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We believe in Theta Chi, its traditions and its ideals. Born of sturdy manhood, nurtured by resolute men, ennobled by high and sacred purpose, it has taken its place among the educational institutions of America as a promoter of knowledge, an advancer of culture and a builder of character. *~~~~~* It inspires true friendship; teaches Truth, Temperance and Tolerance, extols virtue, exacts harmony, and extends a helping hand to all who seek it. *~~~~~* I believe in the primacy of Alma Mater; in the usefulness of my Fraternity, in its influence and its accomplishments, and I shall do all in my power to perpetuate its ideals, thereby serving my God, my country and my fellow-man. *~~~~~*

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The President's Message



Last December, J. ALBERT HOLMES affectionately known as "Pa" Holmes, to whom goes much credit for shaping the ever more successful course of Theta Chi over a period of many years, passed the lighted torch to us to carry on.

WHEN our fraternity lives in our hearts as it did in his.

WHEN our lives are dedicated to the ever fuller realization of Theta Chi ideals as was his.

WHEN each of us individually can search his own soul and truthfully say, "I am doing my part."

THEN all of us, old and young, graduate active, and pledge, can say, "We accept the torch, 'Pa.'" Theta Chi, a living, growing leader among college fraternities, is your everlasting earthly monument.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Earl D. Rhodes

National President.

COVER—In an effort to bring The Creed of Theta Chi to the attention of all members, the Grand Chapter directed that the creed be reproduced in a satisfactory form and hung on the wall of every chapter house in the fraternity. The cover illustration shows the form this reproduction has taken. The creed has been hand-engrossed in three colors on a 9 x 12 inch sheet. The coat of arms is in gold and red, the lettering in black, and the decoration in red, gold and black. Chapters may purchase the creed unframed for \$1.00 postpaid, or suitably framed for a price to be announced later. A small number of unframed creeds are available to members of the fraternity on a "first come, first served" basis. The price is \$1.00 postpaid and orders should be sent to the Executive Office.

Theta Chi's First President Is Dead

■ John Albert Holmes, Norwich, '95, first national president of Theta Chi fraternity, died on December 17, 1946, at his home in Somerville, Mass., after a long illness. He assumed that office July 10, 1908, when the Grand Chapter became a reality under the charter granted by the State of Massachusetts to him and four other alumni of the then three chapters. Articles of incorporation had been applied for June 16, 1908.

The first act of the Grand Chapter was to authorize the installation of Delta Chapter at Rensselaer. Mr. Holmes continued to serve as national president until April, 1912, when he was succeeded by the late Dr. Robert L. Irish, Norwich, '89. Because of heavy business responsibilities he resigned from the Grand Chapter in April, 1913. Before this, however, seven more chapters had been added and, as a result, Theta Chi Fraternity had become recognized as a national organization, although its chapter roll was confined to educational institutions in the eastern section of the country.

At the time of his death, Mr. Holmes was 75 years of age and had been in failing health for several years. His last appearance at a Theta Chi function was in March, 1940, when he was a speaker at the Boston Tea Party, the annual get-together of Region 1.

An able organizer, President Holmes envisioned Theta Chi as a great national fraternity in his address at the 1912 convention in Boston. He was keenly interested in Theta Chi and made many visits to undergraduate and alumni chapters.

John Albert Holmes entered Norwich University as a cadet in March, 1891. Although he was in school for only two years, his outstanding achievements as a member of the engineering profession caused the university in 1905 to confer on him the C. E. degree as of the class of 1895.

He was initiated into Alpha Chapter on June 6, 1891, and from the start was a leader in the group until he left the university to serve as assistant engineer with the Board of Survey of Boston.

It was natural that he should be among the first Theta Chis to be given the Distinguished Service

Award. That distinction was authorized April 10, 1939. His citation read: "John Albert Holmes, Alpha, '95. The first member of the fraternity to serve as its national president.



J. A. Holmes When National President

Under his guidance, sacrifice, and devotion, expansion was begun, and under his administration the Grand



John Albert Holmes, Norwich

Chapter was developed as a national governing body."

This recognition was highly prized by Mr. Holmes, who wore the award

proudly throughout the latter years of his life.

■ After service as assistant engineer with the Board of Survey he became assistant engineer for the city of Somerville. In 1896 he was made division engineer for the Boston Metropolitan Park Commission and assisted in the building of the Memorial Drive in Cambridge. He continued with the commission until 1903, acting as general superintendent a part of the time.

The Charles River Dam was his earliest job of real importance. This dam created the present Charles River Basin, now such an impressive and important part of Boston. Without it the outdoor summertime concerts of the Boston Symphony Orchestra could not be enjoyed, nor the boating, nor the view across the water from the uptown apartment houses. Nor would the M. I. T. buildings have as handsome a setting without this controlled body of water.

After this dam was proved a success, he designed and built earth-fill dams in various sections of the country: North Carolina, Oklahoma, Illinois, Indiana, and New Jersey. Before his retirement in 1935 he had become one of the leading earth dam specialists in the country.

He made original contributions to the knowledge of the action of water on soil in the process of compacting soil in earth dams. His papers on colloids were recognized widely. As a result of his activities, he became a contributor to various engineering magazines.

He had a number of interests outside his profession. He read widely in history, paleontology, and exploration. He compiled a most thorough family history after his retirement. He possessed great skill in woodworking. Many articles of furniture and toys gave evidence of the exact and patient workmanship he put into them for use in his own home and the homes of his children. His father was a carpenter who sent his son to college to be an engineer, but the latter still had the instinct for work with wood and skill with precision tools.

He was a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Boston Society of Civil Engineers, Somerville Historical Society, Sons of the

Gen. Fritch Commands Scott Field

By MAJOR DANA F. HURLBURT, New Hampshire

■ Brig. Gen. Donald F. Fritch, Norwich, '22, assigned temporarily as deputy commanding general of the AAF Technical Training Command Headquarters, Scott Field, Ill., has assumed duties as commanding general of Scott Field. He succeeds Col. Neal Creighton, who has requested retirement from active duty with the Army Air Forces after more than 29 years of active service.

Scott Field, parent radio school of the Army Air Forces, is an installa-

tion of the AAF Technical Training Command which embraces eight army air fields ranging from Boca Raton, Fla., to Spokane, Wash., and specializes in the training of airplane mechanics, engineers, and technicians.

commission in the field artillery at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, and transferred into the Air Forces in 1925.

General Fritch attended primary flying school at Brooks Field, Texas, and in 1926 he received his advanced air training at Kelly Field, Texas. After receiving further tactical training at Maxwell Field, Ala., he spent from 1928 to 1937 at Air Force installations in the United States and Panama as a flying and tactical training instructor and test pilot.

During the five years prior to the outbreak of World War II, General Fritch was assigned as executive officer of the Air Material Division in Washington, D. C. Shortly afterwards, he journeyed overseas and served first as chief of staff and later as commanding general of the Air Service Command in the Mediterranean Theater. He returned to the United States early this year.



Brig. Gen. D. F. Fritch, Norwich

tion of the AAF Technical Training Command which embraces eight army air fields ranging from Boca Raton, Fla., to Spokane, Wash., and specializes in the training of airplane mechanics, engineers, and technicians.

Born in Attleboro, Mass., September 10, 1900, General Fritch attended Norwich University before entering the service as a second lieutenant in November, 1921. He received his

American Revolution, and the New England Historical Genealogical Society. He was a member of the Boston Alumni Association of Norwich University and served that organization several times as an officer. He also was at times an officer of the General Alumni Association of the university and at one time was a member of the advisory board for *The Reveille*, the association's publication.

Leaves UP To Edit Gist Of Congressional Acts

■ After twenty-two years of service with the United Press, Reuel Sheridan Moore, Oregon, '21, resigned the position of foreign editor in Washington, D. C., to develop a new publication and information service entitled *Congressional Quarterly News Features*. Hawaii, the Philippines, and London were the news centers in which Moore served the UP abroad for 14 years before his Washington assignment in 1942 to direct the wartime coverage of foreign fronts.

Congressional Quarterly is a complete, convenient, speed-indexed summary of what Congress does. In 200 to 250 pages every three months it presents information that is spread out over several thousand pages of the Congressional Record or is found in printed bills, committee reports, and the *Congressional Directory*. The quarterly began publication with the 79th Congress, and was the first convenient summary of the sort published in more than 150 years of Congress. It lists every action taken, describes all measures acted upon, and contains the votes of every member. It reports committee action on important measures.

The organization also puts out a

weekly Log, which is really the *Quarterly* week-by-week for those who must keep right abreast, and the weekly *Notebook*, each issue of which deals with the current most pressing issue or situation. Already the concern has more than one hundred daily newspaper subscribers and also many libraries, educational institutions, corporations, associations, etc.

Michigan Supreme Court Honors Glenn M. Coulter

■ Glenn M. Coulter, Michigan, '16-20L, and E. Brythe Stasson, dean of the University of Michigan Law School, were recently appointed by the Supreme Court of Michigan to succeed Gov.-elect Kim Sigler and Ben O. Shepherd as commissioners at large of the Michigan State Bar. They will serve four-year terms.

Glenn M. Coulter, has been a practicing attorney at Detroit since 1920. He is an active member of Detroit Bar Association, the State Bar Association of Michigan, the American Bar Association, and the American Judicature Society. He has been an officer or a committee chairman in most of these organizations. He is now serving as chairman of the Crudentials and Admissions Committee of the House of Delegates of the American Bar Association and chairman of a special committee of the State Bar Association as well as member of the committee on professional ethics.

While at the university he was manager of the *Michiganensian*, yearbook, and president of the Michigan Union. He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi, Michiganum, Griffins, and Barristers.

THETA CHI CALENDAR

March 15—Ides of March Party, Beta Omicron Alumni Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio

April 10—Founders' Day, Theta Chi's 91st anniversary.

April 11—Founders' Day Banquet, Portland Alumni Chapter, Portland, Oregon

April 11—Founders' Day Formal Dance, Beta Iota Chapter, Tucson, Arizona

April 11—Founders' Day Banquet, Beta Omicron Chapter and Alumni, Cincinnati, Ohio

April 12—Eighth Boston Tea Party, Region 1, Boston, Massachusetts

April 26—Assembly of Region 3, Dickinson College, Carlisle, Pennsylvania

September 9-11, 1948—92nd Anniversary National Convention, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Massachusetts

NIC Warns of the Danger Of Oversized Chapters

By GEORGE STARR LASHER, Michigan, '11

Marked by record attendance of educators, a serious attitude toward the problems affecting fraternities at the present time, and resolutions dealing with such, the 38th annual session of the National Interfraternity Conference was held at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, November 29-30. Eighty-four presidents and deans of men of educational institutions joined 126 delegates, 29 alternates, and 15 visitors to make up a total of 308 as against 261 men who attended the sessions last year. Each of the 59 member fraternities of the conference was represented both days.

In distinct contrast to the problems which faced the conference in the past five years were those considered this year, brought on by the tremendous increase of students on fraternity campuses throughout the country.

Realizing that in this unprecedented prosperity there is a menace to the welfare of college fraternities, the National Interfraternity Conference passed unanimously two highly significant resolutions as follows:

"Resolved: That, (1) this conference recognizes the need of extending the opportunity for fraternity membership to those who desire such affiliation. (2) It believes that this purpose can best be accomplished by the chartering of additional chapters of member fraternities. Without barring the creation of new national organizations, the conference recognizes the value of experience and also the benefits to be derived through affiliation with strong national organizations; it therefore believes that the best results will be attained through the expansion of existing fraternities. (3) It suggests that the Executive Committee of the conference through a special committee direct a program for the carrying out of this policy."

"Resolved: That, recognizing that there is great danger of destroying the character of the fraternity chapter as we know it today by increasing its size to numbers greater than fifty, and, appreciating the unusual and necessary temporary increase in the size of the fraternity chapter in the post-war period, this conference

recommends that its national fraternity members discourage the continuance beyond the present emergency of such over-sized chapters in an effort to maintain the fundamental character and purpose of the fraternity chapter as an opportunity for the development of the principles of brotherhood within its membership."

■ In addition to these was a third resolution dealing with the right of fraternities to select their own members. This follows:

"The American college fraternities and sororities have developed over a period of one hundred and seventy years. Throughout all that time they have exercised their established right to govern themselves and to select their own members. Their proud war records evidence once again the soundness of these democratic rights.

"Originally guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States in prohibiting any abridgment of the right of assembly which embraces the right to form voluntary associations, they have been re-enunciated in the Charter of the United Nations as fundamental freedoms to which every human being is entitled.

"Therefore, the Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council reaffirms the policy of the American college fraternities and sororities in exercising these rights, irrespective of the views of any non-members, as essential human rights."

Again the conference felt the necessity of insisting upon its ban on hazing and hell week practices in the following resolution:

"Resolved: With the earnest conviction that the national fraternity system offers a valuable contribution to the campuses of America, the conference again affirms its belief that hazing and all forms of hell week practices are not properly a part of the national fraternity system, materially detract from its prestige and merit, and afford a reasonable basis of increasing anti-fraternity sentiment in this country, and it asserts that a more vigorous effort should be made by the fraternity members and par-

ticularly by the officers to eliminate completely such practices in the current year."

The initial session of the conference heard Chairman Maurice Jacobs, Phi Epsilon Pi, give an impressive review of the activities of the Executive Committee and conference officials. He opened his address with the following statement:

"The problem is no longer one of survival, but of properly integrating this large student body into our present fraternities."

Later in his address he commented as follows:

"After Mrs. Glenn Frank had spoken at the University of Minnesota, a check was made to determine whether her presence had in any way affected the fraternity situation on that campus, and we were pleased to find that in no way had she disturbed fraternity loyalties. The Frank furor has passed in the night, like other attacks on the fraternity system."

There was an echo of the past in his reference to the fact that a chapter of TNE had been reported at a southern university, but that this organization of unsavory memory had been discouraged. He also paid his respects to those who persist in hell week activities in the following statement:

"It is most discouraging to find that after all of our years of talking and acting against 'hell week' activities, we have not convinced all fraternity leaders that our attitude is correct. A menace to the fraternity system persists in the sophomoric concept of fraternities and of their true functions which is still shown by a few individuals. Their minds seem not to have developed beyond the idea of the fraternity as a high school lark and an organized paddling party. Astonishingly enough, a very few of these members are placed by their own fraternities in situations of influence by appointment to official positions. They are the real enemies of the fraternity as an institution. Fortunately, their childish conceptions are gradually diminishing through constant attack on the part of the better fraternities, abetted by the colleges and the conference, on silly horse-play and 'kid-stuff'."

That today college presidents and deans regard the college fraternity as an integral part of the educative pro-

gram of the college was brought out in a report of the law committee by its chairman, David A. Embury, Acacia. He stated that out of two hundred and seventy-four replies there were only two that could be labeled as definitely antagonistic to fraternities, whereas the great majority indicated definite approval of Greek-letter organizations.

■ Chester W. Cleveland, editor, of *The Magazine of Sigma Chi*, was honored at the dinner meeting of the College Fraternity Editors Association, Friday night, in recognition of his twenty-five years of service as a fraternity editor. Speakers at the dinner included Milton Caniff, who gave preview sketches of the new strip which he is to syndicate at the beginning of the year, and George Starr Lasher, editor of *The Rattle of Theta Chi*. According to the custom established a year ago, Mr. Cleveland was presented with a sterling silver bowl.

A high tribute was paid to fraternity men by Dr. H. E. Stone, dean of students at the University of California, in discussing "the veteran in college fraternities." He stated that the contribution of fraternity men in the late war has never been questioned; in fact, it is recognized as outstanding and that fraternity men

ranked high when leadership qualities were evaluated among young officers. In making a survey of the conditions on the campus of the University of California Dean Stone interviewed thirty-five fraternity chapter presidents. In regard to that experience he reports:

"In my interviews with our fraternity presidents, I learned a great deal about changes taking place in chapter policies and procedures. One non-veteran president told me in all frankness, 'Dean, hell week is a dead duck at our house. We had a pledge class including a marine captain, an army major, and a navy lieutenant commander. When we started the old rough stuff, they said, "No soap, let's sit down and talk it over." We talked it over and hell week was dead.'

"The frankness with which the liquor problem was discussed was also refreshing. Several prominent chapters whose reputation for sustained imbibing had been well established reported new rigid rules against liquor on the premises at any time. Their reasons were convincing: 'It doesn't mix well with study'; 'one or two of our fellow vets wanted to turn the place into a bar.' I learned that the scholarship chairman of one house was a marine captain from Okinawa.

Dean Stone stated that practically

all of the chapter presidents reported the elimination of hell week and the hazing of freshmen.

A report on national costs of fraternities showed the great variance of financial relationships between local chapters and their national organizations, but brought out the fact that no undergraduate member pays into his national organization as much as the annual cost of a golf club membership thus proving that the frequently quoted charge of some college administrators is baseless.

The fraternities were defended by the committee of public relations against the charge of being undemocratic. It said in part:

"In identifying our objectives with those of the college we need to be on the alert for one thing. The more the college recognizes the potentialities of fraternity life the greater responsibility will it assume for its proper functioning. But we must take the initiative in assuring the proper functioning of our own organizations; for that constitutes self government, which is basic to fraternity life. Else the college will have to step in, as it is already threatening to do at several institutions, and we shall then have regimentation, and our fraternities will become the tool of education, not its adjunct."



TWENTY THETA CHIS representing twelve different chapters made up the largest fraternity delegation at the National Interfraternity Conference held at the Hotel Commodore, New York City, November 29-30, a conference marked by unusually large attendance. The delegation also included the largest number of deans representing any fraternity. These were Dean Floyd Field, Georgia Tech, '02, who had just retired from the position of dean of students at Georgia Institute of Technology; Dean Harold W. Browning, Rhode Island State, '14, also vice president of Rhode Island State College; Dr. Robert W. Bishop, Cincinnati, '37; and Professor Frank H. Hunt, dean of students at Lafayette College. Theta Chi official delegates and alternates were Earl D. Rhodes, Rensselaer, '21, national president; Thomas E. Sears, Jr., M. I. T., '32, national vice president; Alfred E. Grant, Tufts, '21, past national secretary; George Starr Lasher, Michigan, '11, editor of *The Rattle*; and Maxwell E. McDowell, Colgate, '16, past president of the National Board of Trustees. Shown in the accompanying picture taken at the conference are: front row, left to right—Sydney H. Baylor, M.I.T., '26, national treasurer; Sherwood Blue, Indiana, '26-'28L, national secretary; Dean Hunt; Dean Field; Dean Browning; Earl D. Rhodes, national president; Vice President Sears; James C. Stevens, Michigan, '23, national marshal; standing—Harold W. Browning, Jr., Rhode Island State, '46; George W. Chapman, Penn State, '20, director of leadership training; Samuel B. Doudiet, Colgate, '32, traveling secretary; Alfred H. Grant; Stuart H. Kelley, North Dakota State, '20, national chaplain; George Starr Lasher; Ralph H. Griesemer, Dickinson, '32; national counselor; Francis H. S. Ede, Dickinson, '17, former national vice president; Frederick W. Ladue, Colgate, '12. Those present at the conference, but not included in the picture are: Dean Bishop; Col. A. H. Aldridge, Dickinson, '12; James D. Bartlett, Michigan, '42.

Theta Chi Had Role in Now-It-Can-Be-Told Tale

■ A Theta Chi, Lt. Comdr. Alfred E. Wolf, NYU, '28, played an important role in a highly dramatic, but until recently unreported activity of World War II. Under the caption, "Depth Charge," Douglas Gilbert tells the story in an issue of the New York *World-Telegram*. A part of his article follows.

One of the unsung exploits of the Navy in the European war was the detachment of New York City and the metropolitan area from the appalling activity of the Port of New York. Operations of astral proportions went on under our very noses of which we were unaware. The secrecy with which gigantic movements of troops and ships was accomplished amounts to a strategic feat. We know only now that 3,155,578 troops and 35,511,286 tons of cargo were moved out of this harbor.

Brave men who should have drowned like sailors were burned to death in the flames of blazing tankers blasted by U-boats off Long Island and the Jersey coast. The Germans knew it. But of the tragedies and destruction in our own front yard—114 ships were sunk in East Coast waters—we knew nothing. The closest many of us came to the war were the bond drives.

With the consent of Vice Adm. Herbert F. Leary, commander, this reporter has been permitted to examine some of the files of the Eastern Sea Frontier, and the over-all picture of ships and men, of courage and efficiency, of defeats and mistakes, of sinkings and death in icy waters, now can be unveiled.

Between February and May, 1942, five ships were sunk by enemy subs within 50 miles of New York—the approaches to the harbor. On November 13, 1942, 10 mines were laid by the enemy beyond the Narrows, and the post was closed from noon on that day to 6 p.m., November 14, when five of the mines were detonated by sweepers. The other five were duds.

It was, however, a technical closing. Some ships were permitted in and out, but their proceedings were restricted. The harbor, constantly mineswept, also was guarded by land-

controlled mines operated by the Army, by a net abreast of Hoffman Island, and by a 1000-foot boom, the largest ever used, which was flung across the Narrows on floats. It was fitted with cutters damaging to surface craft. The boom easily accommodated the largest convoy sent out of this port during the war—140 ships.

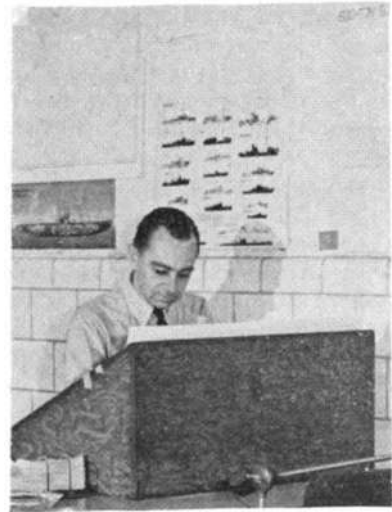
■ The Eastern Sea Frontier was set up to protect our coastal waters from subs. It extended from Maine to Florida in an area some 500 miles off shore, an enormous expanse to be defended. Headquarters of the ESF were at 90 Church St., and its control room on the fifth floor was one of the most closely guarded in that restricted building. For here, on the west wall, was a map of our east coast and the Atlantic, on which was shown every ship at sea.

This fantastic mural was under the direction of Lt. Comdr. Alfred E. Wolf, the submarine tracking officer who plotted from reports received from Navy and Coast Guard patrols, from aircraft and from trawlers and fishing boats, the approximate location or area of operation of U-boats.

The position of each ship was changed every four hours, and the operation proceeded like this: When a ship got directions for her route from the port director the routing officer notified the Eastern Sea Frontier—"Fancy Lady to Liverpool by such and such points. Speed 15 knots."

"Then it was only a matter of plotting the ship on the control board," said Commander Wolf. "But we had two checks—from the guard vessel at the gate of the Narrows which relayed the ship's exact time of passing, and from the guard ship at Ambrose Channel. When this second check came in we started plotting. Knowing her exact route and speed it was easy to place her."

The headaches were in trying to determine with reasonable accuracy the location of enemy subs. So intense was the zeal of observers that often blackfish and whales were reported. It was a bit easier when the meager aircraft patrol of the Eastern Sea Frontier was augmented.



Commander Wolf at His Desk

■ A balcony screened by glass faces the control board, and at a ledge on the balcony, observing the constantly changing positions of the myriad ships at sea, sat two controllers, one for aircraft, one for surface vessels. Each was in constant communication by direct wire with air and naval bases.

If a sinking was reported or a sub sighted, the controller at once diverted all shipping from the area in which the sub was operating, while sending the closest naval vessels or planes to the position either for rescue or combat. Each ship was represented on the board by a numbered colored chip for identification. At one time No. 52, for example, was the *Queen Mary*. But a controller could spot his positions easily enough and make his identification later. All he had to look for was the color—for example, blue for naval vessels, white for merchants, red for the enemy.

The glow in the control room of the Eastern Sea Frontier in the first six months of the war was scarlet indeed. U-boats operated in our coastal waters virtually at will and save for two incredible strategic blunders by the Nazis the European war, with its death and destruction, might well have been prolonged.

One was the failure of the Germans to use their own device, the schnorkel, sooner. The other was their failure to mine the Hudson canyon, a deep channel caused by the river's current that extends to a point due east of Barnegat. It is the principal lane for ships of large tonnage.

The schnorkel is a stack about 15 inches in diameter jutting up from the sub's deck. It draws air into the Diesels and forces out the dead air and fumes, thus permitting the sub to remain submerged almost indefinitely.

The Germans perfected this device in 1942 and why they failed to use it in our own waters, or those off Britain for that matter, until 1944 is beyond reason. If they had used it two years earlier it might have been just too bad for the two Queens, the Mary and Elizabeth. For, assuming that a sub could get into the Hudson canyon, it need only rest on the shallower bottom on either side and await its victim.

■ Possibly the earlier successes of the

Germans in their operations off our coast inspired an overconfidence that was to prove costly to them. In 20 days, January 11-31, 1942, the enemy sank 44 merchant ships in the Western Atlantic. The Eastern Sea Frontier ruefully, and truthfully, reported the number of subs sunk was none.

At the beginning of February, 1942, our defensive surface craft at the disposal of the Eastern Sea Fron-

tier numbered fewer than 40 small patrol boats, old and slow, plus a few planes from the Atlantic Fleet Air Forces.

In our combat with the U-boats we were, as a veteran sailor observed, "throwing snowballs at 'em."

Late in December, 1941, the Cominch (code for Commander in Chief) was notified that a flotilla of 20 U-boats had left their Biscay bases for the United States. We were soon to learn how accurate this information was.

On Jan. 14, 1942, little more than a month after Germany's declaration of war upon us, a patrolling Navy plane sighted a half-submerged vessel 60 miles southeast of Montauk Point. He notified the control room of Eastern Sea Frontier, and rescue ships were sent to the aid of the stricken vessel.

This, the first ship torpedoed in our waters, was the 9000-ton tanker *Norness*. Throughout the latter part of January sinkings occurred almost daily, and on the 24th the German Admiralty announced with painful accuracy that U-boats had sunk 18 merchant ships off the coasts of the United States and Canada.

The first definite sinking of a sub occurred April 14, 1942. She was the U-85, 500 tons (the Germans used small subs for greater maneuverability) and she had sunk or damaged six merchant vessels.

Boston Tea Party Is Again On Theta Chi's Calendar

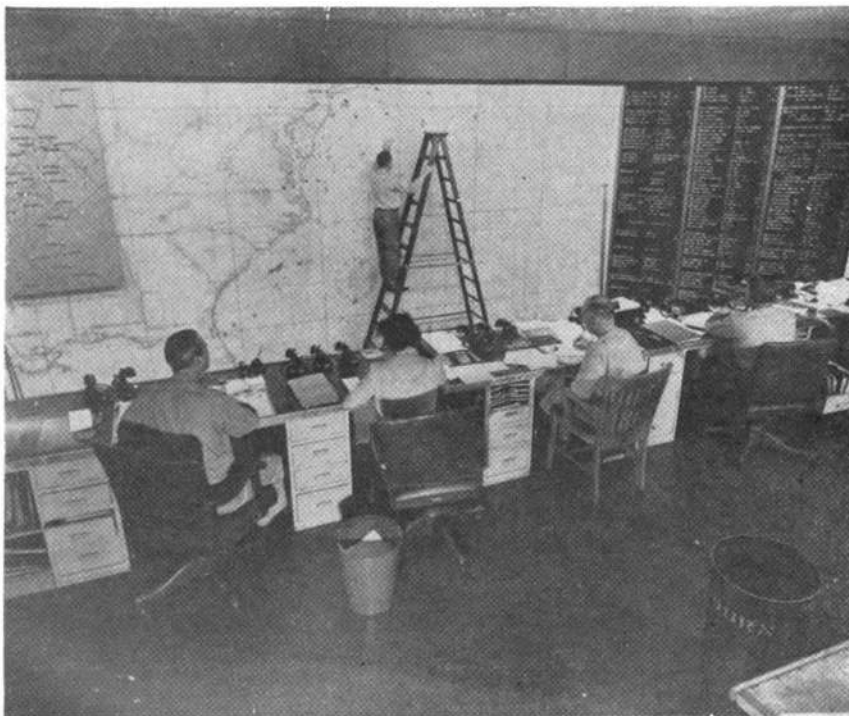
■ The eighth Boston Tea Party, the first since 1942, will bring together actives and alumni of New England's Region 1 on Saturday, April 12, at the Hotel Kenmore in Boston. The one-day meeting will start in the morning at the home of Beta Chapter with discussions of specific chapter problems by chapter representatives and regional and national officers. In the afternoon at 1:30 a fraternity school will be conducted at the Hotel Kenmore for the benefit of undergraduates and those alumni who are serving as advisers and counselors. A social get-together will precede the main event of the day, the Tea Party banquet, which is expected to meet the high standards of pre-war events.

The Tea Party is again sponsored by the Boston Alumni Chapter with Beta Chapter at M. I. T., the active host. This year's chairman is Austin W. Fisher, Jr., Massachusetts State, '37. Active in the planning for the affair are Thomas E. Sears, Jr., national vice president, Sidney H. Baylor, national treasurer, and Frank F. Homeyer, regional counselor and president of the Boston Alumni Chapter.

Correspondence and requests for information should be addressed to the chairman at 5 Brae Burn Road, Auburndale 66, Mass. It is hoped that alumni who plan to attend will notify the chairman as early as possible.

Honor Three Colgate Alumni

Carl A. Kallgren, '17, dean of the College, Colgate University, was recently elected a member of the Executive Committee of the Eastern Association of College Deans and Advisers to Men. Dr. Lionel D. Edie, '15, has been named chairman of a five-man citizens advisory committee to study and report on the need for a university at Westchester, N. Y. D. Stephen Thrall, '22, has recently been elected president of the Colgate University Alumni Association of Boston, Mass. His address is 537 Commonwealth Ave.



"FANTASTIC MURAL," designed and directed by Lt. Comdr. Alfred E. Wolf, NYU, '28, that recorded the position of every ship on the Atlantic sea frontier every four hours in the Joint Operations Center, New York City, and became a most effective instrument in the struggle against the Nazi submarines throughout World War II.

A Dean Who Is Also a Human Being

By DOUGLAS POLIVKA, Oregon

■ Alpha Sigma Chapter at the University of Oregon is not known as a producer of deans. In years past it has contributed its share of doctors and more recently a number of attorneys. Occasionally, Phi Beta Kappa honors one of its membership. But always as common as flies on a horse have been the journalists at Alpha Sigma. Even so, they have never thrown the membership out of balance. One thing for certain, though, is that each of its would-be moulders of public opinion has studied his chosen field under the competent supervision of an Alpha Sigma brother.

That brother is George Stanley Turnbull, dean of the University's School of Journalism. Alpha Sigma's only other dean is William G. Hale, '03, of the University of Southern California's School of Law.

This, however, is the story of Dean Turnbull, more affectionately known by his associates and members of Alpha Sigma as just plain "George."

Instead of starting as a journalist, realizing the pay is poor and then becoming a printer, George followed the advice of old time newspapermen and "bit the dog" to enter the profession by becoming a printer first.

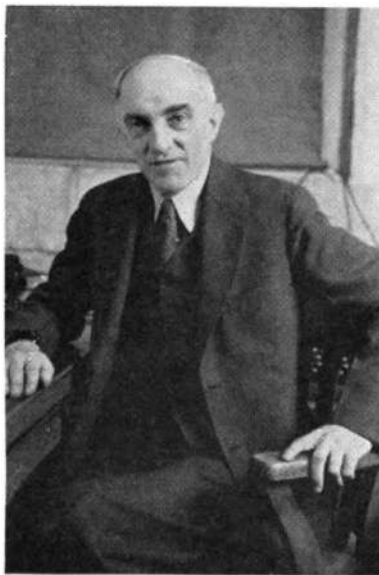
■ Born December 5, 1882, in Newcastle upon the Tyne in England, Dean Turnbull arrived at an early age in the state of Washington. His curiosity, he says, had much to do with his becoming a newspaperman. As a small boy the Dean watched his grandfather, in a cabinet shop, construct some type racks. Young George was sent by his grandfather into the print shop of the Marysville (Washington) *Globe*, a thriving weekly, to get exact dimensions. The dean admits he had never before set foot inside a print shop.

"I think my eyes must have bugged out and made me appear eager," he says, "because the owner offered me a job right then and there. I went to work setting type, and he took over the job of sweeping the floor."

The dean set type by hand and was so short he had to stand on a box to reach the case. His setting type by hand while standing on a box did not increase his height even in later life.

Today he stands five feet four inches tall.

Before deserting the "back shop" to become a white collar worker in the "front office," Dean Turnbull became a journeyman printer and at one time



Dean George Stanley Turnbull, Oregon

was secretary of the typographical union in Bellingham, Wash.

He took his first reporting job in 1902 on the *Bellingham Reveille*, of which he later became managing editor. He worked his way through the University of Washington, receiving his bachelor of arts degree in 1915 and his master of arts degree in 1932.

In Seattle he worked as reporter, copy editor, assistant city editor, telegraph editor, and acting city editor of the *Post-Intelligencer* and then moved to the *Seattle Times* as copy editor, serving one summer as assistant city editor.

■ It was while he was a member of the *Times* staff in 1917 that his friend and former co-worker on the P.I., the late Eric W. Allen, persuaded him to go to Eugene, Oregon, to teach journalism at the university.

When Dean Allen died on March 5, 1944, George Turnbull, after 27 years of faithful service as a professor of journalism, succeeded him. From all parts of the world came letters of congratulations and praise for his selection as head of one of the outstanding schools of journalism.

Charles Gratke, foreign editor of the *Christian Science Monitor*, wrote:

"The appointment of Professor George Turnbull as present dean of the School of Journalism of the University of Oregon brings nostalgic pleasure literally to hundreds of newspaper men and women. For nearly three decades George Turnbull has been giving would-be reporters what it takes, sharpening the pencils of their minds, and broadening the horizon of their vision.

"I've encountered University of Oregon journalism students on most of the news fronts I've visited in the world. Always the conversation gets around to George. And always it has a note of gratitude. For by some quiet progress of his perceptive and friendly mind he has managed to make not only better craftsmen, but better people of us all."

The *Portland Oregonian*, great newspaper of the West, editorialized:

"If it is a mystery how Lily Pons can hold so much breath, it is still more of a mystery how anyone as physically frail and self-effacing as Professor Turnbull could have held, through the years, so much energy, devotion, kindness, intelligence, and good common sense. His ex-students swear by him and give him an unusual share of the credit for their successes in after life; the university men and women who did not take work under him, but encountered him casually during their campus days, remember and cherish his spirit. And as for newspapermen and women of the Northwest in general, they are likely to think that Oregon must have a fine department because George Turnbull is there."

■ Should Dean Turnbull be asked, when the day of judgment comes, and we hope that's a long way off for George, "Did you practice what you preached?" he will be able to answer truthfully that he did.

Throughout his years at the university, Dean Turnbull has been a practicing journalist. He spent his summer vacations working as a copy reader on the *Portland Oregonian* and the *San Francisco Chronicle*. During the war, because of the lack of manpower, he assumed the added duties of director of the University of Oregon news bureau.

In 1939 Dean Turnbull completed his "History of Oregon Newspapers," a volume derived from extensive and detailed research. It is considered one of the finest and most complete state histories of journalism published to date.

He has served as adviser to the student daily newspaper, the *Oregon Emerald*; faculty adviser to Theta Sigma Phi, women's journalism sorority. He is a member of the faculty senate, secretary of the Oregon Press conference, and was president of the Oregon chapter of Phi Beta Kappa in 1943.

He is a member of Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalistic fraternity; Friars, senior men's recognition society; American Association of University Professors; and American Association of Teachers of Journalism.

He is married to the former Mary Lou Burton of Eugene. They have two children, Stanley, 17, and Sarah Louise, 14. Mrs. Turnbull is alumna adviser to Theta Sigma Phi.

■ In all, George Turnbull has risen to great heights in the academic world, but his students and former students still remember him as the professor who lectures before a blackboard always with a piece of chalk in his hand, but seldom, if ever, using the chalk. He's the most human dean on earth and early in his career showed tendencies of becoming a real absent-minded professor.

About fifteen years ago the *Oregon Daily Emerald* front-paged a story concerning the dean which told about Mrs. Turnbull calling the School of Journalism to ask the night editor of the *Emerald* to look for the Turnbull automobile in front of the building. The car was there. The dean had driven to school and then walked home.

But this will never happen again, he assures us, because today young Stanley Turnbull has a driver's license and the dean seldom finds the car available for his own use.

Sub Has a Record

Tuck Weaves, Illinois, '40, has been in the United States Naval Hospital at Corona, California. The *Saturday Evening Post* for July 20 carried an interesting story about Weaver's sub, *The Barb*, the only submarine known to put a railroad train out of commission.

Dynamic Kernels Provide \$100,000



Perry M. Hayden, Michigan '23, and the Reverend C. J. Robinson at Work With Cradle and Sickle in "Dynamic Kernels" Field

■ Readers of *The Rattle* for several years have followed the continued story of Perry Hayden, Michigan, '23, and his project of the "dynamic kernels." This year its finish received national attention in newspapers, news magazines, and radio broadcasts. August 1 had been proclaimed by Governor Harry Kelley as "biblical wheat day," and 10,000 persons were at the Lenawee County Fair Grounds to witness the token harvest ceremony. Six years ago the harvest was from 1 cubic inch measure of wheat, containing 360 kernels, which was harvested with a sickle and produced 50 cubic inches, or one quart jar of grain. This was tithed, and the balance replanted. Each year of the five that followed the wheat was planted, tithed, and replanted. The total harvest this year was 113,000,000 cubic inches or 75,000 bushels, which had been grown on 2,666 acres. The value of the wheat was more than \$100,000. The tithe which was given this year will be used to feed the stricken peoples of Europe.

Now that the project is ended Mr. Hayden, president of the Hayden Flour Mills of Tecumseh, Michigan, plans to write a book, edit a motion picture, and tell the impressive story from the lecture platform. For the latter already meetings have been

scheduled from Norfolk, Virginia, to Denver, Colorado, and as far south as Mexico City. A paragraph or two of the page story of the biblical wheat day, written by Carol K. Michener and published in the *Northwestern Miller* follows:

"The extraordinary scene was sort of a combination of county fair, circus, rodeo, chautauqua, Fourth of July celebration, audience-participation theater-of-the-air, and revival meeting. The name of God was mentioned more often than it probably had been heard there on any previous occasion.

"I don't think I ever was present upon an occasion when more cameras were clicking. The infield was as full of photographers as it was of wheat stalks.

"Nearly every device, ancient and modern, was provided for the harvesting. There were sickles, cradles, a primitive reaper, an up-to-the-moment combine; flails, an old-time fanning mill and a modern threshing rig.

"The tithed wheat poured into the fair grounds area by truck from the 276 farms on which it was grown, there to be exhibited and then reloaded for shipment to the mills to be mixed with soybeans and other grains to make a cereal product most adaptable to the nutritional needs of Europe's hungry.

"Tithes were pledged by members of 42 Methodist churches, 16 Baptist, 12 Evangelical, 11 United Brethren, 11 Presbyterian, 8 Congregational, 6 Catholic, and nine other religious groups."

22 Theta Chis Members Of Championship Squad

By ARTHUR STEWART, Delaware, '46

■ Having completed their football season undefeated, the University of Delaware "Blue Hens" looked for new worlds to conquer and found them in Tampa, Florida. They helped inaugurate the Egypt Temple Shrine's Cigar Bowl for the benefit of the Crippled Children's Hospital by defeating Rollins College "Tars" 21-7. This victory for the Hens ran their sensational winning streak to 25 straight victories and 31 games without defeat.

There were 46 football players and four managers in the official party. Of this total of 50, 27 were fraternity men, and 22 were members or pledges of Alpha Xi Chapter. This group included first string starters End Harold Thompson; Tackle Robert Campbell; Guard Gene Carrell; and Halfback Fred Sposato. On the second string were Guard John Coulter; End Ernest Mettenet; Center Robert Glisson; Fullback Joseph Coady; and Quarterback Joseph Hearn.

Substitutes making the trip were Ray Ciesinski, Carl Stalloni, Theo-

dore Zink, Earl Cavanaugh, John Weaver, Stanley Bilski, William Murray, John Gallagher, John Paris, and Ray McCarthy. Managers included Arthur Stewart, senior manager; Robert Hunter, junior manager, and Newell Duncan, assistant business manager.

The first touchdown of the contest was scored by Thompson, who snagged a long aerial and raced 25 yards to score. Coach William D. Murray gave high praise to the educated toe of Fullback Coady, who was responsible for several fine punts at crucial moments. The Hens, not used to the 85-degree heat of Florida as a playing medium, were called on to substitute freely; as a result every member of the squad saw considerable action. Giving able assistance as an assistant trainer on the training staff was Raymond Duncan, '48, formerly of the Washington College chapter. Coach Murray also gave highest praises to Irwin N. Duncan, '48, for his tireless efforts as assistant business manager.

■ "Put the Theta Chi team in!" This cry was heard to issue from the Delaware stands at more than one of the season's football contests. And if Coach Murray had issued the call, Theta Chi could indeed have fielded a strong varsity eleven.

The University of Delaware gained national acclaim on the football field in the past season as it continued its amazing winning streak inaugurated in 1940. It was not uncommon in the season for newspapers in Miami and San Francisco to appear on Sundays with headlines reading "Army and Delaware Keep Winning!" The Blue Hens won their thirtieth and what is considered their greatest victory when they tripped the likewise undefeated Mules from Muhlenburg, 20-12, in what was considered the contest to decide the mythical small college championship. And what a ball game it was! In Wilmington, Delaware, a capacity crowd of 15,000 watched breathlessly as the two elevens battled furiously for 60 minutes of spectacular football.

And it can be said that Theta Chi contributed no small amount to this great team. The starting team in every contest boasted four Alpha Xi men, the second team claimed five, while the remaining three were members of the reliable reserves. Theta Chis combined to give Delaware 66 of the 337 points scored by the Hens in the 1946 campaign.

■ Individually, as well as members of a great combine, Theta Chis earned the plaudits of all who saw them play. End Thompson has been named by more than one observer as the most outstanding football player ever to don the Blue and Gold of Delaware. His ability to snag passes has been nothing short of sensational. The low percentage of return of punts by enemy safety men has been attributed to his tremendous speed. His defensive play has yet to be excelled on the gridiron. The Chicago Bears have offered him a position with their professional team upon termination of his college career.

North Carolina contributed to this great machine when Robert Campbell came up from Greensboro to play at the right tackle post. His timely blocking of punts as well as fine line play in general gave ample protection to the Delaware backfield. A constant threat to backfield operations of Hen opponents was the aggressive play of



DELAWARE THETA CHIS on the beach at Tampa, Florida, (left to right) rear row: Robert Hunter, Arthur Stewart, Roman Piesinski, Stanley Bilski, Eugene Carrell, Robert Campbell, Earl Cavanaugh, William Murray, John Gallagher, Theodore Zink, Ernest Mettenet. Front row (left to right): John Paris, Newell Duncan, Jack Coulter, Jack McDowell, publicity director of university, Carl Stalloni, Robert Glisson, Fred Sposato, Harold Thompson.

Zeke Carrel, dependable left guard from Haddonfield, N. J. The bruising blocking of Halfback Fred Spasato, who was injured in the 61-0 rout of Washington College, was sorely missed in the crucial Muhlenburg tilt. To him has been attributed much of the credit for the ability of Hen scat-backs to get away for many touchdown runs.

As most of the Theta Chi members of the squad are expected to return to the 1947 squad, the Hens are expected to field another strong team and extend their phenomenal streak further.

In the managerial department Theta Chi has also been well represented. Arthur Stewart, '46, earned his letter after four years as manager and will be succeeded by Robert Hunter, '48, who will take over the duties as senior manager in the 1947 season.

Theta Chi Trio Will Help Hamline In Try for Title

By HAROLD HANSON

■ When Hamline University's vaunted basketball team takes the floor in quest of the Minnesota State College Conference title, two Theta Chi actives and one pledge are among its starters: Robert Lieviska, William Connors, and Pledge Harold Haskins.

Haskins is well-known throughout the midwestern basketball circles for his high-powered 16-point shooting average as well as his comical floor routine which would do justice to a "goofy" movie cartoon. He held the individual scoring record for the Minnesota State High School Tournament with 57 points in three games while playing for Alexandria High School in 1943.

The other two men are former all-state high school players from Virginia, Minnesota, who have played stellar ball in keeping Hamline at the top in their conference. Connors couples with Haskins to produce the trickiest pair of forwards in the tough Minnesota conference, and Lieviska always gets the assignment of guarding the opponents' most potent scorer.

To Captain Track Squad

Robert Rehberg, captain-elect of the 1947 Illinois track squad, is president of Ma-Wan-Da, senior recognition society, as well as the Big Ten conference half and mile champion.

Are First To Represent U. S. in Norway Meet

■ Merrill Barber, Norwich, '44, was one of two United States ski aces to compete in the 50th annual Holmenkollen ski jump March 2-3 at Oslo, Norway, the first Americans to participate in this annual event, which brought into competition the best "riders" in the world and attracted crowds of 100,000 enthusiasts, including King Haakon VII and other members of the royal family. Although the two Americans did not place in the final events, their participation made the affair international in character.

Barber is regarded as one of the three outstanding American skiers, the other two being Walter Bietila, his team mate, and Artie Devlin, presently inactive because of recent injuries. Barber and Bietila, accompanied by Roger Langley, president of the National Ski Association of America, flew to Oslo February 25

on the Scandinavian airliner. Thus the United States, comparative infant in skiing competition, sent its team to Norway, home of the sport. At the same time representatives of Norway were in this country to try for honors at the meet scheduled to be held at Ishpeming, Mich.

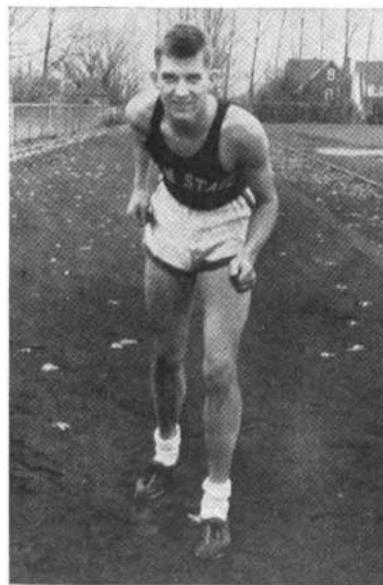
Again Meets in Chapter House

The Mothers' Club of Eta Chapter, Rhode Island State, which functioned so successfully in keeping members of the chapter in touch with each other throughout World War II, is again meeting in the chapter house in Kingston and carrying on a program of assistance to the chapter. Its meeting on December 10 honored the new house mother of Eta, Mrs. Dorothy Harding, and the mothers of freshman pledges. One of the guests was Mrs. Eugene D'A'quanno, a British bride, whose husband is with the Glenn Martin Aircraft Corporation, Baltimore, Md. Harold Ragnall is with the same concern.

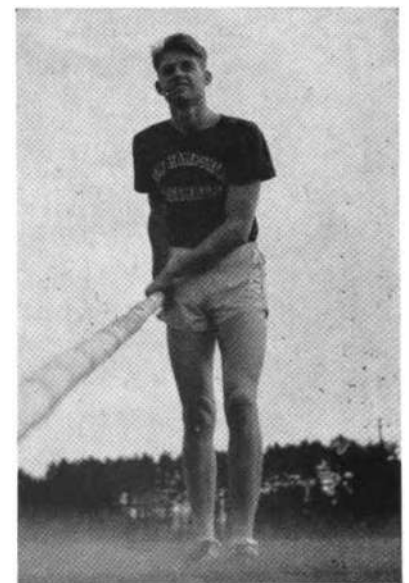
Theta Chis Win National Championships

■ National championships were won March 1 at the IC4A meet at New York by two Theta Chis whose athletic careers had been interrupted by World War II. Gerald Karver, Penn State, '47, won the mile in 4 minutes, 19.9 seconds, while Richmond Marcom, New Hampshire, '47, took the pole vault title with 13 feet, 6 inches.

Both men had shown great promise in competition while representing their schools before the war opened. They were also heard from when the Army carried on tournaments both in this country and overseas, but it was left for the first real postwar intercollegiate meet to reveal their unusual championship quality.



Champion Gerald Karver



Champion Richmond Marcom

Who're Having the Best Time, The Youngsters or the Hosts?

By E. J. VELENOVSKY
Photos by JOSEPH JAMES

■ A Christmas party for underprivileged children, the first of what is planned for an annual event, aroused true holiday spirit among the members and pledges of Omicron Chapter at the University of Richmond, December 16.

Held at the chapter house on Roselawn Road, the party began at 4 p.m. and lasted until 6 p.m., with twenty boys and girls between the ages of four and six as guests. The children were secured through an alumnus of Omicron Chapter, the Rev. I. Ray Baker, Jr.

The house had been well decorated with streamers, giant holly leaves and berries (made of paper and balloons), and a large lighted tree. In the dining room a ping-pong table was set up, and on it an electric train, complete with sidings, switches, a farm, and people, took its scheduled runs with the help of several budding physicists.

A pony and his attendant spent about an hour giving rides to the children. This brought forth quite a few fanciful stories of "riding 'wild' horses" and helped greatly to overcome the shyness of the children—and the grownups.

■ After all who wanted to ride had had enough, the group went into the house to sing carols and await Santa Claus. At this time Miss Helen Monsell, registrar of Richmond College, told some of the stories for which she is justly famous. To the jingle of sleigh bells Santa Claus, alias Dr. Raymond Pinchbeck, dean of Richmond College, arrived to distribute the presents. Each present was wrapped and tagged with the name of the child who was to receive it. This led to a bit of confusion as one little fellow repeatedly requested his gift, which finally turned up at the very bottom of Santa's sack.

After the distribution of the presents and the departure of Santa the children sat down to see just how much ice cream and cake they could eat. Try as they might, they couldn't eat it all.

The party ended, as all good parties should, shortly after the peak of the fun. Before the children left, each one was presented with another gift from Santa Claus, a stocking containing nuts, fruit, animal crackers, candy, a pair of brightly-colored ear muffs, and a balloon. As this stocking was just a bit too much for some of them to carry, the chapter members became very willing pack-horses.

Too much credit cannot be given Mrs. M. B. Langhorne and her sister, Mrs. Virginia Hutchins, who provided the pony and the presents, and to Dean Pinch-



(Top) left to right—Hugh Adair, James Honeycutt, Wallace Gordon, Myron Yagel, James Banks, John Goodyear, Thomas Bon-durant, David Clay, Kenneth Butler, Bernard Smith, and Roscoe Wright watch—with the other children—as the "fast" freight pulls out.

(Center) Santa Claus (Dean Pinchbeck of Richmond College) distributing Christmas presents.

(Bottom) left to right—Myron Yagel, Kenneth Butler and Jack Porterfield assist at the unwrapping of some of the Christmas presents.

beck who was a most convincing Santa Claus, or to Miss Monsell for her enthralling stories.

The men of the chapter provided the necessary money for the food, stockings, decorations, and the filling for the stockings. The chapter treasury was not called upon for any support, and much-needed study time was freely and willingly given by members in making the preparations.

From this party the chapter received a great deal of local publicity; an enormous amount of good will in town and on the campus; and the best deep-inside feeling that many of us have had in a long time.

The men of Omicron Chapter wholeheartedly recommend this type of Christmas party to anyone desiring a rewarding Christmas.

Region 3 Assembly Will Meet with Pi, April 26

■ The Region 3 Assembly this year will be held at Carlisle, Pennsylvania, on April 26, with the Dickinson chapter as the host. Theta Chi alumni are invited to attend all of the events, and the wives of Theta Chis will also be admitted to the banquet.

The guest speaker for the banquet will be Brig. Gen. Daniel B. Strickler, who last fall was elected lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania. He saw service with the National Guard on the Mexican Border in 1916 and also in Europe in World Wars I and II. At present he holds fifteen decorations. He is the originator of the "swimmandos" and personally trained a number of men as amphibious doughboys for river and stream crossings.

The Assembly will open with registration at 10:30 a.m., and at 11 o'clock four separate schools will be organized for presidents and vice presidents; for treasurers; for marshals; and for stewards. A luncheon will be served at Pi Chapter's house at 12:30 and will be followed at 2:00 p.m. by the General Assembly meeting at which time the following subjects will be discussed: Physical Aspect of the Chapter House; Rushing; Courtesy to Guests; and Chapter Public Relations. The banquet will be held at 6:00 in the College Commons. Among the guests will be Dr. Edel, president of the college, and Dean Vuilleumier of the college, and a number of Theta Chi's national officers.

Sigma Chapter Owes Much To Two Veteran Leaders

By LOREN F. BACON

■ The outstanding event in Sigma Chapter's history since the end of the war was this year's homecoming at Oregon State College, "Reunion After Tokyo." A total of sixty-seven alumni arrived at the house to help make the week-end a success.

After having served as a women's dormitory for two years, the chapter house reopened last spring term. Two members who helped reorganize the chapter and restore leadership in campus affairs are John Jensen and Melvin Amsberry.

Chapter President John Jensen was pledged October 7, 1940, and initiated the following spring. He was active in the house from the time he pledged until he received the familiar "Greeting." He served in the army from June, 1943, to February of 1946 and participated in two major engagements in northern France and southern Germany. He was serving with the Signal Company of the 13th Armored Division at the time of his separation from service.

Last spring, when the chapter reopened, John helped in the reorganization of the house. While readjusting himself to school life, he found time to capture the intramural championship in golf and also made the

Honor Roll. He sparked Theta Chi to the "B" League intramural basketball championship.

Melvin Amsberry was taken into the Navy V-12 program at Dartmouth College for two years as a pre-medical trainee. Upon discharge, he returned to Oregon State and pledged Sigma Chapter in February, 1946, and was initiated in May. Looking at Melvin, one can easily understand why he made campus headlines in spring term when he was selected "Joe College."

Melvin was selected for Blue Key last spring and is now vice president of the organization. He is also the co-instigator of *Snuffer*, Oregon State pictorial magazine; nevertheless he maintains a "B" average in the School of Science.

Los Angeles Alumni Elect

At the December meeting of the Los Angeles Alumni Association, the following were elected to hold office for the year 1947: Pres., Charles F. S. Ryan, UCLA, '35; first vice pres., Leon W. Hayes, North Dakota State, '20; second vice pres., W. B. Melone, UCLA, '34; third vice pres., Theodore G. Gross, USC, '35; and sec-treas., Donald D. Meyer, Indiana, '35. Weekly luncheon meetings will be held on Wednesdays at 12:15 p.m. in the main dining room of the Hotel Alexandria.

The 1948 Convention

Dear Brothers:

The Grand Chapter of Theta Chi Fraternity has set aside September 9, 10, and 11, 1948, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, as the time for the 1948 Convention. The city selected is Boston, Mass., home of Beta Chapter at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The Convention Committee has already begun to function. From now on, through *THE RATTLE* and by other means of news dissemination, you will receive detailed information as progress is made.

The hotel base has been reserved. It is the Copley Plaza in famous Copley Square, perhaps the best hotel in Boston, yet the charges will be no higher than in other years.

The Committee is going to give you a really A1 convention. The program will furnish fun and necessary business with "something doing from 9 a.m. to however late you can take it."

Set aside those dates now. Begin to budget so that you can end your 1948 summer vacation in New England, and, as a fitting climax, at the Theta Chi 92nd Anniversary Convention in Boston.

The committee will welcome suggestions and comments from every brother. What particular feature would you like to have stressed—or omitted?

Fraternally yours,

THE 1948 CONVENTION COMMITTEE

By William W. Drummey, Beta, '16

General Chairman

The State of the Fraternity 1941-1946

By FREDERICK W. LADUE

■ Our fraternity has passed through the most trying crisis in the collegiate and Greek Letter fraternity world. When we met in Berkeley, California, September 4-6, 1941, a national crisis had been declared, but we awaited Pearl Harbor in December of 1941 before we actually were at war.

During the college year of 1941-42, our active chapters showed an increase in membership with the peak year being 1942-43 when 1,800 men were initiated as compared to a normal year of 900 newly initiated members. Then came the year of 1943-44 when our actual membership dropped to about 600, 473 of them being initiates. The college year of 1944-45 dropped still further, with only 471 initiates from 26 active chapters that kept alive throughout the war. To these 26 active chapters all praise and honor should be bestowed by Theta Chi Fraternity. In the college year of 1945-46, membership took a strong up-turn. In this college year, 756 men were initiated by some 60 active chapters. Now we are on the road to full recovery, and by the fall of 1946 we should have all 70 active chapters functioning and with large memberships in each active chapter.

In the war years, Theta Chi Fraternity suffered over 280 casualties of our finest members who made the supreme sacrifice that our fraternity and democracy may live in this world of strife. We also lost our devoted Nick Huntley, who died on his way home at Christmas time in December of 1943. Nick gave his all for Theta Chi. To these men who made the supreme sacrifice we should bow our heads in silent prayer.

In the period between the Berkeley Convention in 1941 and May 15, 1946, when my term as national president expired through resignation to accept the position of executive secretary, two active chapters were reactivated, one at the University of Wisconsin, and the other at Ohio State University. Largely through the efforts of our Milwaukee alumni and Lt. Oscar W. Berssenbrugge, Psi, '38, Psi Chapter was reactivated in May, 1942. At Ohio State University in October of 1945, Brothers John Zalar and Don Stauffer were instrumental in the reactivation of Alpha Lambda

Chapter. Now both of these two reactivated chapters are in fraternity houses owned by their alumni corporations.

■ The greatest period of expansion in Theta Chi history followed the



Frederick W. Ladue, Colgate

Berkeley 1941 national convention. Beta Lambda Chapter at the University of Akron was installed on February 21, 1942. Then followed our merger with Beta Kappa Fraternity, and sixteen active chapters were installed from May, 1942, through October of 1942. On May 4, 1946, our youngest chapter, Gamma Delta, was installed at Florida Southern College, Lakeland, Florida, with an active membership of 56 men. Our baby chapter is a very healthy child, and I predict a very fine career for Theta Chi on the Florida Southern campus.

The Beta Kappa merger which was made possible by a committee of four men each from Beta Kappa and Theta Chi was a very happy union. We appreciate with our sincere thanks the spirit of the members of Beta Kappa Fraternity who made this union so harmonious and happy.

Our financial status during the five years was trying, but we came through the national emergency with a surplus over the five-year period.

In October of 1943, the Theta Chi

Emergency Service Fund was launched for the purpose of keeping in close contact with over 9,000 members in the armed services. The purpose of this fund was to supply bulletins and Rattles to our men overseas and in the service centers of the United States. In this, we were quite successful as long as we had APO numbers. Following the end of the war with Japan, our intentions were directed to the rehabilitation of active chapters needing help. In the period from October, 1943, to the present, 1,774 members of Theta Chi contributed \$14,313.99. We believe this record of Theta Chi loyalty very high in the Greek letter world. To those who contributed to this Emergency Fund, Theta Chi Fraternity is indeed indebted.

In closing, I want to pay tribute to all the members of the Grand Chapter who loyally worked to their utmost in keeping Theta Chi in its present proud position.

As I was acting executive secretary during the period of the war and Executive Secretary since May 15, 1946, the National President's report is largely the combined offices of these positions.

My predictions for the future are that Theta Chi Fraternity will be one of the leading Greek letter organizations of the college world. This is because of the fine type of membership we are initiating and the wonderful assistance being given to our chapters by the returning veterans who realize that fraternity is the hope of the world. Through fraternity, men will live in peace, and this world will be a desirable place to live.

(Convention report, presented September 6, 1946).

Founder's Grandson Back on Campus

Dr. Eugene P. Chase, grandson of Arthur Chase, founder of Theta Chi Fraternity, has returned to his post as professor of government at Lafayette College after serving in the Division of Territorial Studies with United States State Department at Washington, D. C. since 1943. A graduate of Dartmouth College and Oxford University and holder of the Ph.D. degree from Harvard, he joined the Lafayette faculty in 1926 and was made a faculty member of Alpha Omega Chapter. He was recently elected a senator in Phi Beta Kappa at the national meeting of that honor society at Williamsburg, Virginia.

Theta Chi Is Financially Sound

■ As no reports had been issued for the wartime period of five years unusual interest centered at the 90th Anniversary Convention in the revelation of Theta Chi's financial status as indicated by the retiring treasurer of the Grand Chapter, George W. Chapman, and the president and the treasurer of the National Board of Trustees, Rodney T. Bonsall and Norman C. Horner, respectively.

The national treasurer's report showed not only a healthy condition of the treasury, but the fact that accounts receivable from the undergraduate chapters were comparatively small. Although the chapter roll had increased by one-third since the previous report for the convention of 1941, present accounts receivable were less than one-half of the total amount owed on June 30, 1941, \$1,522.03.

The report brings out an interesting comparison between the income and expenses of the Grand Chapter in the five years of the wartime period with the resultant surplus or deficit. In 1941-42 there was an actual cash income of \$25,095.90 and actual expenses of \$24,839.52, leaving a surplus of \$256.38. In the following year the income jumped to \$30,683.24 while the expenses totalled \$27,414.87, leaving a surplus of \$3,268.37. This surplus helped the Grand Chapter to meet the deficit of \$1,722.17 of the year 1943-1944, when the income dropped to \$19,619.51. The income increased the following year to \$21,434.78, and thus a surplus of \$421.99 is recorded. Things financially were nearly normal in 1944-1946 when the income was \$24,215.21 and the expenditures \$22,929.67, leaving a surplus of \$1,285.54.

■ President Bonsall of the National Board of Trustees in commenting upon the activities of the board in the five-year period brought out the fact that in 1942 the trustees determined that as far as possible they would increase the investments of the National Endowment Fund in chapter house mortgages and student rooms and also improve the grade of bonds and stocks, thus putting emphasis on security of principle rather than interest returns. In 1941 the Board held eight first mortgages and eight

second mortgages on chapter houses. Now it holds fifteen first mortgages and six second mortgages. As shown in the audit of June 30, 1946, there was only one mortgage which was in arrears in its interest. Because of war conditions practically no loans have been made to students, but a number of previous loans have been paid off. Stocks and bonds which cost \$132,000 had a market value on June 30, 1946, of \$170,000, with every security investment paying income with a single exception.

The report of the treasurer showed an increase in the assets of the National Endowment Fund of \$81,327.78 in the five-year wartime period, bringing the total as of June 30, 1946, of assets up to \$315,377.08. This included \$313,258.25 which had been received from the payments of \$25.00 each by initiates. The assets included: twenty-six student loans, totalling \$4,531.84, a drop in loans from 78 recorded on June 30, 1942; \$141,037.47 for 24 loans on chapter houses, contrasted with 17 such investments totalling \$89,022.56 in 1942. The largest addition to the National Endowment Fund from initiates' fees was in 1943, \$32,473.00, a decided advance from the receipts of 1942, \$19,993.25. The receipts

slumped in 1944 to \$12,448 and gained only \$34.00 in 1945, but in 1946 the receipts were back to a normal of \$19,803.00. Because of the record pledge classes of the present academic year, it is expected that the total of initiate fees will reach an all time high.

Struck by Automobile, Chapter Leader Dies

■ One of Beta Rho's leading members, Hubert Whitfield, Jr., '48, died December 11 of injuries sustained when struck by an automobile while alighting from a bus in front of his home in Ellsworth, Illinois, three days previously. Funeral services were held December 13 at the First Methodist Church in Bloomington.

He was one of the most active members in fraternity activities at Illinois Wesleyan, and at the time of his death was resident adviser for his chapter. He was chapter delegate at the national convention where he made many friends and received his degree as a bachelor of fraternity practices.

Hubert was born October 23, 1925, on a farm near Heyworth, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Whitfield. The family later moved to the Bloomington vicinity, where he had lived for six years. He served two years and a half in the army.



FEBRUARY THE THIRTEENTH holds no terrors for the Portland Alumni Chapter and hence its December meeting was held on that date with more than fifty members present for the lively session. Seated in the foreground are, left to right: George Rohde, Oregon State, '17, the oldest member of Sigma Chapter present; Dr. Everett H. Field, Norwich, '01, the oldest Theta Chi present, but still young in his interest and interestingly reminiscent about Alpha Chapter; George A. Clough, North Dakota State, '18; and Dr. Dwight Gregg, Oregon, '23. Among others present were Richard Hoyt, Oregon, '26, alumnus adviser for Sigma Chapter; Frederick Hartung, Oregon State, '22, president of the Portland Alumni Chapter; and Philip Lowry, Oregon, '40, president of the Alpha Sigma Alumni Association.

Navy Commander Is Pledge President

By TAYLOR LUMPKIN, A.P.I., '47

■ When the commander of the U. S. Navy transport *Tatum* stripped himself of rank insignia, grabbed a machine gun, and went ashore at Wakanaura, beautiful suburb of Wakayama on Honshu, Japan, he



Comdr. W. C. Howes, Freshman in Civics, Chats with Capt. J. W. Callahan, Professor of Naval Science.

made history as the first U. S. Navy man to set foot there. Several months later this same commander again made history as the first navy commander to enter the freshman class of Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

He is Comdr. William C. Howes. He has not been discharged, nor is he on inactive service. He is attending school under orders, preparing to enter the Navy War College, Newport, R. I., after graduation from A. P. I.

Slightly grey for his thirty-four years, Freshman Howes acts like any other student at Auburn except he is not free to roam around as much as others do. Although he owns a Packard, he cannot venture more than fifty miles from the Auburn campus unless he gets a pass from the Naval ROTC office. When he arrived at the village he was in a big sweat over fraternities, finally pledging Theta Chi, and later was elected pledge president.

He has enjoyed college life except for one thing, "those darn freshman

placement tests." Everything else is OK, even the fact that when one of the 19-year-old upperclassmen says jump, he asks, "How far?"

■ For the past 17 years, Commander Howes has been on the Navy roster. He enlisted as a seaman second class USNR in September, 1929, and received an honorable discharge September, 1933, with a reserve commission of ensign. For the next ten years he worked as a technical employee of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and came in contact with many electrical engineering graduates from Auburn.

In 1940 he began another tour of active duty that lasted for the next six and one-half years, seeing action in the Mediterranean, Atlantic, and Pacific theaters of operations. He was selected by the Navy Department in September, 1946, to go to a college of his own choice. Since enrolling he has decided to switch from electrical engineering to major in physics and plans to stay for a master's degree.

200 Points in 12 Games

■ William Gabor is Syracuse University's one-man basketball team. Already this season, with twelve games played, Gabor has an accumulated score of over 200 points, an average of 18 points for each game. Familiarly called the "Blonde Bomber," Gabor was initiated last March after his return from war duty. He has achieved much fame throughout national basketball circles as a set shot artist with a speedy breakaway. Last season he was selected on the Heisman All-American second team. Not only does Gabor usually take top honors in the scoring field, but he provides basketball fans with many a thrilling play. With still another year to play, he already led one Syracuse team into an invitation meet in Madison Square Garden.

Another varsity player is Andrew Mogish, who has started every game this year; he is well-known for his steady accurate playing. Mogish and Gabor play the forward positions on the squad.

In their first game of the current season, at which time Syracuse beat Boston U. 76-44, the combined scores

of Gabor, Mogish, and Joseph Glacken, another Theta Chi, totaled one point more than the opposition's entire score.

Lambda Chapter Returns To Its Pre-War Status

By FREDERICK H. REUTER

■ After three years' occupation by the Navy, Lambda's chapter house at Cornell was returned to the Alumni Corporation in September of 1945. A great deal of work was necessary to rehabilitate the house. Two factors made it a highly satisfactory job: first, the interest of James Matthews, '17, alumni representative on the campus, and, second, a favorable settlement with the Navy for re-decorating.

Besides general decoration, a new "walk-in" cold storage box was added to the kitchen where Joe Watts, pre-war chef, still reigns. When the doors were opened in October of this year Lambda was in better shape than ever before. Wallace B. Rogers, '43, chapter treasurer, and several other brothers arrived early to put the finishing touches on the opening.

As the semester started, rushing began. The initial pledging of twenty men placed Theta Chi in the upper bracket on the hill.

John Keenan, Jr., '45, became president; Egbert Bagg, IV, '43, vice president; Lucius Johnson, '49, secretary; Wallace Rogers, '43, treasurer.

Shortly after the elections Lambda initiated Ralph Adams, '48, who was pledged before the war. On December 14 the chapter initiated: Charles D. Ludlum, '48, Judson A. Melius, '49, Russell A. Cookingham, '48, Donald J. Gleason, '49, Henry P. Vesley, '49, Robert F. Morrison, '50, John W. Spear, '49, Sydney Dean, '49, Neil E. Munch, '48, and Joseph Danko, '48.

There is much enthusiasm for social events. Saturday night vic dances with variations have been staged almost every week. The week-end of the Syracuse football game a major event took place, the Fall House Party. All the brothers and pledges with but two exceptions brought dates for the three-day frolic. Henry J. Kaltenthaler, '19, and Mrs. Kaltenthaler were the chaperons.

Homecoming for the alumni was on the week-end of the Yale game. The alumni, however, have not limited their homecoming to one week-end.

Girl Comes From Italy to U. S., Meets Flyer She Helped to Save
 New York Herald-Tribune, Sept. 28, 1946



Washington Staff, AP

Colonel Charles Ross is seen meeting Miss Nellie Peduzzi from the plane in which she flew to Washington yesterday from New York.

When they parted after the brief trip, Colonel Greening gave to Miss Peduzzi for safe-keeping the war diary which he had written for his wife "in case I didn't get back." Colonel Greening was later captured in Yugoslavia, and passed the rest of the war in a German prison camp.

Miss Peduzzi kept the diary and brought it with her when she returned to the United States to visit relatives at 6018 Hudson Avenue.

WASHINGTON Sept. 28.—Colonel Charles Ross Greening, a 32-year-old pilot who was shot down by the Germans in Italy, met his diary back today from the hands of an Italian-American woman who, with her family, hid him from the Nazis for more than 20 months during the war.

The woman is Nellie Peduzzi, 32-year-old, whose father, Tony, returns to her in Pescasseroli, Verona Province, Italy.

Minneapolis Tribune, May 31, 1946



FORMER GOVERNOR AND BRIDE—Theodore Christianson, 62, who was governor of Minnesota from 1925 to 1931, and his bride, the former Mrs. Mayme M. Barry, 52, both of Chicago, are pictured shortly following their wedding which took place Thursday noon at the home of Christianson's son, Robert, 3118 Colfax avenue S. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Rodney L. McQuary, pastor of Lymabard Congregational church. The couple will leave Friday morning for Dawson, Minn., Christianson's former home, where he will give the high school commencement address Friday night.



Los Angeles Times April 7, 1946

'SAY AH'—Jimmy Uhl, son of Dr. George Uhl, helps Mrs. Marion Chalmers to demonstrate throat inspection to Mrs. David Fulwider in the clinic maintained by an insurance company here in its extensive health program.

WILLIAM B. BARRY, CONGRESSMAN, DIES

N.Y. Times Oct. 21, 1946
 Queens Representative for 11 Years Was Up for Re-election
 —Target as 'isolationist'



WILLIAM B. BARRY, N.Y. Times



Akron Beacon Journal Dec. 13, 1946

If you're superstitious, watch out today! It's Friday the 13th. These three men on a match are overlooking the bad luck omen as they get a light from Jean Calliot, 1420 Oakwood av. Left to right are Paul Lee, 1454 Oakwood av.; Norman Weisand, 43 Cotter av.; George Lee, 542 Noble av., and Miss Calliot. The four, students at the University of Akron, won't have another chance to defy Friday the 13th faxes until June 12, 1947.

Loving Tribute to Be Paid Grand Old Men of Tech

By DAVENPORT STEWARD

Dean Floyd Field retires Monday after 40 years at Georgia Tech, but he'll be in his office by 8:30 every weekday morning for the next couple of months.

"After 40 years it takes a long while to let go," the dean of men explained.

He is one of eight members of Tech's staff retiring this year. His record of service is exceeded in length only by that of Chief Engineer William F. Griffin, 73, who arrived at Tech when it was a two-building school, only two years old, 50 years ago. Mr. Griffin's associates are giving him a silver loving cup at 10 a. m. Saturday in the Tech power house.

Besides Dean Field and Mr. Griffin, others retiring are Roy Stevenson King, head of the department of mechanical engineering; Mrs. W. R. Taylor, secretary to the executive dean; William Van Duntin, mechanical engineering professor; John T. Toplum, machine shop assistant; A. J. Goring, handlander for 15 years; and Arthur R. Armstrong, associate professor of economics and social science and business manager of the Georgia Tech Athletic Association.

Until next year the dean will be busy with finishing up old jobs

Atlanta Journal June 19, 1946



DEAN FLOYD FIELD Finishes 40 Years at Tech

Hart Will Manage Seattle Symphony

Phil Hart, Seattle manager and president of the Record Shop, has accepted the position of manager of the Seattle Symphony orchestra and will move his headquarters to Seattle December 1. His resignation by the orchestra board is part of an expansion of the orchestra's activities in and around Seattle.

Phil Hart, The Seattle Symphony is the first continuous orchestra in this part of the country. It is under the able leadership of the American conductor, Carl Busch.

Hart established the Record Shop in 1939 and started concert activities in 1943. One of the first attractions he brought to Portland was the Seattle symphony with Howard Hanson, former Portland, as guest conductor. His first attraction in Portland this season will be the San Francisco Opera company.

Los Angeles Herald-Express, April 3, 1946



SURPLUS BLOOD PLASMA ARRIVES

Dr. George M. Uhl, left, city health officer; Dr. H. O. Swanson, county health officer, and William T. Sessum Jr., Red Cross chapter chairman, check in the initial shipment of blood plasma declared surplus by military.

Italian Girl Returns Colonel's Diary

■ Colonel Charles Ross Greening, Washington State, '34, whose exploits as one of the General Doolittle pilots who bombed Tokyo and as a flyer based on Northern Africa are known to *Rattle* readers, continues to make the headlines frequently. A recent story, pretty generally used in newspapers from coast to coast, told how a young blond Italian girl, who had protected him from the Nazis in Europe, had been flown from New York to Washington so that she might return to him the diary of his exploits which he had given her for safe keeping in Italy three years ago.

In October, 1943, Miss Nellie Puduzzi, who as a child had learned English in New York schools, was living in Italy with her father, who was running an inn at which German officers were quartered. Word came to him that an American flier was hiding on the outskirts of the town. He and his daughter found Colonel Greening and took him into the inn for the night, despite the Nazis. The next day the innkeeper took Colonel Greening up into the hills to hide with the Partisans. After two months Colonel Greening was brought back from the hills and quartered with the Puduzzis in a room next to a German officer.

After fifteen days, armed with fake papers describing him as a mute, Greening headed for the border. He was aided throughout the trip by Miss Puduzzi, who sat a few seats away and signaled instructions to him by arranging her scarf in different positions. When Greening was able to join the Udine Partisans he gave Nellie his diary for safekeeping. Two months later he was captured by the Nazis and sweated out the rest of the war in Stalag Luft I in Barth, Germany.

Readers of *The Rattle* will remember how Colonel Greening encouraged prisoners to become interested in various forms of art expression. So many unusual and beautiful things were made by these men, an exhibit was organized for display in this country. This exhibit was placed in charge of Colonel Greening and was shown in cities throughout the country. The national tour ended with a celebration, September 24, at Washington, D. C., where it is ex-

pected that the exhibit will become a permanent one. Miss Puduzzi was flown to the capital so that she might participate in the celebration after returning Colonel Greening's diary to him.

Guards the Health of Los Angeles Citizens

■ The return of servicemen from European and Pacific areas to Los Angeles has greatly increased the responsibilities of Dr. George M. Uhl, Stanford, '28, director of health for the city of Los Angeles. He has to be constantly on the alert against epidemics. He has been in his present position since 1941 and, in addition to it, he is serving as chairman of the public health section of the California Medical Association and president of the Southern California Branch of the American Public Health Association, as well as vice president of the International Footprints Association.

Dr. Uhl's interest in public health developed after his graduation from the Stanford University Medical School when he went to the Sacramento County Hospital for two years as interne and assistant resident physician. While in private practice at Woodland he served as Yolo County health officer and assistant county physician. After taking a master's degree in public health at the University of California, he accepted a position with the State of California Health Department as chief of the bureau of local services and coordinating officer.

This interest in public health extends to members of his family, evidence of which is the appearance of his younger son, Jimmy, in a picture demonstrating the "Say ah" technique for a school nurse at the time of the Public Health Nurse Week. Jimmy is five years old, Karol Meredith, eleven, and William George, fifteen. This trio with the father at the piano or the trumpet has the possible makings of the "Uhl Boogie Woogie Band," especially as Dr. Uhl is a former member of the Anson Week Orchestra.

Governor Christianson Weds

Theodore Christianson, Minnesota, '06, former governor of Minnesota and member of the House of Repre-

sentatives from that state for several terms, and Mrs. Mayme M. Bundy, both of Chicago, were married May 30 at the home of the former's son, Robert, in Minneapolis. The groom was the honorary chairman of Theta Chi's 90th Anniversary Convention in Chicago, September 5-7. He was a member of the Grand Chapter for several years. At present he is editor of *The Journal of the National Association of Retail Druggists*. His bride is a former member of the Depauw University faculty and is now director of the Eleanor Club of Chicago. His first wife died two years ago.

Former Athlete Dies

Elmer Stanley Waterbor, Michigan, '34, one time important factor on Michigan's football squad, died at the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital, February 13. While an undergraduate he played an important role in Alpha Gamma Chapter. His home in Detroit was at 8659 Mackinaw Ave.

Most Important

The most important responsibility of undergraduate chapters today is two fold:

First, to see that THE RATTLE OF THETA CHI is immediately given a complete record of all of the members, undergraduate and alumni, and pledges, who gave their lives in World War II, and also to send a record of those men who were awarded decorations as a result of their service. Second, to provide the national historian, D. O. Hannaford, 519 California Street, Room 609, San Francisco 4, California, with the completed record forms of all members of the chapter, undergraduate and alumni, who were members of the armed forces in World War II. It is extremely urgent that each chapter provides a 100% report so that the national war record of Theta Chi Fraternity will not fail to give credit to those men to whom credit is certainly due. It is also important that each chapter in the fraternity is completely represented. These forms will be sent chapter officers by the Executive Office.

At the present time fewer than half the chapters have sent in records and probably less than one-tenth of Theta Chi servicemen are properly recorded. As this record will be a most important one when the official history of Theta Chi Fraternity is published every chapter historian and chapter president as well as alumni advisers and alumni officials has a personal responsibility to make a thorough effort to see that every man who deserves to be included in the war record is given that recognition.

Seeborg Proves Value In Oregon Basketball

By FRED WEBER

■ Alpha Sigma Chapter at the University of Oregon boasts one of the stellar members of the varsity basketball team, Roy Seeborg, '47, a two-year letterman in basketball, who is



Roy Seeborg, Oregon

expected to be awarded his third after the close of the present season. He was president of the chapter for the school year 1945-46, and did much toward reactivating it after the two-year period of wartime inaction. Seeborg expects to return to his native city of Astoria, Oregon, after graduation with a degree in physical education. He has been a consistent performer at the guard slot and played in the game in December of last year when a favored New York University team was defeated by the Oregon Webfoots in the latter team's annual barnstorming tour of eastern colleges.

Roy's brother, Kenneth Seeborg, is on the junior varsity team, which has so far lost only one of its first sixteen games. Kenneth, like his brother, has played at the guard position and has been in the starting lineup for all games. The chapter also boasts two members of the Oregon frosh team, both of them playing first string: William Green at forward, and Roger Mockford at center. The frosh team has been undefeated in its first ten games.

To round out the basketball activ-

ities of the house three members, Eugene Hebrard, Glen Kelly, and Roy Boughman, play first string ball for the Richfield Oilers, a local independent team sponsored by the oil company in the Eugene (Oregon) City League.

Alpha Rho Has Leaders In Three Varsity Sports

By PETER W. MELITZ

■ Alpha Rho Chapter claims one of the first string basketball players for the top flight University of Washington team, Lester Eathorne, who ranks among the best long-shot artists on the Pacific Coast. In fact, his nickname is Eagle-eye. He is a fast-moving fellow, who, while not of exceptional height, manages to do a fine job checking and is always very active on the maple courts. He is playing his second year of first string basketball. By the way, Eathorne is one of Alpha Rho brothers who recently married. He chose the one free night in a tough schedule of games.

Another Alpha Rho member, Donald O'Neill is playing fine ball on the second team. Alpha Rho's real claim to athletic fame, William Morris, is back for graduate work this year. He was an All-American guard in 1943, but considers his days of playing are over.

In another field of sports, Alpha Rho has a winner, Eugene Moore, who in the National Ski Conference at Sun Valley, Idaho, secured a good solid third place in the national downhill slalom. At the present time he is at Sun Valley working in the valley and training for future ski events. He plans to resume his university studies in the next quarter.

The Washington crew has Frederick Mitchell, from last year's varsity, and two new attemptees, Charles Quinn and Rodney Johnson. Alpha Rho has always had a few "row-row boys" in its house.

Wins Fourth in Tournament

A fighting Beta Rho basketball team won fourth place honors in the District A.A.U. Tournament at Colfax, Illinois, after a tough week of basketball. The Illinois Wesleyan chapter defeated the Saunemin Legion team 39-36 on January 9, but lost Chuck Ames, their high-scoring forward, as the result of an ankle injury. On January 10, Robert Lush

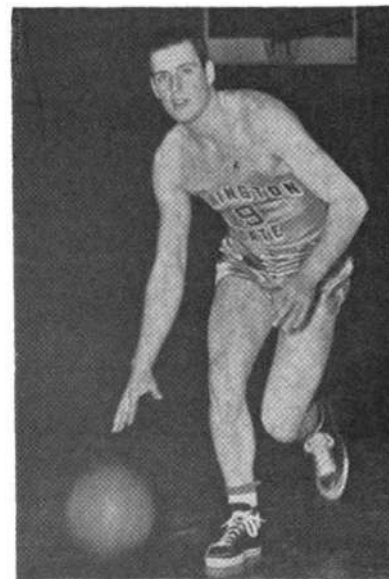
threw in 23 points to spark the Wesleyan men to a 48-46 overtime victory over Fairbury. Then on the afternoon of January 11, Theta Chi lost its chance to go to the State A.A.U. Tournament by losing to the Silver Dollar team of Bloomington 38-33 in the best-played game of the tournament. In a consolation game Beta Rho lost to Leroy 36-34. Theta Chi had the smallest team in the tournament and won many admirers. Charles Ames, Eugene Rudd, Eldon Craig, Lawrence Buckley, Alfred Butts, Thomas Moberley, Carson Zander, and Aaron Nally constituted the squad, coached by James R. Sebastian.

Champ Is Now a Coach

Merle Vannoy, former Washington State boxing star, has returned to his *alma mater* as assistant boxing coach. Vannoy won national prominence in 1942 when he was crowned Pacific Coast intercollegiate boxing champion for the 127-pound class.

Defeat the Undefeated

Instrumental in Washington State College's double victory over the previously undefeated University of



Robert Sheridan, Washington State

Washington basketball squad was Robert Sheridan of Alpha Omicron. A senior and captain of the team, he rang up 21 points in the second Husky game. He is the only member of the 1947 team to have played for Washington State before the war.

New Graduate Manager at WSC

■ When Lloyd A. Bury, Washington State, '29, took over his new responsibilities this fall as graduate manager of the Associated Students at his *alma mater*, he brought with him a background of actual experience both as an undergraduate and as an alumnus that assured the college of sound administration. His first position after graduation was as assistant manager. He also served as athletic manager and director of student publications for approximately thirteen years.

He became a part of the United States Army in June, 1941, and left



Lloyd A. Bury, Washington State

the service in June, 1946, as a lieutenant colonel. The first of his service was in the inspector general's department, also A-3 of the 321st wing. Later he was in the commitments and requirements, headquarters Continental Air Forces in Washington, D. C. He became a graduate of the Command and General Staff College and was assigned to duty in Manila and Tokyo with the headquarters of the Far Eastern Air Force and was later changed to the Pacific Air Command.

As an undergraduate he had considerable experience in college activities, being a member of Sigma Delta Chi, Alpha Delta Sigma, Scabbard and Blade, Crimson Circle, the last, a senior men's recognition society. As a junior he was editor of the *Chinook*, the yearbook. He served Alpha Omicron

Chapter as treasurer and house manager for two and one-half years in his undergraduate days and for approximately ten years since graduation he has been the chapter adviser. Dr. R. L. Webster, councillor for Region 9, states that Bury has probably done more for Alpha Omicron Chapter than any other one man, both as a financial adviser and as president of the Alumni Corporation.

Bury has been president of the Reserve Officers Association at Washington State twice and secretary of the Reserve Officers Association in the state of Washington. As graduate manager he will have supervision of numerous school activities.

Theta Chis Participate In Florida Fall Frolics

By ALAN CARLSON

■ Fall Frolics proved eventful on the University of Florida campus, December 5-7. Les Brown and his "Band of Renown" played a concert, and two dances. A formal dance climaxed the week-end on Saturday evening. A beauty queen was selected from collegiate "lovelies" in town for the activities.

Tau Chapter's activities began early Friday prior to the concert, when the dates of members and pledges arrived by plane, train, and bus from cities throughout Florida and neighboring states. Early celebrators enjoyed informal dancing at the house. All Tau Chapter members and guests attended a delightful swing concert by Les Brown at the University Auditorium, the semi-formal dance off campus, and open house all that evening. A hike and picnic were held Saturday starting at noon, the rendezvous being the Devil's Mill Hopper, a wooded area where a huge space of ground has sunk inward to a depth of from 50 to 100 feet. Story telling, "sand lot" football, and plenty of roasted hot dogs highlighted the outdoor activities. The Formal Dance with a midnight breakfast at the chapter house climaxed the week-end.

Ladue Will Direct NIC Undergraduate Conference

■ As chairman of the undergraduate conference of the National Interfraternity Conference for 1947, Frederick W. Ladue, executive sec-

retary of Theta Chi Fraternity, will have an opportunity to develop a program that will be of interest and profit to undergraduate representatives of interfraternity councils throughout the United States. This important feature of the annual meetings of the National Interfraternity Conference has been missing throughout the war period.

Members of the committee of which Secretary Ladue is chairman include Wilbur M. Walden, executive secretary of Alpha Chi Rho, co-chairman; Norman Hackett, executive secretary of Theta Delta Chi; Clyde S. Johnson, assistant dean of men at UCLA; and Fred H. Turner, dean of students at the University of Illinois. A meeting of the undergraduate group will take place at the annual meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference scheduled for November 28-29 at the Hotel Commodore, New York City.

Revived Arizona Chapter Purchases New House

By SEID WADDELL

■ In the fall of '45 Beta Iota Chapter at University of Arizona found itself with only six active members. During the war years a few loyal men had kept the chapter alive though somewhat dormant, but starting with the spring semester of '46 things began to happen. Returning members from the services combined with an enthusiastic pledge class to carry out an active and successful social and academic season, culminating in the celebration of Founders' Day on April 10.

In the fall semester of '46 the chapter, now at a strength of 20 members and 21 pledges, carried out an extensive program of participation in intramural athletics. The freshman basketball team placed fifth in its tournament, and the regular team placed second in house basketball. Pledge Robert Hartz was high scorer in both leagues.

With the aid of a loan from the National Board of Trustees and the help of the Alumni Chapter, recently incorporated, the chapter was able to secure a fine piece of property close to the campus and a house which we plan to start remodeling very soon.

Social activities planned are a barbeque to be held in March and the Founders' Day Formal to be held in April.

At the Altar—At the Cradle

Capt. Kenneth H. Matson, Michigan, '41, and Molly Marie Hoffman, Michigan, Gamma Phi Beta, May 11, 1946. At home, Denver, Colorado, where the groom is stationed at Lowry Field. He was a prisoner of war for a year and seven months, and holds the Air Medal, Distinguished Flying Cross, and the Purple Heart.

Richard Taylor, Illinois, '39, and Maureen Hoey, first bride-to-be to arrive in the United States from Eire, or Free Ireland, February 9, 1946.

William Lukens, Illinois, '41, and Paralee Armstrong, Illinois, '42, April, 1946.

Richard Jenkins, Stanford, '43, and Betty Rae Johnson, Wyoming, Delta Delta Delta, February 7, 1946.

Lt. (jg) Everett James Norman, Jr., Rensselaer, and Judith Ann Hull, USC, May 4, 1946; at home in Pasadena, California. The groom was released from service, May 15.

James Roberts, Penn State, and Mary Frances Goepfinger, February 2, 1946.

Walter Stastny, Oregon State, '39, and Mary Alice Pond, March 8, 1946.

Joseph L. Walker, Pittsburgh, '48, and Ruth Brumbaugh, January 31.

John N. McCoy, Pittsburgh, '46, and Portia Geyer, March 9.

Henry F. Pierce, Penn State, '43, and Alice Claire Burns, November 28, 1944. Address: 12 North Maple Ave., East Orange, N. Y.

Hamilton Dean Smith, Jr., Maryland, '43, and Jane Mary Brennan, July 17, 1946. At home: Fort Wayne, Ind. The groom was in the Army Air Force.

George W. Whitmire, Alabama Polytech, '47, and Frances Stephens. The groom is a student at Alabama Polytechnic Institute, and past president of Chi Chapter.

Lamar S. Woodham, Alabama Polytech, '46, and Betty Tucker, April 15, 1946. The groom is a student at Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

William R. Gray, Jr., Ohio, '41, and Dorothy Cahall Grimes, June 15, 1946.

Lt. Antonio de Grassi, MC., Stanford, and Margaret Gordon Jackson, Washington State, Kappa Kappa Gamma, a former lieutenant (jg) in WAVES, June 22, 1946. The groom

is on active duty in Washington, D. C.

Edgar Curtis, Drexel, '43, and Anne Castleman, March, 1945.

Ralph Good, Drexel, '47, and Mary Hall, February, 1946.

John T. Fite, Jr., Drexel, '47, and Amy Lehnert, January, 1945.

Geoffery Sanders, Drexel, '44, and Ann Franklin, October, 1945.

Richard Strathmeyer, Drexel, '46, to Ruth Johnson, September, 1945.

William Namisniak, Drexel, '45, and Jean Darby, July, 1946.

William Schultz, Drexel, '48, and Barbara McIntyre, December, 1945.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Lee, Oregon, '38, March 3, 1946, a daughter, Stephanie. The father is Northwest editor of the *Portland Oregonian*.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Acton Wagner, Oregon, '39, May 16, 1946, a daughter, Linda Ann.

To Mr. and Mrs. Jack Carson, Penn State, March 9, 1946, a second daughter, Christina.

To Mr. and Mrs. Dean Williams, Washington State, ex-'39 and UC LA, '41, December 19, 1945, a daughter, Diane Deveaux.

To Dr. and Mrs. Robert M. Whitmer, Michigan, '28, March 24, 1946, a son, Peter Owen.

To Capt. and Mrs. James Marshall, Monmouth, February, 1946, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Swanson, Monmouth, February, 1946, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Neidhardt, Illinois, '37, December 2, 1945, a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd N. Day, California, '29, 83 Park Terrace West, New York 34, N. Y., September 20, 1945, a son, Kenrick Lloyd. The father is associated with Batten, Barton, Durstine & Osborn, Inc., advertising, New York, N. Y.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Oaks, Pittsburgh, '42, 1220 Dormont Ave., Pittsburgh 16, Pa., May 8, 1945, a daughter, Carolyn.

To Mr. and Mrs. George Risko, 838 N. Sheridan Ave., Pittsburgh 6, June 15, 1945, a son Donald.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson, Drexel, '47, April, 1946, a daughter, Phyllis.

To Mr. and Mrs. John Hanley,

Drexel, '44, February, 1945, a son, John.

To Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lewis, Drexel, '48, March, 1945, a daughter, Christine Elaine.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Horner, New Hampshire, '43, February 16, 1946, a son.

Pittsburgh Theta Chis Still Seeking a House

By A. KENNETH YORK

■ Alpha Beta at the University of Pittsburgh, with 28 actives and 15 pledges, has been placed on an even footing with all competing groups in the university. Jack O'Brien, newly-elected president, Robert Swearingen, vice president, Jack Kaechers, secretary, and Edward Heckman, treasurer, have been instrumental in solidifying Theta at Pitt along with former president David Truan and Regional Director William James.

Steve Bazzano has adequately handled athletics in the chapter, and has surprised many an opponent by producing fast-clicking football and basketball squads.

Theta Chi at Pitt is confronted with the housing problem, as are so many other individuals and organizations. Though festivities and activities are somewhat hampered by the lack of a house, Alpha Beta has succeeded in maintaining a full and complete schedule of affairs. A special committee has been appointed to attack the housing situation, but its efforts are somewhat impeded by far too numerous competitors.

Theta Chis Are ODK Leaders

When Omicron Delta Kappa, leadership honor society, holds its first post-war national convention in Washington, D. C., March 20-22, the presiding officer will be C. Stanton Belfour, Pittsburgh, director of the Pittsburgh Foundation, and the executive secretary will be Dr. Robert W. Bishop, dean of men at the University of Cincinnati. Other Theta Chis who have positions of responsibility in Omicron Delta Kappa are Prof. Endicott Batchelder, Pittsburgh, who is a member of the national financial advisory committee and secretary of the Pittsburgh Circle, the name used to designate local chapters. Dr. Alvin B. Biscoe, dean of the College of Business Administration at the University of Georgia, is secretary of the Circle at that institution.

Theta Chi Is Traffic Manager for United Air



W. D. Dilworth, Alabama

■ W. Delaney Dilworth, Alabama, of Chicago, was appointed manager of traffic of the United Air Lines, effective July 1, 1946.

He has had wide experience in the transportation field and in traffic and tariff work.

Before joining the United Air Lines he was engaged in traffic activities with the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, the transportation division of the Tennessee Valley Authority, and the transportation branch of the War Food Administration.

Mr. Dilworth, who has been superintendent of tariffs, both passenger and cargo, formulated United's new air freight tariff after an intensive study of the air cargo market and rates. He has done post graduate work in law and business administration.

Theta Chis and Pi Phis Help Charity Drive

By PETER W. MELITZ

■ Seattle has a community chest drive each year. An added feature of this year's drive was a small but independent drive limited to the students of the University of Washington. The purpose of this drive was not only to help out the city's effort, but also to obtain funds, the university attempting to wrap all of the charity

drives into one big intensive program. Various sorority and fraternity houses were enlisted to put on house functions to increase the funds in the Campus Chest, as the university fund was termed. The groups were to pick a theme and to put on a show for the public with an admission charge and other charges for beverages. Alpha Rho decided on a night club theme. The sorority with which the chapter cooperated was Pi Beta Phi. Consequently, for several days, the two chapters were in a terrific state of frenzied activity.

What finally evolved was a big gambling room, a taxi dance, and a private cabaret. On the side were the usual photography parlor, the corsage girl angle, and a cigarette vendor. The house was entirely decorated with hand-painted wall paper and spotlights played on the main features. The entrance to the house was enclosed with a simulated canvas awning, while the steps up to the level of the lawn were made into a replica of the Washington floating bridge. The entertainment of the cabaret starred a series of piano novelty acts, a magician for the master

of ceremonies, mimicries, recitations, dances, singing, and a four-act play.

This play, a burlesque of an old-time melodrama, was written by several of the members of the chapter. It was a modern adaptation with a suspense-filled climax. For the efforts of both groups, an honorable mention was received plus a considerable addition for the Campus Chest fund. After the open house had completed its one night stand, the Pi Phis and Theta Chis finished the night getting new material for another such collaboration by making the rounds of the legitimate night spots in Seattle.

Four Greek Groups as Hosts

Beta Omicron Chapter at Cincinnati with an active chapter of 47 and pledge class of 18, decided to try to improve interfraternity relationship. It invited the Alpha Delta Pis, the Zeta Tau Alphas, and the Pi Kappa Alphas to cooperate in sponsoring an invitation dance. Representatives of all college organizations, deans of all the colleges, and personal friends were guests. The result was a highly successful affair.

What It Means To Be Convention Initiate

■ What may become a definite feature of Theta Chi's convention program, the exemplification of the initiatory ritual was ably handled by a team from the Alpha Gamma Chapter at the University of Michigan, assisted by members of Alpha Tau Chapter of Ohio University. The team was under the direction of Warner Jennings. His Michigan associates were: William Tattersall, John Ackenhusen, Albert Armour, and Thomas Heines. The Ohio representatives were Richard Walker, Ernie Mariani, and Edward Fonto. George Starr Lasher, a Michigan alumnus teaching at Ohio University, took the role of the alumnus adviser in the ceremonies.

The initiate from the Michigan chapter was Jackson Hallett, of Annapolis, Md., who entered the Naval Air Corps in November, 1945, following his graduation from high school. He entered the University of Michigan in March, 1946, to study architecture.

What the experience meant of being the convention initiate, as

which he represented seven other neophytes from various chapters, is told in Hallett's own words:

"My first reaction to the initiation was one of puzzlement. I didn't understand the meaning of the ritualistic work. As the initiation progressed, however, and I became aware of the full significance of the earlier happenings, I had a feeling of pride for my fraternity. I could see that the fraternity is more than a campus social group.

"I felt honored to be the representative of the group of pledges initiated under the new ritual at the 90th Anniversary Convention. Through experience gained at the convention, I feel that I will be a better fraternity member, not only from knowledge gained at the convention, but also from association with alumni, Grand Chapter officers, and delegates from other chapters.

"On the whole, I was glad of the opportunity given me to participate in the activities of the convention and absorb some of the serious aspects of the fraternity."

Sergeant in the Army Colonel on the Campus

By FRANK SILVESTRI

■ Colonel in the ROTC at the University of Pittsburgh is, Joseph Lawrence Walker, Jr., '47, who left the university in December of 1942



ROTC Col. J. L. Walker, Jr.

for Fort Meade and returned in 1945 after his discharge as a sergeant. He had been a member of Co. C, 872d Eng. Avn. Bn., and had engaged in the invasions of New Guinea, Leyte, and Okinawa. He earned five battle stars in the various engagements. To complete his overseas tour, Sergeant Walker "invaded" Japan, and remained there for a month. After 30 months overseas, he was returned, landing at Pittsburg, California. In appreciation of his long service overseas, he was flown to Fort Meade, Maryland, where he was immediately discharged in October of 1945.

"Mister" J. L. Walker, Jr., then married his school girl sweetheart, Ruth Brumbaugh, and started back to the university where he was appointed colonel of the advanced ROTC. The Walkers recently became the parents of Joseph Lawrence Walker, III.

Three Pledges Are Alumni Sons

Three members of Rho's pledge class at Illinois are the sons of chapter alumni: Thomas Brock, son of Thomas H. Brock, '19; Robert Quick, son of Harry Quick, '17; and Stanley Icenogle, son of C. S. Icenogle, '23.

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They are members of a pledge class which totals 28. Stanley Icenogle was a member of the Big Twelve championship football team of Mattoon, Ill.

Colonel Aldridge Regains Health Shattered in War

■ Theta Chis throughout the fraternity will be glad to learn that Col. A. H. Aldridge, Dickinson, '12, for many years executive secretary of the fraternity, is steadily regaining his health, which was seriously impaired as a result of his wartime services in England. He has been permanently retired as colonel because of a heart condition which resulted from his being overtaxed in the war period.

For many months he was concerned with personnel problems at one of the reclassification army depots in England. Upon his return from England after the war ended, he was hospitalized for sometime. Only recently has he been able to travel about. His first appearance at a fraternity function was Thanksgiving week-end, when he attended the National Interfraternity Conference in New York, where he was warmly greeted by his former associates in the College Fraternity Secretaries Association and by Theta Chis present at the conference.

Colonel Aldridge, who had been an officer in the National Guard for many years, entered active service with his regiment at the opening of World War II.

Brothers Play at N.D.S.; Injuries Stop Two

By E. GEORGE DREBLOW

■ In basketball Phi Chapter at North Dakota State can boast a brother act because of the return of Paul Brostrom, all-conference center in '42 and '43, and his younger brother, Pledge Dale Brostrom. Paul is again giving everything for the team while his younger brother is eagerly following in his much praised footsteps.

Phi Chapter this year had two outstanding football players, whose gridiron careers were interrupted by injuries. Edsel Boe, a letterman before the war, was injured in the early part of the season, while lineman, Anthony Polisenio, a letterman of last year, also had to drop the game because of injuries.

William Hazel and Vernon Strandemoe, members of the B squad, gave promise of becoming first string material.

Eta in Top Division

With four league games under its belt and its eye on the Intramural Cup, Eta's basketball team has a firm footing in the top division of Rhode Island State's basketball league. With the return of some of its former stars, the team has been quick to regain its pre-war championship pace. Outstanding on this season's team have been Sam Hall, Champlain Wilbour, and Kenneth Burkhardt.



TRADITION at Florida Southern among fraternities centers around the bell pictured above. It was first stolen from South Georgia in 1929 by members of a local fraternity, which was a forerunner of Gamma Delta, and through the years it has been stolen back and forth by the different fraternities. The six members of Gamma Delta of Theta Chi shown with the bell recently stole it from the Chi Rho's fraternity yard. It has been set in cement with iron pipes supporting it from the inside. The captors above are, left to right: Samuel Gregg, Harold Roberts, Bee Brown, Edgar E. Tolle, Jr., George Truitt, and Charles Glass.

Alumnus Has Presidential Habit

■ Mark F. McChesney, Akron, '24, loyal alumnus No. 1 in Beta Lambda Chapter, has been serving as president of the Akron Bar Association for the present year and has also been serving as national vice president of Mercator Clubs of America. The Akron Bar Association has a membership of 431 attorneys, and McChesney is one of the youngest men ever to be honored with the presidency.

He is now serving his second year as chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Ohio State Bar



Mark F. McChesney, Akron, '24

Association and is also secretary of the Council of Delegates of that organization.

Another indication of the esteem in which he is held in his community was his election to the presidency of the Akron Civic Justice Association, an organization of over 1,000 service club members.

In Akron the old saying has been changed to "let Mark do it," as attested by the following civic honors: He has been a member of the Akron Board of Zoning Appeals for eight years; he is a member of the Public Relations Committee of the United War Chest and active in the Red Cross. He is a past president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Akron Mercator Club, and was formerly secretary of the

Touchdown Club, an organization which fosters high calibre athletics at the University of Akron.

He served by appointment of the mayor as chairman of the celebrations held during the sesquicentennial year of the adoption of the United States Constitution.

McChesney is a member of the Young Men's Council of the United States, and in Akron is an active member of the City Club and the YMCA.

■ He has been president of the house corporation of Beta Lambda since his graduation from Western Reserve University Law School in 1927. He has also been president of the chapter's Alumni Association several times, and skillfully handled all the details of renting and management of the fraternity house when it was not occupied by the fraternity for the duration.

His office has always been open to the members of the fraternity for discussion of both personal and fraternity problems. Perhaps the most unusual case he ever handled for an undergraduate was successfully collecting damages due to an automobile collision by prohibiting through process of law a former world's champion from entering the ring on the night of a contest until the latter had satisfied the obligation. The case was unusual to the undergraduate inasmuch as the companion of the world's champion at the time of the collision was a pet lion, which could no longer be classified as a cub.

Help Indiana Win Football Fame

■ Alpha Iota Chapter claims two outstanding members of the Indiana University 1946 football team, Russell Deal and Joseph Sowinski.

Deal entered Indiana in 1940 and as a regular guard earned letters in '41 and '42. His promising gridiron career was interrupted in '43 by service in the army. Back again in '45, he was captain of Indiana's first Western Conference championship eleven. He was given honorable mention on the all Big Nine team. In 1946 he continued his superb performances and was an outstanding player when IU handed Illinois's Rose

Baby Chapter Leads In First Pledging Test

■ The baby chapter, Gamma Epsilon, has been showing the true spirit of Theta Chi in performing the pledging duties at Western State College, Gunnison, Colo. On November 12, 1946, the first pledging day of the school year, the chapter mailed out 46 invitations and received 20 pledges, 62 per cent of the men pledging on the campus.

Then on January 7, seven more men chose Theta Chi, 53 per cent of the men who pledged fraternities. This time Gamma Epsilon sent out 13 invitations and received seven more pledges.

Pledges to date are: Robert Love, Calvin Gower, Charles Teal, John Grave, David Williams, Edward Cornett, John Kern Crosby Perry-Smith, Rudy Cincala, John Cowperthwaite, Gordon Becht, Stanley Meiselman, Ira Ralston, James Hayes, William Le Fevre, James Chelius, Monroe Carlson, Joseph Rexroat, Tyler Latham, James Keegan, John Uhrlaub, Buxton Kettering, Daniel Selakovich, Clayton Gray, George Martinko, William Stout, and Homer Stewart.

Suffers from Heart Difficulty

James G. Lewis, Delaware, '12, a former member of Theta Chi's Grand Chapter, is suffering from a heart difficulty, which has made it necessary for him to very definitely limit his business activities. He is living at 143 Stewart Avenue, Ridgewood, N. J. Recently his daughter, Shirley, a student at Cornell, was married to Howard Omar Hite, Jr.

Bowl champions their only Big Nine defeat. Russell was selected as a member of the All-Big Nine team in '46, and in December, 1946, turned in a fine performance at the annual North-South classic.

Sowinski, 210-pound 6'2" tackle, entered IU in '43 and earned a varsity letter that same year. In '44, '45, '46 he continued to harass Indiana's gridiron opponents and made All-Big Nine honorable mention in those three years. Not only did he play football, but in '44 and '45 he was an outstanding member of the IU wrestling team. All told, Sowinski has

earned six varsity letters, four in football and two in wrestling. He also journeyed to Montgomery to end his college football career by playing in the North-South game.

These men have many things in common: both are members of the Sphinx Club, campus junior-senior "rod" organization, both are majoring in physical education and want to find teaching and coaching positions after graduation, and both men will be graduated this June.

After their graduation Alpha Iota will look to John Erickson, freshman tackle, to uphold the gridiron tradition of Theta Chi at Indiana.

Father and Son in Service

■ Another Theta Chi combination of father and son in service was that of George W. Chapman, retiring national treasurer of the fraternity, and George W. Chapman, Jr., again a sophomore at Penn State, where he is a member of Omega



The George W. Chapmans, Father and Son

Chapter as was his father before him. George, the elder, enlisted in the U. S. Coast Guard Reserve in 1942 as a seaman second class, volunteering for part time active service, and did not go on the inactive list until October 30, 1945, when he was executive officer of the Supply Company. He had been commissioned an ensign.

George, Jr., first lieutenant and navigator-radar officer on a B-29 with the 20th Army Air Force, was released from service July 5, 1946, after a year overseas, principally at Guam.

Heads Speech Department

C. Raymond Van Dusen, Indiana, '31, is chairman of the Speech Department, University of Miami, Coral Gables 34, Fla.

To Edit Popular 'Headline Books'

By LESLIE C. SMITH, Minnesota, '32

■ The Foreign Policy Association recently appointed Thomas K. Ford, Minnesota, '33, editor of their "Headline Books," a natural recognition of his educational career. After graduation he accepted a part time research fellowship in New York City with the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. Columbia awarded him an M.A. in June of 1935, his thesis, "The Genesis of the First Hague Peace Conference," appearing in the *Political Science Quarterly* for September of that year. The following year was spent at Harvard as a fellow in public service training. He had learned Russian in the meantime.

He returned to the Twin Cities as editorial writer with the St. Paul *Pioneer Press* and St. Paul *Dispatch*, where in the next seven years he wrote hundreds of editorials concerning foreign affairs and United States foreign policy.

In 1943 Ford went to Washington as assistant director of the Historical Service Board, and after the return of his superior to the Minnesota faculty he served as operating head for the remaining and larger part of the board's life. This organization's accomplishment was the production of a quarter of a million educational and discussion pamphlets under the series title "G. I. Roundtable."

The board's life came to an end at the termination of the war, but Ford's background with the newspapers, the Historical Board, and an Army Air Force military history assignment made him an interesting person to the Foreign Policy Association, an organization formed after the end of the World War I to carry on research and educational activities to aid in the understanding and constructive development of American foreign policy.

■ Ford agreed with them in their belief that unbiased information and non-partisan analysis, such as is provided in their publications, should remain today as in the past the solid foundation for America's foreign policy. Realizing that that set of principles of democratic government cannot, in the last analysis, be effectively planned or firmly maintained without the support of the informed

public opinion of the American people, Ford felt that the opportunity to contribute towards that function should be embraced heartily.

Beginning in September, 1946, he undertook the responsibility of editing the FPA's Headline Series, pamphlets appearing six times a year on broad topics, aimed at the layman in international relations and at the student. These publications are automatically distributed to more than 30,000 members of the Association and are also sold to interested organizations and individuals, being widely used in academic circles. Recent issues have been "World of the Great Powers" and "Who Makes Our Foreign Policy?" In May is due a keenly expected number on atomic energy that will run to about 100,000 copies.

As editor it is Ford's responsibility to work up topics and get for them competent authors who know and respect facts and who can write for popular consumption. He then edits the manuscripts and supervises the preparation of art work, while his assistant sees the pamphlet through the press.

Ford is planning some marked changes which he feels will be improvements. He is looking forward to making the Headline Series and other services of the Foreign Policy Association even more useful than they have been in the past. It is also his hope to make the services more attractive to a greater number of people through greater popularization of style, while retaining the proud FPA tradition of factual reliability and objectivity.

The Ford family, consists of Tom, his wife, five-year-old Susan, and three-year-old Tony. Tom's father, who retired several years ago as president of the University of Minnesota, is living in Minneapolis.

Holm Revised "Sweethearts"

Practically every theatrical season finds John Cecil Holm, Pennsylvania, '28, playing some part, as actor, author, or revisor. The revival of the operetta "Sweethearts" by Victor Herbert in which Bobby Clark is responsible at present for many laughs from New York playgoers credits the book revisions to Holm.

Pearson Made Chief Public Relations Branch

■ Major Ralph E. Pearson, Denison, '27, has been detailed to the National Guard Bureau, War Department, Washington, D. C., as chief of the Public Relations and Information Branch.

For the last several months, Major Pearson has been chief of the Information Section, Hq Replacement and School Command, Fort Bragg, N. C. The section, relatively new in the army, exists only in eight headquarters in the country including Headquarters Army Ground Forces and the six field armies. It was organized by Major Pearson at the Fort Bragg headquarters.

In gratitude to the U. S. Armed Forces the Dutch Government has sent 40 paintings, valued at \$1,000,000 to this country, to be exhibited in 15 American museums. These are a part of the \$500,000,000 of art looted by the Nazis and stored in Alt Aussee, Austria, in a salt mine, which was seized by Major Pearson on May 8, 1945. The museums are located from New York to San Francisco. The first exhibit will be in the National Gallery from the present up to January 1.

Major Pearson and his family have recently moved to 400 So. Cherry St., Falls Church, Va., from the previous residence in Middletown, Ohio.

French Bride for Wayne Harbert

Few Theta Chis have been more cooperative in providing news of his chapter brothers to *The Rattle of Theta Chi* than has Wayne Harbert, Oregon, '38, who by training and instinct has a fine appreciation of news values. As a result of that instinct, it was natural to expect that Harbert would follow his experiences in the army with some form of journalistic service. He is on the staff of the *Associated Press* with offices in the State Capitol at Sacramento, California. Not only does he write news, but occasionally he makes it. Mlle. Georgette Jacon of Paris, France, arrived by plane in Portland, Oregon, January 1, 1947, from New York and continued on the same day by train to Eugene, Oregon, where she became the bride of Wayne Harbert in the Condon Chapel of the First Congregational Church. Attendants of the couple were Gerald K. Harbert, Oregon, '40, brother of the bridegroom, and his wife. Wayne Harbert

and Mademoiselle Jacon met in Paris while the former was serving in the army. Later both attended the American University at Biarritz.

San Francisco Alumni Elect Officers and Dance

■ The annual meeting of the San Francisco Alumni Chapter was held in the "Jesters Quarters" of the Union League Club in San Francisco, November 1. Approximately 50 members attended the dinner and meeting which followed. At the meeting George Johnson and W. R. Nodder, former Beta Kappa members from the University of California, were initiated into the fraternity. The initiation was conducted by Duke Hannaford, ably assisted by Richard Pierce.

New officers elected are: Charles Dal Sooy, president; Richard Pierce, vice president; Len Mayrisc, secretary-treasurer; Lauren G. Hannaford, assistant secretary-treasurer.

On Saturday, November 23, the annual California-Stanford Big Game Dance was held at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel in San Francisco, sponsored by the San Francisco Alumni Chapter and actively supported by Mu and Alpha Epsilon chapters. Approximately 111 members of the three chapters and their guests attended the dance. I. J. Robertson, Oregon State, '23, was chairman of the dance committee.

Illinois Wesleyan Unit Elects New Officers

■ Following are Beta Rho's new officers at Illinois Wesleyan: James Sebastian, p.; Neil Bach, v.p.; Russ Bramwell, s.; Frank Stevens, m.; Kenny Engleman, c.; Robert Lush, rushing chairman; Jack Malban, social chairman; Gordon Cook, house manager; Lawrence Buckley, intramural manager; Robert Schoenbrun, f.g.; Robert Rook, s.g.; Eugene Montgomery, h.; Horace Tomlin, l.; Joseph Stannard, Student Union representative.

Beta Rho is represented on campus with the following officers: Eugene Rudd, president of the senior class; Joseph Stannard, vice president of the junior class; Edward Murray, secretary of the Interfraternity Council.

In varsity athletics this winter are Rick Arends and Robert Burke, basketball, and Walter Rubens, swimming.

Alpha Gamma Chapter's Victory Reunion Success

■ Listed among the notable home-coming events in Alpha Gamma's history at the University of Michigan will be the reunion which took place October 19. Not only were there many service men among those who came for the reunion, but a large number of older alumni. Men came from New York City, Bessemer, Alabama, Chicago, Cleveland, and Washington, D. C., as well as many other communities nearer Ann Arbor.

At the informal program which followed the evening dinner those present became conscious of the rather unusual contributions which the chapter had made in the wartime period when men told briefly of their service in the armed forces.

At the meeting of the Alumni Association, the following officers were elected: president, Jo A. Graves; vice president, Colvin Gibson; secretary-treasurer, George Starr Lasher. Dr. Luther L. Leader and George C. Johnson were elected as members of the Board of Directors for the Theta Chi Building Association of Ann Arbor to succeed Glenn M. Coulter and Harry G. Gault whose report of their leadership in the wartime period won marked approval of the members present.

Instead of following the usual custom of having a banquet for the men and a separate dinner for feminine guests all were entertained together, creating a desirable family atmosphere.

Alumni Key Arouses Interest

Considerable interest has been aroused by the announcement in regard to the alumni key which was authorized by the Grand Chapter and is now available to all Theta Chi alumni through the L. J. Balfour Company. The key sells at \$7.50 to which a 20% federal tax and any state tax must be added. Orders for the keys are to be sent directly to the L. J. Balfour Company, Attleboro, Massachusetts. The key is made of ten karat yellow gold and is double faced with the Theta dominating one side and the Chi the other. An illustration of it can be found in the L. J. Balfour advertisement on the back cover of this issue.

Postwar Service Notes

Lt. Donald T. Nicklawsky, AAF, North Dakota State, '37, was shot down over Germany on January 29, 1944. He was released as a prisoner of war on May 1, 1945, and now resides at the Milnor Hotel, Fargo, N. D.

A number of Rhode Island State Theta Chis are still in service. Lt. Oscar Morel, '43, of the Marine Corps is educational officer at the Naval Hospital, Mare Island, Calif. Ensign William Briggs, '46, is stationed on the Pacific Coast. Major John Christy, '38, has been assigned to the personnel course in the Reserve Officers School at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

First Lt. William L. Loman, Jr., Illinois, '43, is in Germany for service of from one to three years. He expects to have his family with him in June.

Col. Roy L. Dalfres, Illinois, '14, former head of the field artillery branch of the University of Illinois ROTC, was named head of Illinois military district with headquarters in Chicago after his return from service in Germany.

Comdr. Malcom Williams, Stanford, '31, is supply officer for the Naval Operating Base at Midway where his wife gained the distinction of being the first wife of a naval officer on the Sand Dune. He expects to continue in the Navy. At present his work is in connection with submarine supply.

Major Harvey N. Brown, O-105877, Delaware, '21, is now assistant staff judge advocate with the Berlin Command OMGUS, where he was transferred from Casablanca, French Morocco, on September 1, 1946. Address: J A Sect., BCOMGUS, APO 742, c/o Postmaster, New York.

Major Charles E. Bockman, Jr., Oregon State, '33, 1735 SE Nehalem Street, Portland, Ore., was one of 1864 army officers selected for permanent commissions in the regular army. His permanent grade is captain.

Major Dana F. Hurlburt, New Hampshire, is now at Chanute Field, Ill., as air installation officer, having been transferred from Scott Field.

Evan Gilbert Lapham, Oregon, '26, was one of those who witnessed the Bikini atom bomb tests. He has recently established a home in Washington, D. C. His brother, Leland C. Lapham, Oregon, '23, is assistant treasurer of the Oregon Mutual Fire Insurance Company, McMinnville, Oregon.

Dr. Wilbur M. Bolton, Oregon, '23-26M, who served in the Army Medical Corps, ending his activity as a colonel and executive officer of the Barnes General Hospital, Fort Vancouver, Wash., has returned to his practice as an eye, ear, nose, and throat specialist with offices in the Medical Arts Building in Portland, Ore.

Col. Irwin J. Robertson, Oregon State, '23, who is remaining in service, is living

at 2147 31st Avenue, San Francisco 16, Calif. While in the war he traveled 160,000 miles by air covering all the continent, England, Africa, India, China, Philippines, South Pacific, and Japan. He was on Signal Corps installation work for the Air Force.

Released from service in March as a captain in the Army Air Force, Wayne Z. Burkhead, Iowa State, '31, is assistant division geologist with the Union Oil Company of California at Houston, Texas, 1134 Commerce Bldg. He spent two years in the Pacific Islands as intelligence officer with the 13th Air Force.

Frederic Eugene Loback, Oregon, '38, who returned a major from long service in Africa and Europe as a finance officer, has accepted a position under the finance section of the Veterans Administration in Portland, Oregon. His wife, whom he married in Naples, arrived in this country in June. His twin brother, John, who was also in the Army Air Force, was graduated from the University of Oregon this summer and has accepted a position with an accounting firm in Portland.

Despite the fact that the war is over, Theta Chis in service continue to meet each other and make friends through their fraternity membership. When Robert Pollard, M.I.T., ex-'48, arrived at Great Lakes he found a number of his fraternity brothers from Beta Chapter at the Pier, Mickey McConaughy, Thomas Hudson, and John Wylie. He also discovered that his bunk buddy was Peter Ott, a pledge at the Lehigh chapter. While stationed at San Diego he found pleasure in visiting Beta Tau Chapter in Los Angeles.

Col. Lee Roy Woods, Oregon State, '16, has been director and disbursing officer at Fort Ord, Calif., since November 8, 1945. Previous to that, he had been stationed at Camp Roberts, Calif., and Camp Adair, Oregon, and in Puerto Rico. He reports the loss in the war of his only child, 1st Lt. Le Roy Woods, III, Medical Corps, in France in February, 1945.

Major Gordon E. Larson, Oregon State, California, '34, was recently commissioned in the regular army after service since 1940. After serving in Leyte, Hawaii, and Okinawa, he returned to the States in December, 1945, and is on organized reserve duty in Portland, Maine.

Lt. Comdr. John P. Dwyer, Jr., Oregon, '40, is in Portland, Oregon, enjoying three months terminal leave after spending three and one-half years in the Navy, one in the Atlantic, two in the Pacific, and later as field officer traveling over the eastern half of the country in the interest of naval surplus property disposition.

Kermit M. Johnson, Oregon State, '31, is working at Oregon State College for his master's degree after being retired as a colonel, June 27, 1946. He served in Europe, and, part of the time acted as liaison officer on supply matters between the American headquarters and British and Canadian units. He awoke on an Oc-

tober night in 1944 to find his room in flames. In escaping he fell four stories on some cobblestones and was hospitalized until February 27, 1946.

Paul H. Cushing, Oregon, '39, while in three years of service in the Navy, dogged Gene Tunney's footsteps as a chief specialist for a year or so and ended up in Panama as a lieutenant (jg).

After spending four years in service, two of which were abroad, Winston Allard, Oregon, is on the faculty of the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri. He had done public relations work all the time that he was in service.

Dan Forsythe, Purdue, '45, now attending Indiana University, was a war prisoner in Germany from October, 1944, until the end of hostilities. He was taken prisoner while he was on patrol duty in France and was taken to a place near Buchtenward concentration camp in Germany.

Paul Hahn, also Purdue, '45, served in the army in the same regiment as Forsythe while they were overseas. Both had been in A. S. T. P. together.

Several Theta Chis have played important roles in the development and production of the atomic bomb. Among them was William Quinlan, Illinois, '41, who was with the Tennessee Eastman Corporation at Oak Ridge, Tenn. He is now in Cleveland, Ohio, working for Haskins and Sell, Certified Public Accountants.

Richard Taylor, editor of the Illio at the University of Illinois in his senior year, 1939, is now a senior in the Law School after service in England and France in intelligence work after being with the cavalry division in Iceland. While in France he became acquainted with Miss Hoey, an Irish girl engaged in administrative and hostess work at the Allied Expeditionary Club in Paris, whom he married in this country on February 9. Miss Hoey was the first bride-to-be to arrive in the United States from free Ireland.

Leslie M. Faulds, Colgate, '32, who was with the Seabees in service, has been appointed manager of Pond's sales by Lamont Corliss & Co.

Robert P. Nichols, Purdue, '36, who was serving in the Pacific Admiralty islands two months after he joined the Navy, is now divisional export manager of R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., in charge of sales in Canada, Alaska, Hawaii, and Latin America. He plans an extensive tour through Central and South America after the first of the year.

Edgar C. Moore, Oregon, '39, a member of the Moore-Oliver Tobacco Co., Longview, Wash., was recently elected to a four-year term to the Longview City Council without opposition. . . . Robert McConnell, Monmouth, since March of 1944 has been connected with the Manhattan project in work on the atomic bomb, first at the University of Chicago and then at the Hanford Engineering Works, Richland, Wash. . . . Warren W. Maslen, NYU, '24, was recently elected lieutenant governor of the New York District of Kiwanis International.

. . . Theta Chi and Theta Chis . . .

Initiate and Elect

Initiation of neophytes and election of new officers were conducted recently by the Alpha Iota Chapter at Indiana University. Joseph Haas, '47, was elected president; William Duncan, '48, vice president; Bernard Lohman, '47, treasurer; and Freeman Hines, '48, secretary. New initiates are William Crane, James Humphrey, Robert Lutz, and Palmer Mart, all sophomores.

Alpha Iota Is Busy

Redecorating of Alpha Iota Chapter's house at Indiana is scheduled to be completed by March 15. Hardwood floors are being relaid and living rooms re-painted. New rugs, draperies, and various pieces of furniture have been purchased. Plans for the chapter's *Baby Rattle* are being made. The first issue of the publication is expected in March. Copies will be mailed to chapter alumni.

Beta Upsilon Has Leaders

At Beta Upsilon Chapter, Fresno State College, ten men were pledged in the fall. Among them was Jack Williamson, one of the mainstays on State's basketball team. The chapter held a Founders' Day dinner in December. At that time Frank Chandler, alumnus of Alpha Chapter, Norwich University, was guest speaker. The previous month a Homecoming Dance was held which was attended by both active members and alumni.

William Forbes, '48, was elected president of his class at the beginning of the fall semester and recently he was elected vice president of the Student Body. Arthur Pretzer, '49, won first place in oratory in the men's lower division at the Western Invitational Speech Tournament held in San Jose, Calif., last November. He defeated contestants from eight states. Robert Casebol, chapter treasurer, was president of the Commerce Students Club the past semester. Walter Shaffer has served as president of the local Newman Club since last September.

Two Lead Campus Bands

Donald Graham, Alpha Omicron, is well-known on the Washington State campus as a "man with a band." His sensational orchestra sparks group and college functions and is regularly heard over the college radio station, KWSC. This is Graham's third year as leader of a college band, his music having been popular on the campus for two years before the war. One of the outstanding members of Graham's orchestra is Wendell Williamson, Alpha Omicron, who formerly played for Jack Teagarden. He is the organizer and leader of the W.S.C. pep band, which plays for all home basketball games.

Alpha Phi Back to Normal

With eight pre-war members back, Alpha Phi Chapter at Alabama got off to an active start this first back-to-normal school year. Returning pre-war members include Perry Ingram, William Ladue, Ralph Stuart, Edward Owcar, William Schwarz, Donald Sherwood, Samuel Dipiazza, and Robert Alt. Transfers include Charles

Dolbear from Chi Chapter, David Sims and Leslie Wachman from Beta Xi. Since September, 11 men have been initiated, bringing the active list to 33. Among those initiated was J. D. Bonham, son of Alpha Phi's financial adviser. Honorary Colonel Carleton K. Butler, director of Alabama's famous Million Dollar Band, was initiated as an honorary member. Recent additions to the honor societies are Glen McDuffie, David Sims, Tau Beta Pi, and Roy Killingsworth, Theta Tau.

Wins Second Place Honors

Climaxing a week of tobogganing, skiing, ice-skating, and nightly dancing, was Washington State's annual "Gelunda-sprung." This finale to "Winter Week" was similar to a side show carnival in which each men's living group teamed with a women's group to build and operate carnival booths. The Theta Chi-Alpha Phi entry, with a Hawaiian Islands theme, won second place honors for its originality and cleverness.

Chapter Leads in Subscriptions

Theta Chi topped all fraternities and dorms in contributions for the Memorial Union at Rhode Island State. With fund committee seeking a dollar per student,

Eta Chapter subscribed a total of 55 dollars for its 42 members, or 131 per cent.

Eta Dances Win Favor

The dances at Theta Chi are the talk of the campus at Rhode Island State. Thanksgiving Eve, Theta Chi held the first formal pledge dance on the Rhode Island campus since the war. The first "different" vic dance was a "Thank God, It's Friday" dance. Everyone wore a rural costume. The second "different" dance was the Patty Murphy Wake Dance. This was a bigger success than the first, with the brothers wearing green ties and the girls wearing green ribbons.

Oregonian Features Dance Pictures

The fall term house dance held at the Alpha Sigma Chapter at the University of Oregon received statewide acclaim as a five-column spread of pictures taken at the dance appeared in the *Sunday Oregonian* for December 15. The dance theme was centered about the traditional "Red OX Stampede," but with a Smoky Hollow atmosphere. All women guests at the dance wore costumes fashioned after that worn by "Daisy Mae" in the "Little Ahner" comic strip, while for the men



GAMMA ALPHA CHAPTER of the University of Chattanooga held a dinner in honor of Sammy Kaye, Ohio, '32, at Chattanooga's Golf and Country Club when he and his Swing and Sway Orchestra played in the Tennessee city last fall. After the dinner was served, Toastmaster Joseph Alsop introduced the honor guest and presented him with an engraved combination cigarette lighter and holder. A short time later the entire party went to the Municipal Auditorium where the Sammy Kaye concert and dance was to be held. It was not hard to spot the Theta Chis on the dance floor, as red ties and white shirts indicated the fraternity colors. The highlight of the evening was when Sammy Kaye introduced his new song for the first time, dedicated to the Theta Chis, the title, "Flower of Theta Chi." Seen, left to right, in the picture are Steven Short, president of Gamma Alpha Chapter, Miss Elaine Gleason, Sammy Kaye, Miss Lou Doughty, and Joseph Green.



Rho Chapter, University of Illinois, 1946-47 Back to Normal

boots and general hill costumes were in order. A hill-billy type band travelled 150 miles from Tillamook, Oregon, to play for the affair. The chapter's cook, Mrs. Desta Carter, made the affair thoroughly authentic by calling several square dances during the evening.

Choose New Chapter President

After serving four terms as president of Alpha Sigma Chapter at the University of Oregon, Phillip Putnam resigned his post recently and was succeeded as president by Daniel Dinges, who had been vice president for two terms. Taking over the post of vice president is Wallace Hunter, who was referred to in the previous issue of *The Rattle* as a candidate for the longest pledgeship term of any member of the fraternity, having been a pledge a total of five years, because of a long period of war service with the Marines. The reason for Putnam's decision to resign was because of his graduation in April and because of the need to give experience to younger members of the chapter.

Win Bridge Tournament

James Gould, Alpha Gamma, and his partner, Arthur Mier recently won an all-campus bridge tournament at the Michigan Union, January 13 and 17. Out of 135 couples competing, they were chosen as one of two couples to represent the University of Michigan at the Big Ten bridge finals to be held in Chicago in March. The tournament was played according to the Howell system of duplicate bridge whereby all contestants play the same set of forty hands. In these forty hands, Gould and his partner amassed a total of 64,000 points as compared with 52,000 for their closest competitor.

Team Up with Phi Delt

The annual J-Hop was held February 7 and 8 at the University of Michigan Intramural Building with two bands, Ziggy Elman and Jimmy Lunceford, playing alternately each night. Members of Alpha Gamma Chapter went to the formal dance on Saturday and held a private party on Friday night in the chapter house. This was a costume affair, fashioned after a Paris night club. In order that the out-of-town girls might have a place to stay chapter members got together with the Phi Delt across the street. The girls all stayed at their house, and the Phi Delt stayed at the Theta Chi house.

Here's a Political Situation!

A political record is claimed by Alpha Iota Chapter in having not only the president of the campus Republican Club, but also the president of the campus Jackson (Democrat) Club. Franklin Plummer directs GOP activities among Indiana University students, and Freeman Hines is working on a plan to lead his Democratic followers back into power come next election day.

Alpha Rho Initiates Sixteen

January 19, for the first time since before the war, Alpha Rho held a formal initiation with sixteen pledges becoming active members of Theta Chi: Benjamin Behrens, William Bradshaw, Clifford Davis, Raymond Dodge, Robert Gordon, Jack Gwinn, Robert Hallgren, John Haskell, Justin Johnson, Rodney Johnson,

Richard Layton, Eugene Lough, William Lund, Peter Melitz, Charles Quinn, and John Tracy. The proceedings were viewed and experienced for the first time by many more than merely the newly initiated. Because of illness or other circumstances, five eligible pledges were not able to be initiated: Max Carnahan, Glenn Conner, William Donahoe, Walter Jack, and Harvey Knettle. Another initiation is planned for the near future. Since formal rushing in the fall, five men have been pledged: John Audett, Glenn Conner, Charles Genter, Gordon Peterson, and William Smith.

Tau Claims a Poet

National Poetry Association announced in November that the poem of a University of Florida student had been accepted in the Annual Anthology of College Poetry. He is James F. Richardson, who wrote "In Peaceful Sleep." Anthology of College Poetry is a compilation of the finest poetry written by college men and women in America. Selection is made from thousands of poems that are submitted.

Even Leads Sorority Gals

Beta Lambda Chapter at the University of Akron this year led in the fraternity tapping ceremonies with 30 pledges out of the 144 men who were selected at the ceremonies. It was also second in scholarship among seven fraternities with a 2.477. The all-men average was 2.266; the all-student average 2.326; the all-sorority average 2.429; all-fraternity, 2.374.



ALUMNI OF BETA ETA CHAPTER contributed to making the annual Homecoming day of Washington College on October 12 one of the largest attended celebrations in the history of that institution. A smoker was held in the fraternity house for the returning Theta Chis and their friends. Beta Eta's own little band, made up of Edward Bray, Wilbur Barnes, Gilbert Gresick, Meekins, and Thomas Hopkins added much to the pleasure of the event. As a result of the success of the get-together, plans are being made for other meetings of the alumni in the school year. One of the alumni, Dr. Joseph McLain, who recently returned to the campus as assistant professor of chemistry has been appointed faculty adviser to the chapter, succeeding Dr. Frank Goodwin, who left Washington College in January. Dr. McLain is also a faculty member of the Interfraternity Council.

Attend Other Schools

Members of Alpha Gamma Chapter at Michigan are attending a number of other educational institutions: John C. Robins, Jr., Hope College, Holland, Mich.; Glenn J. Archer, Wayne University, Detroit; Ray Jones, University of Missouri; Arthur G. Bulta, U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis. Fred Boltz is now in the Medical School, University of Michigan.

Chapter Has Dance Band

Beta Eta Chapter at Washington College has organized a seven-piece dance band under the leadership of Edward Bray, which is proving a popular feature at dances in and around Chestertown and on the eastern shore of Maryland. Other members of the band are Russell, Hopkins, and Barnes.

Thirty-One on Honor Roll

Gamma Delta placed 31 men on the Florida Southern College Honor Roll for the first term. This is more than one-third of the fraternity representation and 11 per cent of the total college listing.

Two Tau Members Win Recognition

L. Warren Harrell, Florida, '50, on November 19 was initiated into Phi Eta Sigma, freshman honor society, and on January 9 into Alpha Tau Alpha, agricultural society. Charles McKeown, Florida, '50, was recently promoted to cadet second lieutenant in the ROTC.

Chapter Entertains Faculty

Alpha Sigma Chapter at the University of Oregon has reestablished its policy of designating one night a week as faculty night at which time members of the faculty and their wives are dinner guests. Among those who have enjoyed the hospitality of the University of Oregon chapter are President and Mrs. Harry D. Newburn and Dean of Women Golda P. Whickham of the university.

Mothers' Clubs Aid Chapters

Thanks to the activities of Mothers' Clubs, several Theta Chi chapters are having considerable assistance in their problem of reactivation. The Mothers' Club of Alpha Sigma Chapter, Portland, Oregon, donated \$200 for the purchase of new stair carpet and new rug for the den and later purchased shower curtains and new draperies for the guest room. The Mothers' Club of Alpha Rho Chapter at University of Washington purchased draperies for the first floor rooms of the chapter house and had the chairs in the living room recovered. One of its major projects is Penthouse Theater nights. Twice the club has taken over the theater for a night, netting \$76 each time.

Theta Chis on Yearbook Staff

The University of Washington this year is to have its biggest yearbook. Alan Liddle, '48, is the designer of the attractive cover and the fly leaf. He is president of Tau Sigma Delta, architectural recognition society. Also assisting on the Tyee and other publications are Wesley Hotchkiss, '48, and Robert Hallgren, '49. Wesley, an excellent cartoonist, has been doing work for the univer-

sity's daily paper; his specialty is sport personality caricatures, which compare favorably with those found in big eastern papers. He also draws the cover and feature pictures for the university's monthly publication, *The Columus*, and is on the school's Editorial Board. Robert Hallgren is on the business and photography staffs of Tyee.

What's in a Name?

Revealing just how much fraternity affiliations often mean to individuals is the naming of a son born September 28 to Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Fred Hanscam of Harbor, Oregon. The husband is an alumnus of the Oregon chapter, having been a member of the class of 1938. The name is Terry Clifford Hanscam, the lad being named from Leland Terry and Clifford Knapf, chapter brothers of the father. Clifford was killed in World War II.

Veterans Lead Gamma Delta

Lenard Laden of Brooklyn, N. Y., was elected president of Gamma Delta Chapter January 13 to succeed Edgar E. Tolle, Jr., who resigned to devote more time to his newly-organized photography business. Laden is an Army Air Force veteran. Also elected at the meeting was Robert Jami-

son as vice president succeeding Steven Voss, who resigned from college to take a job as a ranch foreman. Jamison is 5-year army veteran, is married and a sophomore. Recently seven men have been initiated into Gamma Delta. Robert Wehr and Robert Rogers, alumni, were initiated with undergraduates, George Fouts and Theodore Weaver, on December 14. Marvin Woods and Roger Early were initiated January 13. Early, a student, is also professor of ornithology and a well-known authority on birds and bird life.

Tau To Revive Spanish Ball

Among the spring functions planned at Florida will be the traditional Spanish Ball of Theta Chi, abandoned in the war years. It may be an exclusive Theta Chi week-end on the campus, although in the past the Spanish Ball has been planned in conjunction with similar events staged by other fraternity chapters.

Another Apache Dance!

Not to be outdone by other chapters, Alpha Iota at Indiana this year had its own Apache Dance. The colorful affair, complete with underground atmosphere and floor show, was staged by the 1947 pledge class and proved to be an outstanding social event.



HISTORIC HOLT HOUSE, birthplace of Pi Beta Pi at Monmouth College, was the scene of the wedding reception which followed the marriage of Navy Lt. Daniel C. Pelton, who was president of Beta Pi Chapter when it was installed as a unit of Theta Chi, and Connie Carey, Monmouth Pi Beta Phi. The Holt House, which has been made a shrine for Pi Beta Phi, had been the home of the bride throughout her four years of college, as her mother, Mrs. C. C. Carey, is the popular Holt House receptionist.

Memorial Provides Improvements

Beta Chi's chapter house at Allegheny College began its service again this fall as a fraternity home with a new "face." Operating under the \$5,000 Eugene Arter Myers Memorial Fund, the outside received a painting, as did the woodwork throughout the house. Other improvements included the refinishing of a number of the floors, repapering part of the house, and the installation of a gas conversion burner and storm windows throughout the house. Also, fluorescent lighting now is found in part of the house.

Win Recognition at Ohio

Members of Alpha Tau Chapter at Ohio University have prominent positions in campus activities. Five men have been appointed to commanding positions on the campus, while others have qualified for lesser positions. The campus newspaper, *Ohio University Post*, has Donald Evans as associate editor, Ralph Lambdin as business manager, and Harry Turton as sports editor. Also on the sports staff are Robert Shumway and William Hochstuhel. At the recent election of "J" Club, junior leadership society, the presidency and vice presidency were annexed by men of Alpha Tau, Coover Staats becoming the new president and William Dietrich the vice president. Dietrich, winner of three letters in football, was recently elected the president of the Varsity "O" Club, Ohio University's organization of varsity athletes. He is also the new president of Alpha Tau Chapter.

Entertains Neighbor Chapter

Beta Pi Chapter of Monmouth College was dinner guest of Beta Rho Chapter Saturday evening, January 11, in the Illinois Wesleyan chapter house. Preceding the dinner was a basketball game, won by the visitors 34 to 30, and immediately following a dance was enjoyed. Wesleyan co-eds were guests of both the Monmouth and Wesleyan chapter members. Chairman in charge of the event was James R. Sebastian, assisted by Jack Malban and Joseph Stannard. Mrs. Elizabeth Welch, housemother for the fraternity, was the chaperon.

Diana Had a Good Time

By Peter W. Melitz

Perhaps the most sensational social scoop of the campus at the University of Washington was the visit of film star, Diana Lynn, to the Alpha Rho chapter house. This was initiated by Robert Gordon, publicity man for one of the leading promotion agencies in Seattle, and a new member of the chapter. Miss Lynn was coming to Seattle to officiate at a convention. Unbeknown to Diana, an Alpha Rho delegation turned up at the railroad station to greet her. The unofficial welcoming committee was complete with placards and convertible sedans. Before the duly appointed convention officials could quite fathom the unexpected change in the formal plans, the boys had been introduced to the star and had had the police escort alerted as to the newly revised tour.

It all amounted to a virtual kidnapping, as the girl was hustled into the waiting cars and told that she was to visit the campus of the University. She seemed pleased about the whole affair, taking it in her stride. Thus the caravan went screaming through the city and finally ended up in the college district. Miss Lynn was taken to see the chapter house, made an honorary pledge, and presented with an inscribed paddle. The majority of the students on Greek Row at that time viewed the proceedings with much interest. Before Diana left for her prearranged meetings, she was invited for a Sunday dinner. This event was carried on with all formality and was greatly enjoyed by the honor guest and her hosts.

Revive Annual Meetings

The Phi Chapter Alumni Association and the Holding Company held reorganization meetings at the chapter house, their first since the fall of 1943. The president of each, C. A. Williams, '14, of the Holding Company and John Fisher, '33, of the Alumni Association, were present. Previous to the meetings a supper was served, followed by a get-together of alumni, actives, and pledges.

Bowery Ball Revived

Beta Chi Chapter at Allegheny College held its traditional Bowery Brawl on December 14, after a three-year lapse because of World War II and the resultant closing of the chapter house. In addition to actives and pledges, a number of freshmen were present, filling the house to capacity with celebrants dressed in a fashion characteristic of New York's Bowery of half a century ago. Atmosphere was provided by a bar, with tables edging the dance floor and with lighting provided by candles stuck in beer bottles. Appropriate signs decorated the walls. Another feature was the "opium den." The basement housed the "gambling den" where a roulette wheel, other games of chance, and skillful dealing of blackjack and poker hands helped relieve the merry-makers of their lucre.

Phi Wins Second Trophy

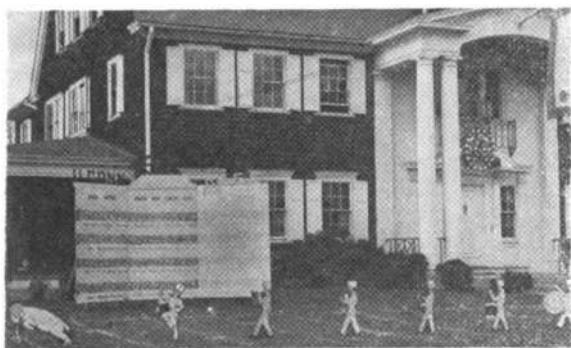
At a recent dance held on the North Dakota State campus, to introduce the new school dance band, a contest was held for the best quarter and best trio on the campus. Phi Chapter entered its quartet and won first prize, a trophy. The chapter earlier had won first prize for the best house decorations at Homecoming.

Tops in Scholarship

Alpha Beta won the scholastic award at the University of Pittsburgh for the 1945-46 winter term with a quality point average of 1.76. The nearest score to that was 1.60. Jack O'Brien was elected president at the last election. He succeeded David Truan. Other officers elected were: Robert Swearingen, vice president; Edward Heckman, treasurer; Jack Kercher, recording secretary; and Ernest Hess, pledge-master.

Phi Celebrated Christmas Twice

Phi Chapter at North Dakota State boasted the first Christmas tree fully decorated on the campus. A Christmas party was held with just the members participating. Gifts were exchanged. The term party was held December 20, the last day of the term. Christmas was the theme.



ETA CHAPTER won the cup given by the Rhode Island State Alumni Association for the best decorated fraternity or sorority house or dormitory on Homecoming Day. The theme of the winning display centered around Rhode Island State and the visitors, the University of Connecticut. After the football game, a tea dance and buffet was given at the chapter house for returning alumni and friends. Many of the alumni expressed surprise at the great progress made by the chapter since it was reactivated last fall.

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Theta Chi Shorts

Lewis Melvin Buson, Oregon, '27, is secretary and editor for the Michigan Historical Commission at Lansing, following sixteen years association with the Minnesota Historical Society, as its superintendent. He is also secretary and treasurer of the Michigan Historical Society. . . . S. R. Bobenmyer, Ohio, '29, is on the faculty of the University School (for boys) at Shaker Heights, Ohio, after ten years as a teacher and coach at Garfield Heights High School, Cleveland, Ohio. His new address is 4918 Edgepark Drive, Cleveland 5, Ohio. . . . Kenneth E. Ruckman, Ohio, fraternity brother and roommate of Sammy Kaye, who helped the latter organize the original Sammy Kaye "swing and sway" band, has been named instructor of instrumental music for the Kent (Ohio) public schools.

James C. Hartwell, Oregon State, '32, is investment officer in charge of the securities department in the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Long Beach, California, and also manages the softball team in the local league. . . . Roderic Ballard, Oregon State, '31, is still playing basketball and was responsible for thirty-four points in one game this year, which is considered not a bad record for a player out of college fifteen years. . . . Roy Labelle Patrick, Oregon, '24, is vice president of the Napa Junior College at Napa, California. . . . Earl F. Heffley, Jr., Illinois, '40, has been made sales and promotion manager for Radiant Manufacturing Corporation, Chicago, manufacturers of Radiant projection screens.

S. Kenneth North, Oregon, '38, is employed by the Anchorage Times in Alaska and reports the need in that section for mechanics, engineers, instrument, and electrical specialists among airline companies, which provide housing to their employees. . . . Grant L. Thrall, Colgate, '24, is now president of the Foreign Traders Association of Philadelphia after serving as vice president of that organization. . . . Professor in the department of art and archeology at Dartmouth and vice president and director of AWG, Dowar, Inc., of Boston, is Ray Nash, Oregon, '26. He has received an award for typographic design by the American Institute of Graphic Arts and his work is found in the Fogg Museum of Art at Harvard and in the Baker Memorial Library at Dartmouth. . . . Randall Wagner, Michigan, has been employed to design and plan the educational wing which will complete the First Methodist Church at Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dr. Thomas Jefferson Taylor, Oregon State, practicing medicine at Olympia, Wash., delivered in 1942-1946 over 1800 babies. . . . Chief engineer of the Home Radio Division of Westinghouse Electric Corporation is William F. Winfield, Illinois, '29, who perfected a low noise converter system and other electronic innovations widely used in wartime communications equipment. . . . James Lee Hart, Ohio, '43, who directed Alpha Tau's Glee Club which won the state championship for fraternity glee clubs in 1942, is a student in the Graduate School of Music at Northwestern University. . . . William Henry Coffin, Oregon State, '27, who has

been in the aviation business in Los Angeles for a number of years, is sole owner and operator of Vail Field, Calif. During the war he operated contract flying schools.

The Weisinger clan of Rho Chapter still continues to make interesting news. Eugene, who recently resigned his position with the FBI with which he was a part of counter espionage service during the war, has joined an outstanding law firm at Urbana, Ill. Ben, who served as a lieutenant in the Naval Reserve, has accepted a position in Miami Beach, Florida, as assistant to the president of a mercantile firm. James, who recently joined the fraternity of dads, is with the Rockefeller Institute of Medical Research in New York.

The Rev. Nickels R. Beacham, Furman, '32, Thomson, Ga., is the pastor of the Grovetown and Thomson Presbyterian churches, Georgia. He is a Kiwanian, on Chamber of Commerce Board, and sponsors, as director, a program of music in the schools. . . . Dr. Edgar E. Bert, Minnesota, '22, of Astoria, Oregon, was one of fifty Oregon physicians granted a scholarship by the Oregon Division of the American Cancer Society for the first refresher course in cancer to be given by the University of Oregon Medical School. . . . Carl Oscar Youngstrom, Oregon State, '27, is assistant director of the agricultural extension division of the University of Idaho with offices in the State House, Boise, Idaho. . . . Jack Louis Nicholas, Oregon State, '37, is production engineer of the Prefabrication Engineering Company of Portland, Oregon, engaged in building prefabricated houses.

Nicholas Orlando, Rhode Island, '42, is athletic director and coach at Oak Ridge, Tenn. He anticipates receiving his master's degree in physical education from Columbia next summer. . . . Jack Nve, Rhode Island, '23, is now located at Bucksport, Me., as a field representative of the Charles T. Main, Inc., engineering firm of Boston. . . . Registrar at Eastern Oregon College of Education, La Grande, Ore., is Lyle H. Johnson, Oregon State, '31.

Dean Garland, Illinois, '42, son of the late F. D. Garland, Illinois, '10, is manager of Lloyds of Champaign, Illinois, the book establishment which his father developed and managed for many years. . . . William J. Ball, California, '32, is a partner in the firm Thacher, Jones, Casey, & Ball, Balfour Building, San Francisco, following his service with the United States Maritime Commission, the War Shipping Administration, and the Army Transportation Corps. . . . T. Selmon Threadgill, Alabama Polytechnic, '19, who is in the drug business, was elected mayor of Decatur, Georgia, in January.

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