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## Conditions Confronting a Professional Fraternity

Few realize the enormous amount of labor required to successfully carry on the work of a professional fraternity, especially a medical and pharmaceutical fraternity such as Kappa Psi; the average man looks at the large chapter roll of an academic fraternity, reads their official magazine, bulky in size, covers just bulging with interesting notes of progress and chapter letters without number, and then wonders why a professional fraternity cannot easily duplicate this condition of affairs.

In the first place, as regards to numbers of chapters; the field that a medical fraternity has to pick from is naturally limited since every college has not a medical or pharmaceutical department, and even some that have are located in towns without clinical facilities, and hence give but two years of the course and send their students to colleges situated in larger cities where the facilities are at hand to finish their work; thus at a glance we find: first, a natural limited field for operation; second, this field reduced considerably by reason of the course being divided as outlined above.

The active members of a professional fraternity are no less enthusiastic for the welfare of their order than are the brothers of the academic fraternity, and they observe all the rules of the game and keep up the traditions of the Greek letter world with as much zeal and pride as do the academic men. The rub comes after the man graduates.

Kappa Psi has felt that her members lose interest as soon as they leave the Chapter house. This in a way is true, but the percentage we believe is small.

The real trouble is not so much lack of interest, but rather *lack of money*. We have always prided ourselves upon the fact that social prestige or personal wealth were not essential qualifications for entrance into Kappa Psi, rather we looked for the good student and the man most likely to carry the honor of the fraternity with him when he was pointed out as a prize winner at commencement. Thus, to a large extent, the members of Kappa Psi (and I have no doubt the same applies to other professional fraternities) are men of limited means, and in a great many cases men who are working their way through college, a laudible condition which Kappa Psi applauds and encourages. When he graduates and begins to practice medicine *every penny counts*, patients are slow in coming, for there is unfortunately more or less prejudice against the "young doctor," and even when a few patients are secured the payment of bills are most tardy, for the doctor can wait while the butcher or grocer cannot if ones credit is to be maintained. Thus we find the young doctor for the first two or three years confronted with the vexing problem of "all going out and nothing coming in," and it was this condition of affairs that prompted the Grand Council a few years ago to remove the Per Chapter Tax on passive men. The man has not lost interest in his fraternity, but for the time being every dollar counts, and he cannot spare the time or money to show his loyalty as can the graduate of the academic fraternity, who usually enters upon a business career which assures him a weekly salary from the beginning.

The pharmaceutical end bears out the preceding statement. Graduates from pharmacy colleges usually start right in at a stipulated salary—no uncertainties for them, but an assured income from the start such as the academic man enjoys; thus we find that three-fourths of our list of subscribers to THE MASK are men from chapters located in pharmacy colleges.

Now, a word regarding alumni chapters. Here again we find conditions working for the academic fraternity and against the professional fraternity.

When the alumni chapter of an academic fraternity desires to hold a meeting, the secretary sends out notices to its members knowing that he can count as a rule upon a fairly large attendance, for his men are through with their day's business at five o'clock and the evening is their own. But how about the doctor and the druggist? Both these professions are catering to the public, and are at the beck and call of the people day *and* night. Their time belongs to their patients and customers. The druggist must keep his store open until ten or eleven o'clock at night, and the doctor must be reached any hour in the twenty-four. Is it strange then, that the secretary of an alumni chapter wonders if a quorum will be present at a called meeting?

I have tried briefly to show what disadvantages a professional fraternity has to contend with as regards its active and alumni chapters. We are doing our work quietly, slowly perhaps, but none the less, effectively, and the members of Kappa Psi and all other medical and pharmaceutical fraternities should remember these things when they think perhaps, that their own fraternity is not advancing as rapidly as they should like to see it.

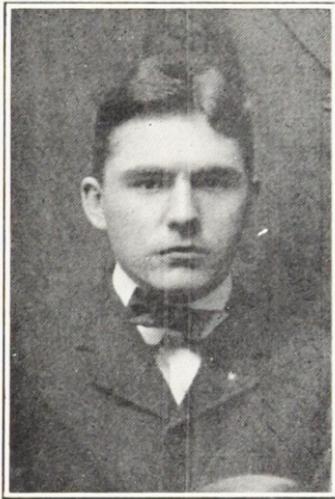
We have ten times more to contend with than the academic fraternities, and yet with all these vexing conditions to overcome, every professional fraternity is to be encouraged in the fight it is making to unite in fraternal bonds members of a chosen profession.

P. E., JR.

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### The Kappa Psi Spirit

**K**eepest a-hustling and a-working  
**A**ll the time for Kappa Psi,  
**P**ut your faith in the Almighty,  
**P**ut your hopes up to the sky,  
**A**sk yourself if you are helping.  
**P**retty soon you'll wonder why  
**S**uch a question needs an answer  
**I**f you love old Kappa Psi.—P. E., JR.



WILLIAM JOSEPH COLEMAN, M.D.



**WILLIAM JOSEPH COLEMAN, M.D.**

Grand Vice-Regent

Chairman of the Legislative Committee

We will resume, with this issue, the short sketches of the lives of those members who are now or have been prominent and active in the interests of our beloved Fraternity.

It was rather a difficult matter to secure the necessary facts for this short article owing to the extreme modesty and reticence of the above named subject, but after our Past Grand Historian had vainly tried and failed, we secured a personal interview, and by well directed questions learned that William Joseph Coleman, first saw the light of day thru the dense, murky fog of old London, England, upon the twenty-first day of February, 1883, in which city he resided with his parents until his ninth year, when the family decided to find fame and fortune in this great U. S. A.

Bro. Coleman received his common school education in the schools of Naugatuck, Conn., graduating from the High School in 1904, and in the fall of the same year we find him enrolled as a student of medicine at the University of Maryland, Baltimore. Here begin the college activities which prepared him for the still greater activities of Kappa Psi Fraternity.

During his Freshman year he was elected President of his class, served as Secretary during his Sophomore year and as Chairman of the Executive Committee in his Senior year.

Was elected President of the Craftsmen Club in his Junior year and re-elected in his Senior year.

Elected Senator of the New England Club and Vice-President of the Musical Club.

His first appearance in the AGORA was made during his Freshman year, and so ardent a worker was he for Delta Chapter that he was elected Regent of his Chapter during his second year in college, an almost unheard of thing in the previous annals of Kappa Psi. That he was not a misfit in this, the highest honor that

can be bestowed by the Chapter, is shown by his being re-elected Regent during his Junior year, thus giving him the unique distinction of being the only person to have served as Regent of his Chapter two successive years.

It was thru his wisdom and energetic work that Delta Chapter was saved to Kappa Psi in the threatening days of 1906, and, by being untiring in his efforts, has brought Delta Chapter to an envious position among the fraternities at the University of Maryland in point of personel and scholarship.

The Grand Council first felt his influence in the Convention held in Baltimore, Md., November, 1906, and again in Philadelphia in 1907, being one of Delta's Delegates to both Conventions.

He served as a Delegate-at-Large in the Convention of 1908, held in Charleston, S. C., and acted as the proxy of the Grand Vice-Regent, Robinette B. Hayes, M.D.

At this Convention he entered the list of Grand Officers by being unanimously elected Grand Vice-Regent, and was also appointed as Chairman of the Legislative Committee shortly thereafter, both positions being held by him at the present time.

After graduation he received the appointment of Resident Surgeon to the University Hospital, Baltimore, Md., and has been reappointed to serve a second year in this position.

He is a member of Theta Nu Epsilon; Shepherd's Lodge, No. 78, F. & A. M. of Naugatuck, Conn.; and of Star of New Haven Lodge, I. O. O. F. M. U.

—G. L. H.

### Medical and Pharmaceutical Statistics and Information

The following facts are taken from the report of the U. S. Commissioner of Education of June 30th, 1908 (vol. 2, p. 772), thru the December Bulletin of the A. Ph. A.:—

Number of Medical Schools in 1906-7,	152
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The first two years in medicine are given in the following five State universities:—North Dakota, Oklahoma, Utah, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

Consolidation of schools occurred in Kansas City, Indianapolis, Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio; Minneapolis and Louisville, Ky.

Number of Students in "Regular" Schools in 1908 was 21,237.

Number of Students in Homeopathic Schools in 1908 was 1,034.

Number of Students in Eclectic and other Schools in 1908 was 516.

Total number, 22,787.

This total was 933 less than the preceding year, and a 4,275 decrease in the last five years. The homeopathic students numbered about one-half as many as they did in 1897, eleven years before.

Total number of Graduates in Medicine was 4,802.

	1875	1885	1895	1905	1908
No. Schools of Pharmacy	14	21	39	67	75
No. Students of Pharmacy	922	1746	3859	4944	5529
No. Graduates in Pharmacy	208	396	1067	1518	1529

Of the 75 Schools of Pharmacy 9 have less than 25 students, 14 have over 100, one has 495. General average about 75.

Ohio has six schools with a total enrollment of 288, Pennsylvania has four schools with a total of 958 students.

Three States have pre-requisite laws for Pharmacists—Pennsylvania, New York and Rhode Island. None have pre-requisite laws for assistants.

Chas. H. La Wall, the Chairman of the Committee on Education and Legislation of the A. Ph. A., reports that "Apparently the high water mark has practically been reached in the number of pharmacy colleges, for the few new ones that have sprung up have been balanced by the consolidation of two old ones in several instances. The number of graduates sent in 1908 by the various colleges thruout the country is very

slightly higher than the number in 1907, and considering that every institution of prominence has made some improvement in its curriculum or increased the number of hours devoted to instruction, it means that there is a gradual and progressive upward movement in the character of the men who are to be the pharmacists of the future, and who are to be the active workers in future colleges, associations and pharmacy board affairs."

The following resume on the legislative activity of last year also appeared in the December Bulletin:

The U. S. Attorney-General rendered the decision that acetphenetidín is an acetanilid derivative, and therefore comes under that classification. The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals decided that misspelled names cannot be registered as names of proprietary remedies.

Florida passed a pharmacy law including the establishment of an annual renewal fee for registration, and raising the application fee to \$15, and eliminated the recognition of a college diploma in lieu of examination.

Massachusetts amended the law to provide for reciprocal registration, and for suspension of registration for violation of the adulteration clause and for habitual use of intoxicants or drugs.

Michigan passed a model cocaine law, and amended the Morphine Act to prohibit the sale by retail pharmacists of morphine in original packages, or in pill or tablet form, except upon the prescription of a physician.

Missouri permits the examination board to accept diplomas of approved schools of pharmacy in lieu of an examination. The courts of this State decided that when a druggist prepares and sells a medicine for a purpose specified by the consumer, he is not guilty of counter prescribing. A Kansas City ordinance forbids entirely the prescribing of cocaine unmixed with other ingredients.

New York passed a law providing for the proper labeling of insecticides, and for the issuing of permits for selling these products at wholesale. New York

City imposed restrictions on druggists regarding the manufacture of compounds and preparations containing explosive or inflammable substances. A New York judge decided that articles sold in grocery stores not intended for medical purposes need not conform to the standards prescribed by the U. S. P.

Oklahoma passed a pharmacy law.

Pennsylvania permits deviation from the standards of the U. S. P. when stated upon the label, excepting such preparations of opium, iodine, camphor, peppermint, etc., as are used for household purposes. A cocaine law affecting wholesalers was also passed.

In Virginia the Attorney-General affirmed the validity of the provision of the Poison Law requiring insecticides to be sold in original packages only.

Washington passed a narcotic law forbidding the sale of cocaine, morphine, etc., to habitues; provided for the revocation of registration certificates for certain violations; made the registration of apprentices obligatory, and requires itinerant peddlers of medicine to take out licenses costing from \$5 to \$25 per month.

Canada passed a law affecting the manufacture of nostrums.

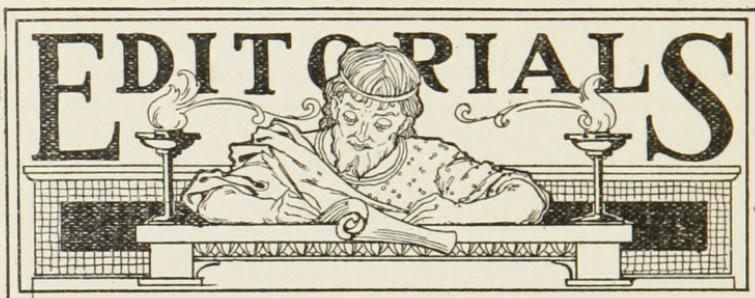
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**M**erry peal of laughter  
**E**choing so merrily,  
**R**evealing a lithsome spirit  
**R**eplete with health and mirth,  
**Y**ule-tide is here, my Brother.

**C**an you be remorse and sad?  
**H**ear the chimes a-ringing,  
**R**inging with joyous tidings,  
**I**n peace and good-will,  
**S**ending forth to every clime  
**T**he message of a hope,  
**M**ajestic, bright, and joyous,  
**A**ll prevading, all embracing  
**S**um of Hearts' Desires.

H. J. G.



Due to the resignation of Brother Ralph S. Johnson, the Grand Historian and Editor, the responsibility of editing the seventh volume of *THE MASK* has been assigned to the members of the New York Alumni Chapter, and we take up the work with all the enthusiasm of the "cub" reporter on his first assignment; not, however, without feelings of the great responsibility thrust upon us, and the knowledge that in order to keep the magazine up to the high standards set by Brother Johnson we must put our best foot forward.

We have set about to make *THE MASK* a thoroughly representative organ of our Grand Order, and we hope that the material and notes that we offer in its pages, together with the editorial policies, will meet with the approval of all our Active and Passive Members, and that they will lend us encouragement and assistance whenever called upon to do so.

*THE MASK*, to be truly representative of the high ideals embodied in the Constitution and initiation of Kappa Psi, has great possibilities, and it will be our aim and endeavor to teach the doctrine of Fraternalism and Brotherly Love, and in every way strive to make the readers of our magazine good Fraternity Men and good Brothers.

The possibilities of this line of endeavor are inexhaustable, and we will gladly welcome suggestions from the Brothers; and the hearty co-operation of all our Members, both Active, Passive and Honorary, is solicited.

We hope to establish a record that will stand for something after the paper has left our hands, and when the next Grand Historian is elected at the coming Convention, it is our earnest wish that we will be able to turn over to him a publication that has a large paid-in subscription list, a goodly number of advertising accounts, and, best of all, a magazine with the *stamp of approval of every member of the Fraternity.*

A great deal of credit is due Brother Johnson for the earnest endeavors and hard work he has given to THE MASK during the tenure of his office. Working under many disadvantages, he has given of his time freely, even to the detriment of his health and business career, and the very fact that he has improved THE MASK wonderfully speaks volumes for his indomitable pluck and that true Kappa Psi spirit that never acknowledges defeat, and we take this means of publically thanking him in the name of the entire Fraternity.

### THE CONVENTION OF 1910

The Committee appointed at the last Grand Council to decide upon the time and place of the next Convention of Kappa Psi held its first meeting at the New Howard House, in Baltimore, Md., on November 27th, 1909. All members being present.

After considerable discussion a motion was passed that "All invitations must be in writing setting forth in detail the plan of entertainment, hotel accommodations, rates, etc., name of railroads touching city

and facilities for handling the business meetings of the Convention."

Owing to the steadily increasing growth of our Chapter Roll, it should make it possible for the committee to receive a goodly number of invitations, and all invitations will receive due consideration, and no decision will be announced until the committee has thoroughly investigated the local conditions of the Chapters who desire the privilege of entertaining the Grand Council, in order that they may be satisfied that the Chapter to whom the Convention is awarded is well prepared to take upon itself the many duties of the host.

All invitations must be submitted on or before February 15th, 1910, and should be addressed to Brother Press Eldridge, Jr., 51 Cedar Place, Yonkers, N. Y., Secretary of Committee.

Announcement of final decision of committee will be published in the April issue of THE MASK.

### "THE AGORA"

After fourteen months of unremitting labor upon the part of Brother Henry J. Goeckel, the compiler and editor, THE AGORA is now ready for distribution. Each Chapter will receive its legal quota of copies for distribution to their Active Members.

Passive Members can secure copies by remitting 75c. to cover expense of publication and postage.

This, the seventh issue of THE AGORA, far surpasses any previous effort, and the book is more complete in every detail than any of its predecessors. Besides containing the name and home address of every Active and Passive Member by Chapters, it also contains an alphabetical list of every Member of the Fraternity. Record of all Past Officers of each Chapter, records of Past Convention, Extract of Important Articles of the Constitution, half-tone engravings of every Officer

of the Grand Council and Convention Delegates, together with many other important details too numerous to mention.

THE AGORA has been completed at a great expense to the Grand Council, and it is the hope of the Grand Officers that the Passive Members will subscribe liberally for copies and thereby produce some little source of revenue to off-set the cost of publication.

The price of THE AGORA has been raised from 50c. to 75c., due to the fact that the constant increasing list of members has made the cost of production much higher than formerly, and it is impossible for the Grand Council to sell the directory at the old price and meet expenses.

In order, however, to increase the circulation of THE MASK, it has been decided that any member sending in a subscription for one year will be entitled to a copy of THE AGORA at the old price of 50c.

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### NOTICE!

The Executive Committee having acted upon the resolution published in the April issue of THE MASK for 1909, and being unanimously in favor of its adoption; I, George L. Holstein, Grand Regent of Kappa Psi Fraternity, do hereby declare the Resolution creating "The MASK Endowment Fund" to be a part of our Constitution, Laws and Regulations, and do hereby appoint Bro. Henry J. Goeckel, P. G. H. and Ed. as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of this fund, and authorize him to receive and credit all moneys paid to him for that purpose. A \$10.00 contribution constituting a Life Subscription, All the Grand Officers constituting the balance of the Board of Trustees of this fund, to serve until their successors have been elected or appointed as may be determined by the Grand Council in convention assembled in Nov., 1910.

## ADVERTISEMENT AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

Despite constant and systematic appeals on our part to the graduate members of Kappa Psi for their financial support in the form of subscriptions and advertisements for THE MASK, the results thus far have been much below our expectations, and if we were at all "faint-hearted" we might have been tempted to give up the fight and rely on the usual percentage of old subscribers and advertisers renewing their subscriptions with only the customary annual reminder from us; but it is quite difficult for us to acknowledge defeat, and, what is more, *we have no intentions of doing so* until we are duly notified that every Kappa Psi graduate is either dead or an inmate of some country poor house.

Let us put the matter up to you squarely. Brother to Brother—man to man.

In the first place we assume that even though you have graduated and are pretty busy in your attempt to establish yourself in your chosen profession, that you still have a warm spot in that heart of yours for your old Fraternity.

In the second place we assume also, that you think THE MASK is a first-class publication, and we *know* it is the only medium through which you can keep in touch with the Kappa Psi world in general and your own Chapter in particular.

In the third place we believe that you have been neglecting to subscribe or advertise purely through thoughtlessness and not through any lack of interest; therefore, assuming that all we have said above is the correct diagnosis of the condition of affairs now existing, we want to impress upon you the importance of prescribing the right stimulant.

It is the *moral duty* of every graduate to support the Fraternity's publication. The cost is mighty small, one dollar a year; just stop and think,  $8\frac{1}{3}$  cents a month. *Is there one among you who cannot afford this sum?*

We do not see how it is possible for anyone with an ounce of Kappa Psi spirit left in them to conscientiously neglect subscribing.

We are not asking your financial support on the plea of poverty. We are doing fairly well, thank you, as it is, but we have many contemplated improvements in mind, and we know THE MASK can stand improvements, for there is nothing yet in the publication line that we have seen that we could call absolutely perfect; and we do not feel like calling upon the Grand Council for funds to make those improvements if it is possible to secure the same from the Graduate Members. Kappa Psi has made wonderful strides in the last few years, and the end is not yet in sight. THE MASK, however, must also keep up with the growth of the Fraternity if it is to be of any value at all to its members, and while we feel that every issue published has been an improvement over its predecessor, still we are not satisfied to sit back and talk of past accomplishments; rather it is our desire to keep abreast of the times and offer our readers a magazine of which they may be justly proud.

In order to work out this plan of improvement, it means a larger expenditure, and it is to the Graduate Members we have to look for the sinews of war; in plain words *we must have more subscribers and advertisers*, otherwise we see the natural growth of the magazine retarded, and that practically means death to our ambitions to put THE MASK on a par with any other fraternity publication.

One dollar a year from five hundred Graduates means \$500.00 towards the improvement of your official paper. You will not miss one dollar, and we *will* give you your money's worth; and then think of *our feelings*. It would be a pleasure for us to know that the work we are putting in and the time expended is meeting with the hearty approval of a good proportion of Kappa Psi Graduates all over these great United States, *and we can stand a whole lot of encouragement*.

We have tried to make it plain to you that our ambition is to improve THE MASK and reawaken your

interest in Kappa Psi. By mailing your subscription to the Business Manager you can prove to us that you are willing to be convinced that the old Kappa Psi spirit is still alive in your heart. The only difficulty then is to get you safely over the habit of "putting it off," and this can be overcome by acting while "the spirit moves you." In plain English, "*DO IT NOW.*"





## ALPHA CHAPTER

Lebanon, Pa.

Dec. 24th, 1909.

Dear Brothers in Kappa Psi:—For some time past I and my fellow-Grand Officers, members of the committee which will decide upon the place for holding our next convention of the Grand Council, have been considering the subject, and at a meeting held recently in Baltimore, Md., we decided to ask for “bids” for the privilege of entertaining the Grand Council. It must not be forgotten that only such chapters as have not already had this privilege will be entitled to recognition by this committee.

The time and place will be announced by the committee in the April issue of *THE MASK*, and the successful chapter will be notified immediately after a decision has been reached.

On the occasion of the meeting of the Grand Officers, an impromptu Grand Visitation to Delta Chapter took place, and Bro. Eldridge, G. S. and T., delivered himself of a considerable amount of eloquence, which was readily absorbed by the members present. \*

I called attention to the fact that there is a regular form prescribed by the constitution for the suspension and expulsion of members, and that unless this form is strictly followed the fraternity renders itself liable to a suit for damages. I therefore expunged from the

\* Brother Holstein finished a close second.—Ed.

minutes of Delta Chapter that portion which conflicted with the constitution. I mention this matter so that other chapters may take warning and act more carefully in such affairs.

My earnest recommendation is that when such a course seems absolutely necessary, suspend first, and then proceed to expel if more advisable that such course be essential, but always in the form prescribed by our constitution, because it is the *only legal manner* and because it is absolutely *just* to all concerned.

Both Delta and Sigma Chapter are working in harmony toward securing a chapter house, and the main purpose of our visit to Baltimore has already proved our trip a success for Kappa Psi.

Now we are about to do the work that will count, so everybody help to boost.

Fraternally your Grand Regent,  
 GEORGE L. HOLSTEIN.

## GAMMA CHAPTER

Columbia University, New York

It is a little late to wish you a Merry Christmas, but Gamma wishes to extend to all the "boys" a very Happy New Year, and of all the blessings of the year may Kappa Psi have her share.

Since the last issue of *THE MASK* things have progressed rapidly with us. The freshman class this year is large and promising and we have added to our ranks some very fine fellows, who are a credit to their class and to Gamma. Among the newly initiated brothers are Noble, Branigan, Bradner and Cariffe.

We wish to extend to the Birmingham Alumni Chapter our sincerest congratulations in the step they have taken.

Just received word that the New York Alumni dance comes on Jan. 28th. Many thanks, and I know we will all have a good time, and we hope to turn out

in full force, for from past experiences, we know what a royal good time is to be had at these dances. The College Alumni Dance also takes place in January, so our social calendar for the new year is filling up rapidly.

At our initiations we have had the pleasure of receiving visits from some of our Alumni, viz: Brothers Alt, Davis, Goeckel, Duckworth, etc.; but our hall is large and we have room to welcome many more. So come along Brothers Freess, Daniels, Kaufman, Thomas, Cahoon, Malone, Fetterly, Keeler and others—and we will try and make you feel at home.

Fraternally yours,

CHAS. A. McBRIDE, Regent.

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## DELTA CHAPTER

University of Maryland, Baltimore, Md.

Since our last letter we have initiated several new members and the prospects are good for a few more after the holidays, but just now the boys are busy buying Xmas goods, especially for their ladies, whom they expect to see now in a few days.

Kappa Psi is still alive and especially at the University of Maryland, and we have pretty near enough money pledged to make us think that a Frat House is the next coming attraction, and which would be quite a feather in Psi's bonnet.

We enjoyed a visit from Brother Holstein, our Grand Regent, and Brother Eldridge, our Grand Secretary and Treasurer, who attended our meeting on November 27, and neither carried their speeches in their vest pockets but were there with "the goods."

Brother Whim's wife has been sick in the University Hospital for several weeks but is now improving.

With best wishes to all Kappa Psi men,

Fraternally yours,

V. H. McKNIGHT, Historian.

## EPSILON CHAPTER

Maryland Medical College, Baltimore, Md.

Epsilon is very small in numbers this year owing to heavy graduation last June, and also to the fact that some of our men went over to the University of Maryland to complete their work.

Brother Fox has resigned as Regent, and the duties of the office have fallen upon me. We hope to get started in good shape directly after the Christmas holidays, and expect to report good progress and a fine working chapter in the April MASK.

Dr. Josiah S. Bowen, Past Grand Regent, is now a member of the faculty, and has given us lots of encouragement and help.

With best wishes to all chapters for a merry Christmas.

Fraternally,

W. F. BECKNER, Regent.

## ETA CHAPTER

Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, Pa.

Have just received the October issue of THE MASK, and, as usual, was much interested in its various letters and contributions, especially the one on page 43, "How to Write a Chapter Letter," from "Piedmont, Kappa Alpha." It contains good, sound advice and common sense, and in going over the chapter letters I noticed it hits a number of the writers pretty hard—the secretary of Eta not excepted.

Even though we cannot make the letters as long as some of the previous ones, we must acknowledge it good form to make them interesting to Kappa Psi Fraternity as a whole and not any one particular chapter.

Eta has had fine meetings so far, and has had remarkable attendance. Two men, Henrie, '10, and Wurster, '11, have become Knights of Kappa Psi. Several men have been pledged and will come in after the holidays.

It might be of interest to some to know how we have started our Fraternity House Fund. Last spring we decided that each man should pay dues during the summer at the rate of 25 cents a week. This money to go towards starting a "frat." house this fall. It amounted to about \$6.50 apiece for the entire summer. Owing to some men failing to pay we found the sum collected to be insufficient. After much discussion we decided to keep what money we had collected, and inserted an article into the by-laws which reads:—"Each member of this Chapter shall pay the sum of \$6.50—the equivalent of one summer's dues—to go towards a fund for a fraternity house. This sum is to be paid by giving a note for said amount, payable one year from date of initiation."

We figure that with this article in the by-laws we will have a steady income, which, after the house has been started, will help greatly toward its maintenance.

Our smoker, held on November 3d, at Mosebach's Grotto, was a success in every feature. We played euchre, had refreshments, and were entertained and well pleased by a number of impromptu addresses by the Active and Passive men, and also by some of our guests.

An inter-class dance was held on December 1st at Lulu Temple. The number of Kappa Psi men present made it evident that Eta is as active in social matters as in other things.

At present everyone is studying hard for the mid-year exams., and it is a pleasure to note that the true fraternal spirit is shown, for the fellows are helping one another to the best of their ability.

There are usually a number of Passive men at our meetings. We are always glad to see them, and certainly profit by their advice.

Brother Moeschline, '09, is back at college taking special chemistry.

We are extremely sorry to report the death of Brother E. K. Weiss, Eta, '09. Resolutions of condolence were sent to his family, a copy of which is herewith given for publication.

Resolutions on the death of Brother Earl K. Weiss, of Providence, R. I., member of Eta Chapter, Kappa Psi Fraternity, of the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, Class of 1909:

“Whereas, it has pleased God in His allwise and infinite providence to remove from our midst our esteemed and beloved brother, Earl K. Weiss, who by his amiable personal qualities and brotherly love endeared himself to all, therefore be it

“Resolved, that, although we are heartily sorry in the loss of our dear brother, we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well.

“Resolved, that our most sincere, heartfelt sympathy be extended to the bereaved family in this hour of sadness, assuring them that the departed one is not forgotten by his brothers who extend to them their deepest sympathy.

“Resolved, that this testimonial of our sorrow be forwarded to the bereaved family of our beloved brother; also to be published in the Alumni's Report and THE MASK, and to be recorded on the minutes of our chapter records.”

ARTHUR C. HENRIE, }  
 CHARLES L. HORN, } Committee.  
 JOHN M. EMLET, }

Trusting that this issue will find everyone safely past the mid-year examinations, Eta wishes you a prosperous and successful New Year.

Fraternally yours,

ROY DECK, Secretary.

### IOTA CHAPTER

University of Alabama, Medical Department, Mobile, Ala.

Of the many things I could say for Kappa Psi and Iota Chapter, I am taxed to my utmost to know which may be worthy of consideration. The realization that a few paces from the classic world into that in which the student expresses the facts, as nearly in “book words” as he can, gained through the labors of his pre-

decessors, though the laws of the Creator since the beginning takes from one whatever ability he might have had in former days of expressing original thoughts in his own words, weighs heavily upon me. However, I have some conception of fraternalism, though my power of expression be in the negative.

I wonder how often in our regular sessions some brother, gifted with the power of speech and with an intelligence able to supply this art with words fit to be spoken, delves into the principles of real fraternalism and lays bare such truths as will guide his less thoughtful brother, not only through our college fraternity, but so fix him in principle that he will be a useful fraternity man throughout life.

Each man's life is a letter in a great word that means fraternity. Therefore, it behoves every brother to get all out of Kappa Psi that tends to make his life a conspicuous letter in this great word. And who wants to be beneficiary to an endowment for which he pays no premium? Surely every receiver should in turn become a giver. It is every brother's duty to give thought as well as action to the fraternity, and to the uplifting of every other brother, and thought that will count, thought that stands for something.

In order to be a successful fraternity man one should not confine his loyalty solely to his immediate brothers. He should use this loyalty as a ladle with which to measure out manliness to those with whom he is associated. We all admit that a doctor's success depends largely upon his ability to wield an influence in his community; in other words, to "manage his patronage." Our fraternity should be a training toward this end. Therefore, we should use the knowledge of effective affiliation, gained through the avenues offered by Kappa Psi to get into the souls of our brothers, as means of making ourselves agreeable with everybody.

Fraternalism should not, and real Fraternalism will not, narrow our association, limit our friendship, nor in the least cause us to be benevolent to a few and indifferent to many. Suppose we strive harder to be real brothers in Kappi Psi and true friends to every

body. It is not the intention of fraternalism to develop selfishness, yet there of necessity exist a stronger feeling for our fellows than for others.

Iota is a success in every sense of the word this year. We have swelled our ranks with fourteen new men, all good material. Our class work is satisfactory and we mean to maintain our precedence of surmounting difficulties and warding off failures.

Our smoker was a decided success. Dr. Toulmin Gaines, Professor of Dermatology, served as an efficient toastmaster. As guests of honor among the orators of the occasion were Drs. H. A. Moody, S. F. Hale, and H. P. Cole. The speakers of the local chapter were L. M. Walker, "Dick" Rincher, H. C. Chambers, A. M. Walker, and Ralph C. Williams.

With best wishes to the good of the order and all brothers in Kappa Psi, I am,

Fraternally yours,

A. D. COWLES,  
Historian.

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## KAPPA CHAPTER

Birmingham Medical College, Birmingham, Ala.

A merry Xmas to all of you, fellows, and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Kappa Chapter is now on the boom holding regular meetings in Knights of Columbus Hall.

In addition to our old Brothers we have taken in several new men, making a total of about thirty members now in all.

We are glad to report an Alumni Chapter of Kappa Psi, which is the only one in the South.

We were not as successful this year as in the last two years, in that we failed to elect the president of Senior Class, but hope to fare better next time.

It affords us great pleasure to have with us Dr. Bliss, formerly of Tau Chapter, but now a member of Faculty of Birmingham Medical College.

Kappa held a rousing meeting last Thursday night, and all members decided to do everything in their

power to secure the 1910 National Convention, and trust that this will meet the approval of all the other chapters.

We are glad to have Brother Hughes with us, whom we thought we had lost to Omicron.

Fraternally yours,

J. L. JORDAN, Secretary.

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### LAMBDA CHAPTER

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

We are very sorry indeed to know of the poor health of "Mother" Johnson and trust that he will soon be back to old form again. Our Annual Thanksgiving Dance was enjoyed by all and "we didn't go home till morning."

When an auto won't run—well it won't—so Foster and Ramsay, after making the air blue for miles around, proceeded to try the pedestrian method of getting back home one night last month. They have about recovered now.

Intermediate exams. are on and no trouble to see here and there a bunch of boys discussing the liability of getting past this or that question.

Christmas holidays are in the near future, and then back home for the big bronze turkey and famous country ham, not to say anything about the girl you left behind.

Do you ever et?

Brother McGahey, Past Regent of Kappa, was with us Thanksgiving, also some of your old men were here—Brothers Austin, Cleveland, McNeely, Morris, H. Wright and Norman the "Ladies' Man."

Wishing all the members of Kappa Psi a happy and prosperous new year.

Fraternally,

J. B. WRIGHT, Secretary.

## MU CHAPTER

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Boston, Mass.

With the opening of the college year of 1909-1910, Mu Chapter set itself about to get the best available men of the Junior Class for Kappa Psi, eager to bring into our ranks the leaders in scholarship as well as the men prominent through personal popularity. Realizing that the high standards set by the "Kappa Psi Spirit" must be met and conformed to, Mu men were anxious to get men who would reflect credit upon the National organization and upon the Bay State chapter.

Our efforts in this regard have met with much success, and in our first two initiations we brought into the mysteries of THE AGORA a half dozen youngsters, the cream of the Junior Class. By the time this communication is printed in THE MASK we will also have added to our number the president of the Class of '11.

Our hustling treasurer, Brother Breen, still keeps us alive with the doings of the convention and brings home to each man personally the necessity of living up to, in strict detail, the features set forth at Charleston. Breen feels, and rightly too, that every man in Kappa Psi, active and passive, should strive to keep alive the principles of our organization and to make our Order the leading institution of its kind in the country. With the spirit which Breen is infusing into the Mu Chapter boys, success in this branch is assured.

We will not attempt to say that the exhortations of our brother Breen are not necessary—not by any means. With one or two others of the older men he is still hustling, a hard and earnest worker for the cause of Kappa Psi; but amongst us we have some who are slightly slothful, good fellows all, but inclined to "let the other fellow do it." It is not our intention at this time to hold Mu Chapter up to the ridicule of the other chapters of Kappa Psi—that would be a grievous mistake. We intend only, in bringing our local men who have fallen behind in interest, up to the standard, to show other chapters who may have the same conditions

existing, that the good of our order demands that the exact standing of each local be known throughout the entire membership of Kappa Psi.

In the October issue of THE MASK reference was made to the fact that the chapter letters are too local in character. This is only too true a fact, and in setting forth conditions in Mu, we simply intend to let all know that our hustlers who are the mainstay of the chapter, feel loyal to the entire organization as well as to our local branch. Mu has come to stay in Massachusetts, and as Breen says, "If I have to be the whole chapter myself, our charter will never leave Boston." That is the spirit to show, and that is the spirit which every man in Mu must show before we will be satisfied. If our sister chapters which have passed out of existence could only have had a man of the type of Fred Breen hustling for them, we fully believe that any and all internal dissension could be wiped away without the abolition of their chapter.

Realizing that co-operation is the first essential for success in any and every enterprise, we are striving to bring home to every Mu man the desirability of constant application. Without any idea of humiliating any man or any men, we feel that it is better to let all realize just what the exact state of affairs is. Coming through the columns of THE MASK, which every man peruses with much interest, a little jolt will do any delinquent a world of good, and as THE MASK is the medium of all Kappa Psi we hope that any man in any chapter who is not fully up to his duty will "take a tumble," to use a little slang.

With Christmas cheer in the hearts of all, Mu Chapter is on the road to a small amount of legitimate enjoyment, and Brother Gilbride, the chairman of our entertainment committee, is on the job hustling about to cater to the wants of our men.

The Hotel Napoli is the Mecca of Mu Chapter men after meetings and initiations, and the "Spaghett" ala Napoli is all the rage after a strenuous hustle with the goat.

It is a most noticeable fact that our little brother, Meehan, is the leading man when it comes to spaghetti. Meehan will punish plate after plate of the delightful, stringy stuff, and then yell for more. Eh, Mee?

When you get Doc Sweeney, Past Regent of Zeta Chapter; Fred Breen, our treasurer; Bill Doherty, our first Regent, and Murphy, the present leader, sitting in the quiet seclusion of Doherty's private office—that is real solace. Older Kappa Psi men will remember Sweeney at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C., and they can realize what those evenings mean to our boys.

We are about to hammer that Alumni Chapter down the throats of a few of the Passive men to get the thing going, and our quiet worker, Arthur W. Scott, Ph.C., is on the job.

Let us say that we deeply regret the resignation of our past secretary, Scotty, but know that McCormick will be on the job for the best interests of Kappa Psi.

We suppose that all our men will be pleased when they see Kappa Psi's photo on the wall.

If we didn't say something about Mesquita he would get sore, so we will just mention him and say, "What Tay?"

"Bob" McKeogh was high man in the Senior Pharmacy Exam., and we are glad to say that although "Bob" was the only man in the class to pass the 75% mark, every Mu man in the class got by. When 50% of the class flunked one can realize what a hummer the examination was.

Brother Barone, from the "Dearo," is authority on Italian delicate dishes. Henry promised to rig up something to take the place of the delicious spaghetti, but we are still waiting.

Somebody said that she knows Mesquita's real name now. Too bad, John.

For a fellow without much practical experience in pharmacy, Hemmen is certainly the goods.

We are sorry not to see Adcock around amongst us a little more this year.

The sympathy of Kappa Psi goes out to Miss Heyer, in the recent loss of her sister.

In the acquisition of D. J. Smith, we add to our family the third of that name.

We want to see a little more of McTaggart at the meetings. Mac is a fraternity man of sound judgment, and his suggestions and ideas are worth much. Come out with them, old man!

Here's to our new members: May they always be true to Kappa Psi.

Fraternally,

JOHN J. MURPHY, Regent.

HARRY B. McCORMICK, Secretary.

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## NU CHAPTER

Medical College of South Carolina, Charleston, S. C.

Nu Chapter is very sorry to hear of Brother Johnson's resignation as editor of THE MASK, and we also wish to express our thanks to the New York Alumni Chapter for taking up Brother Johnson's work.

We introduce to the fraternity at large, Brothers Hill, Crawford, Mealy, Huggins, Munnerylyn and Monroe. We have at least four good men pledged to join us after Christmas, and are working on several others. It looks from the present standpoint that we will have a good membership, when the college year closes.

We have a few of our Passive members up to the meetings but would like to see more. We are trying to make our meetings as attractive as possible and have one or two candidates at every meeting, so I think the "vets" would not be sorry if they came. They will

find the hall changed somewhat too, and it is in better shape now than ever before.

We are going to work hard to have a banquet just before the term closes, and, if successful, will try to make it an annual event. We are also thinking about a dance, but believe that the banquet has the preference with most of the boys. Here's hoping we get both.

January 1st is near at hand. This date marks the turning point to those of us who expect to finish this year, for we realize that it will be a hard steady drive all the way and the suspense as we imagine it must be awful.

Our college is deserted at present except for "Old Moses," the janitor, all of the students being on their Xmas vacation, consequently it is hard to gather material to write. We hope to have a more respectable letter for the next issue.

Hoping all Brothers will have a merry Xmas and happy and prosperous New Year. Fraternaly,  
J. M. DUNCAN, Historian.

## XI CHAPTER

\* University of West Virginia, Morgantown, W. Va.

Prospects for the best year in the history of XI Chapter are very bright. We started the school year with only six men, but these men were energetic workers and in just a short while we had increased our number to ten. We now have three or four men who will come in after the first of the year. This gives us more men than we had last year, we have our house and our men are just running over with enthusiasm.

Financially we are in excellent condition. Altho we have been to a great amount of expense this fall on account of just starting into our house, we now have all our debts paid and some money in the treasury. This is a very good report, when you consider that we only had three men in the house when we ought to have had eight. Some of our men had their rent paid up until the first of the year, and this made it impossible for them to move. But through all this we have come

out with flying colors without even a special assessment. All our men are hard at work "cramming" for the midterm exams. which come off next week.

Yours fraternally,

S. J. MORRIS, Sec. and Hist.

## OMICRON CHAPTER

University of Nashville, Nashville, Tenn.

We are now comfortably located in our new Chapter House, which is more desirable than our former home as it is only a short distance from the college. Some of our men are rooming in the Chapter House and others have signified their intention of moving there at an early date.

We are all pleased with the union of the Medical Departments of the University of Nashville and the University of Tennessee, and the students of both institutions feel that they have been peculiarly benefitted by the combination. The Juniors and Seniors are enjoying unexcelled hospital advantages at the new Tennessee Hospital on Broad Street.

Our Charter has been recently so amended that the old students of the University of Tennessee may be received into the Omicron Chapter of Kappa Psi.

Although our boys are very conservative in their selection of new men, we have initiated this year into the mysteries of Kappa Psi three new men: Brothers Luther Davis, M. W. Talbott and W. A. Thomas. These men are all good students, jolly fellows and seem already to be thoroughly endowed with the Kappa Psi spirit. There is yet a great field for work in our college.

We have had two dances this year, both of which were very enjoyable and successful in every respect. The most charming features of each evening were the young ladies.

On November 13th, the Chapter went into the regular annual election of officers with the following results: G. F. Aycock, Regent; D. C. McLean, Vice-

Regent; D. T. Turnipseed, Secretary; J. G. Thomas, Treasurer; Luther Davis, Historian. They were duly installed at the last regular meeting.

We feel that we are indeed very fortunate in having located in the same city with us the Lambda Chapter of Kappa Psi of Vanderbilt University. We are often favored by having some of their members present at our regular meetings and socials. We have profitted very much from our association with them, their counsel and valuable suggestions.

There is in our Chapter a splendid spirit of enthusiasm and harmony, which is so essential to the success of any organization. Every member is eager to sacrifice his personal pleasure or opinion to that of the majority of the Chapter.

Fraternally yours,

LUTHER DAVIS, Historian.

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## PI CHAPTER

Tulane University, New Orleans, La.

As days glide by Yule time draws near, with many pleasant thoughts for those of us who are expecting a trip home or elsewhere during the holidays. While we pack our trunk for the trip, in our imagination we can hear Xmas bells ringing, and as we gaze in the fire we can see "that face" in its classical oval, with those ringlets fluttering free. Then comes the unpleasant (?) thought of our having to return and resume old duties. But then, who among us is there who is not anxious to get back when he recalls that a Banquet has been scheduled for January 8, 1910. (Why not start the New Year right?) Since our last letter we have initiated two fine fellows—Bros. Victor M. Johnson and Gaylord F. McLeod, both from Mississippi. The Tulane Football Team plays a game of football in Havana, Cuba, during the holidays. Brother McLeod is one of the members of the Tulane team. Brother Foster Johnson, who has had a rather successful year on the gridiron, decided that he did



Charter members, there are with us now four men from Xi, two from Delta, one from Gamma and one from Rho, who have with their experience, added materially to the strength of Sigma.

On November 4th we initiated three good men: Brothers Hunter and Schillenberger from W. Virginia and Brother Powers from Canada. Brother Hunter is at present resident in the Children's Hospital and is picked as a medal man by everyone.

We have a number of good men picked out, and on November 15th held a smoker in Progress Hall for their benefit, and hope to be able to report next time some more new Knights of Psi.

The Brothers of Delta have shown much interest in Sigma and have proved in their willingness to help us their true fraternal spirit. It may not be long until the Kappa Psi's of Baltimore will have a house that will be a credit to the Fraternity at large, and especially to Delta and Sigma. We must get busy.

Finally, I wish to report that we have the Kappa Psi spirit bubbling over all the time, and that our prospects for a successful year are very bright.

Yours Fraternally,

CLAUDE V. GAUTIER, Historian.

### UPSILON CHAPTER

Louisville College of Pharmacy, Louisville, Ky.

With the first semester near an end Upsilon is reporting a very prosperous year.

Large classes have been the idea of the College for many years and this year has surpassed all records. The senior class is the largest in the history of the institution.

While Upsilon has only a small membership at present it is growing very rapidly, and a movement is afoot whereby a large number of Juniors will be taken in after the first of the year.

Hoping that all Chapters of Kappa Psi are meeting with the success that Upsilon is, I am,

Yours fraternally,

PETER B. SMITH, Secretary and Historian.

# Alumni Chapters

## PHILADELPHIA ALUMNI

Philadelphia, Pa.

Philadelphia Alumni Chapter has, unfortunately, had only one meeting this year so far, but we have expectations of making up for lost time after the holidays. Plans are on foot for a smoker—the first meeting in January. This will, undoubtedly, get all the fellows together and their interest in dear old Kappa Psi revived, so that we can start off the new year with a vengeance. I regret that we are unable to announce definitely the time and the place for our smoker, so that some of the New York Alumni men and others can make plans to be with us; but if any of you are in our good old City of Brotherly Love at any time, do not forget there is always a peg left for you on our hat-rack, and that the latch string of our future Chapter house will be always out for you.

Here's for a happy and prosperous New Year to all of Kappa Psi and to all our Brothers wherever they may be.

Very fraternally yours,

RICHARD W. CUTHBERT, JR.,  
Regent.

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## NEW YORK ALUMNI

New York City

The members of the New York Alumni Chapter were indeed sorry to learn of Brother Johnson's resignation as Grand Editor, for we appreciated all he had accomplished in making THE MASK a much improved magazine, and we would have enjoyed seeing him remain in harness for the balance of his term of office; however, we feel that he knows his own affairs better than we do, and we take consolation in the fact

that he still retains an active interest in the paper by consenting to act as one of the Associate Editors.

Brother Holstein, our Grand Regent, has honored the New York Alumni Chapter by appointing us to fill the vacancy created by Brother Johnson's resignation; we have taken up the work and hope that the Fraternity at large will be pleased with our maiden efforts and encourage us as much as possible.

At this writing we are busy making plans for our Third Annual Dance, which will be held at "The Tuxedo," Madison Avenue and 59th Street, on January 28th, 1910.

The Entertainment Committee, composed of Brothers Eldridge, Duckworth, Goeckel, Freess and Von Wedel report that they expect the largest attendance we have ever had, and assure us that the arrangements for the comfort and pleasure of ourselves and guests will be fully up to the standard set by our other affairs; this being the case the success of the dance is already assured, so all you Passive Members remember the date and be on hand with the lady of your choice and prepare to enjoy a real good Kappa Psi time.

Someone has kidnapped Brother Pfaff. He was appointed chairman of a committee to arrange for an informal dinner, and since then no one has seen or heard from him. Brother Nielson, our Regent, threatens to get out a search warrant.

We enjoyed visits this fall from Brothers Rugg and Holton of Portland, Me., and Brother Wm. F. Clark of Burton, W. Va. Brother Clark was the Charter Regent of Delta Chapter. Brother Ramsay, the Treasurer of Lambda Chapter, also looked us up just before he left for Nashville. We were mighty glad to see them all.

Several of our men have taken in Gamma's meetings and are tickled to death with the way the "kids" have taken hold and made the Chapter such a grand success. They are getting in fine material, are not rushing the work and have a good live, healthy, enthusiastic Chapter.

**BALTIMORE ALUMNI****Baltimore, Md.**

After a lengthy vacation the Baltimore Alumni Chapter, Kappa Psi Fraternity, held its meeting at the residence of Brother J. Dawson Reeder, but owing to the small membership present the regular order of business was suspended for the evening, and an informal smoker tendered the visiting members by Bro. Reeder, which was highly appreciated and enjoyed by all. Brother Reeder, by the way, is gaining fame as a "Noted Proctologist." Best wishes to him. Bro. Hayes, the promoter and man of industry of this chapter, had to absent himself at a most inopportune time owing to a professional call, much to the regret of the chapter.

Brother Bowen, whose smiling countenance is remembered by all, graced us by his presence, coming all the way from his Mount Washington (the suburb of fashion) home.

Brother Lennan, another member present, stated that he had thrown aside the "Hurry calls for the doctor" just to be with the boys again.

Fraternally, JAS. A. BLACK, Sec'y.

**BIRMINGHAM ALUMNI****Birmingham, Ala.**

At last we have realized our hopes of an Alumni Chapter in Birmingham, Alabama! The Birmingham Alumni Chapter was installed on Thursday evening, October 28th, 1909, and therefore has the distinction of being the first Alumni Chapter of Kappa Psi in the South. Brother Bliss was elected temporary chairman, and nominations for officers were called for.

Bro. J. C. Anthony, M.D., Charter-Regent of Kappa, was elected Regent; Bro. D. S. Moore, M.D., ex-Kappa President of the Class of 1908, Vice-Regent; Bro. J. W. Black, M.D. ("English"), ex-Kappa, though loudly protesting his preference for the "Treasury," was elected Secretary; Bro. Wade Martin, M.D., Past Regent of Kappa, Treasurer; Bro. A. Richard

Bliss, Jr., Ph.G., Ph.C., Phm.D., ex-Gamma and Chairman of the State Extension Committee, Historian; and Bro. I. N. Jones, M.D., ex-Kappa, Chaplain.

The officers were then installed by Bro. R. G. McGahey, Regent of Kappa.

The meeting was held in conjunction with Kappa. There was a larger attendance of enthusiastic active and passive men.

After the installation, Kappa Chapter entertained with a smoker. The room and table were nicely decorated, and the refreshments all that could be desired. Everybody seemed to be enjoying themselves, for we certainly did have a great night.

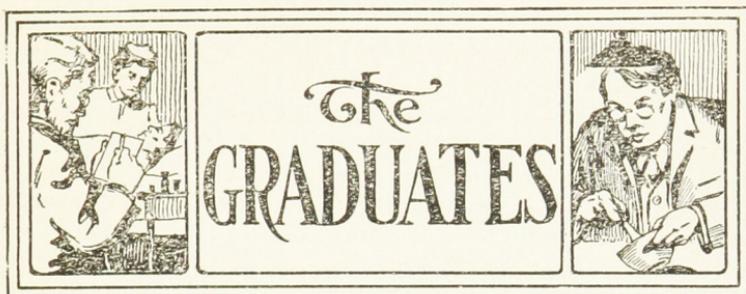
We have eighteen members, as follows:—Bros. J. R. Chandler, I. N. Jones, D. S. Moore, Jr., J. M. Fields, O. R. Sigrest, J. I. Goodwin, W. F. Hamilton, H. B. Armistead, W. A. Lavender, J. W. Black, W. A. Martin, F. W. Harris, J. C. Anthony, A. L. Glenn, and Dr. Farrar, all ex-Kappa; Dr. Woodson, Kappa Honorary; J. S. Norton, ex-Lambda; Wm. C. Gewin, ex-Epsilon; and A. R. Bliss, Jr., ex-Gamma.

The second regular meeting of the Birmingham Alumni Chapter was held on December 2d, 1909, at Magnolia Hall. Matters of great importance were discussed. The outlook for a strong, live Alumni Chapter is great. We want every passive Kappa Psi man in Alabama to communicate with our secretary, Dr. J. W. Black, Ensley, Ala., and join our ranks. We notice that Kappa Chapter bids for the convention. The Birmingham Alumni Chapter will stand behind Kappa and assist as much as it possibly can if the next convention should meet in Birmingham. In fact all the Passive men are anxious to have the convention here.

Our next meeting will be held on January 6th, 1910, at Brother Moore's office. We want every Passive man to be present at this our first meeting in the new year.

With best wishes to all brothers for a Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year, we remain,

Fraternally, A. RICHARD BLISS, JR., Historian.



### BETA

Dr. Seavy Highsmith, '04, is Medical Director for the La Fayette Mutual Life Insurance Co. at Fayetteville, N. C.

Dr. John E. Hughart, '04, writes us from Cliff Top, W. Va., that he still takes much interest in Kappa Psi and is glad to see its rapid growth in such good colleges throughout the country.

### GAMMA

J. E. Thomas is with Fraser & Co., 47th Street and Fifth Ave., New York City.

Thomas Lewis, a Charter Member of Gamma, is located at Red Bank, N. J., where he has a large Pharmacy.

J. Pierce McKowan, '03, has forsaken Booth Bay Harbor, Maine, and is now with the Kalish Pharmacy, 4th Ave. and 23rd Street, New York City.

Fred Meyer, '02, reports that "Bill" Slattery, '05, is the proud papa of "triplets." Congratulations. Brother Slattery can be addressed in care of Bowington's Pharmacy, Syracuse, N. Y.

Harry H. Holton, '04, is with H. H. Hay Sons, Portland, Me., as is also Fredric W. Rugg, '04, Past Grand Historian and Editor, and Wm. Lowell, '06.

A. Richard Bliss, '07, is an instructor at the Birmingham Medical College, Birmingham, Ala.

## DELTA

Dr. Charles D. Gruver, '02, is practising in Stroudsburg, Pa.

Dr. Carson A. Willis, '03, is Company Physician for the Laurel River Steamboat Co., with headquarters at Jennings town, W. Va.

Dr. Josiah S. Bowen, '03, is a member of the faculty of the Maryland Medical College at Baltimore.

Dr. Bedford E. Love, '04, of Roxboro, N. C., writes the Editor of THE MASK to be sure and consider him "one of the boys," renews his subscription for another year and inserts a complimentary card in the magazine—fine work—next!

## ETA

Samuel J. Bannon, '08, has a Pharmacy at Delano, Pa.

David L. Houck, '09, and J. Howard Houck, '05, have a Pharmacy at Indiana, Pa., with an "Auto" business as a side line.

George W. Lord, Jr., '04, is associated with the George W. Lord Company of Philadelphia, Manufacturers of Chemicals.

Fred. H. Harmening, '02, has a new Post Office address: New Haven, Pa., has been made a part of Connellsville.

W. E. Gregory, '07, has opened a new Pharmacy at Port Carbon, Pa., and reports business as "rushing."

Eugene F. Morton, '08, is with the Jenks Wyoming Pharmacy in Philadelphia.

Henry A. Smith, '03, is the proprietor of a new Pharmacy at Union, N. Y., and is ably assisted by Mrs. Smith, who is also "registered."

Percy A. Coles, '07, Past Regent, is in business for himself at Mansfield, Pa. The new "Coles' Pharmacy" is the talk of the town.

Oscar A. Delle, '08, is a member of the Sophomore Class at Medico Chi.

## IOTA

Dr. Gaines C. McCrary, '07, has started a nice practice in Toinette, Ala.

Dr. Wm. A. Sparks, '05, has an office at Chickasaw, Ala.

Dr. Martin L. Tisdale, '07, is persuing his professional duties at Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Dr. Albert W. Pigford, '07, is making his rounds at Meridian, Miss.

Dr. Joseph B. Elliott, '05, is one of our "Constant Readers," and always does his share by subscribing promptly to THE MASK. His address is Moundville, Ala.

## LAMBDA

Grover A. Skoog, '08, is located at Arcadia, La.

George C. Harris, '08, is connected with the Long Brothers Pharmacy in Columbus, Miss.

Nathan A. Long, '08, is in business at Blountville, Tenn.

James S. Norton, '08, B.S., M.D., has established a nice practice in New Castle, Ala.

Earl C. McNeeley is in business at Orlinda, Tenn.

## MU

F. Douglas Salesbury, '09, is employed in a pharmacy in Charlestown, Mass.

Clarence H. Upton, '08, is in business at Salem, Mass.

W. H. Doherty, '08, is a member of the firm of W. H. Doherty & Co., Pharmacists, South Boston, Mass.

## NU

Albert E. Butler, '08, South Carolina, State Chairman of Extension Committee, has been with the Burnham Pharmacy in Charleston since graduating from college.

Edward H. Low, '09, is with the Riley Drug Co., Inc., at Florence, S. C.



## DELTA CHAPTER'S ANNUAL BANQUET

One of the most enjoyable evenings of Delta's existence was spent at the Hotel Carrolton on Thanksgiving Eve, at which time and place was held Delta's Annual Banquet. Thirty-five covers were laid, representing nearly every active member of the Chapter, a few Passive members and a few prospective ones.

Bro. R. D. Reeder acted as toastmaster and spoke of the progress of Kappa Psi in the University of Maryland.

Bro. Gracie, Regent, gave an address of welcome.

During the evening the following Brothers were called upon for speeches :

Bro. M. M. Owensby, M.D., on "A Mistaken Diagnosis."

Bro. Wm. J. Coleman, M D., G.V.R.—"Kappa Psi as it stands to-day."

Bro. R. B. Hayes, M.D.—"History of Kappa Psi."

Bro. G. H. Richards, M.D.—"Fraternity Life."

Bro. J. W. Robertson, M.D.—"Fraternity House."

Bro. M. E. B. Owens—"His Ellicott City Girl."

Bro. A. L. Hyatt—"His Trip to Betterton."

Bro. O. Fisher—"I was never so happy since I was married."

Bro. J. F. Byrne—"His impression of Kappa Psi."

After a few other short addresses from other members we drank a silent toast to Kappa Psi and thus ended an evening that none of us will ever forget.

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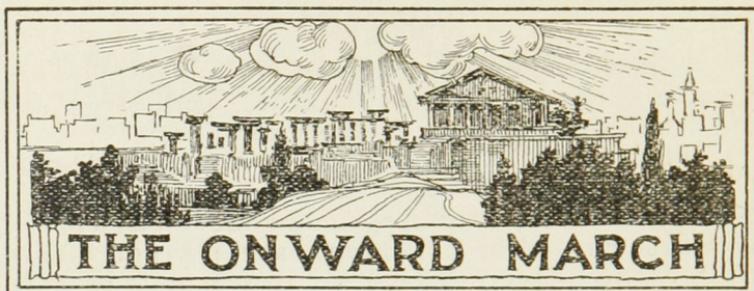
Found—An excellent way of spending a most enjoyable evening at "The Tuxedo," 59th street and Madison avenue, Friday, January 28th, 1910.

The Third Annual Dance of the New York Alumni Chapter can be made the grandest affair ever given in New York if properly supported by the old men in and about the city. The Committee has this year arranged the evening's entertainment so that it will be most pleasing to all who attend. "The Tuxedo" will be recalled by all the men who attended the "convention dance" in New York as the place where a most excellent time was shown to the visiting delegates as well as all local men. We have engaged the suite for the evening and at intermission a very nice luncheon will be served in the dining hall, after which dancing will be continued. Tickets, including admission, wardrobe and luncheon, will be \$3 00 per couple. Further information from Secretary R. Duckworth, 51 West 106th Street. All men kindly answer written notices and report to Secretary as soon as possible, so that the Committee can make all arrangements as to necessary refreshments. Kindly make returns for tickets as soon as possible. Hoping to see you all at the dance,

Fraternally yours,

ROY DUCKWORTH, Secretary,  
New York Alumni Chapter.





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The following is a summary of Exchange publications received during 1909:

Sororities—The Lyre, 2; The Adelpian, 1; To Dragma, 2; Aegis, 1; Alpha Phi Quarterly, 4; Alpha Xi Delta, 3; Eleusis, 4; The Aglaia, 4; The Arrow, 4; The Parchment, 1; Sigma Kappa Triangle, 2; Triangle of S. S. S., 1; Themis, 2; Sorority Hand-book.

General Fraternity—Garnet & White, 5; Palm, 3; Beta Theta Pi, 6; Rainbow, 5; D. U. Quarterly, 4; K. A. (s) Journal, 4; Scroll, 5; Shield of Phi Kappa Psi, 6; Record of S. A. E., 3; Delta, 3; Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal, 4;

Professional Fraternity—Centaur, 3; Delta Chi Quarterly, 3; Desmos, 4; Journal of Omega Upsilon Phi, 1; Phi Beta Theta, 2; Phi Chi Quarterly, 2; Communicator, 1; Theta Xi Quarterly, 1.

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Western members of Delta Tau and Sigma Chi have been worked by a "con-man" representing himself as a member of these fraternities. Don't make up with a man simply because he wears the same pin and can give you the grip. Try him out thoroughly.—*Delta Chi Quarterly.*

Other organizations much less exclusive than college fraternities have most elaborate methods of testing those who claim to be members and they use these methods. Phi Delta Theta has ample tests, but we do not believe that they are employed as universally as they should be, and from the experiences of other fraternities with imposters we are of the opinion that college fraternities as a rule do not observe even the simplest precautions. It is only necessary to suggest to our chapters the importance of testing every stranger. The code tells how it is done.—*Scroll*.

**A. S. S. Brayng.**—Some of our contemporaries are reprinting an item which states that the Anti-Secret Confederation, out of which the Fraternity of Delta Upsilon grew, was the successor of an "Anti-Secret Society," and that the too conspicuous use of the initials of the latter combination was the cause of its undoing. 'Tis a merry jest and it seems almost a pity to spoil it, but there is no truth in the statement. Anti-Secret Confederation was the only name of that organization to which Delta Upsilon is proud to trace its lineage.—*D. U. Quarterly*.

The following data was compiled by six members of the faculty of the University of Missouri showing the relative scholastic standing at their school.

The average of the Greek-letter men as a whole is below that of the non-fraternity men. Failures among fraternity men, 26 per cent.; non-fraternity men, 22 per cent. The Greek-letter girls were reported as 22 points ahead of the non-fraternity women.

At Stanford University in 1908 the total failures among men was 18.3; among women 2.5 per cent., among fraternity men, 28; non-fraternity men in dormitories; 12.5 per cent., failures among non-fraternity women living in dormitories was 3.6; among members of six sororities living in chapter houses, 3.2 per cent.—*The Arrow*

Knocking fraudulent claims to antiquity is just now the order of business in many fraternity journals. Mr. Wm. R. Baird started it in the *Beta Theta Pi* by calling attention to Alpha Sigma Phi claiming their newly established journal *The Tomahawk* as having been established in 1847, the year an annual by that name was issued by the former Alpha Sigma Phi sophomore society of Yale.

Sigma Pi Fraternity seems to have appropriated the name of the Sigma Pi Society of Illinois College, and claiming to have been founded at William and Mary College, Williamsburg, Va., in 1752, and to number Thomas Jefferson, James Madison Monroe, R. H. Lee, Henry Ward Beecher, Robert E. Lee, as well as Wm. J. Bryan as members. To quote Mr. Baird: "as originally stated the claims of this Sigma Pi are incredible. Not only that they are ridiculous."

It is said that the Ku-Klux-Klan of post-bellum days was originally a college fraternity founded at Pulaski, Tenn.

Alpha Epsilon Iota, the oldest and largest of the medical sororities, has recently installed its eleventh chapter at Syracuse.—*The Shield*

Following the literary programme, the presiding officer announced, "Knocks." This is a new one to me.

Immediately the electric light was switched off, and we sat in darkness. The darkness was intended as a merciful provision for the benefit of the knockee. Likewise it enabled the knocker to calmly close his eyes, and in deep concentration and singleness of purpose to proceed *to think out loud!* The way those youngsters proceeded to knock each other was a caution! The knockee had to take his medicine like a man and mentally resolve to reform. I believe they have this sort of a seance about once a year, and every member in turn around the room is knocked by every other member. Freshmen alone were not allowed to knock, but had to take the criticisms of all others. This sort of a session if improperly handled would disrupt any chapter.

But though the criticisms were both direct and full, it was all done so kindly, affectionately, good-naturedly, that however much it may have cut at times there was no resulting ruction. Of course answering back, sarcasms, discussion, explanations would have been fatal. How much good such a session accomplishes I cannot say. I used to know one of the sorority chapters that had such an institution, but so far as my own chapter experience was concerned, while plenty of "knocks" were given, they were usually given privately to the party concerned. One thing is sure, the Fraternity is intended and expected to knock off the rough edges and crudities of the members, sometime during their college course, and turn them into reasonably smooth citizens. Whether a wholesale knocking at one time is better than the slower course of individual suggestions or makes the latter more effective by giving a broadside of collective opinion, I am not sufficiently experienced in the matter to say.—*Delta of Sigma Nu.*

At the meeting of the Religious Education Association next march (1910) at Nashville, Tenn., an attempt will be made to form a Pan-Hellenic Union of all Greek-letter fraternities. S. A. E. at her 1909 convention passed a resolution favoring this and empowering the presiding officer to have the fraternity represented at the conference.—*Rainbow.*

It is so easy nowadays to buy attractive and highly decorative jewelry with a fraternity monogram at all the way from fifty cents to fifty dollars that there is no need of using the official badge as an expression of interest in some friend of the other sex, no matter how superlatively charming she may be. Such gift or loan of an official emblem is unfair to the Fraternity. Who knows where the badge will go? If the rightful owner values it so lightly as to give it away, even for a time, can he expect a non-member to guard it with greater care?

A man is accorded the right to wear the square badge only by the unanimous vote of an active chapter of our Fraternity, followed by an initiation in the exact

form prescribed by law. He is expected to so conduct himself that his daily life, being a fulfilment of his obligations to the Fraternity and its members, is a constant recognition of the privilege he has received. It is utterly unreasonable to allow this man to transfer this badge, absolutely at his own discretion, to some other person who assumes no obligation whatever to the Fraternity, and cannot be controlled in any way by the Fraternity. We are told that a man's fiancée or wife will cherish the badge as he himself does. Allowing even these classes of non-members to wear the emblem of membership would open the door to innumerable complications.

Passing by the possible dilemmas which might arise from the necessity of interpreting the effect of our widely differing state laws on marriage and divorce on a given question of eligibility, let us ponder on the fiancée matter. Shall our Arch Chapter be invoked to determine whether the lady in question is a fiancée, or a near-fiancée, a soul-mate, or merely an affinity; or whether she is only "being a sister" to the ardent brother? It is a good deal simpler and more natural, and better fraternity policy to prohibit by the written law what the spirit of our constitution now does prohibit, the public mistatements, now made every time a non-member wears our insignia of membership.—*Rainbow*.

Iota Tau Sigma is an osteopathy fraternity founded at Kirksville, Mo., in 1902. It has four chapters.—*Beta Theta Phi*.

We want the best possible officers at the head of fraternity work. A study of conditions in any large American city will convince that the best politician does not make the best officer. As the Fraternity grows there will always be aspirants for office. As a general thing their efficiency in office is in inverse ratio to their zeal in getting there. The delegate must distrust advances, whether made by the man himself or by his friends. The best officers do not always have the most enthusiastic followers,—at least before elec-

tion. The delegate must be guided by principles, not personalities.

One of these principles is that *some member of the National Council should be changed each year*. The men who have been through the experience of managing the Fraternity form a strong reserve against emergency. The intimate knowledge of the Fraternity's policy and affairs can be gained in no other way. We need a large group of such men,—not a few,—as the best insurance against shipwreck, the best safe-guard of conservatism, the very best antidote to pernicious politics in the future. Given a Council in which every man is perfectly efficient, at least one of these paragons should be changed each year, that there may be no stagnation; that another man may be put in training and add the gift of his personality to the ability of the rest; that the Council may not lose touch with the younger members of the Order; that the Fraternity may continue to demand unpaid the best efforts of its best men without their enthusiasm being dulled or discouraged by the prospect of interminable effort; that another trained Brother may be set free for work at large in the Brotherhood, which sheer lack of time would prevent his adding to his Council duties; that the Convention may feel responsible for and in vital relations with the Council. It is always so easy to let well enough alone, especially when a Councillor wants to stay on. "Dont hurt his feelings." But the welfare of the Fraternity, the whole group of Brothers, is paramount, and if there is and has been the tradition that at least one Councillor should go out each year, his feelings will not be hurt.

The Brother so relieved from duty should be the Councillor elected for the three years term past. The President and Vice-President have fixed constitutional and statutory duties, are voted upon each year, and their change rests on considerations touched on below. The National Secretary should *never* be changed, as long as he can and will do his work. This is not theorizing; every Grand or subordinate Lodge of Masons, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias or what not

will give the same counsel. The experience of all these bodies is worth something, and they keep their secretaries for term after term. No new man can gain acquaintance with voluminous records, archives and multiple threads of correspondence without months of preliminary or handicapped work. The National Secretary should be the only salaried official in the Fraternity, his salary should be increased as we can afford it, and the Fraternity should, like others, ultimately secure his whole time. The Councillor-at-Large has had his three years of gratuitous hard work; he should be promoted or retired with honor. And this should be a policy and a principle without exception.

The second principle is that *not more than two members of the Council should be changed any year*, unless the Fraternity is in danger from the inefficiency of the whole Council. It is hard for the average undergraduate to realize that the National Council, as such, has an individual and definite policy. If it has not, at any time, it should have. Matters of extension; questions as to inter-fraternity relations; movements to strengthen weak chapters;—these and many similar matters run over from year to year,—they are movements, not motions,—and they require for well carrying out a homogeneous body familiar with the history and facts in the case, familiar with just the result desired and just the means in hand to achieve it. It is too much to ask of human nature that a majority shall accept implicitly a minority statement and viewpoint on matters of policy.

While three or four newly elected Councillors, full of pre-conceived theories and a somewhat pardonable sense of importance, may not be expected to defer to the judgment of the one or two old Councillors, nor to accept without trial the experience of others, a newly elected minority *must* perforce defer in all important matters; the policy remains the same; and it is only after the newcomers are thoroughly familiar with the situation that they can make converts to their views, and then not by the force of vote but by the merit of

good argument. Perhaps the greatest reason why we have such an electoral earthquake once in a while is the same fear that a single substitution only will be thought a personal reflection. If this is so, the acceptance of Principle 1 may make Principle 2 acceptable,—and it is no less important.

It is a poor theory that has no elasticity. There may be difference of opinion as to how frequently one change should be made on the Council at the yearly election, and how often two. It is obvious that the President and Vice-President should not be asked to serve too many years. If the work is properly done it is a burden; if not a burden it is not thoroughly done, and we cannot lay on Brothers for too many years an unsalaried burden which may interfere with their breadwinning or their health. Since on the basis of what has been said both these officers may not be changed the same year, it would seem to the writer that they might be changed alternately, holding over both whenever some uncompleted work or other reason rendered advisable postponing the retirement of the senior.

To conclude with Principle 3. Pay no attention to what anyone says of the personal attractions of the candidate, but *vote in favor of a man on his past Fraternity record only.*

How simple and obvious that sounds! A man's Fraternity record is open to every subscriber to *The Garnet and White* and *Labarum*; it is shown in his attendance at Conventions, in his holding of important Chapter Office, in his work on National Committees, in his repeated visits to other Chapters than his own,—in a multitude of such ways. But nearly everyone has heard that such and such a man is a good candidate because "everybody likes him," "he is a bright fellow," "he is a very successful lawyer," "he made the crack speech at—Banquet last fall," "he would like to be a Councillor," "Bill wants him elected," "it will pay to get him interested," or "if you vote against him he will take it as personal!" If a man is of the proper calibre for office he will have already

done heaps of work out of office,—not only work in general, but work which you can specify, itemize, and approve. If there is no such man present the officers of the Fraternity, whose business it is to interest such men and keep them busy, are to blame.—*Garnet and White.*

The ritual was written with the definite purpose of teaching certain lessons, of great importance to a professional man, in such a manner that they would be forever remembered by the initiate. It was never intended certain phases of the ceremony should be made an excuse for practical joking and rough horse-play, and deputies should scrupulously avoid marring the effect of the initiation by permitting it. While there are frequently situations arising during the extempore portion of the exercises that are full of humor, the Chapter members should remember that the whole import of the lesson lies in concealing this fact from the candidate, and should rigidly refrain from expressing anything but the most serious interest in the matter.

In other scenes, where rough joking may so readily be injected, the whole lesson may readily be lost. The candidate is usually looking for a "rough house"; he has been expecting to be grilled and lambasted and maltreated from start to finish. If he receives that treatment he is not impressed or astonished, because that was his expectation. But an intelligent rendition of the ritual, in word and spirit, gives him such a mental jolt as no amount of slap-stick work could do—and leaves him with a more exalted idea of the fraternity and its purposes. Do not spoil the ritual by coarse work.

A practical joke depends, for its success, on producing physical discomfort and embarrassment in the joke. Where is the humor in that? Rough practical joking is a return to the primitive humor of the undeveloped intellect. To stick sharp splinters of burning wood in the flesh of a bound captive was the height of pleasantry, to the mind of the American aborigine; emptying a pail of bedroom slops over the head and shoulders of some one was a rip-roaring farce in the

days of Rabelais, and even of Fielding and Smollett; but the world progresses, and jokes of that character are tabooed in this twentieth century of civilization.

High school fraternities, unless they are belied, and some general and professional fraternities give sporadic evidences of imbecility in this direction, but let us hope these occasional outbursts of depraved intellectuality are but the dying spasms of a reversion of type.—  
“*Desmos.*”

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### The Sorority Handbook

A third edition of the Sorority Handbook was issued by the authoress, Ida Shaw Martin (Mrs. W. H.), toward the close of 1909. This edition follows the same plan as the preceding editions, giving much of historical value relative to the advance of co-education and of the rise of the Sorority system. The principle chapters are “Higher Education of Women,” Evolution of the Sorority System: their extension, Inter-Sorority Conference Standards, Government, Publications, etc.

About half of the book is devoted to statistics relating to the sororities, honorary societies to which women are eligible, and statistical data of women's colleges.

Three medical sororities are given as follows:

Alpha Epsilon Iota, founded February 26th, 1890. Chapters in California, Chicago, Cooper, Cornell, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota, Southern California, Women's Medical College of Philadelphia. Total membership, 400.

Epsilon Tau, November 4th, 1908. Boston, Chicago, Hahnemann, N. Y. Woman's.

Zeta Phi, May 29th, 1900. John Hopkins, Syracuse, Toronto, Tufts, Women's Medical College of Philadelphia. Total membership, 100.

The publication closed with a list of men's fraternities with date of founding and chapter roll.

Professional fraternities other than the three medical sororities are not given. The attempt to give a

complete list of all Greek society publications with the name and address of each editor has been abandoned.

The publication is well worth the price, which is \$1.00 a copy. Many a Greek fraternity man on reading the same will be surprised to learn that the sororities are in some respects in advance of his own society. The book is issued from The Roxburg Press, Roxburg, Mass.

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### CHEMISTRY OF GIRLS

It is with no little feeling of timidity that I, great chemist that I am, treat of a subject we all know so little about. However, soliciting your kindest indulgence, I will do the best I can.

Definition: Girls are a polymerie, allotropic class of substances, with two legs each.

History: The first girl was discovered in a garden, under a leaf, the same year apples were discovered. Like the man who first made arsine, the discoverer forfeited his life.

Occurrence: Free and in combination with men.

Physical Properties: Like crystals, girls may be distinguished from one another by their color, odor, density and form. They have the power of changing their form and color. Once or twice in a lifetime you run across one altogether different from all the rest, though observers do not seem always to be able to see the great differences you observe so easily.

Chemical Properties:

“Sugar and spice  
And everything nice;  
That's what little girls are made of.”

The foregoing is not chemically true. Neither is it true that they are made up (though many are), made up, I say, altogether of dust. On the contrary, water forms seventy-five per cent. of their composition. Just think of it! Seventy-five per cent. water, plus dust, equals girls! Can it be that these lovely creatures, with the funny hats and the high-heeled oxfords,

are after all, only so many solidified puddles, so to speak, as it were? Perish the thought!

Truly, there *is* more to girls than just water and dust. After years of study and experiment I have succeeded in isolating the following elements which are quite constant in their occurrence in these wonderful bodies: Laughs, Cries, Smiles, Frowns, Loves Hates, Dates, Kisses, Deceit and Sweetness.

I cannot here give the technic employed to reveal all of the foregoing elements. However, I will take the time and give in detail the procedure for obtaining kisses.

Experiment: The partial absence of light is desirable. Choose a girl whose nose turns up. This is important; you do not want a nose in your way just at the critical moment. Place said girl on a divan and get thereon yourself. Apply hot air. Add a little taffy and mix in soft soap and salve. Squeeze her hands. Snuggle. And kisses will begin to ooze to her lips, from where they may be easily removed.

The author does not claim that the foregoing is the only method of obtaining kisses; not at all. There are many others. The one just described, however, is perhaps the most efficient. In case of failure to obtain kisses, it is invariably due either to awkwardness on the part of the operator—that is, faulty technic—or employment of the wrong method for the particular case in hand. For, remember this, kisses are constant in their occurrence as a part of girls.

Girls have a great affinity for new bonnets, jabotts, talcum and rosaline, and will combine in any proportion with bonbons and soda water. Their combinations with men result in the production of some queer products.

Girls' reaction to criticism is accompanied by a great deal of effervescent fuming, spiteful explosions, and a marked elevation in temperature.

Uses: Used very largely in the making of trouble.

Conclusions: But do we care a slate pencil about the *chemistry* of girls? *Naw!* It's the *girls* we care about.—“*Desmos.*”

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