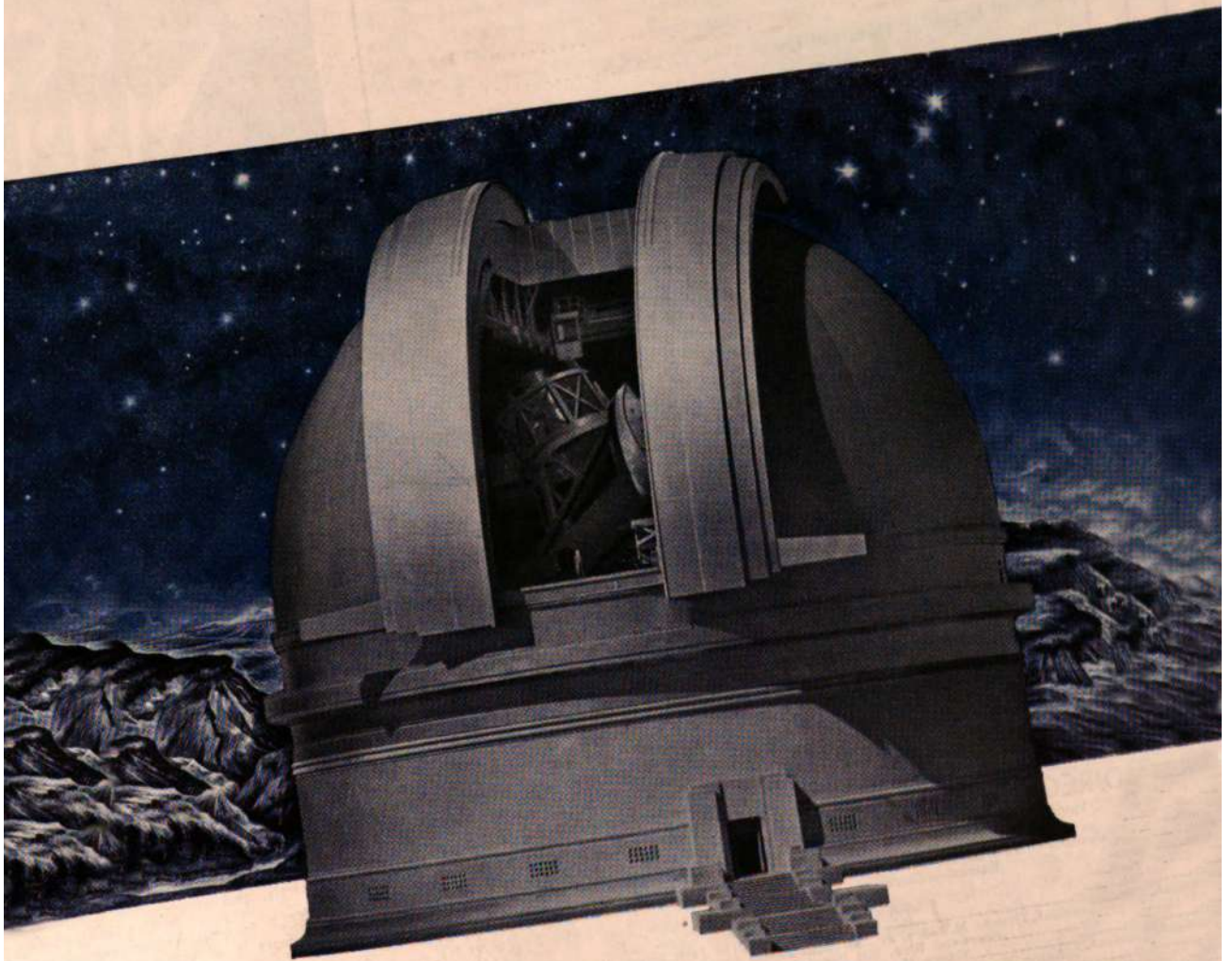


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The President's Message



Once more Theta Chi has rallied after a great war. The 1946-47 school year has seen Theta Chi men of all ages, active, alumnus, rich, poor, army, navy, civilian, assemble in work groups to reestablish active chapters, start new chapters and colonies, and revitalize alumni interests.

The many commencements of this same school year have complicated the problems, as Theta Chi men were taken from active undergraduate to alumnus status and moved to all parts of the country. The impact of the last, and largest commencement, is still to be felt.

You, new alumni, the leaders of last year's undergraduate groups, can now "commence" your alumni life in a national fraternity by "serving," with greater opportunity than ever before.

Contact alumni in your neighborhood to join alumni chapters or start new ones.

Stay in touch with your own active chapter and any others near to you. They want your experience, knowledge, and interest, just as you did theirs, when you were an undergraduate.

Keep the Executive Office informed of your address, interests, and efforts.

Give of YOURSELF to your fraternity—that you may get from it all you are entitled to.

Become active alumni—so that the post-war "rally" will "snowball" Theta Chi to "victory"—the greatest national fraternity.

Cordially and fraternally yours,

National President.

Theta Chi Helped To Design Giant Eye

■ When the world's greatest eye, the 200-inch telescope being perfected by the California Institute of Technology on Palomar Mountain in southern California is ready this year to bring unknown reaches of the universe within range of scientific observation, a Theta Chi, Russell W. Porter, Norwich, '92, will see a dream become a reality and will know that he was largely responsible. The completion of the telescope will be a climax not only to more than nineteen years of constant mastering of intricate problems, but the climax of a life in which a philosophy made a man free to do the things he most wanted to do and thereby gain the happiness he sought and at the same time contribute greatly to the world of science.

This is not the first time readers of *The Rattle* have been introduced to Russell Williams Porter. In the January issue of 1932 there appeared an article entitled, "Hobby of a Theta Chi Brings Happiness to Many and Scientific Recognition to Himself." It was largely the reproduction of a feature story which Webb Waldron, one of America's ablest writers of non fiction material, had published in *The American Magazine* of November, 1931, under the intriguing title, "On a Mountain Top in Vermont I Found One Really Happy Man." The story told how the son of a man who invented and manufactured baby carriages to make "75,000 children happy" had carried on the family tradition by getting his neighbors in a little Vermont town interested in the stars and in making their own telescopes so that they might know better the heavens and their ever changing drama. They even built a clubhouse and an observatory on the granite top of a mountain so that they could better pursue their hobby. Persons from different parts of the country learned of the fascination that this type of study and activity has; letters seeking advice and instruction began to come to the man who lived to make others happy.

■ The climax of the story is worthy of the "truth is stranger than fiction" bromide. Two men, Dr. Francis G. Pease, who designed the 100-inch telescope at Mount Wilson, and Dr. John August Anderson, eminent

Editor's Note—This article concerning a Theta Chi who has gained an immortality on this earth because of his devotion to friendship and his skill in design was started before World War II. It would not have been possible then or now except for the generous co-operation of magazines and officials of the California Institute of Technology. It is a pleasure to give credit to "Science Illustrated" and "The Telescope" for the generous loan of the illustrations used, and to both those publications as well as to "Popular Mechanics" and Andrew Hamilton for some of the material used.

physicist at Mount Wilson, came to that little Vermont town to talk with the man who had made himself the best amateur maker of telescopes in the country. They had the responsibility of directing the construction of a giant new 200-inch telescope, for which the directors of the Rockefeller General Education Board in 1929 authorized a grant of \$6,000,000 because they had faith that the vision of Dr. George Ellery Hale would mean much for the future of the world. He was the same man who had been largely responsible for the successful Mt. Wilson telescope. As soon as it was completed in 1917 he began planning an instrument twice its size, despite the difficulties that were certain to be met.

Through Albert G. Ingalls of the *Scientific American*, who had publicized Porter's success in developing hundreds of amateur telescope enthusiasts throughout the country, Dr. Hale met the Vermonter who had original ideas in regard to telescope design. He did not forget this man whom Governor James Hartness had called "a Leonardo da Vinci" and so sent the two eminent Mount Wilson astronomers all the way from California to meet him. Porter was puzzled by their interest in him and his hobby and was completely overwhelmed when two weeks later he received a telegram asking, "Will you come to Pasadena and work on the 200-inch telescope."

He expressed his feelings as follows:

"When I studied architecture I learned how to design 40-room villas, but what I really designed in practice were three-room cottages. I went

from the sublime to the ridiculous. My first telescope was a two-inch; now I'm working on the 200-inch. So I've gone from the ridiculous to the sublime."

His title at the California Institute of Technology, which has had the responsibility of designing and constructing the 200-inch telescope, was "associate in optics and instrument design" until a few years ago when he retired. The institute still provides an office for him, and he follows keenly the final steps in the preparation of the "giant of Palomar" to take its role as a key to unlock some of the mysteries which up to the present have belonged to the infinite.

■ It was in 1928 that Mr. Porter went to California to become a member of the executive and design staff, which was then being organized. This group in the main carried through all the work of design and construction for the 200-inch project. Mr. Porter's contribution to the project was explained by Mr. William Huse, when the latter was editor of the institute publications, as follows:

"Mr. Porter's part in this work is rather hard to define because he is a man of such varied talents and skills. In general, I think it is accurate to say that he had a hand in practically everything. He was particularly ingenious in solving some of the problems involved in accessory equipment. For instance, I know that he did a great deal of the work on the apparatus for raising and lowering the observer to the main focus of the telescope.

"One of the most important things he did was to translate blueprint designs into three dimensional drawings. Some of these are cut-aways showing the mechanical details of the drive and other mechanical parts; some are visualizations of the completed telescope as it will appear when it is finally mounted."

■ That, as Mr. Huse states, Russell Porter did have a hand in practically everything is shown by the fact that he was the first to start work on Palomar. Equipped with surveying transit and plane table and a tent that was to be his abode for several weeks he camped alone on the moun-

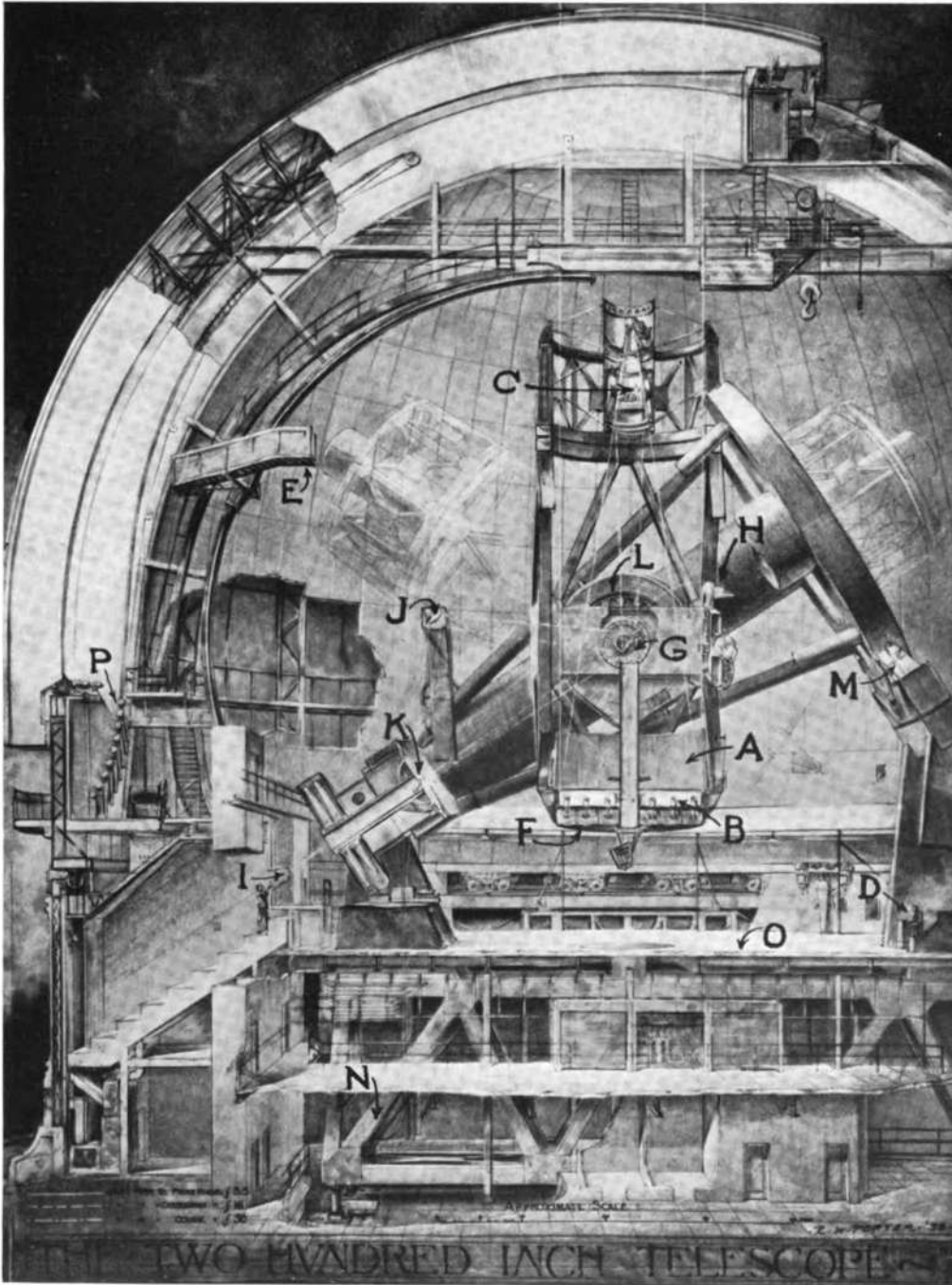
tain, which is situated in San Diego County about 140 miles from the campus of the California Institute of Technology. It is about 100 miles southeast of Los Angeles, 50 miles north of San Diego, and 30 miles in-

land from the Pacific. This site was selected because in the sparsely settled area there is little to interfere with the dark sky essential for satisfactory observational work, nor is there likely to be developments that would

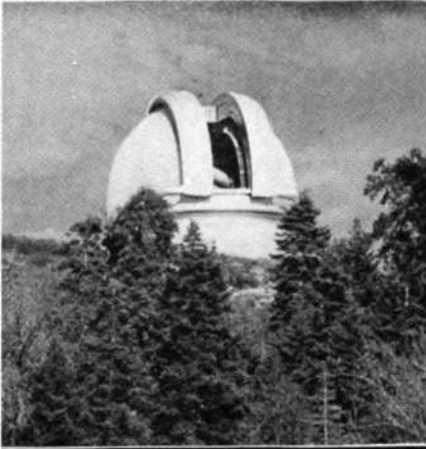
bring city smoke and lights to limit the activities of star recording.

Mt. Palomar is a 5,600-foot ridge with a base 30 miles long and 10 miles wide. The level part on the west side was flanked by a broad meadow. Around it were canyons and a wilderness of forests, but here was land that would lend itself to the plan Porter had in mind, for this transplanted Vermonter was not concerned merely with the location of an observatory to house the 200-inch telescope. He envisioned two small domes equipped with auxiliary telescopes, and, in addition, machine shops, garages, service buildings, water tanks, and living quarters for the permanent staff among the pines, the Residence and the Monastery. He wanted it all landscaped to make a definite unit, with the meadow converted into an airport.

When he returned to Pasadena he made a contour map and landscape drawing, based on his survey, he then constructed a scale model of Mt. Palomar with all the buildings he considered desirable in their respective places. The proposed air port immediately became a matter of controversy, but his arguments prevailed, and today the observatory community, more than a mile above sea level, is ready with its adequate water supply, fire protection equipment, gas supply, diesel-electric power plant, high-gear road, radio communication with the institute, and an airplane landing field.



THE TWO HUNDRED INCH TELESCOPE is the title given this drawing by Russell W. Porter. The drawing not only gives a remarkably clear picture of the dome that is so similar in size and appearance to the classic Pantheon and also the construction of the greatest scientific instrument of its kind in the world, but it at the same time gives proof of the skill of the artist who made the drawing. This one is typical of the hundreds of similar drawings that Mr. Porter has made for this and other engineering projects. In fact, he is still called upon to do this type of exposition, for few have comparable ability. Some idea of size can be gained through comparison with the man's figure on the stairs near I.



Behind the giant mirror of Palomar are 19 years of work and heartbreak . .



1934—On March 25 a first mirror was cast—and broke into its mold. This original mirror (above) is now on public display in Corning, New York. A second mirror, cast 9 months later, was a success.

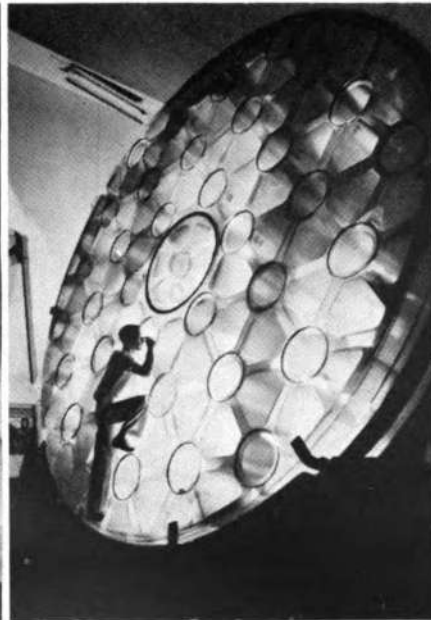
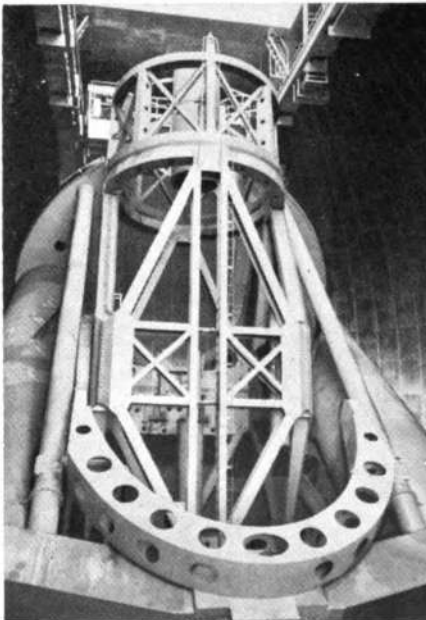


1936—Big eye began journey across the country by rail on March 18. On arrival it posed a last time for newsreels, then disappeared into CalTech laboratories for the delicate, years-long job of polishing.

■ All is ready for the final adjustments, but the essential accuracy involved makes it impossible to predict the exact time that the 200-inch will be put into actual operation. Nor does anyone know just to what extent the instrument will broaden

human knowledge of the universe. Up to the present time, scientists have been limited to the 100-inch Mt. Wilson telescope. The question in all minds is, "Will the new giant telescope make it possible to know what the universe really is and what

will be the future of this world in it?" Some scientists feel that with the 200-inch, they may learn whether or not the canals on Mars have been designed by intelligent beings; that they may be able to determine whether the universe is actually expanding; and



1942—The war halted work on the project at a time when the mirror, telescope mechanism, and new observatory to house them were nearing completion. After a three-year delay work was resumed in 1945.

1947—CalTech opticians pronounced the surface of the mirror perfect within one-millionth of an inch. Chief Optician Marcus Brown is inspecting the honeycomb rib structure at the back of the mirror.



1948—Sometime during coming months, probably early next year, the big eye will take its first look out into space. It should see twice as far as man has ever seen before. It may see beyond our universe.

that they may find evidence to indicate whether the end of the world may result from the explosion of the sun.

They do know that 200-inch will concentrate four times the light that is picked up by the Mt. Wilson telescope, thus giving scientist astronomers eight times as large a universe to make discoveries in.

According to an article in *Science Illustrated*: "The 100-inch telescope has succeeded in photographing star realms situated 500 million light-years away. And one light-year is the distance light travels in a year, or six trillion miles.

"The 200-inch will bring into view light sources a billion light-years away. If, as seems certain, photographs are obtained of galaxies a billion light-years distant, we are observing the picture of something as it appeared a billion years ago, because the light that made the picture took a billion years to get to Palomar at 186,000 miles a second. That is how the 200-inch, in looking outward into space, looks backward to the beginning of time."

The telescope will be able to explore eight times as much of the universe as at the present time. It will be 1,000,000 times more powerful than the human eye and will be able to reach out 600,000,000,000,000,000 miles in space, a matter of a billion light years.

■ The Palomar telescope is not an instrument through which the scientist will look at the heavens. It is really a camera so perfectly adjusted that even with the long exposures of hours necessary it turns as slowly and as steadily as the earth itself to compensate for the earth's rotation. According to an article in *Popular Mechanics*: "The telescope is so large that you need an elevator to reach its top. Astronomers working at different parts of the apparatus will communicate by telephone. Its moving parts weigh approximately one million pounds, yet the instrument is so delicately balanced that only one-half horsepower is needed to turn it.

"While making an exposure the astronomer has to keep guiding his film holder up and down or sideways to minimize motions. No human being is capable of doing the job perfectly, so at Palomar the work is being turned over to complicated sets of electrical brains that will automa-

tically compensate for every variable and will guide the telescope on a course that holds the star still.

"Because weather affects the refraction of a star, a complete weather reporting station has been built adjacent to the observatory.

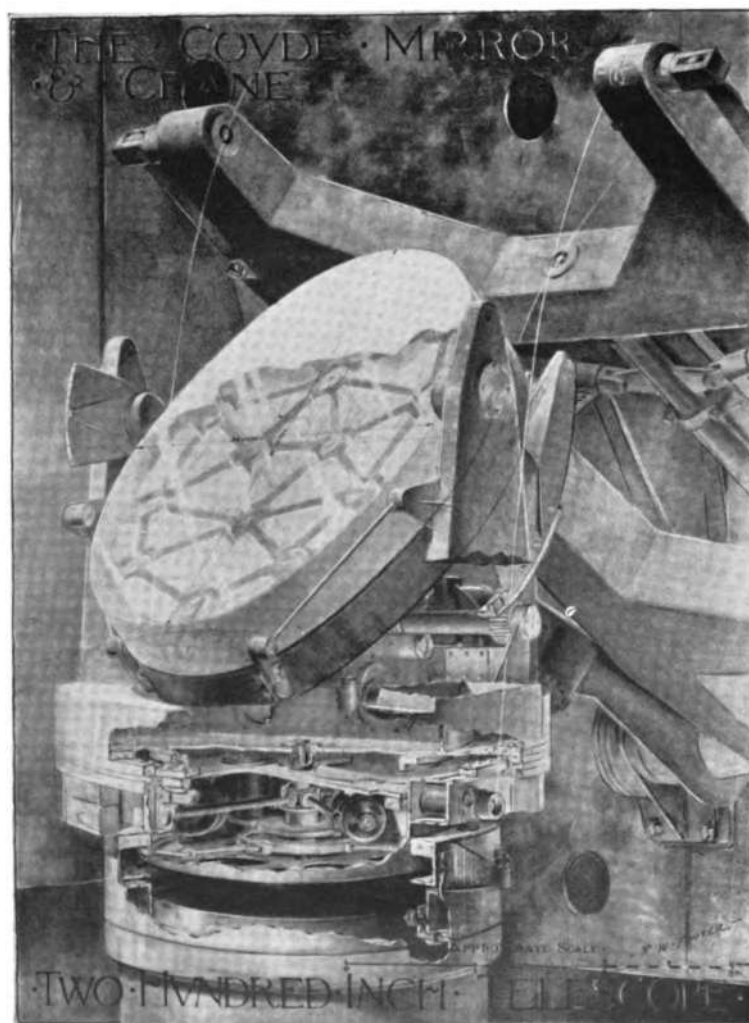
"At the same time that the telescope slowly turns on its bearings to follow a star across the sky the great steel dome under which the telescope is housed, weighing 1,000 tons, likewise turns to permit continuous observation through its shutter opening.

"The public will be able to inspect the great telescope at almost any time from a special glass-enclosed visitors' gallery that has been completed inside the dome. The workings of the complex instrument will be explained by large detailed drawings prepared by Russell W. Porter."

■ The delay in completing the telescope, for which World War II was somewhat responsible, has worked to the advantage of the designers, and it is now expected that the instrument will be twice as efficient as the original plans of 19 years indicated.

Both the Palomar and the Wilson telescopes will be operated as a team with a single director, Dr. Ira Sprague Bowen. Research headquarters will be on the Pasadena campus of California Tech. While a dozen men will be needed to service Palomar, only two or three astronomers will work at a time. Cost of operation will be about \$600 a night.

Quarters for those who will work at Palomar provide everything necessary for comfort and also for some relaxation, thanks to the insistence



HERE IS ANOTHER Russell W. Porter drawing of mirror placed inside telescope barrel to reflect light gathered by 200-inch mirror out to observing point when special focus that gives high magnification is to be used.

of Russell Porter in planning thoroughly modern construction for the Monastery.

Those who make a curiosity visit to Palomar will find that provision has been made for them. They will enter a foyer that with its definite New England simplicity indicates again the planning of Russell Porter. The ground floor provides offices, a library, lunchroom, darkrooms, and storage space. On the second floor are public restrooms and various types of equipment. The third floor is where the telescope is found. The public can view the telescope from a glassed-in observation room without affecting the delicate instrument through body heat. They will watch astronomers slip in photo plates to record the happenings of the celestial world. The pictures will reveal patches of the sky having dimensions of about a third of the full moon, and from them will be gleaned much that will be important in the world of tomorrow.

■ No one will watch with greater eagerness the process of scientific revelation than Russell W. Porter, for the proper functioning of the 200-inch telescope will be the climax to his life of adventure and of service to his fellow man.

As Mr. Porter was born in Vermont, December 13, 1871, it was natural for him to enroll in Norwich University in 1890, as that school offered engineering training. There he became a member of Alpha Chapter. Later he attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Norwich honored its distinguished alumnus with an honorary M.E. degree.

When Mr. Porter left Norwich, his first interest was in Arctic exploration. In all he participated in ten expeditions, four of which were in search of the North Pole. In 1894 he went with the Cook expedition to West Greenland as surveyor, being on the ill-fated schooner, *Miranda*, which was abandoned on the Greenland coast. Mr. Porter and four companions, who had moved northward in a small boat, were rescued by the schooner *Rigel*, thirty miles north of the Arctic Circle. He was with three Peary Relief Expeditions, in 1896, 1897, 1899, respectively.

He accompanied the Baldwin-Ziegler Polar Expedition of 1901-'02 as artist and surveyor and was assistant scientist and artist with the Ziegler Polar Expedition of 1903-



In 1931
Waldron's "Really Happy Man"

'05. He discovered several new islands and mapped over five hundred miles of new coast line.

And now there is added to his long list of achievements a full share in the design and development of the greatest and most costly instrument



And now he says, "I wonder if the darn thing will work."

for peaceful research. As Andrew Hamilton in a recent magazine article states, "Once again men are lifting up their eyes to the clean, timeless space of the cosmos and the blazing stars that give it meaning.

"Today the scientists are back, and skilled hands are again guiding delicate grinding and polishing tools across the 17-foot face of the mirror. The silvery-domed observatory, gleaming amid green pines, cedars, and manzanita on Mt. Palomar, has been reopened to visitors. This temple of the stars promises to become one of America's greatest attractions, a mecca for the scientific, the curious, the awe-struck, the reverent."

■ Even in World War II, Russell Porter played an unusual role. He and his partner, Editor Arthur G. Ingalls of the *Scientific American*, mobilized the most expert among the 20,000 telescope-making addicts, the majority of whom had been taught by Porter, and set them to work secretly making essential roof prisms for sights used on field and aircraft guns and other military instruments. So important did these men become, producing thousands of the much needed roof prisms, the government had them work under aliases. Thus Russell Porter's hobby can be credited with another important contribution to his nation.

Eta Alumni To Revive Providence Chapter

■ Plans to revive the Providence Alumni Chapter of Theta Chi were launched at the annual business meeting of Eta Chapter at Rhode Island State College, April 26. The committee named to revive the chapter and extend membership to Theta Chis throughout Rhode Island consists of James Nugent, chairman, William Sanford, Walter Siravo, and Robert Scott.

John J. Christy, '39, was named president to succeed John J. Nye, '23, while the following were re-elected: Lorenzo F. Kinney, Jr., '14, vice president; Dr. Harold W. Browning, '14, treasurer; and William G. Mokray, '29, secretary.

The chapter also voted unanimously to join a campus Interfraternity Alumni Council that will act solely in advisory capacity. Lorenzo Kinney was appointed official representative, with Howard L. Snow and Robert Haire as alternates.

Chapters of Theta Chi Honor 1946-'47 Leaders

Recognition from those who are in a position to judge wisely and fairly came this spring to a considerable number of Theta Chis when the undergraduate chapters restored a former tradition abandoned in the wartime period. By secret ballot they selected "the one who contributed most to the welfare of the chapter" for the current year, and they also chose the outstanding senior as a nomination for the Reginald E. Colley Trophy. From those men who are designated as the most widely recognized campus leaders among the seniors, the Grand Chapter will determine who is to be named as the outstanding undergraduate of Theta Chi Fraternity for the year 1946-1947. His name will be engraved on the trophy, which will be delivered into the temporary custody of the chapter to which the senior belongs.

Some of the chapters decided that both of these honors belonged to the same man and hence paid a double compliment. A few chapters did not make the selections, or, if they did, they have failed to send in the results to *The Rattle*.

For the first time this year the chapters have been able to present the man selected as "the one who contributed the most" with an especially designed gold key, authorized by the Grand Chapter and

named the Active Chapter Service Award. There is a space on the back of the key for the name and chapter of the owner. The key is manufactured by the fraternity jeweler, L. J. Balfour Company, and can be ordered through the Executive Office either by the chapters or by any indi-



Active Chapter Service Award

vidual who was selected as the "one who contributed most" by his particular chapter.

In sending in their selections the chapters were instructed to accompany them with a brief citation. Because of space limitations in this issue, these citations have been cut down decidedly, almost to the bare

recital of accomplishments. Thus numerous warm-hearted tributes had to be sacrificed. But even from the skeletonized reports, the reader will learn of men who have rendered much appreciated service to their chapters and will feel pride in the splendid record of campus leadership for which this year's seniors have been responsible throughout Theta Chi's broad domain.

The first group of men presented are those who were doubly honored by their chapters, being selected as the most outstanding senior and the one who has contributed most. In each division the men have been listed in the order of the chapter roll.

LAMBDA (Cornell)—Wallace Benjamin Rogers, more than any other member, was responsible for the reactivation of Lambda this past fall. In the preceding summer he devoted a great deal of his time and labor to that purpose. He contacted the brothers and gave them information for the coming fall. Even with labor situations as they were, he managed to hire for the house one of the best cooks on the hill. He became chapter treasurer, a job, which at that time had far more complications than ordinarily. But he fulfilled his duties well. The alumni have recently chosen him alumnus adviser of this chapter, which is fortunate indeed, for seldom can a chapter retain an outstanding man as a guide after he is graduated. He was well and favorably known on the campus as an undergraduate.

NU (Hampden-Sydney)—Robert Bluford, Jr., '47, is married and has a three-year-old son, Bobby, but in campus activities he has an outstanding record. He entered Hampden-Sydney in the fall of 1941 and was a member of the junior varsity football squad for two years. In February, 1943, he left to join the Army Air Forces. He was stationed at Attle-



Robert Bluford
Hampden-Sydney



Donald Stauffer
Ohio State



James Poulter
Iowa State



Louis T. Wilson
University of Washington



Edward L. Athey
Washington College



Walter Ralph Good
Drexel Institute



George Stewart
M. I. T.



William Iseman Kurt
Rensselaer

bridge, England, with the 466th Bomb Group from December, 1944, to June, 1945, and received the Air Medal with one oak leaf cluster. He was discharged in November, 1945, with the rank of first lieutenant.

The same month he re-entered Hampden-Sydney as a junior and the only undergraduate Theta Chi on the campus. With the help of faculty brothers and nearby alumni he built up Nu Chapter's membership to eighteen by the end of the '45-'46 session and to forty-one, plus five pledges, at the end of the '46-'47 session. He was president from the time the fraternity was re-organized in November, 1945, until the election in March, 1947.

Bluford was also president of the Student Body and of Omicron Delta Kappa, a member of Eta Sigma Phi, editor of the student weekly newspaper, *The Tiger*, in '45-'46, and a member of the Pan-Hellenic Council. He headed Hampden-Sydney's successful half-million dollar endowment campaign drive. It was

he who conceived the idea of having a coordinating committee, now in practice,

Directory of Societies

Honor: Sigma Xi, science; Phi Beta Kappa, academic; Phi Kappa Phi, general scholastic; Tau Beta Pi, engineering; Beta Gamma Sigma, commerce; Omicron Delta Kappa, leadership; Phi Eta Sigma, freshmen.

Recognition: Blue Key, leadership; Chi Epsilon, civil engineer.

Professional and Departmental Societies: Sigma Delta Chi, journalism; ASCE, American Society of Civil Engineers; ASME, American Society of Mechanical Engineers; Phi Mu Sinfonia, music; Beta Alpha Psi, accounting; Alpha Zeta, agricultural; Phi Sigma, biology; Pi Mu Epsilon, mathematics; Pi Sigma Alpha, political science; Pi Tau Sigma, mechanical engineering; Theta Tau, engineering.

between faculty and student representatives on the campus. He helped start the Virginia State Conference of Student Body Leaders, the first conference of which was held at Hampden-Sydney in April, 1947. He became the first person to be awarded the Adamson Memorial Scholarship, established in 1946.

Bluford also has been an Honor Roll student the last three of his four years at Hampden-Sydney. In June he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, *summa cum laude*. In September he plans to enter the Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, his home city.

ALPHA LAMBDA (Ohio State)—Donald F. Stauffer was initiated by Alpha Xi Chapter, University of Delaware, in February, 1943, but was soon called to army duty. He served in the 84th Infantry Division and was discharged in June, 1945, when he planned to transfer to Ohio State University. He was commissioned by Frederick W. Ladue, the national president, to revive Alpha Lambda



Sidney B. Wetherhead
Worcester



Joseph W. Rock
Rhode Island State



Lucius W. Johnson, Jr.
Cornell University



George W. Ritter
University of Illinois



E. D. Purdy
Oregon State



Donald E. Schaetzle
North Dakota State



C. G. Link
Penn State



Jack W. O'Brien
University of Pittsburgh

Chapter, inactive since 1941. Upon arriving on the campus he contacted two Theta Chis, also transfers, and the three men secured a small pledge class. On November 10, 1945, Alpha Lambda was reactivated, and Stauffer was elected president.

He then began arousing the interest of local alumni so that steps could be taken to obtain a chapter house. They were, at first, reluctant to give much support, but through the efforts of National Counselor James Stevens, Regional Counselor Richard Lieb, and Chapter President Stauffer an alumni corporation was formed. Stauffer was elected a member of the Board of Trustees for a two-year term.

In the late winter and spring of 1946 when there was no chapter house and no immediate prospect of obtaining one, Stauffer held the small group together. At the same time he worked with the Alumni Corporation to find a suitable property, and then to finance its purchase. His efforts were a major factor in

the acquisition of the present chapter house.

In May, 1946, Stauffer retired from the office of president although it meant being unable to accept the nomination for the presidency of the Council of Fraternity Presidents. He was willing to serve as vice president and secured a high degree of co-operation between the alumni and the active chapter. He placed Alpha Lambda on a firm financial basis. He also served as steward and provided profitable and economical dining service. His suggestions and criticisms have helped the newer brothers assume positions of responsibility, and his insistence on high standards for selection of new men has insured for Alpha Lambda a position of leadership on the campus. He was elected secretary of the Alumni Corporation at the annual meeting last November.

Outside of the chapter, Stauffer also has had many activities. In 1945 he became a staff member of the *Ohio State Engineer*, a monthly magazine with a cir-

culution of 5,200 copies. He was later appointed illustrations editor and last July was made editor. He was elected vice president of AICE and was made a member of *Texnikoi*, engineering leadership society. He served for a year as a member of the Engineers Council and was asked to seek nomination to the board of directors of the Fraternity Managers association, buying cooperative, but refused. He has maintained a good scholastic record, and in March was elected to Tau Beta Pi.

He will be graduated in August, but hopes to continue his work for Theta Chi as a deputy regional counselor.

ALPHA MU (Iowa State)—James R. Poulter, '47, served as chapter president during winter of '46 and through his guidance the chapter continued in its upward climb since getting started after the war. He was active in the YMCA, the Interfraternity Council, and *Veishea*, Iowa State's annual all-college open house; nevertheless, he devoted much of



Donald Boor
University of Michigan



Manuel Sierra
Indiana University



Daniel Dingles
University of Oregon



Philip T. Hansen
Ohio University



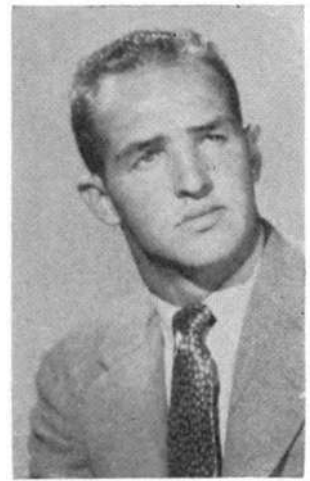
Glenn McDuffie
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Sheldon B. Akers
University of Maryland



Frank R. Coskey
Michigan State



Charles R. Kline
University of Arizona

his time and abilities to the good of this chapter. It has been through his diligent and efficient work that Alpha Mu has been able to live up to Theta Chi's high objectives and standards.

ALPHA RHO (Washington)—Louis T. Wilson, retiring chapter secretary, entered Washington in March, 1944, as an appointee from the fleet to the Navy V-12 College Training Program. Even though a complete stranger in the university, he was appointed social chairman of his company soon after arrival. As social chairman, he made arrangements for the first All V-12 dance, "The Navance," which was held at the Seattle Tennis Club and attended by more than 300 trainees and the highest ranking Naval officials of the Thirteenth Naval District. Soon afterwards, he was instrumental in the organization of a V-12 Choir. At the end of the "frosh" year he was appointed a company officer, and in November, 1944, was pledged to Theta Chi Fraternity.

At the beginning of his sophomore year Wilson was appointed to NROTC from the V-12 ranks and continued his activities record: staff of *The Binnacle*, an NROTC tri-annual publication, NROTC Choir, company social chairman, platoon commander, *Compass and Chart*, a naval fraternity.

As a junior, he was appointed to the annual All-University Varsity Ball committee and to the staff of *The Tvee*, yearbook; became president of the NROTC Radio Club; directed the NROTC and V-12 inter-company swim meet; was elected vice president of Alpha Sigma and later secretary, as well as delegate to the 90th Anniversary Convention. He was also appointed rushing chairman for the following year and assistant editor of *The Gavel*, the chapter's first publication since before the war.

Wilson was appointed to Senior Council, chairman of the All-University Voter's Registration Campaign, preceding the national general elections last November, and chairman of the traditional ivy planting ceremonies held annually by the

graduating class. He became a member of Propeller Club for transportation majors and the Interfraternity Council.

BETA ETA (Washington College)—Edward L. Athey came from Frostburg State Teachers College at the end of his sophomore year and became associated with Beta Eta Chapter in the fall of 1942. An outstanding member of the champion basketball squad, he missed the playoffs at the end of the season when he entered the service. He was separated a first lieutenant and holds the Air Medal among other decorations. He returned to the hill this year and started as a quarterback in football with his wife and young son as his two most ardent rooters. Later he was elected to the Varsity Club, captain of the basketball team, president of the senior class, vice president of Beta Eta Chapter, and was elected by the student body to receive the Jack Dempsey Trophy as the outstanding athlete at Washington College. He played left field in baseball and made Omicron Delta Kappa.

With all these activities and achievements Athey was a busy man, but he always found time to work for his chapter and Theta Chi.

BETA THETA (Drexel)—Walter Ralph Good's exceptionally enthusiastic and successful participation in fraternity and school activities, even before the war so tragically intervened in his life, in itself is ample cause to regard him as one of the outstanding men on the Drexel campus. After he returned from the service in Germany, having suffered the loss of a leg, he resumed his school work and his services to school and fraternity with the same enthusiasm and success as before. We are not only grateful to him for such services, but also for the inspiring example he has set. Before the war he was a member of the baseball team, an editor of the *Lexerd*, yearbook, a member of the Interfraternity Council and of ASME. Unable to participate actively in baseball on his return from the armed forces, he became baseball manager and member of Gold Key, athletic

organization, Beta Theta's secretary, vice president, and, as sports adviser and coach, is directly responsible for the chapter's record in interfraternity sports. Happily married, Ralph Good has proved himself to be of high scholastic caliber, of high fraternity caliber and an inspiration to his chapter brothers. That is a tribute we reserve for few men.

BETA OMEGA (Susquehanna)—John R. Leach as chapter president for the past year did an excellent job. By his diligent and faithful work and leadership the chapter had a very successful year. He had been secretary of the chapter in his sophomore and junior years. He was a member of the Men's Student Council, which endeavors to promote a better understanding between the faculty and students. The council also formulates rules for orientation of the freshman men students. He was an officer of his junior class, a member of the University Band in his freshman and sophomore years, and the student Christian Association. He was selected by the faculty for "Who's Who" after careful consideration of his character, scholarship, and leadership in extra-curricular activities.

"These Contributed Most"

■ **ALPHA (Norwich)**—Alan T. Lockard entered Norwich in September, 1940, and left in 1943 for the Armed Forces serving as a first lieutenant with the 8th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Cavalry Division, in the Philippines and Japan. He has the Army Commendation, Philippine Liberation, Army of Occupation, Asiatic-Pacific Theater, and American Theater ribbons. In the Norwich University Corps of Cadets, Alan Lockard held the rank of cadet staff sergeant. In September, 1946, he returned to Norwich and graduated with honor in June, 1947.

He was a major factor in causing the house to be reopened in September, 1946, and has devoted much of his energy and attention to its development and expansion. He had served as vice president of Alpha and later as president. For his



Robert Corcoran
University of Cincinnati



Hubert Whitfield
Illinois Wesleyan



Robert S. Everly
Lehigh University



Richard Thomas
Southern California

many services, he was awarded the past president's gold key.

BETA (M.I.T.)—George E. Stewart, '48, has held the offices of rushing chairman, treasurer, and concurrently vice president. As treasurer he reorganized the office and introduced a new and exceedingly more efficient system. As a result, Beta has by far the lowest house bill on the campus at M.I.T., without sacrificing any conveniences or quality of services. George was a sophomore class officer and was on the Dean's List three times. He has been a member of the crew team and rowed in the annual Field Day (inter-class) competition. He is also active in the school humor magazine, *Voo Doo*.

DELTA (Rensselaer)—William Iseman Kurz's whole-hearted spirit and musical talent were exemplified as a member of the Rensselaer Band, and orchestra, and "Campus Serenaders," school dance band. On the staff of WHAZ, the R.P.I. radio station, he became master of ceremonies and program director for the "Campus Reviews." He gained scholastic recognition through his membership in ASME, Pi Tau Sigma, and Tau Beta Pi.

When a fraternity project is at hand, his leadership, ingenuity, and originality are unsurpassed. He has served as chaplain, house manager, and president. His time, effort, originality, and artistic ability made the annual Bowery Ball a great success. The float in the annual Grand Marshall Parade was largely due to his efforts and experience. At present he is Delta's representative at the Interfraternity Council and has been appointed chairman of the Fraternity Handbook Committee.

EPSILON (Worcester)—Sidney B. Wetherhead, originally '45, then '47, returned to this chapter after serving in the Army to find the number of actives very small and the chapter house in poor condition. By his own drive and leadership, he organized those men and helped enlarge the active chapter to normal size. In two successive terms he was president

and vice president. He also showed how to place Theta Chi again in a major role in campus activities. He is secretary-treasurer of ASME and was a Tech Council Representative. He also helped to put the chapter back into intramural sports by participating in five sports: softball, basketball, bowling, tennis, and swimming.

ZETA (New Hampshire)—John H. Atwood, the chapter's vice president and social chairman, is doing an excellent job in both capacities after excellent service as rushing chairman. He is president of the Outing Club, one of the largest organizations on campus, and is a member of the ski team. Last winter he served as chairman of the Carnival Ball.

ETA (Rhode Island)—Joseph W. Rock, a former first sergeant with the 7th Armored Division in the ETO, returned in February, 1946, when co-eds occupied the chapter house, as they had during the war years. Finding that he and only eight other brothers comprised the post-war nucleus of Eta Chapter he arranged for them to live in a quonset dormitory in the Hut Colony. As president he with Kenneth Burkhardt organized rushing activities; 18 men were pledged. With able help from the Eta Mothers' Club, he planned the successful Reunion Dance at the Edgewood Yacht Club. Rock employed a chef, Phil Ware of Boston, and with Dr. Harold W. Browning, alumnus adviser and vice president of the college, secured Mrs. Jessie Harding for house mother. Along with Social Chairman Robert O'Connell, Rock contributed invaluable aid to the alumni contact program prior to Homecoming Day at which Eta Chapter won the first postwar cup for the best decorated house on campus. He was elected president of Alpha Zeta, agricultural scholastic society. A regular guard on the 1942 football team, Rock returned to the gridiron in 1946 and was an outstanding lineman until a serious knee injury forced him to the sidelines indefinitely. Elected to the office of treasurer of the junior class, Joe next won

the Charles P. Hood Scholarship, offered by the H. P. Hood Company for majors in dairying at the school. In quick succession came the selection as the outstanding junior in the School of Agriculture, vice presidency of the R. I. Club, lettermen, Schems, senior society. He was elected moderator of this group, one of the highest honors that can be bestowed upon a student. Possessor of a dynamic personality, popular in the house and on campus, one can see "character" written all over Joe Rock's face.

THETA (Massachusetts)—Ray Fuller, in the winter of 1946, returned from service to find Theta Chapter inactive and the chapter house occupied by a sorority. He was instrumental in the reactivation of the chapter and in March was elected president for the coming year. In preparing the house for occupancy in September he did an outstanding job. He corresponded with all Theta Chapter servicemen who planned to return to school in the fall.

Ray has been active in campus activities; he was a member of the Student Senate in 1946-47.

LAMBDA (Cornell)—Lucius W. Johnson, Jr., '49, architectural student, has been found wherever there has been any sort of work for the good of the fraternity. Ever since the school year, 1945-'46, when he was one of the first of the chapter to return to Cornell from the war, he has been a steady influence. First as acting secretary of the brothers who began to get "519" in shape last year, and then as secretary when the chapter formally reopened, he has stuck at this always arduous task. Meanwhile he has been foremost in renewing Lambda's old contacts, and took on the job of reorganizing and bringing up to date the alumni files. As a member of the Executive Committee and the Float Committee for Spring Day, he further worked in service for Theta Chi.

RHO (Illinois)—George W. Ritter, '47, as chapter president, has been largely



William E. Forbes
Fresno State College



James Phillips
M. I. T.



Granger Bolton Thurstone
Rensselaer



Guy H. Nichols
Worcester

responsible for promoting harmony in the house and restoring the name of Theta Chi to its place among the leaders of the University of Illinois fraternities. He encouraged every chapter freshman to enter an activity and helped him select one. Through words and actions he has given twenty pledges an idea of true brotherhood. Enthusiastic about intramural athletics, he encouraged everyone in the house to participate or support the brothers who did participate. Ritter was never too busy with his own activities to answer questions on matters of chapter or school affairs. Evidences of his farsightedness will be seen in the future of Rho.

SIGMA (Oregon State)—"I am not interested in fraternities, as they have nothing fraternal to offer. Most of us learned how to get along with one another in the service." So said Ellsworth Purdy, '50, business and industry major, now vice president of Sigma, shortly before he was "really" rushed and pledged. Sigma has rarely had a freshman with as much diplomatic drive. Possibly the greatest contribution Purdy has made to the campus is in initiating a new college picture magazine, *Snuffer*. His organizational ability was shown this spring when he entered campus politics, his personality and fairness distinguishing him as a leader. The honor he has won is deserved, yet inadequate in many ways. We at Oregon State think he is tops. His attitude today, in contrast to that of a year ago, is something like this: "Fellows, we've got a lot to do to make Theta Chi the top fraternity on the campus. Let's all pitch in right now and get this show on the road."

PHI (North Dakota State)—Donald Schaezel, '47, engineering, returned in September, 1946, after serving three years as a captain with the 42nd Rainbow Division, and collecting a good share of medals, including five service ribbons, the Bronze Star with cluster, and the Army Commendation Ribbon. He took over the house managership and treasurer-ship, and in less than a year the chap-

ter saved some \$3,900, and still had the lowest board and room rate in Region VIII. He initiated a pledge training system that greatly aided the chapter, and through his high spirit and enthusiasm helped Phi build the *esprit de corps* it has today.

Schaezel's other activities are: Engineer's Club, vice president ASME; YMCA; chairman, Veterans' Housing Program; and intramural football, basketball, and softball. Phi Chapter regrets losing a man like Don, but knows he will be a leader in his profession as he has been throughout his school career.

CHI (Alabama Polytech)—Myron W. Howell, since identifying himself with the chapter, has with diligence and fidelity given his time and energy to the betterment of Theta Chi.

PSI (Wisconsin)—Guy M. Hopkins, '49, has been very active in Psi activities since his return from the Army. Serving the chapter as treasurer, president, and more recently as secretary, he has been outstanding in chapter affairs. He has made numerous trips in behalf of the chapter to alumni meetings, to the national convention, and to contact alumni and the recent adviser, James H. Wegener.

OMEGA (Penn State)—Charles George Zink, Jr., after three years in the Air Force, serving as a B-29 lead navigator in the 676th Bomb Sqdn., 20th AF, returned to serve Omega as vice president, and later as president. He has been treasurer of the Penn State Mineral Industries Society, and a member of Blue Key and *Parmi Nous* recognition societies. He is listed in *Who's Who* in the News 1947. He belongs to the American Society for Metals and is treasurer of the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers. He is varsity track manager and plays interfraternity volleyball and soccer; is stage manager for Thespians; on Froth staff, chairman Mineral Industries Banquet, interfraternity councilor, and a member of the Lion Coat Committee.

ALPHA BETA (Pittsburgh)—Jack O'Brien, shouldering the responsibilities of president since January of this year, has never taken a backward step; he seems to have an inexhaustible supply of energy. He is always the first to appear, the last to leave. Jack makes his presence known at Interfraternity Council and the appointments committee of the Student Congress. Despite the fact that Alpha Beta must strive for leadership and rapport on campus without the unifying factor of a chapter house, Jack has never permitted this barrier to interfere with activities and festivities. He has been instrumental in molding the chapter into a compact, cooperative group of men, who have gained recognition and respect from competing groups on campus.

That President O'Brien is athletically inclined is indicated by his participation in interfraternity football, basketball, softball, and bowling. He is also a member of the varsity tennis squad.

ALPHA GAMMA (Michigan)—Donald Boor rendered remarkable service, particularly during his term as president, through his active leadership and initiative. He was mainly responsible for securing a large number of first class pledges this spring. He supervised a number of house improvements, including complete re-landscaping of the frontal areas. He also persuaded an adjoining fraternity to join in a beautification and conservation scheme for re-making about half a block of combined territory into parking grounds, barbecue pits, tennis courts, volleyball and basketball courts, and, possibly a swimming pool, all at extra-chapter expense. Work begins this summer. Incidentally, Boor assumed the steward's duties with the installation of a new president and brought the board department out of debt within the space of five weeks.

ALPHA DELTA (Purdue)—Ray E. Schwab, '49, has served the fraternity as steward for the past two years and has done an outstanding job. He keeps a winning inventory of all foodstuffs in the house and conducts all the functions of

the kitchen on a very businesslike basis. Through his efforts a profit was realized the first semester which was sufficient to purchase new furniture for the trophy room. He has set a record of dining club management which will be a difficult one to surpass in years to come.

ALPHA EPSILON (Stanford)—Thomas M. Diamond ever since he was pledged in the fall of 1946 has been extremely active in behalf of the fraternity. He was instrumental in promoting the pledging of a large number of upper division students, thus revitalizing the chapter before the regular freshman pledging season. He was president of this pledge class and, while acting as social chairman, was responsible for one of the most successful dances of the year. He was elected vice president for the '47-'48 school year, and as such has continued to direct enthusiastically the successful pledging activities of the chapter.

ALPHA ZETA (Rochester)—Two members were selected by a tie vote as having contributed most to the welfare of the chapter this year: Kenneth A. Hubel, '50, and John J. O'Neill, '48. Both have taken important action to implement the good of the fraternity, especially in social affairs and in the promotion of cooperation and fraternity spirit. Hubel, social chairman for the past year, has been appointed rushing chairman for 1947-48. O'Neill, in recognition of his leadership abilities, has been elected chapter president; he had previously been treasurer. Both men maintained high scholastic standing, O'Neill having been elected to Phi Beta Kappa in his junior year.

ALPHA IOTA (Indiana)—Manuel R. Sierra, '48, vice president-elect, pledged Theta Chi in 1941 and was made house manager the second semester of 1941-'42. In October, 1942, he enlisted in the Army Air Forces and served in the Pacific Theater, where he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with seven oak leaf clusters, and the Distinguished Unit citation with two clusters.

In November, 1945, he was discharged and returned to the Indiana campus in the fall of 1946. He was then re-elected house manager and has held the position until the present time. In this office he has contributed immeasurably to the advancement of this chapter. He had charge of the complete redecoration of the chapter house. Through his perseverance, initiative, and drive Alpha Iota has been able to finance and successfully complete this project.

ALPHA NU (Georgia Tech)—Robert Warren VanLandingham has consistently shown his willingness and ability to accomplish tasks as a worker and as a leader for the good of the fraternity. He has the respect and the admiration of his brothers for his proficient administration of the presidency in advancing the chapter and developing the spirit of home life in the chapter house. Under his leadership he has given every man a job and made each individual feel useful to the chapter. Alpha Nu has found in him what it considers the ideal fraternity man and brother, living the well-rounded college life with its social and educational obligations.

ALPHA PI (Minnesota)—Richard M. Ames was helpful in putting the chapter back on its feet after wartime doldrums. He helped build a strong pledge class and as president guided Alpha Pi through some of its most trying days.

ALPHA SIGMA (Oregon)—From his pledge class days in 1940, until now, Daniel Dinges has been all out for Theta Chi. In pre-war days he put one year in frosh football and another in varsity football. This would undoubtedly have been supplemented had not marriage plans interrupted his schooling this spring. He, along with three or four others, was instrumental in the reorganization of Alpha Sigma in 1946. With the re-opening of the house in 1946 he became vice president and he was re-elected to this position for 1947. He served as president during winter term, after which he resigned because of his

coming marriage. He was the convention delegate last year.

ALPHA TAU (Ohio)—One of the 1946 national convention initiates, Philip A. Hansen, '49, put some of the inspiration gained at Theta Chi's 90th anniversary get-together to use when he was made house manager. Through his leadership and hard work, the chapter house was completely redecorated, and there resulted a marked improvement of chapter morale as the house became again a source of real pride to the members and pledges.

ALPHA PHI (Alabama)—Glenn L. McDuffie has been outstanding in his efforts to revive the chapter from the wartime slump in activity. He succeeded in clearing the books of accumulated debts and has been instrumental in the drive for a new chapter house. At the end of his army service he was discharged a major. He worked so conscientiously as vice president for the winter quarter that he was elected to the presidency of the chapter this spring. The chapter was in bad financial condition when he came last year, and his executive ability has been largely responsible for improving that situation. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi.

ALPHA CHI (Syracuse)—William Gabor, '48, entered Syracuse University in September, 1942, and quickly came into the spotlight by winning a place on the varsity basketball while only a freshman, scoring sensationally in every game he played. He returned to the campus in 1946 after three years of duty as an officer in the Army Air Forces and proceeded to shatter every scoring mark in the basketball record book of Syracuse University. With another year of eligibility remaining, he has already broken several times the individual game scoring mark, has scored more points than any other player in Syracuse basketball history, and has twice been selected on the Helms Foundation All-American basketball squads.

His contribution to Theta Chi has not, however, been confined to the prestige which his performances have brought to



Philip Turrell
New Hampshire



Gordon Smith
University of Massachusetts



Russell Fielding
University of Illinois



Melvin Amsberry
Oregon State

the fraternity. In spite of long hours of practice and the time required for two after-school jobs, Gabor has worked tirelessly and selflessly in the interests of the chapter, both in odd jobs around the house and in the promotion of chapter affairs.

He was recently elected treasurer of the senior class of the University and was chosen as one of the eight outstanding men on the campus for membership in Phi Kappa Alpha, senior recognition society.

ALPHA PSI (Maryland)—Sheldon B. Akers, '48, electrical engineering, retiring chapter president, has been an active member of the chapter since December, 1943, except for a brief period in the Navy. Besides his chapter activities, he is associate editor of *Old Line*, campus magazine, and vice president of next year's senior class. He is also a member of the Interfraternity Council, ALEE, and Pi Delta Epsilon.

BETA GAMMA (North Dakota)—Robert Dahl, first-year law student, past chapter president, was instrumental in reviving the chapter after the war, having been vice president just before going away to war. He was a captain in the AAF ground forces serving in the ETO. He is a member of Blue Key, Phi Eta Sigma, and Phi Alpha Delta, and was voted one of the university's "Who's Who" students.

BETA EPSILON (Montana State)—Beta Epsilon has named two men as having contributed most to the chapter this year. The record of Richard Miller is recorded in the list of outstanding seniors and is impressive. The work of Albert Muskeet in the capacity of athletic director and coach of intramural sports is too outstanding, however, to pass unnoticed. For this reason he and Miller tied for the distinction of having contributed the most to the welfare of the chapter this year.

BETA ZETA (Michigan State)—Frank R. Caskey began his career in Beta Zeta as first guard; he successively served as historian, rushing chairman, pledge mar-

shal, delegate to the 1946 national convention, and, finally, president. His activities outside the fraternity include: track, Variety Show chairman, AICE, and J-Hop Committee chairman, 1947.

It was under his dynamic leadership that Beta Zeta Chapter, crippled by the vicissitudes of war-time fraternity life, loomed into the fraternity foreground to win one of the most coveted awards on Michigan State's campus, the interfraternity award for excellence in pledge-ship. In addition to this, his judicious and timely suggestions regarding the Interfraternity Council were eagerly accepted and now, in many cases, stand as precedents in the functioning of that body. Also Frank is recognized and appreciated, perhaps most of all, for his tireless efforts in organizing and preparing the way for a new chapter house.

BETA IOTA (Arizona)—Charles R. Kline as president of the chapter gave of his time and efforts without thought for himself in an effort to re-establish Beta Iota solidly after the war years. He is popular on the campus, has outstanding leadership qualities, and is an excellent intramural athlete. He was largely responsible for the acquiring of the house which the chapter has remodeled. It will be occupied next September.

BETA XI (Birmingham-Southern)—Richard W. McLendon, president of Beta Xi Chapter, has been a hard and earnest worker the past year. He achieved organization in the chapter, something which has been lacking since Beta Xi, inactive during the war, returned to the campus. It is to him that Beta Xi owes its thanks for the first quarterly that this chapter has produced. It has also been largely through his efforts that the Birmingham Alumni Club, inactive during the war, has been reactivated. In addition to being a conscientious and loyal leader throughout his term of office, McLendon has maintained a high scholastic average.

BETA OMICRON (Cincinnati)—Robert Corcoran has proved a leader both in the chapter and on the campus. As

chapter president he interested members in setting high standards for the selection of pledges, in developing a finer interfraternity spirit at Cincinnati, and in organizing an effective social program. A pre-war member of the YMCA Cabinet and the Engineering Tribunal, he was made general chairman in the post-war era of Greek Week, a member of Sophos and Metro. His recent honor was being pledged to Omicron Delta Kappa at the 1947 Junior Prom and subsequent initiation.

BETA RHO (Illinois Wesleyan)—Hubert Whitfield, Jr., '48, was one of Beta Rho's leading members. He was chapter delegate at the national convention, where he made many friends and received his degree as a bachelor of fraternity practices. He was resident adviser for his chapter in 1946. He died December 11, 1946, of injuries sustained when he was struck by an automobile while alighting from a bus in front of his home in Ellsworth, Illinois, three days previously. He was well known on the campus and was one of Beta Rho's leading promoters in rushing activities.

BETA SIGMA (Lehigh)—Robert S. Everly, '48, has shown great enthusiasm in chapter life and activities since his return to Lehigh, after three years with the Navy in both the Pacific and Atlantic theaters, attaining the rank of ensign with duties as engineering officer aboard a light cruiser.

Those returning from service found the chapter house in great need of reconditioning. Everly as house manager soon had the house in livable condition. Much was accomplished in the most economical method due to the limitations of the repairs and improvements budget. Construction of a new crushed-stone semi-circular driveway, the painting both the outside and inside of the house, and the reconditioning of the second floor study rooms added much to the beauty and comfort of Beta Sigma. The most popular improvement was the construction of an entertainment room and bar in nautical design, in line with Bob's naval career.



Richard T. Carley
North Dakota State



Vaughn Stapleton
Penn State



David Truan
University of Pittsburgh



James Torrence
Stanford University



Joseph Haas
Indiana University



Philip B. Putnam
University of Oregon



Jack Sigman
Ohio University



David Sims
University of Alabama

It received the title "Mermaid Room" in honor of the life-size mermaid which decorates the wall.

At the present time Bob has a list of repairs and improvements to be completed by the fall semester that will keep him and his helpers busy most of the summer. Bob's many ideas and suggestions in the conduct and advancement of the Beta Sigma Chapter have likewise been valuable.

BETA TAU (USC)—Richard J. Thomas was unanimously chosen not merely because he held the reins as president for the spring semester, but because Beta Tau is well aware of the extreme effort he has given to bring his chapter up to a top position not only on the Southern California campus, but nationally. The chapter was suffering a severe slump due to the war, but through Dick's excellent guidance, wise judgment, and ability to secure cooperation the chapter has made a miraculous recovery and has a most enviable record.

Besides his work in the fraternity, Dick has risen to a position of prominence on campus. He has served this past year as secretary of the Interfraternity Council and was recently elected to Knights, the men's honorary service organization.

BETA UPSILON (Fresno)—William E. Forbes, '48, by virtue of an outstanding record of campus activities has brought much prestige to the Theta Chi Fraternity at Fresno State College and at the same time has bettered student government at his *alma mater*. Offices held by William E. Forbes and activities he has participated in are as follows: vice president of Fresno State College Student Body, president of junior class, member of Board of Directors at Fresno State College, regional secretary and vice president-elect of Blue Key, runner-up in election for Student Body president, Interfraternity Council, chairman of committee revising Fresno State College constitution, chairman Public Relations Committee, president-elect of Beta Upsilon,

and diligent worker in all fraternity affairs.

BETA PSI (Presbyterian)—William T. Johnson, Jr., has the following record: September, 1941-May, 1943 Glee Club,

Band; June 1943-April, 1946 U. S. Army 14th Infantry, A.S.T.P., and Infantry O.C.S.; September, 1946-May, 1947 Spanish assistant, band, and treasurer of Beta Psi. He did a superb job as treasurer and kept excellent records.

Outstanding Theta Chi Seniors

ALPHA (Norwich)—Gerald E. Collins entered Norwich in 1940 and left for the armed forces in March, 1943. He served as a captain in the 14th Armored Division in the ETO and wears the Bronze Star, the Occupation, Victory, and American Theater ribbons. While a cadet at Norwich, he was a cadet corporal, cadet supply sergeant, cadet 1st lieutenant of Troop A. He returned to Norwich in September, 1946, and graduated with high honors in June, 1947. He has received the Freshman Academic Medal, the Allan Winter Rowe Medal, and has served on several committees of extra-curricular activities. He was War Whoop business manager; class treasurer—2, 3, 4; Alpha Chapter treasurer, 4; Skull and Swords, secretary-treasurer; Epsilon Tau Sigma president; Newman Club vice president; Ring Committee, 2; and Carnival Committee.

BETA (M.I.T.)—James Lee Phillips, an ex-captain in the Army Air Corps, has held membership in the Freshman Council, Institute Committee, Student Faculty, and Interfraternity Council, of which he was treasurer and then president for two terms of office. He coached the sophomore class football team for two years, was active in the American Management Association, and was on the Dean's List. But probably the best indication of his capabilities is his recent appointment to a newly-created school office, assistant to the dean of students, a liaison officer between the students and the faculty.

He has held numerous offices in the chapter.

DELTA (Rensselaer)—To find a man with more school spirit, more initiative in

campus activities, and more spark and vitality in fraternity affairs than Granger Bolton Thurstone would be difficult. As a freshman he was art editor of the NROTC newspaper, *Running Light*. He joined the Drum and Bugle Corps and the NROTC rifle team and was a member of the crack drill team. He was also a member of the cross country team and an active participator and organizer in all interfraternity sports. In his sophomore year he was a radio announcer on WHAZ, the R.P.I. radio station, contributing to "Campus Review." His junior year he was chairman of the Navy Ball, the annual NROTC formal dance. He exhibited leadership qualities scholastically as well in making ASCE and Chi Epsilon. After his return from the service he was elected president of Delta Chapter.

EPSILON (Worcester)—Guy H. Nichols, retiring president, was four years in varsity baseball, two years in varsity football, and one year on the varsity swimming team. In baseball he was co-captain one season and captain this past season. He also participated in intramural track, basketball, and tennis. He was tapped for Skull, upperclass recognition society.

ZETA (New Hampshire)—Philip E. Thurrell, one of those rare individuals possessing a fine character, a well rounded personality, and a great deal of ability. A list of his achievements follows: Zeta Chapter president; Interfraternity Council; Outing Club; Poultry Science Club; Sphinx, junior recognition society; Student War Activities Committee; University Committee on Educational Policy; Senior Skulls, senior recognition society; Who's Who; Phi Sigma, biology so-



Richard Miller
Montana State University



Robert C. Butler
Michigan State



Raymond W. Frederick
University of Cincinnati



Eugene Lowell Rudd
Illinois Wesleyan

ciety; Alpha Zeta; and the Community Chest Drive Committee.

ETA (Rhode Island State)—John A. Schroeder, a brother for two years, was active in all the fraternity events and did much to make them all successful. In the war years he was very active on campus, being chosen in the fall of 1945 as moderator of the Sachems, senior recognition society. This position is one of the most coveted prizes at the college.

THETA (Massachusetts)—Gordon Smith, who married a former co-ed and member of the class of '44, and now has a ten months old son, has participated in all phases of campus activities. As a fitting climax to his four years at the University of Massachusetts, he was selected as one of ten men in the nation awarded a \$1200 fellowship to the University of Denver to study for a master's degree in government management. The following activities and honors indicate his exceptional ability and popularity: senior class president; chapter treasurer; Gold Academic Activities Medal; football, baseball; basketball; Glee Club soloist; Roister Doisters; Campus Varieties; Maroon Key vice president; Commencement Committee chairman; Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pinafore," lead in "Pirates of Penzance," and "Yeoman of the Guard"; Adelpia, senior recognition society; Winter Carnival Committee chairman; Dean's List; University Steering Committee; "Who's Who"; senior orator, and 1947 University "Man of the Year."

RHO (Illinois)—Russell C. Fielding, for two years treasurer of Rho Chapter, has been active on the campus and in the classroom as well as in house affairs. He is a member of Beta Gamma Sigma, and president of Beta Alpha Psi. He has served as treasurer of both Sachem, junior men's activities society, and Ma-Wan-Da, senior men's activities society. Elected editor of the 1944 Illio, yearbook, he was unable to serve in this capacity because of entry into the armed services, where, as a member of the 42nd Rainbow Division, he received the Silver Star,

Bronze Star, Purple Heart, and Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Beside his campus activities Fielding has one of the highest scholastic averages in the chapter. He is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Phi Eta Sigma, and is holder of the University of Illinois Scholarship Key.

SIGMA (Oregon State)—In recognition of outstanding personality, friendliness, and personal achievement, Sigma Chapter selected Melvin Amsberry as its outstanding senior.

Mel's scholastic and campus activity achievements were recognized last year when he was elected to Blue Key, senior recognition society, where he filled the chair of secretary. His rating with the fairer sex was demonstrated by the fact that he was elected the "Most typical Oregon State man" and crowned "Joe College" in his junior year. He returned to the campus last spring from the navy. His help in getting the house organized and back on the OSC campus was deeply felt, but his greatest contribution to Sigma Chapter was displayed by his counsel in and out of the chapter room.

UPSILON (NYU)—George Frey, first undergraduate president of Upsilon Chapter after its reorganization at New York University. Largely through his efforts the chapter grew in size until on April 1, 1947, it again became an active and integral part of the national organization. By his own efforts he found the studio apartment which the chapter now uses as its quarters. Through his position in the admissions and registration office of New York University's School of Commerce, he has been of great aid and assistance in helping, not only the brothers and pledges of the chapter, but many other students as well. His greatest achievement has been in forming the brothers into a well knit, well functioning organization, bringing the chapter back into the prominence and prestige it enjoyed at NYU before the war.

PHI (North Dakota State)—Richard T. Carley got an early start in college affairs

by taking over the position of tackle on a hard hitting freshman football team in 1940. He sang in the men's glee club and the mixed chorus, acted as vice president for the Freshman Interfraternity Council, and in the spring was named manager for the all-college Freshman Prom. He was also selected fraternity editor for the yearbook, the *Bison*. In the annual all college talent show, *The Bison Brevities*, he also had one of the leading parts.

In his sophomore year, Dick was elected rushing chairman by Phi Chapter and in the summer months he organized many successful pre-school contact trips for prospective freshmen to North Dakota State. In the spring term of his sophomore year he was elected chapter president. It was in his term of office that the chapter was forced to move from its home to a new location in order that the chapter house might be used by the armed forces. In 1942 he was elected sophomore member to the Board of Publications. As a member of the Interfraternity Council he worked hard on the reorganization of the rushing procedure for the campus.

He was selected by Scabbard and Blade as one of the outstanding juniors in the military training program. He became vice president of that organization and president of Blue Key. In April of 1943 he was inducted as a private, but was discharged in 1946 as a captain with service in both the European and the Asiatic-Pacific theaters. With only one year left to complete, Dick came back to North Dakota State in 1946, served as rushing chairman for a second time, and played a prominent part in securing one of the finest groups of pledges that Phi Chapter has seen for a long time. He was instrumental in the re-activation of Scabbard and Blade and was elected corresponding secretary of Blue Key.

CHI (Alabama Polytechnic)—Jesse R. Twilly.

Psi (Wisconsin)—Ralph Behrens had as his activities; Spanish Club, Cardinal, Octopus, Badger, Hoofers, Parents Week-

end, Orientation Week, Christmas Festival, Prom, Co-op Spring formal, business manager Campus Co-op Association, Congo Eating Co-op, president of Alpha Delta Sigma, and editor of the Madison American Legion weekly paper. He served in the army in Germany and France. He is married and is now working as a salesman.

OMEGA (Penn State) — Activities of Vaughn Stapleton, BS degrees in agricultural education and agricultural economics, include: all college president, all college secretary-treasurer; president of Omega Chapter, Interfraternity Council representative; Penn State Christian Association, college usher, member chapel committee, Penn State Christian Drive; Agricultural Student Council, Block and Bridle Club, Riding Club, Dairy Science Club, Penn State Club, X-G-I Club, Hat Societies, Lions Paw, senior recognition society, president of *Parmi Nous*, upper class society; *Student Handbook*; freshman boxing, varsity boxing, intramural sports; chairman of All College Dance, Senior Ball, Class Day Awards, Football Pep Rally, and the Paul Smith Memorial Fund; freshman counselor, Student Union Committee; winner of Danforth Fellowships; "Who's Who"; entered war service, September 19, 1942, and was discharged as a flight officer on June 30, 1944.

ALPHA BETA (Pittsburgh) — David Triun has been an inspiration, not only to Alpha Beta, but to other fraternities and independent groups as well. He has been referred to as the "back-bone" of Theta Chi at Pitt for 1947. He has been a past president of Alpha Beta, a delegate to Interfraternity Council, a member in Men's Council and a member of the executive board of the Interfraternity Council, a member of Pi Tau Phi, college recognition society, and Pi Sigma Alpha, a vice president of Phi Eta Sigma, a member of O.D.K. He also served as a junior adviser.

ALPHA GAMMA (Michigan) — Charles Killin was chosen on the basis of high scholarship and participation in chapter affairs. He was chapter vice president during his senior year. He will enter Law School this fall.

ALPHA DELTA (Purdue) — E. J. Otley, '47, was the guiding force in setting the chapter back on its feet after the war. His work the past year as vice president was extremely meritorious. He assisted in the construction of a large cold storage room, which has been and will continue to be of great worth to the chapter.

ALPHA EPSILON (Stanford) — James W. Torrence was initiated into Alpha Epsilon in 1941. As secretary he directed all his energies toward the betterment of the fraternity. During the war he took it upon himself to maintain contact with all the members in the service and performed a great service by preserving a unity of spirit although the chapter was inactive. Upon returning to Stanford he worked untiringly to reopen the house, and the present excellent condition of the house is largely due to his efforts. Again serving as secretary, he was in-

strumental in carrying on the old traditions and helped make Alpha Epsilon a strong fraternity chapter.

ALPHA ZETA (Rochester) — Serving the university through his talents as a musician and the fraternity through his gift for leadership, Arthur R. Frackenhohl was an outstanding figure throughout his college career—a career interrupted at the halfway point by a period with the Office of Strategic Services. His election as president gave him the responsibility of guiding the chapter in its first year of post-war operation, and his selection as the outstanding senior attests to his success in fulfilling the responsibility. His songs and arrangements for the annual all-male Quilting Club shows and for the interfraternity song contests, his wizardry at the piano, and his contribution to the fraternity's past and to its future—these things were in the minds of the chapter in making its choice.

ALPHA IOTA (Indiana) — Joseph Alan Haas pledged Theta Chi in '42 and served as social chairman for two semesters. As a junior in 1943, he became a member of the Interfraternity Council, was elected to Sigma Delta Chi, became a member of the Collegiate Chamber of Commerce, served on the staff of the *Daily Student*, and was elected president of the chapter. He enlisted in the Army Air Corps in 1943 and served three years as a first lieutenant. He was in the ETO with the 9th Air Force as navigator of a P-61 where he was awarded the Air Medal with three clusters, a Distinguished Unit Citation, and three battle stars. Returning to the campus in the fall of '46, he was once again elected president of the chapter. He also was voted membership in Sphinx Club, recognition society.

ALPHA NU (Georgia Tech) — Robert F. Swinnie served the chapter for two years as president, being elected to this office just before the end of the war, when the chapter had a depleted membership of twelve; he built it up to over thirty-five.

Swinnie was active on the campus as well as in the chapter. Through his efforts, the Air Force Association chapter on the Georgia Tech campus came into existence, and he became its first commander. This is a club for veterans of the Air Corps. He was an able representative to the Interfraternity Council, and an active member of the Student Council. He was also a member of several other clubs. Alpha Nu found in him one of its most valuable men of recent years, for through him the chapter progressed to the highest level it has ever reached.

ALPHA PI (Minnesota) — Charles Grafslund, house manager for the chapter, has served on Engineers' Day committees, and was active in chapters of the American Management Association and The Society for the Advancement of Management. He is a business school graduate with an exceptionally high scholastic average.

ALPHA SIGMA (Oregon) — Few excell Phillip B. Putnam, Jr., in the spirit of service so necessary to Theta Chi. He began by being president of his pledge class in 1940. In the spring of 1942 he

became chapter president and retained this position until the chapter was re-organized in 1946. During the war, with the aid of addresses obtained from Vince Cardinale's Newsletters, he kept close correspondence with the entire chapter.

Upon his return to Alpha Sigma in 1947 he once more was elected to the number one position which he held until the winter term when he tendered his resignation because of coming wedding plans and graduation.

For these and many other reasons, Alpha Sigma was proud to choose him for the award of the Gaulke Cup for 1947, which is awarded each year to the outstanding graduating senior.

ALPHA TAU (Ohio) — Jack Sigman has served both his chapter and the campus. He has charge of the design of the house decorations which won the Homecoming Award for several years, and was a member of the chapter's social committee and glee club. He made "Who's Who" by virtue of membership in J Club and Torch, junior and senior recognition societies; secretary of Men's Union Planning Board, producer of 1946 Dad's Day Variety Show, participation in five University Theater productions and ten Playshop productions, membership in Footlighters, Alliance Francaise, and the Boosters Club.

ALPHA PHI (Alabama) — David Sims has the highest scholastic average of any member of the graduating class in engineering. His overall average is 2.8 which is an "A," 3.0 being the highest possible score. He is a member of Tau Beta Pi, and was the Tau Beta Pi representative on the St. Pat's Council, student association of the School of Engineering. He is also a member of the student branch of the AIEE. David was a transfer from Birmingham Southern College Beta Xi Chapter, where he was a member of Theta Sigma Lambda, math society. Even though he has excelled in scholarship, he has been very active in fraternity sports and social affairs.

David is 23 years old and a veteran of three years service in the army. He has accepted a position with Westinghouse Corporation in Pittsburgh.

ALPHA CHI (Syracuse) — Joseph F. Glacken, Jr., entered Syracuse University in 1940 and distinguished himself as an outstanding freshman athlete, excelling particularly in basketball and baseball, leading his team in scoring in the former. He proved to be an honor student as well as an outstanding athlete and leader in both campus and fraternity activities. In recognition of his many achievements, in 1942 he was elected to Orange Key, junior men's recognition society, and in 1943 he was selected as one of the eight outstanding senior men at Syracuse and initiated into Phi Kappa Alpha, traditionally the highest honor which may be conferred upon Syracuse men. He was chosen as basketball captain for the 1943-44 season, but was called into service in 1943. He served as an infantry officer with a combat division in Europe and was honorably discharged as a first lieutenant. In 1946 he returned to the Syracuse campus for his senior year as the second oldest



Frank Hower Marsh
Lehigh University



Arthur R. Swearingen
U. of Southern California



James Pitts De Lorme
Presbyterian College

active brother from the point of membership in Theta Chi. He was instrumental in the reactivation of the chapter, and contributed much to the strong position which Theta Chi now enjoys at Syracuse.

Glacken rounded out three full years of varsity participation in basketball and baseball by leading both teams to successful seasons. He was elected to the captaincy of the varsity baseball team for the 1947 season, thus becoming one of the handful of athletes in the history of Syracuse University to captain two major sports.

ALPHA PSI (Maryland) — James D. Shields joined Theta Chi in January, 1943, and was very influential in holding the chapter together in the trying war years. He has held practically all of the chapter offices at one time or another, including those of president and vice president; he has served as manager of the football team; he is a member of the Varsity M Club.

BETA GAMMA (North Dakota) — Gordon L. Lee served in the ETO as a lieutenant and a navigator with the AAF. He is at present employed by General Electric at Schnectady, New York. He was chapter vice president, last semester's choice for "Dream Man," a very popular fellow on the campus as well as around the house.

BETA EPSILON (Montana State) — Richard Miller's record of activities includes: Rally Committee membership, managing editor *Freshman Kaimin*, member of Intercollegiate Knights, Rally and Student Convocation committees, Traditions Board, sports announcer at university football games: July, 1943, until November, 1945, service with the Air Corps, with which he won the Distinguished Flying Cross and the Air Medal, reorganized the Bear Paws, recognition society, Central Board, which directs all affairs and activities: marshal of Beta Epsilon Chapter, Chief Grizzly, head of Bear Paw, secretary of Store Board, head of Rally Committee, Silent Sentinel, (senior recognition group that operated

without publicity); charge of outside entertainment furnished by the Students Convocation Committee, associate editor and columnist of *Kaimin*; named on the scholastic Honor Roll two out of three quarters in this current school year; president of Interfraternity Council; president of Beta Epsilon Chapter.

BETA ZETA (Michigan State) — Robert C. Butler was captain of the Beta Zeta basketball championship team in '43 and participated in track, tennis, band, bowling, baseball, and football. He was elected vice president in '44 and president in 1945. His activities outside the chapter included: Union Board, vice president, '44, president, '45, alumni president, '47; Mardi Gras Committee chairman, '46; J-Hop financial chairman, '46; Interfraternity Council, vice president, '46; Alpha Chi Sigma; Excalibur, '47.

BETA IOTA (Arizona) — Harold M. Knutson, a great worker for the fraternity and the university, is a member of Pi Mu Epsilon; Theta Tau; vice president, Tau Beta Pi; secretary, Blue Key; vice chairman AIEE, secretary-treasurer, Engineers Council; a past chapter president, outstanding in intramural athletics, and an outstanding personality. A great worker for the fraternity and the University.

BETA XI (Birmingham-Southern) — Maxwell Owens Sims, has been a faithful and earnest worker in the fraternity. As marshal, he has developed many excellent actives, some of whom are now chapter officers. He was an active participant in fraternity football, basketball, and softball.

BETA OMICRON (Cincinnati) — Raymond W. Frederick was recognized as a leader on the campus when he was a sophomore, and membership in Omicron Delta Kappa was the result. He served as treasurer of that organization his senior year. He was also largely responsible for Beta Omicron's highly successful initiation banquet. He will follow his training in business administration with a course in law.

BETA RHO (Illinois Wesleyan) — Eugene Lowell Rudd's accomplishments include: chapter president 1942-43 and 1946-47; president senior class; president Interfraternity Council 1942-43; member of Interfraternity Council 1946-47; president Fraternity Council 1942-43; assistant business manager and circulation manager the *Argus* 1942-43; representative on Intramural Board, 1942-43, chairman Homecoming Committee, 1942 and 1946; member of Religious Activities Committee.

BETA SIGMA (Lehigh) — Frank Hower Marsh, Jr., achieved great scholastic heights at Lehigh. Entering Lehigh with the Pennsylvania Regional Scholarship for Lehigh County, he, as a freshman, was elected to Phi Eta Sigma, and the Newtonian Society, freshman mathematics and as a sophomore became president of both of these organizations. He won the John R. Wagner Award, presented annually "to the junior student in mechanical engineering whose scholastic record is the highest in his class in the freshman and sophomore years and whose character and life purposes are deemed deserving and worthy." He also became a member of Pi Mu Epsilon, and Cyanide, junior leadership society. After an interruption of two years in the Navy, he returned to Lehigh to complete his senior year. He became a member of Pi Tau Sigma, Tau Beta Pi, and Phi Beta Kappa. While at Lehigh he also found time to be a member of ASME; to work in the civil engineering department his sophomore year; to serve on the editorial staff of the university newspaper *The Brown and White*, and participate in intramural sports in the interfraternity league at school. He has maintained an overall average of 3.77 on a basis of 4.00 average as tops. Marsh became a member of Beta Sigma after his return from the Navy and has been active on many committees and instrumental in repairing and remodeling the house.

BETA TAU (USC) — Arthur R. Swearingen, coming to USC on a scholarship in 1941, helped to organize the Theta Chi chapter and was one of the charter members of Beta Tau. When he returned from the South Pacific where he served as a captain in the infantry, he immediately became interested again in the chapter and the last semester excellently filled the office of vice president.

A Phi Eta Sigma, he was one of fifty out of the university's 15,000 students to be elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He was also elected to Pi Sigma Alpha and Phi Kappa Phi. He was a member of the Senior Council, and of Squires, the men's service organization.

As international relations has been Roge's major, he affiliated with the International Relations Club and the Asiatic Studies Club. Roge plays a solo trombone in the University Orchestra and the U.S.C. Band, which is recognized as a top university band in the country. He also organized a small swing band among members of the chapter which has entertained frequently at both chapter and university affairs.

BETA UPSILON (Fresno State) — Paul F. Kinzel, music major specializing in voice, is vice president and charter member of

Phi Mu Sintonia, president of the Men's Chorus, and past vice president of the A Cappella Choir. He is one of the finest tenors in school and has been soloist on several spring concerts sponsored by the music department. He has received wide acclaim by students and local critics alike. In 1942, he was awarded the local Rotary Club Vocal Scholarship. As social chairman of Beta Upsilon, he made the annual spring formal noteworthy. Other events initiated were: a dance with a "Buccaneer" theme, an outing in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, and a dance arranged for the entire student body, the proceeds of which were donated by the chapter to the World War II Memorial Fund. Paul also assisted in teaching in the Music Department.

BETA PSI (Presbyterian)—James Pitts DeLorme has an activity record: three years varsity football; four years member Student Council; president Student Council; president Student Body; secretary and treasurer of Block "P" Club; Blue Key; "Who's Who"; sergeant major ROTC one year; after 38 months in the infantry, 19 months of which was in the ETO, was discharged as a captain.

President Rhodes Becomes Trustee of Rensselaer

■ Earl D. Rhodes, national president of Theta Chi Fraternity, was one of three new members elected to the Board of Trustees of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, June 15. Announcement was made by President Livingston W. Houston at the conclusion of the commencement program at which a record number received degrees, 359. Trustee Rhodes, general superintendent of the Kenwood Mills, was graduated by RPI in 1921 as an electrical engineer.

Concerning the election, the *Troy Times Record* of June 16 comments editorially as follows:

The Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, on the verge of notable developments in size, equipment, and importance among the engineering institutions of the na-

tion, elects three new trustees. One of them is a Troy man who has long been close to the Institute, particularly to its student body.

This relationship is of major importance. Trustees usually are presumed to be named to care for financial considerations, for the selection of faculty leadership, for the development of the campus, for the objectives of brick and mortar. It is therefore something more than an ordinary election when a man goes on the board whose "extra-curricular" life has been tied up so completely with undergraduate and alumni affairs. Mr. Rhodes from the day of his graduation has known a large proportion of each class, has been interested in fraternity affairs and all the social life of the institution. He has been ably assisted by his wife. It is well to have a man with this sort of an outlook a part of the trusteeship of the institution. For the R.P.I. is much more than a plant. It is much more than a tradition. It is made up of 4,000 men.

Another Scholarship Top Chapter

■ Beta Mu Chapter was awarded the scholarship cup of Middlebury Men's College for the fall semester 1946-47.

New officers have been recently elected: Royce Wilcox, p.; Arthur Buettner, v.p.; Frank Williamson, t.; and Alan Erickson, s.

This year's social activities were climaxed by an impressive formal held at the Middlebury Inn where Social Chairman John Parker's guest, Miss Del Marden, was crowned "Dream Girl of Theta Chi" in tune to the song of the same name, written by Sammy Kaye, Ohio, '32.

Enjoy Annual House Party

The annual house party of Alpha Nu was held this year at Camp Rutledge, Ga., with, for the first time, a surplus of transportation and plenty of girls, sunshine, and good fun. Mrs. Limback, the chapter's house mother, with Dr. and Mrs. Turner, fraternity friends, accompanied the happy and fun-loving crowd.

ODK Honors Dean Bishop With Award for Service

■ The awarding of the Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Robert W. Bishop, Cincinnati, was one of the highlights of the fifteenth national convention of Omicron Delta Kappa, honor leadership society for men, held in Washington, D. C., March 20-29. The award, which was the seventh one to be presented, was given to Dean Bishop for his untiring efforts as national secretary in directing the organization through the years of war. He was re-elected secretary at the convention.

Attending the convention as the representative of the University of Cincinnati ODK circle was Lloyd Towers, the 1946-1947 president of Theta Chi's Beta Omicron Chapter. Presiding over the convention was Stanton Belfour, Pittsburgh, the retiring president.

Honors Come to Members Of Beta Tau at USC

Recently elected members from Beta Tau to the Trojan Knights are: Richard Thomas, second semester president of the chapter, and Pledge Albert Alexander. The Trojan Knights is an upperclass service organization. Members from Beta Tau elected to the Trojan Squires, sophomore men's service group, are: Jack C. Graves, James Rogers, and Leland Kirby. The first named was elected chapter president, May 19, for the next school year. Rodger Swearingen, charter member of Beta Tau, was awarded a Phi Beta Kappa key, May 16, by Chancellor Rufus von Kleinsmidt in Presentation of Honors Assembly. His all-grade average was 2.7 out of 3.

Two Make Skull and Swords

Roderick A. Duff and John R. Finn received the honor and presentation of the Skull and Swords Society, May 9 at Norwich. Membership is a recognition of outstanding achievement. Roderick A. Duff, '45, aided in the formation of an efficient Junior Week Committee and in the coordination of its work. He is president of the junior class and chapter chaplain. John R. Finn served on the general committee of Junior Week in 1946 and did an excellent job of publicity and advertising for Junior Week of 1947. At present he is the president of the Interfraternity Council and of Alpha Chapter.

Gain and Lose Members

Ten men recently became members of Beta Omega at Susquehanna: Frank D. Calvert, Ashland; James C. Gehris, Berwick; Robert Miller, Liberty; Jay L. Hand, Muir; Raymond C. Lauer, McAlisterville; Paul R. Haffly, Belleville; John Reuther, Bridgeport, Conn.; John R. Reitz, Richard L. Wetzel, and Chester G. Rowe, Selinsgrove. On May 26 Beta Omega lost through graduation: Robert Bowman, Hanover; Franklin Fertig, Northumberland; William Camenen, Jersey Shore; Donald Bashore, Bloomfield, N. J.; John Leach, Selinsgrove; William Rothenberg, Northumberland; Eugene Grandolini, Scranton; and Stanley Nale, Harrisburg.



BETA PSI swings back to normal at Presbyterian College with the following line-up of members and pledges, left to right: first row—William Holcombes, James Johnson, Fred Smith, Fred Shaw, C. H. Bennett, Roy Lancaster, James Banbury; second row—Ralph Ford, William Johnson, William B. Liles, Jr., James Kennedy, Curtis, Henry L'heureux, Thomas Roark; third row—Canty DuBose, W. C. Bennett, Horace West, A. Pool, Robert Muldrow, Milton Tippin, secretary, Ross Willis; fourth row—Lammie Thurmond, Pitts DeLorme, Dolph Bagley, Samuel Sumner, Thomas Hodge, Ernest Anderson, David Humphreys, Charles Clewson; fifth row—Harry Hicklin, Leon McCrorey; John Bowers, Pan-Hel representative, Jack Barnes, Jesse McKee, president, Frank Garner, treasurer, Joddie Hollis, Harvey Melton.

7 Conferences Provide Much Interest and Value

No more definite evidence that conditions in Theta Chi are steadily returning to normal can be offered than the fact that seven regions report highly successful conferences, in most cases the first in the post war era. These include the Boston Tea Party, in which approximately 250 Theta Chis of Region I found value and pleasure; the Assembly of Region III at Dickinson; the Mason-Dixon Jubilee of Region IV; Reunion of Region V; the Corral of Region VI; and the get-together of Regions II, IX, and X at Rensselaer, the University of Oregon and Stanford respectively.

By A. LEON HECK, JR., Delaware

■ Theta Chi's largest region, Region III, held one of the largest regional conferences this year at Pi Chapter, Dickinson College, April 26.

The eleven chapters of the region, Pennsylvania, Dickinson, Penn State, Delaware, Lafayette, Rutgers, Washington College, Drexel, Lehigh, Susquehanna, and Bucknell, sent 170 active members and pledges to the conference. In addition to the actives and pledges, 49 other guests, including Brig. Gen. Daniel B. Strickler, lieutenant governor of Pennsylvania, President William W. Edel of Dickinson, and several Grand Chapter members and former members, were in attendance.

In the morning, schools of instruction for chapter presidents, vice presidents, treasurers, marshalls, and stewards were conducted by national officers at the chapter house. A buffet luncheon followed.

At 2 o'clock delegates, national officers, regional counselors, and their deputies discussed "Physical Aspects of the Chapter House," "Rushing," "Budgeted Membership," and "Chapter Public Relations." A baseball game between Dickinson and Drexel was attended by some late in the afternoon.

■ Over two hundred attended the banquet held in the College Commons. Francis H. S. Ede acted as toastmaster. The principal speaker at the banquet was Brigadier-General Strickler, a veteran of the Spanish-American War as well as World Wars I and II and the holder of 15

medals and ribbons received for his distinguished military service. A graduate of Cornell University and Law School, he spoke on "Will America Pull Through?" President William W. Edel of Dickinson College and Earl D. Rhodes, national president of Theta Chi, also spoke at the banquet.

George W. Chapman presented the Assembly Award to Ralph Griesemer for his continued service to the Assembly. Executive Secretary Ladue presented the usual attendance and song awards. Bucknell received a trophy as the chapter sending the largest percentage of active members and pledges to the conference; Penn State, the award to the chapter whose delegates traveled the most man miles to the conference; and Drexel, the trophy to the chapter participating to the greatest extent in the singing at the banquet.

An interesting sidelight at the banquet was the presence of a pledge from the University of Pittsburgh chapter, who managed to sing his *alma mater* song in spite of loud heckling from his university's rivals, the delegates from Penn State.

The man traveling the greatest distance to the conference was Jack Arend, M.I.T., '42, who was his chapter's delegate to the national convention in Berkeley in 1941. He traveled from Akron, Ohio, to attend the Assembly.

■ An especially successful portion of the program was the informal dance held at the Dickinson Gymnasium following the banquet. The dance was open to all Dickinson students, in addition to the Theta Chi delegates. An estimated 225 to 250 couples attended. Music for the dance was furnished by the eight-piece Beta Eta orchestra led by Edward Bray, Washington College. Members of the host chapter furnished 121 dates for the visiting delegates, 90 of whom came from Penn Hall, a women's junior college forty miles from Carlisle.

In previous years the Region III Conference had been known as the Philadelphia Assembly and had been held either with Kappa Chapter,

University of Pennsylvania, or with Beta Theta, Drexel. Last year, however, the delegates voted to rotate the Assembly among the chapters in the region in the order in which the chapters were admitted to Theta Chi. The event will be held at Omega, Penn State, in 1948 and at Alpha Xi, Delaware, in 1949.

The Conference Committee consisted of Francis H. S. Ede, chairman, Robert Neuber, vice chairman, William Frantz, A. Leon Heck, Jr., Philip C. Campbell, and Walter Anderson.

The Pi Chapter Committee consisted of James Doherty, publicity; Walter Van Baman, housing; Jack Baumbach, reception; Jack Langley, lunch; Robert Stackhouse, house; Nelson Bennett, banquet; Fred Wilson and Austin Armistead, dates; and Richard Searer, dance.

Mason-Dixon Jubilee

By SHELLEY AKERS

■ Alpha Psi at Maryland played host to the other chapters of Region IV at the 7th Mason-Dixon Jubilee, May 9-10. The jubilee was started by the Omicron Chapter at Richmond, but suffered an untimely eclipse in World War II. Thus, the 7th Jubilee was, in a sense, a post-war revival.

Maryland and Washington, D. C., made an excellent combination location. Preparations were started in March under the jubilee chairman, Robert Monahan, and so it was a tired, but satisfied group of Alpha Psi men that saw the long awaited week-end finally arrive and with it the brothers from Richmond, Virginia, and Hampden-Sydney.

Registration at the chapter house in College Park officially opened the Jubilee. This was followed that evening by an informal dance and party at the house. Noon on Saturday found the Theta Chis of Region IV assembled for luncheon at the Wardman Park Hotel in Washington. At that time they were addressed by National President Earl D. Rhodes, James Tatum, director of athletics and football coach at Maryland, and Dr. H. C. Byrd, president of the university. Immediately following the luncheon, a regional meeting of the chapters was held with President Rhodes presiding. Individual chapter problems were discussed and plans



for future jubilees were made.

The week-end had as a climax a formal dance at the Continental Room of the Wardman Park.

Corral at Columbus

By RICHARD S. PAISLEY

■ Alpha Lambda Chapter at Ohio State University was host to the annual Region VI Conference, May 10. In the evening there was a formal banquet and dance for the visiting brothers.

James C. Stevens, national marshal, was the moderator for the conference held at Pomerene Hall lounge on the university campus. In the morning and afternoon sessions, the representatives discussed the many aspects of rushing, pledge training, pledge instruction, chapter organization, and housemothers.

The banquet was held at the Southern Hotel in Columbus. George Starr Lasher, editor of *The Rattle*, gave an inspiring talk on the usefulness of Greek-letter societies, and the value of their teaching to men and women. National Marshall Stevens was toastmaster.

The dance, which followed the banquet, was held in the Neil House Hotel. Music was provided by Floyd Elliott and his orchestra.

Chapters represented at the conference were Beta Nu, Case; Beta Omicron, Cincinnati; Alpha Tau, Ohio; Beta Lambda, Akron; Alpha Gamma, Michigan; Beta Zeta, Michigan State; and the host, Alpha Lambda, Ohio State. Alpha Beta, Pittsburgh, and Beta Chi, Allegheny, were unable to send delegates.

Ninth Rebel Reunion

■ The ninth Rebel Reunion held at Chi Chapter, Alabama Polytech-

REGIONAL CONFERENCE. Top picture is the chapter house at the University of Maryland already to welcome the chapters which call their conference the Mason-Dixon Jubilee. Center — Assembly banquet speakers' table, Region III, at Dickinson, left to right: Dean of Women Norcross; Frederick W. Ladue, national secretary; Mrs. Earl D. Rhodes; Earl D. Rhodes, national president; Daniel B. Strickler, lieutenant-governor of Pennsylvania; Francis H. S. Ede, regional counselor and toastmaster; Mrs. W. W. Edel; Dr. W. W. Edel, president Dickinson College; Ralph H. Gnesemer, national counselor; George W. Chapman, director leadership training; E.A. Vuilleumier, dean of Dickinson College. Bottom — Assembly banquet scene.

nic, was a complete success, from the stag party Friday evening to the banquet and dance Saturday evening.

Delegates of all chapters in the region attended the business meeting Saturday afternoon and exchanged information and views on current topics. Dean Floyd Field, Theta Chi's director of scholarship, stressed the importance of scholarship in college life and urged all chapters to start an active campaign for better scholarship. Roy Grizzell, regional counselor, spoke on various aspects of fraternity life and gave the delegates much information on current problems. Albert deFuniak spoke briefly and invited the delegates to hold the Reunion in Birmingham next year. National President Earl D. Rhodes delivered an address on the subject of keeping in touch with Theta Chis who have returned to the campus, but have not become active in fraternity affairs.

The banquet and dance were held at the Clement Hotel in Opelika, Alabama. Albert deFuniak, alumnus of Alpha Phi Chapter, directed the proceedings as master of ceremonies.

The welcome address was given by Dr. L. N. Duncan, president of Alabama Polytechnic Institute. The "after dinner" program was highlighted by the keynote address of President Rhodes. Roy Grizzell was presented with the Theta Chi alumni award for meritorious service to Theta Chi as counselor of Region Five. The dance, for which Chi Chapter had

secured attractive dates for the visiting brothers, proved a fitting climax to a highly-successful event.

Region II at Troy

By RICHARD W. LIEB

■ The first post-war conference of Region II was held at the Delta Chapter's house at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, May 24, with delegates from all chapters in that region attending. The meeting was honored with the presence of Earl D. Rhodes, national president, who was of great assistance in its conduct.

After luncheon the meeting was called to order by Carl Schultz, regional counselor. Also in attendance was Richard Lieb, deputy regional counselor. Items discussed under chapter finance included: collections, comparison of monthly bills and expenses, initiation fees, U. S. Treasury Form 990, and the effect on some chapters of the New York Workmen's Compensation Law for Domestic Workers.

President Rhodes gave a clear, detailed explanation of budgeted membership. Each chapter's problems in this connection were discussed in detail. After dinner at the chapter house a short discussion of plans for next year's meeting took place. Individual conferences were held by the counselors on local problems. While the conference confined itself in the main with business, it was felt by all attending that much was accomplished.

Region IX Honors Dr. Webster

■ Social activities at Region IX's conference, April 18-19, got off to a good start with the informal get-together at the Alpha Sigma chapter house. After dinner, those present attended the all-campus open house.



Delegates at Region II's 1947 Conference

Saturday evening the social schedule included a banquet and an informal dance at the chapter house.

The banquet was opened with a talk by Daniel Dinges, Alpha Sigma president, followed by a few words from the presidents of other attending chapters. Dr. Robert L. Webster, regional counselor, and Samuel Doudiet, traveling secretary, addressed the group. A watch was presented Dr. Webster in appreciation of his devotion to, and his untiring efforts toward, the betterment of the fraternity.

Entertainment was provided by an enjoyable skit presented by the pledges of Alpha Sigma, and by a number from their quartet. Representatives from Sigma Chapter gave the Oregon State version of the Oregon Song, causing considerable amusement.

Plan Three-Day Conference

By EDWARD SCOYEN, Stanford

■ Marking the first such meeting since the war, Alpha Epsilon was host to nearly forty delegates at the conference of Region X, May 10, at Stanford. Delegates were present from California, Fresno State, Nevada, and Stanford. Alumni living in the Bay Area participated in the all-day meeting held at the chapter house.

Stress was laid on the importance of inter-chapter relations and on closer cooperation with the alumni groups. Also prominent on the order of business was a discussion of plans for the three-day regional conference to be held in the 1947-1948
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MASON-DIXON JUBILEE luncheon in Washington, D. C.; at speakers' table, left to right, Robert Monahan, Jubilee chairman; James Phipps, president Omicron; James Tulum, head football coach at Maryland; Dr. Harry C. Byrd, president of the University of Maryland; Gilbert Bresnick, toastmaster; Earl D. Rhodes, national president; Arthur Palmer, president Alpha Psi; Ralph H. Griesemer, national counselor; Benjamin Mausen, vice president Nu.

Champion Has Taught 12,000 Water Skiers

his latest stunts will be released this August. His repertory includes almost every conceivable stunt, including changing from a motorboat tow to an airplane tow at 40 miles an hour and having the speed increased

■ When he was 18 years of age, Bruce Parker, Colgate, '38, one night saw a newsreel showing the then Prince of Wales, later the king of England who gave up his throne to marry an American woman, on water skis at the Rivera. Young Parker decided that here was a sport for American lads as well as British princes, but his efforts to purchase the necessary skis proved fruitless. He had ridden on snow skis, however, and decided to make his own for use on water. He cut two flat straight boards into the ski pattern and tacked a piece of awning on each to hold his feet. He almost broke his neck before he discovered the basic principle, a pair of parallel runners at the rear end of the ski which kept it running smoothly.

Enthusiastic over what he felt might be an answer to the snow skier's lament, "What can I do in summer to keep in condition," Parker began to teach others the fascinating sport of water skiing. His first pupil was Esther Yates, and quite in story book fashion she in 1939 became women's national champion and world's champion. And they married! Now there is a little Parker, who some day may beat both his mother's and his father's records. It

is certain that he will start the sport at an early age, for his dad insists that the only requirement is the ability to swim.

This fact he proves by the remarkable record of teaching over 12,000 persons of practically all ages from six years up without a single accident. There are Bruce Parker Ski Schools now at the Nassau Shores Beach Club, Amity-



Riding the Waves

ville, N. Y., headquarters, Sagamore Hotel at Lake George, Montauk Yacht Club, McFadden Deauville Hotel at Miami Beach, and the Cypress Gardens in Florida.

■ In addition to holding the national and world's championships for two years, Bruce Parker had ski troupes at the New York World's Fair and at Jones Beach from 1938 to 1941. He has appeared in 68 newsreels and movie shorts on water skiing. He is vice president of the American Water Ski Association. The latest Grantland Rice Spotlight on water skiing, in which Parker shows



BRUCE PARKER and his wife, Esther, making a movie sport feature on water skiing for Grantland Rice's Spotlight, shown in theaters throughout the country this summer. Center—Parker jumping with a flare for Paramount, Universal, and Fox Movietone newsreels in April, 1947. Bottom—Skiing behind an airplane with the Miami (Florida) skyline as a background for Paramount, Universal, Fox Movietone, and News of the Day, newsreels, last year.



Bruce Parker, Colgate

up to 70 miles an hour, a lively pace.

Water skiing sounds simple, according to Bruce Parker. You put your feet into the rubber holders on the skis when you are in about



The Jump for Experts

three feet of water, grab the tow bar, which is connected to a speedboat, and assume a sitting position, raising the tips of the skis above the water. This is the signal for the boat operator to start, giving a fast, steady pull. As the boat starts you allow yourself to be brought up to a standing position, with knees bent,



Ready for the Take-off

arms straight, and body slightly forward in a half crouch position, keeping the skis parallel by exerting foot pressure until a speed of 20 miles an hour is attained, when the skis automatically assume a straight position. All this can be taught any swimmer, Parker insists, in 15 minutes.

The most spectacular stunt is



In—and Not a Wet Hair

jumping. Even youngsters, after careful training by Parker, can go over the three-foot jump, but only experts dare the six-foot jump. Parker takes a seven-foot jump from an inclined board, flying through the air with seeming ease for 50 feet.

Missed Record by Four Seconds

■ It took another Theta Chi, Gerald Karver, Penn State, '48, to beat the fastest mile of the season made by Robert Rehberg, Illinois, '49, 4:14.6, but in doing so Omega's star runner ran the fastest college mile in five years, 4:11.6, only four tenths of a second slower than the IC4A championship record. In addition, Karver ran on a track made heavy by a week of rain, snow, and frost. Concerning the event, the winning of which practically assures Karver a place on the 1948 Olympic squad, an unnamed sport writer in the *Sunday Bulletin* of Philadelphia under date of May 18 writes in part as follows:

Penn State's Gerry Karver's mile performance—the best college mile in five years—started this story.

Karver, no newcomer to the game, was on his way to greatness before the war, but Uncle Sam got him before he could live up to his full promise.

Like most collegians, the Boyertown, Pa., youth has been trying since the war's end to reassert himself in the mile field. He won the IC-4A indoor title, but his time still was over what his coach, Chick Werner, felt he could do.

Last fall, in common with college distance runners, he ran cross-country and was doing all right until he came down with a pulled ligament in his leg. [He is captain-elect of Penn State's cross-country team.] He started, but failed to finish the IC-4A title run. He finished seventh in the NCAA cross-country run.

He ran indoors a half dozen times the past winter, and found Gil Dodds tough, but disappointed in that he ran only one outstanding mile—a 4:12.8 second-place effort against Dodds at the Chicago Relays. His IC-4A effort was 4:19.

Again this spring, at the Penn Relays, he fell below standard and was outshone by three teammates as Penn State took the four-mile relay championship in a class field.

■ But then came his masterpiece—a 4:11.6 victory over Michigan State's Jack Dianetti, on a heavy track at State College, Pa., in a dual meet. It was the best college mile since Bobby Ginn, of Nebraska, reeled off a 4:11.1 in the 1942 NCAA championships, and was only four-tenths of a second off Lou Zamperini's IC-4A outdoor record.

Karver's coach, Werner, and Dianetti's coach, Karl Schlademan, called it the best mile ever run in dual competition. They pointed out that all superior efforts of the past had been done in special miles or in championship competition.

Both Coaches Pleased

For Werner, it was a total victory. The Lion coach has a way of predicting that a man will go places if "he gets over the hump." To him, Karver is now over the hump, and he's most grateful to Dianetti, who made it possible by running a 4:12—

the best mile he has ever run—and to Karver, who proved he had it when Dianetti tried to "outkick" him in the last 75 yards.

Schlademan, who had predicted a 4:17 mile because of the heavy track, was almost as pleased as if his own man had won the race. He felt that Dianetti's time portended great things for the 18-year-old Michigan State freshman.

Karver appears on the way to proving that a boy can come back from the wars, pick up where he left off, and go on to new accomplishments.

And Karver's oft-spoken advice is the only sure way to achieve that promise: "Work at it—all the time."

Theta Chi Heads School Established in 1697

■ Directing the 250th anniversary celebration on May 17 of Abington Friends School, oldest Friends school in the country to have been conducted on the same site, was J. Folwell Scull, Jr., Pennsylvania, '28, one time director of scholarship of Theta Chi Fraternity. A former football and track star at the University of Pennsylvania, he has been headmaster for a number of years at the school near Jenkintown which was established in 1697 by the Abington Friends Meeting as the result of the gift of 120 acres for that purpose by a Quaker, John Barnes.

A pageant, a picnic, and numerous exhibits of the work done by the girls who attend the institution from kindergarten to college and by boys from kindergarten through the second grade. The Picture Parade of the *Philadelphia Enquirer* of May 11 carried a three-page feature on the school.

Mrs. George W. Chapman, wife of Theta Chi's director of leadership training, is a trustee of the school.

Michigander Heads New PR Firm

The formation of the new public relations firm of Moreland, Amick & Black was announced June 7, in Los Angeles. Heading the firm is W. R. Moreland, Michigan, '33, considered one of the country's topnotch public relations directors in the corporate field of air transport and heavy industry. The agency will engage in a general public relations practice for personalities, industries, associations, and advertising agencies. West Coast offices, which are to be general headquarters, have been established at 3521 North Knoll Drive, Los Angeles 28, Calif.

Oklahoma A & M Greets Theta Chi's 73rd Chapter

By CHARLES F. TOWNSLEY, Oklahoma A & M

■ On the evening of January 11, 1947, a colony of Theta Chi Fraternity was born in Oklahoma. Being composed of socially-minded students interested in introducing into Oklahoma a fraternity that has so well served colleges and universities in other states, this group of Theta Chis under the leadership of Robert Weaver, formerly of Omega Chapter, laid the foundation for forming a recognized chapter of Theta Chi at Oklahoma A & M.

Four months later this group was accepted by the other chapters of Theta Chi as being worthy of carrying the traditions and ideals of Theta Chi into Oklahoma. On the evening of May 3 Richard French was initiated into the fraternity with the full three-degree ceremony before the installation committee. Robert Weaver was then presented with the charter for Gamma Zeta Chapter by Earl D. Rhodes, national president of Theta Chi. At the same time the officers of the colony were officially installed as the chapter officers of Beta Zeta: Robert L. Weaver, p.; William Lucas, v.p.; William Smircich, s.; Ray Warren, t.; John Hull, c.; and Clifford Hudson, f.g.

The installation committee consisted of National President Earl D. Rhodes; National Executive Secretary Frederick W. Ladue; Dewayne Gilbert, Dale Ratliff, Dean Plumer, Jesse Roberts, and Rex Reed, undergraduate members of Alpha Mu Chapter of Iowa State; Harvey Ward, Prof. C. T. Almquist, Dr. Charles Greer, Theta Chi alumni from Oklahoma; and National Chaplain Stuart Kelley, who was unable to attend the installation.

■ On the evening of May 3 a banquet was held in Willard Hall by the newly installed Gamma Zeta Chapter. President Rhodes and Executive Secretary Ladue spoke on the history and traditions of Theta Chi Fraternity. Clarence McElroy, dean of men at A & M, also spoke on

the value of fraternities and fraternity men to the colleges and universities of the country today.

The new officers of Gamma Zeta for the September '47 semester were formally installed May 4 in their new offices: William Lucas, p.; Michael Tuohy, v.p.; R. Grover, s.; Ray Warren, t.; C. Townsley, c.; C. Hudson, f.g.; R. Brazeal, h.; C. Lupsha, l.; R. Henry, a.t.; T. Rizzuti, s.g. An open session was then held, and the future of the Gamma Zeta Chapter was discussed.

It was through the efforts of the two sponsors, H. H. Leake, director of radio research at A & M, and D. A. Preston, an assistant professor and assistant plant pathologist in the Department of Botany and Plant Pathology, that it was possible for this new group of Theta Chis to organize and establish an active chapter of Theta Chi on the A & M campus. These two men together with Clarence McElroy, dean of men, gave much time to the proper assistance and guidance of the group; their great interest and cooperation were largely responsible for the successful development of Gamma Zeta Chapter.

The roll-call for the chapter fol-

lows: sponsors—Dudley A. Preston and H. H. Leake; members—William Lucas, Ray Warren, and Clifford Hudson, Spiro; Frank Bossong, Elmhurst, N. Y.; Terigo Rizzuti, Rome, N. Y.; Aaron Sharpe, Heavener; William Smicich, August Vlitcs, Joseph Smith, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Arthur Kalfas, New York, N. Y.; Michael Tuohy, Queens Village, N. Y.; John Malik, Nantucket, Conn.; Charles Lupsha, Long Island, N. Y.; Richard Brazeal, Jr., Oakland, Cal.; Charles Townsley, Albert Gilbert, Russel Henry, Quakertown, Pa.; Robert Grover, John Hull, Oklahoma City; Gerald Richards, Tulsa; Jack Wald, Fred Frompler, Stillwater; Ernest Kaylor, Van Buren, Ark.; Robert Rooker, McLoud; George Cooper, Central Falls, R. I.; Edward Johnson, Lexington, Mass.; James Kirk, Mangum; James Dugger, Mazie; Chris Gikas, Borger, Texas; Joseph Sobolewski, Springfield, Mass.; Herbert Stuart, Woodland, Wash.; Alfred Love, Wood Ridge, N. J.; Lewis Morrow, Kansas City, Mo.; Jack Scroggins, Muskogee; Richard Porter, Washington, D. C.; Calvin Chick, Erick; Marshall Arp, Turley; James Watkins, Jr., Cushing; Clarence Shaw, Ponca City; Richard Johnson, Carnie, Ill.; Edward Thomas, Westfield, N. J.; Richard Wallen, New Britain, Conn.; Robert Cameron, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Robert Weaver, Daniel Harris, Philadelphia, Pa.; Arthur Griffiths, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Patrick Hofer, Bronx, N. Y.; Earl Farrow, Cleveland; and Richard French, Albion, Ind.



INSTALLATION COMMITTEE of Gamma Zeta Chapter: left to right, standing, Dale Ratliff, Jesse Roberts, Rex Reed, Dean Plumer, Dewayne Gilbert; C. T. Almquist, Harvey K. Ward, Natl. Pres. Earl D. Rhodes, Exec. Sec. Frederick W. Ladue.

■ The Oklahoma A & M College at Stillwater, Oklahoma, frequently described as a "campus of champions," is a land grant college, established December 25, 1890. Located in the central area of the state, the college is 65 miles distant from Oklahoma's two major cities, Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

Its four fields of service embrace: research, directed toward the solving of scientific problems; extension service, directed toward disseminating the results of educational progress throughout the state; public service, directed toward furnishing technical advice and specialized service

to all citizens of the state; resident teaching, directed toward technological and vocational education with full consideration given studies which make for a well rounded, well balanced, cultured graduate.

Its eight major schools are: Divisions of Agriculture, Arts and Sciences, Engineering, Home Economics, Education, Commerce, Veterinary Medicine, and the Graduate School. Eighty-five departments are integrated into these schools.

Accommodating these are 65 major buildings on a spacious, beautifully landscaped, small lake dotted campus. Currently, the college is on the eve of a building program that will increase by one-third major campus buildings. These will include a library, a student union, and buildings for home economics, veterinary medicine, and other purposes. Residence halls for men and women students will be almost doubled.

■ In engineering, agriculture, animal husbandry, A & M has made its mark nationally and internationally. It is renowned for its unique fire training program, which served the world with fire control manuals in the war. Its twelve experiment stations have paved the way for new agronomic sciences in the Southwest. Prize winning livestock from this

campus has walked away with annual top prizes at the Grand International Livestock shows for a period of 20 years.

In plant pathology, research men are contributing to the control of plant diseases. Through the Research Foundation a new era for the region is being charted in botany and related fields. Its outstanding departments of journalism, history, English, psychology, political science, hotel administration and restaurant management, dramatics, foreign language, chemistry, architecture and art, music, are rated with leading national departments for pioneering work and production in these fields.

This year, A & M, which grew from a handful of students some 56 years ago, enrolled the greatest number of students of any major educational institution in Oklahoma, 10,350 over 5,200 of whom were veterans. "The Village," with housing accommodations for over 2,622 married war veterans, is one of the most extensive on any American college campus. About half of the veterans are married. The campus has a greater number of men for the first time since pre-war days.

Dr. Henry G. Bennett has been president of the college for 20 years. There is a faculty of 700.



Robert Lee Weaver
Penn State

■ This year A & M pioneered with student assemblies, modelled after the 1946 Conference of United Nations. It is charting a new field in the training of editors for industrial and house organ publications. Its new branch college has opened a vocational and trade training field for men seeking instruction under college level requirements. The enrollment of international students in an exchange of foreign students and instructors is increasing yearly.

There are 17 fraternities and eight sororities on the campus, most of them living in beautiful structures.

Not only with its winning basketball, wrestling, and football teams has A & M made history. Its historians have ferreted out details of the Indian country and the Southwest for documentation; its specialists have provided the USDA with basis for some of its major national agricultural projects. Its proposed physics laboratory, arboretum, and research laboratories will open new vistas in these provinces. Its wild life conservation experts are preserving natural life for the Midwest; its soil specialists are paving the way for a new agricultural future in its region; its physical education program conducted with broadest concern for hobbies is revolutionizing student interest in this direction; its classrooms and laboratories are well equipped with the most current instruments and facilities.

That, in part, is the Oklahoma A & M College, a campus of champs, seeking to round out its individuals for maximum preparation for the life service of their choice.



UNDERGRADUATE MEMBERS of Gamma Zeta Chapter: left to right, back row—R. Cameron, D. Hamis, J. Hull, R. Henry, J. Wald, H. Stuart, A. Gilbert, J. Scroggins, R. Porter, C. Lupsha, A. Love, N. Johnson, J. Watkins, E. Thomas, W. Holman, C. Chick, A. Kalfas, F. Trompler, C. Townsley, A. Sharpe, R. French; kneeling—J. Malik, F. Bossong, W. Smireich, J. Kirk, P. Richards, R. Grover, T. Rizzuti, A. Vlitos, P. Hoffer, M. Tuohy, G. Cooper, R. Warren; second from front—M. Lucas, R. Weaver, L. Morrow, J. Smith, R. Wallen, A. Griffiths, E. Farrow, M. Arp; front row—J. Dugger, R. Johnson, R. Brazeal, D. Kaylor, D. Preston, R. Rucker, C. Shaw, J. Sobolewski, C. Gikas. Missing are R. Hudson and H. Leeke.

Chicago Alumni Have Come Alive

■ The Chicago Alumni Association of Theta Chi held its fourth regular monthly meeting at the Furniture Club of America, April 17, when members and guests after dinner heard John Carmichael, sports editor of the *Chicago Daily News*, tell of his experiences in twenty-three years of covering baseball and football. In addition, he gave a few of the highlights of the Illinois-UCLA Rose Bowl Game, which he covered for his paper.

The Chicago Alumni Association, formed in January of this year, has held a meeting each month since then. The February get-together at Ricardo's Restaurant, in addition to one of Ricardo's famous spaghetti dinners, featured talks about boating and navigation by George Clark and Jack Gerber.

At a Saturday luncheon in March at the Swedish Club, seventy-five saw moving pictures of the Illinois-UCLA Rose Bowl game.

Scheduled meetings include: luncheon, Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., May 22; Chicago Yacht Club, Friday evening, June 20; a cruise on Lake Michigan, Saturday, July 19, on a chartered yacht; Chicago Yacht Club, Monday evening, August 18; a smoker Wednesday, September 3, at the Lake Shore Athletic Club; a dinner at the Furniture Club, Monday, October 13; a luncheon at Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co., Wednesday, November 19; luncheon, Furniture Club, Monday, December 29; and the annual business meeting on January 19, 1948, at the place to be announced.

Arrangements will be made to meet as many of the undergraduates from this area as possible on certain of these occasions, probably September 3 and December 29.

■ In addition, the special events committee has arranged several parties for members and their ladies, including an all-day golf outing on Saturday, July 26, at the Nordic Hills Country Club, with dinner and prizes; a pro-football party featuring the Charity Football Game between the Chicago Cardinals and New York Giants on September 10; and a college football party when Northwestern and Indiana play at Dyche Stadium, October 25, followed

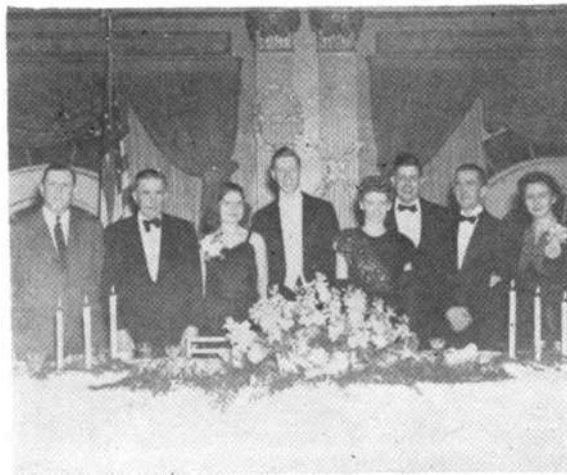
by a reception and buffet at a place to be announced later.

Officers and directors of the association for the current year are: Timothy J. Murtaugh, Illinois, '27, president; Thomas G. Vent, Jr., Dartmouth, '39, vice president; George Clark, Illinois, '30, secretary; J. Arthur Gerber, Illinois, '25, treasurer; Albert Daniels, Illinois, '24, Harold Dauer, Indiana, '30, Robert Minnick, Illinois Wesleyan, and Harry Olson, Iowa State, directors.

All Theta Chis, Beta Kappas, and DAE's in the Chicago area who are not receiving notices of the meetings are asked to contact Timothy Murtaugh, Room 1770, 231 South La Salle St., Chicago. Any brothers passing through town at the time of any of the meetings are cordially invited to attend.

Xi Banquet Celebrates Comeback

■ Xi Chapter at the University of Virginia, held its sixth annual formal banquet, February 21, in the Rose Room of Hotel Monticello, Charlottesville. The guest speaker, Frederick W. Ladue, executive secretary of Theta Chi, was introduced by Toastmaster Louis James. Dr. Wilson Gee and Raymond Kline, faculty advisers, made short addresses on the reactivation and progress of the chapter and the benefits received from fraternal organizations. Other guests included the wives and dates of the brothers.



PICTURED at the speakers' table from left to right are: Dr. Wilson Gee, Frederick W. Ladue, Miss Pat Schwidt; Chapter President Hovey S. Dabney; Mrs. Louis James; Louis James, toastmaster; Raymond Cline; and Mrs. Raymond Cline.

On Argentine Mission

Theodore T. Knappen, California, ex-'21, consulting engineer of New York, is a member of a thirteen-man private mission of technical experts from the United States placed under contract by the Argentine government to assist in carrying out President Juan D. Peron's five-year plan. The mission was organized reportedly with the approval of the State Department at Washington, but it has no connection with the American government. The group includes economists, hydraulic engineers, low-cost housing experts, and geologists. The corporation's chief task will be to supply organizational "know-how" and engineering skill and to sublet contracts in the United States for heavy machinery and other things. Mr. Knappen attended West Point and Rensselaer after he left California.

Charles Harrison Mann, Jr., president of the Xi Alumni Corporation, was to have been presented the Distinguished Service Award, but because of his wife's illness, he was unable to attend. The award has been sent to him.

On March 1, 1946, Xi Chapter returned to the University of Virginia. Omicron Chapter of the University of Richmond, came to initiate five men, who included Louis James, a former Beta Kappa, Lindsey Henderson, Jr., Hovey S. Dabney, Ken Nelson, and Harrison Brown. There

was present Jack Baker, an alumnus of Alpha Chapter, who is working in the bursar's office.

With this small group and no chapter house, the outlook was bleak as cold March days, but by work Xi secured some excellent material. Transfers also aided. In the first formal rushing period since the war, October 1946, Xi extended 25 bids and received 23 acceptances.

The chapter won its house back after going through two courts.

Alma Mater Honors Dr. R. R. Renne

Among twelve notables, including Bernard M. Baruch, to receive honorary degrees at the record-breaking 181st commencement of Rutgers University, June 11, was Dr. Roland Roger Renne, Rutgers, '27, president of Montana State College. The 519 recipients of baccalaureate and advanced degrees included a number of Beta Delta seniors, who watched the alumnus of their chapter receive the degree of doctor of letters.

Although Dr. Renne in 1924 was a member of the local fraternity at Rutgers which became Beta Delta of Theta Chi, he did not have an oppor-



Dr. Roland Roger Renne, Rutgers

tunity to take the Theta Chi obligations until this year when Traveling Secretary Samuel Doudiet visited the Montana State campus at Bozeman.

President Renne is an outstanding addition to Theta Chi's long list of college and university administrators. At Rutgers he received the Grant Award in Agriculture as the most outstanding senior in the College of Agriculture. A year later he took a master's degree in science at Wisconsin and became a research fellow of the university and the Rawleigh Foundation. In 1930 he secured at Wisconsin the Ph.D. degree and accepted an assistant professorship in the Department of Economics and Sociology and Agricultural Economics at Montana State College, where he successively became associate pro-

fessor, professor and head of the Department of Economics and Sociology, and head of agricultural economics and economics and sociology, acting president, and since July 1, 1944, president.

He at various times served as lecturer for the U. S. Bureau of Education, U. S. Department of Agriculture, and as visiting professor at the University of Chicago and Cornell University.

Numerous bulletins, journal articles, and two textbooks are credited to his authorship, while he is a member of various committees and organizations, including the Land Grant College Committee on Military Organization and Policies, Pacific Northwest Planning Council, American Farm Economics Association, American Economics Association, American Academy of Political and Social Science, National Municipal League, and American Rural Sociology Society.

He has been active in state and local civic movements and organizations, including the Montana State Planning Board, Bozeman Chamber of Commerce, Bozeman School Board, Rotary Club, and Montana Education Association. He was state price administrator OPA in 1942.

Dr. Renne's active citizenship was foreshadowed by his record at Rutgers, where he was captain of the track team, business manager of *Targum*, campus newspaper, chairman Rutgers Interscholastic Debate League, chairman Forensics, chancellor of Alpha Zeta, Cap and Skull, and Student Council.

He is high censor in the national organization of Alpha Zeta, agricultural honor society.

Spaghetti Dinner Nets \$80.54

The spaghetti dinner held by the Mothers' Club of Beta Nu (Case Institute of Technology), April 19, was a big success. The menu served about 7:30 consisted of spaghetti and meatballs, salad, coffee, and cake, all of which was donated and prepared by the mothers. Following the dinner, cards were played. One of the highlights of the evening was the drawing for two cakes. About seventy attended the successful function; a net profit of \$80.54 was turned over to Beta Nu's treasurer by the mothers.

Won by Whiskers

Title of "Typical Engineer" of the School of Engineering, USC, recently was awarded to Robert von der Lobe, charter member of Beta Tau. Given one week's time to grow their beards, the men from the School of



Photo by Cas Sermak

Robert Von der Lobe and Margaret Whiting

Engineering were judged at an all-university gathering in front of the Administration Building on the campus by Miss Margaret Whiting, radio and screen singer. Robert von der Lobe was also awarded the "eager-beaver" trophy of the School of Engineering.

Upsilon Alumnus Dies

Stuart F. Geiersbach, NYU, '19, 23 Langdon Terrace, Bronxville, N. Y., a sales promotion manager for the Borden Sales Company, with which he had been associated since 1925, died March 30. He was born in Utica, N. Y. His wife and daughter survive.

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school year. The offer of Fresno State to be host was accepted.

In the absence of Wallace Owen, regional counselor, the meeting was under the direction of Ronald Morton, deputy regional counselor. Albert Miozzi, '47, Alpha Epsilon's retiring president, presided. H. Evans Neill was secretary for the meeting.

At noon the conference adjourned until one to enjoy a turkey dinner topped by strawberry shortcake.

The All-American College Man

■ The All American College Man is the title bestowed by June Allyson, attractive young film star, upon Walker L. Williams, 21-year-old Theta Chi sophomore at Indiana University, as the climax of a contest conducted by *Date Magazine*, pictorial monthly, and *The Indiana Daily Student*. The editors of the two undergraduate publications, weary of the "queen" contests which have become commonplace on many campuses, decided it was time to put emphasis upon the "ed" rather than the "co-ed."

Nominations were made by 25 fraternities and housing units at Indiana, and by vote of the University co-eds eight men were selected. Photographs of them were sent to June Allyson, who decided that Alpha Iota's Walker Williams had "that college look." Jimmy Fidler, Hollywood's best-known columnist, in his June 3 release, said the decision was due to the fact that Williams looks like June's husband, Dick Powell.

The Indiana Daily Student in its report June 4 states: "Our All-American College Man, Walker Williams, is a sophomore from Plymouth, Ind., and lives at the Theta Chi fraternity house. Six feet tall and 170 pounds, Walker is a navy veteran who thinks golf is a fine sport and women a fine hobby. His reaction to the announcement was, 'Who? Me?'"

Despite all its researchers, *Time* reported the contest as being a nationwide affair including 250 college papers. The Indiana publications, however, state that the selection was limited to men from their campus. They say: "We decided to make the bold, outright statement that the 'All-American College Man,' the typical, ideal campus male who looks the part from the top of his dollar haircut to



June Allyson and Her Choice, Walker Williams, Indiana

the bottom of his dirty saddleshoes is right here, walking about the I. U. campus."

Young Bucknell Alumnus Insurance Vice President

■ One of the stalwarts in the re-activation and ultimate chartering of Gamma Eta Chapter at Bucknell, Gardner M. Loughery, '35, this spring was elected vice president of the Unity Fire Insurance Corporation, of which he is also a member of the board of directors. He is assistant manager of Fester, Fothergill & Hartung, international reinsurance firm. His residence is Englewood, N. J. He followed his undergraduate work at Bucknell with advanced study at the University of Michigan School of Business Administration.

Beginning his career as an apprentice mechanical engineer with the Aluminum Company of America, he took a government assignment as a marine engineer and in 1937 moved to Panama, the place of his birth. He returned two and a half years later

to enter insurance agency work. Released from the U. S. Navy in 1946 as a lieutenant commander, he became a member of Fester, Fothergill & Hartung.

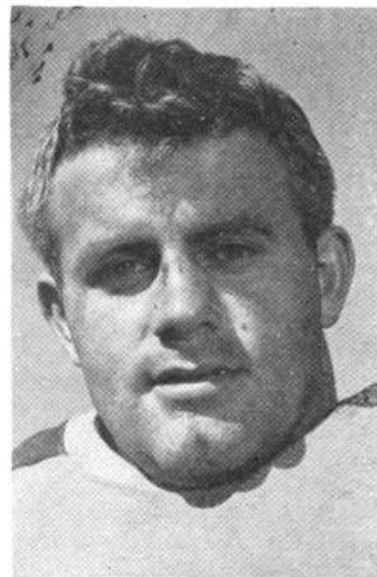
Makes Cancer Discovery

Dr. Dale Rex Coman, Rhode Island, '28, is helping to unveil the mysteries of the spread of cancer cells, according to Science Service. He made experiments which revealed why the malignant cells can spread so easily and invade other parts of the body. It is because they are not sticky, and thus can break away and travel. Normal muscle, bone and brain and skin cells adhere to each other more firmly and can't roam around.

To Lead Michigan State

Robert B. McCurry, of Barnham, Pa., sophomore and stalwart center on the Michigan State college football team last fall, was elected captain of the 1947 team, May 15, at a dinner in the Union given by the coaching staff honoring spring football candidates.

Robert, who proved to be 200 pounds of defensive demon through the entire 1946 campaign, was elected to the '47 captaincy by a vote of his



Robert B. McCurry, Michigan State

teammates before the dinner. He also proved himself a student off the gridiron as well as on, in being fifth in fraternity scholastic standing among his fifty-two chapter brothers.

Project Helps Crippled Children

■ Newspaper stories, illustrated features, and radio broadcasts all helped to make the Los Angeles area conscious of Beta Tau's selection of the "Dream Girl of Theta Chi" at the University of Southern California and of the chapter's project to help the Casa Calina Foundation for Crippled Children enlarge its convalescence home.

Contests for the "Dream Girl of Theta Chi" to be honored at the annual Dream Girl Formal of Beta Tau Chapter were entered by 25 sororities and dormitories on the USC campus. They were photographed on color motion picture films and in still shots by Cas Sermak and Richard Gregory. After a careful study of the pictures by members of the chapter, final selection was made on the

basis of beauty, personality, and campus activity.

The three finalists were escorted to the Dream Girl Formal at the Terrace Room of Hollywood's Roosevelt Hotel, May 17. Here to the strains of "Dream Girl of Theta Chi," the song written by Sammy Kaye, Ohio, '32, which inspired the annual social event of Beta Tau, Barbara Rost, Alpha Chi Omega, was crowned by Chapter President Richard Thomas and presented with a jeweled sweetheart pin. The other finalists, Elizabeth BeBek, Zeta Tau Alpha, and Jane Colburn, Kappa Alpha Theta, were presented with loving cups, engraved with their names, the date, and designation of the event. To each of the girls in the contest went a sterling silver key

chain and tag bearing the Theta Chi coat of arms.

■ The following Monday night the entire chapter serenaded Miss Rost, and the president of the pledge delegation, Dean Prowse, presented her with a large replica of the Theta Chi pledge pin.

After an appearance on Peter Potter's ABC Chesterfield Review on station KHJ, Dream Girl Barbara Rost and President Thomas were flown to Chino, where they presented the Casa Calina Foundation with the first annual donation for the home for crippled children. Miss Rost and her two attendants were featured in the Los Angeles *Herald-Express's* Southern California younger set series. Pictures taken at the Dream Girl Formal were featured in a number of the city newspapers.



DREAM GIRL of Beta Tau Chapter at the University of Southern California Barbara Rost, Alpha Chi Omega, and her court, Elizabeth Rebek, Zeta Tau Alpha, left, and Jane Colburn, Kappa Alpha Theta, with Chapter President Richard Thomas indicating that he is happy about the whole thing.

Photo by Cas Sermak, Beta Tau

New Jersey Educator Dies From Heart Attack

■ Frank Nicholas Neubauer, Colgate, '13, principal of Westfield (N. J.) High School since 1921, who in 1936 was signally honored at Colgate University by its president, Dr. George B. Cutten, in the presentation of a doctor of science degree, died of a heart attack. His age was 57.

After graduation from Colgate University with an A.B. degree he received an M.A. degree from New York University in 1938.

In the presentation of the honorary degree to Mr. Neubauer at its 117th commencement in 1936, Colgate University departed from custom in the making of such an award to the head of a public secondary school. It was given to the Westfield educator in recognition of outstanding achievement of local high school students in colleges and universities.

Mr. Neubauer was a charter member of Iota Chapter.

Tops in Scholarship Five Years

On Scholastic Recognition Day at Susquehanna University in May at the regular chapel exercises, the scholastic award, a large bronze cup, was awarded to Beta Omega Chapter for the highest academic average of all the fraternities on the campus. Dean Galt presented the award to the chapter's newly elected president, Dale Bringman. This has been the fifth consecutive year that the chapter was awarded the scholastic cup.

Ceithaml To Coach at Michigan



George F. Ceithaml, Michigan

■ Latest Theta Chi to join major coaching staffs is George F. Ceithaml, Michigan, '43, who returned to his *alma mater* the last of March as assistant football coach and plunged immediately into the tasks concerned with spring practice. He probably will be assigned to coach

the Wolverine junior varsity later.

Coach Ceithaml will be remembered as captain of the 1942 football team, which he led to seven victories in a ten-game schedule, including wins over Notre Dame and Great Lakes. He was the quarterback that season as he had been in 1941. He came to Michigan as a highly touted football player from the Lindblom High School, Chicago, and won the Chicago Alumni Award as the most promising player on the freshman football squad.

An unusual combination of scholar and athlete, in 1941, he won the Fielding H. Yost Award for excellence in athletics and scholarship. Coach Crisler named him as one of the shrewdest signal callers he had ever worked with, as well as a great blocker and defensive player. He succeeded as captain his chapter mate, All-American Robert Westfall, '42x. Among those who welcomed him back to the campus this spring was Donald Boor, who played fullback with him and who has just retired from the presidency of Alpha Gamma Chapter.

He was a popular figure on the Michigan campus as an undergrad-

uate, making Sphinx and Michiganua, the outstanding junior and senior recognition societies.

After graduation he went on active duty in the Naval Reserve and was on his way to the Pacific when the war ended. Earlier he had seen service as an LST commander in the invasions of northern Africa, southern France, and Anzio.

Two Brothers Win Promotions

Two Alpha chapter and blood brothers recently received military promotions. Maxwell C. Harrington, Norwich, '22, became a major in the Army Air Corps and is a squadron commander at Cochran Field, Ga. F. W. Harrington, Norwich, '21, is now a lieutenant colonel in the Marine Corps, serving as procurement officer for Selective Service System and stationed at Montpelier, Vt.

Wins a Nieman Fellowship

Walter H. Rundle, Nebraska, China manager for the United Press, whose interesting career was told in *The Rattle* of August, 1945, is one of the eleven newspaper men and women to be awarded the coveted Nieman Fellowships for next fall. This will enable him to pursue any field of study he chooses at Harvard University for one year.



FOUNDERS' DAY was impressively observed by the Portland Alumni Chapter, April 11, at a banquet in the Crystle Room of the Hotel Benson, Portland, Oregon. At the speakers' table, from left to right are: Frederick E. Hartung, retiring president of the chapter; Dr. Everett H. Field, Norwich, '01, oldest member present; Charles E. Burrow, toastmaster; and Dr. R. L. Webster, Region IX counselor. New officers elected at the banquet are: H. Hampton Allen, president; Wallace D. Lowry, vice president; Kenneth E. Phillips, secretary; John H. Minger, treasurer. Approximately ninety brothers attended the banquet at which Charles L. Burrow, Oregon, '35, was master of ceremonies. Minutes of the first meeting of Theta Chi Fraternity, April 10, 1856, were read by Dr. Robert L. Webster, counselor for Region IX, who was presented with the Alumni Award in recognition of his long, devoted, and distinguished service to Theta Chi Fraternity.



Top in Scholastic Rating For Fifth Straight Year

■ For the fifth consecutive time Beta Omega Chapter won the Susquehanna annual trophy for scholastic achievement. Dean Russell Galt presented the award at chapel, May 6. Chapter President Bringman received the interfraternity trophy for Theta Chi.

Beta Omega said goodbye in June to the following seniors: Donald Bashore, Robert Tryone Bowman, Robert Camerer, Jr., Stanley Nale, Frank Fertig, William Rothenburg, Eugene Grandolini, and John Leach. They were honored by the Spring Dance.

As in old Deutschland, Theta Chi pledges held their party in the created ruins of a German hofbrau. A five-piece orchestra played German polkas and waltzes as well as Yankee jazz, while foaming root beer was served right from the keg on the bar. Cracked stone walls with artificially spun spider webs added to the atmosphere created by candlelit tables, around which sat plaid-shirted lads and lasses. The door prize was awarded while the busy photographers captured smiling faces of kilted lassies.

Susquehanna is often referred to as one big family. At the present time it has on its campus seven pairs of brother and sister combinations, two of which belong to Theta Chi: Daniel and John Reitz, Augustus and Ralph Tietbohl.

Eldon Bock Is President Of Interfraternity Council

■ Following are Beta Rho's new officers at Illinois Wesleyan: Jack Malban, p.; Eldon Bock, v.p.; Robert Lush, s.; Charles Sloan, t.; Eugene Hyde, m.; Howard Simpson, f.g.; Casimer Gorski, s.g.; Eugene Montgomery, c.; Walter Rubens, l.; Robert Myers, h.; Marvin Oglesby, r.c.; Walter Pusey, s.c.; Robert Burke, intramural manager; Darwin Kramer, h.m.

Eldon Bock was elected president of the Interfraternity Council this spring.

Representing the chapter in varsity athletics this spring were Larry Buckley and Louis Pacejka in baseball and Robert Lush in track. Beta Rho's softball team finished second.

Graduating seniors are: Russell Bramwell, Nestor Aizpurua, Paul Carey, Jonathan Drake, Howard Moreland, Lester Ohle, Eugene Rudd, James Sebastian, Joseph Stannard, and Neil Bach.

Epsilon Initiates Five

The following were initiated into Epsilon Chapter at Worcester, May 24: David William Flood, Augusta, Me.; William Goodhardt Sloane, Wrightstown, N. J.; James Francis O'Connor, Palmer; Ronald Arthur Roberge, and Frederick Warren Grant, Worcester.

Xi Chooses New Officers

The following officers were elected May 7 by Xi Chapter at Virginia: John Jenkins, president, debate team, Phi Beta Kappa, Dean's List, International Relations Club; Jesse Cumbia, vice president; Frank Jubbell, secretary, Lambda Pi, Topics; Alexander R. Gassaway, treasurer, also treasurer of the American Veterans Committee.

William Bruce Gold

Graduation was to be June 16, and he was ninth in his class of chemical engineering. There was a job waiting for him after that all-important date. Behind him were five years at Drexel, except for that interim in 1945 after he enlisted in the Army Air Forces. He was an active member of Theta Chi from the day of his initiation, March 4, 1945. College days had been full, for besides fraternity, there had been Student Council in his freshman year, football when a sophomore, Drexel-terians for three years, and the yearbook staff for two years. He had been a member of AICHE since entering Drexel and had written for the *Drexel Technical Journal*.

Perhaps on May 9, 1947, these thoughts were running through his mind when he left his home at 7207 Bingham St., Burholme, Pa., to attend class, perhaps not. Who can tell? William Bruce Gold was killed when his automobile collided with a truck, not far from his home.

Impressive Comeback Made by Small Chapter

■ Nu Chapter has done surprisingly well since the beginning of the '46-'47 session, when it started out with only 17 members. When the session ended the chapter boasted 41 members and five pledges, the largest number of men Nu has had at one time in recent years.

In the race for the Intramural Cup, after getting off to a bad start, the brothers jumped from sixth place to second, only ten points behind the Kappa Sigmas, award winners. Nu won the softball championship cup and the track meet.

Elections were held in March with the following results: p., B. R. Glascock, Jr., '48; v.p., Benjamin E. Manson, '49; s., John R. Cunningham, Jr., '48; t., Richard N. Harris, '49.

Last September the chapter house was given a thorough cleaning inside and out as this was the first time since 1943 it had been used by the fraternity. Fraternities were not permitted at Hampden-Sydney when the V-12 Unit was on the campus, and they were not re-organized until November, 1945.

Besides Bluford, who had returned in November, 1945, other Nu men who came back to the campus last September from service are: L. Perry Hyde, ex-'45; William B. Lambert, ex-'45; H. Garnett Scott, ex-'44; B. R. Glascock, Jr., ex-'45; and George G. Henley, ex-'45. Of these Bluford, Hyde, Lambert, and Scott were graduated.

Pi Leader Is Tapped

Frederick S. Wilson, '48, was among seven Dickinson College Students tapped recently by The Raven's Claw, senior recognition society. He is a past president of the Student Senate and of Pi Chapter and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa. His sophomore year he was sports editor of *The Dickinsonian* and served as a member of the Interfraternity Council. He was a member of the German Club, the Little Theater, and the Mohler Scientific Club.

Alpha Phi... 3 0016 06677 1198 Has Musical Leadership

■ Alpha Phi is once more taking the lead in the musical activities on the campus of the University of Alabama. James Reed, leader of the Alabama Cavaliers, known throughout the South as Dixie's leading college dance band, was pledged recently. The position he holds with the orchestra has been filled in previous years by Carl Halberg, Peter DiRito, and Ogletree.

Reed played the piano in the Army Air Forces Maxwell Field Band under Glenn Miller and Jerry Yelverton. He is originally from Savannah, Georgia, and comes from a family of musicians, who at one time made up a family orchestra. He is married, has two children, and is a junior majoring in radio arts.

Other leading musicians in the chapter are Col. Carleton K. Butler, William Ledue, Thomas Hamner, Jack Chambliss, and Sidney Dickey. Colonel Butler is director of the Alabama "Million Dollar" Band and for the past several years has been director of state music festivals. He was initiated into the chapter last fall as an honorary faculty member.

Ledue, a music major, plays trombone and sings jump vocals with the Cavaliers. He has played with bands from coast to coast. He is a member of the Alabama Million Dollar Band and is president of local 435, American Federation of Musicians. He is married. Thomas Hamner, freshman music major, plays trombone with Cavaliers and with the Million Dollar Band.

Jack Chambliss, industrial engineering senior, who plays alto, is manager of The Southerners, a dance band, and secretary-treasurer of local 435, American Federation of Musicians. Sidney Dickey plays trumpet with The Southerners.

Other members of Alpha Phi playing in the Million Dollar Band are: Terry Pike, baritone; Jugh Sullivan, clarinet; James Davis, clarinet; Angelo Rumore, flute and piccolo; and Scott, trumpet.

Delta Men Participate In Election Campaign

■ Members of Delta Chapter were busy for several weeks in preparation for the election for grand marshal and president of the Rensselaer Union. Howard Ganson, Delta's candidate for president, had Granger B. Thurstone as campaign manager, and under the latter's able direction signs were built, entertainment planned, and public address systems installed on cars and in buildings on the campus. One of the most notable political advertisements was a 13-foot-high windmill, the brainchild of William Kurz. It was constructed entirely of five by eight inch ballots mounted on a wooden frame.

More than twenty fraternities and independent campus organizations entered floats in the parade, the theme being "Return of the Veteran to College." Delta's float depicted a veteran, dressed as Joe College, perched on top of a tall column in an effort to catch books of knowledge with a fishpole while a woman attempted to saw through the column and cause his downfall.

Indiana Chapter Enjoys Lively Successful Year

■ Alpha Iota Chapter at Indiana had a busy year. With the exception of a slight lull, brought on by a complete re-decoration of the lower floors of the chapter house the first part of the second semester, the social calendar was full.

The annual Spring Formal was unique because of a complete absence of decorations, thus showing to greatest advantage the newly-decorated house. Formal and organized dances were interspersed with several tea and record dances. Also on the informal end of the calendar were picnics and outings in the beautiful state parks, numerous around the Bloomington area.

As usual, Fun and Frolic Week for the freshman was observed; the State Dance in Indianapolis was revived, as was the chapter's "Alumni Day."

The new chapter president, vice president, and secretary are respectively Charles Brown, Manuel Sierra, and Charles Clauser.

The serenading group has handled a full season; it was rated as among the tops on the campus by the sororities. The group also took honors in the State Dance song contest, and received wide acclaim in a non-competitive University Sing with an impressive rendition of Fred Waring's arrangement of "Battle Hymn of the Republic." William Carr proved a conscientious and talented song leader.

The "rush" program has been ably handled almost entirely through the year by Bernard Mirich.

"Gay Nineties" Is Theme For Delta's Bowery Ball

■ All the sights, sounds, and shenanigans of the Gay Nineties returned in full gaiety as Delta Chapter at Rensselaer enjoyed its annual Bowery Ball. The front hall, with the help of some lamp-posts, old board fences, paper bricks, and interesting through-the-window scenes, became Theta Chi Alley, a very busy street, having Joe's Fifth Avenue Bar on one side and on the other, Abe's Fish Market, and leading straight to the big saloon. There, to the music of a first rate band, the Dapper Dan's in their fourth-hand tails, derbies, bow ties, handlebars, and sideburns twirled their ladies fair, likewise in real "ninety" attire with off-the-shoulder dresses, black net stockings, bustles, split skirts, and well-decorated garters.

To give its patrons the very latest in entertainment, the management of the "saloon" presented the miracle of the age, the Magic Lantern.

The majority of the credit for the success of the event goes to Donald Pardon, social chairman.

Theta Chi Leaders at North Dakota University

■ Beta Gamma at the University of North Dakota claimed at the end of the year the following who had won membership in various organizations: Duane E. Lund, '47, Phi Beta Kappa; George Longmire, '47, Order of Coif

(law); John R. Kaspari, '50, John R. Flatt, '50, John M. Carroll, '50, and Gilbert E. Rupp, '50, Phi Eta Sigma; Robert G. Wallin, '48, and George Longmire, '47, Phi Delta Phi; Robert E. Daho, '48, Alvin J. Fosaen, '49, and Edward J. Murphy, '49, Phi Alpha Delta; Duane E. Lund, '47, Charles R. Johnson, '48, and Myron N. Ranney, '47, Sigma Delta Chi; Maurice C. Olson, '47, Sigma Tau; Robert E. Dahl, '48, president, William S. Sherman, '47, Duane E. Lund, '47, and Myron N. Ranney, '47, Blue Key; George M. Watkins, '50, Ellis E. Elstad, '50, and James W. Jeanguenat, '48, Scabbard and Blade.

Publication staff honors went to Duane E. Lund, editor of *Dakota Student*, campus weekly; Charles R. Johnson, assistant sports editor, *Dakota Student*; Milton Schroeder, editor of *North Dakota Engineer*, and Maurice C. Olson, business manager, *North Dakota Engineer*.

Next fall Jeane J. Bope, '50, will be out for football and Ernest F. Johnson, '50, for boxing. The chapter won first at the Interfraternity Sing.

Twenty-four Theta Chis In Norwich Record Class

■ On June 9, 1947, Norwich presented diplomas to the largest graduating class in its history as a military college since 1819. One hundred and thirty men received degrees, including 24 members of Alpha Chapter.

Among the notable guests were General Jacob L. Devers, Secretary of the Navy James P. Forrestal, and Governor Ernest W. Gibson, an Alpha alumnus.

Theta Chi brothers who received their degrees are: Howard L. Bacon, Providence, R. I.; Paul O. Bancroft, Bradford; Vernon D. Bell, Westerly, R. I.; Andrew T. Boggs, III, Easton, Md.; John M. Burhoe, Riverton, N. J.; Basil S. Burrell, Norton, Conn.; George A. Campbell, Newfoundland, N. J.; Robert W. Christie, Roosevelt, N. Y.; Gerald E. Collins, South Lee, Mass.; Charles A. Deakin, Danbury, Conn.; John W. Day, Earlsville, Va.; Richard L. Desmond, Milton, Mass.; John F. Hammell, Lake Mohawk, Sparta, N. J.; Robert H. Harrington, Montpelier, Richard L. Keenan, Waltham, Mass.; Edward M. Keith, Bridgewater, Mass.; Glendon N. King, Northfield; Henry Lisowski, Greenwich, Conn.; Alan T. Lockard, Scarsdale, N. Y.; Francis T. Seifert, Sterling, Mass.; Robert L. Stevenson, South Glastonbury, Conn.; William B. Super, Augusta, Ga.; Dudley S. Bell, and Burton B. Fall, Jr.

Burlesqued Lehigh Railroad

Every year Cornell has what is called Spring Day Week-end with classes cancelled on Saturday and the fraternities having houseparties. This year the event lasted from May 9 through the 11th. Connected with the festivities is a float parade. Since no theme was announced, Lambda decided to do a take-off on the Lehigh Valley R. R. Members obtained a truck and started working; the stack was fashioned from a barrel and two ash cans, with smoking rags for the finishing touch. A "caboose" was built on the back. The brothers climbed aboard with their houseparty dates and took off for the float parade.

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