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Official Communication to all Chapter Secretaries.

This is to inform all Chapter Secretaries that it will be their duty to send the Grand Sec. and Treas. a list of the active members of their respective chapters, giving name in full, i. e.: John William Brown, the home address, and the date of his initiation into the Fraternity. This information is absolutely necessary to carry out the provisions of the new Constitution, and upon the first day of every succeeding month additional lists are to be sent to this office of any and all brothers taken into the Fraternity during the month previous.

Signed,

GEORGÉ L. HOLSTEIN, P. D.

G. S. and T.

P. S.—Notice Chapter Secretary: Fill out the above information now, as soon as the article is read and comprehended, else you may forget it; you may not receive an individual notice of the above, but you will see this article, no excuses can therefore be excepted; if your books are in the shape that they should be the above will be easy of fulfillment. G. L. H.

NOTICE.

In the January “Mask” we published the names of Committees for 1906. One change has been made since then, viz: in the Executive Committee, Brother Henry J. Goeckel not being eligible, has retired, and Brother Howard Going, Gamma '07, has been appointed in his place. Brother Goeckel, however, has been made a member of the Committee to revise the Initiation and is hard at work at his new task.

DELEGATES.

Agreeable with a custom established last year and which we trust will be cherished as a tradition of the Fraternity from this time on, we hand out herewith our yearly knock on the Delegates who attended the Convention in New York last December, and that all the Brothers may have some idea as to what these worthies look like we publish on another page a "group of the bunch."

Let us start with the "White Vest Trio" Baskin, Ferguson and Reuter, see how proudly they monopolize the centre of the picture, forming as it were a little white alcove for Josh who sits below. Ferguson had the distinction of being the only Delegate who did not dance, and consequently poured words of lovliness into the ears of "New York's best," while he "sat them out." Baskin, who's sole duty was to act as governess, valet, maid and companion to Davy, made himself agreeable by equally dividing his efforts between dancing and walking on other peoples feet. Then Dick Reuter, being a New Yorker, he took it upon himself to show the out of town men the various sights of the city, and how well he acted as guide to the innocents, I will have to refer you to Brother Rugg.

Brother Davy was Eta's other delegate and distinguished himself greatly by showing the Brothers how to obtain refreshments (free graft) while having your picture taken.

Look at Scott setting on one end, he looks innocent enough, doesn't he, but say, do you know Scott? His speech at the Banquet was a work of art and his interests in the New York Telephone system was somewhat amazing considering the fact he was in town such a short while.

At the other end of the circle we have Kelly from Beta. We heard several remarks from the fair sex regarding Kelly's beautiful dancing, and if what they say is true, and we have no reason to doubt them, Kelly has left behind a trail of several broken hearts.

Now comes Brother Smith—a common name but an uncommon man—when he arrived in town he made some horrible bluff about going right back to his extensive practice just as soon as possible, but we held him all right 'till the last gun was fired. Smith's great feat was to go to sleep at the Hotel the night of the dance and forget to show up at the Hall.

Behind Smith we find Paetzl, Epsilon's representative. Paet-

Delegates to Grand Chapter in Convention, New York City, Nov. 30, Dec. 1 and 2, '05.



Ashton (Gamma)	Hutchins (Treas. Gamma)	Campbell (Delta)	Baskin (Eta)	Ferguson (Beta)	Hayes (Delta)	Barrett (Graduate)
Scott (Theta)	Eldridge (G. E. & H.)	Reuter (Gamma)	Bowen (G. R.)	Holstein (G. S. & T.)	Paetzel (Epsilon)	Kelly (Beta)
	Davy (Eta)	Rugg (G. V. K.)		Flint (Lota Proxy)	Smith (Chair. Ex. Com.)	

zel was a gem and made a great hit with all the men, being of a bashful disposition he did not take in the dance, but made up for it by his presence at the Banquet.

Barrett, although not a Delegate, came over from New Haven to see the men and was given a true Kappa Psi welcome and invited to have his picture taken at \$1.50 per picture.

Then there is the man the Soups were named after—Campbell—his specialty was forgetting to answer for Zeta, at Roll Calls. Aside from this, he behaved himself beautifully, as did his partner Hayes, whom we insisted on calling Ayers, Hares, Rays, and everything but his right name.

Brother Ashton, the only man who had the nerve to wear a light suit, was Reuter's right hand man and pardner in crime; whatever Reuter forgot to show the visitors, Ashton reminded him of the error. He was chairman of a committee to see that Scott would not get homesick, and he performed his duty nobly, assisted by Flint, better known as "Stony," who held one of Iota's proxies. Flint's claim for fame was the fact that he never allowed Eldridge to make a motion without he seconded it.

Brother Hutchins is next, and although not a regularly elected delegate, he did yoeman service during the meetings and several times acted as proxy. His chief stunt, however, was helping Ashton and Reuter on Thanksgiving night.

And now we come to the Grand Officers—first Holstein, the man who collects (?) the per capita tax. Being the only Benedict in the crowd. George had to set a good example for everybody, and consequently his habits were all that could be desired.

Rugg next—Ah! what a name to conjure with. Rugg made a great hit at the dance, but then, everyone expected he would. He holds two records, however, that of missing the greatest number of roll calls and meals. For further information inquire of Reuter.

And now we have Bowen. Our re-elected G. R. "Josh" delivered the goods in his usual quiet (?) way; and as a lady killer, is in the same class with Rugg and Kelly. During the year just past "Josh" has lost none of his winning ways or averderpois, and stands alone and unchallenged in his class as the original "Mellin's Food Infant."

Eldridge is last and is the only one to get off without a single knock, and the reason is plain—Eldridge wrote this article.

Kappa.

OUR NEW BORN BABE.

By the time this issue of "The Mask" reaches you another Greek Letter will have been added to the steadily and sturdily growing Chapter Roll of Kappi Psi. I beg leave to introduce Kappa Chapter, in the Birmingham Medical College, Birmingham, Ala. Dr. W. C. Gewin, Passive of Epsilon, is sponsor for this our latest addition, and from the way Iota Chapter endorses the New Born Babe, we have a valuable acquisition to our grand old Fraternity. Our traditional slowness in growth is due to the carefulness and certainty with which we proceed along this line.

It would be an easy matter for us to add half a dozen new Chapters every year, but would they be in desirable Colleges, and would such Chapters add to the stability of the Fraternity? Probably not. It is far better to proceed slowly and surely to a strong and healthy development, as we have in the past, so that in the future we may still look with pride to our grand Fraternity.

Intimations of a desire upon the part of certain members of the above mentioned College, to become a part of this Fraternity, came to my official notice about the time of my arrival home from the New York Convention, and the investigation machinery of the Fraternity was at once set in motion, with the result that a petition was forwarded to this office, signed by the men named in the January issue of "The Mask," and, after referring the matter to Grand Regent Bowen, he instructed me to proceed in the routine manner. I received favorable action by the required number of Chapters. Upon so notifying Brother Bowen, G. R., he appointed Brother W. C. Gewin, of Birmingham, Ala., to install a new Chapter to be known as "Kappa Chapter."

I therefore wrote out a set of instructions, and forwarded it together with a copy of the "Ritual" to Brother Gewin, who will no doubt install the Kappa Chapter before this appears in print.

Three Cheers for the New Born Babe.

GEO. L. HOLSTEIN, P. D.,
G. S. & T.

KAPPA PSILETS.

Brother Charles H. Fetterly, ex-Gamma, was on Dec. 27 last, joined in matrimony to Miss Louise R. Brokaw, of Freehold, N. J. The Rev. I. P. Brokaw, father of the bride, officiated, and Dr. Orm Fetterly, brother of the groom, acted as "best man."

The honeymoon was spent in Boston, and the happy couple are now keeping house in Somerville, N. J. Congratulations.

The new Constitution printed in book form has been issued and its appearance and contents will cover a long felt want. Brother Francis Smith and his committee and Brother Holstein G. S. & T., are to be congratulated on the active parts they both assumed to make this book a possibility.

Among the old Gamma "Grads" at the Alumni Ball recently, we noted: Brothers "Deacon" Holton, "Coney" Hill, "Charlie" Sackett, "Ben" Alt, "Reliable" Goeckel, "Nate" Porter, "Pianola" Everts and "Shorty" Champlin. The ladies in the party were Mrs. Hortense Alt, Mrs. Paschal Everts, Miss Hill, Miss Depew, Miss Bocker, and many others.

 S+KClO₃=?

Had started just to college,
 And thought he knew it all,
 For he was a "first-year man,"
 And talked exceedingly "tall."
 But it chanced one day to happen,
 When left alone by himself,
 He tried to fill a prescription,
 And now he's on "the shelf."
 He took a wedge-wood mortar
 And a little pestle, too;
 He could not find the Powd. Pot, Chlor.,
 So he made the crystals do.

It was Pot, Chlor. and Sulphur;
 Into the mortar they went,
 And then he started to trituate—
 This charming "first-year" gent.
 Oh! somewhere in the city
 Is a store without a door,
 With many a shattered window.
 And a grease spot on the floor.
 In the churchyard there is a mound
 Where lies the "first-year's" dust;
 This epitaph is on his tomb:
 "Sulphur and Potash—bust!"

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EDITORIAL.

Another issue of "The Mask," and another Chapter!

Elsewhere in this number will be found an article giving an account of the latest addition to our family circle.

The new born babe has two reasons to be proud; first and foremost, she is now a part of "Kappa Psi," certainly honor enough for any Chapter; secondly, she bears the given name of our Fraternity, "Kappa," an honor that is her luck to fall heir to by right of rotation. We certainly congratulate "Kappa Chapter" on both her birth and name, and wish her an honorable and long life. Her early days should be watched over carefully, and she should always bear in mind that our watchword is "Quality, not quantity," and govern herself accordingly when making her choice of prospective candidates.

To Dr. Gewin, ex-Epsilon, her sponsor, we offer congratulations on the excellent results of his work; to Iota Chapter we extend a pair of Fraternal knee pants, and transfer the milk bottle to Birmingham; to Kappa's first officers, we wish you a happy and prosperous reign; to the Charter members, we congratulate you upon the wisdom displayed in petitioning this Fraternity for Charter, and to your *Future Success* we drink the traditional bumper.

In an article in the last issue of "The Mask," calling to the attention of the Associate Editors the necessity of having their copy

in the Editor's hands by the last day of January, for the February "Mask," we gave fair warning that any Chapter Notes missing from this issue would not be the fault of the Editor, as we had publicly declared our intentions of discontinuing the time-honored and laborious task of reminding (by letters and telegrams) the Associate Editors of their laxity in performing the duties of the office they hold.

We spoke then in generalities; in this number specific delinquents are in evidence.

The success and interests of "The Mask" to the members of the Fraternity depends in a large degree on the communications from the several Chapters, as these items furnish both Active and Passive members the news of the various Chapters.

Gentlemen, we are deeply in earnest in this matter, and trust that this sharp but fraternal reminder on our part will be the means of having ALL Chapter Notes in on time for future issues. Officially we notify you that copy for March number must be in our hands by March 4th.

Organization of the Executive Committee.

The January issue of "The Mask" publishes officially the appointment by Grand Regent of the Executive Committee. From this announcement I learn that I am made Chairman of the said Committee. I take this opportunity to acknowledge, with appreciation of the honor, my acceptance of the commission.

I am sorry that I shall have to begin so soon, by calling attention to what is evidently a mistake on the part of our Grand Regent. I notice that three members of the Executive Committee are appointed from the passive membership of the Fraternity, while only two are from the active membership. On the other hand, Art X, Sec. II, of the Constitution provides that, "*three (3) of whom (of the five members of the Executive Committee) shall be appointed from the number of active members of the Fraternity, the remaining two (2) from the passive membership of the Fraternity.*" I have already called the Grand Regent's attention to the matter, and I presume the mistake will be rectified in the same number of "The Mask" in which this appears.

That the duties of this Committee may be understood by each member of the Committee, whom I address specifically, as well as by the whole Fraternity. I call attention to Sec. III, of Art. X, of the Constitution, which reads:

“The duties of the Executive Committee shall be those of an advisory nature when the Grand Council is in adjournment; it being consulted by the officers of the Council and of the Chapters on matters of moment arising during adjournment of the Grand Council. Furthermore, between the meetings of the Council, *it may assume such prerogatives as the Grand Council has; and may act in its stead, thus becoming, virtually, the legislative, judicial, and executive body of the Fraternity for the time being.*

You will note that this Committee shall assume, at proper times, virtually, supreme control of the Fraternity. The Executive Committee, during adjournment of the Grand Council, is made the supreme appellate body. But it is not only a court of appeal: you may originate *ab initio* any legislative enactment, judicial interpretation, or executive mandate, provided it stands always within the limits of the Constitution which created it. It is subject to reversal only by the Grand Council itself, in session assembled, to which body alone it is responsible for its actions.

Need I say anything more to impress upon you the supreme responsibility, as well as the supreme power, which is vested in you as a member of this Committee? I may only call upon you with all of the fervor at my command, to see to it that every official act of yours be actuated by the purest of motives, be based upon the sanest reasoning, be framed in a judicial rectitude of understanding, and be carried into effect with the firmest decision always to do the very best, to be just to all, and favor none.

It may possibly be that not a single question will come before this Committee for consideration. On the other hand, we may have many important points before us. Therefore, it has seemed wise to draw up certain *Committee Rules*, which will be our method of procedure in the event of any matter coming within our jurisdiction.

1. The Chairman of the Committee shall be its Secretary.
2. Each member of the Committee shall furnish the Chairman with his address at which any communication will reach him most promptly; and during college vacations the undergraduate members of the Committee will be especially careful to forward their temporary addresses.

3. Three members of the Committee shall constitute a majority in the case of any vote, opinion, ruling, decision, or mandate of this Committee; and three concurrent votes are the least number that can carry the will of the Committee.

4. Should the opinion of any one or two members of the Committee dissent from the majority opinion of the Committee, these dissenting members will be noted in the report as dissenting.

5. Any member of the Committee may bring before the Committee any matter, by communicating the subject to the Chairman.

6. Should any matter be placed with the Chairman for the opinion, ruling, decision, adjudication, or order of the Committee; or should the Chairman of the Committee desire to lay before it any matter originating in the Committee; the Chairman will address identical copies to each member of the Committee, setting forth all the facts at his command in the question at issue, and ask of each member of the Committee an opinion in the premises.

7. Each member of the Committee shall return to the Chairman, within as brief a time as may be, his opinion upon the case as submitted.

8. Should any member, or two members, of the Committee delay sending in his opinion, and the three remaining opinions agree in the issue, the Chairman may disregard the one or two delinquent reports, they being in all events unessential to the report, three opinions already concurring.

9. The Chairman shall collate the opinions of the members of the Committee, and prepare a report, and render a decision in accord with the will of the majority of the Committee, as above set forth.

10. The Chairman shall preserve the opinion of each committeeman in each issue submitted to it, together with a copy of the final report and decision of the Committee; and he shall file them with the Secretary of the Fraternity, together with the Committee's report for the year, at the next succeeding meeting of the Grand Council.

11. The Chairman of the Committee shall acquaint that officer, member, or Chapter of the Fraternity appealing to the Committee, its decision, and shall order the execution of the Committee's ruling.

F. H. SMITH, M.D.;

Lewisburg, W. Va.

Chairman Executive Committee.

Chapter Notes.

GAMMA CHAPTER.

It is with a sigh of regret that I take up my pen for the last time in the capacity of assistant editor to "The Mask." I have tried to inform our distant brothers regarding everything of interest happening in our limited domain. I feel that I have done many things which ought not to have been done and left undone many things which should have been done, therefore to my successor will I render this advice: "Go ye and do *otherwise*."

At our last meeting we admitted to the "Agora" three new men, Brothers Ward, Hauffman and Kirkendorf, all of who are prominent men in '07.

On Friday evening occurred our annual election of officers, which resulted as follows: Brother Annis '07, R., Brother Howard Going '07, V. R., Brother Losier '07, Secretary, Brother Brown '07, Treasurer. There was very keen competition for all offices showing that Gamma's youngsters are not only taking active interest in Chapter affairs, but also as a body are men who are capable of filling offices.

Brother "Chick" Ayers is deserving of all congratulations tendered to him. Brother Ayers mounted the dry and dusty water wagon on Oct. 1, 1905, and has never dismounted once during the entire trip even though the frothy seas of Budweiser and bitter Rye gale from Kentucky swept her decks and shattered her masts. It is rumored that Brother "Chick" will enter politics as an exponent of the Prohibition Party on his return to the Green Mountain state.

The annual Ball of Columbia Pharmacy College was held on Wednesday, Feb. 7, in the Grand Central Palace, New York City. At this ball as at all social functions of the College, Kappa Psi men were prominent. Their box was one gorgeous array of fraternity pennants and ribbon. Her ladies were of the fairest type, and no man in the hall could help but be glad that he was, or wish he were a Kappa Psi. The unique feature of the ball was that all

active and passive members of our Fraternity wore a silk band of our colors across his shirt front. This in itself would aid us in selecting from the number of guests the Kappa Psi men who had left the College years ago and had never returned before.

Among the guests of the evening could be seen our own Brother Press Eldridge, Jr., looking like a slueeth as he roundly rated, encouraged, entreated all passive men to grant him the permission to brighten their lives by sending each month one copy of "The Mask." Press said later that he certainly did increase the circulation.

Again I must mention Brother Eldridge's name. At the recent Chapter meeting Brother Eldridge gave the boys a sound talk on paying Chapter and Fraternity dues promptly.

Fraternally yours,

W. J. MAHONEY, '07.

DELTA CHAPTER.

Brother E. L. Bowlus had the pleasure of reading a paper on "*The Evolution of the Cell*" before the University of Maryland Medical Association on Tuesday evening, Jan. 23.

Grand Regent Bowen was with us again this month.

Brother Hill has recently had occasion to go to New York. He is not as green as he looks and fights shy of "gold bricks."

The Grand Council picture is excellent.

The organization of members of all the Departments of the Universities belonging to the Masonic Fraternity into a Club has been completed. Brothers Landers and Coleman being made Vice-President and Treasurer respectfully. This club is known as "The Craftsmen's Club."

Delta Chapter will hold a banquet in the near future, Feb. 13, at the Hotel Belvidere. An excellent menu will be presented and all are expected to have a glorious time.

The annual election of officers for Delta Chapter will be held in the near future and reported in the next issue of "The Mask."

E. L. BOWLUS, '06.

ETA CHAPTER.

Alpha Davy has been out reaping in his harvest, several good men have fallen under his scythe, which means Kappa Psi forever.

Jan. 30 last, Brother Louis E. Boesser gave a smoker to the sons of Psi. T'was a great success. Our host being quite a musician, assisted by Brothers Herring, Holmes and Cunningham; the evening was made delightfully pleasant; troubles went up in smoke and smoke up in music. The only thing which has worried us at all is, if the music reaches the angles there might be some shooting stars.

Yes, Glasspell was there and some one moved he was out of order. How about it, Glasspell?

Scatchard held the time piece while Davy and Foster batted them out.

It really made me feel bad to see Coles and Dear old Louis enjoying themselves and at the same time thinking of the poor unfortunates that had engagements three weeks before the "Won't you come" cards was out.

By the way, I came near forgetting the invitations. They were "simply great." Louis is to be congratulated upon his way of "doing things up Brown." But, should you ask him, the modest Louis will say, "Kappa Psi did it all for me."

To give the affair a sort of a Carnegie light, he presented us all with a souvenir in the shape of a Kappa Psi flag. Everyone joined in extending their gratitude to "Boes," and will never forget his loyalty to Kappa Psi. After our last Frat meeting our boys felt that a little refreshments were needed to hold down their overflowing spirits (?), and straightway they bent their course. They had not traversed very far ere they decided to land and finish the man that had dared to put a restaurant in such a place (before consulting the almighty Zeuss), by eating him out of house and home. It was a large undertaking, but under the leadership of "Kelt" none (faltered). We had tried several different courses, but none seemed

(feasible), until Earl, with his spirit (Lamp) threw light on the subject. The enemy approached, but fell back, as he was Stall (ed) Smith by reinforcements from Wilkes Barre. Hungry as a newly married couple generally are. Our Chapter member Stallsmith and wife on their Honeymoon. The man can tell a blood curdling tale of how K. P. won out.

Quality, not quantity is our motto, but why not both. Don't look at a man's financial standing altogether. Look at his heart, his carriage, and above all his character. You know as well as I, that many a time a good man is thrown into undesirable company. Not from choice; not from pleasure they have associating with them. Why? Because the moneyed man will have nothing to do with him and because misery loves company. Weigh this well in your intellectual scales and put a proper counterpoise. It pleases me more than I can tell to be able to be back with the boys and work for dear old Kappa Psi again.

Fraternally yours,

E. E. SCATCHARD, Sec'y.

“The Influences of the College Fraternity.”

BY F. B. WAGNER.

(Continued from January Number.)

Hostility to fraternities is directed chiefly against the secrecy which surrounds most of them. Nearly all have a secret grip, motto, ritual and passwords. Some keep their publications secret. This feature of mystery has a certain charm. A degree of business privacy is any man's right, and the language of lovers is said to be sweeter because of a little nonsense known only to two. The feature of secrecy has at times been carried far beyond this point; it is evil when it results in Mafia pledges and a blind struggle for undeserved honors. Secrecy for the sake of a secret has to-day been left largely to sophomore clubs or preparatory school “frats.” Most fraternity men prefer the name fraternity to that of secret society.

One may ask, is there need of a national bond between these college homes? It is the national order which works for stability and a set purpose. New branches will be founded resembling the old. By annual conventions delegates meet from many colleges, and the result is eminently democratic and broadening. In alumni catalogs and magazines one reads the record of those who preceded him, successful to-day, prominent perhaps in public life. By an exchange of visits with neighboring Chapters the fraternity man sees that men of other colleges are likewise human. He has a ready introduction through his pin. He need never feel an offishness, a hostility toward the college that rivals his own.

This feeling of kinship is not limited to his own fraternity. To all Greeks he is a marked man. Petty jealousy remembered with a laugh and a handshake. The common sympathy of "all Greeks" is proved in daily life, in travel, in every college review. It is shown in the act of the Alpha Tau Omega Society, which has invited men of any fraternity to describe their common experience.

As this paragraph is written, the writer looks from the summit of a peak in the White Mountains of New Hampshire. A trail, blazed by many a traveler marks and makes easy an ascent through forest and snow. College life is a climb. A freshman may find rocks, ravines and underbrush. He may waste steps alone. Fraternity life is a blazed trail, leading him to one peak or to another. Men who preceded him have chosen their path; indicated their standard, provided help along the way. Moreover, a congenial number follows with him. Whatever destination they seek will be reached more surely, more pleasantly. The fraternity hastens evolutions, for good or for bad. It makes work and culture easier, or it can make dissipation and decay more rapid. An institution with such power should be nurtured. Its capacity for good should be developed. The Chapter house at college should be studied as well as Hull House of the slums. It is a permanent and efficient factor in college life, which cannot be supplied by the haphazard of the dormitory and lunch-counter.

The college fraternity is American. It tends to produce an aristocratic socialist. A man can learn through fraternity life the equality of equals, and the welfare of the majority as well as the value of an energetic and favored minority.