. E. and M Γ X. Stanley Combs is in the Glee Club and the operetta. He is also on the Junior Prom Committee. Irven Malhome is in the Glee Club. Rupert Spearman is a member of A. S. C. E. Charles Merrill is in the band, and the symphony and operetta orchestras.

Bob Roy Buirgy made his letter in football this fall. John Winters is active in Dramatic circles this year. He is also a Sophomore Cop. Wayne Hines has been pledged into Π E Π. He is also a Sophomore Cop. Waldron Yarger is a Sophomore Cop. Mayo Tenery has been pledged to Adelphi, honorary debating society. He is also on the *Silver and Gold* business staff and out for varsity boxing.

Howard Stagner, senior, has been given the position of assistant in the geology department.



### Omega Is in Play Contest

University of Wisconsin

By LEWIS C. MARSTON

MADISON, WIS.—Memorial services were held the evening of October 9 for

Thomas O'Dea, who was drowned last June. His parents and all actives and pledges were present for the services which reviewed his life and character. The conclusion of the service was the hanging of a portrait of him in the library.

Phi Kappa Tau went into the semifinals in the intramural play contest December 8. The contest is sponsored by Professor William Chilton Troutman, Zeta, dramatic coach at the University and the Wisconsin Players. Omega Chapter presented "Copy", a play of newspaper life. Professor Troutman complimented the players as having given one of the best in the preliminaries.

During the summer the chapter house was remodeled to provide a new and enlarged library. The new room is furnished with easy chairs, a radio, and bookshelves. We have about \$250 worth of books, the gifts of alumni, with room for many more. The library is one of the greatest aids to higher scholarship at Omega and is popular with all actives and pledges.

Richard Orton was elected president of the Interfraternity Council this fall. He was instrumental in securing reorganization of the Council and the establishment of a Court. The new Council, replacing the unwealdy body of the past, promises to aid the solution of fraternity problems at Wisconsin.

A Christmas stag banquet was held at the chapter house the evening of December 18. Domain Chief Henry was the speaker of the evening.

Thomas Schnorr was made vice-chairman of the Union House committee for the 1930 Junior Prom. Robert Born has been commissioned Cadet Captain in the R. O. T. C.

New men pledged this fall were Milton Scarseth, Eugene Meyer, Austin Chamberlin, Robert Evans, Philip Link, Floyd Merritt, Harry Griswold, Ralph Kinney, Orland Johnson, Chester Obma, and Robert Spindler.

## Alpha Alpha Pledges Twenty-two; Athletes Are Active

Michigan State College

By R. W. ELDER

EAST LANSING, MICH.—Alpha Alpha Chapter takes great pleasure in announcing the pledging of twenty-two men. We have every reason to believe that each man on the pledge roll is capable of becoming a true Phi Tau. The men are Edward Hahoney, Lansing; Charles Boughton, Detroit; William Cooper, Detroit; Carroll Chapin, Detroit; Francis Dittrich, Detroit; Grant Schooner, New Baltimore; Carl Rickenbaugh, Hudson; Louis Asmus, Detroit; Norman Downs, Detroit; Edward Holtzkemper, Owosso; Stanley Stroven, Fremont; O'Neil Robinson, Detroit; John Schreur, Gaylord; John Lilley, Lansing; Robert Heffner, Parma, Ohio; James Dekker, Muskegon; Edward Bator, Detroit; Harold Smith, Muskegon; Donald Wells, Petoskey; Ralph Horstman, Dowagiac; Paul Jensen, Detroit; and Willard Barnes, Petoskey.

Pflug won his letter in varsity track last spring and was initiated into the Varsity club this fall. Last spring Pflug placed second in the discus and shot at the Central intercollegiates at Milwaukee against strong competition. Art Voelker, dash man, received his second major award in track and is also a member of the Varsity Club. Brose was a member of the pitching staff on State's Mid-West championship team last spring, and saw action on the southern trip and on the home diamond. McCauley, who won his third letter in baseball last spring, has signed to play minor league ball with Toledo. He is also a Varsity Club man.

### MEN GET NUMERALS

Six men received numerals for service on various freshman teams last spring. Holcomb was the star pole vaulter of the yearling aggregation, and was freshman champion. Arbogast and

Moulthrop also won their numerals in the same event. Tom Sheehan, a very promising half miler, received his numerals. Hauger won his numerals as a diver on the frosh tank team, and was initiated into the Porpoise Club. O'Connor was a hockey manager last year, and is varsity manager this year.

The chapter bowling team, consisting of Rigg, Carruthers, Clark, and Dixon, captained by Hawkins, has shown unusual strength this season. Having won the block championship, they are now in the semi-finals.

Pledge Chapin was elected president of the freshman class in the fall elections. Pledge Holtzkemper was initiated this fall into Scabbard and Blade and  $\Phi \Lambda T$ . Holtzkemper is also a member of T B II, and Mortar and Ball.

Pledges Barnes and Dekker were awarded their numerals in freshman football. Pledges Heffner and Dittrich were candidates for the yearling fall track team. Dittrich placed in seven events in the Interclass Handicap meet. Pledges Stroven and Jensen are out for freshman wrestling, and have shown exceptional ability. Bentley is out for the varsity wrestling squad, while Holcomb is sure of a berth on the varsity basketball quintet.

## Thirteen Pledged At Alpha Beta

New York University

By HARRY MEYER

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Carl Schwendler is newly appointed chapter adviser at Alpha Beta.

Alpha Beta has more men in Scabbard and Blade than any other house on the campus. Robert Kleinhans has been in the society for a year and Frank Wickham, James M. Keefe, and Wallace Driver have been pledged. They were initiated December 17.

We wish to announce that the following men have been pledged:

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Laverne Whittaker, Philip Bauer, Frank Bubendorf, Herbert Hinnners, Robert Tarney, August Ammann, Charles Bretz, Hugh Rilling, Jack Jacobs, Lenie Hart, Henry Petterson, Al Descov, and Howard Rosley.

### Alpha Gamma Chapter

University of Delaware  
No Chapter Letter

### Alpha Delta Represented on "11"

Case School of Applied Science

By IRVEN PRETTYMAN

CLEVELAND, OHIO—The end of the football season finds Ken Slater wearing his "C" for stellar work at guard at Alpha Delta Chapter. Dan Rowland, guard, and Frank Cerness, end, both saw action. Irvén Prettyman is jumping center on the basketball squad; Powell Schmauch and Lloyd Hicks are on the wrestling squad; while Brown Saveland is placing a strong bid for the swimming team. A large portion of the Case fencing team are Phi Taus—Walter Riley, Harold Svoboda, Charles Fantur, Jacob Yost, Taylor Knowles, Albert Herman, Ralph Gordon, and Robert Burnette are on the roster.

Walter Riley has pledged A X Σ, honorary chemical fraternity, while Frank Cerness is wearing a pledge button of A Φ, semi-honorary sophomore fraternity. We are pleased to announce the formal initiation of Marcus Mauntler and Harold Svoboda, and the pledging of John Finkelmann, sophomore, of Cleveland.

We are much elated at the fine support our alumni are giving us. They meet regularly at the chapter house and offer many fine suggestions. Those living at the house are:

Monroe Bahnsen, now earning his M. A. degree at W. R. U.; Harry Ebert, Howard Brokate, Edward Moran, and George Rambo from Beta Chapter; William Thoman from Sigma Chapter; and

Louis Raymond. Frederick Rose, from Rho Chapter, is taking the pre-medical course at W. R. U.

Our annual pledge dance, held at the Chinese Temple developed into one of the best, under the direction of Albert Herman and John Riemers.

A rummage sale, two benefit bridge parties, and a raffle produced for Phi Eta sufficient money to equip the house with new carpet, which adds materially to its smartness.

### Alpha Epsilon Strong in Intramurals; Wins Soccer Trophy

Kansas State College

By H. A. ELLWELL

MANHATTAN, KAN.—Overcoming the jinx which has seemed to follow it in soccer, the team came through in fine shape to win the championship and trophy. Preseason practice had indicated a good team, but the spirit seemed lacking until the semi-final game. After a hectic fight to win the bracket the team rode roughshod over Σ N in the semi-finals, its nemesis a year ago, and K Σ in the finals, by large scores.

In the three-mile cross country race late in the fall, the team showed up well, placing second. Both Morgan and Krause placed well up among the winners, but because of lack of support from team mates, the total score of the team was changed enough to bring the score down to second place.

At present Alpha Epsilon stands a close second in the race for the big intramural challenge trophy, with fine showing made by the men in horseshoes, cross country, and soccer.

Formal initiation was held recently for the following men:

Lawrence Morgan and Marvin Morgan, Manhattan; Adin Krause, Hutchinson; John Warner, Whiting; Del Turner, Holton; Paul Snyder, Elkhart; Ansel Myers, Lyons; and Floyd Underwood, Dekalb, Mo.

## Alpha Zeta Chapter Homecoming Is Most Successful

Oregon State College

By ROBERT MISPLEY

CORVALLIS, ORE.—Homecoming this year at Oregon State was most successful. Many were back at Alpha Zeta to enjoy the week-end and game. Lester W. Humphreys, Jr. was elected alumni secretary and plans were made which point toward a successful year.

Rushing since the last issue of *The Laurel* resulted in the pledging of three more men, Elmer Adams, Portland; Max Ryland, Albany; and Jack Adams, Warrenton.

Our fall informal was held at the chapter house November 22. The well-known good time was enjoyed by everyone.

Charles Conaway is Alpha Zeta's freshman Beaver Knight.

Milton Nolte is working to attain a position on the polo squad.

Robert Misphey was elected to  $\Sigma T$ , national honorary in engineering.



## Alpha Eta Has Many Members Active on Campus

University of Florida

By FRED MARCHMAN

GAINESVILLE, FLA.—On November 8, Alpha Eta Chapter gave its sixth annual Homecoming dance, a formal affair which was attended by some two hundred couples.

We find that quite a bit of time has been devoted to campus activities. Harold Wahl and Russell McCaughn have been elected to  $\Phi K \Phi$ , Kenneth Smith and Gerald Smith were tapped into  $O \Delta K$ , Norman Derr has survived Scabbard and Blade initiation, Hans Jonahsen has made  $\Sigma \Delta X$ , B. Lehman and C. Touchton have made the International Rela-

tions Club, Roy Purvis has been honored with  $A \Pi E$ , and Gerald Smith has affiliated with  $K \Phi K$  and  $K \Gamma \Delta$ , the latter an honorary aeronautical fraternity. Phi Taus on the *Seminole* staff are:

B. Johansen and Gerald Smith, department heads; Harold Wahl, feature staff; and R. Purvis, B. Lehman, and B. Lantaff on the business staff.

In athletics, the winning of the intramural bantam-weight boxing championship by Dave Harris was a decided help to the chapter in spirited and closely fought intramural race. Ed Lambert has lately acquired the assistant managership of the boxing team, and Kenneth Smith occupies the same position on the cross country team. Leo Gregory has just completed a successful season as halfback on the frosh football squad and is eagerly awaiting the baseball season.

In other fields, we find that Bill Jibb won the first prize in the annual University Skit Nite competition, Clark Gourley has made the University Glee Club, *Alligator* Staff and FFF Club, Billy Lantaff and Franklin Bunch have made the University Dramatic Club, Hans Johansen is assistant society editor on the *Alligator*, and Roy Purvis is stage manager for the Dramatic Club.

Phi Kappa Tau annexed a cup by winning the interfraternity Bridge Cup. Blalock, Whittaker, and B. Johansen were the players, Blalock winning the individual high score prize of five dollars.

Volume I, No. 1 of the *Alpha Eta News* appeared recently. This paper, printed as a supplement to the alumni letters, has been a great success. Its staff consists of H. Johansen, K. Smith, R. Purvis, and H. Wahl.

Alpha Eta is pleased to announce the initiation of Dave Harris on December 14, and the pledging of Johnny Terwilliger, Louis Reeves, Allen Hirtle and Clifford Beasley.

## Alpha Theta Man Grid Captain

College of William and Mary

By ARTHUR MCLAWHON

WILLIAMSBURG, VA.—Alpha Theta is ceaselessly putting men forward in outstanding campus activities. Recently Frank Beard has been elected to the honorary fraternity,  $\text{O } \Delta \text{ K}$ , Jack Davenport has been elected to  $\text{X B } \Phi$ , and Ruffin Winfree and Kenneth Umlah were initiated into  $\text{A K } \Psi$ . Milton Pruit has been elected to the Wyhte Law Club.

We are also proud to announce that Otis Douglas has been awarded a place on the second All-State team of Virginia. Douglas and Bill Ferrel, playing side by side on this year's "Fighting Virginians" constituted a brick wall in the powerful line of William and Mary's famed football team. Even Navy and Harvard were thrown into panic at the powerful defense centered around these two husky Alpha Thetas. Douglas received the captaincy of the 1930 football squad.

Wilson Chandler, who is this year attending William and Mary Junior College in Norfolk, has been elected vice-president of the student body, and also editor in chief of the student publication.

Alpha Theta announces the pledging of Paul Smith, Norfolk. Smith is assistant football manager.

We have lately been enjoying a complete new set of furniture, including a splendid new radio for our reception room. Our eyes are now turning toward a new chapter house for next year. Negotiations have been carried on for the purchase of a lot, which is in a desirable location, and it seems that certainly by spring we will be able to take active steps toward work on the new house.

We were greatly grieved by the death of Francis Williams. He was to have been manager of track this year, but was unable to return to school on account of illness.

## Alpha Iota Dedicates New Home; Bond Issue Is Floated

University of Pennsylvania

By WILLIAM SEAMAN

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—On November 8, the new home of Alpha Iota was formally dedicated. The program for the day included the Notre Dame-Pennsylvania football game, a dinner after the game, at which eighty-six were present. Following the dinner a short meeting and a dance brought the day to a close.

The purpose of the meeting following the dinner was to float a bond issue to cover the various expenditures which still needed to be made in improving our new location. The evening was entirely successful in that over \$2,000 of a \$3,500 issue was subscribed. W. Massey Foley, grand president, was present. Taylor of the Franklin and Marshall Chapter was a subscriber to the issue.

The dance, which closed the evening, was attended by members from the Alpha Gamma and the Xi Chapters.

Since the last issue of THE LAUREL more Alpha Iotaians have been honored. President Andre has been initiated into the T B II, honorary engineering fraternity. Swift, and Carson were elected to the editorial board of the *Pennsylvania Triangle*, the engineer's monthly publication. Morris was picked to be a member of Scabbard and Blade. Andre and Swartley are in the dancing chorus of the Men About Towne annual show.

Alpha Iota is pleased to announce the initiation of Wilbur M. Rush, '33, Oxford, New Jersey. Pledge J. Merle Gwynne of Ohio State has transferred from the Gamma to Alpha Iota.

Inter-Fraternity sports are very popular at this season and Alpha Iota is entering all events and is fighting hard for the cup which is presented to high point holders.

A formal dance was held after the Thanksgiving Day classic between Cornell and Pennsylvania in honor of the Alpha Tau Chapter. We regret that

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more of the Cornell chapter could not have been present. Members of the Delaware and Pennsylvania State Chapters were present as well as most of Alpha Iota's graduate members.

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**Alpha Kappa Chapter**  
Washington State College  
No Chapter Letter

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**Favorable Scholastic Standing at  
Alpha Lambda Chapter**

Alabama Polytechnic Institute

AUBURN, ALA. — Alpha Lambda Chapter initiated October 22 T. P. DeMonia, Cullman; Jack Young, Molton; Frank Jones, Daleville; H. C. Tysinger, Bessemer; and H. E. Timmerman, Auburn.

Midsemester grades have been issued. Present indications are that we are going to have a comparatively favorable scholastic standing. R. Hume averaged ninety-six and Evers ninety-three.

Men are getting ready for the annual freshman cake race as well as the interfraternity basketball tournament.

Robert Hume has been elected to T B II. E. R. Enslin has been elected to membership in Scabbard and Blade.

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**Alpha Mu Strong in Dramatics**  
Ohio Wesleyan University

DELAWARE, OHIO — The most outstanding achievement of Alpha Mu this semester has been in the field of dramatics. In November the department presented "The Show Off" by George Kelley, with Al Roberts playing an important part, Charles Horine as electrician, and Jack Brown and Dick Kertscher on crews. Prof. Hunter, our own faculty adviser, is Director of Dramatics at the University.

On December 11, 12, 13, the depart-

ment presented "The Ivory Door" by A. A. Milne. The cast of Phi Taus included Charles Horine, Jack Brown, Al Roberts, and Homer Blanchard. Dick Kertscher, W. Allen, and Bud Brearley were in charge of crews, while Don Allen is technical director and manager of the Little Theater.

Norm Lambacher has at various times tied several world records for the dashes. He has been high point scorer on the track team for the last two years as well as winner of many first places in Buckeye meets. Norm is back this year in the role of coach of freshman track.

Dean Gordon was generally considered the most valuable center in the Buckeye Conference last season. He played more quarters than any other man on the team.

Bruce Fields is a 880 runner as well as a member of the Buckeye cross country championship team. Bruce is a consistent point winner.

The names of two pledges were omitted from the last list submitted. They are William McKee, Chillicothe, and William Mead, Napoleon. Two new pledges, Fred Greve, Cleveland, and Boyd Hawkins, Fredericktown, Pa, have also been added to the roll.

At a special fall initiation, Ken Meyer and Paul Genter were received into active membership while Les Berger and Arnold Drewes were added to our alumni.

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**Alpha Nu Men In Activities**  
Iowa State College  
By CLIFFORD L. SHANER

AMES, IOWA — The actives, pledges and many of the alumni spent a very enjoyable day and evening when a large number of the alumni with their wives and friends were back for the Iowa State College homecoming. After the football game the chapter had a "Dutch" supper in the Memorial Union, follow-

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ed by an informal dance at the chapter house.

Actives and pledges are busy in campus and athletic activities.

Merrill Frevert, Bernice Griffith and Mervin Thiele are working out with the varsity wrestling squad. Six pledges, Taylor, Godby, Edwards, Gilman, Parker, and Bradbury are practicing with the frosh basketball team. Pledge Gilman and Taylor received honorable mention for their work on the freshman football squad.

Pledge Marion Den Beste is playing second violin in the College orchestra and Nathan Edwards is in the Men's College Glee Club.

Otis D. Cole graduate student in chemistry has been pledged to A X Σ, Harold Shultz, '29, is taking graduate work in Forestry at Harvard this year. Vernon Boyer, who graduates in Dairy Industry this December, was married November 5, 1930. Alpha Nu actives were guests at the wedding.

### Alpha Xi Chapter Initiates Two

West Virginia University

By ROBERT D. RIFFE

MORGANTOWN, W. VA.—At a special initiation ceremony held in the chapter house on October 19, pledges Kuhary and Frederick Polen were introduced into the mysteries of the Inner Circle.

We were sorry to lose Taylor and Pledge Devault from active participation in the chapter. Both of them were forced to withdraw from school because of eye trouble.

One new pledge has been added to the list. The latest addition is Lowell Sellards, '34, Wayne.

Russel Curtis has been elected president of K Δ II honorary educational fraternity; Robert Conn has been pledged to Φ Δ Υ, Bill Miller has been initiated into A Z, Otho Lefevre has become a member of Scabbard and Blade, Mark

McHale has been elected president of Newman Club, Ernest Kuhary has been pledged to Red Dragons, Military Science, and Don Lyons is pledged to The Blackguard Fusiliers, Military Science.

Alpha Xi opened the social season by giving an informal dance in the chapter house on October 31. Decorations were in keeping with the Halloween season. A formal dinner was given in the house for those attending the first Panhellenic dance of the season.

George and Ray Koch are candidates for the boxing team.

Bill Miller was chosen as a member of the livestock judging team which represented the University in the International Live Stock Exposition held in Chicago in December.

### Five Pledged at Alpha Omicron

Lafayette College

By L. S. SERFASS

EASTON, PA.—One of the most successful dances ever sponsored by Alpha Omicron was held November 22.

The evening before, the college held its annual Interfraternity Ball which was also highly successful. The high spot of the week-end was the defeat of the Lehigh University football team by Lafayette, 16-6. This game also served the fraternity as an alumni homecoming. James E. Treewich, Henry Frank, William R. Bowie, Russel K. Chamberlain, Ferdinand Englehart, Clayton Horton, and Clare Butler returned to the house.

The rushing period and the subsequent preferential pledging netted five new men including Charles Bush, '34, Monroe, N. Y.; James Heckman, '34, Larchmont, N. Y.; Franklin Price, '34, Scranton; George G. Minschwaneer, '33, Trenton, N. J., and George A. Schmidt, '33, of Pequannock, N. J. Price is a candidate for the Press Club and Schmidt is a member of the varsity football team.

On December 7 Jim Segraves was in-

initiated. Grand Councilor Gantt and Lambert of Rho visited the house on November 25.

Alpha Omicron has a varied list of campus activities that interest the members. Some of these are:

Frank Barnako played in "The Show Off" which was given by the Marquis Players. Jim Segraves, editor of the *Address Book*, assistant managing editor of the *Lafayette*, Press Club, and high exalted scene-shifter for the Marquis Players. Elmer Hunter, Interfraternity Council, manager of lacrosse, business staff of the *Lafayette*. Shime Serfass, alumni editor of the *Lafayette*, junior manager of track, Press Club, assistant manager of cross country, and a member of the Marquis Players. Russ Miller, sophomore hazing society. Abe Buckwalter, Kirby Law Society. Bob Aud, John Markle Mining Society. Jim Hanna, Doyle and Regan Honor Society.

### Alpha Pi Third Scholastically; Occupies New Home

University of Washington

By RALPH PHILLIPPI

SEATTLE, WASH.—Alpha Pi has joined the ranks of the home owners. With the purchase of their new home at 4547 17th Avenue, N. E., they have definitely established themselves in the most desirable block of the fraternity district. The new house will accommodate twenty-five men and has a dining room capacity of forty.

Although all fraternities have been hard pressed to get enough pledges this fall, Alpha Pi has managed to pledge the following twelve:

Houghton Gross, Walla Walla; Paul MacMillan, Tacoma; Lyle Hedman, Seattle; Russel Graves, Seattle; Herman Thordarson, Seattle; Harry Fisher, Seattle; Kenneth Soderquist, Seattle, and John Jorganson, Vashon.

The official scholarship list for last

year shows Alpha Pi ranking in third place among forty-three fraternities. In intramural athletics Alpha Pi came through in sixth place. In intramural basketball this fall the chapter reached the quarter finals.

Tom Mathews is junior intramural athletic manager this year and Frank Tobey is frosh manager.

Scott Gonsecki won his letter in track last spring, his first year of varsity competition. Ed Smith won his frosh numerals in track and Joe Ellerby won his in tennis.

Alpha Pi was well represented in military and naval sciences last year. Lee Worley, Kenneth Skinner and Ralph Phillippi received commissions in the Army Organized Reserve, while Victor Floberg and Willard Johnson received commissions in the Naval Reserve. Willard Johnson has recently been commissioned as an Ensign in the Supply Corps of the regular navy.

Lee Worley, '30, has recently returned from Washington, D. C., after successfully passing the foreign service examination. He is now awaiting an appointment in the service.

Alpha Pi is very fortunate in having an active Mothers' Club. The mothers furnished the first floor of the chapter house this fall with a new set of drapes and provided several cushions for the living rooms.

### Alpha Rho Gives House Dance

Georgia School of Technology

By L. J. McLEOD

ATLANTA, GA.—Alpha Rho Chapter gave a house dance on November 26.

Several Phi Taus have recently been elected to honorary fraternities on the campus. J. F. Cochran was elected to membership in T B II, while A. F. Hunt and L. J. McLeod were elected to II Δ E.

Cochran is also an able debater, having recently become president of the M. L. Brittain Debating Society.

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Plans are being made for a series of interfraternity football games to be held after the regular season ends.

On December 5, the alumni joined the active chapter at a banquet held at the chapter house.

Recent pledges are C. J. Montgomery and J. D. Hopkins. New initiates are J. H. Suddeth and Phillip Ballard.

### Alpha Sigma Observes First Year In National Fraternity

Colorado State Agricultural College

By HARRY LAIRD

FT. COLLINS, COLO.—We are pleased to announce the pledging of Jabe Price, Longmont.

On Sunday, November 16, Alpha Sigma celebrated the first anniversary with a dinner.

Dean S. Arthur Johnson gave an inspirational talk on "Service and Fraternity Life." He portrayed very clearly how a fraternity brings men from all parts of the country who have grown up in altogether different environments, together, and thrusts upon them the obligation, or rather the opportunity, to serve together for a common cause.

Miss Virginia Corbett, Dean of Women, spoke on "Inheritance."

Alpha Sigma Chapter entertained between twenty-five and thirty alumni over the week-end of Homecoming, November 1 and 2.

Albert White, who failed to make his letter last year in football because of injuries received in the first game has been playing stellar football all season this year. He has played in every game except one, and in spite of his being the lightest man on the team, is one of the outstanding players this year.

Joe Ritchie will take up school at Colorado University at the beginning of their second quarter.

Arlo Ferguson was given membership in the C. A. C. Dramatic Club this fall, and will have a part in the next play.

Members of Phi Eta presented Alpha Sigma with new linen and a full set of silverware for our new home. A set of dishes was presented by the Alumni Association.

Dale Pinkerton, Harold Burkhart, and Jape Price are working hard to make the basketball squad this winter.

### Alpha Tau Chapter

Cornell University

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### Alpha Kappa Alumni News

By JOHN HARRINGTON

THE Chicago Alumni Association of Washington State College held a banquet at Hamilton Club in honor of Coach Hollinbery and his Pacific Coast Conference Champions. Four Alpha Kappa men were present, and one of that number, Carlot Hovland, '29, succeeds another, Gerald Hart, '25, as secretary of the Association.

Fred Morrisette is undergoing treatment at Laurel Beach Sanitarium near Seattle, and William Thompson is taking the rest cure near by.

Radio station work in the New York and New Jersey area is keeping Charles Swannack of Bell Laboratories busy.

### Beta Alumni News

Two Beta Chapter alumni were passing out the cigars in January following the visit of the stork to their homes. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Humphrey became the parents of a girl on January 13, and a week later a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Ernest Algeo.

A letter from Brother Charles F. Ogier announces that he is in the insurance business in New York, and that Brother Wally Ardner is teaching at White Plains, R. F. D. No. 1, New York.

# GRADUATE COUNCIL NEWS

## Alpha Graduate News

By HUGH C. NICHOLS

**H**ONORED founder C. D. Boyd, Alpha, was re-elected as Judge of the Common Pleas Court of Butler county in the last general election for a term of six years. Boyd was first appointed to this position by Governor Cooper and served so efficiently and well that he had no opposition for this office when he was compelled to stand for re-election.

Boyd, prior to his assumption of the judicial ermine, was one of the leaders of the bar of Butler county.

Homecoming at Oxford on November 8th was a decided success, especially in the number of men who returned for this occasion, with thirty-six who affixed their names to the register at the house.

Eight of the nine members of the Class of 1930 are engaged in teaching or further scholastic pursuits, the sphere of their activities extending from California to New York.

## Eta Chapter Alumni Notes

By HARRY P. C. CRESSMAN

**D**R. I. M. Wright who was elected to membership in the Allentown Board of School Directors by a big majority, is heading up some very important and needed reforms in the matters of school administration in Allentown.

Four of Eta Chapter alumni, Dr. Wright, Dr. Carl Boyer, Prof. R. W. Stine and the Rev. H. P. Cressman are among the men selected to serve as lecturers in the special course of training for Boy Scout leadership being given by the Boy Scout Council of Lehigh county.

In one of its recent issues one of the leading Allentown dailies, devoted twenty-six inches of space on its main news page to a discussion of the work of three Muhlenberg faculty men who have been active in a noteworthy way in college and city affairs and all three were Eta alumni—Dr. Zartman for his special work referred to in this issue of *The Laurel*, Dr. Wright for his work in the leadership training work with the Boy Scouts and the Rev. Cressman for his work in heading up the leadership training work at the local Y. M. C. A.

Prof. John Shankweiler was called from his graduate studies at Cornell University by the sudden death of his mother from injuries received in a fall.

## Mu Graduate News

By PAUL CARY, JR.

**T**WENTY-ONE Mu Chapter alumni returned for the Lawrence Homecoming October 25.

Cliff Cooper, '26, is with the Standard Oil Company in Chicago.

Earl W. Blank is head of the dramatic and public speech department of Eveleth Junior College, Eveleth, Minn. Earl has attained his masters and doctors degree in his chosen line of work and has coached in several educational institutions. He was formerly dramatic coach at Iowa Wesleyan University.

Carl Engler, '28, is a salesman in Chicago for the Electro-Lux Company, makers of vacuum cleaners and accessories.

Francis Nemacheck, '30, is teaching in the Beaver Dam High School, Beaver Dam, Wis.

Carroll McEathron, '30, is breaking into the publishing game. He has start-

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ed out as a proof reader for the George Banta Publishing Company of Menasha.

Lieutenant Charles Hutchinson has been sent to the Panama Canal Zone, where he will be stationed for about two years.

### Xi Graduate News

By J. EDMUND LIPPY

**A**BOUT thirty of the grads were back to the house for the annual Thanksgiving meeting of the graduate council. The meeting proved to be one of great interest to all. The plans for a new house were discussed and by a motion of the council authority was given to the building committee to buy the proposed property and make the necessary alterations. More has been said concerning the plans for our new house elsewhere in this edition of *The Laurel*.

Plans are under way for the annual founders day banquet to be held in Philadelphia in cooperation with the chapters from the University of Pennsylvania, University of Delaware, Muhlenburg, Lafayette, and Pennsylvania State. This shows promise of being the biggest and best founders day banquet ever held in our section of the Phi Tau circle.

The annual Thanksgiving dance proved to be a huge success with about twenty of the graduate council participating.

### Omicron Graduate News

By R. T. GALLAGHER

**W**. U. Garstka, '29, was appointed as instructor in Forestry at the Mont Alto branch of the Pennsylvania State College.

E. L. Everitt, '30, was appointed as graduate assistant in Agricultural Biochemistry at the Pennsylvania State College.

H. W. Johnson had the distinction of winning the first prize in the Philadelphia Art Institute.

### Tau Graduate Notes

By H. L. BALDWIN

**A**. R. Hellwarth, '25, has been elected a member of the Tau Board of Governors for a period of three years. He succeeds S. O. Crowe. Hellwarth is an instructor in the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan.

M. R. Hubbard, '30, has been elected to the Board, succeeding G. W. Young. Hubbard is employed in the credit department of J. L. Hudson Company, Detroit.

C. F. Cowley is now the assistant superintendent of the Ironton, Ohio, plant of the Semet-Solvay Corporation.

### Omega Graduate News

By PHIL KOEPCKE

**E**VALD Bank is now manager of the Bond Department of the First National Bank of Grand Forks, N. D.

Omega Alumni are getting out an Alumni directory.

Edward Bully and Herbert F. Klingman are attending Harvard, the former in the Medical School, the latter Business School.

Dr. Bernard Domogalla, recently returned from a hurried trip down into Texas. During the holidays he traveled down East to address several important conventions.

### Alpha Theta Alumni News

By M. CARL ANDREWS

**E**. P. Simpkins, '28, who served for a year as assistant librarian of the College of William and Mary, is now working for his master's degree at Columbia University.

J. Heywood Bell, '28, is on the news staff of the Associated Press with the Richmond, Va., bureau.

Robert P. Price, '29, is connected with a bank in his home town, Martinsville, Va.

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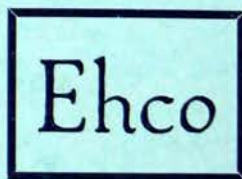
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