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THE FIFTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

A well-balanced account of the doings of those of our brotherhood who lately convened at Chicago must not fail to convey a twofold impression. The more grateful of these is, perhaps, that conveyed by the description of the varied pursuit of jollity for which our annual assemblies increasingly furnish the occasion. To instil and revive in the human heart the joy of living is one of the functions of fraternity; and that Theta Delta Chi is fulfilling her function in this regard no candid witness of the recent events at Chicago, nor, if our pens have discoursed truly, anyone whose eyes scan the matter in the succeeding pages, will seriously dispute. But it must be borne in mind that representatives of our brotherhood are summoned into annual session with a second purpose, more sober than the diffusion of elemental joy. The thoughtful mind of the jurist who addressed the Open Session in behalf of the Chicago Alumni of the University of Wisconsin penetrated truth to the core in pronouncing "It is such occasions as this, such conventions as this, that make for the better things in life, *the better things that result, not by accident or choice, but are the fruition of zeal, labor and untiring effort.*" The highest good is that wrested from the possibilities of things by the unsparing use of body and mind. The man-ennobling possibilities of fraternities are vast. But they must be discovered by human thought and realized through human institutions and methods. Every movement that hopes to endure beyond the moment must become methodical and systematic in its progress. And fraternity having come to stay, fraternity system, methods, institutions and policy are matters for anguished thought. For its influences are

profound, and fraternity spirit like every other spirit that has yet emanated from man's bosom lends itself to abuse if not wisely controlled. So a serious purpose as well as a light inspired the brothers called together to legislate for the welfare of Theta Delta Chi in the metropolis on the saltless sea. But while they were serious they were not sombre ; and many a bit of humor and brilliant clash of mind enlivened the business sessions. These must rest among the unreported things, however. If THE SHIELD account becomes too realistic brothers may lose their habit of convention-going. No danger? Well, perhaps not. But let us assume that we and our traveling companions have piled into the Auditorium Hotel late in the afternoon of Saturday, February 18th, after a train ride of greater or less duration, diversified no doubt by unique exhibitions of the art of spontaneous fun-making in which college men are so adept. A summary interchange of greetings and "grips," a few preliminaries whose nature is suggested by "café" and "glad rags", and we take position for the first event,—not one of the heavy affairs.



THE SMOKER

The holding of a Convention in the West necessitated the placing of the arrangements in the hands of the local alumni. This was quite a departure from the regular method but proved so successful that the same plan will probably be used in future. After several months of hard work the local brothers assembled at the University Club at 8:00 o'clock Saturday evening, February 18th, ready to give the "glad hand" to the visitors. In spite of the fact that two carloads of the Eastern contingent were delayed several hours on account of the storms and did not reach Chicago until nearly midnight, 168 others registered during the evening. There was no attempt at formality. No set speeches were made.

Dr. H. F. Lewis, President of the Central Graduate Association made his remarks as brief as possible with instructions to "get together," and get together they did, particularly the numerous representatives of Cornell, Michigan and Wisconsin. Each of these three delegations selected a corner of the room and the rest of us fell in between.

It was as enjoyable a smoker as could be asked for. There were many alumni whose homes are scattered through the West who found this the first opportunity to renew the acquaintances of many years standing. Several were there from the Pacific Coast who had not attended a Convention before for many years. The Northwest also furnished its quota, which was very largely added to at later sessions.

The Chicago Association presented each member in attendance with a stein as a souvenir of the occasion and the requisite number were reserved for the unfortunates still out in the country, snow-bound, among whom were the officers of the Grand Lodge.

This opening gathering could not have been a more auspicious one and the enthusiasm and good feeling started there continued in ever increasing quantities until the lights were turned out in the wee small hours after the banquet Tuesday evening.

OSGOOD T. EASTMAN,
Mu Deuteron, '86.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service, which, instituted last year, has become one of the most beautiful and enjoyable parts of the convention proceedings and is, we believe, original with us, was held in Grace Episcopal Church—Rector, Brother William O. Waters, Xi. At three P. M., on Sunday, February 19th, a gathering of over two hundred brothers, relatives and friends, met in the spacious auditorium of the church and enjoyed a beautiful and touching service in commemoration of those of the fraternity who have joined the Omega during the past twelvemonth.

The lectern and oratory were decorated with Theta Delta Chi flags, and flowers were tastily arranged at the chancel rail and on the altar. The famous surpliced choir of Grace Church sang the musical portions of the service while the master hands of Harrison Wild called forth the expressions of the soul of the grand organ. It is of course impossible to convey any adequate sense of the beautiful atmosphere that pervaded this gathering for prayer and praise in memory of the departed, and we can only offer a record of the spoken word :

THE REV. W. O. WATERS : It is with very great and peculiar satisfaction that I welcome you, my brothers, here in Grace Church, Chicago, today. A good many years have passed since I was active in the Fraternity. Only from time to time has it been my privilege to meet my brethren ; and whenever I have it has always been with great pleasure, and I have always felt a real desire to do something to help the Fraternity on its way. This service is a beautiful idea. We ought to feel the significance of it as we gather here today, because it is not only the delegates who are sent here to represent the Fraternity that are meeting here. It is not only the Fraternity as represented by the assembled brothers, or at least by those members who are still on earth, that are meeting here ; it is the Fraternity as a whole,—those who live in this world and those who have gone on to their reward in the world beyond. The whole Fraternity, therefore, is gathered here and is entering upon its work with a solemnity that may well impress us with the importance of the work. I am glad to welcome the Fraternity as a whole to this church and I feel it a great privilege and a peculiar honor that it has fallen to my lot to hold this service with you today. The Rev. W. W. Dawley, of Psi, '75, is present and will deliver the address. I have great pleasure in introducing to you Brother Dawley, whom undoubtedly you already know.

REV. W. W. DAWLEY:—*Brothers in Theta Delta Chi*: In the language of Roseberry at the tomb of Robert Burns, it is a sunset and not a sunrise we commemorate—no, it is a death and not a birth that we celebrate. Our brothers beloved have gone from us and yet with us they abide still. Enrolled are they among the silent dead today, and yet to us they are neither silent nor dead. Upon their faces of clay we will not look this afternoon, but their presence we feel. In our vision their smiles still beam down upon us; and echoing in our ears today, like the departing notes of some sweet songster, are their joyous laughter and their mellifluous eloquence. Throbbing in our very life this afternoon are forces generated by them; and formative in our characters today are influences by them set in motion; while enshrined in our hearts' Holy of Holies are the memories of those who once with us sat in converse sweet. They never quite leave us, these friends who have gone through the shadow of death to the sunlight above; and sweet memories are holding them fast to the places which they blessed with their presence; and love of work that they left, and the books which they read, speak mutely of them with an irresistible eloquence; and the songs which they sung and the dear words which they said still linger and fall on a tense ear. Memorials of the primeval forests are in the glistening coal that burns on our grates, and in the gas that exiles darkness from our homes, unaccounted and unnoticed by mankind. The stately trees fell with reverberating crashes, but no human ear heard the expiring groans, no human eye witnessed their burial beneath the accumulations of the centuries. In obscurity they perished, but memorials behind them they left that have enriched and fortified generation after generation.

Clouds black and terrifying hover over our life and shadow it with gloom; but, when these pass away from our sight, rippling rills and singing streams bring forth crops and grateful grass, bounding beasts and merry days, that the obscuring clouds have left as mementoes of their passing away. So our brothers out of sight and out of fleshly touch have gone; but manifold memorials of their influence and their inspiration, their wisdom and their worth, their genius and their greatness have they left behind them. Placed upon the sensitive tablets of our very being this afternoon, their impress remains on the senses; and on the things with which they were so closely associated in life, their names have been imperishably written. Yea, beyond and yet before us they are mounted,—and yet they move us today. Faded flowers on the superincumbent sod that hides them from our sight;—but faded in the memories that are keeping them with us;—passed into the silence as the music that in mournful cadences fell on the ears of bereaved ones as in solemn cloth around their biers they stood. And pealing still in our ears are the songs they sung in festive assembly, or as we stood with them in converse sweet, whose souls with ours were knit in life's mysterious womb, far, far from us.

Pillars of stone on which enscribed are their names, and yet in a sense they are in truth today near us. Yea, near enough to us to stir our emotions and thrill our hearts are these brothers, whose graves are marked in

the cities of the silent dead by marble shaft or granite tomb. Heaven lies so near that when my sight is clear I think I see the gleaming strand. "I know,—I feel that those who passed from here come near enough to touch my hand." I even think but for my veiled eyes that heaven would be found right about us to lie.

When the apostles trod this earthly shore, in an eastern city died a woman whose life was filled with the good works and the alms she had done while she was living. Knowing that the apostle was sojourning in a neighboring city a messenger was sent for him post-haste that he might come to the scene of sorrow, and when he came and was shown into an upper room where lay death's victim, there he met the impoverished widow's friends. And as he stood hushed by the awful sorrow, he found himself surrounded by a company of weeping widows each showing the garments and dresses made while she was with them. Those tunics were the memorials of the dead in the hands of the living. So today, in this memorial hour within the walls of this sanctuary, living in the reminiscences of our minds each one of us is holding up the memory of some song sung, some verse written, some word uttered, some hand grasped, some electric thrill felt from those who with us were, and whose love-lit eyes kindled new hopes within our hearts, and whose help unsought come to us in the time of need. These unuttered talks of the hour, these awakened emotions, these hallowed memories are our panegyrics today of the dead,—Love's eulogies.

But how shall we *best* commemorate the sainted members of our hallowed Fraternity? Not by bedewing their graves with tears. Not by dolted sighs, and sombre looks and robes of black. We make not sweeter the sorrow of them by a sour spirit ourselves. We make not happier those that have gone from us by making miserable ourselves. We render them not more contented with their lot by being discontented with ours. How then can we best commemorate these brothers and set up remembrances of them? By catching the spirit of their lives and making their animating and transfiguring spirit ours; by considering the thoughts to which they gave birth and making for them a home in these hearts of ours; by letting the noble in them ennoble us; by constituting ourselves channels for the outflow and onflow of all that was best in them and inspiring in their influence; by putting our hands to work at what they completed not; by teaching to others the thoughts that to us they taught; by turning our feet in paths once by them trodden; by transmitting to others the members of our holy Fraternity and thus helping to glorify the lives of these members that have gone from us.

"Only a thought; but the work it wrought;
Can never by tongue or pen be taught.
It ran through a life like a thread of gold,
And that life bore fruit a hundred fold."

And so shall we plant forget-me-nots that fade not; and erect reminders of them, that moulder not,—neither decay. By catching the best that

came from association with them and making that ours, we shall make the same insure their greatness, guide us by their influence and inspire us through failure to duplicate their most persistent and sweetest victories.

A unique use is made of one of the warships of the British navy. Laden with cocoanuts instead of cannon balls it cruises among the islands of the South Pacific, planting cocoanut seed and other fruit in islands that are in lack of them. The idea is that the cocoa grows important wherever it is planted because it gives some shelter and sustenance to shipwrecked crews, in addition to increasing the value of the island and its fitness for colonization. So, brothers in Theta Delta Chi, let us, laden with precious freightage, with memories of thrilling thought, with soulful sympathies and winged words among the living, planting in throbbing hearts and lives the seed of thoughts that by the brothers departed were given to us, as upward we journey, and as on we go to the attainment of the ideals of our holy brotherhood, and till at home we meet,—that home where separation cannot be, that home where none are missed,—eternally march on.

The empire of India built that famous mausoleum,—a two million dollar tomb of spotless white, to commemorate the memory of a departed Empress. A grateful nation, to perpetuate the services of General Ulysses S. Grant, has erected an imposing monument at Riverside Park, New York. England testifies her appreciation of the noble and heroic, the statesmanlike and scholarly, by according to their remains a resting place in Westminster Abbey, the historic tomb of the nation. A reunited nation appoints one day in the three hundred and sixty-five to commemorate the services of our departed heroes. The commonwealth of Illinois has sought to make enduring the memory of Frances Willard by having her statue put in the Hall of Statuary at the capitol. But brothers, we perpetuate the memory of our dead not by death, but by doing; not by marble shaft, but by manly spirit; not by majestic mausoleum, but by masterful manhood; thus shall we make to live in the generations that come and go, the life-truth and the life-thought of those that lived and yet are dead to die no more; and the day for us to do it is today,—while we are here within reach of each other. Remember that the test of every institution is the character of the men that it creates, and our brotherhood can never know a better way to commemorate the memory of the departed brothers than by making the choicest brand of manhood,—masterful, mighty, majestic and helping,—such as to be held the guiding star to age after age. And so shall live day after day, year after year, generation after generation, these that are gone, till in Heaven we meet, our life's fruition to receive.

REV. W. O. WATERS:—Fraternity means brotherhood. Brotherhood is friendship. There is nothing more moving than the strong friendship of strong men—men who are manly—whose friendship is not a mere sentimentality, but whose friendship is love in action,—and love is eternal. The great master of men came to build his kingdom upon love as a foundation stone, and as the force by which the superstructure should rise. That kingdom is eternal because its foundations and superstructure are eternal. Love is

divine,—love is eternal. I have always felt that the strength of our fraternity was proven by the manly character of its members. I have felt that the fraternity was strong because it did not try to build up in the hearts of men a friendship that is merely sentimental, but a friendship that was strong, a friendship that could stand the test. There never was a time in the history of our land when such brotherhood as that which our fraternity stands for was more needed than it is today. We are living in times when history is making rapid strides; we are living in times in which it is most interesting to live. We see in the very forefront one of our fraternity who stands today the greatest diplomat on the face of the earth, greatest because perhaps the most honest; greatest because his diplomacy does not look upon international law as a means of lying politely, but as something that should knit nations together upon the principals of honesty and integrity of character. He stands at the head, by the side of our great President today. Many of us are in the fight and the brother who does not feel the necessity of the times drawing upon the very best in his nature is not living up to the principals of our fraternity nor to the best of his manhood. In a few short years you who are undergraduates will enter the great contest. Let us hope that this fraternity shall strengthen you in such a way that you will go forth to the battle believing in a genuine friendship, believing in a manly love for your fellowmen. Let us hope that in the sessions of this convention, if any legislation is carried through, we shall strive to the best of our ability to so legislate as to help the members become stronger men because of their membership in this brotherhood. In the mean time those who have passed on before us are looking down upon us. Saint Paul was very fond of using the figure of the Corinthian games in giving a picture of the Christian life. In one chapter he speaks especially of those who have gone on before, of their virtues, their strength of character, their faith, and then he says, "Seeing we are compassed about by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us throw aside every weight and the sin that doth so easily beset us, and run the race that is before us, looking unto Jesus the great ideal and goal of life, and the author and finisher of our faith." To him it was like the great Corinthian games where those who entered the contest ran in the presence of all the people seated in the amphitheatre, the thousands looking down upon their friends and relatives who had entered the race; and you know how important those races were. To win the Crown of Olive was the greatest honor in the gift of the nation and rendered the family famous for generations. So much depended upon the way in which the race was run. And the assembled friends looked down with fear and trembling here, with joy there, praying that theirs might win, sympathizing, fearful lest theirs might lose, watching every step of the way, cheering here, helping there, in order that those in whom they were especially interested might win in the great race. And so the great cloud of witnesses gathered in the amphitheatre of the heavens are looking upon us running the race here before us, weeping when we fall behind,

rejoicing when we go ahead, trembling lest we fall and lose the prize, offering up the great Amen when we conquer.

Let us close our services then with this thought, of the cloud of witnesses that surround us; let us carry on our work in this convention conscious of how much depends upon that work. Let us go back to our college and our labor determined that those witnesses as they look down upon us, shall behold us at all times doing our very best to be strong, manly and friendly brothers of Theta Delta Chi.

The complete program was as follows:

ORDER OF SERVICE

PROCESSIONAL.....*Funeral March*

I am the resurrection and the life, saith the Lord: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die.
St. John xi. 25, 26.

I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another. *Job xix. 25, 26, 27.*

We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The LORD gave and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD. I
Tim. vi 7. Job i. 21.

CHANT—"Lord let me know my end."

LESSON—I Cor. xv. 20.

ANTHEM—Hymnal 396.....*Schnecker*

- 1 Ten thousand times ten thousand
 In the sparkling raiment bright,
 The armies of the ransomed saints
 Throng up the steeps of light:
 'Tis finished! all is finished,
 Their fight with death and sin:
 Fling open wide the golden gates,
 And let the victors in.
- 2 What rush of alleluias
 Fills all the earth and sky!
 What ringing of a thousand harps
 Bespeaks the triumph nigh!

THE SHIELD

- O day, for which creation
 And all its tribes were made !
 O joy, for all its former woes
 A thousand-fold repaid !
- 3 Oh, then what raptured greetings
 On Canaan's happy shore !
 What knitting severed friendships up,
 What partings are no more !
 Then eyes with joy shall sparkle
 That brimmed with tears of late ;
 Orphans no longer fartherless,
 Nor widows desolate.
- 4 Bring near Thy great salvation,
 Thy Lamb for sinners slain ;
 Fill up the roll of Thine elect,
 Then take Thy power and reign !
 Appear, Desire of nations !
 Thine exiles long from home ;
 Show in the heavens Thy promised sign !
 Thou Prince and Saviour, come !

PRAYERS

HYMN—398-----Smart

- 1 Hark ! hark, my soul ! Angelic songs are swelling
 O'er earth's green fields and ocean's wave-beat shore ;
 How sweet the truth those blessed strains are telling
 Of that new life when sin shall be no more !
 Angels of Jesus,
 Angels of light,
 Singing to welcome
 The pilgrims of the night.
- 2 Onward we go, for still we hear them singing,
 "Come, weary souls, for Jesus bids you come,"
 And through the dark, its echoes sweetly ringing,
 The music of the Gospel leads us home.
 Angels of Jesus, etc.
- 3 Far, far away, like bells at evening pealing,
 The voice of Jesus sounds o'er land and sea.
 And laden souls by thousands meekly stealing,
 Kind Sheperd, turn their weary steps to Thee.
 Angels of Jesus, etc.

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE

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4 Rest comes at length, though life be long and dreary,
The day must dawn, and darksome night be past,
Faith's journeys end in welcome to the weary,
And heaven, the heart's true home, will come at last.
Angels of Jesus, etc.

5 Angels, sing on ! your faithful watches keeping ;
Sing us sweet fragments of the songs above ;
Till morning's joy shall end the night of weeping,
And life's long shadows break in cloudless love.
Angels of Jesus, etc.

ADDRESS

Brother W. W. Dawley, Psi, '75

SOLO—"O Rest in the Lord"-----*Mendelssohn*

Master Charles Rothermel

ADDRESS

Brother W. O. Waters, Xi, '84

ANTHEM—Hymnal 423-----*D. Pughe-Evans*

- 1 Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom,
Lead Thou me on !
The night is dark, and I am far from home,
Lead Thou me on !
Keep Thou my feet ! I do not ask to see
The distant scene ; one step enough for me.
- 2 I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou
Shouldst lead me on ;
I loved to choose and see my path ; but now
Lead Thou me on !
I loved the garish day ; and, spite of fears,
Pride ruled my will : remember not past years.
- 3 So long Thy power has blest me, sure it still
Will lead me on
O'er moor and fen, o'er crag and torrent, till
The night is gone ;
And with the morn those angel faces smile,
Which I have loved long since, and lost awhile.

PRAYER FOR DEPARTED

BENEDICTION

RECESSIONAL—Hymnal 194.....Warren

- 1 God of our fathers, Whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.
- 2 Thy love divine hath led us in the past,
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast ;
Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,
Thy word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.
- 3 From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defence ;
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.
- 4 Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,
Lead us from night to never-ending day ;
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine ;
And glory, laud and praise be ever Thine.

At the close of this exalted service the brothers dispersed quietly and followed fancy's bent until the formal convocation in the Banquet Hall of the Auditorium the next morning about 10:30 o'clock. Numbers were increasing meanwhile and the executive machinery was already in operation, smooth and resultful throughout its action as an Uncle Sam thirteen inch at Manila. Indeed, nothing could exceed in efficiency or dispatch the way that President Tombo and the local committee "ran" things.

OPEN SESSION

The Open Session is one of our retiring President Tombo's many happy innovations. It was inaugurated last year to take the place of the tedious and profitless oral reports of the Charge delegates which had hitherto absorbed several hours of the first session. The success of last year's Open Session repeated itself this year. An appreciative throng, in which femininity was gloriously represented, filled the banquet hall on the sixth floor, and was quick to signify its approval of the sentiments conveyed by the following oratory :

DR. LEWIS, presiding : We are fortunate in having with us today Mr. Howard S. Taylor, City Prosecutor of Chicago, who represents His Honor, Carter H. Harrison, Mayor of the City of Chicago. (Applause).

MR. TAYLOR :—*Mr Chairman, ladies and gentlemen, and representatives of Theta Delta Chi* : The honor has been given me by the Mayor of representing him at this opening of your Fifty-seventh Annual Convention. He desired me in two or three communications, written and by 'phone, to be sure to be present and tender this organization, the organization which you represent, his congratulations, and to deliver to you the keys of the city and assure you of a hearty welcome by the people of Chicago. I have no doubt that it would have been a most pleasant thing for the Mayor himself could he have been present. He is just at this time very busy, however, with that great problem that has always been a problem since the days of ancient Egypt : How to make bricks without straw ; how to run a great, growing city on an insufficient budget. And it is a problem that is taxing him and the City Council just at this time to a degree that he felt he could not possibly be present. I think it would have done him good. I think it would have rested him. He himself is a Harvard man and a Greek society man—I am not an expert and don't know just which one he belongs to,—but I think it would have rested him. He could have come here from the oppressive atmosphere and conditions, and from your exercises allowed his mind to take a back-track and thus renew his youth ; gone back to his college days and memories, and rejoiced again in that glorious epoch of life when the pneumogastric nerve is perfect (laughter) and the avenues of hope are wide open, every hillock is a Mount Sinai, and every shrub a burning bush. He could have remembered the good times that he had when he paid some attention to his books and absolute devotion to coloring his meerschaum (laughter), and all that,—all of those brotherly and fraternal amenities that go with the cane rush and the glori-

ous struggle, and those other things that belong to university life. But he could not come. It is his loss; perhaps yours. I beg to say to you, ladies and gentlemen, that the welcome to this Convention on the part of the people of Chicago will be very much more sincere and intelligent than, perhaps, you would think. We have the reputation of being a big packing town. We are an industrial city, a tense and strenuous place of hustle and bustle; and I think the ordinary outside conception of Chicago is that it is mainly given up to the inferior business of getting a living rather than of illustrating how to live. But while Chicago is a great industrial city, and in fact the industrial center of the world, it is also a place of large culture. And I scarcely need remind you that within the short period, say, of thirty-five years—for Chicago is practically only about thirty-five years of age. Thirty-five years ago today it was that the smoking embers of a great fire apparently blockaded all prospect of future advancement.—Chicago practically only thirty-five years of age nevertheless is a great university city, a great college city. Schools of technology and art, and in fact every kind and phase of human culture will be found here, ably administered and officered; and out of these schools are going year after year men and women who are accomplishing for themselves fame, and for the city honor. It is a literary city. I wish I had the time to stop and schedule to you the distinguished men and women whose writings in various departments of learning have not only a national, but an international reputation; but I will not stop to talk about that. It is sufficient to say that the highest thoughts you can have, gentlemen, and the best culture that you may entertain will find a full and intelligent appreciation in the city of Chicago. Allow me to say that we will appreciate your presence as a further stimulus to scholarship and as a stimulus to good fellowship. I think perhaps one of the best contributions that could possibly be made to our metropolitan life would be to teach the running, jumping Chicagoan how to pause a little and consider his brothers, how to cultivate the graces of friendly consideration and social reciprocity. We are so busy here and our life is so tense and so crude that we need something in that direction; and perhaps your coming here will have a tendency to help us in that respect. You may help us along, too, in our conceptions of civic duty. I trust so, though I am not sure that we should take it for granted that a college fraternity, or fraternities, are in their intellectual endowment necessarily the most advanced in civic ideals. I remember just now that after the great anti-slavery struggle was over, after the last gun had been fired and the most striking chapter had been added to the progress of civilization, that that great, great man, Wendell Phillips, a Harvard man, was invited back by one of the Greek societies to speak at one of their anniversaries. He had been away forty years and in that time had placed himself in the halls of fame forever. Far from being prejudiced or bitter from any pollution of office of any character, he went back and delivered that magnificent oration, "The Scholar in the Republic." I suppose most of you have read it; if you have not you should do so at once—a masterpiece of

oratory, one of the world's greatest masterpieces, that takes its place with those of the great Greek and Roman orators of centuries ago. The burden of it was this: That in that tremendous epoch of struggle in America, scholarship had aided but little. It had remained behind with the savant conning over the ancient museums and policies of bygone days, while rail-splitters and canal boys and other outsiders were the men who had pioneered the new movement for liberty and civil progress, blazed the way, made the sacrifices and won the honors. And yet, gentlemen, there is no doubt that after all, when our America has reached the zenith of its greatest accomplishment its history will have been written mainly by our college men; for not only are they now occupying places of the greatest influence all over the country, but clearly in the days that are to come they will be the men who shall determine policies and the lines of advance for our common country. And so it would have been an inspiring thing to his Honor, the Mayor, if he could have been present here today and have seen these young men at the time of life when they are standing with their feet upon the threshold of great possible hopes, and carried away with him back to our dilapidated and crumbling city hall the enthusiasm and hopefulness that would come naturally to him from having participated in such an occasion. But I must not detain you longer, ladies and gentlemen. All Chicago, about twenty miles long, about nine miles wide, eighteen or twenty stories high (laughter), Chicago, speaking forty-three different languages, welcomes you to its entire length and breadth and height in all of these languages (laughter and applause).^f

DR. LEWIS: Shakspeare—no, it was Gilbert—said “The law is the true embodiment of everything that is excellent.” The three learned professions, you know, used to be the ministry, law and medicine. We had ministry yesterday, and a lot of it, and we are going to have some law today. Medical men are men of deeds and not of words, so you can not hear anything from them at all. We are fortunate in having secured the consent of one of the shining lights of the Chicago Bar to address us today, and I take pleasure in introducing Arthur Chetlain, who has two titles, the minor one being Chief Justice of the Superior Court of Cook County, and the major one, President of the Alumni Association of the Wisconsin University (Wisconsin college yell and applause.)

JUDGE CHETLAIN:—*Gentlemen of the Fraternity and Ladies and Gentlemen*: I am at a loss to know why I am called upon to address you upon this occasion. I came direct from the bench, not the bar. (Laughter) I have already held a session of Court this morning. We hold court now before breakfast in Chicago; and I feel very much like the witness that I

last heard testify, who, in response to the question : "What is the diameter of the support?" answered, "The diameter was five inches in circumference tapering at the top." I say that I am at a loss to know why I should be called upon on this occasion. It may be, perchance, because lately I have presided over the Criminal Court of Cook County, taking charge of the "favored few." In that way I have acquired an acquaintance with some confidence men and crooks, and I presume it is the desire of the committee here—I don't suppose with any sinister motive on their part,—to inform you that all the explosions take place on the lake front here, and that down opposite Marshall Field's they sell the Masonic Temple for five hundred dollars to the innocent jays about every other day (laughter); and that over on Clark Street there is a panel game that is being worked every day, and that many "live wires" may be found in unsuspected places (laughter). There is one thing I note. There are many of the Divines who are members of this Fraternity present upon this occasion, and I am assured by the confidence men that the easiest proposition next to the innocent jay, is the confiding minister. (Laughter.)

Gentlemen, in behalf of the Chicago Alumni Association of the University of Wisconsin, I bid you welcome to the city of Chicago. I do so with feelings of pleasure and regret; pleasure that the honor has fallen to my lot; regret that I am not one of you that I might better maintain the enthusiasm of fellowship. It is such occasions as this, such conventions as this that make for the better things in life, the better things that result, not by accident or choice, but are the fruition of zeal, labor and untiring effort. Out of deference and respect to the learned professor here I quote the language of an inspired Greek poet :

(For a variety of reasons we omit the text of this quotation.)

Gentlemen, you have come from the east and the west, from the north and the south,—representatives of our ancient seats of learning and of the new that are pressing for supremacy in the attainment of high ideals.

What a splendid gathering of men, men who have sounded the depths of learning, who have explored the domains of the arts and the sciences; men familiar with the classic literature of the ages, and of law, liberty, and the best thought of nineteen hundred years of Christian civilization, and back of it all, in the hearts of each, the fond recollections of an Alma Mater that has helped to make achievement possible. Of what use are fraternities? Indeed they have their uses in life. That which develops the initiative, that which determines unerring judgment, that which leads to prompt action and efficiency is the touch of man to man. No human agency in the upbuilding of character is more potent than the friendships that are formed in early life, close friendships that stir the sensibilities and sway the hearts. What better medium for the development of friendship than the Chapter House; the place of cheer and contentment; the place that invites confidences, the exchange of thought and sentiment which develops sympathies and fraternal ties that endure through long succeeding years.

Members of the Fraternity, we are glad to meet you here today. We are proud that you have come to this great city of the plains in the heart of our republic, to deliberate where the true pulse beats of Americanism may be most surely detected. You have come in the first flush of mature life, fully equipped for the duties of the hour. We shall appreciate, and I trust we shall profit by your influence and association. May success attend your deliberations; may your highest hopes be realized, and I am sure that the hospitality that will be proffered to you will be as unbounded as our prairies and as warm as the feelings that prompt it. Again I bid you a royal welcome and in the words of the immortal Washington I say, "Welcome, welcome, thrice welcome, Lafayette." (Applause.)

DR LEWIS: South of us a few miles several years ago a beautiful White City lay in the neighborhood of the Midway. That has gone long since in a blaze of glory. But now upon the Midway, occupying the land on both sides of that beautiful avenue, nearly a mile in extent, is an institution of learning that is the pride of this great city of Chicago and of which the nation may well be proud. It is indeed young. But what is really old in this country? What are Harvard's three hundred years compared with Oxford's thousand? The Sorbonne in Paris was teaching the way, the truth and the light as then understood while the mound builders were digging their ditches in the prairies around us here. This institution of learning in this city is great in every respect; it lacks but one thing, namely, three centuries. I take pleasure in presenting to you Mr. Paul Shorey, Professor of Greek in the University of Chicago, who will extend to the Convention the greeting from that university.

PROFESSOR PAUL SHOREY: My first thought on receiving a call to say a few words to a Greek letter society was that the invitation had been extended to me in my professorial capacity, and that by addressing you in the official language I shall at once pay a delicate compliment to your understanding and veil in decent erudite obscurity the deficiencies of my own. But I am credibly informed that the Greek of the elder brethren is oxydized an inch thick, and that, out of deference to them, the colloquial use of the idiom has been discontinued on public occasions. I shall therefore have to make exposure of my mental nakedness in the vernacular. But to linger over prefatory apologies would be to exaggerate my sense of personal responsibility. The welcome which the city, which the university which we *all* feel,—which understands itself without saying—had nevertheless by custom to get itself said. I am merely the transmitter of the message. Dr. Lewis pushed the button, Dr. Harper did the rest. I am

only the wire and if I am not highly charged enough to emit sparks, I can at least promise you that I am on a short circuit and the wire will not be drawn out too long or too fine (laughter).

Whatever controversies may arise with regard to possible abuses of the fraternity in the direction of clannishness or clique within the college, there can be no question but that reunions like this are wholly good. They express the very essence and universal spirit of fraternity and goodfellowship, divested of all narrowing restrictions of time and place.

It is good for each one of you to recall and revive those precious intimacies of youth in order that the glow of sympathy may spread in ever widening circles from class to class, from chapter to chapter, from college to college. It is good for your several colleges that the older and younger graduates shall have this common interest and meeting ground. It is good for all the colleges that they should be united by these multiform and many-linked ties of fellowship. It is good for the city and institution which you honor as your place of meeting that its sense of college brotherhood should be quickened and its moral temperature raised by your contagious enthusiasm. It is good, it is indispensable to the welfare of our country that occasions,—if you please, pretexts,—like this should be multiplied for the reunion and disinterested converse of her educated men.

Permit me to dwell one moment on this last thought. "Thou knowest not, my son, with how small a dose of wisdom the world is governed" is a saying attributed to a statesman of the older autocratic type. We are finding it out and, at the same time, we are learning how much bigger a job it is to regulate the world than older philosophers and statesmen supposed. And this perception is begetting in all considerate men a sage distrust of their own unaided opinion in regard to decisions of irrevocable and far-reaching issues. In the days when the city was the state, and ten thousand was the utmost limit of citizenship in a well governed city, Plato might dictate to his "airy burgomasters" the prescriptions of an ideal state. Fanaticism and the love of domination might convince Calvin of his capacity to regulate every wheel and spring of the Geneva state like a Geneva watch. A Xerxes or a Nicholas may control by edict and ukase the destiny of a hundred million serfs. But we know, and our nominal rulers and legislators know, as, in their hearts, our cranks, trust-busters, single taxers and social settlementists know, that neither they nor we nor you nor I nor any group of men can grasp in thought or administer and regulate out of hand the affairs and fortunes of eighty million American citizens, distributed over forty-five states and three million square miles of territory on two hundred thousand miles of railroad and owning twenty billions of property.

To the academic onlooker there is something appalling in the stern silent underground death grapple of oppugnant interests, pulls and grafts that constitutes the great American game of business and politics; and there is something disheartening in the futile dim and bray of dissonant opinion that goes up from thousands of pulpits, women's club, lecture

platforms and English alphabet societies and is reverberated in brazen tones and distorted accents by the newspaper magaphone. Yet the outcome of it all is not anarchy but a steady growth in national power and diffused well-being. What saves us from anarchy is the Constitution of the United States, the tradition of English liberty and law and the prevailing good sense and good humor of our people. Our weakness is in a way our strength. If we sometimes seem to be losing our grip on some salutary principles of law, economics and ethics that to the closet student appear absolute and unquestionable, this very distrust of the absolute, the dictatorial, the final, the abstract, limits the power for harm of the monopolist, the boss, the politician on the one hand and of the crank, the socialist, the sentimentalist, the hysterical world reformer on the other. Knowing that the problem is too big and complicated for them as for us, we are not going to give any group of extremists their head. We are not going to trust ourselves to administer with rigid abstract logic any panacea of reaction or reform. We are going to go slow and talk over and think out among ourselves everything that involves serious consequences or that threatens to tear us from our historical anchorage. We are governed and, in the last resort mean to be governed, by public opinion, not by the electric storm of sentiment whose waves initiated by the telegraph periodically sweep over our population and which are regarded by Mr. Bryce as the chief danger of rational liberty under a democracy; not by the hypnotisation of the popular mind with scarlet headlines and yellow paragraphs; not by the stampeding of herded conventions with fustian rhetoric, not by the public opinion of the masses or the classes, but by the public opinion of all, the opinion of the many when they have heard and weighed all that the thoughtful and articulate classes have to say on either side.

Only within the past generation has the application of this principle on so large a scale become practicable. Our industrial and scientific progress has not only multiplied the efficiency of the recognized agencies for molding opinion in the mass, the school, the church, the lecture platform, the political organization, the newspaper, but, in facilitating the development of the convention habit, it has virtually created a new instrument and organ for the consolidation of intelligent opinion among the leading and educated classes.

It matters little what may be the proximate and ostensible objects of the countless conventions that call our best men together from Maine to Florida, from California to New York. We may think that our purpose is to discuss Indo-European etymologies or the chemistry of the carbon compounds or life insurance or the manufacture of automobiles or simply to sing Auld Lang Syne and renew pleasant memories. But to the eye of the philosopher and in the guiding of providence these minor distinctions disappear in the larger social function of such meetings, which is merely to bring men of light and leading together for disinterested discussion and the interchange of genuine opinions. That is something which no other

agency can accomplish so well, and therefore providence or evolution or the stream of tendency or the instinct of the people has adopted this.

The newspapers give us at best a vague notion that something has been said somewhere which strikes the reportorial mind as news. The faithful reproduction of genuine opinion seems to grow increasingly difficult for them. If you see it in the newspaper you know that it is not so—that the man did not say it. A public speech is apt, as Emerson says, to be merely an escapade, a non-committal, a stop-gap. Direct political discussions, except in the rare crises when the national conscience is stirred, are not sufficiently disinterested to be truly instructive. They belong to the game of conflicting interests quite as much as to the process of the formation and interchange of real opinions. And so it is chiefly in the unfettered intercourse of thoughtful men collected ostensibly perhaps for other purposes that the free interchange of disinterested and serious belief goes on which shapes the higher and initiative public opinion by which in the end our destinies are to be determined. It is this, if anything, that will create among us the widely diffused sweet reasonableness that shall save us from the madness of extremes presented to us in threatening alternative by the conflict of interests and the counterblasts of doctrine. Nature, says Emerson, does not like our business any more than our idleness and when we arise from our conventions, red-faced, eager, self-assertive she greets us "So hot, my little sir?" But Emerson was not thinking of gatherings like this, where the comment should rather be "So warm, great human heart!" There is perhaps a touch of pedantry in my forcing upon explicit consciousness the larger social service of a meeting whose immediate appeal to the heart requires no such reinforcement from the intellect. You do not need a Professor of Philosophy or of Greek to explain to you why you are glad to take one another by the hand once more and renew happy memories. But if you ask a sober-minded Professor who does not keep after dinner champagne on tap to contribute to your intellectual banquet, you must take the risk that he will serve to you the wholesome home brew of his natural small beer in preference to the cheap and sugary fizz of a far-fetched and imported wit.

It only remains for me to deliver my message from the Faculty of the University of Chicago. We bid you most hearty welcome to the city whose name we bear and whose good fame is linked with ours in bonds that neither city nor university can break. The heartiness and cordiality of the Chicago spirit is proverbial. We hope that we have assimilated enough of it in the first decade to justify our bidding you welcome in the two-fold capacity of loyal citizens of Chicago and enthusiastic college men. We hope that it will be your pleasure in the intervals of this genial time to look in upon us and get to know us and the city better. We are sure that it will be to our profit. Chicago (and I mean both city and university) has not been regarded as a modest violet blushing to find its name in the papers. It has been supposed to know how to advertise its own merits and to prefer the blare of trumpets and the magaphone to more

delicate strains. We do not propose to whine and whimper now because the game is growing too rough, or complain that we cannot accept with equanimity what falls to us in the give and take of American humor as reflected in the "funny column." But, frankly, we have been getting something more than our share, as was perhaps inevitable in the case of a new institution in a large and conspicuous city. We shall deprecate too close a comparison with Brother Falstaff. But in one regard we certainly resemble him; if not witty ourselves we are the cause of wit in others. All men take a pleasure to grin at us and the brain of this foolish compound clay man is not able to invent anything that tends to laughter more than is invented on us.

Our eastern friends do not, of course, really believe that we say and do half the things that are attributed to us. But I fear that they allow them to color their thought of us. Those who have not lived in the west or traveled and observed widely in our country are perhaps not quite aware of the essential homogeneity of American civilization beneath all the superficial differences in the social exterior determined by varying economic conditions and degrees of maturity and finish. They are inclined to think of us as the cow-boys or rough riders of education, in view of the hardships they endure and the services they render; or they conceive us as the "thin red line of 'eroes" on the firing line of culture—very useful in our place, but bulls in the china shop of art and letters.

Lowell's essay on "A Certain Condescension in Foreigners" will need very little revision to fit the case. The message which we would have you carry back to those kindly but imperfectly informed brethren is, if I may strain Kipling's image a little further; that "we ain't no thin red 'eroes and we ain't no cranky crew, but college men and brothers uncommonly like you."

DR. LEWIS: I sometimes go to church; and I have noticed that at one portion—about the middle of the services—they read out the announcements and—I think some of you looked afraid—they usually to pass the contribution box. We will leave that out. I will, however, make an announcement. The banquet tickets may be obtained of Brother Spahn, etc. We shall now listen to an address of welcome on the part of the Central Graduate Association of Theta Delta Chi. I present Dr. James P. Houston, Chairman of the Reception Committee of the Fifty-seventh Annual Convention. (Applause.)

BROTHER HOUSTON:—*Brothers in Theta Delta Chi, Ladies and Gentlemen:*—In behalf of the Central Graduate Association it gives me a great deal of pleasure to welcome you this morning to our hospitality. For the past two days you have had some material experience of it, and know a little of what it is. We trust that in the succeeding days you will

find our efforts as successful as they have been hitherto. The Central Graduate Association for fifteen years has been laboring with the Fraternity to induce it to hold a Convention in this city, and you won't blame us very much if we are somewhat elated this morning,—if we have been somewhat elated for the past two days. Of course, you know, down in Boston and New York they get together two hundred and sometimes three hundred representatives on such occasions. It has been a very grave question, particularly in the minds of the men down on the Atlantic Coast, as to whether it would be possible out here in Chicago to get enough men together to give even a college cheer. But we have disproved that, I think, to the entire satisfaction of everybody. The Central Graduate Association represents not only this city, but all of this great western territory. We have members in all of the great states cut out of the Northwest Territory, and some in the old Louisiana Purchase. In welcoming this Convention and the visiting brethren to this city on this occasion we feel that we are extending to you a very great opportunity, not simply the opportunity of enjoying our poor hospitality, but the opportunity of making for yourselves once, at least, a just estimate of the value of some of the things of which you have heard from prior speakers. I do not need to reiterate them; but, brethren, I trust you will go back from this Convention to your individual charges and to your homes with a delightful idea of what the Central Graduate Association has been able to do for you; that you will go back with a brighter conception of the best things and the better things for which this great western city stands; that you will go back, if you please, with the idea indelibly stamped upon your minds, proven here by the magnificent delegations we have from the three Middle Western Charges and representatives from the Pacific Coast, that the young college man, whether he comes from Maine or California, from the Gulf States or from the Lake Region, is practically a unit throughout the entire length and breadth of this land, and that we are all brothers, and that we cannot for one single moment allow ourselves to become provincial or adhere to any provincialism. Brethren, if there be one thing that I would hold up before you as the ideal, it is the practical unity in the culture and refinement and best ideals of all this great people of ours. Again, let me, in behalf of the Central Graduate Association bid you a most hearty welcome. We desire that you have the best time of your lives, and that in every way possible we may serve you so as to make this occasion one of the memorable ones, even the most memorable convention in the history of the Fraternity (applause).

DR. LEWIS :—

But there is neither East nor West,
 Border nor breed nor birth
 When two strong men together meet,
 Tho' they come from the ends of the earth.

The next speaker embodies in himself both East and West, because he is a member of old Chi Charge and he has lived for

many years in the home of Delta Deuteron and Eta Deuteron. I am honored in introducing to you Judge Haight of San Francisco, Chi, '74.

BROTHER HAIGHT:—*Mr. President and Members of the Central Graduate Association, Brothers, and Ladies and Gentlemen:*—I was very much surprised to receive a line just before ten o'clock announcing that I was expected to return thanks or respond to the address of welcome to which you have just listened. I must say that I doubt very much the wisdom of the committee who have made this nomination. I am one who has been out of touch, you might say, with fraternal activities for nearly a third of a century, and the honor had better fall to some of these gentlemen who have been present on former occasions of this kind; but there are certain duties and customs in our fraternity that have to be respected. "The Knights of the Shield" are always expected to respond to the emergency call at the first blast of the bugle, and we are to comply with the orders of our superiors to the best of our ability at all times and under all circumstances. In fact, we are placed very much in the position of those knights who rode into that bloody gorge of Balakava. "Not theirs to reason why; not theirs to make reply; theirs but to do or die." We will die in the effort if need be.

The significance of this gathering at this time is something a little greater than that of any other gathering of the kind. When our flag the Black, White and Blue greeted the rising sun this morning it announced to the world that Theta Delta Chi was advancing; that it had attempted to hold this convention at a point in the United States west of the center of population; that it is moving on. That has been its characteristic for a long number of years. Through all adversity,—and it has had its trials,—it has been moving on, doing its grand work in the development of character, in the molding of men and fitting them to go into the world after they leave academic shades and pass into the activities of life, to do their work in a manner which will make its impress upon the world.

Greek Letter Societies in the last fifty years have won their place in the college world. Formerly there was a tendency to have some Charges—I am talking about all Greek Letter societies—who devoted too much of their time to social matters, but of that we can say, as far as ours is concerned, there has been a change. A different tone pervades the Charges; a greater earnestness is very manifest among our men and the class of brothers who are coming to us and who are coming from colleges and universities into the world; and it is a very gratifying thing.

I am presumed to express the gratitude of the Charges and all the personel of the Charges, whether here or remote, to the Central Graduate Association for the effort it has made to entertain us; and I do most faithfully, because I am well satisfied that whatever I say, and it will be very brief, will meet with your approbation. There is a reflex benefit, though, that this Association and any one else who lifts his hand or voice to do

anything for the interest of the Fraternity feels as a reward for his effort. It is the gratification of having done something for the good of the fraternity, for the good of its members, and through them for the good of society at large. I feel myself exceedingly grateful for the efforts which have been made to make our stay here pleasant; and I am perfectly well satisfied that when we leave Chicago we shall be exceedingly gratified by the remembrance of what the gentlemen have done to entertain us, and to render this convention a success (applause).

DR. LEWIS:—The next one I don't like to call one of the old ones, but the figures in the catalogue are pretty near right, or they should be. Willis S. Paine of Chi—

BROTHER PAINE:—*Mr. President, Ladies and Gentlemen, Dearly Beloved Brethren*:—There is one remark which has been made by your presiding officer to which I wish to take an exception. In introducing the professor who has just addressed us he made the remark that Chicago University lacked something. He said it lacked three hundred years. There is something that Chicago University lacks more than that,—more than three hundred years or one thousand years or two thousand years, it lacks a charge of Theta Delta Chi! (Cheers.)

Brother Paine continued for some time in a more serious strain and set forth in an edifying way the advantages of fraternity membership to the great profit of his audience. At the close of his remarks Brother Lewis again rose and announced that in the interests of common knowledge he would call upon certain notable brothers to "stand up and turn around." The first victim of this cruel device was President Rudolf Tombo, Jr., who martyred himself most nobly before the eyes of the multitude as he rose and revolved in obedience to Brother Lewis' call. Other victims followed, a particularly satisfactory subject for this species of torture by reason of his generous physique, being Brother Louis Spahn, Chi, '79. Brother Spahn took advantage of the circumstance which brought him on his feet to make the following remarks:

BROTHER SPAHN:—I will only say this to the brothers; that this gathering of the Convention of our Fraternity is in a great many respects extremely important. It is, as you have been told this morning, the first time that a Convention of our Fraternity has come as far west as Chicago. Long ago, when Kenyon was a very strong college, the Theta Charge brought a Convention to Cleveland, but that is so far back—it is certainly beyond the recollection of a great many within the sound of my voice,—

as to be a negative quantity in this consideration. We are holding this Convention under the auspices of the Central Graduate Association. There is no undergraduate student body in this city to help us in this work. We have done it, not only for the benefit, but with the assistance of the Charges in Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota; and we would like to have the Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota men consider themselves in a certain sense the hosts of our visiting brothers. We want our brothers from the East to understand that we deem it a privilege and a pleasure to have them with us, and we want them to help us see to it that eventually there shall be more Western brothers. I have had occasion to write quite a number of letters to the brothers during the last few weeks, and I have repeatedly said to them that they must not consider it a hardship to come as far west as Chicago; that it really isn't far; that the day will come when they will be called upon to go to San Francisco for a Theta Delta Chi Convention (applause). It may be that the day will come when they will go even farther west than San Francisco for a Theta Delta Chi Convention (laughter and applause).

The session then adjourned amid a buzz of general conversation, the company breaking up into little groups which remained long on the spot, for reasons we can readily condone.



THE CHARGE LUNCHEONS

Between the sessions of the Convention on Monday, the Charge luncheons were held and an aggregate attendance of one hundred and ninety-three voted them to be in every way an unqualified success. As at the other functions of the Convention, Beta, Gamma Deuteron, and Sigma Deuteron had a lively contest for supremacy in numbers. Gamma Deuteron carried off the palm by having thirty-three at her Charge luncheon, while Beta and Sigma Deuteron had to content themselves with thirty each. There can be no doubt concerning the popularity of the Charge luncheons as a regular institution of the Convention period, and the reason for it is not hard to discover. They afford the best and really the only opportunity given to members of the individual Charges of meeting by themselves and doing

together whatever may please them best. The meeting of old heads with young, an exchange of old yarns for new, a lot of old and new college songs, a good deal of very loud college yelling, tells the story of about every one of the Charge luncheons in Chicago. But everybody had a good time, and so the luncheons were worth while.

WALDO F. TOBEY,
Beta, '95.



A summary of the business sessions which followed finds its place towards the end of this account, and we will now turn to look upon a bright and careless scene in the gallery of convention pictures, though we thereby depart a little from the actual sequence of events. There were as usual three business sessions, on Monday and Tuesday afternoons and Tuesday morning.



THE THEATRE PARTY

Theta Delts, their relatives, sweethearts and friends to the number of nearly three hundred constituted the theatre party which attended the Studebaker Theatre on Monday evening, February 20th, where the Frank L. Perley Opera Company presented *The Girl and the Bandit*.

Seats had been reserved in the center and left sections of the main floor and were so allotted that as far as possible members of the same Charge were seated together. This arrangement proved a most satisfactory one and incidentally made possible some very excellent cheering in which the various college yells figured prominently and from which those of the audience not members of the theatre party seemed to derive great amusement.

The three boxes on the left were occupied by Theta Delts and their guests, as follows:—

Box No. 1—Brothers Rudolf Tombo, Jr., Rev. W. W. Dawley, J. Boyce Smith, Jr., Llewellyn W. Jutten, Miss Beckwith, and Brother L. C. Grover.

Box No. 2—Dr. and Mrs. Henry F. Lewis, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Houston, Brother and Mrs. O. T. Eastman.

Box No. 3—Brother and Mrs. Willis S. Paine, Brother Harry P. Brown.

Over the fronts of the boxes flags were draped bearing the letters " $\Theta \Delta X$ ", no other attempt at decoration having been made.

The members of the Company, especially the comedians, Walter Jones, Joseph Minon and Niel McNeil, entered fully into the spirit of the occasion, introducing into the performance a number of gags and hits aimed at members of the party, and a clever momentary impersonation of Brother Norman Hackett, which were received amid vociferous applause by a portion of the audience at least. The height of enthusiasm was reached when the dainty and winsome little Miss Mabel Hite sang as an encore to "The Coroner Said Oh!" a clever verse especially written for the occasion by a Chicago brother. The lines follow:

The cauldron never bubbles with any kind of troubles
For him who wears the mystic badge of Theta Delta Chi.
Though he may be in the soup, he's a member of the group
Who eat their soup and hasten on to pie.

Rudolf Tombo he said, Oh!
To Chicago let us go,
There to hold our Fifty-seventh jam-bo-ree,
By the shores of the saltless sea.

At the first curtain the leading women were presented with bunches of American Beauties held together with the colors of the Fraternity which they wore conspicuously and graciously during the second act.

The intermission between the acts afforded an excellent opportunity of which many availed themselves to visit friends in other parts of the house and this portion of the evening proved most enjoyable.

The second and last act was even better than the first and as the final curtain fell it was with a feeling of genuine regret we realized that another feature of the Fifty-seventh Convention had passed into history.

WALTER S. GOLL,
Beta, '96.

THE BANQUET

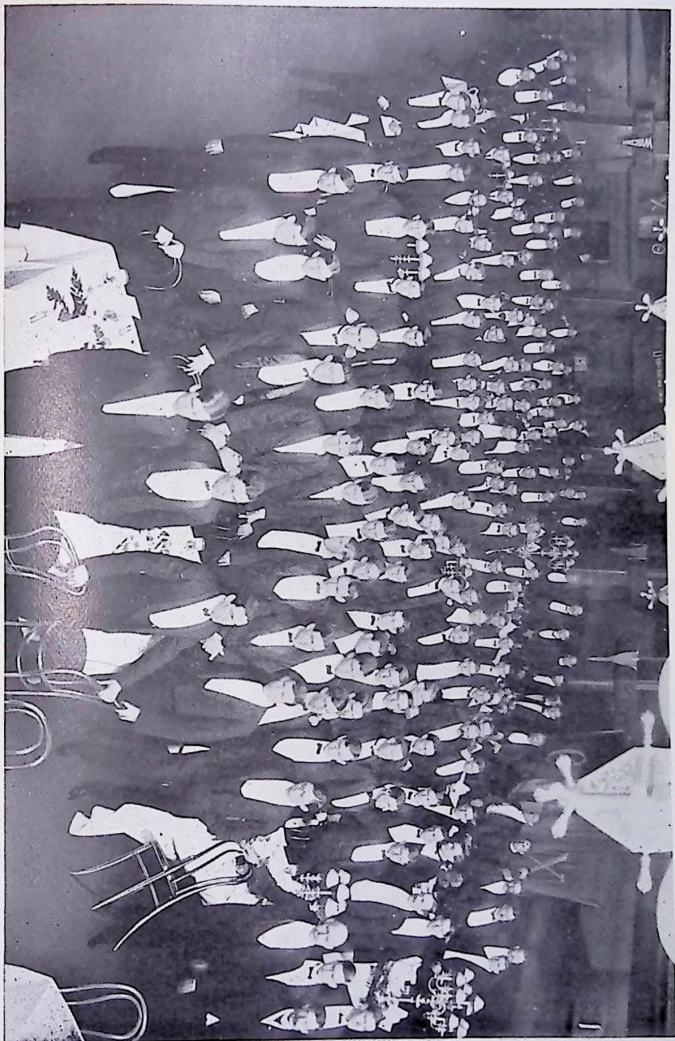
As a fitting close to this convention-time came the Banquet on Tuesday evening. It was served in the Banquet Hall of The Auditorium where all the sessions, save the last, of the convention were held. Artistically speaking—as one of the visiting brothers expressed it—this hall is a dream. Decorations were unnecessary, and during the sessions of the convention nothing was done to make the hall characteristic of Theta Delta Chi. But a Banquet of Theta Delta Chi would not be complete without the Black, White and Blue. Therefore at the expense, be it truly said, of artistic beauty the hall was hung with Theta Delta Chi flags and the streamers of the various institutions represented in our membership. The banners of Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota predominated, but the *tout ensemble* was essentially Theta Delt.

The tables, accommodating eight persons at each, were grouped about the hall in very artistic as well as practical manner. The decorations consisted of the beautiful candelabra of the Auditorium and flowers and ferns strewn about thus producing a most imposing effect. The carnation was, of course, the flower most favored.

The officers of the Fraternity, the toastmaster, and distinguished alumni were seated at a table extending along one side of the Hall. No Banquet of Theta Delta Chi, was ever served in more artistic surroundings. The writer heard many exclamations of delight from the brothers as the beauty of the Banquet Hall burst upon them when they entered it. Truly it was a gorgeous setting for the culminating event of the Fifty-seventh Convention.

As the hour of the Banquet drew near the brothers gathered in the adjoining rooms. During this half hour how many old friendships were renewed, and who can tell how many new fraternal ties were formed, whose influence shall endure not only so long as the earthly careers of the brothers shall last, but beyond the golden portals of the Omega.

Brothers—far more than anything else, this convention impressed upon me the value of an abiding, eternal, immortal



THE BANQUET

Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, February 21, 1905



connection between two men which we call true friendship. To quote from the old time text book in logic of my college days, "All men are mortal"—but when between the inmost souls of such mortal men there exists that ineffably sweet and beautiful relationship worthy of the name *friendship*, then we have an *earnest* of the immortal.

Promptly at seven o'clock the doors of the Banquet Hall were opened. Amidst the calls from the various Charge delegations the brothers were seated about the tables. The Charges having largest numbers acted as hosts to those who had come from a distance so that every member was made to feel that he must be perfectly at home in that company.

One of the notable features of the Banquet was the presence of the Theta men who had come at no little sacrifice of time and money, to this convention to work for the reestablishment of their old Charge. They paid out of their own pockets the expenses of four fine young men—petitioners for a charter; and when these loyal Theta Delts raised the Kenyon yell, not a man doubted their loyalty to Theta Delta Chi, or their willingness to stand by the reestablished Theta, and make it what the old Theta was, an honored sister among the Charges.

Just before the brothers were seated a flashlight photograph of the banqueters was taken.

Immediately thereafter the riotous college and Charge yells began and pandemonium reigned for the next half hour. Wisconsin, Michigan, Cornell and Minnesota led in the noise. It was a great occasion, and every loyal Theta Delt caught the inspiration of the moment and lent himself heart and soul in support of the effort of the Central Graduate Association to make this one of the greatest conventions in the history of our Fraternity.

The important fact brought into prominence by this convention was the equality from every point of view of our Western Charges with those of the East. Comparisons are odious, but without the possibility of question the men who represented the Western Charges are, in every respect, the equals of any men in our order. Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota sent to the convention as fine a body of men as Theta Delta Chi has ever claimed in its membership. Their enthusiasm, loyalty and con-

ception of the high ideals of Theta Delta Chi are not surpassed anywhere. These men are in themselves a complete vindication of the wisdom of Western expansion. This convention ought to teach our Fraternity that College men all over this nation of ours are essentially a unit; that it matters not whether an educated man claims as his Alma Mater an institution located in New England, the Mississippi Valley, the Pacific Coast, or the Sunny Southland, he is on a par with all his fellows. Our nation is a unit, and its educational institutions have, every one, the same high ideals. In every one of these are men of the best ability, men who would be an honorable acquisition to any Fraternity. Many of our good brothers felt that Theta Delta Chi conferred a great boon upon the Central Graduate Association in coming to Chicago to hold its Fifty-seventh convention. The truth is that the C. G. A. in making it possible for the convention to come to Chicago presented to the Fraternity one of the greatest opportunities ever offered, in that it gave the Fraternity the chance to see for itself that its conservatism is based on gross misconception. In Theta Delta Chi there should be no east, no west, no north, no south. Her traditions tell us of the two soldiers found dead upon the battlefield, one wearing the blue, the other the gray, with their hands clasped in the grip of Theta Delta Chi. That which made such an incident possible is able to animate and *fraternize* any young man any where in this whole land of ours.

Theta Delta Chi will be great only because her members achieve greatness. What are her men doing? How are they meeting the responsibilities of their life work, and the crucial questions? Nobody asks in these days where a man graduated. That is of no consequence. What he does, what he is, in his sphere of active life, these are the things upon which his reputation rests.

Our convention received very meagre notice from the Press of the city, despite the efforts of our publicity committee. This was due to the fact that Theta Delta Chi has no dominant influence in any way in this city. Here we have many men who are doing honor to themselves and credit to the Fraternity in their life work, but they are too few to demand recognition. We are

compelled to acknowledge the greater influence, locally, of some of our old time competitors as well as of a number of the hitherto underrated western fraternities. Theta Delta Chi I contend, is too provincial, and if we desire to be anything more than provincial we must bring about a change in our policy and get to work making good Theta Delta Chi's in every section of this Union. Be it said to our dishonor that in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, Kansas, the two Dakotas and the Rocky Mountains region, we have no altar fires and in the chivalric southland but one. We know from our own experience that the spirit of Theta Delta Chi can link the hearts of Easterner and Westerner, Northern man and Southern man in the holy bond of true friendship and make them ours in heart and desire. Theta Delta Chi ought to do this. There is need for this welding of great souls all over this country, and we shall prove recreant to our duty if we do not rise to the greatness of our opportunities.

After discussing fully the menu provided for the inner man, and "taking a pull" at the stein presented to Brother Tombo by the Central Graduate Association, (*Consult "Seen and Heard,"*) Brother Clay W. Homes let loose the post prandial oratory, a stenographic report of which follows.

J. R. HOUSTON,

Omicron Deuteron, '84.

BROTHER CLAY W. HOLMES, Toastmaster:—I do not know who had charge of the order of things here to-night, but whoever he is he is forgiven. The toast list as you have it before you is as it ought to be, but it is not as it would have been if I had laid it out, because I was going to begin on the other end. We can wait a few moments however, to listen to those whom we naturally expect to hear from on this occasion. Some of us want to know why we are here, others how we come to be here and still others, when are we coming again. We have had ample evidence of the ability of the Central Graduate Association of Chicago to put things in good shape for our entertainment; we have had a good time, I am sure, and we have all enjoyed ourselves very much, and therefore we give the honor of it to the

Central Graduate Association. The man who has stood at the head of the committee and carried out this work, is a man of executive ability. It is quite evident that he has not forgotten how to do things for Theta Delta Chi. In the olden times he knew just how, and without telling you what he did or what he has done, I am going to let him speak for himself. I call upon Brother Henry F. Lewis to respond to the toast, *The Central Graduate Association*.

DR. HENRY F. LEWIS:—*Mr. Toastmaster and Brothers*: Your Toastmaster has told you that I am a person of executive ability. He is mistaken, I am a poet. (Laughter) The first thing that I ever did for Theta Delta Chi was to write a poem. I have been forgiven, I hope. For the last twenty-five years I have been trying to live down that poem, and I hope that my gray hair will now be an excuse for me.

If brevity is the soul of wit, I expect to be extremely witty in my remarks. It goes without saying that we of the Central Graduate Association welcome you. We are glad to see you here. We are glad there are so many of you here. The only thing that we feared was that there would not be enough of you. There are not. We would like to see twice as many. But when we consider that we are one thousand miles from that little village on Manhattan Island, which some of these people think is the center of the universe; and that others of you think there is a Hub a little farther from the center of the universe we should be content. We must remember that the center of Theta Delta Chi is for some of us one thousand miles from here, and there are those who have come that far to this Convention, and this Banquet,—the culmination of it all.

Of course it has been some little work for the members of the Committee,—not for me because my work has been simply that of the figure head,—to arrange the details of this convention. The brothers whose names appear on the last page of the program are the ones you are to thank for everything good that has come from this Convention so far. It has been my pleasing duty to simply ask them to do things and the things have been done. There has been no labor on my part whatever. (Laughter) We feel, however, amply repaid, yea, more than repaid when we look upon the faces of those who are here to-night and consider the good times we have had at the other exercises, and which we expect to have the rest of this evening.

We have perhaps felt a little bit blue sometimes here in Chicago in the last ten or fifteen years. It is now fifteen years since the Central Graduate Association was first convened. I attended the first meeting at Kinsley's Restaurant and the years have passed so quickly in Chicago that that very Kinsley's Restaurant, which at that time was the very best in Chicago, was only day before yesterday closed to be torn down to make way for an eighteen story building upon its site. So things have moved in Chicago

in fifteen years. During these fifteen, the Central Graduate Association has kept alive the local interests of the Theta Delta Chi. We have been a struggling branch of the Fraternity these fifteen years, and this Convention is the culmination of our efforts. We hope this is not the last time. We hope and we pray sincerely that Theta Delta Chi will come west again. We hope that it will not be the last time it comes even to Chicago.

Before I come to my closing, I wish to state that one of the things which has kept us together in great measure, and we are very proud of it, is the little luncheon we have had at the Saratoga Restaurant every Friday throughout the year. We haven't a club room as yet,—that is something that we hope for in the future,—and until we have a club room which will be ample enough, we shall have luncheons on Friday noon, fifty-two of them per annum, at the Saratoga Restaurant where you will find a small body,—sometimes rather a large body,—of Theta Delta Chis once a week. That has been the thing, one of the strongest things, that has kept us together and has enabled us to get up the work of the Convention much more easily than we otherwise could have done.

Now, before I close I am going to give you a little advice. When one's hair begins to turn a little gray,—as our toastmaster's has,—when one's forehead is getting a little high,—and he is getting a little forehead on the back of his head as I am,—he may feel justified in giving a few words of counsel and advice, unwelcome as they may be. Nothing can stand still in this world. Theta Delta Chi cannot remain still. If it does it is dead. It is either for or against. Theta Delta Chi must go on and advance; it must advance by expanding; it must expand along the line of least resistance, and there are a great many settings left within the radius of two or three hundred miles from here that are very suitable for holding the jewel of Theta Delta Chi. (Applause) Theta Delta Chi has sometimes made mistakes. Let us hope it will make fewer in the future than in the past. Let us learn from our mistakes; let us put forward the banner of advancement. Theta Delta Chi has lost much, and we of the Central Graduate Association have been very keenly cognizant, I was going to say, of some of these losses.

I will close by reading you a little poem. This is not the poem I wrote. I have reformed. But this is a little theme,—this little poem entitled "Opportunities," and I think it is a very good one for me to give you in closing.

"Master of human destinies am I.
 Fame, love and fortune on my footsteps wait.
 Cities and fields I pass; penetrate
 Deserts and seas remote, and,
 Passing by hovel and mart and palace, I
 Knock unbidden once at every gate.
 If sleeping, wake! If feasting, rise,
 Before I turn away! It is the hour of fate;
 And those who follow me reach every state

Mortals desire. But those who doubt or hesitate,
 Condemned to failure, penury and woe,
 Seek me in vain and uselessly implore ;
 I answer not and I return no more."

(Applause)

BROTHER HOLMES :—At the Semi-Centennial Banquet the Toastmaster, our beloved Brother Gilbert, who has now passed over the river and left us, uttered a most beautiful sentiment. He said "I have come a long distance to attend this Semi-Centennial Banquet. Do you know why I have come? I came because I could not help it ; because in the very tide of years that has swung between me and my college days, there is a silken cord of memory which has never been broken, and the most delightful tunes and harmonies that ever vibrated upon that cord have been the tunes and harmonies played by the memories of Theta Delta Chi. Friendship lives and controls the Universe in the making and unmaking of man."

This sentiment I have selected in connection with the next toast, but our Brother Tombo to whom it was assigned says that he feels his physical condition is such as to compel rest and you know how he has labored during this Convention, and it has taxed him to the utmost. He has asked to be excused from speaking to the sentiment, but he has something which he wishes to present in its stead.

I will call upon Brother Tombo and we hope he will say something. (Applause)

BROTHER RUDOLF TOMBO :—*Mr. Toastmaster and Brothers of Theta Delta Chi* :—I really must not say much, but I should say just a word or two. The thing I want to say to you is this : I desire to thank all the brothers here in this, my unofficial capacity as an "Ex", for all the aid and help, counsel and advice you have given me. I want to thank you and take this opportunity to express once more a thought which will cling to me for the rest of my days. I go into the future helped by the affections which I think you have felt for me and which you have always made me feel that you felt for me, and this will be one of the greatest pleasures of my life. One of the greatest and saddest things in connection with this Convention is the fact that our only founder, Brother Andrew H. Green, was not able to be with us. I think it would not be right to leave this Banquet Hall without thinking of our brother, Andrew H. Green, and also reading some poetry which I should like to have compared with Brother Lewis', and I

shall immediately take advantage of his poem and show him how attentively I listened, by taking this *opportunity* to read one to you that was written by Brother Green, entitled "The Builders, (By one of them.)" (Brother Tombo then read the following lines which were received with applause.)

THE BUILDERS (By one of them)

All glad rang Union's bells that morn,
 When, 'fore the eyes of men first worn,
 Shone Shield of Theta Delta Chi,
 A Shield to shine thenceforth for aye!
 O those were happy days we had,
 At Union! when our hearts were glad,
 When Theta Delta Chi was young,
 Ere poet yet her glory sung.
 How many years since then have passed!
 Each decade brighter than the last,
 Each year yet longer sees the line
 Of them are mindful of "Lang Syne".
 The builders built,—but knew not, they,
 How bright would be the later day!
 Faithful their work; well might they ask
 Skilled be the hand would mend their task.
 Young builders, but sincere and true,
 They "builded better than they knew"
 A temple, on such solid base,
 That Time itself shall ne'er efface.

NOTE: The above poem accompanied a letter from Brother Green to Brother Tombo expressive of his regret at not being able to attend the Convention in person and concluding with these original sentences:

"In the likelihood that I cannot go, the spirit (or the evil one) has moved me to attempt some lines,—not poetry,—which might possibly fit in some where in Convention or at the banquet in my stead. Look at them inclosed and see if they are as good as prose. I remember telling the banqueteers at the Semi-Cenntenial jokingly that (after referring to Beach's poetry) I sometimes thought I might have some poetry in me *if it could only be got out*,—at which they *laughed*, whether at the idea of *my* being at all a poet or because they saw in the remark that there was an Irish strain in me I don't know, but if it was the former I *should* like to show them that I had some ground to stand on after all." And the candid reader must admit that he *has*.

Following the rendition of this unique poetical contribution of Brother Green's, Brother Spahn arose for what generous purpose you may gather from his remarks.

BROTHER LOUIS SPAHN: *Mr. Toastmaster and Brothers of Theta Delta Chi*: I would like to say a word at this point. While Brother Tombo was speaking and giving us the assurance of his affection, my eye fell upon this rose and I remembered the words of the song which said, "For me it is a rose, for you it is my heart."

Brethern, we have long labored to have a Convention in Chicago; you have heard of that. This Convention marks an epoch in the Fraternity's history. It may be a long time before another Convention comes here, and as it stands it marks a departure in the traditions of this Fraternity. It also marks an epoch in Brother Tombo's life. He ceases to be President of the Fraternity and takes, as he says himself, his place again in the ranks. We of the Central Graduate Association find in this Convention an epoch in our lives. We have had for the first time a Convention under our auspices. It has seemed fitting to the Central Graduate Association that this occasion should be marked in some way; and we have thought that perhaps as good a way as any to distinguish it, would be to tender to our Brother Tombo a little memento of this occasion which he can take home with him and which I will now set down before him. This was purchased today and it is now presented to him by me on behalf of the Central Graduate Association in the first instance, and on behalf of the Fraternity as a whole. We shall have it suitably inscribed to-morrow and with his permission we shall have it packed and sent to his address in New York, so that whenever he looks at this he may think of this occasion and all that it stands for. It will be filled and passed around so that every one may drink to Brother Tombo's long life in the Fraternity, his long life in his chosen work, and that this stein may grace many similar occasions under Brother Tombo's particular auspices. (Presents memento in the shape of handsome stein of heroic proportions with streamers of black, white and blue ribbons floating from the handle.)

BROTHER HOLMES: Custom gives to Toastmasters the privilege of changing somewhat the program. I have felt it is necessary because we ought to respect our brothers of the new Grand Lodge as well as the old. It is a singular fact that not one of the members who was elected to a position on the Grand Lodge today is here present. It is a fact that each of them would have been here if he could, but it shows the confidence of this Convention in electing three members in this manner, which is highly commendatory to the recipients of the offices. Therefore in behalf of these absent brothers, each one of whom I might eulogize if there were time, I shall present to you Brother Bullock that he may speak in their behalf. I will now call on Brother Bullock.

BROTHER BULLOCK:—*Mr. Toastmaster and Brothers*: Brother Lewis has told you that at a New England Banquet in the spring of 1886, he read a poem and made a speech that produced a reputation which he has since been trying to live down. I was sorry, I must say, to see these facts discredited here and I hasten to assure you—brothers, we have been unjust and unwarranted in our action, because I can solemnly swear and affirm that I was present upon that occasion and that Brother Lewis did read a poem, and that I did more, I survived it. (Laughter) I am reminded as I think of this Convention and of the great enthusiasm that has been manifested during its sessions and has marked the steady growth of interest during its continuance, of the brother who suggested on Monday morning that the Convention had made such progress he did not know where, or how high up, all the enthusiasm was going to. If he had been here this evening he would have been reminded of the Professor of History, who was interviewed one day after class in Roman History, by one of his students who said "Professor, I have been making a few historical investigations." The Professor said "I am glad to hear it, my dear fellow, I am glad to hear it. What subject, let me ask you, have you been investigating." "Well" the boy said "I have been investigating the history of Rome during the reign of Nero and I believe, Professor, that it is credibly said that on that famous evening when Rome was burning that Nero repaired to his palace and played upon his fiddle." The Professor said "It is so reported." "Well, Professor" said the boy "I believe I have discovered the tune he played on that evening." The Professor said "I am delighted, what is your conclusion?" "Well" said the boy "As I studied the subject and have been thinking of the evidence, I have been convinced that that tune could have been no other than that old favorite, "There'll be a hot time in the old town to-night." (Applause)

I have prefaced what I had to say with a few desultory remarks because I was surprised to find myself among the dark horses upon the program this evening, and I confess that in speaking of the new Grand Lodge, I am somewhat at a loss. There is one thought that has come to me this evening which I wish to leave with you. We have elected to office three brothers who were not present and who were, therefore, not in a position to defend themselves. We have perhaps taken an unfair advantage of them. There is one thing and only one thing that we can do to make due reparation and that, it seems to me is this: We are placing the affairs of the Fraternity in the hands of three wholly new men who are unfamiliar with the past. If ever a Grand Lodge assumed its duties under circumstances that call for the constant, most earnest and loyal co-operation, and counsel of every active Charge, of every graduate association, of every graduate member who is in a position to lend a helping hand, certainly this Grand Lodge whom we have today elected is entitled to such support and co-operation from each and every member of this Fraternity. We believe, aye, we know that our confidence in these men has not been misplaced, that we have selected three men after our own hearts, amply quali-

fied for the duties with which they are to be entrusted and we know that our Fraternity is going forward during the next year and during the remaining years that these men or any of them may serve us, to greater progress, to attain even higher and greater prosperity than we have reached at the present day. But as those who placed by our votes these three men in positions of responsibility and trust, we are in duty and honor bound to uphold as far as in us lies, their hands in the ensuing year. We possibly have taken an unfair advantage of three absent Theta Delta Chis who could not defend themselves, and it is certainly up to us to see to it that these brothers during the next year shall have from each and every one of us a square deal, which they can have only upon the condition that whenever an opportunity affords, we extend to them our most cordial, our most constant, our most earnest sympathy, consideration and support. (Applause)

MR. HOLMES: In introducing Brother Bullock, I overlooked a telegram which has been handed me. It is from Brother Leach. Brother Leach is in LaFayette, Indiana, this evening, playing a game of basket ball, which he says makes it impossible for him to be here. I think we have been told all about Brother Leach. He has done about all for his College that one can do in his line. He is manager of the Board of Athletics. (Applause)

On the evening of May 20th, 1892, there was held in the City of New York, a notable banquet. This banquet was given in honor of one of the New York brothers whom everybody loved and desired to honor. He was going over the water to travel two years in the old country. One of the brothers in speaking on this occasion, Brother Franklin Burge, told about a trip he made through Egypt when he had visited the Pyramids and told us that in one of them he saw the symbols of Theta Delta Chi. This brother, in the course of his remarks, said that when he came to Egypt he would look to see whether what Brother Burge stated was true. Of course he did not doubt it, but he wanted to see it for himself. Now, that brother made the trip successfully and returned to this country, and he has done a great deal since for Theta Delta Chi as no doubt you all know. He does not need any introduction from me to tell you that he is an enthusiastic Theta Delt, because when you hear his name you will know him. I might say a great deal about him because I could tell of many things which he has done for Theta Delta Chi. I have known of them personally, and no one but

the two of us know about them. But I hardly think it fair in his presence, to name them, because he doesn't like to have these things known. You ought to know it, and if he sees fit to tell you I shall be glad of it; if he don't it is his fault, not mine. I testify to the fact and if he does not deny it you may know that it is so. The subject of his remarks I cannot make out from the toast list because it reads, "A few extemporaneous remarks" and I do not know what that means. I am quite willing to let him speak for himself. I call upon Brother Willis S. Paine.

After some remarks of a humorous character Colonel Paine said :

My subject to-night is politics. I am addressing students versed in the science of human duty, otherwise known as ethics, and well aware that while the word "politics" may mean the management of a political party, it also means the art of government. In a few words an attempt may be made to show that it is the duty of liberally educated young men to take a practical interest in every matter connected with the liberal pursuit of politics.

It is becoming more and more difficult in our land for a man to obtain an elective office who is notoriously unfit for the position he seeks, although, at the same time, he may be willing to spend large sums of money to effect his object. In this connection I may add that party lines are not drawn as severly as they were. Until recently, comparatively speaking, a man was supposed to stand by his party under all circumstances. If he did not do so he was looked upon as so disloyal that his lack of disloyalty was considered almost an act of dishonesty. The most important event that has occurred since we last came together was the presidential election. That election shows to a greater extent than any other election held in this country that voters are becoming more and more independent. In the state of New York, the republican candidate for governor ran 100,000 votes behind the national ticket; while the presidential vote of Massachusetts was republican by 86,000 a democratic governor was elected by a majority of 35,000. The republican presidential ticket was elected in the state of Missouri by a majority of 15,000, and a democratic governor was elected by a majority of 30,000. A remarkable illustration, however, was in the republican state of Minnesota which Mr. Roosevelt carried by 200,000 majority and yet it elected a democratic candidate for governor by a majority of 10,000. Out of a total vote of 13,533,820 it is a still more remarkable fact that Mr. Roosevelt's plurality of 2,546,470 in the popular vote, has never been surpassed.

I may state, lest I may be misunderstood, that a man who starts out in life with the intention of making his living by the holding of political

office is beneath contempt. Nothing is more despicable than the vulgar struggle of vulgar men through vulgar means for petty offices and possibly plethoric but certainly questionable gains. The liberal pursuit of politics is the highest and most worthy object of human study. It is the duty of the better men, in their own interest, to enter in and take possession. Next to the relation of man to his Maker, there is nothing so deserving of man's best attention as his relation to his fellow man.

There are certain exceedingly important questions which it is our duty as educated men to consider. Some of these are as follows: What is the best way to punish criminals, especially novices in crime? Is it expedient to place any educational limit upon suffrage? To what extent should the education of the young be made compulsory? What is the best way to control the relations between man who has labor, skilled or unskilled, to sell and the man who has money to buy it? Must not our occupations be so managed so as to protect the rights of the people? If it is so desirable to diminish the power especially of organizations formed to regulate the supply and price of commodities, how can this be done without materially destroying their usefulness? In what way can we hasten the enactment of a statute in every one of our states whereby local financial institutions may be systematically and rigidly investigated by state officials? Another thought. Prior to the last presidential election I said, in a public address, that, "socialism" is a coming danger. I then predicted that it would be to a material degree the "ism" of the future. That socialism would have many followers in a land like Germany may not be a source of wonder. In 1903, in that country the socialistic vote aggregated 3,608,000 but, at the last election the socialistic vote aggregated 26,000 in New York City. This city, where we now are, is the largest socialistic city in this country. In Cook County 46,000, and in the State of Illinois 69,225 ballots were cast at the last election for Mr. Debs, the presidential candidate of that party. The socialist party then cast 403,338 votes, showing a gain of 304,921 over the socialist vote cast in 1900; an increase in the strength of that party four fold in four years. That such a party should even exist in our land, to say nothing of increasing in strength, is most remarkable when every citizen must know that this country is a commonwealth owned by the people and under the control of the people. It forms a body politic created to perpetuate the common well-being and the common happiness. If the prediction I have mentioned is well founded, is it not our duty to inculcate in every way the best of all "isms" patriotism?

It has well been said that the republic cannot endure without the church and the schoolhouse. With the co-operation of men of thought, whose duty it is to actively concern themselves with the affairs of the nation, our country has a future which only a vivid imagination can grasp. This is an age of organization. Your opinions are like minims of hydrogen and oxygen. Individualized they are, comparatively speaking, weak, but if you, and others like you, adopt them as a united body they create an irresistible flood of opinion which no power, private or public, can suc-

cessfully oppose. In conclusion, one more serious consideration. Should not this hemisphere be all republican and not as it is today part republican and part monarchial? Is not the theory wrong that one man, or one family, has a right to stand above his fellow men, or other families, and be given the highest honors and emoluments when neither he nor his family can claim the same only by reason of the accident of birth? Russia voluntarily withdrew from this country and ceded to us her possessions for what might be termed, comparatively speaking, a small consideration. We caused Spain to withdraw and by so doing we received very general approbation. The difference between a Republic and a Monarchy is fundamental. Our Republic may well be termed the tutelary organization of this hemisphere.

Let us hope that as the black, white and blue, the emblematic colors of our ocean-to-ocean fraternity, now float over our brothers in Canada, the time will soon come when the red, white and blue, the Star Spangled Banner, will float over all the English speaking people of the continent of North America.

BROTHER HOLMES :—Brothers, I might say considerable on the next subject, viz.: Western extension, but I shall leave it to the speaker. At the Convention Banquet in '92 in Boston, Brother Seth P. Smith, now our lamented Brother, in introducing a speaker from the west,—and it happened to be the President of the Grand Lodge,—said he will tell you some tangible facts about the west. He said he was traveling through the State of Texas one time, when a great big bulky Texan got on the train and came in and sat down in the same section with him. He said to the Texan: "Texas is a great State." The latter rejoined, "The best State in the Union, nothing in the world that Texas needs." My friend looking out of the window said, "How dry the ground is; how thirsty the stock looks. (Laughter) You haven't got water here, you need water." "Well," said the Texan "Suppose we do need water, you will have to admit we don't need anything else." "Well," my friend says, "It was only last night this very train was held up. It strikes me that you need better society in Texas." "Well," said the Texan, "suppose we admit we need some water and we need better society, you cannot name another thing that we do need." "Well," my friend said, "Are you aware of the fact, my good man, that all hell needs, is more water and better society." (Laughter.)

As it happened when introducing Brother Paine, so now I want to read a telegram which I have just received from Brother Cole. (Applause) It is addressed to Brother Tombo. It reads: "Please thank Convention for their action. I appreciate their confidence and accept." (Applause) Here is the best of it right here: "I hope you will keep up the pace you have set." Signed "L. G. COLE." At the Convention in '93, on the 27th day of April, Bishop Gilbert presided and he told you in thrilling tones how his heart had many times been cheered by meeting Theta Delts in the far west, and how heartily he had welcomed them to his home. Many good speeches were made and Brother Gilbert called upon a gentleman who is here today. I want to tell you what he said then, and then see what he has to say now. He then said: "We propose to speak with actions rather than with words, and we shall continue so to speak as long as the breath of life in us be." Those were the exact words of the brother whom you are now to hear. I believe he is competent to tell us all about western extension, but it is too vast a subject to compass in one speech. I will call upon our Brother Gray for response.

BROTHER W. I. GRAY:—*Mr. Toastmaster and Brothers of Theta Delta Chi*:—I have been assigned a very large topic, and for me to explain to you what the west is in one short speech, is utterly impossible, even if my voice were in the proper condition. Where is the west? Civilization progresses from the east to the west; it goes with the parallels and crosses the Meridians. Therefore, we know no west. We do not know what you talk about when you speak of the west. When you talk about the north we know what you mean. When you talk about the south we know what you mean. But when you talk about the east or the west we know not where the line of demarkation comes. I have listened long and attentively to discover if it were possible for me to do so, where the east ended and the west began. In Theta Delta Chi, I find from what I have learned in this Convention that the Charge established in Michigan was the first western Charge. That another step was taken when the Charge of Tau Deuteron was established in Minneapolis. Then we went a little south and established the Charge in Wisconsin. Then we took a tremendous stride across the high mountains of the west and landed on the Pacific Coast, and there established two Charges. Now, the Fraternity extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and in the midst of the great extension of the Charges of the Theta Delta Chi stand we, and we are here in full force to remind you that we are still in existence, that we are able and more than able to

do our part in the building of the Theta Delta Chi in the great west. (Applause). When our brother, Clay W. Holmes, came out into the west to establish the Tau Deuteron Charge, I remember full well at the banquet to which he has just referred, that he said that that particular banquet, which marked the establishment of the Charge in Minnesota was not due to Clay W. Holmes but rather to our honored brother, F. J. Kline. (Applause) Now, we have extended our Fraternity clear across the Rocky Mountains, and over those high altitudes, and we ought to build up the gap between. Where shall we begin, where shall we end? It seems to me that this great gap between the extreme west and the east should be filled up, and I wish to say that when this is being done you will not find any western Charge asking a charter for any institution, that is not worthy of it. You will find that in the west we have strong, vigorous institutions. The west is growing every day. You are coming from the east and you are settling in the west and building it up. It is only a few years ago that it was necessary for a man in the west, if he wished to educate his son, to send him east. That is no longer true. We know that now men in the east send their sons out west to be educated, and why should not our Fraternity be represented wherever our brothers find a suitable place to educate their sons?

Then in the west we have an entirely different financial basis for our institutions of learning, from those existing in the east. We find that in the west owing to its vast extent and comparatively limited educational resources it was necessary to establish institutions under State aid. That is one of the chief foundations of our great western institutions. As long as the State stands, so long will the Universities stand, and therefore, brothers, I say to you that when the west applies for a new charter of Theta Delta Chi it will be for a strong institution and you may have no fear that the Charge will soon become extinct. We have the men, we have the material and it is strong and vigorous and enthusiastic and I wish to tell you brothers, that we have workers. We have men who are capable of working;—as a matter of fact, they have to work. It is second nature to them to work, and when they take hold of a Charge of Theta Delta Chi they will work and work, and they are such good fighters that they will never lie down. (Applause)

Now, in order that the east and the west may be welded together, we who are trying to bring about this result, think that there ought to be established right here in Chicago a Charge of Theta Delta Chi. (Applause) And, let me say that I believe that the chief aim of our Fraternity is to make men, whether we make them in the east or whether we make them in the west, so long as we make men, we are carrying out the wishes of the founders of our beloved Fraternity. I believe as I have already said that there is no place that we can better bring about the result that to stop right here where we are, in this eternal city, and start a new Charge and thus cement the east and the west. (Applause)

BROTHER HOLMES :—Now brothers, it is a long distance to the west, the great west beyond the mountains, but we have a brother here who knows all about it, and would like to talk to us about that Great West. I will call on Brother Haight. He has come a long distance to be with us to-night, Brother Haight, of California.

(Brother George W. Haight of Chi, '74, who was thus summoned to respond to the toast of "The Golden West" discussed its present greatness and its future possibilities, and the tempting inducements which it held forth to young men as a region in which to invest talent or capital. He touched upon its rapid advance to financial prominence, and the great developments which were fore-shadowed in the immediate future.

In conclusion he drifted into fraternity matters and spoke as follows :)

Brothers, it would be difficult for me to find words to adequately express the pleasure that the attendance on this convention and its incidental features has afforded me. It required a large quantum of courage to break away from professional and business entanglements, and at this season of the year to leave the clime where now blows the rose and ripens the strawberry and the orange, and hazard an eastern trip to the land of the Storm King, where the Arctic blizzard indulges in fierce and freezing revelry.

There was no excuse for coming on the score of business, for I was in this town in October last, on the way to the Exposition.

My embarrassment was like unto that of the good deacon, who could not find a boy to take to the circus as an excuse for being there. The great inducement for the winter journey, was the anticipated pleasure of attending another Theta Delta Chi Convention.

This one being sufficiently removed, in point of time, from a former indulgence, to give it the flavor of novelty, the former being thirty years ago.

There had long been a desire to respond to one more roll call, to clasp the hands, to look into the faces, hear the voices of the brothers known in days agone.

Again to feel the pulse throb of that spirit of friendship which pervades and animates our order, which knows not time nor distance, but which binds heart to heart and life to life.

You who have come a thousand miles from the east to attend this Convention have made something of a journey, but we from the coast are two thousand four hundred miles from base, with no discount on the tickets, and the walking bad.

It just occurs to me that, as far as the returns go, I am in the position to claim the record of having made the longest journey taken by any

brother, who is on the shady side of sixty, for the sole purpose of attending a Theta Delta Convention, but I will cheerfully surrender the honor and the badge to any brother who will make proof of better right to possess it.

It has always been to me a source of regret that in going to California in 1874 I was, for over twenty years, out of touch with fraternity interests and activities, but since the establishment of the Delta Deuteron Charge at Berkeley, within a few blocks of my home, and the Eta Deuteron at Stanford, and the increase of graduate Thetas on the Coast, conditions have changed and we are making up for lost time and renewing the joys and regaining the enthusiasm of our youth.

Let me here express approval and commend the wisdom of the Charges in granting those charters.

From an acquaintance with the educational conditions on the coast, and the personnel of the Charges, I can assure you that, from all that can now be foreseen, the action will never be regretted. Those two great universities with an aggregate wealth of some \$60,000,000, and a patronage of nearly 6,000 students in all departments of academic and affiliated colleges, are now, and will continue to be, ranked among the great educational institutions of the world.

It was my good fortune to be gathered into the Theta Delta Chi fold in 1871, by the Chi Charge—but my appreciation of the character and merits of the new affiliation was a plant of slow growth, until in 1873, Brothers Jacob Spahn and Michaels and myself were delegates to the convention held at the Astor House in New York. Although then the oldest of the delegation I am the only survivor. At that Convention there were gathered many of the veterans who had guided the fortunes of the fraternity through the trials and disasters which attended societies and colleges in that decade, dating from the opening of the Civil War—brothers who had labored heroically to maintain and promote the interests of "Theta Delta Chi"—men whom all delighted to honor.

Brother Willis S. Paine was Chairman of the Convention. At the banquet held at the Metropolitan Hotel the orator was Brother Jacob Spahn. Brother John Brougham was the poet and presented that classic creation, "The Age of Gold". The historian was Brother Franklin Burdge, and both in matter and diction his effort was masterly. Many who sat at that banquet board have passed to the Omega; they have joined that company of souls who are but a little way above us to-night.

To me that Convention was a revelation; then was the birth of a consciousness of what this fraternity has cost in love, labor, self-sacrifice and devotion of its affiliations, through the course of its history; what it represented, and what were its grand possibilities as a moulder of character, and ennobler of human lives.

There is one feature that renders these Conventions of exceeding interest to the graduate Thetas, and that is the opportunity of meeting the younger brothers and from their acts, speech and ideas, gathering evidence

indicating the extent to which they have become identified in mind and heart aspiration, and inspiration, with that very real potentiality, which we are wont to call the "Spirit of Theta Delta Chi". If you have been blessed with a baptism of that grace you have something that will influence and mould your being; something that will find expression in act and life; something that will place you in right relation to your fellowmen; to your environment and opportunities, that will check dangerous tendencies; that will influence to all that is truest and noblest and assure success in life, whether it be in humble place or in high position where shines that white light that doth ever break upon prominence and power.

It is exceedingly gratifying to those of us who are fartherest advanced on the trail of life, that so many young men of ability and promise are joining the colors.

Be it remembered that with you rest the hopes of the fraternity; the possibilities of the future. With a consecrated devotion may you follow the lead of the men of history and the precedents of the past; build ye well, both thine own character and the temple of our fraternity, that the sacred trust committed to your care may suffer naught that shall dim the lustre of its prestige, nor the majesty of its onward course. That both you and this shrine of our love and hope may ever be held in honored memory.

Yes, it is indeed to us a boon of pleasure to note that :

"Younger men are on the rolls
 "Eager to do their part.
 "With love of Theta's bond and shield
 "They'll grave our sacred symbols
 "Down the aisles of time,—
 "And build our future temples
 "Where're culture rears her shrine."

BROTHER HOLMES :—In the absence of the representative from McGill, I take great pleasure in calling upon Brother Spencer of the Lambda.

BROTHER G. H. SPENCER :—I address, you, Brothers, not because I am *asked* to make a speech but because I have been *permitted to attempt* to make a speech. First, I want to tell you that there is this peculiarity about me. I can of an evening either enjoy a dinner, or make a speech, but I cannot do both. When I came in here tonight and saw the beauty of the place, the flags and other decorations, and looked upon the menu and the program that was provided for my inner man, I felt that in just courtesy to the committee, whose work had resulted in this, I could do nothing less than allow the speech to go and fill up with the dinner. I now find myself somewhat in the condition of the young lady who in the company of a little boy was walking through an orchard. She said to herself in the hearing of the boy: "Just listen how the wind moans and groans through the apple

tree." "Well," said the boy, "I guess you would moan and groan, too, if you were as full of green apples as them trees is." (Laughter.)

I find only one fault with the decorations here tonight. I wish—and the committee will pardon my suggestion—I wish that right here (indicating) had been hung the starry banner; (Applause) and out there the Union Jack; not too close together but so that each should be distinct and separate and yet close enough so that when the oratory of these breezy Westerners floated out, the folds of the two flags would kiss and entwine one another. (Applause.) You whose childhood is not so far off may remember the beautiful prayer entitled "Jesus Tender Shepherd." In that prayer there are these lines—"Let my sins be all forgiven, bless the friends I love so well." We have a little girl in our house who has a strange perversity in regard to that prayer. We have often tried to persuade her to overcome that perversity or to take some other prayer, but with great emotion she always says: "Let my friends be all forgiven, bless the sins I love so well." (Applause.) That is the mood I am in tonight, "Let my friends be all forgiven," and after my speech is made, I hope you will forgive me.

May I speak for a moment about a test that is supreme in Theta Delta Chi. Last Sunday afternoon when we gathered in Brother Waters' beautiful Church and participated in that impressive and worshipful service, my thought was turned again and again to the principles of Theta Delta Chi. Why, these embody our creed, Brethern. No Church has a faith so brief; no political party puts forth a platform so short as ours. It is the whole of it for us—THETA DELTA CHI. There is our faith, our adoration; there is our hope and our joy. To no other basis could a Fraternity such as ours have been due. On no other foundation could the builders of our Fraternity have placed it,—only upon a love that endures, which dies not; upon that kind of friendship which gives a man strength. I want to say that today when the discussion concerning the re-establishment of a dead Charge was before us, it seemed to me we ought to approach the consideration of its re-establishment in an entirely different spirit from that in which he would consider the establishment of an entirely new Charge. Why, if a loved one is lying at the point of death, I do not believe you would criticise in any manner the way or means the physician employs to prolong life. You are content if just so long as it is possible, that life is preserved to you. Such is the attitude which I take towards every Charge of Theta Delta Chi, living or dead.

Brethren, there are no packs except there are wolves. There are no Charges of Theta Delta Chi and no Fraternity of Theta Delta Chi except as there are Theta Delts. Nevertheless there is something in the saying that the strength of the pack is the wolf, and the strength of the wolf is the pack. What is a wolf? The most cowardly creature,—that slinks away from the face of man,—that hides in the thicket from the face of a child. What is a pack of wolves? Why, it is death; it is a sort of desolation; it is an awful terror. Such cowards when they are separated, such terrors when united. Not otherwise is Theta Delta Chi. We have weak Charges

and we have strong Charges,—but standing alone all are weak, and their individual members are weak. But a mystic bond unites the individuals and unites the Charges, the strong helping the weak, and the weak made strong by the strength of the strong. Brothers, there ought not to be a Charge of Theta Delta Chi but in the purpose and the desire of whose membership should be the aim to bring within its fold men of as many differing conditions and relationships as possible, and make every one of them possess a soul on fire for Theta Delta Chi.

The other day, I went to see a Yale-Harvard struggle on the foot-ball field. It was near the close of the second half. There were three downs and a yard and a half yet to make. The ball was Harvard's. Here on the Yale line were eleven men,—great, broad, strong fellows. In front of them,—strangely arrayed it would seem to one who knew nothing of the ways of the foot ball player—are eleven other strong, brawny men. The great man is upon his knees, his hand upon the ball; the little man is behind him, the smallest man upon the team and he is saying the strangest kind of things. I don't know what it was, but it sounded something like this: "8, 11, 13, 44," and suddenly the big man snaps the ball back, the little man grasps it and throws it yonder to a man who is ready and who catches it. Quicker than the eye can follow the movements of those men, every one of that Harvard team is behind the man with the ball and shoulder to shoulder into the mass of Yale men he is pushed and pushed and pushed, until he is pushed across the line. The touch-down was made, and the game was won for Harvard. What of that Brethren? In that I see a perfect picture of what every Charge of Theta Delta Chi ought to be, of what Theta Delta Chi itself as a whole ought to be. Every man in his place; every man confident and alert because he is absolutely sure that each other man is in his place and will give himself in support of the efforts of the man who for the moment is in prominence, in the place of difficulty and duty. Looking on, however, it might seem as if there were only a struggling mass of matter, and only one individual who had the ball in his arms was trying to advance it. But to those who looked deeper, it was apparent there was not a dead atom in there. *Every man* was in his place; every nerve was set; every muscle was taut; and every man knew that every other man was giving his support with all his power to the man who had the ball and stood in the position of peril and responsibility.

Brethren, the Fraternity in which we believe, the God whom we have exalted, the goal at which we aim, invites us to give ourselves to our Fraternity and to one another, to bind ourselves closer and closer together that we may find that *the strength of the wolf is the pack*, that we may find that though weak, in union there is strength such as the world has never seen.

BROTHER HOLMES:—Now, I am going to call the next Brother in a little different way. I am going to tell a little story which was told once at a banquet by Chauncey Depew. There



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MEMENTOES OF CONVENTION

was a certain gentleman who had the idea that some day he was going to have a stroke of paralysis, and naturally all the time he was looking for it. One evening he was at a banquet. It was a mixed audience, and by his side sat a lady whom he knew very well. After the banquet had proceeded for a time, he seemed to get a little nervous and fidgeted around, and he turned to the lady and he said: "Well, at last it has come. I am going to have a stroke tonight and it is here; I have been pinching my leg for the last half hour, and there is not the slightest feeling in it." The lady said to him: "Well, if that is what is the matter, you need not be worried because it is my leg you have been pinching." (Laughter.)

I will call upon Brother Joseph L. McNab to respond to "The Ladies."

BROTHER MCNAB:—*Mr. Chairman and Brothers:*—The reason why an old bachelor is always chosen to respond to the toast to the ladies on an occasion of this kind is, that he is the only one present who has the nerve to say what he thinks about them. I am going to take you into my confidence tonight. (Applause.) When the subject came up for discussion in the Central Graduate Association as to who should respond to this toast, it was suggested that Dr. Lewis should be the man, the reason for that being that he is a doctor and naturally knows a great deal more about the ladies than anybody else. (Laughter.) And then it was suggested that Brother Eastman respond to the toast, but it was found that he was ineligible. It seems that when fresh from the classic shades of old Amherst, Brother Eastman came to Chicago, he wandered into the quarters of the Salvation Army on Clark street. After he had talked with the lady in charge and she had asked him whether he was a saved man or wanted to be a saved man, he said: "Well, I don't know much about this saving business, but if you can, I wish you would save that nice blonde for me." (Laughter.)

Now, Mr. Toastmaster, seriously speaking, if there is any subject on this green earth that I do not know anything about and do not expect to know anything about, it is the subject of The Ladies. It should be said, however, that one thing I *do* know is that the wives of Theta Deltas should be beyond compare, because the future of the Fraternity depends upon them. (Laughter.) But I know very little about them. It has always seemed to me that the ladies might be compared to the automobile, they are a very expensive luxury, hard to manage and rather uncertain in their movements. (Laughter.) The only difference between the ladies and an automobile is, that an automobile will stand without hitching and the lady won't. (Laughter.)

I suppose, Mr. Chairman, like all other bachelors, I have been sub-

jected to the confidences of my friends, who have taken it upon themselves to persuade me to leave the solitude of bachelorhood. They have told me that when one gets home at night as a bachelor his home is desolate ; there is no one to greet him, no one to search for his slippers, no one to inquire how things have gone at the office, and to drive away the cares and troubles of the day.

More seriously speaking, gentlemen, in the activity of our western life, the ladies have made rapid advances, and there are in Chicago women who are working along specific lines. Take the work in this great city, in the western part of our city, where a great work is being carried on by such women as Jane Adams. To these women are due great honor,—and also to the ladies of Theta Delta Chi.

Even before Brother McNab had launched his powers of oratory upon the unknown, siren-haunted sea some of the eastern brothers had found it necessary to withdraw and gird themselves for the dash to the depot. And now was witnessed the gradual disintegration of this memorable Convention. The last convivial exercise was brought to a solemn close with the usual silent toast to the all-gathering Omega and the Convention as a thing of time had run its course. But as a thing of eternity it was fixed and immortal in the memories of the favored participants.



THE BUSINESS SESSIONS

The first session for the transaction of business was called to order by President Tombo on Monday afternoon, February 20th, at 2:55 P. M., in the sumptuously appointed banquet hall of the Auditorium Hotel, one hundred and fifty being present. Subsequent sessions were held on Tuesday morning and afternoon respectively, and the former of these was adjourned to another part of the building to allow for the preparations for the banquet in the evening. Between sessions on Tuesday the Convention photograph, which is reproduced in the frontispiece, was taken on the steps of the Art Museum.* The conduct of these business sessions was marked by a high degree of dignity and dispatch.

After a few words of welcome President Tombo received the report of the Committee on Delegate's Credential from the lips of Brother Guy S. Eldredge, Rho Deuteron, '06, which stated the official personelle of the Convention to be as follows :

BETA. W. F. Tobey, 1895; E. J. Blair, 1905; John Mewhol, 1906.

GAMMA DEUTERON. R. M. Heames, 1898; B. H. Montgomery, 1905; A. M. Graver, 1905.

DELTA DEUTERON. W. R. DeLeon, 1906.

EPSILON. T. W. Lawrence, 1905; Francis O'Keeffe, 1906.

ZETA. H. D. C. DuBois, 1898; G. F. Krause, 1906; Percy Shires, 1906.

ZETA DEUTERON. Geo. W. MacKay, 1905.

ETA. L. L. Cleaves, 1899; Stanley Williams, 1905.

ETA DEUTERON. W. A. Crossman, 1905; H. T. Beckwith, 1906.

IOTA. H. P. Brown, 1903; Donald Parson, 1905; N. B. Wales, 1905.

IOTA DEUTERON. A. C. Torrey, Jr., 1903; R. E. Webster, 1905.

KAPPA. J. M. Hollister, 1892; Wm. M. Wise, 1905; H. L. Michael, 1906.

LAMBDA. G. H. Spencer, 1890; M. L. Robinson, 1905; C. B. Herrick, 1905.

MU DEUTERON. O. T. Eastman, 1886; F. Hale, Jr., 1905; E. T. Hall, 1907.

NU DEUTERON. J. H. Spengler, 1886; E. E. Johnston, 1906; T. R. Senior, 1907.

XI. W. O. Waters, 1884; W. N. Covill, 1905; L. S. Partridge, 1906.

OMICRON DEUTERON. P. O. Place, 1893; G. W. Proctor, Jr., 1905; J. S. Proctor, 1908.

*Copies of the photograph may be secured by remitting the price (\$1.00) to J. W. Taylor, 324 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

- PI DEUTERON. R. Tombo, Jr., 1895; G. G. Dixon, 1907; G. P. Engel, 1907.
- RHO DEUTERON. J. Boyce Smith, Jr., 1901; H. N. Lawrie, 1905; Guy S. Eldredge, 1906.
- SIGMA DEUTERON. O. M. Salisbury, 1895; Ernest Borchert, Jr., 1905; J. P. Edwards, 1906.
- TAU DEUTERON. W. F. Gray, 1892; L. L. Kaies, 1905; G. H. Tyler, 1906.
- PHI. Clay W. Holmes, 1869; W. B. Guy, 1905; J. A. Darsie, 1907.
- CHI. Louis Spahn, 1879; H. J. Simmerlink, 1906.
- CHI DEUTERON. G. W. Gordon, 1899; F. W. Albert, 1905; Marshall Magruder, 1906.
- PSI. G. J. Campbell, 1893; E. P. Mac Intyre, 1905; H. W. Benedict, 1906. Sixty-three out of a possible seventy-two.

Brother Lewis, Iota, then took the chair, while Brother Tombo read his report as President of the Grand Lodge. Inasmuch as most of the matters discussed in the report are of a secret nature, we shall content ourselves with a few brief extracts. Considerable space is devoted in the first portion of the document to the various applications for charters received during the year. It would scarcely seem fair to the petitioning bodies to give publicity to their desire to cast in their lot with Theta Delta Chi through the medium of the SHIELD, but it may be worth while to point out in passing that there has been a healthy growth in the number and a noticeable improvement in the character of the petitions submitted during the past two years. Two of the petitions concerned the reestablishment of extinct Charges, and in connection with this problem Brother Tombo stated that there were no reasonable grounds for the fears frequently voiced that the revival of defunct Charges would swell our Charge roll unduly, inasmuch as there were only three institutions represented on our 'extinct' list where there is a likelihood of maintaining a strong Charge under present conditions.

Under "Correspondence" the report showed that during the President's administration 30 official monthly letters were sent to the Charges and that over 3,675 personal communications were written.

Several new rulings were reported as having been incorporated in the revised Book of Rulings, which was printed and distributed to the Charges during the year.

Forty-six Charges were officially visited by the President in person during his administration, three Charges three times, sixteen Charges twice, and five Charges (those in the west) once, also five petitioning bodies, and a number of alumni associations. The reports on individual Charges showed that all were in excellent condition.

A correct copy of the Fraternity whistle was furnished to all the Charges, and it was recommended that a new song book be published without delay.

With reference to a succeeding paragraph the committee on President's Report made the following recommendation: "The suggestion of your President that each Charge shall as rapidly as possible secure and properly display the portraits of all brothers prominent in the fraternity is most worthy and we recommend that each Charge appoint a special member who shall not only have supervision of this work, but shall prepare and file proper sketches of such brothers, thus materially adding to the education of his Charge in the history of the Fraternity."

The report recommends that the question of providing a suitable place of deposit in which books or articles written by members of the Fraternity, Fraternity literature, memorabilia, etc., could be placed on permanent exhibition, should be referred to a committee or to the incoming Grand Lodge, which should cooperate in this direction with the Custodian of the Archives.

During the past year the following permanent deputies for the western Charges assisted the Grand Lodge: Gamma Deuteron, W. H. Butler; Sigma Deuteron, O. M. Salisbury (*vice* W. G. Hartwell, resigned); Tau Deuteron, E. H. Crooker; Delta Deuteron, St. J. E. McCormick; Eta Deuteron, P. B. Roberts. Brother Duncan served for Zeta Deuteron.

Brother Robert S. Woodworth, Mu Deuteron, '91, represented the Fraternity at the St. Louis Exposition, keeping a register for visiting brothers at the Department of Anthropology, United States Government.

Acting on a suggestion in the report, the committee on President's Report recommended that the incoming Grand Lodge pursue the subject of an official Fraternity cut further and report to the next convention.

The President reported further that the old Epsilon charter and book of minutes had been found and placed in the hands of the revived Epsilon, also a letter from Brother Northway, of the Alpha, authorizing the establishment of Epsilon. The charter is signed by Brothers Harrington, Northway and Baker of the Alpha and enumerates eight charter members, while the last catalog mentions only four. The minutes date from December 8, 1855, to February 1, 1872. They include the 1856 Convention minutes and explain the reestablishment of Epsilon in 1872.

The only local alumni association established during the year is the Ohio Graduate Association, but five Charge associations were founded in 1904, namely, those of Epsilon, Eta Deuteron, Iota Deuteron, Pi Deuteron, and Phi. Eta, Nu Deuteron, Omicron Deuteron and Psi are now the only Charges not provided with alumni organizations.

Under the heading "Relief for the President" the following suggestions were made, all of which were adopted. 1. The appointment, annually, of a Supervisor of Charge Alumni Associations, and a Supervisor of Local Alumni Associations. (President Cole has appointed Brother Harry A. Bullock, Mu Deuteron, to the former and Brother Norman Hackett, Gamma Deuteron, to the latter position.) 2. The adoption of a system of permanent deputies for every Charge. 3. The appointment of a brother to edit and publish the annual Convention minutes. 4. The placing of the Convention arrangements in the hands of a local committee. With regard to the last point, the committee on President's Report recommended that the Convention be held in the West at least once in four years, and the Convention voted to hold the next annual gathering at Boston in February, 1906.

President Tombo submitted a detailed plan for the accumulation of a fraternity property fund, which, however, was not ratified by the committee on President's Report, which recommended that the financing of Charge houses be left in the hands of the various Charge alumni associations, "it being the opinion of your committee that it is to the vital interests of the Fraternity that every Charge should occupy and own a house at the earliest possible date."

In conclusion the President said :

In this, the last report I shall submit as your President, it may be appropriate to review in a few words the accomplishments and innovations of the three years just passed. The most noticeable advances have been made in two directions, in the field of the alumni associations and in that of the conventions. No less than fourteen new graduate associations have been established, and the committee in charge of this phase of fraternity expansion deserves much credit for its efforts, most of which belongs to Brother Harry A. Bullock. The formation of these associations has tended to strengthen even more the bonds that unite young and old in Theta Delta Chi, to which process the last few conventions have also contributed in large measure. At the recent Boston and New York conventions fraternity enthusiasm reached great heights and the attendance on both occasions was actually remarkable. To the program have been added a theatre party, a memorial service, an opening session; the "charge luncheons" feature has been developed and the time has been lengthened from two days to four. One old charge, the Epsilon, has been revived and one new charge, the Eta Deuteron, has been established. The former has given back to us our old home in the South and has rehabilitated some of our choicest traditions. The latter has strengthened our hold on the shores of the Pacific and bids fair to establish traditions that will rival those of the old Eta on the shores of the Atlantic. The T N E problem has been solved. The organization of a committee on graduate discipline has removed a constantly threatening despoiler of convention harmony. By providing the charges with various record-books the prospects of possessing more accurate sources of information in the future than exists at present have been improved, and by the introduction of uniform ledgers, minute books, etc., another point has been gained. Passing to larger and more pretentious things, the building and renting of suitable homes for the Charges have been stimulated and encouraged, with the result that of our twenty-four charges no less than twenty are located in houses, of which nine are owned in whole or in part. We should not rest until every single one of our Charges can pride itself on the possession of a home it can truly call its own. Yet these things are all material, and I believe our greatest progress may be chronicled along even

higher lines, which our material advances do not necessarily reflect. I feel justified in the statement that Theta Delta Chi today is a religion to more men than it has ever been before, that its ideals of manhood and of friendship—that undying bond which unites all—are higher than ever before, that the striving towards those ideals is more spontaneous, more joyous, more effective than ever before, that the eagerness for personal sacrifice is more deeply rooted than ever before, in short that we are continually arriving at a truer and nobler conception of what constitutes a real Theta Delt in the best sense of the word. This should ever be regarded as the proper mode of our evolution, and what we should constantly labor for is the education of ourselves and our fellow-men for humanity. Our cause is mighty, and it will prevail!"

The report of the committee on President's Report concluded as follows:

"In conclusion—words failed your committee at this point. Words cannot fitly tell of the great and lasting benefits to our beloved Fraternity brought about by the untiring zeal, the earnest devotion, the personal self sacrifice to the good of the cause and the unflinching fidelity to all that is highest and noblest in our order, on the part of our President, Brother Tombo. His administration will long be remembered as one filled with much that has worked to the steady advancement of all, both graduates and undergraduates, and to the enlargement of the Fraternity in the best and highest sense of the word.

That his successors may be able to live up to the high standard set by him is the earnest hope of us all."

The reading by the President of his report occupied nearly two hours, but it was so apt and able that interest did not flag for a moment. It was followed by the reports of the other general officers of the Fraternity.

The report of the Secretary of the Grand Lodge showed an active membership of five hundred and three (503), an average membership of twenty-one in each of the twenty-four Charges. The initiations during the year numbered one hundred and sixty-six, an average of seven for each Charge. The average attendance at meetings for the year was 90 per cent.

The report of the SHIELD editor asked the Convention to resolve "that it is for the good of the Fraternity that every member of the Alumni Associations be *ipso facto* a subscriber to THE SHIELD, and that the incoming Grand Lodge instruct its committee on Alumni Associations to have this sentiment realized in practice as far as possible." The committee to whom this report was referred returned as follows:

"We are of the opinion that each Alumni Association must be the sole judge of its own conditions of membership. At the same time, we believe that a fuller coöperation on the part of the Alumni Associations with the management of THE SHIELD, would be of benefit both to them and to the Fraternity as a whole. Further, that the Treasurers of the various associations might, with propriety, act as agents of THE SHIELD to receive subscriptions at the same time that they receive dues.

"We therefore move the adoption of the following resolutions:

"Third. That the Graduate Associations be requested to authorize their treasurers to receive subscriptions to The Shield with Association dues.

"That the Convention suggests to the Graduate Associations for their consideration, the advisability of including subscriptions to The Shield in their regular annual dues."

The above resolution was adopted accordingly.

The Association of Theta Delta Chi reported that its net assets amounted to over twelve hundred dollars (\$1200.00), and that it had in preparation a descriptive circular for distribution among such members of the Fraternity as might be interested.

The two firms of Burr, Paterson & Co., and D. L. Auld were placed on the list of Theta Delta Chi jewelers.

The Convention enjoined "the close cooperation of the Charges with the SHIELD Surplus Trustees in completing their files of bound volumes."

The felicitations of the Convention were extended to Brother John Hay, Zeta, , in the following language:

"The members of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, assembled in this 57th Annual Convention, contemplating with increased pride and satisfaction the distinguished diplomatic achievements

of our Brother John Hay, hereby extended to him heartiest congratulations and fraternal greetings."

Grand Lodge officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows:

President: Rev. Lawrence T. Cole, Gammma Deuteron, '92.

Secretary: Merwyn H. Nellis, Psi, '05.

Treasurer: Hugh E. Leach, Tau Deuteron, '05.

None of these officers elect were present at Convention. The name of Brother Cole was placed in nomination by Brother Charles Bullock, Lambda, '89, whose speech opened with an impressive eulogy of the retiring President and his work, which found ready sympathy and acceptance in the hearts of his audience. He was driven to eloquence also in presenting the qualities of Brother Cole fitting him for the leadership of our Fraternity. The election went without contest and its result was announced amid great acclaim.

One of the last matters which occupied the Convention Session was the ceremonious presentation to the Grand Lodge of three magnificent jeweled monogram emblems of office representing the bounty of Brother Willis S. Paine, Chi, '72, "Uncle Willis" as he is often affectionately dubbed. Cuts of these jewels appeared on the frontispiece of the September SHIELD.

THOSE PRESENT

Among those present were the following. The list is as complete a one as it has been possible to obtain but the editor will be pleased to hear of any additional names that ought to be included.

BETA—Waldo F. Tobey, '95, Chicago, Ill.; Edw. J. Blair, '05, Chicago, Ill.; John Newhall, '06, Chicago, Ill.; Edw. T. Wilder, '06, Elmhurst, Ill.; Erskine P. Wilder, '05, Elmhurst, Ill.; Harold D. Humpstone, '08, Brooklyn, N. Y.; E. Rodman Stull, '07, Ridley Park, Pa.; J. H. Whitehead, '06, Buffalo, N. Y.; R. E. Prussing, '04, Chicago, Ill.; R. H. Bourne, '04, Cleveland, O.; Western Starr, '80, Wilmette, Ill.; Geo. F. Mevrell, '01, Chicago, Ill.; Phil. M. Walter, '98, Chicago, Ill.; S. H. Crooker, '83, Minneapolis, Minn.; W. A. Carter, '84, Chicago, Ill.; H. A. Beidler, '85, Williams Bay, Wis.; Arch. H. Sayce, '05, New York; J. J. Hubbard, '95, Milwaukee, Wis.; Willis Collins, '95, Milwaukee, Wis.; Edwin D. McConnell, '94, Memphis, Tenn.; Horace L. Daceson, '07, Evanstown, Ill.; Chas. R.

Murphy, '89, Decatur, Ill.; H. K. Vedder, '87, Lansing, Mich.; Walter S. Goll, '96, Chicago, Ill.; S. S. Holden, '05, Chicago, Ill.; S. E. Osgood, '04, Grand Rapids, Mich.; N. S. Lawrence, '04, Riverside, Ill.; Geo. H. Thayer, Jr., '83, Plymouth, Ind.; Walter G. Massey, '01, Watertown, N. Y.; W. A. Lamson, '04, Chicago, Ill.

GAMMA DEUTERON—Richard M. Heames, '98, Detroit, Mich.; Bert H. Montgomery, '05, Chicago, Ill.; A. M. Graver, '05, Chicago, Ill.; S. E. Thomason, '04, Chicago, Ill.; Frank N. Savage, '98, Chicago, Ill.; H. S. Graver, '04, Chicago, Ill.; H. O. Potter, '07, Charlotte; W. B. North, '05, Toledo, O.; H. H. Van Tuyl, '96, Detroit, Mich.; Frank Briscoe, '95, Detroit, Mich.; George Kuhn, '07, Chicago, Ill.; S. C. Mason, Jr., '03, Chicago, Ill.; O. L. Crumpacker, '03, Valparaiso, Ind.; J. B. Hitchcock, '00, Ware, Mass.; F. J. Wood, '02, Niles, Mich.; R. H. Sutphen, '97, Defiance, O.; C. E. DePuy, '01, Chicago, Ill.; F. W. Thurnau, '02, Chicago, Ill.; H. L. Crumpacker, '03, Laporte, Ind.; Eric Parson, '08, Washington, D. C.; F. C. Crumpacker, '03, Valparaiso, Ind.; G. F. Pirrung, '03, Chicago, Ill.; W. K. Maxwell, '98, Kansas City, Mo.; Frank V. Sackett, '98, Chicago, Ill.; J. W. Wood, '00, Niles, Mich.; Rob. W. Gotschall, '06, Toledo, O.; Ross C. Whitman, '94, Chicago, Ill.; John C. Scully, '05, Lincoln, Ill.; Howard M. Cox, '95, Chicago, Ill.; W. W. Talcott, '01, Chicago, Ill.; J. E. McCreary, '08, Toledo, O.; Geo. H. Conklin, '91, West Superior, Wis.; F. H. Lancashire, '02, Davenport, Ind.; C. H. Bushnell, '01, Kansas City, Mo.; G. M. Cox, '02, Chicago, Ill.; A. F. Thurnau, '06, Chicago, Ill.

DELTA—T. B. Cram, '93, Chicago, Ill.

DELTA DEUTERON—W. DeLeon, '06, Berkeley, Cal.

EPSILON—T. N. Lawrence, '05, Williamsburg, Va.; F. O'Keeffe, Jr., '07, Williamsburg, Va.

ZETA—Percy Shires, '06, Scranton, Pa.; Geo. F. Krause, '06, Lebanon, Pa.; Henry D. C. DuBois, '98, Providence, R. I.; S. G. Goldthwaite, '90, Boone, Iowa; E. S. Macomber, '04, New Bedford, Mass.; L. W. Jutten, '04, Fall River, Mass.

ZETA DEUTERON—Geo. N. MacKay, '07, Montreal, Canada.

ETA—Lincoln L. Cleaves, '99, Chicago, Ill.; Stanley Williams, '05, Portland, Me.; Robert Newbegin, '96, Defiance, O.; "Senator" Beveridge, '04, Chicago, Ill.

ETA DEUTERON—H. S. Beckwith, '06, Stanford Univ., Cal.; W. A. Crossman, '05, Stanford Univ., Cal.

THETA—W. H. Mann, '00, Cleveland, O.; Charles B. Shaffer, '83, Pittsburg, Pa.; Newcomb B. Thompson, '84, Cincinnati, O.; Chas. S. Shain, '99, Chicago, Ill.; James Lawrence, '71, Cleveland, O.; Wm. M. Reynolds, '73, Cleveland O.; Will MacKim, Salina, Nebraska.

IOTA—Harry P. Brown, '03, Fall River, Mass.; Nathaniel B. Wales, '05, Braintree, Mass.; Donald Parson, '05, Washington, D. C.; R. W. Fernald, '07, Winchester, Mass.; Henry F. Lewis, '85, Chicago, Ill.; O. D. Cribby, '00, Chicago, Ill.

IOTA DEUTERON; Geo. C. Forrey, Jr., '03, Indianapolis, Ind.; Rubert E. Webster, '05, Springfield, Mass.; Fletcher M. Durboin, '05, Indianapolis, Ind.

KAPPA—J. M. Hollister, '92, Chicago, Ill.; W. M. Wise, '05, West Newton, Mass.; H. L. Michael, '06, Kingston, N. Y.; Virgil G. Curtis, '66, Evanstown, Ill.; R. L. Burbank, '98, Chicago, Ill.; Guy C. Pierce, '96, Muncie, Ind.; R. M. Manbert, '02, Chicago, Ill.; R. E. Goodell, '01, Chicago, Ill.

LAMBDA—George H. Spencer, '90, Everett, Mass.; C. B. Herrick, '05, Boston, Mass.; Millard L. Robinson, '05, Westfield, Mass.; Chas. J. Bullock, '89, Cambridge, Mass.; A. W. Hobson, '89, Chicago, Ill.; A. H. Wilde, '87, Evanston, Ill.

MU DEUTERON—Osgood Eastman, '86, Chicago, Ill.; Frary Hale, '05, Wallingford, Conn.; Edwin J. Hall, '07, Andover, Mass.; Harry A. Bullock, '99, New York City.

NU DEUTERON—T. R. Senior, '07, Bethlehem, Pa.; Edw. E. Johnston, '06, Baltimore, Md.; A. J. Farabaugh, '04, Bethlehem, Pa.; H. Spengler, '86, Chicago, Ill.

XI—W. M. Covill, '05, Geneva, N. Y.; R. E. Espy, '05, Chicago, Ill.; L. S. Partridge, '06, Phelps, N. Y.; R. P. Keeler, '08, Albany, N. Y.; W. O. Waters, Chicago, Ill.

OMICRON DEUTERON—J. R. Houston, '84, Chicago, Ill.; George N. Proctor, Jr., '05, Fitchburg, Mass.; J. S. Proctor, '08, Fitchburg, Mass.; Perley O. Place, '93, Syracuse, N. Y.; R. H. Carleton, '02, Chicago, Ill.; C. H. Farley, Chicago, Ill.

PI DEUTERON—Geo. G. Dixon, '07, New York City; Gustave P. Engel, '07, New York City; Rudolf Tombo, Jr., '95, New York City.

RHO DEUTERON—Guy S. Eldredge, New York City; H. N. Lawrie, '05, New York City; J. B. Smith, Jr., '01, New York City; Edwin H. Jewett, '93, Chicago, Ill.

SIGMA DEUTERON—O. M. Salisbury, '95, Madison, Wis.; O. H. Hulberg, '02, LaCrosse, Wis.; G. L. Humphreys, '04, Duluth, Minn.; J. F. Wilson, '96, Appleton, Wis.; W. C. Burdick, '01, Harvey, Ill.; E. H. Falconer, '06, Prentice, Wis.; R. F. Fairand, '00, Delafield, Wis.; Isaac P. Witter, '96, Grand Rapids, Wis.; George W. Mead, '94, Grand Rapids, Wis.; Lawrence Crehore, '00, Horseshoe, N. Y.; Geo. H. Dyer, '04, St. Louis, Mo.; Charles E. Seiler, '00, Monroe, Wis.; Ernest A. Stavrum, '97, Milwaukee, Wis.; Harry M. Trippe, '96, Whitewater, Wis.; Joseph L. McNab, '96, Chicago, Ill.; R. R. Caskey, '04, Chicago, Ill.; Stephen Gardner, '02, Chicago, Ill.; Geo. H. Jones, '97, Chicago, Ill.; W. J. Rowe, '03, Chicago, Ill.; James M. Musser, '04, Chicago, Ill.; R. R. Bernard, '04, Chicago, Ill.; Ernest Borchert, Jr., '05, Milwaukee, Wis.; J. P. Edwards, Jr., '06, Milwaukee, Wis.; Elmer V. Eymann, '07, Evanston, Ill.; Clive N. Musser, '08, Madison, Wis.; Harry A. Porter, '07, Muckonago, Wis.; R. R. Bayne, '06, Warren, Ill.; V. G. Swenson, '07, Madison, Wis.; E. F. Cox,

'08, Chicago, Ill.; V. H. Kadish, '06, Milwaukee, Wis.; S. C. Wachenfeld, '07, Orange, N. J.; H. W. Chadwick, '06, Monroe, Wis.; Geo. J. Lieber, '06, Milwaukee, Wis.; Jas. B. Robertson, '08, Milwaukee, Wis.; Wm. F. Hannan, '08, Milwaukee, Wis.; Thomas F. Kelly, '06, Milwaukee, Wis.; Louis Francisco, '08, Richmond, Ind.

TAU DEUTERON—Alumni—W. L. Gray, '92, Minneapolis, Minn.; B. A. Chouinard, '95, Kaukakee, Ill.; H. D. Wells, '03, Minneapolis, Minn.; J. B. Moffett, '97, Minneapolis, Minn.; R. L. Tebbitt, '04, Minneapolis, Minn.; W. W. Bardwell, '92, Minneapolis, Minn.; F. E. Cobb, '95, Minneapolis, Minn.; S. P. Rees, '95, Minneapolis, Minn.; C. F. Lane, '01, Minneapolis, Minn.; J. F. Dahl, '99, Minneapolis, Minn.

Active—L. L. Kells, '05, Sank Centre, Minn.; G. H. Tayler, '06, Wilmor, Minn.; E. M. Barrows, '05, Minneapolis, Minn.; W. L. Greenly, '07, Minneapolis, Minn.; M. E. Salisbury, '08, Minneapolis, Minn.; E. W. Huntley, '07, Minneapolis, Minn.; George Ed. Kremer, '07, Minneapolis, Minn.; Tom R. Martin, '07, Mantorville, Minn.; H. J. Bartron, '06, Lake City, Minn.; J. B. Irsfeld, '07, Long Prairie, Minn.

PHI—Clay W. Holmes, '69, Elmira, N. Y.; Walter B. Guy, '05, Washington, D. C.; James A. Darsie, '07, —, Pa.; Howard S. Smith, '72, Elkhart, Ind.; R. C. Bryant, '91, Rockford, Ill.; F. R. Aube, '96, Duluth; L. G. Bradley, '04, Duluth.

CHI—Louis Spahn, '79, Chicago, Ill.; W. J. Simmelink, '06, Rochester, N. Y.; F. E. Winter, '04, Rochester, N. Y.; W. B. Clarke, '01, Kalamazoo, Mich.; G. W. Haight, '74, Berkeley, Cal.; W. S. Paine, '68, New York.

CHI DEUTERON—Geo. W. Gordon, '99, Chicago, Ill.; Frederick W. Albert, '05, Washington, D. C.; Marshall Magruder, '08, Washington, D. C.

PSI—John G. Campbell, '93, Chicago, Ill.; E. C. MacIntyre, '05, Johnstown, N. Y.; H. W. Benedict, '06, Clinton, N. Y.; Edw. S. Foster, '94, Verona, N. Y.; W. W. Dawley, '75, Syracuse, N. Y.; C. H. Bristol, '04, Chicago, Ill.; R. D. Eysman, '05, Clinton, N. Y.; J. W. Kellogg, '06, Clinton, N. Y.; Warren McLaughlin, '01, Lima, O.

THOSE CONSTRUCTIVELY PRESENT

There was doubtless much wailing and gnashing of teeth, in a Pickwickian sense, on the part of many of the brothers who were prevented from being bodily present at Convention. Some of the more thoughtful or articulate of the loyal band of absent ones expressed their regret in the form of letters and telegrams to the executives of the occasion. It should be borne in mind that in theory the whole and every individual member of the Fraternity were present at Convention,—at least constructively; those to whose letters and telegrams we have alluded in a higher degree perhaps than the distant follower of our Faith who remained

mute. Yet *all* were there. Those who were moved to utterance but bore witness of the great hunger and thirst of all Theta Delts for the soul-satisfying Convention-fare. Indeed, the beautiful thought which the Memorial Service served to emphasize strongly was that not alone the living but the beloved dead as well were in a sense, and a very high and true sense present at Convention. Many of the meaningful communications recorded below were read at an early stage of the Banquet, and the announcements of the well-known names of the senders were followed by appreciative applause.

From Brother John Hay of the Zeta was received the following :

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, WASHINGTON, JANUARY 17, 1905.

MY DEAR SIR:—I have received your kind letter of the 15th of January, and very much regret that my engagements here and the state of my health make it absolutely impossible for me to be present at your meeting.

With many thanks for the honor of the invitation, which I highly appreciate, I am,

Very truly yours,

[Signed] JOHN HAY.

DR. HENRY F. LEWIS,
103 State Street, Chicago, Ill.

From Brother Andrew H. Green, Alpha, '49, the only surviving founder, the following letter was received :

42 WORDEN TERRACE, DETROIT, FEBRUARY 13, 1905.

DR. HENRY F. LEWIS.

MY DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—Your kind letter of the 8th inst. is just received, owing to its having first come to the hands of my son of the same name, also of Detroit, as he was hurriedly leaving the city, and his absence longer than expected.

As to my attendance at the Convention, which you urge, I must assure you that I am quite perplexed between consideration of the pleasure I would expect and my great desire to contribute whatever I could by my poor presence to its interest, on the one hand, and on the other the fear that the exertion and possible fatigue might be injurious in my present rather feeble condition.

Nor am I at all sure that my attendance could be of benefit to the Convention. Any imagination of a founder, of properly venerable and dignified appearance, would better represent the Theta Delta Chi character than could I by my poor presence.

I hope it may not seem ungenerous, after your kind urging, if I this morning,—a cold one it is—can promise only that if my health will permit I will try to be present at the Convention on the 20th or 21st, (but not at the banquet).

Should I find myself unable to go, may I not ask you to cause to be expressed to the Convention my ever hearty interest in the welfare of Theta Delta Chi, and my affectionate regard for all its members.

Very fraternally yours,

A. H. GREEN,

Alpha, '49.

A conspicuous absentee, in the crude sense of the term, was Brother James R. Mellon of the Pi, '65; yet his "constructive" presence was a matter of universal note, especially at that stage of the Banquet when the "fragrant leaf" is introduced to share with the "infinitesimal black" the subsidiary attention of the satisfied feasters. His letter, which it will be a delight for all to read, follows:

MELLON NATIONAL BANK OF PITTSBURG.

PENNSYLVANIA, FEBRUARY 20, 1905.

TO OUR TOASTMASTER AND BROTHERS IN THETA DELTA CHI:

I extremely regret my inability to be with you tonight. My arrangements were made, as I thought, to permit of this, but circumstances arose which required me to go South earlier than I expected. The great regret to me is in not being permitted to meet our splendid loyal Western brothers, who have done so much to make this the first Convention of the West a success. While my good Brother Tombo reads this to you, I will be in my home at Palatka, Florida, and will think of the jolly time you are enjoying; I will imagine to myself some of the Fraternal inspiration that is going on at this Banquet tonight.

Through the kindness of Brother Tombo I have the pleasure of presenting you with some Fraternity cigars, and will say they ought to be excellent within the emblem which encircles them. These were especially made for you; they are like the Fraternity, good all through, and made from Quesada grown leaf, manufactured on a Mellon patch under a Theta Delt's direction and have been fully tried by the Western Pennsylvania Graduate's Association of Pittsburg at its Banquet of January 26th, with favorable mention.

With kind regards to all, I remain fraternally,

JAMES R. MELLON, '65.

[P. S.]

If no Irish are present you may have this Scotch prayer read, it came to me from Canada. I had it printed. It requires a good strong Scotch accent to bring it out properly.

The Scotch prayer referred to in the postscript was read in its native accent by one of the distinguished feasters at the head table at the Banquet. It follows :

A friend sends me the following prayer, by a Scotch minister at Caledon, Canada : "O Lord, we approach Thee this mornin' in the attitude o' prayer, and likewise o' complaint. When we cam' tae the lan' o' Canady we expectet tae fin' a lan' flowin' wi' milk and honey, but instead o' that we foun' a lan' peopled wi' ungodly Irish. O Lord, in Thy great mercy drive them tae the uttermost parts o' Canady ; mak' them hewers o' wood an' drawers o' water, gie them nae emoluments, gie them nae place o' abode, ne'er mak' them magistrates or rulers amang Thy people, but if ye hae any favors tae bestow, or ony guid lan' tae gie awa', gie it tae Thine ain, Thy peculiar people, the Scotch. Mak' them a' members o' parliament and magistrates an' rulers amang Thy people. But as for thae ungodly Irish, tak' them by the heel an' shake them ower the mouth o' hell, but dinna let them fa' in, an' a' the glory shall be Thine. Amen."

A remarkable admission is contained in the following from an Iota brother :

JEFFERSON COLLEGE HOSPITAL,
PHILADELPHIA, FEBRUARY 19, 1905.

DR. H. F. LEWIS,
CHICAGO, ILL.:

MY DEAR LEWIS:—I am lying on my back with a silver spike in my femur, my body all packed in plaster ; but I really believe I would rather be with the bunch in Chicago.

Please give them my greeting.

Fraternally yours,

W. W. WINSLOW,
Iota, '85.

The Kappa graduates dining at *Karwieses* in Boston sent a song and a cheer (by telegram), in aid of the efforts of their more fortunate brothers in the Auditorium Banquet Hall.

The Psi Charge and Norman Hackett made use of the same modern space annihilator to make it known at Chicago that they

were "Celebrating together tonight and with you all in thought. Best greetings. Hooray for everybody ! You can't beat us feeling good !"

The above are specimens of a multitude of communications showing how brothers throughout the land were participating, in spirit, in the ecstasy of Convention. Among the senders we note the following :

Brothers Carl Axel Harstrom, Xi '86 ; Ernest W. Huffcut, Beta '84 ; Calvin N. Kendall, Psi '82 ; Orison Swett Marden, Lambda '77 ; Rear Admiral Lamberton, Sigma '62 ; Edward Stetson Griffing, Iota '89 ; Rev. James Macbride Sterrett, Chi '67 ; Fred C. Stevens, Eta '81 ; Geo. M. Lovejoy, Kappa '82 ; Duncan Campbell Lee, Psi '91 ; Robert J. Mahon, Rho Deuteron '83 ; Gordon T. Atkinson, Sigma '68 ; E. A. Soux, Phi '92 ; George S. Long, Omicron Deuteron '79 ; St. John E. McCormick, Delta Deuteron '01 ; Charles Collard Adams, Omicron '59 ; Henry R. Russell, Mu Deuteron '96 ; P. C. Kauffman, Phi '79 ; H. Grant Person, Iota Deuteron '91 ; Shirley C. Walker, Delta Deuteron '02 ; F. W. Thomson, Beta '87 ; the Gamma Deuteron "left-overs,"—and numerous others.



THE INSTALLATION

The installation of Brother Lawrence T. Cole, Gamma Deuteron '92, as President of the Grand Lodge for the year 1905-6 was held in the rooms of the Graduate Club of Theta Delta Chi, 1424 Broadway, New York, on the evening of March 3d. Forty brothers, representing a dozen Charges, attended and there were present as well two ex-Presidents of the Grand Lodge, Brothers Carl A. Harstrom and Asa G. Benedict.

Brother Rudolf Tombo, the retiring President, presided and at seven-thirty called the company to order in regular meeting. Brothers Harstrom and Benedict escorted Brother Cole to the chair and remained at his side while the installation service was being performed. That over, the meeting adjourned and the majority of the brothers went over to the Vendome Hotel where the regular monthly dinner of the Graduate Club was held. The dinner, like the others that the Graduate Club has held on the first Friday of each month during the winter, was entirely informal and there was no set program of speeches. But when the coffee was served, Brother "Dan" Dougherty, in his traditional capacity of toastmaster, called the diners to order and asked Brother Cole to say a word or two about his administration. To this Brother Cole replied that it was a little too soon for a President to talk about his own administration. But he went on, to the gratification of his audience, and disclosed his own attitude towards Theta Delta Chi in a way that left no doubt in the minds of the hearers of his carrying out his message of acceptance to the convention, and "keeping up the pace."

Brother Benedict responded in reminiscent vein for the Grand Lodges of the past and finally Brother Tombo, as a last official word to Theta Delta Chi told the Theta Delts present and through them all Theta Delts, that he wanted them to make their Fraternity their religion.

At eleven o'clock the dinner ended and all hands went back to the Graduate Club for some still more informal talk.

HARRY A. BULLOCK,
Mu Deuteron, '99.





REV. LAWRENCE T. COLE

President of the Grand Lodge

THE NEW GRAND LODGE

It is unusual in our history for a Grand Lodge to be composed of brothers all of whom are unversed in the practical workings of their offices. Such however is the fact with respect to the incoming Grand Lodge. But a perusal of the following sketches will strengthen our confidence that the hands chosen to minister to the most vital needs of Theta Delta Chi for the ensuing year are capable and that their work will be good.

REV. LAWRENCE T. COLE, President

Some,—a good many in fact—years ago, that New York paper which those who do not love, like to call the *Evening Scold*, published, one New Years Day, a list of those "who had risen to fame or sunk to notoriety" during the year passed. It is by no virtue of mine, or special knowledge, that I am called on to furnish, as best I may, (and in the doing of it, enjoy the opportunity to rise for the nonce from obscurity into the glitter of a reflected noonday), some idea of who and what Dr. Cole is. Two facts conspired to lend me eminence, (purely ephemeral, it is true), in the Editor's eyes. I happened to encounter Gamma Deuteron's goat on even date with Brother Cole, and moreover, I contributed to *THE SHIELD*, in bygone days, a sketch of Brother Cole, on the occasion of his becoming Warden of St. Stephen's College at Annandale-on-Hudson. Doubtless this first sketch is the reason why I am now called upon to write a second. Whatever a warm affection and high esteem can do to supply the *res desiderata* will be done. A portion of this sketch is a resume of the article previously published in *THE SHIELD*.

Brother Lawrence T. Cole was born at Ann Arbor, Michigan, April 24, 1869, his forebears being among the most distinguished in the state. He grew up in an atmosphere of refinement and learning and entered the University of Michigan in the fall of 1887, for a scientific course. During the ensuing year, however, he became convinced that his proper calling was the Church and after a year in the University, he returned to the High School to fit himself for the studies he felt his changed vocation called for. He returned to the University in 1890 and,

shortly afterwards, was initiated into the Gamma Deuteron Charge, about a year after the Charge was established. Those were the days of storm and stress for the Charge and it is evidence of Brother Cole's strong individuality that in the following spring, after having been a member of the Fraternity for only some four or five months, he became the chief officer of the Charge and during the ensuing year, practically placed the Charge on a secure basis. Nine men were initiated during the year and never since that time has the prosperity of the Charge been seriously threatened.

After an extraordinarily brilliant career at the General Theological Seminary in New York, during which, on account of the rare abilities displayed, he was induced by his teachers to give up his ambition to be, as he used to express it, "a village priest" and to fit himself rather for teaching and executive work. He was given as a reward of his work a travelling fellowship. One year of this fellowship was spent at Ann Arbor where he earned his A.M. degree and the balance of the fellowship was spent at Harvard and in the Bodleian Library at Oxford. Then he went to Columbia, where after two years' residence, he received his doctorate.

He was almost immediately called to the pastorate of St. John's Church, Crawfordsville, Indiana. He was not to be left long in this field, however, but a few months later, became arch-deacon of the new Episcopal diocese of Michigan City. Here as the Bishop's "right hand man" he was called upon to do much of the immediate work of organization and administration of the diocese. He soon found that the strain of the work, together with the trying climate, was seriously impairing his health and he was compelled to stop for a long rest.

As soon as he was again able to work he was invited to take charge of St. Stephen's College at Annandale-on-Hudson. This school had been founded, some forty years previously, for the specific purpose of affording to men of small means, an opportunity to acquire a suitable preliminary training for the work of the Theological School. It was a college, pure and simple, offering but a single degree A.B. and its alumni list shows that all but some half a dozen of its graduates have become clergymen.

It had clung, with a perhaps too intense conservatism, to its early traditions, and was in a decadent state. Brother Cole took charge with the distinct understanding that he was to be given an absolutely free hand, and immediately set about the work of reorganization and renovation. He insisted that the College must take its place in competition with first class colleges of its scope elsewhere, saying in his inaugural dissertation "The man who receives from the church his diploma should have demonstrated his willingness and ability to do all the intellectual work required by the very best institutions, and his religious duty as a churchman besides. * * * Too often church colleges have been willing to confer their degrees in recognition of mere piety, coupled with persistence in residence, rather than of that for which the title stands in the educational world outside." This dictum remained the key-note of Brother Cole's administration during the years at St. Stephen's. Then, when he felt that he had accomplished everything possible to be accomplished in the uplifting of St. Stephen's College, he received an invitation to become rector of Trinity School in New York City. This school, founded in 1709, and richly endowed, is one of the best known and most exclusive preparatory schools for boys in the country. It has a magnificent plant equipped for three hundred pupils. Brother Cole intimates, but only intimates, that he found it disorganized and suffering, as the small boy said after a green apple spree, "from dissensions in its midst." Now all this is changed, however, and Brother Cole thinks, he writes me, that everything is running so smoothly that he will soon dread the approach of pay-day. As to the institution of which also Brother Cole is head although the present Corporation received its charter from the State only in 1806, Trinity School was founded in 1709 under the auspices of The Venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts, of London. It was conducted in connection with Trinity Parish until 1806, and received the greater part of its endowments from the Corporation of Trinity Church or from individuals connected with that Parish.

Having this origin and history, Trinity School naturally lays emphasis on the moral and religious, as well as the intellectual and physical, education of the youth of the Church. While

she attempts to secure the most approved and efficient methods for the education of her pupils in the ordinary school branches, she also aims at that broader culture and discipline of the whole man, which are usually attained only in an atmosphere of good breeding, morality, and religion.

This sketch is meagre enough in all conscience, and one must read between the lines to realize the impression Brother Cole has made, in educational and in church circles, as an administrator and as one having ability to deal with the young. One must pause, also, to measure the skill, the tact, and breadth of view testified to by his rapid advancement, to get an idea of the man himself. I shall never forget the thrill of pleasure and of more than cordial assent with which I listened to Brother Charles Bullock's eloquent speech in the Convention, when it dawned upon me that it was "Larry," *our Larry*, he was talking about, and when Brother Waters rose to second the nomination and told, as it would hardly be fitting to tell it here, of the wonderful things Larry had done and if the high esteem and regard in which he is held by men gray with the wisdom of years, my joy was as keen as if I had been the object of such esteem. You see, I know Larry. Some of you do not; but I trust that the time will come when he will be "Larry" to all of you, as he is to me. I know it will, if you ever meet him, face to face. The Fraternity has been blessed, for more than a score of years, with a long line of distinguished and able administrators in her chief office. We cannot doubt, any of us, that the rapid growth of the Fraternity in prestige and wealth is due, more than to anything else, to the generous and self-sacrificing care and toil of these men. The Presidency of the Grand Lodge today is not an empty honor, but carries with it the necessity for such labor and devotion, on the part of its chief officer, that the recipient of it needs must look upon it as a sacrifice. We may all rest absolutely confident that with Larry Cole at the helm, the Fraternity will take no backward step, but will be held to ever higher and higher ideals of efficiency and true brotherhood. This should be a new incentive to all of us to add our mite and by every means in our power help to make the Fraternity still greater.

ROSS C. WHITMAN, Gamma Deuteron, '94.





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Secretary of the Grand Lodge

MERWYN H. NELLIS, Secretary

In the little city of Johnstown, in the eastern portion of New York State on August 10, 1885, a child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Nellis. The fates were benign and the career of Merwyn Nellis was destined to be brilliant. Among the green foot-hills of the Adirondacks, in the historic old town of Sir William Johnson the boy grew up. Having gone through the grammar school, he entered the High School in the autumn of 1898, a lad of thirteen years and some pounds avoirdupois. Unhindered, however, by his weight and undaunted by the smiles of the on-lookers, he donned the foot-ball uniform and began his career on the gridiron. The work here soon changed flesh to muscle and lengthened him out from a boy to a youth of some considerable size.

Having become captivated by the charms of Hamilton College, through the efforts of Johnstown Thetes, he turned Clintonwards in the fall of 1902. It was a fortunate September morning for the College and for Psi Charge that saw this stalwart youth go up the hill to his first chapel. Already pledged, he became a member of the old Charge early in the term. Again destiny was gracious to him and on the gridiron here he became the pupil of Brother Blakely, Psi '03, who then played a fierce game at center. Upon the latter's graduation, Brother Nellis stepped into his place and has filled the vacancy completely, becoming the second of Hamilton's "best two" centers. He was the only man, except the Captain, who played through every game in the past season, for no one else could be found to fill his position.

Brother Nellis is more than a foot-ball player, however. In his freshman year he ably responded for his class on Campus Day 1903. He dances occasionally also. He was a member of the sophomore hop committee last year, was Chairman of the junior "prom," committee, which gave the college a most successful dance last month, and he is treasurer of his class. He was also President of the D. T. Club last year a local inter-fraternity sophomore organization. In fact he is an "all around" man, this mighty citizen of six feet and one hundred and ninety-five pounds.

But this is not all. Beneath these external qualities, be-

neath his powers in battle, his social traits and executive ability, is the man, the friend, and brother.

JOHN CLARK DEAN.

HUGH ELLIS LEACH, Treasurer

Hugh Ellis Leach was born in Spring Valley, Minn., May 21st, 1880, of English-Welsh parentage. He received his preparatory education in that town and entered the University of Minnesota in the fall of 1900. The following spring he was initiated into Theta Delta Chi. He has three brothers in the Fraternity, Harlan Leach, 'Tau Deuteron, '92; Harris Leach, 'Tau Deuteron, '94, and Helon Leach, 'Tau Deuteron, '05.

His record as an athlete has been remarkable. He made the baseball team as a Freshman and was immediately recognized as one of the best coaches that ever entered the University. He captained the team in the season of '04. The same year he captained the basket ball team, having played on it two years previously and under his leadership the team won every collegiate game, defeating many of the eastern teams on their own floors.

In the spring of 1904 he was elected assistant manager of athletics and has recently been reelected for another term.

He received his B.A. degree in 1904 and is now a member of the College of Law, class '06.

Personally he has gained the respect of the entire student body and is recognized as a leader by both students and faculty. In the Charge Brother Hugh has been a tower of strength and by his integrity and executive ability has done more than any other man to make Tau Deuteron what it is today.







OLD MASONIC LODGE, WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

Where Convention of 1856 was held

THE CONVENTION OF 1856

It is interesting and informing to contrast a present event with its prototype in the receding past. By a fortunate chance the original minutes of the proceedings of the Convention of 1856, were discovered in Williamsburg, Va., last spring and reclaimed for the Fraternity by one of the petitioners for the revival of the Old Epsilon Charge. The circumstances of this discovery have already been narrowly related, (Vol. XX pg. 158) and that all may benefit by it it has seemed well to set forth the contents of the sacred manuscript. We give them below and we reproduce also, on the opposite page, a photograph of the Masonic Lodge of the City of Williamsburg, as it now fills,—perhaps offends,—the eye of the beholder, in which modest building the early wardens of our faith met in annual conclave on June 6th, 1856. A comparison of this unpretentious structure with the size and magnificence of the Hotel Auditorium furnishes contrast number one. The others we will leave it to the agile mind of the readers to come upon :

WILLIAMSBURG, VA., JUNE 6TH, '56.

Annual Convention of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity held at the Epsilon Chapter of William and Mary College.

The annual Convention of the Theta Delta Chi met at 12 o'clock M. in the Masonic Lodge of this City. The *President* of the Epsilon, Mr. Graves, then called the Convention to order, and invited the *Presidents* of any Chapters represented to a seat upon the rostrum. The *Presidents* of the Delta, Brother Clarke, and of the Zeta, Brother Burdge, made their appearance and took their respective seats. An inspection of the Convention being then had, the following Delegates and Graduates were found in the Hall, viz.—Delegates of the Delta, Brothers Clark and Camp, of the Epsilon, Brothers Thos. Smith and W. T. Walke, of the Zeta, Brothers Burdge and Bates, and Brothers M. D. Ball and Hill Carter graduates of the Epsilon.

In pursuance with Sec. 4, Art. 10, of the Constitution the *President* presiding then called for the report of the Condition,

etc. of Chapters represented either directly by delegates or by proxies;—whereupon the report of the Delta was read by the delegate of that Chapter—Brother Clarke—which upon motion was duly received. Report of the Epsilon was then read by Brother Griswold which upon motion was received. Report of the Zeta was read by its delegate, Brother Burdge—which on motion was also received. Report of Eta being called for Brother Burdge arose, and stated that the Eta being unable to be represented, desired him to read the report of that Charge, which he proceeded to do and the report was duly received. Report of the Iota being called, was read by Brother Bates, who prefaced the report with a remark that he acted in accordance with the desire of said Charge, that Charge being unable to be represented in the Convention. Said report was duly received.

Brother Burdge arose and after stating the inconvenience of Conventions being held in different places and many other defects in Constitution; moved "a Committee of 1 from each Charge to retire and report amendments and alterations to the Constitution". Brother Clarke in pursuance with the instructions of his Charge laid before the Convention a series of amendments and alterations to the present Constitution. The motion of Brother Burdge was seconded and called for by Brother Griswold, which after some debate was put to the house and carried, and the *President* appointed the following Committee, viz., from the Delta Brother Clarke, from the Zeta Brother Burdge, from the Epsilon Brother T. Smith, from Iota Brother Bates, as proxy. On motion of Brother Burdge the *President* of the Epsilon was also added to the Committee.

At 1 o'clock the Convention on motion took a recess of $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, till the Committee should report.

At $2\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock the Convention was again called down (!) by the *President*, and the report of the Committee called for, whereupon Brother Burdge proceeded to make his report, the sense and vote of the Convention being taken upon each alteration and amendment separately.

After the reading of said report, a motion was submitted by Brother Clarke that "the resident Graduates in the city of New York be requested to rewrite, alter, and amend the 2nd Initiation

Service," which motion was carried. The *Corresponding Secretary* was then furnished with the names of the following Gentlemen, and instructions were given him to write to them, viz: Wm. H. Tefft, Esq., office of Judge Culver. Geo. D. Kellogg, Esq., Nassau St. cor Liberty. Wm. H. Merriam, Esq., office of Evening Post.

The *President* then appointed Brothers Gwynn and Montague to act as Marshals at the delivery of the Poem.*

On motion the Convention then adjourned.

W. H. GRAVES, *President*.

RICHARD WALKE, JR., *Secretary*.

*The poem referred to was that from the pen of Mottrom Dulany Ball which was reprinted in its principal part in the June (1904) SHIELD. Convention in those days also had a convivial side and much was made of the Convention Banquet and Poem.

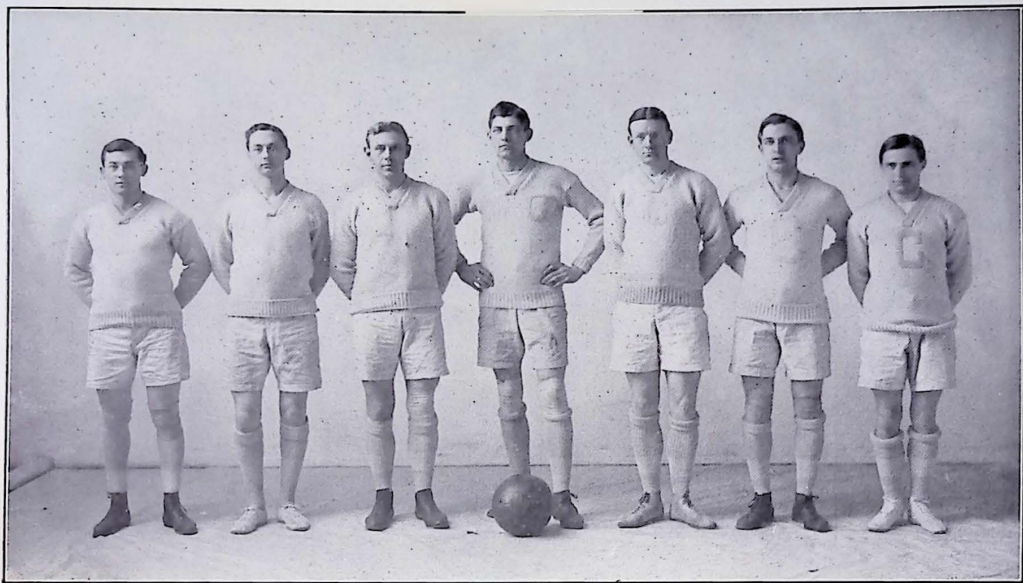


A TRIUMPH IN BASKETBALL

"Columbia has proved to be in a class by herself in college basketball."—*Boston Globe*.

The facts would seem to sustain the assertion of the *Boston Globe*. The record of the Columbia University Basketball Team for the past two seasons is indeed little short of phenomenal considering the thirsty and relentless spirit of modern collegiate competition in athletics. This team has not suffered an inter-collegiate beat since the winter of 1903. Out of a total of thirty-seven games played in the two past seasons the record registers but two defeats, one each year by the same (professional) team. In that time it rolled up a total of nine hundred and forty-eight (948) points on its opponents as against five hundred and seventy-one (571) points scored on it by its rivals. It was the first team ever to compel the sons of Eli to admit defeat on their home court. In addition to securing the inter-collegiate championship for 1904-1905 without a single reverse, the Columbia Varsity also defeated, in a decisive manner, two of the strongest western fives, which last year were rival claimants for the championship of the West,—Wisconsin and Minnesota (notwithstanding the able efforts of our Tau Deuteron brother, and Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, Hugh E. Leach.) By virtue of this season's successes Columbia lays claim to the title of Basketball Champion of the United States.

From a Theta Delt point of view what constitutes the chief interest in this riot of victory is the fact that two of our brothers, Harry A. Fisher, and Conrad Trubenbach, took part in almost every game played by the Columbia team during the past two seasons. Both of these brothers joined the Fraternity through Pi Deuteron, being of the delegation of 1902, but later entered Columbia and identified themselves with Rho Deuteron. Brother Fisher especially was a most powerful factor in determining the result of the many hard fought contests, and he is acknowledged at Columbia without cavil or question to be *the* instrument for the ruin of her rival's hopes in this branch of sport. His play abounds in sensational, shriek-evoking exhibitions of head and



COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY BASKETBALL TEAM

Champions, 1903-1905

Number two from the right is Brother H. A. Fisher, number five is Brother C. Trubenbach, the second man from the left is Brother George G. Moore, Jr., initiated into Rho Deuteron since the accompanying article was written

dexterity. In the last game with Yale the final score stood 24 to 21, and of Columbia's points 21 were made by Brother Fisher. He is president of the Intercollegiate Basketball Association and on the basketball committee of the Amateur Athletic Union of the United States. He was manager of the 1904 football team, we might mention, just to show his versatility, though it is no part of the present story. Brother Fisher's usual position on the team is left forward. He is 23 years old, 5 ft. 7 in. in height and tips the scales at 141 pounds.

Another considerable factor in the unusual successes of the past two seasons has been Brother Trubenbach's consistent work, also as a forward. Brother Trubenbach carries 162 pounds (but lightly) to 5 ft. 9 in. of height, and has just attained his majority. His marked aquatic proclivities, have, in addition to his basketball ability, been the cause of considerable renown,—but that also is another story.

The accompanying half-tone shows the regular squad of the fast and aggressive five. The third player from the left, it might be interesting to know, is no less a person than Marcus Hurley, the amateur bicycle champion of the United States.



CERTIFICATE

THE ASSOCIATION OF

MEMBERSHIP

No. 5No. 46

THETA DELTA CHI

This is to certify that Brother Willis S. Paine

having on February 18, 1905 completed the payment of

FIFTY DOLLARS

is a LIFE MEMBER of the ASSOCIATION of Theta Delta Chi.

Witness the Seal of the Association, and the signatures of
its duly authorized officers, at the City of New York, N. Y.

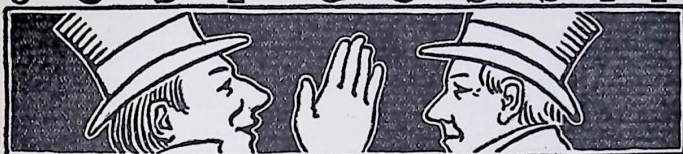
this 15th day of March 1905.

ATTEST:

Frank V. Jones
Secretary.

Carl Axel Harström,
President.

J U S T G O S S I P



This is the literary attic of the Fraternity. We will gladly consign to it any bit of comment or criticism, and all relations of fact and narratives of events, which may be of interest to those for whom the magazine is designed. If you control any information or ideas within the broad scope of this announcement please transmit the same to the editor without neglect or delay.

THE ASSOCIATION OF THETA DELTA CHI

The illustration on the page opposite represents one of the certificates of fully paid Life Membership, which have been recently issued by the Association of the Theta Delta Chi, to the members who have completed their installment payments under the By-laws, or who have subscribed for fully paid Life Memberships.

As the Association has just completed the fourth year of its existence, the majority of the early installment memberships are now becoming paid in full.

Circulars giving a list of officers and members of the Association, and a detailed synopsis of its methods, aims, progress, and present position, have also been recently issued, and were distributed to the delegates at Convention. Copies of the circular, as well as of the By-laws of the Association, may be had by application to the Secretary.

Those readers who are not aware of the general plans which led to the formation of the Association, are referred to *THE SHIELD*, Vol. XVIII, where the subject of this interesting institution of our Fraternity is dealt with at some length. (See pages 306, 409.)

Communications intended for the Association may be addressed to Frank N. Dodd, Secretary, 1424 Broadway, New York City.

The descriptive circular referred to shows the organization and general plan to be as follows:

OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

President, Carl A. Harstrom; 1st Vice-Pres., W. B. Wright, Jr.; 2d Vice-Pres., Clifford Wilmurt; Treasurer, Frederic Carter; Secretary, Frank N. Dodd; Curator, Harry A. Bullock; E. S. Griffing, C. LcC. Howe, D. S. Dougherty, C. S. White.

MEMBERS

E. W. Huffcut, Carl Tombo, J. H. Bradbury, Rev. L. T. Cole, Olin Wellborn, Jr., J. A. Buffington, L. Lindenmeyr, J. Boyce Smith, Jr., R. Tombo, Jr., Lionel Hayes, Henry A. Brown, R. B. Carter, N. R. Webster, D. Garth Hearne, Jas. G. Stradling, T. Sproull, Geo. B. Chandler, W. C. Dooris, F. E. Schmid, H. Benjamin, P. B. LaRoche, Jr., H. R. Steeves, F. D. Wauning, L. Kebler, F. Briscoe, Chas. P. Schmid, Jr., M. B. Foster, E. R. Fay, J. R. Lynes, H. R. Pyne, Willis S. Paine.

It was incorporated March 15, 1901, and the purpose as stated in the By-laws—Article II, is "To advance the interests of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity." The general scheme of the association is this: To accumulate a fund which shall be so employed as to yield an income. Such income may be appropriated toward the furtherance of any meritorious project of the Fraternity not wholly self-supporting.

The principal of the association is derived from two sources, styled as below:

a Permanent Fund.—"By gift, devise, bequest, or otherwise not herebefore mentioned," *i. e.*, other than by membership contributions or accumulations.

b Accumulating Fund.—"The membership payments and accumulations shall constitute the Accumulating Fund."

A Membership costs \$50. If paid in one sum, it is a Life Membership; or it may be paid in 50 monthly installments of \$1 each. (Quarterly reminders issued to installment members.) By the coöperation of the small number of brothers whose names appear above, by the gradual payments of the installments noted, the association has arrived at the position shown by the following:

BALANCE SHEET AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1904

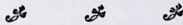
ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash—at City Trust Co.	\$ 849 06	Capital—Accumulating Fund	\$990 00
on hand for deposit..	15 00	Permanent Fund...	197 31
Investments	361 37	Revenue—Balance of Income	38 12
Total assets.....	\$1,225 43		\$1,225 43

GROWTH

DATE	TOTAL ASSETS	DATE	TOTAL ASSETS
30 June, 1901.....	\$ 45 00	30 June, 1903.....	\$ 546 90
31 Dec., 1901.....	132 00	31 Dec., 1903.....	658 10
30 June, 1902.....	278 53	30 June, 1904.....	1,014 91
31 Dec., 1902.....	403 28	31 Dec., 1904.....	1,225 43

The actual good works already accomplished by the association in its short career and with the small means at its command, we will not recite, but they may have reached your ears through other channels. Though not

many in number, nor perhaps of great importance, they have been appreciated in no small degree, and in every instance made plain the field which is open to such beneficent purpose as the association represents. The organizers, officers, trustees and members of the association having entered well upon the initial stages of what they believe a commendable work, feel warranted in now inviting the coöperation of the Fraternity at large. The association has received the endorsement of the Fraternity at Convention, and a special officer with special powers is appointed by the Grand Lodge as its special representative and its official controlling agent. Among the active members will be noted three Presidents of the Fraternity, three SHIELD Editors, four Presidents of the (N. Y.) Graduate Club, the Custodian of Archives, compiler of our last catalogue, and others whose names at once suggest the zeal of many diverse, painstaking, long-continued, and generous efforts for the welfare of Theta Delta Chi.



A RARE GIFT TO THE SOUTHERN GRADUATE ASSOCIATION

It was about four years ago our Brother Rudolph A. King, of the Xi '62,—that king indeed among gallant Theta Delts, princely gentleman, punch brewers and terrapin raisers,—who in the winter of his life yet preserves the spirit of May and loves to mingle with youth, whose face it is a benediction to see and whose kindly nature in the hallowed sway of a noble soul is ever an inspiration,—a decade ago, we say, at a little gathering in his home he promised to give the Southern Graduate Association a souvenir in remembrance of himself. The fruit of this promise has been a magnificent hand painted punch bowl artistically shaded in black, white and blue colors with the Greek letters "ΘΔΧ" on the outside and in gold lettering in the base of the bowl the subscription,

PRESENTED BY
 RUDOLPH A. KING,
 FEBRUARY 3, 1905

around which circles the appropriate sentiment taken from a Theta Delt song; "Then we'll down every care in her full flowing bowls and drain the last drop of a Theta Delt sling."

On the third of last February Brother Jas. McLachlan of the House of Representatives was host at an informal smoker held in the University Club, Washington. It was upon this occasion that Brother King took the opportunity of presenting to the Southern Graduate Association his exquisite gift. It was after eleven o'clock before the last brother wandered in, but he was by no means the least for it happened to be no less a personage than our distinguished Quesada, bringing with him a box of choice Havana cigars for the boys. After singing several rousing fraternity songs and enjoying a tasty lunch Brother King called the party together

around a table upon which rested the handsome trophy. Then mid watchful eyes and eager anticipations he deftly brewed the first (and it will ever be the finest,) punch in the new bowl—and what a punch it was! Toasts were drunk from it to our beloved fraternity, to dear Rudolf himself, to the Southern Association, to all present, and lastly, in profound silence, to Omega. "Jimmie" Tanner, the only "Jim," who so ably assisted Brother McLachlan in the success of the evening was made custodian of the precious article with instructions to produce it upon all similar gatherings in Washington. So while the brothers of the capital city can pride themselves in the possession of so rare and beautiful a trophy, the entire fraternity shares it with them, for in his presentation Brother King with his big, generous heart, included all Theta Delt in his affections and remembrance. Brother Norman Hackett who was playing in Washington at the time was present and entertained the party with some of "Old Fate's" poems—much to the delight of all, especially Brother McLachlan who was deeply attached to our lamented "Fate". A telegram was sent to Brother Huffcut and at a late hour this happy symposium ended;—but long will its memory linger with all who participated.

Brother King had sent some fine terrapin to the club for the boys that night but as the cook let 'em freeze they could not figure at the feast in that delectable condition which allows the proper fulfillment of their highest function. Brother Tanner, however, brought one up and had it layed out in a bank of flowers. All then got together and presented Brother McLachlan the terrapin as a souvenir of the evening and as a little token of the affectionate regard all have for him.

Those present—and a rare coterie of Theta Delt souls it was—were: Rudolph A. King, Xi, '62, Jas. McLachlan, Psi, '78, Gonzalo de Quesada, Pi Deuteron, '88, Jas. Tanner, Sigma, '95, Enoch Chase, Chi Deuteron, '02, Emory Wilson, Beta, '93, Jesse Wilson, Beta, '99, Norman Hackett, Gamma Deuteron, '98, Jas. Strayer, Sigma, '97, Wm. Stranalan, Beta, '90, Foster R. R. Green, Iota, '98.



THE THETA DELTS OF EPSILON

Recently the writer has unearthed a very interesting bit of Epsilon's history and which will doubtless prove of interest to many brothers from other charges also. On page 38 of our catalogue in the class of 1858 at William and Mary is recorded the name of one T. S. B. Tucker and underneath in brackets we find "*Nicknamed Beverley St. George—father was Beverley, ancestor was St. George.*" An examination of the old minute-book of Epsilon discloses the fact that on January 9, 1858, one Beverley St. George Tucker became a Theta Delt and on July 4, 1860, one T. S. Tucker entered our brotherhood. Thus we have *two* Tuckers on the roll of Epsilon, brothers and both of them important factors in the life both of the old

Charge and the Fraternity as a whole. Information from which the following sketches have been written was furnished a member of the present Charge by the sister of our two brothers, Mrs. Cynthia B. Tucker Coleman, of Williamsburg.

Beverley St. George Tucker was born in Williamsburg, Virginia, on the 11th of December, 1839, being the son of Nathaniel Beverley Tucker, Judge of the United States Court in Missouri, and Professor of Law in William and Mary, and Lucy Ann Smith, his wife, a daughter of Brigadier General T. A. Smith, of the United States Army. Beverley St. George had his preparatory schooling at Ford's and Handsborough's Schools in Williamsburg and entered the college in about 1855 or 1856.

The fall of 1857 found George W. Stone, '58, the only member of the Charge remaining in college. Nothing was done until after Christmas, when under date of January 8th, 1858, Brother R. W. Lamb was present and joined with Brother Stone in holding a meeting of the Charge. At this meeting Rev. St. George Tucker and Henry M. Isham were elected to membership. Another meeting was held "*in the mathematical lecture room at 11 a. m. January 9, 1858,*" when Tucker and Isham were partially initiated; at "*10 1-2 p. m., Jan. 9th, in the Phoenix Hall*" another meeting was held and the initiations completed. Brother Tucker was chosen secretary and treasurer at this meeting, holding the latter office during the rest of the session. At this same meeting consent was given the Alpha for the establishment of the Xi and Omicron Charges. The rest of the session Epsilon flourished and Brother Tucker took his A. M. on the 4th of July, 1858. Little more is known of this brother's connection with the Fraternity; after graduation he attended the University of Virginia and the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York where he graduated. By this time the war was in progress and Virginia was calling for the service of her sons. Brother Tucker was appointed a surgeon on the staff of the famous General Mahone, and this position he held all through the war.

November 26th, 1861, he had married Miss Eliza Christine Mercer of Williamsburg, a member of one of Virginia's "first families." Brother Tucker after the war went first to Richmond and later to Marshall, Saline County, Missouri, where he took up the practice of his profession. Here he remained a number of years but the health of one of his children demanding it, he moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado, where he remained until his entrance into Omega's folds, the 30th of March, 1894. He left a widow and six children, who are now living in Colorado Springs. This brother was of no mediocre caliber, but by inherent ability and thorough work became a noted and successful physician.

Thomas Smith Beverley Tucker was a full brother to Beverley St. George Tucker, and was not quite two years his junior, being born on the 22nd of August, 1841. The same schools prepared him for college that prepared his elder brother, and he entered college the fall after the latter's graduation.

Not until the very end of the session, 1859-'60 did he become a Theta Delt, his initiation being completed on July 4, 1860, the last day of the session. The Charge at this time was not large yet it was *solid* and successful and held its even way in spite of the threatening war clouds. So late as April 4, 1861, a meeting was held and at this meeting T. S. B. Tucker was chosen to fill a minor office in the Charge. But this meeting proved the last for the advent of open hostilities put all the William and Mary students under arms, the class of 1861 never having a chance for graduation.

Brother Tucker soon found duty, first as a Lieutenant and later as a Captain on General McLaws' staff; but fate decreed that there should be no further promotion. In the bloody battle of Fredericksburg, December 11th, 1862, our brother received a wound which incapacitated him for further duty and made him a cripple for life.

Now it was when the noise of battle was over that this Brother Tucker began to get in his good work for the fraternity so dear to him. It was he with Tench Tilghman of the Delta, a Marylander on Jeff. Davis' body guard, who appeared at that Astor House Convention, probably the "Twentieth", and pleaded with the Northern Theta Delt to keep our altar fires burning; with what success, we only have to glance around us to see. It is usually added that Tucker bore Epsilon's charter with him and gave it up to the Grand Lodge, but this cannot be for the charter is now in the possession of the active Charge and never has been in the Grand Lodge's possession so far as can be learned.

Through the efforts of Tucker and the two McCandlishes Epsilon was revived in January, 1871, and Brother Tucker's home furnished a meeting place so long as the Charge lived. But fate had decreed a long sleep for Epsilon and it might be said that *the Charge*, along with Brother Tucker, entered the Omega on May 5th, 1872.

But the Charge was permitted to emerge from her sleep and continue the work of leading Virginia's youth in the steps of such specimens of her former knighthood as our Brother T. S. B. Tucker.

During the war Brother Tucker had married Miss Julia Clark of Winchester, Virginia, who, with his two sons, survive him. One son is Nathaniel Beverley Tucker, a well known professor at the Virginia Military Institute, and the other William Peyton Tucker, a physician of Washington, D. C. Ill health prevented Brother Tucker from taking up any profession; the years between the war and his death being spent quietly at his home in Williamsburg. "He lived and died a Christian and a gentleman."

ARTHUR D. WRIGHT,
Epsilon, '04.



EPSILON IN THE C. S. A.

Few chapters of any Fraternity, be it in the North or in the South, can boast of a finer "war record" than that of the old Epsilon. Of the sixty-one names enrolled in the classes from 1853 to 1872, fifty-seven were of sufficient age to bear arms in defense of their native state, this number including Harwood, '72, who was only a boy of sixteen when the war closed; yet he served as a private in Company B, 4th Battalion, Virginia Reserves.

Of the fifty-seven five were ineligible—Wingfield, '53, Haines, '54, and Randolph, '55, being ministers of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and Isham, '58, died early in 1862, while Peyton, '59, died the year of his graduation.

Seventy-three per cent. of the fifty-two eligibles are known to have borne arms, while eight others probably did so; nothing at all is known of the records of the remaining six. Most of these brothers, although of Virginia's first families and men of ability and training, were willing to enter the ranks as privates, and although several served through the entire war without holding a commission, yet the majority rose by merit and bravery to all the offices up to Colonel.

The following is the list of which we justly boast:

Colonels,—Ball, '53, Wm. Lamb, '53, White, '54, Hill Carter, '54, Thos. Smith, '55, Montague, '56, and Payne, '56.

Majors,—Nowlin, '54, Griswold, '55, and Perrin, '55.

Captains,—C. R. Grandy, '53, May, '54, Murphy, '54, Bloxham, '55, Graves, '55, R. A. Walke, '56, Robt. Lamb, '57, T. S. B. Tucker, '58, Weir, '58, Harrison, '59, and P. B. Smith, '55.

Captain and Assistant Quartermaster,—T. P. McCandlish, '57.

Surgeons,—Bell, '53, Gilliam, '54, Gatewood, '56, and B. St. Geo. Tucker, '59.

Privates,—Donovan, '53, H. S. McCandlish, '58, Poindexter, '59, and Harwood, '72.

Served but Rank Unknown,—Nicholls, '53, B. T. Taylor, '54, W. T. Walke, '55, Baptist, '55, Gwynn, '55, Hunter, '55, Green, '56, and Stone, '57.

Probably Served,—Chichester, '53, L. W. Smith, '53, Wilkinson, '53, Taliaferro, '54, C. W. Grandy, '55, Cassins Carter, '55, Ballard, '58, Wm. Taylor, '59.

Nothing Known,—Hoof, '53, Newman, '53, O'Neill, '53, Burroughs, '54, Hart, '54, and Martin, '54.

Further research will undoubtedly place a number of the names, at present in one of the last three classes, in a higher class among the lists of officers.

Any information that will assist in making the records more complete will be very much appreciated by the writer. Especially is it desired to know all the commands in which the above brothers served.

ARTHUR D. WRIGHT, Epsilon, '04.

CHI DEUTERON RECEPTION

On Saint Valentine's Day, February 14th, the Chi Deuteron Charge gave a reception and at home at the Fraternity house, No. 1203 New Hampshire Avenue, Washington. The Charge having occupied the house only last fall, this was its formal opening, and a most auspicious one it proved to be.

The reception hall and two parlors, in which the guests were received, were tastefully decorated with palms, while college and fraternity flags made up a pleasing and appropriate background. The black, white and blue predominated in the dining room where a buffet supper was served, a number of the fair friends of the Charge assisting. Throughout the evening a musical program was rendered by a well-appointed orchestra, which later also provided music for informal dancing.

The patronesses were: Mrs. Hay, Mme. Quesada, Mrs. A. P. Gorman, Jr., Mrs. Sterrett, Mrs. Rheem, Mrs. Albert, Mrs. Peele, Mrs. Strong and Mrs. Schoenfeld. All these ladies were in some way interested in the Fraternity as being either the wife or the mother of a Theta Delt.

The guests of the evening included many prominent Washingtonians, members of the faculty of George Washington University and representatives of the different fraternities there, and, although the house is by no means a small one, at no time during the evening was its capacity not tested to the limit.

Besides the active charge, a large number of Chi Deuteron graduates, and a good many brothers from other charges, were present and a Fraternity atmosphere was added to the occasion by the exchange of the grip and the singing of Theta Delt songs.

The function was declared a success by all, and a most enjoyable evening attested to by the guests, as well as the Chi Deuteron boys.

EDWIN H. KING,
Chi Deuteron, '07.



THE "LITTLE COUNTRY COLLEGE" FALLS INTO LINE

Rho Deuteron, Iota, Zeta and Lambda have told how they responded to his presence. While we at Psi, wearied by a week of gaiety, were mourning our fate in not being able to go to Chicago, he came in upon us and cheered us up. Whoever has enjoyed a visit from him knows what that means. Good-fellowship reigned for two days and the memories still linger with those who remained at home. They may have enjoyed themselves at Convention but they "couldn't beat us feelin' good",—for Norman Hackett was in Clinton.

On Monday evening February 20, occurred in Utica the Sothern-Marlowe production of Romeo and Juliet. Psi Charge was there and thoroughly

enjoyed Benvolio. Sothern and Marlowe did well, but the Theta Delt "star" shone the brightest. After the performance Brother Hackett's hospitality was enjoyed and then the merry party betook itself to Clinton and an adjourned meeting was held at the Charge House.

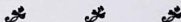
When he had departed the next day all voted Brother "Norm." a royal good fellow and the "Poet Laureate" of the Charge, Brother Kinney, penned these verses :

TO NORMAN HACKETT

Though we haven't gone out to Convention,
 Not one of us feels at all blue :
 There is something consoling to mention,
 And that is a visit from you.
 For you, of all Theta Delt brothers
 Are dear to the brothers at Psi,
 Since, Norman, with you, of all others,
 The Charge's best memories lie.

For who will not ever remember
 That night when we smoked until late,
 When we talked of our Omega member,
 And you read us the verse of "Old Fate?"
 You knew him in sunshine and shadow ;
 The young and the old brother met
 In a golden, attained El Dorado
 Of friendship that more will forget.

And again we will fill up the glasses,
 (As last night we did after the play).
 And drink—but O, the time passes !—
 To a certain two nights and a day.
 We will drink to a Star that is rising,
 That will "tint sullen clouds" with its flame,
 To one who is, past surmising,
 Thrice worthy a Theta Delt's name !



THREE LOCAL BULLETINS

I.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., MARCH 13, 1905.

DEAR BROTHER SMITH:—

Greetings from The Central New York Graduate Association of Theta Delta Chi! During the past six months the spirit of old Theta Delta Chi

has been decidedly apparent among the brothers living in Syracuse and vicinity. This association is an evidence. When Brother Tombo visited Syracuse he advised us to form such an association, to bring together and keep together all the brothers within "the firing line." We have acted on his suggestion and also on the conviction of each of us that such an organization would be contributing much to our individual happiness, and keep us in touch with the Fraternity whose interests lie close to the heart of each of us.

At our last meeting, March 10, at the home of Brother W. W. Dawley, D.D., Pastor of the Central Baptist Church, the following officers were chosen :

President: Rev. W. W. Dawley, D.D., Psi, '75.

Vice-President: Robert C. Scott, Xi, '70.

Secretary: Prof. P. O. Place, Omicron Deuteron, '93.

Treasurer: Merwin W. Lay, Chi, '99.

Executive Committee: Judge Frederick W. Thomson, Beta, '87; B. W. Sherwood, M.D., Psi, '82; G. H. Beebe, Delta, '96; Rev. W. L. Dawtelle, Iota Deuteron, '94; A. M. Edwards, Eta, '80.

On the evening of March 17, the Association is to have a banquet at The Vanderbilt. Our constitution calls for four regular meetings each year, to be held in March, June, September, December. Other meetings are called by order of the President, Brother Dawley. Those who know Brothers Dawley, Thomson, Scott and the rest of us, know that the number of special meetings will be unusually large, and if any brother comes our way he may expect to be the cause of a "special." Most of us already subscribe for the SHIELD, and the rest will be subscribers at our next meeting. We send greetings to all Brother Theta Delts anywhere and everywhere, and want to see any who pass through Syracuse.

Fraternally yours in Theta Delta Chi,

PERLEY OAKLAND PLACE, Sec'y,

1204 East Adams St.,

Syracuse, N. Y.

II

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., JANUARY 24, 1905.

MY DEAR BROTHER SMITH:

The first dinner of Theta Delts ever held in Indiana took place at the University Club in this city on Wednesday evening, December twenty-eighth. The following were present:

George C. Forrey, '03; Fletcher M. Durbin, '04; George B. Davenport, '05; A. F. Buchanan, '06; L. L. Campbell, '06; George B. George, '08; Stanton B. Leeds, '08; S. Neil Campbell, '08.

The above are all Iota Deuteron. The only others present were

Brother Harkness of the Kenyon Charge, I do not know his initials nor his class, and myself.

Perhaps you may wish to make note of this in the SHIELD.

With kind regards,

I am fraternally yours,

C. N. KENDALL.

Psi, '86.

To

Mr. J. Boyce Smith, Jr.,
New York City.

III

LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, APRIL 5, 1905.

MR. J. BOYCE SMITH, JR.,
299 ALEXANDER AVE., NEW YORK.

DEAR BROTHER SMITH :

Here is just a word from the far West to let you know that we wake up occasionally. On the evening of March 18, a Spanish dinner was given to Brother Willis S. Paine, of New York, who was spending a few weeks in this part of the country. The dinner was very informal and there were only eleven of us present but we made up in spirit what we lacked in numbers.

Those present were Brothers W. S. Paine, N. W. Myrick, C. Laux, B. F. Mansfield, W. P. L. Stafford, E. Y. Ware, C. Kern, O. Wellborn, J. F. McIntyre, S. A. Simons and G. F. Van Sickle. Officers for the Southern California Graduate Association were elected as follows: Mansfield, Pres.; Laux, Vice-pres.; McIntyre, Treas.; and Van Sickle, Sec.

Fraternally,

G. F. VAN SICKLE, Eta Deuteron, ex-'07.
Box 256, Pasadena, Calif.



WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA BANQUET

Brother Chauncey Lobingier, Phi, '96, writes to the editor from Pittsburg,—

"I enclose a card of our banquet recently held in this City. The brothers in the east would probably like to know what we are doing in Pittsburg. We had a very enjoyable time at the feed. New officers of

the Association were elected as follows:—J. R. Mellon, President; H. A. Flint, Vice-President; J. F. Tim, Treasurer; Chauncey Lobingier, Secretary; the only change being in the Vice-President."

The banquet took place January 26th, 1905, at the Hotel Henry under the auspices of the Theta Delta Chi Association of Western Pennsylvania. The following toast list gives some suggestion of the genial and elevating spirit that presided over the occasion.

TOAST LIST

"Theta Delta Chi"	- - -	REV. D. L. FERRIS, Toastmaster
		"Great Souls by instinct to each other turn, Demand Alliance and in Friendship burn."
Fraternity	- - - - -	JAMES R. MELLON
		"Man, like the generous Vine, supported lives, The strength he gains is from the Embrace he gives."
Education	- - - - -	REV. DAVID GREGG, D.D.
		WHAT IS IT TO BE WISE? "Tis but to know how little can be known, To see all others' faults, and feel our own."
The Professions	- - - - -	JOHN F. TIM, ESQ.
		"They crouch'd to him, for he had Skill, To warp and wield the vulgar Will."
Companionships	- - - - -	O. G. A. BARKER, M.D.
		"A mighty Pain to love it is, And 'tis a Pain that Pain to miss, But of all Pains the greatest Pain, It is to love, and love in vain."



AN INCIDENT

Brother Carl Axel Harstrom of the Xi '86, the worshipped ex-president of the Grand Lodge, recently received a letter from his father-in-law, S. S. Partridge, of Phelps, N. Y., which relates an incident of general fraternity interest. First be it known that "Father Partridge" has four sons and three sons-in-law who are Theta Deltis, so we unreservedly answer "yes" to the query at the close of a recent letter over Brother Harstrom's signature, "I think he is entitled to Fraternity courtesy, don't you?"

This Theta Delt father-in-the-seventh-degree writes:

"Fraternity means something not only to a frater but to his friends.

"At Baranquilla, Colombia, South America, there were ten of us in the parlors of the *Pension Anglesia*, with ice cream and cool drinks,—for the temperature was torrid—when I happened to mention you in some wise to Mother. A young fellow named Grassi (O. J. A. Grassi, Pi Deuteron, '00,)

said, 'I know him. He used to be the President of my Fraternity, Theta Delta Chi.'

"I sang out to Mother, 'Mother, Mother, Mr. Grassi knows Carl and he's a Thete.' 'Yes,' he said, 'and I have met one or two of your sons at Convention, too. I am a College of the City of New York man.'

"With that another young fellow named Sheldon chipped in and said, 'I am not a Fraternity man but I am a Yale man. I know Dr. Harstrom and Mrs. Harstrom and am a member of the Harstrom club.' There was as much rejoicing as though we had found two lost sons. The boys were one of us at once—and have been charming and most courteous companions au voyage.

"Grassi said he would bring some of the boys to see us if we stayed in the city for a day or two. I have met Masons and comrades of the G. A. R. but none have been so pleasant to tram with as these two members of the Theta Delta Chi.

"FATHER PARTRIDGE."



HYMN BY BROTHER HAY

Preaching recently in his old pulpit in Plymouth Church, Brooklyn, the Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott, editor of *The Outlook*, spoke of Secretary of State John Hay as a great statesman, and recited a hymn which Brother Hay had once given him for the Plymouth collection.

"I am sure you will agree with me," said Dr. Abbott, "that for the last six or seven years John Hay has led the diplomacy of the world, and has been a power in international affairs; the strong man who has put this Nation in the lead among the nations of the world. This hymn, which he wrote many years ago, and gave me permission to put into the Plymouth collection, gives the secret of his power:

Not in dumb resignation, we lift our hands on high;
 Not like the nerveless fatalist, content to do and die.
 Our faith springs, like the eagle's, who soars to meet the sun,
 And cries exulting unto Thee, "O Lord, Thy will be done."

When tyrant feet are tramping upon the common weal,
 Thou dost not bid us bend and writhe beneath the iron heel.
 In Thy name we assert our right by sword or tongue or pen,
 And even the headsman's axe may flash Thy message unto men.

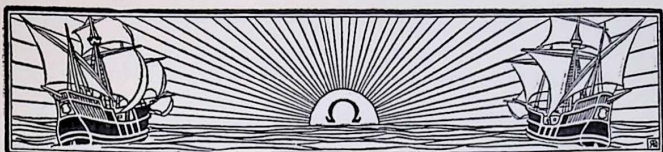
Thy will! It bids the weak be strong; it bids the strong be just;
 No lips to fawn, no hand to beg, no brow to seek the dust.

Whenever man oppresses men beneath the liberal sun,
O Lord, be there; Thine arm made bare, Thy righteous will be done.



President Roosevelt entered his second term as President wearing as a talisman a ring taken from Abraham Lincoln's finger the night he was assassinated, April 23, 1865. Brother Hay, Secretary of State, who was Lincoln's private secretary, presented the ring to the President and asked him to wear it when he took the oath of office. It is a heavy gold band, originally a signet, but since the great emancipator's death it has been altered, a tiny lock of Lincoln's hair having been placed beneath a crystal where it is easily visible. President Roosevelt habitually wears a heavy band ring, but he gladly added this ring, regarding it as an omen of good fortune that he could wear upon his hand the ring worn by the great war President.





I N M E M O R I A M

W. TALBOT WALKE

Epsilon, 1855

Omega, March 15, 1905

WHEREAS, It hath pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to remove from our number to the halls of Omega our brother, W. Talbot Walke, therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Brother Walke, Epsilon Charge has lost one of its beloved and honored alumni, and Theta Delta Chi Fraternity a most loyal and devoted brother.

Resolved, That we observe the rules of our Brotherhood, that a copy of these resolutions be entered on the minutes of our Charge.

Resolved, That we send a copy of these resolutions to his family and extend to them our sincerest sympathy; and that a copy be sent to the SHIELD for publication.

For the Charge

WM. H. PETTUS,
C. IRVING CAREY,
J. W. ABBITT.

CHARLES HAGAN POTTER

Eta, 1900

Omega, February 28, 1905

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, in His infinite love and wisdom, to call unto Himself our beloved brother, Charles Hagan Potter, of the Class of 1900 who died February 28, 1905; and

WHEREAS, In his death, the Eta Charge of Theta Delta Chi realizes that she has lost one of her most valued and loyal members, and one who, by his many abilities and brilliant achievements, has always reflected the greatest honor and credit upon the fraternity; be it

Resolved, That we, the members of the Eta Charge of Theta Delta Chi, while humbly bowing before the will of the Almighty, deeply mourn the loss of our beloved friend and brother and extend to his bereaved relatives and friends our sincerest sympathy.

For the Charge

STANLEY WILLIAMS, '05,
HENRY P. CHAPMAN, '06,
GEORGE W. CRAIGIE, '07.



EDITORIALS

J. BOYCE SMITH, JR.

EDITOR

299 ALEXANDER AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.

Fraternity is pursuing a heaven-guided way. Theta Delta Chi and her sister organizations are moving at the beck of Divinity as surely as is any other creature of man's moulding genius. They profess to minister to **Onward and Upward** one of the highest cravings of the soul, the unselfish love of man for man. They develop this in an intensity and breadth that no other influence affecting the same individuals is capable of developing. Their purpose is a holy one. Let us therefore labor without misgivings for the glorification of our brotherhood. The rancorous cry of pessimism has been raised against every good thing since Cain first murmured of the uselessness of sacrifice to God. Heed it not.



We have reached and passed another milestone in our progress. The Fifty-Seventh Convention,—the Chicago Convention—is already receding in the distance of time. Yet it will always stand there as the mark of an epoch in **Convention** our history. It is the first time that the *national* character of our Fraternity has been in any degree recognized in the place of holding the annual convention. We have hitherto been an *eastern* fraternity, with Charges in the middle west and west. But the moving of the Convention a thousand miles westward has made this description no longer

apt. We are becoming more truly national. Was the Convention a success? Eminently so! It dispensed the joys of convocation in Theta Delta Chi in full round measure, and was productive of much wise legislation. It implanted a desire to experience again in the near future the overflowing western hospitality. Perhaps the further west we go the more abundant the hospitality we encounter. If so, lets go on to California!



If there ever was occasion for gratitude that irreproachable feeling ought now to fill and overflow the hearts of all Theta Delts who allow themselves to consider for a moment the manner in which Brother Rudolf Tombo,

The Retiring President Jr., has dignified the office of President of our order for the past three years and discharged its duties. He has been an ideal leader. In camp, battle and parade he has proved equally fond and well suited to the rôle. He has been comrade, mentor and prince. But he has not been this to us without a cost to himself. The extent of his sacrifice will never be known. What worldly advantages he renounced by pausing at the outset of his career in answer to the call of his Fraternity can only be surmised. What sacrifice of rest and recreation the accomplishment of his mammoth task entailed may perhaps be imagined by all, but will scarcely be overestimated by any. It would be idle to discourse on the transcendent tact and efficiency of the administration of the past two years. All have felt it and know of it, and, knowing, now join in the universal chorus of gratitude. As illustrative of the general burden of this song we give the following text. Its spontaneity makes it a most speaking tribute:

MARCH 7, 1905

MR. RUDOLF TOMBO, JR.,

Dear Brother Tombo:—At the first meeting of Sigma Deuteron Charge after Convention, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Brother Rudolf Tombo has most nobly and zealously served the Fraternity during his administration for the past three years, and

WHEREAS, He has taken an active and lively interest in the affairs of Sigma Deuteron Charge during his term of office.

Resolved, That a unanimous vote of thanks be extended to him by Sigma Deuteron in appreciation of his unusual activity, his unprecedented enthusiasm, and his unceasing labor for the welfare of our beloved Fraternity; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Brother Tombo, and that they also be inscribed upon the record book of Sigma Deuteron.

For Sigma Deuteron,

VICTOR H. KADISH.



It has been pointed out earlier in this number that the incoming Grand Lodge is peculiarly circumstanced in that all of its members are unfamiliar with the practical workings of this main-spring in our administrative machinery.

The New Grand Lodge The thought most naturally arising from a consideration of this is that there is unusual need for prompt and ready cooperation on the part of all holding fraternity offices. This too has already been brought into relief. It can hardly be said however that repeated exhortations of this character are valueless. The eternal truth, that the manner in which the Charge and graduate officers of the Fraternity discharge their duties is of most vital importance to her welfare, cannot be too reverently cherished or too consistently put into practice. Theta Delts have not been disinclined to contribute their able and efficient service to advance the welfare of our order, and when it is brought to their attention that a situation calling for unusual watchfulness exists, they will respond to that situation with a heightened precision in the discharge of all fraternity duties. They will the more surely do this if they allow themselves to dwell in thought upon the personality of the Grand Lodge in aid of which we bespeak their best efforts. It would be a work of supererogation to discourse here on the high qualities of Brother Cole and his companions-in-office. But be it sufficient to say that they have the unqualified confidence and loyal support of the entire Fraternity in the generous work they have undertaken in its behalf.



We have received since the appearance of our last issue two communications in a rather serious vein, which we take pleasure

in setting forth for general perusal. They are on kindred subjects and open up an important question, or questions.

**The Question of
Sovereignty Renewed**

The first is from the vigorous and skilful pen of Brother Harry A. Bullock, Mu Deuteron, '99. It will be remembered that in a letter to the editor published at length in the last issue Brother Bullock took exception to certain views on the advisability of centralization which the editor had expressed in the previous (September) number. We commented on his objections and went so far as to indicate our disagreement with his position that Theta Delta Chi is a "body of sovereign Charges." To this he replies in the following letter with the force and depth of which we are much impressed, and to which we invite your careful attention :

TO THE EDITOR OF THE SHIELD :—

It is far from my disposition to continue a controversy of a purely academic nature, nevertheless the belief that prompted my comment on your September editorial on "Centralization" leads me to reply to your December editorial answering my letter. For I do not think that a question vitally affecting the rights of the Charges can ever become academic.

In your December editorial you say :

"We can scarcely agree with Brother Bullock on the general question that we are a body of sovereign charges if he is using the term sovereignty in its exact political science sense. The Fraternity is sovereign, and not the individual units of which it is in part composed. Both the Charge and the Grand Lodge are alike expressions of the Fraternity in organization and neither is the creature or agent of the other. The Charges do not delegate powers to the administration of the Fraternity, but the Fraternity, by its constitution assigns to both the Charges and the Grand Lodge their spheres."

I must confess that you have me at something of a disadvantage, for I am not a profound student of political science and I fancy that I used the term "sovereignty" in its common, or garden sense, as meaning the final or supreme power in determining one's affairs, subject to such surrender, in the case of a union of sovereign bodies—whether they be charges or states—as may be provided in their common constitution.

Strangely enough the definitions found in the Standard Dictionary seem to coincide with my popular, or untutored idea. Of the word "Sovereignty" the Standard says: "Sovereign State—A political community possessed of supreme authority in ordering its affairs and in the administration of its government; sometimes limited as in a union of sovereign states."

Of the word "Sovereignty pol. sc." the same work says :

"The supreme power in a state ; the original, universal and absolute power by which all persons or things in a state are controlled or determined."

For us the question becomes largely historical and we may ask : Does the history of Theta Delta Chi justify the contention that the Charges are sovereign in the common, garden, or Standard Dictionary sense of the word? I think it does.

In the beginning the whole fraternity consisted of the Alpha Charge, a body of undergraduates. There was no "fraternity at large" apart from that charge of undergraduates, and therefore sovereignty must have rested in the Alpha. Other charges were established ; then the Alpha ruled, still retaining the sovereignty ; the power to make and unmake charges and to order their affairs. But one day the Alpha laid down the reins and the sovereign power was transferred—to whom? To the graduates? No. To Grand Lodge? No. It was transferred to the undergraduate charges, which then became sovereign because possessing all the attributes of sovereignty.

Let us examine some of these attributes. They are obviously

1. The power of admitting and expelling members.
2. The power of instituting and withdrawing Charges.
3. The power of defining the constitution by interpretation, and of amending it.

The Charges in fact exercised all these attributes, and an illustration particularly apt because very complete came when the present constitution was adopted. The forum in which the matter was discussed was the annual convention—a body made up of delegates chosen by the undergraduate Charges. The action for revision originated in convention ; the decisive vote for revision was that of the Charges ; the committee which drafted the new document was a convention committee, and finally, the ultimate approval of the new constitution was by the Charges themselves.

Under this constitution each Charge :

1. Has power to elect and expel its undergraduate members.
2. Has power to veto without revision petitions for the establishment of further Charges.
3. Has power to veto proposed constitutional amendments.
4. Elects delegates to the annual convention ; these delegates in turn choosing the Grand Lodge, and passing all fraternity legislations.

Thus the convention, the law making body of the Fraternity, is purely the creature of the Charges ; and the Grand Lodge, which derives its official life from the vote of the Charges' delegates, holds it and exercises its power under a constitution that the Charges themselves adopted, takes its standing orders from the convention and submits its official acts to the same body for approval or disapproval, adoption or rejection.

Where under such an organization does sovereignty lie, unless with the Charges? Certainly not with the graduates, for they cannot even vote in convention unless elected delegates by the undergraduates ; neither

with the Grand Lodge, nor with the convention itself, for the reasons noted. So it seems pertinent to ask where the "Fraternity" that you speak of as exercising sovereignty and delegating powers, exists, unless with the undergraduate Charges. The only alternative that I can think of is that it floats around in the air somewhere, by mysterious process delegating powers to the Charges, the convention and the Grand Lodge as power came upon the prophets of old. I confess that I cannot grasp the possibilities of such a fraternity adequately enough to allow me to accept the conception.

But to return to the practical: There is a very practical application to the Charges, for the promulgation of any doctrine denying them the ultimate powers of administering their affairs—which collectively are the affairs of the Fraternity—can mean only a move toward the usurpation for the Grand Lodge and other branches of the Fraternity administration of powers that the framers of the constitution did not provide that the administration should possess except by specific authorization of the Charges and which, I believe, the Charges themselves in ratifying the constitution did not intend the administration should exercise its own right.

In line with the program carried out at the past half dozen conventions, I look forward to a very large extension of the administrative functions of the Grand Lodge in the next decade, as the Fraternity develops and its organization becomes more and more perfect. But, for example, in such matters as the voting on petitions for the establishment of new Charges, amendments to the constitution and the like, calling for the exercise of powers which the Charges have never delegated, the function of the Grand Lodge, as I conceive it, is merely to present the evidence as fully and impartially as possible and not to attempt to dictate to the Charge how they shall vote. I take it that the resolution passed by the last convention in the Theta reestablishment matter bears me out in this point, and I may only add that in such attempted dictation, the Grand Lodge would be as clearly outside its powers as if it tried to say to a Charge whom it must initiate or whom expell, instead of proceeding in a constitutional way against a Charge that declined consistently to initiate good men or expell bad ones.

So I do not think the question academic, and I shall always resist the attempt that you appear to have been making to spread a doctrine that the Grand Lodge or any other part of the Fraternity administration exercises its powers or any of them except as the agent and servant of the Charges, chosen by them, taking its warrant from their votes and submitting its official acts to their final review. I believe that any other conception would destroy the fundamental Democracy that is represented in Theta Delta Chi.

Fraternally yours,

HARRY A. BULLOCK.

New York, March 25.

First, commenting on this able utterance, we will admit that the discussion is not wholly academic. It is, perhaps, most

timely ; besides which, any discussion which brings to such strong and apt expression such thoughtful views relative to the Fraternity as the above communication contains cannot fail to be profitable. But if it be granted that there is a practical question of consequence involved, it is still respectfully urged that there is also a question of theory in dispute and the main difference between Brother Bullock and the editor is on this point of theory. That is, I do not understand we disagree as to the particular way in which the power of Theta Delta Chi should be exercised—the immediate objects to be accomplished in the way of Fraternity organization. He believes in the formation of Alumni Associations, and of their members becoming subscribers to this publication. These were the practical objects we had in mind in glorifying “centralization” in the September editorial, which brought forth Brother Bullock’s criticism printed, with a few animadversions thereon, in the December number. We there ventured an opinion that in truth the Fraternity and not the Charges is the ultimate power in our system,—the sovereign. Brother Bullock now registers an honest and well-spoken dissent from this and invokes history and political analysis to demonstrate the sovereignty of the Charges. The decision of no great and pressing question hinges on the outcome of the controversy, but in view of the advancing development of Fraternities, and of Theta Delta Chi, in the line of organization and government a rather extended discussion of this sort undoubtedly has its excuse. If others feel moved to take part we should be pleased to have the benefit of their thought on the general subject.

On the point in issue first be it said that the writer pretends to no profound knowledge of political science or to any advantage over Brother Bullock on that score. But he is aware that the best modern thought on the subject recognizes a fundamental distinction between state and government, which it is not apparent Brother Bullock had in mind in the above defense of his position. The state is sovereign ; the government is the agency established by the sovereign to declare and carry out its will. The state is behind the government. So when the Standard Dictionary defined sovereignty as the supreme power in a state, etc., it did not mean that the government or any department of the gov-

ernment as such could be sovereign. The state is the source of government. Sovereignty in a body is truly the *ultimate original* power in that body. It is absolute, i.e., it "can do no wrong" and its commands brook no disobedience. Thus it would be no proof of the sovereignty of the undergraduates that they collectively, if such were the fact, exercised the whole governmental power in our system. The question would remain: By what right do they rule? If solely by their own right then they are sovereign; but if they are in control by common consent of both graduate and undergraduate then the larger body is the "ultimate, original" source of power and is sovereign, and the undergraduates are simply "government." Thus understood this theory is not a menace to Charge liberty except as it implies the *power* of the Fraternity in a necessary case to coerce a recalcitrant Charge on a question of general policy. With the *expediency* of its so doing, or attempting to do, this discussion is not concerned. This is entirely a question of *right*. The question of expediency can only arise when a particular set of facts is before us upon which there arises a doubt whether the opinion of an individual Charge or the opinion of a Fraternity as a whole should prevail. Then I believe the Fraternity should have the deciding voice, provided of course it is a case where the Charge has no right under our constitution to a veto and provided further it is a case over which the Convention and Grand Lodge or other central authority has jurisdiction by the constitution or unquestioned precedent. Here is the chief point of difference between Brother Bullock and myself. But remember it is a difference solely on the question of what the Fraternity can or cannot do, and not on what it should or should not do. I say a few lines above I *believe* the Fraternity should have the deciding voice, and I use the term deliberately, for after all the question is more a question of belief than of fact. Brother Bullock *believes* in the sovereignty of the Charges and looks upon the Fraternity as twenty-four separate and independent entities who delegate certain functions and duties to a common agent, the Grand Lodge, and convene annually, with the object, I presume, of discovering what is for their individual good. Such a conception of Theta Delta Chi and of the Grand Lodge and Convention strikes us as

lacking in nobility. Perhaps, however, we misstate Brother Bullock's idea. Our belief on the other hand is in the *essential unity* of the Fraternity. We see but one sovereign instead of Brother Bullock's twenty-four, and that sovereign is Theta Delta Chi in its entirety. Brother Bullock asks "where the Fraternity that you speak of as exercising sovereignty and delegating powers, exists, unless with the undergraduate Charges." This question obviously indicates the failure of the questioner to appreciate the fundamental distinction insisted upon above between the sovereign power in a body and the governmental agents of that body. The sovereign in any system as such rarely acts. The sovereign is the power that ordains the government, not the government itself. So the test of sovereignty is not to analyze the government but to question into the power back of the government. A purely democratic state with a purely monarchical government is both a possibility and an historical fact. A government mainly in the hands of the undergraduates is consistent with Fraternity sovereignty. Brother Bullock resorts to history to show that the constitution under which we now live is the creation of the undergraduate Charges and derives its sanction from them alone. This is a proper line of proof, but we do not believe the facts will bear him out. We imagine they will bear the construction that the present constitution is the result of the combined representative action of graduates and undergraduates. It is not the time or place to enquire minutely into those facts but we are confident history rightly interpreted will support the sovereignty of the Fraternity as much as it will the sovereignty of the Charges. We will simply refer to page 175 of the Memorial History which imparts the information that the *Convention* of 1857 adopted the revised constitution, to go into effect when *two-thirds* of the chapters adopted it. If that Convention represented the *Fraternity*, as we have no doubt it did, and if that Convention ordained that the new Constitution should go into effect before it had the *unanimous* approval of the Charges, then, if we correctly understand the principle of such things, the theory of *Charge* sovereignty, as a matter of historical fact, completely collapses. But the real difference between Brother Bullock and the editor is not in facts or the interpretation of facts, but in political temperament. Such

a difference is so deep-rooted as to be ineradicable and we have no idea in anything we now say of convincing Brother Bullock of the error of his ways. But our views are challenged and we do not hesitate to express them at some length. "If this be treason, make the most of it." Brother Bullock pins his faith to the "democracy of the Charges" which is an attractive sounding shibbolith with a strong suggestion of "states-rights" theory to it. We rather look for salvation to the unification of the Charges. Perhaps the brother who conceives of Theta Delta Chi as a union of sovereign Charges conceives of his country as a union of sovereign states. If so we will cheerfully admit that Theta Delta Chi *is* a union of sovereign charges in the same sense that the United States is a union of sovereign states, which, as we understand the political science of our nation, is not at all. We conceive of the *nation* as sovereign. Indeed, the impropriety of calling the local divisions of our union "States" at all is becoming generally recognized, as it is seen they do not possess the attribute of sovereignty, and the term "commonwealth" is coming more into use. But the States-sovereignty school still has its adherents.

We do not want to be misunderstood as advocating any program of Grand Lodge usurpation or intermeddling in local matters. Local matters ought most assuredly to be left for their solution to the individual Charges. We believe in local self-government, which perhaps is all Brother Bullock is arguing for, and perhaps we are making a big hubbub over a misunderstanding as to terms. But even in these matters they may be strengthened and aided in their struggles by the advice and cooperation of the Grand Lodge. We are as much opposed to any unwise or officious interference with the local self-government of the Charges as Brother Bullock is. But when dealing with questions of a general nature the central administration is supreme, within constitutional limitations, and is infringing no Charge rights if on such questions it probes for the prevailing sentiment throughout the Fraternity, considers in a spirit of breadth and candor what is for the *general* good of the Fraternity and then seeks to secure by all honest means the realization of this sentiment. It is rather startling to be informed that the

Convention is a Convention of the Charges and the Grand Lodge is a Grand Lodge of the Charges. We have become accustomed to regard them as representative of the Fraternity. But we must be mistaken, Brother Bullock says, for there is no Fraternity as such, but only a group of selfish Charges. We are surprised and grieved at being asked "where the Fraternity exists?" The plain implication is that to the mind of the questioner it does not exist. We do not think we will incur universal ridicule if we concede that the best part of it does "float around in the air somewhere." If Brother Bullock will think out by himself how power *did* "come upon the prophets of old," and upon Napoleon, and upon the United States government he will not insist on taking such an objective, earth-born view of sovereignty,—the ultimate, original political power in a body. Just one word more. We are both more or less "up in the air" in this discussion, but so far as there is a practical difference it is this: Brother Bullock is fearful for the liberties of the Charges; while we were taking thought how the strength and unity of the Fraternity might be increased. We are impressed with the advantages of organization and the correlative lack of strength and unity and symmetry where disorganization is found. So far as we have yet advocated organization, the liberties of the Charges have been in no way threatened. But the aggrandizement of Fraternity, as distinguished from Charge, organizations is, we are admonished, fraught with peril to the fundamental democracy of the Charges. That of course assumes that the *democracy of the Charges* is fundamental in Theta Delta Chi, whereas we please ourselves more to consider as basal the *unity of the Fraternity*. There is room for a difference of opinion as to whether there is more to be feared from possible unwise, high-handed, arbitrary, capricious, rash and inconsiderate action of the Convention and the Grand Lodge, or from the possible narrow selfish, shortsighted, discordant attitude of a single stubborn member of a confederation of twenty-four arrogant "sovereigns." We must choose! The editor sees far more of peril and far less of pride in the sovereignty of the Charges than in the sovereignty of the Fraternity. He believes moreover that the latter is, and ought to be, the political science of Theta Delta

Chi, and that the contrary theory debases the Fraternity by denying it any independent existence, making a mockery of the splendid lyrics we have been singing lustily for generations, and a hollow laugh of the glorifications of her in terms of after-dinner eloquence that have been ringing in the ears of Theta Deltis for half a century.

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If any think the discussion has been too vehement or that the editor is guilty of intolerance we beg to reassure them. We again testify to our admiration of the masterful expression by Brother Bullock of the principle which he thinks ought to and does prevail in the organization of Theta Delta Chi. It is simply that the challenge of so able an opponent does not admit of a weak response. We do not think the theory of the sovereignty of the Charges should dominate the future of Theta Delta Chi. But we are open to conviction.

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The second thoughtful paper comes from Brother W. H. Wiggin, Jr., of the Iota, '92, and brings up the question of Charge rights in a practical way, so that comment and discussion upon it supplement the sovereignty controversy above. It follows:

500 SOUTH 8TH ST.,

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN., FEB'Y 29, 1905.

J. BOYCE SMITH, ESQ.,

Editor "THE SHIELD."

Dear Brother Smith: Sometime ago—something like two years ago if I remember rightly—President Tombo of the Grand Lodge issued a recommendation to the Charges that all preliminary work—sometimes designated as "horse play"—attendant upon initiations be done away with and that there be no rites or ceremonies of initiation other than those provided by the constitution. My understanding of the action of the Grand Lodge at the time was that it took the form of a recommendation and not the form of a new ruling, or an order. This recommendation, if such be the proper term to designate it, of the Grand Lodge created quite a little talk among the undergraduates at Iota and they sought more or less the opinion and advice of their graduates. The question was raised,—not because it bore particularly upon the present request of the Grand Lodge, but because it was suggested by it—what would be the duty of the Charge were the Grand Lodge to make some

**Open Letter on
Fraternity Government**

ruling for Charge government which if observed would very materially jeopardize the life of the Charge? I think the unanimous verdict, as I remember it, of the graduates was that it was well the action of the Grand Lodge had been expressed as a *recommendation*—that the Grand Lodge might be within its province in making recommendations but that it would clearly transcend its powers, or at least a tactful and wise administration of them, if it were to issue rulings for the government of the Charges other than such as are already provided by the constitution or such as are unanimously agreed upon in Convention. I am not familiar with the constitution upon this point but such a limitation of the power of the governing or administrative body seems to me a wise and prudent one and I have assumed that such a limitation exists. The discussion among some of the Iota graduates at the time presupposed some such limitation.

The motive of this letter is not however, criticism of the present administration which can not but have my heartiest approval and our President my warmest admiration. My only reason for mentioning Brother Tombo's recommendation to the Charges is that it suggests the larger question of fraternity government. It has been said that that government is the best which governs the least. There are certain dangers attendant upon too much government which our fraternity must avoid if she is to have a healthy, vigorous life in her Charges, and indeed, if she is not to be indirectly the cause of the death of her own offspring.

We have 24 active Charges today in the fraternity. Conditions in some of these Charges may be more or less alike, yet there are nice points of difference always and a successful government must take cognizance of these differences. The conditions are not only different but the men are different and in a measure the thought and conception of the fraternity cherished by these men is different. Now a fraternity must be large enough in spirit to recognize these differences, allow for them, encourage them perhaps and yet bind all together in the mysterious, vital and fundamental bond of the fraternity; a fraternity must be big enough to have all those differences and yet be a unit. There must not be any insistence upon petty observances, red tape regulations, small ineffectual restrictions. The conditions that prevail at Pi Deuteron or Psi are not the same as at Iota or Gamma Deuteron, the men themselves are not the same; therefore a scheme of Charge regulations for one place may be thoroughly unsuited to the others. This is so apparent that it seems almost trite to say it. And yet I am saying it—because, although it is recognized, yet it has been due to the failure to observe it in fraternity government that many chapters of various fraternities, which otherwise might have had a healthy life and been an honor and glory to their fraternities, have ceased to be. To some extent it was this short-sighted, illiberal spirit which caused the severance of more than one chapter at Harvard from its national body.

I believe that our fraternity stands in need of no more governmental regulations for its Charges, that any measure which it may seem expedient

to adopt for the Charges should take the form of a recommendation and that it be clearly understood that the Charges are free to observe or incorporate such recommendations in their by-laws as they see fit. The Charge should be left as free and unhampered as possible to work out its own peculiar problems.

Please understand that this letter expresses only my own personal thought on this subject and that I have no authority to express opinions as representative of the Charge to which I have the honor to belong.

Fraternally yours,

WM. H. WIGGIN, JR.,

Iota, 1892.

Commenting on the above we would first correct a slight misconception the writer is under. The recommendation to which he makes reference in the beginning of the letter was not simply an edict of the Grand Lodge, which does not promulgate such advice of its own motion, but was issued pursuant to a resolution of the Convention to the effect that pre-initiatory practices ought to be discouraged. This resolution was, we believe, unanimous, and the Grand Lodge was instructed to communicate it, in the form of a recommendation, to the Charges. The Charges were put under no compulsion, and the reasons for this were the very ones urged by the above writer against the multiplication of Grand Lodge ordinances, namely an appreciation of the fact that local conditions and sentiment differ among the Charges and allowance must be made therefor in a matter of this kind. Allowance was made in this case and undoubtedly will be in future whenever action is called for on such questions. The guarantee of this is the breadth and intelligence of our legislators and executives and the ability of the representatives of the Charges to protest against any unwise or destructive policy. Local self-government by the Charges to the fullest extent consistent with the general welfare of the Fraternity is beyond doubt the wisest and best policy to be pursued. But it is a pretty broad assertion to make that "our Fraternity stands in need of *no* more governmental regulations for its Charges," and it is likewise an extreme proposition that "*any* measure which it may seem expedient to adopt for the Charges should take the form of a recommendation and that it *be clearly understood* that the

Charges are free to observe or incorporate such recommendation in their by-laws as they see fit." Such a theory would undermine the whole governmental structure of the Fraternity and is altogether too broad. It is not, moreover, the law of the Fraternity. It is the duty of the Charge to obey the Constitution, and to obey likewise any general mandate issued by constitutional authority. But we hasten to assure Brother Wiggin that the Grand Lodge does not possess any original power to issue ordinances to the Charges according to its own idea of what is expedient. It simply carries out the express will of the Conventions. But if the Convention after due deliberation concludes that any measure is for the general welfare of the Fraternity, and may constitutionally do so, and makes that measure imperative upon the Charges the Charges are concluded. The determination of the T. N. E. question at Dartmouth illustrates this. Their safeguard is the Convention floor where if they can urge a sufficient reason why the measure should not be made general, they will find a body broad and tolerant and far-sighted enough to sustain their plea.

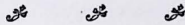
We subscribe heartily, however, to the proposition that "the Charges should be left as free and unhampered as possible to work out its own peculiar problems." We suggest further that Theta Delta Chi is essentially an undergraduate institution so far as the voting power goes; and should remain so, though undoubtedly as the body of loyal and enthusiastic alumni increases they must take an increasing part in the affairs of Theta Delta Chi, officially or unofficially.



Commencement is at hand. At such time it is usual for alumni to revisit their Alma Mater, breathe the balmy academic air, sing, feast, toast their ideals and each other,—and all that.

We presume the custom obtains at Lehigh, Don't Forget Bowdoin, Dartmouth and Hamilton as elsewhere. We therefore urge upon every brother reading this who is a member of either the Nu Deuteron, Eta, Omicron Deuteron or Psi Charges and who intends to be present at his college commencement *not to forget* that his Charge belongs

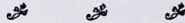
to the pitiful minority who have not yet found a graduate organization ; and we ask whether it would not be possible for every such brother to coöperate with the other graduate Theta Delts whom he will meet at Convention in the formation of an alumni association for his Charge. Will he not communicate at once with Brother Harry Bullock, Times Building, New York City, who is chairman of the Grand Lodge Committee on Charge Associations? And will not Brother Bullock seek out some graduate of each Charge enumerated above who possesses the faculty of organization and persuade him to institute a movement among his fellow graduates that will conform his Charge to the recent graduate association development of the Fraternity?



We give some prominence in earlier pages of this issue to the work of the Association of Theta Delta Chi. The purpose of the Association is most commendable and we urge everyone whose eye this strikes to argue with himself at

The Association of length on the question of his becoming a
Theta Delta Chi member of it. We all know that the Fraternity cannot have strength and stability

without institutions of this order, and the plan of this particular one appeals to us as remarkably well suited to its purpose. It is clearly within the reach of all to contribute to this enterprise. Its affairs are in the hands of the most solid and sagacious members of the Fraternity. It will be an enduring organization, and it is conceived for the general good of the brotherhood. Everyone, irrespective of age or Charge ought to send in a membership application immediately to Brother Frank N. Dodd, 150 W. 40th Street, New York City.



A shock felt throughout the entire body of the Fraternity accompanied the news of the sudden death of Brother Elmer Hewitt Capen, Kappa, '60, President of Tufts College, in March last. The completion of this number had so far progressed that it was impossible to pay a

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President Capen suitable tribute to his honor in this issue, but in June we hope to remind our readers

of the might and holiness and good works of this noble Theta

Delt. Meanwhile we express the general sorrow of the Fraternity over the loss of her son and extend to the bereaved family and to the Kappa Charge most heartfelt sympathy.



We endorse most heartily the sentiments of the following letters, and will be ever more watchful in the future than we have been in the past to carry them out in practice. We trust our readers, old and young, *and especially freshmen*, **Dignity** will take them to heart :

FEBRUARY 2, 1905.

DEAR BROTHER SMITH :

The December number of the "Shield" has just reached me, and I am going to use the privilege of an old subscriber and faithful reader to make a suggestion.

It has always seemed to me that our fraternity is belittled by the use of the ugly abbreviation "Frat". It is unpleasant enough to hear outsiders, especially men who have never had the advantage of fraternity affiliation, or freshmen in college, speak of fraternities in this way; and I always used to try to break incoming freshmen of the habit. I feel quite sure that I am not alone in condemning the word "Frat". Ours is a *fraternity* and we take pride enough in it to be willing to take the time and trouble to say it properly. Doesn't the use of the short form seem to give us less dignity? I think so, and I think it at least ought to be excluded from the pages of our fraternity magazine. It occurs twice in this number, once on page 359 and again on 360.

Of course I understand that these articles were contributed, but I think the editor would be justified in blue-pencilling the word before the article goes to press.

Very fraternally yours,

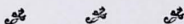
JOHN P. CLARK,

Kappa, 1900.

11 Tudor St., Lynn.

Another little point on usage, upon which however there may be a diversity of opinion, is the inscription of the title "Brother." It is often abbreviated "Bro." and while this is not exactly objectionable and the use of it is tempting to the busy man, it strikes us that the addition of the four letters filling out the word is considerably preferable and the extra expenditure of time and ink are eminently worth while. Would it not be better

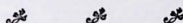
to preserve the dignity of the title by habitually writing it out? This is a finer point than the other but the suggestion may be ratified and adopted by such as appreciate fine points.



The SHIELD is fortunate in having secured to take care of its business interests the able services of Brothers H. K. McCann as manager, and H. L. Palmer, as assistant manager,—both of Eta.

The New Business Management which the new management has entered upon its work augurs well for the financial future of the SHIELD in their hands.

The Fraternity is to be greatly congratulated upon their willingness to render such capable and signal service. They are purely volunteers, and purpose to persuade people that the management of the SHIELD is both alert and progressive. This being the case they ought to have the unqualified and active support of everyone. "Oh yes, true, certainly," says the gentle reader, nodding vigorous assent. Then please, gentle reader, lend them *your* support, and make it *active*. For suggestions read further.



A word about advertising. As you will note this issue of THE SHIELD carries several pages of new advertising of a general nature. If through the coöperation of THE SHIELD's readers

A Word about Advertising this advertising can be made remunerative to the advertisers this Department can be developed and will add materially to THE SHIELD's revenue.

The advertisers are all vouched for by the business management and merit your patronage. Glance through the advertising pages. You will surely see something you want. Why not drop a postal and say, "I saw your advertisement in THE SHIELD." It will help us.



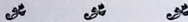
Are you a subscriber to THE SHIELD? You must be interested or you would not be reading it. Why not subscribe and

receive it regularly? It will put you in touch with Fraternity affairs, and will bring to you much

Are You a Subscriber? interesting news regarding your old Fraternity friends and associates.

We urge your coöperation in this matter, and we feel that it is proper to ask your special consideration for the following reasons :

THE SHIELD's editorial and business management is a volunteer one. The work involved in the production of this magazine is considerable, and is ever increasing. In order to reduce the burden as much as possible it would seem proper that in the matter of subscriptions, the management should have the voluntary coöperation of every Theta Delt. It does not seem to us to be showing a proper consideration to the management to oblige it to solicit for subscriptions as insistently as though THE SHIELD were an outside publication. If you are not a subscriber won't you send us your subscription without our asking? We can assure you it will be greatly appreciated.



Isn't it about time the Song Book Committee was roused from its somnolence? This committee has been in office some years we understand, without showing any signs of activity.

How about the Will the new Grand Lodge please stir them up? The need of a new song book
New Song Book? is most urgent.

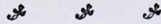


Brother Tombo has generously undertaken the preparation of a comprehensive illustrated article on the Charges for the September SHIELD and has written for data and photographs. Will the Charge officer reading this take it upon himself to inquire whether his Charge has furnished Brother Tombo with the desired material. If not your intelligence will dictate what to do.



The New York brothers wish it to be known and born in mind that the monthly dinners under the auspices of the New York Graduate Club, at the *Vendome*, on the first Friday of every

month at 7 P. M., continue to be held and enjoyed. All enlisted under "Our lady bright and fair" are vociferously welcomed.



The management is in need of copies of the March, 1903 and December, 1903 numbers of the SHIELD for bound volumes. Any readers who have such copies which they do not care to preserve will confer a favor by forwarding the same to the editor or business manager at the latter's expense.



We call attention to the advertisement in this number of a new edition of *Baird's Manual of American College Fraternities*, lest otherwise a matter of much general fraternity interest be overlooked.



Since the article on the Columbia Baseball team, appearing earlier in this issue, was sent to press, George S. Moore, Jr., 1906, the second man from the left in the picture, has been initiated into Rho Deuteron, thus increasing the Theta Delt representation on that successful team.





CHARGE LETTERS

BETA—Cornell University

Ever since Convention Beta Brothers have been exceedingly busy making up back work. We had our Junior Week a short time before Convention and about ninety per cent of the brothers didn't do any University work at all. We had hardly recovered from that when we started for Chicago, and this trip cost twelve of us another week's work. We are mighty proud that the goodly number of twelve Beta men made the six hundred and fifty mile journey to the Windy City. Every one of them was fully repaid by the good time he had, and we are resolved to have the same number or a greater one at the next Convention.

Our house party during Junior Week this year was the largest and best we have ever had. We entertained some sixteen girls and six chaperones at the Charge house. In the course of the week we gave a "Chaperone Tea," more or less of an innovation in the way of Cornell social functions. To this tea we invited only the chaperones from the various Fraternity houses. Our annual dance is always given during Senior Week, in June.

The brothers are all getting busy with the usual spring athletic activities, and I think Beta will have representatives on most of the Cornell teams. In addition we are going to have a winner of a baseball team of our own, headed by Captain "Scout" Bourne, '05.

Our vacation begins March 25th and lasts until April 4th. A good many of the brothers have signified their intention of staying in Ithaca during that time. About two months ago Brothers Bourne, '05, and Adams, '05, visited the Syracuse petitioners and were very handsomely entertained. I hope that during the coming baseball season we will see a good many Theta Deltas who are in Ithaca on visiting teams. To them and to all others the latch string is always out. We enjoyed immensely our recent Charge visit from ex-President Rudolf Tombo, and thank him for it.

EDWARD J. BLAIR.

GAMMA DEUTERON—University of Michigan

Gamma Deuteron is happy to report a most prosperous condition. We have just pledged one man and are trying to fill the places of Brothers

Mayre and McCullough who were forced to leave college on account of illness.

The Charge has taken a prominent part in college activities. Brother Montgomery successfully managed our championship foot-ball team. Brother North was chairman of the arrangements committee for the Junior Hop, and Brother McCreary is chairman of the arrangements committee for the Freshman Banquet. Brothers Montgomery and Schully accompanied the musical clubs on a successful trip through the West.

There is a movement among the different fraternities to hold a "County Fair" in Watertown Gymnasium, each one giving some specialty. We expect to have the policing of the Fair and along with it a burlesque police court. The proceeds of this Fair are to go towards building a Michigan Union Club House. Brother F. C. Crumpacker was appointed on the Fair Committee.

During Junior Hop week Gamma Deuteron had a house party having ten guests, all of whom declared they had a delightful time. During this week Brothers Butler, '91, Walker, '04, Kinnucan, '02, and Gale, '06, came back to join the festivities.

All but five of the brothers here and a good number of our alumni were in attendance at the Chicago convention where they enjoyed meeting the brothers from other Charges.

We feel greatly honored that Brother L. T. Cole was elected president of the Grand Lodge.

J. C. SCULLY.

DELTA DEUTERON—University of California

Delta Deuteron's delegate since his return from Convention, has been kept busy recounting stories and incidents of the days in Chicago. Brother Haight, Chi, '74, has also been here at the house several times to tell us his impressions of the first Convention he has attended since '85. Recently we had the pleasure of initiating his son, Samuel Haight, of the class of 1906.

Honors still keep coming to Delta Deuteron. Brother Barker is treasurer of the mining association, Brother Claude Wayne is class tennis champion and bids fair to be college champion. He is also on the staff of his class publication. Brother Bryant is treasurer and a director of the "California" publishing company. In the line of dramatics, Brothers Keane and De Leon have roles in the annual play given by the "Meantime Club" of which Brother Keane is president.

WALTER DE LEON.

EPSILON—William and Mary

INITIATE

R. A. Standing, Belize, British Honduras, C. A.

Epsilon started the year 1905 with a most promising outlook. With minds free from the anxiety of tedious examinations, and after a ten day Christmas holiday, every single brother returned to college in high spirits looking forward to the remaining session with renewed hope and pleasure. Some of the brothers remained in town for the holidays; and those who stayed had the pleasure of Brothers Sinclair's and Mackeiths company. We had two informal house parties and the entire ten days were full of pleasure.

I wish to introduce to the fraternity Brother R. H. Standing; we welcome him from a far country.

The convention had been an object of much of our thought and speculation; but now that it has passed we turn our attention to March examinations and base-ball.

We have been well represented in all college activities. At the recent meeting of the Phoenix Literary Society, Brother T. N. Lawrence was elected Orator and Brother E. B. Faison final Debator, and Brothers Fletcher and Petters as members of the final Committee. Brother Hodge of the Philomathean Literary Society was elected a member of the Executive Committee. Brother Abbitt is president of the tennis club, while Brothers T. N. Lawrence and C. I. Carey represent us on the board of the Annual, as Business Manager and Art Editor respectively. Brother E. B. Faison is Historian of the Sophomore class, and Brother Petters is Assistant State Secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Epsilon extends her best wishes to her sister Charges, and bids welcome to any Theta Delts who come our way; we want you.

F. O'KEEFE, JR.

ZETA—Brown University

The writer has recently returned from our 57th annual Convention, and it is only with feelings of pleasure that these days spent in breezy Chicago can be recalled. Everywhere was the hospitality of our Western brothers extended. No one who attended the various sessions can have failed to bring back renewed enthusiasm for the Fraternity and now that it is all over, and the sentiment seems to prevail that the next year will see our Convention again in the east, Zeta has set to work to make sure of having one of the largest delegations present, graduates as well as undergraduates. We hope to aid in entertaining our western brothers right royally.

The winter term, now ended, has made Brother L. S. Little, '07, a winner of his Hockey "B," while Brother Curtis, '07, has at times been prominent in the swimming contests at the Colgate Hoyt Pool. Brother Burnham, '07, captained his class basketball team, and ended a most successful season. Brother T. A. Welch, '05, of the 1903 championship baseball team, has been active in the cage practice for the past advantages, and is showing up in his usual good form. This past term has witnessed an unusual in-



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L. S. Little, '07 D. W. Robinson, '07 G. B. Draper, '07 L. W. Himes, '08 R. W. D. Jones, '08 W. K. White, '07 M. S. Curtis, '07 W. O. Devoll, '07 W. P. Burnham, '07
 Percy Shires, '06 T. A. Welch, '05 A. N. Potter, '05 G. F. Krause, '06 F. H. Childs, '05 J. H. Joyce, '06
 A. C. Brackett, '07 J. H. C. Marston, '08 J. G. Canfield, '08 C. W. Perry, '08 A. H. Lake, '08

terest manifested in whist and pool tournaments, handsome prizes having been offered to the Charge by Brothers Hull, '99, Dubois, '98, and Bufington, '99. Term examinations preceding the Easter vacation are a thing of the past, and now come the balmy days of spring and summer, with all their enjoyable features, which make the undergraduate life at Brown a thing to be so well remembered.

During the Spring vacation, the musical clubs, of which Brothers Joyce, '06, and White, '07, are members, made an extensive trip, taking in New York City, Newark, Hightstown, Somerville, Red Bank and Passaic. They report the best kind of a time.

"Junior week" will occur directly after the Lenten season, April 24-26, and will, as usual, be the greatest social event of the year, to which everyone is looking forward with delightful anticipations. Brother Joyce, '06, is our representative on the committee and has been working industriously in the interests of the University and Zeta.

Brother Shires, '06, occupies the position of assistant manager of the Sock and Buskin Dramatic Society, which during the social week is to present "Charlie's Aunt," at the Providence Opera House.

Among the Theta Deltas who have honored us with a visit since the last SHIELD letter are L. B. Foley, Delta, '98, E. D. Greenleaf, Zeta, '04, Norman Hackett, Gamma Deuteron, '98, F. L. Carter, Iota, '03, W. C. Crossman, Eta Deuteron, '05, Walter R. Bullock, Zeta, '02, and M. B. Mower, Zeta, '05, Brothers Tatterson, '08 and Bodger, '08, of Omicron Deuteron, visited us here when the Dartmouth Freshmen basketball team played the Brown Freshmen.

Brother Harry Brown, Iota, '03, acting as Grand Lodge deputy, made the annual visitation to Zeta, in February. Albeit that the Freshmen were somewhat alarmed over the reports that had been circulated regarding these terrible inquisitions, Brother Brown was very lenient with us, and we are glad to say, dealt most graciously with us in his report, rendered at Convention.

Zeta sends hearty greetings to her sister Charges, and wishes them all success. We extend to Brother Lawrence T. Cole, our sincere congratulations, trusting his work as President of the new Grand Lodge may meet with continued prosperity.

PERCY SHIRES.

ZETA DEUTERON—McGill University

INITIATE

1908

K. W. Allen

We are now approaching the middle of March, and as a result all students at McGill are hard at work, for the exams are not more than two weeks distant. Yet in the midst of all the worry which the approaching

exams are causing us, it is a source of great pleasure to Zeta Deuteron to look back upon a most successful year. McGill University has also shared success with us, for she won the inter-collegiate hockey championship after a series of well contested games.

We were not represented this year by the hockey team, but Brother Higgins played a great game on the basketball team, which has also had a successful season.

The Glee Club under the successful leadership of Brother Waterman and the able management of Brother G. W. MacKay gave a well-attended concert in Conservatorium Hall (McGill) on March 11th. On March 4th we gave a most enjoyable tea, at which over twenty of the fairer sex of Montreal accepted of our hospitality.

Brothers Nichols and Crane of Iota paid us a short visit during the month of January. Brothers Geo. and Jim Proctor of Omicron Deuteron also made a flying excursion up to Montreal, to celebrate a successful completion of their mid year exams.

It is a source of deep regret to Zeta Deuteron that she was unable to send more than one delegate to convention this year. Brother G. W. MacKay gave us a most graphic description of all that took place at Chicago, so we shared in part the pleasure of our more fortunate brothers.

Brother Parkins, Arts '03, who has been in business for the last two years, has returned to college to take a course in Law.

Brother Fortin, Med. '03, who has during the past year been stationed at the Nova Scotia Steel and Coal Co's Mines, Newfoundland, as surgeon for the company, spent a week with us during the first part of February.

THOS. F. COTTON.

ETA—Bowdoin College

The principal item of interest in regard to Eta is that she is at last in her own house, and she is enjoying the experience to the utmost. We have already held two dances in the new house, and expect to hold a house-warming with a reception and dance on March 31. The Charge is also planning the formal dedication of the house and the fiftieth anniversary celebration for Commencement Week.

Eta is well represented in the college organizations this winter. On the musical clubs are Brothers Woodruff, '06, Rogers, '06, Weed, '07, Packard, '08, and Weld, '05. On the Dramatic Club are Brothers Harvey, '05, Williams, '05, and Chandler, '08. Brother Harvey is again on the Varsity Debating Team, and Brothers Emery, Williams, Harvey, and Weld have received provisional Commencement appointments.

The Charge has received a great shock in the recent death of Brother Charley Potter, Eta, '00, a young, enthusiastic, and popular alumnus, who lived in Bath, and whom all the brothers knew well.

Eta sends best wishes to all the Charges and hopes that she may have many opportunities to welcome brothers to her new house.

LOUIS D. H. WELD.

ETA DEUTERON—Stanford University

By this time the brothers have heard of Stanford's bereavement, in the death of her Founder. The student body mourns the decease of Mrs. Stanford and pays reverent and loving tribute to the memory of the greatest American benefactor of education.

Spring is upon us here in California and the attendant lassitude is beginning to manifest itself in Eta Deuteron. There was a movement on foot last week to have breakfast served in bed, but the attitude of our two representatives of the 'Yellow Peril' seems to have brought about the quietus of that agitation.

Eta Deuteron is moderately active in college affairs. Brother Gardner is coaching the rowing crews and is coxswain of the Varsity eight. Brother Beckwith, '06 and '08 are out on the Track and Brother Hudson, '06 is playing on his class baseball team. All the rest of us are prominent candidates for Phi Beta Kappa. The class dances and other spring activities have all been cancelled in consideration of the death of Mrs. Stanford.

The brothers who returned from Convention brought glad tidings of great events in Chicago. The Theta Delt crowd in that city must be the "real article."

During the past few months we have enjoyed visits from Brother Hyde, Gamma Deuteron, '95, and Brothers McComb, Bryant, Wayne, Stoddard, Rider and Boyd of Delta Deuteron. We desire that this spring shall break all previous records in steering visiting brothers toward our doors—always from *out* to *in*; we will try to prevent any reflex action.

Eta Deuteron sends greetings to the sister Charges.

FRANCK R. HAVENNER.

IOTA—Harvard University

INITIATES

1907

Artemas Russell Ellis, Cambridge, Mass.

1908

Junius Harrah, Havana, Cuba.

John Arthur Moir, Roxbury, Mass.

Louis Winthrop Barta, Winchester, Mass.

Oliver Aldrich Wyman, Somerville, Mass.

Iota is in a fine way to have the most successful year in its history. If we needed any proof of this statement we should find it in the above list of new brothers, whom Iota takes great pleasure in presenting to the Fraternity at large.

Just a word about what the brothers are doing. Brother Wheeler, President of the Harvard Republican Club was one of marshals in the Inaugural parade. Brother Sawyer is leader of the Glee Club and Brother Parson is assisting him. Brother Simmons is on the Sophomore crew. The swimming team is being managed by Brother Leland, while Brother Woodman is doing fast work on the track.

Iota is looking forward to the New England Dinner and hopes that all who are on at that time will find their way out to Cambridge.

THOMAS ALMY.

IOTA DEUTERON—Williams College

The long-looked for mid-year exams. have come and gone and Iota Deuteron has weathered the storm in excellent manner. I regret to say, however, that Brother Russel, '07, being in advance of his class, has left college for the rest of the year. He has accepted a position with Stanley & Co., of Boston, but will rejoin his class next fall.

Our efforts in the social line have been concentrated in our annual house party. We had with us seventeen girls and between dancing, driving, eating and numberless tete-a-tetes on a secluded drive the time passed only too quickly. The presence of Brother Taylor, '03, and Brother Mitchell, '04, made the event more enjoyable and we would like to see more of our alumni on such occasions.

The outlook for our baseball season is exceptionally bright. Brother Nesbitt, '04, is one of the stars and we know we will witness some very brilliant playing by our veteran short stop.

We have in our midst a musician of great talent who is already beginning to carve his name in the halls of fame, Brother McClellan, '07. He has composed a two-step called the 1907 Extra. It will make its initial bow at the Sophomore Prom. in May. Brother McClellan is also a member of the Prom. Committee.

In the recent Senior elections Iota Deuteron received some important appointments. Brother Watson was elected Class Day President, Brother Everitt Class Day Orator, while Brother Nesbitt represents us on the Committee.

Brother Hite, '08, was on the Freshman Cane Committee and has also been playing a leading part in a recent comedy given by the Dramatic Club.

We had a very pleasant visit from Brother Crossman of Leland Stanford, the latter part of last month and also enjoyed the short stop of several of the delegates returning from Chicago. The word they brought made us promise ourselves to attend the next Convention in a body.

The Charge wishes to congratulate Brother Cole on his election and we pledge him our undivided support.

BEN C. ENGLISH.

KAPPA—Tufts College

Spring is beginning to make her presence felt here at College Hill. There is something in the air that makes us want to stop work, and do something else, we don't know what. This feeling is sending some of our number into track, some into baseball, and others into the race for the college papers. We are all on the jump.

Tufts College celebrates its semi-centennial anniversary this spring, and everything is being done to make the event a time to be long remembered. The English Department have decided to give Thomas Dekker's "Old Fortunatus," and trials for the several parts have already begun. There are a goodly number of Theta Deltas out for the different roles, but as no one has as yet been selected for the cast, it is a bit early to make any prophecies.

Brothers Green, Hunter and Sweetser made very creditable showings on the track team this year. Brothers Sweetzer and Green showed up well in the Lawrence Light Guard Meet on February 25th, and Hunter and Green won a number of points in the dual meet with Holy Cross at Worcester on March 9th. Brother Green now has T's to his credit in both track and football, and is also on the Varsity baseball squad.

Brother Michael, '06, as first assistant baseball manager, has just completed the dates for the second team, while Brother Chapin is at work on the Varsity football dates for next autumn. The Charge is represented on the baseball squad by Brother Green.

Since the last issue of the SHIELD, we have given two house dances, and both of them were very successful. Only last week came the Senior rarebit, and the Juniors and under classmen found the 1905 men delightful hosts. These, with a sugar-on-snow party last month about close our list of social activities.

The brothers on the Glee and Mandolin clubs are looking forward to a great trip at the Easter recess. The clubs this year will probably travel in four states, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Massachusetts.

We are always glad to have any brother who may be in Boston drop in upon us. The Hill is only half an hour's ride from the city.

HOWARD J. SAVAGE.

LAMBDA—Boston University

The time for sending in the March letter finds Lambda still doing business at the old stand. Our numbers are smaller but our spirit is just as strong as ever, and the brothers are united as never before. We are now

enjoying an active interest on the part of our alumni who offer us counsel, proffer aid in difficulty, and lend a guiding hand when we are in error. We are thriving under their influence. We realize, as never before, that without the active interest and support of the alumni a Charge must lose ground; with it a Charge cannot fail to prosper.

Our house is full—we aim to keep it so—but there is always room for one more, if that one happens to be a Theta Delt. Our quarters are not, to be sure, very spacious or elegantly appointed, but we shall try to make up any deficiencies in these respects by the warmth of our welcome. Just try us and see if we cannot make you feel at home.

A word in regard to our Charge life. Times have changed with us; if not in outward aspect, in the inner workings of the Charge. As I said before our numbers are smaller, and they will be kept so. As a direct result of these smaller numbers Lambda is united in its work and intense in its desire to make that work count for its full value. In scholarship the Charge is, we believe, on a higher plane than for the past two years. In college activities we are fully represented, although Lambda has definitely abandoned all political affiliations; we are determined to stand or fall on our merits.

A word in regard to the College and I am through. The indications of a large entering class are stronger than ever before. There seems to be no room to doubt that in the class of 1909 there will be plenty of good Fraternity material to choose from. That Lambda may select wisely and well is the wish and the purpose of every member.

LOUIS H. MAXSON.

MU DEUTERON—Amherst

Since our last letter Mu Deuteron has been deep in the studies of the Winter Term. Our labors have not been without result for Brothers Whitney '05, Stone '05, Palmer '05 and Rand '06, have made Phi Beta Kappa.

On Wednesday March eighth the monotony was broken by our joint Musical Clubs Concert with Williams. All the brothers enjoyed it very much and took great pleasure in entertaining Brothers Webster and Currier of Williams after the concert.

During the term we welcomed back with us Brother Gordon Smith '05, who had been away for some time.

Our basketball season was not a particularly successful one, but we have great hopes for our baseball team. Brother Newell '07, of last year's team is out and Brothers Henry and Shattuck '08, are on the squad. Brothers Bogardus and Dudley '08, are on their class basketball team.

In the line of literary work Brother Townsend '05, has made the Literary Monthly Board and Brother Brown '07, has been chosen to the Olio Board.

Soon after vacation, which begins on the thirteenth, we will entertain

the faculty with our annual musical. We hope to give them a good time this year as we did last, when they all seemed to enjoy it.

On Tuesday, June twenty-seventh we will hold our twentieth anniversary banquet. Our committee is making every effort to secure a large attendance and we hope to have a goodly number of Mu Deuteron brothers back including seven charter members.

During the term we have had the pleasure of entertaining Brother Crossman of Eta Deuteron for a few days, Brothers Fay and Sweetser of Kappa and Brother Parsons of Iota. Mr. Williams of M. I. T. was also with us over Sunday and very ably presented the case of the petitioners.

Mu Deuteron is keeping open house and is always glad to see any of the brothers when it is possible for them to come.

CLARENCE H. SPEAR.

NU DEUTERON—Lehigh University

INITIATES

1908

Charles Franklin Ayer, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Robert Anson Burlingame, Exeter, N. H.
 Arthur Oram Fulton, New Castle, Pa.
 Ralph Kinley McElfresh, Washington, D. C.
 Ralph Eugene Day, Wilkes Barre, Pa.
 John Everett Ballenger, Washington, D. C.

Since our last letter to the SHIELD, Nu Deuteron has initiated six new brothers and we take great pleasure in introducing them to the Fraternity. They are the pick of their class and are taking an active part in college affairs.

There are eleven of us now and everything is running along in the finest way. Nu Deuteron's prospects are exceptionally bright and we are looking forward to great things in the future.

Brother Draper, '07, has been elected assistant manager of the football team. It recalls to us the star team under the skillful management of Brother Jess Underwood, '04.

Brothers Senior and Draper are on the Calculus Cremation Committee and Brother Senior is treasurer of his class.

The new brothers are already showing their worth. Brothers Ayer and Fulton are on the Musical Club and Brother Ballenger is Vice-President of his class.

It is quite likely that Brother Ballenger will do the pitching for the Varsity baseball team this spring, while Brother Senior is looked upon to fill an infield position.

In Lacrosse, Brothers Johnston and Draper will strive for honors.

We have given two receptions to our alumni and friends this winter

and both were voted up to the standard. We are, even at this early date, making plans for a rousing house party during Commencement Week. Let the old brothers bear this in mind—we shall be looking for them.

One of the most enjoyable events of the year was Brother Tombo's visit and the "spiel" given in his honor. His last official visit was surely one to be long remembered.

Among our visitors during the term were Brothers Murphy, '01, and Mrs. Murphy and Brother Griffeth, '02.

Nu Deuteron extends best wishes to all and will be only too glad to welcome whoever comes our way.

L. T. GRACE.

XI—Hobart College

INITIATE

Rufus Peckham Keeler

The season of Lent is on and although we are not sitting in sackcloth and ashes, yet there seems to be felt a certain depression, doubtless due to the fact that Hobart is a church college. But there are a few things going on.

The basketball season is now finished while indoor lacrosse plays its first game of the season this month. Indoor lacrosse is a game which was developed here last year and there is little doubt but that it is as good a game from the spectator's standpoint as basketball. It is played as a preparation for the spring lacrosse. There are now about twenty-three men out for the team and it gives promise of being a fast one. The base ball coach has arrived and practice begun. An unusual amount of interest has been shown in the team so far and a good schedule has been arranged. The Glee club has finished the best season of its history. Many short trips have been made and the Seneca quartette was the hit of the season.

You will pardon us if we indulge in a little tooting on our own account (more for the information of our alumni than for the edification of the brethren at large). Partridge, '06, is to be chairman of the Junior Prom which is to take place just after Easter. Bradford, '06, is manager of the *Herald*, and editor-in-chief of the *Echo*, which will be off the press by Easter. To him will be due whatever of credit arises from its publication. Hooper, '08, Anderson, '08, and Stevenson, '08, are members of the Glee Club. Partridge, '06, is manager of the Dramatic Club, and he and Covill, '05, will take part in the College minstrel show during Junior Week. Shoor, '08, is president of his class.

A new list of the alumni of the Charge is in preparation and we ask that you drop us a card giving your present address and a word of good cheer to the "boys." Since our last letter the following have made us a visit; Robert B. Waugh, Xi, '02; James A. Gosnell, Chi, '02; Edwin V. Baker, Xi, '03; William C. Davis, Xi, '03; Arthur F. Heussler, '04; John



XI CHARGE—HOBART COLLEGE

1904-1905



B. Whitney, Xi, '04; De Brun Cooper, Beta, '05; Harry F. Lembeck, Xi, '06; James Goodier, Psi, '08, and President Rudolf Tombo, Jr. We close with a cordial invitation to all.

W. M. COVILL.

OMICRON DEUTERON—Dartmouth College

We are about to close a long winter term which has been very successful in the history of the Charge.

Brother McGrail is captain-elect of next years basketball team. The baseball and track team prospects are probably the brightest in many years. Brother Voughan, 1905, O'Brien, 1906, and McDevitt, 1907, are on the baseball squad; and Brothers Jordan and Haley, 1907, and McAuliffe, 1908, are on the track squad. Brother Day, 1905, is manager of the track team and also a member of the varsity debating team.

In the recent Senior elections, Brothers Voughan and Watson were chosen marshal and secretary, respectively.

We are so far out of the way, that we do not often have visitors from our sister Charges, but we were very glad to welcome Brothers Hugh and Helon Leach of Tau Deuteron when they were east with the University of Minnesota basketball team.

We expect to send a large delegation to the New England Charge dinner, to be held in Boston, April 26.

Omicron Deuteron sends greetings to her sister Charges and wishes them all success for the future.

H. Q. WATSON.

PI DEUTERON—College of the City of New York

From the tales with which the Convention delegates have been regaling us of late we have been led to believe that we have missed the best part of our lives by not transporting the Charge bodily to Chicago. However, Boston is a little nearer home, and we shall do better next year.

Since Convention we have accepted the hospitality of the Rho Deuteron brothers, and have been holding our meetings in their new house just off the Columbia campus.

Brother Wallace '06, manager of the track team, lately took examinations for Annapolis, but though he received the alternate appointment he has decided to finish out his course here.

We are looking forward expectantly to the Joint Dance of the Pi Deuteron and Rho Deuteron Charges, to be held at Hotel St. Andrews on May the eighth. This dance will be THE Theta Delta Chi event of the season in New York, and every brother who expects to be in town at that time should communicate with the committee at once.

GEO. GALE DIXON.

RHO DEUTERON—Columbia University.

INITIATE

Joseph L. Egan, 1907 College

AFFILIATE

Edmund B. Sigerson, Pi Deuteron

Since the appearance of the December number of the SHIELD we have one initiate and one affiliate to report, bringing our active membership to twenty-five, Brother Benjamin having left college to enter business. Brother Egan comes to us from Yale and has made the Sophomore class; we take much pleasure in introducing him to the other Charges, and know he will become a loyal Theta Delta.

The winter just passed has been a busy one for us all, and we have been well represented in the various student activities and in athletics, besides indulging in a series of social relaxations. The center of interest has been the Varsity Show, The Khan of Kathan, which was played at the Carnegie Lyceum during the week of March 13. The main attraction was Brother Louis Ehret as Captain Heine, a shipwrecked sailor, "Dod gast it," who led the chorus in several clever hornpipes and brought down the house nightly by his efforts to fill the Khan's teeth. Brother Reaney as Kate Newes, a reporter of the New York *Hot Air*, also filled one of the leading roles and sang a clever ditty with an original chorus effect capped by a somewhat erratic dance in skirts. The Charge made up a box party one evening, which was attended by fifty of the brothers and their fair friends. The Junior Ball at Delmonico's has also come and gone. On the committee we were represented by Brother Stewart, class-president, and Rho Deuteron sent a good delegation. Brother Thorp was one of the speakers at the 1905 class dinner, and was also on the toast-list of the 1906 dinner. Brother Stewart was a member of the committee on arrangements for the latter and responded to the toast "Columbia". As for other non-athletic activities not mentioned in the December SHIELD we might refer to the fact that Columbia won two debates on the same evening, one against Cornell at New York, the other against Pennsylvania at Philadelphia, in the recently formed Triangular Debate League. Brother Burns is treasurer of the Philolexian Society, the oldest Columbia debating organization, and that's as close as we got to being represented on the debate. However, we notice Brother Huffcut acted as judge at Philadelphia. The Philharmonic Society, of which Brother Burns is vice-president and general mainstay, has given several delightful concerts during the winter, besides furnishing the music at the Soph and Varsity Shows. The 1906 *Columbian*, the annual published by the Junior class, appeared in March, Brother Stewart being one of the editors. Brother Albertson is on the *Jester* board and Brother Hollister is on the staff of the *Spectator*, the daily.



BROTHER LOUIS EHRET
As Captain Heine in the Kahn of Kathan



CAPTAIN HEINE
In detail



BROTHER GEORGE REANEY
As Kate Neues in the same production

COLUMBIA VARSITY SHOW ATTRACTIONS



The indoor athletic season has been a success from several standpoints. The greatest cause for congratulation was the winning of the intercollegiate basketball championship by the Columbia five, on which we were represented by Brothers Fisher and Trubenbach. The team defeated not only Yale, Cornell, Princeton, Pennsylvania, West Point and a number of other eastern colleges, but also Wisconsin and Minnesota, so that their title to the championship is well founded. We were happy to meet Brothers Hugh and Helon Leach, Varco and Deering, who came on with the Minnesota team, and we only regret their stay was so brief. Brother Fisher played his usual "star" game, making 22 points (out of Columbia's 24) against Yale's 21 in the game at New Haven. Our interests centered in the final game of the league series, for on that evening we gave a little dinner at the house to the girls who have taken an active interest in furnishing our home, attending the game and the dance following in a body. The two brothers on the team did themselves proud, scoring 32 (out of Columbia's 56) points against Pennsylvania's 16. The Varsity Hockey Team was not quite as successful, finishing third on the list—behind Harvard and Yale and above Princeton and Brown. Brother Harrington of Iota represented $\Theta \Delta X$ on the team, and also played on the 1906 class team as well as on the Harvard Graduate Team that defeated the Yale Graduates so decisively. The Fencing Team has done quite well, but we wish that Brother McElwee could represent us, as he is one of the most skillful fencers at the University. The Gym Team among other things defeated Harvard, Brother Stewart winning a place in the club-swinging. The Water Polo and Swimming Teams, both captained by Brother Trubenbach, have a stenuous season behind them. In one of the pool swimming contests Brother Trubenbach broke the University record for 200-feet, reducing the former record of 41 1-5 seconds, held by Brother Spencer, to 40 seconds flat. Both of these brothers were placed in the 200 yard swim at the N. Y. C. A. meet, and also swam on the N. Y. C. A. relay team which defeated the Brookline Swimming Club team.

In indoor track athletics Brothers Fulton and Bassett have represented us. Of outdoor sports we are mainly interested in Lacrosse, Brother Stewart being manager of the Varsity Team and Secretary of the Intercollegiate Lacrosse League. Among the graduate coaches will be Brothers Kebler and Benjamin. Brother Adams is certain of a place as forward, and Brother Burns and Trubenbach are also trying for places. Brother Lund represents us on the Association Football Team that is to play Harvard. Brother Gude is trying for the Freshman Crew, and Brothers Burns and McLaughlin will be on the Tennis Team. Brother Thorp, by reason of pressure of other work, has been compelled to resign the managership of the baseball team, and will devote all his energies from this time on to the development of a good football team for next fall.

The brothers who attended convention returned from Chicago with glowing accounts of the good times they had had, and we've determined

to send the Charge in a body to Boston in 1906. We wish to congratulate Brother Cole on his election to the presidency, and pledge him our loyal support. Brother Sigerson represented the Charge at Brother Cole's installation.

In the course of the winter we have held a number of reunions, which have brought us into active touch with the alumni and brothers from other Charges. The house is being furnished and decorated more according to our wishes, and thanks to some of the alumni and their relatives, it has become altogether habitable. The most successful gathering of the winter was the Christmas celebration, and we are now preparing for a Smoker to be given to Brother Thorp, captain of the football team, on the evening of March 24. On March 31 we shall hold another Smoker, and on Monday evening, May 8, we shall give a dance in conjunction with Pi Deuteron at the Hotel St. Andrew, Broadway and Seventy-second Street.

Besides the above we have several other social meetings to chronicle, a gathering at the clans at Rudie's, and a smoker at Brother Eldredge's, all of which have helped us to pass the winter without developing ennui. Several brothers are beginning to plan for the summer and we shall have an exodus to Europe as things look now; Brothers Steeves, Morrison, Lawson, Nolthenius and McElwee are surely going and with Brothers Beers and Stevens in Paris now, we'll have to start a Theta Delta Chi headquarters somewhere across the Atlantic. And speaking of the summer reminds me that the house will be kept open from June to September and if any brother desires to room there during those months, or during July and August only for the Summer Session, we hope he will let the Charge know without delay, so that proper arrangements may be made. The house is known as No. 431 West 117 Street; paste the number in your hat-band, and the next time you're in New York and looking for some one to whom to give the grip, try it on the inmates of the house. Wednesday is our meeting night, but you're always welcome.

EDMUND B. SIGERSON.

SIGMA DEUTERON—University of Wisconsin

INITIATES

1907

Stephen C. Wachenfeld. Orange, N. J.

1908

H. S. Post, Black River Falls, Wis.

Frank Post, Black River Falls, Wis.

Joseph Francisco, Richmond, Ind.

The second semester is well under way and finds Sigma Deuteron in a very prosperous condition. Every one of our fellows returned to college after the examinations and with Brother George Seiler, who has returned

from a visit to Mexico, we have a full house. Brother Archy Carter, who has been with us for a few weeks has left for California, where he is in business.

The most important event, since the last SHIELD letter, was the Convention, where all of us had a good time. It was the first Convention most of us were able to attend but we hope to see another in the near future.

Only six of the brothers were able to attend the Junior Prom, as most of us had left for Chicago. The Prom Committee reports a financial success. Brother Hannan was chairman of the finance committee.

In track athletics, Wisconsin has not showed up very well this winter, getting second place in two small meets. In the A. A. U. meet last Saturday Waller, of Wisconsin, broke the world's indoor record for the quarter mile. In aquatics Wisconsin showed up well against Chicago and Chicago Y. M. C. A., considering that this is the first year anything has been attempted in this line. Under the management of Brother Kadish water sports are assuming an important position in athletics. Brother Hannan, '08, is a member of the water polo team and did good work in the swimming events in Chicago.

The base ball squad is still practicing in the cage but hopes to be out in a few days.

The candidates for the Varsity crew are the most promising crowd we have ever had, and Wisconsin hopes to be with the leaders on the Hudson. The Freshman crew has been out on the river for a few days and expect to be able to get on the lake by the end of this week.

The Fraternity bowling league season is nearing a close and we are still at the head of our division and expect to stay there; we also hope to be able to carry off the cup. At present we hold the highest team score, 906.

With the close of the bowling season comes the race for the fraternity base ball cup and we will certainly make a good run for it.

Our building project is well under way and by the looks of things we will probably be in a house of our own before long. We were very pleased to have with us for a few days after Convention Brother O'Keeffe, Epsilon, and Brother Crossman, Eta Deuteron.

Sigma Deuteron extends best wishes to sister Charges and cordially invites all Theta Deltas to look us up when in Madison.

THOMAS F. KELLY.

TAU DEUTERON—University of Minnesota

It is with a feeling of pride that Tau Deuteron is at last able to announce to the sister Charges that she is comfortably located in a home of her own. During the past few years our Alumni have been working earnestly with this end in view, and about a year ago succeeded in purchasing a lot beautifully situated near the bank of the Mississippi river and but three blocks from the University campus. Plans were drawn up in the

early summer and the work of construction commenced about August first. Work progressed rapidly and the house was ready for us by the first of December. Since that time we have appreciated what it means to have a home of our own. The house is a commodious one and very handily arranged. It will easily accommodate sixteen men and would not be overcrowded with eighteen. Fourteen of the brothers now call the new house their home.

We were very fortunate in our examinations at the end of the last semester and consequently none of the brothers were dropped from the roll. Our list of active men continues to be twenty. We will lose three brothers this year through graduation, Brother Barrows, Branton and Helm Leach. The latter, however, expects to return and continue his work in the law school.

Brother Deering has coached the basket ball team through a successful season, just closed. Three of the brothers made the team this year and will get their official "M's" in the spring. These brothers had the very good fortune of visiting, on their trip, many of the eastern Charges and all report a most delightful time.

The Convention has been the chief subject of discussion since the brothers, who attended, returned from Chicago. All are of the unanimous opinion that it was a decided success and especially for the western Charges. Tau Deuteron turned out a large delegation and many of the brothers here who thought it absolutely impossible, succeeded in getting down at the last moment.

Our glee and mandolin clubs will soon make a tour of the northern part of the State. Brothers Tyler and Huntley are members of the mandolin club, while we are represented on the Glee Club by Brother Barrows.

Since our new house was completed we have been honored with visits from several of our brothers from other Charges. Brother Bradbury, Kappa, '79, and a member of the County Chairman Company made us a very pleasant call but a short time ago. Brother Albert, Chi Deuteron, '05, dropped in on us for a few hours on his way home from Convention. Brother Crossman, Eta Deuteron, also made us a brief visit on his way to Convention.

During the holidays Brother Earl Luce, '06, took unto himself a wife, Miss Hazel Brown a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. Brother Luce and bride spent three weeks in Cuba and the South.

Should any brother chance this way he must come and see Tau Deuteron's new home. We extend a special invitation to each.

HUGH E. LEACH.

PHI—Lafayette College

AFFILIATES

G. N. Schaeffer, Chi.

A. P. Warner, Chi.

The new term found us all back at college with the exception of Brother Day, '08, who left to take up a position at Hazleton.

The work on the new Charge house which had such a good start last fall is at a stand still on account of the winter weather but with the coming of spring work will again be pushed with the hope of completion by June.

Phi as usual is well represented in college activities, having men on the Glee Club, Dramatic Association, College weekly and College annual. Brother A. Sullivan was chairman of the Freshman banquet committee.

Brother Tombo's visit early in the term was enjoyed by all the members of the Charge, the only regret being that it was so short. We have been fortunate this term in having a number of brothers visit us, among whom were Brothers Blair of Beta; Woodruff of Iota Deuteron; Johnson, Senior, Drapier and Day, of Nu Deuteron, and Frank Day, Phi, '03.

Phi is always glad to welcome any brother who comes her way.

W. F. EVANS.

CHI—University of Rochester

INITIATE

1908

Clayton Irving Ward, Lockport, N. Y.

At last the long and eager anticipation of the Convention has, after passing to hilarious participation, changed to but joyful remembrances. Here and there groups of Thetes can be seen discussing Convention news. But that must soon change for the spring exams are now close upon us.

We have become one stronger this term by the return of Brother Lewis and things are looking hopeful for the future. We regret to say that Brother Wilder, '07, will not be with us the coming term but expects to return in the fall.

The basketball season has closed. The last eventful game was between the Freshmen-Sophomores. The former were captained by a Thete, Arthur J. Pammenter, and were the fortunate victors.

We have been visited this term by a number of brothers including Brother Tombo. A most entertaining and instructive speech was delivered by him before a group of loyal Thetes, each of whom carried away a store of new ideas which will tend to bind him closer to the high ideal of brotherhood in the Theta Delta Chi. Owing to the severe weather it was impossible for several of the out-of-town brothers to be present.

On the basketball teams of last winter we received visits from the following: Brother Higgins, Zeta Deuteron; Brother Varco and Brothers Hugh and Helon Leach, Tau Deuteron; and Brother Fisher, Rho Deuteron. After a delightful evening at the Lyceum listening to Romeo and Juliet, Chi received an informal visit from Brother Norman Hackett,

Gamma Deuteron, who gave us a very pleasant talk on the various Charges he had visited while touring with E. H. Sothern and Julia Marlowe.

A few of our number had the pleasure of meeting Brother Crossman, Eta Deuteron, who made us a flying visit on his way from the late Convention.

On the 31st of March Chi expects to give a card party to the active brothers and local alumni.

E. MORSE COPP.

CHI DEUTERON—George Washington University

INITIATES

1905

Delos H. Smith, Washington, D. C.

1908

George T. Bean, Barnbridge, Penn.

Stuart Van Vliet, Fort Union, New Mexico.

The mid years have come and gone, and the second semester finds Chi Deuteron serene and triumphant in the same old place.

Since the last Charge letter, three new brothers, Smith, Bean and Van Vliet have been initiated and it is with much pride in these men, and with the firm conviction that they will make strenuous, untiring workers for the Fraternity, that we introduce them to Theta Delta Chi.

On December 27th the eighth annual dance of Chi Deuteron was held at Ranscher's and was a distinct success in every particular. During the Christmas season we were visited by many out of town Thetes who were staying in Washington during the holidays, and many happy evenings were spent over our corn cobs and open fire renewing old associations and making new ones. We were fortunate in having with us at the house, during the entire week of the Sothern-Marlowe engagement here, Brother Norman Hackett. His charming personality and extensive knowledge of the Fraternity made the week of his stay both a pleasant and a useful one and it was with much regret that we bade him God speed over a little banquet in his honor on the last night of the engagement.

The activity of the Charge in college life is undiminished. Brother Schoenfeld is manager of the University orchestra; F. West is treasurer of the Association of Class Presidents, president of '08, and assistant manager of the baseball team, J. Sterrett is a member of Varsity relay team and manager of the Sophomore athletics. Brothers W. West, F. West and Van Vliet received their W's for work on the football team. Brothers Tompkins, Albert, F. West, Hursey and Turkenton are members of the Glee Club, and Turkenton is manager of freshman athletics, assistant manager of University track athletics, and assistant manager of the Glee Club.

Brother Smith has been elected as editor for the senior class on our annual, *The Mall*.

On the 20th of February Brother William West left for Panama, where he will accept a government position as accountant in the office of the deputy auditor. He was one of the most popular and energetic men not only in the Charge but also in the University, and we will miss a rare, good fellow and a vigorous worker.

A very pleasant evening was spent February 14, when the Graduate Association of Chi Deuteron gave a reception to the Charge and its friends at the Charge house. We were kept busy welcoming the visitors until eleven o'clock, after which a very enjoyable little dance followed for the fraternity men and a chosen few of the fair ones.

Remember that our latchstring is always out for visiting Theta Deltas.
WILLIAM TURKENTON.

PSI—Hamilton College

INITIATES

1908

Robert Bouton Hull, Jasper, N. Y.

Charles Greene Watson, Westfield, N. Y.

And now we are "21".

We were all glad to welcome Brother Howard Edgerton, ex-'05 back from a visit with his brother, Seward Edgerton, '04 in Cananea, Sonora Mexico. Brother Edgerton has entered 1906.

We passed the winter with the usual amount of gayety and the customary excitement, altho the temperature did drop to twenty below on more than one occasion. In February we welcomed to our house a goodly crowd of girls and chaperones and the 1906 House Party was a big success. Brother Nellis, '06, was Chairman of the Junior "Prom." Committee. On one evening of the week we gave a formal reception, which was much enjoyed by those present.

Scarcely were these functions over, when four of our number left for Convention. They reported a great time. Psi feels greatly honored in the choice of Brother Nellis as Grand Lodge Secretary.

While the gale was blowing in the west, a few breezes were still stirring in the east. Brother Norman Hackett, Gamma Deuteron '98, spent two days with us. We were all glad to see him arrive and sorry to see him go. We wish more Thetes would come our way. It is just nine miles from Utica. "Don't wait, travel by trolley!" We are at the Clinton end.

Brother McIntyre, '05, has just completed a successful season as manager of basketball. Brother Benedict, '06 has been elected manager of our next football team. We expect to have some five men out for baseball this spring and as many more for track.

And lastly: Here's to the 57th Grand Lodge!

JOHN CLARK DEAN.



Topics of interest for this section are earnestly solicited from all who are able to give them. Communications should be addressed to J. BOYCE SMITH, JR., 299 Alexander Ave., New York City.

BETA

Walter G. Smith, '83. The wife of Brother Smith died at their old home at Coronado Beach, Cal., on January 18th, 1905. She was interred at her former home in Sherburne, New York. Brother Smith is editor of the *Pacific Commercial Advertiser*, of Honolulu, Hawaii.

Ernest W. Huffcut, '84, has been appointed by Governor Higgins, of New York, a member of the Commission for the Promotion of Uniformity in Legislation in the United States.

Elias A. de Lima, '86, was recently elected President of the Battery Park National Bank, of New York.

A. B. Morrison, Jr., '01, is now in charge of the Boston office of the Fort Wayne Electric Works, at 518 Exchange Building, Boston, Mass.

Charles P. Brady, '04, has completely recovered from a recent operation for appendicitis, and is engaged in business in Buffalo, New York.

Warren Lamson, '04, of Chicago, is to be married in the month of April to Miss Marguerite Pratt, of the same city.

N. S. Lawrence, '04, is with Hunt and Co., engineers, of Chicago, Ill.

GAMMA DEUTERON

Arthur Henry Vesey, '93, is the author of one of the best selling spring novels, "The Clock and the Key," published by Appleton's. He moved recently from Morristown, N. J., to No. 103 East Sixty-ninth street, New York, N. Y.

H. H. Van Tuyl, '96, is now on the medical staff of the State Asylum at Ionia, Mich.

James E. Nicholson, '04, is representing the New York Life Insurance Company in Mexico City. His heart was cheered not long ago by a meeting with Brother Maxwell. A. Kilvert, of Iota, who is one of only three or four Theta Deltas residing permanently in the republic of Mexico.

DELTA

Juan Francisco Echeverria, '84, was recently appointed Secretario de

Estado en los Despachos de Hacienda y Comercio for the Republic of Costa Rica.

Louis B. Foley, '98, is a principal with the "Rogers Brothers in Paris." During a recent stay in Providence he met with a flattering reception from the members of the Zeta Charge.

EPSILON

Col. William Lamb, '53. There are rumors to the effect that Brother Lamb will probably receive an appointment from President Roosevelt as Postmaster of Norfolk, Va.

Robert A. Holt, '04, is now in the material department of the Newport News Shipbuilding and Dry Dock Co.

Arthur R. W. Mackreth, '04, is no longer connected with the *Times-Dispatch*, but is principal of a school near Portsmouth, Va. He and Brother Maddox, '04, are living together.

ZETA

George Putnam Upton, '54, has published a volume supplementing the autobiographical reminiscences of the late Theodore Thomas. The book has met with a very favorable reception.

William L. Stone, '57, is one of the prominent members of the Saratoga County Society, of New York. In the year-book of the Society recently published, Brother Stone has given a chronology of historical events in Saratoga County from 1693 to 1886. The publication also includes an interesting speech on the history of the County, which Brother Stone delivered at the annual dinner of the Society in 1904.

John Hay, '58, was compelled to leave in March for an extended trip abroad, for the purpose of recuperating from the arduous duties of seven successive years as Secretary of State. His great need of rest was shown by his collapse on the steamboat pier on the very point of departure. Opinions have been expressed to the effect that Brother Hay will not be able to resume his diplomatic service upon his return, but there is probably little reason to fear that his indisposition will be more than temporary. His departure was the occasion for numberless tributes from periodicals and the press as to the masterly and humane character of his work in the State Department. The London *Academy* for March 25th printed at the time an interesting review of Brother Hay's literary career, quoting at the end a parody on the closing stanzas of the familiar *Jim Bludso* which was read at the THETA DELTA CHI dinner tendered to him before his departure as Ambassador to the Court of St. James's.

George Heber Webb, '90, of Providence, R. I., recently appointed on the staff of Governor Utter with the rank of Colonel, has also had bestowed upon him the office of Commissioner of Industrial Statistics of the State of Rhode Island. He will have charge of the census of the State, to be taken during the current year. Colonel Webb has had admirable training for his new position, having served five years in the Census Office at Washington,

before he became Secretary of the Board of Trade of Providence in 1896. As manager of the Board of Trade Journal he has acquired a wide acquaintance with the commercial and industrial life of Providence. He is at present also chief agent for Rhode Island of the United States Census of Manufactures. The Washington census officers speak very highly of Colonel Webb's work, and everywhere he has the well wishes of a host of friends.

Dr. Frank J. Sexton, '93, is the present baseball coach at Brown. His efficient work of last year, and his coaching of the pitchers in 1903, has made him thoroughly acquainted with the needs of his men, and he is very popular with the entire squad.

The first athletic tournament of the Brigade Athletic Association, B. R. I. M., held in Pawtucket, R. I., February 9, 1905, was run off with the greatest success, due to the capable and businesslike management of Lieut. H. D. C. Dubois, '98, who was President and Manager of the Tournament, as well as the originator of the idea of holding a brigade tournament. At the conclusion of the long list of events Lieut. Dubois received the congratulations of Governor Utter, and the entire list of Brigade officers. Brother J. A. Buffington, '99, acted as secretary for the board which ran the tournament.

ETA

A recent compilation shows that among the editors of the *Bowdoin Orient* since 1874 are the following Eta brothers: C. H. Clark,, '76, Henry A. Wing, '80, Frederick C. Stevens, '81, Llewellyn Barton, '84, J. F. Libby, '85, Levi Turner, Jr., '86, H. C. Hill, '88, E. S. Bartlett, '88, J. C. Hull, '92, F. W. Pickard, '94.

J. F. Libby, '82, is a member of the New Hampshire State Legislature.

Harvey Waterman Thayer, '95, has left his teaching position in Brooklyn, to take up an appointment as Instructor in German at the College of the City of New York. This makes four Theta Delts at present on the C. C. N. Y. teaching staff.

Arthur Stetson, '95, who has been in government work in Porto Rico, is now practicing Law in Bath, Maine.

Harvey Gibson, '02, is with the American Express Co. in Montreal.

Edward F. Moody, '03, is with the Simplex Electrical Co., in Cambridge, Mass.

George B. Gould, '00, is engaged to Miss Grace Hubbard, of Brunswick, Maine. He is teaching at Lawrence Academy, Groton, Mass.

E. Farrington Abbot, '03, is engaged to Miss Mollie Dana, of Westbrook, Maine, whose brother, Luther Dana, '03, was Abbot's room mate during the four years of their college course.

H. K. McCann, '02, has assumed the business management of the SHIELD. He is living at Elizabeth, N. J., and has charge of the contract department of the New York Telephone Company at 14 Dey Street, New York City.

H. S. Palmer, '04, is also living at Elizabeth, N. J., and is in the em-

ploy of the New York Telephone Company. He is assisting Brother McCann in the management of the SHIELD.

ETA DEUTERON

W. G. Schulte, '03, is instructor in chemistry in the medical department of the University of Colorado, at Boulder, Col. Brother Ramalay, Gamma Deuteron, '95, is Professor of Biology in the same institution.

IOTA

Maxwell A. Kilvert, '89, is a widely known business man of Mexico City. He is connected with "La Compania Agricola Industrial Colonizadora Limitada del Tlahualilo." This company, under his management has been one of the most profitable plantation companies of foreign capitalization in the Republic.

W. F. Garcelon, '95, a well-known Harvard athlete, was recently appointed as the first incumbent of the newly created office of graduate coach for track athletics. He is to do special work with the hurdlers.

James Harrington, '99, who is now studying medicine at Columbia, has been playing hockey with the Columbia team.

Brother S. R. Wrightington, '97, is editor of the *Green Bag*, a prominent law journal. Brother Wyman, '97, has contributed several articles to it.

Melville T. Nichols, '01, and Russel D. Crane, '00, are councilmen of Haverhill and Cambridge, respectively. They recently visited Zeta Deuteron and report a most royal good time.

IOTA DEUTERON

Lieut. Paul M. Goodrich, '94, of the Ninth U. S. Infantry, has been transferred to Sackett's Harbor, New York. Six of the seven members of the Iota Deuteron, '94, delegation were back in Williamstown last June for the decennial reunion of the class: Brothers Lee, Huntington, Partridge, Sawtelle, Towne and Wright. Brother Sawtelle was drill-master and choragus of the class alumni parade, which vociferously laid claim to being an unusually joyful occasion.

John N. Peck, '95, made his entry into Boston politics last fall as a candidate for a Republican nomination for the Common Council from Ward Ten. Brother Peck is practicing law at 119 Mills Street, and is assistant counsel for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

Clarence J. Russell, '96, has been appointed assistant principal of the high school at Pittsfield, Mass., where he has been teaching since graduation.

Lawrence A. Hankins, '97, is with the General Electric Company at Schenectady, N. Y. Brother Hankins has recently recovered from an operation for appendicitis.

Harry C. Taylor, '99, is living at 499 Columbus Avenue, Boston.

Russell C. Gibbs, '00, is receiving teller of the Atlantic National Bank, Kilby Street, Boston.

Abram Toller, '04, is at the Harvard Law School.

KAPPA

Prof. William Leslie Hooper, '77, head of the department of electrical engineering, has secured leave of absence for the remainder of the year. He has been requested by Dr. F. S. Pearson, the distinguished electrical engineer, to investigate the problem of the protection of high voltage transmission lines from the effects of lightning. In addition to examining all available literature on the subject it will be necessary for him to visit most of the high voltage and long distance lines in this country, and perhaps a few of those in Europe.

This problem which Professor Hooper is to investigate is a very important one, and is worthy of all the study which it can receive. Up to the present time it has not progressed beyond the experimental stage and the danger from lightning in high voltage transmission lines is very great indeed, as they are damaged often to a great extent. Professor Hooper will probably return to his work at Tufts next year.

Harold B. Fobes, '95, has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Maine Alumni Association of Tufts College.

Guy C. Pierce, '96, is in Muncie, Ind., as the business manager of the *Muncie Star*.

George R. Kempton, '00. Brother Kempton's wife, Markella Pomeroy Kempton, died suddenly of heart trouble while on a visit to her family in Port Alleghany, Pa. Brother Kempton's marriage took place only last June, so the circumstances of the death are particularly sad. The Kappa Charge and the Fraternity at large unite in their condolences for Brother Kempton's bereavement.

Arthur M. Boutelle, '01, is teaching at Baldwinville, Mass.

Ernest C. Witham, '04, has recently contributed several articles to the *Medical World*. Brother Witham is now principal of the John A. Andrews School, South Windham, Me.

LAMBDA

Orrison Swett Marden, '97, has published a book for children, "The Making of a Man," which includes twenty-one of his talks which originally appeared in *Success*.

Professor Charles J. Bullock, '89, was one of the speakers at a smoker-discussion of the Economic Club at Pierce Hall in Boston, January 25, on "The Open vs. the Closed Shop."

George Hazelton Spencer, '90, is pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Everett, Mass.

Francis E. Hemenway, '01, after spending the summer and fall with his family in Worcester, Mass., has returned to his post as teacher and superintendent in the Philippines, where he has won especial recognition for efficient service during the last three years.

George P. Wilder, '02, is in the government service at Island Pond, Vt.

George L. Bradley, '02, is finding a profitable field in and about Boston for his work as a general agent for the Underwood and Underwood Ste-nographer Co.

MU DEUTERON

Robert L. Woodworth, '91, instructor in psychology at Columbia University, has been advanced to an adjunct professorship.

Frederick Stuart Crawford, '97, was recently made the father of a nine pound boy—Sidney Peak Crawford.

Fred L. Thompson, '04, and J. Frank Kane, '04, are members of the Council of Camp Talopa, Prospect Hill, Loon Lake, Freedom, N. H. Brother John B. Whitney, Xi, '04, is also associated with them. The camp is under the management of Brother Frank E. Bognes, Mu Deuteron, '00.

NU DEUTERON

Horace A. Luckenbach, '86, is a prominent business man of Bethlehem, Pa.

Jas. E. Cochran, '91, is meeting with great success in business in Chicago. His address is Stock Exchange, Chicago, Ill.

Harry M. Ullman, '95, has been appointed assistant professor in the Department of Chemistry at Lehigh University.

Jno. S. Deans, '97, is chief engineer of The Phoenix Bridge Company, Phoenixville, Pa.

Al. Glancy, '03, and John R. Reigart, '03, are holding responsible positions with the Cleveland Cliffs Iron Company, Ishpenning, Mich.

Jesse W. Underwood, '04, is with The Public Service Corporation of New Jersey at Jersey City, N. J.

Louis E. Farabaugh, '04, is with the Latrobe Steel and Copper Company, Maywood, Ill.

Richard S. Learning, '05, is studying civil engineering at Princeton.

B. C. McClure, '06, is working with Brother Murphy, '01, in New York City.

XI

Rev. Alexander Mann, '81, at present rector of Grace Episcopal Church of Orange, N. J., has received a very flattering call to Trinity Church, Boston, Mass., best remembered as the former charge of Bishop Phillips Brooks. Brother Mann is so impressed with the weight of the duties of such a charge that he has taken the call under very serious advisement. He has gone to Boston with the purpose of seeing the field, and, while there, has been entertained generously. The philanthropic work on the field of Trinity Church forms in itself an extensive institution.

Later advices tell of the acceptance of the call by Brother Mann.

E. J. Cook, '05, was recently elected president of the Geneva Historical Society.

Dr. J. B. Covert, '98, entered the practice of medicine the first of the year.

Frederick D. Whitwell, '98, has been elected president of the Ontario County S. P. C. A.

OMICRON

Carl Laux, Jr., '62, is president of the Inn Drug Co., of Los Angeles, Cal., a large and prosperous corporation with very handsome stores in various parts of California. He retains a deep and abiding interest in the Fraternity and was recently elected vice-president of the Graduate Association of Southern California. At its last meeting on March 18th, 1905, he made some remarkably interesting remarks concerning his life as a college undergraduate.

OMICRON DEUTERON

Homer A. Flint, '95. In a recent letter to the SHIELD, Brother Flint writes from Alleghany, Pa.: "I would like to become more identified with THETA DELTA CHI, especially since I have learned the value of its friendships and associations in the Graduate Chapter here. We have a lot of mighty nice fellows in and around Pittsburg." Brother Flint is Archdeacon of Pittsburg; he was initiated in 1891, but left college in his first year, studying at St. Stephen's College, New York University, and General Theological Seminary, New York. He was ordained to the ministry in 1900, and since then has occupied charges in and about Pittsburg. He was married in 1900, and has one son, Frank Plumley Flint.

PI

Alvaro F. Gibbens, '60. Here is one who is blessed in an intimacy with the most gleeful of the muses. Brother Gibbens understands the graceful art of poetry and not infrequently exercises it to sing the glory of his Fraternity.

"Thy charms are the theme of a Poet's glad song,
Our harps, like our tongues, to thy praises belong,
Till even the angels in echoes prolong.
Oh, Chi Delta Theta, our hearts you have won;
Than thee none as fair, or so true 'neath the sun."

In such-like strain has the muse-favored brother several times celebrated the joys and strength of our union. Attention has been lately called to a poem by Brother Gibbens, delivered before the Sigma Charge at their "regular convocation held Wednesday, June 27th, 1866" and published at the request of the Charge in pamphlet form. This poem is nearly five hundred words long and doubtless enhanced and dignified the occasion on which it was delivered. Under date 1860 we find three short poems from his pen entitled *Theta Banquet Opening*, *Parting Song of Theta Delta Chi*, *Our Chi Delta Theta*. At the installation banquet of the Chi Deuteron Charge, this brother entertained those present with an eloquent oration on *The New Charge* and in closing "inflicted a few verses" headed *The Apollo Conceit*, ascribing to Theta Delta Chi a pseudo-mythological origin in a decree of the ruler of Olympus.

Rev. David Gregg, '65, is joint author with Hon. W. W. Goodrich and Dr. Sidney H. Carney, Jr., of a new book entitled "Makers of the American Republic."

Cassius C. Roberts, '71. The following biographical sketch of Brother Roberts is taken from a recent issue of the *Lewiston (Me.) Journal*:

One of Dr. Jacob Roberts' grandsons is Capt. Cassius Clay Roberts, born in Jackson, Me., March 5, 1845. He enlisted in the First Maine Infantry, but was rejected on account of his age. He served in the Tenth Maine, and was wounded in the battle of Cedar Mountain. He was at Port Hudson as an officer in command of a colored company; served from December 4, 1863, to September 11, 1865, in the Maine Heavy Artillery, and was wounded at Spottsylvania Court House; was mustered out with the rank of captain by brevet for meritorious service. After the war he graduated at Bethany College, West Virginia. Was political reporter and correspondent for the *Boston Globe* from 1878 to 1882. He was in various business enterprises in Stockton, Me., Boston, Mass., and Chicago, Ill. Was editor of a syndicate of papers in Chicago till a short time ago, but is now in the post office in that city. In Chicago he has made his home for many years. Captain Roberts was a prominent politician in Waldo county, and has served with distinction in both branches of the Maine Legislature. He is soon to give to the press his reminiscences while a Maine politician. That his sketches will be eagerly read goes without saying.

PI DEUTERON

A. E. Wupperman, '91, is interested in the R. D. Cortina Academy of Languages, 44 West 34th St., New York.

Washington L. Jaques, '93, acted as toastmaster at the Hotel Men's Association banquet, which was held in New York on January 12.

Rudolf Tombo, Jr., '95, Rho Deuteron '98, has just completed a series of five lectures for the New York Department of Education on Lessing, Schiller, Goethe and Heine. The March issue of the *Columbia University Quarterly* contains an article by Brother Tombo on "The Recent Growth of Columbia College."

A. A. Wright, '96, is back from Chicago, and is again a welcome permanent fixture in New York.

Carl Tombo, '97, Rho Deuteron, '02, has been made Assistant Engineer of the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad, Grand Central Station, New York. Brother Carl was recently elected to Sigma Xi, the scientific honor society.

Mortimer Foster, '98, some months ago became the father of a second daughter, Alice. We're late in reporting it, but it's history, and so here it is.

Ernest E. Schmid, '99, was home for the holidays. Both coming and going he hopped off at Rochester, and great love-feasts with the Chi boys were pulled off. He is located at 61 Perin Bldg., Cincinnati, O.

Dean Stratton, '99, passed the holidays at home. Early in January he left for Saranac.

RHO DEUTERON

Halbert P. Gillette, '92, is Associate Editor of the Engineering News Publishing Co., 220 Broadway, New York.

E. H. Jewett, '93, is with the *Woman's Home Companion*, Chicago, Ill., having severed his connection with the *Cosmopolitan Magazine*.

Paul MacGahan, '96, recently made several gifts of apparatus to the Department of Electrical Engineering, Columbia University.

William C. Uhlig, '96, who took his Ph.D. last June, has been appointed assistant in chemistry at Columbia University.

Wm. Ottmann, '98, is with the J. Ottmann Lithographing Company, Puck Building, New York.

Frank Secor Dickerson, '99, has taken the position of treasurer of the American Knitting Mills Company, of 104 Franklin Street, New York.

Edward Van Winkle, '00, is still the proudest parent known to history. Miss Sama Gertrude, *aet.* eight months, could do patti-cake" long before THE SHIELD went to press.

J. Boyce Smith, Jr., '01, will receive the degree of Master of Laws from Columbia University at the approaching commencement. He is still practicing his profession in the office of Hatch, Keener and Clute, American Surety Building, 100 Broadway, New York City.

Harold Dickerson, '02, has announced his engagement to Miss L. Hommedien of Great Neck, L. I.

Harrison Ross Steeves, '03, announces his engagement to Miss Jessie Hurd, of Syracuse, N. Y.

A. Roy Camp, '04, Henry de Forrest Sergeant, '04, and William Van Voorhees Stephens, '05, are with the New York Telephone Company, 30 Gold Street, New York.

George Bradley, '05, is with Bartlett, Hayward & Co., Engineers and Founders, Baltimore, Md. Brother Bradley is engaged to Miss Grace A. Williams of Newark, N. J.

Whitney Eckert, '05, who left College this year, is in business with the engraving firm of his father. He resides at Strawberry Hill, Stamford, Conn.

James Woolley, '06, who was compelled to leave College at the close of his Freshman year, is engaged in the study of law. His address is 166 Clerk St., Jersey City, N. J.

SIGMA DEUTERON

W. G. Hartwell, '95, writes from Ferrell, Idaho. "I am nestled in the Poren d'Alene mountains with the finest of trout streams at my very feet; less than a hundred miles from Spokane, the means of transportation of all but about 30 miles of the distance being by boat on lake and river.

"When you or Brother Tombo, or any of the brothers, are on the way to the Lewis and Clark Exposition at Portland, Oregon, this summer, just stop off at Spokane and run up and see me and I believe the trip up Clin St. Joi river will be worth while whether aught else is or not."

TAU DEUTERON

W. W. Bardwell, '92, is again a Representative in the House of Representatives of the Minnesota Legislature.

John Dahl, '94, has been elected Assistant County Attorney for Hennepin County, Minn., on the Republican ticket.

Wendell Hertig, '95, was elected alderman in Minneapolis last fall.

Fred E. Andrews, '02, has left the sunny south, and is now with the Mercer & Ferndon Lumber Co., at Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Melville Bachellor, '03, has but recently accepted a position with the *Journal*, the leading paper of Minneapolis. He was formerly on the staff of the *Tribune*.

UPSILON DEUTERON

Henry Lane Wilson, '79, Minister to Chili, will be transferred to Brussels as United States Minister to Belgium.

PHI

Rev. A. E. Keigwin, '91, has begun the pastorate of the West End Presbyterian Church, New York, one of the largest Presbyterian churches in the city.

William Jones, '92, was recently presented with twins.

George Honness, '93, is engaged at present in the foundation work of a two million dollar dam, at Croton Falls, N. Y., which will store water for New York City. When this work is finished the reservoir will flood the home of another Theta Delt, Arthur Clift, Mu Deuteron, '95. Brother Honness is the proud father of two children. His residence is Pawling, N. Y.

At the Hotel Astor, July 3rd, the New York Lafayette Alumni Association held its annual dinner. Theta Delta Chi was represented by Dr. E. C. Chamberlain, '93, Alvin Markle, '82, Chas. Marvin, '78, I. Pardee, '74, H. Warbasse, '00, Geo. Honness, '93, D. L. Emanuel, '87, Wayne Dumonti, '92.

CHI

J. Macbride Sterrett, '67. "The Freedom of Authority," by Rev. J. Macbride Sterrett, D.D., Professor of Philosophy in the George Washington University, is based on the thesis of the concrete freedom of the individual through the bonds of family, state, church, and the various social circles of which he is a member. The individual is always most free when most freely conformed to the authority of these ethical institutions. Ultimately, the book holds that God's service is perfect freedom. The Macmillan Company will issue Dr. Sterrett's book in May.

Willis S. Paine, '68, was the guest of honor at the banquet of the Southwestern Graduate Association. The *Business World* for March contains an address on "Postal Savings Banks" delivered by Brother Paine before the Convention of the American Banker's Association in New York the past winter. He has just published, through "The Financier" Company, a volume entitled "Failed Savings Banks," in which he makes an analytical study of the causes of failure of such institutions, with many illuminating statistics and recommendations for making banks for savings really safe.

He also had a paper in criticism of loose banking methods, with practi-

cal suggestions for their reform, in the New York Times Annual Financial Review. The following extract in deification of system is worth letting "sink in," and is capable of a broader application than to banking alone. It might with a little substitution of words be made to apply with qualifications to Fraternity.

"That banking exacts system is axiomatic. Unsystematic banking is not only a paradox, it is a contradiction in terms. System economizes time, excites invention, expands energy, concentrates power, and accelerates results. Without system, determination weakens, purpose crumbles, failure is sure. Subtract system from banking and nothing is left. In banking there is no middle ground between order and confusion, between system and chaos, and system applied to banking should not only make it easy for the manager to have the condition of his bank constantly before him, but it should render fraud or undiscoverable error well-nigh impossible."

F. E. Winter, '04, is working in the Chicago stock-yards.

CHI DEUTERON

J. Henry Altschu, '99, is working up a fine law practice in St. Louis, Mo. He was home at Christmas.

Will Sterrett, '00, is with the Bureau of Forestry and is at present engaged on woodcock work in Maryland.

Douglas Sterrett, '02, has received an appointment in the U. S. Geological Survey.

J. E. Lamb, '04, is studying illustrating at the Corcoran Art Gallery with a great deal of success.

Van A. Potter, '04, is rapidly taking the lead in musical lines in Muscogee, I. T.

Lewellyn Powell, '04, has passed the Virginia Medical State Board examination and has been granted a license to practise.

LeRoy Swindell, '04, is matriculated at the University College of Medicine, Richmond, Va., where he is in serious danger of injuring his health by over-work, *so he says*.

PSI

Asa Gardner Benedict, '72, in an interesting letter of late date points to the possession of a Theta Delt family tree that seems to surpass in profuseness of foliage any record that has yet come to light. All the connections are also members of the Psi Charge alone. Here it is:

Cousins	{	Erwin C. Hull, '69.	Son—W. A. Hull, '08.
		A. G. Benedict, '72.	Son—H. W. Benedict, '06. Son-in-law—E. J. Humeston, '99.
	}		Nephews {
			F. G. Perine, '81.
			R. B. Perine, '90. G. W. Benedict, '08.
	John H. Pardee, '89. Eugene H. Northrup, '91.		

S. Fred Nixon, '81, breaks a local record by re-election for the seventh time as Speaker of the Assembly for the New York State Legislature.

C. N. Kendall, '82, contributes an article, "Scholarship as a Qualification of the High School Teacher," to the March number of the *Educator-Journal*.

S. E. Edgerton, '04, is with *El Heraldo de Cananea*, at Cananea, Sonora, Mexico.

Olin G. A. Baker, M.D., '95, has left Pittsburg to renew the practice of his profession in Johnstown, Pa., (300 Lincoln Building) where he is confining his practice to diseases of the eye.

Marriages

ZETA

Robert Stephen Emerson, '97, was married on February 7th, 1905, to Miss Marian Butterworth, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Butterworth, of this city. The wedding was held in the First Congregational Church, Rev. A. M. Lord performing the ceremony. A host of friends of the couple were present, making it one of the society events of the year. Brother Emerson is a rising young lawyer of the Rhode Island Bar, and was recently elected Clerk of the Tenth District Court, situated at Pawtucket, R. I. He is a prominent worker for Theta Delta Chi, in this vicinity, and is a member of the Executive Committee of the Rhode Island Alumni Association.

THETA

Rev. William Russell McKim, '94, Dean of Christ Cathedral, Salina, Kansas, was united in matrimony on February 23rd, to Miss Sarah E. Wheeler, of Little Falls, N. Y. Because of Miss Wheeler's recent serious illness the only guests were the immediate relatives and the intimate friends of the family. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Charles Rasay.

On the evening of February 21st, in St. Pauls Church, Marion, Ohio, occurred the wedding of Brother Earle R. Wilson, '96, to Miss Estelle Lucile Kegler, of Marion. Brother Louis E. Durr, Theta '92, was the officiating clergyman, and Brother Joseph J. McAdoo, Theta '96, acted as Brother Wilson's best man.

IOTA DEUTERON

John P. Huntington, '94, was married September 19, 1904, to Miss Julia Bradlee Weld at Hingham, Mass. The ceremony was performed by Rev. George Weld, a brother of the bride. Olcott O. Partridge, '94, was best man, and Charles M. Davenport, '01, was one of the ushers. Brother and Mrs. Huntington are living at 1 Rockwell Terrace, Norwich, Conn., where Brother Huntington is engaged in the practice of law.

Rev. Gavin H. Wright, '94, and Miss Bertha Gleason, of Worcester, were married at Worcester, Mass., last June. Brother Wright attended his

class decennial class reunion at Williams on his wedding trip. He is minister of a Congregational church at Fairfield, Nebraska.

Dr. W. P. Millspaugh, '95, and Miss Leila Cobban, of Montreal, Can., were married November 21st, 1904, at Pasadena, Cal. The ceremony, which took place at the home of Brother Richard P. Ward, '95, was performed by the Rev. J. J. Wilkins, D.D., Dean of St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral, of Los Angeles, and was witnessed only by relatives and a few very intimate friends. Dr. and Mrs. Millspaugh will make their home at 701 Kensington Road, Los Angeles, Cal.

NU DEUTERON

J. W. Grace, Jr., '99, was married February 27th, to Miss Clamie Lockwood at the home of the bride, 615 Hudson Street, Hoboken, N. J. The groom's brother, Eugene G. Grace, '99, acted as best man. Other Theta Delts present were Joe Freund, '01, Edward T. Murphy, '01, Jess Underwood, '04, B. C. McClure, '06, and Roy Grace, '07.

On December 28, 1904, E. T. Murphy, '01, was married to Miss M. E. Weiss at the home of the bride in Los Angeles, Cal. Miss Weiss was formerly a resident of Bethlehem. Mr. and Mrs. Murphy will live in New York City, where Mr. Murphy is engaged in the sales department of the Buffalo Forge Company.

XI

Rathbone A. Knox, '06, was married on February 7th to Miss Lucy Hay Butler of Coudersport, Pa. They will make their home in that place.

PI DEUTERON

Charles P. Schmid, Jr., '97, was married to Miss Florence M. Trautmann at the home of her family, 118 West 85th Street, New York, on the evening of March 23rd. The ceremony was performed by Brother Lawrence T. Cole, Gamma D., '92, the President of the Fraternity. Brother Schmid's marriage established a precedent, he being the first member of the Fraternity ever married by its President.

The wedding was smaller and more informal than had been originally planned, owing to the recent death of the bride's father. It was a thoroughly Theta Delt one, however, the ceremony being performed under a bower of red carnations from which a shield plaque was suspended. The decorations were red carnations throughout. The bride wore a gown of white liberty satin trimmed with old lace, and veil and orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of lilies of the valley and orange blossoms. There were no ushers or bridesmaids. The best man was the groom's brother, Ernest E. Schmid, '99, and the maid of honor, Miss Josephine M. Stadler, whose bouquet was of red carnations. Other Theta Delts present were Robert M. Schmid, '02, Carl Tombo and Chas. E. Morrison, '97, Charles R. Neidlinger, '99, Leslie C. Shattuck, '98, Frederic Carter, Epsilon Deuteron, '91, and William C. Dooris, Xi, '04. The Lohengrin Wedding March was sung by a quartette of friends of the bride and groom of which Leslie Shattuck was the basso.

Brother Schmid reports meeting Col. William L. Stone, Zeta, '57, and Mrs. Stone on the train to Washington. The former in introducing the "newly-weds" to his wife greatly disconcerted the bridal couple by his well-intended and distinctly audible felicitations. Brother Schmid says it's hard enough to simulate on the Congressional Limited without being announced.

At Washington Brother and Mrs. Schmid were received by President Roosevelt, who is a friend of the bride's family. They were also very cordially received at the Cuban Legation by Brother and Mrs. G. de Quesada, Pi D., '88. After a sojourn at Atlantic City Brother Schmid and his bride returned to their new home in the St. Regiscourt, 557 West 124th Street, New York City, where Theta Delts will always find a hearty welcome.

Necrology

ALPHA

Edward Valencourt Deuell, '61, aged sixty-five, a prominent citizen, and owner and manager of the Hotel Carlsbad, dropped dead in the Supreme Court Chambers, Town Hall building, Saratoga, on January 20th. Before Justice Henry T. Kellogg of Plattsburg the cause of Dr. R. H. McCarty against the Carbonic Acid Gas Company of Saratoga Springs and New York City was on trial. Dr. Deuell occupied the witness stand and was giving expert testimony. Apparently he was in the enjoyment of his usual health and was rapidly answering questions of counsel, when suddenly his head dropped to one side, and he expired immediately. Rupture of the heart is given as the cause.

Brother Deuell was a native of Malta, Saratoga county, and was educated at Union College. He graduated with the degree of M.D. from the University of Louisville, Ky., 1863. In that year he was appointed assistant surgeon in Gen. Steele's division, and at the capture of Little Rock, Ark., was placed in charge of the general army hospital. He was then appointed surgeon in chief of the District of Arkansas and filled that post until 1869. Retiring from the army, he practised his profession in Little Rock until 1889, when he came to this place, which became his permanent home. Brother Deuell was an especially intimate friend of Brother Clarence T. Jenkins, Alpha, '60, Brother Winsoe B. French, Kappa, '59, and Brother William L. Stone, Zeta, '57.

DELTA

Eugene Vanderpool, '66. Belated news has reached THE SHIELD of the death of Brother Vanderpool on July 12th, 1903.

EPSILON

W. Talcot Walke, '55, died on March 4th, in Norfolk, Va. He was a prominent member of the mother chapter—The Alpha of Virginia—of Phi Beta Kappa.

KAPPA

President Elmer Hewitt Capen, '60, of Tuft's College, entered the portals of Omega on March 22nd. Brother Capen was attacked seriously by pneumonia on March 17th, and after weakness of the heart had developed, he speedily sunk, until his death. Public funeral services were held in Goddard Chapel, Tuft's College, on March 25th, at which many distinguished friends and colleagues were present, including the Governor of the Commonwealth and representatives of many educational institutions. An account of Brother Capen's life and work will appear in the next number of *THE SHIELD*.



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Beguine; while swings in space the pendent globe
Friendship must live! Ah may its impulse high
Still guide and guard the Theta Delta Chi.

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