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### The Readers Write

(Letters to the editor are always evidence of the interest of readers and hence will be welcomed. Names of the writers will be witheld if requested.)

#### Cheers from an Undergraduate

Resounding cheers are in order for the July issue of The Rattle. Concentration on material of general interest about Theta Chis and achievement of a cleancut and snappy make-up have combined to make it about the most interesting edition of a fraternity magazine I have ever read.

JAMES R. MADISON, Stanford, '53

#### A Mother's Disappointment

The graduate recognition issue of The Rattle of Theta Chi arrived this morning. My son was looking forward to this issue as he was one of the men of 1951 honored by his chapter. I find neither his name nor his picture in the issue, and it is a great disappointment to me, and I am sure it will be to him, also. He was so proud of the honor given him, and I know he was looking forward to its publication.

#### NAME WITHHELD

[The fault was with the chapter correspondent, not the editor.]

#### **Reads Rattle in Korea**

It was a pleasure to read The Rattle on my recent tour of duty in Korea. It brought pleasant memories of my Theta Chi undergraduate days and stimulating news about the present-day chapters' right to the "door step" of my fox hole.

PHILIP J. GARM, Penn State, '48

The President's Message

"The best government is that which governs least." This maxim is one of democracy's noblest and presently one of its least honored. It is, for example, the antithesis of the popular trend over the past twenty years in our federal government of



delegating executive, legislative, and judicial functions to a multitude of commissions, authorities, and administrations. These self - seeking, self-serving, and in some degree selfperpetuating instruments of bureaucracy find advantage and οſ aggrandizment their powers by governing in meticulous detail, and often capriciously and whimsically, heedless of the well being of the public they purport to serve.

This tendency to over govern and misgovern, dangerous as it is, unfortunately is neither a rare nor unusual perversion of democracy. It is all too

natural that men or groups vested with power will try in every way to increase it, to exercise it to its fullest extent, and to perpetuate it indefinitely.

Unfortunately, most of the democratic agencies of self government we find in our collegiate activities have little or no provision for counterbalance of their powers save by arbitrary executive decree, as witness the veto by the president of one of the nation's greatest universities of the attempt by the Student Affoirs Committee to arrogate to themselves the power of violating fundamental laws in confiscating the property of campus organizations under the guise of promoting what they felt to be a justifiable end. But for this beneficent intervention your fraterrity and many others might have suffered from the unjust attack of a campus authority designed to serve us and protect our interests.

Many other examples of such perversion of power are found at many schools. Not the least of these is the tendency of interfraternity councils to legislate such rigorous and restrictive rules for rushing and pledging that its member bodies are gagged and throttled in their most vital function, that of self perpetuation through initiating a sound proportion of new members each year.

bers each year. Theta Chi on every campus is herewith exhorted to search out such useless, cumbersome, and obnaxious restrictions and organize their fellow fraternities in a move to strike them from the codes. This endeavor would be desirable at any time, but with the prospect we now face of dwindling college enrollments in the immediate years ohead, it is essential to our very existence.

> Stuart H. Kelley. National President

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## In Santa Claus Land <u>A Theta Chi helps his father bring joy to</u> thousands of children and their parents

**THIS IS THE BUSIEST time of the** L'year in Santa Claus, Indiana, the one post office by that name among the 41,695 postoffices in the nation. And the busiest man in that hamlet of 34 souls is William A. Koch, Purdue, '37, vice president and general manager of Santa Claus Land. Inc., a business project that can be rightly called unique. He is one of the nine grown children of Louis J. Koch, retired manufacturer of Evansville, Indiana, just 45 miles away. All of them have contributed to the development of their father's hobby, which has become a mecca for thousands of children and adults from every section of this country and many foreign lands. The total number of visitors surpasses half a million each year; only 30% are children.

Ranking next among the busy assistants of Santa Claus, perhaps, is another Theta Chi, Logan Miller, alumnus of Indiana University, who is the publicity director. The colorful venture in providing entertainment and an opportunity to purchase toys in a small community having neither regular bus or railroad service has appealed to magazine editors, and, as a result, writers have found Santa Claus Land fruitful copy.

One of them, Marshall R. Davenport, filled almost four pages with text and colored pictures in the Saturday Evening Post. By permission of the Curtis Publishing Company, some of his material is reproduced as follows:

The post office, in the Christmas season alone, handles more than 3,-000,000 pieces of mail. All because the founders, completely by accident, christened their village Santa Claus.

Each December, grownups deluge Santa Claus with letters and packages to be remailed with its prized postmark. Children from all corners of the globe scribble their please-bringme letters to Santa in Indiana. Even the tiny tots who haven't mastered the writing technique brief Santa by sending a group of uncertain pictures or a series of wobbly lines drawn across the page. But Santa, a wise old fellow, understands. Aided by local residents, he replies to every letter that includes a return address. He assures each child his shops are running full speed, and even if he can't bring everything on the list, he'll do the best he can.

For nine months out of the year the postmaster, Elbert Reinke, is assisted by his wife, Odessa. He offers to lick stamps for both individuals and business concerns who ask how to mail anywhere up to 10,000 cards from Santa Claus at Christmas time. "A post office is rated according to the stamps it sells," he explains, "and we get no credit for handling the mail unless we also sell the stamps." Santa Claus, in spite of the voluminous heap of seasonal mail, holds a second-class rating because most of the postmark-seeking letters come already stamped.

A ROUND THE SECOND WEEK of October, the mail pouch begins to fatten. For two months the increase is gradual; then suddenly the dikes crumble, and the post office is inundated. The mail truck, instead of hauling one almost empty bag, loads to capacity and adds extra runs to its schedule. Mailbags overflow the post office and pile high on the unloading platform outside. Twenty extra clerks, mostly local farm people, rush to the rescue. There is no rest for Postmaster Reinke. His eyes become swollen, his feet ache, but almost mechanically he supervises the three shifts of workers. Finally, almost as suddenly as it all began, the storm passes. Before the office closes on Christmas Eve the last letter is postmarked and trucked away.

According to legend, the town of Santa Claus was originally called Santafee. The residents of the thriving community hankered for better mail service and petitioned the government for a post office. But another town in Indiana already bore a similar name, and to avoid confusion, the Post Office Department rejected the application. It was Christmas Eve, 1855, when the news arrived. The entire countryside had gathered at the holly-decked church, and the pro-



William A. Koch, Purdue

logue to their Christmas program became a business meeting to select a suitable name. Many alternates were suggested, discussed, and rejected. They were still bickering when the door opened and in strode the bewhiskered village Santa.

"Santa!" a child's voice rang out. "It's Santa Claus!"

"That's it," an elder suggested amid the applause. "Why don't we just call it Santa Claus?"

The assembly voted a unanimous approval. Santa Claus became existent.

A<sup>T</sup> THE CLOSE of World War II, Louis J. Koch bought 260 acres of hilly farm land in the vicinity of Santa Claus and plowed \$300,000 into a mail-order business and a fairyland for children. Along the woodland trails he reproduced Jack and Jill, Humpty Dumpty, Little Miss Muffet, and all the familiar characters straight from the pages of a child's storybook. Besides swings, seesaws, and a miniature railroad, he packed a museum with antique American toys and contemporary toys from many foreign lands. He reconstructed the first Santa Claus post office to house a collection of more than 1100 dolls, from the Presidents and First Ladies to old women with wrinkled-apple faces, and handcarved dolls too small to view without a magnifying glass.

Santa Claus Land, as he calls the project, wears its best Christmas finery all year. Even the restaurant, which serves an ice-cream dish called Santa's Delight, has red and green



tables, and walls done in scenes from Christmas cards. "It's Christmas here every day except December 25, the only day we close," Bill Koch, who manages the business for his father, explains. "We feel that Santa, after his long ride all over the world, is entitled to one day's rest."

Bill Koch employs twenty-five full-time workers. But in the autumn the number jumps to 200. He deals only in toys and small gifts which he buys directly from the manufacturers. Each year he mails out more than 100,000 catalogues, and sets up displays in big-city department stores, where customers place orders to have gifts mailed from Santa Claus.

THE ONE MAN most responsible for the annual tidal wave of Christmas mail is Jim Yellig, commander of the Santa Claus American Legion post. Whenever the Legion stages its national convention, he represents the Santa Claus post. Of all the capers in the annual parade, Jim, wearing his \$140 Santa suit and driving papier-mache reindeer hitched to a motorized sleigh, is always the children's favorite. Newspapers have carried his picture and the name of Santa Claus, Indiana, into almost every town across the nation. But Jim Yellig contributes more to Christmas than his cavortings in Legion parades. He insures a reply to every boy or girl who writes a letter to Santa.

One wintry morning, while thawing out by the stove in the general store, he noticed Postmaster James Martin toss a stack of letters into an empty fruit basket. These, the postmaster explained, were want lists from children. A few years before, when only a few wrote letters, he had attempted to lend Santa a hand by writing replies, but each year the letter pile grew. Now, he regretted, answering them all was impossible. Jim offered to help. He bought a supply of stationery and stamps, and pushed his pen far into the night, until the last letter was answered. In 1930 he organized the American Legion post to take over the Christmas mail. It was only a few years until the mail stacks towered above the small group of ex-servicemen. He recruited volunteers from neighboring high schools. PTA's, and civic clubs. He designed the letter signed by Santa, and persuaded the Legion's national headquarters to assume the cost of printing and mailing.

Jim often masquerades as Santa. He is always jolly and endowed with a nimble-witted knack for drawing out children. His natural build enables him to play the role without applying midsection padding. After one

PICTORIALLY SPEAKING, top to bottom: The only postoffice in the United States named Sonta Claus; it's in southern Indiana, and here the most widely known Santa Claus in the nation helps boys and girls with their Christmas problems. The business district of Santa Claus Land with its intriguing shops and museums, filled with toys and dolls to delight thousands of visitors, only thirty per cent of whom are children. In the postoffice huge sacks of mail, filled with packages, letters, and postcards, all bearing the stamp of "Santa Claus, Indiana," await the trucks that haul them on their start to homes oil over the world. One of the stops along the Enchanted Trail where nursery thymes are depicted by means of colorful figures, which with rides in railroad trains of juvenile size add zest to visits in the hamlet designed for youngsters. Real, live reindeer add reality to Santa Claus Land, although they are almost as white as the snow that makes the travels of Old Saint Nicholas comfortable.



unusually heavy snowfall he climbed up to sweep his roof, slipped, and tobogganed to the ground. A news service announced to the world that "Santa Claus" had broken his leg. Through all the weeks of his convalescence, Jim laboriously acknowledged letters from the 1200 children who wished him a speedy recovery.

From the mountain of Christmas letters Jim salvages the unusual, which he classifies according to state or foreign country, and glues in a table-size book.

Some letters are poignant. A Pennsylvania boy wrote: "I just want one thing this year. I am not asking for any toys. I want a new artificial hand. I have never had one. Your friend, Tommy." Jim, as in all cases where he's afraid Santa will overlook some boy or girl, asked the nearest Legion post to look in. By return mail he received a full report. The commander thanked him for discovering a "staggering" situation. He promised Santa would be more generous than ever before, and, among other gifts, Tommy would find an order for his new hand.

MARSHALL DAVENPORT'S lively article from which the fore going material was taken increased the interest of the general public in the Koch project. Maxine Thompson's "Santa Claus Land, Year 'Round Capitol of Toy Industry," published in Toys and Novelties, was directed more to the trade. She explained the unusual merchandising plan after describing the physical layout of the park and buildings: the imposing granite statue of Santa Claus, the "Enchanted Trail" with its life-size figures of nursery rhyme characters, the restaurant with its pint-sized counters and stools for the juvenile soda bar; the Toy Shop offering practically every kind and type of toy; the post office from which toys, postcards, and letters can be mailed under the cherished postmark of Santa Claus, Indiana; the large exhibit hall containing the museum of toys, old and modern, and the manufacturers' exhibits; the Souvenir Shop, combining gift and toy items; and, most outstanding, the House of Dolls, a rare collection of rare dolls of all kinds and from all lands.  $\mathcal{P}_{-}$ 

The merchandise plan provides that Santa Claus Land, Inc., serves as a jobber, offering in one package deal a selection of fifty fine toys a department store can promote as a group from which its customers may choose a toy or toys to be mailed direct from Santa Claus Land with the Santa Claus, Indiana, postmark —to any child or children, anywhere the customer may designate.

The mechanics of the plan are simply this: the department store carries samples of the fifty items in one display section. The store takes the order and the money from the customer, relaying instructions to Santa Claus Land, Inc. The corporation then bills the store direct, but handles all packing and shipping on its own premises, making sure that each gift is attractively wrapped, then properly readied for postoffice handling. Clear, gay labels state, "Direct from Santa Claus Land." Postmark is Santa Claus, Indiana.

#### Varsity Town Blue Book Product of a Theta Chi

Few BOOKS ARE READ with greater interest or kept more securely for reference purpose than the Varsity Town Little Blue Book, for which a Theta Chi, C. Hugo Pearson, North Dakota State, '21, is largely responsible. It started with a circulation of only 25,000, but now the distribution is in excess of half a million a year. The volume contains 172 pages of condensed information covering all major sports, up-to-date fashion tips, and a complete directory of fraternities and sororities under various classifications.

The book is published for Varsity Town clothes by the Pearson Advertising Agency, Inc., 250 Park Avenue, New York City, in which C. H. Pearson is a partner. It is distributed by dealers throughout the country.



"COUNTY FAIR" was the theme of the University of Minnesota Homecoming this year, and for the youngsters living near Alpha Pi Chapter it turned into the real thing. A pintsized ferris wheel, which had been the fraternity float in the parade, was set up in front of the house. Theta Chis were kept busy most of the afternoon giving free rides to young neighbors. Counter-clockwise around the float are Bruce Johnston, Jack Statne, Charles Wallander, president, Richard Slusar, Jack Shur, and Richard Megarry.

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## A Writer Made by Fate

HUNTING AND FISHING might have remained the chief interests of John Pleasant McCoy, Richmond, '27, had he not been crippled in 1936 when he attempted to stop a fight between two men, one of whom was an escaped convict. He was shot in the melee and, as a result, spent several years in hospitals, and still is partly paralyzed. Faced with the consciousness that a return to vigorous outdoor life would probably be impossible, he turned to writing in which he found pleasure and eventually profit, for his second novel, "Big as Life," published within the year by Harpers, is finding favor with reviewers and readers.

It is a lusty tale of the attempt of an ageing widower to play Romeo to a youthful, somewhat promiscuous Juliet. It has a nostalgic tone, and naturally so, for the author uses his boyhood town as the setting for the uncertain romance. Throughout there is always a hint of laughter as if the author was having a gay time with his fictitious characters and wanted to share his good time with his readers. Hence there is lively entertainment in the pages and no hint that it was written from a wheelchair.

At the time of the accident which changed his life so drastically John McCloy was planning to marry, but that event was postponed until September of 1948. In the interim his fiancee, Doris Quillin, who had secured a position in Richmond, visited



John P. McCoy, Richmond

him in the hospital and helped him through typing and reading. His first book, "Swing the Big-eyed Rabbit," won second place in E. P. Dutton and Company's Thomas Jefferson Southern Award Contest. This success sent him back to his writing board, and he started work on three more books.

JOHN MCCOY has more than the memories of his boyhood in a Virginia county seat to draw upon for writing material. As a young fellow he played semi-pro baseball, and, following his graduation from the University of Richmond, he became successively a car knocker, civil engineer, assistant depot agent, railway clerk, salesman, schoolteacher, striker for a blacksmith, and deck hand on an Ohio River towboat running between Cincinnati and Cairo. And always he was at heart a hunter and a fisherman.

But now he keenly enjoys writing. He keeps a regular schedule of office hours at his lapboard. He begins work at 8:30 a.m. and writes until 4 p.m., with an hour off for lunch. On Saturday, however, he ends his work day at noon.

#### Colorful Hawaiian Title Given Theta Chi Writer

**5 7** JOLNEY A. HOWARD, UCLA, '34, has added a K to his initials to represent a Hawaiian title given him by one of the few members of the old Hawaiian royalty still living. By her royal permission and right, although no longer legal, he was given the following title "to have, use, and will to descendants": Kuukeikialii i Loko o Kawai Kula o Kean unenue Kuuipo Keonaona Kuihelani Luhi o Keeaumoku, which means "Child of the Chiefs and Prince of the Upper Golden Band of the Rainbow, Precious and Graceful, Heavenly Needle upon Which the Heavenly Flowers Are Strung and Weary Builder of the Double Sailing Canoes."

Mr. Howard had written numerous articles and stories about the old Hawaii so that a record of the ancient tales and customs might not be lost. He was recently invited to membership in the Hawaiian Historical Society.

Now employed by the enforcement

division of the Office of Price Stabilization in Honolulu, Mr. Howard had been with the Better Business Bureau of Honolulu for some time. He is one of the 37 Theta Chis in the territory of Hawaii, most of them living in Honolulu.

#### Prepares for Foreign Work

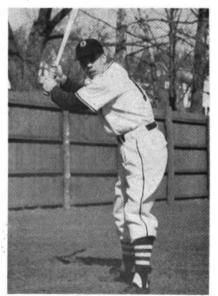
Roy L. Baughman, Oregon, '50, a member of the February 1952 graduating class of the American Institute for Foreign Trade, Thunderbird Field I, remained on campus to attend the intensive six-weeks language session, which began June 18. He is studying Spanish. He is a Navy Air Force veteran.

#### Wins Conference Honors As Outfielder and Batter

A LPHA TAU'S Edmund (Buzz) Trytek, '52, led the Ohio University Bobcat team in batting for the 1951 season, according to statistics released by the Mid-American Conference. He was also named as an outfielder to the All-Mid-American Conference team. Although an outfielder, Trytek is rated one of OU's most versatile baseball players since he can play second base, third base, and catch equally well.

Trytek captured honors with a .312 average and was top man in four other departments and tied in a fifth. He led the team in runs, 22; doubles, 6; stolen bases, 9; hits, 30; and tied for most runs batted in, 17.

A physical education major, Trytek plans to coach and teach athletics.



Edmund Trytek, Ohio, '52

## Yes, It's a Real War In a letter to his chapter mates a Theta Chi tells

what goes on in Korea and what a fraternity means

By JAMES HORSTMAN, Drake, ex-'52

A T FIRST the Korean war, other than the weather, was only mildly dangerous. Throwing me into black boots and a parka, they sent me off over the mountains near Uisong and Andong with a unit of sturdy lads to hunt and destroy the numerous bands of North Korean guerillas in the area. Usually we chased, but seldom caught them. When there was a battle it was short. Killing guerillas was almost like a big game hunt. Of course, they shot back, but, as a rule, we ambushed them, and our casualties were light.

February 21 I stepped into the big league when we began fighting our way north from Wonju to Hoengsong. 'Twas then I first saw our brother, "Porky" Bassett. He joined my company there; we've been together ever since. More than one

EDITOR'S NOTE-Here's one of those wartime tales that almost belongs to the "believe it, or not" variety, told with the verve and the characteristic language of an undergraduate who possesses a skill in narrative writing. James Horstman and Ralph Bassett were chapter mates at Drake University who would have completed their senior year in June, 1952, had not their undergraduate days been interrupted by a call to active duty in the Marine Reserve in November of 1950. Under orders Horstman headed for the east coast, Bassett for the west, not expecting to see each other soon. On February 21 they met in Hoengrong, Korea, as members of the same company. They fought together in one engagement after another. Horstman was wounded April 24, Bassett the next day. Both recovered sufficiently to return to fight-ing. On June 9 in "Operation Killer," well above the 38th parallel, Horstman suffered a shoulder wound that sent him to a haspital ship. The next day Bassett was knocked out by a concussion gren-ade and was "out of his head" for for nearly a month, being first placed in a hospital in Korea, then transferred to a hospital in Japan. Both men were brought back to the United States to await discharge. Both have been awarded the Purple Heart, Sergeant Bossett is Camp Allen, Norfolk, Ya., where he drills prisoners and serves as the turnkey of the brig. He hopes for a discharge by December 15. It is possible that both men will be back on the Drake campus the second semester. Horstmon's letter, dated April 29, was written from in a bed on a hospital ship at Pusan, Korea.

night the strains of "It Is to Thee; Dear Old Theta Chi" have echoed from some Korean hill.

We two hard-charging infantrymen fought up from Hoengsong along the flanks of Houchan, and ended the drive by taking Tombstone Ridge, just south of Chunchan. Several times each of us came through after being within inches of catching "the big one." After every scrap we ran around looking for each other. So far our luck has held.

About midnight of April 22 our rest ended. The South Korean Sixth Division had broken and run before a new Chinese drive north of Chunchan, and we were rushed up in trucks under cover of darkness. Without sleep we marched north all the next day, meeting only mild enemy resistance.

**EVERYONE ELSE** was running for his life, but we went forward. It gives you a funny feeling. I had a hunch I was going to get it.

That night our battalion set up on a hill south of Hwachan. We were ordered to stay at all costs—stay we did. Shortly after dark they came at us under a terrific mortar and artillery barrage and withering small arms fire. The fire got heavier and heavier, screaming off the roads, spattering dirt in our holes, whirring overhead.

I was dug in on the high crag commanding the hill with a machine gun section and one platoon supported by my squad on the reverse slope.

We just couldn't shoot them fast enough that night; they kept coming on up the hill blowing whistles and blazing away with their automatic weapons. They came in through the rocks in the darkness close enough to throw grenades—and they threw a lot of them. It was really hell up there; it seemed like everyone was getting hit. They came, and they came, and they came, crawling, running, sneaking, they kept coming.

Then suddenly we were overrun. They were in our positions and on us. I'd been in the sleeping bag when it began and had no shoes on, but I



James Horstman, Drake, in Japan

grabbed my B.A.R. (a heavy rifle used by the infantry) and pistol belt and ran down the hill a bit where some of us tried to hold in some rocks along the cliff edge.

I've seen quite a bit of combat, but nothing got me like that. I was so damned terror-stricken I almost choked. I lost my rifle in the rocks, but still had the pistol, reliable Mr. Colt .38. There were so many Chinese you didn't even need to aim as they came pouring over the skyline.

Someone, maybe hit by the enemy, lunged against me, and I fell over the cliff. I twisted to land on my feet. It dazed me, but I came out o.k., still holding on to the pistol for dear life. Crawling across a ravine, I reached another part of our line facing the crag. All over the defense perimeter the battalion was catching hell.

**I** PICKED UP A RIFLE from a dead man and crawled out with some guys to drag the wounded in. I couldn't walk, but you didn't dare stand up anyway; so I did o.k. I helped pull in one guy shot through the legs and dragged another over the rocks a ways before I found that he was dead. All that night we laid there with fifty yards between us, blazing away at the enemy—it never let up.

Later in the night another guy and I crawled almost up to our original positions trying to get some of the gear and ammunition we had left behind. I picked up one belt and would have had more, but played stupid. An enemy machine gun cut loose just above me, and I saw the flash. I could have put a grenade in on them, but, lacking one, I opened up with my rifle. I forgot they could see my flash too.

They swung it around on me, and I rolled down the hill. The guy with me yelled that I'd been hit, but that ol' Horstman luck still held.

Later I got some shoes off a dead man. We fixed bayonets and held the ridge through the night—most of which I spent in deep prayer.

In the morning word was passed around that we were completely trapped and would have to fight our way out. Using the rifle for a crutch, and with help of a buddy, I made it down the hill. On the way I saw Ralph, and we chatted a minute. He had been fighting all night too, but hadn't caught as much hell.

There were six men left from the platoon on the crag and from the machine gun section and seven from my squad — thirteen out of about seventy-four.

ONCE DOWN THE HILL they put me on the back of a jeep. The enemy was closing in all around, and we were having a hell of a time keeping them back. There was no rear; no man didn't fight. With tanks in the front, and tanks for rear guard, the infantry took the hills along the road, and the vehicles, wounded, and disabled went on the road itself.

We started out of the trap. I didn't get a hundred yards in the jeep when it was machine gunned all to hell. The driver was nicked, but I drove to the road. Again that Horstman luck held.

They took me aboard another jeep, and there I stayed until another Gyreme (slang for Marine) was hit alongside, and I gave him my seat. I could limp along pretty well with my rifle crutch.

Ralph was in the rear guard with the tanks, fighting like hell all the way out—one of the last men out of the trap. Porky's a good combat man, but for God's sake don't ever tell him I said so.

THAT ROAD was a corridor of hell on the way out. Many men were hit. A guy could write a dozen volumes of the common heroism of the officers, men, and navy medics in those few hours. Let's just say, and I mean it with all the sincerity within me, that I'm damned proud to have served with all of them.

I never even considered that I'd Page Eight get out of the trap. I wouldn't have except for guys helping me along the way, for a buddy called Smithy, for the dead man's shoes, and for an easy smiling Catholic chaplain.

There were many open spots in the road where enemy fire was particularly heavy. In my condition I couldn't run across these, and so Smithy, hit in the hand himself, walked with me.



Sgt. Ralph Bassett, Drake

I kept telling him to go ahead, but ol' Smithy just stayed with me all the way, helping me along. Even when the bullets came within inches he stayed. Maybe that's what this Marine Corps gains its strength from —the Smithys.

A Catholic chaplain took Smithy and me and a wounded mortarman in hand along the road and led us part way through the hills.

We were on a little rise of ground when we first saw the lead tanks of the relief column. I threw a kiss at it as they passed below us, and the tankers waved back. Lord, but I was happy.

I dug in that night with the company because we expected another attack, but it was only a mild night, with little firing. The next day I turned in to the doctor, who sent me to a field hospital. A day later I was evacuated by plane here to Pusan, aboard the hospital ship Haven.

So here lies Horstman, very much alive, but not seeing too well, with two sprained ankles, a sprained left knee, a sprained right foot, superficial abrasions of the legs and arms, a good collection of bruises, a piece of shrapnel in my thumb, and spring fever. Bassett may be gaining combat on me now, but I'm a Purple Heart up on him.

THE DAY AFTER 1 LEFT, the company was hit hard again, but I've learned that Ralph came out o.k. His squad leader was killed, and so he's now running the squad. There's not much left of our battalion, but they're pretty well out of it. Outnumbered ten to one or better, we killed an estimated 2,000 enemies in twenty-four hours. As Ralph probably can't write, it may be a good idea to let his folks know that he weathered the storm.

This letter will probably reach you just before graduation and the senior banquet. But for the war it would have been my graduating class too. I wish that somehow we could hold time still while fighting this war so that upon returning all of you would still be at Drake. Yet each of us must go his way. May we all be together again at some future reunion.

To those brothers graduating, the very best of luck from the seldomtouched bottom of my wicked old heart. Each of you represents to me many treasured and nostalgic memories. God be with you till we meet once again.

To you who remain at Drake to graduate at future days—keep alive our chapter, and may we soon be raising high our spirits and glasses together, round the tables at Tony's.

To all of you — thanks for all you've done, and given me. It's a treasured privilege to call you "brothers."

When Porky and I come tramping home we intend to grab you all away from your fat jobs for a rip-snortin' reunion. Remember that.

Pass the word along that I'm still around, still the eternal, one and only—Your brother,

#### JIM HORSTMAN

P. S. Don't gripe about the pencil either; it isn't every day I write a seven-page letter. Will try to remember to send along a ten spot next time I'm paid. Just in case I forget, remind me. National already hooked me for some fund.

I would very much enjoy some of chubby little Mother Capone's spaghetti now . . . even if I can't spell it.

Drop me a line, someone.

## Hundreds of college greeks pay tribute to mother of all fraternities on her 175th anniversary

By GEORGE STARR LASHER, Michigan, '11

HIGHLIGHT of the 43rd annual session of the National I session of the National Interfraternity Conference was the tribute paid to Phi Beta Kappa which this December celebrated the 175th anniversary of its founding at the College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va. Joining with the National Interfraternity Conference in this tribute were representatives of the National Panhellenic Conference, the Professional Interfraternity Conference, and the Professional Panhellenic Association, making the event the most representative gathering of Greekletter leaders in history.

Notable also was the session of the National Interfraternity Conference for various other reasons. Plans for it had been carefully made by the late A. Ray Warnock, chairman for 1950-51, whose death in his sleep on November 4 brought thoroughgoing sorrow throughout the Greek-letter world. At numerous times in the meetings held November 29 to December 1 in the Hotel Chamberlin, Old Point Comfort, Va., heartfelt reference was made to his leadership and to the contributions he had made to the educational world in serving as dean of men at Pennsylvania State College for 30 years, to the community of which he had been a vital part, to his own fraternity, Beta Theta Pi, and to all fraternities through his influence and activities connected with the National Interfraternity Conference.

The first action of the NIC in its opening assembly Friday morning was the presentation of memorial minutes by Past Chairman Albert S. Bard, paying tribute to Dean Warnock and to two other outstanding leaders among fraternity men, Leroy A. Wilson, Lambda Chi Alpha, and Clifford M. Swan, Delta Upsilon, both of whom had served as chairmen of the National Interfraternity Conference and had played important roles in the organization for many years. The combined loss of these three men in the past year was recognized as the greatest the organization had sustained in its 43 years.

The opening program was also featured by a panel discussion on fraternity public relations, presided over by Clifton W. Phalen, Phi Gamma Delta, chairman of the NIC Committee on Public Relations, and participated in by Richard Powell, assistant to the president of the N. W. Ayer and Sons; John W. Vann, national president of Alpha Tau Omega; and Clyde S. Johnson, executive secretary of Phi Kappa Sigma. So valuable was their realistic discussion of fraternities, the need for more effective public relations, and means of acquiring them that a transcript of it will be published later in fraternity magazines and will be made available for wide distribution by the NIC.

A LSO OUTSTANDING among the features of the session was the undergraduate conference attended by 150 members of interfraternity councils from 80 fraternity educational institutions situated in every section of the United States except the Pacific Coast area. For the first time the discussion at this conference was limited to the actual problems which interfraternity councils face and with the exception of one panel the leaders were made up of undergraduates. As a result, there was thoroughgoing realism both in the material presented and the flood of questions which came from the floor after statements by panel leaders.

In charge of the conference was H. G. Nichol, national president of Delta Upsilon, who was assisted in the preparation of the program by George W. Chapman, executive director of Theta Chi Fraternity. The topics for panel discussion included: The Interfraternity Council, Greek Week, The Interfraternity Council and Selectivity, Social Functions of the Interfraternity Council, Interfraternity Council and Public Relations, Scholarship Functions of an Interfraternity Council, and Rushing.

As a climax to the social program carried on in connection with the conference came the dinner program, entitled "Thanksgiving for Freedom," arranged by the Interfraternity Research Advisory Council for Saturday evening and participated in by members of the four organizations commemorating the 175th anniver sary of Phi Beta Kappa. A musical program by the 50th Army Band was given before and during the dinner. Singer of the national anthem was Joan Frances Melniker.

For the program which followed the serving of the dinner Judge Frank Myers, Kappa Alpha, past chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference, served as toastmaster. After musical numbers by the Hampton Institute Crusaders, a Negro choral group, and Miss Carol Smith, contralto, three National Interfraternity Conference awards for distinguished service to youth were given to Arthur Ray Warnock posthumously, Dean Joseph A. Park, Alpha Tau Omega, Ohio State University, NIC educational adviser emeritus, who was not present because of illness, and Judge William R. Bayes, Phi Delta Theta, past chairman, who has been long identified with NIC.

GUEST SPEAKER for the dinner was Dr. Arthur Sherwood Flemming, Alpha Sigma Phi, president of Ohio Wesleyan University and chairman of the Manpower Policy Commission of the Office of Defense Mobilization. He was introduced by Admiral A. D. Chandler, president of the College of William and Mary.

He suggested that the title for the celebration, "Thanksgiving for Freedom," might be wisely changed to "Sacrifice for Freedom," as he stated that never before has freedom been threatened as today and hence there is need for sacrifices. What a blackout of freedom would mean to the individual, he said, could be appreciated by contrasting events inside and outside the iron curtain. The longterm emergency existent today, he insisted, brought with it universal service and emphasized that the deferment of young men to become better trained in college is not exemption. He continued, saying that young people should look for the work for which they have a special aptitude, taking calculated risk and forgetting securities, for a sacrifice must be made, putting the interest of all above the interest of any group.

Fraternities and sororities, he

stated, demonstrate such a policy, and their members secure the greatest satisfaction when they place the interest of the group above personal benefits. Dr. Flemming approved strongly of the substitution by fraternities of Help Week for Hell Week, stating that if that came about it would demonstrate the fact that satisfaction comes from helping others.

He called upon men and women to make satisfactory sacrifices if necessary to go into public life and urged all to strengthen the spiritual values under living.

ROWING OUT of the various Groundtables held Friday afternoon were a series of resolutions which were adopted at the business session Saturday forenoon. They endorsed the blood donor program of the Red Cross and urged the setting aside of a week in which all fraternity men throughout the nation, alumní and undergraduates, would be expected to each contribute a pint of blood; authorized the special Commitee on Idealism and Spiritual Inspiration to be set up as a permanent committee, charged with the duty of counseling, encouraging, and directing character building, instilling moral and spiritual information in the lives and work of fraternity men on all levels; instructed this committee to proceed with the three-point program outlined last year, giving special emphasis next year to the preparation of a manual for fraternity officers, showing them how to plan and execute character building programs in their own chapters and to undertake such other programs as the committee may recommend; instructed the committee on Greek Weeks to obtain from national officers of member fraternities a list of those educational institutions which will most effectively cooperate in the institution of Greek Week and Help Week programs, and called on member fraternities, which have chapters on such campuses, to participate wholeheartedly in such Greek Week and Help Week programs; extended to Phi Beta Kappa firm fraternal regards, congratulations, and best wishes on the occasion of the 175th anniversary of the founding of this great honor society at the College of William and Mary and expressed pleasure at the opportunity of joining on the interfraternity basis in this notable celebration:

and expressed unstinted and wholesome thanks to the members of the Executive Committee, the acting chairman, and the standing and special committees of the conference for their loyal, indefatigable and efficient work; and authorized the wide distribution of the panel program on fraternity public relations.

"HERE WAS GOOD NEWS from the L Scholarship Committee, according to the report of the chairman, Elles M. Derby, Lambda Chi Alpha. The survey for 1949-1950, just completed, covered 2614 chapters at 204 institutions. It showed a general rise scholarship. The top-ranking in. groups are Farmhouse, Kappa Nu, Alpha Gamma Rho, Phi Alpha, and Pi Lambda Phi, the chapters reporting ranging from seven to 26. Among fraternities, having more than 50 chapters, the five leaders are Beta Theta Pi, Sigma Chi, Lambda Chi Alpha, Phi Delta Theta, and Theta Chi.

The four campuses which topped the list are Wayne University, Washington College (Maryland), Cincinnati, and Norwich. The number of chapters in these schools range from three to 17.

Chairman Derby announced that there had been a complete mechanization of the process of handling of scholarship reports; hence, the results would be announced much earlier. As many schools do not submit their reports in a form that permits proper comparisons, it is impossible to have the ranking complete.

THE SOCIAL PROGRAM of the NIC opened Thursday evening with a get-acquainted smoker. On Friday there was a luncheon meeting of the Professional Panhellenic Association, Professional Interfraternity Conference, and the National Interfraternity Conference. The guest speaker for this event was Mrs. Mary Love Colline, Chi Omega.

After characterizing members of Greek-letter groups as gregarious, but also possessing a desire for individuality, she stated that the societies they have formed tie up closely to American culture and provide a barrier against vast mass or collectivist movements. Their members, she later brought out, belong to the intelligent minority who move with an even pace through confusion, maintaining the vital processes of democracy and of civilization. "While it is true," Mrs. Collins said, "that many of the attacks on Greek-letter societies show marked emotional quality, perfect examples of compensation for personal conflicts of detractors, it is also true that those who promote mass ideologies select words that tend to excite sympathy, suspicion, and fantastic hopes. But intelligent minorities do not use such ordinary techniques of propaganda."

"By what we teach at our altars and the way we interpret what we teach we add strength to the intelligent minority," she concluded.

Gaiety had its rightful place in the program for the week end. One of the occasions for this was a dance at the hotel arranged for the undergraduates. The dates for visitors were provided largely by the sororities of the College of William and Mary.

A joint dinner of the College Fraternity Secretaries Association and the College Fraternity Editors Association was held Friday evening, marked by the installation of new officers for each of the organizations. William W. Hindman, Sigma Phi Epsilon, took over the responsibilities of chairman of the College Fraternity Secretaries Association, while Donald C. Wolfe, Kappa Delta Rho, became president of the College Fraternity Editors Association.

The first official act of the latter was to establish a custom of having the most recent recipient of the silver anniversary plaque present a similar recognition to the one qualified for it through his quarter of a century of service as editor of his fraternity magazine. Thus, George Starr Lasher, Theta Chi, paid a tribute to Harold P. Davison, who had completed his 25 years as editor of the Unicorn of Theta Xi. The editors voted to join the secretaries in a summer meeting at the Dearborn Inn near Detroit, July 9-12.

Another dinner enjoyed Friday night was that scheduled for the 35 deans and advisers to men attending the conference.

Throughout the entire week end a schedule of activities for women was in charge of Mrs. Charles E. Pledger, Jr., chairman, Mrs. Cecil J. Wilkinson, and Mrs. Frank H. Myers. Events included social affairs and a sightseeing trip to Williamsburg.

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**PROFESSOR TOLBERT MACRAE,** Drake, '06, joined the ranks of Theta Chi's "cover men," last December when the *Iowa State Scientist*, lively campus magazine, appeared with the popular teacher designated as Mr. Music occupying almost the entire cover. The picture was taken in his college studio and shows the college impresario standing before pictures of many of the world famous artists he had brought to the Iowa State campus.

The feature article, entitled, "Mac Rae Equals Music," was written by the managing editor of the magazine, Jeanette Fowler. Portions of it follow:

DECEMBER, and you think of the Christmas tree lights, carols —and all the music like "The Messiah" that goes to make up Christmas. Synonymous with "The Messiah" is Prof. Tolbert MacRae, one of the best known campus personalities, who has directed the Handel oratorio for 30 years.

In that time, the size of his choruses has grown from 75 singers to 550. This popularity is probably due to MacRae's own personality and the warmth that he puts into his directing. "He seems to be so interested in 'The Messiah,' and to have so much love for the music—it just makes us feel that way, too," said one student who was singing in the Festival Chorus for the third time.

Another reason why MacRae's performances of "The Messiah" are so



successful is that he tries to get the students to think out the real meaning of the words. Some students say they've even seen more in their religion itself after following MacRae's directions to "think what the words mean to you."

Sometimes, on the other hand, Mac-Rae gives the chorus its spiritual inspiration by talking about what the song lyrics mean to him. "You can tell when 'Prof.' is going to tell you some of his philosophy or experiences," one student said, "because he always stops and takes off his glasses. One time at rehearsal he was trying to have us feel the expression in a certain piece, and he told us, 'You know, the reason why man got off all fours and stood on his hind feet was so that he could look up at God — so sing as though you were looking up at God'."

MacRae got part of the interpretation he uses in directing "The Messiah" from his instructor in London, R. Watkins Mills, who, MacRae said, was the greatest Handelian singer of the time.

Besides studying music abroad, MacRae also received instruction in Chicago and Des Moines. He took his first job as a choir director in 1904 when he was a student at Drake University. "I got 25 cents a week for that job," MacRae laughed, explaining that the money was supposed to pay for his carfare to and from the Grant Park Christian Church. He also led the Glee Club and gave private lessons at Drake. After graduating from Drake in 1906, he traveled all over the West in a concert party. He came to Iowa State in 1920 as head of the Department of Music, where, beside the Festival Chorus, he has directed the men's and women's glee clubs, the Varsity Eight, and operettas, such as last year's "Pinafore."

Students in these groups who go on concert tours with MacRae enjoy the informal contacts with him, and have fun talking them over afterward. They laugh about the time on tour when MacRae left the vest to his dress suit in one town and had to borrow another one (a little too large) for the next performance.

The technical voice training is important to MacRae, of course, along with helping his pupils to get the right expression.

For example, MacRae tells a story about Gladys Swarthout, whose picture is on his studio wall among those of the other celebrities who have given concerts at Iowa State. "She sang here twice; the first time, when she was just getting started, for \$150, and the second time for \$1,700. The first time, while she was waiting here in my studio for the accompanist to come for a rehearsal, she was looking through this book," he said, pointing out some anatomical diagrams of the larynx, lungs, and vocal chords, in a book of singing instruction.

"Miss Swarthout said, 'Mr. Mac-

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Rae, are all these things in me?' and I told her, 'Yes, if you are normal.' Then she said, 'Well, thank the Lord I don't know about it!'' MacRae laughed, and went on to explain that Miss Swarthout probably thought that knowing about "those things" would distract her from her art, but actually, he said, that thorough knowledge of the anatomy of the voice is necessary before a singer can become one of the very great.

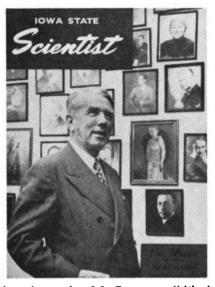
Along with the picture of Gladys Swarthout are pictures of Jascha Heifitz, Lily Pons, Fritz Kreisler, Lauritz Melchior, Sergei Rachmaninoff, Mischa Elman, Dorothy Maynor, and others that he hired when he was chairman of the music council. He retired from that position when he retired as head of the Department of Music, July 1, 1948.

Becoming accustomed to great musicians is perhaps the reason for the way MacRae feels towards celebrities. "The way I work with these artists is different than most people would think," he said. "I buy them as I would a coat—for a certain price, and I expect the artist or the coat to give satisfaction."

On his studio floor MacRae has a Mexican rug woven in the sun pattern, with bright colors blending into each other. "That was given to me by a man whose wife wanted to take a term of singing lessons," Mac-Rae said. "He didn't have any money to pay for the lessons, so he brought me the rug instead. I flopped it down on the floor, and it's been there ever since," he laughed. The rug would cost about half of the price of a term of lessons.

MacRae's philosophy of music at Iowa State has quite an influence on the way he does his work. "I like to try to raise appreciation for music here, and the theme of the department, as I see it, is that it's entirely possible for all the students to understand music-see the beauty of it without technical music training. There's a lot of satisfaction in that." Speaking of the Festival Chorus and the glee clubs, MacRae said, "You know, there's something most thrilling about directing a large number of persons, getting them to give you the best they can. It's just a little different in leading community singing. I don't expect every note to be right, but there's good fellowship in it.

This spirit of good fellowship may Page Twelve



be what makes MacRae so well-liked in Iowa and in neighboring states where he has appeared with his choral groups, and sometimes has led community singing. As one of the alumni said recently, "When I think back over the years I had at Iowa State and the alumni gatherings since then, somewhere in the picture Tolbert MacRae shows up, giving a good account of all that's connected with ISC. He really has been a great help in putting the spirit of the college across to the public. May we have many more like him."

A NOTHER DESERVED HONOR came to Tolbert MacRae, a one-time member of the Grand Chapter, when at Alumni Day activities, June 16, he received the Iowa State College Faculty Citation. This is awarded to outstanding long-time members of the college teaching, extension service, experiment station, or administrative staffs who have been a great inspiration to students and leaders in their fields of endeavor. The recipient must have been associated with the college for a minimum of 15 years.

Upon joining the Iowa State college faculty, he instituted three methods of building an appreciation for music: participation in musical organizations by students; lecture courses; opportunities for students to hear great musicians of the world in concert series.

He is a member of Phi Kappa Lambda, music scholarship; Phi Mu Alpha (Sinfonia), music professional fraternity; Cardinal Key, all-college recognition society at Iowa State; Theta Chi, and Rotary International.

#### Seeks the GOP Nomination For Governor in Illinois

CHICAGO PAPERS used sizeable headlines to announce the fact that Park Livingston, Illinois, '30, had announced his intention to run for the Republican gubernatorial nomination in Illinois in next April's primary. He is the fifth man to announce such intentions. Most of his opponents are well-known politicians.

Livingston, who has been a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois for 11 years and president of it since 1943, has become well known throughout the state as he has given more than one hundred talks a year on the university's management. He plans a campaign based on "shirt-sleeve economics and fireside morals." Now 44 years of age, he was born in a log cabin in Philip, S. Dak., and worked his way through the University of Illinois. After his graduation he served as assistant dean of men and then became an attorney. At the present time he is attorney and vice president of the Dean Milk Co. of Chicago.

He plans an extensive television, radio, billboard, and speaking campaign, which will open in December with speeches in Rockford before the Young Republicans. He estimates that his campaign will cost \$200,000.

Park Livingston has served Theta Chi Fraternity in various capacities, the most recent of which was as chairman of the 1946 convention held in Chicago.

#### Governor Made a Judge

Those who attended the greeting luncheon of Theta Chi's 1950 national convention in Minneapolis will remember the warm-hearted greeting of Gov. Luther W. Youngdahl of Minnesota, who explained his interest in Theta Chi by telling what an important influence in his life had been the late Gov. Theodore Christianson. Minnesota, '06, a one time national vice president of the fraternity. On July 5 President Truman named the outstanding Republican governor of Minnesota to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, thus surprising the Republicans who were planning to nominate him for a gubernatorial fourth term. His start in politics had been an appointment to a judgeship at the hands of Governor Christianson.

## A Family Convention

SITE OF Theta Chi's 96th Anniversary Convention, Los Angeles has long been kidded for its seemingly impossible and unhushable claims to everything from juiciest oranges and driest raindrops to the biggest conventions. "C'mon out and see for yourself," is Miss Los Angeles' challenge to doubting Thomases who can't believe the southern California town of 20-odd years ago has become the country's third largest metropolis with a population of nearly 2,000,000.

To describe Los Angeles, it is necessary to talk about more varieties of topography, scenery, people, and business than those possessed by any other city. Actually, Los Angeles has within its county borders a greater variety of life than many states. The city covers 453.47 square miles, almost half the size of Rhode Island. The county, encompassing 4080 square miles, is half as large as Vermont.

Los Angeles County is a place where scenery and topography run from arid, sandy desert to lush gardens and orchards, to pine-studded mountains, to cool surf-washed beaches.

Los Angeles is cosmopolitan, its atmosphere of Spain blending with a touch of the Orient, a whiff of Paris, and a dash of the Old West-all wrapped in modern American trimmings. Commercially and economically, the city is as kaleidoscopic as its terrain and people. It ranks as a national leader in manufacturing of all sorts, with no single industry predominating. It is a center of fashion creating, petroleum production, airplane building, steel-making, automobile assembly, giftware designing, rubber working, and countless other fields, producing more than \$4,000,-000,000 worth of goods a year.

**OF** THE 4,000,000 PERSONS who live in the county, nearly 1,000 are Theta Chis, undergraduates of USC and UCLA and alumni from nearly 100 chapters. These men want members of the fraternity to take their vacation in Los Angeles this year and attend Theta Chi's 96th anniversary convention, September 3, 4, 5 and 6.

The convention committee are now hard at work perfecting the plans for your enjoyment of this part of your vacation in Hollywood, a city within a city. The locale of the convention is the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, right across the street from Grauman's Chinese Theatre. In the concrete foyer of the famous site of many movie premieres, you can match your handprints against those of the stars, see the imprints of Harold Lloyd's "horned rims," Betty Grable's legs, Al Jolson's knees, Sonia Henie's skate tracks, and Hopalong Cassidy's guns. The committee promises a long-remembered vacation for all members of the family.

The more serious side of the convention, such as the School of Fraternity Practices and the legislative session, will account for some of the time; the rest will be devoted to making your stay in Los Angeles a memorable one. The official social events to which are welcomed wives, children, and other relatives of Theta Chis, will begin with a greeting luncheon. You will be welcomed to Los Angeles and southern California by local and state officials.

Next will be a tropical luau on the beach under the stars, held at one of California's famous beach clubs on the Pacific Ocean. Beach attire will be the dress for the occasion, and those tantalizing Hawaiian dishes, such as barbecued ribs, charcoal broiled fish, and fresh fruit from the islands will be waiting for you after your swim.

An evening is planned at the Walt Disney Studio, where 250 artists draw the nearly quarter of a million cartoons needed to create one full-length Disney cartoon feature. You will see Mickey Mouse, Donald Duck, and others leap from the drawing boards into action. A movie preview will be shown to the Theta Chi convention group in Mr. Disney's private studio,

THE ALWAYS CLIMATIC banquet will be held in the Hollywood Roosevelt's famous Blossom Room, about which the social activities of film and radio land revolve. Your new national officers will be introduced and awards made. The chapter attendance trophy, given by the Grand Chapter, will be awarded for undergraduate participation on a man-miles basis so all chapters have an equal chance. In addition, this year the Los Angeles convention committee will award an additional prize based on undergraduate and alumni attendance.

The "unofficial" activities will be many and varied. The Mothers' Club and wives of Los Angeles alumni arc planning extensive entertainment for the ladies: a visit to a major movie studio, a tour of the smart shopping districts of Wilshire Center and The Miracle Mile, a visit to Huntington Library and Art Gallery, home of Gainsborough's "Blue Boy" and the equally famous "Pinkie" and "The



Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, Site of Theta Chi's 96th Anniversary Convention



George White, Albert George, Stuart Kelley talk over convention plans, the president of on undergraduote chapter, the counselor of Region X, and the national president.

Tragic Muse," the Gutenberg Bible, and additional rare pieces; and a tour of other interesting local scenes. The children accompanying Theta Chi alumni will be thrilled by a visit to Crash Corrigan's ranch where many of the western movies are made. Plenty of excitement is in store for them, too, at the world's largest alligator farm.

Yes, Los Angeles plans to play host to a truly "family vacation" convention. The committee suggests that you write any of your chapter brothers living in southern California and tell them you will see them in Los Angeles in September. If you have lost any one's address, write Convention Chairman Charles F. S. Ryan at 544 So. San Vicente Blvd., Los Angeles 48, and he will try to locate it. As the committee will start soliciting advance registrations soon, have your plans made.

#### Nine Tribesmen Return

Nine Theta Chis were among the more than two hundred men who returned to the University of Michigan campus, May 18-19, for the golden anniversary of Michigamua, the oldest and most coveted senior recognition society among the Wolverines. Each of the fifty tribes was represented, including 17 of the Tribe of 1902. Alumni of Alpha Gamma participating included: Harry G. Gault, '15, Flint; Glenn M. Coulter, '16, Detroit; Vernon F. Hillery, '23, Fort Worth, Texas; George Ceithaml, '43, Ann Arbor; Clyde B. Recht, '48, Detroit; William Tattersall, '49. Elyria, Ohio; and Robert Seeber, '50, Detroit. Joining them were two braves selected for the Tribe of 1951, Leo Koceski and Harold Sperlich.

### **Nineteen Play on Delaware Team**

#### By JAMES H. TAYLOR

IN THE 1951 SEASON as in most recent years, Theta Chis have provided the bulwark of the University of Delaware football squad. This year found nineteen men of Alpha Xi on the varsity. Leading the parade was Captain John DeGasperis, 5' 8" 170pound fullback. Although he was hampered by a knee injury in the early part of the season, his mere presence as a morale builder was of great value to the team. The spirited and capable Cliffside (N. J.) lad returned to action in the latter portion of the season and resumed the stellar role on the field which had earned him the captain's post. In addition to his gridiron activities, John is prominent on campus, being a basketball letterman, Newman Club president, and house manager for Theta Chi.

Brothers who were returning lettermen from last year's squad are: Broadhag, Butler, Carbonetti, Craver, DeGasperis, Heilig, Keene, McWilliams, Mueller, Walter, and Wright.

Delaware won five games out of eight, losing only to Connecticut, Temple, and Bucknell. The team was hampered in the latter part of the season by injuries to Sullivan, capable linebacker. Scarcia, who had been the Blue Hen's leading scorer and ground gainer, was sidelined by an appendectomy.

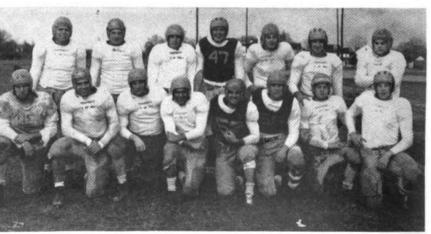
In ADDITION to its leadership on the gridiron, Alpha Xi has men in leading positions in nearly every phase of campus activity. William Hearn, former chapter secretary, is president of the Student Government Association. Donald B. Kidoo, chapter president, is editor of the *Review*, the student weekly.

Alpha Xi also claims the captains of baseball and cross country, Alfred Broadhag and Stanley Hughes, respectively. Offices held by Theta Chis include: president of Kappa Delta Pi and education representative to S.G.A., Anthony Cotoia; news editor of the *Review*, Thomas Hadfield; and president of Pi Mu Upsilon and AIEE, Thomas Clements.

This year again finds Alpha Xi among the larger chapters on the Delaware campus with 50 actives and 13 pledges.

#### Thirteen Alumni Are in School

Thirteen of Gamma Omega (Vandebilt) young alumni are continuing their education at other schools: Eli Allen, Alabama; Robert Morast, Chattanooga; Oscar Yelverton, Ala-bama; C. J. Smith, Arizona; Leonard Settembrini as a medical student in Italian universities; William Henning, Georgia; Gordon Goodall, Alabama's School of Dentistry at Bir-mingham; John Hudgens, Tulane Medical School; William Shackleford, Northwestern Medical School; Wallace Brown, University of Ten-nessee Medical School; John Stevens, Memphis (Tenn.) State College; Francisco Bausista, a medical student at the University of Barcelona, Spain; Roderick Evans, studying for the Baptist ministry at Union College, Tennessee. The first four are affiliated with Theta Chi chapters at their respective schools in this country.



THETA CHł faotball players at Delaware: kneeling—Crover, Walter, Kehoe, Carzo, Captain John DeGasperis, Carbonetti, Sullivan, Heilig; standing—Nunn, Broadhag, Wright, Mueller, McWilliams, Ford, Keene, Absentees—Allen, Cregg, Fannon, Scarcia, Butler.

## **Stars Replace the Eagles**

NOL. GEORGE G. EDDY, Col-Gate, ex. 17, is the latest to join Theta Chi's steadily lengthening list of generals. He traded his silver eagles for the stars at the White Sands Proving Ground, New Mexico, his promotion to brigadier general having been confirmed by the U.S. Senate in July. In an informal ceremony the stars were pinned on his uniform by his wife, the former Josephine Tracy of Carlsbad, N. M. Their son, Capt. George G. Eddy, Jr., who became a Theta Chi at the University of Michigan, has just been transferred from the Ioliet (Ill.) Arsenal to the ROTC unit at Louisiana State University.

General Eddy won high recognition for his outstanding work in World War II as director of the newly established Ordnance Research and Development Center at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md. He took over the infant project and was charged with the task of developing and testing the nation's guns, tanks, ammunition, small arms fuses, bombs, rockets, recoilless weapons, wheel and tracklaying machines, in fact, the great majority of the nation's implements of war. His success was related in an article published in the July issue of The Rattle of 1947.

Numerous decorations have been received by General Eddy in his army career. Among them are the Legion of Merit, the Army Commendation, Order of British Empire, the EAME Theater with Bronze Star, and the French Legion of Honor, Croix de Guerre with palm, and Medaille de la Reconnaissance.

GENERAL EDDY, who was born July 4, 1895, interrupted his career as a student at Colgate University by accepting an appointment to West Point, from which he was graduated in 1918. His interest turned to ordnance activities in 1919 when he became a student in the Ordnance School of Application and the Ordnance School of Technology, Watertown Arsenal, Mass., completing the course in June, 1921. From this school, he was assigned to the Office Chief of Ordnance, Washington, D. C.

In August, 1924, he was sent to the Eighth Corps Area, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, where he served as as-



Mrs. Eddy Does the Honors

sistant ordnance officer and armament officer. From this station, in 1927, he was assigned to the Philippine Department, as armament officer.

In 1929, he was assigned to Harvard University as a student officer, from which he obtained his MBA degree, with distinction, in 1931. He then became division ordnance officer, Third Division, and commanding officer, Third Ordnance Company, Fort Lewis, Washington.

On November 1, 1934, he was promoted to the rank of captain and the following April was assigned to duty with the Hawaiian Department, where he served as assistant department ordnance officer, armament officer, and ammunition officer. In this capacity, he prepared the first complete Field Inspection Manual for all weapons, which was used in the Eighth Corps Area, Philippine Department and Hawaiian Department.

In June, 1937, he was transferred to Aberdeen Proving Grounds, where he remained until December, 1945, having been promoted to major in July, 1941, and to lieutenant colonel in September, 1941. His various assignments at Aberdeen culminated with the directorship of the Ordnance Research and Development Center.

In December, 1945, he was again assigned overseas, serving as ordnance officer until January, 1946. In the same capacity, he was transferred to the Western Base Section, USFET and ETO, where he continued until January, 1947, when he was assigned in the same capacity to Third Army, European Theater of Occupation. In February, 1947, he became chief, Supply Division, Ordnance Section Headquarters, EUCOM, where he remained until November, 1948, when he returned to the United States.

#### Theta Chi Chapters Gain Scholarship Recognition

Not only did Gamma Tau Chapter at Drake University receive the scholarship trophy as the ranking fraternity chapter on that campus for the 1951 spring semester, but it also received the scholarship improvement trophy. The average of the chapter for the spring semester was 2.481; for the fall of 1950, 2.1. The all-fraternity averages respectively were 2.374 and 2.14. The trophies were presented at the final meeting of the Leadership Through Membership series, following an address by President Henry G. Harmon.

Gamma Tau was not the only Theta Chi Chapter to win scholarship recognition. Beta Omega at Susquehanna captured the scholarship cup for the tenth consecutive year. Alpha Omega at Lafayette for the second semester of 1951 was fourth out of 19 fraternities, well above the all-men's average. Commendable improvement was made by Delta Mu at Texas, where it ranked ninth out of 30 fraternity chapters, also well above the all-men's average. Delta Eta at Colorado A & M has also steadily improved its record since its installation last May. The average for the fall quarter was 2.22, and the winter quarter, 2.27. There was a drop, however, in the spring quarter to 2.16, because several students failed to clear with the registrar when they left school, and their incompletes were averaged as failures,

#### Graduated at Annapolis

Eugene H. Saylor, Drexel, ex-'51, was graduated from the United States Naval Academy in June. He played on the varsity baseball team for three years, and was on the academy's team last season. In 1949 and 1950, he won the base stealing trophy in the Eastern Intercollegiate League. He was also a member of the varsity football team in 1948, 1949 and 1950. Scholastically, Saylor ranks in the upper ten per cent of his class, and was chosen for the collegiate Who's Who.

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## Hell Week Be Damned

By MAYNARD C. NICHOLL, JR., and ROBERT SCHNABEL

ONE NIGHT last October Larry Griffin and John Morgan, president and pledge marshall of Xi Chapter, sat talking in a car. The subject under discussion emanated from an article in The Reader's Digest, and the result of the conversation, was to start a heretofore unprecedented practice at the University of Virginia.

Up to this time, Theta Chi, like all fraternities at Virginia, had practiced a rather ineffective Hell Week at the end of the pledge training season. Such trials as missions to various cities while on a silence pledge were a prevalent criterion of a man's character. Nor was it unusual for a manager of one the local theatres to find a pledge chained to the radiator in the ladies' room.

The week following the conversation found Larry and John visiting the Charlottesville Chamber of Commerce, where they were received with proverbial "open arms." It took them only a few minutes to outline a plan whereby Hell Week might be turned into Help Week, changing the more puerile parts of the pre-initiatory activities into some sort of constructive work, which, at the same time, would be an appropriate test to judge the worth of the pledge. The Chamber of Commerce referred John and Larry to the Community Chest, which was just starting its drive in Charlottesville. Once again, they were gratefully welcomed, and this time the program took more concrete form.

At the next meeting of Xi Chapter, President Griffin outlined his plan before an enthusiastic group of brothers. Put to a vote, the plan was unanimously adopted, and the next day several pledges were working for the Community Chest in their spare time. That the plan had appealed to the entire chapter was proved when one active brother after another volunteered his services in the Red Feather drive. They prepared collection kits, solicited in the tougher neighborhoods of the town, counted money, and recovered unused materials. When it was all over, a certain feeling of satisfaction was prevalent, exceeding the heart-felt appreciation expressed by the officials of the Community Chest.

We don't know what our next pledge class will do for Charlottes-Page Sixteen ville, but after one experiment in doing something constructive, we do know that a more mature attitude will aid us in doing something for rather than to the community. A town, not overly friendly to fraternities, has seen and approved our deed. We were given desirable publicity in local papers and have even received favorable comment from the pulpit. The fact that we have set a precedent, which we hope other fraternities at Virginia will follow, has given us a deep feeling of pride and satisfaction.

#### Football Field Is Named To Honor Young Alumnus

THE ANNUAL HOMECOMING GAME at Bridgeport, Alabama, was marked by the dedication of the high school football field in honor of Harry H. Summers, Chattanooga, '48, whose



Horry L. Summers, Chattonooga

success as a coach and teacher and ability to get community cooperation in greatly improving the football field won the admiration of both students and townspeople. The remodeled field was named Summers Field by impressive ceremonies.

Coach Summers made a name for himself in athletics and leadership while at Chattanooga. He was vice president of Gamma Alpha Chapter, president of his senior class, a member of the Student Council and the "C" Club. He was named in the

### Growing Up

"Hell Week" in college fraternities used to be a melancholy business. Big boys who should have known better went in for some embarrassing stunts. At worst, "Hell Week" had a touch of sadism, in the indignities inflicted upon pledges; at best, it was silly.

In recent years the fraternities have shown signs of change. More and more, pledges are required to do useful things—cleanup jobs at hospitals, for example — rather than asinine ones.

The University of Omaha's Theta Chi chapter has come up with the best idea of all. With the slogan, "Let's Make Hell Week Help Week," Theta Chi is sending its pledges to the Red Cross to donate blood.

The boys, it seems, are growing up.

-editorial from Omaha World Herald, November 13, 1951

collegiate Who's Who. Previous to his graduation from Chattanooga he served in the Army Air Force for three years, spending two years in the Pacific area.

#### Elmer Receives First "Elmer"

First to receive an "Elmer," recognition by the Associated Artists of Omaha, Nebraska, was Elmer Gruenig, Nebraska, '25, whose interesting story as a creative painter was told recently in The Rattle. The presentation took place at the annual Art Week banquet. The statuette in wood, created by ten members of the association, signifies that in the judgment of the Associated Artists, the recipient has performed the greatest service to artists and the furtherance of art in the previous year. The award will be made annually.

#### Tacoma is the Latest

Tacoma, Washington, becomes the site of the latest Theta Chi alumni chapter, with officers as follows: president, Richard Weeks; vice president, Roy Rodgers; secretary, Gordon Jones; treasurer, Richard Hiltburn. Meetings are held the second Tuesday each month at the Tropics Club, 11th and Commerce Streets, Tacoma, at 6:30 p.m.

## Many Zeta Lettermen

A LONG WITH attaining a notable scholastic record, University of New Hampshire's Zeta Chapter has placed a remarkably large number of brothers on athletic teams in recent years. Heading the list of sports has been football in which twelve members were on the third undefeated, untied team in the history of the school. Co-captain William Haubrich, now an assistant coach, headed this list.

Others who received high recognition were Edward Douglas, 200pound guard, the 1951 co-captain, and Robert Ferro, his 195-pound running mate in the guard slot. Douglas, who hopes to play pro ball, was selected for the Associated Press Little All-American team as first string guard, the first player in the history of the university to obtain such an honor. Ferro was mentioned as alleastern guard on the United Press's team and also received honorable mention on the UP's all-American team.

The defensive team had several notable linemen from Zeta Chapter in Paul Wyman and Robert Jackson, the only members of the squad who played a full 60 minutes in 1950. Larry Martin, son of Zeta's Dr. Carl L. Martin, '25, was the regular defensive guard.

William Borden, Travis Nutting, and Howard McGlory were outstanding backfield replacements, while Roy Linberg, Kenneth Spinney, Stanley Karpinski, and Benjamin Bridges all saw considerable service as linemen. Bradley Jones was head manager a year ago, while Louis Newman assisted him and took over as senior manager this past fall.

Douglas and Jackson played outstanding ball on the 1951 team. The former, playing either on the offensive or the defensive unit, played a full 60 minutes on several occasions.

ON NEW HAMPSHIRE's hapless 1950 basketball team, Zeta also placed a large number with Haubrich again leading the group. This six-foot four-inch forward was likewise co-captain of the basketball team. Joseph Stone, Herbert Richardson, and David Stafford were also on the squad.

Henry Langevin, a four-year letterman in track, has seldom been defeated in his specialty, pole-vaulting, and has constantly endangered New Hampshire's and Zeta's immortal "Boo" Morcom's pole vault record. Roy Lindberg, who set a new record in his freshman year, has excelled in the shot put and discus, while Thomas O'Brien, this year's captain of the track team and president of the Varsity Club, has been the star sprinter and broad jumper. Charles Eager was manager of the track squad last year.

In one of the most successful hockey campaigns in UNH history, Theta Chi placed three men on the regular team. Berry was one of the team's high scorers, and Richard Dears and Fred Graves both won letters in the sport. Karpinski was manager.

Clarence Wadleigh, rated as one of the outstanding attack men in New England, was co-captain of last year's powerful lacrosse team. He was the leading scorer for three consecutive years and will go down as one of the greatest stickmen in the history of the school. Allen, Jerome Lundholm, son of New Hampshire's athletic director, Frederick Graves, and Richard Duffy were also on the squad.

On New Hampshire's extra-strong ski team, Zeta placed Paul Rich, who won the outstanding skier award at Sunapee State Park. Smith, before he broke his leg, also competed in several eastern and national meets.

IN BASEBALL, Zeta Chapter placed Stone, Bridges, and Nutting on the 1951 squad. Stone, now coaching at Clark School in Hanover, N. H., worked out at both infield and outfield positions. Bridges was a utility catcher, and Nutting, listed as an outfielder, was used mainly in pinch hitting roles.

In freshmen athletics, three Theta Chi pledges were on the undefeated freshmen frosh football team, two were on the basketball squad coached by Jerome Chase, '36, and one was on the baseball team. Dodge Morgan played on the football, basketball, and track teams, and Donald Wheeler was on the basketball squad. Robert Keefe and Henry Roberts were members of the football squad, along with Morgan. Robert Jacquith was a heavy hitting outfielder for the kitten baseball team.

Because of the large number of men in varsity sports, Zeta's intramural teams have suffered somewhat. In both football and basketball, however, the teams reached the playoffs, only to be defeated in the finals. Theta Chi made a clean sweep of the events in track. In addition, Zeta won its division in both tennis and golf. Theta Chi just missed the All-Point Trophy by one-half point, but is out to nail it down this year without fail.



ZETA CHAPTER'S lettermen shown above are: I. to r., front row—Joseph Stone, baseball and basketball; Henry Langevin, track; William Haubrich, co-captain of both football and basketball teams; Bradley Jones, manager of the football team; second row—Paul Rich, skiing; Clarence Wadleigh, All-New England lacrosse: man; Richard Bornes, football and track; Fred Graves, lacrosse and hockey; Allen, lacrosse: third row—Larry Martin, football; Roy Lindberg, football and track; Edward Douglas, Little All-American football; Robert Jackson, football; Robert Ferro, all-eastern football; and Berry, hockey.

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### "Retires" to a Busy Program

 $\mathbf{F}_{of}^{or 30}$  YEARS professor and head of the Department of Agricultural and Biological Chemistry at the Pennsylvania State College, Dr. R. Adams Dutcher, retired on June 30 with emeritus rank. Already he is planning for busy days ahead. Consulting work, in which Dr. Dutcher was engaged long before his appointment at Penn State, will occupy some of his time, and he also plans to do some popular writing on technical subjects. In January, he'll make a lecture tour for the American Chemical Society through the South, speaking on "Milestones in Vitamin Research."

Internationally known for his work on vitamins, foods, and nutrition, when Dr. Dutcher came to Penn State from the University of Minnesota, his first job was to establish a program in vitamin research.

Today the department is recognized as among the best in the country, and, so far as is known, is the only department of agricultural biochemistry in the United States to have been accredited by the American Chemical Society. It has qualified 1,027 students for degrees, among them 71 doctorates, 181 master of science degrees, and 775 bachelor of science degrees. The full-time staff of the department in this 30-year period has grown from 9 to 25 persons, and they have published more than 400 research papers and 15 textbooks and monographs.

Since 1945, Dr. Dutcher has served as chairman of the Council on Research, established in 1928. The council advises on research and patent policies, keeps a record of research in progress, and complies annually the book, "Publications and Research."

Dr. Dutcher served in World War I as a captain in the Sanitary Corps, U. S. Army; in World War II worked on projects concerning war efforts. Following the war, the government sent Dr. Dutcher to Germany on a scientific intelligence mission. He reported to the government on the effect of the war and Naziism on the work of many German scientists.

Prior to his appointment at Penn State, Dr. Dutcher served at South Dakota State College, University of Missouri, University of Illinois, Oregon State College, University of Minnesota.

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Dr. Dutcher is a fellow of the New York Academy of Sciences and of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He is a member of the American Institute of Nutrition. American Chemical Society. Federated Society for Experimental Biology and Medicine, American Society of Biological Chemists, Pennsylvania Academy of Sciences, British Biochemical Society, Dairy Science Association, Chemists Club of New York, Sigma Xi, Gamma Sigma Delta. Phi Lambda Upsilon, Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Chi Sigma, Acacia, and Theta Chi.

Dr. Dutcher now is secretary of the Food and Nutrition section of the 12th International Congress of Pure and Applied Chemistry that will meet in New York in September as a part of the 75th anniversary meetings of the American Chemical Society. He is also at present serving as counselor-at-large in the Institute of Food Technologists.

In 1926, Dr. Dutcher published "Chemistry in Agriculture" and in 1931, with D. E. Haley, wrote "Introduction to Agricultural Biochemistry." Last year, with Dr. C. O. Jensen and Dr. P. M. Althouse, he published an entirely new book, also titled, "Introduction to Agricultural Chemistry."

Dr. and Mrs. Dutcher plan to maintain their residence in State College, but winter months will be spent at Jasmine Point, New Port Richey, Fla. He already has made arrangements for use of the library and facilities at the University of Florida.

#### Norwich Alumnus Receives Doctor of Laws Degree

OMMENCEMENT AT NORWICH UNIVERSITY is practically always a partial Theta Chi event, and the one of June, 1951, was no exception. Among the three alumni to be given honorary degrees along with the commencement speaker, Maj. Gen. Lewis B. Hershey, who was presented for the honor by a Theta Chi, Adj. Gen. Murdock A. Campbell, was Fred Barnes Thomas, '95, soldier, lawyer, and trustee of Norwich University. A former commander of the Vermont Department of the American Legion, he was cited for his outstanding record in the Spanish American War and later in World War I, in which he served with distinction as com-

manding officer of the First Vermont Infantry and the 57th Pioneer Infantry. Holder of many positions of importance in the state, he was particularly commended for his service on the Executive Committee of the Norwich Board of Trustees, where his wise counsel and legally trained mind had proved invaluable. He was given the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Two alumni of Alpha Chapter, whose terms as members of the Norwich University Board of Trustees were unanimously re-elected: George C. Randall, '04, and Oscar W. Ray, '12, New York City. Other Theta Chis on the board include Lesley Sparrell, '25, an executive of the Bethlehem Steel Co., New York; Judge Ernest W. Gibson, Adj. Gen. Murdock A. Campbell, Montpelier; and Col. Frank Tompkins, Northfield.

Charles M. Hughes, '20, was elected to a three-year term as a director of the General Alumni Association.

Announcement of the numerous honors accorded graduating seniors and undergraduates was made by Dean Perley D. Baker, '20.

#### Ball State Chapter Alumni Organize at Homecoming

THE DELTA KAPPA CHAPTER at Ball State held an alumni organizational meeting at Homecoming, October 19-21. Its purpose was to furnish an opportunity for active members and alumni to get together. It was held in the Club Room of the Roberts Hotel in Muncie.

On Saturday evening officers were elected: Floyd C. Lacy, '41, Hagerstown, president; Neil Daily, '31, Muncie, vice president; Ray Brotherton, '51, Union City, treasurer; Joseph Browning, '42, Muncie, chapter sponsor; Gene McCreery, '36, Muncie, financial adviser to the active chapter.

The group appointed Joseph George, '53, treasurer of the active chapter with Allan Dye, '53, assistant.

The following old Triangle alumni were initiated into the Theta Chi Alumni Association: Dale Klingerman, '49, Indianapolis; Mack Liptrap, Edward Armstrong, Anderson; James Moser, '48, John Graham, '39, James Johnson, Richard Hunt, Wesley Gough, '37, and Leslie Reeves, '28, Muncie; Walter Young, '30, Huntington; Byron Smith, Rushville; and Harold Bryan, '49, Warsaw.

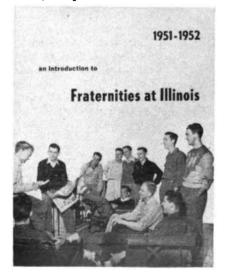
## **Rho Men Provide Booklet's Cover**

Not only have Theta Chis served as cover material for a number of outstanding general circulation magazines recently, but Theta Chi chapters have also been responsible for cover illustrations. Rho Chapter is so honored by the 1951-52 "Introduction to Fraternities at Illinois." This 32-page  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  slick booklet has on its cover an informal group picture of Theta Chis, characteristic of fraternity bull sessions.

The booklet itself does an excellent job of presenting the case of Illinois Greeks to prospective rushees. Its purpose is to assist them in becoming acquainted with the fraternities and fraternity life on the campus of the University of Illinois and is published by the Interfraternity Council. Both text and pictures are used effectively to show what goes on in fraternity houses and among fraternity members, treating study, relaxation, social, and athletic activities in lively, but sane fashion.

There are warm-hearted greetings by the dean of students and the assistant dean in charge of fraternities which indicate the confidence the university places in its 53 chapters. The University of Illinois is known for its unusually fine group of fraternity houses, probably the most generally impressive to be found on any campus. Pictures of these are included in the book together with the number of undergraduate chapter members and the total of undergraduate chapters in the respective fraternity.

The booklet shows that the fraternity chapters have done an amaz-



ing job in providing for their members unusual facilities at a low cost. For only \$83 a month, the average fraternity man gets not only room and board, but also social events, local and national dues, intramural and activity fees, and some other incidental expenses. The social program includes three dances a semester for which there is no extra assessment. University dormitories charge \$75 a month for room and board only.

#### Chapter at Oregon State Plans Three-Point Program By LEE CRANE, '51

SIGMA CHAPTER at Oregon State is instituting a three fold chapter program: better scholarship, better alumni relations, and better campus activity by members and pledges

To realize the first objective, the chapter analyzed carefully the academic record of each of its prospective pledges. To create an environment for better grades, stringent additions to the study rules were written and enforced. These additions include: No one is allowed out of his room during study hours except for emergencies. Pledges are required to go to bed at 11 p.m. unless given permission to study later.

A project aimed at bettering relations with alumni is underway. Notices announcing Homecoming brought over sixty alumni to the campus, October 7. The actives are compiling a house letter of special interest to the alumni. Letters of thanks for suggestions are promptly mailed.

To fulfill the third objective, several actives have formed a campus activity committee to introduce the freshmen to college life and to plan election campaigns. An activity point system has been established for initiation.

#### National President for 14 Years

Emeritus president and trustee at large are the titles bestowed upon Dr. S. Howard Patterson, Pennsylvania, '14, by Pi Gamma Mu, national social science honor society, at its eleventh biennial convention this year when he retired after fourteen years of service as national president. In that period the society has grown decidedly both in number of chapters, educational prestige, and influence.

### **Maryland Faculty Leader Retires**

THE RETIREMENT of Dr. William B. Kemp from the staff of the College of Agriculture of the University of Maryland was announced last summer. He had served the state of Maryland since 1912, when he received his B.S. at the Maryland Agricultural College, now the University of Maryland.

Early in the history of Alpha Psi Chapter, Dr. Kemp, a member of the faculty, began keeping its books and serving as a member of its administration board. The strong financial position of the chapter today testifies to his capable tutelage.

Dr. Kemp received his Ph.D. degree at the American University in 1928. He served as a member of the argonomy staff, director of the Agricultural Experiment Station, head of the agronomy and genetics departments, assistant dean of the College of Agriculture, and director of student instruction in that college in his years at Maryland.

He is a fellow in the American Association for the Advancement of Science and also of the American Society of Agronomy, besides being a member of the American Genetics Association. The following honor societies name him among their members: Sigma Xi, Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Zeta, and Omicron Delta Kappa.

Dr. Kemp is now residing on a farm in Virginia, near Washington.



Dr. William B. Kemp, Maryland

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## Among the Theta Chi Writers

A GAIN Remi A. Nadeau Stanford, '42, has found material in the Southwest for a factual book written in a highly dramatic fashion. He has followed his "City Makers," a story of the fabulous growth of Los Angeles from a sleepy pueblo to a great city, with "The Water Seekers," published recently by Doubleday & Co., Inc. In graphic style he shows how crucial the search for water is in the Southwest and joins other thoughtful writers in making readers realize that the problem of water is one of the most acute that can be faced in any land.

The Southwest's 50-year struggle for water is told vividly as a narrative, introducing some of the men who have played important roles in their efforts to bring a satisfactory solution to the problem. While Nadeau's treatment is limited to the Southwest area, his book becomes of more general interest because of the realization that water today is not only one of America's biggest trouble makers, but its necessity in urban situations makes it the most challenging subject in a city's development.

#### Adds Two to Book List

William White, Chattanooga, '33, assistant professor of journalism at Wayne University, Detroit, sailed for France on the Queen Elizabeth, June 22, to spend two years at the University of Dijon. He is the author of five books and more than one hundred articles on bibliography, literature, history, and journalism.

His two latest books were published this spring by the Wayne University Press. The first is a long essay read last May at the Seventh Annual Australian Medical Congress (British Medical Association) in Brisbane, Queensland, "Sir William Osler: Historian and Literary Essayist." He completed, with Dr. Milo M. Quaife, a 208-page pictorial history of Detroit, "This Is Detroit— 1701-1951," which is being sponsored by Detroit's 250th Birthday Festival Committee. The volume was issued in June.

#### First Text on Cerebral Palsy

A Minneapolis orthopedic surgeon, Dr. John F. Pohl, Minnesota, has written what Bruce Publishing Co., St. Paul, calls "the first complete medical text on diagnosis and treatment of cerebral palsy." Its title is "Cerebral Palsy." It is based on observation and research at Michael Dowling School for crippled children, for which Dr. Pohl is the orthopedic surgeon.

Dr. Pohl points out that cerebral palsy—often called spastic paralysis, although that is actually one type is as common as polio. Some 10,000 new cases occur yearly; there are 500,000 afflicted children and adults in the United States.

Dr. Pohl was formerly medical supervisor of Elizabeth Kenny Institute. He is author of "The Kenny Concept of Infantile Paralysis and its Treatment."

#### **Bradley Teachers Write Articles**

Dr. Loren Beth, Monmouth, who is a teacher of political science at Bradley University, is author of an article published in the 1950 issue of the Historical Society Journal dealing with the history of literary societies at Monmouth College. Prof. George R. Kinzie, Florida, '31, also a member of the faculty at Bradley, is author of an article entitled "Our Money and the National Debt," published in pamphlet form by the university.

#### Workshop Text in Public Speaking

The latest addition to textbooks written by Dr. Lionel Crocker, Michigan, '23, chairman of the speech department at Denison University, is entitled "A Workbook in Public Speaking for College Students." It is published by the American Book Company. It provides an ingenious method by which both the student and his instructor can analyze the student's speech efforts and evaluate them. In addition, it gives textbook references which can be used in the preparation of various assignments. There is a long list of suitable speech subjects and other information, clearly presented, that should be helpful to speech students.

#### Translated Into Japanese

"You Can Talk Well," a textbook in public speaking written by Prof. Richard C. Beager, an honorary member of Beta Gamma Chapter at Rutgers University, was recently translated into Japanese and is being used by the Japanese Ministry of

Education as a text in all secondary schools in Japan, supported by the ministry.

#### Notes About Writers

The treatment of casualties from atomic warfare was the subject of a report by Dr. Vinton Siler, assistant professor of surgery at the University of Cincinnati's College of Medicine.

Editor of the handbooks, "This Is Michigan" and "Michigan History," is Lewis Beeson, Oregon, '27, secretary-editor of the Michigan Historical Commission, secretary-treasurer of the Historical Society of Michigan, and representative to the Soo Locks Centennial Celebration.

A novel is being written by Thomas S. Sawyer, Illinois, '28, Ph. D., on a Saxton grant (Rockefeller Foundation). He is living in Fresno, Calif.

Frank Gilroy, Dartmouth, '50, won the third prize in the 1950 play writing contest conducted by Valparaiso University, Indiana. "Mc-Clintock's Medal" is the title of his play.

Dean J. Broward Culpepper, Florida, '29, dean of students at Florida State, is responsible for Counseling and Guidance, a 48-page pamphlet describing and listing the functions of the various offices and officers devoted to student life and welfare at his institution. It is published by the Division of Student Welfare. The different sections in the booklet have been prepared by department heads and are concise, well-written, and definite.

#### Songster Retires After 30 Years

Theta Chis who attended the 1948. convention held in Boston will remember the enthusiastic leading of fraternity songs by George P. Lovell, Norwich, '99. They will be interested to know that he retired from teaching mathematics in the high school of Keane, N. H., last June, after 23 years of service. He started his teaching career 30 years ago. Throughout his life he has been well known for his fine tenor voice and his ability to direct community singing. He was honored at the annual dinner meeting of the Keane Teachers Association. A 32nd degree Mason, he has held various Masonic offices and has been active in church work. Now that he has retired, he will find more time to devote to his favorite avocation, gardening.

## Theta Chi Bell Jolls for These

#### Popular University Teacher

Generally regarded as one of the most popular and distinguished members of the University of Connecticut faculty for 23 years, Dr. Wendell Homer Kinsey, Indiana, '25, died September 17, 1951, after a long illness. He had served for several years as faculty adviser for Gamma Iota Chapter.

Born in Indiana June 8, 1898, he followed the securing of his baccalaureate and master's degrees with teaching physics and coaching athletes in Indiana high schools. Later he taught at Alveth Junior College in Minnesota, where he acted as an informal assistant football and basketball coach to J. O. Christian, now director of athletics at the University of Connecticut.

Dr. Kinsey joined the faculty at Connecticut as assistant professor of physics, and in 1942 became associate professor. He had on occasion served as acting head of the physics department. Actively interested in athletics, he was an ardent player of golf, chairman of the athletic committee, secretary-treasurer of the Yankee Conference, and faculty representative at meetings of the New England College Conference of Athletics. He took all movies of the games from 1929. While on leave of absence from 1945-46 Dr. Kinsey taught with the United States Army of Occupation in the European theater.

#### With Bureau of Internal Revenue

A member of the Excess Profits Tax Council in the Bureau of In-ternal Revenue, William C. Thomp-son, Penn State. '19, died in Washington, D. C. Born in Chicago, he became a resident of Pennsylvania in his early years. His graduation from college was postponed because of his participation in World War I. in which he was commissioned a second lieutenant at the age of 20. While a student in the Temple University School of Law, Philadelphia, he became secretary to the late Judge Alex Simpson, Jr., then a justice of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court. After graduation with first honors in 1927, he practiced law in association with the late Senator Franklin S. Edmonds in Philadelphia until July of 1930, at

the same time being engaged in parttime teaching in the Law School of Temple University.

In July, 1930, he became special assistant to the attorney general of the United States, and spent more than three years on federal tax cases in various federal courts.

He resigned from this position to become a full time professor of law at Temple, a position he held until 1941, when he received his commission as lieutenant in the Naval Reserve and reported for active duty with the Navy, from which he was released with the rank of captain. He is survived by his wife and two children, Carol and Travis. An elder son was killed in Germany in World War II.

#### Killed in Plane Crash

First Lt. Charles A. Hamill, an honorary member of Alpha Psi Chapter and an instructor in the University of Maryland's AFROTC program, was killed in a plane crash, October 27, while flying to the bedside of his seriously ill daughter in Denver. The accident occurred at Kansas City, Mo., when the ship which he was co-piloting developed dual engine trouble and plunged into the Missouri River.

Lt. Hamill was listed by the Air Force as making a "proficiency flight." He held the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal with five clusters, received in World War II. He was a bomber pilot with the China-Burma-India theater of operations.

He held a master's degree in economics, which subject he had taught since 1949.

The 42-year-old officer requested active duty with the Air Force unit at Maryland last November and was made an instructor.

He is survived by his wife and two children, Bobby, his daughter, and William, a student at Maryland.

Initiated in May, 1950, Lieutenant Hamill had served as a faculty adviser for Alpha Psi.

#### In Fatal Automobile Accident

As a result of an automobile accident, August 11, 1951, Morgan C: Aldrich; Michigan, '22, and his wife died. They had been living in South Gastonbury, Conn., as the former was proprietor of the Morgan C. Aldrich Advertising Agency in Hartford, Conn. Their twelve-year-old daughter survives.

#### **Outstanding Acoustics Expert**

A professor of electrical engineering at the Washington University School of Engineering, St. Louis, Mo., Keron C. Morrical, Illinois, '29, died at his home in Clayton, a suburb, June 2, 1951, from heart disease at the age of 43.

Professor Morrical was outstanding in the field of acoustics. He received the Naval Ordnance Development Award for research in science. He was chairman of the standards committee of the Acoustical Society of America, secretary treasurer of the St. Louis section of the Institute of Radio Engineering, and a member of the Council for Physical Medicine of the American Medical Association, as well as chairman of a committee of sound experts, designing the St. Louis air raid siren system. Prior to service on the faculty of Harvard University, 1942-44, he was associated with RCA Victor in the advanced acoustic development section.

He joined the faculty of Washington University in 1947 to set up a joint acoustics program between the university and the Central Institute of the Deaf. His widow and three children, John, Ellen, and Richard, survive.

#### Died in City of His Birth

John Robert McArthur died from a heart ailment on August 13, 1951, in the city of his birth, Hancock, Minn. He was born December 22, 1902, and was graduated from the School of Pharmacy at North Dakota Agricultural College in 1923. He was associated with two drug companies in Fargo for five years following his graduation and then went to Minneapolis where he was with several drug firms. He never married.

#### Prominent in Law Profession

News of the death of Randolph E. Bell, Pennsylvania, '15, has just been received. A graduate of the Wharton School of Finance, he became a law partner in the firm of Brunstetter, Waldin, & Netter, after he received a law degree at the University of Miami. He represented Florida in inter-American law affairs as a delegate to conventions in South America in 1944 and 1947. He was an extreasurer of the University of Miami Law School and had been active in Republican politics. He served overseas in World War I and was a member of the Coral Gables American Legion Post. He had traveled extensively in Europe and South America. His widow survives. She and Mr. Bell had just completed a new home in Bay Point and had lived there only 17 days before he was stricken with leukemia. He died in Baltimore and was buried in North Attleboro, Mass., where he was born, November 4, 1892.

#### Young Newspaper Man Dies

Michael J. Kalivoda, Ohio, '46, editor of the Montana Daily Star, Miles City, Mont., became ill early in the spring and returned to his native state. He died in a Steubenville hospital, April 11, 1951, at the age of 32. He had served as sports editor of the Portsmouth (Ohio) Times and a reporter on the Weirton (West Va.) Times before he went to Montana.

#### Four Theta Chis Join ODK At Installation of Local

FOUR THETA CHI brothers became members of Omicron Delta Kappa at Ohio University, November 10. when Torch, 39-year-old men's leadership honor society, was installed as Torch Circle of the national honor society which had been established in 1914, a year after the founding of Torch by Prof. C. N. Mackinnon. Two were in the charter group, William Herbert Lewellen, '52, treasurer of the circle, and Prof. George Starr Lasher, Michigan, '11, the first teaching member of the Ohio University faculty to be initiated into Torch. This honor was accorded him when he was tapped by Founder Mackinnon at the annual tapping ceremony last May. The only other non-student who had been made a member earlier is John Calhoun Baker, president of Ohio University. Only two of the numerous Torch members among alumni of Alpha Tau Chapter were present for the installation of ODK. Robert H. Freeman and Lorin C. Staats, Jr.

The initiation ceremony was in charge of Dr. Robert W. Bishop, dean of men at the University of Cincinnati, a Theta Chi alumnus of Beta Omicron Chapter, who is national executive secretary of Omicron Delta Kappa. The Torch Circle. is the 76th unit of ODK.

## **Two Win Judgeships Unopposed**

Two ALUMNI of Pi Chapter, Dickinson, won judgeships in the Court of Common Pleas for Dauphin County and Lycoming County, Pennsylvania, under most unusual circumstances. Homer L. Kreider, '21-'24L, and Charles E. Greevy, '35-'38L, had both been accorded the Republican and Democratic nominations in their respective counties. As a result, their election was unopposed.

Judge Kreider, born April 14, 1898, served with his father, Dr. J. H. Kreider, in World War I. He en-



Judge Homer L. Kreider, Dickinson

tered service following his graduation from Central High School, Harrisburg, Pa. As a student in the Law School at Dickinson he was elected to Woolsack, legal scholastic society. For 27 years he practiced law in Dauphin County and also taught business law and political science in the Beckley Business College, Harrisburg. He is well known as a lecturer. Also, he has served as president of the Dauphin County Bar Association and of the Historical Society of Dauphin County, and is a member of the American Bar Association, the American Judicature Society and a number of fraternal and historical societies. He is a past grand regent of Pennsylvania's Royal Arcanum.

Judge Greevy, a Democrat, was unopposed on the Democratic ticket and won the Republican nomination in a race among four candidates. It was the first time since 1899 that a Democrat had been nominated by both parties.

Judge Greevy is a senior partner in the firm Greevy, Greevy and Nittle, being associated with his brother Lester and Daniel F. Nittle, both of whom are also graduates of the Dickinson School of Law. The son of a former district attorney of Lycoming County, he worked in his father's law office in his school, college, and law school days.

He volunteered for service with the Navy in World War II and served 28 months, 22 of which were active sea duty in the Atlantic and Pacific areas. He attained the rank of lieutenant. He is now serving his



Judge Charles F. Greevy, Dickinson

fourth term as president of the congregation of the Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church in Williamsport, his home. He is a member of the board of the Phebe Home at Allentown, Pa., and of numerous civic and fraternal organizations. In his college days he was on the Microcosm and Dickinsonian staffs.

#### Here's the Real Spirit

The publication of Gamma Chi at Randolph Macon reports as follows: Though we did not come off of the football field last fall with the championship, we did win something which I believe we covet just a little more-The Good Sportsmanship Trophy. The loving cup is now on the mantle over the fire-place at the house. We really love that loving cup! It really gives you that grand old feeling which comes from playing the game square. "It's not the number of games you win; it's how you play them that counts." Here is how Gamma Chi came out in the scoring: won, 3; lost 2: tied 1. We didn't do too badlv!

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Editorially Speaking - -

IT IS NOT OFTEN that Theta Chis have an opportunity to tie up their summer vacation so advantageously with the national convention of the fraternity as they will have next summer, for southern California is the place and

Plan Your Vacation For Next Summer Now September 3-6 are the dates. Thus it will be possible to climax an intriguing jaunt through the scenic Southwest,

through the Rocky Mountain district, through the Canadian Northwest, or along the Pacific Coast, or a combination of two of them with the convention which itself is placed in an immediate environment of great and varied interest.

In contrast to the more generously attended conventions of some of the other fraternities, Theta Chi has never made its convention much of a family affair, and hence its attendance has been limited largely to fraternity officials, undergraduates, and local alumni who usually participate only in the social affairs. There has been little inducement for alumni to bring their wives and children.

The 1952 convention should prove an exception. The locale has a distinct appeal to all who enjoy sightseeing. A program is being worked out to entertain wives, sweethearts, mothers, sisters, brothers, and children. The fact that a thousand Theta Chis from all the numerous chapters of the fraternity live in the convention area will mean the possibility of many reunions of chapter brothers. Transportation by air, rail, sea, bus, and automobile present no difficulties. The spirit of southern California assures hospitality, gay, lively entertainment, and warm-hearted friendliness. Let's start planning for this outstanding fraternity event of next summer now as a family affair.

THE TROUBLE with most adverse criticism of college fraternities and sororities is that it comes from those who never have experienced the type of group living the college Greeks enjoy or have in many cases never had an opportunity to observe it closely.

Testimony From Persons Who Know Here is authentic testimony:

From the 1951 Michiganensian, yearbook published at the Univer-

sity of Michigan: "The Greeks make social life on campus a little more memorable, a little more intimate in a university of this size. There is nothing that can replace the feeling of belonging to a small group that has mutual respect and affection for its members. Deep friendships grow easily in the intimate atmosphere of the sorority or the fraternity. Lasting pride in the house and in the friends that we make tend to give fraternal living more value than life in just a club... The Greeks give a person experience never to be forgotten in his life; there is a certain soundness of character and a surrogate sense of security that is an influence for many years after graduation."

From Fred H. Turner, dean of students at the University of Illinois: "The University of Illinois has confidence in its fraternities and is proud of the record of self-government for fraternity affairs which our Interfraternity Council has made for itself."

From Dr. Milton S. Eisenhower, president of Penn State: "I have faith in the efficacy of personal association in fostering understanding, and of understanding in engendering co-operation. Fraternities and sororities are workshops in understanding and co-operation; they are anvils on which the character of individuals may be fashioned for service beyond self. Within them there is close association that compels understanding, and the necessity for achievement that inspires cooperation."

From Otto Berianuk, a Czechoslovakian graduate student, after living for seven months in a UCLA fraternity house: "It (a fraternity chapter) is a great workshop of friendships, numerous, genuine, and lasting. They are born in the midst of house activities and are forged by common problems and hardships. Second, this community is a vast storehouse of skills and know-hows. Finally, the house as a unit appears to me much as the guineapig of democracy, a wonderful chance to learn in a practical way the rights and obligations that a democratic society will impose on the brothers as citizens. My biggest surprise about the fraternity came from the number of brothers working their way through college. This entirely corrected some of my preconceived ideas."

**D**ESPITE BANS by national fraternity conventions and by the National Interfraternity Conference, despite the condemnation of practically all fraternity magazines and fraternity leaders, despite adverse nationwide pub-

Can Your Fraternity Chapter Provide the Needed Evidence? licity experienced repeatedly, undergraduate chapters have persisted in Hell Week

practices that every sane individual recognizes are a menace to each and every fraternity. Why? Is it because of immaturity among the undergraduates, a failure to grow up from irresponsible adolescence into the mental and emotional status of young manhood rightly expected among youth of college age? Is it because of encouragement on the part of alumni who, in spite of their departure from the college campus, are still adolescents in their thinking and their sense of responsibility? Is it because many undergraduates are sadistic by nature and find in Hell Week an opportunity to experience a pleasure that is associated with perversion? Or is it because undergraduates do not have the courage to discard traditional practices and substitute something of constructive character?

Often chapter leaders have met the protests of those who sought an effective ban on questionable pre-initiation and pledge training programs with the question, What can we do to test our pledges satisfactorily if we abandon physical and mental hazards? The answer to that question has come in a nationwide movement to replace Hell Week with Help Week. Chapter after chapter is discovering that the assignment of pledges to projects that aid communities, welfare agencies, civic organizations, and old, sick, or impoverished individuals provides an opportunity to make a test along constructive lines and at the same time build good will and gain favorable comment from press and pulpit.

It seems particularly unfortunate that just as this movement is gaining impetus, a movie entitled "For Men Only," produced by its star, Paul Henreid, may undo much of the good which has already been accomplished.

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The picture of college life deals specifically with fraternity hazing, being based upon a dog killing episode for which a fraternity chapter in California was responsible two years ago. Of his picture the producer says, "It is a story of adolescence, of the dreadful hazing that still goes on in many fraternities."

What can be an adequate answer to such a charge? Only evidence that such practices are not being followed at the present time, that fraternity chapters today have grown up, will meet the need. Can your fraternity chapter provide such evidence?

WHEN THE RATTLE recorded the unusual action of Colgate University in bestowing upon Maxwell E. McDowell, Iota, '16, an honorary degree at a special convocation held in Scarsdale, N. Y., because ill health

Tribute Is Given Where Tribute Is Due prevented his trip to the campus at Commencement, the degree presentation of Dr. Carl Kallgren, Iota, '17, dean

of students, was not available. Because it tells so well the contribution made by the recipient of the degree to his university, his fraternity, his country, his community, and his profession it is published here as an editorial tribute:

It is not enough for Maxwell Erwin McDowell to "live true to the memory of Colgate's thirteen men of yore," which he does eminently well. He also fulfills a family tradition of integrity, enterprise, and initiative bequeathed to him by pioneering ancestors.

He was graduated from Colgate University in 1916, a bachelor of arts and a member of Phi Beta Kappa. As an undergraduate he was a popular leader: a debater, president of the Masque and Triangle, dramatic society, first pledge to the newly formed Theta Chi Fraternity chapter and later its president, and the first manager of a Colgate intercollegiate tennis team.

As a young alumnus he led the movement for a new chapter house and devised a method for retiring the heavy obligations assumed for its construction. A one-time member of the national Grand Chapter of Theta Chi and for many years a trustee of its National Endowment Fund, he was awarded in 1940 the fraternity's national Distinguished Service Award.

In 1916 he joined the first volunteer regiment at Plattsburg under Gen. Leonard A. Wood. Then as a volunteer he served with Ambulance Section 14 attached to the Eighth Division of French Infantry. When this was placed under the military direction of the United States, his army scrial number, 9,874, indicated that he was one of the first ten thousand Americans in World War I. In 1918 he was awarded the French Croix-de-Guerre.

He has served in the field of education as an instructor in English at Purdue and Columbia universities and as a special instructor in income tax accounting in the Columbia School of Business. For six years he was a member of the Scarsdale Board of Education and for the last two years of his term the president. Time does not permit a recital of his great contributions to his *alma mater*: as a member of the Board of Directors of the Alumni Corporation, president of the Metropolitan New York Alumni Association, class fund and special gift chairman of the Alumni Fund, member of the Board of Trustees since 1940. In 1946 he received the Alumni Award for

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Distinguished Service to Colgate. Above all, his genial friendship and cooperative spirit have made him a beloved leader, so recognized by trustees, alumni, faculty, and students.

Graduated from Columbia University in 1925 with the degrees of Bachelor of Laws and Master of Arts in Public Law, he rose to an eminent position in law and business. In 1930 he was named the assistant tax attorney of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, and for eighteen years, until his recent retirement, he was the head of the department, the first and largest of its kind in business. By research abroad he established the first comprehensive and ever-current library in this country of tax laws, regulations, and practices of the major commercial nations. He has lectured widely on his specialty and has been a member and chairman of many tax committees and business organizations, sponsoring reforms and equalization measures in both federal and state tax laws. On frequent occasions he has appeared before congressional and legislative committees as a spokesman for business.

This beautiful church in which we meet today is further evidence of his devotion to God and truth, for he long envisioned this new sanctuary and labored valiantly in the campaign for its erection. It is indeed fitting that it should be used for this academic convocation our first away from the Colgate campus.

With pride and affection I present our distinguished alumnus in order that he may be admitted to the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws of Colgate University.

#### Greek Life's Little Ironies

Susan Zanuck, whose father, Darryl Zanuck, produced the anti-sorority film, "Take Care of My Little Girl" last summer, was pledged to the Kappa Kappa Gamma chapter at UCLA in September after a lively rush.

Some sororities, all of which were libeled in an article entitled "The Great Sorority Swindle" published in Look, a mass circulation magazine, are selling subscriptions to that publication to finance splendid social welfare projects managed by the women at which the author of the article, a sorority member, sneers.

Although some of the bitter critics of Greek-letter organizations have gone so far as to accuse fraternities and sororities as being anti-Christian, the October issue of *Motive*, thought-stimulating magazine of the Methodist Student Moment, publishes an article by the Rev. Robert Robinson, director of Methodist student work at the University of Denver, forthrightly entitled, "I Believe in Fraternities."

Look, which libeled thirty-seven national sororities with a total membership of six hundred thousand women in publishing "The Great Sorority Swindle," is all hot and bothered about its indiscretion in publishing an article concerning possible football scandals in which a picture was used of a youth wearing a sweater emblazoned with a huge "X." The editors picked that initial, thinking that it could not possibly embarrass or insult any school, only to find out too late that there is a Xavier University at New Orleans and another at Cincinnati. Apologies have been profuse!

### **Late Reports Record More Honors**

IN THE OCTOBER ISSUE of The Rattle were published impressive lists of Theta Chis who had been named by their respective chapters as the men who had contributed most in the year 1950-51 and as the outstanding seniors. Unfortunately, some chapters did not send in their selections in time to make the magazine's deadline; others did not determine such honors. Following are the belated reports of men "who contributed most" to the welfare of their chapters:

 $X_1$  (Virginia)—Robert Baldwin Lloyd, through his zeal and ability led the chapter successfully to higher goals. He also proved to be a leader in campus activities: varsity track for two years, vice president Canterbury Club, member student vestry of St. Paul's Church, winner of boxing and wrestling championships in his senior year, active in intramural sports.

and wresting championsings in his schol year, active in intramural sports. ALPHA PSI (Maryland)—Chapter President William Goodling, a history major in the College of Education, is IFC representative and a member of Gate and Key, the fraternity leadership organization. He organized and coached several of the chapters intramural athletic teams.

GAMMA LAMBDA (Denver)—Richard S. Luckey, who held the offices of rush chairman, chaplain, and house manager. His other activities included: varsity and concert bands, Children's Playhouse, Drama Club, and KVOU. After his graduation at Christmas time as a theatre major he registered at the University of Southern California for graduate work on the cinema and has become a member of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers.

GAMMA OMEGA (Vanderbilt)—Robert B. Wynne, Jr., served as president of the chapter and representative on the Interfraternity Council.

DELTA ETA (Colorado A. & M.)—William Andrews, the only junior from Colorado A. & M. to be designated as a Rhodes Scholar candidate in a state wide competition. He made a 3.97 average the fall quarter of 1950 and followed it with a straight "A" average for the two succeeding quarters. He served as chapter treasurer for two quarters of one year. Those named as the outstanding seniors of 1950-1951 were:

XI (Virginia)—Bernard Edward Borski, a member of Alpha Kappa Psi, commerce, Delta Nu Alpha, transportation, and Skull and Keys, political societies, was an outstanding chapter house manager as well, desirable improvements being made in his regime.

ALPHA XI (Maryland)—Harry Powers, director of the chapter's entry in Maryland's Interfraternity Sing. An advanced Air Force ROTC officer, he was the university's outstanding flight leader, so chosen in Military Day competition last spring. He is a senior majoring in music in the College of Education.

GAMMA LAMBDA (Denver) — Robert Godsey, theatre major and president of the Drama Club, ROTC honor student, chapter chaplain.

GAMMA OMEGA (Vanderbilt)—Thomas W. Seagle, first president of the Vanderbilt colony, charter member of the chapter, business manager of the Vanderbilt band, Collegiate Who's Who.

DELTA EPSILON (Miami, Florida) — Leon D. Tabbert, chapter president, was a member of the first pledge class of Delta Epsilon. He served as social chairman and vice president of the chapter; senior senator in the Student Senate; treasurer and president University Riding Club; member Propeller Club and Delta Theta Mu. He represented his chapter at the 1950 convention.

DELTA ETA (Colorado A. & M.)-Frank Barnes, chapter house manager and intramural director, graduated with honors.

#### Government Assignments Keep President Renne Busy

Important Government Assign-MENTS have been given Dr. R. R. Renne, Rutgers, '27, president of Montana State College, recently. President Truman named him a member of the Water Resources Policy Commission, membership in which includes two college presidents and a dean of agriculture. This group will recommend policies to govern national legislation and participation in the development of water sources.

Dr. Renne is also one of three men chosen by Secretary of Agriculture Brannan to serve on the National Forest Board of Review, the name of which was changed recently to the National Forestry Advisory Council. This organization deals with problems growing out of the age-old disagreement between stock men and forest service officials over grazing in the national forest, and it also holds hearings on transfer and trespass policies concerning the national forest. It is studying problems arising through the abuse of the mining laws in securing patent or title to extensive timber acreages.

Another member of the presidential cabinet, the secretary of the interior, asked Dr. Renne to serve on a national advisory committee on Indian affairs, which considers the problems connected with the administration of Indian reservations.

While Dr. Renne was one of seven leading presidents of land-grant institutions invited by the Economic Cooperation Administration to consult with Departments of Agriculture and Defense and the ECA in regard to the most effective means of recruiting agriculture personnel for foreign service, he asked to be released from federal land-grant committee because of his three other federal commitments.

#### Ph.D. One Day, Captain the Next

The same day he received his Ph.D. degree at the University of Michigan in June, Roy A. Grizzell, Jr., Georgia, '39, son of Roy A. Grizzell, Illinois, was ordered into active duty as a captain in Military Intelligence at Fort Sheridan, Illinois. He is now commanding officer of Hq. and Hq. Company at Arlington Hall, Va. In World War II Captain Grizzell participated in the invasion of North Africa and of Italy at famed Salerno.



William Goodling, Moryland



Richard S. Luckey, Denver







Leon D. Tabbert, Miami Page Twenty-five

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#### Hail Phi Beta Kappa

(Continued from page 10) A lively interest was shown in the address of Col. David G. Omer, general counsel of the selective service system, and the resulting questions from the floor at the Saturday forenoon meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference. He stated that at the present time 200,000 college students are deferred under the testscore-class-standing rule and at least 200,000 more for other reasons, including the ROTC, thus indicating a satisfactory acceptance of the student deferment program by the selective service local boards. He pointed out that the local boards have deferred for activity in study almost four times as many men as they have deferred for all other occupational reasons, including agriculture. He emphasized the idea that deferments for military service are designed for the good of the nation and not for the benefit of the individual, and, hence, the evaluation of the effectiveness of the program depends on whether the nation has received the benefit that was intended.

In concluding his analysis of the deferment program and the way it is affecting college youth Colonel Omer predicted that there will never be a time when some students are not deferred, the only question being whether the requirements for deferment will eventually have to be tighter than they are now.

The success of the 1951 National Interfraternity Conference session gave additional proof of the wisdom of holding the meetings in various sections of the country, rather than confining them to New York City. While the registration, which exceeded 210 graduate members, 150 undergraduates, and 35 college administrators, did not constitute as large a total as registered at some of the New York meetings, the attendance at the various meetings and roundtables was usually larger because of fewer conflicting attractions. The great majority of leaders who have been consistent in their attendance at previous sessions were present. Many felt that it was a decided advantage to have meeting at the same time the other three conferences, thus permitting an exchange of speakers and combined assemblies. With only one or two exceptions, all

of the 59 members of the NIC had official representatives.

THE UNEXPECTED DEATH of Chairman A. Ray Warnock made it necessary for the vice chairman to assume the direction of the 1951 conference. This Charles E. Pledger, Jr., Theta Delta Chi, of Washington, D. C., did so effectively that he was elected chairman for the year ahead unanimously. The other officers chosen are: vice chairman, C. Robert Yeager, Pi Kappa Alpha, Attleboro, Mass.; secretary, Lloyd S. Cochran, Alpha Sigma Phi, Lockport, N. Y.; treasurer, Col. Joseph A. McCusker, Theta Chi, New York City; educational adviser emeritus, Dean Joseph A. Park, Alpha Tau Omega, dean of men at Ohio State; educational adviser, Dean J. Fenton Daugherty, Phi Kappa Psi, dean of men at the University of Delaware; Executive Committee members, Class of 1952, Francis S. Van Derbur, Kappa Sigma, Denver, Colo.; Class of 1953, Ralph W. Noreen, Pi Kappa Phi, Copiague, N. Y.; Class of 1954, Dr. Hugh J. Ryan, Delta Sigma Phi, Bradford, Pa.; J. Edward Murphy, Sigma Nu, Philadelphia, Pa.; and Victor H. Blanc, Sigma Alpha Mu, Philadelphia, Pa.

MOST IMPRESSIVE a mong the events of the week end was the salute to Phi Beta Kappa, founded at the College of William and Mary, December 5, 1776. This was under the direction of the Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council. The scene was the Phi Beta Kappa Hall on the campus which gave birth to this oldest of college organizations, now the leading academic honor society of the country. L. G. Balfour, Sigma Chi, chairman of IRAC, greeted the representatives of the four associations participating, stating that the college fraternity had withstood every shock from attacks, wars, and other crises, and had continued to grow strong so that today it is accepted as part of the educational life in this country and Canada. He declared fraternities are pledged to a continuous fight for democracy.

Then Mr. Balfour introduced the IRAC vice chairman, Mrs. E. Granville Crabtree, Kappa Kappa Gamma, chairman of the National Panhellenic Conference, who served as mistress of ceremonies. She referred to the pilgrimage to the birthplace of fraternities as an effort to help American youth understand and preserve its birthright.

First among the speakers was Dr. Guy Stanton Ford, Theta Delta Chi, president of Phi Beta Kappa, who spoke of the transition of Phi Beta Kappa from what might be called a social organization to an honor society, yet, he declared, it remains the mother of all fraternities. Those responsible for dropping social activities from Phi Beta Kappa, Dr. Ford said, forgot the ideals of the founders who met in the Raleigh Tavern at Williamsburg. He continued:

"The four years of college are the last four years to make true, everlasting friends. There is nothing in our lives like those precious four year when we can share common ideas and ideals. We do not live by books alone. We must touch hands with friends."

It is the task of the general fraternities today to carry on the development of friendships, but Dr. Ford warned it is intellectual life and the discussion of public problems along with the social features that mark a worth while brotherhood.

"If in our fraternities we can maintain intellectual development and social bonds, we will have preserved the ideals of the founders of Phi Beta Kappa," Dr. Ford said in conclusion. "We must watch, guard, and guide in this vast changing world. We must direct those who know and appreciate the ideals of college toward intellectual growth and the brotherhood of man."

After a brief greeting from the new president of the College of William and Mary, Admiral Alvan Duke Chandler, representatives of the various associations present paid tributes to Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Ralph Chester Williams, Theta Kappa Psi and Tau Kappa Epsilon, as speaker for the youngest of the conferences, the Professional Interfraternity Conference, told that its 31 groups with their 1160 chapters, supported by a large number of alumni, all strive to improve the respective professions they represent.

President of the Professional Panhellenic Association and also president of Sigma Alpha Iota, musical sorority, Mrs. John B. Davison discussed the two-fold purpose of the association in providing social opportunities and educational inspiration in professional fields for the 500 collegiate and 300 alumnae chapters of the 18 units. She declared that these groups are a significant force among professional women, carrying on humanitarian projects and influencing members socially, educationally, artistically, and at the same time developing professional standards. She stated that there is no need to extoll brotherhood, for the record of members indicates that they have been dedicated to basic principles that promote the good in life so richly deserved and so greatly needed.

Speaking for the National Interfraternity Conference, Verlin C. Enteman, Delta Phi, a past chairman, before paying a tribute to Phi Beta Kappa as a representative of the zenith of all true scholarship, discussed the principles and criteria of the National Interfraternity Conference as follows:

"The National Interfraternity Conference adheres to the opinion that the American college fraternity, having been conceived in an atmosphere of struggle for political independence, came into being as an expression of self-government. In defending the individual's right to liberty and equality of opportunity, it has adhered steadfastly to social, economic, religious, and political democracy as the only sound basis for a satisfying personal and national life. These are our principles of democracy.

'The purpose of a college education is to prepare the student for the art and business of living. The objective of fraternity life is to assist the individual in more fully attaining this purpose. Thus, necessarily, the activities of the fraternity should be in entire accord with the aims and purposes of the institutions at which it has chapters, recognizing that the primary loyalty and responsibility of the student is to the institution. These activities should be conducted in an atmosphere which will stimulate substantial intellectual progress and superior intellectual achievement to the end that the conduct of the members shall be consistent with good morals and good taste. These are our criteria.

"The National Interfraternity Conference believes that the American college fraternity provides the means by which the individual will have the opportunity for self-education, since this is the only kind which has enduring value; self-uiscipline, since this alone has moral value, thereby inducing development of character, financial integrity, since this is a necessary part of every responsible person, and self-government, since in order to put these desiderata into practice, this inculcates in the individual an attitude of objectivity in appraising his own conduct and develops his capacity for leadership in an intellectual, cultural, and spiritual community."

The oldest of the four conferences, the National Panhellenic Conference, established in 1902, was represented by Mrs. Harry H. Power, past national president of Alpha Chi Omega. She traced the development of education for women, stating that in the beginning the women's sororities provided the only means of providing a social program on campuses that had provided nothing for them, and, once having made this beginning, the sorority idea spread rapidly from campus to campus.

More important, she said, there grew within the hearts and minds of the early leaders the realization that these sororities could not be social organizations of a superficial nature, but were instruments for the betterment of women's education in the promotion of high standards of scholarship and social relationships and in service to the members, the campus, and the community, developing a higher education in all those intangibles of life that lie beyond the realm of mere book learning, yet are so important in human relationships the world over.

With this basic idea, she said, the sorority as we know it today has become a well integrated organization, built upon sound business concepts, and developed through equally sound guidance programs that have always remained flexible enough to meet the changing needs of education and government. Today, she reported, there are 685,564 members who have been initiated by 1,687 chapters on 237 campuses. In addition, there are 2,-620 alumnae groups.

These organizations, social in the broader, fundamental sense, are she said, not interested in the creation of social butterflies and beauty queens, but rather in the development of citizenship responsibilities in all democracies under the finest type of a democratic self-government within a small group.

"Such development," she stated, "automatically begins with the selec-

tion of membership, based upon a unity of essentials for good citizenship: strength of character, scholarship ability, and a desire for service extending beyond the sorority, the campus, the community, the nation, and the world. Hence, the establishment of philanthropies, on international and local bases, in which collegiate chapters share by active participation along with the alumnae and national organizations. Further development is based upon the sharing of responsibilities through group living and the learning of tolerance and of living with others harmoniously in a world where harmony and understanding are the keynotes of our hope for peace."

Mrs. Power concluded with a plea for all of the groups to cooperate. She stated that they had become interdependent so that no fraternity or no conference can be wholly strong unless the entire system is strong. She said that teamwork depends upon a state of mind, but that only through its development can all work for a stronger fraternity system, for greater accomplishment, and for better service to the fraternities, to the country, and to mankind.

Completing the tribute to Phi Beta Kappa was Dr. Robert W. Bishop, Theta Chi, dean of men at the University of Cincinnati, executive secretary of Omicron Delta Kappa, and president of the National Conference of College Fraternities and Societies, which he represented along with the Association of College Honor Societies. "We are met this afternoon," he began, "in this historic place because of a noble idea and inspiring ideals which were formulated on this campus 175 years ago by a small group of undergraduate men. The idea of enjoying free comradeship in social and intellectual pursuits, the idea of achieving noble qualities of mind and heart in worthy endeavor-those have spread to embrace college life and higher education throughout America and many other parts of the world."

Dr. Bishop traced the history of the Association of College Honor Societies, inspired by Phi Beta Kappa, in developing and maintaining high scholastic standards throughout the college world and all categories of Greek-letter organizations. He invited all qualified honor societies to affiliate with it so that more effective work can be accomplished for higher education in the nation.

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## How Chapters Might Save 15%

GREEK BUYING MINNESOTA STYLE is the title heading an article by Richard Robertson, ex-president Alpha Pi Chapter, in Fraternity Month for December, 1950. Because of its suggestive value to all fraternity groups it is reproduced here:

How many cooperative business organizations can show a 15 per cent savings to their members the first year of operation?

The Fraternity Purchasing Association at the University of Minnesota did. Patrons bought \$200,000 worth of merchandise the 1947-1948 school year; it cost them \$175,000. In addition, \$2,2000 in cash was refunded to its members.

How did it happen? Lower prices through quantity buying did the trick, and Greek organizations at Minnesota were convinced their purchasing problems were answered. Confidence grew, and an expanded FPA has established itself as a sound business organization and a powerful bargaining agent for its members.

The association, which operates strictly on a non-profit basis, states its basic purpose as "providing a strong credit position for its members and, at the same time, reducing its credit risk to the suppliers." That end has been foremost in the minds of the cooperative since its inception, and the results indicate rapid strides ahead. Members, encouraged by the early successes of their organization, look forward to bigger things in the future.

In early 1947 the Minnesota Interfraternity Council reactivated a loosely-knit cooperative which had been forced to suspend operations in the war. They called it the Fraternity Purchasing Association. Since then, good fortune and skillful business policies have established it on a solid footing.

FPA's board of directors, consisting of eight students, one faculty member, and a representative of the Dean of Students Office, elects the officers and hires its manager. At monthly meetings, the board discusses business operations and approves contracts with suppliers, none of which extends for more than one year.

The current manager, Mrs. Janet Robinson, was previously employed by the state purchasing division as an institutional buyer. The manager's functions are to handle all clerical management and to recommend operation policies to the board.

At the opening of each school year, members request a specified number of services with FPA. The suppliers of these items submit sealed bids to the board, which selects them on three bases: quality, price, and service facilities.

Representatives of each selected supplier call on the stewards and house managers of member organizations each week and take orders for desired merchandise. The products are delivered with the approval of the members, and all billing is sent to FPA. The association records charges in each member's account and bills on a bi-weekly basis.

Price lists, furnished weekly by FPA as buying guides, are carefully followed. Charges quoted on these lists are those actually paid by the members. They are, however, slightly higher than those paid the supplier by the association. The resultant mar-

#### Is Wrestling Champ



#### Raymond J. Lillicotch

The heavyweight wrestling championship at Lafayette College was won by Raymond James Lillicotch at the annual interfraternity wrestling tournament, thereby giving Theta Chi Fraternity fifth place among the 19 fraternity chapters participating. He is a ROTC lieutenant, associate editor of The Lafayette, Pennsylvania's oldest college newspaper, a member of the WJRH staff, broadcasting some of the basketball and baseball games. He is a member of the Athletic Council and the varsity football squad. He was a member of his freshman swimming team and football squad. He is the captain of the Theta Chi wrestling team.

gin consists of cash discounts; occasionally, when the supplier's bid price is unusually low and no discount is offered, it consists of a slight mark-up.

After the maintenance cost of FPA is deducted from the margin, the remainder is the net saving to the members. At the end of the fiscal period, the board declares these savings into certificates of equity, which are distributed to the membership on the basis of patronage with FPA.

The association's equity is divided into two classifications: paid-in stock of members and certificates of equity. Each patron makes a semi-monthly or monthly advance deposit with FPA based on anticipated purchases. Actual purchases are applied against this deposit. All members buy stock in the organization.

FPA, through 18 suppliers, is able to supply its members adequately for both the commissary and household.

Commissary services include: meat, bakery goods, fresh fruits and vegetables, coffee, dairy products, staples, and kitchen equipment. Among the household supplies are: coal and wood, fuel oil, hardware items, maintenance equipment, and a laundry and linen service.

Many of FPA's members do not provide large-volume accounts, but the combined volume represented by the large and small accounts as one purchasing unit gives the smaller ones better prices than are normally offered on any open market.

The aim of Minnesota's association is to expand all accounts "so that the best of services, prices, and quality can be offered to all of its members."

Convinced that the Fraternity Purchasing Association is their best overall purchasing medium, Minnesota Greeks are increasing their accounts with it—investing in the future of their stable, cooperative enterprise.

Some of them are hoping to attain, eventually, centralized production and the construction of a group warehouse. Things look good for FPA and Greek buying at the University of Minnesota!

(Editor's Note—Richard Robertson was Alpha Pi's representative in the Fraternity Purchasing Association for two years and has been closely identified with its program, as he is engaged in graduate study in the field of journalism at Minnesota. His article has brought a large number of inquiries and comments.

## **Trombone Helps Through College**



John W. Williamson

**BACK** WITH HIS TROMBONE from extensive travel is John Wendell Williamson, of Alpha Omicron at Washington State.

After putting his books on the shelf in the spring of '47, he left for Alaska where he taught private piano and trombone lessons in Anchorage. In the evenings, he played in a professional band which he co-directed with his brother "Tex."

In the fall of '48, Wendy attended the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and resided in the Beta Omicron chapter house at the University of Cincinnati. After completing courses there, he returned to Alaska in the spring of '49 and remained until September.

Wendy started his college career in 1941. When only a sophomore, he was initiated into Phi Mu Alpha. He also became a member of the college band, college orchestra, WSC pep band, and the dance band of Donald Graham, '47.

On December 5, 1942, the famed campus musician entered the Army and was immediately assigned to the U. S. Army band which made numerous tours of the country throughout the war years.

In the summer before returning to the campus in '46, he was a member of Jack Teagarden's band. In the fall, he became chapter song chairman and leader of the college pep band, besides entering the other activities in which he was active before the war.

Now, Wendell is a member of Dale Rourke's band, the college band, college orchestra, and is also chapter song chairman.

Despite the fact that Wendy is kept busy with his musical talents, he is also a flying enthusiast, having earned his private license while in Alaska. He has purchased a three-passenger Piper cruiser, and after graduation he will fly to Alaska where he wants to teach music.

#### **Back With the Marines**



Ovalhead, Ohio State

"Ovalhead," one of the best known characters on the Ohio State campus, has gone into military service as his creator, Joseph Schmidt, a Marine reservist, was instructed to report at Camp LeJeune, N. C., for duty.

Schmidt, who majored in commercial art at Ohio State, began drawing professionally in 1946 by creating "Private Peon," a Marine version of "Sad Sack," for the Parris Island Boot, a weekly Marine newspaper.

After Schmidt enrolled at Ohio State, "Peon" became "Ovalhead," the campus whiz for the Ohio State Lantern, a daily campus newspaper.

"Ovalhead" was made an honorary member of Alpha Lambda Chapter, and a year ago, the chapter's rush booklet was built around "Ovalhead," using a series of unusual cartoons to explain the fraternity and its activities to rushees.

Another of the Alpha Lambda brothers now in service is Robert Phillips, a graduate of the advanced ROTC program, who reported for active duty in December. Virgil Hundley, assistant treasurer, was called for active duty when the Columbus Air National Guard was activated in November, 1950, and Robert Lewis was drafted into the army.

#### Charm of House Mother Recognized by Alpha Phi

A LTHOUGH THE DUTIES of house-mother were new to Miss Sarah Bibb, a member of one of Alabama's well-known families, she has won a high tribute from members of Alpha Phi Chapter at the University of Alabama, as, according to the Alpha Phi Warrior, chapter publication, "Miss Bibb has charm, social poise, plans excellent menus, and has the spark of driving power that keeps every member on his p's and q's. Her main objective is the same as all the brothers: to make Theta Chi the number one fraternity on this campus. With her aid we are already climbing the prestige ladder."

In preparation for the Homecoming at Alabama, throughout the night previous Miss Bibb kept the chapter workers on the lawn and float displays supplied with coffee, sandwiches, and doughnuts while they worked, thus assuring high morale.



Miss Sarah Bibb

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## Mothers' Clubs of Theta Chi

British Columbia Mother Heads Club At Mother's Day weekend, Mrs. William Piper from Creston, British Columbia, was chosen as president of the Mothers' Club of Alpha Omicron (Washington State). For better coverage of the state two vice-presidents were elected. Mrs. William Lloyd is the eastern leader, while Mrs. J. W. Gullikson will take charge of the west. Mrs. Gordon Watkins was reelected as secretary-treasurer.

The club has an annual membership fee of \$5 which is used to purchase gifts for the chapter house. Recently the club purchased drapes for the dining room.

Upon returning to their home-away-from-home at Washington State College last fall, Alpha Omicron members found several gifts donated by the chapter's Mothers' Club, Under the supervision of the mothers of David Rose, '51, and Thomas Gullikson, '53, curtains had been been made for each study room. New drapes also had been added to liven up the appearance of the chapter house library. In its two years of service to Alpha Omicron, The Mothers' Club has also presented a brass candelabrum and a bronze plaque. Officers of the organization are: Mrs. J. V. Roach, president; Mrs. W. C. Briggs and Mrs. E. J. Lavery, vice-presidents; and Mrs. G. M. Watkins, secretary-treasurer.

#### Organizer Leaves for New Home

Besides individual gifts that each mother sent Gamma Kappa at Miami (Ohio) after Christmas vacation, the Mothers' Club has given the chapter a stove, card tables, silverware, dishes, guest towels, tablecloths, and dish towels. Mrs. Jessup, who as house mother of Gamma Kappa, organized the Mothers' Club, left in June to make her home in Rochester, N. Y., much to the regret of chapter members. Mothers Day, June '13, brought many guests to enjoy the chapter's hospitality.

#### Fund Raising Successful

Fund raising activities of the Theta Chi Mothers' Club of Beta Epsilon at Montana State provided over \$225 in the fall quarter. As a Christmas present the club gave the chapter a fire-proof filing cabinet for its records.

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Club activities in the fall included a card party, held at the chapter house, a rummage sale, and a bazaar. Officers of the club are Mrs. J. F. Suchy, president; Mrs. C. D. Blake, vice president; and Mrs. E. E. Bennett, treasurer. All three are mothers of active members of Beta Epsilon Chapter.

#### Meet on Parents' Day

On May 5 the mothers of Alpha Gamma Chapter of Theta Chi climaxed a pleasant year of activities with a bridge and canasta party held at the fraternity house in Ann Arbor. Tables of mothers, wives, sweethearts, and friends had a delightful afternoon. Besides clever little table prizes, there were door prizes; delicious refreshments were served. This vear, under the leadership of Mrs. H. D. Billmeyer, the Mothers' Club purchased a new rug and a ceiling light for the card and trophy room, and are planning more improvements for the house next year.

The Theta Chi Mothers' Club of Alpha Gamma Chapter held its annual election at a dinner given at the University of Michigan chapter house on Parents' Day. Mrs. Harold J. Steele, mother of George Steele, chapter president, was elected to head the club. Other officers are: Mrs. James LoPrete, vice president; Mrs. George Brower, secretary; and Mrs. John Hearst, treasurer. The club decided to supply the chapter with playing cards, to send gift packages to chapter members in the service, and to have the piano in the chapter house reconditioned and refinished.

#### Refurnish Living Room

When carpenters and painters had completed their tasks in the \$62,000 remodeling of Alpha Epsilon's chapter house at Stanford, the Mothers' Club took over and completely refurnished the living room, new drapes, chairs and davenports rebuilt and recovered, rug dyed. At monthly meetings the fifteen members living in or near Palo Alto had made plans and had carried on moneyraising activities. The later included a luncheon-bridge of April 26 attended by 120 women. The proceeds from that event will be used in landscaping for the chapter house. Mrs. Myron Brown has been president of the club, and Mrs. David Hendrickson, secretary-treasurer. Co-operating effectively has been a southern California division of the club.

#### Improve Beta Rho's House

The Mothers' Club at Beta Rho (Illinois Wesleyan) had a new tile floor installed in the entranceway and front hall and added new curtains for the front part of the house. They bought a table for the living room, several lamp shades, and a lamp.

On January 21 the club held a bake sale, proceeds of which are to be used for house improvements. In addition to the improvements by the club, the pledge class painted the chapter room and the front and back halls. A new rug for the chapter room was given by a friend. Two of the brothers painted and wallpapered the housemother's room. The chapter also bought a sectional sofa and two chairs for the living room.

#### Generous, Helpful Mothers

The Mothers' Club of Gamma Eta at Bucknell, organized last May, has already provided a number of pieces of furniture for the chapter living room and is now engaged in a project to purchase venetian blinds for the dining room.

Thanks to its Mothers' Club, Zeta Chapter at New Hampshire has a living room made attractive by new green and gray drapes and two large leather davenports, flanked by green and brass lamps. The club is also responsible for new table cloths.

Through the generosity of Alpha Rho's Mothers' Club, the University of Washington chapter has a new grand piano.

Alumni in the News

Dr. Philip Henderson, Miami, for seven years president of Western College for Women at Oxford, Ohio, has become chairman of the Department of Economics and Business Administration at Wilmington College, Ohio, and director of industrial supervision.

President of the Norwich Club of Southern Connecticut at Bridgeport is Philip Massilius, '43.

William L. Everitt, Cornell, '22, dean of engineering at the University of Illinois, has been made an honorary member of Triangle, engineering fraternity.

Theta Chi Official Family

Willard V. Merrihue, Pennsylvania, '25, a former member of the Grand Chapter, has recently been appointed manager of a newly established employe relations department of the General Electric Company, with headquarters in New York City. This appointment quickly followed his advancement to the position of manager of the large apparatus employee and plant community relations department. In the General Electric News of August 31 appeared a large illustration showing Mr. Merrihue with a group of GE women ready to start a flight for Bermuda, one of the four which carried 151 women there for a four-day holiday. The trip was sponsored by all GE women's clubs.

Richard Miller, former traveling secretary, who has been in public relations work at Butte, Mont., has been recalled to service as a navigator in the Air Force. He will report after January 1.

Sherwood Blue, national vice president, has moved his office for the general practice of law to 637-45 Illinois Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

The infant son of George Callender, a former traveling secretary, seems now to be in good physical condition with the exception of practically 100% loss of sight in one eye. His other eye is normal.

Mrs. Frederick W. Ladue has become a resident of Los Altos, Calif., which city she plans to make her permanent home.

The daughter of National Treasurer Sidney L. Baylor, Edith Ann, was married October 6 to Charles Dean Lawton.

Richard Duncan, president of the National Board of Trustees, is now comptroller and assistant treasurer of the Community Chest of Cincinnati and Hamilton County, with offices in Cincinnati. He will, however, continue to live in near by Oxford, where he was formerly vice president of Western College for Women.

William Frantz, who has served Theta Chi Fraternity as a regional counselor, was a victim of the Kansas City flood, as far as his field office was concerned, as all of his office records were destroyed, or washed away, or damaged. While some records were salvaged and dried out, many valuable records and correspondence were lost, setting back three months the completion of the job on which he was engaged.

Dortch Oldham, who has been acting counselor in Region V, has resigned because of increased business demands. His position will be filled by Marvin L. Fleming, former field secretary, who now is a student of veterinary medicine at the University of Georgia. His address is Campus Station, Box 78, Athens, Georgia.

Arthur Merrill of Miami, Florida, has resigned as deputy counselor in Region XII. He has been succeeded by Robert M. Pope, Oregon, '45, a Miami insurance man. At the funeral of the late Dean A. Ray Warnock, chairman of the National Interfraternity Conference, held in Petersburg, Ill., November 8, Joseph McCusker, Theta Chi's national marshal, represented the conference of which he is a member of the Executive Committee.

Francis H. S. Ede, a former member of the Grand Chapter, was defeated for the office of district attorney last November in Pennsylvania; he was running as a Republican.

Counselor Maurice W. Isaacson of Region IX was married, November 14.

Alumni in the News

Occasionally magazines have something good to say about the college fraternity. The September issue of Reader's Digest published an article reprinted from Guide-Posts entitled "Metamorphosis of Hell Week." Mentioned in the article was "the smart young assistant dean named Gary Schwartz." He is an alumnus of Delta Kappa at Ball State, who was initiated when that chapter was installed.

Carleton Tibbetts, New Hampshire, '17, is chairman for the 1951 Crusade for Freedom for southern California.

Vice-president and controller of Colonial Airlines in New York City is Robert Herrnsteit, Cincinnati, formerly assistant treasurer of Northeast Airlines in Boston.

According to Gov. Fuller Warren, Florida is finishing up a billion dollar winter-summer tourist season. This will exceed the 1950 income of \$965,000,000, spent by 1,250,000 tourists in 1950. The Tau Chapter's alumnus estimates that the number of tourists in 1951 will exceed 1,500,000.

Dr. Alvin B. Biscoe, Dickinson, '27, who is dean of the faculties of the University of Georgia, presided over the inauguration ceremonies for Omer Clyde Aderhold, who became president of that institution May 9. Mrs. Biscoe was the official representative of Dickinson College at the inauguration.

Dr. Robert Niess, Minnesota, '32, on leave of absence from his assistant professorship of romance languages at the University of Michigan, is spending a year in France on a university fellowship doing research and writing.

Executive director of the Research Foundation of the University of Toledo is Archie M. Solberg, North Dakota State, '30.

The orchestra of Sammy Kaye, Ohio, '32, was recently voted the year's top for sweet music in Billboard's annual poll of disc jockeys, Kaye's Sylvania Sunday Serenade radio show has been touring the country, presenting concerts in auditoriums of large cities. The orchestra was also cited this year as the nation's best band by the National Ballroom Operators' Association.

George Ganiard Whitney, Michigan, '21, public relations manager of the J. L. Hudson Co., Detroit's outstanding department store, has resigned to take over the business of M. J. Weidner, dealer in farm implements and appliances, Somerset Center, Mich.

E. Adrian Teaf, Pennsylvania, '30, a Philadelphia insurance broker, was elected president of the Society of Chartered Property and Casualty Underwriters at its eighth annual meeting in Chicago.

Dr. Charles G. Sheppard was graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1937, instead of 1932, the year indicated in the interesting article about him which was reprinted from the Ladies' Home Journal, the November, 1950 issue.

### With Alumni Chapters

The Cincinnati Alumni Chapter entertained 30 rushees and 35 members of Beta Omicron Chapter at the annual rush picnic given at the farm of Earl Seibert, Sept. 24th. This evidently helped the chapter secure its pledge delegation of thirty. The alumni organization has more than a hundred paid memberships.

In order to encourage scholarship throughout the University of Cincinnati, the executive committee of the Theta Chi Alumni Association has set up an annual scholarship award to be given the student in sophomore mathematics courses who has the highest average. The award of \$25 is not limited to Theta Chis.

An open house was enjoyed by members of the Chicago Alumni Association at the home of Delta lota Chapter, following the Northwestern-Illinois game, Nov. 24.

The latest publication to be put out by an alumni chapter is the Theta Chi Gazette. a news bulletin for the information of members of the Seattle Alumni Chapter. Its current issue reported the resignation of Peter Melitz as secretary of the chapter and the appointment of Robert Hillock as his successor. Recent speakers at alumni chapter meetings have been Frank C. Ogden, consul for Great Britain in Seattle, and George Varneli, associate editor of the Seattle Times and dean of Pacific Coast football authorities. The Theta Chi Wives Club has been organized by wives of the chapter members.

So successful was the meeting of the Theta Chi Alumni Chapter of Washington, D. C., held at the Officer's Club of the Naval Hospital. Bethesda, Md., on September 20, the meeting for November 15 was scheduled at the same place. At that time Navy films on Operations Crossroads and submarine warfare in the Pacific were shown. The president of the club is Worthington H. Talcott.

With all of the Armed Services

#### Recommended for Award

Leonard S. Wilson, Michigan, '32, Ph.D., '36, has been recommended for the Meritorious Service Award in recognition of his outstanding work in geographical intelligence for the Korean operations of the Far East Command. He is on leave of absence from Carleton College, where he holds a professorship in geography. He went to Japan in 1949 as director of the geographic branch of the Far East Command intelligence services.

#### Directs Shops in Japan

Lt. Col. Ezra A. Blount, former secretary of the Cincinnati Alumni Association, is on an air base, 25 miles west of Tokyo, Japan, where he is in charge of a big machine shop, sheet metal shop, and other shops employing about 1300 mechanics. Lt. Col. Paul Brueckner, who was called to active duty about the same time as Colonel Blount, has been assigned to the Munitions Board at the Pentagon in Washington, D. C.

#### World War Survivor in Again

Capt. Thomas Mayo, Norwich, '43, who has been state procurement officer for the Vermont Selective Service, has been alerted for transfer to Headquarters Continental Air Force, Mitchell Air Force Base, L. I., N. Y. Rattle readers may recall that Captain Mayo was erroneously reported as killed in action in World War II and that a memorial service was held for him in Northfield, but two days after the service his family was advised by the War Department that he was alive. He was shot down over German-occupied



FIVE out of the 70 midshipmen aboard the USS Gearing, DD710, for their summer NROTC training cruise were Theta Chis, the largest fraternity delegation among representatives of universities from all over the country. From left to right are seniors John Hermann, Vanderbilt; Thomas Williams, Rochester; sophomores Thomas Miller, Stanford; William Mulligan and Ronald Moeckel, Illinois.

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France while serving as co-pilot of an airship on a wartime mission, but escaped to friendly ground after six days and nights of travel, and with the aid of friendly French citizens managed to reach a neutral country. He rejoined the Eighth Air Force and gave lectures on escape and evasion to various bomb groups before returning to the United States on May 20, 1943.

#### From Beta Omicron

Servicemen of Beta Omicron Chapter of Cincinnati include: Lt. Donald H. Monroe, ordnance ammunition center, Joliet, Ill.; Lt. Walter Rueger in Japan awaiting shipment to Korea; Richard Sykes, also in the Air Force: Ensign Leslie Schubert, flying blimps at Weeksville, N. C.; Capt. R. J. Fisher, working for his master's degrees in physics at Ohio State; Lt. Louis Scheiffele, training as a radar observer on jet fighters in Waco, Texas; Lt. (j.g.) Roger Miller, flying in a carrier based night squadron; Lt. Charles H. Wade, Jr., Ellington Air Force Base, Texas; and Cpl. Robert Mueller, Camp LeJeume, N. C.

#### Captain in the Marines

Andrew B. Britt, Jr., president of Gamma Chapter at Maine in 1947-48, was recently. promoted to a captaincy in the U. S. Marines. A three-year veteran of World War II, where he served in China, he was doing graduate study in engineering at Harvard University when he was recalled to active duty in February. He received his first commission with the Marines at the age of 19. His wife and year-old son are with the former's parents.

#### Advance Veteran of 12 Years

Former Sgt. William H. Tredway, Dickinson, ex-'35, has been advanced to the rank of warrant officer (j.g.) and is assigned to the 5th Infantry Division, Indiantown Gap Military Reservation, Pa. A veteran of 12 years army service, he served in Africa and Europe in World War II. He formerly was assigned to the 2101st Area Service Unit at Fort Meade, Baltimore.

#### Wounded Fund Contributor

Among those sending contributions to the Frederick W. Ladue Memorial Fund is Lt. Ernest T. Anderson, Jr., Presbyterian, '50, who writes that June 8 he was wounded in Korea and has been in a hospital in Japan ever since, but expects to be returned to duty soon.

#### Men From Gamma Zeta

Servicemen of Gamma Zeta Servicemen of Gamma Zeta, Colorado A. & M., include: Cpl. Dale Wiggins, Fairchild Air Force Base, Okla.; Sgt. Junior Roberts, OCS, Fort Knox, Ky.; Cpl. John Bonner, 86th Command Squadron, APO. 65, New York; Lt. Robert Hope, Fort Belvoir, Va.; Charles Blacker, electrician aboard the Navy's first guided missile ship; Lt. C. C. Searles, Signal Corps School, Fort Monmouth, N. J.; Lt. Bernard Gervais, Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Md.; Sgt. Jack Scroggins, Air



TWO THETA CHIS, Sgt. 1/c Richard M. Gruenwald, Florida Southern, '49, and Pfc James H. Middleton, Jr., USAF, Delaware, '51, are attending the Armed Forces Information School at Fort Slocum, N. Y. The former is studying methods of furthering good relations between military services and the public, while the latter is learning ways of keeping the servicemen well informed, not only about his responsibilities to the nation, but also about his personal opportunities for education and other benefits in the armed forces. This school is the only unified service institution in which civilians, officers, and enlisted men from the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps study together.

Force survival specialist, Camp Carson, Colo.; Lt. Earl R. Fore, in Germany: Pfc Lloyd Duncan, Air Force clerk, Canal Zone: Lt. Roger Nicholson, in Korca where has received the Purple Heart: S/Sgt. Roy Malernee, clerk in the Air Force at Cold Bay, Alaska.

#### Many in Service

Service men from Beta Delta at Regers include Lt. Bruce Parker, property officer at Bolling Field, Washington, D. C. He was formerly president of the chapter. Lt. Jerome Mills is taking an eight weeks refresher course in ordnance at the Aberdeen Training Field, Md., whil-Lt. Don Olson is taking a course in communications at Scott Air Force Base, Ill. Thomas Clevenger is cruising the Mediterranean on the U.S.S. Elokomin, based at Naples, Italy. Harold Gregory is in a Navy office at Norfolk, Va., while Burke Haslan is on an air craft carrier.

The latest of the members to enter service are Carroll Porter and Herbert Snyder. Others in service are: Budd with the Navy, stationed in Newfoundland; Kramer, with the Navy at Norfolk; Robert Harrison, '50, in Japan; Herbert Snyder, '51, photo interpreter, Fairchild Air Force Base in Washington; and Richard Hayes, Dallas, Texas. Capt. Douglas Weaver, '45, who was graduated from West Point in 1947, has returned from Alaska where he spent 20 months, and is now at the University of Illinois working for his



TWO BROTHERS from Chi Chapter at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, members of the NROTC, spent seven weeks together on the heavy cruiser USS Albany, which visited Denmark, Belgium, The Netherlands, and Cuba, Richard W. Reed, '52, and Frank H. Orr, III, '54, embarked on a summer cruise providing practical training for future naval officers.

master's degree in electricity and nuclear physics. He is boarding at the Rho chapter house.

#### Service Notes

Lt. Col. Lee Pray's orders have been changed again to bring him to Personnel Division, Office of the Provost Marshal General, Navy Bldg., Washington, D. C. He is a '32 alumnus of Illinois.

Lt. Col. Ralph E. Pearson, Denison, will attend the Associate Advanced Officers Course at the Provost Marshal General School. He has been on the staff there since getting his master's degree at the University of Missouri. He expects to sail for Japan early in February.

Cmdr. Richard E. Harris, Purdue, '32, is in the Civil Engineering Corps., with headquarters at the Armed Forces Staff College, Norfolk, Va.

Franklin R. McElwain, Colgate, '50, is in the Air Forces Officers Cadet School at Lackland, Texas, 3700 O.C. Training Squadron,

Lt. Col. Allen F. Rice, Norwich, '26,



SEVEN THETA CHIS from four universities attended the ROTC summer camp at Fort Mead, Md., all members of the Infantry ROTC in their respective schools. They are I. to r.: Victor Golgono, Georgia, '53, president of Delta Beta Chapter; Benjamin Bridges, '52, and Capt. James Scudder, '30, New Hampshire; Paul Viens, Vermont, '51; front row, Stanley Karpinski, New Hampshire, '52; Dalton Richmond, Vermont, '52; and Larry Reese, Norwich, '52. who served as head of the U. S. Army and Air Force New England Recruiting District in Boston, has been transferred to Fort Knox, Ky., for subsequent assignment to the Far East Command.

Arthur A. Becker, Stanford, '44, a second lieutenant in the U. S. Army, is now taking courses at Fort Riley, Kansas. He was graduated from West Point in 1947.

Lt. Harry A. Cortese, West Virginia, '51, is at the Brookley Air Force Base, Ala.

Gilbert D. Nadeau, Massachusetts, ex-'51, is at the Fleet School, San Diego 47, Calif. He expects to be discharged May 4 and plans to return to complete his work at the University of Massachusetts.

Robert E. Clarke, Penn State, '50, was on November 14 released to inactive duty in the Naval Reserve following more than a year's service in the Amphibious Force, U. S. Atlantic Fleet. Clarke, a journalist second class, was recalled to active duty in August, 1950. He plans to resume his former employment in the advertising department of the Pittsburgh Steel Products Co.

On Theta Chi Campuses

Dr. Frederick Hovde, president of Purdue University, recently presented in the name of Phi Delta Theta a scroll to Ronald Colman, honoring the Halls of Ivy program, which gives such an intelligent picture of college life.

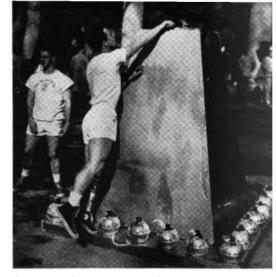
The 55 members of the Phi Gamma Delta chapter at the University of Michigan are contributing blood to the university hospital at \$15 a pint in an effort to raise the fund for the building of a new chapter house.

Fifteen-minute broadcasts are provided every Wednesday evening by Purdue on the Lafayette radio station, WASK. These programs are devoted to the songs, traditions, and histories of the respective fraternities. A local jewelry firm sponsors it.

Among the thirty-three colleges and universities which have dropped football since the 1950 season, according to the Associated Press, are three schools which have Theta Chi chapters: Washington College (Md.), University of Nevada, and West Virginia Wesleyan.

Norwich University reopened for its 133rd academic year with a record enrollment of 645 cadets who filled all the available dormitory space. The total included 275 freshmen, and 95% of the upperclassmen eligible for readmission.

New presidents of educational institutions of which Theta Chi is a part include Dr. Asa Knowles, Chi Psi, University of Toledo; Dr. John A. Perkins, Beta Theta Pi, University of Delaware; and Dr. Omer Clyde Aderhold, University of Georgia.



ONE OF THE MOST COLORFUL ceremonies connected with the annual Greek Week held at Ohio University, Athens, is the traditional burning torch marathon. Representatives of the 18 social fraternities run in a relay from Logan, 26 miles from Athens. Each man carries the torch for part of the distance. The final runner this year was Allen Gray, a freshman of Alpha Tau Chapter, who had the distinction of lighting the fire which was kept burning throughout the four-day celebration. This feature is symbolic of the ancient Greek runner who ran 26 miles with a tarch to announce victory over the Spartans on the plains of Athens. More than 1200 men students took part in the various events of the Greek Week program. The accompanying picture shows Gray using his torch to light the flame. Surrounding the base of the monument are torch lamps indicating each of the fraternity chapters participating.

#### University To Assist Fraternities

Norwich University, home of Alpha Chapter, has announced a new program to encourage fraternity chapters to assume greater responsibilities: The university will publish academic records and award the winning chapter at the end of the year; it will announce a similar average of deportment marks; it will institute competition between chapters in university improvement projects. In the last-named field, such factors will be considered as: the sponsoring and supporting of cultural programs; contributions in labor to small feasible projects in improvement of university grounds; efforts toward better relations between the university and other educational institutions; improvement of fraternity property, encouraged by fall and spring competition. The university will offer suitable awards to provide incentives toward these ends.

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