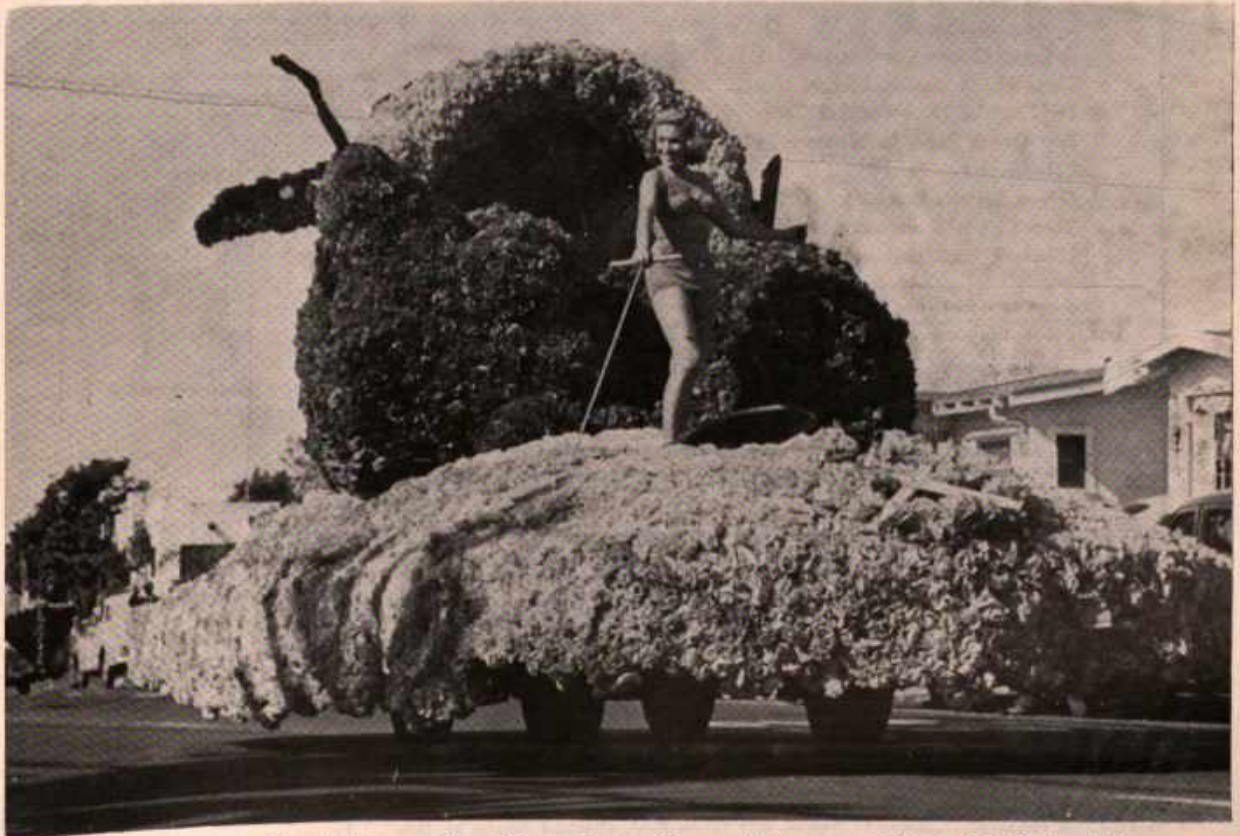


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The President's Message

Theta Chi in years gone by took a great and justifiable pride in the fact that for several decades in our history we had a record of no missing chapters. Every chapter from Alpha to Omega twice through the alphabet was operating actively.

Shortly before the war and until about a year ago there came a time when from one to three chapters relinquished their charters not by reason of choice nor of delinquency, but simply because for one reason or another the life blood of the chapter ceased to flow. Sometimes poor financing, unwise planning, or thoughtless drifting was largely responsible. In all cases the death blow came from failure or inability to secure even a minimum quota of pledges and new members. In no case was direct antifraternity action of faculty or legislature or any punitive reprisal involved.

Now, as we approach the mid-century mark, we find Theta Chi not only with a chapter roll greatly increased over any previous period, but we find the roll once more intact from Alpha to Omega some four times through the Greek Alphabet. It is fitting, therefore, that we should pause to take stock of our present security and prosperity and chart a course designed to increase and perpetuate it.

There can be no just pride in a chain of chapters where glaring weaknesses are evident, where only the fortunate circumstance of the moment keeps some one or two or more weak chapters functioning. These are the weaknesses against which every chapter leadership must constantly be on guard:

1. The weakness of arrogance. That of the successful group which has much campus leadership because of self-perpetuating appointments and good individual ability, but where the good will of the campus has been sacrificed and disregarded.
2. The weakness of internal selfishness. This can often be measured by the number of free-riders, the percentage of the group who are subsidized to perform the duties of the organization. Most chapters must have certain paid workers in the boarding department, but when the payroll spreads to those who only plan, lead, and delegate there is great hazard. Fraternity spirit can be neither bought nor paid for.
3. The weakness of deficient character. This can reflect itself in unbridled indulgence in drinking, gambling, or plain loafing and needs no comment save to compare it to a spreading cancer that will ultimately be fatal.
4. The weakness of schism. The constant and consistent cleavage of a chapter into one or more groups at sword-points on every issue because of personalities is a lethal threat to long continuance as a chapter body.

Let us search carefully and objectively for these and other chapter weaknesses and aim every effort at replacing fault with strength. Only by such a course can we speak with pride of an unbroken chapter roll. Moreover, let us make such a boast in a low voice and with due humility lest a day dawn in an early tomorrow when by reason of our own faults and failures we, each one of us, may have contributed to the shattering of a link now strong and healthy.

STUART H. KELLEY

Theta Chi's Unbroken Roll Nears 100

With the installation of Delta Gamma Chapter at West Virginia Wesleyan College, Theta Chi Fraternity has an unbroken chain of 96 chapters, a record unique in the history of Greek-letter organizations. In addition there are colonies at Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.; Colorado A & M College, Fort Collins; the University of Miami, Miami, Fla.; and the University of Iowa, Iowa City. Thus the number of Theta Chi chapters nears the hundred mark.

The 96th Chapter

■ Sigma Eta Delta, a 24-year-old local fraternity on the campus of West Virginia Wesleyan College, went out of existence at 3:00 p.m., Saturday, January 9, 1950, when its men were initiated into Theta Chi Fraternity as members of Delta Gamma Chapter. A banquet and initiation ball followed the formal ceremonies.

With the addition of Delta Gamma Chapter of Theta Chi, Wesleyan now has chapters of three national fraternities as well as three national sororities. Kappa Alpha Order and Alpha Sigma Phi are the other fraternities, while Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Delta Pi, and Alpha Gamma Delta are the sororities on the campus.

The following men from the Grand Chapter and other local chapters acted as the installation team: Ralph H. Griesemer, national marshal; George W. Chapman, executive secretary; George Callender, traveling secretary; Kyle Westover, alumnus adviser to Alpha Kappa Chapter of West Virginia University; James French, and Samuel Leach, and Robert Harris, president, vice president, and chaplain, respectively, of Alpha Kappa Chapter; Charles Fleming and Samuel Jackson, president and secretary, respectively, of Alpha Tau Chapter at Ohio University, and John Bowen, alumnus of Alpha Beta Chapter of the University of Pittsburgh.

Following the ceremony, a banquet was served by the Women's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church. Toastmaster William Jobson introduced the dignitaries present. The following men addressed the group: Marshall Griesemer, Executive Secretary Chapman, Wesleyan's President William J. Scarborough, Dean A. A. Schoolcraft, Dean of Men James L. Hupp, and Sigma Eta Delta faculty advisers,

James R. Welshonce and John M. Vayhinger. Other banquet guests were William Gwennap, Community Council president; Robert Hermann, president Kappa Alpha Order; and Jack Craver, Alpha Kappa Chapter.

The semi-formal Initiation Ball concluded the day's activities. The music of Dave Casto and his orchestra was featured. Each lady attending the ball was presented with a corsage of red and white carnations. The highlight of the evening was the singing of Theta Chi's anthem, "It Is to Thee, Dear Old Theta Chi."

■ The men who were initiated are

Curtis Shrewsbury, chapter president, Odd; Albert Tomer, vice president, Toledo, Ohio; Dale Winters, secretary, Ravenswood; Wayne Wriston, treasurer, Kingston; Sidney Challenger, Bridgeport, Conn.; Robert Lisensky, James Bowen, Millville, Pa.; Richard Meharry, Richard Johnson, Bridgeville, Pa.; Lester Brady, Charles Tunstall, Gassaway; Robert Horn, Glenshaw, Pa.; John Sawyer, Dedham, Mass.; James McKita, Charleroi, Pa.; William Pierce, Mason-town, Pa.; Clay B. Whetsell, Elkins; Henry D. Anderson, Spencer; Stephen Keoseian, Fitchburg, Mass.; James Snyder, Jules Tewlow, Baltimore, Md.; Donald Taylor, Clairton, Pa.; Robert Volle, Canonsburg, Pa.; Lonnie Swiger, Wallace; Peter Radeka, Weirton; Howard Post, Lost Creek; Harold Ehrenbeck, Bayonne, N. J.; Norman Allers, Verona, Pa.; George Danovich, Aliquippa, Pa.; Richard Conoway, Mannington; Frank Fox, Weston; David Rohr, Alum Bridge; George Cleary, Boston, Mass.; Calvin Remacle, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Jackson Horner, Johnstown, Pa.; Richard Powell, Richard Hyde, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Holt Horner, Versailles Boro, Pa.; Franklin Dezendorf, Plainfield, N. J.; Charles Wolfe, Parkersburg; Stanley Elder, St. Marys; William Testerman, Garden City, N. Y.; Palmer Scott, William Brammer, George Wentz, Huntington; William Johnson, John Vayhinger, Keith Queen, J. F. Whitescarver, Raymond Campbell, Samuel Ross, Robert Wright, and George Hicks, Buckhannon.

Eight alumni were initiated, including a member of the Board of Trustees of the college. There are five pledges.

■ In 1925 at West Virginia Wesleyan College a small group of men banded themselves together for the purpose of bettering mankind and the specific dual purpose of rendering distinct service to Wesleyan and assisting the members of the fraternity to reach a higher level of understanding of this world and the requisites of the better way of life.

This small group of college men were united in the ideals of Christian living and set before the student body the principles of Christian leadership, brotherly love, and good sportsmanship.

The Sigma Eta Delta local fraternity was the first Greek-letter organization on the Wesleyan Campus. Soon after the organization it secured a house, and the group started to grow until it became a strong group. Other fraternities were established at Wesleyan, but the Sigma Eta Delta local maintained its leadership.

When World War II started the fraternity was forced to suspend for lack of membership, but in 1947 it was reinstated with six active members. One year later, it had grown to thirty-six active members.

Today the group is slowly regaining its leadership on the campus. It is again active in intramural sports and all other activities on the campus. A chapter house, providing quarters for 22 men, has been secured near the campus and is now being occupied.

95th Chapter at Georgia

■ Installation ceremonies which included Theta Chi's colony at the University of Georgia into the fraternity as Delta Beta Chapter were held December 10 with the national marshal, Ralph Griesemer, as chairman of the installation committee. The ceremonies started at the chapter house at two o'clock in the afternoon. Delegates were present from Theta Chi chapters at Georgia Tech, Chattanooga, Furman, and Presbyterian. Alumni from Atlanta and vicinity included Dean Floyd Field, Roy Grizzell, and Emory Jenks. Theta Chi officials were George W. Chapman, executive secretary, and George Callender, traveling secretary.

In the evening the installation dinner was enjoyed at the Georgian Hotel by about sixty undergraduates,

alumni, and guests. Richard Smith, the faculty adviser of the chapter, acted as toastmaster. Among the speakers were Dr. Alvin Biscoe, Dickinson, '27, professor of economics and dean of the faculties, Dean Tate, and National Marshall Griesemer.

Thus Theta Chi joined 19 national social fraternities and 14 national sororities at Georgia. The Theta Chi Colony, founded April 3, 1948, had made itself a place in the fraternity picture before it became a chapter. The chapter occupies an impressive southern home of mansion character. It is surrounded by large grounds. It provides rooming quarters for 20 members and boarding facilities for 25 and is equipped for that number.

Delta Alpha at Linfield

By CHARLES HANNA

■ Theta Chi members and alumni from three western states were present at the afternoon installation of Delta Alpha Chapter at Linfield College in McMinnville, Oregon, December 3.

Rites were conducted by a 36-man installation committee consisting of members from Sigma Chapter at Oregon State College, Alpha Sigma at University of Oregon, Alpha Rho at University of Washington, and Gamma Psi at College of Puget Sound. Manley W. Sahlberg, national counselor, from Pasadena, California, acted as chairman.

Shortly after the installation of Delta Alpha's charter members in the college student lounge, Theta Chi's traveling-secretary, Marvin L. Fleming, presented pledge pins to the new chapter's 24 pledges. This ceremony took place at Delta Alpha house.

The initiation banquet held in the evening was attended by approximately 180 members, alumni, and pledges of Theta Chi, plus guests that included Linfield faculty members and the presidents of five local fraternities. Dr. Harry L. Dillin, president of Linfield, was unable to attend because of illness as was also the case with Prof. Robert Boyd, adviser to the Interfraternity Council.

Manley W. Sahlberg, California, '13, was toastmaster for the program. As main speaker of the evening, Dr. Winthrop W. Dolan, dean of educational administration of Linfield College, stressed the responsibility that Delta Alpha now carries in that, being the first national fraternity on the

campus, it will represent not only Theta Chi but all national fraternities. Therefore, Dr. Dolan concluded, Delta Alpha must conduct itself in the most commendable manner possible.

■ Toastmaster Sahlberg introduced Delta Alpha's president, Duane Ramseyer, who expressed his chapter's appreciation for Theta Chi's warm welcome to its fold, and for co-operation extended by Sigma, Alpha Sigma, Alpha Rho, and Gamma Psi chapters.

Robert Travis, charter member of Alpha Gamma Nu, from which Delta Alpha is descended, stated his feelings of pride in seeing the dream of national affiliation become reality. Travis went on to say that even in 1913, when Alpha Gamma Nu was formed, members had hopes of some day becoming part of a national fraternity.

President Ramseyer voiced his thanks on behalf of Delta Alpha for receiving from Sigma Chapter a bronze door plaque; a baby rattle from Gamma Psi, signifying the status of the youngest chapter; a scholarship plaque from the seven chapters in California; and the many congratulatory telegrams and letters from chapters and alumni all over the nation.

Brief impromptu talks were made by Claire Fishell, Jack Graves, Maurice Isaacson, Donald Wilson, president of Sigma; George Meyer, president of Alpha Rho; and Kenneth Seeborg, president of Alpha Sigma.

A member of the installation committee was Dr. Everett H. Field, Norwich, '99, of Portland, Ore. He gave a brief talk at the termination of the



Sahlberg Gives Trophy to Ramsey

installation ceremony, declaring that there is much of benefit in belonging to Theta Chi Fraternity and that the older one gets the more he appreciates that fact. He spoke from a membership background of more than a half of a century in the fraternity.

The ceremonies for the installation of the chapter found Manley Sahlberg in the role of grand ex arch, with Mark McCollm, C. Gordon Childs, president Portland Alumni Association, Maurice Isaacson, Marvin Fleming, traveling secretary, and Harris Hampton Allen in other key roles. The initiatory work was done by Sigma Chapter with Duane Ramseyer, president of the local, Alpha Gamma Nu, as the candidate.

The banquet hall was bedecked with red carnations, and a red carnation was found by each plate to



Installation Team for Delta Alpha Chapter at Linfield College in Oregon

be worn as a boutonniere. Spontaneous singing by various chapters in the evening's proceedings enlivened the affair. At the conclusion of the banquet, members and pledges of Theta Chi's newest addition sang the college "Alma Mater" and "Dear Old Theta Chi."

93rd Chapter in 93rd Year

■ Gamma Omega Chapter was installed at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., as the 93-year-old fraternity's 93rd chapter, December 3.

The event marked the climax of activities of the colony which was organized on the Vanderbilt campus last January.

Installed as officers of the new chapter were C. J. Smith Jr., president; Wade Winnett, vice president; John Hermann, secretary; Linde Pearson, treasurer; Marvin Gilbert, chaplain; and John Hudgens, marshal. Other charter members are J. Eli Allen, James L. Boyd, Robert B. Flacy, Lorrain E. Giddings, A. Gordon Goodall, William C. Henning, J. Robert Melville, David W. Norton, Thomas W. Seagle, Leonard V. Settembrini, and Robert B. Wynne, Jr.

Faculty members are Jean Autret, professor of French; Robert E. Jones of the university theater; Olen E. Leonard, professor of social science; and Henry N. Williams, professor of political science.

Speakers at the banquet were James C. Stevens, national vice president; George W. Chapman, national executive secretary; Chancellor Harvie Branscomb of Vanderbilt; Vice Chancellor Madison Sarratt; Dr. Robert Waldrop, Vanderbilt dean of men; and Col. George Winton, secretary of the Student Union. National Secretary Sherwood Blue served as toastmaster, and Dr. Sam West gave the invocation.

Members of the installation com-



C. J. Smith, Vanderbilt

mittee were Sherwood Blue, chairman; H. B. Crump, Dortch Oldham, Richard Belcher, Thomas E. Eubank, Frank O. Fitts, Edgar Fruit, Dr. James Goldsberry, Tom Hodgene, Lawrence A. Longhurst, Jr., Wilson Neperude, Dwight H. Woods, Russell B. Tandy, and Philip Brodnex, Jr.

Several members of the University of Chattanooga chapter were present.

H. B. Crump, deputy regional counselor for the fraternity, and Dortch Oldham, Theta Chi president of the Nashville Alumni Chapter, were presented alumni awards for meritorious service to the fraternity at the banquet which was served at the Maxwell House.

The chapter president, C. J. Smith, Jr., was named "Man of the Week" by the *Vanderbilt Hustler*, student newspaper, which devoted a column to a personality sketch and the impressive list of activities of Gamma Omega's leader. His activities include: chapter adviser to De Molay, V.U. Theatre, fraternity representative to Pan-Hellenic, participant in several intramural sports, and second high man on the high scoring rifle team.

Gamma Psi at Puget Sound

■ Theta Chi Fraternity acquired its 92nd chapter on November 5 when it installed the Gamma Psi Chapter

at the College of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Washington.

Gamma Psi Chapter, formerly Delta Pi Omicron, opened the red-letter day with an open house beginning at 10 a.m. at the home of the chapter, just off the C.P.S. campus. In attendance were many of the installing officers, Theta Chi alumni, Delta Pi Omicron alumni, representatives from various West Coast chapters, and the local members of the baby-chapter. Along with other preliminaries were included campus tours throughout the morning.

The colorful installation ceremonies got under way at 2 p.m. in the Doric Room of the impressive Masonic Temple located in downtown Tacoma. Chairman of the installation committee was Albert H. Jacobs, a former member of the Grand Chapter, assisted by Duke O. Hannaford, national historian.

Immediately following the installation, the entire body assembled in the Crystal Ballroom of the Winthrop Hotel where the installation banquet took place. Dr. John D. Regester, dean of the College of Puget Sound, gave the invocation.

Among the speakers of the evening were Gordon Jones, president of Gamma Psi Chapter of Theta Chi; Wallace Drake, co-founder of Delta Pi Omicron Fraternity; Patrick Steele, president of Delta Pi Omicron Alumni; Duke O. Hannaford; George Barclay, president of Theta Chi Alumni Association of Tacoma; and the main speaker of the evening, Dr. R. Franklin Thompson, president of College of Puget Sound. Albert H. Jacobs, acted as master of ceremonies.

Unusually cordial was President Thompson in welcoming the fraternity to the institution which under his stimulating leadership is developing rapidly into one of the most progressive colleges in the Northwest.

Guests of honor included besides



AT A BANQUET installing the Gamma Omega Chapter: l. to r.—George W. Chapman, executive secretary; C. J. Smith, Jr., chapter president; Sherwood Blue, national secretary; Chancellor Harvie Branscomb of Vanderbilt; and James C. Stevens, national vice president.



SCHOLARSHIP TROPHY for Region X is presented by National Historian Duke Hannaford to Gordon L. Jones, president of Gamma Psi Chapter, when the group at the College of Puget Sound was installed. From l. to r. are: Toastmaster Jacobs, Dean Register, Chapter President Jones, George Barclay, President Thompson, National Historian Hannaford, Alumnus Steele, and Co-Founder Drake.

President Thompson and Dean Register, Dr. Raymond L. Powell, Dr. Lyle S. Shelmidine, Edward Lane, Howard Meadowcroft, Frank Taylor, William Clem, and William Stivers. The notable day was climaxed by a dance in the Crystal Ballroom.

■ The following comprised the installation committee: Albert H. Jacobs, chairman, Duke O. Hannaford, vice chairman, Dr. Robert L. Webster, Leonard T. Coombs, Douglas W. Polivka, George Barclay, Maurice W. Issacson, Richard W. Fowler, Raymond Dodge, George Meyer, Gordon Anderson, Joseph B. Hoyt, Richard R. Hodge, Donald R. MacDonald, Harrison E. Fountain, Robert R. Weller, Richard W. McMahon, Richard D. Weeks, Roscoe A. Smith, Wilbur C. Richards, Leroy J. Rogers, Lawrence G. Shanklin, Donald A. Abner, David A. Ekberg, William B. Groves, Philip Y. Horthner, Everett R. Jensen, Alan C. Liddle, and Charles R. Low.

Charter members of Gamma Psi include: Robert L. Badger, George W. Berland, Donald E. Bertram, Carl Blaskowsky, Ariel E. Brandt, Gordon E. Brooks, Harvey Cox, Wayne E. Cunningham, Richard C. Dakin, Clarence H. Ebert, George T. Fairfax, Donald G. Feist, R. David Fischer, Charles D. Fisher, Kenneth E. Finfrock, Hillis Griffin, Emil J. Grubisa, James K. Higgins, Charles B.

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■ Gordon L. Jones, president of the local, was installed head of the new Gamma Psi Chapter. Other officers are: Robert Lynch, vice president; George Fairfax, secretary; Donald Bertram, treasurer; Robert Badger, librarian; William Schrum, historian; Leslie Roley, chaplain; Frank Springer, first guard; Roy Loper, second guard; and Ernest Johnson, marshal.

Kenneth Finfrock and Warren White were co-chairmen of the national committee in connection with petitioning activities during the past year. Patrick M. Steele, alumnus of the local, had taken an important part in these activities also.

Working with President George Barclay of the Tacoma Alumni Association were Joseph B. Hoyt, Roscoe Smith, Carlyle Muehler, Everett Jensen, Charles Mellinger, and Robert Miles. E. J. Enright, Jr., and John O'Conner are co-advisers of the fraternity from the faculty of the College of Puget Sound. Jack Enright is a third faculty member.

Alpha Eta at North Carolina

By J. ALTON CROOM

■ Alpha Eta was formally reactivated on the University of North Carolina campus, October 22, 1949, being the last broken link in the chain of 91 chapters to be restored.

The program began at Carolina Inn in Chapel Hill with installation ceremonies at 2 p.m. Ralph H. Griesemer, national marshal, served as chairman of the installation committee, other members being: George W. Chapman, George B. Callender, O.



Photo by James Mills. Alpha Eta

THAD EURE, North Carolina's secretary of state, fourth from left, is shown as he presented the original charter of the Alpha Eta Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity to Allen Spivey, chapter president, at the reactivation ceremonies. The charter, granted in 1920, was given by Edward T. Quillen of Sanford, the only living member of the group who first formed the chapter at North Carolina. Others in the picture, left to right, are George W. Chapman, national executive secretary, Ralph H. Griesemer, national marshal, Quillen, Spivey, Eure, Guy W. Rowls, Alpha Eta, O. Randolph Bruce, counselor, and Frank O. Ross.

F. Randolph Bruce, Jr., Albert L. White, Joseph D. Ross, Jr., Guy W. Rawls, J. K. Bridgers, Karl E. Braetz, Philip R. Ferguson, George Ossman, Jr., Edward T. Quillen, and Fred K. Joyce.

Thad Eure, an Alpha Eta alumnus and North Carolina's present secretary of state, was the principal speaker at the reactivation banquet which was held in the main banquet hall of the Inn that evening. W. Allen Spivey, chapter president, acted as toastmaster and introduced the various speakers. The Rev. J. C. Herrin of the Chapel Hill Baptist Church gave the invocation. Dean Ernest L. Mackie welcomed Alpha Eta back to the Carolina campus on behalf of the faculty. Ralph Griesemer brought greetings to the chapter from the Grand Chapter. George W. Chapman, executive secretary, and George Callender, traveling secretary, were introduced.

Eure, in his address, reminisced about the history of Alpha Eta when it was on the campus from 1920 to 1938. Earlier, he had presented the original charter of Alpha Eta to the new members. The charter was given by Edward T. Quillen, the only living member of the group who first formed the chapter at North Carolina.

Guests at the banquet included alumni of the chapter, representatives from other campus fraternities, and members from the Duke, Wake Forest, Virginia, Randolph-Macon, Birmingham Southern, and Miami (Ohio) chapters.

The banquet was concluded with the singing of "It Is to Thee, Dear Old Theta Chi" and the Tarheel alma mater "Hark the Sound."

■ Reactivating charter members include: Ralph H. Bowden, William A. Buchan, Glenn B. Bailey, William F. Brock, J. Alton Croom, William B. Cregan, Drew Colvard, William B. Duke, J. Ray Edmundson, John Eason, Thomas R. Hall, Wiley Hall, Lotes L. Holmes, William J. Lee, Harrison Lewis, James C. Montgomery, Clarence E. Pickard, Henry E. Phelps, W. Allen Spivey, William C. Wheeler, Wallace Warren, Earl C. Warren, Robert L. Walsh, and Arthur D. Xanthos.

Alpha Eta participated in the fall rush week along with the other 24 social fraternities which make up the Interfraternity Council at North Carolina. Because the chapter is still



Photo by James A. Mills, Alpha Eta
New \$3,000,000 Morehead Planetarium where Alpha Eta Rushed at North Carolina.

looking for a suitable house, the smokers and rushing sessions were held in the Faculty Lounge of the new \$3,000,000 Morehead Planetarium. The planetarium, incidentally, is the only one in the country to be located on a college campus.

The chapter emerged from rush week with 20 highly satisfactory pledges.

Cincinnati Fraternities Are Tops in Scholarship

■ Despite the high standards maintained and the co-operative program carried out in the Applied Arts College and the Engineering College at the University of Cincinnati, that institution was the scholastic leader among 93 fraternity schools last year, according to statistics released by Colonel Ralph W. Wilson, former scholastic counselor of the National Interfraternity Conference. The schools have a total of 1,351 fraternity chapters. At Cincinnati 1,307 fraternity members out of a total of 4,780 men had a group rating of 9.18% above the all men's average. The fraternity composite average was a high 3.37.

According to Theta Chi's Dr. Robert W. Bishop, dean of men at the University of Cincinnati, the high academic standing of fraternity men is the result of a definite program which has been carried on for several years. His office sends to the fraternity chapters a list of those members who are on probation or have poor grades, and their fraternity

brothers become actively interested in improving the records of these men. Dean Bishop also points out that good grades are regarded by fraternity men as a "must." An annual trophy is presented to the fraternity with the highest scholastic average by Omicron Delta Kappa, while individual awards are given pledges and actives who have outstanding records.

Kappa Men Join Societies

David Norris, Pennsylvania, '51, president of Kappa Chapter and first high jumper on the track team, was recently initiated into Kappa Phi Kappa, education society. Initiated into Alpha Chi Sigma was Donald McIlvain, '52. Rowing on the j.v. crew for the University of Pennsylvania is Fred Hering, '51. He was in Florida over the Christmas holidays to row against Yale at Miami on December 31. He, along with Aylwyn Williams, '51, was elected to Scabbard and Blade. Williams is also drum major of the school's band. He was appointed to this position at the beginning of the fall semester and will continue in that capacity until he graduates.

To Become Oregon Friars

Of the eight men named to Friars, senior men's recognition society at Oregon, two Theta Chis were tapped: Donald Fair and Kenneth Seeborg, who is also vice president of the IFC and chapter president. Other chapter officers are Douglas Coghill, vice president, Ronald Clark, secretary, Roger Mockford, manager.

Minneapolis, '50 Convention Host

By THOMAS BUXTON, N.D. State

■ Carrying the major responsibility for arrangements for Theta Chi's 94th anniversary convention in Minneapolis September 6-9, inclusive, is Leslie C. Smith, Minnesota. He is general arrangements chairman. He has served as president and secretary of the Twin City Alumni Chapter

lity; George Gates, information. All the chairmen are from Alpha Pi Chapter at Minnesota, except Bell, who is from Alpha Mu, at Iowa State College, and Buxton, from Phi Chapter at North Dakota Agricultural College.

Stuart Kelley, national president of Theta Chi, will direct the Fraternity School at the convention, and Mrs. J. E. Conklin, wife of an Alpha Pi man, will be in charge of women's activities.

Minneapolis was last host to a national Theta Chi convention in 1929.

Beta Theta Plans For Its Tenth Birthday, April 10

■ To celebrate the tenth year as a chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity, the actives and the alumni of Beta Theta at Drexel plan a dinner-dance on April 22, at a Philadelphia country club. It was on May 24, that Delta Sigma Alpha, a local fraternity at Drexel Institute, was installed as Beta Theta Chapter.

The celebration committee is under the direction of Harold Williams, 21 Buena Place, Redbank, N.J., and Carl Keneck, 613 Tindley Rd., Glenside, Pa. Working with the alumni committee is an undergraduate committee under the direction of John Davis.

If there are any alumni members of the chapter who have not been notified of the above plans, those in charge are eager that they contact either of the committee chairmen.

Celebrates 50th Anniversary

N. R. Davies, Norwich, '88, one of the oldest living members of Theta Chi, recently celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary. He and his wife held open house in Northfield, Vt., for friends and relatives.

Fire in Florida House

Considerable damage was done to the home of Tau Chapter at the University of Florida by fire, which broke out about 1 a.m., December 28. Full insurance coverage took care of the considerable amount of damage. As most of the members of the chapter were home for the holiday vacation and had taken a good many of their belongings with them, the loss was less than it would have been had the

fire taken place when the university was in session. Starting in the basement from defective wiring, the fire spread to all parts of the house.

Theta Chi Fraternity Adds Third Traveling Secretary

■ In February of this year Bobby D. Allen, Wake Forest, '50, began his duties as traveling secretary for Theta Chi Fraternity. He was born



Leslie C. Smith, Minnesota

of Theta Chi and is a director of the chapter's alumni corporation.

In his undergraduate days Smith was elected to Beta Gamma Sigma, business honor fraternity, and was on the editorial staff of the *Minnesota Business Review*, published by the University School of Business Administration. He is field secretary for the Minneapolis Business College.

Committees named by Chairman Smith are already busy with preliminary convention plans, working on the basis of an expected attendance of more than 500 persons, with at least 300 coming from outside the Twin Cities.

The Nicollet Hotel, one of the largest and best in the mid-west and northwest, will be the convention headquarters.

Committee chairmen for the convention arrangements include:

G. Cramer Lyon, registration; Dr. A. F. Bratrud, housing; Arthur N. Larson, opening luncheon; George Bestrom, steak fry; E. Floyd Bell, banquet; James Erckenbrach, Wednesday night event; Curtiss Coleman, finances; Thomas C. Buxton, public relations; Eugene Nieland, hospita-



Bobby D. Allen, Wake Forest

November 2, 1924, in Dillon, S. C., where he attended grammar and high school. In 1943 he entered the Army Air Force and subsequently flew twenty-four missions with the Eighth Air Force in the E.T.O. On his last mission his bomber was shot down over Germany. He bailed out safely, but was apprehended before he could reach allied lines. Six months later he was liberated from an enemy prisoner of war camp.

After his discharge from the Army in October of 1945, he entered Wake Forest College, majoring in general science and managing a hometown theater in the summer months.

Bobby Allen became a charter member of Gamma Omicron Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity and held the following offices at various times: representative to Interfraternity Council, active delegate to the Boston national convention, vice president, president, and historian. In addition to being active in intramural sports and the International Relations Club, he has been an active participant at practically every state and regional Theta Chi event.

NIC Records Are Broken At Washington Meeting

By GEORGE STARR LASHER, Michigan, '11

■ The breaking of records as to attendance, the wide participation of nationally known men, and the extensive program of social activities made outstanding the 41st annual session of the National Interfraternity Conference, November 24-26, at the Hotel Mayflower, Washington, D. C. For only the second time in the history of the organization, the session was held outside of New York City, yet 766 were present, including 93 educational officers and 282 undergraduate representatives of local interfraternity councils from all sections of the United States. The total for 1948 was 627. The undergraduates represented 54 fraternities and 112 educational institutions.

Juvenile delinquency, a defense against subversive groups on college campuses, scholarship, public relations, and racial discrimination were the topics which received the most attention, but chapter house discus-

sions, the sponsorship of projects, the reduction of costs of fraternity living, Greek Weeks, fraternity emphasis weeks, and regional conferences all aroused considerable interest.

Nine resolutions were passed, most of them growing up out of conference and round table discussions. The only one which failed to secure a unanimous vote dealt with racial discrimination. It was passed by a vote of 36 to 3, with 19 of the 58 member fraternities not voting. A motion to substitute a resolution insisting that members of fraternities should eliminate all discriminatory clauses and by-laws was lost for want of a second.

The resolution passed reads: Resolved: That it is the sense of this conference that: it recognizes that many member fraternities have had and now have no restrictive provisions; it recognizes that the question is of concern to many interested parties; it calls these facts to the atten-

tion of all member fraternities, appreciating that membership is an individual fraternity responsibility; it recommends that member fraternities that do have selective membership provisions consider this question in the light of prevailing conditions and take such steps as they may elect to eliminate such selectivity provisions.

After citing the necessity for the best and most intelligent leadership in the nation, the committee proposed the following resolution, which was passed unanimously: that the general national officers of its member fraternities reemphasize through every means possible the intellectual aims of the fraternity; that each local interfraternity council consciously and constantly encourage on its campus the maintenance among fraternity men of high scholastic standards as one of the primary goals of the program; that each individual chapter seek to stimulate an attitude and atmosphere conducive to the encouragement in, and the recognition by, its members of good scholarship as the major objective of college life; and that each fraternity member accept as his personal re-



THETA CHIS at the National Interfraternity Conference banquet, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C.: seated, l to r, Sidney Baylor, MIT, '26, national treasurer; Perry J. Stevenson, Colgate, '14; Stuart H. Kelley, North Dakota Agricultural College, '20, national president; Manley W. Sahlberg, California, '13, national counselor; Francis H. S. Ede, Dickinson, '17; Merle J. Protzman, Dickinson, '18; John S. Jacobsen, Maryland, '38, member Washington Host Committee; George Starr Lasher, Michigan '11, editor of The Rattle of Theta Chi; Carl T. Curtis, Nebraska Wesleyan, '27, congressman from Nebraska; Joseph A. McCuster, Maine, '17, member NIC Executive Committee; standing—James C. Stevens, Michigan, '23, national vice president; Dr. Carl A. Kallgren, Colgate, '27, dean of students; Earl D. Rhodes, Rensselaer, '21, national chaplain; George W. Chapman, Jr., Penn State, '49; Sherwood Blue, Indiana, '26, national secretary; Eugene K. Keough, NYU, '26, congressman from New York; George W. Chapman, Penn State, '20, executive secretary; Ralph H. Griesmer, Dickinson, '32, national marshal. Other Theta Chis were seated at the tables for the deans of men and in the balcony.

sponsibility not only his own self-improvement through the facilities of his institution, but also participation in the intellectual stimulation of his chapter to the end that good scholarship be made synonymous with good fraternity membership.

Other resolutions recommended the active participation of member fraternities in measures to combat subversive influences and activities on college campuses; the giving of assistance to local agencies for eliminating juvenile delinquency and full participation in such efforts; an increase of public relation efforts with full appreciation of the fact that public attitude depends primarily on the performance and accomplishments of the fraternities in their day-to-day activities; the consideration of ways and means of extending and improving chapter participation in the various forms of group discussion.

■ At the formal banquet Friday evening 700 men took their seats after the invocation by Dr. Edwin Holt Hughes, Delta Tau Delta, bishop of the Methodist Church. Among the guests were Fred M. Vinson, Phi Delta Theta, chief justice of the Supreme Court; Harold R. Burton, Delta Kappa Epsilon, and Sherman Minton, Phi Delta Theta, associate justices of the Supreme Court; Louis A. Johnson, Delta Chi, and Charles F. Brannan, secretary of defense and secretary of agriculture, respectively. Greetings were read from Harry S. Truman, Lambda Chi Alpha, president of the United States, and Tom C. Clark, Delta Tau Delta, associate justice of the Supreme Court.

Patrick J. Hurley, Sigma Chi, former secretary of war, served as toastmaster, and the banquet speaker was George Maurice Morris, Delta Kappa Epsilon, a past president of the American Bar Association, whose subject was "The Fraternities Are Affirmative Agencies in the College Educational Process."

The presentation of awards by Chairman Frank H. Myers, Kappa Alpha, brought recognition to Leroy A. Wilson, Lambda Chi Alpha, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, "for distinguished service to youth through the American college fraternity" and to the Cornell Interfraternity Council for its constructive program of activities which advanced the interfraternity cause. For the first time plaques were given the three runners-

up in the national contest: Ohio State, Penn State, and Iowa. Small replicas of the impressive bronze trophy for first honors were given the schools which had won in former years, Michigan State and M. I. T.

It is interesting to note that the interfraternity council which won this recognition in 1948 was headed by a Theta Chi, Andrew M. Lang at M.I.T. The Penn State group which was a runner-up for last year's program had as its president, George W. Chapman, Jr., '49, a member of Omega Chapter.

This year each council was rated as to scholastic record, liaison with its educational institution, internal organization, depth of analysis, and community influence, judgment being based upon brochures that had been submitted. Other councils not previously named were ranked as follows: Minnesota, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Denver, Georgia, Ohio, Michigan State, St. Lawrence, Lehigh, Kansas State, Union, and Baldwin-Wallace.

Following the banquet came the Interfraternity Ball, honoring the delegates to the Undergraduate Interfraternity Conference.

■ An impressive tribute to the late Dr. Gilbert Wilcox Mead, Phi Gamma Delta, chairman of the 1948 conference, opened the business sessions Friday forenoon.

Dr. Mead was one of two non-members to whom had been presented Theta Chi's Distinguished Service Award. He was the father of three Theta Chis from the Washington College chapter.

The report of Chairman Myers contained a number of recommendations, eight of which were later by resolution referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and action. These follow:

That a committee be appointed to make a complete study and report on improving and enlarging the services that can be rendered by the National Interfraternity Conference to the member fraternities and associated organizations, including the present financial set-up and correlation of activities with the National Conference of College Fraternities and Societies and with the Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council.

That determined efforts be made to encourage the various college administrations to join the fraternities in

the promotion and inauguration of a pledge training program at each university and college covering subjects of general training interest and fraternity orientation which will benefit both the college and the fraternity.

That each fraternity, which has not already done so, start an annual leadership or chapter training school for the purpose of obtaining better instructed chapter officers and of coordinating and standardizing the administrative work of the active chapters.

That the conference give better support and cooperation to already sponsored projects, namely, (a) chapter house discussion programs; and (b) international exchange students.

That the conference urge and aid in the inauguration of a local interfraternity council on every college campus at which no such organization now exists.

That the conference urge and aid every local interfraternity council in the adoption and inauguration of (a) Interfraternity Workshop Week and (b) Greek Week, or Fraternity Emphasis Week.

That the present undergraduate conference be replaced by an annual school for interfraternity council officers or representatives where chosen lecturers and instructors will present subjects of general interest in the local interfraternity council field.

That serious study be given to the formation of new fraternities to meet the ever-increasing need from college students for fraternity affiliation.

Tau Kappa Epsilon, suspended by the 1938 conference, was warmly welcomed as a member in good standing, as it no longer maintains the chapter in a non-accredited school which caused the suspension.

According to the report of the Committee on Fraternity Expansion as of September 1, 1949, the 58 NIC fraternities have a total of 2,807 undergraduate chapters and 116 colonies, an increase of 132 new chapters and 33 reactivated chapters since November 1, 1949. The total membership was 1,226,710, as of July 1, 1949, but the figures for six fraternities were as of July 1, 1948.

■ Tom C. Clark, associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States and former attorney general, headed the panel which discussed "What the American college fraternity system can contribute to the

solution of the juvenile delinquency problem." The discussion was continued by John B. Smiley, Phi Kappa Psi, and Frank R. Hunt, Theta Chi, dean of students at Lafayette College, who told of a highly successful project one fraternity chapter undertook in connection with the Easton Juvenile Court, dealing with a group of boys with criminal records in such a constructive way that the youngsters kept out of trouble as long as they had association with the fraternity men.

Another man prominent in national affairs, J. Howard McGrath, the attorney general of the United States, led off on the second panel for a consideration of "What the American college fraternity system can do to combat the menace of subversive influences and activities on college campuses." He outlined the role of the fraternity man as being two-fold, education and exposure of false ideas by obtaining true facts, using his most potent weapon, the spirit of free inquiry.

"The alert fraternity man will not only fight against Marxist ideologies," Mr. McGrath declared in conclusion, "but for the improvement of the democratic society in which he lives. The nation, community, and university have defects which give the Communists talking points. The fraternity man must work to remedy these defects, thus automatically depriving the Communists of their talking points."

Elmer Louis Kayser, dean of students at George Washington University, and A. Ray Warnock, Beta Theta Pi, who recently retired as dean of men at Penn State, in their panel discussions asserted their belief that if fraternity men lived up to their ideals that they would prove effective against subversive influences.

In conclusion of his talk Dean Kayser asserted that he had little fear that American institutions will be undermined to any disastrous degree "as long as the type of American manhood which has given the American college fraternity its message, its zeal, and its achievement continues alive amongst us."

Dean Warnock told of his experiences in dealing with radical groups, stating that the best way to combat sabotage methods was to arouse conservative students in regard to the dangers involved and let them handle the situation. He ex-

pressed the belief that no alien group can ever subvert the people of this country, but that there might be danger of the people subverting themselves. He said in conclusion, "By keeping our fraternity system strong and by teaching boys what our fraternity rituals and ideals stand for we can be an effective force for keeping in America the kind of tradition out of which the American college fraternity grew, a tradition which if destroyed will take with it the American college fraternity."

■ Following a brief business session, delegates and members of the Undergraduate Conference met in the following round table groups to discuss topics pertinent to fraternity life: publicity and its related subjects, Clifton W. Phelan, Phi Gamma Delta, leader; reasonable scholarship standards, Charles A. Seidle, Theta Chi, associate dean of students, Lehigh University, leader; reduction of fraternity living costs, John C. Olive, Chi Phi, leader; chapter house discussions, Clyde S. Johnson, personnel officer, University of Cali-

fornia; Greek Weeks, fraternity emphasis weeks, and regional conferences, Dr. John O. Moseley, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, leader.

The Undergraduate Conference met Saturday forenoon under the direction of Fred B. Ensinger, Kappa Delta Rho, who at the business session of the conference later reported that the undergraduates recommended the substitution of a leadership training school for the Undergraduate Conference in line with the recommendation of Chairman Myers and that the NIC organize regional interfraternity councils to consider matters of importance to them and to send representatives to the National Interfraternity Conference who would speak in behalf of the undergraduate councils.

Col. Ralph W. Wilson, Sigma Chi, scholarship counselor of the conference, reported that with the records missing from about fifty schools, 803 chapters out of 2,027, were above the all-men's average, and that the College Fraternity Scholarship Officers' Association was trying to get every



THETA CHI'S DELEGATION at the National Interfraternity Conference again was one of the largest delegations, if not the largest one, at the 41st annual session held in Washington, D.C., November 25-27. Among those present were all the members of the Grand Chapter with the exception of the national historian, Duke O. Hannaford, eight undergraduates representing various interfraternity councils, five deans of men, and a number of alumni. In the pre-banquet picture above are the following: Front row, seated, l. to r.—Sherwood Blue, national secretary, James C. Stevens, national vice president, Stuart H. Kelley, national president, Joseph McCusker, member of the NIC Executive Committee, Sidney Baylor, national treasurer; second row—George Starr Lasher, editor of *The Rattle* and director of publicity for the NIC, Manley W. Sahlberg, national counselor, Francis H. S. Ede, counselor Region III, Earl D. Rhodes, national chaplain, Frederick W. Ladue, Colgate, '12, former national president and executive secretary, Ralph H. Griesemer, national marshal; third row—Merle Protzman, Dickinson '18, Roy Mayer, president Pittsburg IFC; Dr. Robert W. Bishop, dean of men at the University of Cincinnati, Erskine A. Harvey, president of Syracuse IFC; H. Brian Wilson, president of University of West Virginia IFC. Not in the picture: Dr. Frank R. Hunt, dean of students at Lafayette College; Dr. Robert Minor, director student welfare, Miami University; Dr. C. A. Seidle, associate dean of men, Lehigh University; George W. Chapman, executive secretary; George W. Chapman, Jr., Penn State; Sterling Green, Oregon, representative of the Associated Press.



Robert Peelle



Paul Brainard



George Wooster



Carl Garland



Russell Johnson, Jr.

Five Make U. of R. Phi Beta Kappa

■ Late one evening last spring the resounding thunder of Theta Chi's cannon, traditionally used only for pledging, shattered the silence around the University of Rochester campus. The sudden uproar heralded the annual announcement of Phi Beta Kappa elections. Theta Chi had pretty well stolen the show. Five of the eight undergraduate men at Rochester admitted to the cherished society were brothers of Theta Chi. Here are the men who won the laurels:

Robert (Ernie) Peelle, who entered in 1945 as a physics major and was pledged to Theta Chi in January, 1946. As a freshman, he helped organize the Rochester Intercollegiate Chess Club. In 1947-48 he was chapter scholarship chairman, which he naturally handled quite easily. The following year he was intramural sports chairman. Here he did a superb job as player as well as leader. He became perhaps, as well known for his joviality as he was for his scholas-

chapter above the all-men's average.

A united front on the general problems that affect all fraternities was called for by Judge Frank H. Myers in his closing remarks as chairman of the conference, "I say with the firmest conviction that the strongest fraternity cannot function alone in the American college fraternity system. . . . The sooner that every member fraternity recognizes this fact the sooner the conference will be worth while and effective for the college fraternity system."

Despite an invitation to meet in St. Louis, the 1950 session of the NIC will be held in New York, according to an announcement of the new chairman, William J. Barnes, Theta Xi.

tic achievements. He is now taking graduate work at Princeton University.

Paul Brainard entered as a business administration and music major in 1945. He served on the College Chapel Committee from 1945 to 1947, first as treasurer and then as chairman. In 1947 he took over the post of intercampus choir director. Since then he has won an enviable reputation as a producer of high quality music. He was graduated with high distinction.

George Wooster entered as a veteran in 1946 and joined Theta Chi the same year. He was chapter steward in 1947. In his sophomore year he was a member of the chapel committee and a member of the chapel choir. In his last two years he represented Theta Chi on the Interfraternity Council. He was chairman of the committee which devised a very successful pledge training program. In his senior year, he was a member of the chapter's Executive Council. In addition to his other positions, George was always the unofficial adviser and tutor of those in the house who needed help. He was the "big brother" who never looked for recognition or praise, and hence is one of those men who seem impossible to replace. He is now taking graduate work at Ohio State.

Carl Garland was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in his junior year. He entered in September, 1946, as a chemistry major. He is a student affiliate of the American Chemical Society and is also active in the legitimate stage group, Stagers, and in the Mathematics Club. He was the chapter secretary in 1948 and is the scholarship chairman this year.

Russell Johnson, Jr., was also a

junior Phi Beta. He entered the university with a Bausch and Lomb Scholarship, a great honor for an entering freshman. He is a student affiliate of the American Chemical Society; a member of the Mathematics Club and the dramatic group.

Campus Winner 8 Times Now Has Stanford Trophy

The Stanford Scholarship Trophy was awarded to Beta Omega at Susquehanna University by the Grand Chapter in the summer vacation. This large silver cup, symbolical of high scholarship, is given annually to the active chapter of Theta Chi having the highest scholastic record for the past collegiate year. The trophy is held for one year, unless the chapter continues to have the highest scholastic average.

Beta Omega on October 11 became the recipient also of the Interfraternity Scholastic Trophy, sponsored by the Interfraternity Senate, which is representative of the fraternities at Susquehanna. This is the eighth successive year that Beta Omega has had the highest scholastic average and has been the winner of the trophy.

Eight Graduated in August

Chi's eight graduates at Alabama Polytechnic Institute on August 22 were: Hugh E. May, Vivian J. Cullivan, Mobile; James W. Bartley, LaGrange, Ga.; Claire Dean Hansen, Foley; William Morris, Rome, Ga.; William Payne, Fairhope; Lewis S. Richardson, Philadelphia, Pa.

Outstanding Bandsman at Arizona

George Legters, '50, of Beta Iota Chapter, received the Kathy Nichols Memorial Award for the outstanding bandsman of the year 1948-49 at the University of Arizona. The award is given to the member contributing the most to the band's advancement.

Theta Chi Chapters Win Unusual Number of Honors

The Feminine Touch

By ARNOLD M. SMALL

Gamma Theta again took the honors at the annual Homecoming celebration at San Diego State. Theta Chi floats have dominated for three consecutive years. This year's float had as its title, "Diminutive Portion of Paradise." (See cover). Its designer is Ernest Agee, '52.

The float itself consisted of a giant cornucopia with brightly colored oranges, pears, and grapes tumbling out. The yellow, orange, and brown horn-of-plenty was floating on a cloud of white flowers which in turn rested upon a deep blue background representing the sky. Three beautiful co-eds enhanced the float's appeal by portraying the varied sports activities simultaneously present in San Diego: a surfboard rider balancing on a frothy wave, a tennis player, and a skier. The badge of Theta Chi in red, gold, and white flowers completed the display.

The float was constructed of 30,000 crepe paper flowers of ten hues, representing the labor of over 1,500 man hours by chapter members.

Wins as "Cincy Falls"

By ROBERT CARBONI

It has almost become a tradition for Alpha Tau Chapter at Ohio University to win a house decorations award at Homecoming Day each year. The fall of 1949 was no exception as



ONE OF THREE young women who added beauty to Gamma Theta's prize winning float at San Diego (see cover) was Miss Marcia Walkey in a ski suit made by the Gamma Theta Mothers' Club. She later was chosen by men of the chapter to be their candidate for queen of the Blue Book Ball, semi-annual after finals dance at San Diego.

Theta Chi took first place honors with its spectacular "Cincy Falls" decoration. Since 1941 Alpha Tau has won a first or second place prize for its house decorations. For two

years of the war Homecoming was not celebrated at Ohio University.

Under the direction of Rudolph Bratini, who was in charge of last year's second prize winner, members and pledges built a 25-foot waterfall which spilled over the front of the fraternity house. The necessary water was kept in continual motion by an unusual system of pumps located under the entire structure.

A muslin backdrop, on which a jungle scene was painted, covered the front of the house. The top of the waterfall came out of an upstairs window. On the first landing was a canoe, containing a University of Cincinnati Bearcat, which was being shoved off the precipice by an Ohio University Bobcat, thus the title, "Cincy Falls."

The water splashed on the second landing with a realistic hiss and emptied into a tray resting on the ground. Brush and ferns were placed about the waterfall completing the realistic scene.

At the halftime of the Homecoming football game, which Ohio University lost, 34-14, it was announced that Theta Chi had won first prize, and the ovation that followed revealed that the Ohio student body was in accord with the judges' selection.

At the October 15 Homecoming of the University of Cincinnati Beta Omicron Chapter won the trophy with its humorous float. Sound effects and actions were the major reason for its selection. A record was made of a chicken laying an egg, and upon a 21-gun salute the egg rolled down a ramp and was caught by the "hayseed" at the bottom. The float was designed by Emerson Esbaugh, '51, Dayton. To top the day Cincinnati Bearcats upset Mississippi State 19-0.



Beta Omicron Wins First for Humorous Float at Cincinnati, Alpha Tau for Best House Decoration at Ohio.



SOME OF THETA CHI'S PRIZEWINNERS: top, l. to r., "The Clipper Smith" of Alpha Omega (Lafayette); Beta Zeta's entry in Michigan State's popular water float parade, and (l. center) its Homecoming prediction of how alumni would see the game, both awarded first places; then Alpha Rho's top decoration at Washington; l. bottom, Zeta's welcome to grads at New Hampshire, and Chi's display at Alabama Polytechnic. Zeta turned its front lawn into a gridiron, while Chi portrayed "Victory Through Education," the day's theme.

■ Alpha Rho Chapter won first place in the annual University of Washington Homecoming sign contest held the night before the Washington Husky-Southern California Trojan football game, November 19.

Colorful signs illuminated Greek Row as 38 fraternities vied for the coveted honor. The theme for the evening was "Beat the Trojans."

The winning sign featured a revolving stage. On one side was a

Trojan warship rowed by four helmeted warriors using oars shaped like lollipops. The sign then revolved and showed a big Husky eating the lollipop oars with the Trojan boat sinking in the background.



Stanford Indian Offers California Bear as Sacrifice in Big Game Parade

Darold Grandstaff and Keith Jacobson headed the chapter's committee.

"The Clipper Smith"

By S. W. DOWNER, III

■ Honors for the 1949 house decoration contest at Lafayette College went to the Alpha Omega Chapter at the time of Lafayette's traditional football game with Rutgers. The winning display was a realistic clipper ship, named "The Clipper Smith" in honor of Maurice "Clipper" Smith, Lafayette's head football coach. The ship extended the length of the porch, with huge masts and sails reaching to the roof of the house. Some hours of research in several history books were responsible for the final product. The display was seen at its best in the evening. A light breeze billowed out the sails and "The Clipper Smith" floated on a sea of blinking lights, completely outclassing the Raritan River rowboat which rocked beside the large clipper.

The credit for the prize-winning display goes to electrician, Philip Smith, '51, to Chan Hawley, '51, and Alexander Reeve, '51, carpenters superb, and to Paul Kneeland, '51, the originator and designer of the ship.

Held in conjunction with the decoration contest and football game was the 1949 Interfraternity Fall Dance Week-end, which was a huge success, as always. One of the highlights of the week-end was Friday evening's

dance in the beautifully decorated gymnasium, featuring the smooth music of Elliott Lawrence and Johnny Barker.

Saturday afternoon was rather disappointing as Rutgers Queensmen defeated the Leopards, 14-0. The taking of first place in the decoration contest brought much cheer to the Alpha Omega ranks, however.

Saturday evening's party was enlivened by the presence of several alumni. Music for the house dance

was provided by a four-piece combo. A dinner Sunday afternoon culminated the week-end, which left the brothers with the feeling that "we should do this more often."

First Among 37 Entries

By WALLACE WHITE

■ It takes many hours of work and planning to produce a prize-winning float, foremen-designers Lee Miller, '51, Anton Arnosti, '50, and John Nisbet, '51, will agree.

But at Stanford the work paid off when Alpha Epsilon Chapter's Big Game Parade float won the grand sweepstakes award in competition with 37 other entries.

The float, carefully engineered and erected on a flatbed truck loaned by Mr. E. M. Faye, father of Peter Faye, '52, showed a gleaming Stanford Indian kneeling at the Altar of Roses. On the altar lay a defunct California Bear, cleft by a simulated Stanford Axe.

Architecture student Miller, assisted by Nisbet and Arnosti, designed and directed the building of the structure. The wooden framework was covered with crepe paper and metallic paper. Each chapter member was assigned two hours of work, but some worked as many as 24 hours.

The fifty-second annual Big Game between California and Stanford



Atomic Display Wins Second Honors for Beta Omega at Susquehanna

decided this year's Pacific Coast champion and host at the famed Rose Bowl Game. Predictions at the float parade to the contrary, California won the game.

Many First Place Winners

■ James Parsons, Purdue, '52, took charge of the construction of Alpha Delta's signs for the pep rallies last fall. Under his leadership, the pledges and actives spent many an hour hammering, painting, and debating over slogans. Theta Chi placed three times in the five contests, and was far ahead when the points for the contest were totalled at the end of the football season. For winning the contest, the chapter will receive another trophy to add to its collection.

Gamma Epsilon Chapter has successfully captured the college award for the best Homecoming float for the past two years. The competition was tough both years, but with the combined work and experience of the actives and pledges, success was achieved at Western State.

For the second successive year Beta Delta Chapter captured the Coach Harvey Harmon Cup for the best decoration Homecoming week at Rutgers. The ideas of Carl Webb, '50, have certainly proved successful as he was the creator of last year's winning display and also the IPC Ball display which copped the prize in the spring, 1949.

Omicron's Homecoming decoration for the year 1949 won first place on the University of Richmond campus. A spider, symbol of the university's football team, atop a cloud, representing William and Mary's star player, was set off by the caption "Riding on a Cloud." (Photo was taken at night.)



Omicron's Winner at Richmond

Even the Atom Bomb

By C. DALE GATEMAN

■ Getting tired of howling constantly to other groups when it came to taking honors for the Homecoming decoration, the Beta Omega men were determined this year to score, and



Alpha Pi's Mississippi Steamboat

with the ingenious aid of Paul Jones the chapter took to the UN for advice on atomic aid and were successful in the quest of power!

Second place honors went to Beta Omega, first going to the girls of the Cottage, who featured some attractive Mother Goose rhymes. Beta Omega displayed a large sign depict-

ing, the atomic power of Susquehanna's Crusaders over the underdog Upsalians. This sign was explained by a recent edition of the *New York Times* which ran a full page devoted to Susquehanna University and the 60-year span of Amos Alonzo Stagg, Sr., "the grand old man of football." Beneath this brilliant array was a replica of the latest atomic bomb used at Bikini Atoll, complete with jet propulsion.

Some Won Second Honors

■ Beta Iota received second place award for house decorations at the University of Arizona's Homecoming weekend. William Hafford was in charge of the display, which centered around the theme "Slaughter on Goal Line Avenue." The front yard consisted of a gridiron complete with goal posts, scoreboard, and a New Mexico Lobo trembling in fear of a large Wildcat chasing him with an axe. Against the house there was a grandstand with a movable card stunt section in the center which changed in the same way a grandstand card section changes. A loud-speaker proclaimed the triumph of the Wildcats over their opponents.

Homecoming at San Jose State found two Theta Chis at the helm, Armen Hanzad and Herbert Patnoc. Gamma Xi held an impromptu open house and found its home overflowing with alumni and other guests. Gamma Xi captured second prize in the float contest and third in the house decorations.

By a decision of the judges at Illinois Wesleyan University the house decorations of the Beta Rho Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity won second place at the annual Homecoming contest held in October. Pe-



Beta Iota's Moving Card Display and Beta Rho's Decorations Win Honors

sponsible were John Bibo and Richard Wenderoth, with the able assistance of James Makinson and Lloyd Whowell and others from the brotherhood.

A Bit of a Fish Story

By JACK McGRAE

■ After years of trying, Alpha Gamma finally came through with a Homecoming display at Michigan which "bubbled" with ingenuity and originality and enabled the chapter to win first honorable mention.

The display was certainly large; it couldn't help but catch the judge's eye even if he was fortunate enough to dodge the spray. The display was captioned "Minnesota Falls" and consisted of a waterfall emanating from the roof of the house and culminating at the front steps. A Minnesota player in a canoe was depicted about ready to cascade over the falls.

After deciding against a pledge bucket brigade because there were not enough buckets, water was pumped up and over the falls.

The waterfall was so realistic it is said that one of the brothers was espied wading in the pool at the bottom of the falls, trout fishing. Funny thing about it was that he caught his limit.

At any rate, there now stands in Alpha Gamma's trophy room a tiny



Minnesota Falls at Michigan

new cup which if one looks hard enough he can find the inscription, "Wait 'til next year."

Rho Chapter placed third in the annual Homecoming Stunt Show held at Illinois, November 17-19. The stunt show was made up of a number of skits put on jointly by fraternities and sororities. It was the first time that Rho, teaming up with Kappa Delta, had participated in the affair. The annual Homecoming banquet was addressed by the Rev. James R. Hine at the chapter house Saturday evening with alumni present.

Victory Through Education

By JAMES W. MADDOX and MAX ELLIS

■ Fraternity house decorations played an important part in the annual Homecoming decorations at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, November 5. While the decorations committee did an excellent job on Chi's decorations, the chapter took only fifth place.

The theme of the decorations was "Victory Through Education." Each department of the school was represented as giving the Mississippi "Bulldogs" a thorough beating by various means, such as being reamed on a lathe by the Engineering School, being plowed under by the School of Agriculture, and being mauled by the Athletic Association. Outstanding in decorations was a continually changing series of humorous cartoons depicting the treatment Mississippi State would receive in the game. A statue of Auburn's Coach Brown was represented as using the cartoons to teach a number of players the proper way to victory. The decorations were topped by a 25-foot ghostly figure representing the strong Auburn Spirit.

The Tigers did not let the student body and visiting alumni down in the game as they fought the "Bulldogs" to a decisive score of 25 to 6. Two Chi members were outstanding in the victory: Arnold Fagen, '50, a 235-lb. tackle, and Calvin "Red" Emmert, '50, a 180-pound halfback.

There were approximately 175 Chi alumni and their wives served lunch and supper in the chapter house that day. An outstanding event was the awarding of eleven Silver Certificates to alumni for 25 years of active service and interest in the chapter. Those receiving silver certificates were: Parker Preston Powell, Zebulon Judd, C. Eric Carlovitz, Albert Shelton Lisenby, Emmett Sizemore, Amsie



First at Rutgers Homecoming

Horton Lisenby, Charles Lewis Matthews, James Otis Lisenby, Herbert W. Thomason, Frank Boyd, and C. A. Basore.

Housemother (Mrs. N. W.) Morgan's tireless efforts deserve much credit for the success of the weekend.

This year's Homecoming was a big event on the Randolph-Macon campus. For the contest, the field on the side of the house provided a fairly satisfactory jungle. Chapter members built a cage and had eleven Yellow Jackets, representing R-M, chasing the Tiger into the cage.

Almost a Theta Chi Affair

Marriage of Muriel Elizabeth Stoll to Jack Graves, former president of Beta Tau Chapter, on August 6 took on somewhat the character of an official Theta Chi function, as there were in attendance Manley W. Sahlberg, national counselor; Albert C. George, counselor of region XI; Roy Lindsey, president of Beta Tau Corporation; and Paul Harper, California. The best man was Fred Nash, and one of the ushers was Leroy L. Streit, two of the twelve undergraduates from Beta Tau present for the event. They serenaded the couple, who were members of the class of '49 at the University of Southern California, with "Dream Girl of Theta Chi." The bride is a member of Gamma Phi Beta. They will make their home in Portland, Oregon.

Judge Harlan of Tax Court Dies

■ Judge Byron B. Harlan, Michigan, '11, one of the founders of the local group which became Alpha Gamma Chapter at the University of Michigan, died November 11, from a heart attack at the home of his son in Williamsport, Pennsylvania. He had been hearing cases of the United States Tax Court in Boston and had just arrived to attend a week-end family reunion at the home of his son Bruce, for which all members of the family were present.

Judge Harlan, a native of Greenville, Ohio, was 63 years of age. While practicing law in Dayton, Ohio, he was elected to Congress in 1931 and served for four successive terms from the Third District of Ohio. He was also a former United States district attorney for the southern district of Ohio.

In 1946 he was named to fill a vacancy on the Tax Court of the United States, which had been created in 1942, succeeding the Board of Tax Appeals. The Tax Court, made up of sixteen judges appointed by the President of the United States, has jurisdiction over questions pertaining to all types of taxes except customs duties and over problems arising out of negotiations of war contracts.

Last year Judge Harlan was re-appointed to the Tax Court for a full twelve-year term. He had made an outstanding record, which was consistent with the high scholastic rating he had established previous to graduating from the Law School of the University of Michigan in 1909 and from the College of Literature, Arts, and Sciences in 1911. He was a member of Barristers.

In Congress he was known as a liberal, being an effective supporter of the policies of Franklin D. Roosevelt. He served as a member of important committees, including the powerful Rules Committee, and was known among his colleagues as an able speaker.

Judge Harlan was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 1909 and was named assistant prosecutor of Montgomery County three years later. Following that he became prosecutor. He was for many years active in the Montgomery County Humane Society serving as its counsel between fifteen and twenty years. For six years he



Judge Byron B. Harlan, Michigan

was president of the Ohio Federated Humane Societies and was instrumental in securing the passage of legislation in that field.

His wife, two sons, and a daughter survive.

Former Hollywood Leader To Direct Tobacco Festival

■ Carlton Duffus, Hamline, ex-'32, former Hollywood and War Bond drive promoter now located in Richmond, Va., has been retained as managing director of the second Tobacco Festival, to be held in Richmond next fall by the Optimist Club, which sponsors the festival. He is retained on a year-round basis.

The new director was formerly a special representative and national troubleshooter for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Pictures, and directed many of that firm's world premieres.

He also directed the "Edison Evolution of Light," in New Jersey, to commemorate the life of Thomas A. Edison; the Monon-New Albany Centennial in Indiana, and a national tour of a captured Japanese suicide submarine.

In 1941 Duffus helped to plan the defense bond program which later became the War Bond Campaigns of the United States Treasury Department. In the drives he served as director of motion pictures and special activities. He arranged for

appearances by Dorothy Lamour, Greer Garson, and Jane Wyman.

Duffus is a member of the publicity firm of Murray-Duffus.

The festival in 1950 will feature a football game in Richmond's City Stadium between the University of Virginia and Washington and Lee University and other events.

Four Are Recovering

Several Theta Chi leaders are recovering from severe illnesses or operations. Maxwell McDowell, Colgate, '16, for a number of years a member of the National Board of Trustees, is in the Doctor's Hospital of New York, gradually recovering from a heart attack on December 1 that was considered extremely critical. Dr. Spencer Shank, dean of the summer session of the University of Cincinnati, who was to have been one of Theta Chi's delegates at the NIC meeting in Washington, was stricken a few weeks before that event by illness which will keep him out of the classroom until the second semester. Governor Fuller Warren, Florida, '27, of Florida has been in a hospital suffering from physical and nervous exhaustion caused by overwork. Two operations caused a three weeks' hospitalization for George Starr Lasher, editor of *The Rattle*, but he was back in his classroom at Ohio University after the holiday vacation.

Rho Honors Dean Everett

A reception was held in honor of Dean and Mrs. William L. Everitt, Cornell, '22, November 12 by Rho Chapter. Dean Everitt was recently appointed dean of the College of Engineering at the University of Illinois. Approximately 100 persons were present, including deans of the various colleges, heads of university departments and their wives, sorority and fraternity house presidents, and housemothers.

Beta Lambda Makes Friends

Beta Lambda Chapter at Akron presented each new sorority pledge a congratulatory message and a red carnation a few weeks ago, thus carrying on this custom started last year. Recently the chapter instigated a new program. Each Wednesday a faculty member is invited in for dinner, at which time he gives a short talk on his department of the university and answers any questions the brothers may have to ask on his field.

Gay Parties for Children Enliven Holiday Season

■ Social life on college campuses gets off to a good start and increases in intensity until the Christmas vacation period. The season is always marked by gay affairs, some of them decidedly original in character, others of the distinctly formal sort.

More chapters each year find the Christmas season an opportunity to share with those less fortunate; thereby the members discover the old truth that there is much more joy in giving than there is in receiving.

Approximately twenty underprivileged children attended the Christmas party held by Psi Chapter at the University of Wisconsin on December 11.

Members of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority cooperated with the Theta Chis in presenting a holiday program complete with gifts, movies, and the appearance of old Santa Claus himself.

Local papers carried pictures of the party which originally started out as a party for orphans until it was discovered to the chagrin of both Greek groups that there are no orphanages existing in Madison. Private homes are found for orphans. Through the effort of several charitable institutions, however, a list of needy children was drawn up and the plans again were made. Everything went well, both big kids and small having a great time opening presents and gulping ice-cream.

A Christmas party for 20 needy town children added zest to Beta Pi's holiday program, which included a faculty tea and the winter formal, "Christmas Fantasy," always a favorite at Monmouth. The well known "Barbary Coast" was outstanding among the fall house parties.

Beta Iota Chapter at the University of Arizona in Tucson held its annual Christmas party for underprivileged children on December 16. Sixteen children, ages 4 to 6, attended the party, which included dinner and gifts for every child. Several children's games were played. Fraternity members enjoyed the party fully as much as the children did.

December 17 was the date for the Theta Chi-Kappa Kappa Gamma Christmas party at Bowling Green

for underprivileged children. The toys, donated by the fraternity and sorority members, were given out by James Bowman, selected as Santa Claus by his chapter brothers because they were sure he would have no need for the conventional padding. Over 40 children attended.

The chapters of Kappa Kappa Gamma and Theta Chi joined at San Jose State to provide a Christmas party for underprivileged children. William Lemon was the chairman for Gamma Xi Chapter.

The Colorado A & M Colony gave

a Christmas party for twenty underprivileged children in the Fort Collins area, December 14. Social Chairman Gordon Arnold was in charge of arrangements. Each Theta Chi provided toys to make each child happy.

Orphans' Party

Twenty-five boys from the Cunningham Orphans' Home in Champaign, Illinois, were given a party by Rho Chapter December 23, from 7 to 9 p.m. The boys, who ranged in age from 6 to 17, were served apples, hot cocoa, and doughnuts. After the refreshments they received gifts from each of the brothers.

Rho Chapter held its annual winter formal December 17. The general decoration idea was to make the inside of the house appear colder than



CHRISTMAS KIDDIE PARTY—Above are Madison, Wisconsin, children who were entertained at Psi's annual Christmas party at the chapter lodge. Standing behind Santa Claus, Ralph Meinhardt, '51, are Peggy Frasier, Gene Katt, '50, and Jean Luedke, with Sue Stuhler kneeling at the right. The girls named are all members of Alpha Chi Omega at the University of Wisconsin, who cooperated with the Theta Chis in presenting this program for underprivileged children. It was typical of Theta Chi affairs on other campuses.

the outside. To achieve this effect the committee used snow flakes and white branches suspended from the ceiling. Snow, in the form of untoasted corn flakes, was scattered on the floor and crunched realistically.

California's Holiday Trio

By CARL KENNEDY

■ Three Christmas parties marked the pre-holiday season at Mu Chapter at California. There was the Kiddie Dance, a party for orphan kids, and a party for the kids who are members.

On the Saturday evening before the last week of school, everyone and his date dressed up like children in everything from sleepers complete with drop seats to cub scouts and brownie uniforms. At the house, completely decked out for Christmas, everyone had a hilarious time playing various children's games and winning prizes. The evening was highlighted by Santa Claus' entrance down a chimney. Each guest sat on Santa's knee in turn and was presented with an inexpensive toy from her escort. It was indeed a merry Christmas evening.

At the party given for a group of orphans, the children were entertained with games, were served a delicious Christmas turkey dinner, and afterwards were treated to a visit from Santa Claus, who brought seve-

ral presents apiece. After opening their packages and playing with their toys the guests were shown comedy and cartoon movies. The orphans had nearly as much fun as guests as the members did planning the party and entertaining them.

On the following evening, Mu Chapter actives and pledges held their own Christmas party. Everyone received an inexpensive, inappropriate gift from another anonymous member drawn by lot. Each present was accompanied by a long appropriate verse which the member read as he opened his gift. Both the comic poems and the gifts brought many laughs at this final party before everyone left for a holiday season filled with Christmas, New Years, and the Rose Bowl game as a fitting climax.

Christmas Carnation

By ARNOLD M. SMALL

■ Socially speaking, Gamma Theta is the toast of the San Diego State campus as the result of three highly successful dances. Mid-Summer Night Nocturne was held in the summer at the exclusive Hotel San Diego. As an open bid dance it attracted one of the largest crowds of the entire school year. The Circle-Bar-Ex, a semi-annual event, was again a decided hit. This novel affair was held at Big Stone Lodge, 30 miles from San Diego, with the old-

fashioned barn dance mood prevailing. This was a closed bid dance.

The crowning success was the Christmas Carnation, held in the lush setting of the Club El Morrocco and with the spirit of Christmas prevailing. Beautiful hand made miniature animals were given the girls as favors. Red and white carnations were worn on the formals of Gamma Theta dates and used in decorating the club.

Initial Gypsy Dance

By WALLACE WHITE

■ Golden earrings and blue bandannas handed out at the door added to the foreign atmosphere of Alpha Epsilon's initial Gypsy Dance, which is to become an annual all-campus dance. The Stanford chapter house is physically well adapted to this type of affair. A court at one side of the house was transformed into a gypsy camp. Around the sunken campfire couples gathered on logs. Covered wagons loomed in the dim background. The tent of Madame Zukar, local fortune teller, drew customers throughout the evening.

Each hour a horse-drawn wagon pulled into camp. Gypsies piled into the hay for rides around Stanford's Lake Lagunita.

The eight-car garage, draped with vines and strewn with sawdust, became a "punch cellar." Old barrels were used as tables and chairs. In the dusty candlelight, couples talked and laughed and filled their cups from a punch-filled keg.

A roof garden attracted loungers. Downstairs, two bands played for whirling gypsies. The Theta Chi band, made up of chapter members, alternated with that of Harry Diner.

First Orchid Formal

By DONALD K. JONES

■ Audrey Schultz, senior from Morefield, Nebraska, was revealed as "Dream Girl" of Gamma Phi Chapter of Nebraska Wesleyan at the annual Orchid Formal held in the Cornhusker Hotel in Lincoln, Nebraska, on December 3.

Miss Schultz was presented to 175 members and guests of the fraternity at the intermission of the dance, by William Carriker, chapter president. After being given a bouquet of carnations and a loving cup inscribed with her name, she was serenaded by the chapter members with the "Dream Girl of Theta Chi." Miss



Collegiate Gypsies Decide to Make Alpha Epsilon's Party an Annual Event at Stanford.



President Carriker Honors Dream Girl

Schultz is the president of the Willard Sorority, the oldest established local sorority in the United States.

Lyle Nelson sang two romantic ballads. The master of ceremonies was Dennis Logan, '52. Gordon Hamilton, '51, played the part of Santa Claus and gave Christmas trinkets to the girls. Thus was inaugurated Gamma Phi's first Orchid Formal.

Danse des Apaches

By CARL KENNEDY

■ Mu's chapter house went underground on Saturday, November 5, as the entire first floor was converted into a Parisian cellar for the nineteenth annual Apache Dance. Guests were impressed by the vaulted Apache cellar whose "stone" walls, enhanced by artistically revealing paintings of a type of French beauty, glowed in the flickering light of candles set in wine bottles.

Looking about one could see all types of people who had come to enjoy the uninhibited gaiety of this Parisian cellar as they swayed to the rhythm of its orchestra. Predominating were men and women in the typical Apache garb of the natives of this section who spend all night in subterranean revelry and fade away before daybreak to sleep in some corner or in various ways to collect a few coins to be spent on wine and women the following night. Interspersed among these were several artists, a couple of soldiers looking for a good time and finding it, and a group of sailors who had deserted their ship. Most unusual was the appearance of two American Indians, Apache Indians no doubt.

As the evening wore on, the puls-

ing tunes of the orchestra increased in tempo, a blonde vocalist sang suggestive refrains, and there were several floor shows. Following the lead of the entertainers, several couples broke into the traditional Apache dances, though by midnight there was little room to dance as many from other fraternity chapters swelled the crowd and increased the variety of costumes and types. Here was romance, excitement, atmosphere, and a good time for all.

Appetites grew and were satiated as the evening drew to a climax when everyone gathered around a table laden with a sumptuous feast of quantity and quality. Early morning was here, dancing resumed for a while, but soon the crowd began to desert the cellars for the streets again: to go their separate ways, but long to remember this evening and this *Danse des Apaches*.

2,000 at Beanie Brawl

The first activity of Gamma Nu at Bowling Green of the semester was the third annual "Beanie Brawl" on September 23. This is an all campus dance given by the chapter in honor of incoming students. It was held the first week of the semester and attracted a record crowd of 2,000.

The chapter held its first "Bowery Brawl" at the house in October, when the lounge took on the appearance of a harroom and several of the rooms were turned into gambling dens. Helen Kreitzer, Delta Gamma, was chosen "Queen of the Bowery."

Sammy Kaye, Ohio, '32, composer



Sammy Koye of Beta Sigma

of "The Dream Girl of Theta Chi," paid Beta Sigma a visit on October 28, just before the formal dance of the semi-annual houseparty at Lehigh. Although invited for dinner, he was unable to accept because of a previously arranged business engagement. Later in the evening he provided some of the best music heard at Lehigh in a long time, in addition his "so you want to lead a band."

Alpha Lambda Welcomes Transfers

This fall Alpha Lambda at Ohio State welcomed three graduate students and a transfer. William O. James, Pittsburgh, is working toward a Ph.D. degree in economics. George Wooster, Rochester, expects to have his M.A. degree by September 1950, while Allan H. Smith, Wisconsin, is working on his M.S. degree. Thomas C. Loch transferred from Bowling Green in order to begin law study.



Apaches Enjoy Food as Well as Dancing at Mu's Annual Function at California

Beta Kappa's First President Dies

■ The first national president of Beta Kappa Fraternity, Dr. Horace A. Gunthrop, Hamline, '05, died at his home at Chula Vista, California, October 3, at the age of 68 after an illness of several years. Although he was not one of the founders of Beta Kappa Fraternity, he became a member of the Alpha Chapter at Hamline University in the early years of



Dr. Horace A. Gunthrop, Hamline

the organization, and from the time of his initiation was an effective leader. At the time of the merger of Beta Kappa Fraternity with Theta Chi Fraternity in 1942, he was grand historian and wrote the sketch of the fraternity which was used in the merger issue of *The Rattle*.

His outstanding service to Beta Kappa and to Theta Chi Fraternity was formally recognized in 1948, when he was given the Distinguished Service Award. Accompanying the award was the following citation: "An able and successful educator, who for many years was looked up to as the 'father' of Beta Kappa Fraternity. His faith in brotherhood, his forward thinking, his keen insight, and his intelligent planning gave him national recognition as a fraternity leader."

Beta Kappa Fraternity started its expansion in September, 1922, with the establishment of the Beta Chapter at the University of Washington. At the first national conclave held on September 20, 1923, the national constitution was approved, and national officers elected. Horace Gunthrop became the grand akron, national president. He served the fra-

ternity in various capacities and became known in the National Interfraternity Conference as a leader.

■ At the time that Dr. Gunthrop became national president of Beta Kappa in 1922 there were only 200 members. When he retired from the office of grand scribe in 1929, the fraternity had 29 chapters and a total membership of 2100. As a result, the demand upon national officers had increased decidedly. At that time Dr. Gunthrop was head of a sizeable department at the University of Arizona, and he found his duties were too heavy to continue work as a national officer. His successor was Richard L. Duncan, now president of Theta Chi's Board of Trustees.

At the time of Dr. Gunthrop's resignation the *Beta Kappa Journal* published the following statement: "Beta Kappa Fraternity as it stands today is the product of one man's vision and labor. That man is Horace Gunthrop. His policies for the fraternity's future development have

been so well thought out and are so fully accepted and understood that his retirement at this point will in all probability cause no derangement in the administration of affairs. No finer tribute could be paid Horace Gunthrop than to say that he built so well that the organization that he has created will continue to prosper even though he relinquishes his part in its management."

Although Dr. Gunthrop ceased to be a member of the National Council, he continued to be actively potent in the fraternity, being a frequent contributor to the *Beta Kappa Journal* and an important factor in the conclaves of the fraternity, as well as a speaker at numerous fraternity functions.

Dr. Gunthrop became a member of the Mills College faculty and served that institution until a few years before his death. He is survived by his widow and a son, Lawrence Gunthrop, Arizona, '30, who helped to organize a local group which became Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Beta Kappa at Arizona. In 1935 he was made traveling secretary for Beta Kappa Fraternity.

Grand Chapter Works Four Days

■ For four days members of the Grand Chapter considered numerous items on the agenda for the regular meeting held at the Mayflower Hotel, Washington, on November 24-27. Much attention was given to time-consuming routine business.

Silver Legion certificates, indicating a service of twenty-five years or more in Theta Chi Fraternity, were presented by President Stuart Kelley to George W. Chapman, James C. Stevens, Manley W. Sahlberg, Earl D. Rhodes, Sherwood Blue, and Sidney Baylor. Then Vice President James Stevens presented President Kelley with a certificate. Others similarly honored were Frederick W. Ladue, George Starr Lasher, former national presidents, and Francis H. S. Ede, counselor for Region II.

The microfilming of Executive Office records was authorized.

The question concerning inactive members was again discussed, and the fact pointed out that there is no constitutional authority for undergraduate chapters or the Grand Chapter permitting any undergraduate registered on the campus at which he

was initiated or affiliated to be considered inactive, regardless of his desire.

It was voted to establish April 21, 1950, as a time for holding Founders' Day celebrations or the Mid-Century Roundup. For this latter event it is expected that meetings will be held in every town and city in a country in which are living a number of Theta Chis.

Dr. Robert W. Bishop, dean of men at the University of Cincinnati, spoke to the Grand Chapter on the subject of scholarship, describing the activities at his university which had given it recognition as the leader among fraternity schools in this country.

Ten dollars was fixed as the charter fee for alumni groups.

The executive secretary was authorized to prepare a suitable plaque or certificate to be awarded to that active chapter in any regional or inter-regional competitive group of three or more chapters which shows the greatest scholastic improvement in the year 1949-1950 over the academic year 1948-1949.

15 Chapters Are Making Homes More Attractive

■ Ox, Rho Chapter's mascot at the University of Illinois and popular "dog about campus," is feeling pretty low these days. The past summer the chapter house underwent a complete interior redecoration job. As a result, the St. Bernard has been completely shut out of the living room and has lost his favorite winter evening sleeping quarters.

Supervised by Walter L. Kerr, chapter president, and Raymond S. Thompson, the re-decoration job took



Ox Consoler with Octovius, left

up the entire summer. Financed by the Rho Board of Alumni, headed by Joseph C. Williamson, '31, the \$25,000 job comprised a complete re-furnishing and redecoration of the first floor of the chapter house, painting and papering of all walls and partitions on the interior and exterior, and installation of modern kitchen equipment.

Faculty praise came to Rho Chapter in the form of a letter and several news releases from Carl A. Grip, assistant dean of men in charge of fraternities at the University of Illinois. Dean Grip complimented the chapter on the fine decorating job done in the spring and summer. An excerpt from his letter to all fraternities on the campus reads as follows:

"I wonder how many chapter officers have noticed the beautiful job the Theta Chis did on their back yard last summer. The terrace is nicely landscaped, the area below was paved with asphalt, and an incinerator was built. This house is the

only one on the campus that I know whose back yard is as nicely kept as the front yard."

In addition to the chapter's own redecoration program, a fine set of red and white porch furnishings was donated by the Rho Chapter Mothers' Club.

Zeta Chapter at New Hampshire changed its heating system from coal to oil and utilized the space left by the coal bin by joining it on to the game room. A new hot water heater was installed. Last summer the house got a whole new paint job. Plans for the near future include new rugs, table lamps, and sofa.

During the past year Beta Nu has had as its prime objectives house improvements and a higher scholastic standing. The house was purchased in 1941, and chapter members have been painting, plastering, and furnishing ever since. They have now acquired the reputation of having one of the most beautiful houses at Case. Generally the large projects are accomplished by the pledges in Hell Week, Case's version of Greek Week, as they painted the living room, dining room, and kitchen, paneled the recreation room, and landscaped the yard. The next project is the library. Recent purchase of furniture for the living room, a new stove for the kitchen, and some floor lamps have added to the beauty of the house.

■ Highlighting the new look of Mu Chapter, California, as the house awoke from its summer slumber, was the redecorated living room: striking new drapes from the very active Mothers' Club and walls redone as an alumni contribution. A non-professional, but surprisingly expert job of refinishing the rest of the house was enthusiastically accomplished by the cooperative contributions of the members as individual rooms took on a new appearance, while halls, stairways and kitchen gained new face under paint brush and hammer for the opening of the school year. This was mostly routine improvement.

The big project for the year ahead is the construction of a patio complete with a large barbeque in the backyard. Most of the work will be

done by the members themselves. By the time the evenings lengthen next spring Mu plans to have this addition ready for outdoor dancing and feasting and, with the exterior of the house painted as planned next summer, members expect to present a greatly enhanced appearance to the campus from the front of the house as well as the back.

Last fall Beta Sigma at Lehigh included on its agenda of house improvements a new coat of paint on the exterior. In the last two years there have been many repairs and purchases made to keep the house in good condition. A new stair case between the first and second floors, new rain gutters, and new chimneys have been installed, and in the culinary department a new stove and deep freezer have been obtained.

■ Since the war Alpha Gamma has effected many improvements on the house amounting to a sizeable sum, made possible principally by contributions from the actives and alumni. Recently redecorated has been the downstairs section of the house, much of the work being done by the actives and pledges. A new driveway, re-decoration of the president's suite and guest room, sound-proof paneling, and painting of the rooms and halls are some of the results obtained by the "master craftsmen" of Alpha Gamma.

The big project to be undertaken next is the remodeling of the kitchen and dining room, both inadequate for present needs.

One of the reasons the active chapter has been able to finance these improvements is because of the increased size of the chapter since the war, providing more income.

Sigma at Oregon State was completely re-landscaped in the summer. All the shrubs and trees were removed, most of which were planted when the house was built in 1927. Small shrubs, camellias, and ivy were set out against the house. A laurel hedge, maple tree, flowering cherry tree, and oak tree were planted around the yard as suggested by an architect. The driveway entering on 26th Street was removed and a new front and side lawn planted.

The complete plans for re-landscaping include a badminton court which will replace the annex adjacent to the chapter house.

The cellar of Alpha's chapter house is undergoing major repairs.

A new cement floor was put in to make a combination pool room and lounge possible. Old walls are being torn down, and an asphalt tile foundation will be part of an attractive dance room and recreation center.

Alpha Lambda Chapter has been busy making improvements in the house. The chapter room has been enlarged and remodeled, necessitating the moving of the basement stairs. A recreation room is in the making and it is hoped will be completed for use at the annual "Bowery Ball."

A powder room was added to the first floor and the entire first floor painted. The Mothers and Wives Club brightened up the living and dining rooms by providing new drapes.

The chapter bought a television set in November. This had been discussed for sometime, but was purchased at that time for the football game with Ohio State's traditional rival, University of Michigan.

■ The most striking change that presented itself to the members of Alpha Phi Chapter as they returned to Alabama this fall was the new furniture in the date parlors. Also almost the entire interior of the chapter house had been redecorated in anticipation of a gala social season.

The most important thing pertaining to chapter life, however, was the progress that has been made by the Alpha Phi Alumni Corporation in its effort to help build a new chapter house. Plans have been drawn up and a lot selected on the New Fraternity Row at the University of Alabama. The officers of the association, Walter Gewin, '35, president,

Albert DeFuniak, '32, vice president, Lila Moore, '27, secretary-treasurer, have expressed their confidence in the success of the building program. The active chapter has already raised a sizeable sum. At the present time a drive is on to procure contributions from all alumni.

The semester has been characterized by a vigorous program of improvements around the Pi Chapter's house at Dickinson. The kitchen and all the woodwork in the house have been painted and at the same time the dining room and living room have received the "new look" in wall paper. The real joy of the chapter, however, is the projected game room which should make the basement of the house the most ultra modern place on campus.

■ Foremost in the news from Beta Tau at University of Southern California are the improvements just being completed on the inside of the house. The dining room, the entrance hall, and the den have taken on the freshness of new wallpaper, paint, fixtures, and draperies. The house has been modernized to a great extent by painting over old wood paneling and tearing out some of the gingerbread features of a bygone era. The Mothers' Club and the Alumni Association have worked hard together in the entire program of redecorating. The Mothers' Club, for instance, in the Thanksgiving holidays, was responsible for a turkey dinner, which, in addition to being a social success, raised enough money to purchase several pieces of leather furniture.

At Alpha Omicron, Washington

State, last spring Frank Malinowski and Maury Jones repainted the living room, library, kitchen, and dining room. This fall the halls were all kalsomined in preparation for rushing. An additional improvement was putting flooring in the other portion of the attic. Now there is plenty of space to store baggage, dance decorations, and old furniture.

Gamma Chi improved its house greatly this year at Randolph-Macon by painting the outside white. The house committee recently purchased two new sofas and two chairs to replace worn-out furniture. Mrs. Lane, wife of one of the brothers, made some drapes for the two front rooms. The chapter purchased a victrola. Since the chapter could not afford a new furnace, it bought three oil stoves from the college to help heat the house. Members washed all the woodwork and walls in the house and have given the floors a new finish.

■ Gamma Phi Chapter of Nebraska Wesleyan University had a complete redecoration inside and out last summer. A new color adorns the walls, ceilings, and floors of the entire house. A new set of cream colored, leather furniture is in the living room, styled in ultra modern design. For the cook the chapter got a new stove and large mixer. The lawn was completely resodded and a large, crushed white rock parking lot laid out in the rear of the house. A complete set of lawn equipment was purchased. As soon as possible the outside of the house will be completely painted. A new radio has made the living room much more attractive.



Proposed Chapter Home for Alpha Phi at the University of Alabama To Be Built on the New Fraternity Row.

Undergrads Prominent In Many IFC Activities

■ That Theta Chis throughout the country play an important part in interfraternity activities is indicated by the fact that eight undergraduates were delegates to the National Interfraternity Conference in Washington, D. C., November 24-26, and others are serving as top officers in IFC on their respective campuses.

Those who were delegates to the Washington conference are: Erskine A. Harvey, Syracuse; Edward Leonard, Washington College; Ray Mayer, Pittsburgh; Peter Melitz, Washington; Benjamin Merritt, Massachusetts; Amwen L. Samaha, New Hampshire; Walter McGraw, Richmond; and H. Brian Wilson, West Virginia.

Some idea of what's going on in the way of interfraternity activities on Theta Chi campuses and the part Theta Chis are playing in relation to them may be secured from the following reports.

Popular Peter N. Varellas, '50, is president of Stanford's IFC and the Interfraternity Board of Control. The San Francisco boy was elected president of Stanford's Theta Chi chapter last February. Soon afterwards he was elected to the two inter-club posts.

Stanford's fraternity system is unusual in several ways. Under the deferred rushing program, no freshman can be rushed until his second quarter; there is no public hazing at initiations; and all fraternity finances are handled within the fraternity system.

Varellas has been a chapter officer for all but two months of his Theta Chi membership. Last year he was also chief of the Stanford student police. This post is now held by Alpha Epsilon's vice president, James Drake, '50.

Psi Chapter cooperated with the Greek Week program at the University of Wisconsin, October 7-12, helping to put across every function planned for the week.

Serving as publicity chairman for Greek Week, Robert Mathes, '51, was in a position to advise the chapter in the manner in which it might best help the IF-Panel sponsored program. Charles Haycock, '50, was

poster chairman, and Conrad Engsborg, '52, art assistant. A special party, "Night Life of the Gods," held at the chapter house carried out an ancient Greek decoration theme and was given local recognition in the *Daily Cardinal*, campus newspaper. Other activities of the week included an informal opening dance, faculty reception day, exchange dinners, panel discussions on two days, fraternity open houses, and a closing banquet for all sorority women and fraternity men on the campus, addressed by Carey Croness, Phi Delta Theta, president of Beloit College.

■ Representing the University of Washington Interfraternity Council at the NIC meeting in Washington, D. C., in November was Alpha Rho Chapter's Peter Melitz. The trip to the nation's capital highlights an active record of participation for Melitz. Last spring he was re-elected IFC president after serving in that capacity since January, when moved up from vice president.

Besides maintaining a "B" plus accumulative grade average, Melitz represents the IFC on the Board of Control, student governing body at the University of Washington, and is a member of the student public relations committee.

He is also a member of Purple Shield, men's scholastic and activities society, and is serving as Alpha Rho Chapter's treasurer and house man-



GREEK WEEK—seen entering the Theta Chi house at the University of Wisconsin for the Night Life of the Gods party held in conjunction with Greek Week are Pledge William Ewart, '51, with his date for the evening, Marilyn Seiwright. Ducked out in togas, Stanley Belts, '51, and Conrad Engsborg, '52, welcome the arrivals at the door.

ager for the year. Past college activities include IFC social chairman, chairman of the IFC's all Greek semi-formal dance, and a committee member of the all-University Varsity Ball.

Sam Samaha, Zeta president, was New Hampshire's delegate at the NIC in Washington. He was very well pleased with the meeting and went back with some new and fresh ideas for the chapter and the campus. He is secretary of the IFC. Former offices he has held are manager ski team, treasurer Scabbard and Blade, and chapter treasurer.

One of the outstanding men of Beta Nu Chapter, Fred Anders, its vice president, holds the presidency of the Case IFC. Well liked by all the men of the chapter and of the school, he has done an exceptionally fine job in furthering the name of Theta Chi at Case while carrying out the duties of his offices.

Charles Ames, president of Beta Rho Chapter, is recording secretary on the Illinois Wesleyan IFC.

■ Omicron is making big plans for Greek Week which starts April 10. It is a week sponsored by the Interfraternity Council to stimulate friendliness among fraternities on the campus. Monday and Thursday of that week all fraternity men visit interchangeably the chapter houses. Wednesday night Theta Chi will be well represented in the glee club which has been organized for a song fest. Athletes are getting into their top form for the olympics Thursday afternoon, and most everyone will take part in the ODK Carnival, Friday night. A cup will be awarded to the fraternity with the largest total number of points for these events; then everyone will talk over the week's happenings Saturday night at the Kappa Alpha Ball.

The Interfraternity Council at Berkeley has recently been actively promoting and arranging Christmas parties for orphans and underprivileged children held at the various organizations before the holidays.

Under more serious discussion has been the resolution adopted at the recent meeting of the National Interfraternity Council regarding the elimination of racial considerations as a consideration for admission to national fraternity chapters. Thus house presidents have been informed as to the facts so that this problem may be brought to the serious consideration of all active chapters.

Equally intense are the talks about the reinforcement of the no bars, no liquor consumption laws for fraternity houses. In the war period, these provisions were relaxed, and fraternity parties on campus were assumed to provide a place wherein supervised social gatherings might be mixed with regulated social drinking. Now the administration of the University of California has directed that henceforth all existing laws will be enforced. Drinking anything stronger than ginger ale must cease immediately and bars must be torn out by a deadline date. The Interfraternity Council sees very little chance for the success of these measures.

Greek Week on Ohio State's campus is scheduled for February 20-25. A torchlight parade will be the opening ceremony. The fraternities will entertain independents for dinner Greek Week and will hold panel discussions on Greek--independent relations. Exchange dinners for fraternities and sororities will be held on February 22. The week-long celebration will be climaxed by a dance on Saturday, February 25.

■ Ray Maher, '50, president of Alpha Beta Chapter, is also president of the IFC at the University of Pittsburgh. He was one of the two undergraduate delegates to the NIC in Washington.

A leader on the Pittsburgh campus for several years, his activities have included membership in Druids, John Marshall Society, a pre-law fraternity, the Student Congress, and the Men's Council.

He has been active among Pittsburgh fraternity men in a campaign to establish better public relations with the citizens of Pittsburgh, particularly those who are neighbors

of fraternities. He was instrumental in arranging for the first interfraternity reception given for incoming freshmen at Pittsburgh. As a junior, he was an upper class counselor and managed the Men's Council book store.

■ Greek Week in its fully connotated aspect is something new at the University of Michigan. According to what has been planned thus far, the week, which will take place some time in May, will offer a program designed for the discussion and exchange of ideas on those problems confronting fraternities on the campus. Leaders in various fields will conduct seminars on problems such as discrimination, drinking, house management, conduct of business meetings, choice of chapter officers, etc. Culminating this week will be the annual Interfraternity Sing and Ball. The university is planning to turn this entire period over to the fraternities for the exploitation of this program.

Under a new system of rushing inaugurated last fall the 42 chapters at Michigan pledged a total of 542 men at the end of the two-week period. Following a series of dinners and other rushing functions, a fraternity gave a card to each rushee it desired. If the rushee wished to pledge he simply signed the card. Thus much of the former "red tape" was eliminated.

At Iowa State the 29 fraternities have adopted an insurance program which provides a maximum benefit of \$250 for injuries received in intramural activities and \$400 in the event of death. Payments to the Iowa State College Fraternity Health Fund will be based on an assessment of fifty cents a man in each chapter.

The No. 1 problem of the IFC this school year at Oregon has been the faculty announcement that a system will be enforced next year, requiring pledges to live in the dormitories one year before moving in the houses. The IFC has made extensive research in regard to the plan and believes it to be unsound. It has prepared a booklet, which attacks the somewhat vague benefits of the plan claimed by the faculty.

Robert Bucher and William Hostetter are Pi Chapter's representatives on the Dickinson IFC, which is planning for the annual Interfraternity Weekend, to be held in March, featured by fraternity skits on Friday night and an all college dance, sponsored by the fraternities, on Saturday night.

■ The University of Akron has just added a new custom to the many observed annually. He is "Mr. Zipper," who will be a perennial jokester at all-campus parties and rallies. The initial Mr. Zipper will be Jack Lawson, '52, of the Theta Chi chapter. The addition was initiated by Andrew Michalares, '50, who is a past president of Beta Lambda and the present president of the Student Council. Lawson was chosen from men of eight national fraternities on the campus.

Beta Lambda had the privilege of being host to the dinner meeting of the IFC on October 20.

A Beta Lambda representative will head the next IFC under the rotation plan. On the present council Peter Tavolier heads the annual Greek Night committee, and Leslie Kelley is making arrangements for the yearly Interfraternity Formal, planned for April 14. Greek Night will be some time after the spring rushing season.



Peter N. Varellas, Stanford



Samuel Samaha, New Hampshire



Fred Anders, Case



Ray Maher, Pittsburgh

Colorado Colony Growing Fast

By DONALD SMELSER

■ Colorado A & M College's colony of Theta Chi Fraternity at Fort Collins, Colorado, has grown to a present total of 43 members and pledges. It was started on June 29 by eight men who had previously been initiated into the fraternity as members-at-large: Capt. Joseph F. Horn, John Eccles, Jack Sluss, Paul Scott, Thomas Purvance, Gordon Arnold, Herbert Snow, and Harry McCoy. Purvance was elected president.

The A & M Colony went to work right away on pledging activities and finding a home. The home is now 300 Edwards Street and has a rooming capacity of 19. Bendix washer, new radio-phonograph, double bunk beds, and new study desks facilitate the dormitory-style set-up well.

The colony has employed Mrs. Clara Wallace to serve three meals daily through Saturday and a noon meal on Sunday. There are 18 boarding regularly, and approximately 30 on Monday meeting nights. A long new table, a coffee-maker, new dishes, silverware, and a pantry were acquired to facilitate the serving.

Marvin Fleming, Theta Chi traveling secretary, was a guest November 11-15. He greatly aided the colony by designing a budget to meet future financial problems.

A colony library has been started by librarian, Herbert Snow. To date it contains 17 books with many more being negotiated for. Pledge training is being carried out very efficiently by Captain Horn.

■ Colorado A & M's Colony of Theta Chi held successful house dances after every home varsity football game this fall. A firelight dance toward the end of the season proved most popular because of its homey atmosphere and originality.

The Rattle-ettes is the name of the newly-formed club for wives and mothers. The officers are: Mrs. G. T. Purvance, pres.; Mrs. M. S. Goid, vice pres.; Mrs. W. G. Leck, rec. sec.; Mrs. Herbert Snow, treas.; Mrs. Edward Eivers, cor. sec.; Mrs. James Gray, historian; and Mrs. James Daniel, social chairman. The Rattle-ettes will hold business meetings at the colony's house the first Wednesday of each month and social meetings at members' homes on the third Thursday.

Colorado A & M Colony has two

of the most respected and outstanding men on the campus as faculty advisers. They are James Miller, secretary to the Colorado State Board of Agriculture, and B. C. Cowel, assistant professor of physical education and intramural director.

Mr. Miller, a long time resident of Fort Collins, came as managing editor of the Fort Collins *Express Courier*, which he served for twelve years. He then became editor for the Colorado A & M Experiment (Agriculture) Station. He served in this capacity for fourteen years before becoming secretary of the State Board in 1939.

Mr. Cowel came in 1946 as assistant professor of physical education and football line coach. In 1947 he

Theta Chi Heads 300 Finance Men

■ The Institute of Newspaper Comptrollers and Finance Officers at its annual convention at Milwaukee, September 1, elected Benjamin H. Crump, Ohio, '22, president. He had served the previous year as first vice president of this organization which has 300 members.

Mr. Crump, since 1929, has been identified with Nashville, (Tenn.) newspapers, first serving the Nashville *Tennessean* in its accounting department, and from 1938 to the present time the Newspaper Printing Corporation, which is the agent for the Nashville *Banner* and the Nashville *Tennessean*. He has been comp-



Benjamin H. Crump, Ohio

became intramural sports director. He had quite an athletic record at Nebraska Teachers College. He still holds the Nebraska state college broad jump record of 25 ft., and in his last three years in college he held the Nebraska Intercollegiate Athletic Association conference records in the 100-yd. dash, high hurdles, pole vault, and broad jump.

■ At Colorado A & M, October 1, Dr. W. E. Morgan, replaced its retiring president, Dr. I. E. Newsom. Dr. Morgan, formerly president of Arkansas A & M College, has just recently returned from a one year stay in Europe, where he acted as deputy administrator of the food and agriculture branch of the Economic Cooperation Administration. The school's enrollment is approximately 3800, about the same as last year.

troller for this company since 1944.

For five years he was a lecturer in accounting at the Andrew Jackson Business College.

Mr. Crump, in 1945, became a certified public accountant in Tennessee and is a member of the Tennessee Society of Certified Public Accountants, an organization which he has served both as secretary and as vice president. He has been a member of the American Institute of Accountants since 1941.

After receiving his degree from Ohio University in 1922, he taught in high schools for two years; then followed accounting experience in Florida. Five of his twenty-four years of corporation accounting experience were devoted to bank, real estate, and hotel companies, the rest to newspapers.

Mr. Crump has been actively interested in establishing a chapter of Theta Chi at Vanderbilt University and is one of the spark plugs of the Theta Chi Alumni Chapter in Nashville. He is at the present time serving the fraternity as deputy counselor for Region V.

The following tribute was paid him in a newspaper editorial, headed "An Earned Distinction":

"To those who know him, associates in this business, colleagues in accountancy, Ben Crump is Mr. C.P.A. himself—an acknowledgment of proficiency and leadership in the field of public accounting."

For Him the Theta Chi Bell Tolls

Francis A. Chase, Norwich, '33

Francis A. Chase, Norwich, '33, a former Northfield business man and a World War II veteran, died at the Veterans' Hospital, White River Junction, September 24 after a long illness.

He was born in Worcester, Mass., October 15, 1910, attended public schools in Northfield, and was graduated from Norwich University in 1933 as a reserve second lieutenant. While at Norwich he was active in sports.

Following graduation he married Miss Irene Doney of Northfield Falls. Prior to and immediately after World War II, he was proprietor of Fran's Service Station in Northfield.

He was called to active duty in the early spring of 1942, attached to the mechanized cavalry, and sent overseas almost immediately. While overseas he was decorated for bravery. He was discharged in 1945 as a captain. He was a member of the Northfield Legion Post and Montpelier Lodge of Elks. For a number of years he was a village trustee.

William Francis Russell, Colgate, '17

William Francis Russell, Colgate, '17, died recently. He was born in Cortland, April 10, 1892. Following his graduation from Colgate he worked for a year with the Cortland Auto Supply Co., and then spent some years in Detroit, Mich., with the Willard Storage Battery Co. He returned to Cortland in 1928 and was a salesman for the American Linseed Oil Co.

At Colgate, he was a member of Theta Chi, the Press Club, and the Junior Prom Committee.

H. J. Leader, Michigan, ex-'21

Herman J. (Dewey) Leader, Michigan, ex-'21, who had been executive vice president and general manager of The Keyes Co., Miami (Fla.), realty firm, from March, 1947, until he resigned recently, died in Bloomfield Hills, Mich. from a heart attack while at the home of a brother, Dr. Luther Leader, Michigan, '22, September 11.

He had suffered a previous heart attack in March, 1948.

Mr. Leader resigned the top executive post with the Keyes firm several months ago, but had planned to return and resume his associations in a less strenuous capacity.

He had been connected with the automobile and real estate business in the Miami area about 25 years.

Joining the Keyes Co., almost 10 years ago as manager of the firm's Miami Beach office, he was named one of its vice presidents in 1945. Later he was placed in charge of Miami residential sales and was made sales manager. He was appointed executive vice president and general manager in March, 1947.

Mr. Leader was on the board of governors and on the executive committee of the National Institution of Real Estate Brokers; a member of the Florida Association of Realtors, the Miami and Coral Gables Realtor boards; the LaGorce and Riviera Country clubs; the Century and Executives clubs, and was a former president of the University of Michigan Club. He never married. He was born January 1, 1897.

Oscar C. Smith, Bucknell, '27

Oscar C. Smith, Bucknell, '27, died suddenly of a heart attack October 29 at Carmichaels, Pa. He was principal of the Monongahela Township High School in Green County, Pa.

Edward C. Merrill, Worcester, '06

Edward C. Merrill, Worcester, '06, assistant vice president of Rexall Drug Co., a nation wide chain, died November 14 at Flower Fifth Avenue Hospital in New York City at the age of 67. He was on a business trip. He lived in West Roxbury and New Bedford, Mass.

After leaving Worcester, he joined the U. S. Navy, from 1907 to 1909, was a chemist in New York. He later joined the Rexall Company as chief chemist, then served as director until his appointment to assistant vice president about 10 years ago.

He leaves a widow and one son.

Warren A. Brosius, Dickinson, '13

Warren A. Brosius, Dickinson, '13, head of the mathematics department at Upper Darby High School, Upper Darby, Pa., died December 9, 1948, at the school. He had taught there for the last 30 years and was also a member of the faculty of the Drexel Institute of Technology evening school. He was born June 9, 1888. Following his graduation from college, he did graduate work at Pennsylvania State College, the Uni-

versity of Pennsylvania, and Temple University. He is survived by three sons.

Norman Erly Hitt, Purdue, '48

Members of Alpha Delta Chapter were shocked and grieved at the news of the sudden death of Norman Erly Hitt, Purdue, '48, in an Indianapolis hospital November 10, 1949, as the result of a heart attack. Born July 3, 1926, in Indianapolis, he entered Purdue and graduated with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. He then attended Indiana University in 1948 and 1949.

Frederick W. Peterson, Washington, '35

Frederick William Peterson, Washington, '35, died August 24, 1948. He was a certified public accountant. His mother survives.

Chapter Gets a Charter For Its House Corporation

■ The Gamma Kappa House Corporation of Theta Chi Fraternity at Miami University was recognized and given a charter by the State of Ohio, May 26, 1949, just seven months after the first alumni group met on an eventful Homecoming day of October 30 and formed a temporary alumni corporation for the new chapter.

Governed by a board of directors, consisting of eight members, six alumni and two undergraduate men, the corporation was formed primarily to control funds for the newly acquired chapter house. The corporation proposes to meet annually at Commencement Week.

Members of the House Corporation board of directors are: Dr. John D. Schonwald, '09, president; Alexander G. Gisch, '33, secretary; Dr. J. Fisher Stanfield, '21, treasurer; Dr. William A. McClellan, '41, Hubert Conarroe, Kermit C. Parsons, '51, and John W. Keiser, '50.

Cincinnati Alumni Leaders

According to a story featured in the Cincinnati (Ohio) Star, Charles Araujo made the remarkable grade of 100 on a professional engineer examination. Other Cincinnati alumni who have won recent recognition include Fred Brune, chief chemist of the new Electric Auto-Lite plant in Lockland. He is president of the local branch of the American Electro Platers Society of which Ezra Blount is vice president. Daniel Greeding was recently made production manager of the Gruen Watch Company, Cincinnati division.

Beta Omega Burns Its Mortgage

■ At the annual Homecoming banquet held in the social rooms of the First Methodist Church, Beta Omega Chapter realized an ambition which had been utmost in the thoughts of everyone affiliated with it: it burned the mortgage which was on its house.

Augustus Tietbohl, president of the Alumni Association of Theta Chi, presided at the business meeting following the banquet. Dr. Russell W. Gilbert, head of the German Department at Susquehanna University, and himself an active Beta Omega member, was the speaker of the evening. Professor Gilbert lauded Dr. George F. Dunkelberger, former dean

of the university, for his untiring efforts in making Beta Omega such an outstanding chapter. Dr. Dunkelberger was instrumental in helping the organization realize its ambition and was the recipient of many honors bestowed upon him by the active chapter and the alumni association.

Jay Hand, president of the active chapter, presented Dr. Dunkelberger with the Theta Chi Alumni Award for meritorious service, in behalf of the active chapter, and the Alumni Association presented him with a plaque in appreciation of a task well completed.

The climax of the banquet came as

Dr. Dunkelberger lighted the torch to the mortgage of the chapter house at 400 West Pine Street, in the presence of alumni, active members, wives, and sweethearts of Beta Omega. Dr. Dunkelberger praised all Beta Omega members for their efforts in improvements made to the house in the past year and also for the fact that they at the same time were able to pay off their mortgage. Dr. Dunkelberger reminded the members that they could be proud of the fact that they now lived in a debt free home, a distinction never before realized by any fraternity at Susquehanna University.

Los Angeles Alumni Hold Annual Business Meeting

■ At the annual meeting of the Los Angeles Alumni Chapter held December 8 the members were presented with a survey of the activities of the organization in 1949. It was reported that a membership committee had functioned to encourage the addition of new members; yearly and life membership cards had been issued; a custom of presenting alumni awards had been established; and a board of directors had been set up for the chapter's endowment fund.

Election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Pres., Paul F. Harper, California, '23; first vice pres., Wendell W. White, California, '45; second vice pres., Hollis D. Brown, Oregon State, '40; third vice pres., James A. Johnson, Jr., U.C.L.A., '38; sec., Fred D. Nash, U.S.C., '49; treas., Richard J. Thomas, U.S.C., '48; governors, Donald D. Meyer, Indiana, '35; John R. Thompson, Jr., U.C.L.A., '51; Edward M. Loftus, Maine, '14; Dr. Kenneth G. Bailey, Colgate, '20; Albert C. George, Maine, '24; Maurice R. Norcop, Michigan, '27; Russell B. Henchman, Jr., Worcester, '20; F. O. Sawyer, Jr., Stanford, '26; Manley W. Sahlberg, California, '13; Charles F. S. Ryan, U.C.L.A., '35; Donald M. Kitzmiller, California, '22; Harold S. Wakefield, Oregon State, '21; Frederick I. Richman, Stanford, '27; Henry W. Gardett, U.C.L.A., '33; Alan A. Shively, California, '21.

Four Are Honored

Alpha Lambda Chapter honored the fall quarter graduating seniors at a dinner at the Ohio State Chapter house on December 13: Leonard Ring, Harry Cecessarini, John Newman, and Goodwin Underhill.



SIX MIDSHIPMEN from four colleges were on the 1949 midshipman summer training cruise. Shown on board the battleship, USS Missouri, flagship of the ten-ship task force, are, front row, left to right: W. H. Dillenback, Rochester; R. E. Mills, Ohio State University; W. A. Sancrainte, Rochester; back row, T. G. North, Georgia Tech; T. F. Williams, Rochester; and R. E. Goodspeed, Rensselaer and U. S. Naval Academy.

Successful Fishing Stunt Had International Import

When he took off his pants in a sleeping compartment of the Barcelona-Bilbao express one night, stated *Time* news magazine in its issue of October 17, New York's Congressman Eugene J. Keogh, NYU, Democrat, made a serious mistake. He hung them near the open window. In the next compartment, Congressman James P. Richards, Democrat, of South Carolina, undressed and did likewise. When they woke up, both pairs of pants were gone.

Since the pair were junketing through Spain with two other congressmen and Maine's G.O.P. Senator Owen Brewster, they were able to borrow pants without trouble. But the incident set up a great and indignant gobbling: Keogh had been carrying the group's expense money in his wallet. It disturbed the Spanish police terribly also, since some of the *Americanos* were scheduled to talk to Generalissimo Franco in Madrid.

Through luck, industry, and the process of squeezing assorted stool pigeons until they quacked like ducks, the Spanish cops rounded up five train robbers, the pants (Congressman Richards' still had a rabbit's foot in one pocket), Congressman Keogh's wallet, and \$3,800. They announced, not without a flicker of national pride, that the theft had been accomplished at the town of Las Casetas with a fishing pole. The congressmen accepted their belongings gratefully. At week's end the generalissimo received the visitors with the air of a man who runs in train robbers on time.

Theta Chi Musical Talent Sparks Stanford Gaities

Stanford's annual Big Game Gaities sparkled with Theta Chi talent this year. Alpha Epsilon Chapter contributed two song-writers and four orchestra members to the musical revue, staged just before Stanford's Big Game with the University of California.

Peter Henderson, '50, and Wallace White, '51, collaborated on a bar-room ditty, "Inspirational Sal," sung by a queen of the West in an old-time saloon scene. White composed two more songs, used in the finale: "The Big Red Machine" and "A Red-Letter Day for the Cardinal."

The 16-piece orchestra included Robert Miller, '51, saxophone, William Miller, '50, trumpet, Roger Summit, '52, trombone, and Charles Thomas, '50, saxophone.

The Gaities, using the theme "Beat Cal," was acclaimed by local papers the best revue in Stanford history.

Cleveland Alumni Set Up Region VI Scholastic Goal

A pioneer effort, the Cleveland Alumni Chapter at its fall meeting, November 16 set up a scholastic improvement award for Region Six. The chapter in the region showing the greatest percentage increase in scholarship from '48-'49 ratings to '49-'50 ratings will be given a handsome wall skin with the Theta Chi coat of arms and appropriate wording of the award thereon. It is believed there will be considerable competition to deserve this award.

From year to year it is expected that the alumni chapter will offer various incentive awards for this type of desirable chapter effort.

Was a Centennial Director

One of the six members of the board of directors which made the centennial celebration at Las Cruces,

New Mexico, such a success was A. Curtis Wright, Stanford, '24, counselor for Region XV. The event took place October 9-15. The official seal used in connection with the celebration was designed by Mr. Wright's daughter, Patricia, a freshman at Stanford.

Zeta Tops in Scholarship

In the recent report on scholastic standing for the spring semester at New Hampshire, Zeta Chapter held first place among the 14 fraternities on campus. Its average was considerably above the university men's average.

Big Game Banquet Attracts 130

The annual Mu Big Game Reunion Banquet was successfully held this year at the Clift Hotel in San Francisco with about 130 Mu men, past and present, in attendance. Dal Soeey and Zeke Clary were elected to the Mu Chapter Association Board and will, together with Kenneth Rankin and Robert Angwin, look after the business affairs of the association for the coming year. Bud Lee and Raymond Conlisk retired from the board the past year. The former has moved to San Jose and Raymond to Denver.

"Theta" in Flesh and Blood Stops Feud

According to a news story in the Hartford (Conn.) *Courant* of October 15 from the University of Connecticut, the Kappa Alpha Theta girls got a consolation prize from the Theta Chi fraternity boys. It was



"Theta" and Her Admirers

a two-day-old calf, and the girls plan to keep it for a mascot if University of Connecticut officials will let them.

The story behind the presentation is simple. There is a plaster model of a cow on the Theta Chi boys'

mantel. It is there because the boys "swiped" it from the Kappa Alpha Theta house some time ago. In the past few years "swiping" the plaster cow back and forth has become quite a game between the Theta Chis and the Kappa Alpha Thetas.

The girls, using all their womanly wiles, made a vain, though heroic, try to get the plaster calf. The plot was foiled, but the Theta Chis thought their antagonists should get something for their efforts.

So they sent emissaries to a cattle auction in Abington and bought the two-days-old calf for \$11. With a simple, but impressive ceremony, they presented the calf to the girls as a consolation prize.

Now the girls, with the aid of some male agricultural engineering students, are nursing the bovine infant. (Latest report--The U. of C. authorities said no. Hence "Theta," as the bovine is properly called, is temporarily quartered on the farm of a Theta Chi alumnus, but is made available for all university functions, such as Homecoming.)

Gibson Becomes Federal Judge

■ The latest title for Ernest W. Gibson, Norwich, '23, is judge as he accepted the appointment by President Harry S. Truman as fed-



Judge E. W. Gibson, Jr., Norwich

eral district judge for Vermont. Despite the fact that he is still under fifty years of age, he has been entitled

to such titles as United States senator, colonel, and governor.

An Associated Press dispatch dealing with the appointment follows in part:

The 49-year-old Gibson is a World War II veteran. He served 15 months as a combat colonel with the 43rd Division in the Pacific and later with Army Intelligence in Washington.

Gibson supporters call him the leader of the so-called "liberal" faction of the GOP in traditionally Republican Vermont. He won the governorship in 1946 by beating a group led by long-time leaders of the party and was re-elected a year ago over their opposition.

Before the war, Gibson served six months in the U. S. Senate. When his father died, he was named to fill out his unexpired term.

Long active in military affairs, the younger Gibson was twice decorated in the war, winning the Legion of Merit and Silver Star.

The strikingly handsome Gibson, white-haired at 49, is serving his second term as governor. He was re-elected for his second two-year term last year.

In Gibson's short term in the Senate he became a close friend of President Truman, then a Democratic senator from Missouri. After Truman went to the White House, Gibson became a frequent visitor there.

He was educated at Norwich University and at Georgetown Law School. He has practiced law at Brattleboro, where he lives, in partnership with his brother, Preston, and A. Luke Crispe.

The governor is married and has four children, Ernest Gibson, Jr., at Yale University, Grace, at Vassar College, Robert, a recent graduate of Brattleboro High School, and David, now in high school.

Begin Chapter's 21st Year

Under the leadership of Thomas Eskey, president, Walter Claypoole, vice president, Robert Rausch, secretary, and Eugene Gies, treasurer, Alpha Psi opened for its twenty-first year on the University of Maryland campus. Other members have campus leadership jobs: Eugene West, president sophomore class and executive committee member of the Student Government Association; George Hubbard, vice president of senior class and of Maryland's Clef and Key; and C. Wiley Gilstrap, business manager of the *Freshman Handbook*.

NATIONAL MID CENTURY ROUND-UP OF THETA CHI FRATERNITY

Notice to Alumni

Thousands of Theta Chis will gather at hundreds of meetings throughout the country on the evening of

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 1950

Arrangements are being made for the meetings by undergraduate and alumni chapters. If you are near one of these—see list in *The Rattle*—get in touch and find out the place and time of the meeting—then plan to attend.

If it is not possible to meet with an undergraduate or alumni chapter—then have a meeting of your own. Get local alumni together—no matter how few—on the evening of April 21. Write the Executive Office of your intentions, and we will send program details so you can have the same type of meeting as our larger groups.

The Mid Century Round Up, will be the **BIGGEST** fraternity meeting **EVER HELD**. Check on the meeting nearest you—and if there isn't one—have your own.

Colorado A & M Colony Piles Up Athletic Honors

■ Theta Chi's Colony at Colorado A & M has members who are winning honors both in intramural and varsity competition.

The colony's bowling team to date has won five consecutive practice meets without a defeat. The regular league play begins next quarter.

The Theta Chi basketball team will be bolstered by two pledges from New York City, Heiko Kuhn and Benjamin Ekhammer. They are ineligible for varsity competition this season because they transferred from New York University. They are regarded as two of the best hoop prospects to register at Colorado A & M.

A teammate and buddy of the two, John O'Boyle, is a regular guard on Colorado A & M's varsity cagers. O'Boyle is noted for possessing every shot in the "books." In addition to O'Boyle, Theta Chi at Colorado A & M has four other varsity athletes, with many more prospects among the pledges.

James Daniel, who holds some national weight-lifting titles and numerous state titles, is a two-year letterman on the Colorado A & M gymnastics team. Joseph Wasiecko is a regular third baseman on the varsity baseball team, noted for his ability to hit a long ball when needed. Donald Smelser is a two-year letterman on the golf team which placed third in the Skyline Six Conference last season. William Savage is a regular defensive end of Colorado A & M's two-platoon system football team.

Two pledges, Robert Woodward and James Kemp, reported out for freshmen football.

Theta Chi Colony won the fraternity division of the all-school touchball league this fall, but lost to Seagrams Ki, an independent team who were the defending champions in the all-school tournament.

Jumps for World Honors

One of the most outstanding men in college and amateur ski jumping and cross-country is Crosby Perry-Smith, past president of the chapter and current member of the International Ski Team which competes for world honors at Lake Placid, N. Y., in February. Other outstanding members of the Western State ski team are Leonard and Glenn McLean, Thor and Jerry Groszold, Dolph Kuss, and several promising looking pledges. Theta Chis have long dominated the college ski team here and have brought much favorable publicity both to the college and the chapter.

Led in Passes Completed

Quarterback Wendell Weller, '53, led San Diego State's varsity in percentage of passes completed in a very successful season with a 6-3 win mark and the second highest scoring combination in the history of the school. Weller's pass record was close to the 500 mark. Walking off with the honors in the Interfraternity Bowling League was Gamma Theta Pledge Leon Williams, '51. Copping both individual high game with a score of 216 and individual high series with a score of 569, he led Theta Chi to a heart-breaking second for team totals.

THETA CHIS in SPORTS

President a Title Wrestler

Heading the list of Beta Alpha leaders at UCLA is Robert Clithero, chapter president, secretary UCLA Varsity Club, 2-year-letterman in wrestling, with his third one assured. He is expected to take the Pacific Coast Conference title as well as the Far Western Tournament title which he captured two years ago in the 145-lb. class. Also on the wrestling team are twin brothers Roy and Ray Binder, trying for their second varsity letter and Hugh Robinson, vice president of the chapter, trying for his first letter. Gregory Wood took a cross country letter this fall, being UCLA's number 4 runner. Brothers currently working on crew include William Powers, David Tansey, Donald McNutt, and Richard Donnelly. Also in the sports limelight is Howard Kelly, racing captain for UCLA's sailing club, Tiller and Sail.

Member of Crack Relay Team

Richard Hohen, '51, is an outstanding performer with the crack University of Pittsburgh relay team. He won his letter as a regular when a sophomore and is being counted on for the coming season.

Chi Freshmen Win Cake For Fifth Straight Year

■ The annual Wilber Hutsell-Omicron Delta Kappa Cake race at Alabama Polytechnic was won this year by the freshmen of Chi Chapter for the fifth consecutive time. Theta Chi has won this event so often that it has been dubbed the Annual Theta Chi Cake Race! This year Chi won with the low score of 38 points, well ahead of runner-up Sigma Chi.

An outstanding performance was turned in by Pledge Harold Freas, who ran the 2.7 mile course in 14 minutes and 30.9 seconds, the third best time in the history of the event. It was within 52 seconds of the record set in 1946 by a Chi member, William Overton, '50, who later became a varsity track star and member of the 1948 U. S. Olympic team.

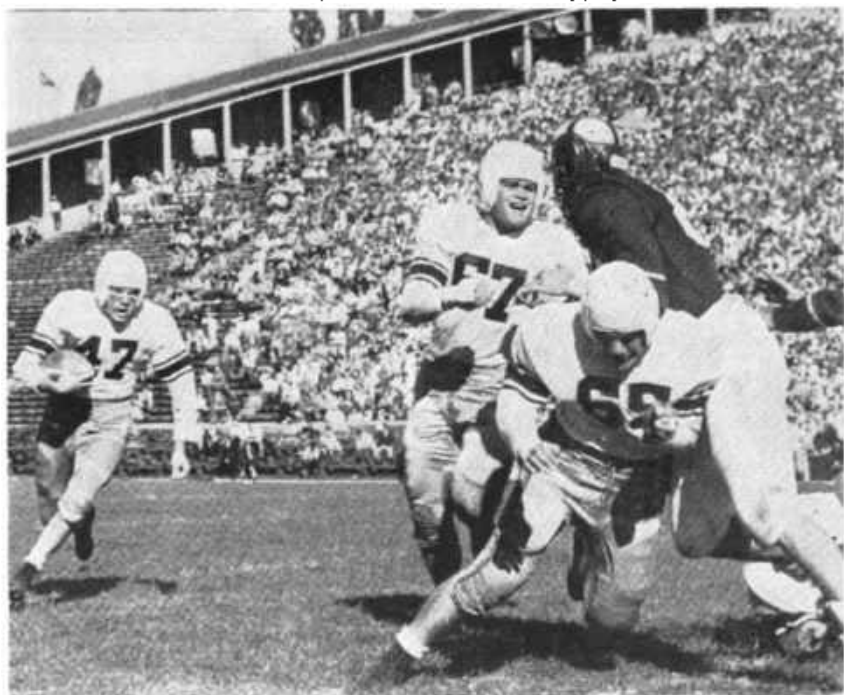
Other members completing the Chi team were Pledges Kenneth Fuller, fifth, Alan Vilece, twelfth, Graves, twentieth. The team was coached by Fred Carley, '49, another varsity track star, who is now an assistant coach at API.

Gained Much Ground

Earl Roth became one of Maryland's leading ground-gainers on the football field this fall with an average of five yards a try, while his punting average was forty yards from the line of scrimmage.

Wins Second in Rifle Match

Gamma Omega at Nashville ranked second in a rifle tournament among 13 fraternity chapters. Two members were among the five top men: Winnett and Pearson occupying first and third places.



SEVEN THETA CHIS were on the Colgate eleven last fall. Paul Mulligan ('47), speedy Theta Chi back for Colgate, carries the pigskin on a reverse against Cornell (October 1) as Bob Langan ('47), left guard, and Vince Vetrano ('45), right guard, clear the way. Other latta members of Colgate's varsity football squad were: Vince Stankevitch, tackle; Howard Baird, back; Arthur Stenberg, end; John Donovan, guard.



MOST VALUABLE player on the Purdue's 1949 team was Lou Karras, '50, according to the vote of his teammates. He was captain of the team, October 28, when it scored the upset victory over Minnesota. He played in the East-West All-Star game in San Francisco. Last year this tackle was named by Notre Dame on its all-opponent all-star team. Classmate and fraternity brother of his was Andrew Butchko, for three years a basketball player, who this last fall played football for the first time, made the first string, and played in almost every game. Playing as the opposite tackle to Karras was another chapter brother, James Janosek, '51. Karras was drafted by Bo McMillin for the Detroit Lions.

Started in 26 Games

Donald Fix, '50, rugged and dependable guard on the Stanford football team, finished his third varsity year with honors. At the end of the season the Dayton (Wash.) boy had started 26 consecutive games, placed on the all-opponent team of the University of California, Pacific Coast champions, and had won a berth on the United Press second string All-Coast team. In high school he was a four-year letterman in track and a three-year letterman in football and basketball. He spent three years in the Marine Air Corps as a radio technician, gaining the rank of staff sergeant.

Six Entered the Ring

When Stanford University held its All-University and novice boxing tournaments at the beginning of December, six Theta Chis entered the ring. Two Alpha Epsilon Chapter members fought for the 153-pound All-University championship. Wilbur Altus, '50, defeated Alan Anderson, '51, for the crown. Featherweight John M. McElrath, '49, fought into the novice finals, but lost on a TKO. Carlton Steele, '51, was taken out in the 145-pound novice quarter-finals on a TKO. Peter Henderson, '50, boxed his way into the 145-pound semi-finals, and Mark Thomas, '51, fought into the light-heavyweight semi-finals. Thomas is also manager of the varsity boxing team.

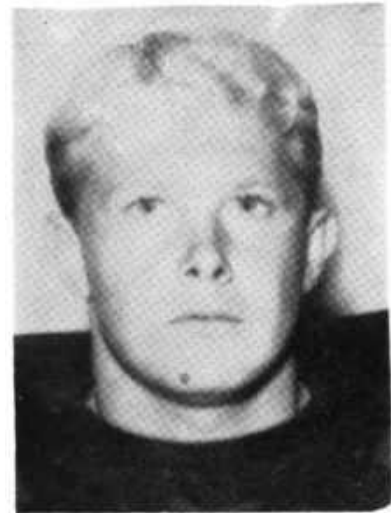
Three Win Football Letters

Thomas Baker, Alpha Omicron's president, was first string defensive end on Washington State's varsity football team, playing his third year of varsity football.

THETA CHI CALENDAR

March 18—Assembly of Region III, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.
 March 18—Tea Party of Region I, M.I.T., Boston, Mass.
 April 1—OX Bow of Region VII, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.
 April 1—Mason-Dixon Jubilee of Region IV, University of Virginia, Charlottesville.
 April 7-8—Rebel Reunion of Regions V and XII, Georgia Tech, Atlanta
 April 7-8—Conference of Region XI, U. S. C., Los Angeles, Calif.
 April 10—Founder's Day
 April 14-15—Conclave of Region VII
 April 14-16—Grand Chapter Meeting, Hotel Stotler, Cleveland, Ohio
 April 21—NATION MID CENTURY THETA CHI ROUND-UP
 April 29—Round-up of Region II, Colgate University, Hamilton, N.Y.
 April—Cactus Convention, University of Arizona, Tucson
 May 12-14—Corral of Region VI, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio
 September 6-9—94th Anniversary National Convention, Hotel Nicollatt, Minneapolis, Minn.
 November 23-25—National Interfraternity Conference, Hotel Commodore, New York City, N.Y.

Baker also is on the varsity wrestling team at 175 pounds. Last spring he went to San Francisco for the Northern Division Championship Tournament. Even though he lost his final bout, he ranks high among



CAPTAIN of Furman's 1949 football eleven and vice president of Gamma Beta Chapter was George Pruitt.

Pacific Coast wrestlers. Gordon Hanson, first string tackle, has two years of varsity experience to his credit. William Geppert won his varsity letter as center this fall although he didn't play on the first eleven. It is expected that he will play on the first team his remaining two years.

Won State Cross Country Title

Several from Sigma at Oregon State were active in fall athletics. Cinderman Joseph Fisher won the 1949 Oregon cross



GAMMA PHI CHAPTER captured the intramural football honors at Nebraska Wesleyan University. A rugged, experienced line, with speed and a strong aerial attack in the backfield took honors in twelve games, losing two. The champs were the least scored on team in the conference. The entire forward wall of the team and two of the backfield men were chosen either for first or all-opponent honorable mention honors. The team was coached by Thomas Mihana, '50, varsity football center. Players are shown in their usual line-up in front of the chapter house: first row, l. to r., Dennis Logan, William Heller, Carl Sasse, Jerry Droukar, James Wickstrom; second row, Virgil Condon, Rodney Elson, Harold Edgar, Donald Bloom, Oscar Weilder, Henry Hays.

country meet in Portland. He broke the record for the three-mile event held by George Fullerton, also Sigma. Fisher's time was 16:40, 32 seconds over the existing record. Fullerton, last year's winner and record setter, placed third.

David Lofts was among those to receive orange "O's" for football. At guard Lofts was a definite asset to the team. He played a great game especially on defense in Oregon State's upset win over Michigan State College. Lofts will be back with the Beaver varsity next season. Promising frosh footballers are Harold Dotts and James Fisher. Dotts saw action in the tackle position, while Fisher held the center berth.

Getting just as much exercise as the football squad was James Spetz, the OSC yell king. He brought new life and vitality to the rally squad and rooting section.

Roderick Zielinski won easily the 175-lb intramural title by pinning his opponent in 45 seconds.

Spearheaded Running Attack

Leo Kocesi, '51, is one of the Maize and Blue's stalwarts who plays right halfback and represents Michigan's biggest threat in its perennially vaunted running attack. Although injured the first part of the season, Leo was around when the chips were down and helped to lead Michigan to a tie for the Big Ten Championship. Karl Kreager and Harry Smale saw limited action this year and won J.V. letters.

Trio of Letter Winners

William Prichard, '52, won a varsity letter for playing end on the Susquehanna football team in his second year of varsity football. Chester Row, '51, won his third letter as a fast running wingback. Roland Rosetti, '51, won his second for playing the right tackle position. He was the main bulwark in the Crusaders' defensive wall.

Nine Earn Football Letters

Nine men of Gamma Phi Chapter earned varsity football letters this year at Nebraska Wesleyan University on a team that won four games and lost five. Howard DuBois, '52, sophomore guard, and Thomas Mihane, '50, senior center, made the Nebraska College Conference second team. Other lettermen were: Calvin Bonea, '50, Donald Hull, '52, Max Kellough, '51, Bruce Link, '50, Paul Obermeyer, '52, Richard Meyer, '50, and Lewis Walker, '52.

Beta Pi Has Lettermen

Beta Pi at Monmouth claimed two football letter men: William Walton, triple threat quarterback, who averaged no less than 42 yards on his punting, and Thomas Moore, sophomore guard.

Beta Pi was represented on the cross country team by Robert Carlsten, who was the squad's fastest member. Two returning lettermen on the first string basketball team are Keith Follet at forward and William Walton at guard. On the swimming team are Laurence Benson, Edwin Murray, and William Bermann.

Wins in Intramurals

In the inter-fraternity sports Beta Nu at Case has already won the ping-pong championship, stands first in the bowling league at present, and entertains high hopes in basketball. The chapter received honorary mention for its Homecoming display, and its choice for queen at the Homecoming football game, Phyllis Rittenhouse, was selected as one of the attendants.

Bird Gets Letter

Representing Beta Rho Chapter on the Illinois Wesleyan football team was Carl Bird from Waterbury, Conn., a sophomore who plays left guard. He has won his letter both seasons. William Friberg and Charles Woodward from Chicago were also on the squad, both playing tackle.

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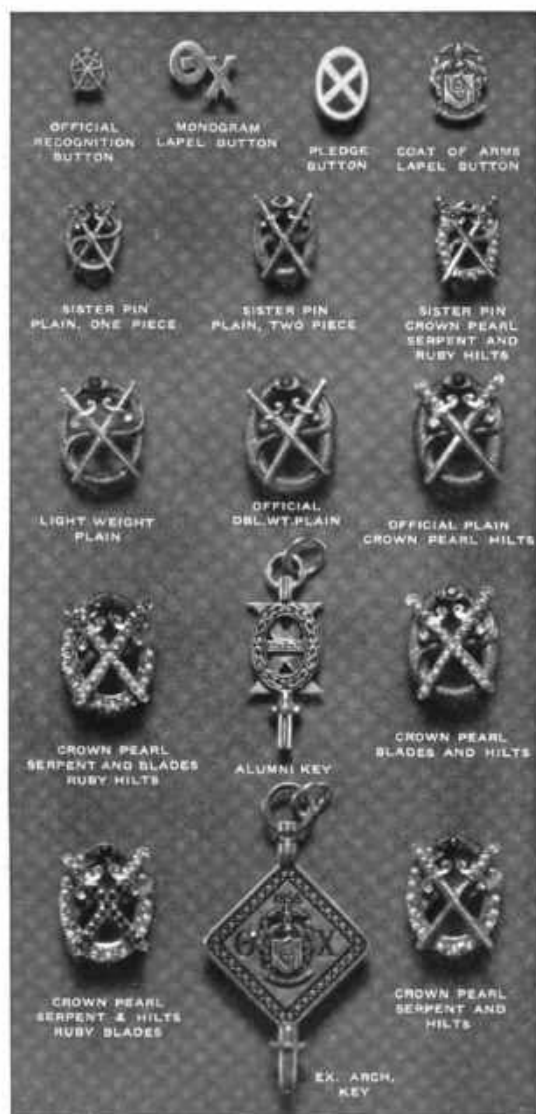
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