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For while the eternal stars night's purple robe  
Begem; 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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## THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

Every age, or every cycle, at least, has had its Epicureans and its disciples of good fellowship. The joys of living are not a recent discovery. But, the world grows more intense as the ages roll on, and certainly no one can justly accuse this age of listlessness. Certainly also it were heresy to suggest that in this age there are those who better know the art of mingling in happy company than we of the Theta Delta Chi. "Old Fate's" Delphic "You can't beat us feelin' good" is giving the present open motto "spectemur agendo" a hard run. The spirit of Theta Delta Chi is an intensity of intensities, and the spirit of Theta Delta Chi is at no time so free and exuberant as at the Annual Convention which this year was held in the "town" of Boston February 22-25.

One of the secrets of the charm of Convention is its rich variety. All the deities are successively invoked. Minerva reigns over the business sessions; Venus smiles upon the theater party; and a classic but austere minded brother suggested that Comus should be named as tutelary divinity of the Iota smoker. Before assenting, however, we went to the wise precaution of investigating the accepted character and proclivities of this candidate and learned from the encyclopaedia that he was "in the latter Greek mythology a god of revelry, feasting and nocturnal entertainments, generally represented as the drunken youth." Of course we could not allow that this heathen deity held full sway over the festivity in question, but nocturnal song, feasting and revelry were rampant there, and also at the most stately banquet. In contrast with these was the memorial service, our most beauti-



EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION—On the Steps of the State House, Boston, February 24, 1906



Boston, February 24, 1906

ful institution, in the inauguration and cherishing of which Theta Delta Chi is we believe entitled to distinction among fraternities. This was held Sunday afternoon, and fittingly brought to its formal close one of the most satisfactory conventions of our history. Within these extremes were other opportunities for many pleasant forms of comradeship and fraternal intercourse.

Convention headquarters, as in 1903, were at the Hotel Bellevue, on Beacon street, a few hundred feet from the state house, and for convenience of location for our purposes and completeness of comfort, service and appointment it could not have been surpassed. It is in a most central part of Boston, and Lorimer Hall, in the Tremont Temple, where the business sessions were held, is distant only about two minutes' walk. The convention photograph was taken at noon on Saturday, the 24th, on the steps of the nearby state house, and the proximity of that historic haunt of codfish officialdom made it easy for certain brothers to pay their respects to the suave and genial Governor Guild and the grave and courteous Attorney General. A self-appointed committee of two obtained an audience with the head of the commonwealth and tendered the greetings of Theta Delta Chi, in convention assembled. For further particulars of this unsanctioned ceremony consult Brother Walter Bryant who, with his companion, was much impressed by the kindness and consideration of the Governor as evidenced by the desire he expressed after having shaken hands, "not to detain the gentlemen," and much impressed also by the many associations of the building and its property with the past of the great commonwealth and nation, and the wholesome and patriotic atmosphere of the place. Boston furnishes great opportunities for pleasant side excursions, of which there were doubtless many by individuals or small groups to bridge the brief hiatus between the program numbers. Of course a convention is a man's affair but in token of their unselfishness and breadth the committee so far compromised with the inveterate fusser, and thoughtful son and brother as to allow them to bring their frail relatives or honored fair to the opening session, theatre party and memorial

service. Brother "Shorty" Parsons, however, barred the banquet revels from gentle eyes, for reasons best known to himself, but claimed to be known by ex-Prexy Tombo, in his postprandial fusillade. Fascinating woman did not grace the Kappa reception but some of us know that she was hovering in the neighborhood and that the Columbia delegation had quite a skirmish to prevent the capture of one of their number. We congratulate "Tom" on his fortunate and timely escape from her chariot.

The Theatre Party was attended by two hundred and sixty, and the banquet by three hundred and thirty; and the latter number is probably the greatest gathering at any one time during the convention period. But it is safe to say that five or six hundred different brothers were present at some one or other of the proceedings. The Convention register contains — names.

The choice of the Convention for head of the Fifty-ninth Grand Lodge is Rev. George L. Spencer, Lambda 90, Brother Cole being obliged to renounce the work by reason of delicate health and press of other duties. The business, which furnishes the occasion for our Conventions, was this year, as always, transacted with wisdom, orderliness and dispatch, and with harmonious results. Under its appropriate head each phase of Convention activity is briefly treated below, but it would be a gross omission to submit an account of the "doings" without reference to the auspicious conditions of sky and temperature which prevailed throughout. Nature now and then favors mortal man with a sample of her "best" in the line of jubilant weather and (through the intervention of the committee) she was induced to select February 22, 23 and 24 for show purposes.

## THE OPENING SESSION.

It was a veritable spring day which greeted the Theta Delts assembled for the Fifty-eighth Annual Convention, when they arose on the morning of Washington's Birthday. The storm of the evening before had passed away, and all nature seemed to smile upon Boston,—that Mecca of Greek letter society men.

At 10:30 a. m., Theta Delts from North, South, East and West, were seen flocking toward Lorimer Hall, in the Tremont Temple, where the Open Session was to start the ball a-rolling, and where all the business of the Convention was transacted. In this throng too were visible many of the fair sex, glad to avail themselves of this opportunity to get at least a glimpse of the proceedings of a national fraternity convention, and occupying with their escorts considerable space in the galleries.

The Rev. Lawrence T. Cole, Gamma Deuteron 92, President of the Grand Lodge, presided and opened the proceedings, speaking in brief as follows:

"Brothers in Theta Delta Chi, Ladies and Gentlemen:—Another year of our fraternity life has passed, and while time has worked perhaps no outward changes, the year has been one of great importance to us.

Here at Convention, the younger brothers gain an idea of what a great organization this Fraternity is: the older brothers come here to renew what must be to them the most cherished recollections of their youth, and to rekindle the old flames of friendship. It brings forcibly to their minds the fact that this is not such a hard world after all and that there is room in it for the deepest and truest feelings of one's nature.

The fraternity fulfils to a large extent our desires to come together for social enjoyment and hence develops the social side of our nature.

The element of secrecy is instinctive and finds expression from our earliest childhood, there is a craving for a society not to be shared with the whole world, an institution with an idea and an ideal. The spread of such organizations everywhere has shown the influence of this trait in human character.

I am here this morning to act as guide and to introduce those men to whom we are privileged to listen. I take pleasure in presenting to you William M. Olin, Secretary of State of Massachusetts."

Secretary of State Olin spoke in part as follows:

"The Governor was unable to be present today, the Lieutenant Governor had other engagements, and so the pleasant duty of welcoming you to the city of Boston, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts fell to my lot. So I welcome you in the name of the Commonwealth, and in behalf of the Mayor of the city.

It is true that you are a Greek letter fraternity, and the saying is that Boston is governed by "Turks," but it is well governed, and we are proud to hold our heads as high as the citizens of any other city.

I know you will enjoy all our institutions in Boston, both of learning and amusement. You will find innumerable points of interest here—they are worthy of more than casual observance.

Once more let me welcome you to the city. I trust that you will find an opportunity to visit the State-house before you leave, and I wish you all success during your convention."

Frederick W. Hamilton, Kappa 80, Acting President of Tufts College, who next addressed the Convention, said in part:

"I think we have been especially wise in never trying to be a big fraternity numerically. We have striven to be a great fraternity, and thank God we have accomplished our object.

"There has been a sweeping change in the attitude of all college faculties towards fraternities during the 29 years in which I have been a member of Theta Delta Chi. When I first entered the Fraternity, there were but very few institutions in which the head was in favor of the Greek movement, and the change of relation towards them was largely the result of the stand taken by our beloved Brother Capen in favor of them. The attitude today is most encouraging at practically all colleges. The faculties see the value of the fraternities, and many, I believe, see the superior value of our own. I am not saying this merely to please the company assembled here, but because it is my firm conviction.

"This fraternity stands on the basis of "Character," and we have not minded a man's exterior attractions; mere prominence in athletics, scholarship, or society, never being the criterion by which we judged a student. We have asked what his character was, and if this was high enough, we have taken him and endeavored to develop the traits of leadership. Faculties know us for our worth.

"In a college community, the student leaders are almost always fraternity men, and the possession of such men is what has given the fraternities their standing.

At the conclusion of the singing of "Come My Boys," William F. Garcelon, Iota 95, the athletic trainer of Harvard teams, was introduced and spoke in brief as follows:

"Brother Wrightington has drafted me into this service—why, I don't know; for I have neither been in the Civil War, nor do I write any 'D.D.'s' after my name. I merely want to welcome you here in the name of the boys. I trust you will carry the recollections of this Convention back with you, and impart them to your sons twenty years from now.

"It is a splendid thing to mix up with all the men who have assembled here and to mingle with fellows from all over the country. As a result of such a meeting you can feel at perfect ease when dropping in to visit the various Charges scattered over our country, and you will find later in life that it has been a great experience in a business way.

"At Cambridge, where I naturally know more of the conditions that prevail, I can see the Theta Delt spirit growing stronger, and I know Iota Charge is a credit to the Fraternity. A special thing that I have noticed at the Harvard Charge, is the fraternity spirit which pulls back a man who is wandering from the right track. Such a spirit pursued in all the Charges is certainly doing the utmost good, for if a man gets an ambition in college to be and do something, he is securing more than all the books in the world can give him.

"My mission is merely one of welcome, I hope you will make all the acquaintances possible, and enjoy yourself every moment here in the city of Boston. It is said Boston has a cold East wind, but I am sure that this week it will be so tempered with the warm spirit of Theta Delta Chi, that you will go away with only the pleasantest of memories."

In the midst of an ovation, Rudolf Tombo, Jr., Pi Deuteron 95, last year's President of the Grand Lodge, was called to the platform and delivered one of his fervent, heart-felt Theta Delt talks which have made him so well known throughout the fraternity.

"Rudie" spoke in a humorous vein, giving some of his witty sallies, answered the cracks Brother Garcelon had included in

his speech, at the city of New York, and then becoming serious spoke in brief as follows:

"The three years which I served as President of the Grand Lodge, I count as three of the pleasantest years of my life, for I was made to feel at all times that every Theta Delt in all the Charges was backing me up, and I hope the same condition of affairs will continue with your new president.

"As long as I live I shall never forget the warm greeting you have given me. God bless Theta Delta Chi, and everyone of you."

The Open Session was then brought to a close with a few well chosen words by President Lawrence T. Cole, the Brothers adjourned until the afternoon first business session.

## IOTA SMOKER

The Iota Smoker was held on Thursday, February twenty-second, at eight o'clock, in the Charge House on Dunster Street. Despite the many attractions of Boston a lot of Theta Delt managed to make their way out to Cambridge. There were in fact, nearly two hundred and fifty brothers in attendance during the evening, representing every Charge in the Fraternity. Next to Iota, whose delegation was naturally very large, the record was made by Kappa, sending twenty-six brothers. Seventeen came from Eta and from Omicron Deuteron. Zeta and Mu Deuteron, too, were well represented with fifteen and twelve brothers respectively. Every Charge in fact was there in force, even the boys from Delta Deuteron and Eta Deuteron and the other distant Charges being in evidence, strong as any, if not in numbers, at least in spirit.

As there was plenty to eat, drink, smoke and "make merry withal" it was a gay bunch and every one made the best of it. The Charges cheered each other until the house fairly trembled and vied with one another in showing how hearty is the grip of a Theta Delt. President Cole, Brothers Tombo, Fosdick, Brown, Leach and many other graduates, whom we all know, mixed in with the younger men and showed that although no longer in College they were none the less bully fellows and the best of Theta Delt. The oldest graduates who signed the Register were R. C. Scott and W. W. Danby. There were, however, several other brothers who graduated back in the eighties, and they seemed to enjoy themselves. The hilarity lasted until the last cars left for Boston and everyone had to make a dash for home. The evening was a great success and one that every brother present will remember until it is again Iota's turn to show her hospitality.

## CHARGE LUNCHEONS

Midday of Friday, February 23, after the Second Business Session, was the appointed time for the Charge Luncheons and hungry throngs of Theta Delt scattered over Boston to find the wherewithal to assuage their appetites. Divers and sundry famous restaurants were resorted to, but nowhere was there a jollier, better-pleased crowd than gathered at the Hotel Thorn-dyke on Boylston Street. Here were assembled the representa-tives of the Zeta, Zeta Deuteron, Eta, Eta Deuteron, and Delta Deuteron Charges.

Complete arrangements for the "spread" had been made through the agency of Brother Gilmore, Zeta 01, and Percy Shires, Zeta 06; and under their efficient management the affair turned out a decided success. Thanks are likewise due to H. L. Chapman, Eta 06, for the large attendance he secured for the event from Bowdoin.

Shortly after one o'clock, the halls of the hotel were crowded with a jolly bunch of Theta Delt, who speedily struck up pleasant acquaintanceships with men from the other Charges, whom they had not met. There were men from "Way Down East," men from the "Golden West," and men from the "Cold North," all united in the common bond of friendship that universally follows the giving of the Theta Delt grip.

Luncheon was shortly announced, and the hungry Thetes were almost instantly seated around the small tables, and num-bered as "among those present." The men were well scattered about the private dining hall, seated at small tables, very similar to the later arrangement at the Somerset Banquet. Here a liberal and excellent series of courses was served, until all were glad to cry "Enough."

Lingering over the coffee and cigars many were the bright and interesting stories told; laughter reigned supreme at the

excellent jokes and frequent were the lusty cheers for Charges and Colleges represented.

Finally with slower steps, loath to break up, the merry band dispersed in small groups;—many wending their way to “the College out in Medford,” where the Kappa Reception was the thing of the hour, there to meet other Theta Delts, but none more genial than the ones just left, who had gathered from the farthest corners of the United States.

To those who attended this Luncheon of the Five Charges, it will ever remain one of the cheeriest of remembrances of the 58th Convention.

Those in attendance were:

From Zeta—F. A. Arnold, 97; R. S. Emerson, 97; H. D. C. Hubois, 98; C. H. Gilmore, 01; L. W. Jutten, 04; E. S. Macomber, ex-04; Percy Shires, 06; F. H. Childs, 06; W. P. Burnham, 07; M. S. Curtis, 07; D. W. Robinson, '07; W. K. White, 07; J. G. Canfield, 08; R. W. D. Jones, 08; A. H. Lake, 08; H. M. Pitman, 09; G. F. Strickler, 09, with F. L. Carter, Iota 03, present at the invitation of Zeta.

From Zeta Deuteron—J. J. Lahey, ex-06; R. P. Cowen, 06, and E. R. Parkins, 07.

From Eta—N. R. Webster, 81; G. B. Chandler, 90; John Woodruff, 05; H. P. Chapman, 06; Clarence Rogers, 06; H. G. Tobey, 06; G. C. Soule, 06; J. Waterman, ex-06; C. F. Jenks, 06; H. L. Brown, 07; A. J. Voorhes, 07; P. Shorey, 07; G. Cragie, 07; L. Baldwin, 08; J. A. Davis, 08; H. L. Purington, 08; Ray Kinney, 08; G. Packard, 08; Christopher Toole, ex-08; C. Stone, 09; Kenneth Dresser, 09; and Carl Scates, 09.

From Eta Deuteron—C. A. Ferguson, 06, and W. H. Hoyle, 06.

From Delta Deuteron—E. E. Barker, 06; F. H. Buck, 07, and G. H. Stoddard, ex-08.

This Charge Luncheon, while larger than most others, was typical of the free good-fellowship that reigned at them all. The Pi Deuteron and Rho Deuteron cohorts assembled to repair their strength from the savory viands of the Bellevue kitchen, and

"Prexy" Cole honored their board with his presence. "Rudie" Tombo was present with his chronic oversupply of good spirits and fun-provoking wit, and this company would not yield lightly the palm of vigorous eating, and equally vigorous singing and risible accomplishment to any other. Certainly no other band who dined together that day won so handsome a tribute by its singing and cheering; for just as the merrymakers were dispersing a bellboy mysteriously advanced with a large box and the assurance that it was intended for "you fellers." A little cautious and wondering investigation uncovered a magnificent array of pinks—types of the highest reach of floral art, and in generous quantity—which one of the amused patrons of the restaurant had sent in, on his exit from the florist's over the way "to the Columbia gentlemen."

The Iota Luncheon was held at the Restaurant Marliave. In attendance it was a record-breaker for our charge luncheons, there being forty-five Iota Deuteron brothers present. The French line of food made a hit with the boys and it was called with everybody in at the finish closely bunched. All entered into the spirit of the occasion with the vim of a lumber-jack after the spring drive, and from the time the fellows began to assemble until the last brother made his way with difficulty from this little upper chamber, there was something doing all the time. Without a doubt the refrains of several Theta Delta Chi songs are still ringing in the heads of the "garcons" who belong to the Knights of the Round Table at that particular restaurant. All the married members of the Charge who had been fortunate enough to become the fathers of future Theta Delts during the past year were congratulated by telegrams with the best wishes from the Charge that the good work go on.

The dining room of the State of Maine Club, on Ashburton Place, had been reserved for Lambda's luncheon, and there some fifty enthusiastic Theta Delts gathered at the close of Friday morning's business session. Brother after brother dropped in during the progress of the meal until the room was filled and fresh tables had to be spread. After the tables were cleared and

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the cigars lighted, Brother C. J. Bullock, 89, was installed as toastmaster and soon made it evident that he meant to exercise his authority to the utmost. One after another the brothers told what Theta Delta Chi meant to them, calling up reminiscences of the fraternity as it was in former years, and visions of what it shall be in the years to come.

Brother Spencer received the hearty welcome that is always his at a Theta Delt gathering, and though he protested that his "Strength of the wolf" text had been misappropriated by previous speakers, its loss did not prevent his giving a most practical talk on the growth and spirit of the Fraternity. Plans for the future were discussed; and after songs and cheers that startled those staid residents of Beacon Hill who were going for their usual afternoon nap at the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, the party dispersed—"To meet at the next Convention."

The Mu Deuteron cohorts gathered around the festive board of the University Club on Beacon Street for their Charge luncheon, and spent a very enjoyable hour in feasting and song. Brother Harold Hitchcock, 95, who was responsible for our good time secured the privileges of the club through the kindness of Brother Paul. Forty-seven brothers good and true sat down to the first course, and every one will carry off pleasant memories. The occasion was quite informal, and speeches were tabooed, while the undergraduates from their table furnished the music. After singing all the college and fraternity songs we knew, we at last descended to "Everybody works but Mother," and "My father's going to be hung," both of which the alumni encored enthusiastically. The party finally dispersed after hearty cheers for everything and everybody.

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## THEATRE PARTY

The Theatre Party, as an accompaniment of Convention festivities, originated in Boston—from the brain of "Rudie" Tombo of happy inspiration, and in connection with the Fifty-fifth Con-

vention, for which he planned the arrangements. That year it was that hitherto unsurpassed scenic production, "Sleeping Beauty and the Beast" which was patronized. The next year, in New York, "Toyland" held us breathless with its naive beauty and charm and puzzled our brows with original and difficult fraternity problems till we welcomed the glad relief of the refrain, "I don't care *what* teacher says, I can't do this sum!" "By the shores of the saltless sea," in Chicago in 1905, we sought and found our pleasure in regarding the prettiness and extravagant grace of Mabel Hitt and her fellow fun-makers of the "Girl and the Bandit" company. The return of Convention to Boston this year completed the first cycle of Theatre Parties, and the favored show this year was "Sergeant Brue," or rather Frank Daniels in "Sergeant Brue." Some of the devoted admirers of feminine beauty might analyze the center of interest differently, but the grotesque little comedian was the "whole show" to most.

The place of performance was the Colonial Theatre. The official Program and Directory, printed and distributed by the Efficient Committee to save Convention-goers from Error's ways, bore in its proper chronological place, the legend—

8:00 p. m. Theatre Party, Colonial Theatre. *Open to ladies.* Tickets, etc.

Emboldened by the sanction of the committee, not a few of the brothers brought "ladies," and a jolly and fairly symmetrical "party" of two hundred and sixty occupied the entire front of the orchestra, with Grand Lodge, and other high dignitaries in the adjacent boxes. The Grand Lodge box was draped with the fraternity flag, and the appearance of Brother Cole therein was the signal for a succession of vociferous cheers, which were given at various opportune (?) times during the evening. Between the acts college songs were "attempted" by the more lyrically inclined delegations, which elicited the applause of the general audience. Considerable variety was displayed in the choice of subjects for the cheers, and more than one member of the company was honored in the choice and blushed her thanks over the footlights. The fair principals in the cast flaunted and flourished

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generous bunches of violets—"violets, dim as Juno's eyelids or Cytherea's breath"—adorned with streamers of the tri-color of Theta Delta Chi. Yes, it was conspicuously a Theta Delt occasion, and the cast, from the Sergeant to the most modest and retiring chorus girl, seemed inspired and stimulated by their appreciative audience to go to the extremity of their pleasure provoking art. The Sergeant made a curtain speech that *almost* ended in strangulation.

The following lines, by Brother C. H. Temple, Kappa 05, were sung by lusty throats to the tune of one of the best pieces of music in the show as the party was regretfully breaking up:

Sending forth their cheer,  
 See, a band draws near,  
     Band of royal fellows, staunch and true;  
 Golden heads and gray  
 All are one today  
     Marching 'neath the banner white and blue.  
 What of years that fly!  
 Let the hours roll by!  
     Never care for worry or for sigh!  
 Here, my lads, a toast,  
 All her true sons' boast,—  
     "Brotherhood, and Theta Delta Chi!"

## CHORUS.

Always and forever, brothers,  
     Theta Delta Chi!  
 Let your shouts like volleyed thunder  
     Echo to the sky!  
 Ever be your love increasing,  
     Loyal more and more!  
 Black, White and Blue,  
 Here's a health to you,  
     All honor for ever more!

## THE BUSINESS SESSIONS

Three business sessions of the Convention were held, in Lorimer Hall, Tremont Temple, Thursday afternoon, Friday morning and Saturday morning respectively. Brother Percy Shires, Zeta o6, was the capable secretary of the Convention, and Brother Cole proved himself a high type of the presiding officer.

The accredited delegates were as follows:

## Beta:

*Graduate*—F. W. Thompson, 87.

*Undergraduates*—W. C. Stevens, o6; H. L. Dawson, o7.

*Alternate*—W. H. DeWolfe, o6.

## Gamma Deuteron:

*Graduate*—C. M. Green, 99.

*Undergraduates*—R. W. Gotshall, o6; H. O. Porter, o7.

*Alternate*—W. S. Cookson, o2.

## Delta Deuteron:

*Graduate*—G. H. Stoddard, ex-o8.

*Undergraduates*—E. E. Barker, o6; F. H. Buck, Jr., o7.

## Epsilon:

*Graduate*—A. W. Maddox, o4.

*Undergraduates*—J. W. Abbitt, o7; H. H. Marsden, o8.

*Alternate*—H. J. Davis, o2.

## Zeta:

*Graduate*—W. H. Hull, o1.

*Undergraduates*—F. H. Childs, o6; W. P. Burnham, o7.

*Alternate*—R. S. Emerson, 97.

## Zeta Deuteron:

*Graduate*—James Duncan, o1.

*Undergraduates*—R. P. Cowen, o6; E. R. Parkins, o7.

*Alternate*—M. B. Atkinson, o5.

## Eta:

*Graduate*—W. B. Mitchell, 90.

*Undergraduates*—H. P. Chapman, o6; A. J. Voorhees, o7.

*Alternate*—L. V. Walker, o3.

## Eta Deuteron:

*Graduate*—H. C. Brown, 04.

*Undergraduates*—C. A. Ferguson, 06; W. T. Ogier, 07.

*Alternate*—R. H. Gaither, 06.

## Iota:

*Graduate*—H. P. Brown, 03.

*Undergraduates*—R. T. Pingree, 06; C. A. Fultz, 06.

*Alternate*—E. M. Parsons, 03.

## Iota Deuteron:

*Graduate*—John Peck, 95.

*Undergraduates*—L. A. Bassett, 06; J. D. G. Hill, 07.

*Alternate*—J. P. Huntington, 94.

## Kappa:

*Graduate*—Sumner Robinson, 88.

*Undergraduates*—H. H. Dole, 06; H. B. Turner, 07.

*Alternate*—C. N. Barney, 95.

## Lambda:

*Graduate*—G. H. Spencer, 90.

*Undergraduates*—C. B. Hill, 06; L. H. Maxson, 06.

*Alternate*—C. J. Bullock, 89.

## Mu Deuteron:

*Graduate*—Frederick Fosdick, 98.

*Undergraduates*—M. J. Kane, 06; M. C. Shattuck, 08.

*Alternate*—R. E. Hatch, 99.

## Nu Deuteron:

*Graduate*—B. C. McClure, ex-06.

*Undergraduates*—E. E. Johnston, 06; W. A. Draper, 07.

*Alternate*—None given.

## Xi:

*Graduate*—W. C. Dorris, 03.

*Undergraduates*—C. H. McCray, 07; R. P. Keeler, 08.

*Alternate*—W. E. Hills, 91.

## Omicron Deuteron:

*Graduate*—F. W. Wentworth, 03.

*Undergraduates*—Arthur Burnie, 06; J. H. Jordan, 07.

*Alternate*—D. L. Jackson, 04.

## Pi Deuteron:

*Graduate*—H. A. Fisher, 02.

*Undergraduates*—H. M. Wallace, 69; Gale Dixon, 07.

*Alternate*—O. J. A. Grassi, 00.

## Rho Deuteron:

*Graduate*—Rudolf Tombo, Jr., 98.

*Undergraduates*—C. A. Fulton, 06; C. A. Stewart, 06.

*Alternate*—J. Boyce Smith, Jr., 01.

## Sigma Deuteron:

*Graduate*—G. S. Ford, 95.

*Undergraduate*—E. V. Eyman, 07.

*Alternate*—O. H. Hulberg, 03.

## Tau Deuteron:

*Graduate*—J. W. Erf, 93.

*Undergraduates*—E. W. Huntley, 07; Frank Morse, 08.

*Alternate*—None.

## Phi:

*Graduate*—Clay W. Holmes, 69.

*Undergraduates*—G. C. Andrews, 06; G. N. Schaeffer, 08.

*Alternate*—None.

## Chi:

*Graduate*—W. F. Love, 03.

*Undergraduates*—C. A. Simpson, 06; H. J. Simmelink, 06.

*Alternate*—W. P. Witter, 80.

## Chi Deuteron:

*Graduate*—E. A. Chase, 05.

*Undergraduates*—C. H. Tompkins, 06; E. H. King, 07.

*Alternate*—R. R. Norris, 03.

## Psi:

*Graduate*—F. G. Perine, 87.

*Undergraduates*—H. W. Benedict, 06; F. C. Brown, 07.

*Alternate*—E. L. Rice, 94.

The following corrections were made and approved by the Convention: J. J. Lahey, ex-06, for James Duncan, 01, Zeta Deuteron; W. H. Holye, 06, for W. T. Ogier, 07, Eta Deuteron; R. F. Kent, 88, for Sumner Robinson, 88, Kappa; C. J.

Bullock, 89, for G. H. Spencer, 90, Lambda; R. E. Scott, 70, for W. C. Dorris, 03, Xi; J. F. Drake, 02, substituted for F. W. Wentworth, 03, Omicron Deuteron; O. H. Hulberg, 03, for G. S. Ford, 95, Sigma Deuteron; H. E. Leach, 06, for Frank Morse, 08, Tau Deuteron; Carl Paul, 05, for W. F. Love, 03, Chi; R. R. Norris, 03, for E. A. Chase, 05, Chi Deuteron; C. N. Gregory, 06, for C. H. Tompkins, 06, Chi Deuteron.

The several officers and appointees of the Fraternity submitted their usual reports, which were referred to proper committees for consideration and recommendation. These reports showed the general health of our institutions to be excellent.

The report of the President of the Grand Lodge, Brother Lawrence T. Cole, Gamma Deuteron 92, the reading of which was the first order of business, was able, interesting and comprehensive. It showed applications or overtures for charters from eight institutions, of which four were considered worthy of serious consideration.

The Business Sessions were void of epoch-making incident, but a considerable amount of routine matter was cleared away, and the condition of things enquired into so that the machinery might run without clogging for another season.

The report of the business manager of the "Shield" showed a substantial increase in the subscription list during his incumbency, and a greater revenue than ever before, but further showed that present liabilities exceeded present assets by some four hundred dollars (\$400.00). For several years no business report had been made to Conventions.

The report of the Shield Editor recommended that graduate associations include the price of the Shield in their dues and that the subscription price be raised to one dollar and a half per year.

The committee to which these reports were referred of which Brother George H. Spencer was chairman, reported as follows:

Mr. President and Brothers:

Your committee to whom was submitted the report of the management of "The Shield" begs leave to report back as follows:

We have carefully examined the reports and exhibits committed to us, and here record our high appreciation of the faithful service given by Brothers Smith and McCann as editor and business manager of "The Shield" during the last year. The four numbers of the Vol XXI. speak for themselves. Much superior to many of the Fraternity quarterlies, "The Shield" compares favorably with the best of them.

Special credit should be given the editor for his efforts to increase the alumni personals, and to the business manager for his more efficient organization of his department.

We note with concern that the liabilities of "The Shield" are \$989.00, while the assets are but \$531.72. Of this \$308.00 is unpaid graduate subscription. The accounts and the books of "The Shield" have not been submitted to us, so we are not able to state definitely how much of this deficiency is chargeable to Vol. XXI. It is obvious, however, that the condition is serious enough to warrant the anxiety expressed in both the reports referred to your committee.

The recommendation of the editor, in which the business manager concurs, that the graduate associations be recommended to include a subscription to "The Shield" in their annual dues, seems to us a wise one. We are not convinced of the wisdom of the further recommendation that the price of "The Shield" be made \$1.50 a year.

We submit the following recommendations:

1. That this Convention express its hearty approval of the New York Graduate Club in including subscriptions to "The Shield" in its annual membership dues, and recommends that the incoming Grand Lodge bring this matter before all the Graduate Associations, and advise the adoption of this plan wherever practicable.
2. That the price of "The Shield" be referred to the incoming Grand Lodge with the earnest recommendation that the Grand Lodge and the incoming "Shield" management see to it that the expenses of "The Shield" are brought within its income.
3. That the Convention approve the suggestion of the present "Shield" managers, and recommend that the management for the coming year be authorized to borrow sufficient funds from

- the Graduate Association of Theta Delta Chi to pay all outstanding obligations against "The Shield," said loan to bear interest paid from the income of "The Shield" when possible, or from such contributions as may be secured for this purpose.
4. That in view of the large unpaid subscription list, the Convention recommends that "The Shield" return to the policy instituted by Brother Huffcutt in 1898 by which all graduate subscriptions were payable strictly in advance:
  5. That the in-coming Grand Lodge be authorized to appoint a committee to audit the books and accounts of "The Shield."
  6. That the Convention hereby returns its hearty thanks to Brother J. Boyce Smith, Jr., for his able, indefatigable service and to Brother H. K. McCann for his capable and effective work.

(Signed)      GEORGE H. SPENCER, (Lambda 90),  
                   EDGAR R. PARKINS, (Zeta Deuteron 07),  
                   GEORGE C. ANDREWS, (Phi 06).

The report was adopted as read and referred to the Grand Lodge.

The Convention voted that the incoming Grand Lodge take steps towards the revision of our Song Book.

#### ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS

The following report, from Brother Norman Hackett, Supervisor of Local Alumni Associations, was of broad and general interest:

Grand Forks, N. D.,  
 February 14, 1906.

To Rev. Lawrence T. Cole,  
 President Theta Delta Chi,  
 New York City.

Dear Brother Cole:—As Supervisor of Local Alumni Associations per your appointment for the past year, I beg to submit the following report.

I have not pursued any set methods in carrying out the work designated, but have relied rather on my judgment and personal presence in the different cities to stir up enthusiasm and inquire into conditions, making suggestions at all times at the best of my discretion. In a general way I am happy to report the existence of active associations in all the principal centers of the east and middle west, which embraces Boston, New York, Washington, Buffalo, Cleveland, Chicago, St. Louis, Minneapolis, Los Angeles and San

Francisco. These associations all hold an annual banquet and several of them have adopted the custom of weekly lunches with great success, the most notable of these being at Chicago.

During the past year I have succeeded in organizing associations in two large cities where they have never existed before, namely: St. Louis and Philadelphia. In the former city, which I visited in March, 1905, I found Brother Thurnau Chase, and the late Brother John Altschu working towards an organization, so that by very little effort I was enabled to encourage them to a full fruition of their hopes, and in May they held their first banquet and perfected a permanent organization.

At Philadelphia I found three of four brothers anxious for an association but was surprised to find that nothing had been done. With the assistance of Brothers Maris, Marble, Young and Smith, I sent out notices and started the weekly lunch custom, there being ten present at the first one. These continued with growing success until summer, and since then have been held once a month. Through the efforts of Brother Maris a small meeting was held at his office, December 29, 1905, and temporary officers elected, Brother W. S. Gray being chosen temporary president. Their object is to work up a monthly lunch club and to give a large dinner annually, so that the permanent step has been taken at Philadelphia and it only remains for the leaders to get the alumni men in line there before the Quaker City can boast of a strong organization.

I also did some work with several brothers at Cincinnati while there, and got their promise to foster the movement until a permanent organization was affected. They have not reported definitely, but I shall keep in touch with them and hope before another convention to see this city fall in line.

In a number of small cities such as Toledo, Detroit and Rochester, the local men get together for informal spreads but devote their main support to the charges in their vicinity, joining with them each year for an annual banquet, and thereby concentrating their efforts on the charges, rather than themselves. This is especially the case with the brothers at Detroit and Toledo, they all being members of the Gamma Deuteron Charge Association.

In Los Angeles, the brothers tendered an informal supper for me at which 17 were present, including the president, B. F. Mansfield, and that radiant and enthusiastic Theta Delt, Seward Simons. Much fine spirit was evident, and they are working along proper lines. The San Francisco association is also active and holds its annual banquet with the two California charges. While there in January they instituted the weekly lunch custom, fifteen brothers

being present. I have since learned that it a growing success and promises to become a permanent feature in the Theta Delta Chi life of the West, the same as it has at Chicago.

I continue to meet Theta Deltis in all parts of the country, and always find that same remarkable cordiality and spirit which is so truly characteristic of our order. In many places where there are three or four located, I find them in touch, and it has become an annual event for them to get together when I come around and have a little supper, as evidence of their loyalty and continued interest in the fraternity.

In conclusion I will say, it has been a great pleasure for me to do all I can towards strengthening our alumni associations and feel that I can assure you that they are all alive and accomplishing much good for the fraternity. With St. Louis and Philadelphia in line, and Cincinnati on the way, we will have established associations in every important city in the country, and I wish especially to commend the enthusiasm and efforts of Chicago, Cleveland, Buffalo and Washington as model associations, doing much good for themselves, their charges and the fraternity. My opportunity to travel enables me to meet many brothers and to visit nearly all the large cities. Of course I shall always take an active interest in the different associations, and do what I can to radiate enthusiasm among them, but if you wish me to continue in an official capacity I shall be most happy to do so.

With every kind wish for the success of the convention, and regretting my inability to be present, I remain,

Your faithful servant and brother,

NORMAN HACKETT, Gamma Deuteron, '98.

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The movement towards unity in the Greek world as a whole found its expression in a proposed plan for a general fraternity library which was brought to the attention of the Convention and acted upon as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROPOSED PLAN FOR  
GENERAL FRATERNITY LIBRARY

Mr. President and Brothers:

The manner in which this matter comes up is that the editor of the "Shield" received a circular communication dated January 15, 1906, from W. Oakley Raymond, Delta Upsilon

Librarian, requesting this fraternity to sanction the use of its name in connection with those of several other representative fraternities and sororities at the head of a proposed circular letter a copy of which was annexed. This proposed letter reads as follows:

"J. Boyce Smith, Jr.,

"Editor of the Shield of Theta Delta Chi.

"Will you kindly lay before your fraternity the 'open letter' which I enclose herewith, which sepaks for itself, and this accompanying letter to which I trust your fraternity will give thoughtful consideration.

"The scheme proposed is to accomplish an end by getting all interested in an individual as well as a mutual benefit.

"The idea is not a demand on any fraternity for a complete file or their only file, but a request of them for as full a line of their publications as they are willing and can afford to give.

"Where certain ones may be averse to making public their private literature the case is entirely understood and respected.

"All will havt free and equal access to study and profit by the recorded experience of their Brother and Sister Societies.

"The library will issue periodical lists of files required and Delta U. for one, will do what she can out of her miscellaneous collection to fill the breach when the individual fraternities may find themselves unable to.

"Complete files will thus be insured for the future while the past will be taken in hand before it is too late.

"Trusting that I may soon receive the Official sanction of your fraternity in sending out this first prospectus over its name and that of several other representative fraternities and sororities, I am,

"Very truly yours,

(Signed), "W. OAKLEY RAYMOND. "

#### THE OPEN LETTER

In view of the steady growth of the College Fraternity System throughout the United States and Canada, the publications edited by the separate units of the same are becoming steadily more numerous and valuable as well as more difficult to handle in individual collections.

Every fraternity, at the best, has one or more complete files of its own literature and a heterogeneous mass of other material that is almost worthless on account of its incompleteness and lack of proper classification.

Concentration of effort and material is the watchword of today and the following fraternities and sororities have united in placing before the Fraternal System at large a scheme for the formation of a Pan Hellenic Fraternity Library which shall be of no financial burden to the fraternities themselves and which will be managed in the interest of all College Fraternal Organizations equally.

All college fraternities are invited to express their opinions as to the wisdom of these suggestions, and each is especially urged to send the name and address of its Librarian, or such other person as may be empowered to act in his or her stead, to the chairman of the committee representing the above named fraternities for future correspondence concerning the matter.

SUGGESTIONS OFFERED BY THE AFORESAID COMMITTEE.

1. That the entire College Fraternity System throughout the United States and Canada unite in forming a Pan Hellenic Library which shall include all college fraternal publications and such other material as may be related thereto.
2. That each individual organization supply said library with as complete a collection of its publications as may be possible, also aiding the library in procuring complete files of such other fraternity publications as it may be in need of.
3. That each fraternity shall continue to supply said library with such material as may be necessary to keep it at all times up to date.
4. That such material shall become the property of such library to be held, arranged and catalogued by it; the library agreeing at all times to welcome suggestions concerning the welfare of said property.
5. That each fraternity supplying said library with material shall appoint a librarian who shall be empowered to act for the organization in all matters pertaining to said library.

6. That said library, its supervision of care and material shall be of no expense to the various fraternities other than forwarding of material to the same.
7. That the aforesaid fraternity material be turned over to the care of the New York Public Library, (Astor, Lenox and Tilden Foundations), which has assured the librarian of Delta Upsilon of its extreme willingness to supply room for said library and to handle such material under the conditions herein set forth.

It will be seen therefore that the plan contemplates simply the collection in a single institution of as complete a body of fraternity literature as possible without direct expense to any fraternity, and the repository selected, The New York City Library, is the most central one which could be chosen. It will also be seen that the plan is in its infancy and at present it is simply our endorsement that is requested and an authority to use our name in issuing the first prospectus.

The advantages of the movement are so self-evident that discussion of them seems unnecessary. The plan seems to your committee altogether commendable, and we therefore recommend that the Grand Lodge be empowered to give the desired official sanction to the issuance of the proposed prospectus over its name.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT WALLACE, Pi Deuteron 06.

(Signed) J. BOYCE SMITH, Jr., Rho Deuteron, 01,  
ROBERT S. EMERSON, Zeta 97,

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The generosity of Brother Willis S. Paine was in evidence although that loyal Brother could not be present in person, in the form of a gift of a handsome pillow emblazoned with the coat of arms he has had devised for the Fraternity's acceptance.

Officers of the Fifty-ninth Grand Lodge were elected as follows: President, George H. Spencer, Lambda 90; Secretary, Horace L. Dawson, Beta 07; Treasurer, Charles A. Stewart, Rho Deuteron 07.

## 58TH CONVENTION BANQUET

The Convention Banquet was held at the Hotel Somerset, Saturday evening, February 24.

At ten minutes past nine the toastmaster, Mr. Rudolf Tombo, Jr., rapped the company to order and spoke as follows:

### THE TOASTMASTER.

Brothers in Theta Delta Chi:

I have very little voice left, as you may notice, and for that reason I hope you will come to order as speedily as possible.

The first thing that I wish to say to you this evening is that it is my firm conviction—and I think that you will all agree with me—that this has been thus far the best arranged and the best managed banquet that we have ever held in Theta Delta Chi. (Applause.) And I think we should, at the very outset, and not at the end when our voices are all gone, join in three cheers for the committee that labored so strenuously and faithfully and zealously to make this banquet the success that it already is, and I want all of you to rise and join in three cheers for Brother Gibbs and Brother Brown and all the other members who have worked day and night to produce this result.

(The cheers called for were given, concluding with a "tiger!" followed by the singing of "For They are Jolly Good Fellows.")

There are two names in the history of the United States that I have always looked upon as being closely joined together, but I regret very much to say that last evening I was disillusionized. I had always thought that Lexington and Concord were synonymous, but I discovered last night that such was no longer the case, for there was anything but Concord at the Hotel Lexington after the theater party.

There is one point in connection with these arrangements with which I should like to take issue, and that is, as some of you may have supposed, the absence of the ladies. But in order that you may not imagine that the ladies are completely oblivious I wish to read to you tonight a telegram. I have been very much embarrassed, gentlemen, since our opening session by reason of the fact that I made on that occasion a very bad break which I do not care to repeat. But the fact that these ladies have taken no offence is shown by this telegram:

"Hyde Park, Mass.

"Theta Delta Chi, Hotel Somerset.

"Greetings from Eta of Alpha Phi to Theta Delta Chi in convention assembled.

"Helen E. Courtney,  
"Corresponding Secretary."

(Cheers.)

Now, brothers, on our return from the Iota smoker I noticed that the citizens of Boston, this New York suburb, were very progressive, in so much as all the cars contained signs to the effect that a crusade was in progress against bucket shops. I presume that referred directly to the Iota smoker. (Laughter.)

The fact that I am so hoarse this evening reminds me of a story. I am driven into this; I cannot help it. When I was a member of the Grand Lodge I felt that I had to behave myself. Some of you probably have discovered that I have been running loose. The result is that I have ministers to right of me and ministers to left of me and a stenographer in front of me, and you can easily see that I have to be extremely careful. But inasmuch as this is an actual fact I think you ought to know about it. At the last convention I had a voice very much of the same kind and all the members of the Grand Lodge insisted that I should go and consult a doctor. They kept me very busy and I did not get around to it until about eleven o'clock that evening, when I went to the doctor's office and knocked at the door. It was a feminine form that opened the door. I mustered the best voice that I could and said (speaking in a hoarse whisper), "Is the doctor in?" And the reply was, "No, come in." (Great laughter. Cries of "Oh, oh!")

When I used to go to Washington, when the George Washington University was still called the Columbian University, Brother Sterrett had always poked fun at me—we all ought to remember Brother Sterrett; I regret to say that he is one of the ministers who is not here this evening—but Brother Sterrett used to say to me that "Columbian" was "Columbia" raised to the nth power. (Laughter.) There is one thing that we have always been trying to drive at in Theta Delta Chi, and that is, as you heard at the opening session, that we are not anxious to produce scholars or athletes, but that we are very anxious to have men. Now, brothers, we have with us tonight a man raised to nth power (applause) and this Brother Mann is a brother of Bishop Mann. You notice that all these brothers run to the cloth. I think attention should be called to the fact that it was Brother Mann's brother who wrote the

song in which you all joined so cheerfully a few moments ago—that song, "Our Queen," was written by Brother Cameron Mann, one of the bishops of the United States. As the first speaker I wish to call upon his brother, Brother Alexander Mann, a resident of Boston. He was at one time a rector in a suburb of New York, not so very far away, namely, in Orange, but he changed his suburb when he came to Trinity church in Boston. I take the greatest pleasure in introducing to you Brother Mann as the first speaker. (Applause.)

REV. ALEXANDER MANN.

Brothers in Theta Delta Chi:

Since Brother Tombo has been released from the responsibilities of the Grand Lodge he has certainly been running very loose. He called on me to say just a word of welcome to you here in Boston, a good deal on the principle that I was invited to join the New England Society in Orange. I lived in that suburb for some time, as Brother Tombo has said. One day a gentleman came to me and said: "You ought to belong to the New England Society." "Well," I said, "I don't know why." He said, "It is a proper thing to belong to the New England Society." "But," I said, "I don't think I am eligible. I never had an ancestor in New England, I never lived in New England and I never expect to." He said, "My dear fellow, you are just the man to join the New England Society in Orange, because the first requisite for membership in that society is never to have been in New England and never to have had a New England ancestor." Under those assurances I joined the New England Society. And I suppose I am called upon tonight to say a word of welcome to you to Boston on much the same ground—because I have only been here about four months.

Let me say, though, that if Boston—and I am sure it has done so—and if the chapters of Theta Delta Chi here in Massachusetts have treated you as kindly as Boston has the habit of treating the stranger who comes to her, and as I have had the pleasure of experiencing myself, you must have had a very warm and cordial welcome. The Boston ice of which we used to hear so much in New York exists, let me tell you, simply in the imagination of the New Yorker, nowhere else.

Brother Tombo was good enough to refer to Boston as a suburb of New York, which reminded me of a little story of the Bostonian who was down there some time ago, and they took him around that howling wilderness that they call the Bowery in Manhattan and they showed him the Flat Iron building; he shivered at that. They

showed him the Metropolitan Opera House; that worried him a little. They took him up into Central Park and they showed him that, and he said that the Newtons had something like that in one of the suburbs. And finally when they got through and had shown him everything that New York had to boast of, his friend, supposing him to be very much impressed, said, "Now, you have seen the great metropolis of the country and I wish you would tell me what among all these wonderful things has impressed you most and what you think is the best thing about this great city of New York." And the Bostonian looked him in the eye and said, "The five o'clock express to Boston." (Laughter and applause.)

I want to say, gentlemen, that I think I have found the recipe for renewing one's youth. I felt rather old when I came in here tonight and I looked around for some familiar faces. I did not see them. I began to feel very old indeed. But before this dinner was over and after I had listened to half a dozen of the songs, and after I had heard some of the talk among the fellows here at the table, I made up my mind that De Soto, if he had been a member years ago, would have made a great mistake to go out in search of the fountain of youth. He need not have waded through all the swamps of Florida looking for it. The proper thing for him to have done, if he could have done it, would have been to have attended the annual banquet of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity. If that does not make a man young again he has no spark of youth remaining in him. And so I am very much obliged to you for having rolled back twenty years for me tonight and made me feel like a college boy and a Theta Delt brother once more. (Applause.)

I was especially impressed with the number of good Theta Delts who are here tonight, and in saying something about it to one of the brothers here I learned another good thing about Boston, and that is that probably within a short radius of this city there are more charges of Theta Delta Chi than within the same distance of any other city in the United States. I think I am right in saying that, and that is one more reason that makes me very glad that I have gotten out of New York and come to Boston. (Applause.) And if the charges should see fit, as I am sure I hope they are going to, to ratify the recommendations of the convention and to give us another charge in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Applause and cheers), why then I shall feel that I have gotten right up into the seventh heaven of fraternity life, because out of my study windows I look out upon the buildings of the Institute of Technology, and I trust that if that charge is established its members will feel that the rectory of Trinity church and everything in-

side of it, including the rector, is at the service of that chapter, at all times, all days, and for that matter, all nights. (Applause.) Somebody says, "Including Sundays?" Why, of course, including Sundays.

I know there are other speakers to follow me and I must not take up too much time. I ought to be warned by a story that I heard the other day. An old clergyman had been called upon to go to a strange church to preach. He announced that in the course of his sermon he would consider the lives and the teachings of all the prophets. He began with Samuel and he worked his way down through the long list till finally he came to Malachi. "Now," he says, "my friends, what place shall we give to Malachi?" And a sad-faced man rose in the middle of the congregation and said, "Parson, if you don't mind, Malachi can have my place; I am going home." (Laughter and applause.)

**THE TOASTMASTER:** Brothers, while Brother Mann was speaking you notice that he mentioned the seventh heaven. He was thinking of New York when he said that.

Something was said a little while ago about the Flat Iron building. Most of you know that the Flat Iron building is there for a purpose and I shall not tell what the purpose is because it might make me blush. I notice you don't have things like that in Boston. (Laughter.) But at any rate, that Flat Iron building reminds me of hot stuff, that is, of the heat that is often applied to the flatiron. But at any rate this hot stuff reminds me of a stuff that is very apt to produce heat, and a gentleman who has this name is hot stuff in every respect. He is now an ex. I glory in the fact that I have become now a double ex. If I wait a little while longer, I hope it will be two or three years—I shall be a triple ex., and then I will be a pretty good brand and worth drinking. But this brother—you all know who he is—I shall call upon him now to refute the arguments of Brother Mann about the city of New York and tell you what a delightful time you will have when you come to the next convention. I can assure you especially as far as the Flat Iron building is concerned, there will be a hot time in the old town from morning till night. Brother Cole. (Applause.)

REV. LAWRENCE T. COLE.

Brothers, I am laboring under a great disadvantage tonight. I am just as nervous as I can be because I do not know what the etiquette is in a situation such as that in which I find myself. When you first issued the announcement of the convention I thought it

was a good thing for the president of the Grand Lodge to be prompt and set a good example to all the younger members of the fraternity, so I wrote and enclosed a check for my dinner ticket, and by return mail I got a letter from Brother Gibbs enclosing ticket No. 1 for this dinner and sending back my check. I thought that was very nice of him and I wrote him a note of thanks and I thought you knew how to do things up here and how to greet the stranger within your gates, even if he was a member of the Grand Lodge. But when I came here tonight I was placed in a position in which I hardly knew what to do, and I have not quite solved it yet, because when I went down and left my hat and coat they gave me a check, and on that check it says "350." Now, does that mean the price of the dinner? (Laughter and applause.)

You have heard a good deal from me in the last two or three days and I have not very much to say tonight. I want to leave the time that there is for others whose voices are not quite so familiar and whose voices have not quite reached the point which my voice has through the efforts of the last two or three days to make myself heard in the convention hall. But I do want to say one or two things about the past year and one or two things about the year upon which we are now entering.

I have already expressed to all of you who were in the convention my great gratification at the peaceable and harmonious and on the whole prosperous year that we have had during the past twelve months. I think perhaps it has been a good sign for the fraternity that there has not been a great deal for the Grand Lodge to do outside of the ordinary routine work of the fraternity. We have had no quarrels, we have had no disagreements, we have had no scandals, we have had no internal dissensions; we have had nothing, practically nothing, to which the Grand Lodge had to give particular attention. And yet after all I think all through the fraternity there has been a steady and a very healthful growth. Many times it has seemed as though the work of the Grand Lodge was to play a waiting game. Many times it has seemed as though the Grand Lodge was to play the part of the man about whom they told at the dinner at the Gridiron Club in Washington the other day. They were getting off their usual roasts upon various public men, and by and by a man presented himself before the toastmaster of the evening, wearing upon his breast a leather badge about a foot wide. The toastmaster asked him what he was there for. Why, he said he was a candidate for the position of chief engineer of the Panama canal. The toastmaster asked, "What is your qualification for that position?" "Well, he said, "I have been the com-

missioner of street cleaning in the city of Washington." Those of you who know the city of Washington and its streets will realize the significance of this. The toastmaster said, "Where did you get that medal?" "Why," he said, "it was presented to me by the citizens of Washington because of the excellent condition in which I kept the streets." "How did you do it?" asked the toastmaster. "Well," he said, "I prayed for rain." (Laughter.) Now, the work of the Grand Lodge during the past year has been so quiet and so harmonious, so uneventful, that it often has seemed as though they were just sitting still and "praying for rain," and every time a cloud would appear on the horizon—I am mixing my metaphors a little bit, but don't mind—it would vanish away and we would have no occasion for using the "big stick" that the Grand Lodge, as Brother Tombo can tell you, always keeps up its sleeve for occasions of that kind.

After all, I do not know but that is a pretty good way for the fraternity to run along. I do not know but what it is a pretty good sign. And I think perhaps it is one of the things that we ought to keep in mind, that it is a great deal better for the fraternity to avoid a crisis, to avoid disagreements, to avoid fights and quarrels of every kind, than it is to overcome them after they have arisen. It is a good deal like the old pilot on the steamboat. One of the directors of the company was riding on the boat and he got access to the pilot-house and went up there and watched with admiration the skill with which the old pilot steered through the narrow and crooked channel of the stream through which the boat was running. By and by he said to him, "I admire the way you steer this boat so carefully; I suppose you know every rock in this channel." "No," said the pilot, "I don't know any of them." "How is that? You are running this boat and you don't know any rocks and shoals in this channel?" "No," replied the pilot, "I don't know any of them, but I know where the rock ain't." (Laughter.)

After all, I don't know but we ought to congratulate ourselves on the past year and not on the past year only, but on other years, because I think after all our good fellowship in Theta Delta Chi is not limited altogether to the good fellowship that exists at these annual gatherings of ours. I have had that impressed on my mind during the past year as I never had it before. I have come to know how warm the hearts are which beat under the shield of Theta Delta Chi. I have come to know how ready every one is in the fraternity to help those who are in office in it. I have come to know how quick you all are to see what is for the good of the fraternity and to rush forward to do the thing that is needful. It

has been to me one of the most delightful things in my year of service for the fraternity that I have come to know this good feeling that exists, and that I have come to appreciate in a way which only one who has had to call upon Theta Delts for service can appreciate, how ready they are to do anything that tends to the glory and the dignity and the advancement of Theta Delta Chi.

Now, Brother Tombo has said that I was going to speak about New York and the convention there. I don't know as I ought to speak about New York and the convention there except that I can say this—that I know that we shall be very glad to welcome the convention there next year and we are going to try very hard to do as well by you brothers of New England as you have done by us. It will be a hard task, but we are going to do the best we can. At any rate it will be worth while seeing us try. It will be like the story of the old farmer who put a little bentam hen over fourteen Plymouth Rock eggs, and she had a pretty hard time with them. A neighbor of his came in to see what he was doing in his hen-house and asked, "What do you expect to get out of that, anyway?" "Well," he says, "I don't know whether she will hatch any of them, but it is worth while anyway to see the little beggar spread herself." (Laughter.) we are going to spread ourselves down at New York next year and we are going to try to make you feel down there that there is no more ice in the Hudson river than there is in the Charles. (Applause.)

THE TOASTMASTER: There is one brother who is unfortunately prevented from being with us this evening, but whom we hope to be able to present to you in New York, and I have a telegram before me which I should like to read:

"Miles away as usual" (it comes from Duluth, Minnesota) "but with you all in spirit tonight. Heartiest greetings. Norman Hackett." (Applause.)

Now, brothers, before we proceed from having further history from Dyspepsia Row we will sing No. 3 if the band will help us out.

(The company joined in singing the song, "Theta Delta Chi Forever.")

THE TOASTMASTER: I hope the brothers of Dyspepsia Row will not imagine that all of them will be called upon for a speech, nor need the other brothers here this evening think for one moment that they will be absolutely immune, for I shall call upon a brother among those not in Dyspepsia Row to respond to a toast.

I wish to call upon a brother who for a number of conventions found it rather difficult to be heard. He was down for a toast several times, but there were so many other toasts that he had no opportunity to speak. He did have an opportunity not so long ago and he pleased every one so much that we are all anxious to hear him again. And I now call upon a representative of the Kappa Charge of Tufts College, a brother whom all of you know, a brother who to my mind is one of the dearest brothers that has even been taken into this order, one whom we all love, one who is full of feeling for the fraternity and whom we shall all want to hear and whom I ask to rise and join the Dyspeptic Order in this row. I call for Brother Whittemore to address you. (Applause.)

After a moment's pause a member of the Tufts College delegation arose and said, "Brother Whittemore has gone."

THE TOASTMASTER: Is he coming back? "He is not."

THE TOASTMASTER: That is rather sad. It leaves me rather unprepared. This job is very much nicer than you imagine it is. I would rather do this thing than be a speaker, because when you are a speaker you think of all the nice things you are going to say and forget about nine-tenths of them and kick yourself because you did. Now, if you are TOASTMASTER, if you forget them on the first round you can ring them in on the second and if you forget them on the second you can ring them in on the third, only you want somebody on the Row here to think up something more.

Now Brother Whittemore has deprived me of that privilege, so I will call upon Brother Davis, and I hope he is prepared to respond without any further introduction. Brother Davis, of the Omicron Deuteron of Dartmouth College. (Applause, with cheers from the Dartmouth delegation.)

REV. OZORA S. DAVIS.

Mr. Toastmaster: This is so sudden. I never felt so much like Rip Van Winkle in my life, for I wake up very suddenly to the fact that somehow or other within the past few years I have dropped out of a very delightful kind of a world that I want to get back into. I have not had the opportunity to go to a convention banquet or to be at any of the meetings of the fraternity, and I have suddenly waked to my beautiful world tonight. My neighbor on the left, with a sigh of relief, early in the dinner looked up and down the row and finally said, "There are a great many clergymen at this table,"

and he looked at me again and said, "But I reckon you ain't one." And I undeceived him as soon as I could. It was a part of the waking-up process.

I am mixed up; I don't exactly know where I am yet. With the suddenness with which I am brought on the boards and the new life I am facing I am like one of the two Irishmen who were caught by a fire and had to jump from the window. One of them, with a great deal of forethought and considerable afterthought, pulled on his pants before he jumped, but got them on hinderside before; the other one jumped in statu quo. (Laughter.) And as they reached the ground the one who had gone down as he was shouted, "Pat, are ye hurted?" And Pat looked up and said, "No, I ain't hurted, but I'm fatally twisted." And I am mixed; I don't exactly know where I am yet. But I will get to it in a minute or two here because I have something serious that I want to say.

The world which moves us into new undertakings and into the new life which the charge is facing rushes us on fast. I worked for a long time after graduation under the auspices of the Grand Lodge on the material for the catalogue. I don't know what has become of that catalogue, but oh, that was a great venture when we wrestled with it for those three years, and yet the names have nearly all fallen out of my mind now. I am coming back to it, though, and I shall be on my feet in a minute or two in the surroundings and atmosphere of the fraternity.

Let me say a word about the success of a banquet like this. It is remarkable. I remember—my mind has been going back to the banquet of my college days, when I came down and in Young's Hotel we had our dinner, and I remember the orator of that evening, the one oration that struck me most mightily—it was delivered by an undergraduate and it has all been coming over me as I have been looking around me. You have elected him president of the Grand Lodge. I remember his speech so well. Those were simple days back there; we did not have the luxury and the good fellowship that we have here tonight, when things have changed. But it is a sign of old age when you become reminiscent. Success, splendid success, attends the work. I remember an illustration of that matter of success. In the first parish that I had, in Vermont, there was an undertaker who was a very dry sort of fellow. His name was Angell, by the way—very appropriate. Along in the middle of the summer there came a funeral in the parish and as the ministers were all away they sent for an out-of-town minister, and they got together a little scrub choir. It was a hot afternoon and things went pretty badly. After the minister had left the house and had

gotten into the undertaker's buggy and they started up the hill to the cemetery the undertaker thought that he must say a little something to the minister, so he turned around—he always had a little chew inside of his cheek—and he said, "Mr. So-and-so, that funeral today wa'n't just a success. But 'tain't your fault, you done fine, you done fine. But to tell you the truth, that corpse wa'n't popular." (Laughter.) He felt that he had acquitted himself concerning the success and the lack of success in the funeral.

The two things that are striking me tonight are the increased popularity and the splendid work of the charges and the success that is crowning your work. I congratulate you on it.

Now, I had a few words I wanted to say in a serious way concerning the contribution which a Greek-letter fraternity makes to the agencies for culture in the college. I come from a college, not a university; Dartmouth still remains a college and I suppose it always will. (Cheers from the Dartmouth delegation.) I am proud of that fact, for I love the word "college." I love the idea of its fellowship. As an active and organic part of all the agencies which make for culture in the college it is impossible for any man to fail to reckon with the fraternity, because after all it is fraternity which stands for that which is of the very genius of the culture of an educational institution. The culture of an educational institution is primarily controlled by personal forces. You may have buildings never so beautiful, you may have curriculum elaborate and well-articulated, but unless you have men who by the contagion of personal ideals are bringing their pupils into new worlds, you have no institution of culture. The genius of education is the contact of personality with personality. And wherever the great man is, who knows how to master the ideal and make it reasonable and alluring as incentive to their minds, there you have the college and university.

Now, that which is the real genius of education, making for culture, is the genius of the Greek-letter fraternity, because a Greek-letter fraternity stands for the contagion of personal influence and stands for the closest possible contact of man with man. Culture consists, then, in these fine ideals imparted through personal influence. We are trying in the United States to produce culture in all sorts of ways. You remember the reply that the Irish woman made. Mr. Maloney had grown very, very rich, and the family had moved into a big house, and Mrs. Murphy met Mrs. Maloney and said, "Mrs. Maloney, how is it going?" "Oh," she says, "it is fine." "How do you like all the new things?" "Oh, we like them fine,"

she said, "but the butler sharpened all the knives and we cut our mouths." (Laughter.) You cannot produce culture in any other way than by the fine training and contagion of the ideal imparted from personality to personality.

I am in a happy medium ground here. I stand just between New York and Boston. I live in the middle of Connecticut. We are on the New York watershed, but not so high up that we fail to be illumined by the sun of Boston culture. We get our learning from Boston and our morals from New York—that is, I suppose so. (Laughter.) So I am free from all this argument between these opposing clerical men. It is delightful to be above where you can look down on the whole thing as I do, so I bear no part in this. I have come over here for these ten minutes that you give me tonight, brethren, to say a word and say it very earnestly concerning the realization of this high ideal of the fraternity. Now, may I go back to the years that I spent in Dartmouth, in Omicron Deuteron? As I have been reckoning up, for the past two days in moments of leisure, the forces which really operated on me in college to give me my education and the things that have been left permanently with me, I came to the conclusion that I might say without question that next to the personal influence of certain men on the faculty the personal influence of the upperclassmen in Omicron Deuteron was the greatest force that made my college career, that it contributed to me the largest element of enduring permanence and of enthusiasm and of inspiration that was contributed by any agency save that of certain men on the faculty. (Applause.) Theta Delta Chi is very precious to me and Omicron Deuteron is very dear to me because of what was done for me in the upper rooms of that bank building, where I suppose that old charge will remain forever (applause from the Dartmouth delegation) unless the alumni give them the better place to live in that they ought to have. I came there from the fitting school and today I can call the names of the upper-classmen who took me as I was, with certain literary likings that I had, not knowing how to use myself at all, and put me through a course of training, so that far more than from the English department of Dartmouth College I received my training from the upper-classmen of '87 and '88 in Omicron Deuteron hall. Some of you have heard Gregory—and, by the way, he is good timber by and by for president of the Grand Lodge some years hence when Brother Spencer has got through. He did not pay me to start this boom and he is not here tonight, but it is true, nevertheless. I can recall the names of those men. They took my thinking, my great big blundering thinking, and they put it through a course of training and they

whipped it and cuffed it until my cub thought came out with teeth and fangs, able to defend itself, and I was able to stand up and debate on the floor. Why, they got me pretty near where I was able to write poetry. (Laughter.) Now, it is because the upper-classmen recognized their obligation to me as an under-classman, a freshman, that the charge played the part that it did in my culture in college. Instead of making an eloquent speech I just come here with these practical words of counsel, brothers. You upper-classmen, it is not enough for you simply to make the under-classmen, the men in the new delegations, have a good time. We do exist to have a good time, but we exist for something more. It is not enough for you simply to give them comfortable rooms and pleasant surroundings; we exist for that, but we exist for something more. It is for you upper-classmen to remember, and for you who are under-classmen to remember when you become upper-classmen, that you have a definite obligation to discharge in the training and the culture of the lower-classmen in your charges. And do not think that just because you are not on the faculty you have no faculty obligation to discharge. I would give more for a large-minded, fraternal, splendidly idealistic upper-classman taking a lower-classman and making him his friend—I would give more for that sort of thing for my boy in college than I would for the formal academic teaching of a half dozen professors who never touch him except at a distance across the lecture room. (Applause.) And when I send my boy to college—and I wish to say to you that at twenty minutes to four this morning he was nine days old (great applause) and I pledge him Theta Delt now (renewed applause)—when I send my boy to college I want him to have that privilege in the fraternity hall, and if I learned that he was not to have that privilege in the fraternity hall I should counsel him against pledging even to my own fraternity. If I knew that the fraternity existed simply for good fellowship and nothing more, if it existed simply to be athletic and nothing more, I should not want him to give his time and his strength and his own enthusiasm to the charge. But if, plus all these things, there was the consciousness permeating the charge life that you men, gathered by twenties and thirties and forties, are responsible to one another for the impression of ideals upon each other, that you are responsible for counsel and guidance, then I should believe that he could do no one thing more precious, formative, beautiful than to become a member of a charge of a Greek-letter fraternity in his college.

Now, brothers, you are to do this business. I do not care so very much about the reports; I do not care especially whether there

are thirty-four or seventeen charges on the rolls. I am not so terribly troubled even if the "Shield" should happen to be in debt. I do not know whether it is or not, I am sure; it used to be more or less, but that is not the most important thing. The most important thing is this: is there this spirit of fine responsible fraternity in the local charges, and are you going back home from all the enthusiasm of this convention to make yourselves better fraternity men? There is the crux of the whole difficulty. No man ever became a member of Theta Delta Chi and simply had his name enrolled on the roster and suffered the initiation, whatever that might happen to be, and met simply for what little work might be done, and fulfilled his duty as a Theta Delt. He never does it until he rises to the ideal, and the never rises to the ideal until he rises to this thought of what fraternity means in academic culture.

Now my message to you may be ragged and rough, but it is heartily spoken; it is spoken in the belief that in the privilege of speaking to you men who are in the height and in the glory of your college life I have a privilege that is beyond any ability of mine to express. Down deep in my heart I have this loyalty and yearning for the local charges as my brethren. Go back, then, to your colleges and your universities, pledged to this, that the man who needs you, whether he needs your discipline or your encouragement, shall receive it. I know a certain charge that had at one time a very, very valuable medicinal process which they called "humbling;" and once in a while they took a man and humbled him thoroughly. That charge I am not wholly a stranger to and the process I know something about. It takes heroic temper on the part of the upper-classmen sometimes to humble a man, but I tell you if it is necessary, humble a man. There are men in some other colleges where we have no chapters who need humbling during the first and the second years of their college life, and if one should stray over into yours be true to that high function of the fraternity, namely, to show a man the place that he ought to occupy and show him also the amount of confidence that he ought to have in his own powers. But then add the stimulus and the cheer of your sympathy, your broad-minded fellowship. For after all, brothers, there is only one great thing that counts in the permanent forces that speak for life, and that is a human friendship. The greatest man I ever have known was a man who might be described in this simple phrase: he had a genius for friendship. And the ideal Theta Delt, the charge man, is the man who has the genius for friendship. It is no easy task to make yourself worthy to be a friend. It is no slight obligation to prove yourself to your classmates and your fraternity brother. It

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calls for all the nobleness that is within you, all the utmost reach of your idealism, all the patience and fidelity of our fine trained minds. Go back, then—this is my closing word—to the charges, to be there, I hope, in the common life, realizing this, that no finer test of your manhood can be imposed today than the test of Theta Delta Chi; that you be the brother in the charge to him who needs you, and that you also prove yourself so fraternal that you can be the brother when you need the brother's counsel. And then we shall have not merely the register increasing, not merely the record made splendid, but we shall have the ideal realized, and that is a thousand times more precious, and we shall have our principles displayed in fraternity which is clean of lip and loyal of heart and steadfast and resolute for all the years, so that gray-haired men shall look back with beating, throbbing hearts to the time when they first clasped their hands and crooked their fingers in the old grip of the Theta Delta Chi in college. (Long applause.)

THE TOASTMASTER: Brothers, I think we ought to have a song after that speech and I would suggest No. 11, "The Man who Loves his Country and the Man who Loves his Friends." (After the singing of the selection referred to the Toastmaster said:)

Now, if Brother Davis is a fair representative of the morals of that Connecticut watershed, thank God for the morals of New York city and for its ethical standards and for its aesthetic standards. (Applause.) Brother Davis has been giving away some family secrets. I want to say that I have a daughter, and from now on I am going to wait for the time when that son of Brother Davis is about twenty-eight years old and my daughter is about twenty-two years old, and I hope that then there will be something doing. (Great applause.)

Rev. MR. DAVIS: It is very nice to know that my son will never have to ask papa.

THE TOASTMASTER: I don't know about that.

You may have noticed that all the brothers who have spoken this evening, with one exception—and I admit that I am a terrible contrast—are ministers. I called upon Brother Whittemore in order to introduce a little variety into the proceedings, but you noticed that there was a dark conspiracy on foot by these ministers seated at this table. Now I have made up my mind to break this run on the bank and I shall call upon a brother for a change who is not a minister. Next year when you come to New York I regret to say very

much that you will find that the mayor is not a Theta Delt. The only reason that he is not is because he went to Princeton University. Now, around these diggings there are members who have attended other universities than Princeton where there are chapters of Theta Delta Chi, and there is a brother among us this evening who is the mayor of a suburb of Boston, the city of Lynn, and in place of Brother Whittemore, who is a Kappa man, I shall ask Brother C. Neal Barney to respond for Kappa and for Lynn. Brother Barney has the floor. (Applause, and cheers from the Tufts delegation.)

HON. C. NEAL BARNEY.

Mr. Toastmaster, brothers in Theta Delta Chi:

I can easily respond for Lynn—I do several times a night at dinners in my own town—but I am very sorry to have to respond for Kappa, because I supposed Brother Whittemore was going to do that. But since the illustrious example has been set by our distinguished Bostonian who went to the frontier town of Peoria the other night to deliver a lecture and then finally gave it to the newspapers, I assume that Brother Whittemore is going to present a copy of his speech to the "Shield," and Brother Whittemore, like Mr. Lawson, can be read in print.

I am glad to come here tonight and to speak perhaps for the younger members of the fraternity, for it was not so very many years ago that I was an active man in Kappa charge. I want to say, however, that all this bantering here about Boston and New York is very well in its place, but I want to tell you an incident that happened to Brother Tombo the last time he was in Boston, which will illustrate, perhaps, something that has been said tonight about the morals of the city of New York. Now, Brother Tombo wanted to telephone to me in Lynn and he went into a telephone booth and called up Lynn and had his conversation, and when he got through he asked the operator how much it was. The young lady responded, "Fifteen cents, please." He looked somewhat surprised and said, "What, fifteen cents to telephone to Lynn?" "Yes," she said, "Lynn is outside the city limits, you know." "Why," said Tombo, "in New York we can telephone to the infernal regions for fifteen cents." (Laughter.) "Ah, yes," said the telephone girl, "but you must remember that in New York the infernal regions are within the city limits." (Great laughter and applause.)

I said I was going to speak for the younger members in Theta Delta Chi. It is a pleasure to get out of town sometimes—I mean out of your town where you have to have a certain dignity—and

come into a strange place. A man, especially a man who is in politics, is sure to have his motives misunderstood when he talks in his own town or when he does anything, in fact, in his own city. The other day I overheard a conversation on the street in Lynn between two newsboys. The police were just making a raid on a disreputable place in the city and the ambulance was carrying off a crowd of men. One newsboy said to another as I was passing—he did not recognize me, apparently—“What’s de matter, Jimmie, over there?” And Jimmie, with a disgusted look on his face, said, “Aw, dat ain’t nothing at all; de kid mayor is making good.” (Laughter.)

This is one of the cases where it is a pleasure to speak for the younger men in Theta Delta Chi. Those of us who are at all interested in public life or at all interested in the problems that confront the American people as a whole—and when I use the word “American” I realize that there are some brothers here who come from across the border in Canada, but after all, the life of Canada is in every way similar to our life here in the United States, and when I use the word “America” I use it in an inclusive sense. Those of us who are interested in the great problems of the American people at the present time—and every Theta Delt ought to be; every man with a college education ought to be interested in the progress and welfare of his country, wherever it is—I say we are sometimes discouraged. We sometimes get pessimistic as we face the problems of life. We see, for instance, men trusted for many years in high financial positions suddenly brought low. We see with keen sense of chagrin some of the exposures made of corruption in some of our large cities, and with a great deal of chagrin we see many of these offences and things that should not exist in our body politic. And we get pessimistic over it and sometimes we begin to think that the tendencies in America are wrong and we are headed in the wrong direction. And then when we have that feeling there is no pleasanter way to get rid of it, there is no better way to get rid of it, than to go into a body of young men like this here tonight, to come into a body of men who have the training that every Theta Delt has behind him, who has in his heart and in his soul the friendship for other men, and really in the long run, as it has been said here tonight, it really makes the man, whatever he is and whatever his interests are. I tell you there is a satisfaction, whenever a man is feeling blue, whenever a man is troubled with the problems that confront him, to come into a crowd like this and see his hopes rise again, because he feels instinctively that here are

the men with the training that is going to make the America of the future.

I thought as I sat here tonight with what pleasure, what evident pleasure, our lamented brother Capen used to come for so many years to these Theta Delta dinners and he sat on the platform as he always did and he spoke to us as he always did in that kindly manner of his, and I was thinking particularly of the pleasure that it gave him to think of the life of the nation that was represented in the men of Theta Delta Chi—the life of opportunity, the life of hope, the life that looked out on larger and broader things than have ever been in our nation. I know the pleasure that it gave him because he frequently spoke of it, and I know that in his mind there was no question at all but that the future men of this country were to be the men who had the spirit of Theta Delta Chi, whatever their race, whatever their creed or their nationality; the men who are willing to see the best that was in their fellow men, the men who are willing to magnify the best that was in them and to make that predominant in the nation.

There is a beautiful legend in Japan of Hakuraku, I think his name was, who was all-knowing in horses—who was the greatest connoisseur in horses in the empire. He was sent by the emperor to discover the finest horse in Japan. He went out and spent many weeks in the search and finally returned and reported that a certain bay mare on a certain pasture on a certain hill was the finest horse in the kingdom. The emperor sent his representatives out to find the horse, and when they reached the spot designated they found, not a bay mare, but a black stallion. That was the perfect horse. The significance of this legend to us is that the vital things of life are deeper than the external things, deeper than color and sex and the things that appear. The real horse had been seen by the connoisseur of horses, but the externals had not been seen; he had looked deeper than the surface.

Now, it seems to me in a fraternity like Theta Delta Chi, where we have, as has been said, the genius of friendship so well exemplified—it seems to me that that genius consists in our ability to get so near the men who are in the fraternity that we see beneath the externals—we see beneath the man that appears on the surface to the real man below; we are able to form true estimates of the men we associate with. And there is nothing, we believe, brothers, if my short experience in the world is of any value at all—there is nothing in all your college course that is of so much value to you, that will be of so much value to you in the days to come, as the ability to see and to place a true estimate upon the life of the men you come in

contact with in this world. Because only as you place the real estimate that the Theta Delt places upon his fellow member of the charge—only as you can place this real estimate upon your fellow men as you meet them in the every-day world, can you cope with the problems that are common to you and to them.

I believe, standing here and looking at this magnificent gathering of fellows, this magnificent gathering of men with common aims and common purposes and a common love, men with common sympathies and with common memories and traditions, that there is no more convincing evidence of the worth of this fraternity. And I believe as time goes on, in the gathering traditions of our fraternity, which is now entering upon a rich old age, which has passed the stage of youth—I believe in the rich gathering traditions of our fraternity the names that have made her illustrious in the past, names such as that of Brother Capen and a hundred others that I might name, men who came modestly among us, were part of us and derived a great deal of their inspiration out of this body of men—I say that the rich tradition as it gathers from year to year will be a heritage that we can pass down to our successors after having made the best possible use of it that we can. Brothers, let us be proud of the name of Theta Delta Chi; let us be glad to take it with us into business, into public life, into the pulpit, wherever we are called; let us be ready to take the spirit and the teaching of Theta Delta Chi and make it the spirit and the teaching of the American nation. So doing, we pay the greatest tribute that any man can possibly pay to this fraternity that is so dear to all of us. (Applause.).

THE TOASTMASTER: Brothers, I was very much astonished this morning when I rose upon the floor of the convention to recommend to the incoming Grand Lodge that the following convention be held in New York City, that my motion was so quickly and zealously seconded, and that it was seconded by Brother Barney, and I wish to submit here that Brother Barney seems pretty anxious to leave. (Laughter.) I say that we can assure Brother Barney that New York is a pretty good place and that he will have there a good time. Brother Barney told us—I won't rub it in, but to borrow some of his own words—it is with a keen sense of chagrin that I have discovered that Boston culture, although it has pervaded the Connecticut watershed, has not yet reached the city of Lynn. To prove that I wish to give you a simple illustration. This afternoon, when I wanted to go out to see the Technology petitioners, I had an idea that they were on the way out to Cambridge,

and I also had an idea that it was the red car that you took to Cambridge. So I hailed a little newsboy to make sure and asked him whether it was the red car that you took to Cambridge, and he scratched his ear and said, "Which one, the vermilion or the maroon?"

Now, to prove to you that culture does not pervade Lynn, yesterday I managed to stray out to the city of Lynn, much to my disgust. I went there largely to see Brother Barney. It is not his fault that he is mayor, perhaps, any more than it is Mary Stuart's fault that she is treasurer of the Grand Lodge. But at any rate I went out there and he thought that inasmuch as I was a pedagogue the best thing to do would be to take me out to a school, which he did. And as I entered the classroom there were a lot of little girls there—I don't know why he took me there, it gave me visions of home—but at any rate I discovered that there was an object lesson in progress, and the teacher—and Brother Barney and I both kept our eyes off the teacher, I may say—read a little lesson from the reader which ran as follows: "See the cow. Can the cow run? Yes, the cow can run. Can the cow run faster than the horse? No, the horse can run faster than the cow." Then the teacher asked one of the rising citizens, the kid mayors of Lynn in embryo, to repeat what he had heard, whereupon he said, "Git on to de cow. Kin her giblets run? Bet yer sweet life she kin run. Kin de cow beat de hoss arunning? Naw, de cow ain't in it wid de hoss." (Great laughter.)

Now, the only thing to do for that rising citizen is to send him to Tufts College and have him become a member of the Kappa charge, and you will see the result at my right. (Applause.)

Speaking of animals, we saw a number of animals last night. Some of you no doubt saw more than there really were. But at any rate there is one animal that can make a pretty good noise, and at the last convention Brother Spencer, in a very brilliant speech, called attention to a fact that all the brothers should take to heart. He there quoted some lines to the effect that "The strength of the wolf lies in the pack." That, brothers, is something that all of you should take to heart here tonight: "The strength of the wolf lies in the pack." And you should show Brother Spencer that he will not be permitted by you to carry this burden—this pack—upon his shoulders alone. I want every one of you wolves to rally to his support and prove the truth of this old adage, that the strength of the wolf lies in the pack. And when Brother Spencer rises to address you as the new president of the Grand Lodge, I want you to behave yourselves and to shout like wolves in order to

prove that you are with him heart and soul. Brothers, the work of the Grand Lodge is a cinch so long as the incumbent of the office of president is made to feel that you are all with him heart and soul. As long as he has your support his administration will be successful. And I want you all to give him some idea here and now what that support will be like, and I hope that that support will be loyal, that it will come from the bottom of your hearts and that it will come thus simply because you are all true and loyal and good-hearted Theta Delts. Brothers, I take extreme pleasure and delight in introducing to you now as the next peaker, the president of your Grand Lodge, Brother Spencer. (Prolonged cheering, all the delegations simultaneously joining in their several college yells.)

REV. GEORGE H. SPENCER.

Mr. Toastmaster, Brothers of Theta Delta Chi:

I do not think I shall ever dare to say anything over twice after this. At our luncheon yesterday one young man arose and said that he once heard a couplet that had stuck in his mind ever since. It ran something like this:

And the strength of the wolf is the pack."

"The strength of the pack is the wolf,

Then he began to expatiate and he said something very familiar to me, but entirely unconscious of the spirit and course of his inspiration. He no sooner sat down than another brother who had just come in after he began to speak arose, and it seemed to be a sort of Spencer time there and Spencer was fair prey for anybody. This brother said that some years ago when he came to Boston he determined to hear all the great men, and so when he heard Brother Spencer was going to speak he went out into a suburb and heard him deliver an address to young people, and he said that in the midst of his address he took his text, and the text was:

"The strength of the pack is the wolf,

And the strength of the wolf is the pack."

He enjoyed the address so much that he said when he learned a few weeks afterwards that Brother Spencer was going to give another address to some other young people in another suburb he went out there and he heard an address the text of which was—I will not quote it. And now you here tonight are informed that at Chicago last year I said some words to the same text. These men

are all truthful men, and I announce now that I have but one subject to speak on, and whether I am talking in Montreal or California, or Virginia, or anywhere between, I shall have but one theme, and that theme is Theta Delta Chi. (Applause.)

I have greatly enjoyed myself tonight. I do not know when I have attended a banquet where everything seemed so harmonious and inspiring as this has been. I have had but one drawback, and that was that I imagined Brother Tombo might have me in reserve as a sort of benediction, perhaps, or a prelude to the benediction which might be pronounced. I felt that view somewhat as a man of whom I heard the other day, whose wife was lying ill unto death, and she called her husband and said to him, "James, I must go, and I am willing to go; there is one thing that troubles me, and if you agree to do what I want you to in that respect, I shall die peaceful and serene." "Well, Marth," he said, "what is it?" "Well," she said, "you know I have been greatly disturbed about the strained relations that have existed for some years between my mother and you, and I hope that to avoid scandal and talk you will consent to ride to my funeral service in the same carriage with my mother." "Well, Marthy," said he, "if it is your last request and if that alone is needed to enable you to make a peaceful exit, Marthy, I will do it, but I want to say to you, Marthy, that it will take away all the pleasure of the occasion for me." (Laughter.)

It is not quite so bad as that with me, but I have still had a great deal of pleasure here because it is a gathering of Theta Deltas. Now, I must not speak over long tonight. My voice, which sounds somewhat respectable because it is a Boston voice, beside that of my friend here on my left, (the toastmaster) who has to use only a New York voice, nevertheless is hardly equal to the tasks that are before it tomorrow. But I do want to say just a word about Theta Delta Chi. I have been thinking for two or three years about those words. What is Theta Delta Chi? What is it really? When Brother Cole, with a good deal of impressiveness, placed a leather-bound volume in my hand and required me to inscribe by name and a certificate that I had received it at his hands, and the date, I said to myself, "Is Theta Delta Chi the constitution?" Well, it is the constitution. And I propose to defend the constitution, to adhere to the constitution, to pass on that leather-bound volume to my successor, if I may, unimpaired, as clean, as strong, as true as I received it.

But Theta Delta Chi is more than the constitution. It is more than the traditions of our fraternity. How rich they are! What a heritage every young man who is initiated into Theta Delta Chi

comes into in the traditions of our fraternity! But Theta Delta Chi is more than constitution, it is more than tradition. In the last analysis it is the men who year by year make up its membership. And more than that, it is something indescribable, perhaps—indescribable but not incommunicable; it is something which has been passed on from life to life through the years of Theta Delta Chi. Brother Davis spoke tonight of that beautifully and fully. It was in my thought to dwell for a moment upon it. I refer to the apostolic succession of Theta Delta Chi. Why, brothers, it would be an easy task out of the memory of every Theta Delt to rewrite the constitution with every word in place and every punctuation point. It would not be an impossible task out of the loving memory and the tender sympathy of living Theta Delts, were every vestige of record concerning our fraternity destroyed, to bring together not all but a vast mass of our traditions. But it would be an impossible thing to recreate a living Theta Delta Chi out of the cold letter of the constitution and the mere formal records of our traditions if that mystic, plastic sympathy were destroyed which has come out of the book and not out of the symbol and not out of the tradition, but which has been passed on from heart to heart in the lives of living Theta Delts from those early days when the first men laid their consecrating hands upon the initiates at the altar in their lodge rooms. I had infinitely rather undertake to recreate everything that is visible and tangible in our fraternity out of the memory of hearts of loving, living Theta Delts than to recreate the spirit of the fraternity out of those things if our living Theta Delts should be destroyed and that spirit blotted out of the world.

Now, if that be true it follows that above the importance of preserving the constitution inviolate, important as that is—far above the importance of rehearsing over and over again the traditions of the fraternity, beautiful and helpful as that is,—is the importance of passing on from each generation to each succeeding generation of Theta Delts this something which is in the heart and which is given from the heart. You could teach a man the grip if there remained some vague knowledge concerning it, but you could not teach him what goes with the grip except it were taught him by a man who had been taught it by another man, and so on, who knew Theta Delta Chi. We are linked in a living line to those very apostles and founders of our Theta Delta Chi. That is what Brother Davis was talking about—the importance, the immense importance of seeing to it that with each passing generation—and that is a short thing with us; it means only a year or four years at the longest possible calculation—the passing on unimpaired in all

its beauty and breadth and purity and power this real spirit of Theta Delta Chi friendship. But he would be a pessimist and worse than a pessimist who could doubt in the presence of such a gathering tonight and in the midst of such a spirit as is abroad here tonight, that this thing is done and is to be done. I am not so anxious as to whether we have more or less charges. I am not concerned very much about whether our policy is conservative or liberal. I hope it will not be so liberal as to be wild nor so conservative as to be narrow. But it will never be too liberal if with every advance there is carried as there has been carried so far the real spirit of Theta Delta Chi. What a wild thing it was to go across the Rocky Mountains and in the isolation of the Pacific Coast plant a charge of Theta Delta Chi. But the spirit of Theta Delta Chi knows nothing about mountains. And you have found, as I have found, that those men yonder speak the same language that we speak, they know the same things that we know, their greetings to us betrays that they too have been drinking of the waters that have been given to us. Brothers, let us believe in Theta Delta Chi; let us hold up the standard; let us carry on as far as we may and as widely as we may this spirit of our fraternity. (Applause.)

THE TOASTMASTER: I think all the brothers here are more convinced than ever that one of the best things, if not the best thing, that this convention did was to elect unanimously to the highest office in its power Brother George H. Spencer. Brother Spencer said a thing or two about my voice and referred to it as a New York voice, I want to call your attention to the fact that it was not so very long ago that Brother Spencer paid a visit to New York, and when I heard him speak there I could hardly hear him. He brought that voice with him, and now you see the result. I had a fairly decent voice when I came to Boston, and now you see the result of the Boston influence.

Now, I have a telegram which I have kept up to this moment. Some of you who attended the theatre party last night will remember that various aspersions were cast at Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch, and I want all of you to have an opportunity—all of you, at any rate, who indulge in the noxious weed—to express your thanks to Brother Mellen for the cigars which have delighted your soul and which have come from Brother Mellon as they have in past years. (Applause.) And I want you to listen to the words that Brother Mellon sent:

"Palatka, Florida. I send every one of you greeting this happy banquet night. Long live Theta Delta Chi. James R. Mellon."

(Applause.)

Brothers, I think we should all rise and show our appreciation of Brother Mellon's gift, and I also think that we should instruct the chairman of the entertainment committee here this evening to send to Brother Mellon a telegram of thanks for his kind and cordial and fragrant remembrance. I ask you all to rise for Brother Mellon. Let us give three cheers for him. Our voices are gone anyway; it does not make any difference. (Applause and cheers.)

Now, brothers, I guess there is no use having any more songs for a while. There is only one that we have not sung yet; that is No. 12, and although it is five minutes of eleven I think we had better postpone the curfew for a little while. I think we are all having a good time. I think this is the best banquet we have ever had and I think all of you here are willing to continue it for some time longer. If any of you are not I am ready to entertain a motion to adjourn.

Now, I have noticed that the arrangement committee took considerable care to separate as far as possible the members of the Rho Deuteron Charge. A number of them are away off in the corner there, another is way on the end of Dyspepsia Row, another is further in the middle and I am clear in the middle. And I suppose that was done simply because the Rho Deuteron and Columbia have been making considerable noise. As I said before, we came here because we felt it incumbent upon us to make some noise; we wanted to show you that the abolition of football did not mean the emasculation of the student body and the faculty. And I would rather like to have a number from Columbia University respond. We have just heard from the incoming president of the Grand Lodge. One of the most difficult functions that he will have to perform will be to find a satisfactory Shield editor. We have heard something about the debts of the Shield. They are not so bad as they might be and I think all of you perhaps do not know how much work Brother Smith has put upon the Shield. Some of you have made jokes about its appearance without thinking, perhaps, that those disappearances or late appearances were not entirely the fault and not at all the thought of Brother Smith. Brother McCann, the Shield manager, called your attention to the death during the year of the printer who had for many years looked personally after the publication of the Shield, and you can imagine the result. But better late than never, and I think all of you will be glad to hear from Brother J. Boyce Smith, Jr., ex-Shield editor and

ex-Grand Lodge officer. Brother Smith. (Loud applause and song by the Columbia delegation.)

MR. J. BOYCE SMITH.

Brothers, I stand here in the full confidence that you will give no attention whatever to that rude and riotous assembly at the other end of the room, with their slanderous song. (Laughter.) I also stand here a very much abused and injured young Theta Delt. I came here under the solemn pledge and promise that I should not be called upon to show myself with my shoulders elevated higher than they are elevated when I am in a sitting posture. Brother Tombo is the toastmaster of the occasion, but I will not say who went back on his pledges. However, I will say that in the future, when Brother Tombo says to me, "I promise you this and I will surely do that and I will refrain from the other," I will have but one rejoinder—no, two rejoinders—I will say, in the words of Mr. Frank Daniels, "Oh, slush" and also "Fudge." (Laughter.)

But if you will allow me to drop into a more serious strain, brothers, no one will deny that there is often a great significance in little things. Now, the legend of the Shield—and this is the only way in which I will refer to the Shield, which has been fully discussed on the convention floor—the cover of the Shield bears this legend: "Published by the Theta Delta Chi." And that legend has evoked some comment and some criticism and much questioning. "Why don't you say, 'fraternity?' 'Published by the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity?'" Well, brothers, that legend was put on with malice aforethought and with a purpose and with deliberation and I think with propriety. It suggests to me the most fundamental stone in our foundation, and that stone is unity. We are a fraternity, but we are The Theta Delta Chi. You can all see the significance of that. There are great families of the past—there are the Medici and the Plantagenets, and—I did not go into history very deeply and I won't attempt to enumerate others, but the legend "The Theta Delta Chi," leaving out "Fraternity" brings out clearly the fact of the unity of this body. And therefore I make this explanation. I do not know if any of you have ever been caused to wonder by the cover of the Shield, but if you have, I offer this explanation—that we are a fraternity, but that we are also above all The Theta Delta Chi, and I hope that that legend will endure and be understood and will suggest to you always and continually that fundamental thing in our fraternity—its unity. (Applause.)

THE TOASTMASTER: Brothers, it is now after eleven, but I guess we are good for a few more. I think all of you would like

to hear from a member of the committee on entertainment. I want to repeat here that I think without doubt and without question this is the best arranged banquet that we ever had, and I think we ought at least to ask the chairman of the committee to rise so that those of you who are not acquainted with him may see him and ask him to respond for himself and for those who co-operated so zealously with him. Brother Gibbs of Iota Deuteron charge. (Applause.)

MR. RUSSELL C. GIBBS.

Mr. Toastmaster, I am in the position of a man up in Vermont on one of the bitter cold days—not of this winter, because we have had none—but in one of the severe winters which we have had. On one of those bitter cold days, when the thermometer was about 25 degrees below zero, this inhabitant of the Vermont town was doing business about town and he got pretty thoroughly chilled; so to warm up he went into the railroad station, which is a common meeting place. In the station there was one of those big old-fashioned iron stoves with a tremendous roaring fire in it. He came in, shivering, and walking up close to the stove, put out his hands to it. It was so infernally hot he couldn't stand it and he drew back a couple of paces. Then he put out his hands again and again had to step back, for it was still too hot for comfort. Finally, when he was about ten feet from the stove he turned to the station agent with a snarl and said, "It is so gol darn hot here a fellow can't even warm his hands." (Laughter.) The station agent was trying to do the man a good turn, making it hot. I don't doubt that the toastmaster was trying to do a good turn for me in making it warm, but you are making it so pleasant here for me that I can't really enjoy myself. I do not care to speak further than to say that I am glad you have enjoyed the banquet, and I hope every one here has had as good a time as I have. (Applause.)

**THE TOASTMASTER:** Brothers, the hour is growing late and me may have an opportunity to have a good time even after the speeches are all over. I hope those of you who are inclined to continue here and prolong the festivities of this occasion will gather around the piano after we are all through and enjoy some of our good old Theta Delta Chi songs. I think this banquet has been a credit to Theta Delta Chi. When I was getting shaved this evening the barber called my attention to the fact that he was extremely sorry the convention was almost over. He said that he remembered the Theta Delta Chi convention three years ago and ever since that time he had been hoping that another convention would be held

in the city of Boston very soon. I think the conduct of the brothers here this evening has been exemplary. He called my attention to the fact that what he liked about the Theta Deltis best of all was the fact that they used no bad language. Fortunately for him he had not attended the opening session and listened to the debates. (Laughter.) But at any rate, I really believe that all the brothers here deserve a great deal of credit for their conduct and it only goes to show that when the spirit is there—the spirit of Theta Delta Chi—there is something that takes hold of us and carries us all away and makes us feel that we should be loyal to our order and be a credit to it.

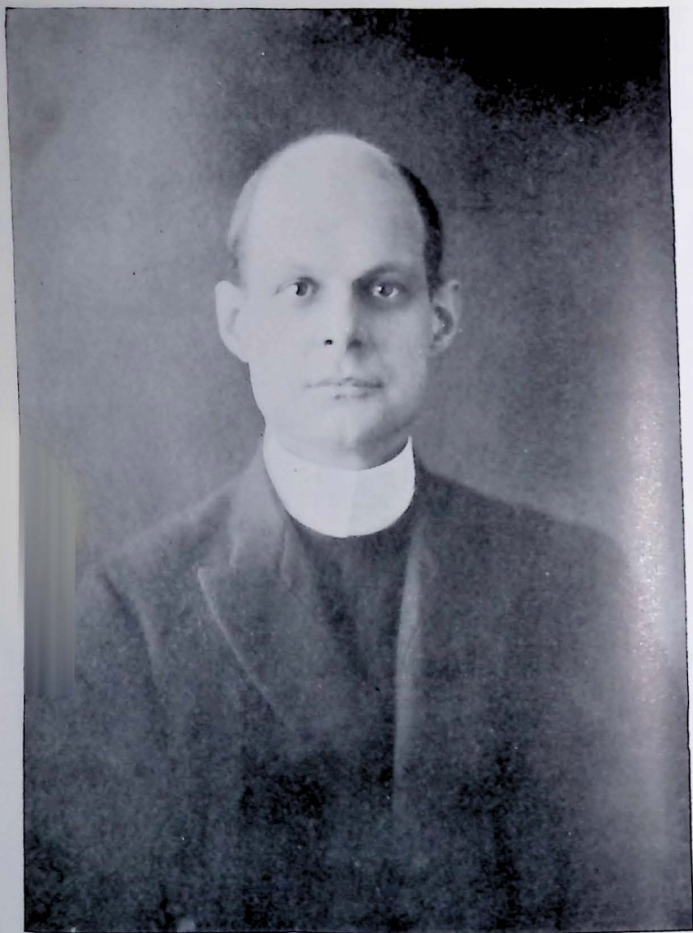
Now, brothers, as all of you know, it is the custom before we leave these gatherings to drink a silent toast to the Omega Charge, and before I ask you to rise and drink this toast, I want to call your attention to the fact that this meeting is not the close of the convention. I hope all of you will attend the memorial service which will be held at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon in the parish house of Trinity Church. All of you realize, I am sure, that this memorial service and this silent toast to the Omega Charge which we shall in a few moments rise and drink, has perhaps a deeper significance this year than it has had for many years. To my mind, one of the choicest things in Theta Delta Chi is the fact that we are Theta Deltis, not only while we are in college receiving the training of the upperclassmen, and we are Theta Deltis not only after we leave college halls and get out into the life and struggles of the world at large, and this is the greatest thing about Theta Delta Chi and the unique thing,—no matter what our creed may be, no matter whether we be ministers or only lawyers or pedagogues, we all believe, at least to a certain extent, in a life in the hereafter, in so much as we believe in the Omega Charge. Brothers, that to my mind is the very greatest thing in Theta Delta Chi. I think every brother here should be inspired by it. In this busy, struggling life all of you know how soon men are gone and how soon they are forgotten. Are you not glad, every one of you here, and happy to think that when you go Theta Delta Chi will never forget you; that every catalogue as it is printed will contain the roll of the Omega Charge; that not only your own charge but all Theta Deltis will think of you after you are gone, whether they have known you or not; that your spirit will attend all these gatherings, that all our spirits will attend them for years to come? This link between ourselves and the Omega Charge may have something sentimental about it; it may smack of psychical research but, brothers, there is a great deal to it: There is a great deal in that sentiment to counteract the busy

things that are going on in the world of today, this pushing and jostling and this hunt after the almighty dollar. Give play for a moment, gentlemen, to that sentiment, and in the midst of our joys and in the midst of our happiness, let us pause and turn one thought to those men who were Theta Delts before us and through whose instrumentality we became Theta Delts. Brothers, it sometimes happens that one Theta Delt or another makes trouble for us in this world. But troubles are soon forgotten, and whenever we think of the Omega Charge we think of all those brothes as one, we think of them as pure, we think of them as clean, we think of them as noble. Brothers, when the time comes for you to be called upon to join this Omega Charge, those of us who are left behind will think only of all the good things that you did for your fraternity and through your fraternity for the brotherhood of man.

We have lost this year many great men. The name of Hay and the names of others who have joined this Omega Charge—the name of Brother Capen, for example—I assure you, will be forgotten by the world at large, will be forgotten by Tufts College, will be forgotten by the United States citizens, but those names will never be forgotten by Theta Delta Chi as long as the spirit which is rampant here this evening shall last. And, brothers, that spirit will continue simply because it is the spirit of Theta Delta Chi and simply because it has no bounds and no boundaries. That spirit exists in the beyond and in the hereafter just as much as it does here, and that is the one grand thing which distinguishes this fraternity from every other organization on God's footstool—we believe that after we have gone we shall still be Theta Delts, loyal to the core. Brothers, when you rise to drink this silent toast to the Omega Charge, I want your hearts to beat with pride—with a pride for those old men who conceived the idea of the Omega Charge, and I want every brother here to feel that as long as he may be permitted to live and work for Theta Delta Chi on God's earth, his thoughts are with those that have gone before. I want you all to rise and drink to the spirits that have gone before us, to those choice spirits that have made Theta Delta Chi what it is today. Brothers, there is a bond that has drawn us all more closely and more firmly together here this evening. I firmly believe that it is the spirit of men like Brother Capen, whom we always keep in mind, that has caused us to enjoy ourselves this evening as we have. Brothers, I want you all to rise now and as the conclusion of this banquet to drink in silence but with hearts that are overflowing, to the Omega Charge.

(The toast was drunk in silence, the company standing.)





REV. GEORGE H. SPENCER, LAMBDA 1890  
President of the Grand Lodge

THE TOASTMASTER: Now, brothers, before we part let us all join in No. 12, "The Parting Word."

(The song, "The Parting Word" was sung to the tune of Auld Lang Syne, the entire company joining hands in a circle about the hall.)

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### MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Memorial Service was held in the Parish House of Trinity Church, of which famous pastorate Brother Alexander Mann, Xi 81, has lately taken charge, on Sunday afternoon, February 25th, and was well attended. Brother Mann made appropriate remarks and then introduced Brother Cole, the retiring President of the Grand Lodge, who spoke very beautifully of the spiritual side of fraternity, and of the impressions received during the past year of his incumbency of the high office of Theta Delta Chi. Brother Spencer, President of the incoming Grand Lodge, made the closing remarks, taking as his theme the life of our late Brother John Hay—a life of high and faithful service. The meeting closed with the singing of our Doxology.

J. BOYCE SMITH, JR.,  
Rho Deuteron, '01.

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### GEORGE HAZELTON SPENCER.

President of the Grand Lodge.

Those who were regular attendants at the conventions of the early nineties will recall the strong personality that dominated more than one of those inspiring gatherings, in the person of George H. Spencer, Lambda 90, then a student of theology, but even then marked for a prominent position in the Methodist Episcopal denomination.

The promise Brother Spencer gave as an undergraduate is being fulfilled year after year in an ever deepening spirituality and a widening influence as he throws all the powers of his mind and heart into his work for the world.

When an earlier biographer, Brother F. Spencer Baldwin had him in hand for a sketch for the SHIELD, Brother Spencer is quoted as saying: "The very best and most encouraging thing I know about myself is that I have been able to attain the friendship of some mighty good fellows." Here, then, is the secret of his splendid character,—he is a good friend. He is the type of Theta Delt who makes friendship worth the while and lives out the idea.

The President of the Grand Lodge was born August 17, 1866, at Newbury, Vermont. His father was for many years the leading Methodist clergyman in Vermont. As the son of an itinerant preacher, Brother Spencer received a peripatetic education. He obtained his early schooling in St. Johnsbury, St. Albans, Windsor, Ludlow and Montpelier. His preparation for college was completed in the Montpelier Academy. After his graduation from this institution in June, 1885, he taught for one year in Stratford, N. H. In the autumn of 1886 he entered the college of Liberal Arts, Boston University. He was initiated into Lambda charge in October of the same year.

During the years of his college course Bro. Spencer also pursued studies in the Theological School of Boston University. He preached regularly, having charge at different times of various churches in the vicinity of Boston. He interested himself actively in the societies of the college. He was especially prominent in the debating society. As a college debater Bro. Spencer was in a class by himself. He was always ready to speak without preparation on either side of any question of which he had knowledge. His fame as a ready debater was not won by mere superficial eloquence. The solid basis of his success was a rare ability to think logically and rapidly on his feet. The power of graceful and forceful oratory is Bro. Spencer's best talent.

At the conclusion of his college course Brother Spencer entered at once upon the work of the ministry. In June, 1892, he was married to Miss Rosetta Munroe of Lynnfield, Mass. They have three children, a boy and two girls. From 1890 to

1894 Brother Spencer was pastor of the Methodist church in Methuen, Mass. After another four years' period of service in Somersworth, N. H., he was called in 1898 to the pastorate of the Methodist Church in Newton Centre, Mass., one of the most desirable appointments in New England.

His pastoral here was marked by the building of a new church edifice from whose enlarged equipment Brother Spencer led his people to a wider and wider service. Later he was called to another prominent church at Everett, Mass., where he is now laboring with great success.

The pastoral work of Brother Spencer is not confined by narrow denominational lines. His influence reaches far beyond the limits of his own parish. He has always had the confidence and the friendship of the best men in the community, irrespective of church relations. He modestly refers to himself as "only a plodding pastor." He is that and more. He is also a powerful preacher. His sermons are characterized by a sanity and a virility that are rare in the latter-day pulpit. They are not emasculated discourses for the feeble-minded. They appeal to men. Antediluvian theology has no attraction for Brother Spencer. His chief intellectual interest is in the ethics and the theology of the New Testament. The vigorous independence which has always marked Brother Spencer's course in the church was shown at the time the Philippine war of subjugation was going on. The Methodist clergy are practically unanimous for expansion. They pronounced with loud voice for the Bible and shotgun policy in the Philippines. This maudlin manifestation of abortive missionary zeal Brother Spencer uncompromisingly denounced. He refused to accept the expansionist version of the scriptural injunction—"Go ye into all the world and *shoot* the gospel into every living creature."

The finest tribute one can pay to Brother Spencer is merely to say he is a rare good fellow. It is no small thing to be able to say this in sincerity of a parson. He is entirely companionable. He is uniformly genial and optimistic. He is absolutely free

from the conventional mannerisms of the ecclesiastic. He is gentle, tolerant, sympathetic; yet he has a backbone that can stiffen to a proper rigidity, if the occasion require. Withal he is wholesomely genuine to the very core of his being. As you grasp his hand and look into his eyes, you feel that here is indeed a brother in whom there is no guile.

The Fraternity looks forward to the administration of President Spencer with more than confidence. The enthusiasm he arouses by his presence at any fraternity gathering is a suggestion of the larger enthusiasm certain to follow his administrative planning. The Fraternity is fortunate in having a man of his type as its official head.

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#### HOWARD L. DAWSON, BETA '07.

Secretary of the Grand Lodge.

Beta charge has not had an officer of the Grand Lodge since 1897-98 when Brother Edmund S. Smith, 98, was Secretary. The charge is now honored by the choice of Howard Lathrop Dawson as Secretary of the incoming Grand Lodge.

Brother Dawson is a member of the class of 1907, Mechanical engineering course, and stands high in his class. He is one of several Theta Deltas who are obtaining their engineering training under Brother Albert W. Smith, Beta 78, Dean and Director of Sibley College.

Brother Dawson was born at Columbus, Ohio, October 10, 1885, but has spent nearly all his life at Evanston, Illinois. He prepared for Cornell at the Chicago Manual Training School and Northwestern University, entering Cornell in September, 1903. He has always been active in University affairs, and is well known throughout Cornell as a loyal and enterprising member of the student body.

Where Brother Dawson's loyalty finds fullest scope, however, is Beta charge, where he is respected and loved by all. He has been a valuable member of the charge from the time he

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HORACE LATHROP DAWSON, BETA 1907  
Secretary of the Grand Lodge



CHARLES A. STEWART, RHO DEUTERON 1906  
Treasurer of the Grand Lodge

entered, giving time and thought to all the various problems that arise in charge life and assisting materially in their solution.

All who know Brother Dawson consider him especially fitted to carry on systematic and valuable work for the fraternity in his new position.

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### CHARLES A. STEWART.

The new Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, Brother Charles A. Stewart, is a member of the Rho Deuteron Charge of the Fraternity and a senior in the college at Columbia University.

Brother Stewart, it would seem, through character and training is exceptionally well fitted to administer the functions of his office. Possessing both dignity and sound reasoning power to a marked degree he should execute his own duties skillfully and well, and at the same time be an important factor in the meetings and conferences of the Fraternity's executives.

Though born in New York City, December 1st, 1885, Brother Stewart has lived most of his life in Franklyn, Mass. At the age of three, his parents moved to that town so that his education, to the time of his entering Columbia College in the fall of 1901, was obtained there.

In the university life he has been most active not only in politics but in scholarship and athletics. Enjoying the kind regard of his fellow students he was elected president of the class in Junior Year, perhaps the most coveted of all prizes in college politics, carrying, as it does, so much prestige and influence with it. That he continues to enjoy this esteem is proven by his selection as Yew Tree orator for the Class Day exercises, an honor second only to that which he previously held as president of the class.

In athletics and in scholarship, as in politics, Brother Stewart has been an equally consistent worker. Freshman year he made general honors, while at present he is captain of the Gymnastic Team.

It was not till late in his Sophomore year, however, that Brother Stewart became a member of the Rho Deuteron Charge of Theta Delta Chi, but his activities there have been not less strenuous than other occupations, so that it would, perhaps, be hard to find a more faithful, conscientious and level headed worker both for his mother charge and the Fraternity at large.

Possessing somewhat remarkable oratorical ability in the form of extremely easy flow of convincing language, it is somewhat questioned why he has not chosen the ministry, law or the stage, as his profession, rather than Mineralogy and Geology.

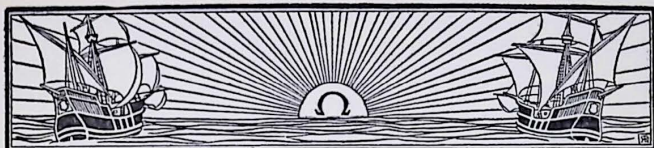
Last fall at Columbia, when it was decided by the trustees of the University that football in its present form be abolished, and suggested that all intercollegiate contests be dispensed with, it is claimed that Brother Stewart, speaking after President Butler, to the student body upon the matter, not only received a more enthusiastic welcome and recognition, but that he absolutely refuted in a most positive manner the scholarly arguments of the polished and exceedingly able president.

Theta Delta Chi comes by Brother Stewart legitimately since he has a relative who is both a cousin and a brother at the same time.

Brother Stewart purposes to remain at Columbia for at least another year to take A. M. work in Geology and Mineralogy and perhaps to lengthen his stay until he finally secures his Ph. D.

In closing this brief sketch of Brother Stewart it might be truthfully stated that he possesses those characteristics which we most desire to see in our friends and brother Theta Deltas, and from which the Fraternity is bound to grow in strength as a factor for good.

CHARLES E. MORRISON, *Rho Deuteron*, 1901.



I N M E M O R I A M

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**JOHN PUTNAM CLARK**

Kappa, 1900

Omega, 1906

WHEREAS, It hath pleased God in His infinite Providence to summon to the Great Omega Charge our brother, John Putnam Clark of the class of 1900; and

WHEREAS, We feel that in him we have lost a true, faithful and beloved brother; be it

RESOLVED, That we, the Kappa Charge of Theta Delta Chi, tender to his family our deepest and most sincere sympathy in their bereavement; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Shield for publication.

JOHN PUTNAM CLARK, Kappa 00.

The following is taken from the "Tufts Weekly":

"John Putnam Clark of the class of 1900 died at his home in Lynn, Mass., Thursday morning, February 22, of spotted fever, after an illness of only four days.

"Mr. Clark was at the time of his death the instructor of mathematics in the Lynn Classical High school, and had been there in that capacity for nearly three years. In addition to this work, he was teaching in the Boston evening school, and had a class in mathematics in Burdett College. His death comes as a shock to his large number of acquaintances, and his loss is keenly felt by the teachers and pupils in the school, by whom he was greatly respected. Mr. Clark was very prominent in the athletic events of the school, being manager of several of the Classical school teams.

"He was prominently connected with the Massachusetts Mathematical Society, and was known to be a man possessing keen intellect. He often lectured before the society's meetings. Only last

December Mr. Clark read an extended report on the subject of arithmetic in the schools before the New England Association of Mathematical Teachers. As an instructor he was very successful, and enjoyed the respect of all of his pupils.

"The deceased was a native of Jamaica Plain, where he was born twenty-seven years ago. He was educated in the public schools of his native city, and was a member of the graduating class of Tufts College of 1900. Soon after his graduation from college he went to Meriden, Conn., where he taught in the high school of that place. He went to Lynn nearly three years ago. Last June he was married to Miss Edna Sloane of Meriden, Conn., and had lived at 11 Tudor street, Lynn. He is survived by a widow, father and mother, and two brothers.

"The funeral took place Saturday at Jamaica Plain, at the home of the father of the deceased, F. W. Clark. The Tufts men present were Rev. F. W. Perkins, '91, of Lynn; C. Neal Barney, '95, Mayor of Lynn; Professor Thomas Whittemore, '94, and Ira R. Kent, '99, all members of the Theta Delta Chi fraternity, to which Mr. Clark belonged. Rev. Mr. Perkins delivered the address."

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A. W. C. NOWLIN

Epsilon, 1854

Omega, March 7, 1906

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father in His infinite love and wisdom, to call to the halls of Omega our beloved brother, A. W. C. Nowlin; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That we, his brothers in Theta Delta Chi, do deeply mourn the loss that we have suffered by the death of one who, by his many abilities and his brilliant achievements, has always reflected the greatest honor and credit upon the fraternity.

RESOLVED, secondly, That by his death, Epsilon Charge has lost a distinguished alumnus, and Theta Delta Chi a loyal and prominent member.

RESOLVED, further, That we express our sympathy to his relatives and friends, and that we send a copy of these resolutions to the Shield for publication, and that they be spread upon the minutes of Epsilon Charge.

For Epsilon Charge,

JOHN W. ABBITT, '07.

Q. WILSON HODGES, '08.

WILLIAM. H. PETTUS, '08.



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The invitation to take up the editorial and business management of the SHIELD awakened from the very outset the keenest desire to accept, although many hindrances suggested themselves. Now that a way has been found to accede to the wish of the President of the Grand Lodge, the editor assumes his new duties with the sincerest purpose to do all he can to further the interests of the Fraternity. It will be from the outset his prime motive to stir, if possible, more enthusiasm among the brethren for the principles and traditions of the order, to establish these more firmly, and to hand down to his successor a record of simple loyalty that may prove helpful to those that follow.

At this date nothing has come to the editor's hands in the shape of material for the forthcoming number, nor has anything been placed in his hands that gives any understanding of the financial or business conditions of the magazine, but doubtless within a few weeks he will be in possession of this and can then push the re-organization to the end that the list of subscribers may be enlarged, and the SHIELD itself maintained at its high standard.

The editor asks the consideration of the brethren in his new work and particularly their loyalty and helpfulness whenever opportunity affords.. He can make the SHIELD stimulating to

the brethren if all the brethren assist when called upon or as occasion suggests. Without further words, he takes up his work as editor and bids the brethren greeting and the Fraternity God-speed.



It will be the policy of the editor of the SHIELD to make the SHIELD more and more a magazine of interest to the Alumni, an avenue of communication between the undergraduates and the graduates, between the old College with its constant changes in buildings and faculty and its peculiar life and happenings and those who are out and away from the scenes of college activities, busied with engrossing cares. The SHIELD cannot be of interest to the Alumnus if it contains long dissertations about men and things remote from their interests, but it must be of fascinating interest to every Alumnus if made a real news agency, covering the field of Alma Mater and his charge. To this end the excellent system started by Brother Smith to have news-gathering centers will be continued. It is the expectation that not one or two but fifteen or twenty for each charge will be established, so that the latest news will be forthcoming and made attractive to the graduate. In this way we believe the SHIELD will gradually become a necessity to the Alumnus and he will miss it if not forthcoming promptly. This may seem a difficult task, but we believe it can be accomplished. Let us all co-operate to bring it about.



The Fraternity is indebted to Bro. J. Boyce Smith, Jr., for his editorial work in connection with the recent convention, evidences of which are found in the complete report in this number. As Editor of the SHIELD for the last two years Brother Smith has endeared himself to the Fraternity by the kind of work that the brethren always appreciate. It is with regret that the subscribers of the SHIELD learn that his business would not permit him to continue as editor for another year. He had raised the standard of the SHIELD perhaps to its highest position, and his experience

would have enabled him to make the coming volumes conspicuous. Among editors of the SHIELD he will be remembered by all Theta Deltas as one who loved the brethren and served them well.



A few reprints of the article on Charge Houses, which formed a conspicuous feature of the last volume of the SHIELD, have been made and are now to be had of the author, Brother Rudolf Tombo, Jr. The pamphlet will be forwarded to any person who remits 55c to cover cost and postage.



In one of his earliest communications to the new editor, Brother J. Boyce Smith, Jr., suggested the desirability of combining the March and June numbers of the SHIELD. An effort was made to test the practicability of the suggestion, but it was soon discovered that the postal regulations made it impossible to obtain second class rates unless four numbers of the SHIELD were published every year. If the March and June numbers had been combined it would necessitate the publishing of at least three others during the year. For the present, therefore, no change will be made in the number of issues annually or in the rotation; the second number will be of June, the third of September, and the fourth of December. The only loss, therefore, so far as the proposition is concerned, has been one of time in getting out the first number of the new volume, a loss which all must recognize would be hazardous, however, were it often repeated.



After weeks of weary waiting the first number of Volume XXII is about to go to press. There has been one occasion for delay after another until the editor has been at times completely discouraged at the prospect. It would seem an easy matter to get hold of the printing material which was in the hands of the former printer; but, not weeks, but months, have been required

for this. It would seem an easy matter to gather the letters from the different charges, but the delinquencies in this line are almost past belief. It is not the purpose of the editor to begin his new work with complaints, and he will utter none now. The new volume is begun and perhaps none of the trying circumstances will be met with again. At any rate the editor now feels he is no longer tied to an unseen tether. It is his purpose to have the magazine published promptly hereafter whether charge letters are in his hands or not, and in case any charge prove delinquent, the matter will be referred to the Grand Lodge. The SHIELD will be published just the same. No one man or group of men should keep Theta Delta Chi from having the SHIELD at stated intervals and the best of its kind.



The Convention was in all of its details the product of Theta Delt loyalty and enthusiasm. The menus and song folders were designed and printed by Theta Delts. The chairman of the banquet committee did the designing; the lettering for the cover of the song folder was done by Brother Fitch Haskell of Iota; and the printing of both the menu and the song book was done by Brother Kilby Page Smith, Kappa 97, of the firm of Lincoln and Smith. Bro. Irving K. Fox of Lambda printed the general program and directory.

Song No. 10, "A Theta Delt Lass," to the tune of *Fair Harvard* was written by the fiancee of a Mu Deuteron brother in New York, and was sent on by him to take his place, he being unable to be present in person. To every Theta brother a Theta Delt lass of that kind!



# CHARGE LETTERS

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BETA—Cornell University

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Initiate

George Alfred Tilden

To the "Convention Shield" we send a message of thanksgiving; first of all we may say for the honored position which Brother Dawson is permitted to hold during the coming year, as secretary of the Grand Lodge. Our delegates return with glowing accounts of convention and report it as one of the best.

In numbers Beta has returned to the thirty mark on account of five of the brothers leaving college. Brother Lyon did not return this term and has accepted a position with the J. G. Brill Car Co. of Philadelphia.

Our initiate, George Tilden, is from Pittsfield, Mass., and is a nephew of Brother Willis S. Payne.

"Junior Week" was up to its usual form at Cornell this year and we had a house full of congenial guests to help us enjoy it. The ice carnival was a feature of the week, as it was also last year, and from the interest that has been shown in it by the guests, it is likely to stand as a permanent thing.

All departments of athletics are busy now that the weather permits; baseball, crew, lacrosse, golf, cricket and spring football practice. Intercollegiate baseball teams and crews have been organized with the hope that new material will be developed. Interfraternity baseball is attracting more attention than usual this spring and is a source of considerable pleasure as well as friendly rivalry.

Brother Goodier has been changed from his old position on the four-oar to No. 6 on the varsity eight.

The baseball team won all of its games while on its southern tour during the Easter vacation. Brother Hollands, '08, and Brother Newhall, '06, were on the team during the trip.

Brother George Chase, '09, played with the varsity basketball team all season and made his insignia.

Brothers O'Brien, McDevitt and Loff made us a short visit while here with the Dartmouth baseball team and Brother Darsie, '07, was here with Lafayette. We only regret that Theta Delt do not mingle more in this way. When there is a Theta Delt on the opposing team there is a tendency to lose that spirit of enmity for it and to more nearly approach the Englishman's "Sport for sport's sake" which American colleges have been accused of neglecting. We hope that more brothers will be with us during the remaining spring games.

CHESTER L. ROADHOUSE.

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GAMMA DEUTERON—University of Michigan.

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Initiates.

Burritt A. Parks '08, Detroit, Mich.

Chauncey S. Boucher '09, Marion, Ind.

Benjamin R. Eggeman '09, Detroit, Mich.

Since our last letter Gamma Deuteron has added the above three names to her charge roll and takes great pleasure in here introducing the men. They already show themselves good and loyal Theta Delt and men of whom we may feel proud.

Things have been rather quiet during the winter season, about the only thing to cause any excitement being the J-Hop. We entertained a fine crowd of girls and had an elegant time. Brother Potter '07 served on one of the committees.

Just at present, great preparations are being made for a "Monster Carnival of Minstrelsy" for the benefit of the Michigan Union. The union intends to build a student clubhouse or commons hall and uses the above means for raising funds. Brother Potter '07 is chairman of the libretto committee. Brother Crumpacker '09 is one of the endmen and also leads the Freshman Ballet of which Brother Fritch '09 is also a member.

In athletics, Gamma Deuteron is unfortunately rather weak at present, not being represented in either baseball or track, although Brother Gotshall '06 as manager has brought the Varsity track team through a successful season.

But perhaps our greatest interest as a Charge centers in our new house project. Plans were recently submitted for a complete

remodelling and rebuilding of our house, which if we can carry out, (and the prospect seems very bright) will place our house on a par with any other in town.

Brother 'Gene Osgood, Beta 02, dropped in on us just as we were leaving for Spring vacation, but there were enough "left-overs" in the house to keep him interested during his short visit. We have been fortunate in having with us at different times, several of our own alumni.

Gamma Deuteron extends best wishes to all her sister charges and promises a hearty welcome to every wandering Theta Delt. who comes her way.

JOS. N. McCREARY.

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**DELTA DEUTERON—University of California.**

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Delta Deuteron sends greetings to her sister charges. The report that was circulated throughout the East which stated that Berkeley had suffered by the earthquake and fire was erroneous. No damage was done in Berkeley other than the shaking down of a few chimneys. The University has suffered only in so far as the destruction in San Francisco will affect the wealth of the community, its interests and the income to the University that came from San Francisco properties.

In this we have been much more fortunate than has our sister charge at Stanford. The shock there was much more intense than that felt here. All their magnificent buildings were injured and some of them destroyed by the shock.

At both institutions college work was immediately suspended. The students here all entered into relief work, and Theta Delta Chi was in the thick of it. San Francisco was put under martial law. The cadets at the University were called out and put into service and proved their worth as sentries in the stricken city.

As soon as the services of the students were no longer needed the brothers went to their respective homes. It was a sad ending of a mighty prosperous year for Delta Deuteron. This week we have the usual graduations on a very small scale. The Senior Extravagance (written by Brother DeLeon) was to take place on the 14th of May and now will never be given. There will be no Senior Ball. There will be no diplomas given (as they were all destroyed in the fire in San Francisco).

At the present time no data can be obtained as to the number of brothers that will return to College next August. Delta Deuteron

will graduate six brothers. There are three pledges who may be in college next term. On account of the destruction at Stanford it is possible that we may have some brothers from Eta Deuteron with us.

Until insurance affairs are settled no one can tell where they stand. Almost all the "grads" who had interests in San Francisco lost heavily.

H. W. BEECHER.

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#### EPSILON—College of William and Mary

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In the fraternal spirit of her men and in the achievements of her members in the college world old Epsilon has passed one of the most glorious quarters of her career. Always in the lead among the college fraternities, Epsilon has justly assured herself of her pre-eminence and her prominence in all the features that characterize the life at William and Mary.

Brother Faison, popularly known as "Kid," has just achieved one of the triumphs of his college career in being one of the two to capture the medal in the joint debate with Randolph Macon, one of the sister institutions of William and Mary. In the preliminary contest to decide between the four contestants for the honor of upholding the side of his Alma Mater he was awarded the unanimous approval of the judges in being appointed one of her debaters; and the decision was more than amply justified by the manner in which he conducted himself on the night of the joint debate. "Kid" has always been popular with all classes at college, and this was never the more shown than when he appeared before the footlights on the night of April 6th to begin his argument. He was roundly applauded by the whole house, and it was amid a thunder of applause that he took his seat at the close of the debate, with many testimonials of his success in the way of numerous bouquets. For this achievement he will be doubly rewarded, as he will be presented at the Finals with the cup for the joint debate and the medal for the preliminary contest. Brother Faison received congratulations from far and wide, notably from Captain Joseph Willard, formerly Lieutenant-Governor of Virginia, of whom he is a protege.

The worth of Brother Faison has also been recognized in other directions, for he has been elected assistant manager of "The Colonial Echo," the college annual, a position he deserved through his connection with the William and Mary Literary Magazine, of which he was business manager.

Nor has Epsilon achieved any the less in other fields of college activity. Brother Marsden has been elected captain of the baseball team, taking his position on the initial bag, where, with his accuracy and his good batting average, he stands well assured of being one of the best players of the season. He has showed up well in all the games so far, and there is no hesitancy in believing that he will continue his fine record. Brother Watson is captain of the basketball team, and has just been re-elected for the same position next year. As a basket putter he is unsurpassed, and in this respect he has earned an enviable reputation. Brothers Small, Smith and Marsden are also members of the team, all of them being recognized as among the college's best players, which may be attested by the fact that Epsilon made up a winning team against the other players in the college. Smith also made a record for himself in the track team.

Brother Hodges—quiet but steady, persistent and efficient—has been elected chief marshal for the celebration of the Philomathean Literary Society next Finals; and Brother Pettus, who is one of the animating spirits of the charge, has been elected to the same position for the Phoenix Literary Society celebration.

Returning from their trip to the Convention Brothers Marsden and Abbit related many interesting incidents and gave a very clear and entertaining account of the whole proceedings to the charge ranged around for the general fraternity news. They had a most pleasant time of it and always refer to it with very evident enjoyment.

The fraternity spirit in the charge is fine, and the brothers stand close together in all things, especially those that most directly concern the welfare of the charge. All the boys are working hard, and now, as the day of examinations is soon to dawn, they are working with renewed effort to uphold the traditions of those who have passed from the portals of their Alma Mater with large success behind and a bright hope for the exertions of the future.

Nor have the alumni been lacking in the proper spirit and interest for the welfare of the charge they helped to resurrect. Frequent have been their visits; and they have always been welcomed by the brothers of the charge. Brothers Maddox, Cary, Wright, Holt and Mackreth have frequently run down for the week end to bear some message of encouragement and to see how things were going with the charge. There is never a merrier crowd than when the old men join hands with the new and sing over again the old songs and speak of the traditions of Theta Delta Chi. During the coming week the old men will tender a banquet to the newly init-

lated members; and it is expected that the majority of the alumni who are conveniently near will be present to lend themselves to the happiness and cheer that such occasions always bring. On May 5th and 6th will be held the meeting of the Alumni Association in Williamsburg, which will be accompanied with a banquet and general festivities in addition to the business session.

As to the college, it has never had a more prosperous or brighter session. It numbers more students than during many previous years; and has just dedicated the new Science hall, which is modeled after the main building, itself planned by the famous architect of St. Paul's Cathedral, in London—Sir Christopher Wren.

The charge is prosperous, happy and hopeful for even better things; and in this spirit becomes a fitting memorial of the past and a bright prospect for the future.

A. R. W. MACKRETH.

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#### ZETA—Brown University

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The Fifty-eighth convention is now a part of our fraternity history but the good times there, the new acquaintanceships formed and the old ones renewed, are still fresh in the minds of those who attended. Those who were not fortunate enough to have been in Boston have caught the enthusiasm from the rest of the Brothers and even at this early date, the charge is anticipating what is in store for us at the Fifty-ninth Convention—a whole year off.

Just at present, we are facing the term examinations and as usual the energy ordinarily devoted to the various college activities has been re-directed to the books.

Zeta, however, has been well represented in the different branches of student activities. Brother Raymond 09 played forward on the varsity basketball team until the abandonment of the game, and is now making the strongest kind of a bid for the position behind the bat on the varsity baseball nine. Brother Canfield, '08, represents us on the swimming squad, the dive for distance being his long suit. Brother Dennie 09 has contributed his part to the revival of track athletics at Brown, winning a first in the 35 yard dash (novice); and a second in the 35 yard dash (handicap), at Troy, N. Y., February 22. In the literary field Brother White 07 and Brother Pitman 09 are candidates for position on the editorial staff of the Daily Herald.

A new Departure at Brown this year is the organization of a Vaudeville Club which is in a flourishing condition and gave a most successful entertainment at a smoker in the Union this winter. In this club we are represented by Brother White 07 who played the part of "Antonio, a wandering minstrel," in a musical act that was one of the hits of the show. Other performances are to be given in the near future.

All Theta Deltas, and especially we of Zeta, are interested in the new \$300,000 library which is to be erected here in memory of our late Brother John Hay, Zeta 58. The library in itself satisfies a long felt want at Brown and is a fitting testimonial to the respect which all hold for our distinguished brother and alumnus.

Our roll has been somewhat depleted by the departure of Brother Krause 06 and Brother Brackett 07 from college. Brother Krause left to enter the firm of the George Krause Hardware company of Lebanon, Pa., while Brother Brackett is contemplating entering business shortly.

Zeta's only complaint at this writing is that but few visits have been received from traveling Theta Deltas. Brown is easy to find, Theta Deltas are always around, and it is our earnest desire to see any brothers who have occasion to be in Providence, or who can make any excuse to get here.

ALFRED H. LAKE.

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**ETA DEUTERON—Leland Stanford Junior University**

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Initiates

Griffin Randolph Barry, Los Angeles, Cal.

Randolph Garrett Marshall, Des Moines, Iowa.

John Quigley Young, Fort Jones, Cal.

Affiliate

Ernest Henry Falconer, Sigma Deuteron 06.

Since our last letter, as the foregoing list shows, the membership in Eta Deuteron has been increased by four men, all of whom have readily and actively engaged themselves in advancing the interests of Theta Delta Chi in the West.

At last we are indeed glad to be able to state the funds of the Eta Deuteron Alumni association of Theta Delta Chi, which is formally incorporated under the state laws, are in such shape that we expect to erect our own charge house on the campus before col-

lege opens the coming September. As the plans for the new dwelling are still in the hands of the architect, we are unable as yet to give a complete description of the interior arrangement and the exterior appearance of the prospective building. The site chosen for our home lies in what is known as the "New Elverado Tract," which is an extension of "Lasuer street," where most of the fraternity and sorority houses are ranged. Several other building lots in the immediate proximity of our own have been secured by other fraternities who also contemplate building this summer. When this is accomplished all the fraternities represented at Stanford, with the exception of three, will live in houses owned by their own organizations.

Spring with all the atmospherical delight and floral beauty which the season affords in California, is now in the zenith of its affluence, and it is with reluctance indeed that we "heroically" resist the out-of-doors temptations and study for the approaching final examinations.

We extend our best regards to our Brothers in the East, wishing that they could share with us some of the vernal opulence that nature in her kindness has bestowed upon us in the Pacific region.

DALLAS E. WOOD.

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#### IOTA DEUTERON—Williams College

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As this number of the Shield is entitled "The Convention Shield," it is not unfitting that a word be said concerning the recent convention. Iota Deuteron attended almost to a man. A charge luncheon was held at the Hotel Marliarve to which some forty brothers sat down. Those brothers to whom convention was an old story report the "fifty-eighth annual" a record-breaker. Those who had never attended a convention previously are all strong for the future ones to come.

At Iota Deuteron plans are under way for a house party to be held May 28-31. During that time the Sophomore Prom. is held.

Under Brother Campbell 06 arrangements for the Senior class day events are completed. The "Cap and Bells" Dramatic club has presented "The Man from Mexico" with great success in a number of cities. Brother Hill 07 is assistant manager of the above. Brother Redick 07 is a candidate on the varsity baseball squad. Brother Morrill 07 was recently elected assistant manager of the Literary Monthly. Brother Fletcher 08 was forced to leave college on account of ill health but expects to return in the fall. Brother Campbell 08

is a member of the Sophomore Prom. sub-committee. Brother Leeds 08 has been elected to membership on the board of editors of the "Lit." Brothers Bassett 06 and Green 09 are captains of their class baseball teams. Brother Green is also a candidate for the track team. Brother Soudant 09 has gone to the Leland Stanford Jr. University. Brother Price 09 has affiliated with the Rho Deuteron charge. Grothers Chase and Roadhouse of Beta visited us a short time ago. Iota Deuteron extends a hearty welcome to all visiting brothers.

R. C. HODGKINSON.

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### KAPPA—Tufts College

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#### Affiliate

James A. Burnham 08, Lambda, Ballston Spa., N. Y.

With the close of the current college year near at hand Kappa finds one of her best hopes realized. Nearly a year ago, the trustees of the college passed a vote that no more fraternity boarding houses should be run on the hill, and that all the men should eat in a common dining hall. The result was far from satisfactory. Now, although all of the fraternities had previously voted that, in accordance with a request made by the late President Capen, such a plan should be tried, this arbitrary ruling of the trustees served only to dampen the spark of enthusiasm which had at first been aroused. The scheme met with but little success and finally was killed by general adverse sentiment. It is safe to say that such a plan will never be tried again. The present writing finds us safely back at our own dining tables.

The administration of our new president, Doctor Frederick William Hamilton, Kappa 80, as begun well, and we feel every confidence in his policies. Brother Hamilton has always taken an active interest in the affairs of the charge and we are heartily glad to see him elected to the position of head of the college.

Attention here is at present focused upon the coming production of Thomas Dikker's "Pleasant Comedy of Old Fortunatus" by the English department which will take place some time in June. Kappa is represented in the cast by Bertha Savage 07 as Fortunatus, Brother Graves 06 as the Soldan of Babylon, Brother Vogt 08 as Galloway, Brother Burnham 08 as Lincoln and some of the other brothers in the various court groups. Work has been going forward at a good pace since last October and the play is now fast rounding into shape. Many of the costumes will be made up wholly or in part of 17th and 18th century originals. The performance will be given out-of-

doors on the south slope of the Hill, and every care is being taken in the preparations. The production is of special interest because it will be the first presentation of the play in America, and perhaps the first since 1750. The cast will include about fifty persons. Brother Thomas Whittemore 94 has the play in charge and all indications point to a signal success.

The musical clubs under the management of Brother Graves 06 have returned from a 1,300-mile trip west. Concerts were given in nine cities, including Bridgeport, Conn., and Middletown, Buffalo, Rochester and Schenectady, N. Y. Brothers Graves 06, Knowlton 06, Savage 07, Alpaugh 07, and Boss 09, took the trip with the clubs. The programme for the year is of a somewhat classical type, but at every point it was well received. At Rochester the Theta Deltas were cordially entertained by the Chi charge at their home on Park avenue, and the fellows enjoyed every minute of their stay in that city over Sunday. The season for the musical clubs closes about the middle of May, and by that time about fifty concerts will have been given. This number is a trifle smaller than usual, but the season thus far has been eminently successful.

Brother Michael 06 is managing the baseball team this spring, and Brothers Chapin 06 and Buchanan 07 are on the squad. Brother Green 08 and Puffer 09 are doing good work on the track squad. Brother Turner 07 is manager and Brother Reynolds M. S. 07, captain of the football team for next season. Brother Dole 06 is secretary of the advisory board of the athletic association. By this it will be seen that Theta Delta Chi is well represented in the various college activities.

Convention with its pleasant recollection is still us. It was a great time and we hope that all future gatherings may be as successful as the one this year.

Kappa sends to each and every brother a cordial invitation to come out to the Hill at any time. We are always glad to see you.

HOWARD J. SAVAGE.

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LAMBDA—Boston University

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Initiate

David Burns Bartlett 07 Law.

We Lambda boys feel more deeply than words can express the inspiration and good fellowship engendered by the late convention. It certainly does one good to have so many Theta Deltas

about, and the stimulus derived is of no temporary or fleeting character.

We take great pleasure in introducing our new initiate, Brother Bartlett. He is one who "does things" and we rejoice in his acquisition.

Brother Hill 06 is president of the Senior class and editor-in-chief of the Beacon, as well as proctor at the College of Liberal Arts. Brother Maxson 06 is associate editor of the Beacon and chairman of the Senior class day committee. Brother Serpa 07 has been elected chairman of the Junior Prom. committee. He intends to make this year's Prom. a record-breaker, and we guarantee that he will. Brother Gould 08 is the new president of the College Y. M. C. A., and a member of the University Debating committee. As a side issue he has done several stunts behind the "college footlights."

Brother Maxson is leader of the Glee club, and the quartet in which is composed entirely of Lambda men.

On January 18th Lambda gave an open house to its college and other friends. The president, dean, and numerous other of the faculty were present—not to omit mention of the ladies—and the affair was pronounced a huge success. A ladies' night is arranged for the first of next month.

Perhaps the single redeeming feature of our varsity basketball record this year was the work of Brother Look 08 at center. He was out of the game the latter part of the season, however, and the "hole" he left was too deep to sound, as the defeats in the last few games will testify.

Baseball and tennis weather is coming, and afternoon "cuts" will soon increase appreciably. Most of the brothers feel entitled to a few of these as they sailed through last semester's exams in fine style.

Brothers, call and see us. We enjoy the sensation and will try to make you enjoy it also. There is always someone waiting to let you in at 59 Pinckney street, Boston.

GEORGE G. BULFINCH, JR.

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### MU DEUTERON—Amherst College

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#### Initiate

Albert Beebe Houghton 09, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

After a long winter term we are back from our spring vacation with fond eyes on the coming springtime.

During the vacation Brothers Atwood, Crawford, Foster, Draper 06, Hall 07 and Smith 08 were with the Musical clubs on an ex-

tended Western trip comprising New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Pittsburg, Toledo, Ohio, Evanston, Ill., Chicago, St. Louis and Davenport, Iowa. Brother Lewis 08 was with the Dramatic club en tour through the states of Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York.

The outlook for the baseball team is very bright. April 7 the first game was played with Yale which we won 1 to 0. Brother Newell is one of the regular varsity pitchers and Brother Shattuck has a regular position in the outfield.

We have had the pleasure of entertaining several Theta Deltas during the winter; among them, Brother Draper 07 of Lehigh and Brothers Perkins and Bager 07 of Dartmouth.

We are always glad to have any Theta Deltas in this vicinity stop off and see us, for we can assure all of them a most hearty welcome.

HAROLD S. BROWN.

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NU DEUTERON—Lehigh University.

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Initiate

Arthur Mandell, Jr., Titusville, Pa.

After the dormant winter season, Lehigh is again active with the coming of spring and Mu Deuteron is playing no mean role in the various forms of college activities.

On the lacrosse team we have Brothers Johnston, Galliher and Walton, Brother Johnston playing his usual star game at point. Brother Mandell, who has become one of us since the last issue of the Shield, bids fair to capture third bag on the baseball team; while Brothers Draper and Kaiser are striving for honors on the track.

Nor are we less representative in the more talented lines, for Brother Galliher is to have an important role in the spring production of the Dramatic association, entitled "The Brown and White;" while Brother Draper is one of the associate editors of the Epitome, which undoubtedly will be the best annual we have had for many years. Brother Walton was chairman of the Junior Banquet committee and made that function a great success.

Of course we still contribute a large proportion to the college "fussing" element!

The brothers who attended convention last month returned full of enthusiasm and declared the Boston convention the best ever. We still listen with delight to the stories of the "Hub"—Brother

Tombo's little speech of the first open meeting is still fresh in our minds and never fails to be applauded however often repeated. For several days after convention we were almost afraid that one of our brothers, who had traveled to Boston, had been lost in that great "suburb," but it was later rumored that he had been captured in the "wilds" of Boston and carried off by the brothers of Mu Deuteron. The brother had a most delightful stay with the brothers at Amherst and will ever remember the good treatment he received at their hands. When the brothers returned from convention they found that Brother Day 08 had cast aside single life and become a benedict. Nu Deuteron has thus lost one of its strongest brothers, as Brother Day was very popular with the college at large and especially among his own classmates. Brother and Mrs. Day are now residing at Allentown, just a short distance from us, where Brother Day's business is located.

Since the last Shield was published we have been unfortunate in losing two other of our brothers: Brother Grace 07, who is now with the United Gas Incorporation of Philadelphia, and Brother Schinipf 09. We do not expect to part with these brothers for good, as both expect to resume their college courses next fall.

A few weeks ago we had the pleasure of a short visit from Brothers Dixon and Wallace, who were playing with the C. C. N. Y. lacrosse team.

Recently we have had visits from Brother Griffith 02, Brother Stull 03, and Sholly 04.

The latch cord of Nu Deuteron is always hanging out for any brothers who may happen our way.

W. ALBERT DRAPER.

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### XI—Hobart College.

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Initiate.

John E. Connolly 08.

The opening of the Easter semester found every brother back ready for the Junior week festivities, which was the first event of importance to need our attention. From start to finish the week was a rousing success, and surely the brothers in no small way contributed their share to the merriment.

But now with it all over, the final examinations of the year began to loom up but a few short weeks hence, and through which we must hew our way before we can enjoy the long-looked for

summer vacation again. Ere we leave for our vacation we feel sure that we will have many bright athletic victories, for our baseball and lacrosse teams are exceptionally strong this spring. In lacrosse especially our interest centers, for it is there where Brother McCray is "high commander" and it is there, too, where Brothers Bradford and Partridge play the game as Hobart likes to see it played.

Brother Bradford will be our only loss by graduation this year, and as all the other brothers promise to "round up" next fall everything seems to indicate another successful and pleasant year for Xi.

We are all looking forward to the commencement this year with unusual interest, for it is then that the corner stone for our new gymnasium will be laid, and by that time, if not before, we expect to be able to see the real "ways and means" for our new charge house. With a new gymnasium for Hobart and a new house for Xi everything will look promising for Theta Delta Chi here.

Xi wishes all the brothers a happy vacation and again reminds them that they are always welcome when in Geneva.

SEWARD G. SPOOR.

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#### PI DEUTERON—College of the City of New York

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The post-Convention season at Pi Deuteron is, in strictly fraternity affairs, always somewhat dull. But it is also the time when Theta Deltas at the City College test their metal in the various college activities. And this year we certainly have great reason for jubilation. Brother Wallace in athletics has proved himself "the cock of the walk." His prowess in running is attested by a string of medals that would make him look like a German prince or a patent food concern, were he to wear them all together: the quarter and the half-mile are considered as "cinched" when he is entered. His forte, however, is throwing the shot. The whole college is confidently expecting him to make a good showing at it in the next Intercollegiate games. Brother Dixon's athletic star also is in the ascendant. But a trifling hitch in its ascent has recently occurred through sickness; and in the interim he has devoted himself to class politics and to social matters with such success that he obtained the presidency of his class and the toast-mastership at the class dinner, and the presidency of the Student Council. His literary success has been no less eminent: he is Permanent Critic of the Phrenocosmia Literary Society, and his contri-

butions to the Mercury, our periodical, though as scarce, almost, as hen's teeth, never fail to facilitate sales.

Our new college buildings will be ready for occupancy next fall. The site, for the purposes of a college, is undoubtedly one of the finest within the limits of Greater New York; and the buildings are wholly in keeping with the site. So, the "Seeing New York" stages will likely change their itinerary so as to include New York College among the sights that you pay two dollars to see.

Now, brothers, those of you who find yourselves in New York with time hanging heavy on your hands, do not, we ask, fail to call on us. There is no need of sending notice beforehand: we are always ready.

FRANK J. COLEMAN, JR.

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RHO DEUTERON—Columbia University.

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Since our last letter was written, the charge has gone the even tenor of its way, and the only important events from a fraternity standpoint that we have to chronicle are the convention and our annual charge dinner. Our representation in Boston was the largest we have ever had at an out-of-town convention, there being fifteen Rho Deuteron brothers present, eight of whom were undergraduates, four being freshmen. We were delighted at the election of Brother Stewart to the treasurership of the Grand Lodge and know he will fulfil all the obligations of his trust to the satisfaction of the fraternity. To our new president we pledge our loyal support and we hope that his administration may be blessed with progress and harmony.

It was a great pleasure to have Brother Spencer with us at our twenty-third annual dinner, which was held at Reisenweber's on April 19. We were also fortunate enough to have Brother James R. Mellon with us, who happened to be passing through New York on his way to Pittsburg. There were about forty brothers present, including a good sprinkling of the Old Guard. Everybody had a fine time, the fun reaching its climax during Brother Lindenmeyr's one hundred and third—and final (?)—rendering of Pyramus and Thisbe. A number of the brothers adjourned to Browne's Chop House after the dinner and attended the annual meeting of the Graduate Club.

We have held several smokers since Convention, at one of which we greeted a large number of Rho Deuteron alumni and brothers

from other charges, among the latter being Brother Norman Hackett, who was the first to sign our new visitors' register. We are quite anxious to fill this register in a hurry and hope no brother who passes through New York will fail to stop by at 431 West 117, to sign his name and pay us a visit. We should be glad to hear from any brother who expects to be in New York during the summer—either at the Columbia Summer Session or in business—and who would like to room in the house. Most of the brothers who live in the house during the college year are away during the summer months, so there will be several vacancies between the beginning of June and the end of September. No more desirable spot to spend a summer in New York can be found than Morningside Heights—our house is directly off the campus, a stone's throw from Morningside Park and three blocks from Riverside Park and the Hudson River—and we look forward to having some brothers from other charges with us during the summer months.

The brothers of the charge have been quite active since convention time. The item of greatest interest in the non-athletic field has been the annual Varsity Show, the music for which was written by Brother Louis Ehret, who also played a leading part. "The Conspirators" was the most successful show ever given at the University, and much of its success is due to Brother Ehret and also to Brother Reaney, another member of the cast. Brother Baragwanath sang and acted in the chorus. Among other non-athletic activities of the charge we might mention the presence of Brothers Oxnam, Perkins, Reaney and Tillson on the musical clubs, the election of Brother Mooney as assistant manager of next year's French Society play, and of Brother Moore's election to the chairmanship of the Senior Dinner committee. Brother Stewart has been chosen Ivy Orator by the Senior Class. On Spring athletics we are well represented. Brother Fulton is captain of the track team, and Brother Stewart is captain of the gym team, the latter winning first place in club swinging in the intercollegiate meet. Brother Oxnam is pitching on the Varsity baseball team, Brother Moore is on the lacrosse team, and Brother Bassett on the track team. Brother Baragwanath is playing on the Freshman lacrosse team. In addition to the two committees appointed to consider a plan which will enable athletics at Columbia to be placed on a sound and proper basis, President Butler has announced an undergraduate committee of nine to act with the faculty and graduate committees, on which we are represented by Brothers Fulton and Stewart. Brother Burns is manager of the tennis team.

Brothers Spencer and Trubenbach have been distinguishing themselves in various aquatic contests, the former winning the mile in the A. A. U. championship at the N. Y. A. C. and accompanying the American team to the Olympic games at Athens, and the latter winning four prizes on the western trip of the N. Y. A. C. swimming team. Both played on the N. Y. A. C. water-polo team and scored the three points made by the team in the championship game with the Chicago A. A.

We have pledged three men for next year, one of whom is the first son of a Rho Deuteron brother to enter the University.

Let no brother pass through New York without stopping in at 431 West 117, where a warm welcome awaits every Theta Delt.

J. L. EGAN.

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#### SIGMA DEUTERON—University of Wisconsin

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The warm spring sun has driven the ice from the shores of Lake Mindota once more and Madison is the only spot on earth for us. However, in all our enthusiasm for Wisconsin there has been, since Christmas, one drawback, namely, the athletic situation. The faculty have seen fit to take some decided steps in an attempt to improve the athletic condition here. For the present the athletic association is not the strongest kind of an organization, but we hope the faculty action may result in obtaining the cleaner athletics which we desire. We are to have no baseball team this spring, but the track team organization is still intact and hopes to be able to be in a position to compete in the Western Conference meet in June. Brother Springer in the pole vault is our representative on the team. He has had reasonable success; his best performance being a vault of eleven feet, winning the event at the New Illinois Athletic club meet held in Chicago last month.

The unsettled condition of college athletics has caused our interest to center in fraternity affairs. The bowling season has just closed. Our own position at present is tied for third place with Kappa Sigma. By the end of the week we hope to be in that position alone. The interfraternity baseball season has just opened. Our first game will be with Psi Upsilon.

We have been exceedingly fortunate this spring in having visits from a number of well known Theta Deltas. Brother "Norm" Hackett was with us on the night of March 16th. It is needless to say "Norm's" company is rich and we drank deep of his Theta Delt

enthusiasm. When the day of March 29th was but fifteen minutes old we welcomed to our college home Brother "Rudy" Tombo. We had not had a visit from him for two years and for a month had been looking forward to his being with us. Despite the late hour, "Rudy" gave us a most pleasing talk on the relation of the individual to his Alma Mater and his fraternity. Anyone who has heard our ex-president talk has a good idea of what we enjoyed. Brother W. M. Dean, Gamma Deuteron 98, spent an afternoon and evening with us just before the Easter recess, as did Brother E. H. Crooker, Beta 83. Of our own brothers who have been with us, Brothers Frank Compton 98, Hulberg 03, Kessnick 06, and Musser 04, were with us the week of the junior prom. Since then we have had visits from Brothers Pease 04, Bernard 04, and Andrew Robertson 07. During the Christmas recess Brother F. O. Du Four, Nu Deuteron, spent a week with Brother Gregg 99 in Madison.

We have been told that Wisconsin has a campus that is hard to beat. Do not take our word for it, but come and see for yourself. Sigma Deuteron at 703 State street will welcome you.

JAMES B. ROBERTSON.

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#### TAU DEUTERON—University of Minnesota

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Since the appearance of the last Shield our delegates have returned with glowing reports of the convention and Boston; the mid-year examinations have come and gone, leaving our number undiminished.

On March 10th the annual banquet of the Frank J. Kline Alumni association was held at the Hotel Nicollet. About forty of the graduates and undergraduates of Tau Deuteron were present. We are very sorry to say, however, that only two brothers from outside charges attended, Brothers W. A. Deering, Eta 75, and E. H. Crooker, Beta 83. Brother Crooker is one of the truly enthusiastic Theta Delts in Minneapolis. Brother Reese entertained the juniors and seniors of the active charge at his home in the city on the evening of the thirty-first of March. At that time the affairs of the charge were earnestly discussed and several gatherings of the brothers in the Northwest were planned. Brother Jay Pike will give a reception to Theta Delts on the evening of the twenty-first of April and a grand reunion at the charge house will be held in the near future to celebrate the anniversary of the founding of the Tau Deuteron charge.

In college affairs the brothers have by no means been idle. Brother Ray Varco was elected to the Athletic Board of Control after a strenuous contest. Brother Greenly has been appointed on the staff of the Minnesota Daily, and Brother Chamberlain is on for a part in the play soon to be presented by the University Dramatic club. Brothers Lynn Varco and Frank Morse are out for the track team.

The basketball season at Minnesota has been one of marked success. With only two old men left for a nucleus, under the direction of Brother Hugh Leach a winning team was turned out and again Minnesota leads the West in this popular game. Although baseball has always suffered from the favoritism shown other sports, this year there is a wealth of good material, and the prospects for the team are excellent. Brother Tyler captains the team and plays second base.

Brother Milinowski, Iota 04, who was out here installing machinery for a Dayton concern, Brother Clements, Pi Deuteron 08, on his way to the Pacific coast, Brother Dyar, Sigma Deuteron 04, and Brother Higgins, Zeta Deuteron 06, have made us pleasant visits. We also enjoyed a visit from Brother Knights, Zeta 94, who stayed at the house during his engagement in the city with the "Duke of Duluth" company. We are always glad to have with us any brothers who may happen to be in the city and assure them a hearty welcome at 100 Beacon street, Southeast.

S. WILSON McEWAN.

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#### PHI—Lafayette College

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The new term found us all back at college, a feat of which we are very proud, as a number of men are always weeded out at the end of the first term.

We are all enjoying our new charge house. The first floor has not been entirely furnished; however, the furnishing is being pushed on as rapidly as possible, and we expect to have it completed by the first of next term.

Phi has been very active in all branches of college life this winter. Brother James Darsie 07 was manager of the Junior Hop, which was pronounced by everyone present to be the most brilliant social function at Lafayette in the last few years. In the mid-winter play of the Sock and Buskin, Brother George Darsie 09 made the cast, and Brothers Anderson 07, A. Sullivan 08, F. Sullivan 08, and Evans 09 made the chorus. Brother F. Sullivan has been elected

assistant manager of the track team. Brother Evans was chosen by his class to act as manager of the Freshman baseball team. Phi also has Brothers Doud and Shurer 07, A. Sullivan 08, and Manley 09, on the Musical clubs.

Brother Holmes 69 acted as deputy for the Grand Lodge. His visit was very much enjoyed by all the brothers. Nearly all the Nu Deuteron fellows have been down to see us at different times this term. Brother Frank Day 03 was here for a short time. Brother Smith 05 stopped over on his way to the convention. Visitors are always welcome, and we only wish there were more of them.

FRANK G. SHERRER.

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CHI DEUTERON—The George Washington University

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Initiate

William Ers Lamb 09, Washington, D. C.

Since the publication of the December Shield, Chi Deuteron has continued the pace set at the beginning of the year and is now realizing that the prediction that the tenth anniversary was to be the brightest in the history of the charge is no longer a prediction but a fact.

With the second term our number increased to twenty, Brother William Ers Lamb 09 being the fortunate initiate. Brother Lamb is a brother of J. E. Lamb, Chi Deuteron 04, and according to all indications will surely make a loyal Theta Delt.

On March twelfth an informal card party followed by a small dance was given at the charge house and proved to be another example of a Theta Delt good time. The decennial banquet in celebration of the founding of Chi Deuteron was held at the Shoreham Hotel on the evening of March twenty-sixth. We were fortunate in having many Thetes from sister charges with us on that occasion, and it proved to be the red letter event of the year so far. The toastmaster, Brother James Macbride Sterrett, Chi 67, called for many toasts, among which were the following:

Brother Gonzalo de Quesada, Pi Deuteron 88, on John Hay, Author, Statesman, Friend.

Brother F. C Stevens, Eta 81, on Theta Delta Chi—A Square Deal.

Brother James McLachlan, Psi 78, on Theta Delta Chi at the "Golden Gate."

Brother Gordon T. Atkinson, Sigma 68, on Looking Backward.

Brother Harry T. Domer, Chi Deuteron 00, on A Decade of Chi Deuteron.

We are anticipating with pleasure the approach of another informal entertainment to be given on April seventeenth at the charge house. From all appearances it bids well to surpass our last house dance and that means a good time for all.

During the past few weeks we have been favored with visits from brothers from Epsilon, Mu Deuteron, Rho Deuteron and Zeta. When in Washington do not fail to look us up.

CHARLES N. GREGORY.

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**PSI—Hamilton College.**

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Spring is beginning to make itself felt upon College Hill, the cry of "Road!" is no longer heard and sleds are stowed away in the upper regions of the house. For many months prosperity has smiled continuously upon Psi, and with the sad exception of the loss of Brother S. F. Nixon 81 and Brother Putnam 03, the charge can report only pleasant occurrences since the December issue of the Shield. Examinations caused no brother to depart prematurely, and all safely weathered the joyful, if perplexing, weeks of convention and junior prom.

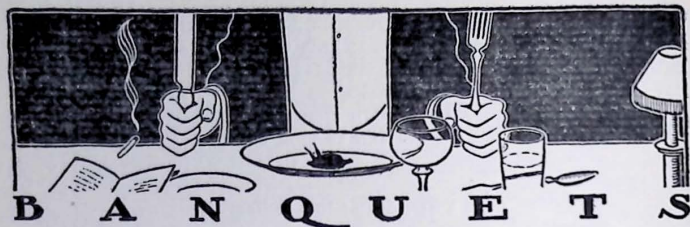
Our house party during junior week was one of the best we have ever had. The coasting was ideal, and not even our annual dance—that being reserved this year for senior week—could have added materially to the general good time.

At present the brothers are getting busy with the usual spring athletic activities. We will be well represented both in track and baseball, and are fortunate in having Brother Harry Watson, Iota Deuteron 05 as coach. Brother Watson was also coach in football last autumn, and again coach in basketball, turning out what were perhaps the strongest teams in these two departments that Hamilton has ever had. Brother Watson has thoroughly endeared himself to the brothers, and all of us feel that he is an actual part of Psi charge.

It is too early to announce all the college honors which will soon fall to the share of the various brothers. However, I can say that Brothers Benedict, Edgerton and Nellis have been writing Clark Prize orations, and that Brother Nellis is one of the appointees for Prize Debate.

Remember that we expect a large number of brothers to drop in on us this spring. Nor are we particular about the time of day or night.

SELDEN T. KINNEY.



#### DINNER OF CENTRAL GRADUATE ASSOCIATION.

The annual dinner of the Central Graduate Association was held at Vogelsang's, Chicago, on the evening of March 9th. In response to Brother Tobey's clever announcements and urgent invitations, forty-six enthusiastic Theta Delt's gathered round the festive board, which was appropriately adorned with the fraternity flower, and all present felt that they were enjoying the most successful gathering in the whole history of the association.

Throughout the evening there was prevalent that hearty good fellowship which is so characteristic of all Theta Delt gatherings. And so Brother McNab guided the conversation and thoughts through the realm of ephemeral pleasantries into the domain of the serious and back again it was with exultant pride that all present felt the strength and significance of the fraternal ties of our brotherhood.

Songs and cheers were frequent during the course of the dinner and the evening was far spent when Brother J. L. McNab, "Magister Epilarum," in a few well-chosen words commented upon the prosperous condition of the association and the common cause which had drawn us together for the evening. Brother H. F. Lewis, the first speaker, responded to the toast, "The Central Graduate Association," first telling of its birth and growth, then pointing out greater possibilities and urging their accomplishment.

Brother O. T. Eastman, was then called upon to present the stein, which had been advertised as a reward for the charge having the largest representation at the dinner. The honors were voted to Beta, with fifteen men present, Gamma Deuteron and Sigma Deuteron being close behind. In justice to Sigma Deuteron, it should be said that the active members were prevented from being repre-

sented by a conflicting engagement to entertain Brother Norman Hackett at Madison.

After a vocal selection by Brother Erskine Wilder, it was easily understood to what source was due the well known success of the Cornell Glee clubs of the past few seasons. Brother Western Starr's toast on "College Fraternalism" was thoroughly enjoyed, as was Brother Charley Bullock's report of the convention, read by Brother Tobey.

Brother A. W. Hobson was called on to respond to the toast to "Lambda," and after a song Brother Walter Goll, made a hit with some versatile witticisms and impossible stories. Brother Robert Newbegin of Eta, who had come all the way from Defiance, Ohio, to attend the dinner responded to the final toast.

The report of the Nominating committee was given by Brother Eastman and was adopted as read, the following officers being elected:

President: Joseph L. McNab, Sigma Deuteron 96.

Vice-President: Howard M. Cox, Gamma D. 94.

Secretary and Treasurer: Tracy D. Luccock, Phi 05.

Executive Committee: Walter S. Goll, Beta 96, A. W. Hobson, Lambda 89; J. M. Hollister, Kappa 92.

Those present were:

BETA: G. D. Bills, Western Star, P. A. Newton, L. S. Louer, W. F. Tobey, W. S. Goll, T. T. Hubbard, P. M. Walter, G. F. Merrill, S. S. Holden, N. S. Lawrence, R. E. Prussing, E. P. Wilder, W. F. Miller, H. C. Jones.

GAMMA DEUTERON: G. F. Pierung, H. M. Cox, G. M. Cox, H. S. Graver, C. E. Depuy, S. E. Thomason, W. F. Thurnau, Arthur Thurnau, B. B. Montgomery, R. C. Whitman.

SIGMA DEUTERON: J. L. McNab, R. R. Caskey, Stephen Gardner, G. H. Jones, F. E. Compton, C. J. White, W. C. Burdick, G. A. Scott.

IOTA: H. F. Lewis, Foster.

MU DEUTERON: O. T. Eastman.

LAMBDA: A. W. Hobson.

KAPPA: R. B. Mambert, J. M. Hollister, William R. Fay.

NU DEUTERON: J. H. Spengler.

XI: R. E. Espy.

PHI: T. D. Luccock.

THETA: C. H. Buchanan, J. B. Sherwood.

ETA: Robert Newbegin.

TRACY D. LUCCOCK,  
Secretary.

## RHO DEUTERON ANNUAL DINNER.

On the evening of Friday, March 19th, Rho Deuteron assembled at Reismveber's for its twenty-third annual dinner. The occasion was dignified by the presence of Brother George L. Spencer, President of the Grand Lodge, but even this august presence did not prevent the injection of a high degree of jollity into the evening's program. The dinner was put under way at a very reasonable hour, owing to the fact that the annual meeting of the Graduate club, at 1424 Broadway, was scheduled for the same date, and several brothers felt that neither function could attain the acme of success unless their appearance was noted thereat. So, early and innocent fraternal joy reigned over the feast; and the lyrists (!) discoursed sweet (!) and original music; and "old grads," returned from a living burial in Cuba or like alien and remote regions, told how their hearts within them still burned, etc., etc.; and cheers thundered forth at the slightest, or without, provocation—all to the general enjoyment and the glory of Theta Delta Chi. Brother "Alec" Brown was the severe toastmaster and without mercy or remorse he called upon brother after brother to "testify," beginning with "Prexy" Spencer, not relenting until "Mary" Stewart's shrill treble had been earnestly raised. In this way the company were privileged to listen with pleasure and profit to "Rudie" Tombo, the old reliable, to some impossible fish stories from our esteemed Brother James R. Mellon, to economic arguments from Brother Boyce Smith, counsel to the Rho Deuteron (stock) Company, and to desultory and delightful "remarks" from such old-timers as Brothers Patterson, Kossuck, Rionda and Ehlers. Brother Percy Simpson assured the gathering of the good will of the Beta charge and "Foxy Grandpa" Morrison as usual laid down the law to the undergraduates. Each speaker, as he arose, was greeted with a choral introduction from a self-appointed quartet to the tune of "Boolah," the orators name, with a proper descriptive epithet being substituted for the familiar words of the refrain.

The evening was a "huge" success, and its glory was magnificently crowned when Brother Ludwig Lindenmeyr, "Lindy," consented under vigorous protest and with some physical assistance to mount one of the denuded tables and move the multitude with his famous and spirited rendition of "Pyramus and Thysbe." Unfortunately for the artistic consummation of his effort the table evinced remarkable animation while "Lindy" was in the midst of a most passionate passage; but his downfall was without serious practical consequences—except to the table.

Those present were: From other charges—Brothers George H. Spencer, Lambda 91; James R. Mellon, Pi 65; Percy W. Simpson, Beta 98; William B. Wright, Pi Deuteron 97; Harry Tuscher, Pi Deuteron 02; Graduates—Brothers Rudolph Tombo, Jr., 98; M. E. Rionda, '00; Ludwig Lindenmeyr, '00; Edward Van Winkle, 00; Roy Camp, 05; Edward C. Ehlers, 92; Frank V. Goodman, 02; Conrad Trubenback, 05; "Jean" Reid, 05; Charles E. Morrison, 01; H. De F. Sergeant, 03; A. M. Brown, 97; Frank N. Dodd, 91; George W. Kosmak, 94; J. Boyce Truth, Jr; H. I. Benjamin, 04; H. F. Haviland, 02; L. J. Rionda, 02; Leonard Kebler, 03; F. H. Patterson, 91; Undergraduates—Brothers Tillson, Lund, Bassett, Price, Nolthenuis, Thorp, Moore, Adams, Billingsley, Stewart, Egan, Barraquanath, Oxnan.

#### TAU DEUTERON BANQUET.

The fourteenth annual banquet of the Tau Deuteron charge, held on the evening of Saturday, March 10, 1906, was altogether a success. The Hotel Nicollet was especially decorated for the occasion and pains were taken by the management to make it wholly successful.

After an elaborate menu had been enjoyed and as a prelude to the speaking a fraternity song "feast" was participated in by all the brothers under the leadership of Brother George Tyler.

Brother C. Louis Weeks then introduced as toastmaster of the occasion Brother E. H. Crooker, who presided splendidly and interspersed many pithy remarks throughout the program. Brother Tyler was called upon to speak on "The Fraternity." His speech emphasized constancy as the basis of friendship and urged this fraternity virtue upon the brothers. His remarks were impressive because of their pointedness and the evident sincerity of the speaker.

Brother Deering told of the founding of the Charge and the trials and tribulations of founders. His witticisms were greatly appreciated. His "Man of the West" showed him a true Westerner in feeling and thought. Brother Bardwell aroused a good deal of interest in the Charge Association and particularly stirred the fellows in connection with his "Push and Pull" joke. A capital report of Convention was given by Brother Earl Huntley. Brother Melville Bachelder gave a well-prepared talk on "The Birthplace of Theta Delta Chi." He made several good points on "action." Brother Chamberlain was introduced as the "baby" and gave an exceedingly interesting talk on "Looking Forward."

The speeches reached their climax in a final word from Brother S. P. Reis. His speech made all the brothers feel akin and appreciate the value of close friendship in Theta Delta Chi.



#### BETA.

Brother "Dick" Persons 00, is residing in Lemon, California, where he will be during the coming year.

Brother "Billy" Baker 01, is located at Breckenridge, Col., and has announced his engagement to Miss Katherine Brady of Kingston, Ontario.

Brother "Ned" Smith 99, of Niagara Falls, will be located at East Aurora during the summer.

Brother "Joe" Cook 01, was recently married to Miss Blanche Josephine Lufkin of St. Paul and has returned to his law business in New York City.

Brother Clement K. Corbin 02, has changed his address and it now located with the Utica Waterworks Co., Utica, N. Y.

#### KAPPA,

George R. Kempton's, 00, address is U. S. Geological Survey, Box 1716, Denver, Col.

J. Otis Burrage's, 00, address is U. S. Geological Survey, Fort Laramie, Wyoming.

Dr. H. Kimball Richardson 02 is doing hospital work in the New York Post-Graduate Hospital. His address is 245 East Nineteenth street, New York City.

C. Neal Barney, 95, mayor of Linn, made an address on the evening of January 24 at the annual banquet of the Lynn Methodist Episcopal Church. His subject was: "The Church's Influence in the City."

Reginald K. Marvin 96 is now pastor of the Universalist Church at Franklin, Mass., which is attended by the students of Dean Academy, as well as the townspeople.

D. C. A. Galarneau 04, of the Yale Forest School, was initiated

into the Concatenated Order of Hoo Hoo in New York City on February 23. The Hoo Hoo is a large and powerful lunbermen's organization, having a membership of over 15,000, including the heads of the leading lumber concerns of the United States. It is only within a year that foresters were made eligible to membership.

Glenn Marston 05 recently returned from a business trip to London, and is now in New York City.

Lorin C. Powers 05 has left his United States census position, and is now in the employ of Haskins & Sells, one of the most important accounting firms in the country. Brother Powers is also taking some work in political economy at Columbia University. His address is 431 West 117th street, New York.

A. W. Lovejoy 05 is traveler for the J. C. Ayer Company of Lowell, Mass.

#### CHI DEUTERON.

Harry T. Domer, Chi Deuteron 00, was invited by the Washington Board of Trade to deliver an address at the Morse School on Washington's borthday.

Franck R. Havenner, Chi Deuteron 05, is now located at San Francisco, where he is engaged in collecting data for a history of Chinese immigration to the Pacific Coast.

Richard P. Ward, Iota Deuteron 95, is rejoicing his friends by his hale and hearty appearance after a partial eclipse due to an attack of pneumonia, and is preparing shortly to "break camp" for a summer in the hills of Arizona or Colorado.

Arba N. Tindall 08, has obtained six months' leave from the city engineer's office of Seattle, Wash., and is now associated with the Goodwin Real Estate Company of that city.

Bruce Magruder has recently passed the required examination for second lieutenant of United States artillery and will receive a commission in the near future.

Donald C. Fugitt 99, is representing the Dayton National Cash Register Co., of Dayton, Ohio.

Stanton C. Pelle 99, has recently covered himself with glory by winning a law case in which he was matched against two of Washington's leading lawyers. Stanton looks good to us.

Enoch Chase 05, is representing the Dey Time Register Co. and is located at Boston, Mass.

W. Gibson Emory is preparing for the examination for assistant paymaster, United States navy.

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Josiah J. Obear 04, is in the drug business at Winsboro, N. C.

Franck R. Havenner 05, is doing newspaper work in San Francisco, Cal.

L. Randolph Mason 06, is now helping to run the government of the District of Columbia.

Brother Andrew Robertson, Sigma Deuteron 07, is now located at Rapid City, South Dakota, with the Chicago & Northwestern Railway.

Brother Pete Pease, Sigma Deuteron 04, is now residing in Oskosh, Wisconsin. He is now in the employ of the D. C. Heath Book Co.

The marriage of Brother Sidney W. Collins, Sigma Deuteron 05, to Miss Emma Caiens took place in Pittsburg on April 5. They will make their home in South Bend, Ind.

**KAPPA.**

William M. Lawrence, 73, Principal of the W. H. Ray School, Chicago, is joint editor, with Frederick H. Pease, of a collection of choral songs of unusually high merit and originality, both in point of selection and of arrangement. It is entitled the "Choral Song Book," and is designed mainly for use in High schools, Academies, Normal schools and Singing societies; but its quality is such that it seems destined to receive a wider acceptance and a more general use among music lovers everywhere. It offers great variety of musical forms. There are trios and quartets for both men's and women's voices; songs in unison, two part, three part, and four part arrangements, many of them with piano accompaniment. The range of difficulty and treatment is also wide, and the very best British, American and Continental poets are represented among the song writers. No other collection is richer in songs from eminent poets of the leading nations of the world, and an equally strong statement can be made as to the composers represented. It is a most creditable work and deserves, and will undoubtedly receive, wide acceptance.

**RHO DEUTERON.**

William W. Lawson, 02, announces his engagement to Miss Edna Taylor Salisbury of Brooklyn. Brother Lawson and his father intend shortly to sever their connection with the Aeolian company and establish a new concern in the same line of business, to manufacture the Lawson piano, under the firm style of Lawson & Co.

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For while the eternal stars night's purple robe  
Begem; 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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## PRESIDENT FREDERICK W. HAMILTON

The Rev. Frederick William Hamilton, D. D., was elected president of Tufts College at a meeting of the trustees held in Boston Tuesday afternoon, March 13, 1906.

The meeting was attended by twenty-five trustees, Vice-President Thomas H. Armstrong occupying the chair. After a long discussion, it was voted to elect a president, and the ballot resulted as above. The election was finally made unanimous.

The newly-elected president is the fourth in the history of the College, his predecessors being the Rev. Hosea Ballou, 2d, D. D., who served from 1855 to 1861; the Rev. Alonzo A. Miner, D. D., LL. D., president from 1862 to 1875; and Brother Elmer Hewitt Capen, Kappa 60, whose term was from 1875 to 1905. On April 1, 1905, soon after Dr. Capen's death, Dr. Hamilton was chosen acting president, and has served in that capacity ever since.

Dr. Hamilton was born in Portland, Me., March 30, 1860. He was educated in the public schools, and after graduation from the Portland High School in 1876 he entered Tufts, receiving his A. B. degree in the class of 1880. While in college he was editor-in-chief of the *Tuftonian*, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, the honorary fraternity. For eight years after graduation he was engaged in railroad work with the Portland and Ogdensburg and Maine Central roads. He was given the degree of master of arts in English literature and philosophy by Tufts in 1886. Three years later he took a special course in the Tufts Divinity School, and then entered the Universalist ministry, in

which field he has labored up to the present time. His first settlement was as pastor of the Universalist Church in Pawtucket, R. I., where he remained for five years. In 1895, he accepted a call to his present charge, the First Universalist Church of Roxbury. Tufts conferred on him the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1899.

Dr. Hamilton was chosen a trustee of the College in 1896, and has been for some time chairman of the executive committee of the board. He is a Mason, a member of the New England Historic Genealogical Association, a director of the Boston Associated Charities, and a Republican in politics. Many of his addresses have appeared in book form. Dr. Hamilton was married in 1884 to to Florence Q. Mead, and has a son now preparing for college.

In a letter dated March 20, and addressed to the committee of the Trustees (Thomas H. Armstrong, Henry W. Rugg, and Arthur E. Mason), Brother Hamilton accepted the position tendered him. His letter reads:—

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date of March 19, 1906, formally notifying me of my election to the presidency of Tufts College, and conveying the welcome information that I received the affirmative vote of every Trustee present at a very largely-attended meeting.

I accept the important and difficult task thus entrusted to me, and desire to express through you to my fellow-Trustees my high appreciation of the great honor done me by their action, as well as of the confidence in my ability and devotion which they have thus signified.

The record of Tufts College during its fifty years of life is one of which no institution need be ashamed. Its presidents have been men of great devotion and marked ability, each peculiarly fitted for the performance of the particular tasks incident to that period of the institution's development covered by his presidency. It is no light responsibility to assume a place in this succession and to endeavor, under the changed conditions of a new time

to carry forward constructively, but with due measure of wise conservatism, the further development of the College.

I believe that the true course lies in the logical development of the institution along the lines which its history and location seem to lay down for it. That changes must come, and that constantly, is inevitable, if the institution is to grow. It is my firm conviction, however, that these changes should come by orderly process of evolution rather than by any radical or revolutionary departures. The development of any great institution is a process of organic growth, tending to fit it to meet more and more the demands of time. That principle, I believe, should be held fundamental in shaping the future policies of the College. The need of the hour is for the development of every department of the institution to its highest degree of efficiency. The ideal of President and Trustees alike should be to make the various degrees given in course by Tufts College in its departments of Arts, Science, and Medicine significant of as much attainment as those of any other college in the land. The field of the College for the immediate future seems pretty well defined and I should question the wisdom of any immediate departures into new fields. I am firmly of the opinion that no new development of departments should be undertaken, unless accompanied by additions to the endowment of the College, sufficiently ample to insure their highest success.

The matter of increased endowments is of vital importance to the future of the College. The decrease in the earning power of capital has impaired the productive value of our endowments, and the new methods of education which we have been forced to adopt, not through any inclination of our own, but because of the necessity laid upon us by current educational conditions, has greatly increased the cost of college instruction. It does not seem practicable to meet this cost by further increase of tuition fees. Tufts College, like every other college, must continue to be a philanthropic institution, giving education for fees far inadequate to meet the necessary expense involved. There is the

greatest need, therefore, that friends of the College and public-spirited individuals interested in the cause of education should help the College to meet this demand. I am confident that such persons may be found, and that in the long run the interests of the College will not suffer from lack of necessary endowment. To place these needs of the College before those who may be able and willing to meet them must be one of my first and most important tasks.

I rely upon the assurances of active co-operation and hearty sympathy which I find so large a part of your letter. I cannot too heartily thank you, and, through you, the Trustees, for these cordial and inspiring assurances. It is my purpose to devote whatever ability or powers I may have to the sole ends of the advancement of my Alma Mater, and I have confidence to believe that, with your co-operation, backed by the loyalty of the graduates, it may be possible to secure for our College such a future as we all desire. I have the honor to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

FREDERICK W. HAMILTON.

Since his graduation, as well as during his undergraduate days, Brother Hamilton has taken a very active interest in both the affairs of the Kappa charge and the general fraternity at large. He is well known to all the alumni of his own charge and to a large number of those of other charges, all of whom unite in felicitating him upon the honor which his Alma Mater has vested upon him. Genial, yet just, gentle, yet a man of affairs, the indications are that his administration will be one of signal advance in the history of Tufts College. H.

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#### ALEXANDER LYMAN HOLLY

No more attractive personality, perhaps, ever wore our Shield than Brother Holley; certainly no greater genius ever wore it. It was therefore with peculiar interest and pride, that we read in Herbert N. Casson's article in the April *Munsey*,

entitled "The Romance of Steel and Iron," the following appreciative words regarding our famous brother:

"The steel and iron business has always developed big men; and the adoption of the Bessemer process for the first time made it possible for big men to do big work. It ushered in the Titanic Period of the steel trade. The men and the opportunity arrived together. Foremost among these Titans were Capt. Eber B. Ward, Abram S. Hewitt, Dr. C. G. Hussey, Daniel J. Morrell, John Fritz, Henry Chisholm, Alexander L. Holley, Capt. Wm. R. Jones, B. F. Jones and Andrew Carnegie. It was this group of men who began with thousands and left hundreds of millions—who found feebleness and left strength—who took a fourth rate steel business and raised it to international supremacy.

"Ward was the son of a poor lighthouse keeper. When he was nine years of age his mother died and he set to work as cabin boy in a shabby little schooner. By the time he was full grown he knew everything about a ship from keel to flag, and he had bought a small vessel of his own. For years he continued to buy ships, or to build them, until he became the steamship king of the Great Lakes. Then in middle life, he flung aside his prestige, sold his ships, built furnaces and rolling mills and became the first of the steel kings.

"No sooner had Ward begun to make and sell Bessemer steel than he found himself plunged into a patent war, opposed by Alexander L. Holley who had bought the Bessemer rights. Neither could make steel satisfactorily without infringing on the legal rights of the other. Each man had his partners. With Ward, were Zoheth S. Durfee of New Bedford, and Daniel J. Morrell of Johnstown. With Holley were John F. Winslow and John A. Griswold.

"Here we tilt against one of the most puzzling mysteries of the steel trade. Ward and Durfee were both shrewd, self-made, aggressive, wealthy men. They possessed two-thirds control of a process which has since produced more than three billion dollars worth of steel. The Kelley patent which they owned completely did not expire until 1878. It was not likely that the

American courts would uphold the claims of Bessemer. Kelley had already beaten him in the Patent Office, and did so again in 1871. Yet at the close of a year's wrangling and legal cannonading the Ward forces suddenly flew the white flag and surrendered all their patents to Holley, in return for a thirty per cent. interest in the consolidation. It was apparently the case of the dog swallowing the alligator.

"Winslow, Griswold and Morrell became the "big three" of the American steel business. But there was a young man of thirty-four who stood behind the "big three,"—a young man with no capital except his genius, who becomes at this point the central figure in the steel drama, Alexander L. Holley. To describe Holley fairly, requires not only words, but music and painting and sculpture. Handsome as a Greek God, with the brain of an engineer, the heart of a woman, and the soul of a poet, Holley won a larger share of the love and respect of both the American and European steel-makers, than any other individual has received before or since. There was nothing local about his work. He was as ubiquitous as a spirit, erecting steel plants at Troy, Chicago, Joliet, Braddock, Pittsburg, Johnstown, Bethlehem, Harrisburg, Scranton and St. Louis. He went from works to works as a bishop travels his diocese, suggesting, correcting, and always improving.

"It was Holley who made the Bessemer process easy and swift. It was he who made possible that immense production which has amazed the world and clogged Pittsburg with millions. When the river of gold that flowed into the steel trade's treasury became wider and deeper, it was because Holley had been at work enlarging the channel. He worked out what he may rightfully call the American plan of steel making. He made war on clumsiness. He taught the steel men what they had never known before—the value of a second. His personal magnetism, his eloquent tongue, and his ready pen made him an ideal instructor. He became the leader and inspirer of a body of young men, among whom were Robert Forsyth (Delta 69), John E. Frey, George Fritz, Robert W. Hunt, Owen Leibert, P. Bornes, D. N.

Jones and William R. Jones. Holley's one thought was, 'America must be first,' and the building of steel mills was to him more a matter of patriotism than of business."

A glorious tribute this! The appreciation of his fellow engineers led, as we know, to erection of his bust in Washington Square, New York. Another monument to his greatness not so well known, as the splendid steel-built, ore-carrying vessel, belonging to the Steel Trust, which as she takes her majestic way through the Great Lakes bears on her prow and flies from her top-mast, the name Alexander L. Holley.

## CHI DEUTERON DECENNIAL

On the evening of March 26th, 1896, a notable banquet was held at the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D. C. Under the magic wand of Brother Carl Axel Harstrom, then President of the Grand Lodge, a new charge had just been admitted to the fraternity. Its name was called Chi Deuteron, the second Chi, in honor of the man whose zeal and unremitting efforts, extending over several years, had finally, in the face of much opposition and almost insuperable obstacles, won over to his cause the Grand Lodge, the Convention and the Charges, and had made possible the establishment of a chapter of Theta Delta Chi at the Capital City of the nation. This father and patron saint of Chi Deuteron, then and now held in most affectionate veneration by the charge, was Brother James Macbride Sterrett, Chi 67. It is a proud answer which the brothers of Chi Deuteron can give to the searching Biblical interrogatory, "Whose son art thou, thou young man?" If ever a charge was proud of its father, that charge is Chi Deuteron, and it is believed that the father is not altogether ashamed of the son.

On that fateful night ten years ago thirteen individuals braved the unlucky numeral and the perilous passage to the sacred shrine of our tutelary genius for the honor of being enrolled as charter members of Chi Deuteron. They were as follows, the names being given in the order of signing the Constitution: Henry R. Pyne 93, Edward A. Playter 96, Henry Hatch Dent Sterrett 98, Victor L. Mason 97, Joseph Finckel 97, Stanton C. Peele 99, George R. Davis 95, Edmund K. Broadus 97, Elliot J. Dent 99, Donald C. Fugitt 99, Fauntleroy Barnes 99, George W. Gordon 99, and Robert Sterrett 99.

The French said of the Congress of Vienna, "*Le Congres danse bien, mais ne marche pas*"—"The Congress dances well, but it does not march." So, with some slight adaptation, it might have been said of the new Chi Deuteron on that natal night,



REV. JAMES MACBRIDE STERRETT, CHI 1867  
The Father of Chi Deuteron



*"L'enfant ne marche pas, mais il mange bien"*—"The child does not march, but it eats well."

The babe could not yet walk, but it could eat. A table was therefore spread in its honor and many gathered to give the child a start in life. A distinguished company it was, and the occasion will ever be memorable in the history of the charge and of the fraternity from the fact that John Hay, Zeta 58, participated in the festivities and in a stirring speech proclaimed his own indebtedness to the fraternity, and inspired his young friends with that deep love and enthusiastic devotion to our order which was throughout life such a prominent trait in his own character.

Ten years have passed.

The Twenty-sixth of March is once more arrived; and the same hotel and the same banquet hall once more witness the gathering of Theta Deltas.

It is the decennial celebration of the Chi Deuteron Charge. Many features of that first banquet are reproduced; the father of the charge has come to share the joy of his wards; the toast-master of the former occasion is a guest at this; a prominent speaker at that other banquet is to deliver the principal address at this; but through all the joy of the evening there runs a note of sadness,

*"Oh, for the touch of a vanished hand,  
And the sound of a voice that is still."*

One grasp of greeting, one word of cheer are missed. John Hay is no more, his message is delivered, his work is done, he has passed on to the Omega Charge.

The affair seemed by common consent to resolve itself into this dual character, that of congratulation to Chi Deuteron and of memorial to John Hay.

The banquet hall was in festal array with the black, white and blue of the fraternity and the buff and blue of George Washington University, while groups of palms throughout the room made a pleasing background for the brilliantly lighted, "T"-shaped table, with its decorations of cut flowers and vines. An orchestra stationed in the balcony played popular airs during the

earlier part of the evening, and was frequently assisted by the banqueters themselves.

At eight o'clock the long line of brothers, headed by Doctor Sterrett and Brother Stanton C. Pelle, the President of the Chi Deuteron Graduate Association, marched into the banquet hall, singing,

"Come, my boys, we'll sing a song, give the hours the tether,  
Roll the music-tide along, while we're yet together.

"Brothers, let us sing to-day, sister stars are beaming,  
Theta Delta Chi's the lay, see her watch-fires gleaming."

When all had reached their places Brother Sterrett offered up an invocation.

The banquet proper was like the general run of such affairs when a crowd of lusty, enthusiastic Theta Deltas gather around the festive board. Many songs were interspersed between the courses, and sometimes the proceedings would be enlivened by the inevitable college yells from the throats of the younger brothers, yells which were regarded with entire approval, and even with a sort of envy, by those of older years. There is a mystic *something* about a Theta Delt banquet which breaks down all barriers of age or reserve and puts old and young alike into the spirit of the

"Good old college hey-day, when you smoke the mild cigar,  
You carve the mystic turkey, and you thrum the soft guitar,  
And you woo the winsome maiden with the rich and sparkling eye,  
As you sing the innocent roundelay to Theta Delta Chi."

When the menu had been thoroughly discussed and frozen over with a layer of *ice cream fantaisie*, Brother Pelle, the presiding officer, arose and called the brothers to order. He first referred to the many letters received by the committee from out-of-town brothers and regretted that he could not read them all. He stated that, among others, greetings had been received from four ex-Presidents of the Grand Lodge, Clay W. Holmes, Phi 69, Carl A. Harstrom, Xi 86, Ernest W. Huffcut, Beta 84, and Lawrence T. Cole, Gamma Deuteron 92. Letters were also received from Colonel William L. Stone, Zeta 57, General Winson B. French, Kappa 59, General Franklin G. Smith, Delta 59, Bishop A. M. Randolph, Epsilon 55, Dr. George Williamson Smith, Xi,

57, Rear Admiral Benjamin P. Lamberton, Sigma 62, O. P. Baldwin, Nu 73, James R. Mellon, Pi 65, Rev. J. W. Wightman, Pi 00, Dr. Le Grand Powers, Kappa 72, Edward W. Byrn, Sigma 70, and from nearly every graduate of Chi Deuteron.

Brother Peelle read several extracts as follows:

From Brother Carl Axel Harstrom, who presided at the installation ceremony in 1896:

"Well do I recall the installation of Chi Deuteron. It was one of the happiest events in my fraternity career, and I trust you may all have as good a time Monday as we had ten years ago."

From Brother William L. Stone, Zeta 57, classmate and bed-fellow of John Hay:

"Brothers Green, Burdge and myself are, you know, the three Deans of our fraternity, and though getting on in years, yet we all take as much interest in the fraternity and cherish all of its members, as when we were initiated fifty-three years ago!"

From Brother Winsor B. French, Kappa 59, who went over to Brown to help initiate John Hay, and who made a speech at the banquet following:

"You were very kind to me during all my visit in your city. The meeting of 'the boys' at the University was very pleasant to me and made me wish 'I were a boy again,' and a member of the Chi Deuteron Charge. The young men whom I met struck me as being all of the 'blood royal'.

"You will greatly miss Hay at your banquet, and will very likely have warm words of love for Capen. They were both noble men and almost invaluable to our order."

From Brother Edward W. Byrn, Sigma 70:

"It was my privilege to be at the Chi Deuteron installation banquet, ten years ago to-night, and it gives me great satisfaction to note how faithfully and well the charge has maintained the responsibilities of its existence, and the credit which it has reflected upon the fraternity at large. I congratulate you all."

From Brother Henry Rogers Pyne, Chi Deuteron 93, charter member and first President of Chi Deuteron:

"Dear Brothers,

"Although a hundred and fifty miles away in body, I shall be at the Shoreham in spirit on the 26th, assisting you all to break the Lenten fast. If anyone of you has the slightest qualm of conscience as regards the feast, let him appeal to Brother Dr. Sterrett and have him say 'Absolvato te' as he did ten years ago.

## THE SHIELD

"I know by my paucity of hair and by the calendar that it is ten years since I was an initiate, but by my feelings I am as young as I was then, and I hope a truer Theta Delt.

"I regret more than I can tell you that I am prevented by my work from being with you and listening to the eloquence of Brother Quesada, for his speech the night of the initiation banquet sent numerous cold shivers of enthusiasm down my spinal cord. Please give my love to all the brothers.

"Yours in Theta Delta Chi,  
 "HENRY ROGERS PYNE,  
 Chi Deuteron 93."

From Brother Edmund K. Broadus, Chi Deuteron 97, charter member:

"Vermillion, South Dakota,  
 "March 22, 1906.

"Greetings from the far west to Theta Delta Chi. South Dakota can divorce almost anything, from French Counts to Coyotes, but it cannot divorce a wandering Theta Delt from his pleasant memories of Auld Lang Syne at Chi Deuteron.

"Yours with a handshake all around,  
 "BROADUS."

From Brother Paul Sperry, Chi Deuteron 1902, ex-President of the Charge:

"Dear Brothers of Chi Deuteron:

"If a boy of ten years has accomplished much we call him a prodigy. In human terms our charge is a prodigy. To have been born with the great labor that attended its pre-natal period and birth, to have struggled against the odds that hamper city charges like city children, to have been the youngest of a score of brethren, and yet to have grown strong and vigorous, unselfish and earnest, to have influenced deeply the lives of nearly a hundred young men, and now to celebrate its tenth birthday with so much evidence of success, is worthy cause to call Chi Deuteron a prodigy.

"It would be a great privilege and a joy to me to answer to my name in the roll call at your birthday party, but the walking is too bad and will prevent my being with you.

"But be sure of my loyal and hearty interest in your passing joyously this decimal milestone, and accept my best wishes for your abundant success in the long journey ahead.

"Most fraternally yours,

"PAUL SPERRY."

"Bath, Maine."

When these letters had been read, Brother Peelle spoke as follows:

"Brothers in Theta Delta Chi:—The fact that men gather together to celebrate the anniversary of an event means that that event was not merely of the day or hour, but that it possessed an enduring import and significance. And when the men are such as are gathered here to-night, and when their joy and enthusiasm are so frank and evident, the event whose anniversary has called them forth must be of more than ordinary meaning and consequence. And so it is.

"Brothers, we have come together to-night to celebrate, in gladness of heart, the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the Chi Deuteron Charge of our beloved Theta Delta Chi. It is altogether fitting that we should do so, and that we should do so here and now, for ten years ago, at this very hour, the thirteen charter members of the Charge, initiated but an hour before in the building just adjoining, sat down in this very room, with the dear brothers of the Southern Graduate Association, to enjoy their first banquet as Theta Deltas. Brother James McLachlan, who is here to-night, acted as toastmaster, and one whom we all delighted to honor and whom now we mourn in heaviness of spirit, Brother John Hay, was among the speakers.

"The birth of the Charge was auspicious, and she has proven herself worthy of a place among her sisters. There have been ups and downs, but always Chi Deuteron has been steadfast, the brothers have been faithful, and to-day her right to be is established.

"But there is one thing we cannot and would not forget—that Chi Deuteron's existence was made possible only through the efforts of a brother who was tireless in his work for the Charge, who was firm and insistent even when there seemed no hope of getting a charter, and who has stood by the Charge ever since through sunshine or rain. As the flower looks up toward the sun, so we look up to this brother, the father of the Chi Deuteron Charge, whom I have the honor to introduce as the toastmaster of the evening, Brother James McBride Sterrett."

Prolonged applause greeted Dr. Sterrett as he rose to his feet. The loud demonstration afforded very tangible evidence that the ten-year-old Chi Deuteron was not lacking in vigor—nor in gratitude to the brother to whom they owed their fraternal existence.

Doctor Sterrett briefly thanked the brothers for calling him

the father of the charge, and said that he was proud of the child. He then spoke a good word for the ten years of Chi Deuteron life and activity.

The banquet committee in arranging the list of toasts had sought to give the toastmaster a weapon of destruction familiar to himself by assigning as the keynote of his remarks the title of his latest book in apologetics, "The Freedom of Authority." Doctor Sterrett, however, disowned the text given him by interpreting it to mean that a toastmaster is free from all authority, free to play the tyrant and call upon whom he will to make a speech.

The first toast of the evening was assigned to Brother Gonzalo de Quesada, Pi Deuteron 88, Cuban Minister to the United States. His topic was, "John Hay, Author, Statesman, Friend."

In introducing Brother Quesada, Doctor Sterrett referred to the two big speeches made on the occasion of the institution of the Chi Deuteron Charge, one by Brother Hay, and the other by Brother Quesada. He recalled the speech of Brother Hay and then paid a glowing tribute to him. "It is fitting," said he, "that the other speaker who had been so closely associated with Brother Hay in matters of State, should pay the eulogium to **him**. I take great pleasure in introducing one who needs no introduction, Brother Quesada."

Brother Quesada was received with the rousing welcome which always greets him at Theta Delt gatherings.

His address will long be remembered. "John Hay, Author, Statesman, Friend," was a subject fitted to his mind, fitted to his heart, fitted to the wonderful powers of oratory for which he is famous. All present declared that the speech would stand as a Theta Delt classic. It is deeply regretted that no stenographer was present to report the speech for the fraternity at large. It was a rare commentary upon John Hay's career in all its phases, given by one who knew that career from personal contact and intimate private relationship; and it was also a splendid tribute to the great heart-qualities of this most companionable

of men, from the lips of a friend who owed much to his help, much to his encouragement and love.

Brother Quesada had promised the writer to dictate the speech to his secretary for use in connection with this article, but his numerous official duties and his appointment as Envoy from Cuba to the Pan-American Conference at Rio Janeiro prevented his carrying out this intention. Under the circumstances the writer has endeavored to give the following fragmentary and disconnected account of Brother Quesada's remarks from hasty notes taken at the time.

Brother Quesada began by saying that he was glad to be present and to help celebrate Chi Deuteron's tenth anniversary. He was proud of the charge and felt himself very closely connected with it on account of his participation in many functions which it had given from time to time. Continuing, he said: "Whenever I try to beg off from speaking at a fraternity banquet Doctor Sterrett always interferes, saying, 'Oh, that's all right, just give us the same speech which you gave us the last time; intimating, of course, that I have only one speech. Well, there's lots of truth in that, for a brother in treating of Theta Delta Chi only needs one speech. The truths and the ideals of the fraternity are always the same, shining out, like the jewels on our shield, with steadfast lustre and unchanging brilliancy."

Referring to the topic assigned him, he said that a eulogy of John Hay was to him a work of affection—of affection for one who was both counsellor and friend, and who gave him help when the star of Cuba was in a dark sky.

"Hay's love of justice," said he, "was inherent in his being; there was no guile, no deceit, nothing unfair nor underhand about him. His character, like his poetry, was true and sincere. He had all of Lincoln's honesty of purpose, all of Lincoln's faith in man and trust in God." Taking up Secretary Hay's statesmanship, Brother Quesada said, "Hay's real principles of government were merely his principles of character writ large. He believed that a good man could not but be a good citizen; that the Golden Rule applied to nations as well as to individuals. These princi-

ples of government were clearly set forth in Hay's notable address at the anniversary celebration of the formation of the Republican Party. He labored with William McKinley to make those high principles potent in the affairs of the American Government; and that noble President, and his no less noble Secretary of State, together raised the American Republic to the commanding eminence from which it could dictate war and peace to the nations of the world.

"It has been ten years since the Chi Deuteron Charge was established. I shall never forget the installation banquet on that memorable night. John Hay sat in this hall. He was a private citizen. He had not yet begun that wonderful career as Ambassador and Secretary of State which was to stamp him as the greatest diplomatist of his time. But he was, nevertheless, a power in the councils of his party and was a keen observer of events at home and abroad. His judgment, in foreign affairs particularly, was unerring. At that installation banquet ten years ago John Hay spoke a word of encouragement to the struggling patriot whose native country was then in the throes of a bloody struggle with a hated tyrant. And he predicted the time when the clouds would break and the sun would shine upon the distracted island, bathing in its morning rays a new, a free, and independent nation.

"We remember how, at the outbreak of the war, there was danger of European intervention in behalf of Spain, but Hay as Ambassador to London got England to see that there was fair play and to warn France, Germany and Russia to keep hands off. It was John Hay alone who made England and the United States stand together, hand in hand for the common cause of humanity.

"When war was declared by the American Congress on April 19th, 1898, John Hay sat down at his desk in the American Embassy in London and wrote me the following note:

"My dear Brother Quesada: I have heard the news. Cuba is now free and independent. Accept congratulations with the friendly grasp of Theta Delta Chi.

'Fraternally yours,

'JOHN HAY.'

Continuing, Brother Quesada said, "After Cuban independence had been won and the Cuban Republic had been inaugurated, it was John Hay, Secretary of State, who introduced me to President McKinley as the first Minister Plenipotentiary of the new nation to the United States. I well remember as we were walking over to the White House together, Secretary Hay said to me, 'It is given to few men in history to witness the fulfillment of their labors and ambitions in the great affairs of government. Generally one man must sow and another reap, but to you, Brother Quesada, is granted the unique distinction of having done both.'"

Brother Quesada then took up Secretary Hay's achievements in diplomacy. He spoke of his Chinese policy, the "open door," the American intervention in the Boxer troubles, and the preservation of the integrity of Chinese territory, declaring that by his courage, daring, and foresight he had "kept off the wolves from their helpless prey." Continuing, the speaker discussed Secretary Hay's services to the cause of universal peace, his negotiation of arbitration treaties with foreign nations, and his active support of the Hague Tribunal "where justice and not force was to decide disputed questions between nations, be those nations great or small, strong or weak."

In speaking of his own official relations with Secretary Hay, Brother Quesada quoted the latter's remark made on several occasions when they had placed their signatures to treaties negotiated between the two countries, "We do this for the honor and glory of Theta Delta Chi."

In conclusion the speaker paid a beautiful tribute to Hay's great qualities of heart and soul, his kindness, his helpfulness, his generosity, his fine courtesy, and his loyalty to friendship; and then, asking the brothers to rise to their feet, he proposed a silent toast to the memory of the brother whose loss the whole fraternity mourns.

Upon resuming their seats the brothers warmly applauded Brother Quesada's splendid effort.

The toastmaster next introduced Brother Frederick C.

Stevens, Eta 81, Member of Congress from Minnesota. Doctor Sterrett said that Brother Stevens was a "square man" and would respond to the toast, "Theta Delta Chi, A Square Deal."

Brother Stevens said, in part:

"I am placed at a very great disadvantage in being compelled to follow so closely upon this splendid address to which we have just listened. Brother Quesada can always be depended upon to stir our blood but to-night he had a theme worthy of his highest powers, a theme equal to the best—equal to the best of Theta Delta Chi—equal to the best of any fraternity—and I think you will all agree with me when I say that in this speech Brother Quesada fairly outdid himself.

"In late years I have not been able to attend as many fraternity affairs as I should like but I would not have missed this anniversary under any circumstances, and I want to thank the chairman of your committee for getting me out. In the future I am going to do better and I call upon you all to witness the vow which I now take and to remind me of it if I try any backsliding.

"We go through too much routine in this daily life of ours. The fraternity pulls us out of the ruts and gives us a chance to breathe the wholesome college atmosphere again. I have enjoyed the proceedings to-night, particularly the songs, and I think we ought to have more of the singing and less of this 'bazooing.' (Laughter).

"Out west we used to be great on the subject of reform; we were constantly agitating reform, particularly when it had to do with somebody else's business. But of late the thing has begun to act both ways, it hits us as well as the other fellow, and now we call it the doctrine of the "Square Deal." I think that is one thing that the fraternity teaches us—a square deal. It inspires us with a rare spirit of fellowship, of regard man for man; it generates in us a spirit of fair play and of mutual helpfulness. You have all read in the papers lately, the startling disclosures of student life at the Naval Academy, where the accepted code of ethics seems to teach that in order to be an officer and a gentleman, one must first be a coward and a brute.

"I believe that if there were Greek letter fraternities at Annapolis they would soon break up this brutal hazing; and the other day some of us college men among the Representatives in Congress got together in a little group in one corner of the House and we resolved that Annapolis and West Point, if they had college fraternities, would have more of that manly spirit of fair play, more of that spirit of the square deal, which characterizes these other

institutions of learning where Greek letter fraternities exist. Fraternities, composed as they are of men from all the classes, senior, junior, sophomore and freshman, will not permit their younger brothers to be ill-treated by the bullies of the higher classes; and not only do fraternities look out for their own members but they have a way of looking out for each other. Now, I am not sure that it is possible to introduce the fraternity system into Annapolis or West Point—I am not even sure that it is entirely advisable—but I am sure that those institutions need more of our spirit, more of that thing which we mean and which we feel when we utter the magic words, "Theta Delta Chi."

Brother Stevens's remarks, briefly outlined above, were received with decided approval by the brothers, who applauded him vigorously when he resumed his seat.

The toastmaster then called for the song,  
"Come, now brothers gather 'round me while we sing the merry lay  
Of the maid of deep devotion and the sweet, persuasive way,  
In your dreams she flits before you like a vision in the sky,  
On her breast the glittering emblem of Theta Delta Chi."

On introducing Brother James McLachlan, Psi 78, Member of Congress from California, Dr. Sterrett recalled the fact that Brother McLachlan had been present at the installation banquet of Chi Deuteron ten years ago and had acted as toastmaster on that occasion.

Brother McLachlan responded to the toast, "Theta Delta Chi at the 'Golden Gate.'" He spoke of the pleasure and the benefit which he always derived from fraternity functions such as these, and recalled the old "Dutch treats" of the Southern Graduate Association which he used to attend in years past. He said that he had first met Dr. Sterrett at these affairs and for the longest time he did not know that the doctor was a minister. He held up Dr. Sterrett as the ideal Theta Delt, and said that in calling him the "father" of Chi Deuteron he did not think that the charge was doing Dr. Sterrett full justice; there ought to be a closer relationship than even that of a father. "Why don't you call him by that tenderest, most affectionate of all names, the *mother* of Chi Deuteron?"

Brother McLachlan next referred to the speech of John Hay at the installation banquet, and said that at his own initiation into

the Psi Charge at Hamilton in the middle seventies, John Hay was also present and favored the Brothers by reciting his famous poem, "Jim Bludso."

Brother McLachlan dwelt at length upon the conditions on the Pacific Coast. He said they had true Theta Delts out there. The young men at Leland Stanford and the University of California were among the finest in the whole fraternity. They were living up to the high ideals of the order and were making a reputation which reflected honor upon Theta Delta Chi. He said that the Pacific Coast graduates frequently got together to renew their college experiences, and at Los Angeles, his home, they were in the habit of meeting at regular intervals for informal luncheons at one of the hotels. These little reunions were always a source of pleasure and served to keep the fraternal fires burning brightly. His parting advice to the younger brothers was "Cherish the fraternity: you will value it later."

Brother McLachlan was followed by Brother Gordon T. Atkinson, Sigma 68, Controller of the State of Maryland, whose topic was, "Looking Backward." He described briefly Theta Delta Chi as he had known it in years past, said that he used to be a regular attendant at the banquets of the Southern Graduate Association, but of late his official duties had kept him tied down pretty closely so that he was not able to meet with his brothers as formerly. He was glad to be present to-night, however, and hoped that circumstances would permit him to see more of the Washington Theta Delts in the future.

In closing Brother Atkinson sprang a little surprise upon the brothers by presenting them with a box of fine cigars, the gift of Hon. James L. Norris, who was not a brother in Theta Delta Chi but was, nevertheless, a good friend of the fraternity and of the Chi Deuteron Charge.

After Brother Atkinson's address the brothers joined in singing "Love Cannot Die":

"Joyful we greet you, brothers beloved and true,

'Neath our Black, White and Blue, banner we love.

"Raise now the chorus high,

Praise Theta Delta Chi;

Bright shine our stars above,  
Love cannot die."

The next speaker was Brother Harry T. Domer, Chi Deuteron 1900, who responded to the toast, "A Decade of Chi Deuteron."

Brother Domer said that he was impressed first of all by the fact that Chi Deuteron had outgrown the long dresses and kilts of the 'baby charge' and had reached the dignity of short pants and suspenders. He said that he hoped the child would continue to grow till it could wear frock coats and silk hats like the Zeta, Eta, Iota, Kappa, Xi, and the other grown up members of the family .

Continuing, Brother Domer said:

"In looking back over these ten years, the question may well be asked, 'What sort of a charge have we been?' Every charge stands for something, for this or that phase of fraternity life, but I think that in the case of Chi Deuteron it can truthfully be said that we have stood for all that is pure, all that is noble, all that is manly and brotherly in Theta Delta Chi. A charge is what its members are, and a pretty accurate judgment can be formed of the members by the style of man whom they choose to lead them. So Chi Deuteron in the past may well rest its reputation upon its splendid line of presidents, upon such men as Pyne, Playter, Mason, Hatch Sterrett, Peelle, Lindsey, and Horace Ashford, not to mention those of later years, some of whom are present with us tonight.

"In the old days we used to make a great deal out of the fact that we had among our members the superintendent of a Chinese Sunday School, and I remember that we scored a big hit when this was reported to the Convention. Now we can pride ourselves upon having four brothers in the active ministry. But we were not all preachers; we had some very lively scrappers too, as five officers in the regular army would seem to indicate.

"It is said that the Duke of Wellington, while visiting his old school at Eton, once pointed to the playground and said, 'There Waterloo was won.' So our future Chi Deuteron generals after some great victory may point to the rooms next door at 1509 "H" Street, and proudly declare, "There Waterloo was won." Particularly would this be the case with Brothers Harry McKenney and Robert Sterrett. At the outbreak of the war with Spain we were all filled with a burning desire to go down and free Cuba. The

wave of military ardor which swept through the colleges carried us with it. We turned our fraternity rooms into a barracks, and I had the honor to command a squad of doughty warriors who would have put Jack Falstaff's recruits to shame. Armed with broomsticks, feather dusters, canes, umbrellas, and other implements of domestic warfare, we marched to and fro over the floor, studying the intricacies of the manual of arms and the simpler foot movements. Brothers McKenney and Bob Sterrett were particularly zealous in these exercises, and that they learned their lessons well is evidenced by their fine record in the Spanish war and Philippine campaign and by the fact that they are now both first lieutenants of cavalry in the United States Army.

"There was another feature of this drilling, however, which also had its practical value. While our military brothers were maneuvering on the floor, the more peaceful members of the charge would frequently take in the operations from the tops of tables, piano, couch and other points of vantage. Brother Gilbert W. Kelly was one of these—and thereby hangs a tale. Brother Kelly is not what he seems. He reminds me of the diplomats in Brother Walkley's rare parody on 'Jim Bludso,'

'They ain't no saints, them 'Bassadors  
Is all pretty much alike;  
With eyes askance they watch their chance,  
Then boldly out they strike.'

So it was with Brother Kelly. He would sit there on the table with a bland smile on his face as though he were enjoying the evolutions to the bottom of his guileless heart, when suddenly, without a moment's warning, he would swoop down upon the unsuspecting foe and in less time than it takes to say 'Jack Robinson,' there would be a squirming, struggling mass of humanity, all arms and legs, piled up in the middle of the floor; and Brother Kelly, like the industrious frog in the bucket of cream, could generally be relied upon to come out on top. In those days we used to appoint a House Committee every week whose duty it was to keep things tidy about the premises, but Brother Kelly was the best cleaner in the crowd; he could dust up the floor neatly and with despatch with any three brothers in the charge.

"But that is fraternity—practical fraternity. That is the way the rough edges of a man get polished off. And it has the added value of teaching the brothers that important axiom of every-day life, 'Don't get mad.' Dave Harum once uttered a bit of philosophy which contains the germs of much wisdom. Said he, 'A reason-

able amount of fleas is good for a dog.' And so, also, I believe that a reasonable amount of "Kelly" is good for a man, it keeps him from forgetting that he is only a man. At least that was the way it struck most of us.

"Let this suffice for the active life of Chi Deuteron during the past decade of its history. Now, passing out into the real business of life, the next question that comes to mind is, 'What are our graduates doing?' On looking over the records I find that ninety-one brothers, all told, have been initiated into the Chi Deuteron Charge to date. Three of these, Brothers Melville W. Lindsey 1900, Horace F. Ashford 1901, and J. Henry Altschu 1899, have passed on to the Great Omega. Twenty brothers now compose the active charge, ten others are students in professional schools or other colleges, leaving fifty-eight who may properly be termed Chi Deuteron graduates. Of these, four are ministers, eight are lawyers, four are doctors, four are professors or teachers, seven are in the regular army, two are scientists, two are making art their profession, ten are in business, and seventeen are engaged in miscellaneous pursuits.

In this list of graduates we cannot point to a Hay, a Griggs, a Capen, a James Macbride Sterrett, a Quesada, a Stevens, or a McLachlan, we can point to no great names, no high honors, we are all plodding along in humble paths, patiently sawing wood for future use. but we are ambitious and are aiming high, endeavoring to follow the direction of our emblematic arrows, ever onward and upward.

"You remember, perhaps, the celebrated address which John Hay delivered several years ago at the banquet of the Ohio Association. In that speech he called himself a man without a state and gave a humorous account of his ancestry and training. He said that he was born in Indiana, grew up in Illinois, was educated in Rhode Island, adding that it was no blame to that scholarly community that he knew so little; he studied law in Springfield, politics in Washington, and diplomacy in Europe, Asia and Africa. He said that he had a farm in New Hampshire and desk room in the District of Columbia. When he looked to the springs from which his blood descended, the first ancestors he ever heard of were a Scotchman, who was half English, and a German woman, who was half French. Of his immediate progenitors his mother was from New England and his father from the South. And then in conclusion he spoke as follows:

"In this bewilderment of origin and experience I can only put on an aspect of deep humility in any gathering of favorite sons, and confess that I am nothing but an American."

"So, we of Chi Deuteron, though we may hope for some of these honors and great names later on—at our semi-centennial, perhaps—yet, for the present, we can only put on an aspect of deep humility in any gathering of favorite sons, and confess that we are nothing but Theta Delts."

"Strenuous Life in Chi Deuteron" was next discussed by Brother Gilbert W. Kelly, Chi Deuteron 1900, and he gave a very amusing talk. He said that he felt he was having an undue amount of greatness thrust upon him by Brother Domer in his reference to the physical suasion which he was wont to exercise in the affairs of Chi Deuteron. He said he would never forget those strenuous times nor the effect which they used to have upon the firm of Hornblower and Marshall, architects, on the floor below the fraternity rooms. He said that after every tussle of undue strenuosity Mr. Hornblower would send a warning upstairs to the gentlemen of Theta Delta Chi, saying that they would either have to be quiet or vacate the premises. One occasion in particular he well remembered when Hornblower and Marshall thought they had even discovered the motto of the fraternity. "And," said Brother Kelly "the brothers will tremble when they realize how close the firm came to it." And lowering his voice, he repeated in impressive tones, "The motto was this, *Thanatos Damnisse Chaos*'; from the Greek 'thanatos' (thanatare) meaning 'death,' the Latin 'damno' (-a, -um) 'to condemn,' and the familiar Hebrew word 'chaos,' 'noise'; interpreted, freely, as follows, 'Death to that most damnable racket!'" Brother Kelly's motto caused great laughter and applause.

Brother Charles H. Tompkins, Chi Deuteron 06, President of the active charge, was called upon to respond to the toast 'The Charge—To-day.' He spoke briefly upon present conditions in Chi Deuteron and emphasized the active man's need of the presence and advice of the graduates. He urged all to participate in the initiations and other meetings of the charge; and in

conclusion presented the greetings of Chi Deuteron to its own graduates and to the alumni of the other charges.

The toastmaster then said that there were only two charter members of Chi Deuteron present at the banquet, Brother Peelle and Brother Elliot J. Dent, Chi Deuteron 1899. He, therefore, called upon Brother Dent to say a few words. Brother Dent spoke of his connection with Chi Deuteron, and, referring to Brother Stevens's remarks on West Point and Annapolis, detailed some of his own experiences at the former institution. Brother Dent is a graduate of the Military Academy and is now First Lieutenant of Engineers.

The last toast of the evening was the customary one to "The Omega Charge." Dr. Sterrett called upon the brothers to rise and drink the toast in silence.

Before leaving their places at the table the brothers were asked to give their attention for a moment to Brother Quesada. The latter said that in his own country banqueters had a custom which he considered a very beautiful one. At the close of all banquets of any importance the floral decorations were gathered together and, with the menu, were presented to some lady. He said that he wanted to suggest the adoption of that plan to-night and moved that, as a token of respect and tender remembrance, all the flowers on the banquet board be sent to Mrs. John Hay. He moved also that Brother Domer be instructed to carry out the motion. Doctor Sterrett put the motion and it was adopted.

Brother Domer accordingly had the flowers neatly arranged by the florist, and sent them, with a copy of the menu and a note, to Mrs. Hay. After detailing Brother Quesada's motion and the vote of the brothers, Brother Domer's note read:

"Please accept, therefore, the flowers which accompany this. They themselves are nothing, but with them goes out to you the heart of our whole fraternity, that fraternity which John Hay honored with his love, and which shall never cease to hold his memory in most sacred veneration."

The following acknowledgement was received from Mrs. Hay:

"800 Sixteenth Street,  
Lafayette Square.  
March 27th, 1906.

"Mr. Harry T. Domer,  
Dear Sir:—

Please convey to the members of the local chapter of Theta Delta Chi my sincere thanks for their kind thought of me and their affectionate remembrance of my dear husband.

Very sincerely yours,  
CLARA S. HAY."

Those present at the banquet were: Brothers J. Macbride Sterrett, Chi 67, Ganzalo de Quesada, Pi Deuteron 88, Frederick C. Stevens, Eta 81, James McLachlan, Psi 78, Gordon T. Atkinson, Sigma 68, Carlos C. Arosemena, Charge d'Affaires of the Panama Legation, Delta 92, Harry Hill StClair, Rho Deuteron 00, J. F. Kane, Nu Deuteron 04, W. B. Guy, Phi 05, Percy Shires, Zeta 06, and the following brothers of Chi Deuteron, Stanton C. Peelle 99, Elliot J. Dent 90, Harry T. Domer 00, Gilbert W. Kelly 00, Mahlon Ashford 03, Frederick W. Albert 05, Curtis B. Backus 07, Edwin H. King 07, Freeland C. Lyman 06, L. R. Mason 07, Rastus Ransom Norris 03, Nathaniel E. Robinson 01, Douglas B. Sterrett 02, John A. Sterrett 07, Charles N. Gregory 09, J. Stealey Hursey 09, Marshall Magruder 09, Robert B. Purcell 09, H. F. Arthur Schoenfeld 09, Delos H. Smith 06, James E. Bacon 09, William B. Curtis 09, W. A. Backus 09, Roy L. Newhouser 09, Walter M. Gilbert 07, James T. Sherier 09, J. D. Dodson 09, Charles H. Tompkins 06, W. E. Lamb 09, and Zenus F. Barnum 04.

HARRY T. DOMER, Chi Deuteron 1900.

## THE GREEK-LETTER FRATERNITY AS AN EDUCATIONAL INFLUENCE.

BY CLARENCE F. BIRDSEYE.

In August, 1826, William Morgan, a Royal Arch Mason, who had threatened to expose the secrets of Free-masonry, was abducted from Canandaigua, New York. Vigilance committees traced him and his abductors to Fort Niagara, and thence in a boat to Lake Ontario, where he finally disappeared, his body never being found. Amidst the most intense excitement, especially throughout New York State, the Anti-Masonry party was formed, which was dominant in New York for twenty years, and affected National elections, even preventing Henry Clay's nomination for the Presidency, because he was a Mason. The feeling against secret societies ran so high that over three thousand Masonic lodges gave up their charters. Yet it was during this very time and in the New York colleges that the older "College Secret Societies" (excepting Phi Beta Kappa, which till then had been a secret society, and Kappa Alpha) were founded, as follows: In Union College, Sigma Phi, 1827; Delta Phi, 1827; Psi Upsilon, 1833; Chi Psi, 1841; in Hamilton College, Alpha Delta Phi, 1832. These societies were at first strictly forbidden and known members were expelled from college or lost college honors. Pins were usually worn inside the vest pocket, and meetings were held in secret. In 1832 Phi Beta Kappa was forced by Harvard's President to relinquish its secret features. Yet it was during this period that the fraternities adopted the constitutions, policies of administration, and traditions, which have since largely governed and hampered them.

After some years the secret societies were tolerated and even recognized, although earnestly opposed by many who believed that they were inherently wrong, or that their growth would kill the college debating societies. During this second period simple lodgerooms were hired in some business block, or even in the attic of a hotel. The societies had little intercourse between their various chapters or between their active and graduate members. Their infrequent conventions consisted of a public address, and probably a poem, by prominent alumni, and a private banquet. The active members met as a body only once a week—on lodge nights. Although the colleges were constantly asking for large sums to build

dormitories, no one dreamed that the fraternities would largely solve this problem by housing their own members.

About twenty-five years ago the fraternities entered their third or present stage. Their position in college life is now recognized and influential. They own many fine chapter-houses, and maintain close relations between their graduates and undergraduates, and between their various chapters. Most of their members room and often eat in the fraternity houses, which are sometimes built on land leased from the college. Some colleges in which the fraternities are strong have ceased to build new dormitories. Within thirty-five years Amherst (a good typical case) has increased its student body eighty per cent., but reduced its dormitory space forty per cent. In 1870 135 (53 per cent.) of its 235 students roomed in the dormitories, and the remainder in town boarding-houses. In 1905, of its 455 students 109 (24 per cent.) lodged in the dormitories, and 205 (43 per cent.) in the twelve fraternity buildings. Amherst could not house these 205 students without hundreds of thousands of additional endowment. Thus the forbidden secret societies have finally become students' clubs (representing part of the college endowment), in which their members eat and room and are largely relieved from all direct faculty control.

Baird's Manual of American College Fraternities, sixth edition, 1905, gives full details of thirty-one general fraternities for men, with 179,351 graduate and undergraduate members, and 970 active and 379 dormant chapters; owning 290 houses and renting 368. Since 1883 the membership has almost trebled, while the chapter-houses used for living purposes have increased over fifty-fold. Evidently the chapter-house has come to stay. Men's local, women's, and professional societies have an additional membership of 63,150, with 716 active chapters, owning 27 chapter-houses and renting 185. Princeton has no Greek-letter fraternities; Harvard practically none; while at Yale the fraternity conditions materially differ from those in other colleges. In some colleges eighty-five per cent. of the students are fraternity members. In 363 colleges and universities there are 1,700 active chapters of general, local, women's, or professional fraternities. The University of Michigan leads, with chapters of seventeen general, seven women's, and thirteen professional fraternities—thirty-seven in all. The chapters have from ten to forty undergraduate members. Surely this great increase of these small units cannot be accidental; especially since it has synchronized with the decline of the small educational unit in our colleges and preparatory schools, and the individualism connected therewith. Mean

while, especially since the Civil War, there have been momentous changes in educational methods and conditions.

To the great college teacher of former times, each of his handful of pupils was an immortal soul, to be molded morally and mentally by constant intercourse during four years. The college was nothing except a means to an end, and that end was the upbuilding each year of a few chosen individuals who should go out to aid a poor and struggling world, usually as ministers, missionaries, or teachers. Substantially all the college presidents, professors, and trustees were clergymen, and the colleges were founded principally to educate the clergy. Until 1872 all of Yale's trustees were ministers. Of Harvard's first fifteen classes, 77 per cent. became clergymen, and of the first eighteen classes at Yale 69 per cent. became clergymen. Of Amherst's first nine classes (1822-30), 65 per cent. became ministers, 9 per cent. doctors, and 3 per cent. lawyers. To-day the personal element is largely absent in our colleges, and in our larger institutions professors and students have hardly a bowing acquaintance.

The present college atmosphere is too often an unfortunate one, and the college view-point a false one. One can get a better college education to-day than ever before; but without the proper spirit and training, the amount required to be done (largely without personal touch with the professors) and the distractions of college life tend to shiftless or dishonest ways of shirking good work. The earlier colleges had no competition in higher education, and could not turn out enough men to supply the demand in the then learned professions—medicine, law, ministry, and teaching. To-day there are scores of professions, all needing fine technical knowledge, long and accurate preparation, and often specialization. We are gradually coming to the overcrowded condition of the professions in Europe. Whether the college man is to enter business or a profession, he cannot afford to have devoted the four years of his college course to learning to be extravagant, dilatory, unpunctual, neglectful of details, inaccurate, or to acquiring shiftless or worse moral and mental habits that he must actually unlearn before he can become a successful man. Yet there has been no systematic attempt to minimize or prevent these evils. Abundant proof can be found on every side that these words are not too strong. The report of the committee of Harvard's faculty, published in the "Harvard Graduates' Magazine," June, 1904, based on answers from 245 instructors and 1,757 students, shows that in Harvard:—

- (a) In addition to twelve hours of lectures required per week,

the majority of the 1,757 students studied less than twelve hours per week.

(b) "There is too much teaching and too little studying."

(c) "Examinations have, on the whole, an undue weight."

(d) "There is too much tendency to cramming."

(e) "Skillful coaches have perfected the art of preparing men superficially and transiently for the examinations," and have issued "unauthorized printed or typewritten notes of the lectures, and summaries of the prescribed reading."

(f) The lecture system, which is "an entirely new form of instruction to hundreds of freshmen," is supplemented by a number of "young and inexperienced assistants," each of whom meets "each of his men for ten or fifteen minutes at a time about once a month."

(g) The increasing disorder in the lecture-rooms comes "from large bodies of students who cannot hear the lecturer, or can hear him imperfectly."

(h) The "fact that ambitious students find little incentive to take honors is one of the glaring failures of our system."

(i) "The average amount of study is discreditably small."

Undergraduates are the victims, not the authors, of these conditions. The fault lies, not with them, but with the faculties and alumni who, afflicted with megalomania, have been intent on increasing the wealth and size of the colleges, and, neglecting to safeguard the individual, have forgotten that improved opportunities do not necessarily imply improved individual training

As the individualism of the former small college units has disappeared, there have grown up the small fraternity units of from ten to forty members each, which daily influence the students throughout their course. This influence, whether good, bad, or indifferent, is dominant in many colleges. If our huge faculties cannot, like their smaller prototypes, closely touch the lives of their individual pupils, may not this be done through thoughtful alumni acting on the undergraduate members of their own fraternity, thereby greatly increasing the number of those who will pursue their college course earnestly and for its own sake?

The recent great growth of the Greek-letter fraternities has not been fortuitous. Although their true meaning has not been studied or understood—to the greater shame of the faculty system—these fraternities are to-day great educational influences which furnish our most available means to raise the moral and mental tone of our colleges and universities—and as well of our preparatory schools—and to aid our sons and grandsons in a struggle against greater odds and temptations, and moral, social, and athletic distractions, than the older generations ever dreamed of.

Surely the power of these alumni is great enough. From the President, Vice-President, and Chief Justice of the United States,

through all our educated classes, the pick of our alumni in wealth and influence are fraternity men. If a tithe of this power can be turned back into the lives of the undergraduates to supplement the efforts of the faculties, we can do much to restore individualism. It has been under the faculty rule that moral, mental, and athletic conditions have steadily grown worse, although they are now improving in some ways. Certainly no harm can come from organizing the alumni to consider and help end the present evils. Neither college nor fraternity conditions are at present ideal. They are often bad, and there is real foundation for all complaints. Unless promptly checked, the evils will grow far worse and more difficult to root out. This question must be studied by its friends, and the reform must come from the fraternity alumni; for the fraternities can be awakened and developed, but not driven, nor driven out. Like every other historical, educational, or social question, this must be studied carefully and with open minds by many alumni and from different standpoints, so as to cover widely divergent conditions in institutions that may be universities or colleges, rich or poor, large or small, old and conservative or recent and radical, public or private, at the North, South, East, or West, and therefore governed by widely different religious, social, educational, and political influences. The wide distribution of its various chapters adds greatly to the perspective and corrective power of every fraternity, and makes it an ideal instrument for wisely investigating and righting undergraduate conditions at the same time in widely scattered institutions. The true fraternity alumnus can mold the lives and motives of his younger brothers. In most colleges the fraternities are so strong that if we can change the atmosphere of the fraternity houses, which for four years are the undergraduates' homes, we can change the whole undergraduate situation. The fraternity alumni have contributed hundreds of thousands of dollars for housing and otherwise helping the undergraduates. Every fraternity has many loyal and devoted graduates who willingly give time or money or both to the true interests of their younger brothers, and whose word is law to them. The character of the influence of each chapter depends largely on the local alumni, strengthened, guided, and impelled by a strong central organization. Why not apply modern business principles and systematic organization to this all-important problem? We have 1,700 fraternity chapters in 363 of our institutions of higher learning as foci from which the good influences might constantly and powerfully radiate. There has been too much tendency to make the fraternity the end and not the means. The alumni have not realized

that the atmosphere of the chapter-house determines the character of the chapter's influence on its individual members, and that the ultimate responsibility for this atmosphere is on the alumni. If we would make this atmosphere permanently good, we must appreciate that the alumni are the permanent and the undergraduates the transient body—completely changing every three years; and the seniors, the governing body, every year. We, as the permanent body, have no right to furnish our undergraduates with fine and exclusive homes, and then shirk responsibility for the future conduct and influence of those homes. The proper government of a chapter is a strict one, with the power in the hands of the upper classmen, especially the seniors, who are in turn held strictly accountable to alumni who are in constant touch with the situation and personally acquainted with every undergraduate and his work and needs. Where such conditions are continuous, the chapter's success is assured, and the effect on the undergraduates is highly beneficial. The fraternities, through strong central organizations, must make these conditions prevalent and continuous in every chapter. This has long been the theory, but the practice has been poor.

The fraternities, with their numerous chapters in different institutions, have the best possible opportunities for the investigation and correction of the wastes and for the enforcement of economies in college life. No one can measure the waste and lack of economy, to the college, the fraternity, the community, the family, or the individual, of a failure in college life, from whatever cause it comes. It is criminal that we have not studied these wastes in our colleges as we have in our factories, railroads, and other great industries, and that we have allowed the pendulum to swing so far to the other side, and have not long ago returned it to its mean, and found educational influences to replace the small units of the earlier colleges.

It is now time for the college fraternities to advance into the fourth period of their existence, and to devote their great wealth and influence:—

First, to a careful study of present undergraduate conditions, and to improving those conditions in all their own chapters.

Second, to inciting their own active members to do their best possible work and get the best possible training during their college course.

Third, to realize that in many ways they are their undergraduates' only hope for true individualism.

Fourth, to co-operate in a large way with one another in the

study and elimination of the too prevalent waste of lives during the college course.

Fifth, to reach backward into the preparatory schools and clean up moral conditions there.

Let the fraternities, and as well the colleges, be judged, not by wealth or age or numbers, but by the results which they work out in the lives of their individual members; by the real value of their output, and not by the size of their capital or plant. These theories have been tried in a small way, and have been successful, but these conditions can be brought about only from within the fraternities themselves, and not by any pressure from without. The fraternities must themselves study thoroughly, conscientiously, and systematically the great problems of student life which have recently grown up, and which the faculty system has been powerless to solve. In such a work they will have the hearty co-operation of their own alumni, within and without the faculties, and of many alumni who never belonged to a fraternity. The chief danger is that we shall undertake a really great work in the narrow-minded and bigoted "secret society" spirit that has so long prevailed in fraternity matters; that we shall treat it as a fraternity and not as an educational problem. It is no longer a fraternity question, but one of educational and vital importance to thousands of undergraduates, whether they belong to a fraternity or not.—Courtesy of *The Outlook*.

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## THE OUTLOOK EDITORIAL

Mr. Birdseye's article on the Greek-letter fraternities, which appears on another page, will be read with something like surprise by many readers who have assumed, if they have taken any interest in the matter, that the existence of Greek-letter societies, if it is not to be regretted, is at the best, an unimportant social factor in college life. They will be astonished to learn that there are nearly seventeen hundred fraternity chapters in American colleges and universities, that the chapter-houses owned and occupied by these societies number about three hundred, and that they have increased over fifty-fold in the last twenty-five years. These societies have passed through the period of suspicion, active antagonism, and, in many cases, prohibition, which marked their earliest reception; they have passed through the second period when they occupied rented rooms, were accepted, for the most part, by college faculties as something to be endured, and were largely out of touch with their own

graduates; they are now in the third period, when they seem to be as firmly rooted in academic soil as the colleges themselves, when their investments are larger than the earlier endowments of the richest colleges, and their relations with their alumni so close and constant as to make them an important bond between the college and its graduates.

It is quite clear that the importance of the Greek-letter fraternity in American college life has steadily increased until it has reached a stage when it may, without assumption, claim to be a shaping element in college life. Coming into existence at the time when the anti-Masonic agitation had made all secret societies objects of suspicion, and, in most cases, of active antagonism, the Greek-letter societies were looked upon with alarm, the element of secrecy being interpreted as a cloak for dissipation and immorality. Those who know the origin of most of the important fraternities know how unfounded this suspicion was; for, as a rule, the fraternities were expressions of youthful idealism, organized by young men of the highest personal and scholarly ambitions; and the element of secrecy was a concession to the youthful love of mystery, and to the very natural instinct which conceals the secret hopes and ideals of youth, as nature hides the tenderest shoot from the seed under the protection of the soil.

Societies in some form are as old as the universities. As soon as a group of young men collect, the process of selection begins to operate, and those who have kindred aims, tastes, and interests draw together and form themselves into associations. In those American colleges which have refused admission to the Greek-letter societies, clubs have taken their place; for young men who are drawn towards one another by mutual liking obey the law of moral gravitation when they make time and place for regular association. In the mediæval universities the students were drawn together by race ties, and at Paris, as in the other great institutions, the Nations, as they were called, served as a basis for student fellowship. From that time to the present, societies in some form have always existed, and the time is ripe for a clear recognition of their existence, and an attempt to develop their educational possibilities.

Student life is, in many respects, the most searching and potential influence to which the undergraduate is subjected. Those who resist successfully the blandishments of the professor and the discipline of the recitation or lecture room are deeply affected by the atmosphere in which they live. It has often been said of Oxford that

while its system is cumbersome and in many ways antiquated, and many men pass through the university with very little definite instruction, no man wholly escapes the influence of the beauty of the place, of its great traditions, and of that atmosphere of culture so finely expressed in the sanity, balance, and charm of the highest type of English minds. Now, it is precisely this element of atmosphere which the Greek-letter societies supply in the American college. They embody and perpetuate ideals of student character and spirit, traditions of student action, standards of student conduct; they appeal, in the most impressionable period, to those elements of idealism and romance which are latent in the most undeveloped youths; they afford, in these later days especially, an intimate approach to the undergraduate for graduate counsel, advice, and suggestion; and they have come to represent a living and unbroken relationship between the man in college and the man in the world. It is at this point that their importance in the college is greatest, and it is the possibilities of this union of older with younger men which college faculties have overlooked.

The dangers of fraternity life are, chiefly, getting out of touch with college activities and too great and tempting facilities for idleness. The danger of dissipation is practically negligible: young men who have a tendency to dissipation will find their way to one another quite as readily in the absence of fraternities as by their means; and, as a matter of fact, the young man in college is morally safer than the young man of the same age and the same opportunities of spending money out of college. Whether the fraternity house and the living together of the men in dining-halls shall segregate them and diminish their interest in college activities depends chiefly on the graduate members of the fraternities. The mere fact of living together in small groups does not, of itself, destroy college feeling any more than dining together in large Commons develops college feeling. Everything depends on the spirit and aims of the fraternity, and very largely on the influence of its graduates. The latter can always, by precept and example, keep a fraternity in closest touch with the college, and identify loyalty to a fraternity with loyalty to a college.

No one who knows the place which the fraternities occupy in nearly all our great institutions can fail to recognize the fact that the Greek-letter fraternity offers an instrument of the highest effectiveness for educational purposes. In the University of Michigan, for instance, which stands in the front rank of the great State institutions of the Central West, there are no less than thirty-seven fraterni-

ties of various kinds. Mr. Birdseye emphasizes the place which fraternity houses hold at Amherst as supplementary dormitories. At Williamstown the college and the fraternities have taken possession of the noble old street through the heart of the village, and the fraternity houses, in dignity and beauty, are quite on a level with the college buildings. The loyalty and affection of the graduates of these fraternities constitute an important part of the capital of the college; the provision for student rooms which the houses offer is a very material addition to the college resources; the opportunity of reaching the members of the fraternity through their representatives in the senior class, or through their graduates, is constantly used to good effect by college authorities; but are there not other and more definite ways of turning these associations towards scholarly ends, of making them still more valuable in the college life, of uniting them more closely with the college world?

It was with just such groups of students that many of the colleges at Oxford and Cambridge began their careers. It was out of the Halls that many of the colleges grew. Is there not a suggestion in this historical parallelism between the Hall and the modern fraternity house? The Halls were originally small groups of students living together, with a few teachers who directed their studies, and, to a very large extent, studied with them. At the dinner of the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity, one of the foremost Greek-letter societies in the country, in New York last year, it was suggested that a large fund be raised, the income to be used for resident or foreign graduate students, to be selected from the entire fraternity, with the hope of stimulating scholarly interest and ambition in a fraternity which has been represented in public life and in all the professions by men of the highest distinction. This suggestion was novel only in its scope. Would it not be possible to go farther, and to place in chapter-houses, by the action and support of the graduates, young and promising graduate students, who, living with the men and acting as tutors, somewhat in the English sense, should direct the work of the undergraduates; teach them how to study, an art in which American students are sadly lacking; stimulate their intellectual life; and in a familiar, informal way co-operate with the college in its highest work? The means for trying this experiment in many fraternities are ample. Is not the time ripe for more definite and higher direction of this great force in the American college community?

## "OLD FATE'S" YARN OF BRO. J. D. CARY

The following article by the late N. L. F. Bachman has the pathetic interest not only of being the last production of "Bach's" versatile pen, but as being written in the very shadow of the knowledge of death. "Bach" knew he was going to die, and it was his ambition to die in harness. He nerved himself, almost with his last effort, to "turn in" his regular "Sunday stuff" with something of the old genial and graphic style. This article, and the characteristic epitaph with which he bid farewell to the world, are doubtless the last things "Bach" ever wrote.

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In my young and callow days, when I was lithe and limber, I was wont to think that as a horseman, I could ride anything that wore hoops and hair. I was raised to the saddle. But now I do not suppose I could ride a car without getting bucked off. However, there is one steed that I have never tackled, and that is that invention of Satan called a bicycle. I am too fat and lubberly. Besides if I ride at all, I want a steed with four legs under it—one at each corner.

I know that it looks easy—almost like flying—and it is a popular and profitable means of locomotion—but I don't have to go far, so I will go slow and enjoy the scenery. Besides I have noted the experiences and annoyances which my son continuously has with his wheel and I have come to the firm conclusion that I would rather take care of a baby than a bicycle.

I recall back in the early '70's when the velocipede—with wheels built on the lines of those of an old-fashioned buggy—was the current fad, but those clumsy vehicles were soon relegated to the junk pile. Later on came those monstrosities with a great high wheel in front and a little bit of a fellow behind—with hard rubber tires. There was a "cracked vessel" here in Fresno a year or two ago who rode one of them. One had about as well fall out of a tree as "take a header" from one of them, and butt the United States with his head. But they—like the roller skates—had to go. One because it was unavailable for business—the other because it was impossible to prevent its being converted into a school of debauchery.

I have noted that the "bicycle fiends" like the enthusiastic hunter and ever truthful fisherman, always have some amazing stories

to tell about the wonderful runs they have made and the marvellous experiences they have had. One has been chased by a bear—another has picked up a rattlesnake with his spokes, and so forth and so on. But up to the present time these gentlemen have not heard from me—I will give them a story that is worthy their undivided attention.

It was back in the days of the old high "bike" that I met him at Hamilton College in New York and as we were members of the same college we naturally became quite chummy. His father was owner and proprietor of a fashionable summer hotel at Richfield Springs—well-to-do—so John had a very liberal allowance. He was over six feet high—weighed 110 pounds and his trouser measurement was 37 inches in the leg. He was not only a sound scholar, but one of the wittiest and most brilliant men I ever met, and the most popular man in the class, because of his lovable and manly traits. He was a thorough and enthusiastic athlete—hard as nails and tough as steel. I go into the details of description in order that the incident to follow may the better be appreciated.

Cary was an enthusiastic wheelman—the king of all "scorchers"—and the tallest old-fashioned wheel, by at least three inches, that I ever saw. It was his custom during the summer vacation of the college to take long jaunts through the state—to visit friends or the summer resorts on those beautiful inland lakes—the famous Watkins Glen or even Niagara Falls. On this occasion he was taking an inland tour enroute for Cornell university at Ithaca, and Hobart College at Geneva. And this is the description as he gave it me. He said there was a general range of hills some 75 miles from Richfield Springs with narrow valleys between, but the hills were all jumbled up. Numerous side spurs would run out from the range at all sorts of angles. Sometimes one would bend back like a fish hook. At another at the angle of a square. On account of a peculiar geological formation the steep sides of these ridges had been held firmly in place. It had been necessary to build a road along these ridges, following their curved and zig-zag contour and keep the grade well up in order to cross a neighboring mountain. Now, the average road official in the back counties of New York is not apt to indulge in a lavish expenditure of the public funds in building roads and this had been kept down to the narrowest limit consistent with the passage of a single vehicle—with here and there a side cut for teams to pass.

At one point along this road there was a perpendicular bluff, and the thrifty and economic farmer who owned the land below had

planted a row of apple trees jam up against the foot of it. Just back of the trees was a boggy swamp devoted to the growth of swale grass—a coarse sort of forage plant that makes a cheap hay. Above on the bluff was a guard rail consisting of a few posts and a single hemlock board. This was the scene of "Cary's Flight." He had been sprinting hard to reach a certain town and about two hundred yards before he reached the bluff he struck a good stiff down grade of road and—like Gallagher—he "let her go." There was a sharp turn in the road right at the bluff and as he was shaping his machine to make it and was within 25 yards of it a farm team poked their noses around the turn. Cary was up against it. There was not a foot of space to pass. He could not stop. To run into that team meant sudden death. What did he do? He picked an apple tree—aimed for the center of that brittle hemlock guard rail—burst it—the wheel lodged in the tree and Cary went over the top of it—all spraddled out like a bull frog making the prize jump of its life. It looked bad for Johnny.

Now, it happened that the owner of the orchard was gathering some of his nice early apples and was up at the top of a twelve-foot stepladder when Cary made his meteoric appearance, and the farmer happened to be directly in the line of fire. Cary landed somewhere in the vicinity of his third vest button. The concussion caused the stepladder to topple over backward and landed them both in the soft mud of the swale. They landed in a sitting posture, facing each other, about eight feet apart; the concussion had knocked breath out of both of them and they were gasping desperately, while astonishment stood knee deep over their countenances. It was a cloudless day. As soon as the applepicker got his wind he looked up and took a careful survey of the whole scope of the heavens, as if looking for a balloon—then he looked over at the teamster in the road—then at the stepladder and the scattered apples—then he made another astronomical survey of the heavens—he seemed utterly dazed—then he took another look at Cary and with all the emphasis of hopeless astonishment blurted out:

"Where in h—— did you come from?"

"Richfield Springs," said Cary.

"Did you fall all the way?"

"Not quite."

Now, of course, it was very impertinent for Cary to take liberties with a gentleman to whom he had never been introduced, but then there are times when the ceremonies of etiquette may be omitted

with propriety. They crawled out of the swale, where they left two beautiful profiles. Cary then explained the occasion of his sudden and unceremonious flight; they got some splinters and scraped the roughest of the mud off each other, adjusted the stepladder and rescued Cary's wheel, which proved to have received no material damage—gathered up the bucket of apples, when the farmer said:

"Young man, you don't leave this farm today! Come on and we'll have dinner."

Arrived at the farmhouse the story was told, amid much amusement and Cary was made to go into a room—strip off his muddy garments, that they might be laundered, and put on a suit of the farmer's togs. The farmer was a short, heavy set man and when the tall slim Cary put in an appearance he was a fright. There was a broad isthmus between those trousers—and then those slim, attenuated shanks! He rattled in the trousers like a rope in an old fashioned well, and the entire family went off in a hysterical roar of laughter. The farmer suggested that they were somewhat short at the pole and rather too long at the equator.

When Cary resumed his journey next morning the farmer insisted that if he ever came that way again he should spend the night with him, "But young man, you come up the river road—I don't want to participate in any more of your aerial flights."—Courtesy of Fresno (Cal.) Republican.

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## SIGMA DEUTERON ANNUAL BANQUET

On the evening of Saturday, May 12, Sigma Deuteron held her eleventh annual banquet in Keeley's Hall. Brother John A. Pratt was toastmaster and filled his position with laudable dignity and decorum. The Grand Rapids delegation, consisting of Brothers Ike Witter 96, and George Mead 97, beamed jovially beside him, and far down the table a dazzling glare betrayed the presence of Tug Wilson, despite the fact that he is using Ell's vacuum cap. Brother Salisbury's sweet and cherub-like expression gave not a hint of the dreadful stories that later ruined his reputation, nor would one have guessed in watching Mike Johnson's apparently guileless cast of countenance that he was then meditating the near approach of benediction.

Brother Tillotson was there too, and Pasty Adams and all our Madison Alumni.

The most notable feature of the Program (outside of Brother

Salisbury's stories) was the performance of the Sigma Deuteron quartet composed of Brothers Lee Post, John Thickers, Frank Kes-senich, and Newcomb Musser. Besides the sweet music they dis-coursed, there was music by the hoi polloi not quite so sweet, per-haps, between which bursts of melody the edibles were sandwiched in. The toasts were all good. It is impossible to say which was best or most enthusiastic. No one who was present can ever forget Brother Mead's stirring words, or Brother Kadish's splendid re-port of the flourishing condition of the charge.

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### BROTHER HUFFCUT HONORED

Professor Ernest W. Huffcut, B. S., '84, LL. B., '88, dean of the Cornell Law faculty, has been appointed counsel to Governor Hig-gins to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of former Professor Cuthbert W. Pound. The appointment covers the remainder of the governor's term, which expires January 1 next. Inasmuch as the Legislature will not be in session during that time, the duties of the office of counsel will not be onerous, and will not interfere with Dean Huffcut's work in the Law school.

Since his graduation from Cornell with the class of '84, Pro-fessor Huffcut has been successively secretary to President Andrew D. White, instructor in English at Cornell for three years, a member of the first graduating class from the newly founded Cornell College of Law, a practicing attorney in the city of Minneapolis, Minn., and judge advocate general on the staff of Governor Merriam of that state, professor of law at Indiana University, at Northwestern Uni-versity and finally at Cornell. He entered the faculty of the College of Law in 1893 and ten years later became its dean. As chairman of the Legal Education section of the American Bar association in 1901-2 and as chairman of the grievance committee of the New York State Bar association he has gained a wide reputation among practitioners in this and other states.

For the position of confidential adviser to the governor Dean Huffcut is eminently fitted by natural gifts and long training. His mental acumen and nice discrimination in solving vexed questions of the law have won the admiration of generations of students.—  
Cornell Alumni News.

## TWO WORTHY SONGS FROM ZETA.

ZETA BANQUET SONG—By GEORGE HEBER WEBB, Z. 90.

(Tune—"O, my Darling Clementine.")

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In a far-famed Eastern college  
Lives a band of jolly boys,  
Full of learning, wit and knowledge  
Of this world and worldly joys.  
Theta Delta, Theta Delta, Theta Delta Chi's the name  
Of this band of jolly fellows, Zeta's comrades known to fame.

2.

All the damsels sing the praises  
Of this band of brothers gay,  
All the world the song upraises,  
Theta Delta Chi for aye!  
Theta Delta, Theta Delta, Theta Delta Chi we love  
See her star so brightly shining in the starry heavens above.

3.

Round the festal board together,  
Raise your glasses to the toast,  
Theta Delta Chi forever!  
Name of which we proudly boast.  
Theta Delta, Theta Delta, Theta Delta Chi, once more  
Fill the glasses to the lassies, whom the Theta Delts adore.

4.

Dear Fraternity forever  
We will sing of thee and thine,  
Nought from us the thoughts can sever  
Of our fellowship divine—  
Theta Delta, Theta Delta, Theta Delta Chi then sing  
Raise your voices, brothers, cheering, louder let your praises ring.

OUR SHIELD SHINES BRIGHT—By GEORGE HEBER WEBB,

ZETA 90.

Tune of the "Stein Song," (Prince of Pilsen).

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Sing a song boys, sing it loudly,  
Sing of Theta Delta Chi,  
Love fraternal, that's eternal—  
Sing of Theta Delta Chi.  
Here's a pledge then forever,  
Which time, brothers, ne'er will sever—  
To the bonds of Old Zeta,  
May her shield shine bright on high,  
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To the bonds of Old Zeta,  
May her shield shine bright on high.

2.

College days are ne'er forgotten;  
And the years that have gone by  
Only serve to strengthen mem'ries,  
Of Old Theta Delta Chi.  
So a pledge then forever,  
When Theta Delts get together,  
To the memory of Zeta,  
May her shield shine bright on high.  
So a pledge then forever,  
When Theta Delts get together;  
To the memory of Zeta,  
May her shield shine bright on high.

3.

And though time we know is fleeting,  
Still our hearts are ever gay,  
When we sing the songs of Zeta,  
Songs which chase all gloom away.  
So, a bumper forever,  
When Theta Delts get together;

## THE SHIELD

With our glasses raised high, boys,  
 Swear we're Theta Delts for aye.  
 So a bumper forever,  
 When Theta Delts get together,  
 With our glasses raised high, boys,  
 Swear we're Theta Delts for aye.

## 4.

Raise your voices—swell the chorus—  
 Sing of Shield and stars so bright,  
 Shield we love 'tis e'er victorious,  
 Stars that shine through darkest night.  
 So a bumper whenever  
 Good Theta Delts get together;  
 With a hand clasp fraternal—  
 For our shield shines ever bright.  
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## THE BROTHERHOOD OF LOVERS.

When I peruse the conquer'd fame of heroes, and the victories of  
 mighty generals, I do not envy the generals,  
 Nor the President in his Presidency, nor the rich in his great  
 house;  
 But when I hear of the brotherhood of lovers, how it was with  
 them,  
 How through life, through dangers, odium, unchanging, long and  
 long,  
 Through youth, and through middle and old age, how unfalter-  
 ing, how affectionate and faithful they were,  
 Then I am pensive—I hastily walk away, filled with the bitterest  
 envy.

*Walt Whitman ("Leaves of Grass," 1860)*



## E D I T O R I A L S

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The best contribution during the past quarter to current fraternity thought is the article in "The Outlook," which is printed in this number of the SHIELD. For the fraternity system, now so large a factor in college life, to add so little to the educational spirit of our colleges, is all wrong. It seems a waste to use the tremendous resources of this institution merely for social purposes. Its proximity to the classroom, its power to mould men at the formative period, its peculiar constitution including both old and young and almost automatic rejuvenation as each new class enters, all suggest tremendous possibilities as an educational force. What do the men of Theta Delta Chi think of the situation?



In the Outlook editorial, which is found on a preceding page, a comparison is suggested between the modern fraternity house and the Hall of the medieval college. Each of the Oxford and Cambridge colleges grew up about a Hall, in many respects similar to the fraternity house, 50 or 100 students living together, who had similar aims and studies and sports in common. They had the same teachers, who lived with them and often studied with them. Perhaps there is something of value in the suggestion made at a recent Alpha Delta Phi convention, namely, that resident graduate students be attached to the local fraternities for the purpose of stimulating scholarly interest and activity, the expense to be borne by an endowment fund supported by the fraternity-at-large. The Outlook suggests a further step, to

place in chapter houses young and promising graduate students to act as tutors and, in general, to stimulate intellectual life among undergraduates. Whether this suggestion will come to fruition or not, it is very certain that the future will see our fraternity system used as an educational factor far more generally than it is today.



The Editor has been unable to execute some of his plans as outlined in the March number. He was about to write an editorial speaking a plain word to correspondents. After all his trials in getting the SHIELD running he concludes there are others to blame as well as several charge editors. At any rate, let everybody who reads this, ask himself, Have I contributed anything in the shape of news? Have I done what was asked of me as a Theta Delt? If not, he should say, "I'll turn over a leaf and do my part for the future. I'll write the editor at once."



The Zeta banquet song from the pen of Brother Geo. H. Webb, Zeta 90, which appears in this issue has been saved to the Fraternity by Brother Henry L. Smith, 96. It appears to have been preserved by him among his personal papers while years rolled by bringing with the many new songs forgetfulness of the old. He came upon it again recently and placed it in the hands of Brother Percy Shires, 06, who naturally thought of the SHIELD as the proper place to perpetuate its fine sentiment. From the author of this song came also the good words to the "Prince of Pilsen" Stein song, written for the Rhode Island Alumni Annual Dinner held at the University Club in Providence, Dec. 9, 1904, and familiar to the banqueters at the same place in recent months.

The Fraternity is indebted to Brother Webb for these products of his muse and assures him that a hearty welcome awaits whatever he may feel like contributing to the new song book of Theta Delta Chi.

Bros. Edward Van Winkle and Norman Hackett, who edited a limited edition of "Old Fate's" poems last winter, recently received a request from Mr. J. S. Billings to present the New York Public Library with a copy. As the edition was exhausted last January, Brother Van Winkle began a search and has managed to buy back half a dozen copies. As many orders could not be filled, these books are now at a premium. He begs to announce that he will sell them for \$3.00 apiece or more if anyone feels so inclined, to help swell the fund for Harry Bachman, who was the beneficiary of the publication. In view of the San Francisco calamity which has effected every one more or less in the vicinity, the cause is a worthy one. This will positively be the last chance to secure a copy of "Some Poetry and Prose." Address Edward Van Winkle, Flatiron Building, New York City.



When President Elmer H. Capen ended his labors at Tufts College there were many hearts in Theta Delta Chi that felt a personal loss. His presidency was the pride of the Fraternity; no charge but shared with Kappa the honor so conspicuously hers; no brother who had kept the Fraternity close to his heart but felt Brother Capen was in a measure his Brother. A warm heartedness toward the brothers of Theta Delta Chi had endeared him to all; and when he was called to another fellowship, Theta Delta Chi realized the stern fact of sudden wrench and personal loss.

Perhaps few outside of Tufts and Kappa Charge had anticipated that the successor to Brother Capen would be another Brother, no less loyal and no less true. The announcement that Brother Hamilton was to be elevated and in his elevation Theta Delta Chi was to achieve a new honor, came as most welcome news.

The Fraternity congratulates Kappa and Tufts College, and rejoices with them in the prospect. With a strong, practical, idealism continued in this presidency, which the election of President Hamilton assures, the Fraternity at large will continue to gain from this college and charge at "College Hill" the inspirations and aspirations that have made Theta Delta Chi truly "worth the while."



ALVARO FRANKLIN GIBBENS,

Π, 1860

Omega, March 4, 1906

One of the most loyal and devoted members of Theta Delta Chi passed away when Brother Alvaro F. Gibbens, of Parkersburg, West Virginia, died March 4, 1906.

He was not so well known by later generations, but the older brethren remember with satisfaction the fellowship of their departed brother at many fraternity gatherings and the charm of his verse when recited at the banquet of the faithful

Brother Gibbens was regarded as one of the most distinguished men which the city of Parkersburg has produced and his death caused profound sorrow.

For the past 25 or 30 years Bro. Gibbens had been a constant contributor to magazines and literary periodicals.

Forty years ago at the "regular convocation" of the Sigma Charge Brother Gibbens began his career as fraternity poet, when he read a well-conceived and well-executed poem entitled "Fraternity." This was afterward published at the request of the charge, Wm. B. Parker, Tom A. Reily and Will M. Ogilby being the committee. The fine impulse of this poem may be judged from these lines near the close:

"Be not the last, upon the earth confined,  
To urge the Brotherhood of all mankind.  
Be not the last to leave vile Mammon's shrine,  
And own a sentiment almost divine.  
Be not the last to know that hearts must feel,  
If heads would benefit the common weal."

At Sigma's altars was first sung the "Parting Song of the Theta Delta Chi," now so familiar to all, which begins—"Once more dear Thetas we have met," and has as its chorus "Then raise our voices high, one heartfelt song before we part, To Theta Delta Chi."



ALVARO FRANKLIN GIBBENS  
Pi 1860. Omega 1506



Brother Gibbens was the quarter-centennial poet at the reunion of his class at Jefferson College in 1885. The poem he read on this occasion was perhaps not much above ordinary anniversary poetry, but some of his occasional verse, such as "Shall Know Hereafter," has real merit.

The speech and poem of Bro. Gibbens at the Installation of Chi Deuteron ten years ago are worthy of permanent record:—

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THE NEW CHARGE.

Dedicated to Chi Deuteron of Theta Delta Chi, by Alvaro F. Gibbens of Pi Chapter, 26 March 1896.

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Brother Toastmaster:

Nearly four decades ago, about half dozen of Collegiate undergraduates, at Jefferson, in Pennsylvania, met to receive, young gentlemen, as you did tonight, initiation into one of the best Greek-lettered Fraternities of that day. I well recollect—as doubtless does my charter brother Wightman present—the fond anticipations that preceded the event, the hopes and fears, the responsibility, the waiting for the coming to the village of the commission from Alpha (for she was the Grand Lodge then) to confer upon us the desired honor and secrets. We longed for the right to emblazon upon our coat lapels the insignia of Theta Delta Chi, the shield, the arrows. It was in an upper chamber of the best hotel, and the work of establishment was to be done somewhat *sub rosa*, as the Faculty, from the antique prejudices of the time, frowned upon the formation and existence of such societies. The gathering was to be at night, by single comings, without public premonitions.

It was a royal occasion, and with fluttering hearts and stealthy tread we approached the hour and place. The initiation, with solemnity proceeded, our fealty was pledged, we were duly instructed, and with heart-felt grip welcomed into a grand brotherhood. Were we proud, satisfied? Yes, proud certainly, and have grown none the less so as we stand here tonight to welcome sons of another generation. The festivities of the banquet which followed initiation began, were enjoyed and ended, and ere the night wore quite away, we were tucked in our several beds, full-fledged Theta Delts.

The arrows upon the field of our escutcheon are aimed forward and upward. The stars are to win us in the same direction, to a higher plane. Fraternity, in my opinion, will best accomplish this. The social and mental make an excellent combination for success in life.

Those of us resident are glad to witness the establishment of a chapter of our loved Fraternity at the National Center of Education. We believe it is the first, the pioneer. Under the sunshine of the Southern Graduate Association, we trust it will prosper, but on you who are now novitiates, will necessarily depend the success and perpetuity of the charge here. Looking into the faces of our new brothers, we believe they will endeavor to honor and advance the name, banner and reputation of glorious Theta Delta Chi. Chi Deuteron, we predict will do her duty in the years to come.

I will not further detain you from the full enjoyment of all before you, and in closing will inflict a few verses, which I hope some member, like brother Wightman who is a true poet, or brothers Sterrett and Rich who possess the religious key, will hold themselves responsible for. They may not vouch for the theology but Mythology will not grumble at the innovation I shall make.

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#### THE APOLLO CONCEIT.

It was night, save on highest Olympus,  
 The stars were set thick in the sky;  
 Apollo was pondering a problem,  
 In his home quite celestial on high.  
 Beside him sat Juno, in shadow,  
 With goddess-like smiles to ensnare,  
 And watching her Lord in dilemma,  
 As frowns swept his brow in deep care.

He wanted some social enchantment  
 To stimulate sons of the Earth;  
 Some new sphere to blaze in the dawning,  
 Some new world to bring into birth.  
 The thunders were growing too mellow,  
 The roll of the clouds monotone;  
 The winds and the waves were too listless;  
 Some grander thing still must be done.

So, glancing at orbs back of Juno,  
 At sun-rays beyond on the globe,  
 At warriors, brave but defenceless,  
 On Neptune with trident and robe,  
 The thought, like a flash, then environed,  
 And quick into being it sped:  
 "I'll create a new order to brighten  
 The skies from which luster has fled."

Then, calling to those who obeyed him,  
 Well-skilled in the finest of Art  
 Who longed for some noble achievement,  
 In which they might each take a part;  
 "Produce me a shield for defences,  
 And on it place arrows two-fold;  
 Above them insert, in Night's grandeur,  
 Two stars in their radiant gold;

Now form into line the best mortals,  
 Whose hearts are as true as the steel,  
 And to them the passwords and emblem  
 Of Theta Delt' Chi now reveal."  
 Orion grew dim in the distance,  
 The College bells chanted in Greek,  
 And out of the chaos and ennui  
 There sprang the Apollo conceit.

The shadows fled off from Olympus,  
 While anthems rang oft to the sky,  
 And heroes of earth sang the paeans  
 Of Theta, the Delta, the Chi.  
 The altar of Friendship is lighted,  
 The fires with the years do not pale;  
 The bond of true brotherhood, strengthened,  
 Extends from Potomac to Yale.

The ages had passed in their fleetness;  
 Apollo again touched his throne;  
 "Be, Juno, tonight at the Banquet,"  
 He whispered in tenderly tone,  
 "For the Thetas are out with their forces,  
 They add to their triumphant line;  
 Chi Deuteron springs into being,  
 And takes up the chorus divine."

Yon hero, with hatchet, is listening;  
 The monument wavers below;  
 The Capital City is conquered;  
 The stars in the shield are aglow.  
 To each novitiate a Greeting  
 Such only as Thetas can give;  
 A welcome to the Charge which is newest;  
 Long, long may Chi Deuteron live!

*THE SHIELD***ROBERT D. WEAVER, JR.**

Chi Deuteron, 1908

Omega, April 23, 1905

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, in His infinite love and wisdom, to call unto Himself our beloved brother, Robert D. Weaver, Jr., and

WHEREAS, In his death we have lost a faithful friend and a loyal brother, and desire to pay our tribute of love to his memory, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That in the death of our brother we have lost one of our most valued members, and Theta Delta Chi one whose loyalty and upright character won the respect of all; and be it further

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**LUMAN PRESTON NORTON.**

Alpha, 1858

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Brother Norton was one of the leading men of central Vermont and his sudden death, coming as it did after an illness of only four days was a great shock to a wide circle.

Of all the citizens of Bennington, it is said, there was probably none more generally or deservedly esteemed than Bro. Norton. Strong willed, aggressive, energetic, he was at the same time generous, earnest and loyal. He was a successful business man without sacrificing his faithfulness to his home, his church and the public interests of his town.

After graduation from Union, he entered the family pottery industry but upon the death of the head of the family, soon sold out

his interest to another partner. After an experience in the west he became general agent of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee in which position he built up the largest insurance business done by a single firm in Vermont. This success was attributed to Bro. Norton's invariably square dealing and fair treatment.

He always took a strong interest in the public affairs of the town and was never backward in voice or pocketbook. He was one of those who did most toward the organization of the Bennington County Savings bank being trustee at the time of his death. He was the first president of the village of Bennington after its incorporation and he represented the town in the legislature in 1874. He never sought office but was often called to positions of trust, because of the public confidence in his integrity as well as his capacity.

Mr. Norton always took a great interest in St. Peter's church, of which he had been a communicant since a young man. He had been a member of the vestry for many years and was every year a delegate to the diocesan convention. It was he who started the fund for the new church which is now assured and he has worked hard to increase the fund. He was a member of Mt. Anthony lodge, F. and A. M., of the Bennington Battle Monument and Historical Society, and of the Society of Sons of the Revolution. He was one of the founders of the Bennington club and was chairman of the meeting at which the club was formally organized.

Such men and brothers are sadly missed in city, church and fraternity; but their example is an inspiration.

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**FRANK LEE PUTNAM.**

Psi, September, 1899

Omega, February 18, 1906

**WHEREAS:** Since it has been the will of Almighty God to call from this world our beloved brother, Frank Lee Putnam, we cannot but bow to the decree of a wisdom superior to our own; but we desire to express our heartfelt sense of bereavement, and to extend our sympathy to those by whom our brother was held dear.

**RESOLVED:** That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our departed brother, to each of the charges, and to The Shield for publication.

For the Psi Charge of Theta Delta Chi:

S. T. KINNEY, '06.

J. H. EDGERTON, '06.

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Omega, April 26, 1906

Brother Luman P. Norton was a loyal member of the old Alpha and never went to New York without visiting the Graduate Club and renewing his fraternity associations. Whenever there came to him a fraternity case, he always was the first to respond, and gave an example to the younger brethren in enthusiasm for Theta Delta Chi worthy of emulation.

Brother Norton was one of the leading men of central Vermont and his sudden death, coming as it did after an illness of only four days was a great shock to a wide circle.

Of all the citizens of Bennington, it is said, there was probably none more generally or deservedly esteemed than Bro. Norton. Strong willed, aggressive, energetic, he was at the same time generous, earnest and loyal. He was a successful business man without sacrificing his faithfulness to his home, his church and the public interests of his town.

After graduation from Union, he entered the family pottery industry but upon the death of the head of the family, soon sold out

his interest to another partner. After an experience in the west he became general agent of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company of Milwaukee in which position he built up the largest insurance business done by a single firm in Vermont. This success was attributed to Bro. Norton's invariably square dealing and fair treatment.

He always took a strong interest in the public affairs of the town and was never backward in voice or pocketbook. He was one of those who did most toward the organization of the Bennington County Savings bank being trustee at the time of his death. He was the first president of the village of Bennington after its incorporation and he represented the town in the legislature in 1874. He never sought office but was often called to positions of trust, because of the public confidence in his integrity as well as his capacity.

Mr. Norton always took a great interest in St. Peter's church, of which he had been a communicant since a young man. He had been a member of the vestry for many years and was every year a delegate to the diocesan convention. It was he who started the fund for the new church which is now assured and he has worked hard to increase the fund. He was a member of Mt. Anthony lodge, F. and A. M., of the Bennington Battle Monument and Historical Society, and of the Society of Sons of the Revolution. He was one of the founders of the Bennington club and was chairman of the meeting at which the club was formally organized.

Such men and brothers are sadly missed in city, church and fraternity; but their example is an inspiration.

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**FRANK LEE PUTNAM.**

Psi, September, 1899

Omega, February 18, 1906

WHEREAS: Since it has been the will of Almighty God to call from this world our beloved brother, Frank Lee Putnam, we cannot but bow to the decree of a wisdom superior to our own; but we desire to express our heartfelt sense of bereavement, and to extend our sympathy to those by whom our brother was held dear.

RESOLVED: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our departed brother, to each of the charges, and to The Shield for publication.

For the Psi Charge of Theta Delta Chi:

S. T. KINNEY, '06.

J. H. EDGERTON, '06.

F. C. BROWN, '07.

Clinton, N. Y., February 24, 1906.



## EXCHANGE GLEANINGS

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### HISTORY OF PHI DELTA THETA.

Published by the Fraternity, 1906

Walter B. Palmer, Author

Bless my heart, here is the best piece of Greek letter work that has ever come to our attention. It is a compact volume of over nine hundred pages. The press work is without compare, and Printer George Banta is especially to be congratulated. In a foreword, "Father" John Wolfe Lindley, Miami 50, of Fredericktown, Ohio, one of original six charter members of the fraternity, gives briefly the origin and aims, the purposes and inspirations of 1848.

Founded in December, 1848—the same year as Theta Delta Chi—the fraternity grew and spread throughout the West and Southwest and became a power in the land, till now it comprises over 12,000 brothers and has chapters in the leading institutions from the Atlantic to the Pacific Coast, and from the Great Lakes and beyond the St. Lawrence on the north to the Gulf on the south.

The author—we must call him such—of this fraternity history, Walter Benjamin Palmer, has made his work literally a labor of love. The incentive came in 1879, when he had begun work on the fifth edition of his fraternity catalogue. During the next few years he began a fraternity library and the systematic collection of historical papers and documents. As Historian he was given official sanction and endorsement by the General Council in 1885. Work on the manuscript began in 1889, but was not thereafter again taken up till 1899. The great bulk of work was finished in 1903, and the typewritten copy went to the printer in the summer of 1903, and was complete in the latter part of 1905.

The History is made up of documents, old records, letters, files and correspondence and is replete with data of the fraternity chapters; with growth of the fraternity and its records, and the cross records of other associate fraternities, of colleges and their growths. It is at once a consecutive narrative of Omicron Delta Theta for its 58 years' existence, a book of record, and a source-book both to the

graduate and the undergraduate. The author, by most personal care and personal sacrifice has finally made his long cherished dream an actuality, full and complete.

The history was projected before that of any other fraternity. Since it was begun there have been issued histories of Psi  $\Psi$  Attic? in 1884; Beta Theta Pi, 1894; Theta Delta Chi, 1898; Phi Kappa Psi, 1902; Sigma Alpha Epsilon, 1904. But no so complete work has ever before been done. For painstaking endeavor and arduous repletion this history is monumental. It has been most carefully edited throughout. From a typographical viewpoint it is almost without error. There are many good illustrations. From cover to cover there is not a burdensome page. And the final test of an editor, a full index, makes the work most invaluable.

This history of the Phi Delta Theta gives us the first clear cut expose we have of the Greek letter societies. Following an outline of the growth of Phi Beta Kappa the history briefly touches upon the origins of all the other Greek fraternities extant. It has illustrated all the Greek badges.

December 26, 1848, Phi Delta Theta was founded at Miami University, thirteenth of the American College fraternities. There were then 119 students in the college. In 1835 Alpha Delta Phi had been chartered there; and in 1839 Beta Theta Pi had been founded there. In 1855 Sigma Chi was also founded there from a defunct chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon.

The history of the growth and fortunes of Miami University follows—all well illustrated. Next is a full record of the six founders and the intimate history of the parent chapter.

There is illustrated the original Shield badge of Theta Delta Chi made in Albany in December, 1847; and that of Phi Delta Theta, made in Cincinnati in June, 1849. The shield of Phi Kappa Psi followed in 1855; that of Kappa Alpha (Southern) after 1865. There is good reason to believe that the shields of Theta Delta Chi and Phi Delta Theta originated severally and separately.

Phi Delta Theta held the first convention of its four chapters at Cincinnati on December 30, 1851. Benjamin Harrison was secretary.

The first catalogue of Phi Delta Theta was edited in 1860. There were twelve chapters and a membership of 292. Other editions followed in 1870, 1872, 1878, 1883 and 1894. There are now 95 chapters of which 69 are active, placed in 30 states (and Quebec), giving a total enrollment of over thirteen thousand. giving a total enrollment of over 13,000.

Phi Delta Theta has published song books in 1874, 1875, 1886, 1895 and 1902. The last editions have been most creditable.

The "Scroll," a quarterly magazine devoted to the interests of the fraternity, was established in 1875, and has been in existence continuously since. In conjunction with it, the "Palladium," the secret organ of the fraternity began publication in 1894.

Phi Delta Theta seems to have modified her constitution in 1878, again in 1880, in 1886, and in 1898. The fraternity whistle was adopted in 1894. The pledge button, approved in 1892, was adopted in 1894. The first Phi Delta Theta flag was used as a pennant in 1882. A new design was submitted in 1889; again in 1891. Finally in 1896 the present flag was adopted, consisting of three broad vertical bars; the two outer ones blue, bearing three white stars each; the central white, displaying Phi Delta Theta vertically in blue.

Phi Delta Theta has a long honor list in the Civil war, and also in the Spanish-American war.

The semi-centennial of the fraternity was held in 1898 in the Hall of the House of Representatives at Columbus. The President of the National Council at that time was the present editor of the history. Since 1880, Editor W. B. Palmer has been continuously in some office within the gift of his fraternity. To him this history is a pledge of the high honor in which Phi Delta Theta must hold him, and in the history the fraternity has a monument of fraternity. Not less to Editor Palmer is there honor due than to such other Phis as President Harrison, Vice-President Stevnson, Postmaster General Vilas, Brigadier General Funston, Chief Justice Elliott, U. S. Civil Service Commissioner Black, David Banta, Eugene Field, Roy Stannard Baker and William Allen White.

LUZERNE COVILLE,

Ithaca, N. Y.

Beta 86.



**CHARGE LETTERS**

**DELTA DEUTERON.**

As all the world knows, a great earthquake visited the region of San Francisco Bay on the 18th of April, and many Theta Deltas in the East are doubtless eager to know how Eta Deuteron and Delta Deuteron fared. Leaving the Eta men then to tell their own greater misfortunes, we are glad to say that our Charge House, like the University buildings, stands uninjured.

Most of the members lost directly or indirectly, but only in two or three cases did the families of members lose very heavily. The graduates suffered more than the active members since many of them had their business in the burned district of San Francisco. Brother Keane took the loss of his handsome, private library in his usual philosophical spirit. He had recently moved the greater part of it from the fraternity house to San Francisco.

University exercises were suspended, with the exception of work in the military department, as soon as the greatness of the disaster was apparent; and on the return of President Wheeler the University was formally closed, there being no final examinations.

It is to the credit of the Charge that during the three days following the disaster nearly all the members were either guarding property or engaged in some form of relief work, and some who did not then return home continued the good work.

There was no thought of holding the annual banquet. The St. Francis Hotel where it was to have been held was burned, the Theta Deltas were scattered, and no one felt in a jolly mood. It was also a great disappointment to us that the Class Day Extravaganza, written by Brother De Leon had to be called off. Brother De Leon had won the Extravaganza Contest with ease, few caring to compete with one so experienced. He had been at great pains to compose suitable music for it. Professional talent had been secured to conduct and stage the piece, and all were looking forward to an unusually successful Extravaganza when, as Brother De Leon himself expressed it, the whole thing was consigned "to the back yard." Brother De Leon bravely "forgot it" and settled down to other work.

All copies of the College annual, "The Blue and Gold," were destroyed by fire, as well as all the sheepskin diplomas, so when the sober little commencement was held the graduates had to be content with paper certificates. All senior members of the Charge were graduated except Brothers De Leon and Haight, Brother Breecher making Sigma Xi.

For a while we did our share in housing "refugees," good Theta Delts all of them. Then the house was rented at a good figure so our financial condition is even slightly better now than it was last summer, as we were then unable to rent the house at all.

Prospects for rushing next year are good and we have several men already pledged.

Prior to the earthquake and fire Delta Deuteron was enthusiastic over plans for a new house and loyal members are already planning to take this up next year, as if nothing had happened. The work will be under the able leadership of Brother Claude Wayne, newly elected to the presiding office.

Delta Deuteron sends cordial greetings to the other Charges and to the Grand Lodge.

SAMUEL HAIGHT.

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#### ZETA—Brown University.

The final examinations have just finished and during this period of strain we have all been very busy, especially the seniors, who realize now that they have experienced their last set of exams. This edition of the SHIELD will find us elsewhere than at the University; some of the brothers will return home to get ready for next year's work, while others will enter that vague field called business.

The past year has been an especially busy one at Zeta, and we have been more prosperous than ever. We have had many men prominent in college affairs and have been well represented in the different branches. At the recent annual election Brothers White 07 and Pitman 09 were elected to the Brown Daily Herald board of editors. Brother White 07 was our representative for the Junior Week, which was very successful. Brothers Shires 06, and Curtis 07 were our Senior and Junior Zeta representatives on the "Liber Buiensis" board. Brother White has played on the musical clubs all the year; Brother Butterworth 09 made the Freshman basketball team and Brothers Dennie 09 and Raymond 09 have repre-

sented us on the Varsity baseball team, which won from each of the "Big Four," at least one game, and which defeated Yale twice. Brother Curtis 07 recently made the Cammarian Club, the highest honor in the eyes of the undergraduates that can be bestowed upon a Senior.

The principal event of the term was probably Junior Week, which took place the last week of April. It was then that the fair damsels were seen upon the campus and that the "fussers" did their good work. "She stoops to Conquer" was presented by the Sock and Buskin Dramatic Club, which was managed very successfully by Brother Shires.

We received an unofficial visit from Brother Spencer in April and when the Dartmouth Sophomore team was here to play the Brown Sophomores, we were glad to have Brothers Stearns and Badger with us for a short time. Let me say that we are always ready to welcome any brother who may chance to be straying around Providence, at our rooms on the hill.

We lose only three brothers by graduation and with a nucleus of seventeen brothers next fall we will be ready to do some good "rushing." We have already had several "rush-meetings," with the result that we have two men pledged and have lines on several good men who expect to come to Brown next fall. In rushing we always receive the hearty support of our alumni and at almost every meeting throughout the year, we have several brothers with us. This year there was great interest shown among the brothers in the pool and whist tournaments, prizes being offered for these two tournaments by Brothers W. H. Hull 01 and H. D. C. DuBois 98. Brother Dennis 09 won the pool tournament and Brother Burnham 07 gathered in the whist trophy.

The last event of importance is Class Day, and before this letter shall have been read all the happenings of the 1906 Class Day will have become history. As usual Zeta will receive in 1 Slater Hall, and in the evening various fraternity dances and the Senior Ball will be attended by the brothers.

In conclusion Zeta wishes all the charges a happy vacation this summer and a prosperous rushing season next fall, when after recuperating for three months we resume our respective duties.

R. W. D. JONES.  
Greenfield, Ohio.

## ZETA DEUTERON—McGill University.

A deadly calm, suggestive of the lull before the storm, reigns throughout the house. Everyone is doing his best to meet the coming exams. in the best possible shape and our only excitements have been the glowing tales of convention doings by Brothers Perkins and Cowen; and an exceedingly enjoyable but all too brief visit from Brother Hackett.

McGill has been very unfortunate at hockey, having lost the championship of the Intercollegiate League and with it a very handsome trophy. The second and third teams, however, have done what they could to sustain the honor of old McGill. Brother Scott 09 has taken a prominent place in both these teams and we hope to see him holding down a place on the 'Varsity team next year. Already honors for the next academic year are beginning to come our way. Brother S. B. Fraser 07 has been elected President of the Medical Society, Brother A. G. Penny 08 has been elected Treasurer of the Arts Undergraduate Society and Brother O. N. Still 08 has been appointed to a place on the business board of the 08 Annual. We wish every brother the success in the coming ordeal that we hope for ourselves and that a goodly number will celebrate their success by a visit to 222 Sherbrooke St., W., where they may be sure of a warm and fraternal welcome.

Later—Exams. are all over and a general moving of trunks warns us that the end of the Session has come. The house is empty except for the medical students and a few belated followers of Science. This being so, interest centers in the approaching wedding of Brother "Bob" Chambers, who is the fourth to affiliate himself with the fraternity of Benedicts. For a young charge ZETA DEUTERON has been keeping her end up in this as in every other activity.

This is a good opportunity for taking a retrospect of the past session and, as it were, of balancing our accounts. We were very fairly successful in our rushing, but did not take in enough freshmen; then, too, only one fresh Theta Delta was added from the faculty of arts making a total of three, so that we shall have to strengthen ourselves in that quarter next session. On the other hand our total numbers were well up to strength, and our finances in a better shape than they have ever been. Looked at from the point of view of offices held, class and otherwise, this has been our banner year.

Brother Burke was president of the whole Senior year, Brother Still was president of the whole Sophomore year while Brother Baldwin was secretary of the same year. Brother Parkins was Chairman of Theater Night Committee and a member of the business board of the 07 Annual. Brother Cotton was vice-president of Medicine 09. Brother Whitcomb was one of the executive of the society of applied science, and also on the business board of the 07 Annual. Besides this, seven of the Brothers were members of the Alma Mater society. So much for offices; now for our athletic standing. Brother Cowen played outside wing for the 'Varsity football team. Brother Still was captain of the second team, while Brothers Baldwin and Mohan filled positions on the Sophomore team. In hockey Brother Scott was one of the stars of the second team, and in basket ball Brother Higgins played on the 'Varsity team for his third season, and was also vice-president of the newly formed Intercollegiate Basket Ball League. From this statement I think that we can regard the session of 05-06 as a very prosperous one and we look forward to even better things in the coming session.

ARTHUR G. PENNY.

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#### ETA DEUTERON—Leland Stanford Junior University.

The great earthquake of April suddenly brought an end to the college year, and all class festivities, including the "doings" of Senior week, were necessarily called off (even the final examinations), and all the students immediately left for their homes in the various parts of the continent.

But the reports about the damage done to our University buildings were greatly exaggerated. Whoever says that all the magnificent buildings at Stanford were destroyed is the victim of a false impression; for the only buildings that were totally destroyed were the library and the gymnasium, both of which were in course of construction. So, as these buildings never had been used, their loss will not be so very keenly felt in a financial way to the University. Of course, there was other damage done, but it was of such a nature that the necessary amount of repair work has already rendered the class rooms and laboratories fit for use.

As regards our charge house, it suffered in no wise from the shock, so we expect to be as well domiciled next year as we have always been before. And so all our brothers, who, previous to the

catastrophe intended coming back have not changed their plans. The only way in which Eta Deuteron will suffer by the disaster is in the postponement of building our own charge house; for the loss of so much San Francisco property has so confused the finances of Western capitalists and the market of building materials that a delay in our building plans is compelled thereby.

So far as I have heard, the great earthquake, with its damage, will not cause a single one of the members of Eta Deuteron to cut short his college career, and out of a membership of seventeen we can almost positively count on the return of fourteen brothers. And as our rushing prospects look bright to us now, the Eta Deuteron charge looks forward to the year of 1906-07 for a happy and successful period in her history.

So, brothers, when you come West this year do not overlook your charge at Stanford, for there you will always find a "bunch" ever eager to meet you.

DALLAS E. WOOD.

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### KAPPA—Tufts College.

#### Initiate

Edward Augustus West 09, Niagara Falls, N. Y.

The past year has been a gratifying one for Kappa in many respects. It has seen the realization of many things which we have hoped for for some time and the end of it sees the old Charge in a most prosperous and flourishing condition.

Since the last Shield went to press one of our younger graduates has come to some recognition as a writer of Tufts songs. On one occasion of the recent Tufts night at Symphony hall, the Boston Symphony orchestra played two songs by Brother "Elsie" Powers 05, "Keep Your Eye on Tufts" in an arrangement for full orchestra and "Farewell to Alma Mater" as a horn quartette. The songs were both well received, and the undergraduate body present seemed very much pleased with Brother Powers' success.

After the Tufts-Trinity game on May 16th, Kappa gave a very enjoyable house dance and supper party at its charge house. On May 21 Brother George H. Spencer, president of the Grand Lodge, made us a visit, and the brothers welcomed him with open arms. To those

of us who already knew him, Brother Spencer was the same as ever before, while to those of us who were unacquainted with him, he appeared an ideal man for the position of president. He made twenty-four loyal friends at Kappa.

Of course we were glad on June 2, when the hard labors of Theta Deuteron were crowned with the success which they so much deserved. To all the new brothers of the old charge, we extend our heartiest congratulations. They have started well, and, if they hold the pace they have already set, there will be no better and stronger charge in the whole fraternity than Theta Deuteron.

Dekker's "Oid Fortunatus" which was given on the Campus, June 1, 2, 3, 4 and 9 was a great success. Letters of congratulation have been received from many noted authorities in all parts of the country and the concensus of opinion seems to be that the play was the greatest event of the kind that has occurred in his country for a good many years, if ever before. The Kappa men who took an active part in the production were, Professor Thomas Whittemore who was the director of the presentation, Brothers Graves, Knowlton 06, Alpaugh, and Savage 07, Herbert, Hunter, Vogt, Michael 08 and West 09.

On Monday, June 11, occurred the annual baseball banquet for Tufts men given in the gymnasium under the auspices of Tower Cross, the honorary Senior society. Kappa was represented at the speakers' table by the following brothers: E. A. Knowlton, marshal, Graves 06, Whittemore 94, F. W. Knowlton 99, President Hamilton 80 and Michael 06.

This year the Ivy, the honorary Junior society, has published a new edition of the Tufts song book. The book contains about two hundred pages and is one of the best college song books on the market at the present day. Brothers Turner and Savage were instrumental in the publication of the book.

Plans have been under way for some time for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Kappa charge next October. Definite arrangements will be announced later, but everything indicates a most enthusiastic celebration. Many alumni even from the Pacific coast have signified their intention to be present. Full information may be obtained from I. Rich Kent 99, secretary of the corporation of the charge.

HOWARD J. SAVAGE.

## LAMBDA—Boston University.

Five strong brothers joined the alumni ranks of Lambda this June. We rejoice at their course successfully completed but at the same time regret their consequent departure from active charge life. Brother Maxson enters the University of Pennsylvania Medical School and Brother Baker the Harvard Medical School this fall, while Brothers Hill and Tudbury have not as yet made known their plans for the immediate future. Brother Moore will undoubtedly be with us again at the Law School.

Speaking frankly, conditions seem decidedly bright at Lambda. There are no drones in the hive and the past year's success is only stimulating the brothers to greater enthusiasm for next fall's rushing. We already have lines on two good men.

The college record of the brothers this year has been exceptionally good. Brother Hill 06 made Phi Beta Kappa, and another brother missed it by less than the proverbial "lash of a gnat's eyebrow." Brothers Greenan 08, Gould 08 and Hicks 09 are on the editorial staff of the University Beacon for the coming year.

Brother Sanders 08 and Brothers Stearns and Hicks 09 put up rattling good ball on their class teams this spring. Other brothers shone, though less conspicuously.

There has been considerable talk in regard to a new gymnasium here, and it is more than likely that improved training quarters will soon be forthcoming.

Several of the brothers were present at the installation exercises of the Theta Deuteron Charge at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and all expressed gratification at the re-establishment of our Fraternity there.

Among others, we have had very pleasant visits, during the past few months, from Brothers Parker, Omicron Deuteron 01, and Brother Parker, Omicron Deuteron 05.

We hope all brothers who perchance wander this way will drop in and see us. We are delighted to exchange greetings and can always be found at 59 Pinckney Street, Boston.

Wishing all the best of vacations, I am for Lambda,  
GEORGE G. BULFINCH, JR.

## MU DEUTERON—Amherst College.

With the advent of Spring at Amherst most attention seems to center on baseball. In that line Mu Deuteron is well up to the front with Brother Newell 07 pitching a star game for the varsity and Brother Shattuck 08 covering right field in fine form.

Junior Week, culminating in the Prom. on May 30th, enjoyed the same popularity this year as is usual. Brother Newell 07 was a member of the Prom. Committee.

As the year draws to a close all thoughts are directed towards Commencement Week and the vacation to follow. Mu Deuteron looks forward to a prosperous year, and wishes all her sister charges success in the approaching rushing season. Let no brother who may be in the vicinity of Amherst fail to drop in, for all are welcome here at Mu Deuteron.

GILBERT W. BENEDICT.

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#### NU DEUTERON—Lehigh University.

On our return to College after Easter vacation we were met by a most delightful surprise, when one morning it was announced in Chapel that Andrew Carnegie had contributed one hundred thousand dollars toward a dormitory system at Lehigh. Nothing could have given us greater satisfaction or delight, and words cannot express the intense feeling of gratitude we hold for our benefactor. The new dormitories will be located directly back of Pack-er Hall, "on the breast of old South Mountain." They are already under construction and will be ready by the senior year of the class of 1908.

In our charge Brother Johnston, our lone senior, is playing a remarkable game at "point" on the lacrosse team—"Cockie" is always there at the right time and in the right place and is the mainstay of the team's defense.

In the latter part of May the Nu Deuteron baseball team made a trip to Easton to play the Phi team. Although we lost the game to the Brothers of Phi, it was closely contested throughout. In the evening the annual "Lafayette-Lehigh Spiel" was given by the Phi Brothers in their magnificent new Charge House, and a most enjoyable evening was passed in song and feasting.

We are all looking forward now to Commencement Week. We expect to have many of the brothers back with us at this period of merry-making, and we trust that all who can will pay Nu Deuteron a visit.

Brother "Lou" Farabaugh 04 has recently been made the happy father of a bouncing boy and girl. We are very proud of our sturdy quarter-back, for we believe these are the first children of the class of 04. Brother Farabaugh is residing in Melrose, Ill.

Brother Fulton 08 has recently been accorded a coveted honor in being elected editor-in-chief of the "Epitome," the college annual.

This spring we have had the pleasure of short visits from Brothers Griffith 02, Stull 03, "Andy" Farabaugh 04, and Sholly 04. We are always glad to welcome back any of the brothers, and to have them spend their spare moments with us is a pleasure.

W. ALBERT DRAPER.

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#### OMICRON DEUTERON—Dartmouth College.

Omicron Deuteron is now busy in the coming examination time, wondering and hoping as for the future, when the results of this trying time will be learned.

As for elections for the new year Omicron Deuteron has its share. Brother Lane is leader of the Mandolin club for the coming year and Brother Hathaway has charge of the Glee club. Brother Symmes is business manager of the 1908 Aegis and associate editor of the Dartmouth Weekly. Brother Blanchard is assistant editor of the Dartmouth Monthly.

In the past Spring season Brother O'Brien captained the baseball team, with Brother McDevitt playing in the field. On the Sophomore baseball team were Brothers Stearns and Badger, the former acting as captain. For class day honors, Brother O'Brien was elected Class Orator.

We were much honored last week by a short visit from Brother Spencer. He attended the last meeting of the year.

Omicron Deuteron wishes all the Brothers a most pleasant vacation and a successful coming year.

C. H. HATHEWAY.

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#### SIGMA DEUTERON—University of Wisconsin.

The Sigma Deuteron Charge has completed one of its most successful years. Due to Brother Kadish's vigorous work as house manager and president, every cent of debt has been paid off and we will gather in the fall with a clean slate. In the light of this fact, we are now ready to take active steps toward the acquisition of a new house.

At the third annual meeting of the Sigma Deuteron Alumni association, the newly elected General Secretary declared his intention of using the present system of delegation secretaries to stir up enthusiasm for the new house proposition. Efficient delegation

secretaries will be appointed, who will keep in close touch with the members of their respective classes and report frequently to the General Secretary. This is one illustration of the many means we are about to adopt in quest of the necessary funds.

During the month of May we entertained Brother Pease and his wife; Brother Hambrecht; Brother "Tug" Wilson; Brother Frank Ford; Brother Guy Ford; Mrs. Salisbury and daughter; Mrs. Gregg and son; and Jack Pratt, Jr.—and, moreover, held our eleventh Annual Banquet, which was a great success.

During Frank Ford's visit with us, he gave us an exhibition of the kind of ball playing he was accustomed to when he wore the "W" back in '01. We appreciated it very much, but from the reports of his condition on the next morning, we fear that we shall be unable to secure his services again.

It may be of interest to the Alumni to know that Brother B'll Hannan 08 is a member of the Committee of Twenty-five, which, by its untiring efforts, made it possible for Wisconsin to send her crew east this year.

At the Annual Inter-scholastic meet we pledged five sub-freshmen. They are to be initiated next fall about the first of November. Can't you arrange to drop in and help us put them through?

ELMER EYMAN.

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#### TAU DEUTERON—University of Minnesota.

But little of general interest to the Fraternity at large has happened at Tau Deuteron since the last letter was written. Spring and its gayety together with Commencement are upon us and the Junior and Senior men are busy burying the hatchet and smoking the pipe of peace. Four of the brothers graduate this spring. We are loth to see Brothers Leach, Tyler, Gardner and Bartron leave us and even now realize what their loss will mean to us in the Fall rushing season. However as fourteen of the present active charge intend to return in the fall and as we have five men pledged and lines on several more, the outlook for as bright and as successful a year as the one just past is excellent.

We of Tau Deuteron are especially pleased at the revival of Theta Deuteron and welcome the new brothers in the bonds with a hearty grip. May the new charge's life be long and her prosperity continuous.

On the evening of the nineteenth of May we held a reunion and smoker at the charge house. A very pleasant evening was spent talking over old times and renewing old friends. We were

especially pleased at this time to receive a visit from Brother Hilton, Omicron Deuteron 95.

Enjoyable visits have been made the charge this spring by alumni brothers Branton 05 and McCloud 01 and Bayless 00.

Minnesota fared badly at the Western intercollegiate conference track meet, held at Evanston, Illinois, June 2nd, not being able to secure a point, although she was represented by good men.

Brother Tyler, who was elected captain of this year's college nine, was forced to resign on account of being unable to get into condition. This robbed us of our only representative in athletics this spring. Brother Huntley was one of the eight Junior men elected to "Song and Stein," a Senior organization here.

An interfraternity baseball league was formed early in the spring and our team got into the semi-finals, in which three teams remained, but as some of our men who are proficient at the game left before the schedule was completed we were forced to drop out of the race.

The next college year will note a marked improvement in our campus. Alice Shevlin Hall, the new woman's building, funds for which were furnished by Thomas Shevlin of Minneapolis, and the new Pathology and Bacteriology building will be completed before college reopens and the new Main building, which is to be ready for occupancy in 1907, will be well under way.

In closing Tau Deuteron sends best wishes for a pleasant summer to her sister charges and to all the brothers.

S. WILSON McENAN.

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#### PHI—Lafayette College.

The new term found all the men back at college with the exception of Brother Cooper 08, our star tackle on the football team, who found it impossible to return.

Our charge house is now completely furnished, and we are enjoying it to the utmost. The dedication ceremony of the house will be held at Commencement time about the middle of June. If any brothers could possibly get here at that time we would be very glad to see them.

Baseball and track are the leading topics of conversation at present. Phi is exceptionally well represented on the track team this spring. Brother Shaeffer 08 is the mainstay of the college in the sprints and hurdles. He also ran in the one mile relay team which won its race at the Pennsylvania relay races. Brother Doud 07 is easily the best hammer thrower in college; he is also putting

the shot in fine form. Brother William Dorsie 09 is doing good work in the half-mile and shot put. Brother Anderson 07 is making a good fight for left field on the varsity baseball team. Brother Kinney 08 is playing on his class team. Brother William Evans 09 is manager of the Freshman baseball team.

Brother Smith 04 was back the last part of the middle term for a little visit. Brother Albertson 92 was also here for a short time.

If any brothers happen down this way, we would enjoy very much to have them stop off as long as they are able.

FRANK Z. STEINER.

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### CHI—University of Rochester.

As the spring term is drawing to a close the attention of most of the brothers is taken up with the preparation for exams and Commencement. Brothers Simpson, Simmilink and Tiernan join the ranks of our Alumni this June. Their loss will be felt considerably, as they have always worked for and upheld the best interests of Theta Delta Chi. Nevertheless, as four good men have already been pledged for next year, we expect to come back next fall prepared for a good race.

In regard to athletics here, Rochester landed third place in the inter-collegiate with Colgate, Hamilton and Hobart, while in our dual meet with Union we were the victors. On the baseball team, the best in recent years, Brothers Winters and Russel represented us, while the second team was led by Brother Tiernan, and on which were also Brothers Buckley and Jones. Brother Pammenter has just been elected assistant manager of baseball for next year.

It has just been announced that Brother Watkeys Chi 01 has resigned as instructor in mathematics at his alma mater, and will take a post-graduate course at Harvard, where he has been awarded a Fellowship.

On the evening of June 18, the Annual Commencement banquet was held with the usual jollity and gaiety of Theta Deltas.

The third annual Soph Joll, of which Brother Pammenter was manager, was a big success. Brother Fulton as a "character" kept the audience in a continual uproar while he was on the stage.

As Rochester does not close as early as some of the other colleges, we were able to receive visits from a number of our Alumni and brothers from other colleges, among whom were Brothers Hinchey and Schumacher from Johns Hopkins and Brother Smith of Michigan.

Chi wishes the sister charges a very pleasant vacation, together with great prosperity next year.

ARTHUR T. PAMMENTER.

**CHI DEUTERON—George Washington University.**

Chi Deuteron Charge has completed ten years of her existence. It has been checkered by prosperity and adversity. Nevertheless, she has known a steady but sure increase. Beginning with thirteen of the loyal spirit, she now claims ninety-one who have felt the help and strength of her fellowship.

Those who have had intimate knowledge of the Charge, from the first, declare the last year to have been the one of greatest prosperity. Indeed, we hope that it may have been so, and that each succeeding year may be able truly so to boast itself. The ideal of our Fraternity has been realized to a marked degree in that the spirit of good-fellowship has been abundant. All things have gone forward in harmony. The lessons which it is expected we should learn and ponder as a result of that fellowship have found lodgement in the minds of the brothers. We are proud of this; none have failed of help and inspiration. The regular annual functions, the Banquet and the Convention, stimulate and broaden our conception of the influence and worth of the Fraternity. Especially are they helpful to the new brothers.

The shadow that has most checkered and darkened the life of Chi Deuteron has been the messenger of death, which has five times visited us. Brothers Lindsay, Ashford, Altschu, Weaver and Purcell have entered the Omega, the latter three within the past year. This is the sorrowful portion of our history to relate.

During the last quarter of the school year everything went on quietly because of the preparation of all for the final examinations; there only being a couple of dances at the House and a trip down the Potomac to break the monotony. As a result of their labors, I assume they all passed. Only three Brothers received degrees, however. At Convocation, in February, Brother Smith earned his B. S., and at Commencement Brothers Albert and Gregory secured the degrees of M. E. and E. E., respectively. Brother Smith will probably return for his Master's degree. The other two and Brother Charlie Tompkins, our last year's earnest president, who have for long time been our mainstays, will surely leave us. Our loss will be most severe. Three more who will patiently and willingly bear burdens will have to be raised up. We shall probably also lose Brother William A. Backus, who contemplates completing his course at Cornell. We recommend him to Beta as a loyal Virginian and Theta Delt.



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#### DELTA.

James Currie Hallock, 91, has returned to New York City after a residence in Quito, Ecuador, of about five years. Bro. Hallock was Director General of the Public Works in Ecuador up to the time of his return to the United States. He is now engaged upon the engineering work of the Passaic Flood Commission at Paterson and Pompton Plains, New Jersey. His address in New York is 200 West Ninety-fifth street.

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#### EPSILON DEUTERON.

Bro. Frederic Carter, 90, has just been fortunate enough to get back his famous and familiar Room No. 3 at 1424 Broadway.

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#### IOTA

Perley Leonard Horne, Iota 92, president of the Kamehameha Schools, Honolulu, Hawaii, writes that there are seven Theta Deltas in Honolulu.

W. H. Wiggin, jr., Iota 92, is to be on the staff of a new high class weekly which is to be published in Minneapolis Minn., known as the "Bellman." Brother Wiggin also continues his connection with the "Weekly Northwestern Miller" there.

M. T. Nichols, 01, and R. W. Drawn, 02, are in the heating and plumbing business in Lynn, Mass., under the firm name of Nichols & Drawn.

P. B. Bellamy, 04, is manager of a jam manufacturing concern in New Jersey.

W. S. Harrington, 98, is engaged to Miss Gordon of Brooklyn.

F. L. Carter, 03, is spending the summer in Europe.

S. R. Miller, 03, is spending the summer in Europe.

Clarence Fultz, 06, is in the automobile business in Boston.

L. L. Wadsworth, 03, is in the contracting business with the H. A. Hanscom Company, Boston. Concrete work is their specialty.

L. D. Sommers, 03, is with Stone & Webster, electric railroad builders, Boston.

## IOTA DEUTERON.

Bro. Frederick C. Ferry, 91,—A daughter was born to Professor and Mrs. Ferry at Williamstown in early summer.

Professor Edward Bartow, 92, of the University of Illinois, who is known as an authority on water analysis, will attend the annual convention of the members of state and city water boards at Boston, July 11-13.

Bro. Paul M. Goodrich, 94, Lieutenant United States Army, is at present stationed at Manila.

Bro. John A. Sampson, 95, is practicing medicine in Albany, N. Y., making a specialty of gynecological surgery.

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 KAPPA.

Dr. Byron Groce, 67, will spend the summer in Wales and rural England.

Stephan M. Pitman, 69, is president of the Rhode Island Alumni Association of Tufts College. At a recent dinner of the association held at the University Club of Providence, both he and Brother Thomas Whittemore, 94, addressed the assembly.

Harold B. Fobes of Portland, Me., of the class of 93, was married on May 8 to Miss Lillian Brown at the bride's home at Bethel, Maine.

John W. Knowlton, 97, Richard B. Coolidge, 02, and Arthur B. Coolidge, 03, have recently passed the bar examinations for the state of Massachusetts. The last two named are the sons of Brother Merritt B. Coolidge, 61, of Portland, Maine.

Professor Thomas Whittemore, 94, will spend the summer with friends in Italy. He will spend the time in the study of the painting and architecture of the Renaissance. His address will be Carregi, Florence, the Villa Sili.

Arthur Pomfret Heusted, 00, was married on May 10 to Miss Amy Lovett Cole of Somerville, Mass., at the Franklin Street church in Somerville. Brother Heusted is now located at Albany, N. Y.

Thomas S. Knight, 03, is now assistant switchboard engineer for the Stanley Electric Company of Pittsfield, Mass.

A. W. Coolidge, 03, was shortstop on the All-Leiter, at Harvard.

Reverend Charles Hosea Temple, 05, will preach at Rockport, Mass.

Henry Haile Dole, 06, has entered the works of the General Electric Company at Schenectady, N. Y.

Irving R. Bancroft, 97, was in charge of one of the San Francisco relief hospitals during the period immediately following the earthquake.

E. W. Rich, 99, is with the Onderdonk Engineering Company, Denver, Colorado.

R. B. Manbert, 02, has recently acquired a half interest in "Jewelry Art," an illustrated monthly trade journal, with offices at 255 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

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#### LAMBDA.

Bro. Charles J. Bullock, of Harvard University, had a keen article on Life Insurance and Speculation in the Atlantic Monthly for May.

Bro. Orison S. Marden, continues to make Success interesting and instructive. His literary creations have done a great deal to stimulate young America to high ideals. In the May Success is a good article over his name entitled "The Cigarette."

Millard L. Robinson, 05, has accepted a call as pastor to the First Methodist Episcopal Church of Manchester, N. H.

Joseph E. Hood, 03, has accepted a position as department manager with the Glen Shirt & Collar Co., Boston.

Z. Carl Staples, 05, is assistant superintendent of schools in the District of Ponce, Porto Rico.

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#### MU DEUTERON.

Bro. S. C. Fairley, 92, who has for the last thirteen years been principal of the Granger Place School at Canandaigua, N. Y., has accepted the principalship of the Mount Pleasant Military Academy at Ossining, N. Y.

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#### NU DEUTERON.

Floyd W. Parsens, 02, has given up his engineering position in Denver, Colo., and returned to New York with his wife.

Dr. Frederick W. McCall, 90, was elected Vice President of the Dental Society of the Sixth District of New York at the May meeting. For several years Brother McCall has been secretary and he attended to the many duties connected with his office in a most creditable manner. His promotion is but a reward for good service and a recognition of his high position as a dentist,—to say nothing of his being a good fellow and good Theta Delt.

Archibald Johnston 89, who has been superintendent of the Bethlehem Steel Co., has been made president of the same concern.

Eugene G. Grace 99 has been made superintendent of the Bethlehem Steel Co.

John W. Grace 99 has recently been made superintendent of yards of the same company.

John R. Reigart 03 is with the Cleveland-Cliffs Iron Co. of Ishpeming, Mich.

Alfred R. Glancy '03, is located near Sanitago, Cuba, with the Bethlehem Steel Co.

Andrew J. Farabaugh '04 is with the Carnegie Steel Co. at Munhall, Pa.

Louis E. Farabaugh '04 is with the Latrobe Steel and Coupler Co. of Maywood, Ill.

Richard S. Leaning, '05, graduated in civil engineering this June from Princeton University.

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## XI.

O. S. Warner, 04, has recently been admitted to the New York State bar and has opened an office in Phelps, in which town he and Bro. E. B. Partridge, 99, now constitute the entire legal fraternity.

Bro. Lewis Halsey, is now located at Lyons, N. Y.

Bro. H. E. Handerson, 58, has been chosen president of the newly organized Ohio Alumni Association of Columbia University, Cleveland, Ohio.

Bro. E. O. Wilson, 99, pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist Church, Newark, N. J., has declined a call from the Fulton Avenue Baptist Church of Baltimore, which is one of the largest Baptist congregations in Maryland. Mr. Wilson has been in charge of the Newark church for more than six years, and recently it purchased a plot of ground at Montclair and Clifton avenues as a site for a new edifice.

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## OMICRON DEUTERON.

C. D. Tenney, 78.

Early in the year Yuan Shi-Kal, Viceroy of Pe-chi-Li province, discharged Bro. C. D. Tenney, of Omicron Deuteron, the foreign Director of Education, who organized the new school system in the province of Peking and within three years made it a model for the empire.

Strong opposition had arisen to foreign management of the schools, and particularly to Dr. Tenney, because he was an American.

Yuan Shi-Kai told Dr. Tenney that he appreciated his work, but he (Yuan) had so many enemies that he could not afford to keep him.

The boycott agitation against American goods was revived. When it began Mr. Rockhill, the American Minister, and the American Consuls urged the Chinese to wait until Congress had time to act on their demands, and the failure of Congress to do so aroused Chinese resentment.

Bro. Tenney is one of the best known Americans in China. At the time of the Boxer uprising in 1900, he was President of the University of Tien-Tsin, and he attracted world-wide attention by his bitter criticism of the delay in the departure of the allies to relieve the legations at Peking. He offered himself to lead the Europeans and Americans to the capital, and said:

"This business is not progressing in accordance with Anglo-Saxon traditions. Twenty thousand soldiers staying here while women and children of their own race are starving and awaiting massacre eighty miles away, military and naval officers meanwhile wasting time in bickering over petty politics, is a sorry spectacle."

Dr. Tenney also denounced the various entertainments given by the high officers of the allies at Tien-Tsin, while the legations were waiting for relief.

After the end of the Boxer outbreak, when Gen. Yuan Shi Kai became Viceroy of Pe-chi-Li, and one of the most powerful men in China, Yuan began the construction of a college on the Western model at Pao-ting-Foo, the seat of the Viceroyalty, and appointed Dr. Tenney the Director of Education. Much of the progress in Chinese education in the last five years is said to have been due to Dr. Tenney's efforts.

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#### RHO DEUTERON.

Frank N. Dodd, 91, has recently received the diploma of the British Esperanto Association. Bro. Dodd is an ardent advocate of the proposed international auxiliary language and will gladly send information concerning Esperanto to any Theta Delta who may feel an interest in the subject. His address is 150 West Fortieth street, New York City.

Brother George Ehret, Jr., Rho Deuteron '05, and his bride had an exciting and thrilling ending to their honeymoon trip to San Francisco in April. It seems they had registered at the St. Francis hotel Tuesday evening, just before the earthquake, and an apartment on the tenth floor was assigned to them. The earthquake awoke them.

"The room seemed to turn around and over," said Mr. Ehret. "We dressed in ten seconds and rushed out. The orderly hotel seemed to have been changed into a lunatic asylum, as if the patrons had suddenly gone mad. The elevators had stopped, the electric lights were out; luckily it was daybreak.

"In the streets people were fighting in a general melee. Women dragged heavy trunks along and fought with men for places in the middle of the street. Buildings were rocking to and fro and stones and debris were flying through the air. Men with many cuts on their faces made by falling stones or glass were running about wildly. Nobody seemed to know what to do. Some were kneeling in the streets praying; others cried out that it was the end of the world.

"With Mr. Busch, the brewer from St. Louis, I managed to get my wife into Union Square. Then the flames began to burst out. I never saw any like them at any fire. They seemed to leap hundreds of feet in the air and shoot across the street in all directions. As the square became more dangerous every minute, about ten o'clock we forced our way through the mob and managed to get up to Nob Hill. Our trunks and suit cases were gone, and we had nothing but the few clothes we had managed to put on.

"On the way I saw the brick wall of a four-story building fall on a large crowd, and mangled remains were strewn at our feet. I can give you no idea of the horror.

"We wandered around for hours before I found the residence of a friend on the hill, and we spent the night with him."

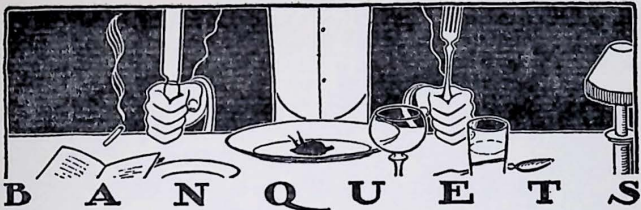
Many friends have been congratulating them ever since upon their narrow escape.

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#### BACK NUMBERS.

The undersigned has come into possession of some odd numbers of "The Shield," which may be of use to some of the brethren in completing a file. Having completed a file for himself, he will be glad to send these copies to anyone wishing them. They are as follows: Vol. 1, Nos. 1, 2, 4; Vol. 2, Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4; Vol. 11, Nos. 3, 4; Vol. 12, No. 1; Vol. 13, No. 1.

ARTHUR W. PEIRCE,  
Dean Academy, Franklin, Mass.



### IOTA'S "GRADUATES' NIGHT."

On May 26 Iota charge instituted a new feature of charge life by holding a "Graduates' Night." The special feature of this night was a "dramatic performance" and we are assured that it was "thoroughly successful." The actors were all undergraduates who impersonated some of the graduates, not all of whom were Iota men.

To give some idea of the performance and as a suggestion for other charges, we give in full the program prepared "under the direction of the Amusement Committee," Brothers M. M. Osborne 08, H. B. Sawyer 06, J. Mattison 06, and R. R. Fletcher 08.

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Estelle.....	H. B. Sawyer 06
Rushin' D. Game.....	H. M. Wheeler 06
Minuette.....	D. B. Hill 08
Short Person.....	J. A. Moir 08
Salvation Army Leader.....	A. R. Ellis 07
Salvation Army Lassies.....	C. Woodman 07, H. Bodman 07
Salvation Army Men.....	J. Curtiss 09, L. W. Barta 08
Under the table, or Undy.....	Miles Weeks 09