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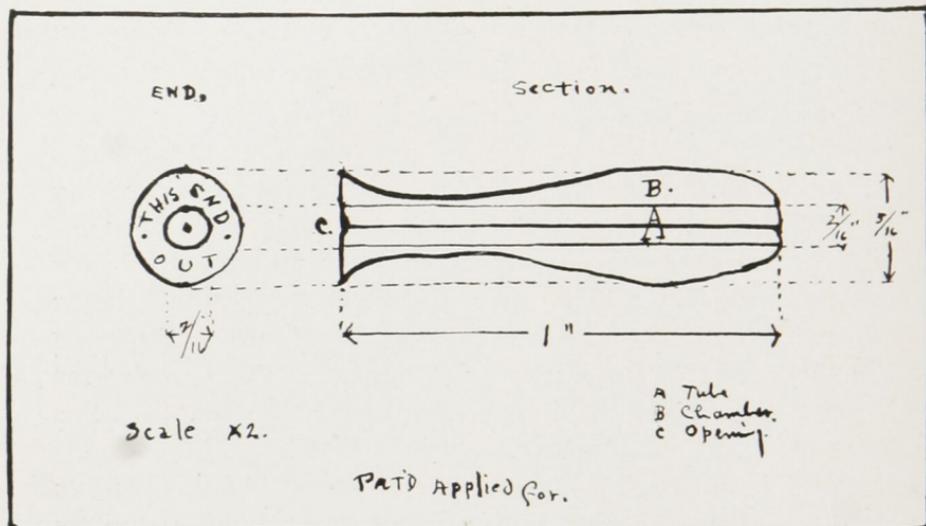
Sound is produced by the vibration of bodies in an elastic medium, both of these factors are necessary; as to the latter we must remember that it is only by the intervention of a medium between the ear and the sonorous body which vibrates with it that the sensation of sound is produced in us. We can prove this by placing an alarm clock under the bell jar of an air pump; as long as the jar contains air we can hear the bell ringing, but in proportion as the air is exhausted the sound becomes feebler and finally is not heard in a vacuum. All this being true then the converse must hold that if the drum membrane is in vacuo it will not perceive sound but this we can not do without injuring the drum; we can, however, place an enclosed vacuum between the drum membrane and a vibrating body, and this accomplishes the same results.

With these facts in mind I constructed a small vacuum chamber to be placed in the auditory canal for the protection of the drum membrane from violent and distressing noise. The devise is a cylinder made of celluloid or vulcanized rubber (1" x 1/4"), the sides of which instead of being parallel are formed of a double reverse curve as is shown in the section below.

The chamber B is completely exhausted of air. Passing through the longitudinal axis of the cylinder is a small tube (A) with an inside diameter of less than 1/64": this opening permits the user of this devise to hear ordinary conversation, and also allows the escape of warmed air about the

drum. The silencer, for this is what the apparatus may best be called, is very light in weight and owing to its shape it may be easily adjusted to any auditory canal, without risk of injury to the drum and may be worn for hours without discomfort.

In the presence of blasting I have used the silencer with the result that while I could hear the report of the explosion yet the sound was muffled and as if far off. The report of heavy artillery and the discharge of the big guns of battle-ships cause such great noise that the rupture of the drum



membrane of those about is not an infrequent occurrence. The men of the army and navy under fire or at target practice have tried to protect their hearing by plugging their ears with cotton. During the present European War the men under fire are suffering a great deal from the shock caused by the noise of modern explosives; they are in need of some effective protection not alone to their hearing, but also to their nervous system. Musicians and others who wish to protect their hearing in our noisy streets may do so by the use of the silencer.

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## MOTHER'S MILK FOR MOTHER'S BABY

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From prehistoric man who lived in caves and hunted in forests to this age of luxuries the obtaining of food for sustenance has been one of man's greatest efforts. The ten ton stegosaurus that shook the earth as it walked and the giant lizard that was the terror of antediluvian seas died, were buried in a sepulcher of Jurassic mud and became extinct, when they could no longer find food suitable for their growth. In the human abattoir of Europe today the commissary department is of paramount importance. Men need both ammunition and food to fight. Without ammunition they can retreat and live. But without food, they can neither fight nor live.

There is no greater mystery in Nature than the mystery concealed in the growth of a six-foot, 200-pound adult from a microscopic ovum. We know that the blade of grass grows because of the moisture and nourishment it extracts from the soil and because of the biochemical changes taking place through the action of chlorophyll in the presence of sunlight—we know *why* the grass grows, but we know no more about *how* it grows than did the ancient philosophers who first tried to solve the riddles of biology.

After nine months of intrauterine life the human offspring is born; feeding through the placenta ceases and throughout the first year of its mundane existence the child will derive its food from the mammary secretion of its mother. But *will* it? It is this *will* that furnishes the theme for my paper.

You have doubtless read and enjoyed the pleasing bit of humor "Pigs is Pigs". To that express agent of the story "pigs is pigs", whether guinea pigs or porkers. And there are folks alive to-day to whom *milk is milk*, whether obtained from the breast of the mother, or from the udder of the cow, or the condensed variety gotten from the tin can. But "pigs is *not* pigs" and milk is *not* milk. The milk of all mammals has the same composition, consisting of protein, fat, carbohydrate, mineral matter and water. But although alike in composition, there are several essential differences. The lead in your pencil and the diamond in your ring are

both pure carbon, and yet who would take issue with you and say they are not dissimilar? And so there is milk and milk, the same in chemical composition but in many essential respects unlike. And it is because the milk of mammals differ that we have a science and art of infant feeding.

In their book on *Diseases of Children*, Chapin and Pisek bring prominently before the reader the truth that **FOOD MUST BE ADAPTED TO THE SPECIES**. If this adaptation failed to obtain, animal life would never have extended far beyond the valley of Euphrates, and man would have known no other part of the earth save the Garden in which it is said he was born. The food must be adapted to the species: cow's milk for the calf; goat's milk for the kid; sheep's milk for the lamb; the mare's milk for the colt; and *mother's milk for mother's baby*.

The baby kangaroo, we are told, attaches itself to its mother's nipple, grows fast thereto, and remains there until such time as it is fully matured. Now, I like to look upon the human offspring as the baby kangaroo whose fetal life extends over 21 months—9 months in the uterus, and 12 months at the mammary glands. Were we to look upon the mammary secretion as indispensable for infant development as the placental blood during the child's intrauterine life we would be slow indeed to countenance the discontinuation of maternal nursing and would raise our voices in righteous indignation whenever such a step were contemplated.

Baby must creep before he can walk. Figuratively speaking, this is just as true of baby's stomach. Mother's milk is the great educator of the baby's stomach; the changes taking place in its composition keeping pace with the changes in the digestive powers of the infant's stomach. **MOTHER'S MILK FOR MOTHER'S BABY**: educating the stomach and preparing it for the varied diet of the adult.

Let us now consider some of the reasons why mother's do not nurse their babies. *When the health of the mother is poor*: a sick mother needs to conserve her own energy; and especially so when the caloric value of her food is low. She has all she can do to feed one individual, without trying

to feed two. If the disease is an acute one, breast feeding may be stopped for the time, and resumed again after the mother has recuperated. Tuberculosis, cancer, etc., contraindicate breast feeding.

How many times we meet with mothers whose milk flow is scanty. The pioscopic reading may be "normal", "fat", or even "cream" and yet the baby cries because its hunger is not satisfied.

Let me digress from my theme long enough to drive home a truth. To find an answer for the scarcity of a mother's milk we may have to go back to her own child life. What can we anticipate from girls who are preparing for motherhood by spending their time after school at the movies; or who are taking dancing lessons to develop gracefulness. Where are the good old days when girls played "London Bridge is Falling Down", "Go in and Out the Window", skipped rope, and rolled the hoop—frolicked in the open air, and received as their reward rich red corpuscles? Taking dancing lessons to develop gracefulness, and the Von Pirquet tuberculin reaction positive in 75% of those that are 14 years of age, and of nontuberculous parentage! Where are the dolls, toy-kitchen, and miniature perampulator? What has become of these? Relegated to oblivion? Relics of an era that has passed? With the slit skirt and face enameled you cannot differentiate the adolescent girl from her mother—for they dress alike and paint alike.

It is at this time—the adolescent period—when the mind is as clay in the hands of the potter, when character is in the making, when environment is doing more for the character than heredity, that our responsibilities are the greatest. We may not recognize this power of environment, but its forces are at work and its effects are inevitable. Witness this prayer of a child who is wont to pass a baking soda sign when on her way to school. She kneels down alongside of her bed and thus she prays: "O Lord, make me pure, make me absolutely pure, make me like Royal Baking Powder". You have heard it said that the child is the father to the man; and that as the twig is bent so will the tree grow. How important is it therefore that our twigs grow straight in fertile soil and

wholesome atmosphere for in this era of the child the weaklings have no chance and only the strong become efficient.

I need not dwell on the case of those who will not sacrifice their social engagements for the good of the offspring and who engage a pediatrician and obstetrician at the same time, the former taking charge of the baby's dietary from the first day of life. Nor need I mention the poor mother who for economic reasons must feed her offspring artificially. Her lot is hard; for she must go out into the world and take a man's place in it. Nor do I need to say anything about the scanty milk flow or those who had a previous mastitis eventuating in the destruction of much glandular tissue.

But I do want to say a word about those who wean baby because *baby has colic*. Cartoonists have sketched thousands of pictures depicting the irate father taking baby and its colic for a walk up and down the parlor floor, and of course stepping on the carpet tack that is always sharp point upwards. These most welcome midnight parades would be reduced to an insignificant minimum if mothers fed their babies by the *clock* rather than by the amount of noise issuing forth from the juvenile thorax.

In certain communities in the kingdom of the Czar clocks are unknown. The unlettered Muzhik goes to the fields when there is light enough in the sky, and quits when there isn't. He knows no day of the week: and when he hears the church bells ring he knows that the Day of Rest has come; and puts aside his hoe and harrow. But we are not in the kingdom of the Czar, and we are not Muzhiks; we have clocks to use and we should use them.

For a baby of 4 months, feedings should be given every 3 hours during the day and no feedings during the night. Keep the baby in its own crib; never let it lie down alongside of the mother. Did you ever hear of a pickpocket who deliberately walked away from a wallet that was staring him in the face? Did you ever hear of a baby that did not yield to temptation when during all hours of the night the baby's lips are within reaching distance of the mother's nipple?

Frequent breast feeding produces two changes in mother's milk: diminished quantity of milk, and increased fat percent-

age. The former does not satisfy, and the latter causes intestinal indigestion.

Never advise the mother to give the newly born calomel or castor oil because the stools are green. *The baby's stools are normally green during the first two weeks of life.* And furthermore, calomel is not a harmless drug, for Abt of Chicago has demonstrated blood in infant's stools following its administration.

What shall we do for the mother whose milk supply is scanty? Two things are needed: enough of nutritious food properly balanced, and exercise in the open air. Cornmeal, maltine, milk, eggs, fruits, vegetables and enough of water should be the mainstay of her dietary. Do not urge her to take copious quantities of milk if milk is distasteful. The dietary advice is an excellent one for those who can pay the cost. But when a mother has coffee and rolls for breakfast, tea and bread for dinner, and bread and tea for supper we are presented with a problem in sociology. Our flag is symbolic of a liberty-loving people. Yet how many mothers are slaves—slaves to the dustrag and the broom—living in poorly lighted and badly ventilated rooms from week to week depriving themselves of the benefits of earth's best elixir—good, wholesome air.

A recent writer in the *Journal of A. M. A.* warns against the promiscuous use of articles of food having strong aromatic bodies. He claims that these aromatic bodies find their way into the milk and may upset the infant's digestive balance. He advises the exclusion from the mother's diet of such articles as spices, jellies, preserves, marmalades, etc. Indeed, it is the healthy mother that has the healthy suckling. A constipated mother will have a constipated baby. And a dyspeptic mother will have a baby that can outyell any Coney Island barker.

During the baby's first month, perseverance on the part of the mother will often accomplish the seemingly impossible. If her milk flow is scanty, give baby as much of the breast-milk as he can get; and finish the feeding with a bottle, using that modification of cow's milk that you have found to be the best. A good plan to follow is to place in the bottle the

number of ounces of diluted milk appropriate for its age, e. g., a baby of 4 months should get 5 or 6 ounces, and allow the baby to take as much as he wants. This breast and bottle plan, called complementary feeding, is better than the plan of giving breast only at one feeding and bottle only at the next.

Mother's milk for mother's baby—the ideal food for the mammary fetus—should be our Shibboleth in infant feeding.

Bayonne, N. J.

## THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE ERADICATION OF HOOKWORM DISEASE IN ALABAMA

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Hookworm disease is not a new disease, though the popular idea is that it is of recent discovery. Although not definitely known, all evidence very strongly points to the fact that Africa is the original home of the disease. Without doubt it has existed for several hundred years in tropical or subtropical countries.

Hookworm infection exists within a zone about 66 degrees wide, the infected area belts the globe. A little more than three-fourths of the earth's inhabitants live in countries where Hookworm disease exists.

In Alabama the infection has been demonstrated in every one of the sixty-seven counties of the state. The southern counties were all heavily infected. The rural sections show a greater prevalence of the disease, children are more likely to be infected, but a great many adults are found to be infected also.

The infection in Hookworm disease is acquired by going with bare feet, or wearing leaky shoes over polluted soil, particularly in damp weather, thus contracting "ground itch". This is the first stage of Hookworm disease and is caused by the laval faun or infecting faun of the parasite penetrating the skin of the feet and legs. The parasite as it enters the skin cannot be seen with the unaided eye.

After penetrating the skin the worm enters the circulation and finally reaches the small intestine. Upon reaching the small intestine the hookworm has a fourfold occupation.

1. Each parasite sucks one drop of blood every 24 hours.
2. Each parasite injects a small dose of toxin.
3. Each parasite makes an ulcer in the intestine.
4. Each female parasite lays a great many eggs daily.

The hookworm is about one half to three fourths of an inch long and about the size of a number eight sewing thread.

During the spring of 1910 the Alabama State Board of Health made a preliminary survey of the state and found that

Hookworm disease was a very widespread condition. Realizing that a great work was possible in the education of the people regarding the prevalence of the disease and the means and methods by which it might be eradicated, the State Board of Health immediately completed plans providing for a Hookworm Commission which should undertake a campaign for the eradication of the Hookworm disease.



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The Hookworm Commission was organized for work in October 1910 under direction of the State Board of Health, coöperating with the Rockefeller Sanitary Commission. The Commission consists of a State Director and four Field Directors.

Two definite objects have been kept in view by the Commission:

1. The eradication of Hookworm disease from Alabama.

2. Teaching of the people, particularly those in the rural districts, the need and importance of better sanitary conditions in general, with special reference to the home and schools.

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ALABAMA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
AND  
MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH  
HEALTH CAMPAIGN

The Montgomery County Board of Health and the County Board of Commissioners are endeavoring to teach the people how to prevent disease. Dr. R. C. Williams, of the State Board of Health, will give

ILLUSTRATED PUBLIC LECTURES

on Malaria, Typhoid Fever, Tuberculosis, Hookworm Disease, Pellagra and Cholera Infantum at the following places:

ADMISSION FREE

Men, Women and Children Invited!

Downing, Monday night, March 1, at 7:30.

Bellinger, Tuesday night, March 2, at 7:30.

Rehobeth, Wednesday night, March 3, at 7:30.

Macedonia, Thursday night, March 4, at 7:30.

On the morning after the lecture we will hold Dispensaries for Free Examination and Free Treatment of Hookworm Disease. These FREE DISPENSARIES will be conducted in all parts of the county.

HEALTH MEANS WEALTH FOR YOURSELF AND  
COMMUNITY!

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HEALTH—HAPPINESS—WEALTH

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Do you know that health is the greatest asset that a Nation, State, County, Town, Community or Person can have?

IF SO, JOIN THE CAMPAIGN

Do you know that sanitation is the right of the people, and that without it there comes sickness, crippled inefficiency, poverty and worse?

THEN LEND US A HELPING HAND

Do you know that it is wiser and cheaper to spend some time and money in cleaning up than it is to pay doctors, buy medicine or a coffin?

THEN HELP US DO IT

Do you know that a large per cent of the homes of Alabama have improperly constructed or no sanitary conveniences at all for the

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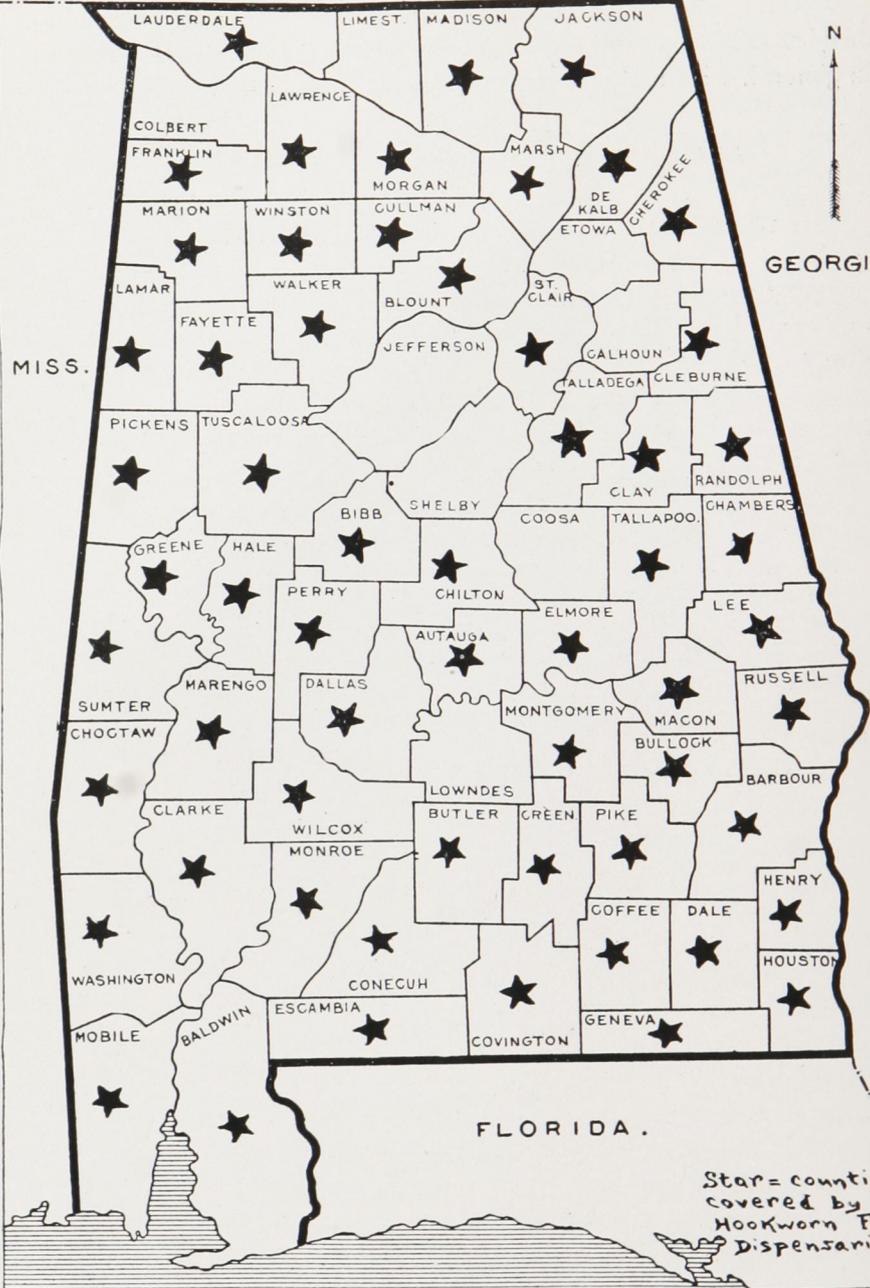


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Star = counties covered by Hookworm Free Dispensaries.



disposal of the human sewage, and that it is SOLEY from such places that TYPHOID FEVER, HOOKWORM and other intestinal diseases spread?

#### THEN HELP US TO CHANGE THIS CONDITION

Do you know that the presence of FLIES in your home or place of business means filth somewhere near you, and an ever present danger of disease?

#### THEN HUNT FOR AND REMOVE OR SCREEN THEIR BREEDING PLACES

Do you know that the MOSQUITO is the only spreader of Malaria from one person to another, and that they breed in the shade of high weeds, stopped up ditches, stagnant water in cans or gutters or rain barrels right on your own premises?

#### THEN CLEAN UP

Do you know that besides being a filthy habit, that promiscuous spitting is the way that Consumption, Pneumonia and La Grippe are spread?

#### THEN STOP IT

A campaign to teach the above facts to the people is being carried on in Montgomery County. Go to the lectures and to the dispensaries and hear these important matters discussed. Dispensary open in Montgomery every Saturday in the City Hall, and at other points in the County as advertised.

#### THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

STATE OF ALABAMA

*(The foregoing are copies of two posters used by the Alabama Boards.)*

In organizing and conducting a county campaign the method is briefly as follows:

First, an appropriation of from one hundred to two hundred dollars is secured from the County Court of Commissioners to assist in defraying some of the expenses of the campaign.

The State Director mails out from the Central Office, letters to prominent people in all parts of the county. These letters announce the beginning of the campaign and urge the people to coöperate with the Field Director in making the campaign successful. The Field Director then mails personal letters, announcing the time and place of the lectures and dispensaries throughout the county, these letters are sent to doctors, teachers, school trustees and prominent citizens in each community. Articles to the newspapers are written showing the importance

of coöperation with the campaign; itinerary for the county also announced through the papers.

The Field Director then begins his itinerary, giving illustrated health lectures on the subjects of Hookworm disease and Sanitation, Typhoid Fever, Malaria, Tuberculosis, et cetera. Clinics, better known as Free Dispensaries are established at all the most important points in the county, and to these the people come for free examination and treatment for Hookworm disease. The dispensaries are fitted up with microscopes, charts, large quantities of literature and Thymol.

At the close of a dispensary day the Field Director proceeds to another point to give another lecture and hold another dispensary.

The whole county campaign lasts for at least two and one half months.

1. To date campaigns have been conducted in fifty-four counties of Alabama.

2. A total of 1,467 illustrated public lectures have been given to 123,600 people.

3. At the free dispensaries a total of 52,742 persons have been examined for Hookworm disease.

4. Total number treated in 54 counties to date is 43,941.

(The above figures are quoted from the annual report of the Alabama State Board of Health.)

### DO YOU WANT THE JULY MASK?

Of course you do. Then see that your Chapter Historian has your summer address, and see that he sends the Grand Historian and Editor a "Summer Mailing List" of *your* chapter. Copies of this issue are mailed to the addresses furnished by Chapter Historians. If no mailing list is sent to the G. H. and E., you will NOT receive your copy. Why? Simply because we will not know where to send YOUR copy.

## SOME COMMENTS ON STORE MANAGEMENT

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It is a broad subject to be covered by one paper, and even two or three of the more important phases of the general subject must be given only a brief mention to compass what I would like to say.

Store management is the most important of all the questions a retail druggist has to consider; for it is, in a few words, the buying of merchandise and selling the same at a profit. There are, probably, many other things that determine his ultimate success, but that is the primary requisite. You'll say too, that local conditions and personality have most to do with the making a success of a business. Not most, but surely necessary; the successful business man owes his success to the fact that he has been able to sell goods at a profit. Is there any difference between the man that fills five prescriptions a day and one that fills one hundred a day if neither makes a profit? The same is true on any quantity of patent medicines, stationery, sundries, or soda water. If one is not running the business and making a legitimate profit, what is the degree of success?

## MANAGEMENT IS ESSENTIAL

Now how is it possible to make the store and business a success? The answer is: Store management.

Local conditions govern entirely the class and amounts of goods to buy and then it is up to the druggist to sell these at a profit.

Under the head of Store Management, I shall treat briefly those subjects I consider of most importance—Advertising, Store Arrangement, Window and Store Dressing.

There are three kinds of advertising: Good, bad, and indifferent. It may take some little time to find out which is good, but the latter two should be discarded as soon as discovered—for no one will excuse a man that makes the same mistake twice, or oftener. Advertising is for the purpose of selling goods at a profit, with that in mind, the

kind that pays indifferently well should be discarded as a useless expenditure of money.

Local conditions govern the kind of advertising best suited to the individual case. Newspaper advertising is probably the most important, and produces the best results of any one form used. It reaches a larger number of people at a time when they are in a state to properly receive impressions, with the possible exception of the picture show slides. Naturally, a newspaper advertisement must be in an attractive form and well gotten up so as to hold the attention and interest of the reader; this form is used to announce special sales, new goods and generally to call the attention of the public to a store and keep the name before the public. Small lead "ads" consisting of from one to three lines are considered of especial importance at seasonable times; calling attention to lines such as postals, camera supplies, etc.

#### MISCELLANEOUS FORMS OF ADVERTISING

Certain stores, including both the larger corporations as well as the smaller city ones, do not believe in buying an inch of newspaper space and, naturally, they turn to the next form which could be classed under the head of miscellaneous advertising. It is a larger class, and covers a wide field; including menus, theater programs, hotel registers, road signs, picture slides, circular letters, hand bills, calendars, souvenirs, and many others. These vary as to their efficiency. In different localities some of these are known to be good, while in others they are worse than useless, so one in this must use his own judgment in deciding upon the kind or kinds to use. A safe rule to follow is to try out thoroughly the newspaper advertising and, if the occasion seems to demand something different to produce results, try that which you think will be best suited to your needs. In a great many places the souvenir and premium plan has proven successful, but *be sure* the premiums are of your own giving rather than the trading stamp ones. Circular letters written monthly, containing announcements, new prices, etc., are good—especially with the farmer trade. Road signs, if not defaced, make good advertising. Conspicuous placing of the signs produces

best results. Oftentimes permission may be had from the property owner to set a sawed post just inside the fence where it will be out of reach of passers-by: a sign so placed should last for years. Calendars, while possibly not possessing much advertising value, are looked upon by customers as a gift at Christmas or New Year's time, and for this reason **only should** be continued: if care is used in the selection of some small and dainty design, one will, at least, get the value there is in this manner of advertising.

#### SPECIAL SCHEMES TO BE AVOIDED

Any special advertising schemes as presented by agents should be given careful attention for, as a rule, the costs are more than equal to the benefits derived, or the scheme is of no value whatever.

In regard to the amount that should be spent for all kinds of advertising; ordinarily two per cent of the gross receipts should be sufficient. In many cases the amount is less, and in a few greater, but it is an amount deemed enough by the majority of merchants.

The next part: we can say store arrangement is advertising. Possibly this does not appear compatible. Yet in a way it is; and as to which is of the most importance to the pharmacist depends entirely on local conditions. Under some, the store arrangement, window dressing and personal service is all the advertising a store gets; especially is this true of the small city store. And no one will deny the advertisement that a well-arranged and well-kept store gives to it. For instance, place yourself in the position of a customer—you enter a place of business that is shingly bright with cleanliness, attractively and well arranged; you are met soon after entering by a smiling clerk who is anxious to serve; you surely will leave the place well pleased and not only with the intention of returning again but with the idea of recommending that store to your friends. From that example alone we can say that a good store arrangement is good advertising.

#### GIVE CARE TO STORE ARRANGEMENT

Now as to the actual arrangement of the store, I think your own experience has taught you what works out best. The

show windows and fixtures must have especial attention. In regard to the stock arrangement; this should be placed in the most convenient positions for rapid handling. Wall cases are best if they have glass doors to protect goods from the dust. Shelf bottles should be relegated to the back room or thrown away. A cabinet in the back room with numbers of drawers is the best place to keep crude drugs protected from the light and dust. The front part of a store is entirely too valuable to be taken up with such displays, for truly that is all it is. You never heard any one say that these bottles aided sales, did you? If a man wants 5 or 10 cents' worth of senna leaves or Epsom Salts he will go to a drug store for it; but not necessarily will he go to a drug store to buy his stationery. This space is used to a much better advantage to display goods that perhaps all people do not know a drug store carries.

It has been said that the "windows are the eyes that display the character of the store." If this is true, it is evident some of us should pay more attention to them and likewise to the interior store dressing. So many times are these two most important factors that go to make a success almost entirely overlooked.

#### GOOD WINDOWS HOLD ATTENTION

Attractive window dressings catch and hold the attention of the passing public. Likewise neat store dressing, especially in the form of counter displays, attracts and holds the attention of customers to a number of articles that might not otherwise be noticed.

"Goods well displayed are half sold." One can not expect to sell other than the regular line of goods in a drug store unless they are brought, in an attractive manner, before the buying public. This may be done either by displays in the window or on the counter. As a matter of fact, the strongest backing one can give a strong window display is a stronger counter display. This allows the customers to examine closely the goods or articles displayed.

At what figure do you value your window space? A number of people will pay you from \$5 a week up for it, according to the locality. Why? Because they will derive a benefit from

them amounting to that much or more in profits. Now if your own windows are of sufficient value to other people to allow them to pay you \$5, \$10, \$20 or \$50 a week and still make them a profit, surely they are worth that much to you, and, in order to receive this value it is necessary that you give them more than a passing thought.

#### POINTS ON WINDOW DRESSING

Window dressing is an art, and is perfected as a result of study of books or under some one who is an expert in the work. Adaptability also enters into the question, of course, or we would all be experts and be able to draw down the magnificent salaries paid by the large stores. Still, I maintain, any of us by applying a certain amount of interest and work, can learn to dress a window in a creditable manner. We learn by experience and every attempt made makes us better; we profit both by our mistakes and successes. Seasonable articles should be displayed and care exercised in the selection. The predominant colors of the paper or cloth used on the walls and floor must be in harmony with the seasons. The window must be spotlessly and shiningly clean—the walls, floor, and glass. Nothing detracts more from a window display than a dirty glass. Not more than one article, or at most, not more than three or four that seemingly naturally group themselves together should be displayed at one time. There are any number of combinations possible and many of them are splendid. If you have the ability to write an attractive card and place it with the display, the value of your window is increased many per cent.

Price tags, too, are of utmost importance. If your display of articles has not an attractive price prominently shown, you have lost a great value of the display. For instance, if you have a nice display of hair brushes and combs in the window without a price being displayed, you will lose a number of customers for it is true, lots of people will hesitate to step in and ask the price, where if it were displayed and they found it about what they wished to pay for such an article they will come in to examine it. Here is where the counter display comes in to good advantage. If they have seen the window

and are coming in to buy something else, their attention is attracted again and they can examine the article while waiting. It's a peculiar thing some people dislike to be watched or waited on by a clerk when they are examining an article that perhaps they do not absolutely need at that time.

Now, as a summary, I would say that the primary factor in making a success of a business is to sell goods at a profit; this is possible by good, capable store management with especial attention given to advertising, store arrangement, window and store dressing.

## THE NORTH ATLANTIC PROVINCE MEETING

The second meeting of the North Atlantic Province of Kappa Psi Fraternity was held in Boston, Mass., on January 29 and 30, 1915. The business sessions were conducted at Mu Chapter House, 131 St. Botolph Street.

On January 29, at 2:30 p. m. *Satrap* Mason called the Province delegates to order. The following representations were recorded:

Albany: Brother Baker.

Providence: Brothers Rivard, Lockwood, Shulmyer, Chandley, Pratte and Livingston.

New York: Brother Eldridge.

Boston: Brother McCormick.

Mu: Brothers Gilland and Currie.

Beta-Epsilon: Brothers Deady, Gray and Vars.

Beta-Delta: Brother Van Vleck.

Gamma: ??

Grand Council: Brothers Grant and Eldridge.

Executive Committee: Brother Holstein.

The Report of the Secretary and Treasurer was read and accepted as read. The Committee on By-laws reported, through Brother Rivard, Chairman. The By-laws were taken up separately, corrected, and are to be adopted when approved by the Executive Committee. A vote of thanks to the By-laws Committee was given. It was moved, seconded and carried that a copy of the By-laws be sent the Chairman of the Executive Committee and that recognition of the North Atlantic Province of Kappa Psi be asked.

It was decided to hold the next meeting of this Province in New Haven, the birthplace of Kappa Psi. It was also voted that this meeting be called "The Birthplace Meeting" and be advertised as such.

Letters were read from Grand Registrar Philip and from Mr. James S. Barr, Director of the Congresses at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, inviting Kappa Psi to San Francisco for the next Grand Council Convention. Dr. Holstein spoke on this matter, saying that all legislative matters could be handled by the Executive Committee and that there was no actual need for calling a Convention of Kappa Psi in 1915. The North Atlantic Province therefore voted that a

suggestion be sent to the Executive Committee calling the foregoing to their attention and advising that the next Grand Council Convention be held in 1916.

*Satrap* Mason appointed Brother Press W. Eldridge, Jr., one of the founders of Hillhouse Chapter in New Haven and present Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Chairman of the Entertainment Committee for the New Haven Convention of the North Atlantic Province.

The following officers of the Province were elected for the next two years:

Satrap, Brother Mason.

Vice-Satrap, Brother Stone.

Secretary-Treasurer, Brother Bartel.

Historian, Brother Duckworth.

After this, the first business session, the entire body were received at the Mayor's office and Mayor Curley welcomed the delegates to Boston. He presented *Satrap* Mason with a large aluminum Key to Freedom of the City, and in addition a pen with which he signed a two and one-half million bond for the new Boston Dorchester Subway.

At 8:00 p. m. the same day we assembled at Hotel Plaza, where a banquet was served. The toasts were as follows:

Kappa Psi.....	Grand Regent Grant
City of Boston.....	Brother Murphy
Albany.....	Brother Van Vleck
Providence.....	Brother Livingston
"The Mask".....	Brother Holstein
Providence.....	Brother Rivard
Boston Chapter.....	Brother Bartel
Kappa Psi Spirit.....	Brother Breen
Mu.....	Brother Gilland

The next day (January 30) the Convention gathered at the Chapter House and then visited the plant of the United Drug Co., through the courtesy of Brother Shulmyer and Mr. A. W. Conner, Vice-President of the Company, an instructive and interesting inspection of the twenty million dollar plant was made. Souvenirs were given each member. After a luncheon at the Copley Square Hotel, the delegates visited the Charleston Navy Yard, the frigate *Constitution* and the battleship *Georgia*. In the evening most of the men attended the play *Diplomacy*, by William Gillette, in which Blanche Bates and Marie Doro starred.

L. BARTEL, *Secretary*.

## THE FRATERNITY AND ITS ALUMNI\*

THOMAS ARKLE CLARK, A T Ω

*Dean of Men, University of Illinois*

There is at this time a pretty general feeling that Greek-letter fraternities are more or less on trial to prove their worth and their efficiency. The general public has heard much in the last few years concerning high school fraternities and college fraternities, and much that it has heard is discreditable to them. There have been heated discussions in home circles and school boards, in college faculties and state legislatures, and the public, knowing little, has believed the worst, and has put all fraternities into the same disreputable class. It has seemed to me that the alumni of college fraternities, scattered as they are throughout the whole country, may do more than any one else by sane influence, and sane advice, and sane conduct, to lift fraternities to a high plane, to correct the faults which even their warmest friends are willing to admit still exist, and to present to those who are outside of these organizations a fair exposition of what the college fraternity really stands for, and what it is doing.

The experience in college of these men who have gone out from the fraternity should give them an intimate knowledge of undergraduate life, and it should give them, too, a knowledge of the needs of undergraduates, their habits, their weaknesses, and the methods of influencing them. No one is in a better position than are these men to set the fraternity right before outsiders, for having been out in the world a while they know what the world thinks and says of fraternities and ought to be able to meet the varied objections that are made to them.

"I don't like your fraternities," one of our old graduates said to me not long ago. "When I was in college we had only the literary societies, and they taught a man something, and developed a really democratic spirit." Now I know very well, because I had belonged to the same literary society that he had been a member of, at a time when fraternities were not allowed in the University of Illinois, that the literary societies here, as is the case in many other places now, were quite exclusive,

\* *Banta's Greek Exchange*.—December, 1914.

were not democratic, and that they controlled college politics with an absolute completeness that would never be attempted by the modern fraternity. My friend did not know the college fraternity and he had forgotten the character of the organization to which he had belonged. It is this sort of error which old fraternity men very easily correct.

My own college experience has been gathered very largely at the University of Illinois and my illustrations will, therefore, be chosen in most part from that experience. I think it is safe to assume, however, that the majority of the larger institutions of the country, especially the great state universities, are similar as to fraternity conditions and that my own experience is in the main not different from that which I should find were I located in some other institution. At the University of Illinois, then, I find that our alumni have exerted both a helpful and a harmful influence. Many of them use every opportunity to aid the fraternity to develop in the best way, and others have been the most objectionable influence with which we have had to contend both in their effect upon the conduct of local chapters and in the general influence which they exert among men who have little first hand knowledge of fraternities.

In the giving of financial aid our alumni have always been active. It is true that a few are willing to ride without paying their fare, or to enjoy the prestige and the privileges of a good house without helping to build it. Some have made promises of help which have resulted only in slips of worthless paper, but on the whole the alumni have shown the keenest financial interest in the local chapters and have been generous beyond what might have been expected in giving money. They have helped whenever the local chapters have got into financial corners, and this help came at a time when it was most needed.

We have, at the University of Illinois, between thirty-five and forty fraternal organizations, the most of them members of national fraternities. These chapters are all organized in about the same general way and carry an average membership of perhaps thirty. The two oldest of these organizations have been in existence for thirty-three years and, although for ten years of that time the chapters were *sub rosa*, have a body of prominent and influential alumni. A number of our chapters

have been organized for twenty years or more, and the majority have been running for ten or fifteen years. A few are of recent origin, and so have a small list of alumni, but for the most part the body of alumni of each chapter is considerable and its standing throughout the communities in which the members live is excellent. Eleven of our chapters own comfortable and well-furnished houses. The plans for the erection of these houses were in each case devised by interested alumni; the money for their erection has come in large part from the alumni, and the management and control of these investments is in each case, I believe, now in the hands of a corporation composed largely of alumni. The building of these houses has drawn heavily upon the time and resources of a large number of men and shows a thoroughly commendable interest on their part. A number of the other chapters, through the generosity of the old members, are also in a fair way soon to have houses of their own. In many other ways the alumni regularly contribute liberally to the financial support of the chapters, so that in this regard the fraternities have very little of which they may legitimately complain.

But notwithstanding the importance of money in the management and the progress of the affairs of an individual or of an organization, I have never felt that the whole duty of a parent was done when he furnished his young son with generous sums of money, or that a fraternity alumnus had discharged his fraternity obligations when he responded graciously to a call for contributions to the house fund or sent in a check to be used in defraying the expenses of the annual dance. The fraternity often and usually needs financial support, but it needs something more than this, if it is to get on. The active chapter of any fraternity should be able to look to its alumni for direction and advice and example in those things in which the older men have had the wider experience.

In college, for example, that fraternity is often considered the most fortunate which can show in the college annual the longest list of prominent *fratres in facultate* or the most impressive list of brothers who live in the college community. It may be argued with convincingness by freshmen and by others who know little or nothing at first hand about it, that

the faculty members, because of their sympathy with young men, their knowledge of the conditions surrounding college life, their wide experience in fraternity matters, and their specific interest in the local chapter, will be a helpful and an uplifting influence. It ought to be true, but in too many instances it is not. A sensible faculty member who is willing to take a little time and to use a little tact could easily reorganize a chapter if he would do so, and yet make the members think that they had done it themselves. It is not difficult to find conspicuous examples of faculty men some of them prominent and all of them busy who by persistent and diplomatically directed efforts have succeeded in changing for the better the whole character and standing of their fraternities. I have in mind now two well-known men in this University—one the head of an important department and the other one of our most prominent executive officers—each of whom has revolutionized his fraternity. From one of these I received only yesterday a letter saying, "tell me about the boys. Do any of them need prodding up or encouragement?" He knows the ins and outs of his fraternity like a book; he is acquainted with the weak brother, and he can lay his finger on the man who will take responsibility and who will accomplish what needs to be done. He gets all this with skill, and gentle diplomacy, and without the expenditure of a great amount of time. He is a busy man who drops in upon the boys for a moment and out again, and who says the right word when, and to whom, it needs to be said. He is helping this fraternity and he is helping other fraternities, and is the sort of alumnus whom I am glad to encourage. The other man has accomplished a similar result, and from the bottom of the list scholastically he has helped to bring his fraternity into the list of the ten highest in college. Much more could have been accomplished and that more easily, if these men could have had the coöperation of the other alumni on the faculty who, in many cases, had more leisure and who were under quite as much obligation to help as were the men who actually did the job.

Unfortunately, however, my experience has been that more than half of the fraternity alumni in a university take little or no interest in the personnel or progress of their fraternity,

and would not even recognize their fraternity brothers if they should meet them on the street. They have their names printed at the head of the list published in the college yearbook, or it is engraved upon the program of the formal annual dance, but if they were suddenly ushered into the chapter house, they would not know Smith from Knappenberger, or the president of the chapter from the freshman who is being rushed, and they feel as lonesome and out of place as a blind man at a ballet. Every once in a while I fall in with these "brothers" who are invited out once a year or once in two years, perhaps, to meet the members of the chapter, and I watch with interest their struggles to get on, their embarrassment of knowing no one, their relief when the meal is over and they can get by themselves and discuss the present economic situation or the European war. They leave usually with delight to themselves and to their hosts. I know a number of fraternities who count among their faculty members several men of prominence not one of whom could name three undergraduate members of the fraternity, and who do not in any way make an effort to help their organizations. I know dozens of members of our faculty who could easily find the time if they wished to get acquainted with the members of their fraternity, and to help brace up the chapter if only by their occasional presence, who know little more about the organization than the location of the chapter house. As to the real life and character of the boys they know nothing, and so the positive influence which they might exert for the betterment of the organization is lost.

The same things might be said with reference to the alumni who are not connected with the faculty but who live in the college town. No old members of the fraternity are so favorably situated as are these two classes of alumni for directly influencing the chapters, and yet a distressingly large percentage of them assume no responsibility and show no interest.

The alumnus returning after a separation of time or distance is also considered. At every institution, I have no doubt, there are specific times of the year when a definite effort is made by fraternities to get the alumni back in force. It may be at commencement time, or at college anniversaries, or re-

unions, or at the celebrations of various college events. With us it is the annual home-coming, though any other event would serve the same purpose and might bring the same complications. The officers of the chapters send out letters of invitation to all the old members, a few of the local alumni—good fellows and unmarried usually—essay to help in the round-up, the attraction of a football game proves too much for the old timers, and they come back en masse. Such a return is full of possibilities. The freshman has heard of all these old heroes, and he wants to meet them. To many of them have come a measure of success and reputation, and the effect of their presence and the force of their words count for much in the life of the chapter. The effect of mingling with these men if they are healthy and sane and have the real good of the chapter in mind cannot be overestimated. But experience has shown that this is not always the case, and such a return is often a matter of concern to college authorities and to serious-minded fraternity officers, for the returning alumnus, even though he has reached middle age, frequently forgets that he should have outgrown the follies of the freshman and too often feels that he must cast himself in the rôle of a sporty undergrad. The things he would not dream of doing in his own town and in his own house, he falls into with eagerness in the chapter house. Instead of being looked on as influence for good and welcomed as a help in the building up of proper fraternity ideals, an effort is often made to conceal his escapades and the freshmen must sometimes be sent out of the house in order that they may not be a witness to his indiscretions. He does not see that whether he has been out one year or twenty, in the eyes of the underclassmen, he is an "old man" who is to be looked up to as a hero, and to be followed as an example.

With us drinking and gambling are not allowed in the chapter houses, and all fraternities have definite rules against these practices which are pretty faithfully kept. "One of our alumni made so much betting on the Minnesota game that he is going to buy us a new rug" a freshman said to me not long ago. It did not seem to occur either to the freshman or to the alumnus that there was inconsistency in furnishing a house, in which

gambling is prohibited, from the proceeds of money won by gambling. "The greatest shock and disillusionment I ever received" an upperclassman from a neighboring university recently confessed to me, "was to be called on in my freshman year to help put to bed one of the heroes and former athletes of our chapter who had returned to visit the college and the chapter, and who was brought into the house too drunk to help himself. All the influence for good which his reputation had had upon my life was wiped out by seeing him in that condition." "What are we to do?" the president of one of our most prominent fraternities asked me only a few weeks ago. "We have a house rule against drinking, but if our alumni are not furnished with something to drink they will be out of humor, will make us all unhappy, and will probably bring liquor into the house no matter what we say against it."

Only this week I had a conversation with a group of old college men whose escapades had not been quite creditable and who excused themselves on the ground that what they had done would not influence the upperclassmen, and that they had not allowed the freshmen to take any part in the performance. It would be an imbecile lot of freshmen who did not know what was going on and who were either not ashamed of it or made worse by it. Not even the ritual sets before the undergraduate members of the fraternity the ideals of the organization as do the words and actions and general bearing of the returning alumnus. Without giving a word of direct precept he may yet leave behind him an influence and an inspiration which are immeasurable. If his return, however, is in order that he may live over again the follies of youth and if he leaves behind him the memory of a beery breath and a vulgar tongue he is not helping to raise the standards of fraternities as their best friends wish might be done.

The experienced alumnus may exert a powerful influence in the suggestion or advice which out of his wider experience he may offer to the chapter. Although he usually keeps in mind the fact that the responsibility for running the fraternity is on him and he wishes the alumnus to keep this in mind also, yet the undergraduate fraternity man is not averse to taking advice if it is offered at the proper time and in the right spirit.

Sometimes, however, the alumnus, returning after an absence of many years, exaggerates the apparent faults of the chapter and attempts by a hammer and tongs method to correct them at once. Ordinarily he fails, and injures the chapter more than he helps it. Only a few days ago I listened to a young fraternity man out of college but a few years, criticizing his fraternity most severely. He was somewhat incensed at me because I had found occasion to praise them for the stand they were taking in certain matters. "I jump on them," he said. "I believe in giving them hell; if they are praised it gives them the swell head." He could not see that being an alumnus he was an adviser rather than a director of the affairs of the chapter, and that the character of his criticisms destroyed his influence for good. Nor could he appreciate the fact that the chapter was in a better condition, had a better standing, and had higher ideals than when he was an active member of it. His presence was endured, but his advice, even such of it as was worth while, was entirely discredited.

I believe that those men who have been a part of the fraternity, who have worked for it and in it, and who have assimilated its ideals even though it be only in part, but who are now out of its active membership still love the organization though sometimes it may be with a somewhat dormant passion, and still want to help it. If the fraternity is to overcome present prejudice, if it is to reach a higher plane, it will be by the general coöperation of the members, active and alumni. The active chapters must draw their alumni and faculty members closer to them than they have heretofore done, and the returning alumnus must give his best endeavor to help the active chapter live up to its regulations and its ideals rather than to break them down in order that he may prove what a dead game sport he once was. The undergraduate members of a fraternity should be able to look to their alumni for financial help when it is needed, for sane suggestion and advice, for examples of sterling self-controlled character which have been wrought out by striving for the ideals which the fraternity set up. In this way the alumni may do for the fraternity what no one else can.

## ANSWERING COMMUNICATIONS

It is often the case that a graduate member writes his chapter at the beginning of a season with reference to some prospective member. The presiding officer has the secretary read the letter before the chapter, and the rushing committee investigates the man in question. The fraternity has the desired information, and that ends it, in many cases. Why not answer the letter, thank the writer, promise a thorough investigation, and later write again, stating the final action? But instead, he gets no reply.

Maybe he wants a pin, or an address of some graduate member, or maybe he writes a letter to stimulate the chapter. Does he get an answer? No. Does he lose interest? Yes. This, of course, is not always the case, but often is. Will he feel as if his suggestion, or information, is wanted? No.

An active chapter writes to the grand officers, and, of course, expects a reply before the letter leaves the postoffice; good, but instead, gets one in about a month. Then, of course, being so enthusiastic, the active chapter, with no reason, decides that the grand officers are "rotten", and not worthy of their positions.

When the active chapters or grand officers write the graduate members for information for records for the fraternity, or aid in some way, that can only be obtained from that source, why could they not at least say no? It takes only two cents to say no.

Why not at least acknowledge receipt of communications?

J. D. PERDUE, M.D. (I).

## ADDRESSES WANTED

Certificates of Membership mailed to addresses given below have been returned by the postal authorities marked "Unknown," "Moved," etc. The Grand Secretary and Treasurer is holding these Certificates for want of better address. Can you furnish him information whereby these Certificates can be correctly addressed?

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Herron Neely, Charlotte, N. C.

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Roy H. Taylor, Huntingdon, Pa.

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LEADERS

**W. BRUCE PHILIP, Ph.G., Phar.D.**

*Member of Gamma Chapter (Columbia); Member of the San Francisco Graduate Chapter; Grand Registrar since 1913.*

Old Gamma Chapter of Kappa Psi has furnished a good share of Grand Council material from her very beginning. The subject of this short write-up is Brother W. Bruce Philip who first inhaled the delightful atmosphere of the Pacific Coast on the nineteenth of July, 1879, at Sacramento, California, not quite two months after the foundation of Kappa Psi Fraternity. After graduation from the Sacramento High School, Brother Philip entered pharmacy as an apprentice in the drug store of O. P. Willis in 1896. He served as clerk in the store of George Monroe for several months and then entered the College of Pharmacy of the University of California with the class of 1901. During his college course he was elected Vice-president of the Associated Student Body of the Affiliated Colleges (Medicine, Dentistry and Pharmacy of the University).

All during his college course Brother Philip supported himself by working for Dr. A. L. Scholl all of the time he was not busy at college. After graduating from the University of California with the degree of Ph.G., he returned to Sacramento and went to work with the firm he started with, which was now known as Willis & Martin Co. He served as Vice-president and then President of the Sacramento Drug Clerks' Associa-

tion. In 1902 he was taken into the firm of Willis & Martin Co. as a partner, and the following year he obtained a year's leave of absence and took the Postgraduate Course in Pharmacy at Columbia University. In 1903 he became a member of Gamma Chapter of Kappa Psi. Among his classmates were Brothers Goeckel, Dupin, Hunter and Alt. After graduation with the degree of Phar.D., Dr. Philip returned to Sacramento



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Grand Registrar

and married a classmate of the University of Columbia—College of Pharmacy, Miss Fayette Harris, Ph.G., '01. He left the firm of Willis & Martin Co. and opened a drug store in Fruitvale, California, under the firm name Philip & Philip. He has been active ever since in things pharmaceutical, having served actively in the California Pharmaceutical Association, as Vice-president and President of the Alameda County Pharmaceutical Association, and Chairman for 1911-13 of the

Executive Committee of the California Pharmaceutical Association. In July of 1912 he was elected a Director of the College of Pharmacy of the University of California. In 1913 he was honored by being elected President of the Alumni Association of the College of Pharmacy, University of California. He is State Chairman for California for Kappa Psi, Secretary of the San Francisco Graduate Chapter, and a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association, having served as Associate on the Committee of Commercial Interests. At the Chicago Convention of 1913 he was elected to the office of Grand Registrar of Kappa Psi, succeeding Dr. Henry J. Goeckel.

Mrs. Philip takes a very active interest in pharmacy. She has been President of the Women's Pharmaceutical Association of the Pacific Coast, and is Chairman of the Committee on Papers of the California Pharmaceutical Association as well as Registrar of the Alumni Association of the College of Pharmacy, University of California. Dr. and Mrs. Philip have two children, a girl of nine and a boy of five.

### **WILLIAM C. ALPERS, ScD., BETA-BETA**

PRESIDENT AMERICAN PHARMACEUTICAL ASSOCIATION

*Dean Department Pharmacy, Western Reserve University*

The early life of Brother Alpers was indicative of his entire life. Born in 1851, in Harburg, Germany, he was orphaned at the age of twelve years. He then went to Hanover and was educated in the gymnasium (equivalent to our high school), after which he took a two years' course of special work in mathematics and chemistry at the Hanover School of Technology. From here he entered the University of Göttingen. His studies were interrupted in 1870 by the Franco-German war, in which he took part. He participated in the famous siege of Metz, and in seven of the large battles of the war, being wounded twice. Upon completion of his prescribed period of service in the German army, he was honorably discharged the following year with a rank of lieutenant.

Brother Alpers resumed his studies at the university again until October of 1872. He then came to the United States, ambitious to make teaching and original scientific research his life work. The next two years became a combat between American needs and a German student's ideals, in which a compromise was finally reached, when Brother Alpers received a position of teacher of mathematics, French and German, in the St. Mathews Academy in New York. The position did not measure up to the ideals of our brother, a



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fact in which pharmacy might well be glad, because up to this time pharmacy as a profession was strange to our subject.

But in a suburb of New York, Bayonne, N. J., which had sprung into existence due to the activities of the Standard Oil Company, which company was then erecting a distillery, bringing with it thousands of men, a demand was felt for a drug store, and here Dame Pharmacy courted our German youth and he accepted. Brother Alpers borrowed \$250 and opened a store (12 x 20 feet) in a wooden shanty. He then placed a

manager in charge and began preparing himself in the new love by taking the first year's work at the New York College of Pharmacy, passing successfully the New Jersey State Board of Pharmacy. Then he let the manager go, taking charge of the store himself, and in a short time had the indebtedness paid off and moved the store into better quarters.

Forced into pharmacy, as it were, he devoted himself to the study of this art with great assiduity. A scientist in method, a poet in spirit, every individual drug had an interesting life history for him. And here he would sit in his little shop, when business would permit, and roam over the world in fanciful search for the material which, from every quarter of the earth, had found its way into his store.

Brother Alpers is probably known best to us through his pharmaceutical literary articles. His first literary effort was the "idea" contest in Merck's *Report*, in which he received first prize. To this journal he became a regular contributor. His most popular book, however, is undoubtedly the *Pharmacist at Work* (Lippincott). The plan of the book being a "proprietor", a "senior", and a "junior" as characters, having a running dialogue between them. And the studies of pharmacy and botany were made interesting. Much credit must be accorded the author of this book, for the great changes which have taken place in the teaching of these studies and kindred branches, in the past few years.

Other books were *Medicinal Plants of Staten Island*; the *Era Formulary*. He has aided in the compilation of the *National Formulary*, and at present is engaged in the revision of the ninth edition of the *U. S. Pharmacopocia*. He is also on the editorial staff of the *Deutsch-Amerikanische Apotheker Zeitung*.

In 1887, Brother Alpers joined the New Jersey Pharmaceutical Association, showing his interest in organized pharmacy. He was elected its president in 1896 and served as a member of the Board of Pharmacy from 1893-96. He became a member of the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1890, was chairman of the scientific section in 1896. In 1903 was elected vice-president; chairman of pharmacy and dispensing in 1906; chairman of the historical section in 1913.

and he is now crowned with the highest honors which can be bestowed on a pharmacist, that of being the president of the A. Ph. A. He was elected last year for the term 1915-16.

Although a man of ideals, Brother Alpers is no sterile visionary unable to cope with the world, but he is a "practical idealist", as evidenced in the Bayonne venture. In 1896 he was selected to manage the pharmacy of Merck & Co., the most splendid and ethical pharmacy ever established, costing \$100,000. It was at this time he took up a special course at the University of New York. Completing the work in 1899, he was given the degree of Doctor of Science (in chemistry). His thesis being "Aralia Nudicaulis," which was very thorough, discovering several oils and alkaloids.

In 1899, when the Merck Pharmacy was abandoned, Dr. Alpers opened a professional pharmacy in the Imperial Hotel Building, conducted similar to the Merck plan. He withdrew from active business in 1905 to afford more time to literary work and research. In 1914 he was called to the deanship and chair of pharmacy in the Department of Pharmacy, W. R. U.

When young, Dr. Alpers married Miss Bertha Guden. Six children were born, two of the sons following the father's profession. In 1906, his wife died, her death being not only regretted by the immediate family, but by the entire A. Ph. A., in which she was a great favorite at their annual meetings. In 1913 he was married to Miss Mathilda Van Damm of New York.

Since coming to the W. R. U. P., he has shown all the characteristics of his devotion to pharmacy, for during his short deanship, the school has taken on new life, become better and bigger. He has won the hearts of all the students who come under his able tutelage and the school promises to become one of the foremost in the country.

Dr. Alpers since his connection with the college has always taken interest in the Kappa Psi Fraternity and at the last initiation, we were glad to give him the grip of the order. As proud as we are of being able to call him brother, he is as eager to aid and foster the interests of the Fraternity.

GEO. L. KAPPUS.

## THE INTERMEDICAL FRATERNITY CONFERENCE

D. E. W. WENSTRAND, M.D., Φ P Σ, Σ A E

*Secretary of the Conference*

A preliminary meeting of the medical fraternities was recorded in the July, 1914, number of the *Greek Exchange*. As a direct result the Intermedical Fraternity Conference was organized in Chicago on February 27, 1915, by the following representatives of twelve out of fifteen known national medical fraternities:

Alpha Mu Pi Omega—Dr. J. Gurney Taylor;

Alpha Kappa Kappa—Dr. Robert Blue, Dr. Edward L. Heintz;

Alpha Phi Sigma—Dr. Leon Bloch, Dr. Edwin W. Hirsch;

Aleph Yodh He—Dr. Carroll A. Teller, Dr. Samuel Salingler;

Kappa Psi—Dr. Geo. L. Holstein;

Nu Sigma Nu—Dr. Ernest E. Irons;

Phi Alpha Gamma—Dr. Alva Sowers;

Phi Alpha Sigma—Dr. Wm. H. Holmes;

Phi Beta Pi—Dr. Geo. M. Klein, Dr. David S. Long, Dr. Bertren M. Davey;

Phi Rho Sigma—Dr. Wm. M. Joyce, Dr. James F. Churchill, Dr. D. E. W. Wenstrand;

Chi Zeta Chi—Dr. J. Buren Sidbury;

Omega Upsilon Phi—Dr. Wm. J. Topmoeller.

Pi Mu and Phi Chi expressed hearty sympathy and endorsement for the movement but, unfortunately, neither was represented in the gathering.

It was the unanimous opinion of those present that the new Conference, in its organization, should profit by the experience of the Interfraternity Conference of the literary fraternities and, consequently, a constitution was adopted similar to the one of the older organization with such minor changes as were deemed necessary for a smaller body. For example: biennial meetings were considered sufficient, and an Executive Committee of five instead of nine.

As a result of the general discussion, several committees were appointed, among which may be mentioned: one to con-

sider the advisability of inviting other professional fraternities to join in this organization, or to form similar conferences; another to draw up a plan for a uniform system of accounts and reports, with the motive of reducing the cost of printing and production of the necessary blanks and books to such of the fraternities as shall wish to accept the proposition; a third committee to formulate definite suggestions for the method of and the time when "bidding," "rushing" and initiating shall take place; and a fourth to plan for the formation of local interfraternity councils. At the same time, and in order to prevent a misunderstanding in regard to the last named committee, the Conference went on record as being opposed to local chapters, collectively as such, entering into class and school politics.

It was decided that the next meeting shall be held on Decoration Day, 1916. The following Executive Committee was elected to hold office until then:

Chairman—Doctor Ernest E. Irons, Nu Sigma Nu;  
Secretary—Doctor D. E. W. Wenstrand, Phi Rho Sigma;  
Treasurer—Doctor George L. Holstein, Kappa Psi;  
Doctor Bertren M. Davey, Phi Beta Pi;  
Doctor J. Buren Sidbury, Chi Zeta Chi.

It is understood that all medical fraternities, having three or more chapters, may join this conference and a cordial invitation is hereby extended to such as may have been missed unintentionally. Notices were sent to all those who were known to the organizers. To be effective, the movement must be general. We believe that the two meetings have demonstrated that there is harmony among the medical fraternities, and, that they can help each other and all by concerted action. There is room for all now in existence, and more too.

Before the close of the meeting, it was unanimously resolved that we, the new Intermedical Fraternity Conference, extend our compliments to the Interfraternity Conference; further, that we acknowledge our indebtedness to that organization for having led the way and for the suggestions offered by its constitution also, that we thank their 1914 Convention for the kindly sentiments expressed toward our organization then under way, and that we assure the Interfraternity Conference that it is our wish to coöperate with it and to aid in all matters which we have in common.—*Banta's Greek Exchange.*



## ANNOUNCEMENT

A petition, signed by eleven students of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, N. C., for a charter of Kappa Psi Fraternity has been received and acted upon favorably by the Grand Council, the Executive Committee, the Extension Committee and Beta Chapter. The petition was endorsed by Dr. Edward K. Graham, President of the University of North Carolina; Dr. T. H. Manning, Dean of the Medical School; Dr. E. V. Howell, Dean of the School of Pharmacy; Dr. Charles Herty, Professor of Chemistry in the University; and by Lester L. Williams, M.D., and C. H. Hemphill, M.D., both graduates of Delta Chapter and now residents of North Carolina. The charter has been granted and the chapter will be installed shortly by Grand Historian and Editor, Dr. A. Richard Bliss, Jr.

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We are glad to announce another addition to our Staff of Associate Editors: William W. Riha, M.D., graduate of Delta Chapter, a practicing physician of Bayonne, New Jersey. Brother Riha is not a *new* contributor to THE MASK. Some years ago Brother Riha's name appeared quite frequently as the author of both prose and verse in the Kappa Psi MASK. For some unknown reason we lost track of Dr. Riha (or he lost track of us) for a number of years. A short time ago we located him in Bayonne. He immediately "came across with the goods" and we have "landed" him on the Staff, where we hope he will remain indefinitely. Another one of Dr. Riha's articles appears in this issue of THE MASK. This is the second one from his pen since we relocated him, and we trust these are but two of a long series by him. The Staff extends a cordial wel-

**New Associate  
Editor**

come and surely appreciates the whole-hearted support of our brother, Dr. William W. Riha.

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The time is rapidly drawing nigh when the active chapters of Kappa Psi will disband for the summer. This is the time of year the Editorial Staff of THE MASK begins to worry about the summer MASK, the July issue. For the past three or four

**The July  
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years the July number has been a Kappa Psi Yearbook, group photos of the chapters having been run with each chapter letter. The Staff desires to continue this plan each year, but in order to carry it out successfully, the coöperation of the Historians, is imperative.

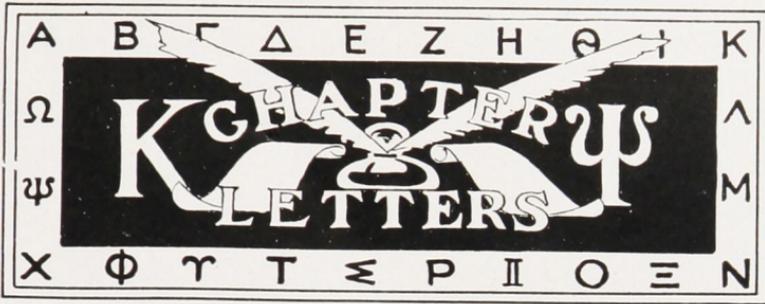
We therefore request *each* Historian to mail to the Grand Historian and Editor AS SOON AS POSSIBLE either a group photo of the chapter (*unmounted if possible*) with \$3.75 to cover the cost of making a half-tone, or a half-tone of the chapter. If a group picture of the chapter has been printed in a college yearbook, this half-tone may be used in THE MASK if it is of the proper size. All photos and half-tones will be returned to the chapters. The name and address (*summer*) of the sender should be *plainly* written on the back of all photos and half-tones so that there will be no difficulty experienced in returning the same. Photos and half-tones should be in the hands of the Grand Historian and Editor by May 20. Let's attend to this AT ONCE, Historians, so that the July MASK may be mailed out on time.

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One other point while we are on the subject of the summer MASK. Last summer we were unable to send copies of the July MASK to the members of four of the active chapters!!! Why???? Because the Chapter Historians of these chapters

**Summer  
Mailing Lists**

failed to send in a summer mailing list. These summer mailing lists MUST be sent in or the members of the chapters who fail to do so will forfeit their copies of the July issue. Get busy boys. Give the Historian your summer address. Historians, get your list together NOW; see EVERY man; write each name and address down PLAINLY; and finally mail it to the G. H. and E. We will appreciate your very prompt attention to this very important matter.



Chapter Letters for July issue of THE MASK to insure publication must reach the Editor by May 20.

### BETA CHAPTER

Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, Va.

Q. H. BARNEY, *Historian*

*Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

To my lot has fallen the duty and pleasure to give you the "doings" of Beta chapter. It is beyond my power to wield the pen so fluently as did my predecessor, Brother Vivar, and having not yet mastered "The Durham" I am afraid my letters will be less interesting, nevertheless, I shall try to do my best.

Our annual election of chapter officers was held February 27, and resulted as follows:

- Regent—A. D. Parson.
- Vice-regent—J. D. Rives.
- Secretary—S. G. Woodruff.
- Treasurer—A. I. Dodson.
- Historian—Q. H. Barney.
- Chaplain—F. A. Farmer.

We express our sincerest thanks to the out-going officers, who have labored so faithfully for the past year, and hope that our new officers will use the same zeal and determination in performing their duties and lift Beta even to a higher plane of success and usefulness. We are sure they will, because all are workers, and have the interest of Kappa Psi at heart.

Brother C. M. Bynum, M.D., '14, paid us a short visit several weeks ago, and charmed us again for a short time with his eloquence. His term having expired at St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Norfolk, Va., he is now practicing at his home, Goldston, N. C.

Examinations are drawing close, and every Beta member is a "busy bee," burning the midnight oil, and demolishing his tresses. Seven of our beloved brothers leave us this year to go forth to conquer disease and gain fame and fortune.

We wish, in closing, success to every brother of Kappa Psi in the closing of the school year.

#### DELTA CHAPTER

University of Maryland, Baltimore, Md.

F. N. CONLON, *Historian*

*Dear Brothers in Kappa Psi:*

The onward march of the winter months with its near perspective of coming spring, broad sunshine, and final examinations, seems to have awakened Delta chapter to even a better realization of its full life and energy. Not only have all our brothers been attentive to their work as proposed to each man by his individual class, but every one, certainly, has shown himself personally and spontaneously infused with the proper spirit of love and enthusiasm for the chapter, and of devotion to Kappa Psi.

During these months, the interest of both the fraternity as a whole, and the chapter as a unit, have been attended to most diligently. Delta has been especially engaged in her effort to extend the good influence of Kappa Psi to all those now outside of the Agora who might prove themselves worthy to enter its sacred precincts. The attention given by our brothers to this part of our program has reached the many, but owing to the proper severity practised by our councils in conferring the high honor of knighthood, the number of the invited has been small. However, according to the law that insures reward to all good, persistent work, our chapter was rejoiced by the adherence of two new members, and February 20 is indeed another day marked by a pure white stone in the life-urn of Delta. Brother Julian T. Bowman, '17, and Brother William Arthur Briggs, '16, were on that day initiated with all the pomp ceremony of the new ritual.

Seven days previous to Brothers Bowman's and Brigg's initiation was held at the chapter house the annual reglementary election of officers. Ceding to the force of circumstances that

each year compels the younger soldiers of Kappa Psi to look to their own ranks in the choice of their leaders, they have reluctantly relieved ex-Regent Brother Egan, and those among his associate officers who are about to pass forth to the haven of our passive membership, of the responsibility of their various offices.

Brother Egan's regency has been fortunate for Delta chapter in many ways. Not only has it been one of coöperation, good will, and understanding among the officers, but moreover one of progress and prosperity. Indeed, had any deep shadows been cast on the field of our work, had any dark clouds come to pass o'er Delta during these last few months, undoubtedly the constant fraternal good cheer of these our senior brothers, if not alone the sure, smiling, patient confidence of Brother Egan, would have been enough sunshine to dispel all fear and restlessness. Their work has been truly appreciated by the younger members of the chapter who wish them all prosperity and success. This spirit of gratitude must naturally extend to the many of our graduate brothers who have taken a more intimate and direct interest in the chapter. There can be no more propitious time than at the end of this regent year to mark all the fraternal esteem we owe to such men as Brother A. S. Coleman and Brother Newcomer, who are not only of us, but constantly among us. Other graduate brothers, with whom we are not fortunate enough to come in direct contact, owing to the distance of their homes, have favored us with very appreciable remembrances, and we wish to pay special tribute to graduate Brother Otto Asper for his very recent financial assistance.

The end of Brother Egan's regency witnesses a most happy state in chapter finances. Brother Henessy whom persuasion has won over to a second term of office as treasurer has certainly done good work. Our chapter house, besides the advantages it possesses of being near the school, is well furnished and equipped with all modern conveniences. It is divided into fourteen airy, spacy rooms, and is at present the resident home of sixteen of our brothers. Its reception room proves to be of special avail in meetings.

Brother Regent Ferry, Brother Egan's successor by acclamation, seems to think that this miniature hall with its conveniently adjacent dining room can be useful in many more ways than that mentioned above, and one of the first acts of his regency was a motion for the liberty to prove his theory. His proposition took effect in a very discreet, yet delightfully intimate card party given to the fairer friends of Kappa Psi; other pleasant receptions are forthcoming, says Brother Regent Ferry.

To the new regency also fell the task of preparing the annual Kappa Psi banquet of Delta chapter, the entire success of which is to be mentioned.

Kappa Psi has been very fortunate in the appointments recently made at the different hospitals of our city. Among our graduating members, Brother M. J. Egan was appointed first medical assistant at the University hospital and Brother E. W. Lane, house physician of the T. B. Department of the same hospital, while Brother J. J. Woff received the charge of assistant surgeon at the Bay View Hospital. Other graduating brothers are expecting forthcoming appointments.

#### ETA CHAPTER

Philadelphia College of Pharmacy, Philadelphia, Pa.

H. LISCHER, *Historian*

*Dear Brothers in Kappa Psi:*

In this my first attempt at fulfilling my position as historian, I will try to tell you in a measure how your brothers in Eta chapter have been devoting their time since the Christmas holidays.

Our return to school after the glorious two weeks' vacation, naturally left us with a brown taste, more or less. However, after a little effort we got back into the old swing of things and put forth a mighty effort to gain all the knowledge possible for the coming event, the mid-year examinations. This, one of the two great sources of worry in a college year, has been passed, with the success that holds Kappa Psi at the top in such matters.

Our social activities have not suffered in spite of this, and I have two affairs to record at this time. The first was a "Tea"

held at the fraternity house on February 7. Although this was our initial performance in this phase of society, we feel that in spite of our unsophistication we *got away with it*. "Beta-Eta" very kindly entertained us with music rendered by their chapter orchestra, which was highly appreciated by our guests as well as ourselves. The lunch was served à la buffet in the dining room from four to seven.

The second was our annual banquet again held at the Adelpia Hotel. The committee in charge deserves credit for their work, if it be measured by results, for all seemed to leave the feasting room with a pleasant smile. The speeches proved to be very interesting, especially those of our honored guests, which included: H. B. French, president of P.C.P., Professor G. P. Remington, Brother Virgil Cablentz, Brothers Hagaman and McBride of Gamma, Brother Dukes of Delta, and others whose names do not at present come to the writer's mind.

Since the last list of initiates and new brothers we have added a few more, besides which we have five pledges awaiting the next night of horror when they are willing to brave all to become knights of this, our much beloved and honored fraternity. The list of new brothers has been taken care of in another section of this issue, and as you read, know that they are adding strength to this already strong body.

Our election has taken place and the newly elected await the next meeting for installation, when they hope, with the coöperation of all the brothers, to carry on what good work has been done by their predecessors.

"Eta" is at present striving in an effort to furnish the new home, selected this year, with privately owned furniture which will be one step nearer its main ambition, to *own* a home.

The brothers of "Eta" in looking back over the year's results, so far, and after weighing the faults and good points of the year, find the scales sinking beneath the weight of the latter. Just so do we all wish the same good fortune for our brothers in other chapters.

## IOTA CHAPTER

University of Alabama, School of Medicine, Mobile, Ala.

C. O. LAWRENCE, *Historian*

*Dear Brothers:*

All the Iota boys have been hard at work since the holidays, and we are glad to report most encouraging grades.

Final examinations are looming up in the near distance, but we are all confident of victory.

Brothers Bell and Matthews will go out from us with the close of this year, and we shall miss them.

The officers for the new year have been in charge several weeks. Brother F. L. Abernethy is the new regent, and Brother W. C. Hannon, Vice-Regent. The promises are bright for the coming year.

We extend to all brothers in Kappa Psi heartiest greetings and best wishes.

## KAPPA CHAPTER

Birmingham Medical College and Graduate School of Medicine,  
University of Alabama, Birmingham, Ala.

M. F. BROWN, *Historian*

*Brothers in Kappa Psi:*

Allow me to introduce Murphy L. Davis, '15, University of Alabama. This makes an active membership of eleven. Kappa chapter is small this year but we feel that it has been a great school and also a good fraternity year. The meetings are held weekly with the same good interest and attendance.

Several entertainments have been given throughout the year by the chapter and individuals, the last being a theatre party at the Lyric. The annual banquet held at the Country Club was enjoyed by all.

It is only one month until final examinations. We are all looking forward to these with great interest, for those of us who are fortunate enough to be seniors are wondering what the outcome will be. We are happy to know that we are to finish but there is, deep in our hearts, a regret that we are to leave our friends and brothers.

*The Calyx*, our yearbook, is in press and will be out next week. Of twelve men on the editorial staff, Kappa Psi has

H. C. Denson, M. L. Davis, W. E. Sherman, H. C. Lewis, and M. F. Brown. Dr. A. R. Bliss, Jr. G. H. and E., is the faculty editor. He is due a great deal of credit for without his aid it could not have been the success it is.

### LAMBDA CHAPTER

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn.

THOMAS D. MOORE, JR., *Historian*

*Dear Brothers:*

A new pleasure and duty is mine in writing up the doings of Lambda for this issue of THE MASK.

Since the November number we have been exceedingly busy. On the tenth of December we held our annual election of officers, the following brothers being chosen to direct the course of our chapter for the ensuing year: T. D. Baxter, '16, regent; J. J. Greer, '17, vice-regent; C. E. Baker, '17, secretary; E. C. Siniard, '17, treasurer; G. C. Coffey, '16, chaplain; T. D. Moore, Jr., '16, historian. These were installed on January 7.

Intermediate examinations have come and gone and it gives me the greatest of pleasure to report that not one knight of Kappa Psi in this immediate vicinity fell by the wayside. It was a ten days' seige and we succeeded in silencing the batteries of the enemy and took one trench after another in our advance.

I am proud to introduce two brothers to whom we have recently extended our hand: P. O. Lewis, '17, Birmingham, Ala., and M. L. Ellis, '17, Jacksonville, Fla. Both of these men are certain to prove valuable supporters of the principles and high standards of Kappa Psi.

The outlook of the Medical Department of Vanderbilt is indeed brilliant and is sure to be heard from in the future, as in the past, in the production of great men of the profession. Galloway Memorial Hospital, comprising three building units, and which will probably be the finest hospital in the entire south when completed, is now under construction on the campus of the medical department. This is certain to give Vanderbilt unexcelled clinical advantages. There is also another handsome structure to be erected on the campus shortly. Contracts will be let early in April for the construction of a labo-

ratory building to cost \$250,000.00. This is a much needed addition and will give us a building unsurpassed in modern conveniences and scientific apparatus.

Lambda wishes every brother a successful year from every standpoint and a most enjoyable and prosperous vacation.

#### MU CHAPTER

Massachusetts College of Pharmacy, Boston, Mass.

J. D. HARTNETT, *Historian*

*Brother Knights of Psi:*

Since the last letter to THE MASK, new officers have been installed and it is my pleasant duty as the newly elected Historian to inform the brothers of the recent election of officers which took place February 11, 1915. Regent, Charles Edward Gilland; Vice-Regent, Percy Archibald Barnes; Secretary and Treasurer, Patrick Francis Mahoney; Historian, John Daniel Hartnett; Chaplain, William Stanley Foulser. We wish to introduce to the brothers, Brother George H. Everett, Brother Stanley W. Foulser, Brother John Daniel Hartnett and Brother Anatole J. Demers. We are proud of these brothers and think that they will be a great credit to the chapter. We were much pleased to have with us, at the meeting of the "North Atlantic Province of Kappa Psi," held in Boston, Brothers Eldridge, Holstein and Grant of the Grand Council.

The brothers are working hard preparing for the ordeal of the final examination, which is to take place shortly. We are planning to hold a large banquet April 21, 1915, at the Boston City Club and we are doing our best to make it a grand success.

Brothers Joseph Gagne and Carl J. Dahlen, have entered Tufts Medical School to take up the study of medicine. The following brothers were successful in passing the State Board in Pharmacy: Brothers F. Armhein, P. F. Mahoney, G. F. Curry, J. G. Dion and Brother Joseph Gagne.

We are planning on locating in larger quarters next year, as we have not sufficient room to accommodate all the brothers.

Wishing all the brothers of Kappa Psi the greatest success, in their final examinations.

## PI CHAPTER

Tulane University, New Orleans, La.

F. A. HOWELL, *Historian*

In our last letter Brother Parks reported of an armistice of four months, meaning vacation, and of the beginning of a very active period. Our anticipation has been fulfilled. Since our last letter we have taken in several men and we now wish to introduce our new brothers: Dr. Robert Bernard, interne of Charity Hospital; H. C. Voss, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, A.B., Louisiana State University; R. H. Potts, Natchitoches, Louisiana, A.B., University of Mississippi; W. C. Tisdale, Evergreen, Alabama, B.S., Howard College. Gladly do we welcome them into our ranks. We may now say that we have the pick of the élite but still we are not resting on our honors but we are "whooping 'em up" always for our beloved Kappa Psi.

Our election of officers was held the second week in February. Brother K. F. Kesmodel was elected Regent; Brother B. K. Parrish, Vice-Regent; Brother A. W. Fegtly, Treasurer; Brother M. L. Brenner, Secretary; and Brother F. A. Howell, Historian. We now look forward with increased zealously to the rapid and ever growing power of Pi chapter.

The honor medal offered to the brother having attained the greatest efficiency in his studies was won by Brother I. N. Tucker of the junior class (now of the senior class). Although Brother Tucker's marks were past excellent he was closely rushed by several others. May we say at this point that not a single member of Pi chapter failed to pass every subject. Is it not a record to be proud of? We are proud and especially proud of some of the wonderful records set. With the hearty coöperation of such men we are doing our best always to make it a greater Kappa Psi.

On the athletic side Kappa Psi was well represented in football by Brothers Maness, Kesmodel, and Fegtly. In the remainder of athletics we are not represented as our common companion, work, prevents our participation.

If anyone is ever near, come and see us and you will find us always ready, working and doing our best to lead the pace in making it a greater Kappa Psi.

## RHO CHAPTER

Atlanta Medical College, Atlanta, Ga.

S. A. FOLSOM, *Historian**Dear Brothers:*

The present chapter officers of the Rho chapter, Atlanta Medical College, are as follows: Regent, Brother Z. S. Cowan; Vice-Regent, M. F. Morris, Jr.; Secretary, J. T. Ellis; Treasurer, L. H. Dame; Chaplain, D. Rogers; Historian, S. A. Folsom.

Since the last issue of THE MASK Rho chapter has not initiated any new men into the mysteries of Kappa Psi, but we have several good men in view and I hope I shall have the pleasure of sending their names in next time.

## UPSILON CHAPTER

Louisville College of Pharmacy, Louisville, Ky.

W. O. PATTERSON, *Historian**Dear Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

Since our last letter Upsilon chapter has moved from "Victory unto victory."

We have initiated eight new members, the members being equally divided between the two classes. The names will be found elsewhere in this copy of THE MASK. We are glad to welcome these men into our midst, and are satisfied that we picked eight true knights.

Upon organizing the seniors, preparatory to graduation, our regent Hart L. Perry was elected to the presidency and Brother Patterson was elected to make the valedictory address at the Commencement. It is useless to say that Upsilon was represented on every committee.

In the junior class organization, Brother Katterjohn has been elected president and Brother Leeds secretary.

Talk about "actual happiness," we have that displayed in Brother Valentine, since he successfully passed the State Board Examination on January 12. We other members are certainly proud of him. We knew he was a winner.

Passive—Brother Spoonamore, who has visited and assisted us several times this year, has been raised to managership of all of the Taylor-Made-Chain drug stores of this city.

We do not feel that our work for this year is finished, and trust that when this school year ends, it will have been the most successful year in the history of Upsilon chapter.

### PHI CHAPTER

Northwestern University, Chicago, Ill.

F. M. BLAKE, *Historian*

*Dear Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

Since the last chapter letter was written, several interesting things have happened among the brothers of Phi chapter.

On February 5, the Phi, Chi, and graduate chapters held an informal dance at the Fort Dearborn Hotel which was a grand success. A hundred couples were present and every one enjoyed themselves more than at any of the previous dances held by the three chapters.

On March 26, the alumni of this chapter hold their annual banquet. A very good time is looked forward to and a large number of men, full of "pep," are expected to attend.

New officers were elected and installed at a recent meeting of our chapter. The officers for the balance of the school year and first part of our next year are: P. W. Rosenberg, regent; W. W. Connell, vice-regent; F. M. Blake, secretary and historian; W. D. Morrison, treasurer; and G. C. Schiefelbeim, chaplain.

We are through with the mid-term examinations and as usual, all of our brothers passed with high marks. We are looking forward to the finals which are only a few days off.

At the election of officers for the Y. M. C. A. cabinet Phi chapter was honored by filling eight of the possible eleven offices with our brothers.

Phi chapter wishes a successful ending of the present school year to all her sister chapters, and if any of our brothers are in the city or near here, we will be very glad to receive a visit from them.

## CHI CHAPTER

University of Illinois, Chicago, Ill.

V. L. GEISPITZ, *Historian**Dear Brothers in Kappa Psi:*

We are now on our home stretch in school and are going some. Most of the boys are studying for both the school and State Board examinations. Had an initiation last Friday night and now we have a total of thirty-six members. Brother H. A. Pieper and E. Dewey are the latest members. Brothers Schulz and Eddget were up to the initiation and it reminded them of the good times they had last year.

At the class elections we got all the offices except the treasurer's. The result of the election was as follows:

President—Brother H. L. Eberly.

Vice-president—Brother S. B. Trippet.

Secretary—Brother L. A. Gorham.

Sergt. at Arms—Brother H. A. Nelson.

Also Brother M. T. Brecke is to be valedictorian of the class. Also every committee has about two of our brothers on it. We now have a benedict among our ranks. He is Brother B. A. Marriat who was married during his Christmas vacation. We all wish him good luck. We are to have another and he is Brother L. E. Throckmorton who is to be married the day after school is out. Well "Throck" we all wish you, too, all the good luck in the world and we hope that you and Marriat will sing for us "When You're Married."

Our dance (Alumni, Phi and Chi) sure turned out to be a success. A large crowd turned out and everybody had a good time.

Gave a smoker two weeks ago and that too was a big success.

The next big event will be the annual meeting of the Chicago alumni chapter, Friday, March 26, 1915, at the new Morrison Hotel.

Brother K. C. Stodden, '13, bought a store at Foster and Lincoln Ave., Chicago, Ill. Karl is a good hard working fellow and we know he surely will make a success. Chi chapter sends the best wishes and we all want him to make more than good.

Brother Stulick had an automobile accident while out riding with his uncle. He is getting along fine at present.

Brother Falkner was taken home with pneumonia last week. We all wish to see him recover as soon as possible.

### BETA-BETA CHAPTER

Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio

H. R. KOHL, *Historian*

*Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

It is with much pleasure that I have the opportunity of addressing the "Knights of Kappa Psi."

On March 2, a meeting was called at 8 p. m. and there were many interesting subjects brought up. After the meeting, we had the installation of officers. The speeches the retiring officers gave certainly were full of "pep," and I think with their support and remarks made by the succeeding officers Beta Beta chapter will be on the go every minute.

At our recent initiation six worthy brothers were made "Knights"—Wallace G. Grosse, '16, Cleveland, Ohio; Herman R. Kohl, '16, Cleveland, Ohio; Alva E. Dickey, '17, Cleveland, Ohio; Oliver F. Graeborn, '16, Cleveland, Ohio; Sherman R. Andrews, '17, Cleveland Ohio; Joseph T. Cermak, '16, Cleveland, Ohio.

The following are the newly elected officers:

Regent—George L. Kappus, '16.

Vice-regent—Sherman B. Andrews, '17.

Secretary—Henry George, '16.

Treasurer—Samuel R. Robbins, '17.

Historian—Hermann R. Kohl, '16.

Chaplain—Christian Pfister, '17.

Sunday, March 7, the chapter will be open to all the "Knights" and friends. Dinner will be served from 6 to 8.

A party will be given on Tuesday evening, March 16, at the chapter house. A theatre party is also in view but no definite time has been arranged.

With our newly elected regent, George L. Kappus, at the wheel we expect a prosperous year. (Aim high, and take no steps backward.)

## BETA-GAMMA CHAPTER

University of California, San Francisco, Cal.

J. GOOD, *Historian**Brothers in Kappa Psi:*

Since our last letter in THE MASK the election and installation of officers for the coming year has taken place. All have been satisfied with the way the election came out and it looks like things will sure be fine in our chapter this next year. Since we are so fortunate as to have the Fair in our city we hope that we shall have the opportunity of seeing several of you and that your chapter will be represented and that we may have the pleasure of entertaining you while you stay here. The house, as in the past, will be open all summer so that when you arrive in town telephone us and we will be only too glad to meet you and bring you to the house. This is an invitation to you all and we hope that you will not disappoint us. If you cannot stay with us then let us know of your being here that we may record you on our visiting list.

The result of the last election is as follows:

Regent—Craig Nicholson.

Vice-regent—George Murphy.

Treasurer—Earnest Pruess.

Secretary and Historian—John Good.

Hoping to see you in "1915."

Beta-Gamma chapter is young yet but it is forging ahead at remarkable speed and activity. We now have a permanent house and all furniture and other articles necessary to make a first-class fraternity house. The members of the '15 class most all went to their homes in the various states to spend the summer vacation and likewise the holidays, but have all returned again to finish their course. The house was not closed last summer as has been necessary other years, but was always open to the members and all wandering brothers. At the present writing we are serving three meals a day at the house, which serves to keep the boys at home and makes things feel more homelike. Our chef has all the hotels and restaurants beaten when it comes to getting out the "eats." We have a regular monthly dance at the house which has a dance floor and all bring their lady friends and have a jolly time.

Our regent, Barratt Huskinson, was elected Student Body President of the California College of Pharmacy the first of the term which position he is ably holding down. Beta Gamma is all it could wish both financially and socially at present and we hope that all chapters are running as smoothly as ours. With best wishes for a happy and prosperous year to all.

P. S.—Don't forget that the Fair begins February 20, 1915, at *San Francisco*.

#### BETA-DELTA CHAPTER

Union University, Albany, N. Y.

H. R. BRONK, *Historian*

*Dear Brothers of Psi:*

After spending two weeks' vacation at our homes during the holidays, we came back to resume our work and to make the remainder of our year as successful and profitable as possible for ourselves and our chapter.

Scarcely had we reached the city again when our minds began to center upon but one thought and that:—"Did we do well in our mid-term examinations?" It was, however, not long before we learned that the brothers of Beta Delta had passed remarkably well, keenly showing the metal of the Knights of Psi.

It is with pleasure that we introduce to you at this time, the following men, who have recently been initiated into the mysteries of Kappa Psi, having proved themselves worthy to ever be led by the watchful eyes of Psi. Allow me to introduce, Roy Boles, Weavertown, N. Y. (Weavertown High School); Herschell J. Hess, Boonville, N. Y. (Boonville High School); Raymond W. Munger, Dolgeville, N. Y. (Dolgeville High School); Alvin J. White, Eaton, N. Y. (Eaton High School). We are indeed proud of these men and look forward to them to help improve and magnify our chapter. We feel that they may constitute a proper nucleus from which will grow out a better Beta Delta, which in turn can only make a greater Kappa Psi.

John Troy, '15, who is completing his course at Union University, has transferred from Gamma chapter and has enlisted with Beta Delta.

Our chapter has done well so far this year, the meetings have been well attended, having had at one meeting full attendance, an interest has been current and real live fraternalism has been and is exhibited. A social committee has been chosen, who arrange and prepare for all of the social affairs or that part which sweetens, and is the real condiment of college life. They are planning to entertain in the near future, the faculty members at a smoker. This is a capital idea especially at this time of year when the new men are coming in the chapter. A little talk from our superior scholars, places us oftentimes on a different level where we view things from a different angle. In like manner a literary committee has been chosen, who invite one or more of the brothers to read a paper on some major subject from the field we are pursuing. Are these not the things that make a man proud to say he is a fraternity man, for it is material gain.

Arrangements are also in progress for our annual banquet to be held March 15, celebrating the fifth anniversary of Beta Delta. All are striving to make this one grand success.

Well are we represented in our class offices, as every office is held by a fraternity brother.

Brother Swain, having undergone an operation for appendicitis, we are sorry to say will be unable to complete his year with us. Brother Ulricks has also suffered an operation for mastoid trouble. Both brothers are getting along very well, however.

On November 1, a well representative body of brothers attended church to pay honored respect to those who one by one have dismantled their armour here in this earthly life to enter upon the eternal. May they there receive the celestial crown of endless peace!

In conclusion Beta Delta wishes that this new year may be a most successful one and which at the close may dawn upon an even greater year.

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Up and away, like the dew of the morning,  
Soaring from earth to its home in the sun,  
So let me steal away, gently and lovingly  
Only remembered by what we have done.

Up and away, like the odors of sunset,  
 Sweetening the twilight as darkness comes on;  
 So let me pass away, peacefully, silently  
 Only remembered by what we have done.

Only remembered, only remembered  
 Only remembered by what we have done.

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As the college year of 1914-1915 draws to a close, we are reminded that it is indeed one to be remembered by us all and in short a successful year for Beta Delta.

Success is marked by accomplishments, so may we introduce to you at this time the following brothers who have recently been instructed into the mysteries of Kappa Psi, the same to form the nucleus of next year's active chapter: Lloyd Beardsley Whitaker, Hudson, N. Y.; Ralph Thompson Pollock, Argyle, N. Y.; Stewart Hudson, Rouses Point, N. Y.; Harold David Newton, Gloversville, N. Y.; John Vernon Smith, Chatham, N. Y.; Robert Ulysses Green, Sidney, N. Y.; Earl Dean Armstrong, Athens, N. Y.; Raymond Colwell Quinlan, Bennington, Vt.; Horace Mitchell Carter, Salisbury, Vt.; Edgar Densenberry Barrett, Windsor, N. Y. We also have the pleasure of introducing Prof. Wardner D. Ayer, lecturer in physiology, who has recently been given the oath of allegiance and obligations.

Beta Delta celebrates her fifth birthday with twenty-seven active members, thirteen facultative and seventy-five graduate members, making a grand total of 115.

At the regular meeting on March 1, the following brothers were chosen to carry on the work of the chapter for the ensuing year:

- Regent—Brother Munger.
- Vice-regent—Brother Armstrong.
- Secretary—Brother Carter.
- Treasurer—Brother J. V. Smith.
- Historian—Brother Hess.
- Chaplain—Brother Boles.

On the following Monday evening, March 8, the foregoing officers were installed. May they endeavor to raise the standard of Beta Delta and strive earnestly to give her the loyal support and untiring interest that the retiring corp gave. We have been and are proud of our chapter and it is our urgent desire that she may ride on with streaming colors of the Red and Grey to help make Kappa Psi the greatest of all fraternities.

After the installation was duly performed Retiring Regent Brother Schiemer gave a little talk in which he related what Beta Delta had meant to him, what he strived to do for her and then looking on into the future he pictured plainly to us what he sincerely wished her to gain and that—Success. With kindest appreciation and thanks to those who had helped him carry on his duties he handed his power to the newly installed regent.

Brother Schiemer has been a loyal member of Beta Delta, ever striving to uphold the principles of the organization, planning for her successful future and willingly and faithfully filling his office. So Brother VanVleck on behalf of the active members cleverly and appreciately thanked Brother Schiemer for the interest and loyalty he had displayed and presented him with a jeweled pin.

Many of us have spent our last year at college and many are the good times we have had as brothers of Kappa Psi. A year that will be lived over and over again as in after life we draw our old armchairs about the fireplace and in the twilight look over the span of life and then the one high spot of all will be:—Our college days and the pleasures afforded by our fraternalism.

In conclusion, I wish to present to you our newly elected historian, Herschel J. Hess, a man that is Kappa Psi through and through, and will ever strive to raise the standard of historianship. He will assume his duties at once and be heard from in the next issue of THE MASK.

In parting, I wish to say that I have thoroughly appreciated the honor of contributing to THE MASK and the office of historian so kindly bestowed upon me. Wishing you all a bright and prosperous future, I retire.

How delightful to ponder o'er days of our youth,  
 When we longed to engage in the strife,  
 And to don the bright armor of honor and truth  
 In the strenuous battle of life;  
 Many failures have come in the goals that we sought  
 Disappointments came thick and came fast  
 But the bright star of hope that remained in our thought  
 Was Kappa Psi, the gem of the past.  
 So, as years roll along, we'll continue to pray,  
 That her star, ever brilliant, may glow,  
 And may Brothers of old times and Brothers today,  
 To her standard their faithfulness show:  
 May she ever press forward, new triumphs to gain,  
 Like her vict'ries in bright days of yore,  
 While her sons, ever loyal, again and again  
 Pledge Kappa Psi their faith ever more.

H. R. S.

#### BETA-EPSILON CHAPTER

Rhode Island College of P. & A. S., Providence, R. I.

CHARLES LEO HIGGINS, *Historian*

Beta-Epsilon, "Not dead but simply sleeping."

Brothers:—It is entirely due to my negligence that Beta-Epsilon has not been represented in the previous issues of THE MASK, but on the other hand I and all the other officers have been pretty busy studying for board examinations and also school examinations.

I can say, however, that we have done some work for Kappa Psi. On February 11 we initiated five candidates and all good fellows. They are Frank Collacci, Cono Stefano of 1915 class, and Aram Benoit, Raymond C. Vars, Philip LaFlame, of 1916 class.

We had a good representation of the graduate chapter and also the professors and it was due to this fact that the initiation was such a grand success.

At the close of the meeting we held a banquet at the Hotel Newman, and we wandered home in the wee hours of the morning (the candidates sore but satisfied).

Kappa Psi was well represented in the number that took the State Board examinations on March 2, 1915. The Kappa Psi men were: Deady, Carlson, Forcier, Stefano, Collacci, Higgins. All were successful in their attempt.

The graduate chapter has at last been able to find desirable quarters on Green Street. They have fitted same up to a king's taste. Great credit is due to the men that worked this up, and they will no doubt receive the support of the active chapter after graduation.

Great work is also being done by the members of the graduate chapter with regards to a drug union in this state. And it should have the support of every man now engaged in the drug business.

They have already held some large meetings and Kappa Psi men are the ones that are pushing to the front.

Last January ten loyal Knights of Psi journeyed to Boston from Providence to attend the convention of the N. Atlantic Province. Regent Michael J. Deady, Sec. and Treas., Andrew H. Gray, and Clarence A. Vars represented Beta-Epsilon. Satrap Earl H. Mason, Profs. Wm. H. Rivard, Charles G. Shulmyer, James J. Chandley, Earl Lockwood, Arthur N. Pratte, and Regent Henry J. D. Livingston represented Providence Alumni. They came back praising the Boston boys who acted as host of the convention and the stimulus of seeing their new house was so strong that inside of two weeks they had found, hired, and occupied permanent quarters in the heart of the city. We have heard a lot about Livingston's speech at the Hotel Plaza on "Moral Support" but as yet have failed to have him repeat it for us here.

I think Brother Livingston would gladly send a copy of that speech to any chapter applying for one. It is worth having and there are plenty of copies to be distributed.

All joking aside Beta-Epsilon has recently started an active campaign to make Beta-Epsilon a bigger and better chapter than it has ever been before. There are sixteen active knights in our chapter at present and we hope to have at least twenty-five before graduation.

Financially Beta-Epsilon feels very prosperous and when the treasurer "makes his will" at graduation time there is sure

to be a larger bank account for his successor than has ever before been turned over to a newly appointed treasurer.

The work of this year, 1914-15, has been in charge of the following officers who were elected at our annual banquet on June 4, 1914:

Regent—Michael J. Deady, Westerly, R. I.

Vice-regent—Carl Carlson, Providence, R. I.

Sec. and Treas.—Andrew H. Gray, Howard, R. I.

Historian—Charles L. Higgins, Westerly, R. I.

Chaplain—Leon W. Field, Providence, R. I.

#### BETA-ZETA CHAPTER

Oregon State College, Corvallis, Ore.

L. E. BALDWIN, *Historian*

*Dear Brothers of Psi:*

Since our last letter to THE MASK, the following men have been made members of Beta-Zeta chapter: D. H. Smyth, Paul E. Losey, Paul W. Robinson, Emory J. Gilmore, W. D. Hamilton, C. H. Hilstand. These men are all with us, with the exception of P. E. Losey, who is following the trade in his home town at Hood River.

The latter part of this month, our annual initiation takes place and several new names will be added to the roll. On the 25th of the month we lead the lambs to the slaughter, on the night of the 26th, we bring them back to the new life by banqueting at the Hotel Julian, and on the eve of the 28th we practically end our social endeavors for the year, with our annual dance, in the college gymnasium. Here in a blaze of glory, Beta-Zeta will bid adieu to frivolity, for the spring of 1915, and buckle down to the more serious endeavor of capturing first place in the interfraternity scholarship contest.

Beta-Zeta again demonstrated her class as being all-around "champions" by again winning the interfraternity basket ball championship, and annexing for keeps a beautiful loving cup which was very fittingly engraved. We went through the entire season without a slip and finished with a percentage of 1000, an exact duplicate of our last year's work. It would be unjust to pick out any one star as all the boys gave the best there was in them.

J. C. Shirley, Beta-Zeta, and George Baum, Beta-Iota, both registered pharmacists, are working in the city, and making B Z chapter house their home. Jess Edwards is now an assistant in the Pharmacy Department, and also keeps his feet under our table. Benj. Hornug, '14, is now holding down a good position at American Falls, Idaho. H. A. Albers, '15, is working in the same house, and the two report some interesting incidents, occasionally. L. M. Gerdes, a P. G. who was with us last year, is managing the Donnell Pharmacy at The Dalles, Ore.

We wish some of you eastern men could make us a visit and become acquainted with our glorious climate. Beta Zeta house is on 17th and Monroe Streets, and if ever an eastern K Ψ gets in the Willamette Valley, remember us.

Here's prosperity to every chapter.

#### BETA-ETA CHAPTER

Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pa.

DAVID REYNOLDS MORGAN, *Historian*

*Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

"The April days have come at last,  
 And soon exams will all be past  
 No more the midnight oil we'll burn,  
 As from these arduous tasks we turn.  
 Three months of rest for you and me,  
 And then some more exams we'll see."

The above few lines seem to indicate the spirit of the present hour. The great examination epidemic is upon us and all hands are taking large prophylactic doses of the anti-toxine "midnight oil." To judge from the number of lights which illumine every window of our fraternity house from the hours of 8 to 1 p. m. one would question whether it was a fraternity house or a government lighthouse guarding some highly perilous breakwater. The specific bacillus has, however, been isolated and its toxic properties are well understood and in view of the excellent prophylaxis which is being so freely taken we look for not even a single fatality. Anyhow Kappa Psi always goes in to win, whether it be an examination or a battle.

Saturday, March 6, marked the close of the current fraternity year and the old officers tapped the gavel for the last time officially. These officers have done such meritorious work that I must mention some word of praise in their behalf.

Retiring Regent A. H. L. Smith merits great praise for his excellent work during the past year. He has always worked to the best interests of Kappa Psi and in his retiring speech which he gave just before handing over the documents of his office to his successor, Brother Harry Goldstein, touched the heart of all men present. The spirit of his efforts has always been "Brothers, let us ever work for a better and bigger Kappa Psi."

In the retirement of Brother U. P. Horger, the Fraternity loses a most valuable secretary. A great deal of the success of any society depends upon its secretary.

Brother Horger has always manifested the greatest of enthusiasm, and his work in the Fraternity, like that he does in his classes at school, is of the highest grade of efficiency.

The society regrets losing the services of our devout Brother G. N. Herring as chaplain.

The officers for the coming year are:

Regent—Harry Goldstein, '16.

Vice-regent—P. A. Epright, '17.

Secretary—D. G. Moyer, '17.

Treasurer—E. J. Nitschke, '16.

Historian—D. R. Morgan, '16.

Chaplain—A. M. Crouch, '16.

It is not necessary for me to introduce Brother Harry Goldstein as his activities as president of the junior class has made him well known among all classes of Jefferson men—from the timid subfreshmen to the dignified seniors. His election as Regent is simply another expression of this Fraternity's appreciation of his untiring efforts in its behalf. His election was unanimous and the whole Fraternity stands as a unit to back him in any move he proposes which shall be to the uplift of Kappa Psi as a great medical fraternity.

Brother Epright, Vice-regent, is a musician by choice, but a doctor by profession. His excellent work on the Kappa Psi orchestra has done so much toward making a success of our banquets.

Brother Moyer enjoys considerable distinction as an after-dinner speaker. He is ever ready to respond to the call of the toastmaster, so the society felt sure he would respond when they called him to fill its secretarial chair. His cheerful disposition and unselfish efforts have made him a very popular member of our fraternity.

Treasurer E. J. Nitschke was reëlected to the office of treasurer. This dear brother deserves the greatest of praise for his most excellent conduct of the financial affairs of this Fraternity. His every effort is expressive of a deep, sincere, heartfelt interest in Kappa Psi's welfare. The office of treasurer is one demanding much labor and time, all of which Brother Nitschke has unstintingly given. Philadelphia Kappa Psi men look to Brother Nitschke as one of their strong pillars.

As Brother Crouch has just taken a series of lectures at Billy's great tabernacle lately it was decided that he should act as chaplain for the coming year. As the writer of this brief note was caught at a recent session of the society with a quire of paper, a fountain pen and two bottles of ink, it was concluded that he should continue writing "History" for the ensuing year.

We wish to announce the following hospital appointments with which our fraternity brothers have been honored:

E. H. Reborn—Moses Taylor Hospital, Scranton, Pa.

F. T. Bower—Jefferson Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

H. E. Spruance—Polyclinic Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

G. M. Herring—Brooklyn Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y.

F. R. Hoyt—St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

J. A. Connelly—St. Mary's Hospital, Trenton, N. J.

R. E. Barto—Reading General Hospital, Reading, Pa.

D. D. Grimm—Allegheny General Hospital, Allegheny, Pa.

P. B. Bender—Episcopal Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

V. K. Marsteller—Stetson Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa.

V. W. Graham—Hamot Hospital, Erie, Pa.

A. H. L. Smith—Municipal Hospital, New York City.

On Saturday evening, March 6, we had a most enjoyable banquet at Kugler's. The affair was one of the most successful events held at Jefferson this year. Starting at 8:30 the

festivities began. Toastmaster Roy Deck, M.D., kept things lively from start to finish. The following gave speeches: Geo. F. Breuster, A. H. L. Smith, Harry Goldstein, Harold C. Kelley, Jos. Stiles McDaniel, R. R. Dalrymple, J. A. Connelly, E. J. Nitschke, H. McDonald, A. F. Klutz. The remarks of the brothers were witty and Brothers Moyer and Connelly established themselves as after-dinner speakers of the first order. All the speeches were impromptu and Kappa Psi spirit was in the air. I must not forget to mention the work of our Kappa Psi orchestra, composed of Brother Stiles, Vaughn, Epright and Hinckley. Their excellent musical efforts brought showers of applause and did so much in making the affair the great success it was.

As visitors we had with us Brothers Taylor, Phillips, and Mermer from Eta chapter.

Much credit is due the committee who arranged this event. The members of this committee were: J. A. Connelly, E. H. Rebhorn, J. H. Bartley, Paul A. Epright, Reynold S. Griffith. Beautiful souvenirs were carried home by each member as a memento of this occasion, which shall live long in our memories. A conspicuous feature was the large number of pledge men present at this banquet. Surely our outlook for the coming year is most splendid.

I am glad to report that Brother P. B. Hawk, B.S., M.S., Ph.D., (professor chemistry and toxicology), is so far recovered as to be able to be with us again. The sympathy of the entire student body has been with Professor Hawk in his recent severe illness. We are glad to hear the voice of our most distinguished brother in the lecture rooms after his recent absence.

Touching Brother Keith I am sorry to say that owing to recent complications it was found necessary to amputate his leg. His general condition, however, seems improved since this has been done. This dear brother is one of the strong pillars of Kappa Psi and his distressing accident has touched the heart of every member. That he may again be restored to health is the earnest prayer of every "son of Jefferson."

Well brothers I must now close, for,  
 "He who writes and tells it all,  
 Had better pause and then recall,  
 That he again some news must write  
 Hence tell but part, and so good-night."

### BETA-THETA CHAPTER

University of Tennessee, Memphis, Tenn.

B. F. HARDIN, *Historian*

#### *Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

Brothers, we are still in the ring, when speaking of Kappa Psis. Beta-Theta is very wide-awake, as one can judge from the quality of her members and also her pledges; we have some of the most prominent doctors in the South and also some of our pledges are doctors of state-wide reputation.

We are glad to say that we made Bryce Belmont Florence, '18, of Alto, Texas, and Irwin Immanuel Pogue, '16, Eupora, Miss., brothers of Kappa Psi, at our last meeting and we feel that these brothers have already absorbed the true Kappa Psi spirit.

On our last two meeting nights, Beta-Theta has been rather liberal to us all by giving us a very pleasing luncheon which was followed by a smoker. On our last meeting night we had the honor of Mr. L. H. Stout and Mr. H. N. Pulliam's presence as visitors and they gave Beta-Theta some very pleasing smiles and encouraging words.

Examinations caused a delay in the election of our officers, for the rest of the year, but during this delay every Kappa Psi was wide-awake in trying to study out who would be the best men to fill the different offices of Beta-Theta chapter; there were so many good men who could have done just as well as the ones we selected but after careful selection the following brothers were chosen to fill the respective places:

Regent—Brother Charles Galloway Terrell, '17, Prentice, Miss.

Vice-regent—Brother John Alexander McIntosh, '16, Raymond, Miss.

Secretary—Brother Edward Guy Campbell, '16, Brownsville, Tenn.

Treasurer—Brother Roy L. Pentergraph, '15, Hollis, Okla.

Historian—Brother Bedford Forrest Hardin (Shortie), '17, Clifton, Tenn. Memphis address: 253 East St.

"D"—Brother Wade Hampton Bolton, Memphis, Tenn., c/o Insane Asylum.

"P"—Brother Ira Fredick Peak, '17, 2808 Wesley St., Greenville, Texas.

"O"—Brother Luther M. Lyle, '16, Cash, Ark.

"1st P"—Brother Elisa Farrow, '16, Bells, Tenn.

"2nd P"—Brother Miley E. Durham, '17, Winfield, Ga.

Chaplain—Brother Leslie T. Bolton, '16, Memphis, Tenn., c/o Insane Asylum.

We feel that Beta-Theta has some very fine fellows to carry the banners that have been so nobly borne by the preceding officers and we feel that each present officer is being strengthened by the support of every member of Beta-Theta chapter.

We have discussed and passed on the subject of a fraternity house and next year we will be together in a Kappa Psi home where we will be glad to welcome any visiting Kappa Psi brother into our midst.

Beta-Theta is not so unmindful as to forget her sister chapters in Kappa Psi but we all with a single voice say "May each of you prosper in every way as we are prospering."

#### BETA-IOTA CHAPTER

North Pacific College, Portland, Ore.

C. H. HARRIS, *Historian*

#### *Knights of Psi, Greetings:*

Beta-Iota is sure some busy chapter these days. Since you last heard from us we have added the following brothers to our ranks: E. W. Ford, B. F. Snodgrass, J. H. Bradbury, O. J. Deming, A. Goodman, L. J. Framboch, T. H. Eckerson, E. J. McWhirter, and E. Ginn. Several of the alumni members were present at the initiation, and we all had a big time. Beta-Iota is certainly growing fast, and judging from the way the new members are taking interest in the fraternity work, we are going to have one of the best records since the chapter was founded.

We are planning to give our first annual ball in the near future, and when it is held we can assure you it will be some elaborate affair.

Kappa Psi boys made a fine showing at the recent Oregon State Board examinations, the following brothers from Beta-Iota having passed the tests: Regent Glen Estes, vice-regent Duncan, secretary-treasurer Watkins, E. Ginn, and E. W. Ford.

Several members of Beta-Iota attended the annual ball of the Xi Psi Phi Fraternity as their guests, and a delightful time was enjoyed by all. Kappa Psi was also well represented at the Annual Freshman Ball, which was recently held.

Beta-Iota regrets to announce the death of Brother Harvey Matthies, who recently passed away in Portland as the result of an operation for appendicitis. Brother Matthies graduated from North Pacific last year, and had recently passed the senior state board examinations. He was a very active fraternity brother, and the many good turns he has done for Beta-Iota will never be forgotten, and we feel that Kappa Psi has lost a member, who would without doubt have had a brilliant career, and who would have done deeds that would have been a credit to Kappa Psi.

#### BETA-LAMBDA CHAPTER

George Washington University, Washington, D. C.

E. E. SULLIVAN, *Historian*

I am indeed sorry that you have not heard from Beta-Lambda before this and the historian is alone to be blamed for the delay.

Some of the boys of Beta-Lambda chapter attended the Delta banquet at Baltimore and reported a big enjoyable time.

Brother Chamberlin, '16, gave the Kappa Psis and their friends a stag party Saturday, March 20. It was a huge success and everybody had a delightful time.

Brother Blake, '15, formerly of Beta-Theta chapter, and Miss Edith Davis were married last October.

Beta-Lambda has six pledges who are to be initiated in the next month.

## BETA-MU CHAPTER

University of Louisville, Louisville, Ky.

GRAHAM F. JOHNS, *Historian**Brothers of Kappa Psi:*

On the evening of February 2 we initiated into our order two brothers—Brother S. A. Beddall and Brother J. M. Norton. The initiation took place at our home on Third and Broadway. After the ceremony we repaired to the Old Inn Hotel, where we partook of a delightful lunch. Several toasts were given and Brother W. L. Atkins acted as toastmaster. The evening was very much enjoyed by all.

By the next issue of THE MASK we hope to have several more members added to our number.

Our meetings this year have given us much benefit, as we have taken up lectures on our work and discussed them thoroughly.

Beta-Mu wishes a happy and successful finish to all her sister chapters for the remainder of the year.

## BETA-NU CHAPTER

Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.

G. A. WHITACRE, *Historian**Knights of Psi:*

We have six new men to introduce to you this time as brothers in Kappa Psi: Benard E. Quick, '15, Rockport, Mo.; Chas. B. Nigro, '16, 912 East 5th St., Kansas City, Mo.; A. J. Sullivan, '16, 2773 California St., Omaha, Neb.; Dor C. McBride, '16, 2309 I St., So. Omaha, Neb.; T. Graham, '16, Hanover, Kan.; Geo. A. Whitacre, '16, Crete, Neb.

On Friday evening, February 27, a brief chapter meeting was held at the Y. M. C. A. at which the following new officers were elected:

Regent—Chas. B. Nigro.

Vice-regent—Dor. C. McBride.

Secretary and Treasurer.—A. J. Sullivan.

Chaplain—T. Graham.

Historian—Geo. A. Whitacre.



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BETA NU-CHAPTER MEMBERS

Melchor

Seyfer

Quick

Christensen

J. B. Murphy

Goverson

Smith

Sample

H. F. Murphy

McCombs

Following the election of chapter officers, an enjoyable smoker made the evening's program a very pleasant one indeed.

In closing Beta-Nu extends her best wishes to all her brothers in Kappa Psi.

### NEW YORK CHAPTER

New York, N. Y.

L. MONELL, *Historian*

"Big" Short is "chief scout" of the "White Light after Midnight Squad" every night. Ask the "Olives."

Dr. Charles Ballard is working on the second edition of his book, *Our Native Crude Drugs and Their Uses*, which made such a hit among the drug profession.

Dave Johnson, '13, is working in Larchmont.

Fred Rugg is manager of H. H. Hayes's Middle Street Store, Portland, Me.

Wm. Lowell is manager of another of H. H. Hayes's stores, Portland, Me.

Dr. G. Hohmann graduates from Fordham Medical in June.

G. Dunheimer, who is employed at Dobbs Ferry by Dr. Von Wedell was recently married. Congratulations from all the brothers of Kappa Psi.

Dr. Hasson Von Wedell is bacteriologist and clinical pathologist for towns along the Hudson.

Brothers Hostmann, Ballard, Eldridge, Short, Alliton, Johnson, and Hayes attended the successful theatre party held by the Gamma chapter, February 17.

Brother H. Hughes, '11, is prescription manager for Rikers at 101st St. and Broadway.

Brother E. Drury, '12, is with Rikers at 15 W. 34th St.

Brother C. Walters, '12, is again with Brother McKeonn, 3 E. 42nd St., Rikers.

By the time the next issue of THE MASK has gone to press the active chapter will have held their eighteenth banquet at the Chemist's Club, N. Y. C. Here's hoping it is as much of a success as last year.

E. Auchenpauh, '10, is with Kock, 73rd St. and 3rd Ave., Brooklyn.

## BIRMINGHAM CHAPTER

Birmingham, Ala.

W. A. WEED, M.D., *Historian*

The Birmingham graduate chapter of Kappa Psi finally got together on the evening of February 23, 1915. On this night Kappa chapter and the graduate chapter held their annual banquet at the Birmingham Country Club. Right before the banquet the graduate chapter held its annual meeting and election. In the absence of the Regent, Dr. D. S. Moore, grand historian and editor, Dr. A. R. Bliss, Jr., called the meeting to order. After the routine business the annual election was held. The following officers were unanimously elected:

Regent—Wade A. Martin, M.D. (K)

Vice-regent—Wm. C. Gewin, M.D. (E)

Sec-Treas.—R. G. McGahey, Ph.C., M.D. (A and K)

Historian—Walter A. Weed, M.D. (E)

It was decided to hold four regular meetings a year, and, in order to make them more enjoyable, to have a "feed," smoker or theatre party the night of each meeting, the cost per man to be from seventy-five cents to one dollar. This was the best attended and most enthusiastic meeting the graduate chapter of Birmingham have had in four years. We are looking for good times ahead. Epsilon, Lambda, Kappa, Gamma, Eta and Iota chapters are represented in our graduate chapter.

## PROVIDENCE CHAPTER

Providence, R. I.

F. EARLE LOCKWOOD, *Historian*

*Hooray!* who said the Providence graduate chapter of K Ψ was dead and ready to be embalmed?

"A pretty live *corpse*, eh?" Well, that's what they said at Boston at the second annual "Martini-fête" of the North Atlantic Province convention last January.

If there *was* any evidence of "Celestialism" it must have been after the last "olive" was in dry dock and the melodious zephyrs of the "Warbling-Blonde" were but fond memories.

We must give a deal of credit to Brother Mason the province satrap, and his committee for the efficient manner in which he arranged for our entertainment while in "Bean-Town" and for

the harmonious and successful conventional business meeting held in Mu's chapter house.

We are proud to relate the fact that our chapter was the best represented chapter at the convention, there being seven members present, and with the *three* "Active Men" a fine showing was made—*Ten* being our total.

As a direct result of our "Fraternal Spirit" absorbed from the convention, we have taken "chapter quarters" in the "Adie-Mansion" at No 3 Greene St., Providence—about five minutes' walk from the "heart" of the city and the Union Station. We feel that this will serve to keep our *Brothers* in closer touch with each other and promote the fraternal activity which is so necessary in an organization of this character. We feel, also, that our active chapter, Beta-Epsilon, will thrive tenfold as a direct result of our action.

On Wednesday evening, February 17, we held a special meeting of our chapter in the new quarters and the attendance was the largest since the "Initial Banquet," there being twenty-two Kappa-Psis in attendance during the evening. All were loud in their praise to the committee—Brothers Lockwood, Rivard and Mason, for procuring such delightful and home-like quarters, and it is hoped that all members will avail themselves of the opportunity to procure *keys* from the regent and utilize the "chapter room" often, whether for recreation, sociability or quiet study.

After a brief business session (five minutes) we adjourned to the "Elysium" and took part in the initiation of five candidates into Beta-Epsilon.

Miss (?) French of our chapter officiated as "musical director" and so creditably did *she* perform on the "ivories" that we intend to add a piano to our equipment at once. "All speed with that wooden-lunged Devil."

At the present writing the committee is hard at work, arranging for a telephone to be installed in our chapter room and for a suitable "insignia" to be attached to the exterior of the building.

Four new members were accepted into the chapter at the last meeting and six others are anxiously awaiting our next meeting.

## CLEVELAND CHAPTER

Cleveland, Ohio

EARL W. MEYER, *Historian*

*"Knights of Psi":*

Cleveland graduate chapter again sends heartiest greetings to all our brothers in Kappa Psi. Since our last letter we have been busy getting our chapter well under way and firmly established. We have held two meetings beside our little social gatherings.

At our last meeting, March 1, we cleared up considerable outstanding business, heard our treasurer's report, which, I am glad to say, shows us in fairly good condition financially. We also brought up and passed two resolutions, which may be of interest; they are as follows:

*Resolved*, that the graduate chapter establish a fraternity library to be placed in the chapter house, to consist primarily of bound volumes of THE MASK, books of reference on medicine, pharmacy, chemistry, etc., and also other clean interesting literature as we may procure. (We need your assistance in the way of back numbers of THE MASK, any reader having back numbers from January 1, 1910, will kindly do us a great favor by writing our secretary.) This library we calculate will render the house a more attractive and helpful place for study and recreation.

*Resolved*, that a weekly Kappa Psi dinner be held on Monday evening at Watson's Cuyahoga Restaurant between the hours of 5:30 and 7:00. This weekly dinner will be attended by all Kappa Psi brothers, both the actives and alumni, and will be a direct means of furthering the interests of Kappa Psi, in view of the fact that we will become better acquainted and in this way we will promote the intimate, friendly and brotherly feeling which should be strong between fraternity men.

Owing to the fact that our officers have held office only since last December it was decided that they continue to serve until the next regular time for election.

A St. Patrick's party will be held at the house, and we are contemplating having a regular get-together time, and the ladies will be there too. We are assured that it will be a

howling success as we are to have the coöperation of Beta-Beta, and that is "nough said."

There has also been considerable agitation on the question of organization of a glee club, our historian demonstrated the feasibility of this project, by directing all present in the rendition of Kappa Psi and popular songs.

In closing, I wish to say that the chapter is coming along very well and that we are waiting with heartiest welcome for any brother who can visit us.

### NOTICE!

THE MASK will continue its policy of making the JULY issue a "Kappa Psi Yearbook", running group pictures of all of the chapters. Chapter Historians will therefore kindly send chapter groups with \$3.75 (to cover the cost of making the half-tone), or half-tones used in college annuals NOT LATER THAN MAY 20. Send them on at once if possible in order to avoid unnecessary delay. All photos and half-tones will be returned in good condition. Place name and *summer* address of the sender on the back of the photo or half-tone, and mail to:

DR. A. R. BLISS, JR.,

824 South 20th Street,

Birmingham, Ala.

(After May:—Spring Valley, N. Y.)

# INITIATES

## DELTA

W. A. Briggs, '16

## ETA

N. J. Ellis, '17

H. G. Banzhof, '17

C. H. A. Streamer, '17

## KAPPA

M. L. Davis, '15

## LAMBDA

M. I. Ellis, '17

P. O. Lewis, '17

## MU

G. H. Everett, '16

S. W. Foulser, '17

J. D. Harnett, '16

A. J. Demers, '17

## UPSILON

C. H. Tye, '15

W. R. Parks, '15

C. B. Dozier, '15

A. T. Schrieber, '15

R. D. Leeds, '16

J. E. Katterjohn, '16

E. Keller, '16

E. K. Watkins, '16

## PI

R. Bernard, M.D.

H. C. Voss, A.B., '18

R. H. Potts, A.B., '18

W. C. Tisdale, B.S., '18

## BETA-BETA

W. G. Grosse, '16

O. F. Graeburr, '16

J. T. Cermak, '16

H. R. Kohl, '17

A. E. Dickey, '17

S. R. Andrews, '17

## BETA-GAMMA

F. McGowan, '15

E. Pruess, '16

E. Fahey, '16

A. Meese, '16

J. Good, '16

R. Cafferate, '16

J. Hurlbut, '16

C. Nicholson, '16

A. Murphy, '16

*Pledges*

H. Garwood, '16

H. Palmitere

## BETA-DELTA

L. B. Whitaker, '15	R. U. Green, '15
R. W. Munger, '16 ✓	A. G. White, '16 ✓
H. J. Hess, '16 ✓	R. T. Pollock, '16
H. D. Newton, '16	J. V. Smith, '16
R. C. Quinlan, '16	H. M. Carter, '16
E. T. Barret, '16	Roy Boles, '17 ✓
Prof. Wardner D. Ayer, M.D.	S. Hudson, '16

## BETA-EPSILON

F. Collacci, '15	C. Stefano, '15
A. Benoit, '16	R. C. Vars, '16
P. LaFlame, '16	

## BETA-ZETA

D. H. Smith	P. W. Robinson
P. E. Losey	E. J. Gilmore
C. H. Hilstand	W. D. Hamilton

## BETA-THETA

I. I. Pogue, '16	B. B. Florence, '18
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## BETA-IOTA

E. W. Ford	B. F. Snodgrass
J. H. Bradbury	O. J. Deming
A. Goodman	L. J. Frambach
T. H. Eckerson	E. J. McWhirter
E. Ginn	

## BETA-MU

S. A. Beddall	J. M. Norton
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## BETA-NU

B. E. Quick, '15	T. Graham, '16
C. B. Nigro, '16	G. A. Whitacre, '16
A. J. Sullivan, '16	D. C. McBride, '16



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#### BETA

F. L. Ashton, M.D. '05, is now located in Seattle, Wash. His office is in the American Bank Bldg.

Chas A. Clemmer, M.D. '07, is practicing in Weirton, W. Va.

W. W. Gill, M.D. '03, is at 113 E. Grace St., Richmond, Va.

P. K. Graybill, M.D. '03, is making his rounds at Fincastle, Va.

E. M. Herbert, M.D. '02, is in practice at 215 South Jefferson St., Roanoke, Va.

#### GAMMA

A. Richard Bliss, Jr., Ph.G., Ph.Ch., A.M., Phm.D., M.D., Grand Historian and Editor, Professor of Chemistry in the Birmingham Medical College and Graduate School of Medicine of the University of Alabama, was elected Dean of the College of Pharmacy of the Birmingham Medical College in January.

#### DELTA

William W. Riha, M.D., was appointed Attending Physician to the Bayonne Clinic by the Board of Managers of the Hudson County Tuberculosis Sanatorium.

H. P. Hill, M.D., is an interne at the New York Postgraduate Hospital, New York City.

A. S. Coleman, M.D., formerly Resident Obstetrician at the University Hospital, Baltimore, Md., has recently been appointed Resident Gynecologist at the same.

J. F. Lutz, M.D. '14, has been appointed Resident Pathologist to the University Hospital, Baltimore, Md.

#### EPSILON

Earnest M. Ball, M.D. '09, is now at 709½ State St., Charleston, W. Va.

Robt. H. L. Garret, M.D., '02, is practicing at Sellers, Ala. He is still a loyal Kappa Psi.

Dr. Sherwood Dix is practicing at Portsmouth, Va.

Walter A. Weed, M.D., is practicing at Birmingham, Ala. His address is 500 Tuscaloosa Ave. Doctor Weed was elected historian of the Birmingham graduate chapter of Kappa Psi.

Dr. W. G. Hairston is doing a lucrative practice at Burnt Corn, Ala.

Dr. Thos. M. Walsh is at Herold, W. Va.

Dr. Jno. H. Bird's address is Rock, W. Va.

Dr. U. V. Vermillion is practicing in Oakvale, W. Va.

Dr. F. E. Rigdon is located at Jarrettsville, Md.

Dr. James L. Montgomery is practicing his profession in Kedron, W. Va.

#### ETA

Dr. H. B. Decker, '14, is with the H. K. Mulford Co.

Dr. P. Johnson, '14, is manager of store No. 2, Lage's Pharmacies, Davenport, Iowa.

Dr. D. J. Fry, Jr., '14, is connected with the Fry Drug Store, Salem, Oregon.

#### THETA

Dr. E. G. Hamilton, charter member of Theta, is located at Shellmound, Miss.

Dr. C. S. Hawell, another charter member of Theta, is at Marion, S. C.

Dr. T. J. Pretlow is doing nicely at Newport News, Va.

Dr. C. R. Preston is doing a good practice at Mountain Park, Okla.

Dr. H. S. Scott, '06, is engaged in practice at Bristol, Tenn.

Dr. Geo. H. Davis, charter member of Theta, is located at Bethel Academy, Va.

Dr. Jesse B. Webb, charter member of Theta, is at Lodi, Va.  
 Dr. G. S. Coleman, '07, charter member of Theta, is practicing at Kenly, N. C.

Dr. C. B. Jones is at Summerhill, Pa.

Dr. G. M. Naff is in Garysburg, N. C.

Dr. Henry W. Wood is practicing at Maben, W. Va.

#### IOTA

John R. Oswalt, M.D., is practicing at Union Springs, Ala.

A. D. Cowles, M.D., is practicing at Ramer, Ala.

#### KAPPA

W. M. Caffee, M.D. '13, is a member of the staff of the Christ Hospital, Cincinnati, Ohio.

C. Moore, M.D. '13, is located at Lindale, Ga.

C. W. Moore, M.D. '13, is practicing at Talladega Springs, Ala.

C. S. Harris, M.D. '14, has returned to his internship at the Hillman Hospital, Birmingham, after spending some months as interne at Christ Hospital, Cincinnati.

W. C. Blake, A.B. ex-K, is now in his second year at the Johns Hopkins Medical School. His address is 1627 N. Broadway, Baltimore, Md.

W. A. Hill, Ph.G. '14, is with The Owl Drug Co. of New Decatur, Ala.

#### MU

Brother J. D. Monteith is doing chemical work for the Viscol Co., Manufacturers of Sulphuretted Oils.

Brother E. G. Nagle has taken the position of assistant manager in the Cambridge store of the Riker-Jaynes Co.

Brother N. E. Dyer also has a position in the same store.

Brother J. G. Dion has opened a store at 1005 South Water St., New Bedford, Mass. Good luck, kid!

Brother E. L. Emery has purchased a store at Brockton, Mass. Same to you!

Brother F. R. McKenny is now manager of the Burrough's Pharmacy, Boston.

Brother R. E. Bemis is working with C. H. Packard, president of the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy.

## XI

Dr. Asa W. Adkin's address is Griffithsville, W. Va.

Dr. Arthur A. Brindley is at Swanton, Ohio.

Dr. Ray M. Bobbitt is located at Hansford, W. Va.

Dr. C. V. Gautier, charter member of Xi, is at Frametown, W. Va.

Dr. E. T. Goff's address is Smithville, W. Va.

Dr. C. E. Post is progressing nicely at Clarksburg, W. Va.

Dr. Harry L. Stilphen is at Noroton Heights, Conn.

## OMICRON

Dr. G. F. Aycock is at 209 7th Ave., N. Nashville, Tenn.

Dr. S. S. Barnette is in Branchville, Tex.

Dr. Lee E. Bransford is at 241 W. 8th St., Jacksonville, Fla.

Dr. E. M. Clark is in Mer Rouge, La.

Dr. F. B. Clarke is in Haydenburg, Tenn.

Dr. J. C. Connor is in Columbia, Miss.

Dr. L. T. Davis is in Deeson, Miss.

Dr. L. F. Ferrell is located in Murphy, Miss.

Dr. W. L. Gossett, past regent of Omicron, is in Adairville, Ky.

Dr. A. L. Gregory is in Saltillo, Miss.

Dr. Stephen F. Harper is in Lyman, Miss.

Dr. C. E. Hildreth is in Decatur, Ill. His office is in the Wait Building.

Dr. L. C. Harris is at Lexington, Ala.

Dr. D. C. McLean is in De Kalb, Miss.

Dr. D. T. Turnipseed is in Sharpsburg, Miss.

Dr. L. E. Wheat is at Brickchurch, Tenn.

Dr. Guy S. Waters is at Prospect Station, Tenn.

## CHI

Brothers Colson and Lynn have formed the firm of "Lynn & Colson, Chemists, 74 East 12th St., Chicago, Ill."

## PSI

Dr. J. L. Dawson is in Valley View, Tex.

Dr. J. B. Deal is in Nacogdoches, Tex.

Dr. R. T. Grimes is at Sylvester, Tex.

Dr. V. E. Robbins is in Quitman, Tex.

Dr. D. S. Duncan is in Little Elm, Tex.

Dr. L. M. Nance has his office in the Southwestern Life Bldg., Dallas, Tex.

Dr. J. H. Gambrell has an office in the Linz Bldg., Dallas, Tex.

#### OMEGA

Dr. G. A. Riddler has an office at 1411½ Main St., Dallas, Tex.

Dr. Thos. S. Barkley has an office in the Wilson Bldg., Dallas, Tex.

Dr. Jesse H. Lander is located at Greenville, Tex.

Dr. R. G. Lander is in Lone Oak, Tex.

#### BETA-GAMMA

Harry Norton is with the Owl Drug Co., Oakland, Cal.

John Simmons is with the Owl Drug Co., Golden Gate and Market Sts., San Francisco.

Fred Ventulith is with the Owl Drug Co., 710 Market St., San Francisco.

Hunter Stringfield is with Lengfeld's Pharmacy, Sutter and Fillmore Sts., San Francisco.

Harry Strickland is working in Woodland, Cal.

R. A. Clarke is taking a postgraduate course at college.

L. L. Davidson is with the Owl Drug Co., 16th and Mission Sts., San Francisco.

D. L. Kahl is in Sacramento, Cal.

W. H. Martin is with the Baskett Drug Co., San Mateo, Cal.

O. H. Knowlton is conducting his father's pharmacy at Coquille, Ore.

R. O. Bagley is at home in Ione, Cal.

Earl E. White is at the fraternity house, 1550 Page St., San Francisco.

#### BETA-EPSILON

Brother Earl Mason, satrap of the North Atlantic Province, has received an invitation to attend the annual  $\mathbf{K} \Psi$  banquet of Beta-Delta at Albany on March 15 and has signified his intention to be present.

Brother Pastille, Vice-regent, is enjoying his leisure hours in his new "Stoddard-Dayton." The State Board of Good Roads has levied a special tax (revenue) upon him for "*rip and tear*" of the highway between Providence and Bristol. "John, get an aëroplane."

Brother Seibold, ex-chaplain of Beta-Epsilon, is not to be overlooked. Since THE MASK reported "wedding bells" for him "Pop" has registered as possessor of a model "Run-about." In speaking of fuel, "Pop" refuses to use "Rockefeller's *Standard*" but insists upon regular "*Mellen's*."

Brother Henry Rivard is busily engaged in overhauling his motorboat "*Submarine*," preparatory to a long summer cruise. Rumor predicts the destination to be along the shores of "Matrimony Bay." Bon voyage!

Brother I. Toodles French, Jr., has received his appointment as postmaster of East Killingly, Conn. Since being in office he reports that he is on his way to be a "white hope," as he has already licked two stamps and punched one ticket and the authorities found a "dead" letter in his office.

Rather fortunate that the town police department was on *his* vacation or the "Kappa Psi boys" from Boston might have been shocked at this issue.

#### BETA-NU

Wm. H. Melchor, Ph.G. '15, entered the drug business with his father, C. L. Melchor, of South Omaha, Neb.

Walter W. Seyfer, Ph.G. '15, is now the proprietor of the most up-to-date drug store in La Jara, Colo.

## THE GRAND AGORA

We are grieved to record the following losses in the ranks of the "Knights of Psi":

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### UPSILON CHAPTER

Brother John L. Downing, '14, past secretary and treasurer of Upsilon chapter, died at Chattanooga, Tenn., January 1, 1915.

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### BETA-EPSILON CHAPTER

Laurence Vinton Calder, assistant to the Dean of the Rhode Island College of Pharmacy and Allied Sciences, died at his home in Longmeadow, R. I., January 12, in his 37th year. He had been subject to intestinal trouble for a number of years. He was born in Providence, May 3, 1878, the son of Edwin E. Calder, Dean of the Rhode Island College of Pharmacy and Allied Sciences, and Ella A. T. Calder. He was fitted for college at the English and Classical school, and entered Brown in the class of 1900. He was graduated from the College of Pharmacy in 1904 with the degree of Ph.G. His career was hampered by illness, but he was able to help his father in his work as a chemist, and about two years ago became his assistant at the College of Pharmacy. He was engaged in this work up to the week before Thanksgiving, when he was seized by his last illness. He was greatly interested in music, being a member of the Place Mandolin String Quartet. At Brown he was a member of Phi Delta Theta; at the Rhode Island College of Pharmacy and Allied Sciences he was a member of the Alumni Association and the Beta Epsilon chapter of Kappa Psi. Mr. Calder was also well known in bowling circles, having at one time been connected with the old Bay Side team of the Suburban League and several other clubs. He is survived by both parents and a

sister, Frances Calder. The active and graduate (Providence) chapters were well represented at the funeral services. The chapters sent a large floral piece in the form of the pin.

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#### BETA-IOTA CHAPTER

The death of Brother Harvey F. Matthies of the class of 1914, Past Vice-regent of Beta-Iota chapter, was reported. Date and other details were not given.

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Kappa Psi sorely misses these brethren whose friendship and fellowship were so dear and helpful. Their names will ever linger in our memories and their good works will never be forgotten. The heartfelt sympathies of the Kappa Psi Fraternity are extended to the bereaved families.



#### ETA ENTERTAINMENTS

February 7, 1915: "Tea" at the house, 1800 Green Street.

February 24, 1915: Annual Banquet at Hotel Adelphia.

H. L.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Tell us more about it next time "Hy.")

#### IOTA ENTERTAINED

Several members of Iota chapter were the guests of the Delta Omicron Alpha Medical Fraternity at their annual smoker a few weeks ago. They enjoyed it very "fully."

#### KAPPA

##### KAPPA PSIS HAVE ANNUAL BANQUET AT COUNTRY CLUB

*Alumni Chapter of Medical Fraternity Holds Its Election of Officers*

About fifty members of the Kappa Psi Medical Fraternity, from the Kappa Chapter at the local medical college and from the Birmingham Alumni Club, sat down to their eleventh annual banquet at the Country Club last night.

The features of the evening were the way in which Dr. E. P. Hogan, Secretary of the Medical College and Representative from Jefferson County, conducted the banquet as toastmaster, and the speeches of Dr. W. C. Gewin and Dr. W. A. Weed, both members of the Epsilon Chapter of Kappa Psi in Baltimore; Dr. A. Richard Bliss, Dean of the College of Pharmacy of the Medical College and a member of the Columbia University Chapter of the Fraternity; Dr. R. G. McGahey, of both the Vanderbilt and Birmingham Medical Chapters; Dr. D. M. Collier and Dr. T. Lawrence, of the staff of the Brice Hospital at Tuscaloosa; and Drs. J. T. Calloway, E. D. Bright, and C. S. Harris, all graduates of the Birmingham Medical College.

Visiting members of other medical fraternities present were Dr. P. M. Kyser, of the Phi Chi Fraternity and of the Anatomical Department of the Medical College, and Dr. Charles Elbaron, of the Phi

Beta Pi Fraternity and member of the staff at the Brice Hospital at Tuscaloosa.

Preceding the banquet, Dr. Bliss, Grand Historian and Editor of *The Fraternity*, called the Alumni Chapter of Kappa Psi to order for its annual election. The following were elected to office: W. A. Martin, M.D., Regent; W. C. Gewin, M.D., Vice-Regent; R. C. McGahey, M.D., Secretary-Treasurer; W. A. Weed, M.D., Historian. The two local chapters constitute part of the forty-nine Kappa Psi Chapters in the country.—*Birmingham Age-Herald*, 2-23-15.

### MU ENTERTAINS

On the evening of March 12, Mu chapter entertained the members of the faculty and board of trustees, at the Kappa Psi fraternity house at 131 St. Botolph St., Boston, Mass. A very pleasant evening was spent, with refreshments, music and good cheer. The following members of the faculty and board of trustees were present: C. H. Packard, president; T. J. Bradley, dean; Professors E. H. La Pierre, J. O. Jordan, H. H. Smith, H. J. Perry; Doctors F. S. Schmidt, G. L. Burroughs, L. A. Thompson, A. H. Tripp and H. C. Muldoon.

### BETA-GAMMA SMOKER

On the evening of September 2, 1914, the freshmen were given a smoker at the Kappa Psi house under the auspices of Beta-Gamma chapter. This was to get the new men acquainted and to make them feel more at home. We all know just how it feels to be away from home and friends and no one to say "hello." What would be more acceptable than to have a fellow come up and give you the glad hand? This is what we did for them. There were lots of smokes on hand and each one was given a corncob pipe, to quiet his nerves. After some good speeches by the members and the alumni present, light refreshments and cards took up the evening. A few of the best men were pledged and at a late hour all parted in the best of spirits with a cheer for Kappa Psi. A week later another bunch were invited to the house to learn the college songs and another jolly evening was spent.

E. I. R.

**BETA-DELTA'S "DOINGS"**

On the evening of October 29, 1914, we entertained the junior class at a smoker that we might become better acquainted with the boys and look about for the growth of the chapter for the coming year.

Thirty came as guests and we were indeed pleased to have such a fine bunch to choose material from. Two of our facultative members and a number of graduate members were present and gave talks.

Professor Larkin spoke of the "Benefits and Relations of a Fraternity to the Student." All enjoyed the talk and it must surely have impressed the young men of gains derived from being a "frat" man. Then Professor Mathews talking on the "Benefits Derived From Living in a Fraternity House" rendered his subject matter so impressively that no doubt the house will be well filled next season. Regent Schiemer then spoke of "The Requirements Necessary to Become a Fraternity Man." He spoke well on this important subject and impressed all very materially as he also made his talk equally interesting to us all.

Brothers Wieser, Swain and VanVleck acting on the social committee served punch, cigars and cigarettes and helped to make the evening enjoyable for all. Nearly everyone showed their skill in playing a hand of cards.

The morrow had almost dawned anew before the party broke up and the evening still remains enjoyable to us all.

On Friday evening, November 13, we entertained the Psi Gamma sorority of the New York State Teachers' College. Thirteen young ladies attended and the evening was enjoyed by all. Dancing and card games were the chief amusements. Ice cream, cake and punch were served as refreshments.

Friday evening, December 4, Beta-Delta chapter was entertained at the Psi Gamma sorority house.

**BETA-DELTA'S BANQUET**

To foster and keep green those memories and friendships of college days that nothing in after life ever quite supplants, Beta Delta chapter held her fifth annual banquet at Stanwix Hall, Albany, on Monday evening, March 15, at 8:00 o'clock. After the annual meeting of the graduate chapter, we took

our places at the tables in the beautiful banquet hall, the furnishings of which seemed to be meant alone for Kappa Psi, so prominent was the red and gray. Palms and red carnations also helped to make it more beautiful.

Zita's Orchestra played during our nine-course dinner and when we were satisfied that we had reached our capacity, Prof. William A. Larkin, as toastmaster, asked us to listen to a few words from Grand Regent Dr. J. F. Grant. It was indeed our pleasure to have Doctor Grant with us and after he was duly introduced and arose, the entire chapter greeted him with one of our chapter "yells." Doctor Grant spoke on "The Ideals of a Fraternity and Especially Kappa Psi." In his pleasing manner he soon impressed us and aroused us to the fact of our standing in life as "Kappa Psi" men. Next Brother Mason, satrap of the North Atlantic Province, spoke on the "North Atlantic Province" and clearly explained the idea and work of the Provinces. Brother Mason is looking forward to the next meeting and desires to have one hundred Kappa Psi men attend. So may we in this Province plan to help Brother Mason carry out his ideals. Dr. Alfred B. Husted, our college secretary and president of the New York State Board of Pharmacy, spoke on "And the Greatest of These." He told how this toast might apply to an endless number of things but confined his talk more particularly to "Inventions of the Past Century" and "Qualities of Mind." Dr. Spencer L. Dawes, instructor of the microscopical laboratory, responded to his toast with "Both Feet on the Table." And as usual he told a few stories, just because he told the same ones last year didn't in the least interfere with us showing our appreciation. Then our toastmaster introduced Press. W. Eldridge, Jr., Grand Secretary and Treasurer. "Press" knows the history of Kappa Psi from its birth, and we were indeed pleased to hear Brother Eldridge relate it. He was greeted with his own song "Kappa Psi" that has been sung in every chapter. Then came Brother Wieser whose toast was "Paregorically Speaking." We truly have to praise "Jack." He had a wonderful store of jokes and had something on us all. Professor Garret V. Dillenbeck was introduced next and his one aim is to beautify Albany, so naturally his toast was "The City Beautiful."

Well he truly does make us feel proud of our hills and tells us better things are coming. Brother Munger, our newly elected Regent and in whom we look for Beta Delta's future, spoke on "Beta Delta" what it has been and what we must do in order to keep our standard. Brother Schiemer was the last to speak, and in a few well chosen words he presented a silver loving cup, in behalf of the chapter, to our most loyal friend and brother, Dr. Alfred B. Heusted, "And the Greatest of These." Soon we found that we must part and with many a handclasp and a hearty wish that we might again meet and spend such an evening ne'er to be forgotten.

A song composed by Brother John W. Wieser and sung at our recent banquet: Tune—"It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary."

#### FIVE YEARS YOUNG

There's many other chapters of this great and glorious Frat,  
Who've won some splendid honors, and to them we doff our  
hat;

But when it comes to *growing*, why we made 'em yell for time,  
For Beta Delta's never had an equal in this line.

#### CHORUS

You've got to hand it to Beta Delta,  
For they've set the pace;  
You've got to hand it to Beta Delta,  
The first in every race.  
Kappa Psi forever,  
Loudly each one cries;  
You've got to hand it straight to Beta Delta,  
For we take the prize.

For five short years we've labored and we've seen our chapter  
grow,

A score and more each passing year have joined our ranks  
and so

Let's give a cheer, a rousing cheer, to Beta Delta's men,  
For we've done more in five years than the rest have done in  
ten.

H. R. B.



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THE MASK acknowledges with thanks the receipt of exchanges.

The North Carolina Medical College has consolidated with the Medical College of Virginia at Richmond.

Kappa Delta announces the establishment of Mu Chapter at Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi, September twenty-fifth, 1914.

The Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity announces the chartering of Gamma Delta Sigma as Eta Zeta at Rhode Island State College, October nineteenth, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Phi Mu announces the establishment of Omega Chapter at Iowa Wesleyan College, Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, September twelfth, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

New sorority chapters:  $\Delta \Delta \Delta$ , Alabama, Mt. Union (Ohio) and Hollins (Va.);  $\Phi \text{ M } \Gamma$ , Oklahoma and Brenau (Ga.);  $\Phi \text{ M}$ , Iowa Wesleyan;  $\Lambda \Gamma \Delta$ , Illinois Wesleyan;  $\Gamma \Phi \text{ B}$ , Nebraska;  $\Lambda \text{ X } \Omega$ , Kansas;  $\text{K A } \Theta$ , Washington State;  $\text{K } \Delta$ , Millsaps (Miss.).

Of the fourteen fraternities here, five are in chapter houses  $\Delta \text{ K } \text{ E}$ ,  $\text{B } \Theta \text{ II}$ ,  $\text{K } \Lambda$ ,  $\Phi \text{ K } \Sigma$  (sic.),  $\Sigma \text{ N}$ . The Dekes bought their home last year, paying about \$7,000 for it.  $\text{K } \Lambda$ ,  $\Phi \text{ K } \Sigma$  (sic.) and  $\Sigma \text{ N}$  are renting.  $\Phi \Delta \Theta$  is building something like a \$14,000 home, eight squares from the campus.—Tulane correspondence,  $\Sigma \text{ N } \Delta$ .

The Executive Council of the Theta Tau Fraternity announces the chartering of Theta Chapter at Columbia University in New York City, on the 27th of May, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

Delta Upsilon announces the establishment of Purdue chapter at Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, on Saturday the fifth of December, nineteen hundred and fourteen.

### A NEW METHODIST UNIVERSITY—A RIVAL OF VANDERBILT

The controversy over the control of Vanderbilt University has engendered much bitter feeling in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The supreme court of Tennessee having decided that the control was vested in a self-perpetuating board of trust, instead of the general conference of the church, and that the bishops of the church were not entitled to the right of being *ex-officio* trustees, the general conference, last May, decided to establish two universities, under the control of the church, one in the East and one in the West. Accordingly, Emory University has been established at Atlanta, Ga., on a foundation of \$1,000,000, given by Asa G. Candler, who has made millions as a purveyor of coca cola. His brother, Bishop Warren A. Candler, has been appointed chancellor of the university. The theological department was opened last September in Wesley Memorial Church, Atlanta.

The plan is to have schools of law, medicine, dentistry, etc., in Atlanta. For the present, Emory College will be continued as the literary department at Oxford, Ga., forty miles east of Atlanta, but the buildings there may eventually be used for a preparatory school, and the academic department moved to a new site in De Kalb county, eight miles east of Atlanta, where the theological school will be located. It is also planned to raise \$4,000,000 as an additional endowment for Emory University, but if the church gives the new institution this sum, it will be about forty times as much as the church has ever given to Vanderbilt University during the forty years that Vanderbilt has been in existence. Notwithstanding the schism in the church which resulted from the litigation regarding Vanderbilt, that university has a larger attendance this year than ever before, except in the Biblical department, which is reduced from about 100 to 25. It is probable that there will be no Biblical department at Vanderbilt after this year.—Clipping from *The Scroll*.

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### TEXAS SAVED

February 16, 1915.

A special message to the College Fraternity Reference Bureau from our representative at Austin says: "Anti-fraternity bill was today postponed indefinitely in the House. This kills the bill". Congratulations to everybody.

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Former President William H. Taft spoke before the Psi Upsilon Fraternity in Chicago recently as follows: "There has been some agitation in this age of agitation and unrest against these successful fraternities based on the theory that we must all be on a dead level; that there can be no distinctions based on merits. What makes the world a living, growing thing is not that we are based on equality but

inequality. There must be inequality of awards to stimulate human nature to higher and greater things.

"It is said that fraternities create bad feeling among the students. The college is the epitome of life, and disappointments there are not by any means the worst thing that can happen to a man. I know it; I have tried it."—Reference Bureau *Bulletin*.

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President Hadley of Yale has uttered recently some pregnant words on college men and college ways. He says: "A boy goes to college not wholly for the sake of pursuing certain studies but for the sake of breathing a certain atmosphere, of competing for certain traditional rewards of undergraduate life, of entering societies that his father has known and meeting certain men, or the successors of certain men, whom his father has met. Such an atmosphere, and such intangible opportunities cannot be created in a day"—Reference Bureau *Bulletin*.

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The Pan-Hellenic Association of Northern Illinois met at Sycamore for their annual banquet. It was a most successful affair. Miss Eva Hall well known in Pan-Hellenic circles, acted as toastmistress. Some sixty of the Greeks of the northern part of the state gathered for this event which is becoming quite a noted affair. The speaker of the evening was Mr. William C. Levere, Secretary of the College Fraternity Reference Bureau. In his speech he referred to the anti-fraternity agitation which was stirring different parts of the country, particularly referring to the struggle which was then going on in the Texas Legislature and to the bill which two days before had been introduced in the California Legislature. He referred to the charges that fraternities are undemocratic, immoral and unscholarly. He said that he proposed to call a jury of twelve to try the fraternities on these charges. The trial which was then held was rather unique and consisted in hearing the verdict of the jury which was composed of twelve distinguished men of the United States from whom Mr. Levere had received autograph letters concerning their fraternity experiences while in college and their belief in the Greek-letter system. These twelve letters he had with him and presented them to the assembled company.

The letters were from: Former Vice-president, Charles W. Fairbanks, Champ Clark, Speaker of the National House, Bishop Hamilton of the Methodist Church, Mayor Newton D. Baker of Cleveland, noted for his democracy, President William Shanklin of Wesleyan University, Dean Cooley of the University of Michigan, Professor E. A. Ross, University of Wisconsin, Richmond P. Hobson, formerly of the Navy and Congress, Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman, the widely known evangelist, Bishop Hughes of the Methodist Church, President Charles G. Heckert of Wittenberg College and Emory W. Hunt, the head of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Society. With these twelve men as a

jury he proceeded to try the college fraternities. The former Vice-president of the United States gave his verdict that the experience he had had convinced him that they were delightful, helpful, beneficial and a wholesome influence.

Mayor Baker gave his decision that the fraternities brought more benefit to him than his college education, that in friendship and helpfulness they were a constant source of inspiration.

Champ Clark said that the best friends he ever made in his entire life were made in his college fraternity and that he still held the most pleasant recollections of his chapter life.

President Shanklin of Wesleyan in his verdict said that he would never be able to pay the debt he owed to his college fraternity and that in the college of which he is now president they stand for the highest in every avenue of scholastic life.

Bishop Hamilton's decision in favor of the fraternities was based on the close friendship he enjoyed in his own and the personal and the brotherly interest the older men took in the younger in helping them and that he found his fraternity helpful throughout his life, believing that it bound men very closely to their college days.

Rev. J. Wilbur Chapman declared that he had only the best things to say both in college and after, of his fraternity; that he believed that it was distinctly worth while and that he hoped exceedingly that his son might have the privilege of becoming a member.

Richmond Hobson, the hero of Santiago, spoke of the measure of self-sacrifice in the path of duty that he was enabled to make largely on account of the lessons he had learned in his fraternity hall.

Emory Hunt—widely known as the head of the famous Baptist Missionary Society—said that if he had to decide as to which he received the most good from, his college or his fraternity, it would be hard to decide against the fraternity in favor of the college.

Professor Ross spoke of the fact that they improved manners and gave address to a man and withal were a source of pleasure and companionship.

So it was that each of the jurors registered his opinion and the verdict was that none of the charges were true.

The speaker of the evening spoke of the high stand the fraternities everywhere had taken concerning the use of liquor. That fraternity magazines, chapters and conventions were all forbidding it and he recited the beautiful pledge of service passed at the Greek Conference held in Chicago two years ago which breathed such a spirit of devotion to the highest ideals. He was willing to admit that fraternities had faults as every human institution has but gave George Fitch's much quoted saying that "Although his little girl was sometimes naughty, he was not going to ask for that reason that the Illinois Legislature abolish her."

Mr. Levere closed the address of the evening with the following words: "In its most intimate essence the college fraternity appeals to all that is tenderest and choicest in the hearts and memories of those who have been held by its ties." It is not so many years ago that an intrepid explorer reached the great white center of the polar world after sacrifice and toil beyond imagination. By those Arctic seas he lifted high the stars and stripes and then beneath that, the flag of his fraternity. Surely there must be something fine in a bond which in the great moment of a man's life, shall claim his allegiance and his loyalty. It is not so many years ago that a brave boy lay dying on the pavement of a great city. A terrible fire had destroyed a theater and hundreds had perished. He was but a passer-by but into the smoke and flame he had plunged again and again until twelve human beings owed to him their lives. His last venture was the trap in which he himself was caught. He leaned against the sidewalk as his life ebbed away. They opened his shirt front and someone tried to unfasten his fraternity pin. His fingers trembling and weak slipped over it and he whispered, "No, do not take that. I love it". A moment later he was white and forever still. I tell you it is not the base and wicked instincts of our lives, in the hour when the supreme call comes to us. To that dying young Greek-letter man, there came in his very last vision a great clustered memory of some of the sweetest and best hours of his life and comforted him. It is not so many years ago that a man came to overwhelming honors. It was the morning of the day that he was to be inaugurated as President of the United States. Early in the morning his wife had said to him, "What jewelry will you wear today besides your fraternity badge?" His answer was "Mother, I think that will be quite enough." And so a few hours later when he stood before a vast concourse and lifted high his hand to take the oath of office as chief magistrate of a great nation of the earth, there sparkling upon the lapel of his coat was the badge of his fraternity. Surely there must be something very noble, something very great, something stimulating and something good in that which could claim his affection in this the crowning moment of his distinguished career. We, sons and daughters of the Greek spirit, understand these things. We know that with all its imperfections, the college fraternity is an institution which harbors those things of the spirit, which are the nearest and dearest treasures of the soul.

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Merrill Martindale of Spokane, Wash., has started a movement to have a "Fraternity Sunday". His plan is to have every church in the country have special sermons on fraternalism preached on the selected day, with all of the fraternities present en masse.—Reference Bureau *Bulletin*.

Not a single degree was conferred on a woman in the states of New Jersey and Delaware last year. They were the only states in the Union barren of women graduates. The same year Massachusetts recognized 1,200 women and New York nearly 1,500. New Jersey is taking steps to remedy this condition. The State Federation of Women's Clubs has initiated a movement to found a woman's college and Rutgers College has offered to affiliate with it if an endowment of \$15,000 for the first year and \$20,000 for each of the three succeeding years can be raised.—Reference Bureau *Bulletin*.

#### COMMENT OF GENERAL SECRETARY ON SCHOLARSHIP

Because of the large number of chapter letters and undergraduate news in this issue, we do not publish such reports as have been received on scholarship from some of our chapters. Our endeavor to improve the scholarship of the fraternity, along the lines of publicity and trying to interest the men of our chapters in every endeavor to improve the standing of the fraternity, has perhaps shown more definite result than anything else we have attempted to do in the past few years. With a few exceptions our chapters stand better in scholarship today than they have for some years past, although, of course, we do not claim that this is solely on account of the efforts the national organization is making along this line. We will present reports and letters from presidents of some of the colleges where we have chapters in our next, or February, issue, and ask any of our chapters which has been rated in comparison with other fraternities at any particular college to send us any such report or statement for our next issue. Especially will this be appreciated if the chapter concerned does not stand as high as it should, since such an account will not only show the interest of the chapter in the fraternity, but the personal sense of honor of its members.

However, the General Secretary takes this opportunity to give special credit to one chapter in this regard. Last spring the writer gave as great credit, and in as strong language as he possibly could, to show his appreciation of the Theta Zeta Chapter at California, and is glad to say that there is another chapter in this fraternity to which he can give almost as great credit. Phi Epsilon at Minnesota for many years past has not stood as well in scholarship as we have the right to expect of all our Deke Chapters. The list published last February gave the proportion of men who graduated, as compared with the number initiated in our various chapters, for a period of fifteen years, showing Phi Epsilon as the last on the list. This showing was made by those who are now graduates, and the present chapters did not contribute in any way to such a record. However, up to last year our scholastic standing at Minnesota was not of the best. During the past two years several elements have contributed to the happy result noted here, not the least of which have been the interest taken by Brother Vincent, President of the University, Brother Woolnough, U. S. A., in charge

of the military training at the University, and the efforts of several recent graduates, assisted by the national organization. As for years Δ K E stood at or near the bottom of the list of all the numerous fraternities at this large University, we can certainly congratulate the present chapter on leaving behind the old standards, and forging ahead so that today we find Phi Epsilon instead of being at the rear of the procession, officially announced as the chapter having a rank which gives it almost the lead of all the fraternities at Minnesota. We are a close second out of nearly thirty fraternities, and the standing of our men individually, as far as the General Secretary can learn, is high in every respect. We hope and expect that this record will be maintained and that no longer will Phi Epsilon be looked on at Minnesota as one of the low stand chapters, but will take the rank in our fraternity in this respect to which it is entitled. As the General Secretary has recently visited the chapter he can give a good report of everything in regard to its affairs, and only wishes that the alumni, especially those who are responsible for the low standing in scholarship in the past years, would show the proper spirit of loyalty to their fraternity, and a greater appreciation of what their own chapter has done to improve its position.

In any event, we take especial pleasure in congratulating Phi Epsilon on the great improvement in scholarship made by the present chapter, and extend best wishes to our younger brothers in the northwest for their successful endeavors and good spirit shown in this regard.—Clipping from *The Deke Quarterly*.

Again more about scholarship.

It should be the sole aim of every student, and especially the fraternity one, as he has more to detract him, even in the minor social activities of our professional fraternities. It is the association and congeniality among its members that encourage the loss of time, for they can always find something to do. This is not the case with the man who does not belong to some organization. He does not have so much to talk about. But instead, goes to a moving picture show, returns to his room, thinking he has wasted more time and money than any man in the class. He is conscience stricken, and goes to work, but with no one to console him. The case is different with the fraternity man, who finds others in his fraternity, and also in his class, who are willing to loaf all evening with him. One will say "If you can get by, so can I, but if not, we will all sink together, and next year enter another school together with our same jolly relations". There is always plenty comfort and consolation by your "pal", that is, if he is equally as far behind with his work as you are, if not farther.

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#### APPROXIMATING AN IDEAL

Fraternity workers who have dreamed of the day when all these organizations would be working together in harmony for their ad-

mittedly common aims and coöperating for the practical realization of the highest fraternity ideals have seen much progress made year by year for the past six years, but three events in New York toward the end of November gave them reason to feel that their dream had about come true.

On the evening of November 27, 1914, the salaried officers of ten different fraternities and the officers of the Interfraternity Conference met at the Yale Club for dinner and an informal discussion. Most of us had held a similar meeting in July and were already acquainted. Thus there was possible a thoroughly frank discussion of fraternity and college conditions, as well as an intimate interchange of ideas. The value to each fraternity that was represented is bound to be very great. These men are giving all, or practically all, of their time to fraternity work, they have visited active chapters and studied local conditions at first hand and so were qualified to consider various local as well as national fraternity problems with a true insight and real knowledge. At such an informal meeting there is possible a greater threshing out of details than is the case at the Interfraternity Conference with its greater numbers and crowded program of business.

Another interesting feature of this dinner was the similarity in type and character of these officers. It indicated that all the fraternities which have established this salaried office have selected for it men with about the same qualifications. This results in making such dinners very congenial and enjoyable as well as valuable, and many personal friendships have been the outgrowth of the two already held. Another is planned for some time late in June or early in July. With nine of these "Hired Men" located in New York and meeting frequently, and with an interchange of correspondence among all, a great deal of friendliness and coöperation has resulted. Thereby the fraternities are gaining more value from these salaried offices than they had anticipated when they established them. Two other fraternities besides Delta Tau Delta employ assistants who are members of the fraternity.

The following day, November 28, saw the Sixth Interfraternity Conference assemble at the University Club. A more extended account will be found on other pages, but as we have been privileged to attend all six of these Conferences we wish to make a few comments on this one.

No previous occasion of this sort has been so markedly distinguished by harmony and sincere cordiality as obtained among these 145 representatives of 34 National General Fraternities. Another valuable feature of this Conference was the manifest sincerity of purpose of all present. The delegates confined their remarks to really helpful discussions of important problems rather than indulging in valueless flights of oratory in a misguided effort to attract attention to themselves or their fraternity. As one indication of how satisfactorily the old time walls of distrust and jealousy have been broken down we

only had to observe the spirit of generous consideration for other organizations and of keen interest in all measures beneficial to the whole fraternity system that ran as a golden thread through all the discussions. Undoubtedly one reason for the above features was the fact that more than two-thirds of the delegates had attended several previous Conferences and fully one-half had been present at all. Besides the friendly personal relations this condition produced it also saved using up valuable time in threshing over again old issues that had been settled and disposed of at former meetings.

Every friend of coöperation must have been delighted at the spirit of harmony shown and he must have felt that an ideal was closely approaching realization when he noted from the discussions how closely all fraternities have come together in their aims and ideals and how generally they are working toward the same ends along similar lines. It surely means that the gain of one is the gain of all and that in place of rivalry is a desire to pull together and an appreciation of mutual assistance. No fraternity worker can help but realize that the higher laggard fraternities climb the more his own organization, and all others, are helped. The old spirit of jealous rivalry has almost entirely disappeared. One more noteworthy fact is that from the inception of the Interfraternity Conference its officers have always been the unanimous choice of the delegates. There has never been any politics or wire-pulling in this connection. In view of the recent Conference's selection of a president this fact should be a cause of additional satisfaction to every member of Delta Tau Delta.

In our own opinion the Interfraternity Conference has realized its ideal and attained its goal. Of course, as the years go on it will grow in usefulness and increase in importance. But we believe that after such a meeting as the last one and with the enlargement of the Executive Committee the organization has reached the limit of its proper and safe functions. We have felt from the first that it should strictly limit its activity by the provisions of its constitution and attempt to be nothing more than a consulting and advising body. If it were to attempt legislation that would be binding on the various fraternities it would at once provide the forces for its own disintegration, as well as seek to accomplish the impossible. We all know how difficult it is for a fraternity with more than twenty chapters to enact regulations that will meet all conditions equally well and be fair to every chapter—the city and the country college, the great state university and small church college, the south and the north, the east and the west. How much more impossible for any organization with an annual one day session to legislate for all the chapters of thirty-five different fraternities!

Besides, for all the harmony that has grown up and for all of our common aim, we each still have our individual characteristics and our own way of doing things. These none of us would want to surrender,

nor would it to any appreciable extent benefit the general fraternity cause. In our opinion the Interfraternity Conference does not need to attempt anything more than it is already accomplishing by its full and free discussions and the resolutions it adopts—almost invariably unanimously. In these six years we have seen these methods awaken sleeping fraternities, spur on the laggard, educate the backward and bring about a real coöperation, mutual respect and genuine friendliness. In their own way and with their own machinery almost every fraternity represented has been enacting into law the recommendations and resolutions of the Conferences, ideals have been raised and higher conceptions of responsibility and possibility implanted. In fact, such results had to come to any fraternity that did not want to be left behind in the great onward and upward march of its sister organizations.

The evening of the Conference the editors of fraternity journals and their coworkers met for their fifth dinner at the Salmagundi Club. The occasion was as enjoyable as usual and differed little from previous ones, except in a larger attendance. Of course the discussions and interchange of ideas were both interesting and valuable, and both features were intensified by the remarks of the Nestor of Greek editors, Mr. Baird of *The Beta Theta Pi*, and the Hercules of business managers, Mr. Hulley of *The Phi Gamma Delta Quarterly*.

With these three important get-togethers of fraternity men in the space of two days, the harmony prevailing at all and the signs manifested we feel that the ideal of a great, all-embracing fraternity coöperation is very closely approximating its realization. Every one is the gainer—the college, the individual fraternity, each active chapter and every fraternity man.—Editorial from *The Rainbow*.

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Is the jeweled fraternity pin to go?—If one reads the signs of the times aright the answer "yes" is almost forced upon him. For many years the wearing of a fraternity pin has not been considered good form in either business or social life. There are, of course, communities in which this unwritten rule does not obtain, but in the circles where fashion lives, moves and has its being, this is undeniably true. Prove it by counting how many mature, successful business men of your acquaintance wear the pin regularly.

Again, the pin fastened to an obscure part of the owner's vest, serves poorly as a medium of identification, and the gaily colored hatband has of recent years usurped this obvious and important function of the pin. As a positive means of signalling members of the same fraternity, high signs and monogrammed pins inlaid with jewels are not knee-high to the hatband.

Phi Gamma Delta is the first of the national fraternities to hear from afar the ringing of the death knell of the pin, and at the last annual convention resolved an appropriate obituary by adopting a "recognition

pin," small and inconspicuous in itself, but worn on the lapel of the coat where its normal function might best be performed.

Truly, the fraternity pin, beautiful in its carving and setting, but hidden away under the wearer's left armpit, is a weird, laughable contradiction."—*Delta Upsilon Quarterly*.

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The clipping brings up for discussion the question of abolishing the jeweled fraternity pin. We think the time is near when the jeweled fraternity pin will have no place in professional fraternities. It does not lend dignity to its wearer, but seems more appropriate for a first-class high school boy. It is also a question whether a plain pin worn conspicuously has a place on graduate members of professional fraternities. We should all consider the action of the Phi Gamma Deltas in adopting the "recognition pin." It would be much more in place for our professional fraternities, as we, in our business affairs, should lay aside college fads. While we wish to be identified with our fraternity always, we wish to do so in a conservative manner—Ex. Ed.

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### SOCIAL LIFE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

The most distinctive feature of the student body at Virginia is the social ability and attractive personality of the men. This statement can be verified by anyone spending an hour on the campus, and it has been remarked by many that they are a very remarkably good-looking, courteous and gentlemanly crowd.

There is little or no hazing, and as compared with other colleges no "rushing" for the fraternities, each one taking its men largely from its own social crowd or particular school.

At every college in the country they will tell you not only that they have the most beautiful campus in the country but that it is an especially democratic institution. This expression has a different meaning at each place, but I am sure that some of the customs at Virginia would not be considered democratic at many colleges. For instance, it is popularly supposed that men thrown together intimately in the classroom for a long time do not know each other outside, unless they are introduced by mutual friends. However, this same statement has often been made in connection with one of our great northern universities, and generally it has been my experience, after three years of visiting colleges in all parts of the country, that while the subject of college democracy is most interesting and much can be written in regard to this characteristic of student life, yet it is certain that no college or section of the country can "make good" on any exclusive claim for college democracy.

We also sometimes hear the University of Virginia spoken of as being a place where drinking and a loose aspect on moral affairs is tolerated to a greater extent than elsewhere. Of my own knowledge of many institutions I can absolutely deny this charge, and I am glad

to take this opportunity to call attention to the fact that not only are these conditions improving in practically all of our colleges, but that in regard to Virginia such a charge as this was really never justified. Because of the apparent want of discipline or control by the faculty and the free and easy life of the students, as well as on account of the unique honor system existing at Charlottesville, I believe any excess over other places, noted by visitors in the past, has shown not so much an increased tolerance of dissipation as an entire absence of hypocrisy and an open-hearted and frank reception of visitors. Of course I may be somewhat partial because of the friends I have at Virginia and the extremely courteous treatment I have always received there, but I believe that at least today the statement that in all respects the social and moral student life at Virginia compares favorably with that at our other leading universities is absolutely justified and true.

The famous "ribbon societies" of "Tilka" and "Eli Banana," not to speak of T. N. E., or rather its successor, as that society has recently been abolished, together with the countless local societies and clubs, have rendered in the past a strong national fraternity system impossible. However, today this is all changing, and my prophecy is that within three years such a strong fraternity system as exists in most other places will be established at Virginia. There are two reasons for this change, one being the building of the fine new fraternity houses and the other the increasing strength and activity of nearly all the national organizations. This is part of the same tendency I have observed in all parts of the country and in nearly every place it seems that the local class and honorary societies are doomed and cannot compete with the national fraternities which are becoming stronger each year.—James Anderson Hawes, General Secretary of Δ K E and Editor of the *Quarterly*.

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