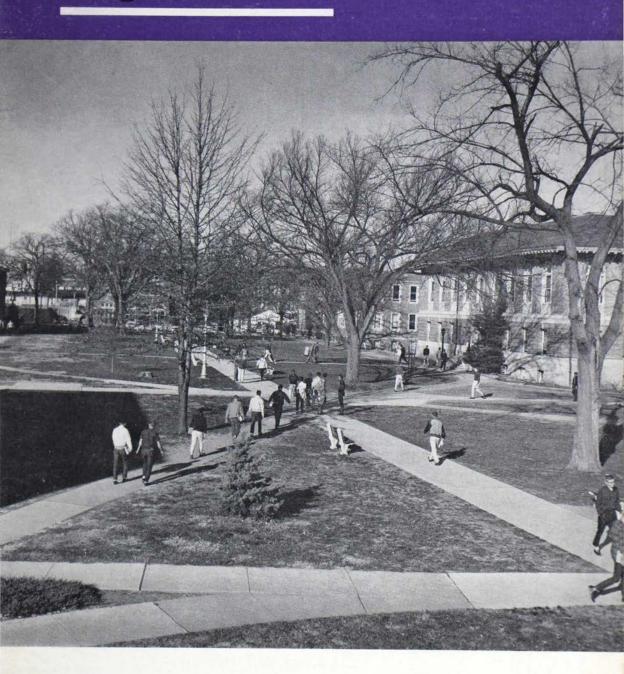
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The real object of education is to give to children resources that will endure as long as life endures; habits that time will ameliorate, not destroy; occupations that will render sickness tolerable, solitude pleasant, age venerable, life more dignified and useful, and death less terrible.—SIDNEY SMITH

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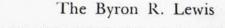
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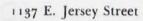


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Sidelines

If you want to be kept informed regarding Grand Chapter activities, don't miss the new department "Officially and Fraternally." . . . There are many interesting places on the Gulf Coast, not the least of which is New Orleans, so why not plan now to attend the 1964 Convocation. . . . There is a growing interest in the "Dear Editor" department and the editors welcome and appreciate the comments and views of readers. . . . The bold-faced type portions of chapter newsletters reveal at a glance that more and more chapters are doing a lot of good work. . . . Credit is due the CFEA for the excellent article "What's Happening to the Altar?"



Cover picture

The picture of the quadrangle at the Missouri School of Mines serves as an introduction to the brief history of this outstanding institution which appears in some of the following pages along with a description of some of the buildings. In conjunction with the article about the University of Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy, see also the Alpha-Iota Chapter newsletter.

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Administration Building, Fairmont State College

GAMMA-EPSILON IS FIRST SIGMA PI CHAPTER IN WEST VIRGINIA

Colonization paved the way for granting of the 74th charter by the Executive Council.

T wo years of intensive preparations culminated in the chartering of the Fraternity's first chapter in the State of West Virginia. The satisfactory performance of a colony resulted in its members being presented with Gamma-Epsilon Chapter charter in ceremonies held in Fairmont on Saturday, October 12, 1963.

Founded in 1863 as a private academy, Fairmont State College is today a four-year liberal arts college and teacher education institution supported by the people and State of West Virginia.

HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

A private "academy" was formed by Fairmont citizens in 1863. Classes were held in the basement of a local church. In 1867 the school was taken over by the new State of West Virginia, and new quarters were provided by a building at the corner of Main and Quincy Streets. Another new building and dormitory for women was built on Fairmont Avenue between Second and Third Streets early in 1890.

The "Normal School" was moved to its present site in 1917. In 1924 the first four-year college degree was granted by Fairmont State Normal School, The State Legislature approved changing the name to Fairmont State Teachers College in 1931. In 1943 the

name was again changed; this time to Fairmont State College.

The campus occupies 70 acres of ground with 9 permanent buildings and several temporary units. The full-time enrollment is about 1500 students. The bulk of funds come from state appropriations. This averages approximately \$800,000 per year. Expenses for residents of the state per year will run approximately \$755.00 and for out of state residents approximately \$1,051.00. This includes board, room, tuition and general fees. Federal funds provided through the National Defense Program contributed \$78,000 during the past year.

The College Campus consists of approximately seventy acres with its principal frontage on Locust Avenue Extension. On a commanding site overlooking much of the city of Fairmont, the College is readily accessible to all students by private car or public trans-

portation.

Fairmont State College possesses an unusually modern and well-equipped physical plant.

The Administration Building is the oldest and largest building on the campus. In addition to the administrative offices, it houses numerous classrooms and other facilities. Centered by its famous "columns" the Administration Building presents an impressive frontage to Locust Avenue, one of Fairmont's busiest thoroughfares. An auditorium with a seating capacity of 500 persons is located in one wing of the Administration Building. Here dramatic productions, concerts, assemblies, and other important campus activities are carried on.

The Library Building is a three-story structure of steel, concrete, glass, and brick. Functional rather than monumental in design, it emphasizes accessibility of books, attractive informal appearance, good lighting, acoustical treatment, and mechanical ventilation. In addition to the usual library facilities and services, there is a typing room for the use of students, a number of individual study desks and carrells, music listening facilities, an art materials room, two seminar rooms, and moving picture screening room. At present there are approximately 42,000 volumes, exclusive of government documents for which the library is an approved depository. The library receives many daily newspapers and more than 260 periodicals. It also operates a film rental service for the benefit of several departments and campus organizations. The library maintains a collection of over 400 albums of records for faculty and student use.

The Industrial Arts Building is a single story, frame building, with full basement. It is 195 feet long and contains a central section $75' \times 40'$, and two wings, each $60' \times 25'$. The building is so constructed that it can be brick veneered to match the rest of the campus units. It is well designed to provide the necessary space for an integrated course in all phases of industrial art work. A smaller unit of the quonset hut type is available, in an adjoining location, for additional offerings in the industrial arts field.

HISTORY OF COLONY

The Sigma Pi Colony came into being at Fairmont State College in April 1963 when a nucleus of men interested in a new type of fraternity gathered and held meetings long into the night to discuss its aims and principles. The aims involved were to build a social brotherhood based on voluntary unity and personal freedom from pressure to conform to any social, political, or scholastic image or boundaries except those cast by the basic principles of the group.

Those principles are the following: to seek maturity, that is, to live by love, reason, and faith; to show respect for the lives, aims, and rights of others; to seek honesty with one's self and with others; to seek the truth; to establish license for the expression of opinions within the group; and to seek humility, indiscrimination, and justice in dealing with persons, ideas, or material subjects, which are new, or may not be fully understood.

The Fairmont Colony is regarded as officially started on April 13, 1961, when eleven men were formally pledged by Executive Assistant James L. Hills (now Executive Secretary). This was followed by a series of social and expansion activities which climaxed with the initiation of the first six brothers in ceremonies held at Beta-Theta Chapter, Drexel Institute of Technology, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The following year and a half the colony worked to build itself up to the size required for a group to function properly. The original nucleus of eleven men has now grown to forty-two members. Since the founding of the colony two years ago, the group has worked towards the goal of being the most outstanding fraternity at Fairmont State College. In many respects that goal may have been reached this year. The facts that seem to prove this point are: Sigma Pi has had the largest pledge classes of all the fraternities the last two semesters; the excellent leadership of Sigma Pi in the interfraternity council; and the respect shown towards Sigma Pi by the other Greek organizations.

The spirit of the group is one of complete cooperation. This fact was shown to the rest of the school when Sigma Pi, with only six men entered in the track and swimming events of Greek Week, was able to place second in the overall competition with the rest of the fraternities.

In conjunction with the idea of being the most outstanding fraternity at Fairmont State College, Sigma Pi has always tried to be first with new ideas; it initiated the practice of having the spring formal in conjunction with a sorority. This was done last spring. The idea attracted a great deal of attention and now almost every fraternity and sorority plan on doing the same this year. Sigma Pi was also the first fraternity to enter a bowling team in intramural competition-naturally every other fraternity followed suit. Other things that Sigma Pi was first in, are: the first to help the Easter Seal Campaign; the first to set up an accepted format for Greek Week competition in the swimming event; and many other things that, although not significant at the time, helped to establish Sigma Pi as being a fraternity with new and different ideas.

For students interested in fraternities, the scholastic average they must maintain to be eligible to join is 2.0 at Fairmont State College. This average was formulated by the administration to stress scholarship in social organizations.

Sigma Pi Colony at Fairmont has always stressed scholarship as of primary importance. Almost every man who pledged had better than a 2.0 average, maintained this average during his pledgeship, and later raised this average as an active member.

It is the firm belief of the brothers at Fair-

mont that, at college, to be socially strong, a group first must be scholastically strong. Stressing academic quality will inevitably place stronger values on social events with regard to fraternities. Consequently, good social events are one of the primary functions of a fraternity. A social event backed by stronger values based on academic quality is sure to show the strength, organization, cooperation, and maturity of a fraternity.

THE INSTALLATION

Formal initiation and installation took place at 2:00 P.M. on October 12, 1963, at the Eagles Club in Fairmont, West Virginia. Nineteen pledges were initiated. The ceremonies were under the supervision of Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg and Executive Secretary James L. Hills. Assisting were: Kenneth S. Robb, first President of the colony, acting as Grand Second Counselor; Dean A. Hill, substituting as Grand Third Counselor (both Hill and Robb are two of the colony's earlier members having been initiated on September 8, 1961 and February 4, 1962 respectively); Grand Fourth Counselor Arthur L. Lewis: Beta-Alpha Province Archon Howard H. Beyer in the role of Grand First Counselor; and Executive Secretary James L. Hills acting as Grand Herald. Brothers John W. Buchko, Frederic J. Ankeny, Charles J. Pander, Eugene H. Walter, Jr., Maurice M. Griffin and Stephen T. Maddaloni, all of Gamma-Epsilon Chapter, assisted in the Second Degree of the Golden Quest.

The honor and responsibility of Sigma Pi membership was conferred upon and assumed by the following: Austin L. Orme, Jr., Charles D. Boney, Anthony B. Gioia, Stanley P. Jakubowski, John M. Lucas, Manford M. Martin, Edward A. Meadows, Raymond R. Rader, Jeffrey C. Rasmussen, Paul L. Rexrode, Frank D. Roman, Walter R. Rozycki, Wayne S. Shade, Joseph C. Smith, Robert B. Steele, John R. Warner, William A. Wilcox, Jr., Daniel F. Molnar, and Wendell R. Beitzel.

Installed as the first officers of Gamma-Epsilon were: Stephen T. Maddaloni, Sage; Frederic J. Ankeny, Second Counselor; Raymond R. Rader, Third Counselor; Jeffrey C. Rasmussen, Fourth Counselor; Charles J. Pander, First Counselor; and Eugene H. Walter, Jr., Herald.



One group of Gamma-Epsilon installation initiates pictured with installing officers. Seated: Dean Hill, ES Hills, GS Fryburg, Chapter Sage Maddaloni, GFoC Lewis, and PA Beyer. Standing: Rexrode, Rozycki, Smith, Gioia, Rader, Orme, Pander, Rasmussen, Beitzel, Jakubowski, and Warner.

Highlighting the day's activities was a chartering banquet held in the ballroom of the Town House Motor Lodge in Fairmont. Chapter Sage Stephen T. Maddaloni presided. During the banquet congratulatory telegrams from chapters and members throughout the country were read. The principal speakers for the evening were Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg and Dean of Men George H. Turley. In his address as official representative of Fairmont State College, Dean Turley rendered sage advice for fraternity men everywhere.

Excerpts from Dean Turley's Address

"So here you are . . . Sigma Pi . . . what do those letters mean? To you they have a special significance. To most of us they are the 16th and 18th letters of the Greek alphabet. Or, if you'll look up the definitions of the words themselves you'll find that sigma is just a letter. However, sigmoid means curved two ways, or going in two directions at the same time.

"Pi, in one sense at least, means all mixed up, confused. And if you haven't yet found yourselves all mixed up and going in two directions at the same time, you will—sometime. It happens in every organization. But notice that although the letter 'S' seems to point in two directions, it never breaks. That is the cohesion of brotherhood . . . the liberal and the conservative elements of a group may point in two directions but they never divide the brotherhood.

"The Pi may be a symbol for disorder and confusion, at least to a printer, but it also has another and honorable mission. It is the symbol for one of the oldest and most scientifically reliable truths used in solving mathematical problems, in an orderly way. Keep those two homely interpretations of your letters in mind and you will find few obstacles that you can't overcome.

"In your short life here you have taken an active part in campus activities . . . you have maintained your standing in social affairs, and you achieved an academic goal that some of the older fraternities have failed to achieve. I'm speaking of your academic record for the past semester when you were at the top of the list . . . and contributed greatly to bring to this college national honors in that respect. The fraternities of this college received the highest scholastic honors given by the National Interfraternity Conference. We are one of the four colleges to be designated as summa cum laude for the

1963 spring semester. Now everything is roses and honors and pride for you. Keep it that way. Don't let your first flush of honors and pride carry you away. You have many hard courses to run yet. You must continue to prove your worth, year in and year out, day by day. . . .

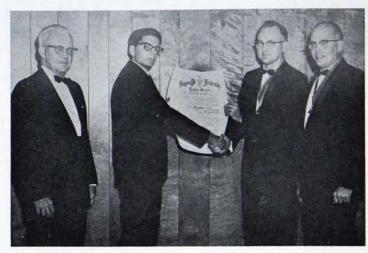
"I always feel sorry for the president of any fraternity that I have to call in for a conference about some misdeed that some member has committed. But he's the man I must see. In a very large sense he is the fraternity. So as you really begin your membership in Sigma Pi let me give you a few ideas—or probably repeat a few ideas that you already have received from your Grand Chapter.

second will do you more good in the long run than the eternal Joe College who eats, breathes and sleeps Sigma Pi.

"Then, choose strong, intelligent leaders! You have been fortunate in that area so far. A good president can make you—a poor one can destroy you in one short year.

"One of your biggest problems is learning to accept adult responsibilities, and everything you do reflects on your fraternity. When you become a member of Sigma Pi you lose a lot of your personal identity. It's an odd thing, but whenever a student here makes the honors roll, or wins a big award for excellence in some field, he alone gets most of the credit; but let one man get into some devilment and what do I hear! 'One of

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Charter Presentation: DEAN TURLEY, SAGE MADDALONI, GRAND SAGE FRYBURG, and GRAND FOURTH COUNSELOR LEWIS.

"First: choose your prospective members with care. Don't for goodness sake, extend a bid to a man just because he's a good fellow. Check him more along the lines of how much credit he will reflect upon your fraternity. Will he add something to the image we want?

"Don't high pressure a man because he is a good student and a whale of an athlete or musician—he may become a member and then do absolutely nothing for his fraternity. No matter how much of a big shot he is on campus, if he isn't really interested in fraternity life, he'll never do you any good.

"Look for the people who have the same interests as most of you. The man who is interested in the college first and fraternity your college boys was a nuisance downtown last night.' When you are ornery you're suddenly mine. And that works the same way for Sigma Pi. When one of you does something you shouldn't do you are immediately identified as, 'Some Sigma Pi started a brawl down at the College Lunch.'

"This is, unfortunately, the way the public judges. So, it is your job to see that your fraternity—your brotherhood together—is protected.

"Another pitfall is arrogance and snobbery. Don't lose sight of the fact that there are 1,400 other students on this campus. And there are four other fraternities and five sororities. Hold your brotherhood intact,

(See Installation page 178)

COMMUNICATION SKILLS

for

FRATERNITY OFFICERS

PART II*

By Robert J. Leo, Kappa '60



It has been stated on a number of occasions that an informed fraternity man is an effective member. Some people may dispute this; however, the majority will probably agree. One of the basic functions of an officer is to keep the membership informed on vital issues, as well as allowing the brothers to voice their opinions on specific topics.

Probably the most effective way to hear these opinions is through the use of specific discussion techniques. It is the purpose of Part II of this series of articles to present some of the various types of discussion which may be employed by a chapter president in order to provide the members with more channels of communication. I shall discuss brainstorming, the buzz group, the forum and, finally, the committee as avenues for more effective communication.

Brainstorming is a technique that is used widely in business and allied areas. The system involves a group of individuals presenting solutions to a particular problem. Only solutions are to be presented, no discussion of the solutions should take place. A time limit of fifteen to thirty minutes is placed on the group and each individual is to present as many solutions as possible. The object of brainstorming is quantity, not quality. All solutions are acceptable. This technique allows all the members of the group freedom of expression. It gives the "quiet" members, who otherwise might not speak, a chance to be heard. Brainstorming removes many of the restrictions placed on a discussion in the otherwise formal setting of a meeting.

* See Winter 1963 EMERALD, page 155, for Part I. The "Communication Skills" discussed in these articles are applicable to any organization.

A follow-up technique to "brainstorming" is the buzz group. Once the solutions have been presented, the entire brotherhood is then divided into groups to consider one of the solutions presented during the previous sessions. By working in small groups (usually six members) more interest is generated since there is a feeling of urgency involved. A time limit is set (usually six to eight minutes) and the group is confined to one particular solution.

It seems to me that a number of members of a chapter organization have difficulty understanding the structure and function of various programs in the fraternity house. One way to facilitate understanding is through the use of the forum. A forum consists of one or more people presenting ideas to the brotherhood. After the ideas are presented, the brotherhood then asks questions. For an example, let us take a look at the chaos that ensues during pledge period because of inadequacies in understanding the structure and function of the pledge program. A wise chairman should set aside part of a meeting for the pledgemaster and his committee to present various aspects of the program as well as the rationale for each part. After the presentation the brotherhood is encouraged to question the individual speakers. The forum, in this way, avoids misunderstandings which may arise between some of the members of the group and the pledge committee.

An integral part of any organization is the committee. Most of the work is completed through the cooperation of the three or four members who have been appointed or elected to their positions.

(See Communication page 178)



Beautiful Gulf Coast Beckons You All

THE 27TH BIENNIAL CONVOCATION of the Sigma Pi Fraternity will be held at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel, Edgewater Park, Biloxi, Mississippi on September 2-5, 1964. Alumni, why not plan to bring your wife and family? Include the dates of September 2-5 at Biloxi as a part of your vacation.

The Edgewater Gulf Hotel was planned for the perfect holiday . . . a resort of unusual year-round appeal and distinction catering to your restful relaxation or active recreation! Spacious acres crowned by a healthful and invigorating climate contain an artesian-watered swimming pool, wading pool for children, tennis and shuffleboard courts, badminton, horseshoe pitching facilities; children's playground, beautiful sand beach directly in front of the hotel . . . facilities for fresh and salt-water fishing; boat rides; sightseeing tours-and so much more! Truly, a resort city of pleasures unparalleled . . . designed for the holidaygoer and the convention-goer.

Come and enjoy meeting your brothers and friends; join in the recreational and social activities; participate in the business program; learn what your Fraternity has accomplished and help to plan for a greater Sigma Pi in the years ahead. The hotel is easily accessible by rail, bus, motor or plane. The Louisville and Nashville Railroad maintains excellent service direct to Biloxi and Gulfport. Nearby New Orleans and Mobile are served by Eastern, Chicago and Southern, Delta, and Mid-Continent airlines, making connection with rail or bus direct to Edgewater Park, Mississippi, from all parts of the country. The Historic Old Spanish Trail, U.S. 90 Beach Boulevard, runs right through the hotel grounds. Magnolia Highway U.S. 49 connects the Gulf Coast with Chicago and the Middle West.

Sight-seeing

Besides the attractions of the famous Edgewater Gulf Hotel in its beautiful coastal setting, there are many things to do and so many sights to see along the Gulf Coast. Right in the Edgewater vicinity are several outstanding points of interest.

Marine Life: Thrill to the wonders of the sea, the world's largest Marine Tank. There is a continuous show of great entertainment and thrills guaranteed to interest even the most seasoned traveler.

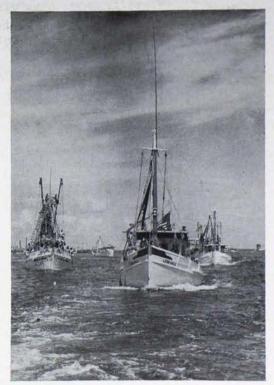
The Jefferson Davis Shrine: Includes Beauvoir, the last home of Jefferson Davis; the Confederate Museum, beautiful landscaped grounds and lagoon, rustic spring and scenic foot paths of Beauvoir; also the old soldiers home and the Confederate Cemetery.

New Orleans French Quarter: Not far from Biloxi is historic old New Orleans and its French Quarter. The spirit of the city's romantic past still lingers in the old buildings and narrow streets of the French Quarter. In this section are Absinthe House, where according to legend Andrew Jackson and the pirate Jean Laffitte planned the defense of New Orleans in the War of 1812; the Cabildo (capitol) built in 1795, the seat of Spanish rule in Louisiana and now housing the Louisiana State Museum; the La-Barnche House (built in 1830's) noted for the exquisite grill-work of its balconies; Laffitte's blacksmith shop, believed to be the hideout of the pirates Jean and Pierre Laffite; the Napoleon House, which according to legend, was planned as a home for the exiled emperor of France; and St. Louis Cathedral (built in 1794) oldest church in Louisiana, a handsome structure erected by the Spanish.

Bellingrath Gardens: Enroute to or from Biloxi, plan to visit Alabama's beautiful Bellingrath Gardens, the estate of Walter D. Bellingrath situated overlooking the Isle-Aux-Oies river twenty miles south of Mobile. This world-famous (Charm Spot of Deep South) estate, comprising 100 acres of land covered with moss-draped trees, was originally a jungle of wild vegetables. It has been landscaped with streams, cascades, ravines, beautiful rock gardens, rustic bridges and fountains; Camellias flower from January to March, followed by the blooming of 20,000 Azalea shrubs. There are hundreds of flowering plants including the Mountain Laurel, Sweet Olives, Hyacinths, Gardenias, Crepe Myrtle, and Oleander.

Delegates

Each Active Chapter is entitled to representation at a Convocation by one official delegate and one alternate. Round-trip travel expenses and the better part of the hotel bill will be allowed the delegate only of each chapter, said funds being available from semi-annual chapter charter dues. Alumni Clubs in good standing are entitled to one official delegate who must pay his own expenses, unless the club provides for them.



The shrimp boats are coming! A view of shrimp boats at Biloxi on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Biloxi, the post office address for the convocation hotel, is the oldest and one of the principal shrimp ports of the Americas. Practically all of these vessels are home built and the crews usually consist of Slavonians (Adriatic Sea) and French Acadians from the Back Bay and Point Cadet sections of the Biloxi peninsula. Biloxians of all groups eat as many as sixteen different shrimp dishes during a single year.

Reservations

Hotel reservations are made by the Grand Chapter only for Grand Officers and the official delegate from each chapter. All others, alumni and undergraduates, who plan to attend all or part of the convention should make their own reservations directly with the Edgewater Gulf Hotel. Also, any officer who desires accommodations for members of his family should notify the Executive Office or the hotel well in advance.

Rates

Special convocation rates are \$18 a day, (See Convocation page 198)

SCHOLARSHIP

Lawrence H. Bixby, Grand Herald and Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, says . . . LET'S DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT

At the July meeting of the Grand Chapter Executive Council in Vincennes, scholarship or the lack of it in Sigma Pi Chapters—and the need for improvement—was one of the main topics discussed. The consensus of the Executive Council members was that the Fraternity needed a definite scholastic program with a positive approach to the problem of scholarship; but they also felt that in order for this program to be most effective, there must be some punitive measures to discipline the consistently low scholarship chapters.

In order to implement a scholarship program, Grand Sage Fryburg appointed me Scholarship Chairman for the Fraternity and further appointed a Scholarship Committee composed of undergraduates to work with me in developing a total scholarship program for Sigma Pi to be presented for approval at the 1964 Convocation. This committee is already at work; its members have received from me my suggestions and have been asked to submit to me their own.

In early October all chapter Sages received a proposed scholarship program. It is my earnest desire that every chapter put this program or some reasonable facsimile into operation. Certainly this program as I outlined it is not intended to be the ultimate answer for every chapter as conditions vary from campus to campus, and what will often work quite well for one may not work at all for another. However, the proposed scholarship program that each Sage received is a composite of most of the things that have worked both for individual chapters and national fraternities as a whole. So while some of the suggestions may seem silly to some of you, all have worked for many fraternities.

I certainly don't intend to claim that this program is perfect. I am sure that there is room for improvement, but the best way to test it is to try it. There is no question but what most if not all chapters of Sigma Pi could benefit by putting this program into immediate effect.

Scholarship-let's do something about it!

I have received from Brother Jacobsen some chapter scholarship statistics which he compiled from tabulations which Sigma Pi receives from the Scholarship Committee of the National Interfraternity Conference. It has been most disheartening to me to review the record of Sigma Pi chapters for the academic year 1962-1963. Out of a total of 47 reporting campuses as of December 31, 1963, only 17 Sigma Pi chapters were above the all-men average, and of these only 11 were above both the all-men and all-fraternity averages. On seven campuses where we have chapters above the all-men average the all-fraternity average was higher than the all-men average, and our chapters on these campuses were above the all-men but below the all-fraternity. Thirty of our chapters from those campuses reporting as of December 31 were below the all-men average. For all practical purposes, roughly three-fourths of Sigma Pi chapters were below the all-men average.

This situation must change. It would seem in view of the facts, that the Creed of Sigma Pi, which all undergraduate members repeat at every chapter meeting, is nothing but so many words. Because the Creed definitely espouses the promotion of scholarship, in repeating the Creed every undergraduate active member says that he will strive to make real the fraternity's ideals in his own daily life. Brothers, I suggest that you immediately begin to do just this. All of you know that scholarship requirements of most colleges and universities have become increasingly stiff in the past few years, and all indications are that this trend will continue. I am sure that you are also aware that one of the greatest criticisms leveled at the college fraternity is its lack of concern for scholastic achievement. If the college fraternity is to survive, it must prove that it is an integral and useful part of the college community and that it espouses not only in word but also in deed, high scholastic achievements.

I for one believe that the college fraternity can and will survive. I believe that the college fraternity has something worthwhile to offer the undergraduate that the college, particularly with the increasing enrollments, cannot provide, However, I am also convinced that those fraternities that are not willing to change with the changing demands of the college community will not survive. The day of the college playboy and the gentleman's "C" is long passed, and you are in college for one reason and one reason only-to get an education to prepare yourselves to meet the demands of today's most competitive society. The college fraternity-and this most certainly includes Sigma Pi-can and should be an integral and useful instrument in this preparation, and I should like nothing better than to see Sigma Pi lead the way.

We cannot, however, lead the way unless our scholarship performance drastically improves. And indeed, unless it does improve immediately, we may be one of those fraternities left by the wayside.

I can talk all I like; we can propose scholarship program after scholarship program; and we can threaten, but it is basically up to the individual chapters to do something about our deplorable scholastic standing among college fraternities. I am confident that if you will accept the challenge, you can improve. This time next year, I should like to see all Sigma Pi chapters above the all-men average on their respective campuses.

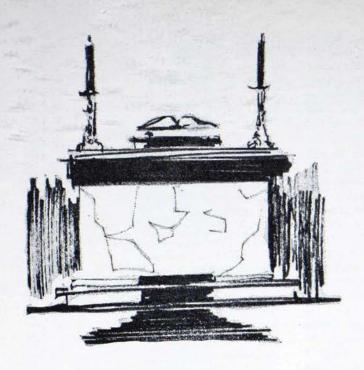
CHAPTER STANDINGS 1962-1963

This is not a final tabulation of the comparative scholastic rank of Sigma Pi chapters for the academic year 1962-63. However, for any chapter to outrank Beta-Chi at Loyola University (Chicago), it will be necessary for a chapter average to be more than 18.14% above the all-men average. The index figure below is based on the percentage that the chapter average is above (plus) or below (minus) the all-men campus average.

B-X	Loyola	+18.14
Г-Е	Fairmont	+14.31
Λ	Kenyon	+ 9.92
E	Iowa	+ 9.89
A-X	Maryland	+ 9.02
A-M	Newark C. E.	+ 8.47
Α-Θ	Beloit	+ 7.14
I	California, Berkeley	+ 7.03
P	N. C. State	+ 6.57
Γ - Δ	Slippery Rock	+ 5.39
Ω	Oregon State	+ 4.42
B-T	Valparaiso	+ 4.37
В-Г	Eastern Illinois	+ 2.63
A-II	Arkansas State	+ 2.42
Z	Ohio Northern	+ 1.24
A-Y	Rhode Island	+ .57
A-P	Southwest Missouri	+ .56
All-Men	Average	-0-
В-Ө	Drexel	01
N	Franklin & Marshall	24
B-N	Southern Illinois	_ 1.89
Г-А	Detroit	_ 2.00
Col.	Rutgers	- 2.07
K	Temple	_ 2.63
A-Z	St. Lawrence	- 2.94
В-П	Virginia	- 3.19
Ф	Illinois	- 3.82
A-0	Calif., Santa Barbara	- 4.24
B-O	Long Beach	- 4.34
A-H	William & Mary	- 4.39
Θ	Penn State	- 4.88
A-K	L. S. U.	- 5.09
A-I	Missouri Mines	- 5.76
Г	Ohio State	- 5.92
M	Cornell	- 6.42
H	Purdue	- 7.94
A-N	Wake Forest	- 8.08
$A-\Sigma$	Arkansas	- 8.48
А-Ф	Georgia	-11.47
II	Utah	-11.55
В	Indiana	-13.02
Col.	Texas	-13.34
$A-\Delta$	Auburn	-15.51
B-M	Mississippi	-18.37
В-Л	Lycoming	-18.57
В-Н	San Jose State	-19.04
Σ	Iowa State	-21.88
Col.	Tulane	-21.98

The above list does not include all chapters because of final 1962-63 scholarship reports not having been received from the respective colleges or universities.

Make wisdom your provision for the journey from youth to old age, for it is a more certain support than all other possessions.—Diogenes LAETIUS. Reputation: Associate yourself with men of good quality if you esteem your own reputation; for 'tis better to be alone than in bad company.—George Washington.



What's

By JOHN ROBSON

A THOUGHTFUL article surveying the status of the fraternity system appeared recently in the University of Montana student newspaper, the Kaimin. It was significantly titled, "The Problem of the Greeks Is Communications," and the author Mary Ellen Myrene concluded with these paragraphs: "The weakness is that the Greeks cannot express the scope of their needs to the administration. They cannot express the scope of their motivations to the Independents. And they cannot express the scope of their humaneness to other Greeks. The weakness is with sheer communication."

Dean Weldon P. Shofstall of Arizona State University before the convention of Kappa Delta last summer deplored the same shortcoming of Fraternity Row: lack of knowledge. Not knowing how to communicate. Not knowing what idealism and religion really are or how to use them. Knowing how to fit

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religion into the Sunday scheme of things but not knowing its place in everyday affairs.

The fraternity world has not been able to make capital of the lesson that when there is no Altar the chapter dies, or—more accurately—never lives. The rock of strength that the Altar provides is shown by the good fraternity chapter as it rushes, pledges, properly trains, and initiates good men. Adherence to the Altar assures the supremacy of good conduct, leadership, scholarship, loyal alumni, and even good housing. But above all it assures a joyous brotherhood whose gifts touch Eternity.

In the days of the Hebrew prophet Amos, the world of his people was askew, their institutions were riding a pendulum. Then, in a vision before Amos, God appeared standing astride the tilted city and its leaning walls with His arms outstretched and in His hands a plumbline. And God spoke to Amos, saying, "I will set you, as a plumbline, amongst my people." The plumbline of Amos is in the altar of the fraternities, and it tells them, as nothing else can, which side is up in this topsy-turvy world.

Certain chapters go on year after year maintaining their houses on the paramount living belief in the Fatherhood of God, training their neophytes accordingly, and

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giving their members an ideal fraternity experience. But with such chapters, ironically, communication so often is accomplished with little recourse to vocabulary; the esssential lessons are conveyed from one class to the next to a large extent by wordless example, and also to a large extent by the language of the heart which is the language of the altar but nevertheless has no palpable tongue. These chapters demonstrate what a great thing a college fraternity can be when the altar is there.

It is Dean Shofstall's contention that fraternity leaders on the whole are ignorant of the proper methods of teaching their members, and they themselves too frequently fail to learn how to understand the ritual and practice what it preaches.

On many campuses the fraternity system is gradually being enveloped by an alien environment. The Greeks are threatened by a growing complex of obstacles, and so long as ignorance with respect to obeying the ritual continues as the order of affairs, the future is not bright. Dean Shofstall, who is a Sigma Tau Gamma, believes that outdated methods of selecting members, immature methods of choosing either personal or group activities, and perhaps above all superficial methods of training members may be laid at the door of ignorance. Yet nothing is done about it.

Time was when the aimless fraternity chapter could go on living a pointless existence, and unless it fell greviously out of line or failed under the burden of its own inertia and aimlessness it was tolerated and it went on.

But no longer. The world is in revolution and the campus is in ferment. Materialistic forces, dynamic as they have become, threaten to turn over everything; the campus, where doubletalk gives birth to confusing and enervating value systems, and even the church where religion has been transmuted into a phony opiate. These basic institutions are askew. The language of brotherhood has become muffled. The college fraternity, helpless to command the tongue which explains the altar, or to follow it, fails to justify itself.

No one has described the job the fraternities must do better than John Henry Frizzell, former chaplain of Pennsylvania State University and ritualist of Phi Kappa Psi, who puts it this way: "The American college fraternity system is living up neither to its job nor its opportunity. It is not turning out men who stand head and shoulders in our American life above the run-of-the-mill citizens as examples of high character, sound ideals, and four-square Americanism. . . . The tendency toward moral deterioration, particularly with respect to simple honesty, trustworthiness, and loyalty to principles, is not being combated in our fraternities to the extent that it should be. The fraternity system has ideals and opportunities unequaled in the whole college setup for inculcating and developing these simple characteristics in the supposedly intelligent men who are its mem-

The fraternity system has ideals . . . are they being lived up to?

bers. Is it doing it? You know that it isn't."

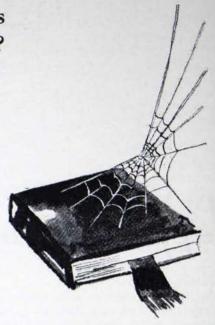
The solution? The altar, of course. Dr. Frizzell urges: "Go back to your altars. Listen again to those almost inspired words of your rituals, of the charges. They are not mumbojumbo or hocus-pocus, they are practical ideals, creeds to live by, philosophies of life, which, if you'll let them, can change your whole life and make living a real, worthwhile adventure. In those rituals, you'll find God and the teachings of Jesus."

Religion: Take It or Leave It?

As the campus is letting religion fade farther and farther into the background, the fraternities are tending to let it fade also. Society as a whole is responsible too. A fraternity chapter without an altar is nothing. The campus which fails to place God above the curriculum isn't much either. Without religion, higher education has gone ludicrously off the beam. Dean Shofstall reveals just how disturbed he is by the problems of campus atheism when he says: "Many think there is some sort of compromise between atheism and religion. Many think religion is a private matter and not of concern for everybody. Others do not even realize that religion is the essence of our way of life. Very few even know how our lives, our fraternity, our university, and our nation owe their past, their present, and, above all else, their future to religion." The lesson is that we must make religious ideals and values of fraternities a link to the daily lives of the members.

"Fraternities are based upon a morality based upon religion which is based upon belief in God," Dean Shofstall asserts. "Knowing God is not a single achievement in time and space. Knowing God is instead a process—a way of life." Pledge education fails unless this truth is brought home. He goes on to say that "The fraternity is the essential bridge between the church and the university. However, the university is today unfriendly to the social fraternity in the same way and for the same reason the university is often unfriendly to all religious and spiritual values."

Dean Shofstall censures the paganism of



Alma Mater in these words: "Higher education . . . has become nonreligious. The new or modern university is either neutral toward God or rejects Him. This is not as it should be!" And so the paganism of Alma Mater may well be the most horrible living fact on the horizon of higher education today, for when paganism characterizes an environment, the language of brotherhood is discredited. It is made to seem unfashionable and inappropriate. It soon falls out of use.

In their initiation ceremonies, the fraternities light a candle in the darkness, but it should be a radiant, everlasting light. Alas! When the ritual is laid away, fraternity leadership, being so often tongue-tied, seems ignorant, again walks in ignorance, and talks in ignorance. And it is caught in the broad, swift current of materialism. Communication fails; the light goes out.

The Tyranny of Words

Twenty-five years ago, Stuart Chase wrote a book titled *The Tyranny of Words* in which he stated that many of the world's misfortunes were caused by the failure of language as a tool of communication. He questioned whether modern methods of mass education promoted as much knowledge in the student's mind as they did confusion. "We need true meanings for survival," he

said, and lamented the fact that no teacher was teaching such meanings and that there was scarcely a chair of semantics (the study of meanings) in any college in the country. "We need protection from chasms made by words as well as from dangerous ditches across the highway," he asserted. Chase represented the dangerous chasms as blabs—semantic blanks where no meaning comes through. He proposed that semantics would bring a standard into focus where man could "at least agree that this statement makes sense and that statement makes blab."

Fraternity leaders must learn with greater confidence that words which are learned at the altar are not blab; the job is to learn them well, understand how to use them well daily, to rely on them with complete faith, and not to avoid using them.

Quo Vadis, Little Man?

By applying Gospel principles, the lie is given the assertion by foes of the fraternity system that the Greeks are opposed to intellectuality. The Greeks do oppose an overbalanced intellectualization even as Jesus does—that is to say, intellectual pursuit at the expense of the proper share of spirit and body has harmful results.

Over-intellectualization on the campus is not the same thing as paganism or atheism, but both result from application of the principle, "The white heat of the intellect dries up the red blood of the heart." The heart is needed for the enjoyment of life. It is needed for God. It is needed for brotherhood. Ironically it is even needed for true loyalty to Alma Mater. To be sure, over-indulgence in sensual pleasure takes the savor from the salt, to use the Gospel metaphor, but equally so does over-intellectualization. Illustrations proving this rule are so abundant that one might quickly make a large book of them.

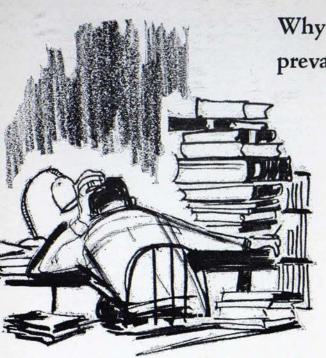
What the scholar gains by giving his all to the world of the intellect is usually of worth, but not always are the human consequences favorable. Paul S. Henshaw, a scientist for the Atomic Energy Commission, recently announced the development of a new achievement—"Information Science"—which promises to do for the human brain "in a twinkling" what it took evolution many hundreds of thousands of years to do. Thanks to computer wizardry, made possible through intensive application of the intellect, there is early likelihood of bringing total accumulated knowledge such as housed in the great libraries to bear on a single problem or concept, and also for a single mind to probe all recorded subject-matter in selected fields, irrespective of location or language, and to consider the results of analyses quite beyond the capabilities of the human mind. So says Dr. Henshaw, adding, "But science hasn't even imagined what this will lead to in emotional experience."

If science hasn't imagined it, there are qualified observers who have. In an address which he gave in 1960 before the student body of Bowdoin College, Henry M. Wriston, a member of Delta Tau Delta, warned: "In the modern age there is no danger that you will escape social contacts and social pressures, but there is grave danger that you will lose the flavors and the joys which are inherent in the pursuit of happiness, one of your fundamental rights." That is to say, the phrase, "Life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness," offers a better checklist of criteria towards which an institution's purposes are aimed than can be found in the body of the scientifically motivated directives of higher education. As an unidentified sage has said, "Science and the Intellect can deliver only the facts; they do not bring Happiness."

Jesus said on the Mount: "Ye are the salt of the earth; but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men." A letter-writer in the Pennsylvania State Daily Collegian, bewailing "the stereotype thinking which is prevalent among the great masses of the school," commented: "Blaming a few IBM machines for a lack of individual personality is analogous to the homely old maid who blames her ugliness on her mirror. Let's face the facts, brothers, at dear old State there is very little individuality to be stifled."

The *Drury Mirror* editorializes: "Perhaps rather than being stupid, Drury students are just too anemic, apathetic, and void of con-

The truths of the altar can sustain fraternities on campus



Why the 'I don't care' attitude so prevalent among today's students?

Yes, in many places, the campus atmosphere is good for nothing, and the students, save those who know the altar, have lost their savor. We are taught by a great teacher that those who labor to do right, who strive to be just, who are magnanimous and pure in heart, who are good neighbors, who are humble rather than arrogant of spirit, who walk daily with God, are the salt of the earth.

Such men are described as being upright and good beside the altar of the chapter house. The adjectives upright and good are of little formal consequence to Alma Mater. On the other hand, the ultima thule of the scholar astride the pendulum appears to be mastery of a specific field of knowledge. And so he leads his students down the garden path with respect to the proper meaning of life, for he confuses his own pallid goal with their own more sanguine one. Josiah Royce, an American philosopher of the early century, held that the permanence of a man's values and commitments is the measure of his immortality. The good fraternity chapter has the man of the Beatitudes in focus; but the new, over-intellectualized Alma Mater says, "We do not seek this kind of man-Suffocate him!"

cern for the state of the world, and even the campus, to try to do anything about it."

Recently at the University of Kansas, 600 students gathered to hear a debate—"Resolved that the Christian ethic should be adjusted to fit the current American transitions in sexual morality." At Montana, at Tuesday Topic Night, Associate Professor of Philosophy Cynthia Schuster contended that moral rules are made and altered by man and are neither right nor wrong by any traditional set standards.

At the University of Nevada, the Sagebrush begins an editorial: "What is it that makes students have such an I-don't-care attitude about so many things?"

The college does not realize that it itself is often the chief creator of "apathy" because it butters up the candidate for intellectual achievement as though he were the salt of the earth, when the truth is, far from being the salt of the earth, although he might be in so many cases he is rendered saltless. And at some colleges, only those students are admitted whom the hellbent-for-excellence high schools have already desalted. How ridiculous, then, for the president of the college to complain at length, "I cannot understand what has happened to the spirit of the student body!"

The Meaning of the Altar

Too little space remains for me to show the application of a fraternity discipline of semantics to the greatest of all teaching. In a manuscript titled *Educating for Brotherhood*, I discuss application of this teaching for collegians. I anticipate that a new type of manual must soon replace the old which has grown obsolete. The carry-over of the ritual into a true textbook of the principles of brotherhood brings the light of the Sermon on the Mount on many issues which today harass collegians.

Often called the greatest truth the world has ever known, the Lord's commandment is a positively stated summary with psychological guidelines of the Ten Commandments. On the Mount, Jesus gave it during his sermon, when a lawyer of the Pharisees asked Him, "Master, which is the greatest commandment in the law" Jesus said unto him, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it. 'Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

All! The so-called Christian world's great black mark is that so little effort has been made to communicate the truth of this commandment-that is, "to bridge the blabblab chasm" to the hearts and minds of men. A healthy society-and should not the campus be a healthy society?-has vitality in three realms: the intellectual, the physical, and the spiritual. Judeo-Christian doctrine says that man is made of body, mind, and spirit. True health is possible only when all three dimensions of existence are healthy. Fraternity life respects all three dimensions.

George D. Stoddard, chancellor of New York University, a Sigma Pi, says the same thing when he advises us to go back, whenever we can, to the three-dimensional, nonmagical world of muscles, organs, and sensory perceptions. He explains, "Away from the clutter of words, there is what the physiologists call the wisdom of the body. It is older than any culture. Its controlling mechanisms lie below the cerebral cortex, running deep into every fiber." Dr. Stoddard's warning concerning over-intellectualization is this: "Having gone from good specimens of animals-as a naturalist would rate them -to rather weak, pale, unexercised, dependent creatures-all in order to achieve the higher virtues of speech, history, and technology-man is now, through notable defects in social and spiritual quality, in danger of losing this new life."

In the fraternity leadership training program, despite scattered exceptions, the topics invariably dealt with-rush, pledge education, public relations, alumni relations, scholarship, conduct and social affairs, and all the others-get seeds down only into barren soil where they die or lie until that soil can be prepared. It cannot be prepared by philistines. The discussants of the usual topics can prepare the soil when they are familiar with the language of brotherhood, when in their hearts they grasp what lies behind it; then they can pass it along to others.

But because they eschew the language of brotherhood, most of the fraternity leadership schools, save in those instances where the heart itself is moved and the spirit of the man lifted, are abysmal, demoralizing failures. Despite the most painstaking planning and programming and the most gallantly extended effort of highly dedicated and gifted leaders, they fall flat, and the time and money spent on them are an utter waste. Many observers try to say this, but here, too, the ears turned to catch advice are usually still echoing with irrelevant mumbo-jumbo-or blab-blab which created a chasm.

Such phrases as "the principles of the founders," "the truths of the altar," and "the lessons of the ritual" have vital practical meanings. But these meanings too seldom get through to the heart at all. They should be thoroughly studied as a first step in fraternity education. Even on the most atheistic campus the case for fraternities should be stated. However it is not being stated there, or anywhere, and it cannot be stated without a superior command of an authoritative spiritual vocabulary.

In the shadow of a still far too materialistic world, the unknown language of brotherhood must be learned well; it is a

the Altar?

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Operation Challenge came about as the result of Carl J. Gladfelter, Editor of The Chi Phi Chakett, requesting Lucian Warren, Editor of The Phi Gamma Delta, to conduct a survey of the Moonshooter project of the American Alumni Council and its associate, Editorial Projects for Education. As a direct result of his report to the 1963 annual meeting of the Editors, a resolution authorizing the project was adopted and a committee appointed by Association president, Harold Jacobsen, Editor of The Emerald of Sigma Pi to "make available to those fraternity magazines desiring it, professionally written and edited material covering subjects of common interest and value to fraternities."

language undeveloped and unrecognized, a language known for its sounds but not for its meaning. In the shadow of One World this language all the peoples of the world must come to know generally in order to communicate effectively with one another.

It is up to fraternity men to do their

share—perhaps even to lead the way—in teaching it. In rushing, they should not be ashamed to emphasize what the ritual stands for. On the other hand, if they forsake their altars completely, the fraternity cannot possibly live: The Altar is the first fact of fraternity life.

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Installation

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keep your loyalties strong, but never forget that no man and no organization can live alone. Without friends you are lost. If you don't feel that you have the best fraternity on this campus, then you haven't caught the true spirit of fraternity—but don't forget that every other fraternity feels the same way about their organization—so have respect for those other groups and their members. Actually, you have a great deal in common: you cannot live without each other. And you must earn those friendships and respect each day. It is a task that is never ended.

"These are some things I hope you'll remember as you go about your daily life as a student and a member of Sigma Pi.

"Now you are on the threshold of a new phase of your local life. It is good that you are a small part of a great movement that has been taking place over the country for the past several years—the renaissance of fraternities. The old playboy image is disappearing. Scholarship and social acceptance are being stressed, and the big fraternities have finally recognized the fact that there are gold mines of good men on the small campuses, men who need them and who can, in turn, add greatly to the stature of the national organizations. They have discovered that the status symbol of a big fraternity house isn't necessary on the small campus, and that the real strength of the brotherhood lies in its members—not real estate or other wealth.

"In closing, I want to charge you to take pride in your fraternity, and do what you can to bring honor to it . . . but always to walk humbly before all men. There is where the real satisfaction of achievement lies!

"I wish you well and offer my services to your future well-being."

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Communication

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When a committee is selected it would be advantageous to choose a representative body of the brotherhood. For example, it is a wise president who plans for the future by choosing a senior, a junior, and a sophomore for positions on a particular committee. As officers usually admit, the committee is the training ground for future leaders. With the selection of a cross-section of the brotherhood, the fraternity is not only affording the opportunity for the education of the members, but also opens the committee members to a variety of ideas. Communication is enhanced through the representation of a number of viewpoints.

I have presented in this article some of the methods which may be employed by the Sage of a Sigma Pi chapter—or president of any body—in order to allow a free flow of information within the brotherhood. There are other techniques and variations on these procedures that may be incorporated as a permanent part of the fraternity process.

The fraternity is a vital part of the educational process. The fraternity in itself is educational. The individual member can expand his scope and broaden his outlook if the fraternity insists on developing an atmosphere where effective communication is the rule rather than the exception.

None are more hopelessly enslaved than those who falsely believe they are free.—Goethe.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE N.I.C.

The annual meeting of the National Interfraternity Conference was held at the Hotel Americana, New York City, on December 5, 6 and 7. Of the 703 who were officially registered—a new record except for the 50th Anniversary celebration in 1959—376 were undergraduates and 327 were graduates. In addition there were over one hundred others who attended one or more sessions.

Among the highlights of the three days was the constructive meeting of the House of Delegates on Thursday afternoon where officers and new members of the Executive Committee were elected; the budget was approved for 1964 on the same basis as 1963; and approval was given a program to increase the number of officers to relieve the work load of the president. A new presidentelect and two vice-presidents, as well as the approval of two new voting members were added to the Executive Committee, one representing the Secretaries Association and an undergraduate representing the IFCs of America. Also approved were several changes in the constitution and by-laws intended to improve the operation of the Conference. The delegates heard reports of most of the committees of the Conference and the annual report from the President, Robert W. Kelly, Sigma Phi Epsilon, who presided.

Resolutions were approved which included a special one in memoriam of NIC Past President Albert S. Bard, who had passed into the great beyond during his 94th year in 1963 and who was distinguished by having attended every meeting of the Conference since its founding.

The meeting was longer than formerly to permit the House of Delegates to complete the business of the Conference on Thursday afternoon before the official Conference opening at breakfast on Friday and which permitted two undergraduate panels to be held Thursday evening as "bonus panels." One concerned the problem of the use of alcoholic beverages by college students and the other concerned one of the chief problems of fraternities, namely, rushing and the

complex rules that have come to make that operation less effective than desirable in many colleges.

The Committee in charge of the meeting had prepared a splendid program for the two day session which included three fine speakers. Dr. Irving Dilliard, past president of Alpha Kappa Lambda, addressed the opening breakfast. He described the Bill of Rights as the chief difference between the United States and the countries behind the Iron Curtain and urged his listeners to protect and defend it, after outlining its chief features in capsule form as reminders to all of the great change its composition had brought into the world and into government.

Associate Justice Tom C. Clark of the United States Supreme Court and an active vice president of Delta Tau Delta spoke proudly of his association with his fraternity and of the fine accomplishments of the fraternities of America; pointing out also that much remained to be done to secure more satisfactory acceptance of responsibility by the very small segment of chapters which each year partly vitiate the fine work done by all the others, by carelessness and lapses from accepted high standards. He urged the members of the Conference to work more closely together to present a united, effective front.

Dr. Seth R. Brooks, pastor of the Universalist National Memorial Church, Washington, D.C., and president of Beta Theta Pi, presented a memorial tribute to the late President Kennedy at the opening of the banquet on Friday evening and at the concluding session on Saturday afternoon, outlined a challenge to the undergraduates as they returned to their campuses.

The program for undergraduates was under the direction of a committee chaired by Lewis Bacon, Alpha Kappa Lambda, and had as its objective "To Instill Fraternity Creativeness." At the regular undergraduate sessions on Friday and Saturday, the representatives of local Interfraternity Councils were divided into twenty groups of about eighteen delegates, each under a prepared chairman or discussion leader. After initial presentations had been made to the entire assembly on main topics, the separate groups

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Missouri School of Mines

Sigma Pi Has Been on Campus Over 30 Years

The Prospector Club which was organized in 1913 became Alpha-Iota Chapter of Sigma Pi at the Missouri School of Mines on April 29, 1933. The Chapter has grown and progressed very successfully since that date. The Alpha-Iota newsletter herein tells about the acquisition of an additional piece of property and completion of construction at the rear of the existing house so as to provide living accommodations for 12 more house members and larger dining quarters.



Dr. Merle Baker, new Dean of Men at MSM, getting acquainted with Alpha-Iota Sage Ralph Wink.

The University of Missouri School of Mines and Metallurgy was formally opened on November 5, 1871 at Rolla, the county seat of Phelps County, Missouri. The School is a Land Grant College created by an act of the Missouri Legislature on February 27, 1870, at a time when many felt that a need existed for a mineralogical school located in the mining country where students might be instructed in that science. At the time of dedication the campus consisted of one building, the former Rolla High School; its courses were divided into two categories, preparatory and technical. In the year 1873, the school added a course in Military Science and

Tactics, and then in 1889 began to offer courses leading to degrees in the fields of mechanical engineering, chemistry, physics, math and general science.

Today the main campus to MSM is centered about a 35-acre tract of land in the northwest quarter of Rolla, Missouri. It consists of 16 buildings located around the main quadrangle. The Rolla building is the oldest structure on campus and was sold to the state in 1871. For many years it was the principal building of the School of Mines. It was extensively remodeled in 1947 and is now used as the Department of Humanities and Social Studies.

Chemical Hall was erected in 1885 and since then two wings have been added, one in 1902 and the other in 1915. The Chemical Engineering Building was added in 1949, which gave an additional 47,000 square feet to the Chemistry Department's facilities. It contains lecture rooms and laboratories for research and instruction in chemical engineering, general, analytical, organic, and physical chemistry.

The Mining Engineering Building houses all campus facilities of the Department of Mining Engineering and the Department of Engineering Graphics. The Old Metallurgy Building, erected in 1909, is a three story brick structure with two additional one story wings. It is used by the Department of Mechanics and as a foundry laboratory by the Department of Metallurgical Engineering.

Fulton Hall is a three story brick and concrete structure erected in 1923. After alterations and a new addition completed in 1951, it now houses the offices and classrooms of the Departments of Metallurgical Engineering and Ceramic Engineering.

Norwood Hall was constructed in 1905 and houses some of the offices and classrooms of the Physics Department and the department of Geological Engineering and Geology.

The Mechanical Engineering Building is a modern designed structure completed in 1951. It contains all the modern equipment of the Mechanical Engineering Department and was designed especially for the university instruction of engineering students.

Harris Hall is a four story brick and con-

crete structure built in 1940. After remodeling in 1960, the building now houses the Department of Mathematics and the Computer Center.



Dr. Grigoropoulos of the Civil Engineering Department has become an affiliate with Alpha-Iota Chapter at Missouri Mines.

Parker Hall is the administration building of the campus. This two story brick and concrete building houses the offices of all the administrative personnel and the school's 106,000-volume library.

The Electrical Engineering Building, completed in 1959, houses all the classrooms, offices, and laboratories of the Department of Electrical Engineering; and the Civil Engineering Building, also completed in 1959, contains the classrooms, laboratories, and offices of the Civil Engineering Department. A Nuclear Reactor was completed in 1960, the first nuclear reactor in the state of Missouri.

The Physics Building, opened early in 1963, houses some of the offices and classrooms of the Physics Department. It also provides classroom space for other departments. Its main feature is a 160-seat air conditioned demonstration and lecture room.

Some of the other facilities of the School are the new Student Union Building completed in 1960; Jackling Gymnasium, Jackling Field, the scene of our intercollegiate football games; a 135-acre intramural field and golf course, three men's dormitories, one women's dormitory, a new cafeteria, military buildings, married students apartments, and an infirmary.

The School of Mines is coeducational and mostly technical. It offers courses leading to bachelor of science degrees in 12 professional fields; ceramic engineering, chemical engineering, civil engineering, electrical engineering, geological engineering, mechanical engineering, metallurgical engineering, mining engineering, applied mathematics, chemistry, geology, and physics; also courses leading to a master of science degree in the professional fields enumerated plus nuclear engineering.

Plans for the Future

According to Dr. Merle Baker, Dean of Men, most of the plans for the future are centered about the upcoming centennial (1870-1970). The plans and goals for that year are as follows:

- 1. Estimated enrollment of 6,000 undergraduates and 2,000 graduates.
- 2. A doctorate degree in all departments except those of humanities and social studies.
- 3. Intensifying and broadening of the humanities and their applications to the engineering field. (The School hopes to be able to award an A.B. degree in the field of humanities and social studies by 1970.)
- 4. It also hopes to be able to award a doctorate in nuclear engineering.
- 5. Expansion is also on the program: money has already been given to build a new library, an addition on the Physics Building, and a building devoted to research in the field of material sciences; and projected plans call for an addition to the Student Union, an Earth Science Research building, a new Mechanical Engineering Building, and a combination auditorium and field house.



LIFTING AND LEANING

There are two kinds of people on earth today, Just two kinds of people, no more, I say. The two kinds of people on earth I mean Are the people who lift and the people who lean. And, strangely enough, you will find, too, I ween,

There is only one lifter to twenty who lean. In which class are you? Are you easing the load Of overtaxed lifters who toil down the road? Or are you a leaner who lets others bear Your portion of worry and labor and care?

-ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.



SIGMA PI IN THE NEWS

Council Chairman

George W. Latimer, Pi-Utah, former Supreme Court Justice of the State of Utah, is Chairman of the Utah Council on Administration of Criminal Justice. He was elected at the November 1963 meeting of the Council.

Bro. Latimer heads a group of public servants whose former chairman advocates the development of prison industry. Consideration is being given to a proposal to set up a separate organization to develop industries at the Utah State Prison. Such an organization could protect the public interest and constantly look for opportunities for the development of skills among prisoners that would enable them to rehabilitate themselves once out of prison.

George Latimer was Justice of the Supreme Court of Utah at the time of his appointment in 1951 to a ten-year term as an Associate Justice of the three-man Court of Military Appeals. He returned to his law practice in Salt Lake City at the expiration of his term in 1961.

Bank Personnel Manager

Gregory J. Celia, Jr., Nu-F & M '57, has been appointed personnel manager of the Lancaster County Farmers National Bank. He had been assistant to the personnel manager for the past four years.

Bro. Celia did graduate work at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan, and now teaches a course in economics at classes of the American Institute of Banking in Lancaster. He is active in the Lancaster Junior Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Manufacturers' Association's Personnel Club. His address is 8 Princeton Avenue, Lancaster, Pennsylvania.

To Receive Award

An AP release in mid-December reported that James "Scotty" Reston, Phi—Illinois, would receive the University of Arizona's annual John Peter Zenger award for distinguished service in freedom of the press. The award was to be conferred on the chief of the Times' Washington bureau at the annual Arizona Newspaper association meeting in February.

Bro. Reston will be the 10th person to receive this award. He has won two Pulitzer prizes, in 1944 for his coverage of the Dumbarton Oaks security conference, and in 1956 for national reporting.

Sigma Pi Bishops in the News

The Rt. Rev. William F. Creighton, Delta —Pennsylvania, Bishop of the Diocese of Washington, D.C., represented the presiding bishop, the Rt. Rev. Arthur C. Lichtenberger, Lambda—Kenyon '23, in the funeral procession of the late President John F. Kennedy on November 25, 1963.

Presiding Bishop Lichtenberger had received a telegram from Robert Kennedy, U. S. Attorney General and brother of the late President, on November 23, asking that he participate in the funeral. Bishop Lichtenberger, who was recovering from phlebitis, asked Bishop Creighton to represent him. Bishop Creighton marched with a Roman Catholic priest in front of the caisson bearing the President's body, in the procession from the White House to St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, where the funeral was held.

The Rt. Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, retired Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware, has had his name associated in newspaper dispatches with that of President Johnson, because of an incident that occurred when Bro. McKinstry married Lyndon B. Johnson and Lady Bird Taylor in San Antonio,

Texas, on November 17, 1934.

The story as told in AP releases is that the future President had been in such a hurry that he forgot to buy a wedding ring. It was only after an aide went to a nearby store and Lady Bird selected one of the 12 rings that were brought back, that the wedding ceremony proceeded.

Bro. McKinstry was rector of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in San Antonio, Texas, from 1931 until 1938. The bride-to-be, a student at the University of Texas at the time, had wanted to be married at his church because of its history. Bro. McKinstry didn't like the idea of marrying two people on the same day on which he was notified, but he did so because the groom had to return to Washington. The wedding was a simple one with only two or three witnesses, but the ring incident caused the minister to say afterwards, "I hope this marriage lasts," It did and the newlyweds of 1934 now reside in the White House.

Political Victors

Tuesday, November 5, 1963, saw three Sigma Pis achieve prominent victories in several parts of Pennsylvania. The most important was that of Judge Harold Ervin who was re-elected to his second ten-year term on the Superior Court of Pennsylvania. Two other men were elected to the three-man Boards of County Commissioners in their respective counties for the first time. They were Henry Frey of Lycoming County and Arthur Campbell of Lancaster County.

HAROLD L. ERVIN, Kappa '16, was born in Catawissa, Pennsylvania on April 5, 1895. He received his A.B. degree from Temple where he served as editor-in-chief of The Owl and as a pitcher on the baseball team. After serving as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Infantry during World War I, he returned to complete his education with an LL.B. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1920. Following an outstanding career as an attorney in Delaware County, he was appointed to the Delaware County Common Pleas Court in 1941 and served as President Judge from 1948 to 1954. Since that time he has served on the



HAROLD L. ERVIN, Kappa-Temple '16

Superior Court, second only to the Supreme Court in Pennsylvania, and is currently the first associate judge. In addition to the above he is a member of: Pennsylvania and National Council of Juvenile Court Judges; American Judiciary Society; Lodge #298 F. & A.M.; American Legion; and Union League of Philadelphia. He resides at 380 Sycamore Mills Road, Media, Pa.

HENRY F. FREY, Chi '50, was born in Williamsport in 1928. After one year at Lycoming College he transferred to the University of Pittsburgh from which he graduated in 1950 with a degree in Business Administration. While at Pitt he was one of the group which reactivated Chi Chapter in 1947 and served as its treasurer. At present he is self-employed and lives at Muncy, R.D. 2, with his wife, Doris, and three children. He is treasurer of the Muncy School Board and a Volunteer Fireman. On November 5 he was top vote-getter among the Republicans and led his nearest rival by 3500 votes.

ARTHUR R. CAMPBELL, JR., Kappa, was born in Lancaster on October 13, 1921. He attended Temple University and left to serve six years in the Air Force. Rising to the rank of 1st Lieutenant he was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal with 5 clusters. He lives at 110 Urban Drive, Lancaster, with his wife, Jane, two sons and one daughter. He is an executive with the Watt & Shand Department Store. His activities and honors include: vice president of Hempfield Union School Board; Lodge #43 F. & A.M.; past-president Lancaster Jr. Chamber of Commerce; Jaycee Man-of-the-Year 1953; and Republican County Campaign Chairman 1959.



ARTHUR R. CAMPBELL, JR., Kappa-Temple '44

Sigma Pi salutes these Brothers and many like them across the country who have put aside their personal desires and careers to serve their communities, states and the nation. In every level of government there is a need for more such men with outstanding fraternal, civic, professional and business backgrounds.

If all our misfortunes were laid in one common heap, whence everyone must take an equal portion, most people would be contented to take their own and depart.—Socrates.

An old lady walked into court and said to the judge, "Are you the judge of reprobates?"
"I'm judge of probate," he replied.

"Well, I guess that's it. You see, my husband died detested and left me several infidels and can I be appointed their executioner?"



ALUMNI

Regional Managers

John J. Higgins, Kappa—Temple '32, is Regional Manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in charge of the Buffalo office located at 584 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo 2, New York. Twenty offices in the Buffalo-Rochester region, employing approximately 850 persons, come under his management.

Bro. Higgins started with the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company in 1933 as an Agent in Endicott, New York. It marked the beginning of a long and very rewarding career for him, as not only did he attain the objectives he had made for himself, but he felt that he also was able to bring security to many people in the form of life insurance.

In 1935 he was promoted to the position of Assistant Manager in the Endicott office, and in 1943 became Manager of the office in Glens Falls, New York. After staying in that district for three years, he was transferred as Manager to a larger office in Middletown, New York.

In 1949 he was again transferred, this time as Manager of the Monroe office in Rochester, where he remained until May 1963 when he was promoted to the position of Regional Manager of the Buffalo Region.

In order to prepare himself for advancement, John constantly pursued a self-development program resulting in the attainment of his Chartered Life Underwriter designation after many years of studying and examinations and completion of the C.L.U. Management Course.

Bro. Higgins naturally is happy about his progress and success in the insurance field, considering himself fortunate in that regard, but says that his greatest satisfaction comes from the realization of being able to develop those under his direction into self-sufficient and capable people, so that they in turn could advance in the great Metropolitan Life Insurance Company. That he has been successful in this regard is illustrated by the fact that seven of John's former associates are today holding responsible managerial positions.

John, his wife, Jane, and their 12-year-old daughter, Jean, live in the very lovely town of Orchard Park in suburban Buffalo. Son John, Jr., is attending St. Michael's College in Vermont. Another daughter, Judy, is married and living in Rochester, and as might be expected has made Bro. Higgins a very proud and young grandfather.

Rehabilitation Counselor

Frederick W. Smith, Theta—Penn State '49, is dedicating his life to helping the disabled and less fortunate. He spent five years as Employment Interviewer with the Pennsylvania Bureau Employment Security and left to become a Rehabilitation Counselor in the Wilkes-Barre District Office of the Pennsylvania Bureau of Vocational Rehabilitation. Fred works with the disabled individual and has been doing so for more than eight years out of the Wilkes-Barre office, which covers 11 counties in northeast Pennsylvania.

In addition to his undergraduate education at Pennsylvania State University, Bro. Smith took added courses at Syracuse, University of Pennsylvania Hospital, and attended Teachers College of Columbia University.

He is active in Methodist Church affairs and a professional member of the National Rehabilitation Association. His hobbies are flower growing, sports, and reading. He and his wife, Carolyn, live at 352 East Church Street, Nanticoke, Pennsylvania.

Regarding his occupation and his Fraternity, Fred Smith says:

"I like people! Nothing pleases me more than to help another person who is not as fortunate as I and who seems to be constantly in need. I could probably make more money doing journalistic work, or by working for a private organization, or by being politically active; however, one cannot take his money with him and what he leaves behind is soon used up and he is forgotten. But, the rehabilitation of a human being to his best endeavor leaves an indelible mark on society.

"I like to think that the fraternity house is similar to a person, in the respect that if the building isn't kept up to full capacity and usefulness, if it isn't kept in proper repair and administered by good young men, it will soon fall apart and appear to be ugly and of no value to anyone. I sincerely feel that we owe the Fraternity more than it owes us!"

President-elect of VBEA

James R. Manning, Beta-Rho-A.C.C. '59, who is Vocational Office Training coordinator at Norview High School, Norfolk, Virginia, was voted president-elect of the Virginia Business Education Association, a department of the Virginia Education Association, at its fall meeting in Richmond, Virginia.

Bro. Manning, a charter member of Beta-Rho Chapter at Atlantic Christian College, is doing graduate work at Richmond Professional Institute. He is the retiring treasurer of the VBEA, a member of the education committee of the National Office Management Association, and a member of the Virginia Vocational Association and the American Vocational Association. He has taught Vocational Office Training at Norview High School for the past four years.

Helps Toast New Wine

LeRoy M. Carl, Kappa—Temple '52, who like Past Grand Sage William A. Smith is in the New York State College of Agriculture at Cornell University, joined two professors in a toast to a honey wine which they had developed. It is not known whether or not Bro. Carl had anything at all to do with the new wine-making process, but the picture of him with Professors Morse and Steinkraus proves that he definitely was in on the tasting and toasting.

Honey wine, or mead, dates back to Biblical times, and was the national drink of England from about 1200 to 1600. It was a favorite of the Norsemen, and no doubt was the wine Robin Hood took from Prince John. But it took Cornell scientists to develop a process for commercial production of a product of uniform high quality.

The process as developed by Prof. Roger A. Morse, apiculturist at the N.Y. State Col-



LEROY M. CARL, Kappa—Temple '52, (right), joins Professors Steinkraus and Morse in a toast marking the development of a new honey wine at Cornell University.

lege of Agriculture, and Prof. Keith H. Steinkraus, bacteriologist at the N.Y. State Agricultural Experiment Station at Geneva, is the result of more than 10 years of research. Keys to their success include use of the proper yeast, plus vitamins to stimulate its growth; extensive experimentation with aging and temperature control; selection of the proper honey, and bacteriological studies, among other things.

Mission Helper

Conrad T. Timpe, Sigma—Iowa State '60, along with his wife, Helen, has become active in the organization called Lay Mission Helpers (LMH). They are halfway through a year of study under the direction of Monsignor Browers, the director and founder of LMH, at the conclusion of which they expect to be sent to Africa for a minimum of three years to help priests and nuns at a mission. Their work in the mission will not be to teach religion as a course, but to live as a family demonstrating Christianity in all its aspects. Daughter Julie, who is just learning to walk and talk, will accompany her parents.

Con and his wife expect to teach in a secondary mission school as regular teachers of English, Science, and Math, and although the spoken language is English in most of the schools in Africa, they will learn Swahili before departing from the United States perhaps next July or August. Until then, the address of the Timpes is 10892 Patricia Drive, Garden Grove, California.

Eta Alumni

The December alumni publication of Eta Chapter at Purdue, *The Eta Data*, is the source for the following:

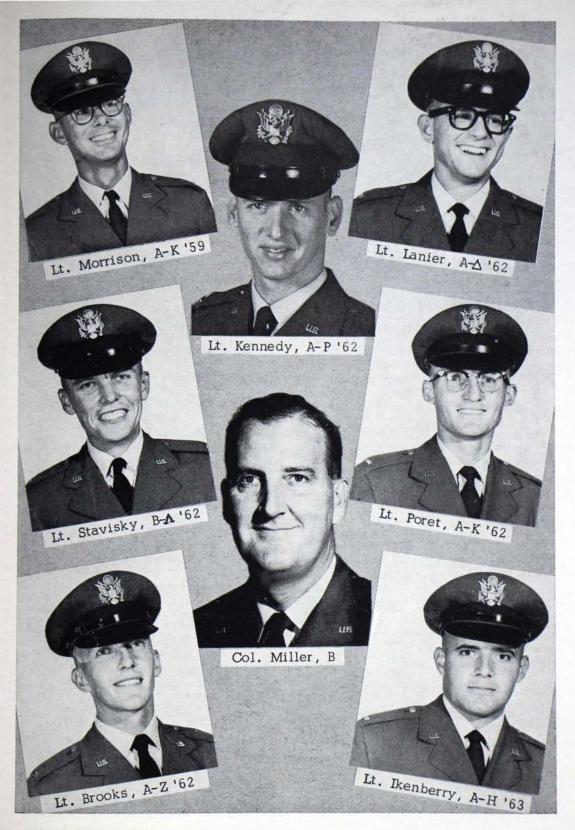
Donald E. Neal '19 who retired a year ago from General Electric, spent last winter in Florida. The trip from California was made by automobile with his wife. Bro. Neal is active in a men's singing group known as the Loring Club, that gives two concerts a year in the San Francisco area. Don and his wife live at 221 Amherst Avenue, Berkeley, California.

Russell Washburne '21 who participated in varsity football, also class wrestling, baseball, and track while at Purdue, is photographic officer with the Bloomfield, Connecticut, police department. Builder and inventor of several photographic items, he is interested in all phases of police investigation work. He served in the Army during World War I and later worked with Stromberg-Carlson, Connecticut Employment Service, and the Veteran's Administration. He and his family reside at The Old Mill, Bloomfield, Connecticut.

IN SERVICE

Captain Dwight A. Armstrong, Beta-Nu-S.I.U. '55, Lieutenant GARY L. ROBERTS, Omega-Oregon State '60, and Lieutenant DONALD G. CAVINESS, Xi-U. of Iowa '60, participated in Exercise Big Lift, the joint Department of Defense demonstration of United States capability for rapid massive reinforcement of NATO forces in Europe. Bros. Roberts and Caviness are both Air Force navigators assigned to Military Air Transport Service, which used 355 aircrews, necessary support personnel, and more than 200 transport aircraft for the Big Lift, the largest transoceanic airlift in history. Captain Armstrong, also an Air Force navigator, is assigned to the Strategic Air Command which provided aircrews, necessary support personnel, and Stratotankers for refueling. Big Lift, in which Air Force, Army, and Navy units participated, involved the moving of 15,000 troops of the 2nd Armored Division to West Germany in a 72-hour period.

Colonel Roger H. MILLER, Beta-Indiana, has retired from the United States Air Force after more than 21 years active duty. Prior



to his retirement, Colonel Miller served as staff judge advocate for Headquarters, Air Force Missile Test Center at Patrick AFB, Florida. He was assigned to the European Theater of Operations during World War II and also served in the Korean conflict. He holds the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Air Medal with four oak leaf clusters, and the Army and Air Force Commendation Medals. Bro. Miller, who earned his LL.M. degree from Indiana University, is a member of the Bar of the State of Indiana.

At least six—maybe more—recent alumni who had been selected for training through competitive examinations with other college graduates, have been commissioned in recent months as second lieutenants in the United States Air Force. Commissioned upon graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas, were the following:

WILLIAM S. BROOKS, II, Alpha-Zeta-St. Lawrence '62-assigned to Lowry AFB, Colorado, for training as a munitions officer.

RICHARD L. IKENBERRY, Alpha-Eta—William & Mary '63, SIDNEY L. LANIER, JR., Alpha-Delta—Auburn '62, and WILLIAM C. MORRISON, Alpha-Kappa—L.S.U. '59, all three assigned to Chanute AFB, Illinois, for training as aircraft maintenance officers.

Yves A. Poret, Alpha-Kappa-L.S.U. '62, assigned to Lowry AFB, Colorado, for training as an air armament systems officer.

WILLIAM STAVISKY, JR., Beta-Lambda—Lycoming '62, assigned to Lowry AFB, Colorado, for training as a munitions officer.

OLIVER C. REIGHN, JR., Alpha-Psi—Utah State '62, is now stationed at Webb AFB, Texas, following his graduation from the course for United States Air Force communications officers at Keesler AFB, Mississippi. Second Lieutenant Reighn received training in the operation, maintenance, and management of radio, teletype and crytographic communications equipment, and systems.

WILLIAM W. MITCHELL, Beta-Iota—Arizona State '62, Airman Second Class in the United States Air Force, has been assigned to Luke AFB, Arizona, following his graduation from the technical training course for air traffic controllers at Keesler AFB, Mississippi.

ALAN H. PERRY, Alpha-Mu-N.C.E. '59, has graduated from a special course in medical support for missile operations conducted by the United States Air Force School of

Aerospace Medicine at Brooks AFB, Texas. The first lieutenant is a bioenvironmental engineer at Edwards AFB, California.

HERCHEL E. KELLEY, Omega—Oregon State '60, who was commissioned in 1962 upon completion of Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas, has been assigned as a first lieutenant to the 1st Aerospace Control Squadron at Ent AFB, Colorado.

PATRICK V. KENNEDY, Alpha-Rho—S.M.S. '62, has been commissioned a United States Air Force second lieutenant and awarded silver wings following his graduation from navigator training at James Connally AFB, Texas.

WILLIAM A. HEERES, Upsilon—U.C.L.A. '61, a second lieutenant in the United States Air Force, completed the orientation course for Medical Service Corps officers and has been assigned to Sawyer AFB, Michigan.

CLINTON H. YATES, Alpha-Phi—Georgia '63, of Villa Rica Road, Marietta, Georgia, is an Airman Third Class in the Georgia Air National Guard, and recently graduated from the technical training course for United States Air Force medical records specialists at Gunter AFB, Alabama. He was trained in hospital administrative procedures, including maintenance of clinical records and preparation of medical, dental, and veterinary reports.

Donald W. Catlin, Beta-Delta-Kansas '60, is a First Lieutenant in the United States Air Force at Amarillo AFB, Texas. He was graduated from the Squadron Officer School at the Air University at Maxwell AFB, Alabama, on December 13, 1963. Bro. Catlin had been selected for the special professional officer training in recognition of his demonstrated potential as a leader in the aerospace force.

PAUL K. LEWIS, JR., Alpha-Sigma—Arkansas '57, was recently called to active duty and assigned to the Air Force base at Shaw, South Carolina. Bro. Lewis has both a B.S. and an LL.B. degree from the University of Arkansas; he will join the Judge Advocate's staff to practice as a legal officer with the rank of First Lieutenant.

EDWIN W. SANDISON, Beta-Omicron—Long Beach '62, was commissioned a Second Lieutenant recently upon completion of Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas.

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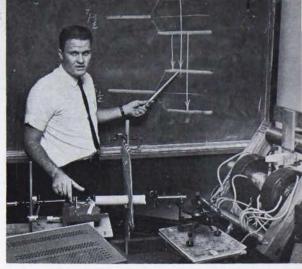
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JON T. RICKMAN, PHYSICIST

Jon T. Rickman, one of the charter members of Gamma-Gamma Chapter and an active alumnus since his graduation last year, has been the recipient of much publicity and honor since he constructed a valuable piece of scientific apparatus to be used in an atomic physics course at Central Missouri State College. The project is part of his graduate training program.

The 600 pound instrument which has a water-cooled magnet with 8,000 feet of wiring and a field strength of 12,000 gauss, was constructed by Bro. Rickman and his instructor, Mr. Charles Young. It is used to split the line spectra of light into a definite number of subenergy levels—creating what is known as the Zeeman effect—for observation through an interferometer.

Jon spent over 250 hours constructing the instrument in the College machine shop. Only a few schools in the mid-west possess similar instruments. Apparatus slightly larger



JON RICKMAN, Gamma-Gamma '63, explains the principles of spectra splitting apparatus that he designed and built with the aid of his instructor, for use in the atomic physics laboratory at Central Missouri State College.

than the Rickman model is said to cost about \$13,000.00.

Bro. Rickman is a resident of Warrensburg and was a 1963 graduate of CMS, where his father, C. W. Rickman, is an instructor of physics.—Carl Youngberg.

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GRADUATE RESIDENT ASSISTANTSHIPS

Anyone interested in personnel work at the college level might want to obtain information about and apply for a Graduate Resident Assistantship at Ohio State University. Said assistantships are being made available in conjunction with a two-year workstudy program in student personnel work through the Departments of Psychology and Education.

Recipients of assistantships live and work with students as residence hall assistants, group advisers, and counselors. They work approximately 20 hours a week under supervision of the directors of residence and the student personnel staff.

The academic program, leading to the Master of Arts degree, requires from 45 to 55 quarter hours depending on the student's background. The student may register for a maximum of 12 hours each quarter. A thesis is required.

Each recipient of an assistantship must: (1) hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college, (2) present a B average in undergraduate courses, (3) present the specific academic background needed for graduate study, and (4) be qualified personally to live with students as group adviser and counselor.

Recipients will receive room, board, and \$80 a month during the first year—the equivalent of a graduate assistantship. They will receive room, board, and \$120 a month during the second year—the equivalent of a teaching assistantship.

If interested, write to Dr. Maude A. Stewart, 215 Pomerene Hall, The Ohio State University, 1760 Neil Ave., Columbus 10, Ohio.



OFFICIALLY AND FRATERNALLY

A CALL FOR ACTION

from

Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg

The tragedy which befell this nation on November 22, 1963, has caused a serious reappraisal by many leaders and individual citizens.

Some believe that an underlying cause of this tragedy is the recent decay in moral standards and the rise of hate throughout our country. While many choose to disagree with this philosophy it cannot be denied that there is much evidence today of such decay. The "sermon" by the layman which appeared in the Fall 1963 Emerald cited many common examples of how our moral standards are being constantly challenged.

Except for our churches and synagogues, no organization in this country is better equipped to meet this challenge than the college fraternity system. The men and women who founded the fraternities and sororities of this country established basic creeds designed to develop our college students into citizens of integrity, ability, and character. As the present beneficiaries, it is clearly the responsibility of each of us to insure that these early ideals are continued and that today's students receive the benefits and training which are only available through fraternity life.

It is upon the undergraduate active members that I would place the primary responsibility for meeting this challenge. I do so because they are at the battlefront and are therefore in the best position to formulate and carry out the type of program necessary for the proper development of our pledges and brothers. Although I have previously done so, I again call upon each Chapter to reappraise its program to insure that it is

designed to adequately emphasize all phases of the "Creed of Sigma Pi."

I commend you Alumni who are officers of your respective chapter house corporations, for your devoted and valuable services and urge that you work more closely with your chapters to insure continued financial stability. Experience has shown that a chapter with financial troubles is of little value to its members. If the fraternity system is to remain vital in the development of the college student, chapters which are weak financially must be either improved or eliminated.

I urge you Alumni who have strayed far from the campus in either time or distance, to stop long enough to evaluate what association with Sigma Pi has done for you. Recognizing all that you have gained I would call upon you to resolve here and now to renew your active interest and participation in the affairs of your Fraternity. If you are too far from your own chapter, contact the nearest chapter or alumni club, both of whom will be happy to welcome you. Neither the Grand Chapter nor any individual chapter suffers from too much alumni interest and support. To the contrary, we are handicapped in our efforts to build and maintain strong chapters on many campuses because of the lack of good alumni willing to serve as advisors and to otherwise assist the chapter officers.

In conclusion, I wish to emphasize that Sigma Pi and the entire fraternity system faces a challenge greater than at any time in our history. Because of the many forces working to undermine the character and integrity which enabled our forefathers to build this great democracy, it is important that we develop among our college students the qualities essential to meet the challenges of these forces and to destroy them. To ac-

complish this we must not only strengthen each of our chapters and its program, but we must extend the opportunities for fraternity affiliation to more students and campuses. As your Grand Sage, I wish to assure you that the Grand Officers and the professional staff are pledged to meet this challenge. Only by increased effort on the part of every Active and Alumnus, however, can we hope to meet our goal.

Thus I call upon each Active and Alumnus, be he a Republican or Democrat, to join with me in resolving that John Fitzgerald Kennedy shall not have died in vain and that in humble recognition of his devotion to the betterment of mankind, we shall dedicate ourselves to work for the revival and strengthening of all that has made this nation and her people great and just.



HOWARD H. BEYER SERVES ADMIRABLY AS PROVINCE ARCHON

"Howie" needs little or no introduction to his many Sigma Pi friends as he has been continuously active in the Fraternity since being initiated at Alpha-Mu Chapter at Newark College of Engineering in 1953. As an undergraduate he served his chapter as House Manager and Second Counselor. After his graduation with a B.S. in mechanical engineering, Brother Beyer continued his interest in Sigma Pi by serving as assistant archon for Beta Province from 1956 to 1958.

In 1958 he was appointed Beta Province Archon and served in this capacity during 1958-1962. Expansion in the province by the addition of chapters at Shippensburg State, East Stroudsburg State, Lock Haven State, and Slippery Rock State—all Pennsylvania State Colleges—necessitated dividing the province into Beta-Alpha and Beta-Beta Provinces. Province Archon Beyer currently serves as Beta-Alpha Province Archon.

Brother Beyer has attended every national convocation since 1954 and at each he participated actively and constructively in the



HOWARD H. BEYER, Alpha-Mu-N.C.E. '56

proceedings and on committees. He has served on workshops, nominating committees, and twice as Chairman of Publicity & Publications.

Professionally he is vice-president of Unique Wire Weaving Company, Inc., of Hillside, New Jersey. His company manufactures wire cloth and metallic filter cloth used in filtering, straining, and screening applications; also electron tube grids, radio frequency interference shielding, etc., as used for space requirements involving capsule recovery, communications, and human space recovery craft. He is the fourth generation of his family in this highly specialized industry.

Howie's wife is the former Dorothy Morgner and they have two children, Kenneth 3, and Donna 2 months. He and his family reside at 2 Fieldcrest Drive, Scotch Plains, New Jersey.



If we mean to support the liberty and independence which have cost us so much blood and treasure to establish, we must drive far away the demon of party spirit and local reproach.— GEORGE WASHINGTON.

E O REPORT

By James L. Hills, Executive Secretary

Horne Rejoins Staff

William E. Horne, Alpha-Phi '62, after a six month tour of duty with Uncle Sam, has rejoined the field staff and will be serving Sigma Pi in the East. Bill is a 1962 graduate of the University of Georgia and while an undergraduate was a very active member of Alpha-Phi Chapter. Before entering the service he visited many Sigma Pi chapters and was instrumental in several rejuvenating programs. Bill "knows the ropes" of the Fraternity and is a welcome addition. He replaces Alan R. Scott who has been called to active duty in the Armed Forces.

N.I.C.

Sigma Pi was well represented at the 1963 National Interfraternity Conference at the Americana Hotel in New York City, December 5-7. There were 16 undergraduate brothers from Zeta, Alpha-Mu, Gamma-Alpha, Gamma-Delta, Beta-Gamma, and Beta-Lambda Chapters, and Rutgers Colony.

Representing the Grand Chapter were Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg, Grand Fourth Counselor Arthur L. Lewis, Grand Herald Lawrence H. Bixby, Past Grand Sage J. B. Hillegass, Executive Secretary James L. Hills, EMERALD Editor Harold Jacobsen, Field Representative Anthony J. Giannelli, and Province Archon Howard H. Beyer. This year's Conference program was excellent and was highlighted by the banquet address of the Honorable Tom C. Clark, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court.

The program for undergraduates had as its objective "To Instill Fraternity Creativeness." The theme of the graduate meetings was "Ideals."

On the Move

With but few exceptions, chapters throughout the country are awakening to the fact that the combination of leadership, scholarship, size, and financial management is the key to a successful chapter. Pledge membership statistics for the first three months compared to the same period last

year show an increase. Scholarship, compared to last year, is on the rise. A good chapter supervisor plus good undergraduate leadership equals a top Sigma Pi chapter.

Memorial Headquarters

This fall Beta-Gamma Chapter at Eastern Illinois University sent its pledge class to spend a weekend working at the Memorial Headquarters. Eleven men, under the leadership of Brother Keith R. Lynch, spent the weekend painting the ballroom on the third floor and in raking leaves from sections of the grounds. The former ballroom, now painted an off-white with lavender trim, will eventually be used as a Grand Chapter lodge room suitable for special initiations and meetings.

The pledges from Beta-Gamma were: David M. Beube, James M. Cooper, James C. Drury, Paul A. Eagleson, Lloyd E. Eardley, James W. Horsman, William J. Leonard, William C. Little, James W. Lovejoy, Michael C. Murphy, and Joseph E. Smith. Thank you Beta-Gamma for this project and congratulations on pledging men of such fine caliber.

The reception hall of the Headquarters is now complete and gives a very stately and formal entrance to the building. The new tile floor and high back leather chairs, console, lamps, and area rug are in excellent taste. The walls are decorated with a beautiful color drawing of the Sigma Pi coat-of-arms presented by Beta-Xi Chapter, an oil portrait of the late Colonel Eugene Wharf, and the memorial scroll to brothers who laid down their lives in World War II.

I have been very pleased with the number of visitors Sigma Pi has had at its Memorial Headquarters. Besides the Beta-Gamma pledge class, we have been honored since the start of this academic year by visits from Grand Sage Frank C. Fryburg, Grand Second Counselor Curtis G. Shake, Grand Third Counselor Lyle H. Smith, Grand First Counselor J. Robert Odaniell, Honorary Grand Sage Byron R. Lewis, Dr. Thornton N. Mc-Clure, vice-president of the University of Rhode Island, Province Archon Thomas A. Brown, Honorary Grand Herald William G. Hills, Miss Marion Patterson and Mrs. Dean Parks (daughters of Founder George Patterson), and James D. Faulkner, Alpha-Delta '62.



BETA-GAMMA PLEDGES relax for a picture from the arduous task of raking up some of the leaves from the 13-acre heavily treed grounds around the Memorial Headquarters.

Historic Christmas Lights

Sigma Pi Fraternity was the recipient of five strands of outdoor Christmas tree lights formerly used by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on the nation's National Community Christmas Tree. Included with the lights were the chimes used by President Roosevelt in signaling the lighting of the tree.

Sigma Pi made use of the lights during the Holiday Season and decorated the beautiful fifteen-foot tree on the front lawn of its Memorial Headquarters, six miles east of Vincennes on the Old Wheatland Road. The chimes will be installed in the Headquarters building.

Past Grand Herald William G. Hills, Gamma—Ohio State '25, Managing Director of the Electric Institute of Washington, D.C., donated the lights and chimes. He was one of the sponsors of the annual National Community Christmas Tree.

The lighting of the National Community Christmas Tree is an annual Christmas Eve event on the White House lawn and the tree is lit each year by the President of the United States. This celebration of the National Community Christmas Tree is sponsored by the District of Columbia Recreation Board, the Electric Institute of Washington, the American Forestry Association, the Office of National Capital Parks of the Department of the Interior, and the Greater National Capital Committee.

The chimes that were presented to the Fraternity have been rung many years over the national networks by the President pressing the button signaling the lighting of the tree. Executive Secretary Hills recalls during his youth working with his father and in throwing the electrical switch lighting the nation's Christmas tree upon the signal of the chimes from the President of the United States.



RAMBLING

By the Field Staff

Instead of discussing the condition of the chapters that I have visited I shall tell something about observations that I have been able to make at some of our more successful chapters. I will deal in two areas: general chapter business and public relations.

Two things that have really impressed me in the former category concern finances and alumni relations. Some of our chapters are not aware of the charges that have been levied on their members by their competition. I have noticed that when a cost study is made some groups find that they have been giving the same services for a far lower price and have thereby cut deeply into their profits for a year. The remedy here was to raise these charges on a par with their competitors and still attract the same quantity and quality of members because if a man is going to join a fraternity a small increase will not scare him away.

Most chapters complain constantly of alumni support not being what it should be but they must remember that if an alumnus is not contacted and made to be interested then no miracles can be expected. I suggest that someone in your active chapter contact an alumnus who happens to live in the same town and have a friendly chat with him about the Fraternity and his Alma Mater, both past and present. The more effectively that this is researched, then the better the contact will be; and when the time comes for contributions, you may have procured a donor by this visit.

The fraternity image as we all know, is not what it should be and the best way to overcome this is in the field of public relations. There are two unique areas that chapters overlook, though. One of the most important people to an undergraduate is a member of the faculty, so it appears obvious that good relations here could result from having a faculty social of some kind, such as a tea. I have even heard accounts of improvement in chapter scholarship coming as a direct result from a function such as this.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas it has become a tradition to have a party for orphans, underpriviledged children, and crippled children, but when this becomes a habit the publicity will not be as effective as it should be. I suggest that a party such as this be given at some other time than the two major holidays, thus bringing joy and help to the less fortunate at different periods of the year and perhaps also better publicity.

I hope that some of my observations will prove helpful to many chapters and be equally or more beneficial than at those chapters where already in vogue.

Anthony J. Giannelli

WANTED . . .

... A man who desires to pledge a chapter of Sigma Pi in the belief that he will be able to contribute to that chapter during his undergradate student years to the fullest extent of his capabilities; a man who graduated from secondary school with an impressive scholastic record and who has entered the college or university of his choice with the true intention of continuing and even improving upon his fine academic achievement:

. . . A man who will look ahead to his trial period of pledgeship in the chapter as an opportunity to prove himself and his interest in the fraternity, as well as to obtain the knowledge of fraternity life and the experience that will later enable him to provide the necessary leadership upon his acceptance into the active brotherhood; a man who will willingly accept the financial responsibilities that membership in a fraternity must entail, and who would be willing







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to undertake part-time employment or accept additional monetary aid through loan or scholarship or forego a brand new automobile in order that he might meet regularly his payments to the chapter:

value of his own college experience, while at the same time advancing the value of his services to the fraternity chapter, by participating enthusiastically in those school activities wherein his principal interests lie, be they academic, social, athletic, service, or some combination thereof; a man who will not wait to be called upon to perform various tasks for his chapter, but who will volunteer to support or lead in the performance of these duties:

. . . A man who will not be satisfied to see his chapter merely repeat the activities and functions of preceding years, but who will seek to improve upon these by the introduction of new ideas and programs; a man who will not accept his chapter's mere membership in the interfraternity council, but will insist that the chapter members provide the initiative and leadership to insure the steady improvement of the entire fraternity system:

... A man who will not allow his interest in the fraternity to be extinguished at the time of graduation, but who will consider himself only as entering into a new phase of fraternity experience—that of an alumnus.

Do you know such a man on your campus? He can be located with only a little extra amount of work on the part of the brothers. Sigma Pi wants this man!

Alan R. Scott



ALAN R. SCOTT will be missed as a Field Representative. His services to Sigma Pi were all too short inasmuch as he was ordered to report to Uncle Sam within about six months after receiving his A. B. degree from the College of William and Mary last spring.

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would meet for detail discussion and exchange of views and ideas. Among the subjects discussed were: Public Relations, Rushing and Pledge Training, Leadership, Expansion, and Creating Progress locally in IFCs.

The graduate program, as well as the program and conduct of the whole meeting, had been the assignment of Bertram W. Bennett, Beta Theta Pi, vice president and now president of the Conference. The theme of the graduate meetings was IDEALS and the letters spelled out the six panels: "Image" or public relations; "Dedication"; "Expansion" or growth; "Accommodations" or housing; "Leadership"; and "Standards" which defined desired standards of total education, of chapter operation, and of IFC operation.

The 1964 annual meeting will be held in Chicago, Illinois on December 3, 4 and 5, under the chairmanship of president-elect J. Dwight Peterson, with Frank Ruck, Jr., as vice chairman and Richard Fletcher, Sigma Nu, as chairman of the Undergraduate Conference Committee. All who attend these benefit much more than from the programs. As a representative undergraduate testified after attending the meeting in Los Angeles in 1960: "I have been deeply inspired to meet and see so many leaders of American business, education, and the professions, themselves fraternity members, attending this meeting and giving their time and thought to our problems here as well as all during the year. It has given new significance to fraternity membership to me."

WANTED: FIELD REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Chapter is in need of qualified brothers to serve as field representatives commencing August, 1964. Applications are welcome from brothers who do not object to travel and who enjoy a challenge. The job as a field representative offers an opportunity to see the country while rendering constructive services to the Fraternity. The job includes salary, car allowance, and expenses.

Field representatives are usually employed for at least one school year, but consideration also will be given to applicants who could report for training sometime in August and be available only for the first term of 1964-65.

Letters of application should be mailed to the Executive Secretary, Sigma Pi Fraternity, P.O. Box 1897, Vincennes, Indiana. Give full details, and besides personal data, include Fraternity and college background and experience with names of companies, positions, and type of work. Enclose a recent photograph with application.

In Service

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He has been assigned to the 745th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron at Duncanville, Texas.

Captain Bruce Benefield, Beta-Zeta-Miami '51, received the United States Air Force Outstanding Unit Award as a permanent decoration, in presentation ceremonies at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio. Bro. Benefield received the award for his part in helping the office of the Air Force Resident Auditor, to which he was previously assigned, achieve an exceptionally meritorious rating. At present Captain Benefield is a student in the school of system and logistics at the Wright-Patterson Base. He was commissioned in June 1951 upon completion of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program at the University of Miami, from which he was graduated with a B.B.A. degree.



Moderation

It will be interesting to learn just how many people give up smoking because of all the recent publicity regarding the hazards of that habit. Undoubtedly many have reduced the consumption of cigarettes and some smokers have even switched to cigars or a pipe.

Smoking is a habit and there is no denying that it can be injurious to one's health. There are, however, many other bad habits that plague individuals or which are obnoxious to those with whom they associate. The answer of course—if there is an answer—is give up the habit entirely, but that is not always easy; in fact, it frequently requires far more will power and perseverance than the average person possesses.

There is, however, at least a partial answer. It was advocated or taught by some of the early Greek philosophers; namely, "moderation in all things." Doctors today recommend moderation to their patients. It makes no difference whether it is smoking, drinking, eating, carousing, ad infinitum; even some things which are good for us can lose their value or benefit if indulged in to excess.

It is said that people can enjoy almost anything in life if done in moderation. The balance on the Sigma Pi badge, and an important symbol in the ritualism of Sigma Pi, represents Justice in all its aspects. It also might be said that it represents moderation; that is, everything in perfect equilibrium and harmony.

Under Fire

There may not be any shells bursting over the United States, but almost everybody and certainly every organization at some time or other is "under fire." Politically every public officeholder, from the President of the United States down to the ward leader, is subject to criticism-more often than not it is anything but constructive.

Changes in this country and in the world today are taking place at an accelerated rate. This in itself might be one of the reasons why so many institutions and public servants are under constant fire.

Higher education as well as elementary and high school education has had much criticism aimed at it in recent years. However, changes are taking place and extensive studies are being made, and as a result college life in 1970 may not have any comparison at all with what it was in 1930, 1950, or even 1960.

A blast that shocked educators came from Dr. Robert M. Hutchins when he was president of the University of Chicago, when he referred to American education as "a colossal housing project designed to keep young people out of worse places until they can go to work."

Dr. Hutchins, who is now president of the Fund for the Republic, in a more recent indictment of American colleges, brands "their standards undecipherable, their accomplishments dubious, their pretensions insufferable, their independence a sham and their appeal to their constituency irrational and degrading." Some barrage!

Confused

The United States is a democracy wherein "the supreme power is retained by the people and exercised either directly or indirectly through a system of representation and delegated authority periodically renewed, as in a constitutional representative government or republic." (From Webster's International Dictionary.)

Although a great many citizens never bother to vote, it is a common belief that in a democracy the majority rule. In elections for public office the candidate with a majority is the winner. Nevertheless, the voice of the minority is sometimes louder or more effective than the majority.

Perhaps there is no greater evidence of this than in the controversy over Bible reading in the public schools. Even though the Supreme Court has ruled that reading of the Bible cannot be required in public schools,

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DEAR EDITOR

Babson Park, Mass.

The attractive fall issue of EMERALD reached me yesterday, and as usual I devoured it at the first opportunity. I think the treatment of Bill Akers was beautifully and appropriately handled.

It seems to be established procedure to refer (it's happened before) to my "ten years" as editor, whereas I served in that capacity for *fifteen* years. That had also been the length of King Wilkin's service. He and I share therefore in an endurance record for that office.

In the "Pair of Sermons" I very much prefer the one by the Layman. The Clergyman seems to me to wander somewhat in his implied theology and to indulge in sweeping statements some of which would be hard to justify.—Louis Foley, Epsilon-Ohio University '15.

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Fresno, Calif.

I am an alumnus of Beta-Theta Chapter. I have read with particular delight in our EMERALD many of the recent articles, poems, and general items of interest regarding some of the great Americans who have been members of our Fraternity.

I wish to commend the editors of this magazine for keeping conservative American thoughts and principles within the pages. It is particularly difficult to be steadfast amongst the onslaught of liberal propaganda in our magazines and textbooks today. The undergraduates and alumni can be proud of their EMERALD.—Gilbert Scofield, Jr., Beta-Theta—Drexel'60.

ΣΠ

Morristown, N.J.

On numerous occasions in past years I have been brought to the brink of writing. Then it has been necessary only to read one or two chapter letters, starting with my chap-

ter, of course, to remind me "Do not cast thy pearls," etc.

The immaturity of both sermons in the Fall 1963 issue together with the sincerity of their intent supplied the final spark. Perhaps we should expect immaturity three years past a BS, although I should prefer to hope not, but we should not have to accept it in a professional member of the cloth. "Churchianity" has failed (the label is due to H. P. Blavatsky), and well it must if the theme extracted from it by age is Hold on and by youth is Fight. It makes little difference what one assigns as the "to what" or "for what." Neither concept, implied by these words, is to be found in the teachings of the Master Jesus. The first is rather symptomatic of age in our social structure while the second derives from youth. And so it has been for centuries. The Crusades were fought by youth while age, the professionals, sat in their cloisters holding on until their positions could be secured.

This can be labeled as a highly critical, therefore negative approach. The logic is much alike since God created man in his image and likeness, therefore, "all men are created equal." I must accept this categorization because there is nothing that I can say that has not already been said infinitely better in the Sermon on the Mount. These words of the Master, even though they have been inadvertently and deliberately altered by the scribes and translators, still have the power to develop concepts in the mind of a reader commensurate with his state of development. Their study will benefit him if only he makes the attempt to live by them as he understands them. Few have tried in nearly 2000 years. "Knock and it shall be opened unto you."

As a final commentary, it might be well to suggest that the Sermon on the Mount be required reading for the Chapter Correspondents prior to producing their periodic and thoroughly stereotyped reports. The rigorous inclusion of a certain pattern of items, including scholarship, indicates outside dictation with some predetermined intent. Why not give the boys a free hand. We could all be surprised.—L. N. St. James, Mu—Cornell '27.

Note: Each and every Chapter Correspondent has always had and enjoyed complete freedom

in writing and submitting news about his chapter for publication in The Emerald. All manuscripts, however, regardless of their origin, are edited. Selected portions of the chapter newletters are now being printed in bold-faced type for two reasons: the typographical appearance of a page is better as well as easier on the eyes, and items which are not of a stereotype nature and more indicative of what fraternity men should be striving for in this day and age, stand out.—Editor.

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Birmingham, Ala.

The "absurd rushing rules" mentioned on page 118 of the Fall EMERALD—are they imposed by I.F.C. and Panhellenic, or by a getrid-of-Greeks-type.administration?

Why do the boys send in girls' names without their affiliation? It is much more interesting to include the name of a sorority if a girl is a member of one.

I wrote mainly, however, to say that the Fall 1963 EMERALD, that we received January 8, 1964, was the best issue I'd seen in my three years of reading THE EMERALD.

As you said, the two sermons were unusual for a Greek magazine, but I considered the latter quite good. I hope other publications will ask to use it for a future edition.

Best wishes for continued growth and improvement.—Wife of an alumnus, name withheld on request.

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Neenah, Wis.

I certainly enjoyed reading "A Pair of Sermons" in the Fall issue of The EMERALD. I hope that more of the same can be included in future issues.—Dennis C. Rankin, Eta—Purdue '59.

Convocation

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single occupancy; \$15 per person, twin bedroom; \$12 per person, three persons to a room. The hotel operates on the American Plan, which means that these rates include meals.

Program

Announcement of the complete program will be made at a later date. In conjunction

with the formal business meetings of the Grand Chapter there will be a Leadership Training School. The Board of Directors of The Sigma Pi Foundation, Inc., and also the Trustees of the Byron R. Lewis Educational Fund of Sigma Pi Fraternity, Inc., will meet during the time of the 1964 Convocation. Among the social or special activities of the four-day conclave will be a Seafood Jamboree, a model initiation, and the traditional banquet at which there will be awards to chapters and presentation of Founders Awards.



The Hawaiian Terrace at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel is an out-of-the-ordinary sunroom that is a favorite "relaxin' corner."



Editorial

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there are many citizens—maybe a considerable majority—who believe that there can be and should be a place for the Bible in public education. However, Associate Justice William O. Douglas, in a speech at Shippensburg State College in January, is reported to have made the statement that the attitude of the public can't change the Constitution, because the purpose of the Constitution is to "protect the minority no matter how repugnant this might be to the majority."

Decisions of the Supreme Court are final and with very few exceptions the citizenry abide by them even though many have been

questioned.

RUCK'S CHATTER

BY WILLIAM I. MARABLE

THE SESSION of 1963-64 will soon be half gone. Every member of our brotherhood should pause and ask himself what he has contributed since September for the promotion of Sigma Pi interests. Money is important, but other services that an alumnus can give the chapters are helpful advice and submitting the names of desirable boys for possible future membership.

During the past fifteen years the words reactivate and revive have been used interchangeably to denote the revival of an inactive chapter. The use of reactivate came into use during the years immediately following World War II when many good chapters had ceased to function because of war conditions. To the Chatterer a chapter is revived only when it has actually been defunct.

SEVERAL MONTHS ago Judge Joseph N. Cridlin, A-H—William and Mary '35, of Jonesville, Virginia, sent the Chatterer a copy of the old Alpha-Eta News, the predecessor of Alpha-Etatude the present chapter publication of the William and Mary chapter. The date of the old paper is May of 1934. Despite the days of the depression, the chapter was full of spirit and it appeared as if the brothers were enjoying fraternity life. Judge Cridlin was chapter Sage at the time. The names of many men familiar to the Chatterer are mentioned.

ALL LOYAL alumni of Sigma Pi are gratified that a colony has been formed at Tulane University for the revival of Omicron Chapter. This chapter holds a significant place in Sigma Pi history inasmuch as it was the first chapter to be established in the South. During the 1920's Omicron Chapter had a good record. The chapter declined during the de-

pression. Many of her alumni have become men of prominence.

THE ASSASSINATION of President John F. Kennedy was tragic. Those of us who are Republicans or who may not have accepted his political philosophy in full join his ardent supporters in condemning crime and lawlessness.

THERE IS no attribute more important to the wellbeing of a chapter than good leadership. Whenever an organization falls into the hands of inefficient and incompetent officers, a decline is inescapable.

THE RECENT establishment of the Executive Office in the Memorial Headquarters building in Vincennes, Indiana, should accentuate our interest in Sigma Pi history. Founded by four cadets at Vincennes University, our Fraternity was born in a community rich in historic traditions. Unlike some organizations, our founders were not boys who had been denied membership by existing fraternities; there were no fraternities at Old Vincennes when we were founded. We must press on to the mark; however, we should feel proud of our worthy past.

RECENT CALLERS on the Chatterer were Brothers Brandt Ross, Beta-Rho '62 and Jimmy Lee Taylor, Beta-Rho '61. Brandt is teaching in Hampton, Virginia; and Jimmy Lee is connected with the Chevrolet agency in his old home town of Robersonville, North Carolina. Both young men are interested in the welfare of their chapter at Atlantic Christian College.

"I don't believe grace will be necessary," said the man of the house as he glanced over the meal of leftovers. "Everything has been blessed before."—The Chowanian

America: This country, with its institutions, belongs to the people who inhabit it.—Abraham Lincoln.



25 YEARS AGO (February 1939)

DEVELOPING LEADERS

By James H. Hauser, TS

In analyzing the factors responsible for efficient chapter management and operation, heavy stress is always laid upon rushing and pledging, pledge training, and finances. And usually it is the thought of the majority of the men in the chapter that proficiency in these constitutes immunity from any serious problems.

It does not follow, however, that pledges who are given a thorough training covering the usual fundamentals, i.e., history, finances, scholarship, etiquette, etc., are adequately equipped for a position of responsibility in the chapter.

When a fraternity chapter starts to decline, dissolves and finally is declared inactive, the reason for its failure generally is not money troubles, or lack of manpower, but the lack of leadership in the chapter.

It hardly seems logical or possible that a man should be elected to some responsible position in a chapter merely because of good nature or his standing socially with his fellow members, and without due and serious consideration for his ability to conduct the office to which he is elected. Yet this happens in a great many chapters each year: "Bill is a good fellow, he's been faithful in his attendance at chapter meetings, he's paid his bills promptly and he's popular on the campus, let's elect him."

Don't gamble with the future of your chapter. Leadership is so important that it has been a contributing factor to the death of over 200 chapters of fraternities from 1930 to 1938. It is time to weigh the problem seriously, analyze it, and set up a program

in every chapter house for the training of leaders. Only in that way can and will a chapter have qualified men of ability available for election to office.

How to go about it? Briefly and without going into detail: start with the pledge class; place men on committees and give them responsibilities even though small; provide creative programs for the pledges and new brothers; eliminate all useless and childish activities and assign only work of a constructive nature to pledges; in addition to pre-initiation instruction and training, also have a post-initiation program; give every member, especially the pledges and new initiates, something to do, but never to the extent that it interferes with their intellectual pursuits as a college student.

OFF THE RECORD

By Editor King Wilkin

Does anyone read the eight-point type in which this brief introductory meandering is printed? We will soon know, for I here solicit of possible readers their opinions on an important matter. My assumption is that anyone who will wade into this trickle of commentary reads THE EMERALD from cover to cover and is competent to advise us on our conduct of the editorship. The question this: Is the present format of THE EMERALD satisfactory? Would you look upon a larger page size with favor, say about 81/4 by 111/2 inches, with three columns to the page instead of the present two? The advantages of a larger size (and there are advantages) will be considered by the Grand Sage and the Executive Council. Your opinion should also be considered. Let's have it!

Note: The questions which were raised by Editor King Wilkin twenty-five years ago are recurring ones in connection with any magazine. As the present Editor of The Emerald, I'd be interested in trying to get some idea as to how many recipients of The Emerald read this column. And—the advantages of a larger page size being what they are, should The Emerald change after all these years to the attractive, practical, and economic 8½ by 11 inch page size which is a standard size for many of the most popular and best read magazines in the United States? Are you for or "agin" a larger page size?—Harold Jacobsen, Editor.

WELCOME ALPHA-MU

Once again Sigma Pi, after due deliberation concerning the school and the petitioning local, granted a charter to another group of fine young men, thus establishing the first chapter of the Fraternity in the State of New Jersey—Alpha-Mu at Newark College of Engineering.

The installation ceremonies were held at the Downtown Club in Newark on the afternoon of November 26, 1938. Twenty-seven actives, four members of the faculty, and nine alumni were admitted into the Fraternity, the largest group to be initiated at one time in recent years.

Grand Sage J. B. Hillegass, who was master of ceremonies, must have left home in a hurry because after he had donned his tux for the installation banquet, he found to his surprise that he was sans black shoes. Fortunately the rest of the members who were dressing in the Hotel Robert Treat kept their doors locked, for Jack, as he told his audience at the banquet, went on a scavenger hunt of his own in order to pilfer some tardy brother's shoes. Not meeting with any success with this idea, Jack resolved to meet the situation as best he could and appeared at the banquet dressed in tux and stiff shirt, but with brown shoes, thus providing the guests and brothers with a good laugh. Perhaps Jack is an advocate of the expression, "Fashion is spinach," etc.

10 YEARS AGO (February 1954)

COOPERATION

There are some words in the English language which are very pleasing to the ear. You just like the way they sound when pronounced and accented properly. One such word—at least in the opinion of one person—is cooperation. Besides being pleasing to the ear the word, in addition to its common or primary meaning, connotes something which is essential for progress and perhaps even the salvation of man.

Let's take the simplest possible illustration. How much more can be accomplished by two people when they are working together on a project than when opposed to each other! In any given household, how much more enjoyable is that dwelling when the persons in it have love for each other and are anxious to work for and with each other. In a community or larger geographical division of any kind, the same thing holds true. Where there is cooperation, there is progress.

In an organization such as the Sigma Pi Fraternity there is always a waste of energy and money because of insufficient and sometimes a total lack of cooperation between members, committees, chapters, and any other component parts which constitute the Grand Chapter, which is the entire Fraternity.

There are many pursuits in the organization and management of a fraternity that would strengthen and accelerate progress and improvement if there was a greater amount of cooperation among all members and units.

—E. O. Broadcast.

FOUNDERS DAY

On February 26, Sigma Pi will observe another birthday. Much has been written regarding the founding of our Brotherhood long ago at old Vincennes. Many interesting details remain to be published, but we know enough of our worthy past to pause and pay respects to our founders. A founders day social affair should not be confined entirely to giddy frivolity. Each active member and alumnus should examine his own record and ask himself what he has done during the past year to promote the interests of Sigma Pi. Usually the member who constantly grumbles is the one whose influence has been strictly negative. One who joins a fraternity in order to have a good time and associate with the popular girls seldom leaves an imprint upon the organization. Too many boys are joining fraternities merely for preferment; these men contribute little as actives or as alumni .-W. I. Marable.

Man's chief purpose . . . is the creation and preservation of values; that is what gives meaning to our civilization, and the participation in this is what gives significance, ultimately, to the individual human life.—Lewis Mumford.

GOOD NEWS . . .

ABOUT TULANE CHAPTER AND NEW ORLEANS ALUMNI CLUB

By Dr. Roger F. Robison, B '58

TULANE UNIVERSITY in New Orleans was the home of the 15th Sigma Pi chapter to be chartered. Omicron Chapter there was in existence from 1920 until 1952. It was active and strongly supported as evidenced by its continuous existence throughout World War II. Unlike most of the other fraternities on campus, however, Omicron never owned a permanent house. Membership averaged around forty until the early 1950's when membership and interest waned concurrently. In June 1952 the Chapter folded ingloriously in a rented basement apartment.

Ten years later, in November 1962, a group of three boys formed a local fraternity at Tulane. After obtaining nine members they sought the backing of some national for their group. The fraternity adviser at Tulane, a Dr. Karlem Riess, suggested Sigma Pi among others. Because of the interest shown by the Sigma Pi field representative, William E. Horne, and former local province archon Kenneth C. Hughes (Omicron '48), the local members pledged Sigma Pi in February 1963. The ceremony took place at the L.S.U. (Alpha-Kappa) chapter. Since that time the original nine have grown to twenty-nine. Thirty-five Colony pledges are planned by February 1964 in order to be chartered and initiated at that time.

The New Orleans Alumni Club had been dormant since the closing of the local chapter ten years ago. However, four Omicron alumni, Kenneth C. Hughes, Harold Herrmann, Wesley J. Schroeder, and George A. Oldenburg, succeeded in recruiting the amazing percentage of forty former members out of a known seventy-five in the area. These alumni took part in rush at the beginning of the school year, and the Alumni Club is trying to keep them active in aiding the Colony. Sigma Pi is now one of the nineteen fraternities and nine sororities competing at Tulane where thirty-three per cent of the 5,000 students are organized.

The Colony's house is located at 1138 Broadway, and all tourist alums are welcome. Visitors will find Tulane as interesting as New Orleans itself, the home of Mardi Gras, the French Quarter, nickel phone calls, a bus named Desire (but the streetcars still run downtown), and state holidays like Huey Long's birthday and All Saints' Day.

Sigma Pi officers, delegates, and alumni who will attend the 1964 Convocation at the Edgewater Gulf Hotel, between Biloxi and Gulfport, Mississippi, should not fail to visit New Orleans, especially if they have never visited this historic, exciting, charming city. Perhaps the New Orleans Alumni Club can arrange something special for "you all." Mail may be addressed c/o Sigma Pi, 1138 Broadway, New Orleans, Louisiana, or to individual officers of the Alumni Club as follows: Wesley J. Schroeder, president, 3508 Clifford; Kenneth C. Hughes, vice-president, 1005 Waltham Avenue; Dr. Roger F. Robison, secretary, 201 State Street; Harold Herrmann, colony adviser, 1629 Washington Avenue, all in New Orleans; and Douglas J. Joubert, treasurer, 404 N. Sibley, Metairie.



In 1788 Edward Gibbon completed his work The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire, in which he listed five reasons for that fall:

1. The rapid increase of divorce: the undermining of the dignity and sanctity of the home,

which is the basis of human society.

2. Higher and higher taxes and the spending of public money for free bread and circuses for the populace.

3. The mad craze for pleasure; sports becoming every year more exciting and more brutal.

4. The building of gigantic armaments when the real enemy was within, the decadence of the people.

5. The decay of religion-faith fading into mere form-losing touch with life and becoming impotent to guide the people.

Are there lessons here for us today?-METHODIST

TIMES.





WITH THE CHAPTERS

GAMMA CHAPTER Ohio State University

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The brothers of Gamma returned to the house on September 18 to prepare for Rush Week. Everyone worked hard and got the house in shape in time for the week's activities which began on Sunday. Even though the active chapter was small, Gamma pledged 42 men during the quarter.

The theme for Ohio State's 1963 Homecoming was "The Brothers Grimm." Gamma chose the fairy tale The Apprentices Three around which to build the display. Work started on the idea as soon as Rush Week was over and school had started, for Homecoming was the second week of the year. A gilted carriage containing a captured Illinois player, pulled by two gilted horses, and topped by the three apprentices was the center attraction. Around this was an open book covered with medieval designs. The fact that the entire design was constructed by paper sculpturing made this display unique. All of the patterns had to be taken from books and enlarged many times before they could be used. All of this cutting and molding took uncountable hours.

One of the highlights of the display was the minstrel song composed and sung by Gene Church. The song depicted the story of the three apprentices coming to Ohio State and conquering the Illini. Although the judges didn't feel that Sigma Pi deserved a prize for this unique display, many people stopped at the house and commented that they had never seen a display quite as beautiful as *The Apprentices Three*. Besides the many brothers and pledges who spent many hours working, Ed Feltz (creator of the design), Carter Neff, and Tony Rounds must be given credit for the major art work. We at Gamma were quite proud of our display and we hope to put up a comparable one next year.

Socially, Gamma had a very good quarter. One of the best parties was with the ATD's, which enabled us to have the nationally known Rhodes Brothers play for us. The chapter had pinning serenades for Bros. Darling and Palo at KKT and

Riverside Methodist Hospital, respectively. The serenade at Riverside was a first on campus. In addition there were serenades with IIBP and AP.

In athletics Gamma's intramural football team reached the semi-finals and the new pool table from pledge Mick Fulkerson has produced quite a few champions.



This black and white picture of Gamma's Homecoming display does not do justice to the color and beauty of the design. See detail description in the Gamma Chapter newsletter.

Six brothers made the trip to Washington to pay the chapter's respects to the late President Kennedy. The brothers who remained at the house erected a memorial picture in front of the house.

Pledges George Pattison, Tom Sawyer, and D. A. Wilson were chosen for Freshman Senate and Tom was later elected president of the organization. Paul Coleman was chosen for Ohio Staters, O.S.U. service organization, and Bob Hiatt was tapped into Anchor and Chain, the N.R.O.T.C. honorary.

The newest addition to Gamma is a Christmas gift to housemother Mrs. "W", from the pledges. It's a puppy named Gamma—mother and daughter doing well.

Initiated: Robert Jackson, Richard Spoonster, and Joseph Staley.

Officers: S-Robert P. Abel, II; SC-Thomas L.

Martin; TC-Carter P. Neff; FoC-Robert M. Hiatt; FC-David A. Drost; H-Robert Updegrove; and Pledge Trainer-R. Neil Schmottlach.

-ROBERT HIATT, Correspondent.

ZETA CHAPTER Ohio Northern

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Zeta pledged ten men for winter quarter: David G. Garrity, Granville; Steve R. Milby, Kettering; William E. Thompson, Pennsylvania, New Jersey; Charles Mason, Frazeysburg; Michael T. Smith, Canton; James C. Scowden, Mercer, Pennsylvania; Ted S. Jarvis, East Liverpool; Rex W. Miller, Massilon; Norman E. Hanks, Conneaut; and Steve Howell, Warren.

As soon as classes resumed after Christmas vacation, Help Week began for the Fall Pledge Class.

A new Student Union will be the bright spot on Northern's campus, and Zeta hopes to hold its annual Winter Formal in the spacious ballroom of the Union.

Sage Bob McCurdy, Win Cooper, and Morgan Davis attended meetings of the National Interfraternity Conference in New York City early in December.

The brothers of Zeta are looking forward to a prosperous 1964 and hope that each chapter will "strive to make real the Fraternity's ideals," in making Sigma Pi the BEST in the new year.

—JOHN R. BURKETT, Correspondent.

ETA CHAPTER Purdue University

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The Christmas season found the men of Eta anxiously preparing for a well deserved twoweek vacation and a respite from the books for a while.

The pledges in carrying on the Christmas spirit were in charge of a party held for the orphan children in the community. Dinner preceded the arrival of Santa Claus who presented each of the seven children with a gift.

The house and the tree were decorated one Friday evening by the brothers and their dates at an informal get-together.

Earlier in the semester Eta was privileged to be host for the province convention. In addition to the Province Archon, those in attendance included representatives from the chapters at Eastern Illinois, Northern Illinois, Illinois, and Beloit.

Uppermost in the minds of the men in the chapter were preparations for rush which commenced late in January. Eta hopes to have a new house within a few years, and to accomplish this goal the chapter must almost double its membership.

Sudden flashes. . . . Seven foot George Grams earned a starting position on the Boilermaker first five against Miami of Ohio. . . John Uhles got "lavaliered" to recover from a broken collarbone. . . . Kenny Martin was pinned. . . . Tony Bower was selected to serve as a member of the annual Greek Week Ball committee. . . Larry Ransberger was pinned. . . . Bob Dunstan's wife presented him with a baby boy. . . . Dave Steenbarger was a recipient of a Kappa Psi scholarship honors award. . . . Art Euler, Tony Bower, Ken Martin, and Steve Burres were initiated into Scabbard and Blade military honorary. . . . Steve Burres is now pledging the Purdue Order of Military Merit.—Arthur Euler, Correspondent.

THETA CHAPTER

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Pennsylvania State University

Note: Frederick W. Smith, Theta '49, has prepared an article that seems most appropriate for this location in The EMERALD, in the absence of a newsletter from his chapter. In his letter of transmittal to the Editor, he said: "Maybe this will move not only Theta but other chapters as well."—Editor.

MEN OF THETA-WHERE ARE YOU?

Read with considerable interest the article published in the last issue of our EMERALD, written by the syndicated columnist, Walter Cronkite. It was a pleasant and nostalgic piece of reminiscence of one's college days and it should move some of the inactive brothers to start making some resolutions that they will get back to the old House and see what is going on. With this article in mind I wish to approach the men in my own Chapter at The Pennsylvania State University.

Last Homecoming Day was pleasantly observed but a great number of alumni missed a wonderful time, good companionship, renewal of old acquaintances, the football game with all its excitement, the cocktail party, and the homecooked dinner in the old dining commons. I'm so glad that my wife and I were able to be present for this affair.

Where are you, men of Theta? What are you doing now? How is your work progressing? Are you so terribly busy that you do not have time to relax at the Fraternity house? Do you have any sons who will be future pledges and brothers? Has your family seen your beautiful campus home and the wonderful care it has received since you graduated? Do you know your present Sage, Dennis Dias? Have you recently recommended a rushee from the old hometown, or a son of one of your friends or fellow employee

who might have a young man at State? Do you know the present day problems that the current membership is dealing with? Is your latest address available to the brotherhood? Have you news of any of your fellow classmates and their present status?

Your answers to the above questions will let you know how you now stand in the eyes of your wonderful Chapter and the young men charged with its administration. These young men are looking to you for guidance and counseling, for ideas on how to improve the legacy which they are now committed to administer; they want to know ever so many things about the employment opportunities in the "aftergraduation-world." They have dreams and plans which if brought to culmination will result in your congratulations to them for the ideas so well proposed.

Men of Theta! Your presence is needed now! Come forth!!

IOTA CHAPTER University of California

It seems to be a fraternity axiom that a successful rush demands the participation of a large house membership, and of course a large membership is dependent, by and large, on a successful rush program. This closed cycle, which has plagued Iota Chapter for the past three years, seems about to be broken through a lifting-by-the-bootstraps effort of the chapter actives, alumni, and Field Representative Alan Scott. An early informal rush yielded encouraging results. The members of Iota are grateful to the members of the Golden Gate Alumni Club for their physical and moral support.

This semester the chapter attempted to brighten the long-range rushing outlook with an innovation conceived by Dick Glasspool. The University Supper Club, established independently and subordinate to the chapter, provided Sunday night dinners and discussion sessions to University students at large. Though the operation of the Club was ideal, it proved too great a diversion for the energies of the house and was dropped temporarily. It is interesting and encouraging, however, to note that the Club met with great enthusiasm by the alumni, students,

and University officials.

Socially the chapter was quite active this semester. Iota was proud to have Yarka Prec as its candidate for the Big Game Queen contest, a most beautiful and poised aspirant to that honor. Frequent contacts with the alumni, several parties and dances, including the Initiation Banquet and the Christmas Party, filled out the

social calendar.-Louis Koppel, Correspondent.

NU CHAPTER Franklin and Marshall

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No news was submitted by this chapter for this issue of THE EMERALD. However, an alumnus in Lancaster was impressed with the picture which he saw in the local newspaper of the Chapter's Christmas Party. He obtained a copy of the photograph and sent it in with a clipping. We just couldn't refrain from using the picture. —Editor.

XI CHAPTER State University of Iowa

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The fine results of Rush Week increased Xi's membership by more than 20 exceptional pledges. Xi's unusually high scholastic discrimination proved very worthwhile during Rush Week and helped to maintain the chapter's position among the scholastic leaders on campus. Perhaps equally as beneficial during rush was the new look at Xi which greeted the returning brothers. During the summer the interior decoration of the house was extensively renovated. Thanks to the many hours of work donated by a few brothers who remained in the house throughout the summer, only a reasonable amount of polishing was required to complete the look.

Without exception this year's homecoming float project was the greatest undertaking in Xi's history. Dan Merta and his talented committee set about to rival the spectacular pageantry of the world's most controversial motion picture, Cleopatra. Using the classical form of the Roman temple, the Egyptian Sphinx, and Miss Taylor, we constructed a flamboyant moving spectacular. Our caption was a subtly sensuous pun lampooning Richard Burton as well as Indiana—"Another Taylor-Made Victory." With the aid of the Alpha Xi Delta pledge class acting as handmaidens and our pledge class posing(?)—they insisted—as slaves, we once again swamped all competition and captured first place.

Returning from the sojourn on the royal barge floating upon the Nile, we decided to have a party more "Iowa" (pronounced īō'wā not ī'o wā) style. With mountains of straw, heaps of corn, a peck of pumpkins, and a live porker, we crawled into our best overalls, tucked in our red bandannas, and strutted off for the "gol'durndest hoe-down in a coon's age." It was a real thigh slappin' Bee as we hitched old Bessy to the hay wagon and started in a pitchin'.

Quickly regaining our former sophistication, the chapter, under the guidance of Sage Jim Goodman, continued its efforts to help the men of Xi benefit from the diversification of campus life. Spurred on by its excellent intramurals chairman, Ron Barnes, Sigma Pi at S.U.I. has become an opponent to be feared. In both team



New Era Photo

NU CHAPTER at Franklin & Marshall College held a Christmas Party for twenty Lancaster children on Sunday afternoon, December 16. The brothers spent the afternoon treating the children to gifts, music, and games. A Mexican game, "Pinata," in which the children try to knock to the floor a bag of gifts and candy suspended from the ceiling, was played. Sam Handsman, shown at top left, was chairman of the project and was assisted by Ron Bell, Dan Groff, and Miss Linda Neisden. To make the game of Pinata more interesting the children were blindfolded, but the bag always came down anyway. Sigma Pi at F & M also sponsors Easter egg rolls.

and individual sports our ability and spirit are those of champions. Bucky Buchanan and Gary Colwell, tennis doubles team, are glowing examples of Xi's invincibility.

November 22, 1963—a cold, bitter rain was falling upon a cold and bitter earth, drowning the hearts of the nation in morose melancholy. Numbed by the tragedy of the day, the men of Xi gathered in the chapter house, sullen and remorseful. Every man's thoughts were with the sorrowing nation. Suffering from the discomfort of utter helplessness, Xi did what it felt best expressed the emotion of the day. In accordance with the widowed First Lady, the chapter refrained from sending any token of its sympathy to Washington, and instead chose to give to the

Tippit Memorial in honor of Officer Tippit's sacrifice in the course of duty. Shrouded in contemplative reflection the men returned to their homes for Thanksgiving.

Once again the animation of the pre-holiday season struck the Iowa campus, bedecking it with jovial celebrations. The men of Xi began their social circuit with an old-fashioned taffy pull with the Kappa Kappa Gammas. In the spirit of Christmas, Xi decorated a tree in the traditional fashion and presented it to the unfortunate shut-ins at the Crippled Children's Hospital.

'Twas the season to be jolly—and romantic, as was indicated by the numerous pinning serenades which lined the cold winter weekends.

With a slight alteration in our musical repertoire, Xi joined the Delta Gammas and caroled to the elderly convalescents of several area nursing homes.

The glowing Greek Cross on our chapter house seemed to become a beacon of the warm hospitality of Xi as many weary and frost-bitten carolers came inside to enjoy the roaring fire, warm cider, and donuts during the weeks preceding Christmas. Climaxing the December festivities was our traditional Christmas Party. The entire house was transformed into the joyous emotion of crystalline elegance.

Still in a philanthropic mood, the actives of Xi held a bon-voyage party for our Illinoisbound pledge class. Outwardly waving a sarcastic adieu to our chagrined pledges, we could only reflect inwardly upon the memories of our own pledge skips and in turn wish that, even though the pledges' actions were ruffled, they would at least be successful in accomplishing the most important purpose of such a visit to another chapter. Xi thanks the brothers at Eastern Illinois for showing the pledges an unforgettable weekend.

Constantly concerned with the improvement of the University, the men of Xi made themselves well represented in campus activities and government. With continued effort Xi Chapter will maintain its prominent position of leadership in University and fraternity life, nationally as well as locally.

Pledged: Bucky Buchanan, Cary Colwell, Mike Cunningham, Ken DeBoom, Dean Deerberg, Ted Eller, Steve Grouell, Mike Jones, John Kelley, Tom Mick, Tom Mowry, Jim Munns, Mike Murphy, Danny Nicol, Bill Pohl, Tom Reinhardt, Dale Tharp, Gary Warnock, and Ed Zastrow.-D. BARTON KYNER, Correspondent.

OMICRON CHAPTER **Tulane University**

Note: A colony is operating at Tulane University and its members hope to reach by February or March, the minimum standards and requirements to entitle them to the original Omicron Chapter charter. The alumni have been of tremendous assistance in bringing about the reactivation of Omicron Chapter. See special item about the New Orleans Alumni Club elsewhere in the pages of this EMERALD.-Editor.

PI CHAPTER University of Utah

Although I believe that the history of a chapter is read only by the members of that particular chapter and the editorial staff of THE

EMERALD, I also believe that it should be interesting.

Pi managed to suffer through the usual flurry of fall University-sponsored functions as well as fraternal functions, to grab high honors in the intra-fraternity scholastic competition. Our intramural teams did not show the potential which they possessed, and this reflected in a poor showing on the scoreboards. But the men of Pi Chapter have firmly resolved that 1964 will be a more successful year.

Social life for the quarter was much more successful and was highlighted by numerous chapter dances and parties which ranged from a semi-formal Baby Orchid Queen banquet, to a very informal Surf'in Party which featured the big beat of the Ventures. Needless to say, the weatherman came through with his usual menu of 15° weather, and I understand some of the girls' mothers thought that the party was out of

The various R.O.T.C. groups on campus attracted a good many Sigma Pi's, and two outstanding men in the chapter joined the Marine Corps reserve program.

On the more serious side of the coin, many Pi members are beginning to question the validity and the legality of the pro-rating system of fining innocent people for the digressions of others. It tends to breed ill will among the brothers, and this definitely is not good for any fraternity. Maybe some of the other chapters are having this same reaction. This might be a very good issue to take up at the next Grand Chapter convocation.-Fred McQuigg, Correspondent.

Note: Could it be that the officers and members of Pi Chapter fail to understand the purpose and importance of the prorating system for a chapter as a whole! It emphatically does NOT levy fines but is intended to guarantee that a chapter derives the necessary cash income to meet its financial liabilities, in order that the chapter and future members ARE NOT penalized by accumulated chapter indebtedness. Members and pledges who do not pay their bills should be suspended or dropped. Food, utilities, and services cost money, and it is the responsibility of each man to pay his share; and also the DUTY of a chapter to train and teach its members to meet their financial obligations. Of course if the "paying" members want to be charitable and magnanimous, they do so through the prorating system.-Editor.

SIGMA CHAPTER Iowa State University

A wild and successful Rush Week this year netted Sigma twelve top-notch pledges. Three men were initiated this fall: Jerry Moore, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Joe Neville, Malcolm; and Mark Walker, Willomette, Illinois.

The varicose voices of the men of Sigma have been drifting across the campus on several occasions this year. There was an unforgettable serenade at Kappa Kappa Gamma, a songfest in honor of the pinning of Tim Sherwood, and a visit to several nursing and convalescent homes at Christmas to sing carols. Many thanks to Dr. Eliot Roberts and his family for their help, and most of all, their voices in this last undertaking.

The Christmas Party was a huge success, due mainly to the services of Santa Claus (Rich Whitley). This guy had the sultriest "Ho, Ho, Ho!" that I've ever heard.

In intramurals—well, we're still trying. The bowling team took second place in Class B. The chapter had no other teams that placed anywhere, but this has been Sigma's most active and most successful year in intramurals since the reactivation of the chapter.

The past year saw many changes and improvements at Sigma Chapter. The new year looks like a bright one for us, and, we hope, for all the chapters of Sigma Pi.—Don Lott, Correspondent.

PHI CHAPTER University of Illinois

So far the fall semester has been a busy one for Phi. Initiated this semester were: Arnold D. Wilms, James P. Trunck, David V. Peterson, James H. Laux, Robert H. Knapp, Burk Geissler, and John W. Powers.

Homecoming was a big success, and for the first time in the memory of most of the brothers, Illinois won a Homecoming football game! This year the "Fighting Illini" beat the "Gophers" of Minnesota by a score of 16-6. The team went on to win the Big Ten Conference title and the trip to the Rose Bowl.

Causing quite a stir around Phi lately is our new folk singing trio, "The Midway Singers." The trio consists of Bob Frisz, Dan Miskie, and Doug Haas. The group is always working harder toward the goals of clarity, a better blend, and a greater repertoire. The results of this work have been performances for exchanges, informal get-togethers, and two local TV appearances.

The most recent event on Phi's social calendar also ranks as the most outstanding social event of the semester. This event was the annual Christmas Party which featured an outstanding dance combo. Later in the evening the party was visited by Santa Claus who presented gifts to all the girls.

Phi is looking forward to continued success in the future, and especially during February rush, which is a new formal rush period under the fraternity system's newly adopted rush program. The chapter would greatly appreciate any and all rushee recommendations of students planning to attend the University, and those already in attendance here.—DAVID F. BREZINSKI, Correspondent.

OMEGA CHAPTER Oregon State University

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After a busy summer the Brothers gathered from all over the west to help put the house in shape for fall rush. Rush went well this year, and Omega filled its house without even completing the formal rush period. This year's pledge class has already been very active, participating in a walk-out that had everyone fooled.

The house dance this term was in the western motif and proved to be a great success. It had everything from cowboys and indians to a western type preacher. Socially, Omega came on strong in other fields by winning the Nickle Hop trophy for the second year in a row. This trophy is presented to the house with the highest participation in fund-raising dances put on by women's living groups.

This term Omega initiated Bob Bailey from Modesto, California.

The chapter ended the term with a bang-up Christmas party that really rocked the old chapter house.

ALPHA-ETA CHAPTER William and Mary

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As the brothers of Alpha-Eta returned to the campus in September, all eagerly anticipated an active and enjoyable semester, and have been more than pleased with the results.

Socially this has been a very busy time. The Lodge was filled with old grads for Homecoming in October, with both undergraduate and alumni brothers enjoying themselves at the party and dance following—unfortunately—a losing football game. Alpha-Eta entertained three sororities at the Lodge this fall: the Chi O's, Alpha Chi's, and Kappa's, and no one will forget the West Side Story theme party with the Kappa's. The Monster Party, originating this year, was a big success and promises to be a yearly blast.

The Christmas holidays found the brothers really busy. The Christmas Serenade once again turned out somewhat pleasing to the ear, mainly through the efforts of Tim Murphy and Al Fort. Sweetheart Jeanne English and her Tri Delt sisters received us after our sing with very welcomed hot refreshments. The annual Christmas Dance, this year featuring the Jammin' Jammers, was a tremendous success and was enjoyed by all the brothers and alumni in attendance.

To end the Christmas season with the true spirit of Christmas, the brotherhood, in conjunction with Tri Delt, again hosted the children from Weaver's Orphanage at our Orphans' Party. Santa Billy Mitchell provided the childen and home with many needed and useful things to make Christmas a much brighter one.

This semester our athletic teams carried the fraternity to third place in the intramural standings, even though most of them lacked experience. The football team, led by sophomores Bill Griffin and Al Fort, along with juniors Tom Gardo and Jack Allison, ended the season with a 4-5-1 record while playing the role of "spoilers" in several big games. With a year's experience behind them our boys are seen as one of the coming powers in next year's race. In other team sports this fall, volleyball, bowling, and swimming, the finishes were just about the same: the volleyball team finished 6-4 behind Pete Shattuck and John Tugman; the keglers finished just under .500; and the swimmers finished third behind the strong individual effort of Pete McPhee with two firsts. In the individual sports several brothers fared very well: Charlie McEwen finished in the top four tennis players for the third straight year, while John Tugman notched second place in horseshoes. With the best events yet to come, such as track, wrestling, and softball, Alpha-Eta is still in contention for the allpoints trophy which it won last year.

The brothers are looking ahead to second semester rush. After last year's fine class, the outlook for a strong pledge class is very bright. Rush Chairman Roger Burbage and several other brothers helped in freshman orientation period this year and made many acquaintances with the freshmen. Several rush parties have proven highly successful as have small informal gatherings at off-campus residences. With added emphasis on scholarship and with student leaders such as Tom Gardo, Flat Hat sports editor, and Tommy Vaughan, Junior Class President and IFC social chairman, Alpha-Eta Chapter sees a very good rush class and anticipates an exciting second semester.

Officers: S—Thomas P. Hollowell; SC—Roger T. Burbage; TC—William E. Griffin; FoC—James W. Armentrout; FC—William Mitchell; House Manager—Reed Murtagh; H—Timothy J. Curtis.—JAMES ARMENTROUT, Correspondent.

ALPHA-THETA CHAPTER Beloit College

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The first week of exams found Alpha-Theta in the position of being able to look back with a great deal of pride on its first semester accomplishments. Cashing in on Steve "Plastic Man" Nemer's excursion to Las Vegas, the brothers began the new year with a plush casino informal, replete with entertainment, butlers, and gaming tables.

Not to be outdone on the athletic field, the house then experienced probably the biggest thing to happen to it since 1931; namely, copping the 1963 IM football championship. Led by the combination of Banucci and Goldberg, Alpha-Theta easily rolled up the top spots statistically in both offense and defense.

Homecoming was its usual self again, i.e., Alpha-Theta for the second year in a row took second place in house decorations, this time with a mammoth Rennhack special—a huge theater marquis counterbalanced by railroad ties on top of the roof, and suspended from the front of the house.

Nationally, Alpha-Theta placed seventh in administrative efficiency, which when combined with our precious scholarship record, gave us the top scholastic-efficiency rating in the Province.

So, with \$5,000.00 more to spend on furniture and with a fine soon-to-be activated pledge class, Alpha-Theta is looking ahead to another good semester, despite Chris Jehn's recent effort to give us a new image by falling (?) out of a third story window.—Ron Urban, Correspondent.

ALPHA-IOTA CHAPTER Missouri School of Mines

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Alpha-Iota is currently attaining a number of goals which it had set for itself a few years ago. As is the case with many organizations, the chapter found itself lagging in membership and campus activities, after several rather complacent years in which it lost members by graduation and failed to replenish its ranks. This was the rather dismal picture three years ago when Alpha-Iota found itself with an aging house barely half filled. Since then things have changed considerably.

Since 1960 Alpha-Iota has tripled its membership until at present the active chapter membership numbers almost 60 men. This is precisely what the chapter considers the optimum membership. A well-planned and well-supported rush program is aimed at keeping the house filled with men typifying the ideals of Sigma Pi. Quite naturally, the "aging house" was grossly inadequate for the increased membership. Two expansion plans were consideredbuilding a new house in another location, or alternately, purchasing more property and expanding and modernizing the present facilities. Examination of these plans by Adviser Rodney Schaffer and Alumni Comptroller Ormond Lay, proved that the second of these al-



Called the "newest arrival," at Alpha-Iota is the addition to the chapter house shown above. It provides study-sleeping quarters for twelve men and also additional bath and dining room facilities. At the right is a corner of the Beckman annex which was considered an "arrival" in February 1963.

ternatives was the most feasible and ultimately it was this plan that was selected.

The first step in this expansion plan was the purchase of the property and house adjoining the main chapter house. This provided study and sleeping quarters for 12 additional men, but still left the original house without adequate dining and sanitary facilities. Thus, the summer of 1963 found the main house being expanded. A three-story addition provides dining facilities for 60, plus sleeping and study space for an additional 24 men. Finally, the addition provided ten showers and the other facilities necessary to keep Sigma Pi a well groomed group. All this enlargement is readily visible in the growth of the assessed value of the chapter property from \$29,000.00 in 1958 to \$63,000.00 in 1963.

Of course a fraternity, and especially Sigma Pi, is not a mere collection of buildings. The most important thing is the men themselves and what they can accomplish. Alpha-Iota firmly believes in the importance of scholastics. The chapter is consistently one of the top five organizations scholastically on campus. Six members represent the house in five of their respective honorary professional societies. Brothers are active in other campus activities. The chapter, being represented in just about every campus group, is aware of the importance of participation. Six brothers are in campus service fraternities, and Alpha-Iota is represented by four brothers on the campus Student Union board.

Alpha-Iota doesn't exactly dominate the intramural sports at Missouri School of Mines, having experienced a few years that were very lean trophywise. The chapter has nevertheless been a staunch contender in all sports, and with the increased membership it has prospects for new gold on the trophy rack. Progress is quite evident in the fact that the chapter finished 15th in intramural standings as compared to twenty-fifth a year ago.

Alpha-Iota does not intend to let progress pass it by, but is providing for the present and planning for the future. Recently one of the best known professors on campus, Dr. S. G. Grigoropoulos, was initiated by Alpha-Iota. The past several years have seen the chapter improving its relations with its many alumni.

Plans are being prepared for a new kitchen and to acquire more property, as well as to enhance the grounds by landscaping. It is hoped that these projects will be financed by alumni contributions, and a number of alumni are now actively assisting the chapter in its plans for attainment of these goals.

Alpha-Iota is proud of its record, and intends to continue its present policies towards a close brotherhood and assistance to its members in whatever way possible. The chapter will continue to strive for its goals and won't stop short of "Sigma Pi on Top!"

ALPHA-KAPPA CHAPTER Louisiana State University

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Alpha-Kappa swung into the Christmas spirit with a Decorating Party at the house. Members and their dates decorated the house inside and out. The more artistically inclined brothers made a large Christmas wreath to adorn the front door. Inside a large gaily decorated tree was trimmed by the party-goers.

Speaking of parties, our Christmas Party was its usual wing-ding, blow-out affair. It would be irrelevant to heap a bunch of adjectives to describe it—suffice to say that everyone in attendance thought it to be one of the best parties they had ever enjoyed. Midway through the party the active chapter and the pledge class had a contest to determine who could produce the best skit. Needless to say, the actives won hands down. The cast was composed of Woodrow Bergeron, Charles Brown, Jimmy Inbau, Charles Wilson, and yours truly, Joey Gardner.

During the season of merriment and joy the members paused to think of those less fortunate. Every member bought a gift which was donated to an orphans' home. Also, an exchange of gifts between the chapter and the housemother, Mrs. Peal Crutchfield, highlighted the joyful atmosphere.

Athletically our basketball team boasts of an easy victory over Delta Sig. The spirit of the boys is very high and we are looking forward to a successful season. Next on the calendar is baseball and track.

Alpha-Kappa is very proud of its new pledges who have shown great interest and enthusiasm. Pledged were: Charles Edwards, Cecil Bankston, Gary Dragon, Mike Truesdell, George Jones, James Esquivel, John Ellington, Pete Perniciaro, Ralph Bisland, Tim Latour, and William Heath.

—JOEY GARDNER, Correspondent.

ALPHA-MU CHAPTER Newark College of Engineering

A-M

Undefeated, untied, and unscored upon! This was the big news at Alpha-Mu during the fall semester as Sigma Pi's IFC football team swept through its nine-game schedule undefeated. From the warm October opening day victory over Tau Epsilon Phi, 46-0, to the final slaughter, 68-0 of Phi Beta Tau on a cold bleak December morning, Sigma Pi rolled up 318 points to its opponents' zero. This marked the fourth consecutive year that Sigma Pi has won the IFC football championship, and the third consecutive undefeated season. A "well done" to all the brothers and pledges who were on the team is in order.

At present Sigma Pi stands 2-0 in the IFC basketball league as it seeks to retain the championship in the competition.

In October the second annual Greek Olympic Games were held, sponsored by the IFC. For the second year in a row Sigma Pi emerged victorious from the competition although hardpressed all the way by the other fraternities.

With so many seniors in the fraternity, Alpha-Mu went all out during the rushing period under the direction of Frank Sincaglia, Rush Chairman. The program, aided by 100% cooperation of the members, resulted in the pledging of 20 men. Pledged were: Chris Zeigler, Bob Zeigler, Lee Johnson, Dave Keimel, Don Hancock, George Hammer, Jim McDonald, Gary Martin, John Feeby, Carl De Hart, Loren Lauterbach, Ed McKay, Tony Sodano, George Pilot, Pete Leopvesky, Bob Rosencrance, Rich Elwert, Bob Frasco, George Gerretron, and Don Bandura. These men were then turned over to pledgemaster Vic Merlo for further trial and are presently midway through their pledge period.

Socially Alpha-Mu enjoyed a successful fall season in the hands of Social Chairman Jim Esposito. The list of parties included a football pep rally party, a Halloween party, a Christmas party, and a New Year's Eve party.

Highlight of the social season was the annual Orchid Ball held on November 26 at the Far Hills Inn in Sommerville, New Jersey, after a pre-ball party at Bro. Vic Merlo's house. Included in the festivities was the singing of the

sweetheart song to the brothers and girls who were pinned, and the crowning of the Queen. This year's queen is 21-year-old Judi Wendland from Cedar Grove, New Jersey, who was escorted by Bob Fucetola.

Alpha-Mu Mothers Club, recently reorganized, started the year by running a card party on November 16 at the chapter house. Literally dozens of prizes were given out to the many people who attended. The proceeds from this event will go towards the purchase of drapes and curtains for the house.

Improvements on the house this semester included the installation of a three-man stall shower, rewiring of the cellar, a new heating unit, the painting of the chapter room and the cellar, and the installation of an asbestos ceiling in the cellar. Future plans call for finishing off the other rooms and further improvement of the cellar.

Initiated on December 12 were: William A. Dodenhoff, Roman S. Skripkus, Victor S. Vajo, and Michael T. Henry.

December 27 was Community Service day at Alpha-Mu. On this day brothers and pledges worked for three charitable organizations. Some painted rooms at the Mt. Carmel Guild in Newark, New Jersey, while others manned a truck and went around collecting old clothes and newspapers. The third group spent the day doing various jobs at a local crippled children's hospital.

On November 26 Alpha-Mu celebrated the 25th anniversary of its chartering. Originally the Beta Alpha Theta local fraternity, Alpha-Mu was chartered as a chapter of Sigma Pi on November 26, 1938. Two of the brothers at that time, Robert W. Van Houten and William Hazell, are now President and Vice-President respectively of N. C. E.

Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities for 1963-64 includes eight Alpha-Mu's. They are: Paul Palmarozza, Frank Sincaglia, Vic Merlo, Don Burtis, Paul Dreyer, Denny Berman, Jack Glaser, and Mike Carolan.

Initiated into honor societies for this past semester were: Frank Sincaglia, Tau Beta Pi; Ray Filippini, Phi Eta Sigma; Frank Sincaglia and Mike Carolan, Omicron Delta Kappa.—Bob Fucetola, Correspondent.

ALPHA-NU CHAPTER Wake Forest College

A-N

Twenty pledges accepted the challenge and became neophytes to our honored brotherhood the past semester. During the course of events, Miss Sandy Thomas, pinned to Butch Speziale, was elected Homecoming Queen for Sigma Pi, and obviously brought us luck. You see, brothers, for the first time in twenty games, Wake Forest was victorious. The gameless cocks of South Carolina returned home with their heads bowed.

The success of the College team and the Sigma Pi team ran adverse channels. Under the smooth guiding hand of coach Jim "Pop Warner" Floyd, we placed second in the overall campus championship. The Marvel and N. B. McCall were snagging "Y. A." Rhyne's passes for numerous touchdowns while Frosty Pegram's flashy defense merited the reward of the ladies in the crowd.

Bro. R. Tom Lane and date, Miss Joyce Icerbunger, won the prize at our annual Masquerade Party, disguised as Adam and Eve. Jim Floyd and Ann Atkinson were runnerup. Russell Lederer came as himself—what a disaster!

Midwinters at Wake Forest was the weekend of January 11, and appearing were the Shirelles on Friday night, and the Migrators on Saturday, at the Holiday Inn, location of other famous Sigma Pi parties. The Orchid Ball is scheduled for sometime in May, and with 21 seniors this should be the biggest and best yet. Well, Bro. Brandon said to put his name in this article. Done!—Jim Bowen, Correspondent.

ALPHA-PI CHAPTER Arkansas State College

A-T

Sigma Pi at Arkansas State is winding up the first semester of the year on a highly successful note.

Alpha-Pi started the semester with the acquisition of 12 pledges and it is hoped that all twelve neophytes will meet the requirements for initiation.

Alpha-Pi became the talk of the campus at its annual Christmas Party. The chapter took this opportunity to present its sweetheart, Miss Judy Welch of Alpha Omicron Pi, a stereophonic record player and a gift certificate for the purchase of additional albums. She in turn presented Alpha-Pi with a beautiful mahogany wall clock for the fraternity suite. The Sweetheart Club, made up of girls who are dropped, pinned, or married to an active member, gave us a punch bowl and eighty-eight cups to replace the set broken last year.

Sigma Pi was well represented in intramural activities the first semester, having won four trophies. These trophies were for golf, two for badminton, and one for our dramatic talents in the Phi Mu Playhouse. In other intramural events, Alpha-Pi finished third among all fraternities in football and won its first basketball game by defeating Sigma Phi Epsilon by sixteen points.

In rushing Alpha-Pi is assured of getting another fine pledge class again next semester due to the efforts of the entire membership throughout the rush program.—RICK BLANTON, Correspondent.

ALPHA-SIGMA CHAPTER University of Arkansas

Α-Σ

With the brothers back and recovering from their holiday spirit, classes are again in full swing and final exams are only days away. Taking a break from studies, we look back and enjoy memories of another successful semester. Dominating the recent term were swinging parties, good grades, and house improvements, along with the oddities that seem to occur around a fraternity house.

The first outstanding social event was the Homecoming dance featuring Bro. Fred Crook and his Outlaws. Later in the fall the members danced to the music of the Joe Lee Combo from Memphis, Tennessee. This party was highlighted by the crowning of Miss Judy Sinor as Snow Queen. Judy is pinned to Bro. Harold Crosskno. With winter's late appearance, Alpha-Sigma was also fortunate to have many more outings. These along with several private parties filled our social column.

At the end of nine weeks the chapter was happy to learn that its pledges had the highest average recorded at Alpha-Sigma in many semesters. We only hope that this was due to improvements in our pledge scholarship program. Also encouraging is the fact that we have added ten new pledges during open rush. In order to improve the open rush program, the chapter has adopted a plan which includes a formal rush party one night each week during the semester.

The big house improvement for the year is on its way now. It consists of complete new dining room facilities which will arrive in time for spring rush,

With basketball season well under way, Alpha-Sigma is holding its own in intramural sports. Due to a stroke of bad luck in the first two basketball games, we are having to work extra hard to reach the top. However, our men are leading the league in bowling.

Since spring rush is only a few weeks away, the Interfraternity Council is making a campus-wide effort to sell the Greek system to all prospective rushees. Four brothers joined in this drive and gained valuable knowledge about the possibilities of spring rush.

Alpha-Sigma was proud to present a cash gift to the local Child Welfare Department during the Christmas season. This gift was gratefully received in a personal letter to the chapter from the local consultant.

Past Sage Bill Grimes, who graduates this semester, almost ended his college career with a blast. It seems that Bill carelessly backed his car off a twenty-foot retaining wall. As a result, the car was standing on its end with the headlights pointing skyward and gas pouring from the tank. It would have taken only a spark to put Bill into orbit. What a way to have started a new year and ended a college career!—Don M. LITTLE, Correspondent.

ALPHA-UPSILON CHAPTER University of Rhode Island

A-Y

Since Thanksgiving things have been happening in rapid succession here at Alpha-Upsilon. The first Tuesday after vacation the chapter had a social with $A\Xi\Delta$ sorority, and the following Monday had another social with ΔZ sorority. Both proved to be very enjoyable and a good time was had by all.

The first Friday in December the chapter had a pajama party which was very successful and still has the campus buzzing. The following Saturday was the date of our Pledge Formal which was held at the Club 400. The band was lively as was the rest of the party.

The completion of the Pledge Formal marked the beginning of a week of preliminary preparations for initiation. As can be imagined, this was a long week for everyone, especially the pledges, and it was carried out in fine fashion under the direction of pledge master Dick Hillier. Probation week ended Friday night at twelve, but no let up was in sight. On Saturday afternoon the chapter combined with AEA sorority in giving a party for the children of Ladd School. Everyone-not only the children -enjoyed themselves thoroughly with the highlight of the afternoon being a visit from Santa Claus in the person of Don O'Callaghan (Ho, Ho, Ho, and what do you want for Christmas little sorority girl?).

That evening the members and their dates went to see Rhody beat St. Joe's in a basketball game and then returned to the house for the annual Christmas Party. The following Tuesday we combined with AOII sorority in a jaunt around campus singing Christmas carols. This was a lot of fun despite the Arctic-like weather conditions.

In the meantime, while trying to get in some studying, the intramural basketball season and co-rec volleyball started. As of now Sigma Pi is undefeated in both but it is too early in the season to predict anything.

The chapter would like to express appreciation and sincere thanks to the Mothers' Club (Junior Den Mothers) for their gift of curtains for the Social Area. They are very attractive and add a "homey" appearance to the house.

Initiated: Ronald M. Ash, Raymond D. Conforti, Harry A. Eisenberg, Russell A. Ferretti, Steven D. Jacobson, Donald J. O'Callaghan, Leslie A. Ochs, John P. Panagako, Kenneth D. Pryor, Joseph H. Resendes, Jr., and Ronald R. Whittemore.—JIM REYNOLDS, Correspondent.

ALPHA-CHI CHAPTER University of Maryland

A-X

Alpha-Chi began the fall semester by hosting the Beta Province Convention. Among those in attendance were Grand Sage Fryburg, Grand Fourth Counselor Lewis, Grand Herald Bixby, and Beta-A Province Archon Beyer. Two days of training workshops and exchanging of ideas were capped by a banquet at the Holiday Inn with music by the Medallions.

A work party to spruce up the kitchen facilities greatly pleased our cook, Hazel, who is keeping us fat, but happy. The Mothers Club has recently donated two coffee urns and a meat slicer which were much appreciated.

Socially, under the direction of social chairman Jim Williams, Alpha-Chi has had an excellent schedule of events, including desserts with $A\Gamma\Delta$, several swinging parties, and elaborate Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners. Also planned is an all-day box dinner blast at Ben's Den

Recently engaged were Tony DeLange, Ken Bullivant, and Dan Porter.

Alpha-Chi is presently undergoing growing pains, both physically and membershipwise, which have necessitated some policy changes. Financially we stand a good chance of ending the year in the black, thanks to our excellent treasurer, Ed Quesenberry, who can smell a penny mistake a mile away. Providing we have a good rush next semester, Alpha-Chi can look forward to a bright future.—Terry J. Scammell, Correspondent.

ALPHA-OMEGA CHAPTER San Diego State College

Α-Ω

Alpha-Omega has had one of the most successful semesters of its short history. With the most outstanding pledge class on campus, Sigma Pi has excelled in interfraternity sports as well as in campus activities. The football championship was lost by only three points. We won the bowling and badminton championships to start the semester off with a victory. Our volleyball and basketball teams are shaping up into winning form.

Many of our brothers are interested and are very active in campus politics: Jim Ashcraft was elected Lower Division Representative, Rich Johnston Senior Treasurer; Lee Witham was appointed to a position on the Judiciary Board, Dave Johnson appointed as representative on the Student Council, and Claire Higgins was elected President of Tarastec Hall. We are also proud of our members who have been tapped into Oceotl, the men's honorary society. This makes us the only fraternity on campus to fill its quota of men in this organization.

Our twenty-one-man pledge class did an outstanding job as marshals at the annual Christmas Parade here in San Diego. Many men also participated in annual contests sponsored by

other campus organizations.

The social calendar has been very full and diversified with the annual up-stairs downstairs party, a retreat in the Laguna Mountains, picnics, dances, and a most unforgettable New Year's Eve party, which started the New Year for Alpha-Omega with a rededication of purpose and ideals.

There has been a rash of lavalierings, pinnings, and engagements in the past few months. Pledges lavaliering their girls were: Bob Hamilton, Dave Martin, and Rich Cashore. Pinnings were by Sage Jeff Stark, Dave Johnson, Larry Edens, Claire Higgins, and Jim White. Congratulations to Past Sage Rich Johnston, Dave Thompson, and Jerry Hofmaister on their engagements.

With the raising of scholastic standards for fraternity men here at San Diego State, Alpha-Omega has instilled a desire for high scholarship in its new pledges as well as raising the requirements for the scholarship award.

The coming semester promises to be greater than the last. We are looking forward to our first Founders Day and Orchid Ball, and the annual Dunk Elwood Party and Bundle Party. We also feel that spring rush will bring many new men into the brotherhood.—Bob Hamilton, Correspondent.

BETA-IOTA CHAPTER Arizona State College

B-I

Sigma Pi triumphs in Arizona State College football intramurals with a 14 win—no loss season! Sigma Pi is leading the take-off in basketball intramurals and picked to control the baseball run.

Paul Combs, with a 1.5 semester grade average, won honor as chapter scholar of the semester. The "Combs" are well represented on campus with Jim, Paul, and Buddie all members of Sigma Pi. This cozy threesome will soon be minus one since the United States Marine Corps has selected Jim Combs. The chapter plans to initiate Jim the latter part of January.

This year's graduating men are: Bill Aker, Claude Cobb, Chuck Subject, Dick Williams, and Jerry Rowland.

A social highlight of the semester was the annual Christmas Formal sponsored by Mr. Straton and held at the Flagstaff Country Club. Members exchanged gifts and their dates were favored with jewelry chests.

The Pledge Class busied itself with a canned food drive for needy families in the area and made a considerable donation to a young person injured by a fire truck here. In addition they ornamented the chapter room with a very nice sun-burst clock.

The entire chapter assisted in the muscular dystrophy drive by raising \$175.00. The Moose Lodge, in charge of this project, invited the chapter members to its annual formal and actor Jerry Lewis acknowledged our participation in the drive with a personal note of thanks.—Dean Despain, Correspondent.

BETA-LAMBDA CHAPTER Lycoming College

B-A

After a fall semester which brought some good results and a few bad ones, the brothers are looking forward to initiating the chapter's six pledges. An outstanding job has been done by Bro. Shields and his assistants, Bros. Derr and Ganzenmuller, in "shaping up" the pledges.

An Open House was held on December 9 with over 100 freshmen and upperclassmen in attendance. A group of this size certainly offers

some promise of future pledges.

On the sports front we are currently in third place in basketball and finished the swimming season as champs. Bros. Mullen, Peters, and Sholly are performing on the varsity wrestling squad.

The pledges held an "Off-Beat" party with most of the chapter members and their dates attending. Such games as pie throwing, jumping through a wire mesh screen, among others, were thoroughly enjoyed by all. Even the chaperones participated.

Beta-Lambda expresses the hope that 1964 will be a year of many achievements for all Sigma Pi chapters.—DICK SHOLLY, Correspondent.

BETA-MU CHAPTER University of Mississippi

B-M

Not too long ago the boys at Beta-Mu were on the lookout for "revenooers." We had set up a still in our front yard and were well on the way to helping Ole Miss prove that we are Still No. 1.

No, there's really no shady business here, just

great fun in connection with the Ole Miss Homecoming Weekend. After the game the whole gang gathered at the house to celebrate the victory, and to enjoy an unusual treat imported all the way from New York. Mike Thole had mixed a little (about 10 gallons) of Fish House Punch, which he claimed was drunk by Washington and Lafayette during the days of the Revolution. The party that evening was a success as usual. We were entertained again by the "Seven Screaming Darkies," and not to be outdone, the "Three Screaming Sigmy Pigmies" got into the act.

After Homecoming, things quieted down and the boys gave another try at making their grades. This drudgery did not last long though because the annual L.S.U.—Ole Miss game was at hand. Jim Irland, Ocie Lewis, Mike Thole, and Glen Sanford met at Pat O'Brien's in New Orleans the day before the game. Those who were able to make it to Baton Rouge the next day for the game enjoyed a visit with some of the brothers at L.S.U.

Still another highlight of this year's agenda was the underprivileged children's Christmas Party, which was sponsored by the pledges. John Mackevoy did a great job as Santa Claus and Jim Elliott kept the party going with his job as program chairman.

Kirk Evans has taken charge of the plans for renovating the house and before long we can expect to see new ceilings and plumbing fixtures.

Sage Roger King has announced his engagement and forthcoming marriage to Chapter Sweetheart Betty Knight. He has taken a lot of kidding from everyone, but the members think it's really great and wish Roger lots of luck.—Ocie Lewis, Correspondent.

BETA-XI CHAPTER New Mexico State University

B-E

From the land of eternal sunshine comes the cry of the battling Beta-Xis. This was apparent to many at New Mexico State as the brothers of Sigma Pi played to win in football, volleyball, and other winter sports. The football team finished in fifth place after losing three close heartbreakers. The Sigma Pis of Aggieland gained valuable experience on the volleyball court and wound up an exciting season in fourth place.

Meanwhile the basketball team showered the baskets with long bombs and speedy footwork. This flashy team includes "Carrot Top" Eastman, "Long Shot" Hood, "Rebounding" Lockhart, and "Galloping" Gott. The team finished fourth in the pre-season all-campus tournament ahead of all other fraternities. At mid-season

they are in third place and drooling over first place.

Back at the rifle range, "Sure Shot" Morgan and "Kentucky Windage" Fritz led Sigma Pi to a third place against stiff competition.

Tom "Ape Man" Ruch has shown his power on the mat and contributed to a fine Aggie wrestling team. Pledge Ruch is captain of the varsity team.

Social Chairman Hood hasn't allowed the brothers to suffer from that sometimes fatal disease "malsocialization." Our Greek Toga Party was the talk of the campus for sometime. Some of the brothers were almost embarrassed when they did the twist. Besides that we had an outstanding Christmas Formal and an enjoyable coffee with the Delta Zetas.

During our not-always-in-key caroling party, we rested our weary vocal cords at the Chi Omega house and had hot chocolate. But Christmas is a time to think of others, and the members of Beta-Xi came through. Four big baskets of food were bought by Bros. Morgan and Sackett, and delivered Christmas Eve by Bro. Gott.

The pledge class is coming into the homestretch in fine style. Four of the chapter's fall pledges have been initiated.

Pledged: Vern Jauer and Tom Belczak.

Initiated: Warren L. Eastman, Larry D. Hood, S. Albert Sackett, and Thomas E. Morgan.—Tom Morgan, Correspondent.

BETA-OMICRON CHAPTER Long Beach State College

B-C

The brothers of Beta-Omicron Chapter have had a prosperous and, as usual, momentous summer and fall.

Now we are looking forward to a successful spring rush. The schedule for rush week is one of our best and the attitude of the men reflects their enthusiasm to take a large and capable pledge class. Ron Perry is our rush chairman and he has many exciting evenings planned for rush, a few of which are the sorority girl party, Mother's Pot Luck, wrestling matches, and the night club party. The night club party is a new innovation for Beta-Omicron, Some of the most talented men on campus are in our chapter including Bob Burgess of Lawrence Welk fame and Denny Brooks who is currently appearing at both the Mon Ami and the Mecca. These men as well as many other not so gifted brothers will provide the evening's entertainment. All in all it looks like another blue ribbon rush for Beta-Omicron.

Also rating high on the brothers' anticipation lists is the mountain trip. An annual excursion to the local snow peaks, this event opens formal rush and provides an outlet after finals. Those of you planning to attend the Convocation can be expecting a large turnout from the Long Beacheans. It has really been talked up. Many means of travel are being considered: car, train, plane and most novel, by Vespa and Honda.

The latter modes of travel are "in." It was probably all started by visiting Bro. Stranahan from Omega Chapter. Since his summer visit there has been a rash of Vespa (The scooter of motor scooters) buying. These two-wheeled terrors offer many new and exciting experiences such as driving through the ΣAE living room, spilling oil on the floor, flipping over in front of the Delta Zeta House with Brothers Mike Carey and Gary Sigler barely escaping with their lives, and the still full-throttle Vespa continuing down the street. Then there was the full-dress tuxedo impersonation of the Homecoming Parade Martial as two brothers rode down the route with a police escort. Of course, the Vespa was primed with gas and oil while Bro. Redman and "O' Rence" found Bro. Lennon's wedding reception fuel enough. In addition to these varied fringe benefits, you can actually find, a parking place-of all places-on upper campus!! Also to be considered before purchase is the side money that can be earned by shuttling girls down to the plateau parking lot.

Setting out to the bustling town of "Jawbone" (no reference to Bro. Verner), California, were five merry sportsmen of Sigma Pi, bent on returning with many game trophies. Not only are they great hunters but also would-be protégés of Sterling Moss. The latter resulted in several hair raising incidents. The quintet returned victorious with three sparrows, one meadowlark, and one unidentified winged creature.

On the subject of animals, our intramural football team placed third in the finals thanks to the fine work of Stan Wise. The team's fine spirit and excellent showing made us that much prouder to be Sigma Pis.

Homecoming resulted in a third place for us in float competition and a first place for Chairman Rick Dinon with the chapter. Bro. Toni Baroldibuns supplied us with the car, insurance, material, and a barn to build it in. Thanks to Toni for everything but the condition of our shoes after marching through the fields to get to the barn.

On a less competitive basis we entered the Naples Christmas Parade. An annual event in the Long Beach area, a small section of the city is comprised of canals and islands. Boats are decorated and then paraded through the waterways. Thanks to Pledge Tom Patterson's yacht we made a fine showing and the event was a memorable one. The boat was strung with lights and the brothers and their dates provided the

carols. Bro. Carey, in charge, missed the boat, as usual, only literally this time. Here's hoping he's a little more punctual in catching the Queen Elizabeth this September in his Quest to Samos Island.

The members followed the traditional pattern and enjoyed themselves thoroughly at the joint (function, not place) Pajamarino with the brothers at U.C.L.A. The usual cross-breed was quite evident . . . many species of the common North American "bird dog." Many thanks Upsilon!!

New Year's and Christmas parties were well attended and enjoyed by all. Following the New Year's Party many of the brothers and dates headed up to Pasadena to watch the Rose Parade. Later, many worked selling refreshments at the Bowl Game. There were eight and one-half tons of hot dogs consumed so our cook, Mom, knows better than to serve that for a good while. So ended several forty-two hour dates, but not before going to a show before returning home. Under the watchful eye of Jim "the peanut" Hollywood, most of the boys even came out ahead—well, 27¢ earned isn't exactly a day's wages.

Our Queen has become Mrs. Wendy Sigler and Bill Vandruff complemented the affair by becoming pinned to Princess Bobbie Graham. Terry Carter received the honor of being chosen Sigma Kappa "Outstanding Man of 1963." Since summer the men pinned, married, or engaged have numbered over twenty!

Under the able direction of Barry "the Ashtry" Tanner improvements on our house have continued at a rapid rate. We have installed another air-conditioner which should help to cool off some of our hot parties. We have Bro. Bill Gillespe's Grandmother to thank for this as well as the soon to arrive dining room drapes. The Mother's Club, in addition to having delicious pot-luck dinners for us, is helping us furnish new drapes for the remaining downstairs areas.

We feel that it would be appropriate at this time to thank the Beach Cities Alumni for their continued efforts to help us financially and morally. These alums give us an appreciation of what being a member of Sigma Pi truly involves. We realize that our membership does not terminate at graduation, but continues on throughout our lives in interest, activities, associations, and memories.

Whenever any of you visit the Southern California area, please make it a point to stop by and visit. Our home remains open during the summer season as well as the winter. We'd like to hear firsthand what's going on at the other campuses and answer any questions you may have about ours. We're in the phone book under Sigma Pi and Sigma Pi is never under any-

thing so give us a ring and come on down!-RICK DINON and MIKE CAREY, Correspondents.

BETA-TAU CHAPTER Valparaiso University

B-T

Homecoming this year was the most successful that Beta-Tau has experienced thus far. After decorating the float the brothers and their dates gathered at the chapter house for an informal dance and an impromptu hootenanny, for which Bro. Jim Brown provided the banjo picking. There were more alumni in attendance than in any previous year. The Homecoming dance was held at the chapter house and everybody, particularly the alumni, had a very enjoyable time recalling past experiences and being brought up to date on the chapter's growth.

Beta-Tau is rising steadily in athletics. We placed third in intramural volleyball and tennis, and seventh in football. At present we are on top in bowling and in third place for

basketball.

The annual Fall Formal this year was held at the Valparaiso Country Club, following a party at the home of Tom Sopata. Special guests were our cook and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Landgrebe. Mrs. Landgrebe watched in astonishment as the members did some of the newer dances, but she had a great evening along with everyone else.

Since bad weather forced us to discontinue work on the miniature golf course at Beatty Memorial Hospital until the spring, we spent a lot of time panelling the rec room and rearranging several of the walls in the chapter house. A shower room is next on the agenda

for house improvement.

Coffee hours, a hayride on an unusually warm and clear autumn night, a Halloween Party, and informal gatherings helped to fill in leisure hours.

Good luck and sincere best wishes were extended to Bro. Ray Rebell who was Beta-Tau's only January graduate.—RALPH SCHNABEL, Correspondent.

BETA-UPSILON CHAPTER Shippensburg State College

B-)

Before departing on the fraternity activities of the new year, the brothers of Beta-Upsilon take time to recall the activities of the old. The past year was marked with socials, both mixed and stag, including a hayride, card party, hootenanny party, and others.

Perhaps the most rewarding social activity of the old year was a Christmas Party given for a group of orphans in the surrounding area. Each brother and his date "adopted" an orphan for the evening and provided a gift for the child, which was presented by Sigma Pi Santa Claus, Don Darr. The party was termed a huge success and the brothers hope to make this event an annual affair.

S. S. C. has a rather extensive intramural program in which ten fraternity teams take part. Sigma Pi has moved from fifth to second place in the overall standings with a third of the program completed. The brothers are the defending social fraternity champs of the 1962-63 intramural program and hope to become the champs again this year.

The men of Beta-Upsilon mourn the death of Russell C. Abel and Charles J. Barnhart. Both brothers took an active part not only in Sigma Pi but also in a number of college activities. For this reason they will be deeply missed by the brothers of Beta-Upsilon and their many

friends at this College.

Now the brothers look forward to the activities of the new year. The end of the winter term and the beginning of the spring term usually holds the highlights of the social calendar. On February 23 the chapter holds the annual Founders Day Banquet at the Hitching Post Inn in Chambersburg. Rushing is at the top of the schedule of the heavy winter term. This year we are hoping for one of the largest and best pledge classes ever. And, typical of this time of the year, preparations are being made for the Orchid Ball which will be held in the spring.

Congratulations are in order for Bros. Gary Barnes, Denny Levering, Dick Shope, and Andy Grenier who are now pinned; and to Jim Dum, Wayne Dixon, and Larry Bair who were married.—Bud Engle, Correspondent.

ВЕТА-РНІ CHAPTER Rochester Institute of Technology В-Ф

By all appearances Beta-Phi is due for another outstanding year. The first of the I.F.C. rush events, our smoker and rush stag, were both successes.

Homecoming weekend, the first major social event of the year, was also counted on the plus side by Sigma Pi. Not only was our house party a great time, but the prize of the day, the outdoor advertising trophy, was permanently laid to rest in the chapter trophy rack with much deserved credit going to Bro. Goodman.

After a prize-winning Homecoming, Bro. Sigler, driving Bro. Plummer's famed red-light special, out-classed a full field of triumphs in the 1963 Rochester Annual Sports Rally to bring home another prize for the Beta-Phi trophy rack.

Sportwise, House Manager Kuhler, after a 7-3 wrestling record for 1962-63, started the season with a win (over RIT's Baby Bengal Tiger Mascot) in an exhibition match, but ill fate has been plaguing wrestler Kuhler as he suffered a narrow defeat in the hands of M. Afflerdach, intramural champ.



MISS JOYCE PILATE, the 1962 Harvest Moon Queen of Beta-Phi Chapter, places the crown upon MISS CHERYL SWANSON, 1963 Queen, as Bro. MIHILLS approvingly prepares to present the trophy to her.

Fall Weekend, the largest social event of the fall quarter at RIT, is sponsored solely by Sigma Pi. The weekend, climax of months of tedious planning by Bro. Jerry Lewis and his committee, began officially on Wednesday with the serenading of Miss Joyce Pilato, 1962 Harvest Moon Queen, and the candidates for 1963 queen. At the "Korn Ball" Bro. Erwin and date were awarded the trophy for the "Korniest Kostume." Saturday evening was the highlight of the weekend and included a party, a formal at the Sheraton Ballroom, as well as the coronation of this year's Harvest Moon Queen, Miss Cheryl Swanson. Sunday afternoon featured another party which was appropriately entitled "Autumn Afterglow." A jazz concert and a serenade by the brotherhood to honor the newly pinned brothers, was the order of the day. Fall Weekend also gave the chapter the opportunity to welcome back many of its alumni, whose presence is always welcome.

The first IFC sports trophy of the year became a heartbreaker for Sigma Pi, as we tied for first place in volleyball and then lost the playoff in a squeaker 15-13. The coming quarter will mean a lot of work to make up for this because possession of the basketball trophy is at stake as well as the competition for bowling.

Competition runs high in many facets as two

of our most important awards are at stake, scholarship and the blood drive. Also, our pledge class will have to defend the standing in the snow sculpture competition as Sigma Pi will retire the award if we take it again this year, for the third consecutive time.

In ceremonies before the opening hockey game of the season, Sigma Pi presented the hockey team with a fifty star flag in memory of the late President Kennedy. The flag will be a permanent addition to the RIT ice rink.

Grades are foremost in everyone's mind at this time, since the results of the last quarter will determine the award of the scholarship trophy for 1962-63, as well as determine the number of men eligible to pledge during the next ten weeks. It would be a crime not to have a large pledge class this year, after emerging from the most successful rush period of our history. Thanks go to the entire brotherhood, with special laurels to Bro. Canzano and his pledge committee, for our success in rush. All things taken into consideration, the next three months seem to be the most crucial of the year, with final success entirely dependent upon the concentrated effort of the entire membership towards making this the finest year yet for Sigma Pi at RIT.

BETA-CHI CHAPTER Loyola University

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All Sigma Pi's in town for Easter vacation are invited to attend Beta-Chi's Easter Orchid Ball. The dance will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Sheraton-Blackstone Hotel in Chicago, Easter evening. For reservations at reduced prices, write Larry Pelka, 3629 Wesley, Berwyn, Illinois. Beta-Chi will arrange a date for you, if so desired. Dance Chairman Pelka and staff (Fred Todd, Pat Cunningham, Jerry Pierce, and Dale Skala) are laying plans for the gala event.

The most frightening fact facing Beta-Chi thus far is the impending graduation in June of 18 brothers, or roughly, half the chapter membership. While these battle-scarred seniors (this correspondent among them) will be glad to leap the fabled ivy walls, and while their brothers extend hearty congratulations, the chapter will be seriously depleted—unless, of course, Beta-Chi can secure a sizeable pledge class.

Fraternalism here at Loyola does not mean quite the same way of life that it does at chapters whose membership is composed largely of boarders, who live at a Sigma Pi house. Loyola is not a boarders' school, as for instance Illinois, U.C.L.A., or Oregon State, but it is rather a commuters' school. Almost all the brothers live at home.

At Loyola there are many student activities sponsored by non-fraternity groups. In the vast Chicago entertainment world can be found attractions and events of every description. Most Loyolans do not depend too heavily on Loyola



Miss Sue Oakes, XΘΥ, Sweetheart of Beta-Chi Chapter.

University for social life or outside amusement; even less need they depend on Loyola fraternities and sororities. True, fraternities indulge in all intramural sports, but there are G.D.I. leagues as well. As for dances and parties, many non-fraternal groups sponsor them, and besides, most Loyolans have circles of non-Loyolan friends.

Easily seen then is the difficulty of recruiting pledge classes of 15 to 20 men. Yet this is the number Beta-Chi needs this semester. The chapter has underway a full-scale campaign to attract second-semester freshmen to Sigma Pi. It is hoped that by the time this is in print, Beta-Chi will be able to boast of a big pledge class.

Miss Susan Oakes, a pert strawberry blond, was chosen Sweetheart of Sigma Pi at Loyola for 1964. Susan is majoring in Sociology and is a sophomore. Her activities include the Coed Club, Curtain Guild (dramatics), variety show, and the Fine Arts Club. She is especially known for her broad smile and consistent good humor.

Sigma Pi finished with a 6-2 record for the intramural football season. The six wins were all shut-outs; the losses were close ones. Jerry Pierce and Ken Klein played on the fraternity all-star team that whipped the independents, 18-0. In intramural basketball Sigma Pi, fea-

turing a forward wall averaging 6'3", is expected to improve on last season's 8-2 slate.

Pi Chapter Note: We found one Pete Zelenkov roaming dazedly through the musty corridors of Loyola and took him under wing.—Patrick E. O'Keefe, Correspondent.

GAMMA-ALPHA CHAPTER University of Detroit \[\Gamma_A\]

Fall semester found Gamma-Alpha involved in a flurry of activity and busy planning for more in the coming months.

Early in this portion of the chapter's chronicle a series of enjoyable social events was to be found. Included was the annual Toga Party, at which all in attendance found themselves condemning 20th century life and advocating a return to the sensual culture of two thousand years ago.

Then came the enthusiasm to be found on any campus at Homecoming time. Orchid Queen Sharon Mac, $\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma$, beautifully represented the chapter and charmingly won herself a high place in the popular vote. Our float took its theme from the "It's a White Tornado" television commercial, in accordance with the theme of the parade. Though no awards were received, it was a fine example of what can be accomplished through cooperation of all involved. Working with the chapter were the girls of the



MISS SHARON MAC, $\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma$, Orchid Queen, represented Gamma-Alpha Chapter and won a high place in the popular Homecoming vote at Detroit.

"Out-of-Town Co-eds Club." Their excellent workmanship and spirit made the float a truly

enjoyable project.

First Counselor Mike Katulski announced his engagement to Miss Frances DeLuca, and Tom Weber announced his engagement to Miss Molly McLaughlin, $\Sigma\Sigma\Sigma$. Both couples plan August weddings.

Gamma-Alpha's annual benefit Christmas Party for the children of the Milton School for the Mentally Retarded was held the latter part of December. It was a rewarding experience for the men of the chapter and for the girls of the Out-of-Town Co-eds Club, who helped us out. The cottage mixer which was held afterwards will not soon be forgotten.

The final big event of the fall semester was the annual Winter Formal which saw the return of many alumni who were introduced during a comedy skit by master of ceremonies Ed Rutkowski. The benediction and toast were given by Dr. Jon J. Kabara, faculty moderator and brother.

Initiated was Harold M. Fitzpatrick, and installed as the new Second Counselor was Robert S. Was.—RICHARD A. NETTKE, Correspondent.

GAMMA-GAMMA CHAPTER Central Missouri State College

This correspondent apologizes for having missed submitting news for the Fall EMERALD, but hopes to make amends in this issue.

During the busiest period the fraternity has ever experienced, Sigma Pi set the pace and called the action for all activities at Central Missouri State College.



Some of the cast from "Once Upon a Mattress," the fun-filled musical comedy produced and sponsored by Sigma Pi at Central Missouri State. MISS JACKIE ANTON (lying on the couch) was starred. Pictured with her are: JOHN WITHERSPOON, JEAN NORTON, BETTE SUE EDDE, DAVE GREEN, SUE BARBARICK, and SAM CONROW.



"Roscoe" the mule mascot of Gamma-Gamma Chapter and the favorite of the entire Central Missouri State College student body, takes a root beer during his duties at a football game in Warrensburg. Shown receiving a drink from Delta Bruce Starke, Roscoe's complete costume features a small banner in the school colors with the Sigma Pi Greek letters in white in each corner.

"Jailhouse Rock," a traditional all-school dance sponsored by the fraternity, started the school year off with a well placed jolt by winding up as an excellent financial venture, and a large plus sign in our social standing. By special arrangements, made by Sage Jerry Foulds, we were able to bring the Fallouts dance combo to CMS from their highly rated position at Kansas University in Lawrence. Social Chairman and chief art major Dennis Rexroad was primarily responsible for the unique "elevated levels" effect, and was given an assist by Jerry Egler and the rest of the members.

In between Homecoming plans, rush was going full blast for all eligible upperclassmen. Rush Chairman Jerry Egler was in full command and presented four new pledges to the chapter. The actual campus fraternity pledge quota was approximately five per chapter. The new pledges are: Harold Bratcher, Liberty; John Hessel, Kearney; Sam Conrow, New Franklin; and Bill Gillen, Independence.

CMS Homecoming was the week of October 19 and was a success for both Sigma Pi and CMS. Carl Youngberg was assistant Homecoming Chairman this year. Great American Plays was the overall theme. Sigma Pi's entry theme was "Look Out, Wildcat, Here We Come," and reached expression through numerous animated objects and figures centered around a tall blue oil well which delighted the crowds with a gusher effect and other pleasing effects.

The window decorations theme was a current Broadway hit, "Oh Dad, Poor Dad, Mom's Hung You In The Closet and I'm Feeling So Sad," which is quite a title. Once again animation and stage lighting was a part of the basic design. Dennis Rexroad was in charge and designed all these projects, and reflected all elements of good taste and design throughout.

To sum up Homecoming: The Mules won the football game and Sigma Pi won the prizes—1st place trophy in float originality and a 3rd place trophy for window decoration entry. This was followed by a coffee in the Union for the alums and also an unofficial victory celebration.

To avoid an over-abundance of glittering adjectives, the following report will be presented in a somewhat condensed bulletin style. Sigma Pi produced and sponsored a production of the Broadway smash musical comedy, Once Upon a Mattress, on October 31 and November 1 . . . first campus fraternity-sponsored Broadway musical production . . . lavish and varied sets and costumes. . . excellent orchestra. . . . discovered and developed much new campus talent . . . publicity for Sigma Pi and the production was on every news media in Kansas City and Warrensburg, and including The Kansas City Star theater page, and front page publicity in Warrensburg and much word of mouth.

Reviews (professional) were glowing with praise and reviews (lay people) were usually expressed with shouts and screams of delight. . . . starred Jackie Anton (unofficial sweetheart) and a large cast of everybody important on campus . . . entire production directed and choreographed by a very patient and very exhausted Dennis Rexroad, and produced by Carl Youngberg.

Bouquets to sponsors Eschliman, Russel, and Smith, and especially Dr. Eschliman; also Dona Nave, Wes Knowles, and Terry Ivory, and all of the cast and crew. Another production of this type will now become an annual fraternity affair and the selection of the next play is under consideration.

The result—money, money, money and increased respect and status for Sigma Pi. We recommend it.

Other honors for Sigma Pi include College Union Cabinet posts for Bruce Starke, Dennis Rexroad, and Carl Youngberg. Harold Bratcher is a senator in the Student Government Association and also works with pledge brother Sam Conrow helping Yearbook art editor Dennis Rexroad in this area. Tom Wheatly made the CMS football team and Bruce Starke is IFC vice president.

Christmas parties were the rule with a pledge party for the actives entitled "Christmas in Tahiti," complete with native girls who taught us the hula. The chapter Christmas Party and reception was held on December 21 at the Kansas City Hilton.

It is hoped that this will bring everyone up to date on our activities and we urge all our alumni to drop us a line and visit the chapter sometime.—CARL YOUNGBERG, Correspondent.



Miss Kitty Ann Eckardt, $\Delta\Delta\Delta$, Texas Colony Sweetheart.

SIGMA PI COLONY University of Texas

The Texas Colony welcomed in the New Year with a celebration in Dallas, followed the next afternoon by a rousing Cotton Bowl game. It turned out to be an especially happy new year with the Texas Longhorns' smashing victory over Navy giving an unchallenged national football championship. It is hoped that this is an indication of what the remainder of the year holds in store in all areas.

Leroy Stock, an original member of the Colony, was recently married to Joy Fullingim. Congratulations and best wishes are extended to them. The Colony regrets losing Bro. Mike Hagee, but wishes him the best on having recently accepted a football scholarship to the Naval Academy.

Since the last report our pledge class has grown to twelve with the addition of James R. Braswell, William F. Drew, Michael F. Korschel, Henry S. Saylor, and Jay W. Shoemaker. As a project the pledge class placed a Christmas greeting sign on the campus and sent out Christmas cards. Special credit goes to Mike Korschel for his art work on the sign project.

There have been a few officer changes and

appointments in the past few months: John Mc-Farlane was elected Second Counselor; Jim Mc-Kinnis appointed Rush Captain; Gary Boyd appointed Social Chairman; and Bill Drew selected junior IFC representative.

The Colony enjoyed a brief visit with Field Representative Alan Scott last fall when he was in the area exploring the possibility of establishing a colony at Southwest Texas State

College in San Marcos.

A bright spot in fall participation in intramurals is that the bowling team had the high team series for all the leagues. Plans for the spring include more intramurals and an entry in Varsity Carnival which is a Greek-sponsored event with the proceeds going into a special fund which is used for worthy cases.

A committee headed by Charles Segrest and Dick Dillard has been appointed to prepare and assemble the petition for a charter and installation as an active chapter. The Texas Colony hopes to build its manpower in spring rush as still another step toward its goal of becoming a chartered chapter.—DICK DILLARD, Correspondent.

SIGMA PI COLONY Parsons College

Sigma Pi at Parsons College has had a busy semester. On October 1 the Colony was given a house which closely resembled the ruins of Rome, but after a week of hard work and a new coat of paint inside and out, we were ready for rush. Pledged were: Skip Huson, Pete Kopack, Bob Mason, Joe Tamburo, Pete Thompson, Bob White, and Dave Williams.

Homecoming was the next big event for Sigma Pi and the College. After a week of hard work, and a very long Friday night, the float was ready to go Saturday morning. At half-time of the football game it was announced that our paddle wheel steamboat had won the top award—a Sweepstakes trophy and a check from the College for \$500.00. The members were all very pleased about the trophy and Treasurer Herb Stinson went crazy over the check.

The Colony is happy to announce the initiation of the following, and again extends thanks of appreciation to Xi Chapter for its cooperation: Terry A. Caselli, Edward A. Black, Michael J. Page, Herman L. Bass, Cobie H. Mace, John C. McCallum, Terry L. Maison, Gary R. Rusk, John E. Mathews, Joe B. Schneeweis, and George C. Ray.

Other notable items: Beaver's breaking of every speed record between Fairfield, Iowa and every part of the United States . . . Hollenbach's car that "blows up" every week . . .

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Harold G. Maxwell

Harold G. Maxwell, Alpha-Rho—S.W.M. '49, died instantly in an accident at midnight on Saturday, October 26, 1963. Smashups on Ozarks highways that weekend resulted in injuries to a number of persons, in addition to the death of Bro. Maxwell.

A 35-year-old Utilities employee in Springfield, Missouri, he was the victim of a wreck which was blamed on speed. Troopers said that he was driving a 1961 Ford Thunderbird convertible north on State Highway 97 at excessive speed, when the auto missed a curve, ran off the right side of the road, struck a fence, and overturned three times at the Lawrence-Dade county line.

Bro. Maxwell, at the time of the accident, was en route to spend the weekend with his mother. He was a member of the Baptist Church and a veteran of the Korean conflict. He was an initiated member of the Sigma Pi Colony at Southwest Missouri State College and attended the installation of Alpha-Rho Chapter as an undergraduate on April 1, 1948.

Paul W. Harrison

Paul W. Harrison, Eta-Purdue '23, suffered a heart attack and died in London, England. Eta Chapter was informed of his passing but no date was given. Bro. Harrison had been working for Western Electric's defense projects division out of New York City.

Anthony K. Parrilli

Anthony K. Parrilli, Phi—Illinois '59, former University of Illinois football star and professional football player, was accidentally killed at a New Year's Eve party in suburban Chicago. He was fatally wounded in an altercation when accidentally shot by a policeman called to keep order at a bowling alley.

SERVICES TO HIGHER EDUCATION

By Stewart S. Howe President, Stewart Howe Alumni Service

Here are some of the ways in which national fraternities and sororities are of practical value to the institutions at which they have chapters:

- 1. The U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare recently completed a study of the growing number of students who leave college without being graduated. The study revealed that "fraternity and sorority membership was clearly associated with 'a persistence to graduate'." Institutions with no recognized fraternities or sororities had a lower rate of graduation than schools with them. Schools with national fraternities had higher "persistence" rates than those with only local groups. And members of fraternities and sororities at the same institutions had better persistence records than non-members.
- 2. Fraternities and sororities are effective volunteer recruiting agencies that attract desirable students to the institution. Without their efforts, most private schools would have to spend thousands more dollars every year to make themselves well known and attractive to many desired students.
- 3. By providing attractive housing for a significant portion of the student body, they save the school the cost of building and operating more dormitories. A school's limited capital funds or borrowing credit can thus be used, instead, for other campus buildings. At a tax-supported institution, the tax-payers' load is lightened insofar as self-sufficient groups provide housing for their members.
- 4. College and university administrators find it easier to maintain student discipline among fraternity and sorority members, than among non-members. They use the local chapter undergraduate and alumni officers, and the national officers, as tools to control and inspire the 50 to 100 student members of each Greek-letter society. They can also enlist the help of local fraternity alumni and faculty "advisers" in supervising their respective organizations. Without these means

of control, the school would have to hire more "proctors" to live in student residence areas, and expand its student disciplinary staff. The results would not be as dependable.

- 5. Fraternities and sororities . . . ordinarily the healthiest, most dynamic and more ready-to-adapt-and-perpetuate-themselves student groups on every campus . . . give color and spirit to student life, making the school more than a drab institution, and they inspire loyalty to it. College and university administrators are "hard-put" on occasion, to secure student cooperation, or a generous turn-out for a university event, or a demonstration of support for some project. Most of them realize that one of the most effective ways to stir action and get a good response from the student body is to enlist the cooperation of the local fraternities and sororities.
- 6. Graduates and former students who are members of fraternities and sororities are known to be more generous, proportionately, than non-members in making dollar contributions to their school, and in serving as volunteer solicitors of gifts for it from classmates. This situation is of far-reaching significance to trustees, administrators, and faculty members. Every institution that has national fraternities and sororities has found that a large share of the members of these organizations are its most dependable alumni, and are predominant on its list of active supporters.
- 7. Fraternities and sororities can do more than the school itself, to create a "home away from home" atmosphere for students, and to help the new student to adjust to the campus environment, develop new friends and acquaintances, and feel that he "belongs." These groups provide the young collegian with a useful education not found in the courses of study. More effectively than some parents, they teach him everything from table maners and social poise to self-reliance, and the art of living and working with others in a team. They afford him broadened esperiences, expand the field of his acquaintances, and give him added ambition to improve his social and economic position. Most of the things they teach him are not offered in the classroom and will be valuable in his life after college.
 - 8. The organized houses assure more suc-

cessful intramural athletic programs by providing needed supplementary funds, more spirited participants, and competitive teams.

g. They put the campus charity drives over the top, and maintain traditions and annual events. They play a big part in the promotion of ticket sales which finance the staging of cultural events on the campus. Student support of the local community welfare financial funds ordinarily comes in large part from the members of the independently-operated fraternities and sororities.

10. At some institutions, the high property taxes that the Greek-letter groups pay to the county and local governments help finance many of the campus-community's public services, permit the tax-free school to escape many pressures for more responsibility to contribute toward the upkeep of fire and police protection, streets and sewer facilities and such necessary facilities within the campus area.

Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off the goal.—HANNAH MORE.

Parsons

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Chuck Smith's awareness of little old lady drivers . . . Jeff Henchel's dog(?) in the front yard . . . John Gartrel and his love problems (Ron Ewing, too) . . . Stu (I'll take care of it) Hulbert who forgets everything . . . Pete Burger who tried to put anti-freeze in his Volkswagen . . . Herb Stinson who is tired of being a jock . . . and Jeff Cunningham and Ed Black, who make the Everly Brothers sound like Lassie and Rin Tin Tin.—Chuck Smith, Correspondent.

Karl K. Morris

Death came to Karl K. Morris, Epsilon—Ohio University '13, on January 10, 1964, after an illness of three years. Time did not permit preparation of a special article about Bro. Morris who had served Sigma Pi well in various capacities, but tribute will be paid to him in the next issue of The Emerald.



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all these ways, children add to the wonder of being alive. In all these ways, they help to keep us young.—HERBERT HOOVER.

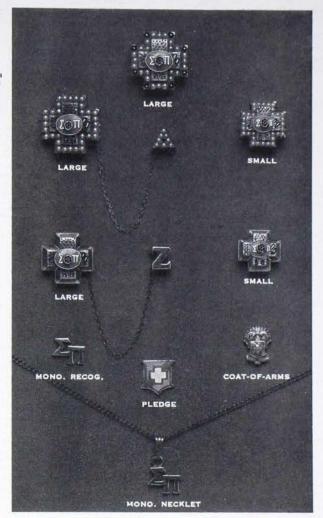


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Treasurer mail Financial Report, Form 59 to E. O. and Province Archon.

Sage mail to the E. O. comprehensive Monthly Report, Form 32, covering previous month.

Secretary send minutes of chapter meetings for previous month: buff copy to E. O. and third copy to Province Archon. Don't let minutes accumulate!

VARIABLE DATES

Send Pledge Form 1 and deposit on Membership Fee to the Executive Office within one week after formal pledging.

Mail Initiate-Registration, Form 10, with balance of Membership Fee and M.R.&H. blank to Executive Office not later than day of actual initiation.

File membership reports promptly whenever Form 33 is distributed by the Executive Office.

Report on Proclamation, Form 30, the installation of every new chapter officer.

SPECIAL DATES

February 26-Founders' Day.

April (1st meeting)—Annual election of chapter officers.

May (1st Sunday)-Sigma Pi Memorial Day.

May (2nd Sunday)-Mother's Day.

June (3rd Sunday)-Father's Day.

June 15—Furnish the Executive Office with the summer addresses of the chapter officers, names and addresses of Rush Committee members, and addresses of graduating members.

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