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EDITORIAL.

The collegiate year is drawing to a close and with this number The Mask must necessarily suspend publication until next October. That KappaPsi has gone forward in the last few months there is no doubt, and it is gratifying indeed to see the stride that the "old frat." has taken.

We have added a new chapter to our roll from the University of Alabama. Delta has promised her undergraduates a chapter house in the fall and Gamma has started a movement also for a chapter house. The committee on the revision of the Constitution has done some good hard work and have a document already to present to the Grand Chapter at the convention. And last, but not least, many good men have been made Knights of the Brotherhood of Psi, who are well qualified to keep up the good work of their graduating brothers.

Right here we wish the best of luck to the graduating men who so well deserve the degrees they have been striving for, and may you honor yourself and your fraternity in your fight for fame and fortune. But whatever you do don't forget your "frat." for we need your help more after becoming an alumnus than before. Look out for new chapters, form alumni associations, do what you can to support a chapter house at your old college, and by all means support The Mask by at least your subscription.

We wish to thank the retiring editors for the assistance they have given us and to assure them that their associations have been greatly appreciated. The work of publishing The Mask for the past

winter has been no easy task, and financially has been a failure. We trust that every associate editor will interest himself enough in the welfare of The Mask by seeing that no man graduates from his chapter without first leaving the price of a year's subscription which is the most loyal way of demonstrating that their hearts are with their fraternity.

In New York, next fall, is to be held the grandest of all Kappa Psi reunions, so make preparations to be with us. Gamma has the reputation of never doing things by halves so a word to the wise is sufficient.

With best wishes for a pleasant vacation we bid you adieu.

TO THE BROTHERS OF KAPPA PSI.

The Committee on Revision of the Constitution has completed its labors of revision, and the manuscript of the proposed instrument lies in the desk of the chairman of your committee, awaiting the meeting of the Grand Chapter in New York City.

In explanation of the failure of the committee to carry into execution its plans of furnishing each chapter with a copy of the proposed Constitution before the meeting of the Grand Chapter, suffice it to say that the proper authorities refused to authorize the committee to make this expense, and the latter did not feel able to meet this financial outlay out of its own pocket.

Regretting a promise made, but not kept, we remain,

Respectfully,

The Committee on Revision,

F. H. SMITH, M. D., Ex.-B.,

Chairman.

St. Luke's Hospital,
Richmond, Va.

Brother E. Dupin, P. G., '04, is in charge of the Drug Laboratory, of the New York Board of Health.

F. H. Keeler, '04, is with Legett & Co., having charge of their spice department.

Wm. C. Malone, '03, is the pharmacist at Bellevue Hospital, New York.

Chapter Notes.

ALPHA CHAPTER.

To the Brotherhood of Psi, My Dear Brothers:—

The season about to close has been indeed a busy one for me, the amount of correspondence required to carry on the work of our beloved fraternity is enormous and in fact so large that I have been compelled to purchase a typewriter to help me out. The many inquiries which I have to answer, and many of them which require a great deal of thinking, are far more numerous than one would imagine. The question of membership certificates, the election of officers, the work attached to the finding of a new chapter, the duties of committees, etc., have each been asked for more than once during the past term.

You no doubt know that at the convention held in Philadelphia last November, I appointed myself a committee of one to publish the *Agora* and I assure you while it was a pleasure in a measure, it was one of the hardest pieces of work that I have ever undertaken to perform. I have been since the first of January trying to get the necessary information. The letters, many of them which I sent asking for information, were entirely neglected. Only a few days ago I received a letter from one of the chapters in which was some material which I needed and a letter saying that the writer was very sorry that I had not received the information asked for at an earlier date, that he, being newly elected to office, was looking over some old papers and found my letter which had been handed to him by the retiring secretary.

Only a few days ago I was compelled to write a special delivery letter asking that certain information be sent me at once that I was waiting for it. These are only a few trials and there are many more that may be mentioned but I cannot afford to take up the space. There will no doubt be many complaints and probably room for just ones, but I have tried my best under the trying circumstances to issue an edition which will be useful to at least the majority of the members of our fraternity.

The Agora is now in print and will be ready for delivery in a short time. Those reading this will please notify their chapter how many they want so that the chapter may notify me. No chapter has as yet notified me how many to send them.

There is at present no money in the treasury, but one chapter having paid their per capita for this year, and as it will cost money to print the Agora and as it takes money to run the fraternity, I make an appeal to the chapters, if possible to send the per capita tax at once to Bro. Holstein. Should there be no money forthcoming in the near future I will have to personally bear the expense, and I am sure that this is not the desire of the fraternity.

With the hope that the coming edition of the Agora will not be considered a failure by most of the members, and should it meet with the approval of many I will feel greatly repaid for my labors. Trusting that those who are looking forward to graduation will not be disappointed, and success to the undergraduates, I am fraternally yours,

DR. JOSIAH BOWEN, G. A.

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES.

I have received a number of letters from various persons asking for a certain number of certificates without giving me the names, even, for whom they are to be made out. I wish to say that we do not send out certificates to any one unless they are duly made out and affirmed, what is meant by this I will explain now in order to save time and avoid confusion.

According to the Constitution, as amended at the last meeting of the Grand Chapter, a membership certificate may be issued only by the Grand Secretary, upon the request of the secretary of the various chapters, whose requests shall be endorsed by the A. of their chapter.

The things necessary for the Grand Secretary to know are the full unabbreviated name of the brother for whom the certificate is to be made out, the date when he became a member of Kappa Psi, just these two things, nothing less but a little more, the fifty cents to pay for the same.

In case the certificate is sent individually, i. e., when there is less than two sent in one tube, twenty cents additional is charged to cover mailing expenses.

The membership certificates are very neat and attractive and every brother entitled to have one should order one at once, through the secretary of his chapter.

I have not quite finished in my talk for money, as all of the chapters have received notification of the same, this is only a reminder to those chapters who have not paid their per capita tax, that the tax as well as any other indebtedness to the Grand Chapter is now overdue, and should be attended to speedily.

We wish to take this means to thank the officers of those chapters who have so ably assisted the cause of Kappa Psi by making prompt remittances to the request of the Grand Chapter, and hope that those chapters who have not been so prompt in the past will make a special effort to be more prompt in the future.

Wishing all the brothers in Kappa Psi all manner of success, I remain your humble servant,

GEORGE L. HOLSTEIN, P. D.,

Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Kappa Psi Frat.

BETA CHAPTER.

The day of reckoning has again dawned upon the boys of the university college, and it finds most of us with our hands to the plow, wishing that we were at the end of our row and the "corn" laid by. Most of us have a good deal of digging to do before we can "hang up the shovel and the hoe," and we are sure that by the time we feel like "digging" again the instruments will be rusty. We trust that none of us may become so weary and worn as to make it necessary to loose the mule from the plow and ride.

Bro. Ferguson, A, suggests that each prospective graduate leave the price of a year's subscription to The Mask with the treasurer before saying farewell. Of course this applies only to Beta's men, but we think it would be wise for our sister chapters to do likewise. Beta's secretary will write each alumnus of her chapter for that amount before his return to college next year. The Mask is the only means by which we can keep in touch with our passive members and they with us, and we should by all means have every one on our subscription list for next year.

It is only by the effort of each man that we may hope to achieve great things, that we may continue to prosper, our Grand Officers,

alone, can not do it all, but by the help of each Kappa Psi they could soon have our banners floating over all the good colleges and universities throughout the country. Let each one of us keep our eyes opened as Brother Holstein has suggested, and notify him of the attendance at any college of our friends and he will do the rest.

Beta hates to lose by graduation the following members: F. L. Ashton, E. H. Connelly, H. M. Crowe, C. C. Clemmer and Jas. H. Saunders. 'Tis with regret we see them pass from among us, and we know they would like to stay. We wish them much success in their work, and we shall always give them a hearty welcome in our midst.

On the night of April 28th, we expect to digress a little from our work and smoke out the occupants of Murphey's Hotel, in honor of our departing brothers, and we hope to have with us the boys from Theta. This will perhaps be our last grand reunion, and we will use this opportunity to say a "fond farewell," and wish each other a pleasant and prosperous vacation.

This ends my notes for Beta until next September. Let us all return then ready to fight greater battles than ever before.

ROBERT P. KELLY, '07.

GAMMA CHAPTER.

Like Brother Fifield, of Epsilon, I am also a new man behind the pen, and ask the brothers to pardon my feeble attempts on becoming a "literary man."

Gamma held her annual election of officers March 10, 1905, and in most cases the choice was unanimous. This shows that the best of fraternal feeling exists among the brothers. All newly elected officers are enthusiastic for the welfare of Kappa Psi and will strive to keep her standard as far above the other fraternities, as it has been in the past.

Brother Chick Ayers is learning a new prayer and says he has the first line down pat. Brother Ayers was elected to an office where it is necessary for him to know his lines.

Brother Cahoon, "passive," of Epsilon, attended chapter meeting recently. Brother Cahoon is a "winner," and Gamma's doors are always open to him.

Gamma is always glad to entertain a visiting, "active" or "passive" brother, no matter from what chapter he may come.

At our last chapter meeting we decided to increase our initiation fee five dollars. This will not only increase our funds, but also, provoke an approving smile from Brother Hutchins, who has the honor of being the overworked treasurer.

Do not forget, that Gamma has the honor of entertaining at the next convention, make your plans early and be sure to come. We are prepared for a crowd.

The streets in the neighborhood of the college are unduly deserted and quiet reigns supreme. The boys are "plugging" for finals which are no longer in the hazy future, for they realize that only the fittest survive.

W. J. MAHONEY, '06.

DELTA CHAPTER.

Delta Chapter is pleased to hear that one of her brothers, Dr. Tayler E. Darby, was commissioned to Panama, standing highest in a competitive examination of about two hundred and forty applicants.

When we make a retrospection of the work accomplished by Delta during the session now nearing its close, we realize, without any intent upon self praise, that we have brought to pass many things for which we may justly feel proud. Among the many things accomplished may be mentioned the fact that the Kapp Psi men in the adjunct faculty of the University of Maryland have organized quiz-classes for Kappa Psi boys, quizzes being held—gratuitously—in all the major branches of the entire collegiate course. The additional knowledge thus gained has proven to be of decided value.

To further raise the standard of scholarship an Honor Roll has been started upon which will be placed the names of those Senior men who stand among the twelve highest of their class, and there are about 125 men in the graduating classes. A secret code has been prepared by one of our number and excepted by the chapter for its own local use; but the code is so decidedly excellent that if it be the wish of the fraternity at large, we will be ready at any time

to reveal its secret. In addition it may be stated that when the boys return for the next session they will find a fully equipped chapter house awaiting them. And among several other things may be noted the fact that many a sick and disheartened brother had the furrows of pain wiped off his brow by timely deeds of kindness rendered.

On the occasion of our last meeting the writer resigned his much enjoyed position as associate editor, and Brother Edward L. Bowles has been appointed in his stead. Brother Bowles, who is a thorough scholar, will make up for the writer's past shortcomings.

Delta extends to all her sister chapters the heartiest best wishes for the coming vacation.

WILLIAM W. RIHA, '05.

EPSILON CHAPTER.

This is the last time I will have anything to say for the Fraternity and The Mask this year, so will do the best I can. We are all plugging for the coming exams. which come in a very short time and we all hope and pray to be able to get by the various examiners with good marks. We have our last meeting the 25th of this month and it will probably be the last time some of us will meet in a body. A great many of the Seniors will be missed next year and especially Brothers Rankin and Gayle, for they were exceptionally good singers and always pleased to be called on to show their talent.

Brother Weed, one of our members from Alabama, we fear is loosing his reason for when he thinks there is no one near him he keeps saying to himself: And her name was Maud.

Brother Swope is not satisfied with a medical course alone and says after he receives his sheep-skin in that branch he is going to take up the study of law, and we think he will make a success in either.

Brother Toney says he is going to revise the laws of the various State Boards and we hope he will succeed.

Leaving the foolishness out we are really sorry to have the men leave us that are to graduate this year and the old place will not seem the same next year when we return and start the new season

alone, and we hope that we will hear from them more often than we have from brothers that have graduated in years before. Hoping all the men who go out from here have good success in all their undertakings I will close.

H. E. FIFIELD, '06.

ETA CHAPTER.

Was Eta's banquet a success? The best ever. Although every one could not read his menu with the proper accent no one seemed to be bothered about eating.

Prof. Remington acted as toastmaster, a better one could not have been selected. "Freshie" Coles showed himself to be farther advanced than his name would indicate, and gave a toast which Chauncy Depew would have been proud of. Jack Lehman, in spite of his two hundred pounds, and Ray Gilliland, although handicapped by ball-bearing feet, gave excellent toasts. Wm. Bourgoon, on Kappa Psi, told us things we knew, but put them in a new light so that we had some things to think about.

The exams. for first and second year are over and all the Kappa Psi fellows wear that smile that won't come off, which speaks for itself.

We have held our last meeting for this year, wishing all our brothers an enjoyable vacation and hoping that we may all do as much or more for Kappa Psi as has been done this year, we will say good-bye for another vacation.

E. E. SCATCHARD, Eta.

THETA CHAPTER.

I herewith send you a list of the officers elected by Theta Chapter for the ensuing year:

H. Smyth Scott, A., Emory, Virginia; Charles R. Preston, O., Meadowview, Virginia; Guy M. Naff, Sec. and Treas., Johnson City, Tenn.

Of course you are aware of the fact that our chapter is in its infancy and I trust you will bear with our "short comings" as best you can. I feel the responsibility that rests upon me as being

accorded the highest honor which a chapter can bestow upon one of its members and expect to fill it to the best of my ability.

Hoping you all the success possible I am,

Yours fraternally,

H. SMYTH SCOTT,

Medical College of Va.

IOTA CHAPTER.

Iota men are now in midst of examinations, and that as our excuse, would beg of you to excuse our correspondent this month. You will hear from us later.

D. P. PRUETT.

"MY MONROE DOCTRINE."

In the southern part of New York State, softly nestling between the hills and cut up in sections by the Erie, D. L. & W., and the Pennsylvania, is a quaint little Burg called Elmira, where "aqua" clemung and other wet goods flow freely. "We" think it quite a city but I suppose Bro. Eldredge thinks it's only a flag station. This is my territory and without asking the consent of the other Kappa Psi bunch I'm going to apply the Monroe Doctrine to it. Here are the rules, Kappa Psi men. see ye that ye do not disobey them.

Rule 1. Any Kappa Psi man passing through said Burg or any of the aforesaid railroads or on foot, bicycle, automobile or in fact any means of locomotion and does not stop off or at least notify the undersigned that he is passing through, this will be taken as a hostile act against the undersigned and the punishment for such action will be too terrible to mention, (providing "Hank" finds it out).

Rule 2. In case any Psi Knight does stop and thereby obeys the first rule he must place himself entirely in my care and trust to luck and if said Knight doesn't get treated right I'll take all that's coming.

Now boys, be sure and obey and if you are traveling don't fail to make your tickets via Elmira and I'll guarantee you one and all a good time.

"HANK" SMITH.