

THE ARROW OF PI BETA PHI

NOVEMBER, 1907



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MABEL STEVENSON	FLORENCE RALSTON	ALICE EDWARDS	MARGUERITE HARWOOD
		GERTRUDE STRONG	

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CONVENTION CALL.

The Twentieth Biennial Convention of Pi Beta Phi

Will be held in

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA

December 30th, 1907, to January 3rd, 1908.

PROGRAM FOR CONVENTION WEEK

(Subject to Change.)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30TH.

- 2 P. M.—Business Meeting.
- 8 P. M.—Informal gathering.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST.

- 9 A. M.—Business Meeting.
- 2 P. M.—Business Meeting.
- Evening—Convention entertained by Kappa Kappa Gamma.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1ST.

Convention entertained by Louisiana Alpha.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2ND.

- 9 A. M.—Business Meeting.
- 2 P. M.—Business Meeting.
- Evening—Banquet.

Officers and delegates will be entertained at the New Denechand Hotel. Visitors may have rooms reserved for them on the floor with delegates (\$3.00 a day American plan) by notifying Convention Guide at an early date of their desire to have rooms reserved. The hotel is reached by car line from the

railroad stations. Anyone wishing to be met, should notify Convention Guide by which road and at what hour she will arrive in New Orleans.

The business meetings will be held at Newcomb College, ten minutes' ride from the hotel. Lunch will be served at the college.

It has been impossible to obtain special convention rates. Holiday rates are to be given to New Orleans. If you cannot get those rates from your northern city, buy your ticket to the nearest southern city, at which point you will be able to procure holiday rates to New Orleans and return. It is hoped that a large number of alumnae and active members will arrange to attend convention and enjoy a southern outing at the same time.

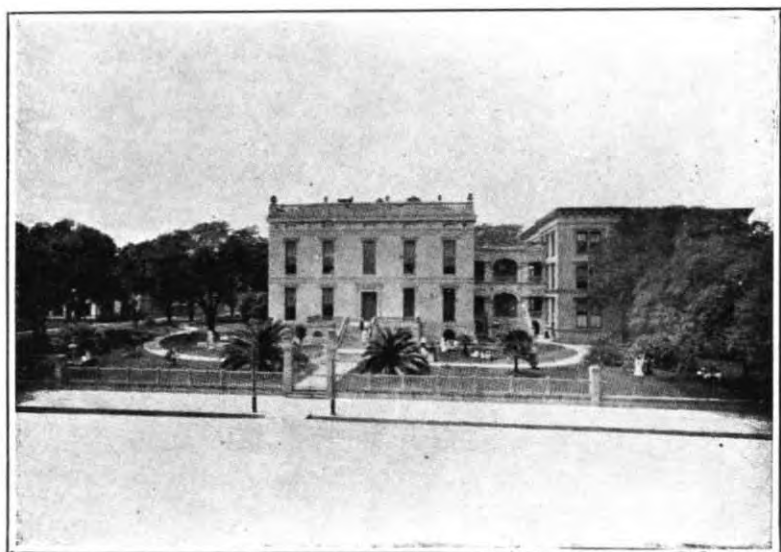
(Signed)

ELIZABETH GAMBLE,
Grand President.

CELESTE JANVIER,
Convention Guide.

A Toast to Pi Beta Phi

"A toast to Pi Phi," so I was commanded,
And I sat down to write on the subject demanded.
"A toast to Pi Phi," that seemed easy enough,
And I thought I could write some very good stuff;
But when I thought of Pi Phi, and all it included,
I felt that this Pi Phi had been quite deluded.
I thought of our friendships so good, strong and true,
And of all the love, girls, which my heart bears for you.
Of good times together, of joy and good will,
And the House Beautiful we have built on the hill;
Of rushing, and parties, and merry good times,
And laughter, and singing, and gay cookie-shines.
And of the dear girls, who each year come anew,
To promise their faith, dear old Pi Phi, to you;
Of the bright gleaming arrow of shimmering gold,
Bearing its message of friendship untold.
There were sad days and glad days, and some bitter tears,
And memories to last through the on-coming years;
And I thought of fair phrases, high sounding and fine,
But the best toast was just Pi Phi, first, last, all the time.
Colorado Alpha.



THE H. SOPHIE NEWCOMB COLLEGE FOR WOMEN
OF THE
TULANE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISIANA

Newcomb College and Its Convention

New Orleans, the Crescent City, surnamed also for other attributes and characteristics the "Creole City" and "Carnival City," is the home of Comus, Proteus and Rex, of the famous field of Chalmette, of the French market, the French opera, and of the picturesque and renowned Cabildo.

In one of the best quarters of this quaint old city, surrounded by giant oaks, stands an Italian villa, once the home of a merchant prince, now the center of a group of buildings which constitute the largest college for women in the south. H. Sophie Newcomb Memorial College is a monument of mother love to Harriet Sophie Newcomb, "the doubly dead, in that she died so young," yet still surviving, a living and beneficial influence upon the young girls of today.

At this college in 1891 was established a chapter of Pi Beta Phi. It was the first fraternity to be installed at Newcomb, but since that time five other fraternities have been chartered, namely, in order of installment, Alpha Omicron Pi, Chi Omega, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Phi Mu, and Alpha Delta Phi.

The charter members of Louisiana Alpha were nine, but at present she claims one hundred and three initiates. Just after the installment of this chapter the members were presented with a room in the basement of the main college building. It is to this room, altered and re-altered, but still the same meeting room of the charter members, that the girls of the Louisiana Alpha gladly invite each and every Pi Phi. So far away geographically from all other Pi Beta Phi chapters, though so near in love and loyalty to her fraternity, Louisiana Alpha stretches out her hand in welcome and heartily says to each of her Pi Phi sisters, "Come whenever you can, as soon as you can, and as often as you can."

Louisiana Alpha.

Anna Pettit, Pi Beta Phi Scholar

Anna Frances Thompson Pettit was born December third, 1887. Her early school days were spent in the Friends' schools of Philadelphia, and in 1899 she entered Friends' Central school. She was graduated from this school June tenth, 1904, with high standing in scholarship.

In the fall of 1904 she entered the sophomore class of Swarthmore College. Here she kept up the reputation for high scholarship which she had established for herself at Friends' Central.

She was initiated into Pi Beta Phi in October, 1905, and became a most enthusiastic fraternity girl. At her graduation, in June, 1907, Pennsylvania Alpha lost one of her ablest and most diligent workers. Anna Pettit received the fraternity scholarship to Barnard College, where she is now working for a master's degree in English.

Phi Beta Kappas

FLORENCE RALSTON

EVA CASS

Pennsylvania Gamma is very proud that, of the members elected to Phi Beta Kappa this year, she can claim two for Pi Phi, Florence Ralston and Eva Cass. Both girls have been such a source of benefit and pleasure to the chapter that we feel as though this honor is but the finishing touch.

Florence Ralston has lived all her life near Carlisle. She was fitted for college in the Dickinson Preparatory School, and entered college as a classical student. Throughout her four years' course she carried the heaviest work offered, and always ranked among the highest. In the different college organizations she filled several offices, among others secretary of the class, and president of the literary society. Her strong personality won her many friends, and in fraternity her friendships have been true and deep. We know that Florence will win a place for herself in the world, and in the years to come will make us just as proud of her as we have been in the days that are past.

Eva Cass came from Elkland, Pennsylvania, to enter Dickinson Preparatory School, and remained in Carlisle until she had finished her college course. Her easy, pleasant manner at once gave her a place in the college life, which she held as long as she was with us. Moreover, she was an interested member of literary society and dramatic club, holding various offices from time to time. Her success along these lines did not prevent her maintaining a high scholarship, for during her freshman year she received the Palton prize for general excellence, and, as a senior, graduated from a class of sixty with salutatory honors. Eva represented the chapter at convention, and it was to fraternity that she gave most freely of her help, her sympathy and her interest. She is a loyal Pi Phi through and through.

Both girls are teaching in high schools in different parts of the state, and we know that all Pi Phis will join us in wishing them great success.

ALICE MAVOR EDWARDS

Alice Mavor Edwards was born in Waterloo, Iowa, April sixth, 1882. After attending the grammar and high schools in that place, she entered the State Normal School at Cedar Falls. Her work there was uniformly excellent, and after two years she was graduated with the degree B. Di.

The next two years were devoted to the teaching of Latin in the high school of Glidden, Iowa, at the close of which time Miss Edwards resigned her position to enter the University of Iowa. Classifying as a junior there, she showed, from the first, exceptional abilities which soon made her a leader both within and without the class room. As a prominent member and officer she was identified with Iowa Zeta, and with the Erodolphian and Polygon Literary societies, and was also honored by election to the Writer's Club, one of the exclusive English clubs of the university. She was, likewise, throughout her course, an earnest worker in the local Young Women's Christian Association.

Election to Phi Beta Kappa came, as a matter of course, in the spring of her senior year, to add the crowning honor to an unusual and noteworthy college career.

MARY MAKEPEACE

Mary Makepeace, a member of New York Alpha of Pi Beta Phi, was born in Watertown, New York, in 1885. Soon afterwards her family moved to Syracuse, where she attended school, graduating from the high school with salutatorian honors. She entered Syracuse University in 1903, and at the end of her four years' course was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. She is now teaching in Manlius, New York.

MABEL STEVENSON

Mabel Stevenson entered Middlebury College in 1901, having graduated with honors from the English High School of Worcester, Massachusetts. She soon became a loyal member of Vermont Alpha, and during the four years of her college course proved herself a worthy daughter of Pi Beta Phi. Her talents as a student won her the esteem of her instructors, and her happy disposition gained her many friends among her fellow-students. She was at different times Vice-President and Secretary of the Young Woman's Christian Association, an organization in which she took a warm interest. She was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, was class-historian, and was chosen to take part in the Commencement exercises.

MARGUERITE HARWOOD

Marguerite Harwood entered Middlebury from Swanton High School, having finished her course there in a remarkably creditable manner. She became a member of Pi Beta Phi in the fall of 1905, and soon, by her grace and charm, won as prominent a place in the chapter as her scholarship had already gained her in the classroom. She held the chairmanship of the Devotional and Bible Study Committees in the Young Woman's Christian Association, and displayed unusual executive ability in the fulfillment of her duties. At Commencement Miss Harwood was given a part and received highest honors in history, in addition to membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

EMILY MAVERICK

ELLEN WOOLDRIDGE WAGGENER

The only fraternity girls who made Phi Beta Kappa this year were two Pi Phis, Emily Maverick and Ellen Waggener; so you may know that Texas Alpha feels very proud of them. Since their graduation, they have both received additional honors in being offered fellowships, Miss Maverick one in Spanish, Miss Waggener in English.

In their years of college life, the two have, between them, received almost all the honors to be bestowed by the university. Both have been active in literary circles, holding many offices in the Ashbel Literary Society, as well as places on the staffs of university publications. They have also been prominent in tennis and basketball, and Miss Waggener has been vice-president of the Athletic Association. Aside from these collective honors, so to speak, Miss Waggener has been an earnest worker in the Young Woman's Christian Association. She was president of the Christian Association in her senior year, and in the previous summer she was sent as delegate to the national convention. For the year 1906-7 she was president of the Woman's Council, which is the greatest honor given by the student-body.

Miss Maverick, during her senior year, was student-assistant in Spanish. To her belongs the further distinction of having been quite a society girl, as well as student. In the fraternity, the two girls have been among our most enthusiastic members. We respect their opinions highly, and no one can realize just how much we shall miss them. Texas Alpha is very proud of her two Phi Beta Kappas, and hopes that they may be as successful in the future as they have been in the past.

HELEN LAVINIA ALLEN

Of the four girls winning Phi Beta Kappa at the University of Vermont, two were Pi Phis, Helen Allen and Gertrude Strong.

Helen Allen was born at Craftsbury, Vermont, June twenty-first, 1885. She graduated from Craftsbury Academy at the age of sixteen. While a pupil at this academy, she early evinced an aptitude for languages. After one year spent in teaching, she entered the University of Vermont, where she still showed her capability for modern languages. Upon her graduation, she shared the second place in general high standing, with Helen Douglas, and also gained Phi Beta Kappa.

GERTRUDE STRONG

Gertrude Ethel Strong was born in Fayston, Vermont, July fourth, 1882. Her early life was spent on a farm, while she attended "district school." In 1898, she entered the high school in Wakefield, Massachusetts. From there she graduated, in 1902, with salutatory honors. After teaching a year in Fayston, she entered the University of Vermont, in 1903, and was initiated into Pi Beta Phi in November. She specialized somewhat in mathematics, and is now teaching mathematics, English and French in the academy at Craftsbury, Vermont.

The Fraternity Girl of Yesterday and To-day

We so often hear the complaint that the fraternity girl of to-day is unlike her sister of a generation ago; that the fraternity in 1907 is not only vastly different from what it was in, say '83 or '84, but that the change is for the worse; that it seems worth while to attempt some contrast between the old order and the new, even though it be with difficulty that a woman of the past generation appreciates the point of view of her daughter of this one.

In the "good old days," the school year, from the fraternity standpoint, began, as now, with the search for new girls. "Material" and "Pi Phi type" being unknown terms, our search was for "the best girls." Having found them, initiation fol-

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lowed speedily, and the weekly meetings, occasional spreads, or cookie-shines, and formal parties made up the social life of the year. Among ourselves there was a general attitude of cordiality and loyalty, with a tendency to choose companions from our own number, and some closer friendships were formed either before or after initiation, in a few cases to last unaltered in strength as long as life.

Does, in the reading, this seem very different from the fraternity life of to-day? As I attempt to differentiate between then and now, make allowances, I beg you, active Pi Phis of to-day, for the handicap of twenty-four years of experience with life that I carry, and accept my criticisms, if there be any, as coming from one who speaks with motherly interest and affection.

And, first, the search for new girls was so unlike the "rushing" of to-day, with its strenuous entertaining, its nerve-racking uncertainties, its wide deviation from the normal way of selecting life-long friends, that no "old girl" can indorse the present custom in any degree. Our way was simply to ask such girls as we thought would be valuable additions to our number. I confess that even in those good old days, as now, some girls would be desired, and perhaps asked, because of the social or financial prominence of their parents, that a girl who had a staunch admirer in a leading boys' fraternity, was occasionally thought a more desirable member than a modest, retiring student, but, as a rule, scholarship was a *sine qua non*, and few girls wore the arrow who could not be trusted to lead in the classroom. You active girls know better than I if this rule still holds good.

We hear much of the all-around girl as the best "material" for holding up the fraternity standard, but my experience of life has not served to weaken my original faith that the college girl who puts study first and does her work to the best of her ability, though she may miss attendance at the Junior Prom., or fail to be found at many of the season's lesser functions, will make, later on, the all-around woman, of whom, whether

in a profession or as a home-maker, the fraternity will never be ashamed.

Then, as to initiation, once so simple and informal, and not nearly so beautiful or impressive as now. Here the new is far in advance of the old, and would be to a much greater degree were it not for the undignified and unsisterly mock-initiation which, I regret to say, is often the forerunner of the beautiful ceremony.

I can almost fancy myself a college girl again, when, on occasion, I participate as a spectator in the fraternity meeting of an active chapter, so little has the much-vaunted emancipation and advancement of woman changed the inherent girl-nature at nineteen or twenty. Our meetings, however, were held on Saturday afternoons, that being the only time we could conscientiously give to a meeting whose object was pleasure.

At the spreads, or cookie-shines, held not oftener than once in three weeks, the refreshments, except on the very rare occasion of an oyster supper, were limited to one contribution from each girl, brought as often as not in a brown paper bag. The various contributions were placed on a large sheet, which, spread upon the floor, served as a table, around which we sat, devouring ravenously, and with much merriment, such sleep-destroyers as peanuts, cheese, gingersnaps, crackers, pickles, bananas and apples. These feasts were not nearly so orderly or pleasant as the dainty, well-served spreads of to-day, and their only redeeming feature, ease of preparation, was hardly redeeming, because college life should not lead a girl to spare effort in her social undertakings any more than in her intellectual work.

Our formal parties, whether general, or given to a single fraternity, and of which, I think, three a year was a maximum number, were attractive, though the attendant expense was far less than that of the modern fraternity party. The increased elaborateness of the modern party is often criticized, but, I believe, this increase is not out of proportion to that in college social life generally, to that of the presidential reception or the faculty tea.

I cannot, with absolute knowledge, contrast the love and loyalty among fraternity members of a generation ago and now. I imagine the difference, if any, is slight, but I notice one change in the personal relations of members—an unfraternal assignment of distasteful duties to the new initiates, together with the demand that they yield precedence to the older members. When the merit and hearing of an older girl naturally commands respect and deference, the younger girl, in yielding, is only observing an established law of social life, but authority is very easily abused, and the older girls should set a high standard of courtesy, and unselfish thoughtfulness for the initiates to follow.

We of the past subordinated our fraternity to our college, in all things. I should like to feel sure that this is still true, and that love for Alma Mater, to whom we owe so great a debt, will take lasting precedence in our hearts over all minor associations of these four wonderful years of opportunity, discipline and growth toward a broad womanhood.

HELEN BAY RAYMOND,
Kansas Alpha, '83.

As Others See Us

Following the lead of *The Outlook*, *The Independent* and other more serious magazines, *The Ladies' Home Journal* has turned its attention to the sorority problem in schools and colleges. Since this magazine has a larger circulation than most of the purely literary publications and so reaches a more varied class of readers, the appearance of two different articles on the subject in two successive issues is enough to draw the thoughtful attention of every fraternity woman.

The announcement that Dr. Seelye, the honored president of Smith College, would contribute an article on "A Dangerous Phase of Girl College Life," introduced the first discussion on "The Influence of Sororities." It naturally aroused much in-

terest, since Dr. Seelye has long been on record as a firm opponent of secret societies for women.

After the introductory remark that "the novelty of the barbarous word sororities—indicates the recent origin of the Greek letter secret societies for women to which that name is affixed," Dr. Seelye discusses the *raison d'être* for men's fraternities, reaching a semi-favorable conclusion in regard to them. He then proceeds to state that "The existence of sororities, although due to similar causes, cannot be justified on the same grounds, viz.: "strength of numbers, historic associations, vested interests and ability to secure good order and to promote good fellowship." This is interesting because most fraternity women would be inclined to justify their organization on the very grounds named above, although they would admit that the very youth, of which Dr. Seelye has spoken, is sufficient reason for any qualities which may be lacking.

Dr. Seelye declares, with truth, that sororities are the outgrowth of the peculiar need for social union among women, which existed in the early state universities before a changed academic spirit brought more satisfactory social and literary conditions. He adds further, that the sororities, in the opinion of the majority of teachers, helped rather than hindered the change. He also says that in the leading women's colleges of the day sororities do not exist and would not be permitted, because they are not needed and would seriously interfere with the social ideal.

This last point is of especial interest, coming, as it does, from the president of the largest women's college. A good many years ago, when the college dormitories provided ample accommodations for all Smith students, there did exist an ideal communal life. In recent years, however, the number of new buildings has failed to keep pace with the increased numbers of students, many of whom, under present conditions, are forced to find board and lodging in private families. It is interesting to note that under these conditions, similar in some respects at least, to those that Dr. Seelye says encouraged the formation of the

first sororities, some of the Smith students, despite faculty opposition, have resorted to the sorority plan. One of the organizations, Delta Sigma, is of several years standing, possesses a goodly membership among the alumnae, and has recently erected a luxurious chapter house. Smith is not the only large woman's college which thus gives an ocular demonstration of the fraternity tendency. In others, where it is impossible for all the students to be accommodated in the college houses, the same movement is on foot. The president of one of these, instead of frowning upon the growing sentiment, gives a guarded answer to all requests for permission to seek a national charter in the words: "The time is not yet ripe."

A young professional man,—a non-fraternity man, too—seemed to voice the truth of this matter when he said, recently: "No matter how small the college, the tendency to cliques is bound to exist, and it would seem better to allow these groups to become part of a well-organized body, than to let them exist as mere locals, necessarily narrow in their scope."

Dr. Seelye's statement that there is no place where intimate friendships can be formed more readily and naturally than in a college community is essentially true, but it hardly supports his argument that a secret society circumscribes a girl's fellowship. For it is also true that in most large colleges the average girl's intimate friendships are inclined to be limited to the members of the student family who dwell in the same college house which is her home for four years.

The argument that "the sororities increase with no valid equivalent, the expense of a college course" can hardly take into consideration that "this social unit is founded on economic principle, whereby twenty girls can obtain more for their money by spending it together, can obtain food more to their taste, and can in time obtain permanent well-fitted lodgings in place of rented rooms and furniture to be cast aside."

While Dr. Seelye expresses his disapproval, he does not unqualifiedly condemn these organizations, for he admits that their benefits must, "in every case depend largely upon the way

they are conducted and the character of their leaders." In the concluding portion of his paper, and, indeed, in fully one-third of the entire article, Dr. Seelye deals with the problems of high school fraternities, and his conclusions in this respect will be heartily approved by the majority of fraternity women.

Another article of nearly equal interest appeared in the same magazine under the title "The Evils of Girls' Secret Societies," by Miss Grace Latimer Jones.

The writer bases her main conclusion on the ground that the sorority is primarily and confessedly a social institution which aims first of all to encourage social life. This in itself is laudable, if it represented the highest social aim, but she declares that the sororities stand for social exclusiveness and snobbery, which are no part of a college woman's creed. She remarks that if it were possible for the sororities to formulate and propagate "The Twentieth Century College Woman's Creed," they might make their claim to superiority just.

She says: "The pity is, in the college sorority, that the college really influences the life of its students so little that they are not actuated by higher impulses and feelings than those who are not college-bred." Illustrating, by some extreme cases, she condemns "the peculiar loyalty which is so dear to every society member," and declares that the intimate relations of sorority life are conducive to that sentimental relationship vulgarly known as the "crush."

Although careful to declare more than once that it is dangerous to generalize, and granting that the "delights of a natural intimate association and possibly a certain *esprit de corps* are good results which may come from the sorority system, Miss Jones closes her article with the sweeping statement that sororities are "undemocratic and un-Christian."

In justice to both Dr. Seelye and Miss Jones, it should be said that they have both attempted to discuss in the one article the sorority in secondary schools as well as colleges. For this reason, even the most careful reviewer is liable to misapprehension, since it is quite generally acknowledged that this is a two-

fold subject. Although the college organizations may be, in the main, responsible for the existence of secondary school fraternities, it is a well-established fact that the majority of fraternity women are opposed to the system.

Granting all this, it still remains that every fraternity woman must resent the implication that her organization is "un-Christian." It is fair to assert that the creed of any of the worthy women's fraternities might safely be adopted as "The Twentieth Century College Woman's Creed," and that, as such, it is being propagated in the lives of hundreds of earnest Christian women.

The fellowships and scholarships maintained by at least two fraternities should be ample refutation of the implication that scholarships in many sororities becomes a "penalty to be paid for various social honors." Then, too, the dark allusions to "the requirements and demands which emanate from secret authority" are only amusing when it is remembered that the so-called "secrets" of all worthy women's fraternities are really open secrets, and all privacy is only in the nature of a family matter.

The dangers of intimate friendships, which may well be preached to the girl of high school age, are hardly applicable to the college girl. Many of our grandmothers entered into matrimony at the age when the average freshman enters college. It is fair to assume that if they could safely choose a life-mate at eighteen, their grand-daughters cannot go wildly astray in selecting a girl friend at the same age.

Finally, it may be questioned whether the modern college spirit is as "naturally democratic" as Miss Jones believes, and if, in that case, the fraternity idea is out of keeping with its environment.

Although they express the views of foremost educators, most of the arguments advanced in these articles are really unconvincing. Still, these discussions are of value to the fraternity woman, because it is true that they do portray some phases of fraternity life as they really exist, and by touching the weak

points in her armor give her an opportunity to "see herself as others see her."

That there are evils in the fraternity system as now exemplified no thoughtful Greek can deny. Almost every editorial and contributed article in nearly every fraternity publication goes to prove the statement.

But the actual realization of this fact goes a long way towards remedying the evils. The loyalty of thousands of men and women, in the midst of active life, to the organizations and principles they pledged themselves to maintain in their student days, goes to prove that their mature judgment justifies their membership. It is not probable that their judgment has been so warped by the "evils" of fraternity life that they are entirely unable to distinguish the wheat from the chaff.

Since our standards are ideal, it is doubtful if we ever reach perfection, but we may approach nearer our goal. Wrote Lowell—

"The thing we long for, that we are
For one transcendent moment,
Before the Present poor and bare
Can make its sneering comment."

and as fraternity women we must remember

"Our lives must climb from hope to hope
And realize our longing."

"Ah! Let us hope that to our praise
Good God not only reckons
The moments when we tread His ways,
But when the spirit beckons,
That some slight good is also wrought
Beyond self-satisfaction,
When we are simply good in thought,
Howe'er we fail in action."

SARAH GERTRUDE POMEROY,
Massachusetts Alpha.



Colorado Alpha's Chapter House

Colorado Alpha

OF

Pi Beta Phi

November Second
Nineteen Hundred Seven

House Warming

10 to 12 p. m.

How happy we should all be if every girl who wears the arrow could accept this invitation and be at the opening of our new chapter house. But as this is an impossibility, we wish to tell you about it, and make you each feel as if you owned a share in our home.

You remember in the November Arrow of 1906, it was spoken of as "our new dream house." Well, it is a dream, but a really true one now, and one that has made such a difference in the life of Colorado Alpha. It has brought us all even closer together than we were before, in that we have something definite to show for our efforts. You can imagine how we all felt this fall to come back to a beautiful new house, that every girl had helped to build, small as her individual effort may have seemed.

The house, as you can see from the picture, is a large, square one, built of light tan brick, with brown roof and light trimmings. It faces the east, looking directly out upon the campus. As you look at the picture, our chapter room is to the left, and our dining room to the right.

Now, if you will follow me, I will take you inside. We shall first enter a vestibule floored with green and white mosaics. Opening a Dutch door, we find ourselves in the hall, with the chapter room on our left, the stairs and the den in front, and the dining room on our right. The ceilings of all the first floor rooms are beamed and have the star lights and chandeliers. The woodwork is stained in the Craftsman fumed oak in the chapter room, and the early English finish in the dining room.

The chapter room measures seventeen by forty feet. The walls are finished in a light green, and the draperies are green shaiki silk. The picture shows the fireplace on the right, and the piano, which stands in the middle of the room, on the left. Through the archway to the hall we can see the Dutch door leading to the vestibule. This room is furnished with Stickley fumed oak furniture. The dining room is twenty-seven feet long, and in one end we have a buffet and along the north side a bow-window broken into five hinged windows. This room is finished in a bronze shade, with figured paper above the plate rail. The fixtures are of the mission style, with lanterns of art glass to match the color in the papering. Our den, which is small but very cozy, is in mahogany, with golden shades in the draperies.

On the second floor are six bed rooms and a tea room, which opens out upon the front veranda. On the third floor we have five more bed rooms, each very pretty and homelike. The house is heated by hot water, and we have a bath and toilet on each floor.

I think there is no need of even trying to express to our sisters what the effect has been on our chapter. I am sure each girl knows how happy she would be if her chapter were building a new home. I hope I have not bored you with the description of our house, but have encouraged each of our sister chapters to try our plan. Colorado Alpha wishes to tell all her sisters they will be warmly welcomed at any time if they will visit us in Boulder.

Report of the Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference

The Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference met Friday, September thirteenth, three p. m., for its first session, with Miss Holcombe, Chi Omega, in the chair. Miss Elda L. Smith, Pi Beta Phi, acted as secretary.

The following delegates, after presenting credentials, were enrolled:

PI BETA PHI.—Miss Elda L. Smith, 710 South Sixth Street, Springfield, Illinois.

KAPPA ALPHA THETA.—Mrs. Laura H. Norton, 2541 North Paulina Street, Chicago.

KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA.—Mrs. W. W. Canby, Galice, Oregon.

DELTA GAMMA.—Miss Margarethe Sheppard, 225 Greenwood Boulevard, Evanston, Illinois.

ALPHA PHI.—Mrs. Cora Allen McElroy, 153 East Fifty-Fourth Street, Chicago.

GAMMA PHI BETA.—Miss Lillian Thompson, 326 West Sixty-First Place, Chicago.

ALPHA CHI OMEGA.—Mrs. Richard Tennant, 824 South Fifth Street, Terre Haute, Indiana.

DELTA DELTA DELTA.—Mrs. Amy Olgen Parmelee, 918 Chase Avenue, Chicago.

ALPHA XI DELTA.—Mrs. J. R. Leib, 1271 West Washington Street, Springfield, Illinois.

CHI OMEGA.—Miss Jobelle Holcombe, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

SIGMA KAPPA.—Miss Sara B. Mathews, 297 Ashland Boulevard, Chicago.

ALPHA OMICRON PI.—Mrs. C. G. Bigelow, 1321 Monroe Street, Chicago.

The secretary read a summary of the work of the five Inter-Sorosity Conferences prepared by Miss Gamble for the use of new delegates. Miss Holcombe read her report as secretary of the I. S. C. Her summary of the year's achievements follows:

After the close of the Fifth I. S. C., 1,000 copies of the minutes were printed and circulated, with 500 copies of the model constitution for Pan-Hellenics. Later, 800 copies of the report of the delegate to the Deans' Conference were printed and circulated. The secretary took the liberty to divide into two motions the resolution against high school sororities. It was made to read

Motion I. Resolved, That sororities in high schools and other secondary schools should be discountenanced.

Motion 2. Moved that after four years from date of notification by Grand Presidents, each Sorority in the Inter-Sorority Conference refuse to admit any young woman who has been a member of a sorority in a high school or secondary school.

Voting blanks were sent to all Grand Secretaries and a vote called for. The secretary delayed calling for the result of the vote in order that the subject might be fully discussed in the journals before final action was taken. The result of the vote occurs elsewhere in this report.

The dispensations to Wisconsin and to Michigan, as recommended by the Fifth I. S. C., were ratified by the grand presidents.

The secretary was asked to investigate the law concerning the making and wearing of jewelry by unauthorized persons. She did much corresponding on the subject, and is indebted to Wright Kay & Company, Detroit, Michigan, for an extensive article taken from the Beta Theta Pi journal. From it a conclusion is reached that there is no law that covers the question. The jewelers think such a law would be hard to enforce.

The secretary wishes to emphasize the importance of sending various sorority journals to the secretary of I. S. C. Some journals reached her promptly, but from some editors no copies were received. Complaint was made to her that the grand officers also do not receive the exchanges.

The chairman appointed a committee on recommendations, Mrs. Parmelee and Mrs. Canby.

Reports were read from all twelve sororities composing the I. S. C. The reports considered: (a) Conflicts and difficulties arising in Pan-Hellenics; (b) Attitude of sorority on high school sororities; (c) All convention action bearing upon the Conference or Inter-Sorority relations; (d) Recommendations to the Conference; (e) Suggestions for improvement in Pan-Hellenic organizations.

The remainder of the session was spent in a discussion of the exact meaning and wording of the I. S. C. constitution. To facilitate matters, the chair appointed Mrs. Leib, Miss Mathews

and Mrs. Norton to act as a committee to examine the present tentative constitution and receive all recommendations suggested. Adjourned.

INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE, SECOND SESSION.

This session convened Saturday, September fourteenth, at 9:30 a. m., and was given up to the reports of committees. Alpha Phi, who had been appointed to investigate conditions at Michigan University, reported a decided advance in Pan-Hellenic spirit there. The chairman of I. S. C. is authorized to send word to each chapter at Michigan University that the dispensation recommended by I. S. C. and granted by the grand presidents expires September twenty-third. In addition, each delegate is to send word to her grand president to so notify her chapter at Michigan. The I. S. C. extends a vote of thanks to Mrs. Woodward for her efforts towards adjusting the difficulties at Michigan.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma delegate reported the result of her study of conditions at Wisconsin University. Mention was made of the meeting of Madison women, who adopted resolutions advocating moderation in social affairs. Kappa Kappa Gamma was continued as a standing committee for the same study a year longer, and Mrs. Canby was asked to express to the Pan-Hellenic at Madison the approval by I. S. C. of the improvement there. The chairman of I. S. C. was ordered to notify the Pan-Hellenic at Wisconsin that her dispensation expires at the Seventh I. S. C., 1908.

The difficulties experienced at Syracuse were discussed, and Mrs. McElroy and Miss Thompson were appointed a committee to work through their Grand Councils towards an adjustment.

Mrs. Tennant read her report on Social Service and Pan-Hellenics. She reported that lists of four questions had been sent to each sorority visiting delegate, and to a few persons identified with colleges in such a way as to make their state-

ments valuable. From the replies she obtained the following facts:

1. Where Pan-Hellenic compacts have been agreed upon and then dishonored, in every case, without exception, the trouble has centered in a small selfishness that has justly brought criticism on the entire sorority body. There has been no care for "the greatest good to the greatest number," and apparently no realization that *principle* should stand before *individual preference*. On the other hand, where an earnest attempt has been made to follow a Pan-Hellenic agreement, snobbishness, to a large extent, is dying out, as a consequence of a more intelligent understanding of each other's motives and standards; certain evils, such as the large expense connected with "rushing," are acknowledged; and a strong current is setting in the direction of *alma mater first, fraternity, if necessary, second*.

2. The sorority girl finds her social needs very adequately met in her own group, consequently she does not readily see the need of identifying herself with Women's Leagues and Y. W. C. A. "*Noblesse oblige*—noble birth implies responsibility." We believe the sorority was born rightly, and to recognize her own powers is the present responsibility.

3. There is a rapidly growing sentiment of kindness toward the non-fraternity student.

4. There is an earnest expression against the evils of rushing:—over-elaborateness of entertainment, neglect of regular college work, and unwarranted expenditures.

A committee consisting of Miss Thompson and Miss Mathews was appointed, with two purposes: (a) to reprint the Pan-Hellenic Model Constitution, appending to it the various recommendations for the serious consideration of Pan-Hellenic associations; and (b) to collect, during the year, a copy of the Pan-Hellenic rules from each association, these rules to be incorporated in a pamphlet for the instruction of Pan-Hellenic associations, and for printing in each of the sorority journals.

Miss Smith was appointed to draw up a letter to be sent to alumnae clubs, telling them of the purposes of I. S. C., and

urging their assistance in solving local Pan-Hellenic difficulties. Mrs. Tennant was asked to make a summary of her report, to be included in this letter.

For the benefit of girls living in sorority houses, Mrs. Tennant will have a list of women who might be obtained as chaperones.

The Conference considered the application for membership in I. S. C. from Alpha Delta Phi Sorority, and instructed the chairman to inform them that they do not meet the requirements for membership.

Adjourned.

INTER-SORORITY CONFERENCE, THIRD SESSION.

After the annual luncheon of the I. S. C. delegates, the Conference convened in third session at 2 p. m.

Mrs. Leib gave the report of the committee appointed to modify the wording of the constitution, making it read as follows:

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the Inter-Sorority Conference.

ARTICLE II.

OBJECT.

The object of the Inter-Sorority Conference shall be to improve the methods of rushing and pledging, and to consider questions of general interest to the Sorority world.

ARTICLE III.

ORGANIZATION.

The Conference shall be composed of one delegate from each national Sorority represented.

ARTICLE IV.

ELIGIBILITY TO MEMBERSHIP.

No Sorority shall be represented in the Conference which has less than five chapters, or which has any chapter in an institution below collegiate rank.

ARTICLE V.

MEETINGS.

The Conference shall assemble annually, time and place of the following meeting to be arranged each year.

ARTICLE VI.

CALLING OF MEETINGS.

Section 1. The meetings of the Conference shall be called by the Sororities in rotation.

Sec. 2. The official list shall be:

1. Pi Beta Phi.
2. Kappa Alpha Theta.
3. Kappa Kappa Gamma.
4. Delta Gamma.
5. Alpha Phi.
6. Gamma Phi Beta.
7. Alpha Chi Omega.
8. Delta Delta Delta.
9. Alpha Xi Delta.
10. Chi Omega.
11. Sigma Kappa.
12. Alpha Omicron Pi.

Sec. 3. Additions to official list shall be made in order of election to membership.

Sec. 4. The delegate from the Sorority calling the Conference shall act as chairman, and the delegate from the Sorority next in order shall act as secretary of the Conference, and shall continue in office until she calls the next Conference.

ARTICLE VII.

POWERS.

The powers of this organization shall be two-fold: First, to propose legislation to the Sororities; second, to act *upon request* as a standing court of appeal to settle local difficulties reported to it by the Sororities, or by the Pan-Hellenic Associations.

ARTICLE VIII.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

Section 1. Chairman: The chairman shall preside at the meetings.

Sec. 2. Secretary: The duties of the secretary shall be as follows:

She shall keep the minutes.

She shall send reports of the Conference, within two weeks after adjournment, to the members of the Conference and to all grand secretaries of the Sororities represented in the Conference, for distribution to chapters and officers of their Sororities.

She shall issue questions proposed by the Conference to the grand secretaries for presentation to their Sororities, and shall, upon receipt of result, send notice of same to all grand secretaries.

She shall report all measures of Inter-Sorority interest passed by any Grand Council, or by any convention, at once to the Conference.

She shall send to each Grand Secretary voting blanks for all motions submitted to the Sororities by the Conference.

She shall prepare the program of the next Conference meeting and the instructions to delegates, and shall issue the call for the next meeting.

She shall have power, *on application* from any Pan-Hellenic Association, to appoint a member of the Conference whose Sorority interests are not involved in the question at issue, to investigate and arbitrate any difficulty arising in the Pan-Hellenic. Expenses of the one sent are to be paid by the local Pan-Hellenic.

ARTICLE IX.

METHODS OF PROCEDURE.

Section 1. Actions of Inter-Sorority interest passed by any Grand Council or at any Grand Convention shall be reported at once to the secretary of the Conference, and also to the grand secretary of each Sorority represented in the Conference.

Sec. 2. Suggestions offered by the Conference shall be submitted as soon as possible by the secretary to all the grand secretaries of the Sororities represented in the Conference. Voting blanks may be used for all motions submitted to the Sororities, and the result of the vote announced by each grand secretary to the secretary of the Conference within two months.

Sec. 3. The Conference secretary shall then announce the result to all Grand Councils and chapters. The motions that have received a unanimous vote of all the Sororities shall at once become binding upon all chapters, the Grand Councils being responsible for the observance.

ARTICLE X.

LEGISLATION.

Legislation enacted by a Sorority at the suggestion of the Conference can be repealed or modified only by formal action of the Sororities, who must follow the regular order of procedure (Article IX). Legislation cannot be changed by any one Sorority, or by the Inter-Sorority Conference.

ARTICLE XI.

AMENDMENTS.

This constitution may be amended by a unanimous vote of all the Sororities represented in the Inter-Sorority Conference.

On balloting, each delegate voted in favor of adopting the constitution as presented, with the exception of Alpha Omicron Pi, who had not yet been instructed by her Sorority.

In reporting the result of the vote on the High School Sorority question, Miss Holcombe announced that Motion I (that sororities in high schools and other secondary schools be dis-

countenanced) had carried every Sorority except Alpha Omicron Pi, who had been unable to give a definite vote, since the voting blanks did not reach her. Her delegate, however, reported that she concurred in Motion I. The vote on Motion II was not unanimous with eleven fraternities heard from.

A motion was carried that a protest be formulated and sent to Mrs. Martin and Mr. Baird, asking them to use their influence against high school sororities, by inserting articles against these organizations in the next editions of their books. The editors of the different sorority magazines are urged in each issue to include articles discouraging high school sororities, and to omit all articles encouraging them.

The committee on recommendations made its report, which included all recommendations submitted by the various delegates in their reports.

The recommendation was adopted that in the case of granting a dispensation, each grand president shall notify the secretary of the I. S. C., who shall send official notification to the Pan-Hellenic asking the dispensation.

The I. S. C. recommends that the report of the Commissioner of Education be made the basis for the definition of "an institution below collegiate rank". (See Constitution, Article IV.)

The Conference recommends that Deans of Women be encouraged to present to the I. S. C. matters of interest to college women.

The Conference authorized the secretary to have printed blanks whose use will lessen the difficulty in securing united action among the different Sororities.

The Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference desires to emphasize in the report the request that the editors of Sorority magazines exercise more care in sending exchanges to the grand officers of other Sororities, and in sending them promptly. The recommendation that fraternity journals be sent to all chapters in colleges where the respective Sororities are represented, was reconsidered, and the editors are now requested to send

but one copy to each college where represented, this copy to be sent to the secretary of the Pan-Hellenic Association.

Some music schools in universities where college Sororities have chapters have entrance requirements lower than the literary colleges. The delegates discussed the right to initiate students in these music schools, but found no satisfactory solution for the problem.

The report of the committee on Pan-Hellenic recommendations was accepted. (For (a) see Part II.)

Alpha Phi announced that their Sorority had succeeded in copyrighting their badge.

A motion carried that each Sorority be assessed five dollars for Inter-Sorority Conference expenses.

The Conference adjourned to meet in September, 1908.

ELDA L. SMITH,
Phi Beta Phi,

Secretary Sixth Inter-Sorority Conference.

PART II

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RECOMMENDATIONS TO PAN-HELLENIC ASSOCIATIONS.

The committee has thought it best to incorporate in the secretary's report of the Sixth Annual Meeting of the Inter-Sorority Conference, the Model Constitution for Pan-Hellenic Associations, and to add to it the recommendations of the Conference.

MODEL CONSTITUTION FOR PAN-HELLENICS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

The name of this organization shall be the Pan-Hellenic Association of the.....

ARTICLE II.

PURPOSE.

This Pan-Hellenic shall:

1. Fix the date of pledge day.
2. Regulate the rules for rushing.
3. Regulate other matters of Inter-Sorority interest in this college presented to it for consideration.
4. Co-operate with the college authorities and all college organizations in questions of general college interest.

ARTICLE III.

ORGANIZATION.

This Pan-Hellenic shall be composed of one active and one alumna member from each chapter of the National Sororities represented in the institution, and from such locals as they may see fit to admit.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

Section 1. The officers of this Pan-Hellenic shall be: President, secretary and treasurer.

Sec. 2. The officers shall serve for one year, dating from the first meeting of the Pan-Hellenic after the Christmas holidays.

Sec. 3. The office of president shall be held in rotation by the chapters, in the order of their establishment as nationals in the college; the locals to hold office after the nationals in the order of their organization. A local becoming national shall take its place among the nationals according to the date of its installation as a national.

Sec. 4. The secretary shall be chosen from the chapter which is to have the presidency the following year.

Sec. 5. The duties of the officers shall be those usually devolving upon such officers.

ARTICLE V.

VOTING.

A unanimous vote shall be necessary to fix the date for pledge day and to make rules regulating rushing.

ARTICLE VI.

AMENDMENTS.

This constitution can be amended by the unanimous vote of the Pan-Hellenic.

BY-LAWS.

I. The date of pledge day shall be the.....

II. It shall be considered dishonorable for a fraternity member, active or alumna, to speak disparagingly of another fraternity or one of its members to a rushee.

III. The constitution and by-laws of this Pan-Hellenic shall be printed not later than May first of each year and five (5) copies of the same shall be sent by each chapter to its grand president.

IV. These by-laws may be amended by the unanimous vote of the Pan-Hellenic.

The Conference would make the following recommendations to Pan-Hellenics:

1. That special emphasis be placed upon Article III of the Model Constitution as printed above, urging that in every organization of Pan-Hellenics there be one active and one alumna member from each chapter, instead of two active members.

2. That there be regular meetings of the Pan-Hellenic, as often as once in two months, at least.

3. That invitations to the meetings be extended to the Deans of Women and Faculty Women.

4. That Pan-Hellenics give particular attention to Article II, Section 4, in the Model Constitution, and in the meetings extend their discussion to questions of general college interest.

There might be discussion of such topics as The Promiscuous Wearing of Fraternity Pins, Chaperones of Sorority Houses, Incessant Calling at Sorority Houses, Lifting of Pledges, and Cribbing.

5. That complaints and difficulties in Pan-Hellenics be reported directly to the grand presidents, and settled by them when possible.

6. That a late pledge day be urged upon all chapters, preferably a sophomore pledge day.

LILLIAN W. THOMPSON, *Gamma Phi Beta*,
SARA B. MATHEWS, *Sigma Kappa*,
Committee.

What a Fraternity Girl Thinks

Minnesota Alpha has a plan to suggest by which a few odd pennies may be gathered and put to good use. When a chapter member has a birthday, every other girl in the chapter pays to her one penny for each of her years. The Birthday Girl then takes this money and buys whatever she thinks the chapter would like. The sum usually amounts to three or four dollars, according to the number in the chapter, and little luxuries are obtained in this manner which we might otherwise have to dispense with. On the birthday we all get together in the fraternity rooms for a good old cookie-shine, during which the gift is presented, with great pomp and ceremony.

*Every Little Bit
Helps*

Minnesota Alpha.

In one of the prominent monthly magazines there appeared, not long ago, an article against college fraternities. It based its arguments on the "practical" side, and one of them was: "They are un-Christian." Of all the arguments used against us, this seems to me the most unfair. From the beginning of fraternities, there has been criticism against them, but they have built themselves up, becoming constantly a bigger factor in college life, and who is ready to stand up and say outright that college life is the worse for it? If, in some places, they are carried to extremes, and rushing is extravagant, the extreme measures should be guarded against, but not on account of them should anyone say that fraternities in general are not Christian in their character. If a person has known little of fraternity life and hears of some girl who is very unhappy because she is not asked to join a certain fraternity, is it fair that they say immediately that fraternities cause much unhappiness and

*Are Fraternities
Un-Christian?*

are undemocratic? Were there no fraternities that girl would have been unhappy had not a certain few girls been her friends, and it is very likely they would not have been. Life has disappointments for us all in one way or another. Every man who tries for a position in a business firm is not chosen: how can every girl expect to gain the position she happens to desire in a certain group? Someone will say: "But in business a man is given a better chance to win the position." One of the greatest fallacies in the popular belief about secret societies is that people think a girl is chosen merely because of social advantages. When girls attain the college age, they naturally choose for their friends cultured people who do appear well in society. But a fraternity girl cannot be a mere social butterfly, for the aims and ideals of the fraternity make her live up to a certain scholastic standard. She makes her own friends, whether in her own fraternity, in another, or not in any at all, but her *sisters* are the ones to whom she can turn in trouble or need. All these things are thought of before a girl is asked to join—congeniality being the keynote of all,—and who can say that, because a number of girls feel that they are congenial, can live together with mutual benefit, and are in need of a home while in college, who can say that they are un-Christian simply because they feel they cannot thus live with the five hundred or so other girls, whom the institution may enroll?

Wisconsin Alpha.

One of the problems which puzzles the fraternity chapter is the proper care for its pledge. It behooves us who have honored these girls with our invitations to make them in every way a credit to the group of which they will later become a part, to instill in them a reverence for their fraternity that will stay by them always. It is not enough that we should be the loving elder sisters, ready to advise them, and, perhaps, to talk about fraternity and its ideals now and then—all this is necessary, but by

*The Pledge
Meeting*

no means sufficient. The pledge must leave some active interest before she can feel that she is really a part of this strange yet beautiful something she hears us speak of as a sisterhood. We have found a most excellent plan is that of the pledge meeting, to which the pledges are invited after the fraternity meeting proper has adjourned. On these occasions we read to the pledges some good article from the ARROW or other fraternity magazine, talk to them sometimes of things we feel they should know about, and answer whatever questions they may want to ask. Often we have a little cookie-shine at the close of a meeting, or we gather around the piano and teach our pledges the Pi Phi songs. We all feel better after one of these meetings, the older girls from their contact with the younger ones, as well as the influence which we hope and feel is impressed upon those not yet our initiated sisters.

Illinois Beta.

The question has arisen in our minds, as well as in many others, I suppose, as to whether a Pan-Hellenic Conference is necessary or beneficial in a university where the evils which it is designed to correct are practically unknown. I refer to the subjects suggested to Pan-Hellenic attention by the Inter-Sorority Conference, such as "Chaperones of Sorority Houses," "Incessant Calling at Sorority Houses," "Lifting of Pledges," "Cribbing," and so forth. I suppose it is because we are young in fraternity life at Washington University, but in our particular case such questions never have to be considered. Any violation of honor and propriety in those matters would bring the doer unlimited amount of harm. When Kappa Alpha Theta called a Pan-Hellenic meeting last year, there really was nothing to do except to try to agree on a definite rushing season and pledge day, which was of so little advantage, and showed such signs of disadvantage, that nothing was accomplished, and this year we have had open season. Pan-Hellenic agreements would

inevitably have caused unpleasant feelings and misunderstandings; while at the present time the friendliest relations exist between the two organizations, and our chapter feels that she has gained much at the opening of her first year in Pi Phi.

Missouri Beta.

One of the girls, a member of another fraternity, said to me to-night: "Be sure to come out for the election of class officers tomorrow. You know, the barbs got their people in for presidents of the junior and sophomore classes, and we mustn't let them get ahead of us seniors." This brought to my attention more forcibly than ever, the utterly wrong condition of college and class politics. It hardly seems possible that young men and women, who are advanced far enough, not only to have entered college, but to have become seniors in college, should have no more sense of their duty as members of a college community than to allow themselves to be swept along with the crowd, either of "barbs" or of "frat. people." May we not hope for the time when, in all college elections, the question will be not "Is he a fraternity man?" but, "Is he the man best qualified for this position?"

Illinois Epsilon.

Many of us are apt to make the mistake of thinking that rushing consists of giving big parties and receptions, when really it is the smaller, informal afternoons and teas that appeal more to most girls. Of course, we want one or two formal functions in order that the rushee may see that side of our life, but if she is going to become one of us, it is the informal life that she will see most of, and why not show her our "every day" selves at first? Help her to feel at home in the chapter house, cultivate her friendship, and become acquainted with

her personally. I am sure we should all find that this is the kind of rushing that would win in the end.

Colorado Alpha.

We Pi Phis of Indiana Gamma feel the need of more time for ourselves. During the bustle of college days, we barely catch a glimpse of one another. This is especially true during rushing season. We are all so busy in making the freshmen have a good time that we forget about the good little times we were accustomed to have among ourselves.

We are convinced that we should all be benefited and work together better if we now and then forgot college worries and little every-day annoyances, and just had a glorious good time among ourselves.

Indiana Gamma.

What has been called the "Let-the-Freshman-do-the-work" spirit in the chapter life of so many fraternities is a thing that we think ought to be rooted out. What right has a girl, just because she has been in college a year or two longer than you have, to ask you to do the thing she herself refuses to do? Why should you black her shoes or mail her letters or answer her telephone calls? Ye upperclassmen, when you are about to demand these things of your freshmen, just put yourselves in their place. Can't you remember the time when you came home tired and cross from the strain of an entirely new routine and had to—or thought you had to—run half a dozen errands for the girls who weren't half as tired as you were? This is certainly a despicable spirit in college men and women far and wide, and we hope that juniors and seniors will remember not only to spare the freshman that extra trip, but not to let that overbearing upper classman spirit to creep into their hearts.

Nebraska Beta.

Perhaps we, as fraternity girls, are distressed to read the recent magazine articles directed against the organizations which mean so much to us. Let us look at it in another light. If the criticisms placed upon us are unjust, they can do us no harm, for we can be living proofs of their injustice. But if there is some ground for censure, let us decide exactly what our fault is and set about to correct it. Thus this opposition thrown in our way can be not a hindrance, but a gain, by helping us to a more practical realization of our ideals.

Michigan Alpha.

The strong feeling against Pan-Hellenic seems to be growing stronger at California every day. In so many ways it has proven most unsatisfactory, in so many ways it has been a disappointment. Who among us does not believe that there is a time and place just when and where to bid a freshman? In almost every case that psychological moment is past when the bids are finally issued in a cold formal manner. And do you not think that it gives the freshman too much power, thereby placing the fraternity in a most undignified position. What is worse than to feel that your dignity has been sacrificed to the whims of a mere freshman. Pan-Hellenic here this year agreed to send out a list of engagements for the last two weeks of rushing and let the freshmen take their pick. If that is not humbling ourselves to the freshmen, what is it?

On registration day when our freshman friends need help the most, we are not permitted to speak to them, and if they come up to us on the campus between eight and three on college days, we have to excuse ourselves. What good is to come out of such utter foolishness I fail to see.

Pan-Hellenic's cold formal way of dealing with the freshmen allows no personal note whatsoever to enter into the case. How much nicer it would be when one decides the time is ripe for bidding some winsome little freshie to whisk her off in an

automobile or take her rowing, to the theater or some such place, and bring her home with a pledge pin on. The world in general is cold and matter-of-fact enough; why lose all spontaneity and personality in a common agreement of this kind?

Of course, Pan-Hellenic has its good features, the best being the limitations put on entertaining. This would in time serve largely to eliminate our over-extravagant method of rushing and simplify matters greatly. But to prove satisfactory all around, I feel sure that radical changes will have to be made. As it stands, every sorority on the campus has some complaint to make about it.

California Beta.

The question of greatest importance to us all just now is that of rushing, and we are all searching our brains for plans for the most effective and the pleasantest "rushing stunts." We have found that it is a wise plan to have pledge day set by Pan-Hellenic agreement when there is a rather small number of girls in the freshman class. Another Pan-Hellenic agreement—one which we tried for the first time this year—has worked itself out very successfully. This was to abstain from all active rushing from the Wednesday on which college opened to the following Monday. In this way, the freshman girls had a better chance to become acquainted with each other and since invitations could then be given them for future affairs, and since they were entertained at a co-ed. luncheon given by all the upper class girls, they had no reason to feel themselves neglected. We have decided, in short, that a few, sensible Pan-Hellenic agreements in regard to rushing are of great benefit, not only to the fraternity girls, but to the girls they rush as well.

Columbia Alpha.

Alumnae Department

The Chicago Club

The Chicago Alumnae Club, though so long unheard from in the *ARROW*, is not dead. Indeed, it is very much alive, and adding monthly to its vigor and enthusiasm. We still have many problems to solve; but we feel that the club has really started on a healthy growth which not only will conserve the interest of its members in the college fraternity, but will also, we hope, make the alumnae chapter here an added source of strength to the fraternity at large.

One of our great problems was to find a suitable place and form for our meetings. Chicago is so large that it is impossible to meet at the homes of the members, as that will mean the crossing of the city by those on the other side from the place of meeting. It is necessary therefore to meet in the downtown district. Our first meetings were luncheons at the Great Northern Hotel or at the Victoria. These gave us little chance for cultivating each other's acquaintance, and without knowing each other well there could be no true fellowship. At last we found what promises to be a suitable and pleasant place for a social meeting. The last three meetings have been held in the rooms of the Klio Association on Monroe street. There, for a moderate price, we can have the use of the parlor and dining room for an afternoon. Instead, therefore, of spending our two hours together eating a formal luncheon and talking only with those who chance to sit next us at the table, we have an opportunity to visit informally with all there, and then we have together a cup of tea with sandwiches and wafers. These informal meetings have done much to bring the members together, and there is now a nucleus of perhaps twenty-five members who are to be depended upon to be present and do any club work given to them to do. There is in addition to this a floating attendance of perhaps a hundred and twenty others who have been at one or more meetings, but who do

not attend regularly, although they are more or less interested in the club.

To further our acquaintance, we last spring held three sectional meetings, one for those on the north side of the city, one for those on the west, and one for those on the south. These proved very enjoyable. Our out-of-doors meeting in 1906 was held at the home of Mrs. Fiegenbaum, on the south side, and in 1907 at the home of Mrs. McClanahan, on the north.

In the fall, Illinois Epsilon kindly invited us to attend their initiation exercises, and several accepted the invitation. Some of our members present had not attended an initiation before for twenty-five years.

To facilitate our work, a larger executive committee has been appointed, representing different sections of the city, and each member is responsible for sectional meetings and for the collection of dues in her district. This lightens the burdens on officers, and has added materially to the interest of those who are thus set to work. We are now discussing the advisability of holding monthly meetings instead of having them only five times a year as heretofore.

The new officers for the present year are as follows: President, Anna McMahan, Indiana Alpha; Vice-President, Mrs. A. A. McClanahan, Illinois Alpha; Treasurer, Lucy B. Hammond, Colorado Beta; Recording Secretary, Mary O. Pollard, Vermont Alpha; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Walter Spry, Illinois Delta.

We shall be very glad if any Pi Phis moving to Chicago or its vicinity will let us know their location. Our ideal is to have every Pi Phi within a radius of fifty miles of Chicago an active member of our club. Any chapter will confer a favor upon us by notifying us of any of its members who move into our neighborhood.

The annual Thanksgiving meeting of the Chicago Alumnae Club will be held on the Friday of Thanksgiving week. The club will be glad to welcome any visiting Pi Phis who chance to

be in Chicago on that day. Details in regard to time and place can be obtained by telephoning to Mrs. Walter Spry, Telephone Edgewater 1665, or by writing to the President, Anna McMahon, 3946 Drexel Boulevard.

MARY ORENA POLLARD, *Recording Secretary.*

Boston Alumnae Club

The July meeting of this club was held at the summer home of Anna Robinson-Nickerson, at Rock Island. The names were read of those girls who cannot attend our meetings very often, because they live so far from Boston. Then each girl presented the names of several to whom she would occasionally write concerning the work of active chapter alumnae club. It is hoped in this way to sustain the interest of these absent members.

On the 10th of August, fifteen Pi Phis gathered at the home of Edith Swift in Newtonville. She has spent four years in Rome, and during the past year has been at the head of the teaching force in Crandon Institute, a large school for girls there. She has already returned to Italy to resume her work.

Among those present at the August meeting was Free Burnham, who has been spending several months in Los Angeles, and was one of the founders of the Alumnae Club in that city. She is to return to California very soon and her wedding will take place in January.

The September meeting of the club was devoted principally to planning for the work of the coming year. Printed cards are to be prepared giving dates and places of meeting, with so far as possible the programs for the special meetings. In this way the girls who come from a distance and only occasionally, can plan ahead for the meetings which they wish to attend.

*In Memoriam.**Mary Clark Traylor, Colorado Beta 1902*

Never has the arrow been worn by a more loyal member than Mary Clark Traylor, who, on an early May morning, after a short but beautiful life, fell into that sleep which God giveth His beloved. In her tall gracefulness and delicate coloring she had seemed to belong especially to the time of pink and white May flowers and awakening life, and the beginning of her new life at that time seemed one of the sweet harmonies that help to make our sorrows less crushing.

Mary was the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Traylor. She was born December 7, 1880, in Vincennes, Indiana, but had lived in Denver since 1888. Her school life, both in high school and university, was a series of brilliant achievements. Winner of the Allen medal and valedictorian of her high school class, she entered Denver University in the fall of 1898, and was soon initiated into Colorado Beta. Though she was unusually loyal to Pi Beta Phi and gave much of her time and strength to work for her chapter, she had time not only for a regular heavy course of college work but extra work, such as the translation of a French history of astronomy, which she made and presented to Chamberlin Observatory, because she knew the dean of the department, Dr. Howe, would be glad to have it. She published in an Eastern astronomical periodical a long solution of an interesting problem which was favorably noticed in an English review. This paper is now used by the astronomy classes of Denver University. When the planet Eros came near the earth a few years ago she made a special study of its orbit in order to find out the most favorable times for making observations. When the American Association for the Advancement of Science met in Denver, she was asked to read this paper on Eros. In 1902 she received the degree of Master of Arts, having prepared a thesis on the determination of the orbit of a comet.

After finishing her college work she took up the busy life of a teacher in the Manual Training High School, and there, as before, she won success. But her frail body seemed unable to bear the strain of the keen, tense, life she lived, and after a summer of lessening strength there came last fall an attack of typhoid fever, and afterward a gradual consuming of her vitality until she fell asleep.

In her home Mary was an ideal daughter, and every moment spent with father and mother was one of that abiding happiness which cannot be described. Every thought of each for other was one of love and every joy grew from being shared together.

Close to her devotion to home came her love for her fraternity sisters, who so nearly took the place of those that nature had not given. One of her last outside interests was the Founder's Day celebration, which she could not attend. Her fraternity ideals and relationships were so fine and true, so lofty and so sincere that she became a worthy example of the meaning of Pi Beta Phi.

With so much to live for and to do for others, with a mind of such richness and with such lofty aspirations, it seemed to us that Mary must live. But we are beginning to realize that she had already accomplished so much that her blue eyes longed to see the vistas of God's greater world beyond and to see with greater clearness the stars she loved, and we "do believe that just the same sweet face, but glorified, is waiting in that place where we shall meet if only we are counted worthy in that by and by."

N. T. H.

Alumnae Personals

VERMONT BETA.

Alice MacIntyre, ex-'08, has accepted the position of librarian of the Randolph Public Library, Randolph, Vt.

Katherine Gebhardt-Welch has returned from an extended stay in Denver, Colo., and is with her parents at Shelburne, Vt.

Helen L. Allen, '07, is teaching Latin and English in Lyndon Institute, Lyndonville, Vt.

Gertrude Strong, '07, is teacher of mathematics at Craftsbury Academy, Craftsbury, Vt.

Jessie Bates, '07, is a private tutor at Atlantic City, while Roberta Campbell serves in the same capacity in Cuba.

Lillian Carpenter, '07, and Grace Strong, '06, are teaching in the Swanton High School.

Mrs. Mary Gregory Waddell has secured the position of instructor of German in Edmunds High School, Burlington. Miss Ada Hurlburt has filled the position of teacher of Latin for several years past.

Gertrude Johnston, '06, teaches at Rouse's Point, N. Y.

Helen Barton, '09, has been elected vice-president of the Young Woman's Christian Association for the ensuing year.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA.

Winifred G. Hill, '98, and Mr. Berton Lewis Maxfield of Brooklyn, were married Monday, July 29th, at the home of the bride in Roxbury. Mr. and Mrs. Maxfield will reside at 1442 Pacific street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Marion Bean-Robinson has moved to Philadelphia, where Mr. Robinson takes the directorship of religious work of the Kensington Branch of the Y. M. C. A.

Amy Wallon, '07, and Olive Gilchrist, '98, are teaching in the high school at Putnam, Conn.

Laura J. Wright, '05-'06, is studying at Miss Wheelock's School for Kindergarten Training in Boston.

Mildred A. Wright, '07, is teaching at South Hadley Falls, Mass.

Alice Perkins, '06, is teaching in her home high school, Ipswich, Mass.

Edna Cullis, '07, is teaching at Norwell, Mass.

Elizabeth Coats, '02, of Phoenix, Arizona, has announced her engagement to Mr. Howard W. Brown, of Kansas City, Mo.

Ethel Piper, '06, is teaching at Attleboro, Mass., in the high school.

Harriet O'Donald, '03-'05, has returned from abroad, where she has been studying for the past year, and is teaching in a private school in New York.

Claire Trumbull, '07, is teaching at West Newbury, Mass., Elizabeth Gibb-Phelps has a baby daughter.

Lora Pratt, '07, is teaching in a college preparatory school in her home town, Brookline.

Mary Galbraith has been bereaved by the death of her mother, who died in June.

A. Mae Laurence, '98, has been spending the summer in Europe.

Elizabeth Rust-Halligan, '02, and Mr. Fred Leslie Newton were married recently and will make their home in Terryville, Conn., where Mr. Newton is principal of the Prospect Hill School.

Lenna Smith, '09, entered Oberlin this fall as a junior.

Edith T. Swift, '02, after spending a few months at her home in Newtonville, has returned to Rome, Italy, to continue her teaching.

Clara E. Noyes-Priddy, '99, has recently moved to Brooklyn, where her husband is pastor of a Methodist church.

NEW YORK ALPHA.

Florence S. Robbins and Carrie E. Stroud are students in Teachers' College, Columbia University.

Reva Caspar is teaching in Akron, N. Y.

The engagement of Estelle GaNun to Mr. Edward Chollar of Syracuse has been announced.

Mary Makepiece is teaching in Manlius.

A daughter was born to Lura Wightman-Boyd September fourteenth.

Lillian Neff has a position as teacher in Norwood High School.

Carrie Stroud and Florence Robbins are attending Barnard this year.

Jessie Onderdonk is teaching in Solvay.

The marriage of Clara MacDonald to Corwin Kinney took place June twenty-sixth.

Grace Huff has gone to Porto Rico, where she is to teach this year.

NEW YORK BETA.

Virginia Ralph, '06, was married September twelfth at her home in Atlantic Highlands, N. J., to Mr. Joseph Walter Davis, of Worcester, Mass. They are living at 502 W. 135th street, New York.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA.

Clara Keene Fowler, ex-'06, was married June eighteenth to Louis Ely Thompson, Delta Upsilon, Swarthmore College, '03. They are now living in New York.

Elva Lulu Ash, '04, was married September nineteenth to Arthur Ralston Yeardsley, of Haverford College.

Esther Rogers, ex-'05, was married September seventeenth to Howard H. Carpenter, ex-'03, Swarthmore. They are living at Eldora, Colorado.

The engagement is announced of Clara Louise Boyle, ex-'06, to Carl H. McClure, Theta Delta Chi, Lehigh University.

The engagement is announced of Lucy Bancroft, '00, to Dr. Gillette, of England.

Elizabeth Kathryn Carter, '06, was married October twelfth to Stanley Murdock, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Hamilton College.

Born, October third, to Ethel Griest-Snyder, '01, a son

This fall we have enjoyed visits from Mary A. Gutelius, '04; Flora M. Boyle, ex-'07; Helen K. McCain, ex-'10; Deborah L. Ferrier, '01; Helen I. Rogers, ex-'02; Elizabeth E. Johnson, '06; Mary L. Sproul, '07; Anna F. T. Pettit, '07; Anna Nichols, ex-'03; Ethel Close, ex-'05; Villa Lang, ex-'06, and Mrs. Elizabeth Pownall-Walton.

Three of our girls, Ada Graham, '07, Beatrice Victory, '07, and Helen McCain, ex-'10, gave a dance for the Chapter in Philadelphia, October fifth.

We are very much pleased to have two of our '07 girls, Ada Graham and Beatrice Victory, back at college this year, as day students, working for the master's degree in French.

Mary Sproul, '07, is studying music under Mr. Mason, of Philadelphia.

Anna F. T. Pettit, '07, received the Pi Beta Phi scholarship for Barnard College, where she is studying for a master's degree in English.

Frances Darlington, '96, is teaching in the Friends' School in Brooklyn.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA.

Blanche A. Bane, '04, has some verses in the August number of McClure's Magazine.

Ursula D. Parmley, '07, was in town for a few days.

Mellie A. Westcott returned to us this fall to pursue studies which will lead to her Master's degree.

Inez Fike, ex-'04, was married on Monday, September thirtieth, to Mr. John C. Johnson, Sigma Alpha Epsilon. They will reside in Steelton, Pa.

Mary Bower, '05, entertained the active chapter on the evening of October fifth.

Mary G. Stanton is teaching Greek and Latin in Union Seminary, New Berlin, Pa.

Ella F. Garvin, ex-'09, will spend the winter at her home in Marshalltown, Ia.

Alvina English, '10, is teaching at Gaines, Pa.

Priscilla Hardesty, '10, is teaching music in the public schools at Derry, Pa.

Rachel E. Eddelman, '04, was married September eighteenth at her home in Greensburg, Ind., to Mr. Daniel Francis McGee. Her address is 131 West 74th street, New York.

Mary B. Harris, '94, is teaching in the Bryn Mawr preparatory school, Baltimore, Md.

Mary M. Wolfe, M. D., '96, is at the Hague, Holland, in attendance at an international conference of alienists. Dr. Wolfe was one of the four delegates appointed by Secretary Elihu Root to represent the United States. Dr. Wolfe, who is in charge of the women's department of the state hospital for the insane at Norristown, Pa., has the distinction of being the only woman in the United States who is superintendent of a hospital for insane.

Edith Hedges Kelly, '05, is teaching in Blairsville College, Blairsville, Pa.

Eliza Johnston Martin, '00, has returned to John B. Stetson University as instructor in German.

Edna E. Stifler-Meyer has moved to Pittsburg, where her husband is pastor of the Oakdale Baptist Church.

Eliza Bell-Wood has moved to Hollidaysburg, Pa., where her husband is pastor of the Baptist Church.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA.

On September fifth, Ethel Hardesty was married to Mr. Clarence G. Cleaver.

Gertrude Heller has announced her engagement to Mr. Frank Barnhardt, of Johnstown, Pa.

A baby boy has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Odgers.

Eva Cass is teaching in the Elkland High School, Elkland, Pa.

Florence Ralston has a position as teacher in Orwigsburg, Pa.

MARYLAND ALPHA.

Blanche Reisinger has returned from a visit to Emily Hoskins-Gawthrop at West Chester, Pa.

Euphemia Miller, '07, is teaching in Madison, N. J.

Molly Wood will spend the winter at her home in Baltimore.

May Lansfield Kellar has returned from Europe, where she spent the summer months.

COLUMBIA ALPHA.

Mabel Scott is teaching in the high school at Parkersburg, W. Va.

Ruth Young is teaching English and German in the high school at Pulaski, Va.

Clara Barber is teaching in Lancaster, Wis.

Mildred Cochran is teaching mathematics in Limestone College, South Carolina.

Nellie Burt was married to G. Cleveland Wright at Coudersport, Pa., on Wednesday, August twenty-eighth.

Rhoda Watkins and Margaret White are teaching at the Misses Eastman's School in this city.

OHIO ALPHA.

The teaching force of the public schools of Athens numbers seven Pi Beta Phis: Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Jane De Camp, Mae Conner, Bayard Ullom, Elizabeth Musgrave, Mary Simon and Virginia Bishop.

Nelle Fuller-Bahrman is visiting friends here.

Bertha MacVay, one of the charter members of Ohio Alpha, spent the summer in Athens with her parents.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Frieda Coultrap to Mr. W. E. Long, Thursday evening, October tenth.

OHIO BETA.

Nan Costigan has gone to Colorado Springs for the winter.

Martha Jones is teaching in Marietta, Ohio.

Mary Quete Haskell was married in July to Mr. Vernon Davis, Kappa Sigma, in London, England.

Laura Deatrick was married August twenty-first to Robert Carnes, Phi Delta Theta, of Tampa, Fla.

Mary Easterling of Brandon, Miss., spent the summer with friends in Ohio.

Nell Aylesworth spent registration week with the chapter.

Bertha Rankin entered the junior year at Wellesley this fall.

INDIANA ALPHA.

Ruth Low, of Indianapolis, was married to Mr. Harry E. Jordan, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, on September twelfth. Mr. and Mrs. Jordan will make their home in Indianapolis.

Bertha Miller, who finished her course in Columbia University a year ago, is now Professor of Domestic Science in Franklin College.

A son, Mark Harvey, was born September twentieth, to Mr. and Mrs. Ross Voris, of Franklin. Mrs. Voris was Eleanor La-Grange.

Isabelle Porter, '07, of Petoskey, Mich., was married to Mr. Roscoe G. Stott, Phi Delta Theta, of Franklin, October second. Mr. and Mrs. Stott will live in Chicago.

Julia Wilson, '07, is teaching in the Franklin public schools this winter.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Boone Leonard, of Bedford, Indiana, September twentieth. Mrs. Leonard was Mabel Matthews.

Mary Wysong, '07, of Lebanon, is teaching this year in the Indianapolis schools.

Grace Drybread is teaching this winter in Salt Lake City.

INDIANA BETA.

Harriett Haas from Tipton, Ind., was down for the rushing season.

Marjorie Gingerick, '07, is teaching mathematics and physics in the high school at Brownstown, Indiana.

Jane Blakely was married to King Hunter, of Pittsburg, September fifth. Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are now living in Birmingham, Alabama.

Mary Wright is teaching at Berwyn, Illinois.

Mary Banks Lingle is teaching the fourth grade in the Anderson, Indiana, public schools.

Grace Baerd is attending college at Columbia University.

Blanche Conk, '07, was here for the rushing season.

Flora Traylor is teaching in the public schools at Jasper, Indiana.

Mary Day, of Bedford, was married to Albert Denniston, August seventh.

Hettie Carlton Neat, '06, is working for her master's degree at the University of Berlin.

Carolyn Reed was married to William Karsell, of Bloomington, June twenty-seventh.

Elizabeth Karsell-Van Hook moved to Bloomington this summer. Mr. Van Hook is now professor of botany in the university.

INDIANA GAMMA.

Mrs. Edith Clark-Burr visited the Chapter Wednesday, October second.

Ethel Woody is teaching at North Vernon this year, Sara Patterson at Greenfield, and Mary Clark at Plainfield.

Jane Bigelow, who spent the summer in France, will return home in November.

ILLINOIS BETA.

Louise Claycomb, '06 and '07, spent two weeks with us at the beginning of the school year.

Louise Ross, '07, is teaching at Avon, Illinois.

Marion Webster has gone to National Park Seminary, Washington, D. C., where she will attend school for the year.

Delia Conger, '06, has resumed her studies in Wellesley College.

Ethel Chamberlain, '06, and Theo. Golliday, '07, have gone to the University of Chicago, where they will be students this year.

Hariel Steele has been granted a transfer from Illinois Beta to Ohio Beta.

Julia Lombard, '01, spent the past summer in Europe. She is now teaching in the Kingsley Boys' School, at Essex Falls, New Jersey.

Helen Honeywell entered this year as a student at the University of Illinois.

ILLINOIS DELTA.

Evelyn Holliday will spend the winter in California.

Edith Greene is teaching in Chanute, Kansas.

Louise Montgomery will spend the winter traveling in Europe.

Bess Stipes, of Illinois Zeta, was in town at the opening of school.

Born, to Josephine Coolidge-Moreland, a daughter.

Maurine Tilley visited friends here on her way to Mount Holyoke, from which she graduates this year.

Irene Butcher, ex-'08, spent a week in Galesburg with friends and relatives. She graduates from Northwestern University this year.

ILLINOIS EPSILON.

The engagement of Anna Thompson, ex-'08, to Mr. Henry, has been announced. The wedding will take place the thirty-first of October.

Margaret and Edith Hammond are taking a course at the Art Institute, Chicago, this year.

Harriet Hill, of Knox, and Phoebe Becket-Donaldson, of Wisconsin, visited Illinois Epsilon during rushing season.

The engagement of Lena Linn, '07, to Glen Wishard, '07, of Rensselaer, Indiana, was announced in June.

Mary Beggs, ex-'08, is attending Smith College this year.

Emma Doland has returned from a summer abroad.

Eleanor Just, '06, is spending the autumn in Montana and Washington.

Miriam E. Prindle, '96, went as delegate of the Northwestern Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa to the Ninth Triennial Council of the society at William and Mary College, Williamsbury, Virginia, September eleventh and twelfth, 1907.

ILLINOIS ZETA.

Alice Mann, '03, state organizer of the Iowa Library Commission, spent the three weeks of rushing season at the house.

Winifred Forbes and Charlotte Nelson have returned from their summer trip abroad.

Ethel Lendrum, '07, spent two weeks at the house.

A daughter has been born to Nelle McMillen-Bowles.

Kate Mann spent the week end of October fourth at the house.

Willia Garver, '03, lately paid the girls a flying visit.

Clare Summers, '04, passed a few days with us.

Angie Casey, ex-'09, is married and living in town.

MICHIGAN ALPHA.

Madge Vandeburg, '03, is teaching in Wardner, Idaho, this year.

Mary Corbett, '02, is secretary of the Y. W. C. A. in the University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Flossie E. Whitney, '03, is instructor in piano and theory in Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio.

Elizabeth Dudley, '06, is teaching in the public schools of Bryan, Ohio.

Ella M. Kerman is a student in the Michigan State Normal School in Ypsilanti.

Edith McDougal died last summer in California.

Esther Branch is teaching in North Adams, Michigan, and her sister, Polly, near their home, in Kingston, Illinois.

Blanche Bradley has a position in Flint, and Elizabeth Dudley at Bryan, Ohio.

Mary Wells-Mather now lives in Ewart, Michigan.

Mabelle Walrath-Waterman and Professor Waterman returned in August from their year abroad.

Florence Myers-Baker is living in Hastings, where her husband is superintendent of schools.

We recently enjoyed a visit from Florence Chase-Cass, whom we are so proud to claim as an alumna.

Professor and Mrs. Meyer are in Cambridge, where the former is studying for a year.

Effie Patch is living in Greenville, Rhode Island.

Maud and Mary Corbett are in Y. W. C. A. work, the former at Valparaiso, and the latter at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mabel Nash is assistant instructor in mathematics at Hillsdale College.

MICHIGAN BETA.

Born, a son, John Kellogg, June twentieth, 1907. to Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Van Schaick, of Manila, Philippine Islands. Mrs. Van Schaick was Nellie Kellogg, '05. Mr. Van Schaick is a first lieutenant in the United States army at Manila, and inspector general for the Philippine constabulary.

A daughter, Mary Julian, was born to Professor and Mrs. Alfred H. White, of Ann Arbor, Michigan. Mrs. White was Rebecca Downey, ex-'03.

Eleanor Towar, '03, who has been traveling in Europe the past year, has just returned to her home in Detroit.

Sadie A. Paine is teaching in the new normal school in Weatherford, Oklahoma.

Grace Robertson-Hayes has moved to Ithaca, New York, where her husband has recently been appointed an assistant professor in the Cornell Law School.

Flora A. Sigel, '98, is abroad for the year, studying in Germany.

Maude Brown, '04, was married to William Bell Plattner at her home in Denver, Colorado, September twenty-fifth. Mr. and Mrs. Plattner spent a few hours in Ann Arbor on their way east.

Lotta Broadbridge, '06, who was traveling in Europe this summer, has returned, and is again teaching in Detroit.

WISCONSIN ALPHA.

Josephine Wells was married to Wayne Moseley, Phi Delta Phi, September twenty-fourth, at Portage, Wisconsin.

The engagement of Ada Welsh to George Tyler Bigelow, Phi Gamma Delta, has been announced.

Cora Hinkley is teaching at Oconto, Wisconsin.

Eunice Welsh is in Seattle this winter, and Lillian Haertel in Spokane.

Rega Bodden is at home this semester, but expects to return in February.

Anita Koenen is teaching in the East Division High School, in Milwaukee.

Genevieve Smith is spending the winter in California.

Grace Godard-Greverus has a baby daughter.

MINNESOTA ALPHA.

Clara Batchelder, of Graham Hall, spent the summer in Europe.

Agnes Woodward, of the North High School, enjoyed a vacation in Colorado.

Florence Frisby, of George Washington University, has been visiting in Saint Paul for several months. We have enjoyed having her with us at several Pi Phi affairs.

Florence and Maud Johnson, with their mother, leave this month to spend the winter in the Southwest.

Josephine Schain, Law '07, is connected with a law firm in this city.

Nellie Heyd, '06, is teaching in the New Prague High School.

Alice E. Thompson, '06, is teaching in Hopkins.

Carrie Smith, '07, is teaching science in the Ada High School.

Our list of resident alumnae has been increased by two: Mrs. Clarence Webber (Emma Roberts), Missouri Alpha, and Alice Bratton, Ohio Beta, instructor in domestic science in the city schools.

Nadine Crump was in the East during the summer, spending some time in Virginia collecting material for her institute work.

Susie Felch Campbell was in New York, going by way of the Lakes.

Minnesota Alpha has three weddings to record since the last Arrow: Amy Robbins was married August fourteenth, to J. Roland Ware, Delta Upsilon; Ruth Robbins, September fourth, to Floyd Sterling Loomis, Sigma Alpha Epsilon; and Edith Robbins, September twenty-fourth, to T. Lester Daniel, Sigma Chi. The active chapter gave a kitchen shower for Amy, July twenty-ninth, at the home of Grace Potter. Lois Van Slyke entertained the active chapter at a linen shower for Ruth, August thirty-first. Esther Friedlander entertained the active chapter and the alumnae for Edith on September twentieth. Mrs. Daniel and Mrs. Ware will make their home in Robbinsdale, while Mrs. Loomis will live in Eureka, Montana.

Esther Chapman is not in college this year, on account of ill health, but is in Springfield, Massachusetts, with her uncle.

Genevieve Walston has taken up her work in college again.

Monica Keating, who traveled for her health last year, is back at college.

IOWA ALPHA.

Esther Work, '06, and Charles Myers, '02, Phi Delta Theta, were married September tenth. Most of the chapter attended the wedding. They are spending the year in Scotland, where Mr. Myers is studying.

Elizabeth McMullen is back in college, after two years' absence.

Susan Gardner is teaching music in her home town.

Ora Shrader, of our chapter, and later of Colorado Beta, has the chair of Oratory in the college this year.

Mrs. Lulu Ambler-Officer, '86, died September fifth, in Denver, Colorado, of typhoid fever.

Ullena Ingersoll is in Baltimore this year.

Edith Young, '04, is teaching vocal music in a conservatory in Kalispel, Montana.

Grace Hancher-Beck, '04, has been here, visiting her parents, for several weeks.

Sarah Ambler, '82, visited in town a few days this fall.

Nellie Heins, ex-'08, and Fred Wahl, '06, were married October second. Clara Munz attended the wedding.

Edith Hale is teaching at home this year.

Ada Augspurger is visiting here for a few days.

IOWA BETA.

Blanche Spurgeon is visiting in the city.

Ruth Baker, '07, is teaching in the Indianola city schools.

Vera Ingram, '07, is teaching Latin in the Indianola High School.

Helen Gilbert is visiting in the city with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Carver stopped in Indianola on their way from Saint Louis.

Effie Busselle-Henderson and her two children are visiting in the city.

Daisy Hancox entertained six Pi Phis, who were in college with her, one afternoon recently.

Edna Lisle-Jeffrey and little daughter, Eleanor, spent a day with us not long ago.

Mrs. Edith Camp-Campbell and her daughter, Alice, are visiting friends in the city.

Dr. Lena Hatfield is visiting her father. She is to sail in January as a medical missionary, under the Northwestern Branch, to Foochow, China.

IOWA GAMMA.

Louise Rowe, '05, is taking post-graduate work in the Domestic Science Department.

Maria Roberts and Lola Placeway spent their summer vacation traveling in Europe.

Mae Jackson, '06, is teaching in the high school at Red Lodge, Montana.

Florence Pettinger, '07, was back for the first two weeks of college, helping the girls rush.

Caroline Gabrilsen, '05, who has been assistant librarian for two years in the college library, is this year acting as librarian during Miss Clark's leave of absence.

Emma Leonard, '07, is back this year, taking some post-graduate work and, also, assisting in the college library.

Elmina and Alda Wilson will spend the winter in Spain.

IOWA ZETA.

The autumn number of *The Connecticut Magazine* contains an interesting article by Grace Raymond Hebard, Ph.D., librarian of the University of Wyoming, member of the Wyoming Historical Society, and member of the Wyoming bar. The article is based on original investigations conducted by Dr. Hebard to establish the identity of Sacajawea, the Indian girl, who led the Lewis and Clark expedition over the Rocky Mountains.

Mignon Maynard, '07, is teaching at Decorah, Iowa.

Carrie Watters, '07, is teaching at Harlan, Iowa.

Alta Smith, of Harlan, was married July twenty-seventh, to Dr. Clarence Hetzel, Sigma Nu, of Davenport.

A son was born to Jessie Remley-Lovell, September twenty-seventh.

Sadie Jacobs, '06, is teaching in the Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa.

Agnes Remley, '07, is teaching in Graceland College, Lamoni, Iowa.

Mrs. Coe I. Crawford, wife of Governor Crawford, of South Dakota, is spending a few days in the city.

Mae Belle Allstrand and Sarah McBride were guests of Iowa Zeta, October eighteenth and nineteenth.

Grace Shrader, of Colorado Alpha; Mary Brooks, Stacey Turney, Grace Swan, and Alice Page, of Iowa Alpha, and Nina Hohanshelt, of Iowa Beta, are attending the University this year.

Maude Delmege, '08, is attending library school at Champaign, Illinois.

Verne Stockdale is attending the University of Nebraska this year.

Leda Pinkham, Iowa Zeta, was in the city for a few days, during which time she visited the chapter.

MISSOURI ALPHA.

Mary Stevens, of Columbia, leaves the eighth of October for a year's trip around the world.

Mary Suddath, of Warrensburg, and Lily Sue Hostetter, of Bowling Green, were guests at the Chapter house during rushing season.

Mrs. Miller, of Queen City, spent several days with her daughter, Edith Miller, during September.

Elizabeth Denel, '07, of Middlebury, Vermont, is teaching in Farmington, Missouri.

Ethel Robnett, of Columbia, is attending George Washington University.

Gertrude Bayless-Mills, one of our charter members, was present at initiation.

Adele Overall-Black, of Kansas City, Missouri, has been in Columbia on a visit.

Jean McCune, of Bowling Green, is back in college, after a year's absence.

Mary Smith, '06, of Glenwood, Missouri, is teaching in Webster Grove, Missouri.

Shelby Taylor spent the first week of October in Kansas City, where she went with the Home Economics class, to take charge of a booth at the Kansas City fair.

Anna Lash, '06, of Kansas City, is teaching in Mound City, Missouri.

MISSOURI BETA.

The wedding of Alice Louise Woodward, Pi Beta Phi, to Walter Koken, Kappa Sigma, is announced for October fifteenth.

On the fifth of October, Julia Griswold had a "shower" for Alice Woodward. All the Missouri Beta girls were present.

Helene Johnston has left Washington University, and is now studying at Miami University, where her brother-in-law, Professor De Witt, is one of the faculty.

Frances Rosebrough, who was a special student at Washington, is not to be with us this year.

KANSAS ALPHA.

Anna Belle Lanter was married to Ora Allen Clark, September eighteenth. They will be at home after November first, at 229 Parkwood Boulevard, Schnectady, New York.

Margaret Hammond, '05, was married to Ray Campbell, Phi Gamma Delta, October second. They will be at home, after November first, in Wichita, Kansas.

The marriage of Helen Johnson, '05, and Clitus Blair Hosford, Alpha Tau Omega, will occur October nineteenth.

Clara Carr is teaching in Topeka this year; Lucretia Hart, in Reserve; Mary Hayden, in Holton; Grace Irwin, in Brown County, and Queena Beauchamp, in Leavenworth.

Edna Leedy has returned from a trip through Italy, Germany, Switzerland, and France.

Edna Dart, '06, will return home in November. While abroad she was in Austria, Italy, Switzerland, England, France, Scotland, and Ireland.

The engagement of Marjorie Marshall and Albert L. Beach, Beta Theta Pi, has been announced.

Adelia A. Humphrey, '95, is a graduate student at Columbia University. She is working for her Ph.D. in the department of English.

A son, Frank Olin, was born to Eva Olin-Copley, in August.

Born, to Mabel Scott-Gardner, in July, a son, Theodore.

Mary Snow-Case and her two sons have been visiting at the home of her father, ex-Chancellor Snow.

Edith Snow has returned from a trip through California.

The engagement of Edna Dinsmoor, '06, and George Marshall, Sigma Nu, has been announced.

Sarah Wilder, '05, will not return from Paris until Christmas.

Laura Poehler-Means, with her husband and daughter, Lucy, will spend the winter in southern California.

Katharine Nicholson-Blackmar and daughter, Dorothy Leoti, will visit Leoti Nicholson-Frost, in Mexico City, this winter.

Bertha Poehler-Blauhl was here with her sisters, Clara Poehler-Smithmyer, Laura Poehler-Means, and Mrs. Pendleton, called here by the death of their brother, Theodore Poehler. Alma Poehler and her mother are still abroad.

Mabel Stone, Elizabeth Parkman, Alice Hart, Edna Leedy, Grace Irwin, Mabel Marsh, Lillian Beck, Mary Hayden, Clara Carr, and Mary Chase-Chamberlain, Illinois Zeta, visited at the chapter house during the rushing season.

Florence Finch-Kelly, '81, has a short article in the October number of the *Broadway Magazine*.

NEBRASKA BETA.

Edith Fisher, of Omaha, who is a member of Wisconsin Alpha, visited us for a week this fall, before returning to her studies at Madison.

Jennie Barber-Plym and Margaret Kyle-Barber have moved to Niles, Michigan, where they will live in the future.

Bess Heacock-Gould and Pearl Fitzgerald, of Omaha, spent a week in Lincoln during rushing season.

The marriage of Grace Montgomery to Mr. Othniel Gaylord Horne, Sigma Chi, occurred July third, at Oak. They are now at home at Syracuse, Nebraska.

Married, Thursday, October third, at Fairbury, Nebraska, Grace Andrews to Mr. Ernest C. Ames, Beta Theta Pi. They will be at home at "Prospect Place," Lincoln, after December first.

Eva M. Cooper is teaching in Cavite, Philippine Islands.

Willa C. Allen was married, August twenty-first, to Mr. William L. Dowling. Their address is Clay Center, Nebraska.

Ethel M. Ames has moved to Mineral, Washington.

Marie Talbot has just returned from a delightful summer abroad.

Lois Burrus and Bess Burruss-Funke, who now live in Pasadena, California, mourn the loss of their mother, who died September first.

Myrna Sedgwick will spend the year in study at Oberlin, Ohio.

Gertrude Kincaide has returned from a summer vacation, spent in Seattle, Washington, with friends and members of Washington Alpha.

Mary and Jessie Killian lately spent a week in the city with friends.

Born to Eva Cooper-Seabury, a daughter.

Born to May Dorrington-Martin, a son.

Born to Kathryn McPheely-Everett, a daughter.

Mary E. Haskell was married August eighth to Mr. Vernon H. Davis, Kappa Sigma, in London, England. They will be at home at 172 South Ohio Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Edna Scott will attend Saint Mary's School, at Knoxville, Illinois, during the coming year.

LOUISIANA ALPHA.

Flora Murphy was married to Mr. Leeds Eustis, on September sixteenth.

Jessie Tebo will teach in the Newcomb Night School during the coming year.

Charlotte Payne was married on September twenty-fifth, to Mr. A. Polk. The wedding took place in North Carolina.

Stella Hayward will be married in November to Mr. Jack Little. They will live half of each year in Europe and half in America.

TEXAS ALPHA.

Bessie Garrison, who was out of the university last year, on account of her health, is again in school.

Lucile Pendleton was with us a few days for rushing season.

Mrs. R. H. McLeod (Flora Bartholemew) paid us a flying visit during the first week of school.

Kate Sockwell came down this year to help us with the rushing.

Anne Townes and Kate Martin will spend the winter in Boston. Anne Townes will assist her father in his research work in Harvard University.

Ada Garrison, Lel Waggener, and Margaret Boroughs are teaching in the Whitis Preparatory School this year.

Fay Kincaid, who expected to return to her home in Manila, will remain in Chicago this winter.

Grace Hill will leave soon to visit in Denver, Colorado.

COLORADO ALPHA.

Elizabeth Brown, who has spent the summer at her home in Illinois, has returned to Colorado, and expects to be in Denver all winter.

Helen Home is doing settlement work in Philadelphia this winter.

Jennie Beal is taking work in the university.

Bessie Bliss has resumed her work in the university again.

Elsie Sullivan and Grace Fairweather spent the summer in Toronto.

Clara Morse-Winner and Laura Killgore were guests of Helene Stidger at her summer home in Estes Park.

Nomah Wangelin spent several weeks with Jessie Mosher at her Estes Park cottage.

COLORADO BETA.

Nita Clegg is back in college this year, taking post-graduate work, and is an active member.

Anna Charles is taking post-graduate work for a master's degree, and is active in the chapter.

Sue Winton-Fletcher is visiting Florence Spencer for a few days.

Marcia Murray-Eickenberry visited her mother for a week, in September, and attended one of our meetings.

Marcelle Kirschbaum has entered Barnard College.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA.

Laura Ruth Adkinson, '07, after a three months' visit in the Hawaiian Islands, spent the last week of rushing at Stanford and has now returned to her home in Chicago.

Louise Pearce, '07, is in Boston this year.

Elizabeth Officer, '07, is in Loveland, Colorado.

May Franklin, '07, is spending the winter in San Jose.

CALIFORNIA BETA.

Mabel Goddard, who graduated last May, was married to Sidney Shontz, from Minnesota, on the night of July twenty-fourth. For their honeymoon they made an extended tour of the East.

During rushing season, several of our alumnae members visited us and helped us in our "rushing stunts." Among the number were Jessie Huber, Elma Korbel, Molly Day, Estelle Wilson, Jessie Parks-Richards, Edith White, Clara Cooper-Rust, Augusta Van Kirk, and Florence Ziegenfuss.

At our initiation three I. C.'s were present: Mrs. Sloane, who became a member thirty-six years ago; Mrs. Strike and Mrs. Miller. Mrs. Emily Bush-Derleth was also present.

Daisy French-Howard and Pauline Bush, of Nebraska Beta, took luncheon with us one day this term.

Ella Moore, from Missouri Alpha, is attending the University of California.

Editorials

Readers of the ARROW will notice that three of the Grand Council have changed their addresses. The Grand President is now living at 649 Second avenue, Detroit, the Vice-President has removed to La Rue, Ohio, and the editor may be addressed at 1600 Downing avenue, Denver.

The new cover in which the ARROW appears this month is the work of Esther Fay Shover of Indiana Gamma. Besides its artistic excellence, the cover represents much time and patience with technical details, and very much of interest and enthusiasm for the fraternity. Surely Pi Beta Phi owes hearty thanks to Miss Shover for her beautiful design.

It looks as if women's fraternities are to be ranked with patent medicines and unsightly bill-boards in the list of evils from which that much read periodical, the Ladies' Home Journal, has sworn to rid a suffering public. In the September number appeared an article criticising adversely the fraternity system from President Seelye of Smith College, a man well known for his conservatism in this as on other matters. In October the subject was taken up with even more emphasis by a less known author, a teacher in a girls' secondary school, herself evidently not a fraternity woman and inferentially one trained in a non-fraternity college. Both these writers make the mistake of confusing high school with college, national with local fraternities; both seem unaware that the fraternity has any other reason for being than social diversion and the possession of a luxurious chapter house; both judge fraternities from an acquaintance clearly superficial. Before the discussion can be considered at all complete the Home Journal should publish the views of some educator who has seen the national college

fraternity at close range, for example, the president of one of the great state universities. His criticisms might not be less adverse, but they would be more intelligent and the fraternities would therefore take them with better grace.

There are two things that neither writer apparently realizes. In the first place, the women's fraternities are almost at one with them in their objection to the high school "sorority," and have for some time been using their considerable influence against them. Moreover, these same fraternities are quite aware of their own failings, which, by the bye, are not always those ascribed to them by the articles in question, and are working to overcome them quite as earnestly and perhaps more understandingly than are their critics of the Ladies' Home Journal.

The "barbarous word 'sorority'" is probably not more than ten years old, but the system is four times as old. Considering that more than one of the women's fraternities has an active membership nearly equalling the total enrollment in President Seelye's college, and remembering the influence that these fraternities have had and still have upon the lives of thousands of older women, the crusade of the Home Journal is likely to prove about as effective as the chivalrous encounter of Don Quixote with the sturdy and buoyant windmill.

Before another *ARROW* appears the New Orleans convention will be over. Already chapters are considering who shall represent them to their sister chapters and especially to Louisiana Alpha. Our hostess chapter is putting forth every effort to make this first Christmas-tide gathering the most successful and inspiring in our history, and it remains for the chapters to send the member who will not merely get the most from convention but who will give most to it. Fraternity enthusiasm, fraternity knowledge and business ability count for much in the delegate; even more, perhaps, do poise, tact and the talent for meeting strangers easily and with dignity.

Since this is a mid-year convention, the delegate may be elected irrespective of her class and probable return to college,

and wholly for her experience and personal qualifications. It is safe, too, to prophecy that the girl who has put most into her fraternity chapter will be the one to put most into her fraternity convention.

Alumnæ are asked to send their dues to the association to their state secretary and not to the editor or the Grand Treasurer. As an advantage to themselves it will be well if alumnæ send these dues as early in the year as possible. All subscriptions to the ARROW begin and end with the volume, and while the fraternity endeavors to print a sufficient number to meet all demands, it is not always possible to predict the growth of either active or alumnæ membership, and the supply of the fall issue has several years fallen short.

Will not alumnæ remember to send notice of any change of address and particularly of any change of name? After the issue of the July ARROW, several cards were received from postmasters reporting that persons were not at the addresses given. The cataloguer has sent notice of numerous other changes. Under these circumstances the editor declines to be held responsible for missing ARROWS, although these are willingly replaced where their loss is not the fault of the subscriber.

Chapter Letters

ALPHA PROVINCE

VERMONT ALPHA—MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

(Chartered 1893)

Thus far our college year has been very successful. Fourteen of our last year's chapter are back, all enthusiastic for work. Our enthusiasm has stood us in good stead in our rushing. We have already pledged nine fine girls whom we are proud to introduce to you: Elizabeth Adams, Gertrude Brodie, Elizabeth Caswell, Margaret French, Eliza Hart, Jennie McLellan, Carmen Walker, Sara Whitney and Sarah Stearns will soon wear the arrow.

College affairs go on quietly enough. The Freshman-Sophomore hat scrap and the Freshman banquet are already over, so both classes now feel free to give their attention to their work. There have been rumors that seem to foreshadow the resignation of our president, but as yet nothing definite has been heard. We had, as usual, a large entering class. About sixty-five were registered at the beginning of the year and some have come since.

In our next letter we shall probably be able to introduce our pledges as fully initiated Pi Phis.

With best wishes for a happy year.

EDITH N. GROUT.

VERMONT BETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

(Chartered 1898)

The little chapter of Vermont Beta sends the heartiest greetings to loyal Pi Phis throughout the world—greetings that mean enthusiasm and loyalty for our colleges, our chapters, our classes and our friends.

The future of Vermont's university looks bright and prosperous. Last spring we left a partially constructed edifice upon the south end of the university place; we come back and find a majestic building, Morrill Hall, which will soon open its doors to the student body. This building is the gift of the state, and will be used for the advancement of studies in the agricultural department, under such efficient men as Prof. Hills, Stuart and Jones, this building will be a great source of progress to the college.

When we speak of athletics, our enthusiasm is unbounded. Perhaps we have been made doubly hopeful, by the "tie" at the late Dartmouth game. In baseball many of the stars are back in college, and with

Collins "in the box" and Gardner, the record of next spring will be eventful.

The Christian Associations of the college are in a thriving condition. The Y. W. C. A. has a new room in the old college building, among its members are many earnest workers and much good is being done.

The college associations have charge of the Adams Mission two months during the year, and Sunday services are held at the Orphans' Home. Plans are on foot to start work among the factory girls at Winovski.

The rushing season has just begun and we hope that many of the new girls will learn to both respect and love the words "Pi Phi," and be proud to wear its emblem.

With friendship toward all.

HELEN R. BARTON.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1896)

Massachusetts Alpha greets you once again, and sends a wish to each and all for a year of success and happiness.

College work at Boston is well begun, and the rushing season is upon us. After ten days of waiting, days when we trusted no one, we have been allowed to commence our fray, so strange in the eyes of the freshmen.

Our work seems more difficult this year than before, in consequence of our change of location. The College of Liberal Arts is now occupying the former Harvard Medical School. As yet we feel unsettled and unnatural. The acquaintance of the incoming class is harder to make, for we have no general assembly room or study, at present. But we are hoping for the best and we feel sure Pi Phi can win it.

We have commenced the year with sixteen active, energetic girls. Our meetings have been well attended, and plans have been made for continued improvement.

With this encouraging start, we are looking forward to a year abundant in good things.

MILDRED E. COLLYER.

NEW YORK ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1896)

The third week of college finds us with eleven pledgelings: Laura Durand, Sarah French, Iva Richardson, Ethel Bleekman, Marion Nearpass, Emma Kent, Achsah Hawver, Edna Bull, Margaret Klanding, Minnie Deinhart and Florence Dengler. There were ten fraternities represented in Pan-Hellenic last year, and as no agreement was made about Pledge Day, we girls all came back early this year, prepared to start rushing on the first day of college. The rushing season was consequently very short, and was a great relief, after the long season of last year, which lasted until Febru-

ary. Our alumnae helped us greatly this year, both in planning parties and in entertaining.

We are glad to tell you of the addition to our chapter, and we are also proud to tell of the growth and prosperity of our college. At the opening of the fall term Syracuse had five new buildings ready for use; the Bowne Hall of Chemistry, the Carnegie Library, Sims Hall, the men's dormitory, the Lyman Hall of Natural History, and the Stadium. Our Stadium seats twenty thousand people, and is the largest in the world. Two football games have already been played in it, both of which Syracuse won. We also have a gymnasium started, which is to be the largest in the United States.

This fall Mrs. Russell Sage gave the university one hundred thousand dollars to be used for the teachers' college. The building in which this college is located, is a castle over one hundred years old, built in English style, and situated in the midst of a park which adjoins the campus. Of course we are justly proud of all our new acquisitions.

With best wishes to all Pi Phis for a happy and successful year.

GEORGIA L. HOAG.

NEW YORK BETA—BARNARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1904)

This year promises to be a successful one, from both a college and fraternity standpoint. Our new dormitory was ready for occupancy at the opening of college, as promised, and a fairly large number of girls have taken up their residence there. Brooks Hall, as it is called, is an ideal dormitory. Every provision has been made for the comfort and convenience of the girls, all of whom are most enthusiastic in its praise.

We greatly miss the seniors, as well as the junior and sophomore girls, who did not return this fall. Yet we feel that though fewer in number, we are, if possible, more closely banded together, than ever before.

At the opening of the college year, we pledged a sophomore, Elizabeth Nitchie, who promises to make a fine Pi Phi. Then, too, we are greatly pleased at having with us Anna Pettit, of Swarthmore.

So far there has been no rushing. It was decided that there be none until after the sixteenth of October, at which time we hope also to learn definitely just when pledge day will be. As matters stand now all plans which we can make must be unsatisfactory. In spite of these difficulties, however, we intend to win for Pi Phi the best that is in the freshman class.

New York Beta wishes Pi Phis everywhere a happy and successful year.

ANNA SOPHIE HOLM.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1892)

It is good to be together again at college! I suppose every Pi Phi feels that. In spite of our good times through the summer, we do miss the

fraternity meetings and the talks together. And after all there are no good times quite so good as those our Pi Phis have at Swarthmore, and no gathering quite so full of the joy of companionship as the meetings of our Pi Beta Phi chapter.

At the close of college, in June, we had a house party for a week, at which were present the last year's chapter and six alumnae. No one saw every one else through the summer, though everyone heard of everybody else through the "Round Robin" letter. It seemed from that letter that every one of us had been trying house-keeping at some time and under some circumstances.

We so enjoy being together again that we should feel in no hurry to add any freshmen to the chapter, but that they are so exactly what we want that we love them already. We are aiming this year to make the rushing as easy and natural as possible: to become intimate with the freshmen individually, to bring them together so that they may know each other, and in contact with us, so that they may feel the influence of our desire for right-living, without any strained relationship.

For one of our rushing functions this year, Mrs. James Sproul, a patroness, will give a luncheon at the Roosevelt, Philadelphia, on November second, for the chapter and freshmen and the '07 and '06 alumnae.

ANNE PEARSON.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY.

(Chartered 1895)

Autumn has come again and once more we take up the duties and pleasures of college life with which vacation cannot compare.

The first week of vacation we Pi Phis gave a house party at Sylvan Dell. What a happy time we had together! The week would have been perfect but for robbers who one night disturbed our peaceful slumbers. Besides obtaining a number of valuables they gave us a horrible scare. "Breaking camp" was the saddest part of all for we knew we should never again be together in quite the same relation.

We miss our two seniors as well as the other girls who did not return, but console ourselves with the fact that our third senior, Mellie Westcott, returned to work for her master's degree.

At last we have Pan-Hellenic regulations and feel that we have achieved a great deal toward bringing the two fraternities into friendly relation with each other. Our pledge day has been fixed for October twelfth by the local Pan-Hellenic Association. We also have rules regarding the number of functions to be given during rushing season.

On Friday evening October fourth we gave a formal reception to our alumnae, patronesses, Delta Delta Delta and the freshmen. The rooms were decorated with palms, wine carnations and wine and blue ribbon, so that, at every turn, Pi Beta Phi was daintily suggested.

Pennsylvania Beta sends best wishes for a successful year to all her sister chapters.

EUNICE V. HALL.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA—DICKINSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1903)

Rushing season is really over, and we are busy breathing sighs of relief and happiness at the thought of taking up college and fraternity work in earnest without being pursued by haunting doubts and fears over pledge day and its results. Pan-Hellenic with her strict requirements and regulations is something new at Dickinson. While we much prefer the old way of asking "how we please and when we please," the result has been very satisfactory and favorable to us. Our first entertainment for the new girls was a porch party at the home of one of our patronesses, Mrs. Bedford, who has shown so much interest and enthusiasm that she seems more like a Pi Phi than an outsider. One evening we had a delightful affair at the home of Elsie Hoffer, a newly made alumna, and we ended the season just before pledge day with a regular Pi Phi picnic in one of the many parks near town. The new girls seemed to enjoy everything very much, and it is needless to add that we felt amply repaid for all anxiety and trouble when we welcomed our fledgeling Pi Phis.

Conditions at Dickinson are much changed this year. The college has thrown open her doors to women more hospitably than ever before and there are now a hundred on the roll. The percentage of fraternity girls is, accordingly, smaller, and it is more necessary than in years gone by for these favored ones to show themselves loyal college as well as fraternity women, capable of sympathetic and disinterested friendships with the girls outside. For the furtherance of such an aim and to promote a fellow feeling between the rival fraternity girls themselves, the Pan-Hellenic Association expects to give a "co-ed dance" next week to all the girls of the college. We are trying in every way to make the entertainment a great success and only hope it will be the forerunner of many more.

The chapter is looking forward to a very prosperous and happy winter. While the fates have not beamed propitiously upon our desire for new rooms, they have enabled us to buy quite a great deal of new furniture, and we hope to have still more before the year closes. We miss our seniors very much, but they have not let us feel that their interest or help is lacking, and we are trying to fulfill their expectations.

Pennsylvania Gamma sends all kinds of good wishes to her sister chapters for success in rushing, and congratulations to those who have already claimed the "best and dearest freshmen in the college."

ELIZABETH H. BLAIR.

COLUMBIA ALPHA—GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1889)

We're again started on the test of the college year, the fall rush. The large demand on nervous energy and purse strings is being met with ready enthusiasm and although we are but six, the splendid support of our alumnae is carrying us along, we hope, to a successful termination on pledge day.

The two dormitories for women provided us this fall have caused quite a change for the co-eds. The buildings are situated two blocks and a half from our old college home, but are in the same row with the departments of engineering, architecture and education. We now have our own private chapel services; there are several classes specially for women in the new buildings and we have a dance hall and reception rooms—in fact, the girls of George Washington now have a home of their own. Miss Ellis, Dean of Women, who lives in the dormitory, gave an earnest, bright talk on the future college for women. She said, that if each girl would go to work with a will to make our dormitory life known far and wide, that the future of the college would be assured. We have taken a definite step on the right road and Columbia Alpha solicits the interest of every Pi Phi, that each sister may help in some small way to make good the prophecy of our dean, that of having an enrollment of five hundred women students—the college of the future!

Two of the fraternities are located in the dormitories—Chi Omega and Pi Beta Phi. We have a lovely, sunny front room, with two large closets, and are delighted with our new situation. It is such a great improvement on our quarters of last year. Clara Barber, '06, gave the chapter a generous sum to help furnish the new room, and with numerous other pretty gifts which the girls have offered, we hope to make our den as attractive to the freshmen as it seems homelike to us.

Word comes, that our Grand Secretary will visit Washington in November. We anticipate her coming with a good deal of pleasure and hope that she can be with us for initiation. Columbia Alpha sends best wishes for success to every chapter.

HELEN MAR MACLEOD.

MARYLAND ALPHA—WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE

(Chartered 1897)

College has again opened with all its usual interest and work, and the girls of Maryland Alpha are back with greater enthusiasm than ever for their fraternity.

We have at this time thirteen members and on pledge day we hope to prove conclusively that thirteen is not always an unlucky number. Of course, we felt very helpless at the beginning of the year without our three seniors, but the new seniors are admirably filling their places. We especially miss two of the '09 girls, for we had expected them to be back at college. But we feel that in Ullena Ingersoll, a sister from Iowa Alpha, we have a friend in some measure filling up the vacant places.

I suppose most of the chapters will tell in their letters of their rushing parties and success on pledge day, but we will have to tell of ours the next time, as pledge day doesn't come until November twenty-third, and Pan-Hellenic says there is to be no rushing. This rule seems to be beneficial, so far as work is concerned, to both the freshmen and upperclassmen.

We have been spending all our energy which might otherwise have been spent in rushing, in remodelling our "cosey corner." As the girls in Woman's College all live in dormitories, we can have no fraternity house, but instead each fraternity has a room in the city and is given the four end rooms of a corridor in the dormitory, and that is what we call our "cosey corner." We have just finished it and feel amply repaid for all our work.

We, as no doubt the other Alpha Province chapters, are looking forward to a visit next month from Miss Elda Smith. It is always a pleasure to meet a Pi Phi, as so many of the girls realized this summer, and it is a greater pleasure to have one visit you.

With the best wishes of Maryland Alpha for a happy and successful year in every way,

ANNABELLE MILLER.

BETA PROVINCE

OHIO ALPHA—OHIO UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1889)

It scarcely seems possible that a month of college is already gone on a new year—a busy month full of new studies, new friendships and all that goes to make time fly and provide pleasant memories for us to cherish "when the four short years of pleasure" have passed.

Our initiation was held very early this year, but we feel that our selections have been of the best and that we have for Pi Beta Phi eight freshmen of whom any chapter might be proud. Owing to the state of homelessness in which we find ourselves at present—our room in the west wing being in the midst of repairs—Mrs. Ellis, one of our patronesses and wife of our president, very kindly put her house at our disposal. Here on last Friday evening the girls stepped from pledgedom into the inner circle, and we have now to introduce Ellis Cox, Maude Bishop, Virgene Henry, Mary Musgrave, Mabel Ault, Lillian Cronacher, Louise Milroy and Gertrude Mullane.

It was also through the generosity of Mrs. Ellis that we were able to entertain in her beautiful home our alumnae, patronesses and a number of new girls in the early part of the term.

Extensive improvements are being made about the university grounds. As mentioned before, the east and west wings, two of the oldest buildings on the campus, are receiving some much-needed repairs. Ellis Hall has been enlarged, the new dormitory will probably be ready for occupation at the beginning of the winter term, and a new heating plant is now in process of construction. Besides this, General Grosvenor, who has for many years represented this district in Congress, secured for us several cannon which add greatly to the appearance of the campus.

We are planning to entertain in honor of our initiates on next Saturday evening the faculty of the university together with the active membership of the three men's fraternities, our alumnae and patronesses. We expect to pursue the plan of entertaining which we found so successful last year. We feel that these simple and informal evenings serve to draw and to keep the chapter very close together.

We are glad to have with us again Virginia Bishop, who is teaching in town this year.

With best wishes for a successful and happy year to all sister chapters from Ohio Alpha.

MARY L. B. CHAPPELEAR.

OHIO BETA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

Ohio Beta has started on a new and rather unusual year. Where formerly we pledged on the second day after matriculation in the fall, now a girl must have been in college a whole term before she can be asked to join a fraternity. The rushing rules are very much modified, and, I might add, much more strict. This is, in fact, a year of experiment with the Pan-Hellenic Association. Everyone is hoping that success will crown the effort. We do not feel the absence of freshmen so much in our chapter though, as we might at some other time, for we start out with a chapter of fourteen. We also count ourselves most fortunate in having affiliated with us Haniel Steele of Illinois Beta.

The dormitory for girls is at last under construction and is, of course, a source of interest to us all. We Pi Phis are especially interested since Kenyon Hayden, one of our Ohio Beta girls, is one of the architects. It is the general opinion here that this dormitory will have quite an effect on the number of out of town girls coming to Ohio State. As yet the number is comparatively small; most of the girls living here in Columbus.

Convention probably is of intense interest to every Pi Phi. It seems almost too good to be true that the time is so near. There are three or four Ohio Beta girls who are surely going: and we hope that later on even more will decide to go. Certainly every girl who has been to one convention realizes that she can not afford to miss another.

Ohio Beta wishes every other chapter a most successful year, not only in rushing but in every other line of work. And we also look forward to seeing many of you in New Orleans.

MARGARET WILCOX.

INDIANA ALPHA—FRANKLIN COLLEGE

(Chartered 1888)

Another vacation has passed and we are ready to take up our college work and pleasures again.

We have six new girls, already loyal Pi Phis, as the result of our labors.

We are expecting to get into our new dormitory in a few weeks. Although we feel that it will not be as homelike as a chapter house, we hope the girls will enjoy it. A gymnasium is also progressing rapidly, and we hope to be in it before winter. It will contain a large auditorium where our class plays and other entertainments may be held. With these two new buildings and the promise of a science hall we are anticipating great progress for Franklin College.

Indiana Alpha sends to all Pi Phi best wishes for a successful year.

ETHELYN LAGRANGE.

INDIANA BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1893)

Naturally, the "rush" and its outcome is the topic uppermost in every loyal Pi Phi's mind, so it is of the rush I shall tell you first of all.

Matriculation day was Tuesday, September twenty-fourth. Most of our girls arrived the Friday before, and the "rushing" began on Saturday. On Tuesday afternoon, one of our town alumnae gave a charming little card party for the rushees. It must have been quite a success, for that afternoon we asked and pledged two girls. The evening of the same day we held our big open meeting. That, too, was quite a success, and all seemed to enjoy themselves immensely.

Now we want to introduce to the Pi Phi world our six new members: Florence Maston, Alice Winship, Edna Hatfield, Carolyn Cecil, Minnie White and Ruth White. We are very proud of them, and, to hear them talk one would think they had always been Pi Phis. We held our initiation last Wednesday evening at the house of one of our town girls. Six or seven of the town alumnae were present.

We are delighted with our transfer, Myra Watson, from Illinois Epsilon. These seven new girls with our thirteen old girls give us a chapter of twenty.

We are still living in the dormitory, but hope to have our own house by Christmas. Although we are very pleasantly situated out here, nothing can take the place of a chapter house where Pi Phis are together and alone.

We were very much surprised by a visit from Mrs. Burr the first week of college. She walked in on us one evening while we were having a fraternity meeting. The girls could do nothing but sit and look at her. It was quite unexpected, but very pleasant. Mrs. Burr stayed in town several days. She is very enthusiastic over the coming convention, and made us all wish to go. Oh, the fortunate delegates! We wish all the girls could go, but New Orleans is too far away for our hopes to be realized. However, we feel sure that our Southern sisters will make this convention one of the most successful ever known to Pi Phi.

Everyone has settled down to work. The freshmen are doing beautifully, and altogether, this year bids fair to be a good one for Indiana University. May it be a joyful one for every chapter of our dear frater-

nity, and may all good things come our way! Indiana Beta sends love and greetings to the whole Pi Phi world.

IRENE M. FERRIS.

INDIANA GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

(Chartered 1897)

The opening of the college year for Indiana Gamma has been very favorable. Of course, we miss the constant aid and presence of our five girls that graduated last June. However, three of them are teaching within a few miles of Indianapolis and often pay the chapter short visits.

This year we have our chapter room at the home of Mary Davis, one of our alumnae girls. The girls have all been very liberal in contributing to the furnishing of the room, and we certainly have enjoyable times together there.

Our two weeks' contract has just closed and with it the exciting times of the rushing season. Among other things, we entertained October second with a steak roast at Pleasant Run; October fourth with a formal dance, and on pledge day, October fifth, our rushing was concluded with a banquet at the Columbia Club, in honor of our eight pledges: Edna Fisher, Bonnie Ralston, Agnes McCoy, Sallie Tomlinson, Mable Boyd, Hortense Russel, Caroline Jennings and Olive Cline. Our girls are eight of the finest that entered college this year, and we are certainly a happy chapter of Pi Phis.

We find that the addition to our faculty at Butler makes quite a change for the better, as several of the departments are greatly strengthened. Our prospects for athletics are decidedly good and there has been a marked increase of enrollment this year.

Indiana Gamma sends its greetings to all her sister chapters, and sincere wishes for success, not only in rushing, but during the entire college year.

CLARA HOLLADAY.

ILLINOIS BETA—LOMBARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1872)

Of course, it is needless to say that we are starting out upon the best year our chapter has ever had. I am sure you all feel that way in regard to your own case; but we were particularly fortunate in having so many of our old girls back at the first of the year, to help with the rushing, and give advice and encouragement in general. We had with us not only a number of our town girls who have recently become alumnae, but several of the girls from outside the city were here to visit at that time.

A reception and a luncheon and outing at the club house made up our rushing functions this fall. As we had no Pan-Hellenic rules, we naturally felt a little worried as to the outcome of the rushing season, but our anxiety all came to a happy end, when the six girls we so wanted gave us their promise to be Pi Phis. We are very glad indeed to introduce them:

Neita Brawford, Orpha Burnside, Marjorie Claycomb, Alice Crowper, Mildred Maybe and Fern Townsend. We had a glorious cookie-shine to celebrate their pledging. Since then we have been trying the plan of holding pledge meetings after the regular fraternity meeting, as the best way to keep in direct touch with these girls, and we have found the plan to be a very successful one, indeed.

Illinois Beta wishes for all her sister chapters a very happy and successful year.

FLORENCE DILLOW.

ILLINOIS DELTA—KNOX COLLEGE

(Chartered 1884)

College has opened once more with the largest freshman class in the history of the school, and there are a great many nice girls in it, in fact, they are all nice. We had sixteen girls back and one "pledging" to begin on so with our eight new freshmen, Illinois Delta boasts of a chapter of twenty-five. Our new pledges are Sarah Rounseville, of Kewanee, Ill.; Helen Adams, of Galesburg; Flora Bethard, Fairbury, Ill.; Georgia Parrish, Madge Blayney, Ruth Auracher, of Creston, Iowa; Marie Keefer, of Sterling, and Flora Houghton of Galva.

We entertained and were entertained several times during the opening week of school. Together with Illinois Beta our chapter gave a reception to the new girls at the home of Mrs. Parry. Another afternoon our chapter gave a musical at the home of Harriette and Grace Avery, and still another afternoon, Mrs. Percy, one of our patronesses, entertained our chapter and pledges.

Our long looked for gymnasium is at last finished and we are very proud of it. The annual Y. W. and Y. M. C. A. reception to new students was held in the large hall, which celebrated the opening of the building. The gymnasium was thronged with students and alumni and all had a very pleasant time.

A short time ago Mrs. Brown, another Pi Phi patroness, gave a thimble party at her home, entertaining the chapter and pledges. Last Saturday we initiated Cordelia Williard and then had a cookie-shine with our pledges. Mrs. Amy Wiley-Lacy of Galva, a chapter alumna, was present. Flora Houghton, one of our new pledges, is Mrs. Lacy's daughter.

Illinois Delta is looking forward to a prosperous year and wishes the same for her sister chapters.

ALICE A. JOHNSON.

ILLINOIS EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

With pledging only two days away, Illinois Epsilon finds it hard to settle down to such a matter-of-fact affair as a chapter letter. The Pan-Hellenic rules for this year allow two weeks and a half of rushing, with

six dates with each rushee, and only one evening party. While in several ways the absence of evening engagements is an advantage, still it must be admitted that afternoon parties necessitate the "cutting" of many two and three o'clocks. We have started out this fall with fourteen fine girls, and are looking forward to a successful year for our chapter. We are sorry to lose two of our last year's freshmen, Frances Hall to Wisconsin Alpha, and Myra Watson to Indiana Beta, but we are very fortunate in having two transfers, Helen Spencer from Missouri Alpha and Hazel Schelp from Wisconsin Alpha. Just now Northwestern students are rejoicing in the prospect of a new engineering school, and new dormitories for the men. The men's dormitories will fill a long felt want, for while we have excellent halls for the girls, the men have always been forced to depend upon fraternity and boarding houses.

I suppose all the chapters have been planning and thinking about our convention this Christmas. We have been so busy with rushing that our plans are rather vague, as yet, but we hope to have two or three girls at New Orleans. I'm sure that, notwithstanding all the hard work Louisiana Alpha must be doing, we all rather envy her the opportunity of having the convention, for it brings so much enthusiasm and so many good times with it.

Best wishes to you all for a most successful year.

LUCIE GLOSS.

ILLINOIS ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

(Chartered 1895)

Rushing season is over, and smiles of contentment and pride have taken the place of the lines of fatigue and worry which have marked the face of Illinois Zeta for three long weeks. However, she has eight of "the finest in the land" as a reward. One of the pledges is a sister, but several among the others were rushed hard by other fraternities, making the victory doubly precious.

Many of the old girls were back to help us, and we did so appreciate their interest and assistance, although we feel that their presence was an inspiration in itself.

We are especially fortunate this year in having as chaperone, Miss Kerr, from Michigan Alpha. We feel that her interest in us is more vital because of our relationship. Then, too, Maude Delmege of Iowa Zeta has entered the library school, and so has taken up her abode with us.

Illinois University has a new dean of women—Miss Kollock of Pennsylvania. Besides being one of the most charming women one can meet, she is considered one of the best chemists in the United States. Those of our girls who have met her, say Miss Kollock is particularly fascinating, and we are all looking forward to knowing her better.

Our social activities have been confined so far to rushing "stunts." Among those we had were an informal dance given at the beginning of

the season, and a clever little vaudeville, which proved a fitting climax to all the festivities. For the near future we are planning a large reception for the University community, including of course, the faculty, and an informal "at home" for our patronesses.

Illinois Zeta sends her most sincere wishes to you all for a happy and prosperous year.

ETHEL DOUGLAS.

MICHIGAN ALPHA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1887)

Was there ever a jollier crowd than at the Pi Phi cookey-shine in Hillsdale the first Saturday night after college opened? About twenty girls, active and alumnae, gathered round the festive tablecloth in our "upper room." We had enjoyed the vacation, but it was sweeter still to be together again. We were especially glad to have with us Florence Chase-Cass, the first cataloguer, and Mabel Walrath-Waterman, who has just returned from a year's stay in Berlin.

We started the year with nine, but have since made our number ten by the initiation on September twenty-ninth of Dee Baker, a last year's pledge. She is the third sister in the family to be a Pi Phi.

The Kappa Kappa Gammas gave us the pleasure of meeting their Grand President informally on the evening of September seventeenth.

On the following Saturday the Kappas and Pi Phis betook themselves to North Adams, a neighboring town, to spend the afternoon and evening. Three Hillsdale girls, among them Esther Branch, are teaching there in the high school, and they gave us a jolly good time. We count ourselves fortunate to be on such friendly terms with our rivals.

On account of our late pledging day, with rushing debarred, we are not able to introduce to you this time any Pi Phis to be. It is excruciating to have to wait without doing a bit of rushing, until the day comes when we may pin the wine and blue on the fortunate girls. Meanwhile we wish the other chapters the best of success.

Hillsdale College is showing decided advance each year. Many improvements have been made during the summer, including what is important to us, the redecoration of the Pi Beta Phi room. We are hoping to see a new piano in it in the near future.

With the first round of receptions and parties over, we are now nicely started on our work. We are aiming to make Pi Phi *the* fraternity in scholarship and all student activities.

A successful year to you all is the wish of Michigan Alpha.

ALICE L. SATTERTHWAITE.

MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

(Chartered 1888)

Rushing is on and we are on the eve of initiation. Thirteen girls returned this fall, ready for good, hard work, and, as a result, we have six pledges who are to be initiated October twelfth.

We are in the same house as last year. The girls all like it so much, especially as it is large, pleasant and in a beautiful location. We hope that Dame Fortune will allow us to remain here for a long time to come. Even though our door plate has been stolen twice in the last two years, we are again preparing another which we expect this time to keep.

We are happy to have such an excellent chaperon. Although she is new to most of us, she fits right into the spirit of everything. Mrs. Walthams came to us from the east, leaving her daughter at Vassar.

We have started this year with a chapter of nineteen, counting the freshmen. Seventeen board at the house and thirteen live there altogether. Four of the girls live in a house across the street, which we have named the "Pi Phi Annex." Our chapter is really very close together in more ways than one, and that will make it possible for us to have a more prosperous year than ever. We are always especially fortunate in having Miss Gamble and Mrs. Burr so near us, besides so many of the "old" girls who always assist us in innumerable ways.

Gradually we are buying new furniture for the house, that downstairs has been ours for some time, but upstairs is being furnished by degrees. Each year we add as much as possible.

Although college has been open but three weeks, a good many of the activities have already begun. The "rush" is over and some of the opening receptions have been held. We have had two informal parties already. Both seemed to be a success in every way.

We expect many alumnae back to initiation. We all look forward to that event, for it is then that most of us renew old ties as in no other way. There are always a few, too, who begin friendships at this time, which are to last throughout their lives.

CHARLOTTE ANGSTMAN.

WISCONSIN ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

(Chartered 1894)

Wisconsin Alpha has eleven new Pi Beta Phis to introduce this year, Helen Heath, Esther Kayser, Ada MacAdam, Harriet Maxon, Effie Paine, Josephine Viles, Mary Brown, Marie Gregory, Lisetta Woerner, Marion Holmes and Jane Gapen. Margaret Stanton, ex-'07, and Emily Holmes, ex-'06, have returned to finish, and Francis Hall, of Illinois Epsilon, is with us this year, making a total of twenty-six in our chapter. We are most fortunate this year in having Elizabeth Atkinson, of Illinois Zeta, in the faculty as assistant in the gymnasium, thus making two Pi Beta Phis in the faculty.

Our house has been remodeled upstairs this year, and re-decorated throughout, so that we are starting the new year with every outlook of

success. Our rushing season was very strenuous, consisting of a buffet supper, cottage picnic, formal luncheons, theatre party and an amateur play, given by the town girls, besides many drives and more informal things. The rushing conditions here are very bad and we are looking forward to a reform within a year or two. With large chapter houses, a late pledge day seems impossible, and it is indeed a problem hard to solve.

College activities have scarcely begun as yet, although several of the fraternities have given dances, introducing their freshmen, the Self Government Association gave a party and the class rush between the freshmen and sophomores has taken place, resulting in a victory for the freshmen. The freshmen class this year is said to be one of the largest and best in the history of the institution.

Wisconsin Alpha sends greetings to all Pi Phis.

RUTH JENNINGS.

GAMMA PROVINCE

MINNESOTA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

(Chartered 1890—Re-chartered 1907)

Minnesota Alpha is trying to settle down to work, after a delightful vacation, at the beginning of a year which promises to be exceedingly bright. First of all, graduation deprived us of but two girls, leaving us a chapter membership of twenty to start with this year. Besides, we have three new sisters to introduce, Olive Shellenberger and Gertrude Hull, two of our last year's pledges, and Amy Fisher, a graduate of Vassar, who is working for her master's degree. They are bright, energetic workers and we shall be aided greatly by their presence in the chapter. These girls were initiated October fifth, at the home of Edith Garbett, one of our alumnae. After the initiation we gathered 'round the "festal board" to enjoy a jolly spread, after which there were a number of toasts. One of the most pleasant features of this initiation was the fact that we had a large number of the alumnae with us.

The rushing contract of this year is wholly different from that of former years. The Pan-Hellenic Association has endeavored to eliminate the word "rushing" from its vocabulary, with the desire that sorority girls and freshmen may become acquainted in a perfectly natural way. The two most important points of the contract are that pledge day shall be April first, and that each sorority shall give one party each semester, more than two girls with a freshman constituting a party. We are making a desperate effort to live up to the rules, but it is very hard, as each sorority seems to hold a different conception of their meaning.

For the first time in the history of the college, Minnesota has a dean of women. She is Ada Comstock, until last year professor of rhetoric.

Dean Comstock is one woman in a thousand and one whom every college girl adores.

"Folwell Hall" is completed and is the largest building of its kind in the northwest. It is very imposing, both in size and architecture, while the interior is finished in marble. This building, named for the first president of the university, relieves the intense congestion that has existed for so many years, and both professors and students already feel the joy of having all the room they can use.

The fondest of our hopes has not been realized—we had planned on having a chapter house this year. For several reasons we had to give up the idea, but have two very pretty rooms instead. The woodwork is in flamed oak, while the walls are decorated in a wine paper with window draperies of the same color. With the addition of a piano, we are very comfortable and happy.

We believe we are to be particularly fortunate in securing convention rates, and we shall consider it a great favor if any of the girls living near us, who are going, will let us know at an early date, for "the larger the party, the lower the rate." Collectively and individually, we are brimming over with enthusiasm.

Minnesota Alpha sends best wishes to all the chapters for a most prosperous year.

ESTHER ROBBINS.

IOWA ALPHA—IOWA WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1868)

The summer passed so quickly, that it hardly seems possible that we have been in school for a month. It has been such a busy month, starting new college work, and meeting new girls, with all the other duties which are constantly awaiting us.

In July the girls who live in town loaded their belongings into a wagon and went out to the river and pitched camp. Such a time as we did have! One of the girls lived only half a mile from our camp, and we kept a horse and buggy so we could go "home" any time we wished, and we never came back empty handed; there was always something waiting for us. Two girls cooked each day, while the others rode, fished or read. We thoroughly enjoyed our camping experience, and hope to make it an annual one.

The first week of college seven of the girls spent three days at the Work home in Ottumwa, and we decided that we would attend every chapter wedding, if we could have as jolly a time as we had at Esther Work's.

We took ten of the new girls with us and cooked our supper in the woods a week ago. We have a regular "kitchen" in the grove, and we kept three fires going merrily. We also had the pleasure of having three new professors with us—one of whom is a Pi Phi, who was initiated in our chapter.

Last Monday our alumnae delightfully entertained the chapter and a number of new girls. Our alumnae are so good to us, and so much interested in us, that we always enjoy being with them.

We are looking forward to a happy and profitable year, and we wish for all the chapters the pleasantest and best year possible.

ETHEL LYMER.

IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1874)

We are just beginning to settle down from the excitement that is always aroused by the opening of a new college year, and to enter upon real work, both in college and in fraternity.

Most of last year's girls returned this term and all know what good times always accompany the return of Pi Phis to college.

We had a dinner at the house the opening week, and the active girls and some alumnae, not entirely antiquated, were present.

Our pledge day is in November, so we have busied ourselves from the first in getting acquainted with the new girls. We have had one large company, entertaining the new girls at the home of Ruth Baker at a cooky-shine. All had a very jolly and certainly an informal time.

Our house has been of the greatest interest to us and now we have its furnishings almost complete.

The alumnae have been very kind to us in helping with the many things that a fraternity usually needs.

Esther John, one of Iowa Gamma's last year's pledges, came to Simpson this fall, and we consider ourselves fortunate to win her for our own chapter, as well as for Pi Phidom at large. Friday we are to initiate her and are expecting some of the Ames girls for that event.

We are to entertain Pan-Hellenic here at breakfast Saturday morning. We are always glad of these opportunities to become better acquainted with the other sororities of the school.

In many ways we are looking forward to a happy and prosperous year. Especially are we glad to have the opportunity of knowing some of our nearby sisters.

Iowa Beta toasts all chapters—for the best year in each and every chapter's history.

EDITH BEALL.

IOWA GAMMA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1877—Re-chartered 1906)

This has been a very busy fall for Iowa Gamma, and after six weeks of college we are just beginning to feel like settling down to our term's work.

During the year and a half, since we have been Pi Phis, we have been looking forward to the time when we could have a house and all live together. We have a very pleasant dormitory here, but still we have been

anxious to have a home of our own. There are sixteen of us living here in the house, all active or alumnae members. We think it a good plan to have our pledges stay in the hall a year, and as we have four alumnae members with us we do not need the pledges to fill the house.

Needless to say we are all in love with our new home in spite of all the trials and tribulations we went through during the settling process. The house had been entirely remodeled during the summer, and some of our experiences without light or water, during the first week, are laughable now, although they seemed like very stern realities at the time. Our library, large reception room and dining room open together and make things very nice and convenient for entertaining.

Last Saturday we had open house, to all our college friends. Two weeks before, on Saturday, we entertained about eighty of the faculty ladies in honor of our chaperone, Miss Helen Donovan. We girls consider ourselves very fortunate in our chaperone. Miss Donovan is an associate professor in the Domestic Science Department.

But we have almost forgotten our new pledges. We have no pledging day here, so our fall rushing and pledging is not limited but extends throughout the term. So far we have four new girls to be proud of, Helen Jones, Shirley Storm, Lillian Mack and Marie Carr are wearing the pledge pin.

We girls are enjoying having Sadie Jacobs, from Iowa Zeta, here with us this year, as an instructor in the English department.

Our term party this fall is to be a Halloween party, and we are looking forward to a jolly evening.

Iowa Gamma is anticipating a very happy year in its new home, and hopes all the other chapters will have the same.

RUTH EGLOFF.

IOWA ZETA—IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1882)

And now that rushing is all over, we might stop to consider that very many such days, exciting as they are, would not do as a steady diet. Iowa Zeta could tell you a few interesting points on the matter, I believe, and certainly she draws them from her own experiences.

With an active chapter of thirteen, at the beginning of the school year, and such prospects as would excite the most tried gold seeker, she fairly held her breath for several days of good rushing and most enthusiastic efforts, and then when all was over, carried off a prize worthy of the best in the land. With nine new pledges, such as anyone might well be proud of, Iowa Zeta feels that she has a family that our honorable President Roosevelt could look upon with approval. We are happy to introduce to you, Mary Remley, of Anamosa; Madge Eastman, of Iowa City; Margaret Oussler, of Odebolt; Lillian Smith, of Ottumwa; Mrs. Cox, of Iowa City; Louise Adams, of Burlington; Edith Shugart, and Bertha Wheeler, of

Council Bluffs; Katherine Summervill, of Ottumwa, and Helen Struble, who is still a pledge.

Pi Beta Phi's strength does not lie in numbers, fortunately, but when you combine the strength of number with Pi Phi strength, you know that the result is certain to be a most successful year for Iowa Zeta.

We feel perfect satisfaction in the result of our efforts and I am sure that our new pledges will find a happy home in our chapter house, which has felt a touch here and there in the way of improvements. Our matron, Mrs. Thomas, by all means deserves a place in this letter, for she is a very lovely woman in every way, and, what is best, a mother to us all. Iowa Zeta sends to her sister chapters, greetings and best wishes for a most happy and successful year.

ELIZABETH MICKELSON.

MISSOURI ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

(Chartered 1899)

Missouri Alpha started out three weeks ago with fourteen active girls back.

Of course each girl was anxious to get the house in running order right away, so that we should be ready for the rush. Our new furniture had arrived during the summer, and it didn't take long to straighten things around. We have now one of the best looking chapter houses in Columbia.

As we were unable to come to any agreement with the Kappas, regarding pledge day, we could pledge any time after matriculation. Within a week's time we had eleven pledges. They are Hazel Kirk, Fay Jarman, Mildred McBride, Lucile Anderson, Helen Bryant, Elvera Udstad, Kathryn Bond, Margaretta Newell, Monita Butts, Clementina Dorsey and Phoebe Bishop.

Our annual house-warming took place Tuesday night, September tenth. It is a reception to which the faculty, town people and fraternities are invited. Besides this, as rushing "stunts," we gave a tea, pledge party, driving party, luncheons and dinners.

Rushing season is all over now, and work has been going on for two weeks. Initiation took place Saturday night, September twenty-eighth. One of our pledges could not be initiated until the second semester, but the other ten "rode the goat" to perfection. This gives us twenty-four girls in the active chapter, with very bright prospects for the year. Next time we will tell about some society "stunts" we are planning.

Missouri Alpha extends all kinds of good wishes to every Pi Phi.

SUSIE SHEPARD.

MISSOURI BETA—WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1907)

This is our first year as Pi Beta Phis, and we have been working hard all summer to make it a successful one. All the girls are imbued with the spirit of enthusiasm, and ambition for Missouri Beta's part in Pi Beta Phi. During vacation nearly all of the girls remained at home, work-

ing in one way or another toward the furnishing of our new rooms at Mac-Millan Hall, the girls' dormitory, which has just been finished. The rooms are really very handsomely furnished in the Mission style, and they surely are beautiful, at least we and our pledges think so.

We have five of the dearest pledges, Imogene Adams, Margaret Fidler, Dorothea Frazer, Helen Schultz and Laura May Watts. Four are regular freshmen and one special student. We are so proud of them, that we feel as if we had opened up the year with a great flourish! Before college opened we had decided upon whom we would rush, and we had to stick to them like the well known sticking plaster, from the minute they entered on up to pledging time, but now we have our reward.

As the first of our "rushing stunts" we held an informal "at home" for all the freshmen girls in the rooms at the "Dorm," and the next night Elise Ver Steeg entertained Pi Beta Phi and Sigma Nu at her beautiful home, where we danced and had a generally delightful time.

Pi Beta Phi holds the junior vice presidency this year, while last year she held it when "1909" was the Sophomore class.

We are all excitement over more than one thing now, and one of the many is that Alice Woodward is to be married in a few days. We are mighty sorry to lose her from our active list, but she will, I know, help us greatly with the alumnae.

A short time ago we received such an enthusiastic encouraging letter from Miss Elda Smith, and we hope to live up to the expectations of Pi Phi for her baby chapter, and to make her proud of Missouri Beta.

With love to all Pi Phi.

LOUISE B. BIRCH.

KANSAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

(Chartered 1873)

Kansas Alpha feels more than satisfied with her prospects for the coming year. We are settled at last in a new house of our own, situated only a block from the university. We have carried through all of our plans for the house in little over a year, and we feel especially grateful to our alumnae for the interest they have shown in helping us to secure such a desirable chapter house. We have fifteen rooms in all, and the first floor is so arranged that it can be thrown together, making it ideal for entertaining.

Just at present the thing uppermost in the minds of all, is rushing. We tried a new plan here this year,—a two weeks pledge; we have eight new pledges to introduce: Mildred Poindexter, Tessa Critchfield, Alice Johnson, Berenice Tabor, Helen Ames, Lottie Fuller, Gertrude Blackmar and Hazel Leslie. Our rushing was much more strenuous this year than ever before. We were allowed three dates, a week with each rushee, and so of course, we tried to make these functions as nice as possible. We opened our rushing with a reception at the chapter house the week before college opened. Next followed a chocolate, at the home of one of our town girls. These were our two largest parties. Later we had a dinner dance, a card party,

and "stay-all-night party." One of the features of this year's rushing was a Pan-Hellenic reception given by the sororities to all freshmen girls. This plan had never been tried here before, but it proved to be a very good one, and probably will become an annual event.

Even though we were so fortunate in getting the girls we wanted, we do not like the regulations made by Pan-Hellenic for this year's rushing, and shall do our best not to have them again. We think that you can get just as well acquainted with a girl in one week as you can in two, and that the extra time simply prolongs the suspense and wears the girls out completely.

Kappa Alpha Theta has been so fortunate as to have her grand president here this year helping her rush.

Kansas University is just as prosperous as ever. A very fine gymnasium has just been completed, while several other buildings are to be started soon.

Kansas Alpha anticipates a pleasant year and wishes success to all Pi Phis.

BERTHA LUCKAN.

NEBRASKA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

(Chartered 1895)

The girls of Nebraska Beta have heaved a contented sigh after their strenuous rush week, and are happy to introduce seven freshmen pledges whom we feel will be as much of a pleasure and credit to Pi Phis far and wide, as they are to our own chapter: Grace Salisbury, Francis Gould, Alice Wilcox, Ruth Heacock, Zora Fitzgerald, Alice Troxwell and Effie Shinn. Our rushing parties were big successes. They consisted of a house warming at the chapter house, a morning card party, a twilight musicale, a dinner dance, and a play. Our patronesses gave the card party, but with this exception our successful rushing parties were entirely due to the kindness of our alumnae club. To both our patronesses and alumnae we feel deeply grateful, for we could never have accomplished so much without their help. According to Pan-Hellenic rules, all rushing stopped at six o'clock on Saturday evening of rush week, and we cannot initiate our freshmen until each has handed in a satisfactory report of all her work at the end of the semester. If she is delinquent she cannot be initiated until the delinquency is made up. Another condition which the Pan-Hellenic imposed upon us this year, is that each freshman must be taking twelve hours' work in the university. This excludes most of the students from the School of Music, which is a branch of our state university.

We were more than delighted to welcome Verne Stockdale, of Iowa Zeta, into our chapter this year. We feel as if Iowa had made us a valuable gift, which we appreciate very much. Most of our last year's girls came back this year and we expect one more of them for the second semester's work. Our girls seem unusually congenial, and we hope for great things from them in the year that is before us. Our chapter as a whole and our freshmen in particular, seem to be starting out with a great deal of college as well as fraternity spirit, for we have among us the president of the

University Girls' Club, a member of the basket ball team, and two freshmen who are working hard for the University Dramatic Club. We feel that this is a very commendable spirit, for Pi Phis should surely do their share for the betterment of their college.

Nebraska Beta sends her sincerest greeting to all Pi Phis chapters far and wide, and wishes them all as successful a year as she hopes for her own chapter.

SARAH M. MARTIN.

LOUISIANA ALPHA—NEWCOMB COLLEGE.

(Chartered 1891)

The girls of Louisiana Alpha hailed the opening of college with no small amount of pleasure. The rush and excitement of matriculation, the joy of meeting "the old girls," the delight of attending the first classes,—in fact, everything that tends to make the first few days such strenuous ones—were to us even more important than ever before, for we cannot but remember that this very year is to bring us face to face with so many of our Pi Phi sisters.

It has been announced that Newcomb College is entitled to a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa. No news could have been more eagerly accepted, or more heartily rejoiced over than this was.

Newcomb has already six fraternities, Phi Nu, Chi Omega, Alpha Delta Phi, Alpha Omicron Pi, Kappa Kappa Gamma and Pi Beta Phi, and now this last, Pi Beta Kappa, is warmly welcomed by each of the others.

Our Summer Convention Club has turned its work over to the active chapter, at least, that part of its work which can never be finished—the talking and planning for our convention. Surely something that has been so much talked of and so much planned for, must have to be a success, and if a great many girls come down we will ask for nothing better..

Our first meeting was held in our chapter room, on Thursday, the third of October; two alumnae were present and ten active girls. We are much excited over the beautiful blue rug and lovely new curtains of which our patronesses made us a present. Our room has been wonderfully improved by these two charming gifts.

We wish good luck to all Pi Phis during the next year.

LOIS JANVIER.

TEXAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS.

(Founded 1902)

At last the 'Varsity has opened, and much excitement has prevailed. Every loyal Greek has had a regular tug of war.

Pan-Hellenic agreed last spring to have open rushing season, so at the present date, the sororities have pledged almost all the girls they will ask this year. Every one did well, but dear old Pi Phi has surely come out victorious. We issued only nine invitations, all of which were accepted, and we are sure we have the finest, most enthusiastic set of girls to be found any-

where. We wish to introduce to you, as future Pi Beta Phi, Julia Simpson, Georgia Maverick, Laura Burleson, Frances Walker, Bess Monteith, Dora Neil, Beulah Holland, Adele Epperson and Susette Matthews. There were no rushing parties this year, as it was against Pan-Hellenic rules. However, we had freshmen at the house to spend the night, and in that way the girls were able to meet and know them. Last Thursday we gave our pledges a spread. It proved so enjoyable that we hope to have many another.

There have been few changes in the university. The new law building, which was begun last spring, is almost completed, and the law students look quite proud and haughty. A great many people are looking forward to the time when the Y. M. C. A. building shall be begun.

Girls, we do hope you will all come to convention next Christmas. The Texas Alpha girls are rejoicing that it is to be so near, and we hope to meet hundreds and hundreds of Pi Phis. Until then here's wishing that every chapter of Pi Beta Phi may be as successful as Texas Alpha.

D. DREW STAGGS.

DELTA PROVINCE

COLORADO ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

(Chartered 1884)

It has been only four weeks since college opened, and yet so many things have been crowded into that time, that it seems months. Our rushing season this year was a very successful one, and was not so long and tedious as last year's, Pan-Hellenic having decided on a pledge day one week after college opened. Perhaps our program for the week might be interesting. Sunday afternoon we gave a musical and tea, Monday a large reception and Tuesday a dance, with just the girls, although half of them appeared as men! Each sorority had an afternoon on which day none of the others could entertain between the hours of two and six. This prevented any one sorority from monopolizing a girl's time and she in turn had an opportunity to meet all the girls. Wednesday was our day and we gave a buffet luncheon. Our alumnae entertained for us on Thursday night, Friday we had a progressive dinner and Saturday night a dance in the chapter house.

On pledge day, September the sixteenth, we pledged seven girls: Geneva Bell, Mollie Brown, Bessie Carlberg, Caroline Dier, Elvie Dyer, Pauline McKenzie and Margaret Taylor, and on October fifth, Grace Slutz, who entered college late, was pledged to us.

Another thing that has made the girls of Colorado Alpha happy this year, is our new chapter house. We all have such good times in it, in so many different ways. Already we have had several marsh mallow roasts around the big fire place, and cooky-shines in the chapter room. The house is arranged very well for dancing, too, as we have proven on three different

occasions. On October the fourth, we entertained all the fraternity pledges at a dance in honor of our pledges.

There has been a chapter of Alpha Chi Omega established in the university since last year, which makes in all five sororities here.

That all chapters of Pi Phi may have a prosperous year, is the wish of Colorado Alpha.

EUNICE THOMPSON.

COLORADO BETA—DENVER UNIVERSITY
(Chartered 1885)

We Colorado Beta girls were very widely scattered this summer, and the eleven of us who are back in college this fall have taken up the duties and pleasures of the chapter full of hope and enthusiasm, over our long rushing season, which is to last until Thanksgiving. The real strenuous rushing is to come only the last eleven days of the season, so we are taking the intervening time to get acquainted with the new girls. There seems to be a considerable amount of good material in the freshman class, and we are going in to win, though our rival fraternity has a chapter nearly twice as large as ours.

We have taken up our work again at the West Side Neighborhood House, keeping the library open every afternoon except Sunday, and the girls are all just as enthusiastic about it as we were last year.

We wish all our own sister chapters success in their rushing.

ANNA R. HOWE.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA—LELAND STANFORD UNIVERSITY
(Chartered 1893—Re-chartered 1905)

After every storm comes a lull, so after rushing season comes a time of quiet and rejoicing. Rushing this year at Stanford ended September twenty-fifth, after four hard weeks. Twenty-seven freshmen were divided up among the six sororities, and of these Pi Phi got five splendid girls. Tomorrow night, October the seventh, the four freshmen, Florence Metzner, Adele Huntsberger, Inez Jewett, Isabel Noble and Bess Lee Wendling will become Pi Phis, making an active chapter of sixteen. We expect to have with us Mrs. Guérard, nee Wilhelmina Macartney, of Colorado Beta, whose husband is a professor in the French department this year.

On September thirteenth the chapter introduced to the college world their new chaperon, Miss Hadley, at a small informal tea. We are all so proud and fond of her.

We are looking forward to October twelfth, when the Stanford-Berkeley freshmen game comes off. California Beta has sent us a cordial invitation to visit them for this great event. On November ninth the big yearly game between Stanford and her deadly enemy Berkeley will take place on the Stanford campus. Then we shall have California Beta with us and excitement will reign supreme.

Hoping the Pi Phi chapters were all successful in rushing, and sending hearty greeting to all the new girls.

RUBERTA ROBERTS.

CALIFORNIA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
(Chartered 1900)

Rushing season, which has been a most strenuous one, is over at last. Many very enjoyable affairs were given; theatre parties, auto rides, dances, progressive dinner parties, and a few candy pulls helped to give the freshmen a good time. The season was a gay and festive one, tiring us all before it was over, but we feel well repaid for all our efforts now, inasmuch as we have three charming freshmen to introduce to you: Elsie Ahrens, Lena Caughran and Juliet Bennette. At the banquet held after the initiation, on October seventh, each freshman in turn responded to our toasts in such a manner as to make us all prouder than ever to think that they were really our own.

Regardless of rushing season, college festivities at large held sway. University of California day, at Idora park, was quite a novel feature. A two-weeks' carnival was in session, interesting enough in itself, but university day was certainly the culmination of all that was funny and entertaining. College students, dressed in all sorts of ridiculous costumes, had charge of the different booths and side shows. Girls and boys worked together to make it as great a success as possible, and I think every one feels well repaid for their efforts since. We cleared over a thousand dollars for the benefit of our football team.

The Greek theater, too, has had its share in college festivities. Our regular symphony concerts, which are held there every other Wednesday afternoon, prove a great treat and success. Last Saturday night, October fifth, the English Club presented a series of three plays there, illustrating the development of the English drama. Any college student is entitled to try out for these plays although the leading roles are usually given to members of the English Club. Two of our girls took part in the performance, and one assisted Miss Armstrong, an Alpha Phi, in training forty-eight of the freshmen in the minuet for the third play of the series.

We are all eagerly looking forward to Thursday week when Gadeki is to sing in the Greek theatre. Our theatre affords such wonderful opportunities for anything of the sort. We only hope it will prove as great a delight to hear as it has to many other of our great singers.

I must not forget to mention that at the banquet after our invitation Monday night, there was a strong movement towards the forming of an alumnae association. Several of the alumnae members spoke most strongly in favor of it, and the members of the active chapters are most enthusiastic over the prospect. After the banquet was over they held a meeting to talk over some future plan of action. Sue Hiestand was appointed to take charge of the affair; to notify other alumnae members and write east. Those present at the meeting were Mrs. Derleth, Mrs. Sloane, Mrs. Strike, Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Augusta Van Kirk, Florence Ziegenfuss, Edith White, Amy Hill, Sue Hiestand, Mollie Day, Blanche Cameron and Orcon Lucas.

California Beta extends a hearty welcome to every new Pi Phi and sends very best wishes to all Pi Phis for the coming year,

LOUETTA EMILY WEIR.

WASHINGTON ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON
(Chartered 1906)

Washington Alpha has nearly completed her first rushing season, and a strenuous one it has been, too. After our large chapter last year, we were a little appalled at the idea of a rushing season, and an open one at that, with only ten active members, but we have lived to tell the tale and are even a little proud of ourselves.

In the spring Pan-Hellenic agreed upon an open rushing season, with no summer rushing, so our summer was devoted to planning and for this we had regular monthly meetings, and several times all who live near enough gathered for a social afternoon. One of the most delightful affairs of this nature was a cookie-shine, at Point Defiance Park, Tacoma, when we were the guests of the alumnae of that city.

School opened the sixteenth of September and nearly all the girls were back the preceding Thursday. On Friday we began our rushing with a Japanese card party and have kept it up till now with lunches, house parties, dances and a musical. The local alumnae chapter helped us financially so as to enable us to give a formal dance at Reuton Hill club house. Mrs. Cobb, one of the alumnae, entertained the rushees with a launch party one afternoon, and this week we were delightfully entertained at the home of our province president, Miss Frye, so our alumnae have been very good to us you see.

As the result of our strenuous labors we have pledged seven fine freshmen: Vivian Hulbert, Hattie Palmer, Helen Graves, Hattie Roys, Anna Lamping, Valeria Browne and Nettie Holcomb.

Hoping that the coming year may bring much of joy and profit to every Pi Phi.

HELEN MAR GIBBONS.

Exchanges

Since the July issue of THE ARROW the following exchanges have been received, and are here acknowledged:

For March—The *Adelphian* of Alpha Delta Phi, the *Shield* of Theta Delta Chi.

For June—The *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta, the *Caduceus* of Kappa Sigma.

For July—The *Anchora* of Delta Gamma.

For August—The *Shield* of Phi Kappa Psi, the *Eleusis* of Chi Omega, the *Delta* of Sigma Nu.

For September—The *Record* of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, the *Palladium* of Phi Delta Theta.

We give our exchange department this month to reprinting in large part the address of Mr. Walter James Sears, of Sigma Nu, on "The Common Faith and Duty of Pan-Hellenism." This address was delivered at the banquet of the Pan-Hellenic Association, at Columbus, Ohio, nearly a year ago, but has only lately come to our notice. The plan of alumni tutorship in each fraternity house is certainly a novel one, and, despite some practical difficulties, decidedly worth thinking about.

Is there a common duty for all Greek letter fraternities?

I answer: There is an urgent demand for the willing sacrifice of a practical human service.

Time will not permit me to trace the growth of the modern university or to point out the significant factors of its present life. Briefly, the first universities were voluntary foundations. Both the students and the teachers were free; the range of individual initiative of the one was large and unrestricted; the personal influence of the other was great and commanding.

The universities of the Middle Ages came under the control of the Church and the State and, in a very large degree, they lost their former measure of freedom. The teacher became a part of the system; the student, a ward of the Church or State, standing in relation to them as a son to his parent. There was developed then what is known as the parental system, with its harsh discipline and its empty formalism.

The modern university has outgrown the one and modifies the other, just as all men, along with the nobler progress of the years, have been disenfranchised from the conditions that degraded them. Again the teacher and the student are free. There is still the reign of law and the rule of system, but it is an enlightened law of self-control and self-government and it is an intelligent system, quickened by the spirit of self-sacrifice and devotion. In short, the university life of today shows a splendid advance over the conditions that formerly prevailed; it is a life that is opulent in efficient training and high ideals for the thousands of men and women who each year seek and find its radiant visions and its sure enrichments.

And yet its best friends are beginning to ask: "Has not the teacher too little influence and has not the student too much freedom?" They do not deny that the great universities still have their great men, but it is pointed out that their systems of education are so complex, their student bodies so numerous and so unrestrained that the old relationship between teacher and students—the relationship of sympathy and mutual counsel and help—is impossible of realization. They declare that in every large college community there is growing up a kind of disintegration that dissipates the moral and spiritual fibre of the young life. And, turning again to the time when the influence and leadership of the teacher was great and far-reaching, they ask: "Shall we not exalt again the mission of the man? Shall we not set up again his personality as against the forms of system, his service as against the routine of method?"

Some of our leading universities have realized this condition and are making earnest effort to restore the influence of the teacher. To place a certain number of students under the direct oversight of some particular instructor is one plan already in force, and it is to be noted that especially at Princeton this system has had the most gratifying results. But is there not some other plan not yet tried?

The university is, and has always been, a persistent and continuous force among men—so strong is this force that every college is called a fostering mother. Men come to her to learn the lessons of life, to gather for a while at her feet, then to leave her only to love and revere her forever. From this fact there springs up what we call the duty of the alumnus to his Alma Mater, to his fostering mother, and so compelling is her voice in his ears, so uplifting the fine promptings of her ministrations, that no son of her dare ever neglect her, unless it be some poltroon unworthy of her love.

The fraternity man, whatever his faults may be, is a true and faithful son of his fostering mother. Indeed, my experience is that none is truer or more faithful than he. The sense of duty, that every alumnus owes to his college, finds a quick and noble response in his heart; it takes him back to her with the eager hope that she may grow and enlarge the power of her service; it takes him back to the old halls and the old campus, rich with the radiant memories of his young manhood, when yet the storms of sordid struggle had not blinded him to the visions of noble achievement; it

takes him back to his old friends, whatever Greek pin they may have worn; but, best of all, it takes him back to the fraternity brothers of his chapter and it takes him back to them year after year, despite the transmutations of time, despite the broken hopes of his declining years. And this is the one superb tribute to the fraternity system of American colleges, as it is the one central fact that justifies that system and makes it and proves it to be a living and moving power in the world.

Therefore, I turn now to the fraternity alumnus, with this strong sense of duty to his Alma Mater and to his old chapter, burning in his heart, and I ask: Shall he not in some sense and in some way take the place of the teacher in his old relationship of personal direction and personal guidance?

There are today in this country 31 college fraternities, with 970 active chapters, with a total membership of 180,000. Counting also the women and professional fraternities, there are more than 1,700 chapters; of this number 600 live in their own chapter houses.

Shall not these chapter houses become real auxiliaries of education and intellectual fellowship? Shall not their alumni raise them up into central forces of determining influence upon the undergraduates who occupy them?

Shall they not, through an organized effort, become a controlling influence over the chapter? Shall they not work to this end by enlarging the prestige of the upper class men, making them the leaders and overseers of the younger men? Can this not be done also in a practical way by having an Alumni Board of Visitors for each chapter and that through the Pan-Hellenic Association like the one you have here, these boards to exchange visits of inspection among all the chapters and to report to the central Pan-Hellenic Board the results of these visits? Shall they not go still further, taking the old English colleges for an example, place over each chapter house some tutor or leader, who shall come into close and helpful association with the undergraduates, directing their studies, leading them in their amusements, counselling them in their troubles and opening up to them new visions of service in their outlook upon the world's work? I put it up to the practical philanthropists of all our fraternities: Shall not the alumni who have given great sums to build costly chapter houses give the means to endow and found tutorships; and shall not these be so richly endowed, that men of the highest attainments will seek them, so that the chapter house tutor shall rank with the university professor in his power to teach, and will outrank him in his power to mould and direct the student's life? Shall not this become the real and vital service of every fraternity man? Shall this not be the common duty of Pan-Hellenism?

The thirty-one tribes of modern Hellenes have fought long enough under separate banners, sometimes against one another, sometimes single handed and alone against their common enemy. Unfortunately they were established at the time of the anti-Masonic agitation, when there was a great hue and cry against secret societies. But this can no longer be a

serious fault in them, because long since they have proven their faith by their good works. Indeed, their full rights to life ought not to be seriously questioned any longer; they have already become a permanent and helpful factor in our system of higher education. They are not perfect; they are not without their serious faults; but they possess the saving grace of confession and are quick to acknowledge their limitations and anxious to remove them. They refuse, therefore, to be needlessly destroyed.

I submit that the rational thing for all educators to do is to greet all these fraternities with an open and unprejudiced mind, and gathering up their splendid opportunities for the service and uplift of the undergraduate life, to concentrate them at the point where that life is being fitted for its struggle in the world. I submit that the rational thing for all fraternity men to do is to forget the trifling barriers that may separate them and to unite upon the common ground of a high human calling.

I put it to you who are here, you who represent all the tribes of the Hellenes, you will not need in the end a Miltiades to stir your faith nor a Marathon to test your duty. The everlasting bonds of your fellowship, the compelling power of your obligations, the shining ideals of your fraternities, the cherished memories of your college days, the love of the old men for the new and the new men for the old—this will be enough—this will prompt you to strike hands and to utter the pledge of a common faith, and to perform the service of a common duty.

