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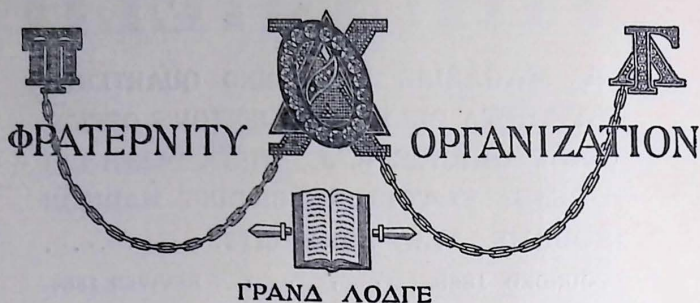
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For while the eternal stars night's purple robe
Begem; while swings in space the pendent globe
Friendship must live! Ah may its impulse high
Still guide and guard the Theta Delta Chi.

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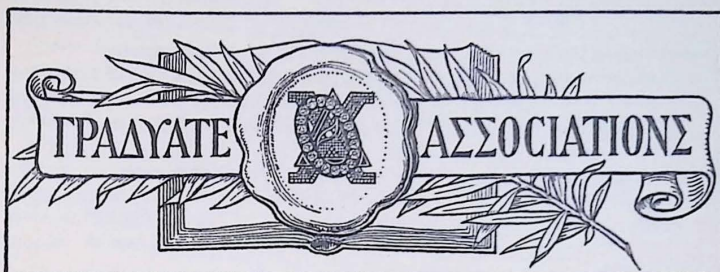
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EDWARD VAN WINKLE, P^A '00.

THAT the greatest reward for the doing of a worthy task is in the consciousness of having done it well, is a truism that needs no demonstration. Yet, were one asked, none better could be cited than the lofty position to which Θ Δ X has been elevated through sixty years of cumulative effort on the part of her sons. They who have wrought her firm fabric have performed a labor of love, than which none gives more joy in the doing, and of which none is worthier of our plaudits. Many and honored are the names on the Roster of the Workers, and of Edward Van Winkle, P^A, '00, the retiring Editor of THE SHIELD, Volume XXIII-XXIV, it is a pleasure to chronicle in behalf of the fraternity this slight expression of appreciation of his splendid work as Editor during the past two years.

In taking up his work Brother Van Winkle had to face the difficulty of following such predecessors as Clay Holmes, Ernest W. Huffcut, Charles P. Schmid, Jr., and Duncan C. Lee, all of whom had set a standard for excellence which had made our magazine second to none. In addition, the new Editor was confronted with the discouraging practical problem of producing the numbers of Volume XXIII, which Brother Lee had been unable to edit on account of illness. With characteristic determination Brother Van Winkle quietly took up the task and in an amazingly short period restored order. Just how well he did this is best shown by stating that in six weeks he had published the first three numbers of Volume XXIII and, since then THE SHIELD has been coming out on time, each issue being larger and more original and interesting than the previous one. He has inspired new faith in THE SHIELD subscribers by making a record for promptness in publication and delivery, and by introducing many

innovations which have added materially to the attractiveness of our magazine. His methods have been fraternal and businesslike, resulting in an increase of the subscription list to a new mark, and placing THE SHIELD on the most prosperous, efficient basis it has ever enjoyed. Such results alone are sufficient to enshrine him in the gallery of our gratitude.

While Brother Van Winkle is by no means an unknown quantity to a large number of Thetes who have met him and who have had the good fortune to come under the spell of his fraternal enthusiasm, a brief summary of his life is most fitting here as a matter of record in our fraternity lore.

Edward Van Winkle was born April 24, 1878, at Jersey City, N. J. His father, the late Edward Van Winkle, was a financier and a member of the New York Stock Exchange, occupying a prominent position in Wall Street. Young Edward received his education in the public schools and finished his scholastic training at Stevens Institute, later entering Columbia University, where he joined the P^A Charge in 1897 as a member of the Class of 1900.

In choosing general engineering for his life work he served an able and practical apprenticeship with the Otis Elevator Company, advancing rapidly to the position of Estimating Engineer and later associated himself with other important companies to gain general experience and knowledge of his profession, notably the Marine Engine and Machine Company of Newark and the Lonsdale Novelty Company. In 1903 he perfected a machine for counting coin and was the organizer of the National Coin Counting Machine Company. His perfecting of this machine brought him prominently before engineering societies and experts, and stamped him as an inventor and skilled mechanic of a high order. In January 1904 he established himself independently in business, with offices in the Flat-Iron Building, New York City, and has since been steadily advancing in prestige among the best engineers of the Metropolis. He is a full member in the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, The Canadian Society of Civil Engineers, and with the last body made a tour of inspection of C. P. R. properties to the Pacific Coast in 1906. He is also a member of the Holland Society of New York City, The Columbia University Club and is Secretary of the University Club of Hudson County, having enjoyed that honor for the last eight years.

In 1900 he married Miss Sama LeRoy Batdorf, the daughter of John William Batdorf of New York City. They have a charming little daughter, Miss Sama Gertrude, whose history has been chronicled in previous volumes of THE SHIELD, the writer having the honor of being her god-father.

As a loyal Theta Delt, Brother Van Winkle has been untiring and zealous since his initiation. Who can ever forget, and many Thetes have enjoyed the privilege, the fine hospitality of "Rip" and his charming wife at their old Dutch home in Jersey City? Almost the first words Brother Van Winkle spoke to the writer were, "Won't you come over and visit me at my home?" He did, and then and

there began, as I am sure it has with many other Thetes, one of those rare friendships which time serves only to enhance. Aside from the magnificent work and record he has established as Editor of THE SHIELD, it is worthy of mention that Brother Van Winkle has attended nine Conventions, at two of which he served as undergraduate delegate. He has taken an active interest in all important fraternal movements and has the largest collection of Theta Delt memorabilia in the possession of any one man in the fraternity, besides a complete set of SHIELDS. I doubt if any Thete his age can show a better record, and all honor is due him.

While his enforced retirement as Editor of THE SHIELD, owing to the urgency of business affairs, is a profound loss in our fraternity activities, he has served us brilliantly and we can but accept his retirement, though reluctantly, with a deep sense of the great good he has done us all. Some day, not far distant, the fraternity will want to call Brother Van Winkle again, this time to the presidency of Θ Δ X. A few more years of maturity will make him an ideal candidate and his faithful services and continued loyalty will more than entitle him to the honor.

Meanwhile, with every assurance of gratitude to him, let us turn with equal pride and enthusiasm to his successor, Joseph Russell Lynes Φ 1901, another loyal, highly esteemed brother, well known to us all, and who combines every requisite of energy, ability and enthusiasm for the office. Indeed, we may congratulate ourselves upon the good fortune of finding so able a successor to Van Winkle. Let us then show him our appreciation of his willingness to do the work of Editing THE SHIELD, by supporting him in every way possible.

NORMAN HACKETT Γ Δ '98.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—It is probably modesty on the part of Brother Hackett which has kept him from mentioning a work done by Brother Van Winkle and himself which shows more conclusively than any other that he has set forth the spirit of Θ Δ X which both these brothers so admirably exemplify. We refer to the publication of the "Bachman Book." Actuated solely by a desire to render fraternal assistance to the son of one of the most loyal Thetes who ever wore our Shield, Brother Van Winkle and Brother Hackett collected and published some of the choice writings (both poetry and prose) of Lafayette Bachman Ψ '72, Ψ '03, and sold them to the members of the fraternity and others. The entire net proceeds were applied to the founding of a memorial scholarship, the beneficiary to be Brother Bachman's son, Harry. The volume was exceedingly artistic, and the editors well deserved the praise that was showered upon them for the success of their efforts. While as a work of ability it is undoubtedly far above the average, as a work of brotherly love and devotion it has rarely, if ever, been equalled.

PRESIDENT COOK'S VISIT TO SAN FRANCISCO.

THIS account of the visit of Edward J. Cook, P. G. L., is furnished by one of the Brothers who was most energetic in making the stay of our President a memorable one. Brother Cook has visited every charge in the Fraternity during the past year, an enviable record and one to be lived up to by the administrations that follow him.—Ed.

On Monday evening, November 2nd, Edward J. Cook, P. G. L., reached the city of Oakland, Cal., where he was greeted by R. F. McKesson T^Δ '01 and Shirley Walker Δ^Δ '02, who escorted him, and his party, to the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, which was to be his headquarters while in the city.

The following morning Brother Cook and his party was met by R. F. McKesson, T^Δ '01, David N. Morgan, Δ^Δ '09, and Alexander Stoddard Δ^Δ '10, who escorted them to the Δ^Δ Charge House in Berkeley, where the Charge was waiting to welcome them. After luncheon, at which several of the graduates, as well as the entire active Charge were present, the party inspected the buildings of the University. The ladies of the party returning to the Fairmont Hotel in the afternoon, President Cook made his official investigation of the Δ^Δ Charge. A number of the graduates attended the dinner which was of an informal nature, among them being R. F. McKesson, T^Δ '01, Shirley Walker, Δ^Δ '02; Lucien J. White, Δ^Δ '03; M. H. Robbins, N^Δ '91; Howard W. Merrill, Δ^Δ '04; Ralph Robinson, Δ^Δ '08; George T. Boyd, Δ^Δ '08; William T. Young, H^Δ '07; Claud R. Wayne, Δ^Δ '07; G. R. Kingsland, Δ^Δ '09; Chester Roadhouse, Δ^Δ '07; Jack Marshall, B '08, and Dallas Woods, H^Δ '07. After dinner a most enthusiastic Charge meeting was held, lasting two hours. Brother Cook addressed the Charge at length and was heartily applauded. Upon adjournment of the meeting, steins were filled and around a long table songs, yells and speeches enlivened the evening. At midnight Brother Cook was escorted to his hotel by a delegation of the Brothers.

At twelve o'clock Wednesday, November 4th, in the Crypt Grill of the Fairmount Hotel, President Cook was entertained at luncheon by St. John McCormick, Δ^Δ '01; R. F. McKesson, T^Δ '01; Shirley Walker, Δ^Δ '02; George Boyd, Δ^Δ '08; M. H. Robbins, N^Δ '91, and David N. Morgan, Δ^Δ '08. After the luncheon, which lasted two hours, with R. F. McKesson, Brother Cook took the train for Palo Alto. There he was met by a delegation from the active Charge and taken in an automobile to the H Charge House at Stanford University, where he was warmly greeted. After examining the Charge's affairs he was entertained at dinner by the undergraduate body and Brothers Bacon, H^Δ '06, Young, H^Δ '07, and Allen, Δ '09. In the evening the H^Δ Charge held its weekly meeting at which Brother Cook made an eloquent address.

Early Thursday morning, accompanied by Lowell J. Hart, H^Δ '08 and R. F. McKesson, T^Δ '01, in Brother Hart's automobile, Brother Cook met the ladies of his party at the railroad station. A trip was made to the University and then through the surrounding country. In the afternoon the party returned to San Francisco to attend an elaborate banquet held in honor of the President at the St. Francis Hotel at seven-thirty. The table, in the form of a "U," was strewn with California flowers, conspicuous among which was the fraternity carnation. M. H. Robbins, N^Δ '91, who acted as toastmaster, sat with Brother Cook on his right and Shirley Walker, Δ^Δ '02, on his left, the others at the speakers table who responded to toasts were William T.

Young, H^Δ '07; George W. Haight, X '74; Colby Rucker, T^Δ '94; David N. Morgan, Δ^Δ '08; Augustus C. Keene, Δ^Δ '05.

After the menu had been disposed of, and the coffee, cigars and cigarettes had arrived, the toastmaster started the "Flow of Soul." The principal speaker was Brother Cook, who for fifteen minutes held his hearers with an eloquent and masterly address. The last toast, to Ω, was drunk in silence, all standing, at eleven-thirty. The carnations on the table were collected by the Brothers and presented to the President for Mrs. Cook. Several of the brothers then escorted Brother Cook to the Fairmont Hotel.

The following is a list of those who were present:

Twelve were members of the Δ^Δ Charge at Berkeley and six of the H^Δ Charge at Stanford, and President Edward J. Cook, ≡ '95, M. H. Robbins, Jr., N^Δ '91, Shirley Walker, Δ^Δ '02, Colby Rucker, T^Δ '94, Augustus C. Keane, Δ^Δ '05, Alden O. Gragg, H^Δ '12, Ed. L. Barber, Δ^Δ '09, R. Montgomery Countryman, Δ^Δ '09, David N. Morgan, Δ^Δ '09, L. K. Marshall, Δ^Δ '11, W. W. Clinch, Δ^Δ '11, Lucien J. White, Δ^Δ '03, Joseph M. Scott, Δ^Δ '03, Burdett A. Otis, Δ^Δ '12, A. F. Moulton, Δ^Δ '09, Jos. E. Hill, Δ^Δ '09, Harry E. Reed, H^Δ '10, R. F. McKesson, T^Δ '01, George W. Haight, X '74, H. W. Thompson, H^Δ '10, S. R. Bostwick, H^Δ '12, Leon H. Gove, Δ^Δ '10, Ralph Robinson, Δ^Δ '08, Eugene L. Stockwell, H^Δ '08, George Boyd, Δ^Δ '08, W. T. Young, H^Δ '07, Alexander Stoddard, Δ^Δ '10, R. H. Moulton, Δ^Δ '11, Alec. C. Stoddard, Δ^Δ '10, C. W. Lord, Δ^Δ '11, Claude R. Wayne, Δ^Δ '07, Earl D. Pillsbury, T^Δ '00, G. R. Kingsland, Δ^Δ '09.

On Friday at ten o'clock President Cook, accompanied by the ladies of the party, was taken by Brothers Walker and McKesson on an auto trip around San Francisco, visiting all the points of interest, returning in time to have a hasty luncheon and take the three o'clock train for Del Monte, thence to Santa Barbara, and then to Los Angeles.

Brother Cook left a deep regard in the hearts of all the Theta Deltas who met him and a strong affection in those whose privilege it was to have been with him almost constantly during his visit.

SHIRLEY WALKER, Δ^Δ '02.

FRATERNITIES AND COLLEGE ADMINISTRATION.

THE College World or Worlds, whether of faculty making or student making is, on the whole, one of the most conservative of human creations. It usually takes centuries to vitally change educational ideals and methods. Student customs, ideals and interests, once firmly established, are vitally effected or modified only after long and sustained agitation. To the natural conservatism of the race, the college world adds the detachment of the faculty from many affairs of everyday life which indicate new view points and new interests. The students are, on their part, given to imitation and accommodation, and are such a rapidly shifting group that they accept what is and hastily hand it on essentially unchanged to the

next class or college generation, which after the brief span of four years in turn transmits its heritage to its successors. So we come without much degree of thought to consider most of the affairs and institutions of the college world as immutable. For almost six centuries the college courses of study were those which Petrarch and the men of the fourteenth century would have recognized as familiar and highly approved.

Today the general feeling in the American college world is that the college fraternity has come to stay. There is on the whole little discussion about their abolition or essential modification. Those who are most active in the move to suppress the callow organizations in high schools calling themselves fraternities, do not, as a whole, think it wise or feasible to touch the present fraternity system. We fraternity men assume an even more complacent attitude of certainty that fraternities are an accepted and unchangeable part of the college world.

Nevertheless there are certain utterances in the public press and around the council boards of university administrators that should receive the thoughtful attention of fraternity men in the active charge and in the alumni organizations. The action of President Wilson in the matter of the Princeton societies must not be considered as isolated simply because these societies are local to Princeton and even not nominally secret societies. It simply indicates that the independent and aggressive university administrator is sure sooner or later to take some action concerning the social life of the young men of his university. Athletics, the other great undergraduate extra-academic interest, has more generally felt the effects of faculty interest in recent years. It behooves college fraternal organizations to take stock of their ideals and accomplishments and strive to bring them into consonance with the educational environment in which they are now living. A daily paper just come to hand announces that among the topics of the Educational Conference at Chicago, Feb. 9-11, 1909, is "Substitutes for the College Fraternity." Would it not be wise and timely for fraternity men to ask themselves why such a topic needs discussion after seventy-five years experience with college fraternities?

I wish in this article to recall briefly from the standpoint of the university administrator some of the things which this class may take into consideration if it is called upon to weigh the advisability of maintaining or opposing or modifying the present college fraternity system. What is here said is not novel or startling—neither is it threatening or denunciatory. Any fraternity which in its general organization and individual chapters has right ideals, sound and sane management and can show that it is taking itself seriously as a part, and a very large part, in the educational process of making clean-hearted, clear-headed, right-thinking American gentlemen, should welcome a summary of these phases of education which the university administrator has entrusted to it, and concerning which he may at some future time ask an account of stewardship.

Among the things vital to the colleges or universities work which

the fraternity affects, the following general headings may be distinguished: Educational ideas and methods; social influences affecting the student body as a whole and the character of the individual members of the fraternity; aims and methods of the fraternity's participation in the colleges athletic, literary and political life, and lastly the management of the organization's affairs from the standpoint of business affairs and expense. If this enumeration seems formidable, the fraternity man may comfort himself if he is able to answer honestly and satisfactorily three questions: What sort of raw material do you seek when selecting members? What sort of a finished product do you plan to turn out? What are your methods and what sort of a plant have you for producing your ideal of a college man? Upon its ability to answer satisfactorily these questions depends the future of the fraternity system in American institutions for higher education.

If the fraternity man is ever asked to take the stand as a witness for the cause he upholds, he will face a sympathetic and intelligent judge and jury—men many of whom belong to the organizations under consideration. They will agree with him that a fraternity is not a literary society, a debating club or a Hellenized Y. M. C. A. They understand without argument that it is a social organization and that before everything its members individually and collectively must have the elements of good fellowship. They understand that secrecy and symbolism are worthy and acceptable shelters behind which real virtues may be cultivated and strengthened. They recognize also that such an organization must play a part in college activities and that its maintenance involves at least certain nominal sums in addition. About these matters the college administration and the fraternity men will differ only in the question of emphasis, of degree. Their necessary existence is on the whole not the point in question. That lies in matters which if at present not more fundamental to the fraternity are vital to the successful educational work of the college or university.

If the college administrator were to express in the form of questions the problems which the college fraternity presents from his point of view he might ask such specific questions as these: What place do you find or make in your fraternity and its daily life for the intellectual interests and development of the students belonging to it? Do you in any sense cherish scholarship and assist the formation of scholarly habits of work? Do you make it clear in your meetings and in your lists of honors that the man who does well the primary thing for which he came to college is rendering your fraternity as high an honor as the man who acquires the distinguished honor of university bottle-pool champion? Are your house rules made and enforced with a view to protecting and encouraging serious student work? Has it ever occurred to you that a fraternity house with the best library and collection of pictures and prints would give you a coveted distinction not to be obtained by the ownership of the best kennel of bull dogs? Do you debauch scholarship and violate every rule of the educational game by having your members file essays and

examination questions with the "librarian" or "keeper of archives" so that future members who are loafers or low in morality as well as standing may turn in the results of other men's brains as products of their own? In short, where do you stand in principle and practice on the things which relate to the work for which the institution was founded and for the accomplishment of which your members are kept in college by parents who are frequently making serious sacrifices to meet the necessary expense?

If in the deadly earnest of his wrestling with the problem of college fraternities and their relation to the tasks he is expected to accomplish, the university administrator could ask you questions like the above, what an infinity of queries would arise when he turned to the second topic—the fraternity as a social influence in the college and on the character of its members. Would you not be surprised and gratified if he said to you by way of preface that he wanted fraternities to be in a sense the aristocracy of the college, the elite of the undergraduate body, and that he was glad to admit that not all men could or should belong to fraternities? Would his point of view and yours not seem more nearly the same if he granted that he saw with regret the senseless multiplication of new fraternities and the consequent inclusion in the ranks of the Greeks of a larger and larger number of those men in a college who have no claim to such distinction and no capacity for appreciating those high ideals which should animate a true brotherhood? If he made it clear that his idea of democracy in the college he administered did not mean that every man must belong to a Greek letter society, would you not then be ready to agree with him that fraternity organizations ought to be democratic in the sense of opening their membership to sociable fellows of true worth even if they had been passed over in their freshman year or had "no family" or unstinted income? Surely then a college president who had so much of your point of view as I have indicated above ought not meet with resentment if he went into the details that indicate more than loud proclamations of principle what your relation is to the social life and standing of the college. What is the attitude of your fraternity toward non-fraternity men? What part do clothes, money and family play in deciding the merits of men nominated for membership?

Among the great mass of the students outside fraternities and in the mind of the general public, the last two headings suggested above are the fields where fraternities are of most doubtful influence on university life. It is freely charged that they manipulate college politics to the benefit of their membership irrespective of the interests of the student body as a whole and that they needlessly increase the expense of college life by an indefensible standard of life and by looseness in the management of their expenses. No administrator can be indifferent to this general feeling, and if he were ignorant of it his own observation would lead him to include it within the scope of his investigation on the relations of fraternities to American academic life. I do not need to suggest what lines of inquiry he might follow. That would unnecessarily prolong this article and

possibly mislead some casual reader as to my real object in writing it.

Let me state for purposes of clearness what I hope may come out of such a consideration as the above. It is that our fraternity and every fraternity will take themselves more seriously as a part of the educational system of the nation; that they will consider their policies, govern their actions, direct their membership in accordance with the serious purpose of the educational institutions of which they are a part. If they do, if they put first things first, they will be a welcome and increasing influential factor in academic life. If not, they will be forced to do it or to give way to social organizations more thoroughly in accord with the conditions of the American college world as the responsible college administrator sees them.

A "FRATER IN UNIVERSITATE."

POSTSCRIPT—I attach as a postscript to the above article this clipping from a Western daily paper. It clearly indicates that some phases of the discussion indicated above are already being taken into consideration by fraternities themselves.

COLLEGE FRATERNITY MOVES TO SCHOLARSHIP'S RESCUE.

More Study and Less Athletics Slogan Sounded at Biennial Congress Held in Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 31, 1908.—What are said to be the first aggressive steps taken by a college fraternity in the direction of less athletic sports and more study have been taken here in connection with the twenty-first biennial congress of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

The matter was given attention in the report of Worthy Grand Chief E. P. Lyon, dean of the medical school of the St. Louis University, who said the present strong tendency in the colleges to give too much attention to athletics and social functions was the chief danger threatening the higher educational system.

"FRATER IN UNIVERSITATE."

A THETA DELT STAR.

THE surest stepping stones to success are application and enthusiasm. Surely no one who has had the pleasure of knowing Norman Hackett Γ^{Δ} '98 can deny that he is made up of these attributes.

Twelve years ago Brother Hackett began his career on the stage under Madam Rhea and since then has advanced himself by his ability and devotion to his art in company with such artists as Katherine Kidder, Southern and Marlow, Louis James, James O'Neil, James and Ward, and others that now he too is one of the stars of the profession.

On September 17, 1908, Brother Hackett opened his first engagement as a star under the management of Jules Murry in "Classmates" an American play in four acts by William C. De Mille and Margaret Turnbull, at Norfolk, Va.

Seven Theta Deltas made the journey to Norfolk to see this initial performance, E. B. Faison, H. S. Joins, G. W. Lamb, F. W. Albert,

T. B. Eversman and G. T. Atkinson, from E, X^A, B and Σ, and from the report received they were well repaid for the trip.

Brother Hackett and his company had worked hard, long and faithfully preparing for that opening night, and for almost the first time in his histrionic career Brother Hackett displayed real nervousness and fear toward facing this audience.

The night previous, Wednesday, the company had labored until the wee small hours of the morning, going over and over little details not yet quite up to the standard set by Mr. Murry, as necessary for the complete success of this launching. For the new star sleep was out of the question, so when the delegation arrived at his hotel, The Lorraine, they found him up and ready to receive them.

The day was spent in the adjustment of those little details upon the observance of which depends the success of every good play. Between the arrival of the numerous telegrams, notes of congratulations and good wishes which had already begun to shower upon him, Brother Hackett alternately worked with the individual members of his company toward the perfection of their respective roles, and for a mastery over this nervousness and fear as to the outcome.

The theatre, the Academy of Music, proved hardly adequate for the crowd which came to see the play, which the year before Mr. Robert Edson had made a marked success. The text, costumes, stage properties and scenery were those used by Mr. Edson in his production and seemed, through this very association, to imbue the present company with such confidence and knowledge of what was to be done and left undone that the little hitches, slips and other characteristics of first performances were notable by their absence. In fact it was not until the end of the third act, when Brother Hackett made his maiden speech as a star, that any of the audience were aware of the noteworthiness of this performance.

The theatre had been appropriately decorated with American flags, bunting and shields and successfully gave the local color necessary to the production of this play so closely associated with the life of our Army and West Point. The lower boxes on both sides of the stage were filled with officers in dress uniform from Fortress Monroe, and scattered through the audience were many others with their wives and friends. Here was an audience capable of sitting in critical judgement upon this production which dealt so freely with their lives. Their verdict is of interest, for all were loud in their praise of the natural and true interpretation of their own cadet days as portrayed by Norman Hackett and his company.

From the start the audience was drawn into the spirit of the play and from then on it was smooth sailing. The company was given over fifteen curtain calls and Brother Hackett was repeatedly called upon to make a speech which he finally did as follows:

"I have been working twelve years for what I have achieved to-night. You would all have to be Duncan Irving returning from his hardships in South America to fully appreciate how much this lovely expression of good old Virginia hospitality and welcome means

to me. In behalf of the ladies and gentlemen of my company, my manager, Mr Murry, and myself I thank you sincerely. I can only assure you that the presence of such a brilliant audience and your kind reception is a glorious send-off to me on a stellar career that I hope to make honorable and noteworthy, and that I shall always have a very warm spot in my heart for Norfolk for having been the first city to wish me God-speed."

⊕ Δ X can claim responsibility for a large share of this auspicious start by Brother Hackett on the road to success as an acknowledged star in the theatrical world. Of the fifty congratulatory and well wishing telegrams and the fifteen letters in the same vein received by the star on this the occasion of his debut, and which acted as such an incentive for good work, fully one-half were from Theta Deltas, while the others were from his friends and former associates in and out of the profession. Of these it would be hard to say which were the most welcome, for each meant so much to the recipient, they came from all corners of the States and even abroad. A remarkable feature of this shower, which it seems should be mentioned here, is, that not a single Charge to whom Brother Hackett means so much were thoughtful enough to send him a word of their interest upon this occasion. All during this trying first night performance his old fraternity pin was proudly worn, that he might always associate his great success with it.

When the last curtain call had been accepted and the audience reluctantly rose to disperse, the favored seven joined forces and bearded the lion in his den—the dressing room of the star—only to find that they proved but a small part of quite a gathering of friendly well wishers who were being joyously if informally received. And maybe "Norm" wasn't happy!

Until three the next morning Brother Hackett sat in consultation with his managers, Mr. Murry and Mr. Goodstadt, and myself, discussing the production point by point, noting with the care of a systematic organizer those little details and items in the changing of which the performance might possibly be improved.

The treat which is in store for any Theta Delt who may have the opportunity to see Brother Hackett and his company in "Classmates" is a pleasure indeed and should not be foregone. The following is the cast who worked faithfully with Brother Hackett for the success of his first venture as a star:

JULES MURRY, Presents

NORMAN HACKETT IN CLASSMATES

An American Play in Four Acts by Wm. C. DeMille and Margaret Turnbull

NOTE—In the following cast the characters are named in the order in which they first appear and speak.

Bobby Dumble, of Brooklyn, cadet, first-class

Willard Louis

"Silent Clay," of Missouri, cadet, first-class, E. D. Cromwell

Bert Stanford, of North Carolina, a "plebe,"
 Erskine Sanford
 Harry Jones, of Montana, a "plebe" . . . James B. Linhart
 DUNCAN IRVING, of North Carolina, cadet,
 first-class. NORMAN HACKETT
 Hugh Lindsay, known as the Mormon of Salt
 Lake City, cadet, first-class. Jerome Storm
 Mr. Irving, Ex-Sergeant C. S. A., Duncan's father
 J. A. Furey
 Mrs. Stafford, Bert's mother. Elizabeth Hunt
 Phyllis Stafford, Bert's sister. Lillian Lancaster
 Sylvia Randolph. Doris Mitchell
 Lieut. Lane, a "tac" military instructor.
 Walter J. Connelly
 Miss Harvey. Maude Howe
 Dick Owens, cadet, first-class. James Britte
 Maid, at the Randolphs. Elsa Bryan
 Officer of the Day. Searle Danforth
 Officers, Cadets, Plebes, etc.

SYNOPSIS OF SCENES.

ACT I—Company's Street, West Point. August.

ACT II—Home of the Staffords, Gramercy Park,
 New York. November.

ACT III—The heart of the jungle, near the head waters
 of the Amazon. February.

ACT IV—The Staffords house, New York. May.

Early Friday morning Brother Hackett was awake and up, eagerly scanning the morning papers of Norfolk to see what they had to say of his efforts. The following was the verdict of the dramatic critic of Norfolk's leading morning paper, "Virginia Pilot".

NEW STAR IN THEATRICAL WORLD.

A new star appeared in the theatrical firmament last night. He was Norman Hackett and made his debut in the Academy of Music as the successor of Robert Edeson in the play of army life, "Classmates," which in many respects, is very melodramatic. The effects of the original presentation were used and added no little to the success of the first performance. Although last night was the initial performance with the presenting company the play ran smoothly.

There is a strong love vein running through "Classmates," with two lovers candidates for the hand of a woman. The fight starts at West Point and runs through a South American jungle and back to New York. Hackett as the hero, of course, wins out, but only after a manly fight.

Mr. Hackett, though young in years, appears old in the art of acting, and his interpretation of the role of Duncan Irving, the North Carolina cadet, was no doubt according to the ideas of the authors.

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The audience was a large and representative one, a tribute to

the embryo star, and brilliancy was added to the occasion by the appearance of a number of officers from the garrison at Fort Monroe, who occupied the boxes, which were draped in Old Glory in their honor. Mr. Hackett, Miss Mitchell and the members of the company received several curtaintcalls at the end of each act, and Miss Mitchell was presented with a huge bouquet of flowers.

The "jungle scene" was one of the features of the scenic equipment and was very realistic.

FREDERICK W. ALBERT, X^A '05.

CONVENTION.

BOSTON : FEBRUARY 20, 21, 22, 23, 1909.

THIS is the place and the time for the Sixty-first Annual Convention as announced in the December issue of *THE SHIELD*.

Experience shows that there are few places where we can get more men or greater enthusiasm than we can when we go to Boston, and the personel of the committee appointed by the Grand Lodge to arrange for the Convention is proof sufficient that Boston will outdo herself in welcoming the visitors.

The General Committee appointed by the Grand Lodge is :

Russell C. Gibbs, I^A '00, Chairman, Atlantic National Bank, Boston, Mass.

Ernst M. Parsons, I '03, 101 Tremont Street, Boston, Mass.

W. Hollis Godfrey, K '63, Brooks Street, West Medford, Mass.

Frederick W. Fosdick, M^A '93, Barrister's Hall, Boston, Mass.

Ira Rich Kent, K '99, 201 Columbus Avenue, Boston, Mass.

This committee will oversee all the arrangements for the functions of the Convention, and add to their number such as may be necessary to attend to the details.

The program submitted to the Grand Lodge and approved, subject to amendment of some of the minor details, is as follows :

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, THE TWENTIETH.

10 A. M.—First Business Session. Organization and Report of the Grand Lodge Officers.

2 P. M.—Second Business Session. Appointment of Committees and Miscellaneous Business.

8.30 P. M.—Smoker.

SECOND DAY, SUNDAY, THE TWENTY-FIRST.

4 P. M.—Memorial Service.

THIRD DAY, MONDAY, THE TWENTY-SECOND.

10 A. M.—Third Business Session.

12.30 P. M.—Convention Photograph.

1 P. M.—Charge Luncheons.

2.30 P. M.—Fourth Business Session.

8.15 P. M.—Theatre Party.

FOURTH DAY, TUESDAY, THE TWENTY-THIRD.

10 A. M.—Fifth Business Session.

2 P. M.—Sixth Business Session.

7 P. M.—Convention Banquet.

In addition to the above the local charges are arranging to entertain the delegates and others during the Convention, but the details are not at hand as this number goes to press.

Tremont Temple has been selected for the business sessions because of the facilities offered. The large meeting room is more than sufficient to accommodate the numbers who are expected to attend, and there are a number of committee rooms adjoining this which are at the disposal of the Convention.

The Memorial Service will be held in Trinity P. E. Church, Dr. Alexander A. Mann Ξ officiating. Brother Mann is one of the most popular preachers in Boston, and is also one of the clergy who declined the call to the Bishopric of Washington, D. C., last November.

The Banquet will be held at the Hotel Somerset, and the committee are making preparations that will, if carried out, make this banquet of the Sixty-first Convention a high water mark in the annals of the Fraternity.

The invitations to the Convention are already in the hands of the charges and should have been mailed to their alumni. We would suggest that if you have not already received yours that you write to your charge, asking why you were left out. It will tend to brace them up and give you later information than THE SHIELD is able to supply.

Finally, don't forget to obtain your railroad certificate, and be sure your agent has them on hand. To be of any service at least one hundred must be handed in to the representative of the railroads for signature. No matter how short a distance you travel in going to Boston get a certificate. While it may mean a very little to you, it will help those who come from greater distances than you do. This certificate reduces your fare to the special rate of a fare and a third.

Hotel accommodations may be reserved at the Bellevue at special rates either by applying to the Hotel or through the General Committee. The Bellevue will be headquarters during the Convention.

Any further information as to the details of the Convention can be obtained by addressing the Chairman of the General Committee, Brother Gibbs.

THE CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION OF $\Theta \Delta X$

IN response to the calls issued fifteen of the brothers met at Hartford Club, Hartford, on the afternoon of December 11, 1908, and adopted a constitution which called for the election of a Board of Five Governors, three of whom would serve for two years, and two for one year. These seven to elect officers from their own number, and the following was the result:

- George B. Chandler, H, President.
- George W. Baker, Θ^{Δ} , Vice-President
- C. Collard Adams, O, Secretary-Treasurer.
- Henry B. Brown, O.
- Albion H. Wilson, O^{Δ} .

The annual meeting is to be held in November and other meetings as called for. The membership fee is \$1.00 a year. The Constitution states "the object of this Association is to bring together members of the Fraternity residing in the State of Connecticut for purposes of social intercourse and to forward the interests of the Fraternity." The other brothers present were:

Dr. Mark S. Bradley, E^{Δ} ; Rev. Henry Macbeth, E; Clarence E. Whitney, Θ^{Δ} ; Colin B. Pitblads, A; Horace H. Ensworth, Θ^{Δ} ; Alfred H. Campbell, Θ^{Δ} ; E. P. Brehm, K; Dr. Joseph B. Hall, E^{Δ} ; Rev. Alvin C. Bacon, I^{Δ} ; Prof. F. C. Babbitt, I.

About forty who could not attend had signified their desire to be enrolled as members. The guest of honor was President Edward John Cook; other invited guests who had accepted invitations being unavoidably detained. Letters from several were read, including one from Brother Willis S. Paine in which he plead for the revival of Omicron Charge.

The banquet was held at 7 o'clock, grace being said by Brother Bacon. Telegrams were sent by the Secretary and by President Cook to P^{Δ} who were at that hour holding their silver jubilee anniversary. At 9:30 President Chandler made a felicitous address and introduced as toastmaster, Brother Adams, as one who could have celebrated the golden jubilee of Omicron if the war of 1861 had been deferred till a later day than 1908. The health of President Cook was the first act of the toastmaster to which an eloquent response was made. In turn each brother spoke, and as the hour of twelve arrived all stood to drink to that last and unnamed toast Ω . Brother Machett dismissed us with the Blessing of Peace.

Thus was inaugurated an association first proposed by Brother Adams at the April banquet in Boston of the New England Charges.

As an aftermath, on Saturday morning, Brothers Brown, Bacon and Adams accompanied Pres. Cook to Wesleyan University, where he was the guest of the $K P \Sigma$ Society in response to their invitation extended to him. An address by their President was made to President Cook in which their history, condition, prospects and desire to become Omicron revived was fully set forth, to which an appropriate response was given. Brothers Brown, Bacon and Adams were then

called on to speak for the Fraternity. After refreshments had been served Brothers Brown and Adams accompanied President Cook to Hanover, N. H., where they were the guests of O^Δ until Monday, and where as opportunity presented Brothers Brown and Adams pronounced the banns of twinship between O and O^Δ, they having been charter members in 1857 of O Charge, which like many others were closed by the exigencies of war, and which now they seek to have revived.

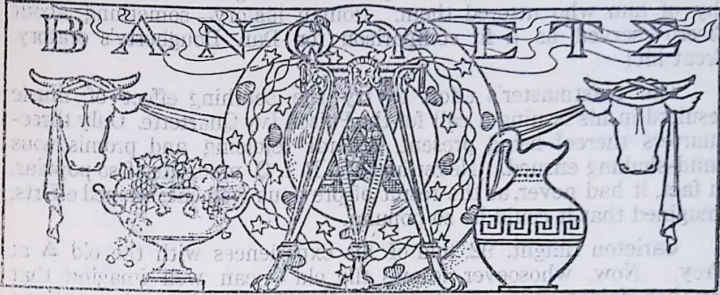
CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS O.

IF YOU ARE

Coming to Convention

RESERVE your railroad certificate in advance so as to be sure of having it. No matter how little it saves you, it helps out many who come a long distance. We must have *One Hundred* to obtain any reduction. This is a chance for the New York and New England men to help all the rest. Every one counts and we never have a large margin. It saves two-thirds the cost of your return trip. The agents at small stations are apt to be "all out." Ask today if he has any on hand.

Next Homer D. Brooks, '80, toward the mark—he whose two-and-a-half years of consistent friendship for Π^{Δ} is one of the Chapter's cherished possessions. Who knows Homer knows the language of the heart. From out the abundance of his facile vocabulary he fished with easy dexterity such pearls of thought as were well



In order to make this department of the greatest possible value, we would like to receive details of the various banquets. It is the duty of the toastmaster to appoint officially a special SHIELD correspondent for the occasion. A list of those who attend is desired.—Ed.

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL DINNER OF Π^{Δ}

THE yearly love-feast of Π^{Δ} Charge was celebrated with the usual noisy eclat at Reisenweber's, on the evening of Tuesday, December fifteenth. On the strength of the attendance at the two preceding dinners, a record was confidently expected. The presence of only some forty brothers, however, decided the committee then and there to set the date next year on a Saturday. It is worthy of note that the "Old Guard" always turns out to a Saturday dinner. With it comes a host of admirers, who delight to witness the evolutions of the said "Old Guard"

In every respect save attendance, nevertheless, the occasion was strictly up to form. It was characterized by that distinctive Π^{Δ} flavor,—a delicious blend of dignity and abandon (French pronunciation), of oratory and drivel, which is insured by the presence of "Dan" Dougherty at one end of the board, and of the Fred Fisher-Timme Team at the other.

Frank L. Jones, '88,— "Pi Deuteron Jones"—presided. Realizing that only a heavyweight would succeed in preserving even such small semblance of order as suffices for Π^{Δ} dinners, the committee plumed itself upon having made so unerring a choice. Frank filled the chair all right. His first victim was F. Van B. Goodwin, '82, the only one of the five founders who was present. His reminiscences of the earliest days of the Charge was heard with great interest, for his memory covers a space of over a quarter of a century of Π^{Δ} history. Brother Dougherty responded to the toastmaster's call in his very happiest vein, and the writer is not alone in his opinion that Dan, on this occasion, voiced one of the most felicitous expressions of fraternity loyalty which has ever held the undivided attention of a Π^{Δ} audience. And that's going some.

Next Homer D. Brookins, X '80, towed the mark,—he whose two-score years of consistent friendship for Π^{Δ} is one of the Charge's cherished possessions. Who knows Homer, knows the elegance of his diction. From out the amplitude of his facile vocabulary, he fished with easy dexterity such pearls of thought as were well worthy of him who uttered them. Roman history—something about Cicero—served as a fit comparison for Dan Dougherty's oratory. Great hit!

The toastmaster's effort to try the soothing effect of music resulted in his issuing a call for the Poison Ivy Quartette. Only three-quarters thereof being present, general rejoicing and promiscuous hand-shaking ensued. Never had the P. I. Q. made itself so popular, in fact, it had never, as the result of previous well-intentioned efforts, imagined that it could be so popular.

Carieton Haight, '92, told of his experiences with the old Δ at Troy. Now, whosoever knows the old Δ , can well imagine that Brother Haight had something to tell. The speaker advocated an effort to re-establish the Troy Charge if conditions should at any time seem favorable. "Connie" Trubenbach, '02, who was a member of the Olympic swimming team, tried hard to tell something of his experiences. Unfortunately, he started out "In the words of the immortal poet." Now that isn't like Connie, and as a result he had a hard time saying his say. He succeeded only by handing it out piecemeal—a piece with each lull.

"Rip" Van Winkle, P $^{\Delta}$ '00, was called upon to respond to "Journalism." Which he did. THE SHIELD, past, present and future, its deficits, its profits, its surplus and its dividends, were reeled off in orderly profusion, till the audience imagined itself at the annual meeting of the Steel Trust. Think of "dividends" as a topic at a Π^{Δ} gathering! Why, it's merely a dictionary word. Boyce Smith, P '01, brought the crowd to earth by a bully talk in which he felicitated the charge upon having kept on its feet during precarious days, and in which he expressed his affection for Π^{Δ} with obvious sincerity.

"Billy" Dooris, Ξ '03, trustee of the $\Theta \Lambda X$ Press, must needs hark back to THE SHIELD. It seems that a few shekels were needed to make up that "dividend." So begging Billy begged, while Rip passed the hat. From 60 cents, the loot rose in amount till it aggregated the required \$3.20, whereupon Rip made the high sign to Billy and the agony was over. As a specimen of scientific teamwork, that little skit made the Fisher-Timme pair look as if they were only rehearsing.

"Carl" Schmid, '97, was no better. He yowled for Π^{Δ} and begged for the Graduate Association. Next year he will have a partner with a hat, and will fix it in advance to work the curry-comb before Dooris and Van Winkle go the rounds. Frank E. Mullen, '10, responding for the charge, voiced the confidence which all feel in its future. Brother Nelson P. Mead, '99, one of the instructing staff of the City College, treated the same subject from the view point of the "fratres in facultate." "Herb" Holton, '99, likewise an instructor,

gave his hearers something to reflect upon, in suggesting the possibility of improving college life at C. C. N. Y. in its social aspects, and in treating the fraternity situation there in a new light. Harry Fisher, '02, responding for the dinner committee, pledged his efforts for Π^{Δ} 's welfare whenever they might be called for, and threatened dire things for the unregenerate in his capacity as newly-elected treasurer of the Graduate Association.

Upon motion of Brother Harry E. Crampton, '93, a note of appreciation was passed, thanking the officers of the association for their labors. The toastmaster tried to coax a "speech" out of "Ernie" Schmid; nothing doing, so the Charge Baby, Neely Savage, '12, responded to "Babyhood" in happy vein. Then the toast to the Omega, and the official dispersal of the faithful.

The following brothers attended: Π^{Δ} : D. S. Dougherty '82, F. Van B. Goodwin '82, F. L. Jones '88, S. C. Haight '91, C. Wilmurt '93, J. W. Reamer '93, C. P. Schmid, Jr., '97, L. C. Shattuck '98, W. H. Brouwer '99, H. M. Holton '99, N. P. Mead '99, C. R. Neidlinger '99, E. E. Schmid '99, W. F. Timme '99, F. S. Fisher '00, O. J. A. Grassi '00, A. L. Howe '00, G. W. Steele '00, F. M. Steeves '00, H. P. Moran '01, H. A. Fisher '01, C. L. Trubenbach '01, R. W. Maloney '03, A. G. Murphy '03, H. E. Nagle '04, L. F. Schultz '04, A. C. Kaestner '09, H. G. Belmont '10, F. E. Mullen '10, C. B. Savage '12, W. H. Lange '12, H. C. W. Schutz '12. Sister Charges were represented by E. Van Winkle, P^{Δ} '00, J. B. Smith, Jr., P^{Δ} '01, F. V. Goodman, P^{Δ} '03, W. E. Grassi, '11. H. D. Brookins, X '80, J. B. Hamilton, Γ^{Δ} '96, W. G. Dooris, Ξ '03.

CHARLES P. SCHMID, JR., '97.

Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of P^{Δ} .

A LUMINOUS PAGE in the history of P^{Δ} is that on which is preserved the record of Friday, December 11th. 1908.

That day is notable for two events, namely, the dedication of a handsome addition to the material and sentimental beauty of the Charge House, the Powell Memorial window, and the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the existence of our beloved fraternity at Columbia. The memorial is the gift of Marie F. Powell, widow of Brother Irwin Augustus Powell, P^{Δ} 1898, Ω 1907. It is the work of The Gorham Company.

The dedication ceremony took place in the late afternoon in the living room of the Charge House where the window is installed, so that its rich colors are finely brought out against the sunset. Besides the active Charge and several graduate representatives, there were present Mrs. Powell and her youthful son Robert, together with her father and brother, and several other relatives and friends of the departed Brother, whose pre-eminent manhood was to receive lasting commemoration. J. Boyce Smith, Jr., P^{Δ} 1901, opened the simple exercises with a statement of the object of the gathering and a personal tribute to the departed, speaking of the "affection, almost amounting to worship," in which Brother Powell had been held by his generation in college, and alluding to his brilliant career on the

bicycle track, achieved at a time when cycle-racing occupied the apex of interest among sport lovers. For several years Brother Powell was National and Inter-Collegiate Bicycle Champion at many distances, and was concededly the fastest and most popular amateur on the track. His untimely death, in the prime of manhood, was a cruel blow to his brothers in $\Theta \Delta X$, as to those to whom he was nearest and dearest.

At the close of Brother Smith's remarks the window was unveiled and the Hon. Thomas L. Feitner, the donor's father, and a prominent lawyer of the city, was called upon to make a formal tender of the gift to the Charge on behalf of his daughter. He responded with a touching tribute to the character of the departed, as husband, father and friend; and the gift was then formally accepted by Brother Smith on behalf of the Charge in words expressive of mingled gratitude and grief. The ceremony closed with a prayer of consecration by Brother Lawrence T. Cole, Γ^{Δ} 1892, and the singing of the Doxology. The visitors were afterwards served with light refreshments and given an opportunity of inspecting the Fraternity's handsome new home at Columbia.

The Anniversary.

In the evening, in lighter spirit, there again gathered at the House, in response to widespread invitation, a goodly company of careless-hearted brothers from many Charges, to mark with oratory and song the passing of the twenty-fifth year of the existence of $\Theta \Delta X$ at Columbia. By special invitation Brother Orison Swett Marden, Δ '70, widely known as the editor of the inspiring magazine "Success," was present to deliver the address of the evening, and was introduced by Brother Boyce Smith, as soon as the expectant audience had in major part arrived and exchanged greetings. Brother Marden spoke in an impressive and idealistic spirit of friendship and the real values in life, and his talk will be long remembered by those who were privileged to listen to its militant optimism and fraternal fervor. In contrast with the ripe wisdom of Brother Marden was the youthful faith and enthusiasm of Brother Carl Hentlinger, President of the Active Charge, who next claimed the attention of those present with some very adequate remarks. These two speakers, youth and wisdom as it were, were in turn followed successively by no less than four ex-Grand Lodge Presidents, called upon in inverse order of their incumbency, beginning with Brother "Ned" Griffing, and running back through Brothers "Larry" Cole and "Rudi" Tombo to Brother Asa Gardner Benedict of the Ψ '72, who headed the Twenty-sixth Grand Lodge in 1893-1894 and who proudly boasts membership in the third largest of Theta Delt families. Brother Edward J. Cook, Ξ '95, the President of the Grand Lodge, sent a congratulatory telegram, and letters and telegrams from several other regretful absentees, were read to rejoinders of appreciative applause.

The forensic program was diversified with a tenor solo by melodious Brother "Tim" Sullivan, 1910, and by many a tuneful "barber swipe" and robust chorus.

When the heart and intellect were fully sated an adjournment was taken to reduce the self-importance of certain bowls of salad and punch, platters of sandwiches and cake, pyramids of ice cream and steaming cups of the fragrant distillation of the popular little roasted bean. Meanwhile the musicians scraped and thumped away as if life depended on their efforts, and the swelling chorus rose and fell as though inspired with full purpose of dooming the desperate musicians by excess of noise. In fact joy and geniality held full sway until very indiscreet hours, and after all but the most ardent and irrepressible had left the cream of the evening was served in the form of an amateur vaudeville, with those consummate comedians Brothers "Joe" Egan and "Frank" Goodman in the stellar roles, ably seconded by Brothers "Gene" Reid and "Conny" Trubenbach. Finally the echoing halls lapsed in silence and the Twenty-fifth Anniversary passed grandly into the shades of history, where its claim to favored place of repose was promptly recognized. Those present were:

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P Δ

Orison Sweet Marden, '70.

Rudolf Tombo, Jr., '98,

Ψ

Ludwig Lindenmeyer, '00,

A. G. Benedict, '72,
Royal W. France, '05.

H. H. St. Clair, '00,

E Δ

J. Boyce Smith, Jr., '01,

A. G. Gilmore, '95.

J. W. Spencer, '02,

Π

H. F. Haviland, '02,

William C. Dooris, '03.

F. V. Goodman, '03,

I

E. J. Reid, '04,

Edward Stetson Griffing, '89,

R. Allison Adams, '06,

D. M. Wardner,

T. J. Thorpe, '06,

F. W. Freeman.

Joseph L. Egan, '07,

I Δ

W. G. Brady, Jr., '08,

W. F. Doolittle, '00,

Hickman Price, '09,

R. E. Webster, '05.

T. A. Gannon, '10,

Otis C. Morrill, '07.

D. M. MacArthur, '10,

M Δ

R. V. Mahon, '10,

Frary Hale, Jr., '05,

Vincent F. Sullivan, '10,

G. W. Benedict, '08.

Carl F. Huttlinger, '10,

E

H. J. L. Washington, '10,

R. B. Small, '07,

William H. Hastings, '11,

Francis O'Keefe, '07.

Spencer B. Driggs, '11,

Φ

S. D. Stephens, Jr., '11,

A. W. Sullivan, '08,

Richmond Stephens, '11,

F. W. Sullivan, '08.

Salvador Rionda, '12,

Π Δ

George S. Downing, '12,

Clifford Wilmont, '93,

Frank H. Wagner, '12,

William B. Wright, '97,

Paul Sheehan, '12,

Thomas H. Calhoun, '99,

Ed. S. Swazey, '12,

C. D. Trubanbach, '02,

George L. Maurer, '12,

Harry A. Fisher, '01.

M. E. de Agnero, '12.

Iota Graduate Association Banquet

ON Friday, November 13th, the Sixth Annual I Dinner was held at the Copley Square Hotel in Boston. The attendance was small this year, smaller than ever before, partly on account of the concert given by the Dartmouth-Harvard Musical Clubs. The dinner was very informal and we had no toastmaster and no speeches. The following were present: Graduates F. H. Lahey, C. A. Fultz, R. K. Fletcher, S. R. Wrightington, E. W. Taylor, A. D. Converse, H. M. Goodwin, Paul Draper, W. W. Carter, E. M. Parsons, R. W. Fernald, H. L. Carter, H. P. Brown, G. A. Ravinius, and Russell Ellis. A number of the undergraduates dropped in after the concert and spent the end of the evening with us. Brother William Garcelon, who was attending the Harvard Club Dinner, left that dinner and spent about an hour with us and gave us an interesting talk on Harvard Athletics. Brother Garcelon, as you probably know, is at the head of all Harvard athletics and is instituting a remarkably fine system in Cambridge which I trust will give us many years of victories in all branches of sports.

E. M. PARSONS.

Theta Delta Chi Initiation.

ON Friday evening, October 23, eight men were initiated into the Ψ charge of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity at the charge house, No. 96 Park Ave. Forty-five members of the Fraternity sat at the table. The emblematic menu cards, which were especially designed for the occasion, were exceptionally handsome. At the banquet David Meyer, '94, was toastmaster. The speakers and their subjects were: William F. Love, "The Fraternity"; William J. Richter, "The Ladies"; Francis E. Cassidy, "College Activities" and Frank S. Dana, "The Initiates." Adelbert P. Little, '72; Dr. Hincer, '03; James Smith, University of Michigan; Gale Dixon, C. C. N. Y., and C. Mohan, McGill University, responded to toasts.

The initiates were Frank S. Dana, Harry Damon, Harvey Hauck, of Rochester; Walter R. Converse and Earl B. Taylor of Palmyra; David W. Price of Scranton, Pa.; John L. Short and Oakley Turney of Brockport.

Omicron Deuteron Initiation Banquet.

SELDOM, if ever, have newly initiated members of $\Theta \Delta X$ been welcomed into the bonds in a more auspicious manner than were the O^{Δ} initiates at the banquet at the Hanover Inn December 12th. We were fortunate in having President Cook present to lend us the inspiration of his company. Next among our honored guests were Brothers Adams and Brown of O '59, these grand old gentlemen, as many will remember, were at the Convention last year in New York, and anybody meeting them cannot help but admire their loyalty and spirit. Among others who honored us with their presence were: F. M. Steeves, II^{Δ} '99; H. R. Steeves, P^{Δ} '03; A. C. Hooker, I^{Δ} '11; and of our own alumni, Prof.

John M. Poor '97, "Duckie" Drake '02, "Sid" Rollins '04, "Pat" Hathaway '07, "Bob" Lane '07, "Ted" Barnes '08, and "Jack" Daly ex-'11.

Professor "George Ray" Wicker, B '90, was master of ceremonies and called for responses from the following brothers:

Address of Welcome, "Fred" Long, '11.

Response for 1912, "Irv" Putnam, '12.

Theta Delta Chi, "Mort" Hull, '09.

Thedelchians, "Jack" Bates, '10.

Old Dartmouth, "Jack" Farwell, '10.

Alumni, "Pat" Hathaway, '07.

President Cook at K^Δ.

BROTHER COOK arrived at K^Δ from the Western Charges E^Δ and Δ^Δ Monday evening, November 16th, at 5.30. The resident professors took him to the University Club for dinner, and our usual Monday night meeting began at 8.30. At the conclusion of the meeting Brother Cook gave a little quiz, and told us much about the early history and traditions of Theta Delta Chi.

At 11 o'clock 35 Theta Delts sat down to an elaborate banquet, and a more enthusiastic crowd of Theta Delts never assembled around the festive board. Yells, songs, etc., were sandwiched in between the courses, and we had a delirious time, (we were not intoxicated). After the debris of the last course was cleared away, cigars and cigarettes were put into use, and the brothers settled back in their chairs to listen to and to imbibe Theta Deltism. Guy S. Ford, Σ^Δ '95, acted as Toastmaster, and the following brothers responded to toasts.

BANQUET IN HONOR OF E. J. COOK, PRESIDENT OF GRAND LODGE.

Relationship of Σ^Δ, Γ^Δ, and K^Δ Charges—E. J. Bartow, I^Δ '92.

Activities of Kappa Deuteron—I. A. I. Lindberg, K^Δ '10.

The New Charge House—F. O. DuFour, N^Δ '96.

Kappa Deuteron Freshmen—E. H. McFarland, K^Δ '12.

Benefits from Fraternity Life—B. Mears, I^Δ '02.

Central Graduate Association—F. E. Compton, Σ^Δ '98.

The toasts continued until 3 A. M. Before closing Brother Cook gave an interesting talk about his trip and then told about Theta Delta Chi. Why, you could have kept the brothers up for 48 hours when he started to tell the beautiful story. We are the "baby charge" and, like babies, we are eager to hear about Theta Delta Chi.

I. A. I. LINDBERG, K^Δ '10.

John M. Poor '07 "Duckie" Drake '02 "Sul" Collins '04 "Pat"
Hartway '07 "Bob" Lane '07 "Ted" Barnes '08 and "Jack" Day
ex-11.

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- Response for 1912 "Ivy" Putnam '12
- Theta Delta Chi "Mort" Hull '09
- Theta Delta Chi "Jack" Bates '10
- Old Dartmouth "Jack" Hartwell '10
- Alumni "Pat" Hartway '07

President Cook at 8-

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the early history and traditions of Theta Delta Chi.

Sixty-First Annual

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CONVENTION

BOSTON, MASS.

February 20--23, 1909.

Banquet in Honor of E. J. Cook, President of Grand Lodge
Relationship of 2-7-7- and R-4-Charles—E. J. Barnes, B. 92
Activities of Kappa Delta Chapter—J. A. Lincoln, K. 12
The Kappa Delta Chapter—E. J. Barnes, B. 92
Benefits from Fraternity Life—B. Means, I-7-7-
General Graduate Association—F. E. Conroy, 2-9-9-
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when he started to tell the beautiful story. We were the "tribe"
and the babies, we are eager to hear about Theta Delta Chi
L. A. Lincoln, K-12



Our readers are requested to contribute to this department reports of such gatherings and events as would otherwise, perhaps, remain unpublished. Not only are these of interest to all Theta Deltas as news items, but they are furthermore valuable as a matter of record. The co-operation of our readers, and especially of the secretaries of Graduate Associations, is earnestly solicited.—Ed.

THETA DELT DOINGS IN PITTSBURG.

On Saturday, October 3d, 1908, a party of Thetas left Pittsburg for the summer place of Brother James R. Mellon, II '63, in the Allegheny Mountains near Johnstown, Pa. In the party were Brothers E. J. Cook, P. G. L.; Chas. M. Thorp, B '84, John Frederick Tim, Φ '01, A. W. Chapman, Ξ '03, H. A. Hawley, Δ '86, Henry Longwell, B '83, C. V. Rice, Δ '53, Henry Lloyd, Jr., Φ '03, Charles F. Rumbaugh, Φ '02, Frank G. Paulson, II '63, Chauncey Lobingier, Φ '96, and W. A. Jordan, Z '97.

The trip from the beginning was eventful. At Latrobe, Pa., an Italian woman relieved the party of "Fat" Loyd's suit case and the Honorable P. G. L.'s umbrella. The loss was discovered when we left the train at New Florence, but the use of the long distance telephone and a little Sherlock Holmes work, with the assistance of the police department of Latrobe, located the suit case in the parcels room of the railroad station. The poor woman who took it found it too heavy to carry so she left it until she could send an express wagon. An examination of the suit case revealed the fact that Loyd had filled it from his extensive wardrobe and had prepared for any social event which might take place anywhere, so that he would be sure to be just correct in the mountains. However, Ed. Cook is minus one umbrella as a memento of the trip.

From New Florence to the Mellon place, a distance of seven miles, the drive was delightful, and at the end of it the lunch which was spread disappeared quite rapidly. This, however, did not deter any one from doing justice to dinner a few hours later, after which every Theta Delt song that was ever written was sung and Chapman's guitar did good service.

It is impossible in so short a space to tell everything that was done, but with walks through the mountains and tennis, no one had trouble in answering the summons to breakfast, lunch and dinner. Brothers Thorp and Hawley didn't say much about tennis, but when they started into play every team that tried them went down to defeat in a short time.

The week end trip was a big success, and every Theta Delt who has been entertained at one of Brother Mellon's homes knows that as a host he is perfection.

Monday afternoon the party started for home via Ligonier and Latrobe, and we made the P. G. L. come into Pittsburg, although he had to change his train for New York that night. The Pittsburg Thetes felt honored that the genial "Ed" had come all the way from Geneva just to honor the occasion with the presence of the P. G. L., and when we got acquainted with him we found him not only the official but the loyal enthusiastic "good fellow" Thete that he is.

On Friday evening, November sixth, Brother Henry Lloyd, Jr., Φ '93, entertained the Pittsburg Thetes in the Club Rooms of the Bellefield Dwellings. He called it a Smoker, but what a smoker it was! Lloyd has a habit of doing things right and he certainly made a success of his reception, smoker, and banquet. The brothers who came were: A. W. Chapman, Ξ '03, Sidney W. Collins, P^{Δ} '03, Jas. A. Darsie, Φ '07, Heathe Gregory, Π^{Δ} '01, A. C. Hawley, Δ '86, W. A. Jordon, Σ '97, C. Lobingier, Φ '96, A. M. Long, Φ '76, H. E. Longwell, B '83, J. R. Mellon, Π '63, H. L. Moody, Θ^{Δ} '07, Dr. D. B. McIntire, Φ '03, C. V. Rice, Δ '93, W. H. Rush, Φ '03, Theo. Sproull, X '72, J. F. Tim, Φ '01, and C. M. Thorp, B '84.

Music, cigarettes, ordinary and fancy cigars and punch took up considerable time and then came the eating. Sufficient to say that everyone is afraid to give a Theta Delta Smoker now lest they be expected to come up to Lloyd's "party." Everyone took home a souvenir pipe with $\theta \Delta X$ carved in the bowl. The punch caused much speculation as to its contents on account of its insidiousness, so Henry had to give us all the recipe. He claims to have gotten it from Pittsburg's greatest mixer. However, everyone got home safely and cast a vote for Lloyd as the star Smoker giver.

On Sunday, December 13th, Norman Hackett, now a star of the first magnitude, reached Pittsburg with his production of "Classmates." Norm was with us until December 23rd, and with the exception of a few more gray hairs and considerable stellar responsibility, he is the same good old Norm that almost every Thete knows.

To celebrate the advent of Norm as a star, Brother Mellon, that Nestor of Theta Delt, gave a box party at the Alvin Theater, on Thursday evening, December 17th, for the Pittsburg Thetes and their wives. In addition to Brother and Mrs. Mellon and Miss Lucille Mellon, those present were: Rev David L. Ferris Ξ '88, and Mrs. Ferris, Frank G. Paulson // '66, and Mrs. Paulson, Charles M. Thorp B '84, and Mrs. Thorp, Henry Longwell B '83, and Mrs. Longwell, Heathe Gregory // Δ '01, and Mrs. Gregory, John Frederick Tim Ψ '01, and Mrs. Tim, James Darsie Ψ '07, and Miss Florence Brace, Chauncey Lobingier Ψ '96, and Mrs. Lobingier, E. P. Van Kirk N^{Δ} '87, and Mrs. Van Kirk, J. J. McAdoo θ '96, and Mrs. McAdoo, W. K. Wightman Φ '03, and Mrs. Wightman, W. C. Hawley Δ '86, and Mrs. Hawley, A. W. Chapman Ξ '03, and Miss Adair, W. A. Jordon Σ '97, and Mrs. Jordon, Harry L. Moody θ^{Δ} '07, and Mrs. Moody, John Heilig N^{Δ} '91, and Mrs. Heilig, James V. Long Ψ '76, A. M. Long Ψ '76, Dr. O. G. A. Barker Ψ '95, William Rush Ψ '03, Rev. J. W. Wightman, Charles F. Rumbaugh Ψ '02, William Ostermaier N^{Δ} '04, Albert J. Hendley Σ^{Δ} '10, Theophilus Sproul X '72, Dr. David McIntire Ψ '03, and Henry Lloyd, Jr., Ψ '03.

Norm and his company were equal to the occasion and gave an excellent performance, after which the entire party with Norn, Miss Doris Mitchell, his

leading lady, and her mother, Mrs. Charles H. Mitchell, of Chicago, and Mr. Goodstadt, manager of the company, went to the Duquesne Club, where Brother Mellon had provided a supper. It was well into the morning before the breaking up came. Brother Mellon's theater party and supper will go down as one of the great events in fraternity history. The Pittsburg Theta Deltas owe much to our good James R. He embodies the ideal fraternity spirit, that spirit which makes Theta Delta Chi live and grow.

The Pittsburg Thetas eat lunch together every Thursday at the Hotel Henry, Fifth Avenue, from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

Pan Hellenic Society of Montana.

Saturday evening, December 12th, the Pan Hellenic Society of Montana gave their eighth annual banquet at the Silver Bow Club, Butte. Fifty-one members of various Greek letter societies sat down and a royal good time was the program for the evening. The names of three $\theta \Delta \chi$ brothers are on the roll of the Montana Society, G. F. Hannan of Miles City, G. H. Ruggles of Great Falls, and G. W. Kneisly, $\Delta \Delta$ '07, of Butte. Brother Kneisly was the only one present at the banquet.

An Incident.

Prof. Frank O. Du Four, $N \Delta$ '96, is the author of two standard manuals on bridge engineering. Brother Du Four tells the following story: While in attendance at a banquet in Springfield, Ill., he was seated beside another civil engineer who in the course of the conversation related what he thought was a novel experience. The gentleman had just returned from a distant mining town in old Mexico. In this far-off place, containing a half dozen Americans and hundreds of Mexicans and half-breeds, he was told by one of the oldest engineers there that one of the younger engineers was the wildest enthusiast he had seen about college matters. "Why, do you know he happens to belong to my fraternity and wants to form a graduate association of us two out in this God-forsaken hole." Brother Du Four's table mate asked what fraternity that was. "Theta Delta Chi," said the Mexican engineer. "When he said Theta Delta Chi," continued the gentleman, "I said put it there, that's my fraternity." "And mine too," said Brother Du Four; "try me on the grip."

leading lady and her mother, Mrs. Charles H. Wheeler of Georgia, and Mr. Goodrich, manager of the company, went to the purchase this week. The party had provided a supper. It was well into the morning before the breakfast was served. Brother Melton's theater party and supper will be down at one of the next events in fraternal history. The Fraternity Theses will be made to our good James R. He embodies the ideal fraternal spirit, that our youth may follow Delta Delta Chi lives and grow.

The Pittsburgh Theses eat lunch together every Thursday at the Hotel Henry, Fifth Avenue, from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

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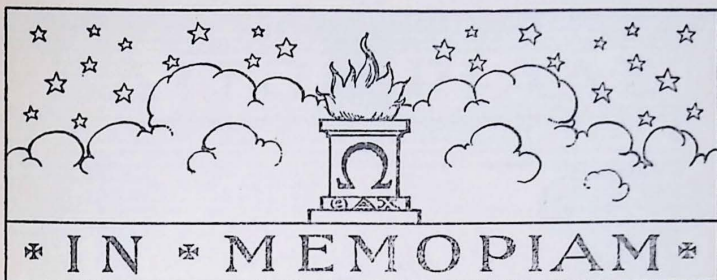
Coming to Convention

RESERVE your railroad certificate in advance so as to be sure of

having it. No matter how little it saves you, it helps out many who come a long distance. We must have *One Hundred* to obtain any reduction.

This is a chance for the New York and New England men to help all the rest.

Every one counts and we never have a large margin. It saves two-thirds the cost of your return trip. The agents at small stations are apt to be "all out." Ask today if he has any on hand.



It is our desire to record the deaths of all brothers, and we would like to receive and publish an obituary of each and every one who has passed into the Ω Charge.—Ed.

GEORGE J. TUFTS

K '74

Ω '08

The funeral of George J. Tufts, K^A , who died suddenly of heart failure at Chelmsford, where he had gone with his son to obtain a Christmas tree for his granddaughter, was held at the family home, 15 Bradlee st., Dorchester.

Mr. Tufts, who was 56 years old, was born in Schooner Head, Mt. Desert, Me. He was educated in the schools of South Boston and at Tufts college, from which he was graduated with the class of '74. He afterward studied law in Boston university and took his degree in the class of '77. He was for many years secretary of Zetland lodge, A. F. and A. M. He leaves two sons.

WILLIAM EMRICH WALKER

K^A '98

Ω '08

WHEREAS, it hath pleased Our Heavenly Father, in His Infinite wisdom and mercy to take unto Himself our beloved brother, William Emrich Walker, of the Class of 1898, be it

RESOLVED, that we, the members of the Mu Deuteron Charge of Theta Delta Chi, having always found in him a loyal and true brother, hereby extend to his family our heartfelt sympathy and condolence in their bereavement, and be it further

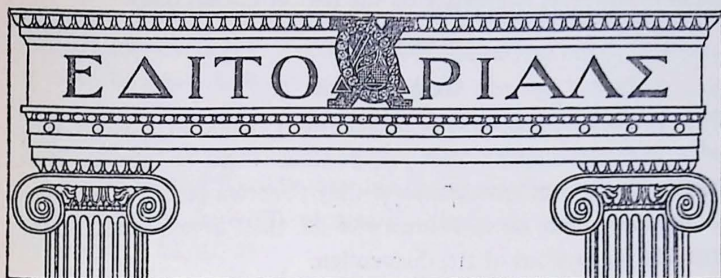
RESOLVED, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, and that copies be sent to the Amherst Student, and to the Shield of Theta Delta Chi for publication.

For the Charge,

CLINTON W. TYLEE,

PIERRE DREWSEN,

LAWRENCE W. BABBAGE.



Edward Van Winkle.

IT is generally more difficult to follow a man who has made good and keep up with the standard that has been set than to institute a new mode of procedure with which there is nothing to compare it.

Such is the position of the Editor. It is with a full appreciation of the magnificent work done by my predecessor, Edward Van Winkle, P[^] '00, that I take up the work which he was obliged to lay down and attempt to maintain the standard he established throughout his term of office.

Brother Van Winkle deserves the highest praise and appreciation that it is possible for the fraternity to bestow upon him. He has given his time and energy to making THE SHIELD a success, not only from a literary but from a business standpoint. Nothing that would improve either department of THE SHIELD has been too laborious, and the style and dignity of Volumes XXIII and XXIV are fitting memorials of his term in the office of Editor.

THE SHIELD has always occupied a high position in the ranks of fraternity magazines under the skillful handling of the former Editors, but it remained for Brother Van Winkle to place it in the front, and no other magazine of a similar character can equal it. It is only by co-operation of the parts that the best institutions are carried on suc-

cessfully and Brother Van Winkle, because he deserved it, enjoyed the co-operation of the fraternity at large. May his successor prove worthy of the same confidence on the part of the Brothers.

Convention.

DO you believe that $\Theta \Delta X$ is doing all it should to place it first in the fraternity world? Do you think there are certain lines of action that would advance her if they were adopted? If you do, the place for you to be on February 20-23, 1909, is in Boston, Mass., attending the sessions of the Convention.

It will do neither the fraternity nor you any great amount of good for you to stay home and offer suggestions as to policies if you have not enough interest in them or the organization to come forward with your ideas and present them at the right time and place—and that is on the floor of the Convention.

There are a certain number of graduate brothers on whom it is always safe to rely. They will be there to make the annual convention a success. All honor to them for their interest and co-operations. But how about the hundreds of men who could come and don't? Those are the ones we want to appeal to and get them out of the rut into which they have fallen. It is easy enough to talk in a disparaging way of graduate supervision, but we need the intelligent advice of the men who have been broadened by their experience in the five, ten or fifty years that they have been in the world since leaving college, and we want them at convention.

$\Theta \Delta X$ has a right to expect the interest and co-operation of the graduate body. We were not initiated for four years of college life but for all time and eternity. The college days should be but a preparation for the work we are to do during the rest of our lives here that we may be able to greet the brothers who have entered the Ω charge, having done as much for the fraternity as they.

In another place we have given a program of the various functions and sessions that will take place in Boston this month. Look them over carefully and see if you can afford to miss them. Each has been prepared for by a committee which has given much time

and thought to make it the banner event of the convention. Surely we owe it to these brothers to do our share toward the realizing of this ambition.

Many matters of importance to the fraternity at large will be subjects for discussion. Come and hear them first hand; don't wait to read them in *THE SHIELD* or have some one tell you about them. Remember it is your fraternity and come and do your part. You will be doubly rewarded: By doing your duty to the fraternity which holds a prominent place in your heart, and also by having a rousing good Theta Delt time. Don't miss it. Paste the dates in your hat, February 20, 21, 22, 23.

The General Index.

IN the December issue of *THE SHIELD* announcement was made that an Index of Vols. XII to XXIV inclusive was in course of preparation and would appear in this issue.

Clay W. Holmes, Φ '69, consented to supply *THE SHIELD* with this valuable addition to the library of the fraternity and has fulfilled his agreement. The Editor received the copy for this index and was amazed at the amount of research and labor it represents. Eighty-two pages of foolscap written in long-hand gives but a small idea of the vast amount of work Brother Holmes did for this magazine, which already owes him so much.

Such a work is worthy of more than casual insertion as simple copy in the back of this issue, and the management has decided to retain this index until the completion of the present volume and, by inserting in the index the contents of Vol. XXV, be able to present the fraternity a complete index of a quarter of a century of *THE SHIELD*.

Such an index can be issued with the last number of Vol. XXV or be bound separate, to correspond with the volumes of *THE SHIELD*. In such form it will not only be of great value to the fraternity but a permanent and lasting tribute to the one who so admirably compiled it.

Resident Alumni and the Charge.

HAPPY is that charge whose resident and nearby alumni maintain an active interest in the charge. Thrice happy is it when they know how to maintain their position with tact. Many earnest alumni who desire to be helpful to the active charge near which they reside do not give as much thought as they should to the method by which their aid and advice may be most effectively put before the group of young fellows who are still dwelling in a world of interests, influences and ideals that have, in a sense, become alien to just that type of earnest, successful and willing alumnus who can be of most service to them. The happy-go-lucky alumnus who always remains two-thirds undergraduate is a splendid fellow to have drop in to the charge house and he is always sure of a welcome from the undergraduates—and he is more than worth it. However it is the alumnus who has kept the high ideals of his fraternity and has taken college life and after life seriously and sanely who is in the long run a better asset. But it is just this kind of a brother who fails most frequently to make himself effective when, with a heart full of devotion to his fraternity and a grist of good advice, he drops into the house or charge meeting to tell his undergraduate brothers something they really ought to do or not to do. He gets a hearing but not a following and goes away sore and disgruntled at this generation of undergraduates. Now undergraduates are much the same from generation to generation and they are certain in the long run to respond to what is best and right if it is only put to them tactfully and perhaps insidiously. Don't come down on them too hard, brother alumnus, and don't give up, but just introspect a little and see whether you weren't too much of a preacher or dictator and then go around to the house more often and when you have smoked with them and learned their nicknames and classes and are recognized with a friendly wag of the tail by the house dog, try the good advice on again in doses made to fit your new diagnosis of the patient.

Fraternity Business Methods.

THE SHIELD did a good service recently in publishing an article on the legal position and rights of the college fraternity. And even more fruitful and important theme of immense practical importance to every charge of our own and every other fraternity is the matter of business methods in the management of charge affairs. At the present time in the colleges and universities of the country thousands of dollars worth of property is in the hands of inexperienced undergraduates for administration and conservation. Further, nearly every local charge of our fraternity as well as of other similar organizations is a business concern which manages and sub-rents a house and furnishes board to a score or more of persons. This means the collection and expenditure of sums that in the aggregate, even for one year in a single charge, runs up into the thousands. The personal integrity of the brothers handling these sums is beyond question. But integrity is so often accompanied by inexperience and lack of method that waste is inevitable. Some charges with the aid of their alumni have worked out simple and effective business methods and systems of bookkeeping applicable to the business of the charge as a fraternal organization and to the same group of men doing business as a corporation. By some organized effort either in discussions at convention, through the columns of THE SHIELD or the letters of the Grand Lodge, it should be possible to spread a knowledge of methods which have worked well, and possibly a fairly uniform system might be shaped up which would help all. So important is this matter of finances to the whole fraternity world that it might with propriety be made a subject of inter-fraternity discussion.

Aside from an effective and simple method of bookkeeping, each business or house manager might well pass on to his successor in brief notes, the results of his experience with various local firms with whom he has dealt on various occasions—something that would indicate who is to be trusted and who is to be avoided. This system has been pursued for years in a large Eastern university by the successive managers of the annual Junior Prom, and the result has been to save each new manager from the extortion of a score of local pur-

veyors with whom he must deal and who seek at once to fatten their purses on his supposed lack of information.

This whole subject of business methods is something in which the alumni of a charge have a definite responsibility and evident duties. It is a field in which the undergraduate welcomes their assistance and larger experience. So vital are sound finances and good business methods that even the rawest fraternity recruit recognizes that the standing of his fraternity in his own university and within the fraternity as a whole depends very definitely upon it. He knows further his charge has no case on which to appeal to the alumni for aid in house-building and other similar projects, if it wastes its substance by sheer carelessness and inattention to the fundamentals of economy and wise expenditure.



Eugene, Oregon, Nov. 5th, 1908.

Mr. Edward Van Winkle,
 Editor THE SHIELD, New York.

Dear Brother:

I have received several requests to subscribe to THE SHIELD, and with the last an invitation to express my approval or disapproval of the publication. I have THE SHIELD from its foundation until the last two years or so. If my opinion is of any worth, I may say, in appearance, it is all any one could ask for. However I don't want it, and if I had the list of your 435 graduate subscribers, I should try hard to get time to write to such as I thought I could influence, urging a discontinuance of support. These are rather savage words, but in my judgment the time has come for a general movement on the part of graduates to make themselves scarce. The fraternity ideals that have obtained of late do not make for graduate support of THE SHIELD. It is very easy to explain A T Ω's confusion of mind as to our situation. She is still a young fraternity,—still in the growing stage. She yet has a genuine enthusiasm over the essentials of brotherhood,—still has something worth writing about, worth reading. When the chief concern is to get off in a corner and pat one another on the back with exaggerated ideas of how wonderfully exclusive we are, and how very, very careful we must be not to mix up with any not quite up to our standard, it may be very delightful to self complacency, but there is really nothing about the transaction to print. In fact such things don't look well in print. Then, too, if printed, some outsider might laugh, and there is nothing so fatal to exclusiveness as being laughed at. Consequently the exclusive fraternities don't print magazines. Ψ Υ and Α Δ Φ with their eight or ten thousand members each, have not been able permanently to support a magazine. As "Old Fate" used to say: "When a fraternity gets its growth it is ready to die, and it ought to die." All that such a fraternity needs is a little news-letter, telling of social functions, to pass around among the undergraduates. My good friend, leave off, quit, desist. You can't please us. We joined the order when it was small and poor and commonplace, and we were like it. All our greatness was in our dreams, and we had those in plenty. There was something then in the fraternal spirit that set the blood afire. The dark days that succeeded the Civil War

were not wholly past, but we waited for a reincarnation of that glorious, exultant, irrepressible life that thought it had discovered something really worth while; that stormed the colleges in the early fifties, establishing a dozen chapters in five years; whose prayer was "that the order might be perpetuated throughout all coming ages," and whose definite and specific plan of such perpetuation was the "establishment of a charge in every first class American college." What has become of the old constitution anyway?

"Gone like our friend Fudus Achus Achilles
Down the back alley of time?"

In those days, my boy, it would have been impossible for a lot of old bald heads to have gone year after year to conventions begging, pleading, agonizing for the re-establishment of an old and worthy charge, and had their prayer denied. We were just that sort of soft fools that we would have thrown our arms around those old fellows' necks and said with tears streaming from silly eyes: "Why, damn you, we don't know whether your little old college is going to brace up and flourish or continue to just exist, but you want the old altar set up, and you shall have it!" But that thing is out of fashion. Now it seems to be the fashion even though a convention has recommended that the old fellows be allowed their charge, to hit them a thump in the back, while their proposition is before the charges, with: "If Theta Delta Chi is eventually to have a charge in every institution that is up to its high standard the number of charges will be in direct ratio to the population (a correct conclusion, certainly) and the fraternity will have no limit (a most absurd non-sequitor). It would seem the part of wisdom, therefore, to admit new charges only to replace the old charges that in the natural course of events become extinct."

President Griffing talked a good deal about charges that would probably die. When I was a Theta Delt we did not talk that way. They were all agoing to live, every one of them. Once a Theta Delt, always a Theta Delt, is good; but once a charge always a charge, is better. Where would $\theta \Delta X$ be to-day but for the re-establishments, and where did we ever lose by a re-establishment? My friend, a fraternity lives on sentiment. Your really good friend is a bit impractical, at least in his devotion to those he loves. Youth is hard, selfish, unfeeling. You yourself will realize that later. You don't need to advise the undergraduate to disregard the graduate's wishes. He will do that enough without suggestion. THE SHIELD only vexes me.

Yours fraternally,

S. D. ALLEN, ψ 1878.

P. S. Don't think that I have any feeling against you personally. I take it you represent only ideas held generally by the younger members. Your own charge is alive,—you have a half dozen others in easy reach of you; but there are a good many of the brotherhood beyond the sphere of active fraternity life, to whom this thing has altogether a different appearance. Some way I can't see how we could have too many charges if they are of the right sort. I have always found it mighty pleasant to run upon friends as I go back and forth over the country; never found too many. That bugaboo about grand lodge supervision! The grand lodge often takes itself too seriously. As I figure it out, there is something in the fraternal principle that organization can't make, or entirely unmake.

P. S. No. 2. Do you know there is a good deal of comfort in the old SHIELDS? Take for instance that story of Scott: He had just gotten nicely fixed

at Brown, when his parents sent him to Tufts. He ought to have despised that little, poor, denominational college, just under the shadow of a great university. Probably he did in his thoughtful moments. But there was something tugging at his heartstrings. He must have brothers in the bond. His crowd is made up of country lads, in ill-fitting clothes, and as one of them said "woefully poor." They meet in the upper story of an engine house, their chief concern so far as the outward world is concerned, lest some one peep in and see how little they have in their room. What a proposition to make a charge out of such material and in such an institution! But as in fairy stories, the impossible happens, and the fraternity gets those giants, French, Sawyer, Hammond and the great Capen. (I was at Kappa Δ a few years ago:—Nice, generous, hospitable fellows, but giants; why, θ Δ X gets those in appreciable numbers only when she takes in a new crowd. Go over the catalogue and see for yourself). Then there is the story of Kline: He leaves Washington & Jefferson and goes to Lafayette,—a little, run-down Presbyterian affair with only sixty students, and two or three existing fraternities. It's the case of the Ancient Mariner over again. The freshman "cannot choose but hear," and though the man with the glittering eye leaves, the spell does not leave the freshman, and alone he goes to Carlisle for initiation. He draws about him others like himself. You can see the awkward squad in the Memorial Volume, page 152! Now shut your eyes and see them grow: Rice, noted law author; Long, foreign consul; Holmes, successful business man and the fraternity's most tireless worker; Griggs, friend and adviser of President McKinley. And Kline, when next heard from, he is up in Minnesota agonizing for Tau Deuteron. Then there is the story of B, and how Ξ X and Ψ forgot in their enthusiasm fraternity law and custom and made a charge "unbeknownst" to any body. As virile old Walt says:

"All this I swallow. It tastes good. I like it. It becomes a part of me."

JOSEPH RUSSELL LYNES, Editor THE SHIELD.

December 19th.

Dear Brother Lynes:

In a letter from Brother Cook dated 18th inst., he suggests that I write you about my resignation, as requested by you.

There is very little to say. The work of the Treasurer's Office at the time I turned it over to Brother Garrett (Dec. 1) was in such shape as to enable him to easily fulfill his duties, and the state of the finances of the Grand Lodge was most encouraging, giving promise of a fair balance in February.

An opportunity to make a start in engineering work came a short while ago, and as I had taken my C. E. degree at Lehigh in June, I took up the new work on trial. It was impossible for me to carry on the work of the treasurer, in a satisfactory way, under the conditions of my employment. Knowing that Brother Garrett, in his work in connection with X^Δ, had received approval from nearly everyone for its faithful and energetic character, picked him out as a most likely candidate for the treasurer's work and suggested him to the Grand Lodge. Brothers Cook and Shaeffer have accepted him, and I believe the charges are to give their sanction. Brother Garrett was formerly installed at X^Δ, Saturday, December 12.

I have failed to congratulate you on your appointment. I most heartily wish you all the success and enjoyment your work can afford, and I know, from

talking with some of our New York Theta Deltas that the work will be of a high order.

Again wishing you success, I am, as ever,
Yours in the Bonds,

R. F. McELFRESH $N \Delta '08$.
Butler, Pa.

December 10, 1908.

Mr. Edward Van Winkle,
Flat Iron Building,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Van Winkle:

In looking over the December number of the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD, I saw an article on the old chapter at Wesleyan, which attracted my attention, as it seemed to foreshadow the re-establishment of your chapter at that place. It is a good college and I am particularly interested in it because my son is now a student there, being now in his senior year. My purpose in writing you this letter, however, is to tell you that Steele, Gidman and Cook, who are mentioned in your magazine as members of Theta Delta Chi, resigned from your chapter there when it became inactive and became active members of the Mystical Seven Chapter during the remainder of their respective college courses.

As you probably well know, there was a union between the Mystical Seven Fraternity and The Beta Theta Pi, and the names of these men were carried over to the roll of our Wesleyan Chapter in accordance with the terms of such union. Mr. Steele became somewhat active in connection with the revived Mystical Beta Chapter, and I think Cook has manifested some interest in it also. If you care to inquire concerning them, you can do so of Dr. David J. Carlough, No. 24 Ellison street, Paterson, N. J.

I would be very glad indeed to see your old chapter revived at Middletown.
Yours very truly,

W. R. BAIRD.

We publish the foregoing letter with the consent of the writer, that the matter it contains may be of permanent record. Mr. William Raimond Baird is Editor of The Beta Theta Pi and is well versed in all matters of general fraternity interest. The information given in regard to Gidman and Cook does not seem to be borne out by the records of the fraternity in that the names of these men do not appear as having been initiated. The status of Steele after the $\theta \Delta \chi$ was dissolved does not seem to be known. The statement of the conditions at Wesleyan for the establishment of a charge of $\theta \Delta \chi$ is undoubtedly valuable coming from such a source.—Ed.

Stanford University, Cal., Nov. 11, 1908.

Editor of THE SHIELD,
Flat Iron Building,
New York.

Dear Brother:

I am sending you, rather hastily, some of the "impressions" I gathered, as a result of Brother Cook's visit to Eta Deuteron.

That which impresses me most was the fact that Brother Cook had traveled

across the continent to visit the two charges on the Pacific coast. What a great tangible thing is Theta Delta Chi! His visit to us was in a sense a "realization" of the magnitude and importance of the fraternity.

Brother Cook was our guest November fourth and fifth. In the evening (Nov. 4th) we held our regular meeting and Brother Cook addressed us. He dealt with the ideals of the fraternity and touched upon the many problems which confront a charge. I am sure we learned much that evening. He explained many things that were new to us, and thus brought the Eastern and Western divisions of the fraternity into closer touch.

Brother Cook personified the Eastern charges and his visit here has gone a long way toward making perfect harmony between the East and the West.

We were sorry to see him leave, as he was one of the "boys" from the moment he arrived until he left. We will always remember his visit as being one of pleasure and instruction.

Probably the greatest benefit derived from Brother Cook's visit was the impression he made upon the Freshmen. I do not think that they had the understanding or conception of what a grand thing our fraternity is. But I believe they have now, and realize to a greater extent just what Theta Delta Chi means; what her ideals and ambitions are. Again the importance of the annual visit of the P. G. L. is brought home to us. It tends toward harmony and uniformity in thought and purpose throughout the charges.

We are very glad to become personally acquainted with the President of our Fraternity. He has certainly "made good" with us, and we hope that we have with him.

Yours in the eternal Bonds,

CARL F. GANONG.



Charges will be marked delinquent if their letters are not in the Editorial office by the first of the month preceding issue dates. Write plainly, with care and precision; use Greek throughout, and don't abbreviate. Letters written on both sides of the paper will not be accepted.—Ed.

Geneva, N. Y., January 1st, 1909.

TO THE CHARGES:

As we start in on the new year let's firmly resolve to make this a year of achievement. Let each Brother realize as he is preparing himself for his life work, that the development of character counts for most.

Our fraternity and its standards and noble ends to us are ideal, but remember that the outsider judges Θ Δ Χ by the individual Chapter and individual man.

The President of each Charge is responsible for the standing of his charge, for the training of its members along broad lines, recognizing true standards. Every brother should be taught that in competing with other fraternities, no matter in what line, to speak well of them. There is too much good in them all to speak ill of any. Such a standard will reflect credit to Theta Delta Chi.

If we are to make this a year of advancement it must be by recognizing our individual responsibility, by each brother doing his part. Let the atmosphere of the Charge House be the Spirit of Θ Δ Χ.

Has your Charge any Graduates that have not subscribed to THE SHIELD for this year, that are not planning to attend the coming convention, whose address is unknown to the editor of the New Catalog, or who has not subscribed for a Catalog? If so, get busy and improve your graduate rating.

Remember February 20th to 23rd, 1909. You need the convention and the convention needs you.

Yours in the bonds of Θ Δ Χ,

E. J. Cook. President.

B CHARGE.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Since the last report in THE SHIELD, Brother J. T. Thompson, '11, has been elected assistant business manager of the Cornell Era, thus completing the house connection with every important undergraduate publication. Brother Sibley,

who is assistant business manager of the Alumni News, has lately been elected to the editorial board of the Widow, of which Brother Harris, '09, is editor-in-chief. Brothers Harris and Rollo have lately received election to Savage Club.

Among the sophomores, Brother Nixon has made Dunstan, the 1911 honorary society, Phi Delta Phi, Saccord, and Undine. Brother Giblen is a candidate for manager of the football team. In the freshman class, Brothers Andrews and Barker are respectively members of the 1912 Lacrosse and basket ball teams and the former is a member of the freshman banquet committee.

At the time of the Amherst game in the Fall, Beta entertained some twenty girls and chaperones at the annual Autumn house party and is now looking forward to the festivities of Junior week, with the outlook darkened only by the gloom of "block week," which looms up as the darkness before the dawn of the mid-year dances and concerts.

On the annual Christmas trip taken by the University Glee, Banjo and Mandolin Clubs through the Middle West, Beta was represented by Brother Rollo, '10, singing in the first bass part on the Glee club and by Brother Kent, '10, assistant manager of the clubs.

Following are the delegates to the February Convention: Graduate delegate, Brother J. C. H. Stevenson, '77; senior delegate, Brother J. A. Harris, '09; alternate, Brother R. H. Tift, '09; junior delegate, Stanton Griffis, '10; alternate, Brother T. R. Rollo, '10.

STANTON GRIFFIS.

Γ Δ CHARGE

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

INITIATES.

Stanley Kreis, Cincinnati, O.
 Hugh Pinkerton, Kansas City, Mo.
 Paul Pinkerton, " " "
 Harold V. Yocum, Jackson, Mich.
 William Restrick, Detroit, "

The evening of November 13th was 'a great event in the history of Γ Δ Not only were a group of most promising freshmen admitted into the mysteries of θ Δ X, but the glorious event was occasioned by the return of many of our faithful alumni. We were most fortunate to number among the other guests, Andrew H. Green A '49, the only surviving founder of our beloved fraternity. In his wonderful speech he took up the history of the fraternity from the very day of its foundation and it could be nothing short of an inspiration to all who heard it. Never was a freshman class ushered into θ Δ X under better auspices than these Gamma Deut. men, with the blessings of our founder.

Although apparently deficient in the art of football, this season, Michigan has made remarkable strides in musical comedy. "Culture," Michigan's latest musical satire, was presented under the auspices of the Michigan Union, December 16th to 19th inclusive. It met with unqualified success and proved a great boon financially to the University of Michigan Union.

Any "Thete" whose steps may lead him Ann Arbor-ward will find Γ Δ at home after January 5th.

MELLEN C. MARTIN.

Δ Δ CHARGE

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Everything is quiet in the college world at present as the University has closed for the Christmas vacation.

Fall examinations have been claiming the attention of the brothers for the past month. We joined the student body in general, and realized that it was time to "take a hint" and allow activities to assume a quiescent attitude. Now that the "strenuous" days are over, we are all enjoying a brief vacation.

From all indications none of the brothers were recipients of the "double cross" so we expect a goodly showing for Δ Δ semester.

The official visitation of our worthy President, Brother Cook, was of course immensely enjoyed. Hotel St. Francis, San Francisco, furnished a most appropriate "lay out" for the banquet tendered Brother Cook by Δ Δ and Δ Δ jointly.

The charges were fully represented, the grads turning out in full force, including Brother Keane Δ Δ '08, who has recently returned from a European tour. Many visiting brothers were present, among whom were: Dr W. F. Southard, K '71; Hon. G. W. Haight, X '74; M. H. Robbins, N Δ '91; Colby Rucker, T Δ '94, and E. D. Pillsbury, T Δ '00.

A particular feature of Brother Cook's address was his account of the Eastern charges. We have no doubt that it was entirely true, however we are all eager to verify the report by a personal visit on our own account. Convention is the next happy event and several of us hope to join the gathering of the clan in Boston.

LEON M. Gove.

E CHARGE

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

INITIATE

J. S. Staten, Richmond, Va., '12.

Christmas has come and gone, and we are now looking forward, with a great deal of pleasure, to the coming convention, to be held in Boston. E will, I hope, have a goodly number to represent her in that august assembly.

We have lately had the pleasure of having with us Col. William Lamb, E '53, one of the charter members of E, now the oldest charge (in point of establishment) in the fraternity: Brother Lamb, although he has seen many years come and go, is still an enthusiastic member and rarely fails to pay us a visit once a year. We have also had with us Brothers Wright '04, Hodges '02, Davis '02, and Maddox '04.

Brother Chitwood, '04, has been appointed one of the board of visitors of his "Alma Mater" and consequently we expect to see a good deal of him during the year.

Our football team, which has just disbanded after an unusually successful season, owes a great deal of its success to the untiring efforts and excellent playing of Capt. Taylor. We had two men to receive the College monograms, Brothers Taylor and Warner, and two others, Brothers Graves and McRae, would have doubtless received them but for unfortunate accidents early in the season.

Brother Taylor has been elected athletics editor on the staff of our college annual, "The Colonial Echo," and Brother Koonty has been elected treasurer of the Junior class. In the annual contest between the two literary societies of

the college, Brother Graves has been elected to represent the Philomathian in declamation and Brother McRae has been elected to represent the Phoenix.

Brother Faison, '06, and Miss Bowman of Portsmouth, Va., were married not long since, and from the reports which our brothers brought back, it was a beautiful affair. We extend to Brother Faison our congratulations and good wishes.

The Dramatic club of the college, of which Brother McRae is business manager, recently played Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing" to a crowded house. Brother McRae, besides being business manager, took a part. Brothers Graves and Taylor were recently elected members of the "Spotswood Club," which is an honorary literary club. This gives us four men in the club since Brothers Koontz and McRae were already members. Since this club is limited to twelve students and three of the faculty, it is quite an honor to us to have so many in it.

DUNCAN MCRAE.

Z CHARGE

BROWN UNIVERSITY

This period of the year finds us in the midst of our term examinations. To the freshmen this must be an exceedingly interesting experience; needless to say to the rest of us it is a particularly troublesome bore, not to say "grind."

Z held a very successful and enjoyable initiation banquet at the Crown Hotel on November 5th. Brother Benjamin Cook, Z '68, was toastmaster and he contributed largely to its success by his ready wit and amusing anecdotes of college life in his own day.

Our new men have already fallen into step and, true to Z's president, are out after college honors. We are unfortunate in losing one of our initiates Brother William E. Muir, who leaves us on account of failing eyesight.

The convention being in Boston this year, we are looking forward to attending to a man. There are some of us still here who remember the Boston convention of three years ago and who can testify to the royal reception tendered by the I and K brothers. We hope to see every brother Theta Delta there and renew our acquaintances of past years.

G. F. STRICKLER.

Z ^ CHARGE

McGILL UNIVERSITY.

The one great pleasure that the Z ^ boys are all looking forward to at present is the Presidential visit. We expect Brother Cook to be with us about the second week in January. As it will be the first time that most of our present active members have had the opportunity of enjoying such a visit, we will no doubt profit very much by it. Winter sports will be in full swing and ought to afford amusement to fill in the spare moments, which of course we expect will be few.

Since my last letter we have had visits from the following brothers: Fulington, F. Olin Whitcomb and Dick Mohan. None of the boys were able to stay any length of time with us as they were all paying flying visits.

Of the few entertainments which have occurred at Z^ lately perhaps Ralph Stockwell's is the most deserving of note. It happened on a Saturday night in October when Ralph happened to have a birthday and that same day received

a box from home, the contents of which served as a hearty supper for over twenty Theta Delt.

Z^Δ is now running with an active membership of twenty-one, besides having two good men pledged who will probably join our ranks when they return after Christmas.

PHILIP N. SKELTON.

H CHARGE

BOWDOIN COLLEGE

DELINQUENT

H^Δ CHARGE

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

DELINQUENT

⊙^Δ CHARGE

MASS. INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY.

Greetings to our Sister Charges from ⊙^Δ.

This time of the year finds us looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to our week of Christmas vacation, and more pleasure (?) to mid-years, only three or four weeks distant. If we are as successful in passing these tests as we have been in putting θ^Δ to the front, we will feel that this has, indeed, been a banner year for us. With one exception our affairs have gone along finely; that exception was the temporary loss of Brother Jack Leddy, due to an attack of typhoid fever. He is recovering rapidly now, and next year will find him with us once again. Our track team, especially cross country, has had its most successful year under Brother Fernstrom's management. Our fencing team has thus far won its three meets. Brother Chapin is manager. Most of the fellows are in one or another of the Institute activities, all of which helps to uphold the reputation of dear old θ^Δ Y. The most recent honor is the election of Brother Reynolds to the Prom committee.

On the occasion of the winter concert, the evening of December 17th, the fellows invited a certain percentage of Wellesley, and other places, to the house for a swell dinner. After dinner everybody bundled up in taxis, and enjoyed the concert and dance following. It was a great evening, although nothing definite has yet been announced.

We were naturally elated to hear that convention is to be held in Boston this year. The opportunity of meeting and entertaining all the brothers, and of having the brothers know us all, is certainly gratifying. The latch-key is always out at 262 and don't forget this when you strike Boston. We have had a number of the brothers as visitors, and have certainly enjoyed their company. One old grad. whom I wish to commend to you particularly is Brother Hermann Rosentreter, Δ '87. How many of you know where Δ is? Although Δ Charge is in the list of dead ones, if Brother Rosentreter is a representative, its goods are very much "live ones." We take off our hats to Δ and its jolly grad. Incidentally, Dr Goslan should have been a Theta Delt.

Brother Al. Proctor has decided to attend Yale Shef. this next half year.

Brother Place, '08, leaves Christmas week for Seattle to work for the Seattle Light and Power Company. We shall miss him Monday nights—meeting night.

Several of our grads.—Brothers Ed. Griffin, "Kelly" Richards, Ed. Allen, and Stew. Coey will be with us occasionally during vacation week.

Brother Godfrey, just now famous on account of his latest book, "The Man Who Ended War," has visited us several times, and we have enjoyed and profited by his talks. θ^{Δ} extends best wishes to all the sister charges.

RALPH N. TORREY,
Per N. B. G.

I CHARGE

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

I Charge wishes to introduce to the Fraternity, Samuel Crocker Lawrence, 2nd, 1910, of Medford, Massachusetts; James Clifton Morrison, Jr., 1911, of Billings, Montana; Ernest Parker Miller, Jr., 1911, of Fitchburg, Massachusetts.

Henry Sprague materially helped Harvard beat Yale by his 55-yard kick from behind the goal line. He deserves great credit for his coolness, having been out of any games and scrimmages since early in the season, on account of injuries,

In the Class basket-ball series Harold Webber captained the '11 team to victory. Ernest Miller was forward on the same team and in the final game was opposed by Jordan of the '10 team. Webber also played tackle on his class football team.

Sam Lawrence, one of Harvard's strong field event men, recently won first in the three standing broad jumps, second in the pole vault, and third in the standing high jump, in the Indoor Championship Meet at New York.

ALLEN SWIFT.

I^A CHARGE

WILLIAMS COLLEGE

Since my last letter to THE SHIELD, there has been little change in the usual routine of college life,—little which might relieve the monotony of recitations. *I*^A accepted with pleasure the invitation of *M*^A to attend their initiation and banquet, and enjoyed a most pleasant and helpful visit.

Among ourselves, I should mention Henry W. Harter, who has recently been elected to his Class Day Committee, Wentworth C. Carr, '11, received the managership of the Sophomore basketball team, and though none of the other brothers have been elected to similar positions since I last wrote to THE SHIELD, the future of *I*^A seems very bright.

Our President, Edward J. Cook, made us his official visit on the 11th of December. He was with us but a short time—in fact, only a few hours, but everyone certainly appreciated his few words upon the signification and significance of $\theta \Delta X$. We were able to have many of the alumni brothers present, among them was the Dean of our college, Frederick C. Ferry, '91.

E. Carleton McLellan.

K CHARGE

TUFTS COLLEGE

AFFILIATE

George Winthrop Cahoon Φ

At this season, the interests of the college centre mainly in basketball and track work. We have a very good representation in both, and our prospects in

basketball are especially bright. Brother Wallace, '10, is a fixture at guard, where he has put up a star game for the last two years. Brothers Knight, '10, and Dickinson, '11, have been on the "varsity" ever since their career on "the Hill" began, and Brother Fisher, '12, is doing mighty fine work and making all opposition hustle.

At the close of our football season Brother Dittrick, '10, was chosen captain for next year, and Brother Adams, '10, manager, with Brother Wise, '11, as his first assistant.

On track we are doing our share, with Brother Lincoln, '10, in the high jump and sprints, in which events he did good work last year. Brothers Fessenden, '10, Wise, '11, and Little, '11, are also out. Brother Fessenden, '10, is showing up well in the pole-vault, while Wise, '11, and Little, '11, are doing well in the sprints.

Of course the early awakening of interest in the coming Convention is already with us, and various pipe-dreams as what is to be done and how are permeating the atmosphere.

The upper classmen realize that they are unusually fortunate in having the gathering of the great "Theta Delt" family so near us, and also in that the whole charge can attend and take a hand in both the work and the play of "Convention week."

In our visits to other charges, and in their visits to us, the desire to get to convention is greatly increased, and it seems almost too long to wait, until February 20th,

We have had with us one visitor in the interim since the last charge letter, who always makes us envious of his opportunities to visit the sister charges throughout the country. "Norm" Hackett I^{Δ} certainly is there when it comes to knowing all "Theta Deltas," and we wish we were all actors, if we could by so being, visit so many of the brothers.

Don't wait for us to visit you before dropping in on us.

GUY HAMILTON.

K^Δ CHARGE

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

By the time this letter is in print, K^{Δ} will have initiated James T. Dougherty '12, Columbus, Ind.; C. L. Gustafson '12, Boone, Iowa, and W. W. Day '20, Peoria, Ind. These men, we feel sure, will prove themselves sterling $\theta \Delta$'s.

The most important event of the year was the visit of President Cook. It certainly was great, and the memory of it will remain. Brother Cook subjected the charge to a quiz, and told many stories relating to our fraternity. K^{Δ} boys, to-day, are much wiser.

"Grad" Elmer Tilden, '08, R. E. Doherty and I. A. Lindberg '10, will represent us at the Convention.

George Chapin, K^{Δ} '06, and Chet Macguire are preparing to publish a booklet pertaining to all matters of interest which have come up in our charge since the installation. If this issue proves a success, we will have one published each year.

The charge wishes to thank George N. Sleight, I^{Δ} '93, Edward Bartow, I^{Δ} '92, and F. O. Dufour, II^{Δ} '96, for their liberal donation to our library of the back numbers of THE SHIELDS.

The winter sports are well under way and the brothers are well represented

in the following activities: Ed Lindburg is running the "quarter" in faster time than any one in college. "Doc" Cutler is playing a remarkable game at water polo. Harry Landor has a strong sophomore basketball team and is confident of winning the class championship. Roy Miller, Harry Landor and J. R. Jordan have received appointments as non-commissioned officers in the University regiment. Some of our freshmen are doing "stunts." F. T. Sisco is a member of the band, glee and mandolin club and is reporting for the Daily "Illini." Ben McCleery won his class numerals in football and is a strong candidate for the freshman Varsity water polo team. Roy Leggett and E. H. McFarland are on the freshman basket ball team.

Socially we are holding our own. On November 6th the first informal dance was given at College Hall. Billy Grant and Willis Warè were among the grads. On Thanksgiving, twelve of the brothers who did not go home, "framed up" a "left-overs" dinner and dance at the charge house. Those who missed this certainly lost out on a grand old time. February 19, 1909 is the date fixed for our formal, which is to be held at the Elks Auditorium. As this is the dance of the season, any Theta Delt who can possibly get to Champaign on that date should let us know in advance and we will see that he has a "fairy."

We have enjoyed the visits of the following brothers: President E. J. Cook, E '95; F. E. Compton, S^Δ '98; Brainerd Means, I^Δ '03; Edward Bartow, I^Δ '92; Guy Williams, I^Δ '96; Gilbert Kelly, X^Δ '00; George N. Sleight, I^Δ '93; E. N. Hager, K^Δ '09; Jack Dangan, K^Δ '10.

F. E. WARREN.

A CHARGE

BOSTON UNIVERSITY

A held her initiation banquet on Tuesday evening, December 1st. A large number of graduate brothers turned out to make the affair a success, and it certainly was one. "Bert" Jennings '00 was toastmaster, and all the grads had something to say. The charge was honored by the presence of Neil Burgess of X, who made us a rattling good speech. Since the banquet we have pledged another freshman—Harold B. Shepherd, of East Concord, Mass., and expect to initiate him soon.

On December 11th the Charge held the first of our winter dances. Everyone voted the evening a rousing success, and the girls united in their unstinted admiration. This will wind up the social program of A until the beginning of the second semester in February. Exams are already showing themselves on our horizon, and we are preparing accordingly.

In college activities the fellows are well represented, as usual. Bentley, Sanders and Sharp made the cast in the Athletic Association Play, which is considered the best show given in late years. Sharp is vice-president of the Senior Class and chairman of the Prudential Committee. Green, '12, and Bentley '10, are making good on the basket ball team, and several of the other brothers are being heard from in that department. We have four men in the Glee Club which Sharp is managing. Every one of the Freshman delegation made the class basket ball team, and we consider that this is a pretty good showing. Bentley, '10, has just been elected Chairman of the Junior Prom Committee, which is one of the most coveted offices in college. The Charge is especially happy over this honor, as for the past six years A has had the chairman of this committee.

HAROLD HARRIS SHARP.

M^Δ CHARGE

AMHERST COLLEGE

INITIATES

1911

William Stuart Woodside, Elmira, N. Y.

1912

Russell Bertram Hall, Worcester, Mass.

William Franklin Johns, Baltimore, Md.

John Joseph Keogh, South Hadley Falls, Mass.

Charles Alfred Mason, Baltimore, Md.

Leslie Fisher Smith, Stamford, Conn.

Melville Smithers, St. Louis, Mo.

We held our annual initiation and banquet on Friday, November 20th. It was one of the most successful banquets that we have ever had. Representatives from five charges, I, I^Δ, O^Δ, P^Δ and T^Δ, were with us, as well as several of our alumni and faculty brothers. Clinton W. Tylee, '09, who acted as toastmaster, succeeded in extorting speeches, of every degree of enthusiasm from the following brothers: Lawrence W. Babbage, '11, William F. Johns, '12, Charles W. Cobb, '97, Courtney Campbell, '10, Joseph B. Jamieson, '09, Paul C. Phillips, '88, Sumner B. Rand, '06, F. Stuart Crawford, '97, and last, but by no means least, from John Andrew Gildersleeve, '08. After the silent toast to Ω, the banquet ended, but the brothers lingered long into the morning hours before retiring. On the following day we played Williams, and the celebration of the victory closed an occasion long to be remembered.

At present we are looking forward with some slight degree of uneasiness to the semester examinations. Those of us who survive them will be present at the next convention in a body. Our delegates are Joseph B. Jamieson, '09, and William F. Corry, '11.

PIERRE DREWSEN.

N^Δ CHARGE

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

Since the last letter from N^Δ, football has been the all important subject. Our season has been a most successful one, for we beat Lafayette, and of course we feel proud. N^Δ feels especially so, for Lawson played a star game at end and did much toward winning the game. Okeson '06, Deans '89, Murphy '01 and Parsons '02 were back for the game.

Parsons '02 gave a lecture before the student body on November 20th on "Some Coal Mining Problems." His lecture was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and we hope he will soon come again.

Rushing is about over. We have one more freshman whom we expect to pledge, and this will probably complete our freshman contingent,

We are trying to hold up our end in college activities. Cook, '12, is a star player for the Freshman basket ball team, which beat the Junior and Sophomore teams and gave the Seniors a good rub. Callen, '09, took part in the minstrel show. He is also assistant leader of the University band. Kerr, '11, and Crelin, '12, will make the Mandolin club.

The Christmas dinner was served on Sunday, December 20, as none of the brothers expected to stay in town during the holidays. A very successful dance

was held on Tuesday evening, December 22. Of course it was up to the usual Theta Delt standard. We were very glad to have Goytisolo, '08, and Chiriboga, ex-'11, return to South Bethlehem for the holiday festivities.

We enjoyed a brief visit from Greenwood, B. Hoff, Ξ '90, is a continual inspiration to us. Hardly a week goes by without a visit from him, and we are greatly indebted to him for an abundance of suggestions, good advice and lots of other things. Walsh, ex-'09, has been at the house several times. He is at present attending the University of Pennsylvania.

Convention time is drawing near and is becoming the general topic for discussion. We expect to have a good sized delegation there, and hope to renew many old acquaintances and make lots of new ones.

A. C. CALLEN.

Ξ CHARGE

HOBART COLLEGE

The dull time of the year is now upon us, and nothing particularly important has changed our daily routine. We are living in daily fear of the coming exams, lest perchance some of the chosen will be obliged to leave the flock. But still on the other hand, after war is peace, and we can find some relief in the anticipation that Junior week follows directly after the exams.

We recently entertained Norman Hackett, Γ^{Δ} '98, at a theater party and supper. About twenty-five Theta Delt were present. The evening was most enjoyable, and the still night air was often disturbed by our singing and by the hilarious laughter caused by Norm's stories, wise and otherwise.

Our graduate meeting nights, held the first Monday night in every month, have indeed been very successful, and I want to congratulate the graduates on their enthusiastic response. Edward J. Cole was present at the one held last month, and he gave us a most interesting account of his travels in the West.

I regret to announce that Brothers Hooper and Rathbun have been obliged to leave college. Hooper has gone into business at Buffalo and Rathbun is with his father in St. Louis.

By way of repetition, let me renew my invitation, extended to each and every Theta Delt, to stop off and visit us when in or near Geneva.

MILES D. STEETTENZ.

O^Δ CHARGE

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

INITIATES

1911

Guy Carleton Steeves, New York City.

John Francis Steeves, Jr., New York City.

1912

James Thomas Cottrell, Tiverton, R. I.

Dana Weeman Jones, Malden Mass.

Walter Thomas Kyle, Troy, Ohio.

Guy Charles Lewis, Lebanon, N. H.

Roy Everett Lewis, Lebanon, N. H.

William Henry Locke, Belmont, Mass.

John Wallace Mahlstedt, Jersey City, N. J.

Irving Hoban Putnam, Dorchester, Mass.
 Walter Frederic Thomas, Melrose, Mass.
 Francis Parkinson Walsh, Lowell, Mass.
 William Whipple Poole, Jr., Westbrook, Me.

Ω^A has recently initiated the above brothers and feel sure that they will prove loyal Theta Deltas. They are all representative men and many of them have done or are doing things in the college. Cottrell was captain of the freshman football team and Putnam was his halfback; both the Lewis brothers, Jones and Mahlstedt are on the Musical Clubs.

Ω^A is unique in having five sets of brothers in the active charge, namely: Locke, Steeves, Lewis, Putnam and Jones.

A fact that will probably interest the alumni of the Charge is that we have recently been fixing up the charge rooms considerably, having bought a new billiard table and many other fixtures, so that the old rooms look altogether changed. We are all living in hopes, however, that we will not have to occupy rooms much longer but can put up the returning and visiting brothers in a house before many moons have passed.

At our initiation banquet we were especially fortunate in having with us President Cook, and we feel as if the new members had already imbibed some good Theta Delt spirit. The banquet will be mentioned under Banquets in this issue of THE SHIELD.

Hockey and Basketball are taking up the athletic eye nowadays; in hockey Bates, '10, Pishon, '10, and Eaton, '11, are showing up finely on the squad and should catch the team for at least some of the big games.

We are now on the eve of Christmas vacation to which we are looking forward with much anticipation and the hope that we will meet many of the brothers during that time, after that we beat it for the Convention in Boston thirty-seven strong.

IRVING F. JEWETT.

II^A CHARGE

COLLEGE OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

INITIATE

Cornelius Savage, 1912, New York City.

On December 15th II^A celebrated her twenty-seventh birthday by a banquet at Reisenwebers. On that occasion the brothers uncorked their bottled-up enthusiasm and the result was one of the most enjoyable dinners II^A has ever given. Brother Frank L. Jones '88 was toastmaster and his jokes and happy toasts kept the ball of jollity and good fellowship rolling. Brother "Dan" Dougherty '82 roused the enthusiasm of the brothers with one of his typical speeches. O! that we all had your gift of eloquence, Brother "Dan." Brother "Ernie" Schmid, Otto Grassi, Herb Holton, etc., livened up things in their usual fashion. We were especially honored by the presence of Brother Goodwin, one of the charter member of II^A who spoke of the days when the charge was young. The banquet concluded with a toast to the Ω Charge by Brother Carl Schmid, who paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Brothers Deane Stratton and Rudolph Dulon, who have but recently entered Ω, and whose death has been a sad blow to II^A.

The chief social event of the college season was the Junior "Prom." which was by all odds the best in recent years.

On December 19th the Athletic Association held its big indoor meet. As on a of the newspapers described it, "It was one of the classiest meets of the season." Many of the Olympic champions took part in the special events and there were many exciting finishes.

Basket ball is holding the centre of the stage just now and great things are expected of the team. They started the season with two victories in succession, one over Yale and another over Princeton. With such a good beginning the prospects of the team look bright indeed.

Brothers Lange and Savage are busy now with a plan for reviving the game of Hockey at City College, and after an energetic campaign have rogght out a fine bunch of candidates. In a short time City College will again be represented by a team in this strenuous sport,

With the date set for the annual convention drawing nearer, the brothers are planning ways and means for attending, and all hope to meet the representatives of the other charges and renew the friendships begun last year.

FRANK E. MULLER.

P Δ CHARGE

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, N. Y.

INITIATE

Herbert Clyne, New York City.

The Freshman delegation which we obtained this year was the largest and strongest that P Δ has taken in for several years, and I take pleasure in adding the name of Brother Clyne to the list which was published in the last edition of THE SHIELD.

Since the last publication the charge has been very busy and has been active in both collegiate and social functions.

On December 4th, 1908, at 8 p. m., the charge held an informal dance at the charge house. This is the first affair of the kind that has been held for some years, and it was a pleasure to note how great was its success. A great amount of credit is due to those graduates who patronized it, and, judging from the success, there will be others held during the college year.

The splendid stained glass memorial window, presented to the charge by Mrs. Powell in memory of her husband, Irwin Augustus Powell, P Δ 1898 Ω 1907, has been installed in place for several weeks, but it was not until recently that it was completed.

On December 11, 1908, at 4 p. m., the dedication was held, which was attended by Mrs. Powell and a few of her friends, the members of the charge and a few graduates. J. Boyce Smith, P Δ '01, presided.

On the evening of the same day the charge held the celebration of the 25th anniversary of its existence. This festivity was marked by the great number of graduate brothers present, and we were entertained by speeches from some of the older, and also some of the younger brothers. Prominent amongst those present during the evening were Brothers Cole, Griffing, Tombo, Benedict, Neardeu, J. Boyce Smith and others too numerous to mention. After the more serious speeches, we all adjourned to the dining room, where refreshments were served, and the brothers of lighter vein, entertained by songs and cheers until the early hours of the morning. It was a great event in the history of P Δ and we sincerely hope that the future of the charge will be as bright as the support

of such a strong and enthusiastic body of graduates have made it in the past and present.

The athletic situation at Columbia, in which the crew is the largest factor, has been very low at present. At the opening of the college year the crew management had to face the proposition of a debt of \$6,000. By hard labor amongst graduates and the student body, and also by aid of the fraternities at college, the debt has been removed, and it is to be hoped Columbia will have a winning crew this year. Brother Mahow, as assistant manager, is working hard and it is hoped that his labor will be fully rewarded.

The prospects of the basket ball team, with Brother Fisher as coach, are very bright. The team, to date, has not been defeated, winning from City College of New York by the score of 13—12. Brother Mahow, who is playing with the team, will make a permanent position.

Brother Price, as business manager of The Spectator, the college daily, has during the past year boomed the paper greatly. Brother Sullivan is a tenor soloist for the Glee club. Brother Baragwawath is manager of the 'Varsity show. The Freshmen are active also, as Brother Swezey was elected to The Spectator board and Brother Dowing is out for the crew. Brother R. Stephens is president of the 1911 class in college, and his brother is prominent in Spectator work and dormitory affairs. We are very pleased to see with us Brother Moffit, T^Δ '09, who is taking work here.

The biggest things now in sight are the "midyear" examination week and the spring rushing, in which we expect to be able to get some good men.

KENNETH C. BROWNE.

Σ Δ CHARGE

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN.

Football has long since departed, and although Chicago carried away the western championship, she by no means whipped us. Wisconsin showed up to better advantage in the real football game from the kick-off until the last whistle blew.

Basketball is the center of attraction now, and the prospects are very bright for Wisconsin to finish at the top of the list.

Clem Rossbach, '11, has made his class water polo team, and won his numerals recently in the interclass aquatic meet. Adams is working hard on the machines with the freshman crew, and Blythe is doing real things on the Daily Cardinal.

The bowling team has made a good showing and we expect to land the trophy in the interfraternity league.

On January ninth we give our formal, and a large delegation of the old fellows is expected back to help celebrate the year's social function.

Mid-years will soon be here, and so we are all bucking and hoping that the middle part of Wis—CON—sin will escape us.

R. G. Thwaites, I, who is one of the regents of the university, was with us when the board of regents met in December. Moxie Kayser has accepted a position with the Milwaukee Lumber Company in Milwaukee. Teeter Ferris, Σ Δ '00, is practicing law in Elkhorn, Wis. Jim Robertson, Andy Robertson, Peg Carter, Pasty Adams, Bill Chadwick, Bill Hannan, Eve Eyman, Moxie Kayser, Sabe Kessenich, Jack Thickers, Roxie Rosholt, Ed Farley, Carl Kayser and Tug Wilson were all back for the Chicago game. Most of them came early and

attended our party on the night before. Eldone Cox, who is now in Pittsburg, visited us a few days in the early part of December. Harry A. Hanke, K^{Δ} '10, and Bob Hosmer, B '02, have also paid us much enjoyed visits.

JOHN A. FRYER,

T^{Δ} CHARGE

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

DELINQUENT.

Φ CHARGE

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

With the close of the first term, all at Φ have been busy preparing for the final examinations which are now at hand.

The past term has been a busy one for all of us and the football team had a successful season. Three of the charge were awarded the block "L" by the athletic association for their work on the 'Varsity. Fred McCutcheon held down left tackle, while Hays held down the same position on the other side of the line and Rumbaugh distinguished himself at the right half back. Joe Parker was recently elected manager of the football team for the season of 1909, while Hindman was elected secretary of the Junior class for the coming year.

The Charge gave its regular term dance on December 2nd, and those present thought it the best ever held in the charge house. Fred McCutcheon has been elected chairman of the Junior hop, which takes place during Junior week at the middle of the coming term. With the call for "Sock and Buskin" candidates several of the charge will probably turn out for the caste and chorus. Eldredge Cole and George Markle have both made the Glee club, while Markle is on the caste for the German play to be given by the "Deutcher Verein," in the near future. Several of the graduate brothers have dropped in on us and we were able to have both Dr. and Mrs. Michler with us at our term dance.

WILLIAM BLAKE HINDMAN,

X CHARGE

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

DELINQUENT.

X^{Δ} CHARGE

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

A. J. Middleton, Washington, D. C.
 John H. Myers, Washington, D. C.
 Roswell Dague, Los Angeles, Cal.
 M. S. Curtis, Washington, D. C.
 H. Myers, Washington, D. C.
 R. S. Brodie, Washington, D. C.
 H. Lower, Corning, N. Y.
 R. G. Irby, Washington, D. C.
 G. Bond, Washington, D. C.
 H. Keats, Washington, D. C.

λ^{Δ} wishes to present to the charges the above named brothers, with the assurance that they represent, in all respects, the cream of the freshmen class at G. W. U. We have endeavored to embody in their selection that spirit which animates and vitalizes $\theta \Delta X$ and Theta Deltas everywhere. Closer contact and more intimate acquaintance with them convinces us that we could have done no better, and have chosen wisely.

The inspiration of the leadership of "Bill" Turkenton is being most productive, and the idealism, which is so essentially a part of his own personality, is being strongly felt. We at λ^{Δ} are trying to encourage in ourselves and in each other the development of those intellectual and moral principles which are so elemental in the highest perfection of Man. Youth is like truth, an immortality, if it can be fostered in the atmosphere which $\theta \Delta X$ may throw about it. λ^{Δ} 's goal, then, is to apply the criterion which is the basis of our life in this beloved fraternity in such a way as to make youth immortal and perpetual in the soul of her sons. This is a lofty task, but it is felt that we can see the summit of its attainment on the horizon of our life in $\theta \Delta X$, and that λ^{Δ} is not lowest in the valley of aspiration.

We do not live under the almost ideal conditions that exist in some of the charges. Many of the brothers have their home and its interests here to divert them, but we are endeavoring to develop the best spirit of $\theta \Delta X$, and we believe we are meeting with success. It is our purpose particularly to emphasize the Saturday night meetings, the occasion when we all get together. Instead of having this a business session, we are striving to make the charge room a fount from which to draw on the ideas, sympathy and sentiment of the other man, and thus to arrive at the truth.

λ^{Δ} appreciates the honor which has been conferred upon her by the appointment of Clyde Garrett as treasurer of the Grand Lodge, and there is no question in the minds of those who know him that President Cook could have made no better selection to fill this important post.

"Rough" Newhouser is busy making a success of the indoor track meet, which is to be held in February, when Jack Sterrett is expected to carry off the honors in the pole vault. "Count" Dodson and "Baron" Schoenfeld still continue to be strong factors in the social whirl. "Shorty" Graham, our chef and bottle washer, is still dispensing kitchen hospitality and ice water, at a serious daily deficit of one cent. The remainder of the brothers find that the absorbing duties of the co-educational system keep them completely occupied and space will not permit the recording of their achievements.

We hope to have the pleasure of seeing many of the visiting Theta Deltas at our Christmas dance at Baucher's on New Year's Eve.

ALBERT WILLIAM BRYAN.

Ψ CHARGE
HAMILTON COLLEGE

There is much pleasure in submitting this letter to the brothers, in as much as it directly follows a most successful "exam" week, in which all of the Ψ brothers have come forth with colors high. We are especially proud of our three new freshmen, who have gone to their respective homes to enjoy the Christmas vacation, without a thought for past work or for a coming "dink-day." Indeed, the whole fall term has been a most pleasant one for Ψ , our only regret being that George Redfield Nixon, '11, the son of the late Samuel Frederick Nixon, Ψ '81, has left us. He expects to enter the Cornell Law School next year.

The opening of spring term will see all the brothers back on the hill, eager for hard work and a good time. Brother Getman, '11, will play on the basket-ball team, and Brother Barber, '10, as chairman of the Junior Prom committee, expects to make that social function a glowing success.

It is always a great pleasure to 'H' to welcome into her midst brothers from the sister charges. Since college opened we have been favored with visits from the following brothers: Miles D. Stettenbenz, E '09, Hugh M. McWhorter, E '10, Theodore Warner, E '12, Leo D. Hayes, X '09, Frank Seymour Dana, X '10, Frank E. Cassidy, X '10.

Hopeful news from time to time comes to 'H' from her graduates. It is encouraging to hear of our brothers entering the marriage state; it gives us undergraduates a new hope in life. On December 1 occurred the marriage of Louis J. Ehret, '04, to Virginia Donahue. They are spending the winter in Europe. Also Brother Merwin K. Nellis, '06, former secretary of the Grand Lodge, and now in the Albany Law School, was united in marriage with Miss Wilma Griffith of Schenectady. J. H. Edgerton, '05, now principal of the High School at Springdale, Pa., has been blessed with a baby boy. The same joy has come to Brother McIntyre, '05, of Johnstown, N. Y. Brother MacGaffin, '04, is a physician in the Hospital for the Insane at Taunton, Mass. Brother Wisewell, '04, is teaching in the Sargent's Traveling School on the continent. Brother Kellogg, '06, has a good position on the State Board of Health in Raleigh, N. C. Brother Rood, '07, is taking a course at the Buffalo Law School, and Brother Rynd, '07, is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins. Brother Kellogg, '08, is teaching languages at the Lake Placid School, N. Y.

Our next thought is for the coming convention. We have elected delegates as follows: Graduate, Brother Benedict, '72; alternate, Brother MacGaffin, '04; undergraduate, Brothers Woolcott, '09, and Swift, '10.

HOMER C. EVANS.



Topics of interest for this section are earnestly solicited from all who are able to supply them. Communications should be addressed to THETA DELTA CHI PRESS, Flat-Iron Building, New York City.—Ed.

B CHARGE

PROF. CHARLES D. MARX '78, of the department of civil engineering of Leland Stanford Junior University, has been engaged by the supervisors of San Francisco to report on the Hetch-Hetchy water project, now under consideration by the city.

Γ^Δ CHARGE

R. H. STEPHENS, '97, was elected prosecuting attorney of Defiance County at the last election.

Δ CHARGE

R. M. ARANGO, '87, has been appointed Minister to England from the Republic of Panama.

C. C. AROSEMENA, '90, the new Minister from Panama, presented his credentials to President Roosevelt at the White House. Brother Arosemena succeeds Senor Obaldia, who was elected President of Panama. As Assistant Secretary Bacon, in a formal way, began to introduce Brother Arosemena as one who was not unknown to Washington, the President interrupted to say, "Oh, I know Senor Arosemena well, and everything I know about him is good," whereupon he shook the diplomatist by both hands.

E CHARGE

H. JACKSON DAVIS, '02, is still located at Richmond. He is superintendent of the schools of Henrico Co.

W. T. HODGES, '02, has resigned his position with McMillan & Co., and is now teaching school in Danville, Va.

"JOE" CHITWOOD, '04, has been appointed one of the board of Visitors at William and Mary College, and also has been appointed one of the executive committee.

A. R. W. MACKRETH, '04, is connected with Times-Dispatch of Richmond, Va.

A. D. WRIGHT, '04, is traveling through Europe, studying the public school systems of the different countries.

C. I. CAREY, '05, is a law student at Washington and Lee and is editor in chief of the literary magazine.

T. N. LAURENCE, '05, is preaching in Accomac, Va.

T. LOWRY SINCLAIR, '05, now has charge of a mission located at Shanghai, China.

E. B. FAISON, '06, is principal of the Portsmouth High School.

J. W. ABBITT, '07, and J. C. RAWLES, '07, are students at the University of Maryland. They are taking the medical course.

H. H. Marsden, '08, and O. H. PETTERS, '07, are attending the Episcopal Theological Seminary at Alexandria, Va.

H. G. CARTER, '08, is teaching in an excellent school near his home, at Kelmernock, Va. He has an excellent position for such a young man.

A. W. LEWIS, '08, is attending the Medical College of Virginia, located at Richmond.

S. W. RAWLS, '10, has a position in Franklin, Va.

G. W. LAND, '10, is attending the Virginia Tech.

A. W. MARTIN, '10, is attending Washington and Lee.

R. P. SHUMADINE, '11, is at his home near Norfolk, Va.

H. S. JOYNES is at his home in Norfolk at present on account of ill health, but expects to return to college in the spring.

Brothers DAVIS, MACKRETH, MADDIX and CHITWOOD are members of the Alpha chapter of *Φ B K*.

Z CHARGE

REV. GEORGE C. TANNER, D. D., '57, is one of the oldest and most venerable members of our Fraternity, and an Episcopal clergyman of Fairbault, Minn. The following extract is taken from his report in the Diocesan Journal of 1908: "During the school year, I have had charge of the large Study Hall at Shattuck. This will close my twenty-first year at Shattuck School and is my fiftieth year within the original limits of the Bishop Seabury Mission." Dr. Tanner is also Registrar of the Diocese of Minnesota and has written a history of the Episcopal Church in that state which is soon to be published.

H CHARGE

GEORGE B. CHANLER, of Rocky Hill, Conn., has been elected to the Legislative House of Representatives.

JAMES M. CHANDLER, '08, has opened offices at 6 Beacon Street, Boston, for the purpose of conducting the business of a general advertising agency with Harold W. Lovett, under the style of "Lovett-Chandler Company, Inc."

LOUIS D. H. WELD, '05, who took his Ph. D. at Columbia, in 1908, has been called to an instructorship in the department of economics, at the University of Washington. Bro. Weld resigns a place with the Department of Labor of the State of New York to go to the Pacific coast. The doctor's dissertation on "The Private Car Industry in the United States," has received the distinction of being published in the Columbia Studies in History, Economics and Politics.

A. H. HARDING, '80. The contest for the Bangor Municipal court judgeship has been settled through the appointment of Albra H. Harding, Esq., to succeed Harry J. Chapman, the present incumbent. The appointment went before the governor's council for confirmation and Mr. Harding commenced his new duties on the first of the year. Brother Harding is an attorney-at-law and a United States claim agent, and has been engaged in the practice of law in Bangor for many years.

Brother Harding is a member of Rising Virtue Lodge, F. and A. M., Mount Moriah R. A. Chapter, Eastern Star Lodge of Perfection, P. of J., and Bangor Chapter, Rose Croix.

Bro. Harding was a member of the city government for six years, five of which he served consecutively. After his first year in the city government he had no opposition and was given the nomination by acclamation each year during the six he served. He was president of the common council and while in the board of aldermen was called upon to act in the capacity of mayor in the absence of the city's chief executive.

 ◉^A CHARGE

CLARENCE LAMONT, '08, is in Ely, Nev. His wife and two youngsters are with him, and we are pleased to know of his success in the mining business.

JOHN TOBIN, '08, is in Leesville, Va. He is a bridge inspector with the new Virginian Railway Company, and writes that he is enjoying life.

KARL RICHARDS is stationed at Norfolk, Va.; he is at work inspecting concrete, etc.

ED. ALLEN has headquarters in Buffalo, where he represents Kohnstamm & Co., launderers materials.

HARRY MOODY is in Pittsburg with the U. S. G. S. in the fuel testing division. He is enthusiastic over Pittsburg Theta Delts.

OSCAR STARKWEATHER is with the Louisville (Ky.) Sewage Co. He is the proud father of a baby boy—Oscar Allen Starkweather.

"WEE" WILLIAMS is mining at Pluma, S. D.

GEORGE HENDERSON is mining in Nevada.

TOMMY RUGGLES is with the Boston and Montana people at Great Falls, Mont.

WALTER DAVOL is with the Continental Insurance Co., with headquarters in New York City.

ARTHUR BELDING is the representative of the Sullivan Machinery Co. at Joplin, Mo.

I CHARGE

L. L. WADSWORTH, '03, and his wife are rejoicing over the arrival of L. L. junior on the 6th of December, 1908.

STANLEY R. MILLER, '03, Graduate Treasurer of *I*, was married, November 29th, at Philadelphia, to Miss Anna K. Wolff. He is now in Europe, traveling for a few months.

H. GORDON SPENCER, '03, from the reports of the native newspapers, led the celebration of the Harvard-Yale game, from the front seat in an auto, out in Honolulu. Many appropriate and brilliant speeches were made, mostly by H. Gordon.

CLARENCE FULTZ, '06, has announced his engagement to Miss Eleanor C. Barta, the sister of Brother Barta, of *I*.

R. C. PINGREE, '06, has just formed a partnership with John J. Ryan and has opened an office at 163 Merimac street, Haverhill, Mass., for the general practice of law.

ED BECKER, '08, dropped East in time for the Yale game. He has been in Helena, Mont., in charge of an extensive coal concern, but cannot forsake the bright lights of the East so soon in life.

A daughter was born to Brother and Mrs. Melville T. Nichols in September, 1908.

ALBERT W. COOPER, '01, was married to Miss Gertrude Ellen Homans on June 25, at Boston.

GORDON IRELAND, '01, was married to Miss Helen Maynard of Salt Lake City, November 11.

E. ROGER UNDERWOOD, '01, was married to Miss Florence Frazer, December 10, at Newark. N. J.

R. F. JANES, '02, was married to Miss Lucille Voorhis at Inter-Staaten, Port Chester, N. Y., on October 17.

ERNEST R. KIMBALL, '04, was married to Miss Blanche Howard on May 29, at Arlington, Mass.

NATHANIEL BRACKETT WALES was married to Miss Enid Mariner Scarritt on July 6, at Bridgewater, Mass.

I^A CHARGE

DEAN FERRY represented Williams at the meeting of the College Entrance Examination Board held at Columbia University.

RICHARD P. WARD, '95, is at 831 Brent Avenue, South Pasadena, California.

EDWARD J. BARTOW, '92, director of the Water Survey of Illinois, read one of the principal papers at the Kansas City meeting of the American Chemical Society in December.

BERNARD MEARS, '03, is an instructor in Chemistry at the University of Illinois. He is engaged with Prof. Parr of that institution in extensive and valuable investigations of the coals of Illinois.

K CHARGE

ARTHUR ROWE, '98, visited K during his week with Robert Hilliard at Keith's, and the boys found him as entertaining and interested in charge affairs as ever.

"TOM" KNIGHT, '03, and Chapin, '06, are regular visitors at "the House."

HAROLD FAY, '04, is now in the Yale Forestry School.

"PETE" ALPAUGH, '07, has by report "ridden the goat" of the Robin Hood Society at Yale Forestry.

"WALT" GREEN, '08, is employed with the General Electric at Lynn, and from report is quite busy socially.

"PAT" CASE, '08, and Michael, '08, have come back to "the Hill" for a couple of special courses, and it is great to hear the harmony of their voices chime into the tumult again.

"HARRY" TOWER, ex-'10, informs us that he is still "sawing wood," and we wish him success in his lumber deals.

K^A CHARGE

GEORGE CHAPIN, '06, is assistant editor of the Champaign Daily News. He gradually becoming rounder and shorter. Reports are afloat that the old boy will soon become a benedict. K^A's first boost.

J. F. MEYER, '07, is located in Hannibal, Mo., working as draftsman in his father's office. "Fritz" is going to Boston on February 21.

THE TWO HUNTS, "Spike" and "Jas," '07, are both located in Chicago, Ill. The former is working in the advertisement department of Siegel, Cooper & Co., the latter is with the Shaw, Walker Co.

"EDDIE" BULLARD, '07, shook the dust of the Illinois Traction System from his feet and "hiked" west. The last report, "Ed" was in Tacoma, Washington.

DICK WALL, '07, is working for Hewellen & Schmidt, Architects, of Chicago, Ill.

Chicago life was found to be too strenuous for "Shorty" Wilkinson, '09, so he wandered to Kankakee, Ill., to become a business man of that town.

E. A. TILDEN, K^A, '08, Canton, Ohio, was inspector of the decora-

tion of the Court House, but has recently resigned this position to enter business. Anyone now passing 38 Shaefer Block, will see the big shingle, "Til" Tilden, Architect. "Til" will meet all comers at the convention as K^α's graduate delegate.

J. T. SMITH, '10, is helping the government to dig the big ditch in Panama. "Husk" is superintendent in the quartermaster department.

Λ CHARGE

ORISON SWETT MARDEN '70 has published a book in which he has collected some of his strongest editorials and papers bearing upon the importance of self-confidence, and the mastery of destiny through self as they appeared in the magazine of which he is editor. "Success."

FRANK J. METCALF '86 is President of the Brightwood Citizens' Association of Washington, D. C., under whose auspices the Brightwood Park Public School was dedicated on October 21, 1908. Brother Metcalf presided as chairman of the exercises.

DR. GEORGE H. FALL '83 narrowly missed being mayor of Malden. The election was hotly contested and his opponent won by a very small majority.

JOE HOOD '03 has just returned from his wedding tour and has been around to call.

CHARLES H. MOORE '05 always had a desire to get into politics and his wish was gratified as in the recent city elections he was elected to the Common Council.

GEORGE MERRITT '05 has entered the law office of Johnson & North, one of the leading law firms of Boston. Both members of the firm are Theta Deltas from K, and it bids fair to be more of a Theta Delt organization than ever.

JOHN S. SUDBURY '05 has accepted a position as Superintendent of Underground Construction with the General Electric Company of Lynn.

WALTER H. MERRITT '03 recently honored us with a visit. He is practicing law in New York City.

MARTIN EDWARDS '05 is a surgeon in the Lawrence General Hospital, Lawrence, Massachusetts.

M^Δ CHARGE

REV FRANCIS L. PALMER, '85, Rector of Ascension Church, Stillwater, Minn., for the past eight years, was a delegate to the great Pan-Anglican Congress, which met in London last year. On his way to the Congress he visited Ireland and Wales, and afterwards spent over six weeks in Germany and Austria.

OSGOOD T. EASTMAN, '86, is with the First National Bank of Omaha, Neb.

NATHAN P. AVERY, '91, was re-elected Mayor of Holyoke, Mass., for the fourth time, last fall.

CHESTER T. PORTER, '96, is engaged to Miss Gertrude Stone of Worcester, Mass.

HARRY C. CRAWFORD, '06, is engaged to Miss Nellie C. Stone of Worcester, Mass., whose brother, Arthur G. Stone, '11, is an active member of *M*^Δ.

HAROLD S. BROWN, '07, is in business in San Francisco, Cal.

JOHN A. GILDERSLEEVE, '08, and GILBERT W. BENEDICT, '08, are grad. students at Columbia.

PHILIP S. JAMESON, '08, is with Marster's Tours in Boston.

EDWARD W. KIDDER, '08, was married to Miss Marjorie Clutia of Amherst, Mass., on October 17, 1908.

ALBERT B. HOUGHTON, '09, is in the furniture business in Omaha, Neb.

DONALD M. GILDERSLEEVE, '10, is studying at Long Island Medical.

RANDALL M. FIELD, '10, is in business in New York City with the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

O^Δ CHARGE

PROF. H. D. FOSTER, '85, who is spending his sabbatical year in European study, can be addressed in care of Brown, Shipley & Co., 123 Pall Mall, London, S. W., England. After a month in Holland, he is now at work in the British Museum. The October number of the "Harvard Theological Review" contains an article of his, "Calvin's Program for a Puritan State in Geneva, 1536 to 1541," and his present work is upon the next stage of his study, the struggle to establish a puritan state in Geneva, 1541-1555. During the year he expects to spend some time in Oxford and Geneva.

REV OZORA S. DAVIS, pastor of the South Congregational church in New Britain, Conn., who was elected president of the Chicago Theological Seminary, has reached no decision in regard to accepting the election.

HERBERT W. BRIGGS, '01, is with E. H. Rollins & Sons, bankers, at 53 East 20th St., New York City. He recently married Miss Helen A. Towne, and is residing at 459 Pawling Ave., Troy, N. Y.

E. J. FLETCHER, '02, of Portland, Me., has just been married in Boston to Miss Hope Kellen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Vail Kellen, of 202 Commonwealth Ave.

DR. J. C. O'CONNOR, '02, who has been head coach of the Dartmouth football team for the past two years, since his marriage has been located in Manchester, N. H.

P^Δ CHARGE

RUCOLF TOMBO, JR., '98, visited the following cities during his

Western trip as Secretary of the Alumni Council of Columbia University, which lasted from December 29, 1908, to February 1, 1909:

1908—December 29, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Dec. 30, Louisville, Ky.; Dec. 31, St. Louis, Mo.

1909—January 1, Kansas City, Mo.; Jan. 3, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Jan. 5, Denver, Colo.; Jan. 9, San Francisco, Cal.; Jan. 11, Portland, Ore.; Jan. 13, Seattle, Wash.; Jan. 15, Butte, Mont.; Jan. 17, Minneapolis, Minn.; Jan. 19, Madison, Wis.; Jan. 21, Milwaukee, Wis.; Jan. 23, Chicago, Ill.; Jan. 25, Indianapolis, Ind.; Jan. 26, Columbus, O.; Jan. 27, Detroit, Mich.; Jan. 28, Cleveland, O.; Jan. 30, Buffalo, N. Y.

Σ^Δ CHARGE

HERBERT E. BOLTON, '95, at present Professor of American History in the University of Texas, has been called to the same chair in Leland Stanford Jr. University. This is a fitting recognition of Bro. Bolton's worth as a teacher, and the scholarship and zeal manifest in his investigations of the history of the Southwest.

FRANK L. FORD, '01, and wife, had a narrow escape from death by starvation and exposure in November. Accompanied by their friends, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Green, they left Corpus Christi, Texas, in a launch to go on a fishing excursion. Fog and storm descended upon them, and their boats engine failing them they drifted on to a sunken sand bar. For three days and nights the men held the boat on the bar to prevent its going farther out to sea. Finally they made their way by wading to a barren island frequented only by wild birds. Their boatman died from exhaustion and exposure, and only the happy chance that the fog lifted enough to allow them to signal some fishermen prevented the rest of the party sharing the same unhappy fate.

F. E. COMPTON, '97, head of the publishing firm of F. E. Compton & Company, is about to publish a much enlarged and improved edition of "The Student's Reference Work." Bro. Compton, who began at the bottom about ten years ago, is now head of one of the largest firms publishing works of reference for teachers and students.

THE JOURNAL of English and Germanic Philology publishes an article by G. S. Ford, '95, on "Two German Publicists on the American Revolution."

WILLIAM F. HANNAN, '08, is state editor of the Evening Wisconsin in Milwaukee.

JOHN THICKENS, '08, is connected with the Wisconsin Rate Commission in Madison.

AL BUCHECKER, '08, is in British Columbia doing water power work.

ELMER EYMAN, '07, is studying at Rush Medic in Chicago.

VIC SWENSON, '08, is engaged in getting out the 1909 directory of Madison.

LEE POST, '08, is banking in Minneapolis.

JOHN H. THICKENS, '08, and Miss Lulu Wellman, of Madison, were married September 18th, and are living in Madison where he has a position with an engineering firm.

E. A. STAVRUM, '96, who has been teaching history in Milwaukee Academy, Milwaukee, for several years past, has resigned to become the Milwaukee manager of the Phillip Ray Agency of Chicago, an operatic agency.

J. H. MCNEEL, '00, who has taught History and Greek for several years in the St. John's Military Academy, at Delafield, Wis., was married June 17th last to Miss Abby J. Sweet, of Fond du Lac, Wis., and is now principal of the high school at Marquette, Mich.

A daughter was born to G. H. Jones, '97, and wife, of River Forest, Ill., April 30, '08.

G. B. NELSON, '98, was a delegate to the National Republican Convention at Chicago, and T. W. Brazeau, '97, a State senator, was alternate.

W. C. BURDICK, '01, and wife, of Milwaukee, are parents of a new daughter, and Andrew Lees, '95, of La Crosse, Wis., and H. A. Porter, '07, and wife, of Chicago, are parents of new boys, also M. R. Johnson, '03, of Waupaca, Wis.

G. H. WILLIAMS, '97, is district attorney of Rusk County.

E. C. TILLOTSON, '96, is with the Thief River Falls Lumber Co., of Minneapolis.

E. C. HOWARD, '02, is with the Cadillac Motor Car Co., of Detroit.

G. H. DYER, '04, is Assistant Chief Engineer at Seattle for the Oregon Short Line.

Σ^A CHARGE

GORDON CUMMINGS is practicing in Sydney, B. C. In the last number of the SHIELD he was reported as practicing in Calgary, B. C., by error.

Φ CHARGE

CLAY W. HOLMES, '69, has been elected president of the Century Club of Elmira, N. Y., the best known organization of its kind in Central New York.

A. L. FULLERTON, '74, has moved his home from Chillicothe, Ohio, to Washington, D. C.

DR. A. E. KEIGWIN, '91, who was recently called to the pastorate of the Chambers-Wylie Presbyterian church of Philadelphia, has declined the call on account of ill health, and will soon start on a trip around the world.

CHARLES ALBERTSON, '93, who has been living in Bangor, Pa., has recently moved to Seattle, Wash., and may now be addressed at 3 P. I. Building, Seattle.

SAMUEL H. SHERRERD, '08, is under the employ of the U. S. government as an electrical engineer of the Panama Canal.

J. W. R. ENGLE, '08, has entered the Harvard Law School.

H. D. KINNEY, '08, is taking a post graduate course in the Columbia School of Mines.

Ψ CHARGE

JOHN B. HUBER, A. M., M. D., '87, Professor of Pulmonary Diseases, The Fordham Medical School; Lecturer the New York State Department of Health; Visiting Physician to St. Joseph's Hospital for Consumptives, etc., read a paper before the Medical Association of Greater New York on "Insects and Disease," which was well received and reported in the New York State Journal of Medicine in the November, 1908, issue.



GILBERT—FRASER

Mr. and Mrs. Olin J. Stephens announced the marriage of their niece, Leila Terry Fraser, to Walter Merwin Gilbert X^A on the afternoon of December 26th, at five o'clock, at their residence on Forty-sixth Street, New York City.

CHILDS—CONGDON

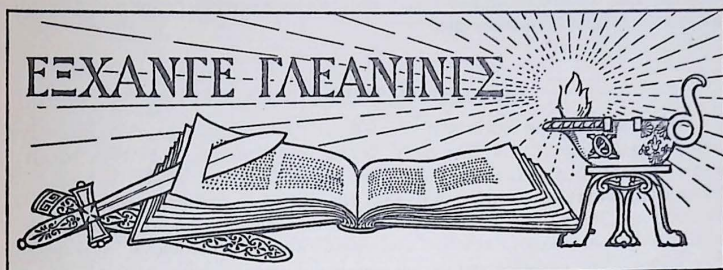
Announcement is made of the marriage of Frank Hamnett Childs, Z '6, to Miss Mabelle Congdon, of Sighton, Mass.

LEETE—TOWER

Mr. and Mrs. Clement Bates announced the marriage of their daughter, Susea Bates Tower, to Percy Remington Leete, Z '05, on Saturday, December 26, 1908, at Hyde Park, Massachusetts.

EHRET—DONAHUE

In the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, Lexington Avenue, Miss Madeline Virginia Donahue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Donahue, of 132 East Seventy-first Street, New York, was married to Louis John Ehret P^A. The ceremony was performed at 6 o'clock by the rector, Rev. James Raymond Meagher, assisted by Mgr. Lammel, rector of St. Joseph's church, East 87th Street. A reception and dinner at the St. Regis followed. The bride wore white satin, combined with rose point lace, and a tulle veil fastened with orange blossoms. For ornament she wore a diamond and pearl collar, the gift of Mr. Ehret. The bridesmaids were her sister, Miss Agnes Donahue, and the sister of the groom, Miss Madeline Ehret. The Misses Josephine Morgan and Katherine Conville were flower girls. George Ehret, Jr., P^A '98, attended his brother as best man, and the ushers were Kenneth Webb, James J. Hogan, Astley Griffin, Robert Lewis, and the brothers of the bride, James P. and Charles D. Donahue. Mr. Ehret and his bride will travel on the continent for the next four months.



Our exchanges are requested to send one copy of each issue to Edward John Cook, E '95, Geneva, N. Y., one copy to Joseph Russell Lynes, East Orange, N. J., and one copy to Theta Delta Chi Press, Flat-Iron Building, New York City. In return three copies of THE SHIELD will be sent to any desired addresses.—Ed.

OUR POLICY ADOPTED BY $\phi K \psi$ AND APPROVED BY $A T \Omega$.

"Imitation! is the sincerest kind," etc., as called to our attention by $A T \Omega$ Palm for December, 1908, pp. 538-9.

The October issue of the Phi Kappa Psi SHIELD is at hand, telling of the good times had by the Phi Psis at Denver, on July 1, 2 and 3. We gather that some three hundred were in attendance which does not equal the five hundred attending recent conventions held in the east; but the far western location of the convention city explains this. During the past year the annual membership reached the high water mark of 1,236, and the total membership is now 10,726. THE SHIELD reported profits of about \$200 per year in recent years and claims a subscription list of 2,500. A policy was adopted, as exists in many fraternities, of penalizing chapter correspondents for failing to supply chapter letters to the SHIELD, and the further recommendation was passed that each out-going graduate should pay in advance for a year's subscription, which is a wise law in our opinion. Toledo, Ohio, was selected as the place of meeting for their next "Grand Arch Council." It was decided to re-establish a chapter at Missouri State as soon as conditions warranted, and this recommendation was also passed:

Your committee further reports that it believes that the progress of the fraternity and its strength as a national fraternity will be imperiled by a further continuance of the present method of expansion, and that in its opinion the position of our fraternity depends upon a careful survey of the entire field, not only that which we should occupy, but that which we already occupy, having in view the giving of the fraternity a list of chapters as nearly ideal as possible; and it therefore recommends the appointment of a permanent committee of three by this G. A. C. to investigate all the colleges in which the fraternity should establish itself, and to make a full and complete report of its findings within one year after the adjournment of this G. A. C.

The above proposed method of expansion is in line with Theta Delta Chi's

action at their late convention, as described in the June PALM, and we commend it to A. T. O's for use at the Pittsburgh Congress. Lastly and finally, we fail to find any recommendation that the SHIELD should change from its microscopic type to a size that will not injure the eyesight of the different interested reviewers; and we are willing to wager that its subscribing members agree with us, too, in calling it microscopic.

OLDER THAN PHI BETA KAPPA?

What is this—the oldest and greatest, the dean of college fraternities, neglected and forgotten? Its discovery is due to Brother G. H. Holden, who prepares the statistics of the Greek letter societies for "The World Almanac." A letter from its president informs us that the Sigma Pi fraternity was founded at William and Mary College in May, 1752, by a charter from King George II. which specially barred Roman Catholics and restricted membership to Episcopalians. The society now has chapters at Vincennes University, Ohio State University, Illinois College and the University of California, and the living members of inactive chapters at William and Mary. Lehigh, Washington and Lee, and Charlotte Hall are reckoned in an honorary chapter. "The policy in the past has been non-expansion, but hereafter will be expansion." Such fraternities as have hitherto been able to pride themselves on their long lists of honorable American names will be chagrined to find among the distinguished sons of modest Sigma Pi Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Richard H. Lee, Robert E. Lee, Gov Yates and W. J. Bryan. About three hundred and fifty-five active members are reported. The colors are lavender and white.—*A X P* Garnet and White.

Thank you, my dear "Palm," we wondered if any of our contemporaries would call attention to this glaring absurdity, our own modesty forbid mention of it in the December number of THE SHIELD.

The Delta Chi Quarterly republishes Olcott O. Partridge's article on "The Legal Status of a College Fraternity Chapter," but accedes no credit to the Theta Delta Chi SHIELD in which the essay first appeared. The footnotes are also omitted. Seems strange that a magazine circulating among lawyers should omit the references to the case wherein the law is to be found. Mr. Partridge's valuable notes would have been doubly valuable to a lawyer.

A T Ω PALM.

DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY OF PSI UPSILON.

The seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Psi Upsilon fraternity is to be celebrated on November 24 in New York City with a huge banquet. Plans have been in preparation for this event throughout the summer and as a result nearly the entire second floor of the Waldorf-Astoria has been engaged for the banquet, which is to be participated in by from 700 to 1,000 enthusiastic Psi U men—undergraduates and alumni. President-elect Taft, who has been an active Psi U ever since his college days at Yale, has been invited to attend. Other distinguished Psi U's who will probably be present are ex-Senator John C. Spooner, Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Mayor J. Benjamin Diminick of Scranton, Herbert L. Bridgman, George S. Coleman, Ira A. Place, Justice Charles F. MacLean and Charles H. Shaw. William M. Kingsley will be toastmaster.

The following criticism appeared in the *B Θ II* for November, on an article by William Hulman, *Σ X*, which we reprinted in full in *THE SHIELD* for December 10, with an endorsement:

"There is one difficulty about the foregoing proposition and that is a practical one. As soon as a pawnbroker finds that you want to purchase a badge of this kind he raises his price beyond that at which a new badge could be secured. The reason why so many college fraternity badges are displayed for sale is because pawnbrokers find that many fraternity men regard it as a disgrace for a badge of their chosen fraternity to be exposed for sale amid such surroundings and with the implications attending its possession by a pawnbroker. The pawnbrokers rely upon this sentiment to get a high price for otherwise unmarketable material. We believe that if Sigma Chi commences to purchase its badges from pawnbrokers, it will find a reasonably sufficient supply constantly available.

We are acquainted with several members of one of the smaller eastern fraternities who are unusually "touchy" about their badges and several years ago we bought from a pawnbroker on the Bowery, one of these badges for \$6.00, at which price it was promptly taken off our hands by the members in question. A few weeks afterwards the same pawnbroker displayed another badge of the same fraternity for sale and we saw it and notified the gentleman who had purchased the former one and he went and bought it and also paid \$6.00 for it. He took it to a regular official jeweler of the fraternity to have a name engraved on it and the jeweler saw that it was not his work and by a little research ascertained that the badges were being made by a masonic badge maker not exactly by the wholesale, but in fairly large quantities, of inferior material and sold a dozen at a time for \$3.75 each to pawnbrokers who were getting rid of them at a very good profit.

We bought a Beta badge about four years ago from a pawnbroker. It cost when new about \$16.00. We paid \$7.50 for it and with great difficulty sold it for \$5.00.

So much for personal experience. We don't think it makes much difference whether Beta badges get into pawnshops or not. They are constantly being lost or stolen and it would be a practical impossibility to find them and redeem them. If a badge has engraved on it the owner's name or his chapter letter and roll number and he can thus be identified, he will usually be very glad to get it back, but if all identification marks have been removed it will be difficult to dispose of.

Sometimes we meet with a fraternity man who has an uncompromising temperament, and then another trouble arises. A Beta bought in a pawnshop a badge belonging to such a member. It had his chapter letter and roll number on it. His address was looked up in the catalogue and he was written to and told he could have the badge for what was paid to redeem it. Did he repurchase it? Not much. He wrote to the chief of police at the place of the purchaser's residence and said the gentleman who bought it had in his possession a piece of property stolen from him a few months before and he wanted it back. And it had to be given up. As a thief acquires no title, he can give none and of course, the badge belonged to the original owner. He declined absolutely to pay anything for it. It will be said that such cases will be rare. That is a matter of conjecture. There are many people who have the same attitude of mind. At any rate the Beta who purchased that badge and was out several dollars had a

very unpleasant experience and is now quite willing to allow Beta badges to remain in pawnbroker's windows when he sees them there."

Looking at the matter as charitably as we can in view of the incident related, we feel sorry for the fraternal spirit of the "Beta" who "wrote to the Chief of Police" and we venture to say that a brother who would do such a thing would be guilty of pawning his pin with the view of having his pie and eating it too. We have our doubts that the Chief of Police would make the _____ who purchased the pin from a pawnbroker return it to the original owner without considerable trouble and expense to that unfraternal person. Let us believe that the story was manufactured for the purpose of argument to drive home the theory of the writer of the criticism, otherwise it looks bad for the personal equation of the frater mentioned.

COMMUNICATIONS.

THE RELATIVE VALUE OF THINGS.

TO THE GRAND EDITOR:

Yesterday the QUARTERLY came, and I proceeded to heed your injunctions and read the chapter letters. Oh the "Football" and the "Basketball" and the "Social Functions" and the "Strong Pitches" and the "Great Style Furniture" and the "Sweaters" and the "Catchers" (I capitalize the whole splendid array); and in the midst of this muscular glory comes this little sentence: "Douglas won the inter-fraternity debate, thus, giving the cup to Alpha Xi for the second time." In the midst of earthly storm and surge one heavenly ray! Good for Alpha Xi and the University of Kansas! They have minds out there and use the same. This carries me back to the olden and perhaps primitive times when we had an essay; and a supposed poem at every session of the chapter, and prepared our brothers for the literary society work and the college debates—when the question asked about a prospective brother was: "How does he stand in the classes, and can he write and debate?" There is where Jordan was made an orator, Cooper a preacher, Bell a college president, and Caldwell and Scobey were trained for writers. Whitelaw Reid owes his eminence as an editor and diplomat to the training he got in old Delta Kappa Epsilon, our rather unwilling mother. Brain training came before—a long way before—muscle training, yet those boys did not lack the latter: Could they fight? They could; they did—for four long years, in a way that would try all the "center rushes" and fearful and terrible "pitchers and catchers" of a new-style day.

Am I opposed to athletics? By no manner of means; but I am opposed to making the same the end of existence. Here I have a corps—or at least one of the corps—of the best-winded, strongest, quickest, and surest get-there youngsters in this land. If you doubt it, read the inclosed certificate from the United States. But note, the brain and spirit training comes first. Without it your muscles are a pile of worthless rubbish.

Go ahead, Brother Miller; you are right—as usual. It is brains and spirit that win battles, as well as civil contests that build up empires. It is brains and spirit that rule the world, because of such material are MEN made.

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Friendship must live! Ah may its impulse high
Still guide and guard the Theta Delta Chi.

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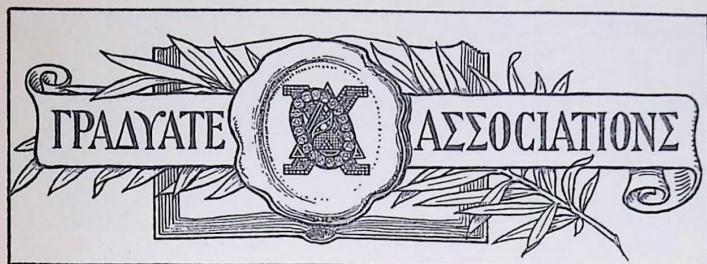
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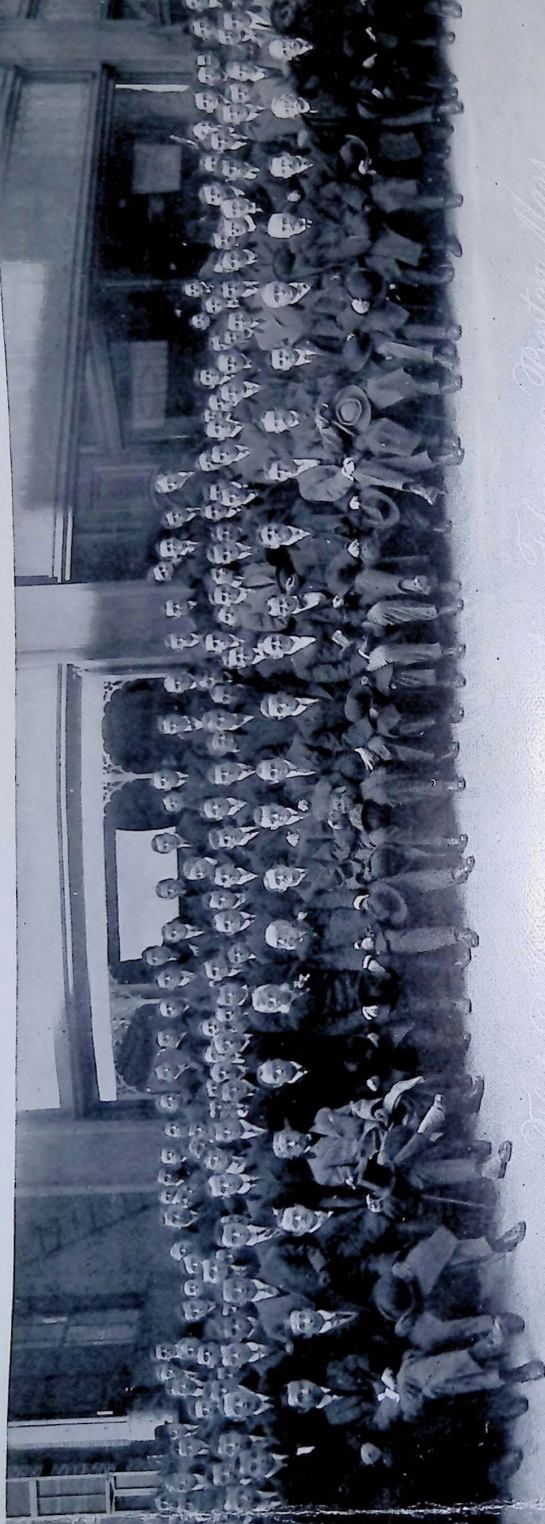


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THE SIXTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION

Lorimer Hall of Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass., February 20, 22 and 23

Three entire days were again given to the sessions of the Sixty-First Convention. This in accordance with precedent established a year ago. In fact, the entire program at Boston was similar to that of the Sixtieth Convention held at Hotel Astor, New York City.

The custom of an "Open Session" has been discontinued and we can therefore give to the readers only a general account of the work accomplished. Those who were unable to be present, but who wish to have the details of the proceedings, we advise to communicate with the President of the Grand Lodge, for a copy of the minutes and reports, which are to be printed at once.

The officers of the Convention together with the regularly appointed and also substituted delegates were as follows:

OFFICERS

<i>President</i>	EDWARD JOHN COOK, E '95
<i>Secretary</i>	GEORGE N. SHAEFFER, Φ '08
<i>Treasurer</i>	CLYDE D. GARRETT, X ^A '10
<i>Convention Clerk</i>	PERCY SHIRES, Z '06

NOTE—Most of the details of Convention management were taken care of by Brothers Gibbs, Godfrey, Parsons and Kent of the general committee. They made some requisitions, however, on the royal brothers of the city, and it is a pleasure to record that every such demand for assistance was honored promptly and whole-heartedly. Brother Mark R. Jouett, Jr., I '03, took entire charge of the railroad certificate business; F. L. Carter, Jr., I '03, and his quartette of undergraduates were of great assistance to Brother Gibbs in the banquet preparations; and the work of William M. Wise, K '05, James O. Greenan, A '08, and Harold F. Reed, I^A '08, with their relays of undergraduates, at headquarters, was especially helpful. The enthusiasm and judgment with which these sub-committees did their various parts to make the Convention a success deserves the recognition and commendation which the Committee gives it.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE

DELEGATES

—B—

- Philip M. Walter, '98
Stanton Griffis, '10
- Γ^Δ—
- Ernest N. Bullock, '94
Maurice E. Crumpacker, '09
- Δ^Δ—
- Frank H. Buck, '07
- E—
- Jackson Davis, '02
E. B. Faison, '07
- Z—
- Henry L. Smith, '96
Charles F. Butterworth, '09
- Z^Δ—
- Frederick W. C. Cattnach, '08
William Harkins Lynn, '10

Edgar R. Parkins, '07
Ernest H. Falconer, '11

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Horatio S. Card, '88
James Hamburger, '10

Levi Turner, Jr., '86
Harrison Atwood, '09

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Dallas Wood, '08

William H. Hoyle, '06
Lowell Hart, '09

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Stewart C. Coey, '06
Newman B. Gregory, '09

E. E. Allen, '08
Maurice S. Chapin, '10

Edward Stetson Griffing, '89

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R. K. Fletcher, '08

C. Stanley Shirk, '09

F. L. Carter, '03

P. W. Carter, '10

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Olcott O. Partridge, '94
Henry W. Harter, Jr., '09

Ralph W. Dunbar, '98
W. C. Carr, '11

—K—

Arthur W. Pierce, '82
Dayton G. Vogt, '08

Arthur W. Coolidge, '03
John A. Adams, '10

—K^Δ—

E. A. Tilden, '08
R. E. Doherty, '09

F. J. Meyer, '07
Irving A. I. Lindberg, '10

- Λ—
- F. Spencer Baldwin, '88
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 Thomas R. Hicks, '09
 Webster A. Chandler, '02
 Samuel E. Bentley, '10
- M^Δ—
- Homer F. Tilton, '07
 Joseph B. Jamieson, Jr., '09
 Philip S. Jamieson, '08
 William C. Corry, '11
- N^Δ—
- Alfred C. Callen, '09
 *Lewis Halsey, Ξ '68
 Sherman B. Bowen, '10
- Ξ —
- R. C. Scott, '70
 Carleton Sweet, '11
 Alexander Mann, '81
 M. C. Dennison, '12
- O^Δ—
- J. Frank Drake, '02
 Morton Hull, '09
 Laurence M. Symmes, '08
 Perley O. Place, '03
 Fletcher P. Burton, '10
- II^Δ—
- Herbert M. Holton, '99
 Wm. C. Dooris, Ξ '03
 William H. Lange, '12
 Harry A. Fisher, '00
 Frederick M. Steeves, '00
 Cornelius B. Savage, '12
- P^Δ—
- Rudolf Tombo, Jr., '98
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 Hickman Price, '09
 J. Boyce Smith, Jr., '01
 R. J. Mahon, '83
 Richmond Stephens, '11
 Carl Huttlinger, '10
- Σ^Δ—
- Frank Compton, '98
 E. J. Springer, '09
 Leslie B. Woodruff, '03
 C. A. Rossbach, '11
- T^Δ—
- William C. Erf, '93
 Walter M. Leuthold, '09
 Harry C. Bayless, '99
 Willis Salisbury, '10
- Φ—
- Clay W. Holmes, '69
 Ellery D. Manley, '09
 Henry Lloyd, Jr., '03
 William W. Darsie, '10
 J. O. Parker, '10
- X—
- William F. Love, '03
 Arthur W. Morrison, '10
 William J. Richter, '04
 William H. Irvine, '10

* Served by special vote of the Convention.

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Paul Sperry, '02
William J. Turkenton, '09

Frederick W. Albert, '05
George V. Graham, '11

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A. C. Benedict, '72

Charles C. McGaffin, '04

R. B. Perine, '90

Alexander H. Woollcott, '09

H. Harper Swift, '10

FIRST SESSION

The first session was called to order Saturday, February 20, at 10.50 a. m. While the Credential Committee was completing its work, President Cook followed the time-honored custom of calling on some of the brothers to address the Convention, whose activities in the Fraternity have made their names familiar to even the newest of the undergraduates. The first of these was Clay W. Holmes, Φ '69, who said in part:

"I fail to find in looking about me, many faces which through years of companionship, have come to be so familiar—there are many of them I know who have gone to the Charge on the other side. It will not be long, less than eight years, when I can say with pride, that I have been for half a century, a member of Θ Δ X—the life-time of many a man.

"It is said there is always something better to strive for than anything we have ever known, but that remark does not apply where Θ Δ X is mentioned. Tell me if there is anything better than the list of men—Theta Deltas—whose names are household words throughout the length and breadth of this land? Do not ever forget, boys, the honor, the reputation, and the glory of this Fraternity is in your hands."

The next brother to be called upon, was one whose words have been repeated and sung all over the world, wherever Theta Deltas have been gathered together. Though circumstances and great distance has prevented his attending a large number of the recent Conventions, yet Lewis Halsey, Ξ '68 was well known to all, although seen by many for the first time.

Brother Halsey recalled with a great deal of pleasure his first Convention, held in Troy, N. Y., in 1867, and then proceeded to give us many very happy reminiscences of his meeting with John Hay, Z '57 and many others who have helped to make history.

The ever constant spirit of loyalty and high regard for the ideals of the Fraternity as shown at the many Conventions he has attended were next dwelt upon by Robert S. Emerson, Z '97.

The campaign for the Chicago brothers who desire to have the

next Convention held in their city was then launched by Philip M. Walter, B '98, representing the Central Graduate Association, who assured all present that the Western brothers were most desirous of enjoying again the pleasure of hosts.

Upon the reading of the roll call by the Secretary of the Grand Lodge, George N. Shaeffer, Φ '08, it was shown that sixty-six delegates out of a possible seventy-eight were present at the opening session of Convention.

The report of the President of the Grand Lodge was of unusual interest to the Convention, inasmuch as Edward J. Cook had established the record of visiting the entire twenty-six charges in his official capacity during the past year as well as many Alumni gatherings.

It demonstrated that during his administration Brother Cook has succeeded in ascertaining the pulse of the Fraternity, both of the graduate and undergraduate bodies.

Before the session adjourned the reports of the Grand Lodge Secretary, the Grand Lodge Treasurer, and the Custodian of Archives were read.

SECOND SESSION

The second session opened Saturday at 2.50 p. m. Before taking up the regular order of business President Cook called upon Frederick W. Hamilton, K '80, President of Tufts College, to give a few words of greeting, a portion of which we give:

"I have nothing but words of praise to the old 'boys' in Θ Δ X, so my message shall be mostly to the younger brothers. May you keep the fires bright, and tread the paths so well defined by your predecessors, but do not have any stopping places; let your course be steadily onward. We are only beginning to realize the possibilities of our great brotherhood."

The reports were read of the Theta Delta Chi Press, The Editor of THE SHIELD, the Association of Theta Delta Chi, The *Song Book* Committee, The *Catalog* Committee, and Coat-of-Arms Committee. The committees appointed to consider the various reports were then announced.

Later the President gave the opportunity for informal talks by some of the best known brothers present. One of these was Lewis Appleton Barker, Z '99. Those who have met Brother Barker can well imagine that he took advantage of the "informal" specification.

He was followed by Charles Collard Adams, O '59, one of those irrepressible "young Omicron boys," who a year ago were so keenly alive to the joys and delights of attending a Convention. Brother Adams left no doubt in the minds of his hearers but that his love for his Alma Mater had kept apace with his love for his Fraternity.

Much interest was manifested in the report of Edward Stetson Griffing, I '89, as Editor of the Sixth Catalog. The report shows that 395 subscriptions of \$2.00 each had been received for the new book. Attention was called to the necessity of having at least 1100 subscriptions, before the printers should receive copy, and the coöperation of the entire Fraternity was invited to assist in accomplishing this end.

The Convention voted unanimously in favor of Philip M. Walters' (B '98) resolution that "The Sixty-First Convention recommend to the incoming Grand Lodge that the next Convention in 1910 be held in Chicago."

At this point the President introduced Rev. John Brown Lapham, O '60, who spoke of his fraternity life while in college with pleasure and of his hopes and desires to see his old Charge again on the active list.

THIRD SESSION

Most of the third session was occupied by the reading of the report of the By-Laws Committee by Clay W. Holmes, Φ '68, Chairman.

The Convention voted unanimously with loud and prolonged applause that the following telegram be sent to Andrew Heatly Green, A '49, the only living founder of Θ Δ X: "Greetings to the founder of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity. Reverence and honor from the Sixty-First Convention."

FOURTH AND FIFTH SESSIONS

The fourth and fifth sessions were devoted entirely to the consideration of the proposed By-Law amendments with but one exception. This occurred when opportunity was given the representatives from several petitioning bodies to present their cause to the assembled delegates. The addresses by some of the older brothers asking for favorable consideration of these petitioners were most eloquent and effective, resulting in their carrying the Convention by storm.

Considerable time was spent during the last session in the discussion of the proposed coat-of-arms, and the matter was finally passed on to the consideration of the Grand Lodge and the Charges.

Reports were read by the various Convention committees appointed to consider reports of the several different activities of the Fraternity. These are given in detail in the minutes that are now in the process of publication and will be of great interest to many of the brothers.

When the time for nominations for the officers of the incoming Grand Lodge arrived, William Hollis Godfrey, K '95, occupying the chair, recognized Edward Stetson Griffing, I '89, who in making the nomination for the office of President of the Grand Lodge, said in part:

"I rise to place in nomination the name of one who a year ago was known to many brothers as a loyal Theta Delt, but who was not then known the length and breadth of the land.

"As you all know, the office of President of the Grand Lodge is not one that is sought after. It entails much self-sacrifice on the part of the incumbent who must always be a warm-hearted, thorough Theta Delt. The office is indeed one that seeks the man, and yet as a whole the Fraternity has but one man in mind upon this occasion when that exalted place is to be filled.

"Each President has contributed certain immortal things for the good of our beloved Fraternity, and each in turn has given up much for the good of the cause. Think yourself for a moment what it means to a business man to ask him to sacrifice the time necessary to visit twenty-six Charges scattered from coast to coast, as are those of $\Theta \Delta X$.

"This past year we have been fortunate in having as our leader, a man who has given up more than two months to visit every one of these charges, whose personality and high ideals have already been a power for good in the Fraternity, and it is therefore with the greatest pleasure to myself personally and to every living Theta Delt I am sure, that I place in nomination the name of Edward John Cook, Ξ '95."

Every Charge upon the Convention floor took the duty upon itself to show its appreciation of the work of President Cook, and it was some time before the ovation ended and the election could take place. The result of this action was the signal for a second prolonged ovation.

When the newly elected President was escorted to the chair by Lewis Halsey, Ξ '68 and R. C. Scott, Ξ '70, he spoke but briefly to the Convention as follows:

"Brothers, this is a time when words fail to express the honor and satisfaction I feel at your approval of my work of the past year. All I can promise is that I will lead you along the lines I feel are best for the ideals of $\Theta \Delta X$."

William Hollis Godfrey, K '95, then placed in nomination for the office of Secretary of the Grand Lodge the name of Maurice S. Chapin, Θ^A '10, who was unanimously elected.

Paul Sperry, X^A '02, placed in nomination the name of Clyde D. Garrett, X^A '10, for re-election to the office of Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, and he was likewise unanimously elected.

The "status" of the Theta Delta Chi Press was then taken up, and after considerable favorable remarks upon the work of that corporation their position was defined by the Convention.

Following the impressive service of the installation of the officers of the Grand Lodge, the unanimous thanks of the Fraternity was given to Russell C. Gibbs, I^A '00, and his associates on the Committee of Arrangements, whereupon the Sixty-First Convention was closed.

The following is a list of those who attended:

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Stanton Griffis, '10; Brace Hayden Hamilton, '99; James A. Harris, Jr., '09; Philip M. Walter, '98; Arthur S. Whitbeck, '03; George Roy Wicker, '90.

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Ernest W. Bullock, '94; M. E. Crumpacker, '09; Bradford S. Kreis, '10; E. F. Mayne, '08; Horace Hill Van Tuyle, '96.

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George H. Beebe, '96.

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Frank H. Buck, Jr., '07; Alec C. Stoddard, '10.

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George E. Fletcher, '08; A. R. Koontz, '10; Herbert S. Joynes, '10; Charles A. Taylor, Jr., '09.

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F. M. Jourdan, '99.

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Fred A. Arnold, '97; Irving W. Bogle, '09; Lewis A. Barker, '99; Chas. F. Butterworth, '09; Chester Thomas Calder, '11; Robert D. Chase, '11; Philip C. Curtis, '11; Jeffrey Davis, '70; J. D. Dean, '90; Frank E. Dennie, '09; Robert S. Emerson, '97; J. R. Fales, '10; Charles H. Gilmore, '01; Elmer D. Greenleaf, '04; Stephen A. Hopkins, '93; Wm. H. Hull, '01; Alfred H. Lake, '08; Leonard S. Little, '07; Herbert C. Low, '01; Robert R. Lyons, '99; Wm. H. Lynn, '10; M. H. Merchant, '97; Wm. E. Muir, '11; Harold M. Pitman, '09; W. P. Raymond, '09; D. W. Reeves, Jr., '98; D. W. Robinson, '07; Wm. H. Robertson, '12; Wm. H. Scholze, Jr., '12; Dr. Frank J. Sexton, '93; Edward J. Shaeffer, '10; Percy Shires, '06; Morton C. Stewart, '94; H. B. Thacher, '10; T. W. Welch, '05; W. K. White, '07; Herbert E. Wray, '12.

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Dr. Dallas G. Bray, '07; T. C. Gorman, '11; Ernest H. Talconer, '11; H. B. Munroe, '03; Philip H. Skelton, '11.

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Harrison Atwood, '09; H. S. Cord, '88; James M. Chandler, '08; Hy. P. Chapman, '06; J. A. Corliss, '01; Harold W. Davie, '10; Kenneth H. Dussee, '09; A. M. Edwards, '80; Sumner Edwards, '10; James H. Hamburger, '10; George W. Howe, '11; Charles F. Jenks,

'06; John H. Joy, '12; George C. Kantbait, '11; E. M. Leary, '91; Wm. P. Newman, '10; Stephen C. Perry, Jr., '12; Hy. L. Russell, '10; Karl D. Scates, '08; Leon H. Smith, '10; Ellis Spear, Jr.; Harold G. Tobey, '06; Chris Toole, '08; Leonard F. Wakefield, '09.

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Dallas E. Wood, '08.

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E. E. Allen, '08; Harvey S. Renson, '12; Maurice Scott Chapin, '10; Steward C. Coey, '06; James H. Critchett, '09; Walter D. Davol, '06; Francis E. Drake, '05; Paul R. Fleming, '10; Arthur F. Glasier, '10; Newman B. Gregory, '09; Clifford L. Hufsmith, '11; Kenneth Leavens, '10; Paul B. Lord, '09; Shirley T. Mace, '09; S. N. McCain, '09; Hy. T. Miller, 2d, '09; F. A. Moore, '11; Charles R. Prichard, '05; B. A. Robinson, '09; Ralph M. Ruby, '12; Bergen Reynolds, '10; E. H. Schell, '12; Seth H. Seelye, '12; J. J. Tobin, '09; A. W. Underhill, Jr., '11; Charles W. Wallower, '10; John E. Whittlesey, '12; Howard D. Williams, '11; R. T. Williams, '10; Roy P. Williams, '11.

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George W. Bailey, '07; L. Winthrop Baita, '08; Edward Becker, '08; L. Beebe; Walter W. Boothby, '02; T. A. Brewer, '10; Harry P. Brown, '03; Edwin L. Burnham, '07; George L. Burr, '10; Lon Carter, '03; Philip M. Carter, '10; Richard B. Carter, '98; Roscoe A. Carter, '05; Willard C. Chamberlin, '08; J. D. Chase, '02; Sydney M. Chase, '99; Robert R. Clark, '09; Clement H. Condel, '07; Russell D. Crane, '00; Edward Dorr; V. E. Drew, '11; Harlan F. Drown, '10; Richard W. Drown, '02; A. Russell Ellis, '07; A. D. Estabrook, '04; L. M. Ferguson, '10; Robert W. Fernald, '07; Faxon Wales, '02; Richmond K. Fetcher, '08; Harold M. Goodwin, '08; Edward Stetson Griffing, '89; Ralph S. Gross, '12; L. N. Hanford, '12; Ralph S. Hopkins, '11; Richard M. Hunt, '09; Edward A. Jamieson; Robert F. Janes, '02; Richworth P. Jordan, '10; Mark R. Jouett, Jr., '03; Paul M. Keene, '99; Frank M. Lake, '04; Samuel C. Lawrence, '10; E. P. Wells, Jr., '11; Gardner Murphy, '10; Allen M. Osgood, '11; Ernst M. Parsons, '03; Ranson C. Pingree, '06; Wm. Rand, '09; G. A. Rivinius, '07; Edward Roth, '06; Henry B. Sawyer, '06; G. S. Shirk, '09; Lincoln F. Sise, '97; Henry B. Sprague, '11; Allen Swift, '09; Edward W. Taylor, '04; L. L. Wadsworth, '03; George F. Waters, '08; George C. Welch, '07; P. Woodman, '08; S. R. Wrightington, '97.

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Harold S. Adams, '11; Henry W. Biggins, '11; W. M. Bridgewater, '04; W. C. Carr, '11; Edward M. Chase, '04; Wm. I. Corthell,

'93; James P. Crane; Robert L. Currier, '08; C. M. Davenport, '01; Ralph W. Dunbar, '98; Frederick C. Ferry, '91; Edwin D. Gibbs, '04; Russell C. Gibbs, '00; Henry W. Harter, Jr., '09; Richard Henry, '10; J. D. G. Hill, '07; A. C. Hooker, '11; Paul Hultman, '11; Walter C. Kellogg, '99; Walter M. Lacey, '08; E. Carlton McLellan, '11; Olcott O. Partridge, '94; H. Grant Person, '91; C. Park Pressey, '93; Harold F. Reed, '08; Wilbur H. Russell, '07; E. N. Soudant, '09; Harold N. Underhill, '11; Henry L. Wadsworth, '04; Robert Witzleben, '12; John I. Zoller, '95.

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John A. Adams, '10; John G. Boss, '09; Charles M. Bameley, '95; Perley J. Buchanon, '07; Josiah Butler, '01; George W. Cahoon, '10; Ralph E. Case, '08; Charles W. Chapin, '06; Frank W. Clarke, '08; W. Steward Clark, '97; Arthur W. Coolidge, '03; Richard B. Coolidge, '02; Edwin E. Davis, '80; R. W. Dickinson, '11; Alexander Dillingham, '07; Benjamin L. Dolbear, '10; Henry Hale Dole, '06; Du Bray, '10; Thomas D. Dunham, '05; E. E. Fessenden, '10; Herbert V. Geld, '12; Austin W. Fisher, '12; W. Hollis Godfrey, '95; Frederick W. Hamilton, '80; Guy Hamilton, '10; Roland Hammond, '98; W. Herbert, '08; Allen G. Hooper, '12; Wm. E. Hooper, '09; Lester B. Hunter, '08; V. C. Isola, '12; Frank W. Keene, '96; Ira Rich Kent, '99; Robert M. Knight, '10; F. S. Knight, '03; Edward A. Knowlton, '06; Raymond G. Lincoln, '10; Wm. P. Little; E. G. Marble, '99; Paul McClintock, '10; A. F. McLane, '11; Charles E. McMahan, '04; Frank W. Merrill, '12; William W. Michael, '08; Charles E. Moor, '02; Robert E. Mason, '03; E. J. Osler, 2d, '11; Arthur W. Peirce, '82; Stephen M. Pitman, '69; Jacob W. Purinton, '09; Conan W. Ruth, '08; Howard J. Savage, '07; Kilby P. Smith, '97; Edwin A. Start, '84; H. L. Tower, '10; Harlan B. Turner, '07; Harry C. Turner, '01; Dayton G. Vogt, '08; Earl S. Wallace, '10; Harry P. Wilson, '05; Russell P. Wise, '11; Wm. M. Wise, '05; Ernest C. Witham, '04.

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Robert E. Doherty, '09; Irving A. Lindberg, '10; Elmer A. Tilden, '08.

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Glesson L. Archer; Karl G. Baker, '06; F. S. Baldwin, '88; E. Jefts Beede, '05; George Benedict, '87; Samuel E. Bentley, '10; Earl A. Bessom, '09; Paul E. Brodbeck, '03; Fred M. Brooks, '89; George G. Bullfinch, Jr., '07; Charles J. Bullock, '87; Wm. H. Campbell, '12; Webster A. Chandler, '02; S. Albert Cragin, '05; Evertt W. Crawford, '01; George B. Currier, '99; Arthur H. Delano, '04; Wm. Stone Deming, '12; George Howard Falls, '83; Philip A.

Goold, '08; Milo C. Green, '12; James Greenan, '08; T. Ross Hicks, '09; M. G. Hopkins, '03; Charles D. Jones, '86; Frank W. Kimball, '94; Edward Barney Lane, '81; Percy J. Look, '08; Carl P. Lothrog, '10; Franklin P. Magee, '88; Harold Morgan Mariett, '07; George N. Merritt, '05; Walter Henry Merritt, '03; J. R. H. Moore, '99; Clyde B. Morgan, '12; A. E. Noble, '00; Raymond A. Robbins, '96; Eugene Sanders, '10; Harold L. Sanders, '09; H. W. Schafer, '04; Charles N. Serpa, '07; Harold Harris Sharp, '00; Harold B. Shepard, '12; Frank Leslie Simpson, '08; N. Perry Sippelle, '98; Z. C. Staples, '05; Roswell Stearns, '09; Wales R. Stockbridge, '88; Ralph R. Stratton, '98; John L. Tubberry, '06; James T. Tyrrell, '07; Vernon O. White, '06.

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Roy L. Atwood, '06; Wm. Brooks Baker, '01; L. R. Clinton, '09; Charles W. Cobb, '97; W. L. Corey, '11; Arthur Stoddard Cooley, '91; Robert Warren Crowell, '89; Brice M. Evans, '11; Hewitt G. Fletcher, '97; Russell B. Hall, '12; Charles V. Hatch, '09; George Preston Hitchcock, '92; Wm. Harold Hitchcock, '98; J. B. Jamieson, Jr., '09; Philip S. Jamieson, '08; Wm. F. Johns, '12; Charles A. Mason, '12; Alexander I. Nash, '05; Mathew H. Neill, '05; E. E. Orrell, Jr., '05; Walter W. Palmer, '05; Royal Edward Pushee, '11; Sumner G. Rand, '06; Melville Smithers, '12; Homer W. Tilton, '07; Henry E. Warren, '05; Wm. S. Woodside, '11.

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S. B. Brown, '10; A. Copeland Callan, '09; A. E. Hunt, '11.

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E. J. Cook, '95; M. Guion Dennison, '12; Wm. C. Dooris, '03; Lewis Halsey, '68; Rev. Frank P. Harrington, '73; R. C. Scott, '70; Calvin W. Starbuck, '90; Wm. Carleton Sweet, '11.

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Charles Collard Adams, '59; Henry Bascom Brown, '59; John B. Lapham, '60.

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Charles D. Adams, '77; G. H. Adams, Jr., '11; James S. Alexander, '05; Erastus B. Badger, '08; Arthur B. Barnes, '08; J. W. Bates; H. W. Briggs, '01; B. K. Burbeck, '11; H. E. Burroughs, '09; Fletcher P. Burton, '10; Leo Francis Capron, '11; R. V. Chase, '11; J. T. Cotrell, '12; H. Norton Cushman, '10; John J. Daly, '11; Percy O. Dorr, '02; Edmund E. Day, '05; J. Frank Drake, '12; J. T. F. Farrell, '10; John A. Ferguson, '10; P. M. Forrestall, '10; Warren

F. Gregory, '88; Morton Hul, '09; C. Henry Hathaway, '07; Frederick L. Hayes, '92; Gilbert L. Jackson, '04; Irving F. Jewett, '10; Dana Jones, '12; Hazen W. Jones, '10; Philip W. Jones; Harold W. Joyce, '08; Charles Lamper, '04; R. E. Lewis, '12; I. B. Lock; R. B. Lock, '09; Wm. H. Lock, '12; Frederick Long, '11; Richmond J. Lord, '09; J. W. Mahlstedt, '12; Harry P. McDevitt, '07; Ralph W. Neal, '03; Allen M. Perkins, '08; Earl H. Pierce, '10; Sturgis Pision, '10; Perley Oakland Place, '93; Wm. W. Poole, Jr.; James M. Porter, '10; G. N. Proctor, Jr., '05; James S. Proctor, '08; G. W. Putnam, '11; I. H. Putnam, '12; M. G. Rollins, '11; Douglas D. Ruxton, '08; Conrad E. Snow, '12; Lester P. Snow, '86; Leslie W. Snow, '12; Guy C. Steeves, '11; John F. Steeves, Jr., '11; Lawrence M. Symmes, '08; Walter F. Thomas, '12; Francis P. Walsh, '12; Arthur N. Ward, '72; A. G. Winship, '11.

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W. H. Lange, '12; Fred M. Steeves, '99.

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George R. Bradley, '05; Carl F. Huttlinger, '10; George W. Kosmak, '94; D. M. MacArthur, '07; Robert J. Mahon, '83; Hickman Price, '09; Richmond Stephens, '11; Rudolf Tombo, Jr., '98; H. J. Lamar Washington, '10;

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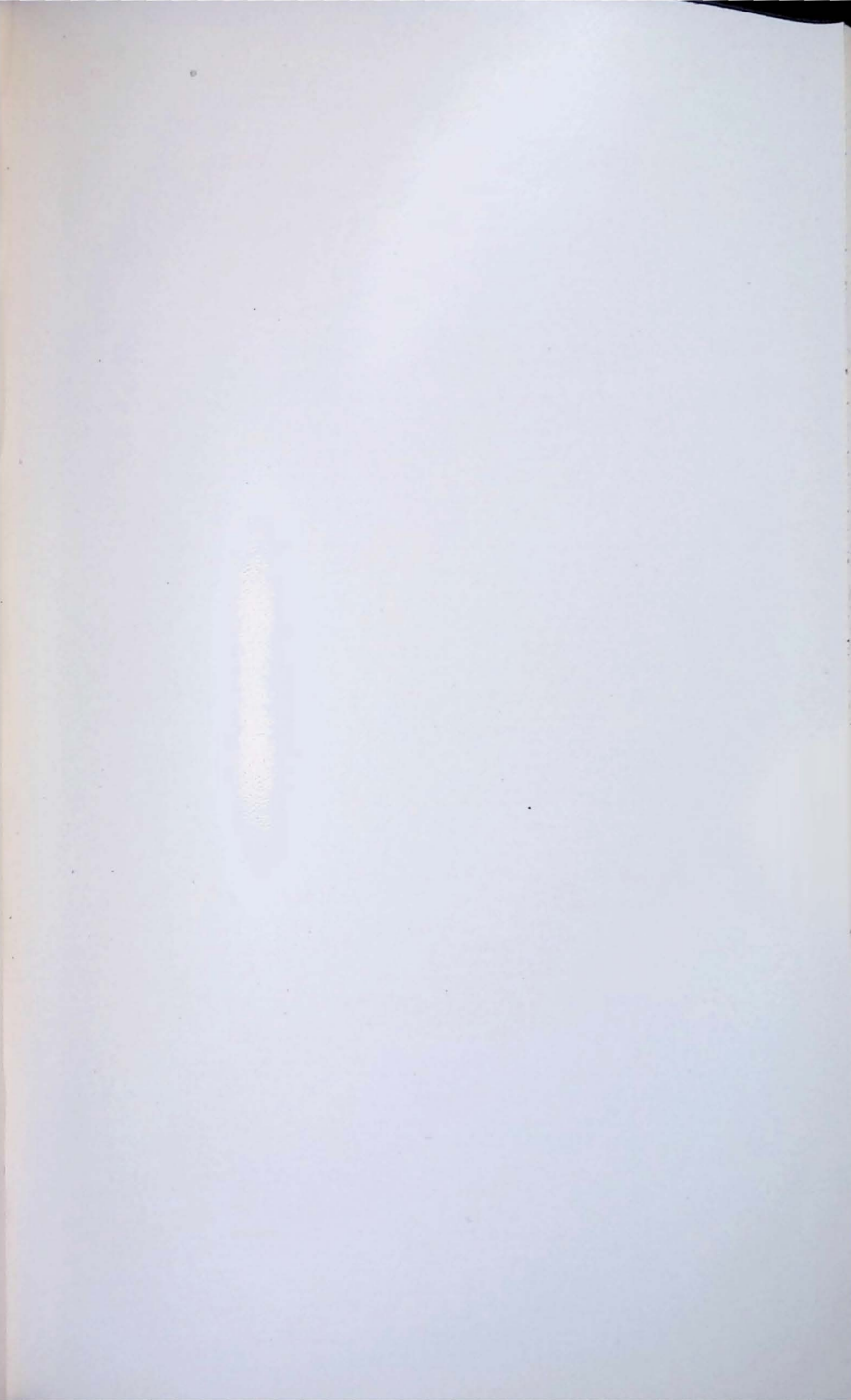
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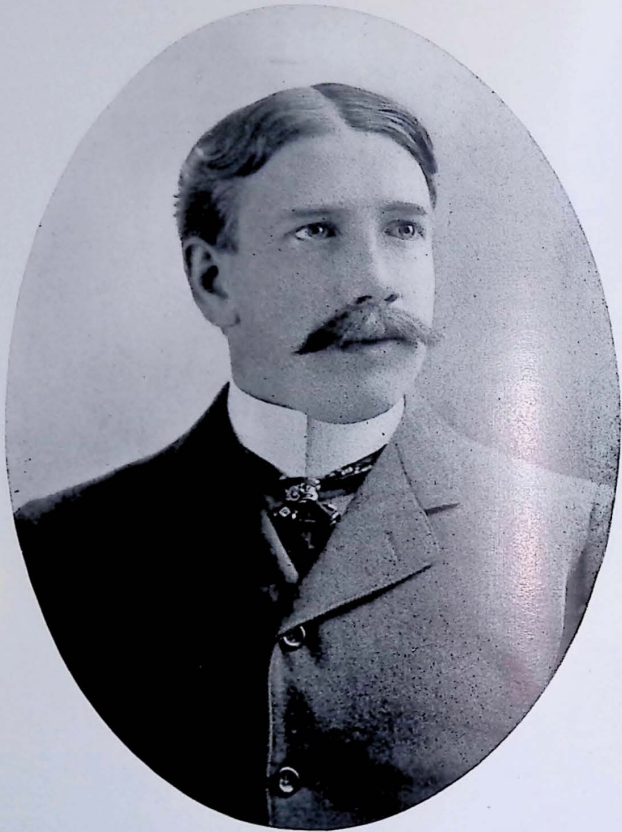
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Clyde D. Garrett, '10; George V. Graham; Arthur P. Spear, '00; Paul Sperry; Wm. J. Turkington, '09; Donald Wilhelm, '11.





EDWARD JOHN COOK, E '95
President of the Grand Lodge

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Benjamin Barber, '10; W. W. Dawley, '75; Piny Baxter Fiske, '10; Irving N. Gere, '84; Charles E. McGaffin, '04; Frederic G. Perine, '87; Henry Harper Swift, '10; Alexander Woollcott, '09.

 THE BANQUET

Hotel Somerset, Boston, February 23, 1909

Nothing that takes place at Convention is as significant of the spirit of the Fraternity and the inspiration received at these annual meetings of the members of the Fraternity than the speeches made at the Banquet. We believe that the advice offered and the zeal shown by those who spoke at the Banquet of the Sixth-First Annual Convention will be as inspiring to our readers as it was to those brothers who were privileged to hear them.—*Ed.*

Edward John Cook, E '95, President of the Grand Lodge, presided at the after-dinner speeches, and George Ray Wicker, Ph.D., B '90, acted as Toastmaster.

GEORGE RAY WICKER

I wish first of all to congratulate the Fraternity upon so faithfully pursuing a rule of economy. I believe that the general rule is to secure the maximum amount of satisfaction with the minimum of effort. I am pleased to observe that the Fraternity tonight has achieved the honorable distinction of a maximum of noise with a minimum of booze. (*Applause.*)

I have some telegrams and letters to read.

Montreal, February 23, 1909

To Θ Δ X Banquet,
Hotel Somerset.

Greetings brothers. Z^A are with you in spirit.

C. E. RICHARDSON

February 19, 1909

MR. RUSSELL C. GIBBS,

Dear Brother Gibbs: Your kind letter of February tenth reached me at Miami, Fla., on my way cruising around the coast of Florida. It would be impossible to attend the Convention this year. I was on my way to Egypt on the sunken *Republic* with wife and daughter and our severe experience has unnerved us so that we started to spend the winter in Florida. Address will be Palatka, Fla., until May first. I met Brother Willis S. Paine at Palm Beach. We both agreed that February was not as good a period for the old graduates to attend

Conventions as it used to be in November, although I have always tried to attend if I possibly could. Please remember me to any inquiring brothers and I assure you my thoughts will be with you during Convention.

Fraternally yours,

JAMES R. MELLON, Π '65

February 10, 1909

MR. RUSSELL C. GIBBS,
Boston, Mass.

Dear Brother: I have just received our President's circular referring to the Sixty-First Annual Convention of our dear Fraternity.

As a delegate from Δ I attended the Convention held in Boston at Young's Hotel in 1890, if I am not mistaken. Brother Holmes was elected President of the Grand Lodge. I, therefore, know not only what good times are to be had at one of the Conventions, but the rare chance to meet so many good men and true Theta Delt. I never met a brother who was not a gentleman and a true Theta Delt. I only mention these facts that you may all sympathize with this brother so far away, who is unable to be with you this year, but who sends the grip, and his best wishes for the happiness of all the brothers, from the bottom of his heart.

You may be sure that I will be thinking of you all the time during the four days of the Convention.

If you, or any of the brothers desire any information, or whatever else from Cuba, please remember that there is a Theta Delt down here, only too happy to be of use to any of you.

I am happy to be able to sign,

Yours in the bonds of Θ Δ X,

CARLOS YZNAGA, Δ

February 4, 1909

RUSSELL C. GIBBS, Esq.,
Boston, Mass.,

Dear Brother Gibbs: Am just in receipt of the notice of the Annual Convention of Θ Δ X, and regret exceedingly my inability to be present, more especially as I have been unable to be present since my college days. However, my interest does not flag, and in time I am hoping to drop in again.

With best wishes for the success of the Convention, I am

Yours in the bonds,

CHARLES STICKNEY, Z '92

Kansas City, Mo.,

Tell the boys I am with them tonight. Heartiest greetings.

NORMAN HACKETT

Madison, Wis.,

Wisconsin Thetes wish you all a big night tonight.

(Signed) THE BUNCH

Richmond, Va.,

Greetings from the South. I am with you in spirit.

ARTHUR DWIGHT

New York, N. Y.,

Brothers, thrice hail. Would that I were with you tonight.

EDWARD VAN WINKLE

Montreal, Quebec,

Greetings, brothers. Z^A is with you in spirit.

C. E. RICHARDSON

Brother Cook informs me that telegrams of greeting are also received from the Chicago Graduate Association and from Benedict, Ex-President of Grand Lodge, Φ '71, Grand Lodge, '93.

"He that is greatest among you, let him be as the younger, and he that is chief as one who doth serve." I believe it is usual for one occupying the post I hold this evening, to begin by diminishing himself and exalting his auditors. I think that none ever more sincerely took upon himself this task of self-depreciation than does your Toastmaster of this evening.

What I would gladly say out of love for the Fraternity, the same love for the Fraternity forbids my saying. I think that I owe to the National Fraternity an almost unique debt of love and service, and it is because of that feeling that I stand here tonight. I would wish you, brothers, to know that of a truth I have consented to take the place because I do feel myself of the younger, and of the youngest, and that for this brief hour I would consent to serve as chief because in my judgment humility requires proud service as well as humble service when it is your good pleasure.

Our Fraternity stands above all for ideals. The very name "Fraternity" suggests one of those ideals which have exercised an especially formative influence in the civilization of the last century. But Fraternity itself connotes other ideals; among those ideals is that of service, and from the youngest initiate to our veteran brothers of O that ideal of service is everywhere and always controlling.

Fraternity also stands for loyalty, which seems to me to be the sum and ultimate of ideals. Professor Royce, having spoken of the glory of loyalty, was asked, "Loyalty to what?" and his reply, I think, is worth your consideration: "Loyalty to loyalty," by which I take it is meant that the very spirit of loyalty should constitute our ideal.

We have met tonight to take account of our immortal assets. We have heard much during the last few days regarding the financial affairs of the National Fraternity and of its various Charges, have heard of houses building and builded, of dues, assessments and sinking

fund. We have come together tonight to look over our spiritual house, the house not made with hands, the house eternal. It is the home of our early dreams, it is the home, the shelter, of some of our purest ideals. If it be the house of illusion, God bless that illusion!

There is one brother here tonight who knows that it is not a house of illusion. During this year he has been examining it in its various departments with watchful yet loving eye, lest the old traditions fail, and he comes to us tonight to report the result of his visit. I call upon the President of the Grand Lodge, Edward John Cook, E '95, who will speak to us on "Gleanings of the Year."

EDWARD JOHN COOK, E '95

Brothers in $\Theta \Delta X$, I am reminded of the story that I believe has been attributed to our beloved Lincoln. When he was President, a certain embassy called upon him to set before him a certain petition. After hearing their cause, President Lincoln asked one of the members of this embassy, "How many legs has a sheep?" The spokesman for the embassy replied, "Why, four, of course, Mr. President." "Yes, you are right. Now suppose we call the tail a fifth leg, how many legs has the sheep?" "Why," he said, "five." Mr. Lincoln said, "Oh, no, that is your mistake; calling the tail a leg, doesn't make it a leg." So I feel after hearing that most glorious tribute of Brother Griffing this afternoon, the praise that he has tried to bestow upon me—I feel that all those words do not make me so, that it is up to me merely to prove it by my acts. So I do not feel that my head is getting larger; I appreciate his words of praise, at the same time I feel that I can hardly live up to that which you would have me believe I am. However, it inspires me to try to do so.

A year ago as I stood before you at this time I felt proud of the honor you had bestowed upon me. Tonight I appreciate that honor more than ever, for I realize tonight more what it means to be a Theta Delt and to wear the shield.

After having visited our twenty-six charges, after having gone from Z^A to E, and from the Atlantic to the Pacific; having seen how our undergraduate ranks are composed of picked young college men; having seen how our Charges are banded together by a golden chain, I realize more than ever that $\Theta \Delta X$ has no peer.

How I wish that every one of you brothers could just be President for one year. You would realize then more than ever what $\Theta \Delta X$ is. You would not feel that you were making any sacrifice for $\Theta \Delta X$ by working for it, but that you were the gainer, and that you were getting something out of life worth while, and that you were realizing what living means. So, brothers, I feel that you all have through $\Theta \Delta X$ given me one of the happiest years of my life.

We do not realize, it seems to me, sufficiently what Fraternity life is. In this commercial age we are apt to think too much of the dol-

lars, and not enough of friendship and love. During the year it seems to me that I appreciated the fact that we all know what $\Theta \Delta X$ does for each of us, but I often wonder whether we individually appreciate or realize what we can do for the Fraternity. What are the sources through which a man may work for good for his Fraternity and himself?

First, let him aim at the solid and durable things of life; be not contented with transient things, that come and go, but think more of the solid and durable things. In the Charge life of your home or in your home body Charge life, remember at all times that your are Theta Delts, and live a clean and wholesome life. I would have you avoid drunkenness, licentiousness, or getting into dirt of any kind. Be not satisfied with joys, or do not make them the sole object of life. If so, they tire; they should be incidental only.

Again, in the home life of the Charge I would have you cultivate a wholesome capacity for hard work. Intellectual aims and powers are what we need. Trained capacity for intellectual possibilities is what the college life should bring to us.

It was Shakespeare that said: "The greatest treasure that life affords is a spotless reputation." Let us labor for this treasure by living with honor. The honorable life begins early. There are some things that the honorable man cannot do. The honorable man never cheats, or oppresses one weaker than himself; he is honest, sincere, candid. It is not sufficient to be honest merely; he must be generous—generous not only with his money, but generous in his judgment of men and of women and of the things of life. Such generosity is a beautiful attribute to the man of honor.

In law all things are proven by evidence before some tribunal. So it is in life, we are constantly giving evidence before some tribunal. What is the evidence of the honorable man, and what tribunal is it that declares at last that this was an honorable man? It is not the tribunal of your elders, or your parents or your teachers. It is the tribunal of your associates, your contemporaries. The decision of this tribunal should be of the greatest importance to you. It comes early in life, and lasts. I would ask you to cherish a decent respect for the judgment of your associates.

Again, in the home life of your Charge learn not only to work, but work to an advantage. It seems to me this is an age when we need men who do not misapply their energies, but work to the best advantage. Fraternity life should teach you all to do everything just a little better than necessary, just because you are Theta Delts.

Sometimes I wonder if we have the right conception of what the real fraternity spirit is. Real fraternity spirit is something more than a "Hurrah, boys, a cheer and a song." It seems to me that real fraternity spirit is living out the aims and ideals of our fraternity. Real fraternity spirit is an active desire for better manhood, an active force or the production of men of honor.

When you get out of college, the things that are going to last and stick are going to be the solid and durable things of life. If your college life and your fraternity life has taught you tolerance, charity and love, if you have been led to give up selfish motives for the good of the whole, then you will leave college with the true fraternity spirit, and you will ever have a desire to keep in touch with your Charge and with $\Theta \Delta X$ forever.

FREDERICK CARLOS FERRY, 1^A '91

Brother Toastmaster, Brother President, Brothers in $\Theta \Delta X$: Some years ago by a sudden shifting of events which I need not explain I was dropped down without warning in the city of Christiania in Norway for a residence of about a year. I did not know a single word of Norwegian, and from the first day people stopped me on the street and asked me questions familiarly in Norwegian, because it was a period of the year when foreigners were not there. I solved the problem, I am sure, of finding in those first few days the most useful word there is for a man who is going to know only one word in a foreign language. The word that I struck was the Norwegian word meaning "perhaps." Accordingly, when a person stopped me on the street and asked me, supposedly, whether that street led somewhere or other, I replied, as politely as I could, with all the Norwegian at my command, saying, "Perhaps." When they told me at table, trying to be kind to me, that it probably would rain that day, or something that I thought might mean that, I returned my best "Perhaps." Pretty soon a very dignified lady, the wife of a distinguished official of that country, condescended at the formal dinner to ask me a question across the table. I was very appreciative of the honor, and the people about paid attention, because it was unusual that in those first days she should condescend to that extent. I listened to her question, and I replied with my very politest "Perhaps." I found immediately that I had fallen from grace with that lady, and as soon as I learned enough of the Norwegian language to find out what the question was that she had asked me, I made haste to ascertain. The question had been, "Are you married?"

Now, the uncertainty of my state of mind as I wandered about the streets of Christiania those first days, with only the one word "perhaps" at my command, was somewhat like the attitude of the college community toward scholarship the last few years. They have thought perhaps they needed more elective courses. Again, they have thought that perhaps the elective system should be abolished. Again, they thought that perhaps the course was too long, and they must cut it down from four years to three. Again, they thought that some other solution would perhaps fit the case.

During the last few days from four or five different sources, there has come out in print the very positive statement that the real trouble

after all is that learning in the college and university world is on the defensive, that college people are asking that there should be conceded a place for the college course, that we are apologizing for the work that we ask men to do. It is a serious state of things, if that be so.

One who recently explained that the object of the college course was to train for citizenship, was answered within a few days in one of the college publications by a very well written article seriously accepting the definition of the goal of the college, but replying and winding up the article by a statement that the curriculum does not play any part directly towards that end.

For a good many years I have been receiving letters from the candidates who are coming to us up there in the Berkshires, and I have tried to make out from them what the object is, why it is the boys come to college. Well, I have answers like this—this was the letter which came first from a candidate for Williams College:

“Am very anxious to secure a college education, as a man with ordinary education is in competition with women in general, and in consequence is unable to raise himself.”

That man knew that the college education might help him to raise himself. He did not define it as an intellectual end, but he wanted it. Here is another one:

“I should like to take up some course leading preferably to landscape gardening, next to journalism, then concrete construction, and then law. I don't know whether you have any of these courses, but kindly let me know the nearest you have. I certainly do want to get into Williams, for it has the peach of a rep. everywhere. And of course I want to study, but I want to work up to it gradually and not all in a heap. All I want to do is to get in, and if I do not study and keep up, then you can just fire me. So if you will be so kind as to tell me all about it, and put me next to the ropes, why, I will be much obliged. I do not belong out in this woolly country, I come from New York town.”

That man, again, wanted something from his college course. He shows that he was not a man who was appreciative of the intellectual goal, but rather that in some indirect way something good should come to him. Here is another letter of a distinct type, and we get many of these. This is all that I received from this young man; the name, if I should read it,—which I will not do,—would be familiar, probably, to every man in this hall:

“Dear Sir: I wish to inform you that I would like to get in your school and earn my tuition. I can play any game, as baseball, basketball, football and polo. I have always been one of the fastest athletes in the Y. M. C. A. I am a center fielder in baseball, left half-back in football, and left forward in basketball. I have played with the fastest

amateur teams of this city. I have coached the —— high school in basketball, and have a chance to play proff. baseball next year but would sooner attend school for a few years longer. I am a brother to (a young man that you would all immediately recognize). Hoping you will give me a show, I remain as ever."

Those are to some extent typical of the objects and wishes which the boys have in mind in coming to us.

It seems to me that one of the natural places where you would look for the incentive to serious intellectual work, next after the boys, would be the parents. It is particularly true here in the East, I think it is coming to be true everywhere, that the average home from which the boy comes to college is a home where intellectual things are not counted of the most serious moment. They are respected. The earnest parents tell me very positively that they do not wish their son to try to be the valedictorian; they have noticed that "valedictorians never amount to anything." Again, they have told me within a few days that they should be very sorry if their son earned the first prize in certain series of courses. Consequently we cannot fall back on the atmosphere of the home to provide the stimulus for intellectual training.

Now, a ship is to sail on the ocean, and a locomotive is to haul cars. In the same way, an educational institution is to educate, and we all go there for the purpose of education. Of course the place where the determination of the intellectual goal and the infliction of it, should rest, is with the faculty. I speak, of course, with great tenderness on that side of the question, but I want to tell you that I learn that this kind of statement is made to the undergraduates by professors in institutions in this country: "Any of you, and every one of you, can do something for the support of athletics; only a few of you can become scholars. Therefore all turn out and go away with the team on Saturday." I have some sympathy with all turning out and going away with the team; I have no sympathy with their going away with the team because only a few of them can hope to be scholars. Just a few days ago one of our earnest Freshmen was advised by the head of a department (I don't know that it was in our college) that he would better not try for the Phi Beta Kappa Society, because if he did so he would lose a great deal of the college life which would be of value to him. I know of one department of which the head has publicly repeated this as the sentiment governing his department: "Come ye apart with me and rest a while."

If we look to the college faculties for the determination in all cases of the proper intellectual end, we are going to be disappointed here and there. I do not want to score the faculty too severely. I read a few years ago in the *Evening Post* that the faculty was entirely responsible for this state of things, that "amiable but doddering incompetents" in college faculties were at present destroying the intellectual

work that the young men should be doing. If this is true, and if we are not aiming at the intellectual life, if we are not setting the right value on learning, we as a fraternity want to be aware of it.

I want to say for athletics, that I think the man who takes part in an athletic team in the honorable, straightforward way that is customary now with our students, gains a very great deal from the part that he takes; I think there is lots of building of character on the athletic field. I cannot say quite so much for the man who sits on the bleachers and exercises only his lungs. If he feels that he is fulfilling a large function in the college, I am sure he is making a mistake. In either case, whether the man is to be an athlete or is to exercise his lungs on the bleachers, four years is too long a time to be spent for such a purpose; a much shorter period would be far better.

Again, there is the social aim in college. It is worthy of respect, and yet if you are to look at the college simply for the social organization I think that with the way things are going in this country at present the man is wisest who comes to college as a partial course student, makes his fraternity, is dropped out in the middle of the first year, and goes to work. That is, if he is going to college not for intellectual achievement, but is going simply for the social purpose. It seems to me that there again we should need to shorten the college course. Naturally we do not propose to do that.

If now you turn to me and tell me that we establish after all by the product that we are turning out of college that we are doing the right thing, I should tell you that I see some very pathetic illustrations along that line. One of them was described a few days ago by a hack driver. When questioned as to the way in which a certain fellow had gotten on in college, he said, "Oh, well, he didn't get on well. He worked what he could, but to tell the truth he was too heavy for light work, and so he dropped out." He was asked what had become of the young fellow, and he said he had gone down to one of our cities and had become a civil engineer, and it hadn't gone very well there; "he found out pretty soon that he was too light for heavy work, and had to give it up." I have found out about a good many cases of fellows whom we turn out of college, who are after their college training too heavy for light work and too light for heavy work.

Of course you can get excuses for anything, and you can get a good excuse for not sitting up at night to study at your books.

Sometime ago I was talking with a young Englishman who remarked to me that it was queer they didn't have capital execution in Italy. I had been there, and I replied that I thought it very strange, because according to my opinion no country needed it more than Italy. He said, yes, that was true, but he had thought it out, and had come to the conclusion that if Italy had capital punishment there wouldn't be anybody left there. Then he told me that the way they disposed of

the wrong doers in Italy is to imprison them, and after a while find a good plea for letting them out. He said, "I was told recently of a case in Italy where they imprisoned a young man for life because he had killed his father and mother. They let him out pretty soon, the excuse for their clemency being that he was a poor orphan!"

Now, the state of things is, we hope, not quite as dark as I have been painting it. It is a good deal brighter in this way, that a number of the ablest of the presidents who control those things so largely have taken the matter up. Some of them took it up a good many years ago, and not always with success. One of them at that time told his boys that they might have the autumn for football and the spring for baseball, if they would give the winter to study. Pretty soon basketball and hockey developed, and I don't know what was left except the summer vacation. But I say the prospect is a great deal brighter, because serious men are looking earnestly at the problem and are trying to arrange that the college should do its work.

Now, for this Fraternity of which we are all so proud, I hope that there is not going to be any mistake made in that direction. I know that another fraternity that we regard with the highest respect is seriously considering at the present time putting alumni as tutors in the charge houses, so that their boys may have help to do intellectual work. That plan has been advocated seriously for some time by one of the fraternities.

This Fraternity of which I am glad to be a member tries to bring in the best Freshmen it can in each delegation. The great problem is that it should turn out the best Seniors that it possibly can, and, still further, that it should have started those men in such a way in their first contact with intellectual things that when the later days come that influence should have carried them to still higher and higher places.

I would ask therefore, that none of us should be forgetful that the most proper distinction for the college man is the distinction of intellect, and that a college man can claim a particular position before the world after he leaves college more properly by right of what he has gained intellectually than by right of any other achievement. And I would hope that we should pull along together so that we may fall very far short of reaping the failures that the *Evening Post* is at the present time explaining to us.

RUDOLF TOMBO, JR., P^A '98

Brother Toastmaster and Brothers: I think this is the first occasion in my long career that I have been introduced as a son of the Fatherland, and it reminds me of a story, the only story in which the German gets the best of the Irishman. It may be an old story, but there is nothing else the matter with it. This story tells how one day

the Germans were having a festival, and an Irishman fell into the midst of this festive gathering, and it wasn't very long before there was a tremendous crash of glass and a form went whirling through the air. Someone was passing by, and in the meantime this form had regained consciousness. It hailed the passer-by and said, "I have strayed by mistake into the wrong company; wait until I get square with those Dutchmen, and as they come flying through the window you count them for me. It may take a long while, but I beg of you to do this for the honor of my country." The passer-by promised, and the Irishman went back to the festival. For a while everything was gay; by and by there was another noise of broken glass, and a form came whirling through the window, and the passer-by called out, "One." Whereupon the form shouted out, "you son of a gun, stop your counting, it's me again!"

I think this is the eighteenth Convention that I have attended; I blush to tell it, but I think it is the truth. It reminds me of a little occurrence that happened a little while ago. I called upon President Butler and remonstrated with him for sending me again, for the fourth time, to take a certain trip, and I said it might subserve the best interests of the university if—on the basis of variety being the spice of life—somebody else was sent in my stead to take this long journey of five or six weeks. Whereupon he said there was no cause for worry whatsoever, inasmuch as by unanimous vote of the faculty I had been declared the one who could best be spared for that length of time. The faculty has spared me again for a few days, and I have endeavored to put a little life into this Convention. We got to the point where we were almost arrested. We even defied the police this morning about two o'clock, and the most I could get out of them was, "By Jove, you are raising Cain, are you not?" Two of the devoted brothers fled down the side street, and only a few of us were left to tell the tale. It reminds me of a story of a New York man who gave a dinner, and there was a Boston man there. The Boston man looked at one of the dishes rather suspiciously, and finally, his curiosity overcoming him, he nudged the New York man on his right and inquired as to the nature of the dish. The New York man said, "Why, don't you know what those are?" "No, I haven't the slightest idea." "Why, those are edible snails." "Edible snails?" the Boston man inquired. "Why, yes, edible snails. Haven't you got those out your way?" The Boston man replied, "We have them, but we can't catch them." We have been trying to catch a few snails in New York, and we have all come to the conclusion that inasmuch as things are so much less expensive here than they are in New York it is easier to lead a double life in Boston than it is to lead a single life in New York. And therefore we hope that the next Convention will come to Chicago, and not to Boston, because we are rather tired of leading this double life and carrying back with us a reputation that is incompatible with all those high

ideals to which we have just listened on the part of previous speakers.

We return to old things, history is constantly repeating itself, and if people complain that we no longer take the interest in theology, systematic theology, if you wish, and systematic religion, that we should, I only want to call your attention to the fact that we are constantly harking back to biblical things. Just as in the olden time, on account of the introduction of the automobile, humanity again has been subdivided into two large classes—the quick and the dead.

Now, boys, I presume I ought to make a few serious remarks on this occasion. There are one or two things that have impressed us, and of those I want to speak briefly, because I know there are at least a dozen men up there in the dyspepsia region who are wishing that they were down here to exchange places with me, because inside of two or three minutes I shall be through.

Now, brothers, the one thing that impresses me more than anything else in this Convention, and made me young again, was the little speech that I had the pleasure of listening to by Brother Halsey this morning. It is something that I shall never forget. I have felt for a number of years now that I was getting a little out of touch with the Fraternity, but I think there is one thing above all else that we should all keep in mind—this idea that the nearer the brothers get to that Charge which we all love, that Ω Charge, the Charge to which we all look forward, the closer will be our fraternity life. To my mind we ought not to have any friends unless we believe in immortality. I believe that those words that we heard this morning convinced all of us more than ever of the fact that there was such a thing as the Ω Charge which would bind us together after death.

The only thing that all of us, to my mind, should strive for, and strive for constantly, aside altogether from those scholarly pursuits and the other things about which we have heard this morning, is to feel that when we have reached the old age of three score years and ten—which after all is not an old age, as Brother Adams and Brother Halsey and Brother Brown have convinced us—I hope that when we have reached that age all the brothers may look up to us and may hand us the friendly grasp of $\Theta \Delta X$ as we have had an opportunity to hand it to Brother Adams and to Brother Halsey and to Brother Brown. And I hope the time may come when all of us who are here together may be gathered once again with bald heads, or with gray hair, and that we may think of the day when an old brother came into this Convention and said that he would give up the pin, which I think his voice and his actions showed he loved almost more on account of its symbolic content than anything else in life. If we think of that time, I think it will draw us all together, and assure us of the fact that although there may be a hundred other fraternities that are claiming that they are the

best and finest in the land, there is something in our Fraternity, in this idea of an Ω Charge, which transcends all material things and makes us after all a group of brothers, of real brothers, such as can be found nowhere else in the big wide world.

EDWARD STETSON GRIFFING, 1'89

Brother Toastmaster, Brother President, and boys: You have heard from our honored President tonight something about false representations. That's what has been foisted upon me here this evening. I wasn't told that I was to make a speech; in fact, I was told that they wouldn't call upon me. That is why when I got up upon the floor this afternoon I said that was the last time I would have the pleasure of addressing you.

Now, boys, we are here tonight ending our celebration, ending our work, and I tell you what, you are splendid. I mean it; I mean $\Theta \Delta X$ is simply the finest thing that ever happened. And old "Fate" Bachman, that loyal Theta Delt, was absolutely right when he said, "You can't beat Theta Delts feeling good."

When I look round here, the thing that strikes me more than anything else is the fact that we draw from all parts of this country, we draw from all walks of life—even that worst thing that ever happened to a college man, a college professor, and we like them. Well, I ought to know; I was one of the most popular men in college—I mean, with the faculty. I used to get a special invitation, upon a specially printed brown card, asking me to come and call on them. I know what I am talking about. The faculty couldn't get along without me; why, the faculty would have gone out of business, they wouldn't have had meetings. And now, to think of it, I am elevated to the proud position of sitting upon the raised dais with some of them. They aren't from my college. I leave it to the I boys down there as to what would happen if they were. What do you suppose? Well, I am sure I don't know, except that I think they would get up a specially engraved card and ask me to come to "U 5" and see them again. (A voice, "It is U 4 now.") Is it U 4? Well, they are getting along in the world; I thought the University was coming down.

Coming back to $\Theta \Delta X$, brothers, if you can show any institution in this world that approaches $\Theta \Delta X$ I would like to have you do it, because I have been looking for it and I can't find it. Here we come together, I look around and I see Jim from the East, and I see Frank from the West, and I see Ernie from the North, and I see them all from the South and everywhere else, and I see those young men here carrying on, I see them all around, and we come in here and meet on the great big, broad brotherhood of $\Theta \Delta X$. It is certainly magnificent. We may get in there, brothers, and we may have our differences about mere business matters—here is my good friend Clay Holmes, one of

the finest fellows who ever existed, a man who, I regret to say, never got up on the Convention floor without opposing what I wanted to do. Please note that I didn't say I ever opposed what he wanted to do—that's quite a different thing. And that's $\Theta \Delta X$ for you.

I want to call your attention to what happened in New York less than a month ago. In one of the meetings of the By-Laws Committee there was Clay Holmes of Φ , Frederic Carter of E^A , Jim Hallock of Δ , and myself. We four brothers, as many of the older men know, have never appeared in a Convention without lining up on four sides of a question. But there was real serious work to be done, and what happened? We met in the afternoon, we stayed to dinner, and we spent the evening working for $\Theta \Delta X$, and when we got through we got up a unanimous report to this Convention. That's what $\Theta \Delta X$ will do.

And it means a tremendous lot, my brothers. It means this, it means that we have got fundamentally the finest idea in the world. There is no use talking, I have seen $\Theta \Delta X$, from here on the Atlantic coast to the Pacific coast, and all the way between. I have seen the nice, fine, clean-cut, elegant brothers that there are coming out of $\Theta \Delta X$, and those brothers in the future are being made by many of the brothers who are here tonight. And as we look around we see before us the future Grand Lodge, we see before us the future governing boards of the Fraternity, we see here the men who are going to carry on this great organization for the benefit of us all. It is a tremendous responsibility, my brothers, and it is a tremendous delight. And when this afternoon we elected as our leader for the second time that sterling, royal, level-headed good fellow, Brother Eddie John Cook, I tell you it was fine. Can anybody beat it? They cannot.

I tell you, boys, and I want to say it, not for the older men, because the older men know it—I want to say it for the younger men, that $\Theta \Delta X$ as an institution is the finest thing in the United States. There are lots of other fraternities, and I am not belittling them, either, where they are good, but there is no other fraternity in the country that starts in with an undergraduate and goes through with the graduate from youth to old age, and finally into Ω . There is no other fraternity that believes in friendship forever; that is what $\Theta \Delta X$ is, that is what we stand for, my brothers.

What we want is this intimate friendship that makes us all so happy, whether we are at work down in the convention hall or whether we are playing at two o'clock in the morning in spite of the strict laws in Boston. I happen to have had the honor of being a member of the Suffolk bar, and I tell you, brothers, it was very hard work to violate that eleven o'clock law.

Now, my brothers, there is one thing that grieves me, and only one thing, and that is to think that it is going to be a whole year before we all get together again as a Fraternity. We will meet a bunch here and a bunch there and a bunch somewhere else, and renew our

social joys in this union of ours, and have delightful times, but it is going to be one year, and one thousand miles of a long, hard walk, with the ties far apart, before we can get together again. I do not see why some of you laugh at that, I can assure you that I speak from an absolute knowledge—the ties are very far apart. But it is worth while, my brothers, and we all want to go to Chicago next year, to have another Convention of this kind, to get together, to meet Theta Delt.

You younger men do not know what it means twenty years from now to run across old friends that you have made in $\Theta \Delta X$ Conventions. That is what we are here for. We are here to do some business, we are here to have some meetings, but we are here primarily to make good, intimate friends for life, and you are doing it all the time. And as I look around the room and see the various good fellows, that I have had the pleasure of making the acquaintance of during this Convention, as I see the good friends that I have made in $\Theta \Delta X$, I say to myself that there is nothing in the world like $\Theta \Delta X$, and thank God I was made a Theta Delt.

WILLIAM HOLLIS GODFREY, K '95

Brethren of the $\Theta \Delta X$: Once more we have to press into four days our work of months. Each day has brought to me—I know it has to everyone of us—new flowers of enthusiasm, new quickening, new regeneration. Tomorrow we go back to that long routine of daily grind, of daily work, but I believe not one of us goes back quite the same as when we came. Somehow into my veins—I believe into the veins of every one of us—has come some touch of that fluid flowing through the heart portals of the gods, that brings eternal youth. I go back younger, strengthened a thousand times, strengthened from every Convention, ready to meet the demands whatever they may be, better able to meet whatever tasks may come.

It is a great gift, this gift of eternal youth and brotherhood. Full payment is not possible. The question is: How can we in part repay? More especially: How can the graduate render the one supreme service to the Fraternity which above all else will raise $\Theta \Delta X$ to the point where she now stands or higher, where she should stand? I think the answer to that question may be found in one place,—in aiding the undergraduates to choose the men who are to enter our circle. I agree with one part of what Brother Ferry said, when he said that one of the most important duties was the choosing of the undergraduates. I believe that the choosing of those men who are to come among us is the one greatest duty which the Fraternity has, because only by that choice can we make the Seniors that we should have. But what a task is before the undergraduates! Next September a whole inchoate struggling mass of Freshmen enters college, and the upper classmen

must choose the very few who are to come among us, and those few must be the best. It is a Herculean task, and each year as the rushing season comes around, I wonder more and more at the way in which the undergraduates carry out their great task, nobly performed.

I believe there is no one thing more conspicuous in evidence of the inherent wisdom of the founders of our brotherhood than the living proof of each Freshman class as these men come to Conventions.

The problem comes back: What can we graduates do? The direct choice rests with the undergraduates. It should; they are the men with whom those men are going to live. What can we do? What can you, physician, do? You know that some boy patient is coming up to college in the fall. You, the over-taxed lawyer or business man, hear that some one of your friends is going to send a boy up to college. A minister hears that some one of his flock is going to some old home of $\Theta \Delta X$. The teacher who is preparing a dozen men for college knows much of those men—of their capacity, of their character and of their power. Now, it is a very simple matter when you go home to sit down and write the corresponding secretary of the Charge, not of your own Charge alone, of any Charge of the Fraternity from the Atlantic to the Pacific, it is all one great Fraternity, it doesn't matter what the charge is—but to sit down and write that man: "This is the $\Theta \Delta X$ material, this is a good man coming up;" or, perhaps, "This is a good man, but I do not think he is quite the right man, for such and such qualifications exist, such and such detractions." I believe that nine out of ten of such undergraduates would be glad of such assistance.

But there is one word of caution. Remember, as I said before, that the undergraduates must live with the men, they must decide, they must weigh the pros and cons, and if three times, and three again, your choice and your advice are not taken, do not stop on that account, go on aiding them and aiding the Fraternity in the choosing of the men.

These last years have been an era of splendid progress for the Fraternity. Great as has been that advance, I believe it involves equally great responsibility. To raise that building which we are rearing today needs firm, stern fidelity, it needs steel construction throughout, good tempered steel, well riveted. And if we graduates, when our part is done are to have borne our part, we must do what we can in this line. Only by so doing can we, turning to those older brothers who in time of storm and stress kept the shield spotless, say with truth, "We kept the faith."

RUSSELL C. GIBBS, I^A '00

Brother Toastmaster and Brother President: Those of us who attend the opening session of the Convention each year hear more or less in the President's report about "this document is submitted herewith, marked 'Exhibit A.'" I feel tonight, gentlemen, as if I were submitted here marked "Exhibit 23."

The Committee of Arrangements, despite appearances, brothers, is a modest committee. I have heard that at some of the gatherings during the Convention the committee has been criticised, it has been said that the committee has been too much in evidence, that the Grand Lodge is not enough in evidence. I never was at a Convention before in which I felt so keenly that I was in it, but was not of it. Or perhaps I had better put it the other way—of it, but not in it. I really haven't been at a Convention session, I don't know anything of what has been done at the Convention. I don't mean by that to say that I have been working all the time, for I insist, gentlemen, that the committee is a modest committee. We feel like that sturdy young American of ten or twelve years, whose teacher wrote on the blackboard some English grammar for him to correct. She wrote, "The hen has four legs." Underneath she wrote, "He done it." She asked this sturdy young American to criticise the sentence. He did it in this way, "He didn't done it, God done it."

If this Convention has been a success, brothers, the committee did not do it. The thing that made this Convention a success is that spirit which Nat Webster at a New England banquet once described to us as that little tickling in the heart which he couldn't account for, but which could be healed only by scratching up against other Theta Deltas in some kind of a Theta Delt gathering.

Really, I am not here to make a speech. I'm like the hero of a yarn I ran across recently. This is a Turkish story of a hoja who was a lazy individual, and who, when called upon to lead the service, ascended the rostrum and asked, "My brothers, do you understand what I am about to say to you?" The reply came, "No, of course we do not, how can we?" He replied, "Then what is the use of my going on?" and he left the rostrum. In time his turn came once more, and his brothers were ready for him—or thought they were. He asked them the same question, "Brothers, do you understand what I am about to say to you?" They answered, "Yes, we do." "Then," he said, "why should I say it?" The third time they were sure they were ready for him. He asked the same question, "Brothers, do you understand what I am about to say?" There was a confusion of answers. Half of them said, "Yes, we do," the other half replied, "No, we do not." "Then," said the hoja, "let those who do explain to those who do not."

REV. LEWIS HALSEY, ☉ '68

Mr. Toastmaster and Brothers: When I listened to a speech which I have been wishing to listen to for years, the words of Brother Tombo, I felt like sending up the signal "C. Q. D." if that is the correct giving of that signal which was sent up. I seemed for the moment as if I could not say anything to you, but I was asked some little time ago—and a very short time ago—to write something for this occasion. I

found that Pegasus was getting a little lame, still I thought I would have to trot him out, and have therefore changed the title of the paper which I shall present to you in a very few moments.

I was looking over some of the old SHIELDS and I found that Fitz-james O'Brien gave for the second time his poem, his magnificent poem, "The Age of Gold." So I shall quote a few stanzas from a poem read twenty-five years ago at a $\Theta \Delta X$ Convention at New York City, but in the first place will give you a few rhymes suggested several days ago:

The Berkeley boys can make a noise
And Stanford, raise no less a racket.

Wisconsin's men are men of poise,
And Michigan can boast her Hackett.

Old graduates quit "raising Cain"
And X finds pleasure in its Paine.

We could not hope, by hook or crook
To find for Chef a better Cook.

DE AMICITIA

Whether expressed or unexpressed,
Whether confessed on unconfessed,
There is a longing in the heart
For pleasures Friendship can impart.
He who avoids his fellow men,
Who burrows in a hermit's den,
Or like some Simon Stilites
By penance hopes his Lord to please
Breaks ties which bind him to his God,
And makes himself a soulless clod.

For how can he who would disown
The brother he has seen and known,
Care for his heavenly Father aught,
Whose image is unseen, unsought?
What is the use of life to one
Who, when his days on earth are done,
Looks back on no kind deeds performed,
On no cold heart which he has warmed,
On no lone mourner comforted,
On no poor wanderer housed and fed;
Who ne'er a torch of truth has lighted,
Nor by his arm a wrong has righted?

Who has not felt the need of friends?
Our very life on love depends.
The wretch who lives for self alone,

Lives not,—or only lives to curse
 The world his living makes the worse.
 His days are days of dreariness,
 His nights no visions come to bless,
 He finds no happiness on earth,
 At death his wealth is little worth.
 Tho' sculptured marble mark his grave,
 No flowers bloom, no willows wave
 His lonely resting place above,
 The tributes of undying love.
 He sleeps, unhonored and unwept,
 The sleep all selfish souls have slept.
 There is a peaceful happiness
 In living other souls to bless,
 And he who lives to honor God,
 Lives on, tho' laid beneath the sod.
 His body dies, his mem'ry lives
 Strong in the strength which virtue gives
 For truth and love can never die
 In time, or in eternity.

The man who loves his fellow men;
 Who, injured, injures not again,
 Who lives, not to defraud his neighbor,
 But eats the bread of honest labor;
 Whose heart can throb with sympathy
 For suffering humanity,
 Who loves not caste, nor worships station
 Nor rates man by his occupation,
 Who, honoring his mother's name,
 Thinks it not noble to defame
 A woman's character, nor smiles
 At guilt which innocence beguiles;
 Who gives his voice to save from death
 The victim of vile slander's breath,
 Who asks not, when the needy cry,—
 "Who is my neighbor?" but will fly
 With ready aid to their relief
 And sympathize with all their grief,—
 He is the man who lives in truth,
 And will live thro' eternal youth.

To love, we need to know each other.
 We cannot feel a man a brother
 Unless our hand has grasped his hand,
 Unless we see unfold, expand,
 From bud to bloom, sweet friendship's flower,
 Which does not blossom in an hour;
 Unless we know his inmost thought,
 Unless our souls have been inwrought

With one another, year by year,
 Comrades in joy, and hope, and fear.
 Who would have friends must friendly be,
 So teaches our Fraternity.

We need to undergo together
 Trials of fair and stormy weather
 That like old shipmates when they meet,
 It may rejoice us to repeat
 The story of our dangers past,
 Which bind us friends while life shall last.
 Or, as old soldiers, battle-scarred,
 Who, tenting, fighting, mounting guard,
 Companions thro' the long campaigns,
 Have shared each others' losses, gains,
 We too may have, each for the others,
 The fellowship and love of brothers.

We lose not by bestowing love,
 It is a blessing from above;
 A stream which onward flows forever
 From sacred fount which faileth never,
 Bright from the friendly heart outgushing,
 Like Venus from the sea, burn blushing.
 Its beauty is of heavenly birth,
 But cheers and vivifies the earth.

To live to make the world the better,
 To cheer the faint, to break the fetter
 Of innocence enslaved, to oppose
 The onset of a brother's foes,
 To stand between the weak and wrong,
 To war prevent and peace prolong,
 To live for others, not for self,
 To strive for honor, not for pelf,
 To seek, by honest, earnest labor,
 To honor God and aid his neighbor,—
 Who so lives, honors $\theta \Delta X$,
 And need not fear to live,—nor fear to die.

CLAY W. HOLMES, Φ '69

Mr. Toastmaster, Brother President and Brothers: It has come to seem to be a regular thing, and if there be any reason why I should stay at home from one of these occasions it is because I seem to have the faculty of landing at the head board and sit wondering how long it will be before it will be time to be sacrificed. And yet there is no time, there has been no time since the last Convention one year ago when I have been as happy as I have been tonight.

It is a beautiful sight to sit here and look down upon the faces of such a gathering of young men and particularly so has it been tonight. I have been reminded of the time just sixteen years ago when I sat around the festive board in this city and looked upon such another gathering. But I miss from this gathering some of the faces which were here then, which were always here whenever there was a gathering up to the time that they were affiliated with the Ω Charge. And so, if it may please you, I would in my reference to this Fraternity ask you to pause for a few minutes and think with me upon the lives and character of those men who have prompted us upon this occasion to say that there is no other Fraternity like unto this.

For the first fifty years of her existence this Fraternity was peculiarly blessed in having upon its rolls the names of some of the most famous men in this country, men who made not only a name for themselves but contributed of their honor and glory to this Fraternity and made it what it is. And to their lives and memory do we owe the honor and halo which surrounds us at this time.

I was startled when in performing a task for the Fraternity in gathering together the records of ten years last passed since our semi-centennial, to discover the long list of familiar names which have passed to the beyond. And when you think of it and realize it—and to some of you it will be news—the best men in the list have gone. Those who live in this part of the country and are familiar with persons and facts about the history of this city and the surrounding country, need not be told of those who are gone, because they know them well, and their memories still linger to lighten the sky in this territory.

To the memory of one of those men I am able to state that to me the beauty of the Fraternity was more contributed than by almost any other. And I am sure that his successor who sits at my left will readily appreciate that influence, what it means to me, what it means to every man who has ever been in Boston or ever sat in his presence, and to the long list of college men who have gone forth from the institution at whose head he stood honored for so many years.

But to go for a moment to facts, I find upon looking over the list that there have been lost to us within the last ten years over 125 of the names which have been household words in every Charge during the time of their existence in the Fraternity. And I further find that as the years go by the ratio is rapidly increasing. We find that 36 were from classes between 1850 and 1860; 32 were from classes between 1860 and 1870; 29 were in those of 1870 to 1880; 25 were in those from 1880 to 1890; and but three between those of 1890 to 1895, when the list stopped. Taking into account the charges which they represented we find fourteen from A, fourteen from Z, thirteen from E, nine from Ξ , eight from Δ , seven from H, seven from O^A , six from B, six from Φ , six from X, six from Ψ , five from K, and five from Π .

Time does not permit me to make any extended remarks, but I

want to pay just a word of tribute to those whom I knew personally, brothers with whom I came in contact, by whose sides I have worked, and with whom my relations have been extremely intimate.

First of all on the list stands Abel Beach, the one of the two remaining founders who were present with us at the semi-centennial. You boys, of course, do not know so much about him, but those who have been in the Fraternity for any length of time know of his later years, how in his feebleness and in his decline that he still had the Fraternity close to his heart, and while he had a peculiar way of expressing it, it was always in verse. One of the most choice mementoes we have is a bound volume of poems written by Brother Beach, every one of which breathes forth not only the ideality of the Fraternity, but its very life blood.

Then we have Dan Lockwood from Buffalo, the man who became famous in his home city in his profession of law, and who is the one man to whom this country was indebted for the campaign and election of Grover Cleveland as President of the United States. He was one of the kind of men who, though full of business, never had so much business but that he could always greet a Theta Delt. I remember going into his office one day when I was much younger than I am now, and did not know him as well as I did before he died. I thought it would be my place to pay a call upon the brother of whom I had heard so much. I went into his office, he sat at the other end of the room where he could just look over the top of his desk, surrounded by perhaps half a dozen or more clients, and the moment I stepped inside the door he jumped up as quick as a flash, left his clients and came over to me, stuck out his hand, "Old boy, I am glad to see you." I shook hands with him, and I said, "You are busy now, I will come in again." He said, "Never mind the clients, I have got time for you," and sat down and for a half hour he held me. I couldn't get away from him until he got all the juice out of me, and then I thought it was time to go. But the clients had sat waiting in the meantime. It expressed his feelings for the Fraternity. And if there are any of you who heard his most glorious speech at the semi-centennial, which rang with everything which is full of $\Theta \Delta X$, you could not help but know the man as he was, and that was simply an expression of what he always expressed.

And then there was Colonel "Willie" Rexford, whom many of you of the older ones might know,—a quiet, unassuming man who filled his place in his country's history and passed away. He never could go out and meet with the boys, but never forgot them.

I might mention others, but I only mention one whom we knew in the old days as "Sammie" Huntington. Very little has been known about Sammie for the past twenty-five years. He was a man who would appear and then disappear. I remember being down in New York one time, starting for home, I was a little early for the train and

I thought I would walk along the platform and smoke a cigar. I saw a man sitting on a truck, he looked around, and I said, "Hello, Sam, is that you?" He said, "Yes, it is me." I hadn't seen him or heard of him for five years. I had a nice visit with him; he wanted to know all about the Fraternity. I couldn't find out about him, nobody ever knew about him, and I never heard of him from that time until I read of his death in *THE SHIELD*. There was something very pathetic about it, but he was one of the kind of men who although passing in and out quickly and silently, whenever he got where there was a breath of Fraternity he was always in touch with it.

And then there is Ernest W. Huffcutt of B. Many of you younger men knew him but to admire him and to love him. He was a man whom I really do not feel able to speak about with the merit that he deserves. I did not know him well enough, but what I did know of him led me to admire him.

And then there was Clark Fisher of the old Δ . Probably many of you have not heard of him, but in the old times, in the '60's and the '70's, there was no name more familiarly spoken than that of Clark Fisher.

And then we come down to Z, and here would be topics for a talk which would occupy a week,—the famous trio, John Hay and William L. Stone and Franklin Burdge. The world at large has paid a tribute to John Hay, and you all know of him; but Brother Stone and Brother Burdge were men whose lives were not quite so prominent in the country, but whose lives in $\Theta \Delta X$, in the old days, were most prominent.

To William L. Stone the Fraternity owes its first catalog, and much of the history which is recorded of the early days of the Fraternity is due to his efforts. And to Franklin Burdge we owe the second catalog; although one of the quietest men I ever knew, there never was a man in whose heart affection to the Fraternity beat warmer, nor who left more work scattered here and there which has helped to build up the Fraternity than did he.

And then we come to the man who in this district should be spoken of with the deepest of feeling, and that is Elmer H. Capen. Among all the men whom I ever knew in this Fraternity, and to whom as a young man I looked up with the deepest of admiration, was President Capen. I couldn't just understand how the president of a college could come down to the level of the boys and meet with them and be a boy with them. But as I met him time after time, I learned that it must be possible, and that it was possible. And then I began to feel that he was nothing but a boy like myself. But I don't think there was another man in the Fraternity whom I had the privilege of knowing, who disseminated the seeds of true manhood more, in his quiet and earnest way, than did Brother Capen. I would fain pay to his memory the highest tribute which it would be possible for the English tongue to convey, did I feel that I had the power to do so.

And then in contradistinction to Brother Capen there is another man who had become famous in this part of the country, not in the lines of education but in the lines of civic manhood, and that was Hosea M. Knowlton. I did not know him personally, never having met him but once, because he was a man whose duties as a citizen kept him from our gatherings. But you could not turn a street in this city, or in any other place near it, but that Hosea Knowlton was as well known as the President of the United States, and only known to be honored and respected.

Then we come to another name, and those who have ever heard of Seth P. Smith will realize in a moment all that can be said of him and his work for the Fraternity. Why, for years and years it did seem to me that nothing could occur in Boston without Seth—and he is gone.

Then we come to the Ξ Charge, and here I would pay another tribute to a man who was perhaps not as well known in this section, but our president and the boys from Ξ will agree with me that he was a man who carried about with him that which lifted the Fraternity everywhere, and that he was on every occasion our true brother—Mahlon N. Gilbert. He gave us the most delightful and classic work as the toastmaster of the semi-centennial. He was another man whom I stand alongside Elmer H. Capen as the second man who caused me to look higher every time I thought of $\Theta \Delta X$ and of those two men.

And then there was Brother Spahn. Dear old "Jake" had been a worker, everywhere present, whose voice was always heard on every occasion. Another name which you have already considered here tonight is that of dear old Lafayette Bachman, one of the workers everywhere and on every occasion.

I might name others, but it is too much. Boys, these names to those who have worn the shield so long, have become the truest names of history. And when you go home, and as you go home, I want you to think of every one of them and become familiar with them. Study everything that you can find about them in the history of the Fraternity, because such men will contribute to you something which will enable you to become what every Theta Delt ought to become—an honored citizen. To their memory we have now to look for the help which in the past we received direct, and to me it will always be an inspiration, no matter where I may be. When I think of those men, and others like them, I thank God that it was my privilege to be thrown into the surroundings of $\Theta \Delta X$.

FREDERICK W. HAMILTON, K '80

Brother Toastmaster and Brethren: The hour is so late that I have but a few words to say, or else we shall have to walk home. I begin with a phrase, or more than a phrase, from the speech of Brother Godfrey. He spoke of the wonderful success which the Charge met

with in choosing the new men. It isn't merely our wisdom, it isn't merely good luck, that these boys turn out as they do. It is because the Fraternity puts its stamp upon these men who are so fortunate as to become its members.

I have been more than ever impressed as I sat here tonight looking over these tables, seeing men gathered here from all parts of the country, with the fact that they represent a type, that wherever they come from, whether it is from Canada or from the North, from the Middle West, or from New England, or from as far south as our Fraternity exists, they are men of the same sort, they are men run, to a very large extent, in the same mold. And I cannot help thinking that the reason of that is partly because of the wisdom of the choice, and partly because of the influence of the Fraternity itself.

There is a rather unfamiliar passage in the Bible which runs like this: "As iron sharpeneth iron, so a man sharpeneth the face of his friend." And it is to the close associations of friendship, to that which we make the foundation stone of our Fraternity and the guiding star of our lives, that these results are due.

And the reason why $\Theta \Delta X$ is the very best Fraternity in all the galaxy of the Greek stars is because its motto indicates its purpose, and its purpose pierces to the depths of human life. For there is nothing more sacred among human associations than the friendships of men. There is nothing that means more to us in our lives for good or for evil. There is nothing that influences us so strongly. There is nothing that so smooths the rough places and so lights up the dark spots in life, so helps us in our hours of discouragement and defeat and despondency, so brightens with an ineffable glow the hours of our joy and our success, as the friendships which surround our lives, which make the substance of them and which make the glory of them. This is what we bring into our lives through this Fraternity. This is what we dedicate ourselves to, and this is the blessed circle into which we are permitted to enter.

You younger men do not realize that as well as those of us who have journeyed further along the road of life. You enjoy keenly the friendships and companionships which are formed in your college days. You do not yet know what they are going to mean to you in life. You do not know what they mean to you today, and you will not know till after fifteen or twenty or thirty or forty or fifty years of graduate life you look back on these days which you are passing through, look back over all the old joys to the time where you then stand, and realize what friendship has meant for you in your life.

We come to college—you came, I suppose, to your respective colleges, as I came to my own—with only one man in the college that I had ever seen before in my life, and that man was a Theta Delt, that man was Harry Virgin, who was President of the State Senate in Maine, and one of the leaders in politics and at the bar in that state.

And through his influence, I suppose, in a little while I, a friendless, very green Freshman, entirely unused to the great world and its ways, found myself no longer alone and no longer a stranger in a strange land, but gathered in a fellowship of men who stood close about me during all the years of my college life, and who made for me that college life.

Through that I came into a more intimate association with my honored president than would otherwise have been possible. It meant much to me in those days to see the president coming to the humble room which our Charge then occupied downtown in Medford, and take his place in the circle of brethren as we all sat around; to listen to his words, and to feel that, aside from his magisterial capacity, in which he was the most just and impartial of men, there was a tie which bound me to him, there was something between us that meant more than the mere association of the student and the president. And in those days there began a friendship which grew closer and closer as the years went by, which never was interrupted for a day until that long interruption—which is only an interruption—when he went away into that Charge where by and by I expect to follow him and to be with him once more.

And I was surrounded by men of the best sort. The K men particularly will remember Frank Harrington and Dan Brown, and a score of others whose names are household words in the K; and to their wisdom, to their advice, to their guidance, I owe the things which turned me from a raw school boy into a college man; more than that, from a boy into a man.

And those things are just the things which have come to you, which are coming to you today, and which will be your precious memories and which will be your blessed heritages in the years that are yet to come. How much we owe to our friendships, and how blessed it is for us to make central in our lives this sort of friendship, of brotherly love and service! Man was not made to live alone, and the man who tries to live alone not only lives unhappily but is doomed to live uselessly. But when he is one of a band of friends whose friendship may be relied upon, a friendship which does not wane with time, which does not pass with the passing years, but which may be taken up at any time when they meet, whether it shall be tomorrow or twenty years hence, that man has something in his life which no other man can have, that man has given himself into an association which in the give and take of life means more than anything else in the breadth of its extent and in the reach of its rewards that can possibly come to him.

Brothers, it is for me, I suppose, to pronounce the benediction, and this benediction is just the plea to remember always not only the words but the spirit of our splendid motto, and that splendid motto whose three letters are the adornment of our shield. And remember that the spirit of that motto is itself a shield, a shield which will protect your life from the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune, a shield





CLYDE D. GARRETT, X^A '10
Treasurer of the Grand Lodge



MAURICE SCOTT CHAPIN, θ^A '10
Secretary of the Grand Lodge

which will protect your heart from the wounds which the world would inflict upon it, a shield behind which you are to shelter yourself and whose protection you are to throw over your brothers.

It is not simply for what we can get, brothers, it is for what we can give, that this shield stands. It is not simply for what we are to get in our college life, but for what we are to give in our college life, that our Fraternity stands. It is not simply for the joy, for the pleasure, for the benefit of it; it is for the high joy of service, and the pleasure of friendship, and the deep satisfaction of having been able to give the word of cheer, the hand grasp of sympathy, the look of affection, which means so much to those who are in need of just those things, which can come only from the heart of a friend. That is what our motto means,—not for four years, but for four score years, if God gives it to us to stay here so long; and not for fourscore years, but for eternity. It isn't simply that we are friends now, we are friends always. It isn't simply that we are friends in college, we are friends through life. It is not simply that we are friends in the K or the I or the Ψ , we are friends in the Ω . And wherever the souls of men shall be in this world, their friendship counts, and the more the friendship the bigger the soul, and the deeper the affection the richer the life, the more earnest the purpose, the greater the rewards, the larger its relations.

May those things, brothers, be yours now and always.

THE NEW GRAND LODGE

The President of the Grand Lodge needs no introduction to the Fraternity. Edward John Cook, Ξ '95, whose photograph is reproduced in this issue of THE SHIELD has been reelected to fill the office of P. G. L.

The two undergraduate members of the Grand Lodge are both practically new men to the larger portion of the Fraternity, as Brother Garret was appointed late last year to fill the unexpired term of Ralph E. McElfresh, N^A '08, the Treasurer elected at the Sixtieth Convention, but who was obliged to resign before the expiration of his term, as set forth in a letter to be found in the February tenth issue of THE SHIELD.

Clyde D. Garret, X^A '10, the Treasurer of the Grand Lodge was born in Washington, D. C., October twenty-fifth, 1887. He attended the public schools in that city and was graduated from the high school, entering George Washington University with the Class of 1910. He was initiated into the X^A Charge of $\Theta \Delta X$ on October twenty-ninth, 1906. Brother Garret has held the Charge offices of Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, and Social Officer.

Maurice Scott Chapin, Θ^A '10, the Secretary of the Grand Lodge was born in Springfield, Mass., April seventeenth, 1887. Was graduated from the Springfield High School in 1906 and entered the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the fall of the same year with the Class of 1910. He was initiated into the Θ^A Charge of $\Theta \Delta X$ in December, 1906.

COMMEMORATION SERVICE

The annual commemoration service for those members of the Fraternity who have affiliated with the Ω Charge during the past year was held in the Parish Hall of Trinity Church, Boston, Mass., on Sunday, February the twenty-first, 1909. The Rev. Alexander Mann, D.D., Ξ '81, the rector, officiating. Addresses were made by Brother Mann and H. Grant Person, Γ '91. Edward John Cook, P. G. L. called the roll call of those who had joined the Ω .

The order of service is given in full.

HYMN—For all the Saints Who from Their Labors Rest.

For all the saints, who from their
labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world
confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia.

And hearts are brave again, and arms
are strong. Alleluia.

Oh, may Thy soldiers, faithful, true
and bold,
Fight as the saints who nobly fought
of old
And win, with them, the victor's crown
of gold. Alleluia.

The golden evening brightens in the
west;

Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh
rest;

Sweet is the calm of Paradise the blest.
Alleluia.

And when the strife is fierce, the war-
fare long,
Steals on the ear the distant triumph-
song,

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious
day;

The saints triumphant rise in bright
array;

The King of glory passes on His way.
Alleluia.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE NINETIETH PSALM

1 Lord, Thou hast been our
refuge: from one generation to another.

2 Before the mountains were
brought forth, or ever the earth and
the world were made: thou art God
from everlasting, and world without
end.

3 Thou turnest man to destruc-
tion: again thou sayest, Come again,
ye children of men.

4 For a thousand years in thy sight
are but as yesterday: seeing that is
past as a watch in the night.

5 As soon as thou scatterest them
they are even as asleep: and fade
away suddenly like the grass.

6 In the morning it is green, and
groweth up: but in the evening it is
cut down, dried up, and withered.

7 For we consume away in thy
displeasure: and are afraid at thy
wrathful indignation.

8 Thou hast set our misdeeds be-
fore thee: and our secret sins in the
light of thy countenance.

9 For when thou art angry all our
days are gone: we bring our years to
an end, as it were a tale that is told.

10 The days of our age are three-
score years and ten: and though men
be so strong that they come to four-
score years: yet is their strength then

but labour and sorrow; so soon passeth it away, and we are gone.

11 But who regardeth the power of thy wrath: for even hereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.

12 O teach us to number our days: that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom.

13 Turn thee again, O Lord, at the last and be gracious unto thy servants.

14 O satisfy us with thy mercy, and

that soon: so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Comfort us again now after the time that thou hast plagued us: and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.

16 Show thy servants thy work: and their children thy glory.

17 And the glorious majesty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handywork.

THE LESSON

ANTHEM—*I am Alpha and Omega.*

J. STAINER

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord; which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy Glory; Glory be to Thee O Lord, Most High. Amen.

ADDRESS

THE REV. ALEXANDER MANN, E '81

HYMN—*The King of Love my Shepherd is.*

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His,
And He is mine forever.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

Where streams of living waters flow
My ransomed soul He leadeth,
And, where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight;
Thy unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love He sought me,
And on His shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

And so through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never:
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever.

ADDRESS

THE REV. H. GRANT PERSON, I^A '91

ANTHEM—*To Thee Do I lift up My Soul*

KING HALL

To Thee do I lift up my soul; my God, I have hoped in Thee, and shall not be confounded.
Neither shall my enemies laugh me

to scorn; for all they that hope in Thee shall not be confounded.
Show me Thy ways, O Lord; teach me Thy paths.

CALLING OF THE ROLL

EDWARD JOHN COOK, E '95, *President of the Grand Lodge*

HYMN—O God our Help in Ages Past.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast
And our eternal home.

A thousand ages in Thy sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

Under the shadow of Thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all its sons away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting Thou art God,
To endless years the same.

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guide while life shall last;
And our eternal home.

BENEDICTION

CHARGE LUNCHEONS

The Charge luncheons of the Sixty-First Convention were as largely attended and as successful in their good cheer as ever. There is no more popular feature of annual gathering than these occasions, at which our charges or groups of charges turn for a little from general fraternity concerns to devote themselves to the affairs of their individual organizations. The mingling of graduates and undergraduates who not only greet one another with the grip of the fraternity but who are bound also by the bonds of a common Alma Mater is a most desirable end, for in no way does a college fraternity justify itself more surely than in making its men loyal members of the colleges in which the chapters are located. A "good Theta Delt" must be *ipso facto*, also a good Harvard or Dartmouth or Williams or Columbia man.

Advantage was taken of the holiday this year and an unusually successful lot of Charge luncheons were held. Possibly more of them were gathered under one roof than ever before, for in the private dining rooms on the third floor of the City Club, the hosts of K, Λ, I^Δ and M^Δ held forth. If it be true that "anatomical contiguity is sufficient for physiological continuity" (and the writer hopes it is true, for the statement represents to him the net result of a half-year course on the Nervous System), it is equally true that physical propinquity is sufficient for Theta Delt conviviality—or words to that effect. Anyway, there was some big noise at the City Club on Monday noon when the aforesaid clans gathered for their luncheons.

The I and P^Δ crowds, marshalled by "Shorty" Parsons and the omnipresent "Rudie" took possession of the café at the Bellevue, and "Enjoy yourself" was the watchword. O^Δ's luncheon was doubtless the most elaborate and the most largely attended, due in part to Dartmouth's great strength in Boston, and still more to the fact that plans

for a charge house at Hanover were to be discussed. Either alone is sufficient excuse for a large turnout, and the combination of the two proved irresistible.

Similar groups from various other charges met simultaneously in other hostelries in various parts of the city,—here a group of three or four, there twenty, representing perhaps a half dozen various charges.

What need to mention the fact that food was served and consumed? The main purpose was to get together and exhibit the undergraduates for the benefit of the graduates, and to put the spot light on the old grads for the edification of their successors. Incidentally many a song was sung and many a cheer given, and the wits presented their wittiest, and honest criticism was given and taken. And then there was more singing and more yelling until the clock pointed the hour for the afternoon business session.

When the Charge luncheons at the City Club were at their height the M^A cohorts burst into one of their fine songs (and Amherst has a lot of "bully" songs, too). Instantly the Williams undergraduates in the next room joined in, and the wearers of the royal purple and those who "mingle it with white" carried the song through together. The only incident in the whole course of Convention comparable to this was the singing by representatives of the two I's, i. e., "Shorty" Parsons, "Skip" Fletcher and "Rusty" Gibbs, of that pathetic ballad made in Berkshire and entitled "Starvation."

—E-Π^A-B—

Monday noon the B and Π^A brothers joined the E men at Young's Hotel for a combination Charge luncheon. This famous old hotel is far famed for many pleasant Theta Delt gatherings of the past.

Of course "Cookie" (better known as the P. G. L.), presided, with Clay W. Holmes, Φ '68 on the right and R. C. Scott, E '70 on the left, to give some semblance of dignity to the light-hearted youth. Lewis Halsey, E '68 sat down near the other end with the rest of the young fellows.

The gathering broke up simply because the Convention hour arrived and it was necessary for the P. G. L. to be on the job so as to curb some of the more talkative ones.

The following were present: Lewis Halsey, E '68; R. C. Scott, E '70; Calvin W. Starbuck, E '90; E. J. Cook, E '95; Wm. C. Dooris, E '03; Wm. Carleton Sweet, E '11; M. Guion Dennison, E '12; Fred M. Stevens, Π^A '09; W. H. Lange, Π^A '12; James A. Harris, Jr., B '09; Stanton Griffis, B '10; Clay W. Holmes, Φ '68.

—I-P^A—

There is little to tell about the I and P^A Charge luncheon because it was so quiet. The I crowd being on the water wagon (as is always

the case) we had to let the P^A crowd make the noise. As soon as "Rudie" had poured a stein of beer into each of his fighting men, and himself, he led a few of his famous cheers for himself. The cheer goes Huzzer! Huzzer!! Huzzer!!! and is very effective. After using that cheer until it was no longer new, he led a few delightful songs. "Rudie" still sings with a strong German accent but we believe he will outgrow the habit after attending a few more conventions in Boston.

The following is a list of the brothers from the two charges who attended the luncheon:

P^A—Robert J. Mahon, '83; George W. Kosmak, '94; Rudolf Tombo, '98; Donald MacArthur, '08; Hickman Price, '09; C. F. Huttlinger, '10; Richmond Stephens, '11.

I—"Ned" Griffing, '87; W. M. Boothby, '02; N. W. Faxon, '02; R. W. Janes, '02; H. P. Brown, '03; M. R. Jouett, '03; E. M. Parsons, '03; L. L. Wadsworth, '03; R. W. Fernald, '07; R. Hunt, '09; G. S. Shirk, '09; A. Swift, '09; P. W. Carter, '10; L. M. Ferguson, '10; L. E. Drew, '11; R. S. Hopkins, '11; E. P. Miller, '11; A. M. Osgood, '11; H. B. Sprague, '11.

—I^A—

The I^A Charge luncheon was held on Monday, February twenty-second at the Boston City Club, eighteen Alumni and five undergraduates being present. Olcott O. Partridge, I^A '94, presided as Toastmaster, and after nearly a dozen songs of Williams and Θ Δ X had been sung between the courses, called for brief speeches from Brothers Harter and Hooker of the undergraduates, and Brothers Person, Pressey, Dunbar, Kellogg, Gibbs and Hill of the Alumni. Most of the speeches were of a humorous nature, and everyone had a thoroughly enjoyable time.

Those present were: Rev. H. Grant Person, '91; William I. Corthell, '93; C. Park Pressey, '93; Olcott O. Partridge, '94; John I. Zoller, '95; Ralph W. Dunbar, '98; Walter C. Kellogg, '99; Russell C. Gibbs, '00; Edwin F. Gibbs, '04; Henry L. Wadsworth, '04; John Bridgewater, Jr., '04; Wilbur H. Russell, '06; Dean Hill, '07; Robert T. Currier, '07; Harold F. Reed, '08; Walter M. Lacey, '08; Richard Henry, ex. '10; Paul Hultman, ex. '11; and Brothers Harter, Hooker, Carr, Biggins and R. C. von Witzleben, N. N. Underhill, '11, of the undergraduates. Prof. Charles J. Bullock, Λ '89, dropped in during the speaking, much to the delight of the I^A "gang," and was heartily welcomed.

—K—

The Charge luncheon held this year at the Boston City Club went with its usual vim. Being, in number, half graduates and half undergraduates the past and the present were well reviewed. As the brothers began to appear at the appointed hour and place, it seemed that

all records were to be broken and that it would be necessary to "hire a hall" for the event. Finally, however, all the sardines managed to find a place in the box.

After famine was overcome and incense had been set burning, each of the forty brothers arose and had his say from "Prexy" to the humblest Freshman.

Taking all in all, to K the Charge luncheon was "the milestone" of the Sixty-First Convention.

WESTERN CHARGES

The luncheon of the Western Charges was held in Room 14 of the Bellevue Hotel at 12.30 Monday, February twenty-second. Fifteen brothers were present at this luncheon and P. M. Walter, B '98 acted as Toastmaster. The Western Charges certainly appreciated Brother Walter's great work in securing the next Convention for Chicago. As the time was very limited, only a few speeches were given. R. E. Doherty, K^Δ '09 spoke in behalf of the "baby" Charge; E. H. Falconer, Z^Δ '11 said a few words with regard to Z^Δ; W. Leuthold, T^Δ '09 gave a glowing report of the T^Δ Charge; E. T. Springer, Σ^Δ '09 spoke on conditions at Σ^Δ; and S. Crumpacker, Γ^Δ '09 told about the affairs of the Γ^Δ Charge. P. M. Walter, B '98, who represented the Central Graduate Association concluded with a talk on this Association.

The brothers who were present were: P. M. Walter, B '98; B. H. Hamilton, B '99; E. N. Bullock, Γ^Δ '94; H. H. Van Tuyl, Γ^Δ '96; "Stubs" Crumpacker, Γ^Δ '09; Walt Leuthold, T^Δ '09; E. H. Falconer, Z^Δ '11; T. C. Gorman, Z^Δ '11; P. H. Skelton, Z^Δ '11; E. G. Tilden, K^Δ '08; R. E. Doherty, K^Δ '09; Irving A. I. Lindberg, K^Δ '10; Leslie B. Woodruff, Σ^Δ '03; Ernie J. Springer, Σ^Δ '09; U. Salisbury, T^Δ '10.

—Λ—

The Λ luncheon was held at the Boston City Club and was a great success. Forty-six attended, which was about ten more than arrangements had been made for. Extra plates were laid and in spite of the tight quarters everybody had a rousing good time.

Foy Spencer Baldwin acted as master of ceremonies and was ably assisted by Charles Bullock, '89 and George H. Fall, '85.

Among the thirty-six graduate brothers attending were the following: Robbins, '93; Currier, '95; Chandler, '02; W. Merritt, '04; Beede, '05; G. Merritt, '05; Staples, '05; Tyrill, '05; Bullfinch, '06; Serpa, '06; Tudbury, '06; White, '06; Greenan, '08; Goold, '08; Look, '08; Sanders, '08. All the Λ undergraduates attended.

—O^Δ—

The most important function of O^Δ during Convention was the Charge luncheon at Young's Hotel, February twenty-second. Leslie

P. Snow, '86, President of the O^A Alumni Association presided very ably. The luncheon was partly an initiation ceremony in which Brothers Adams and Brown of O were initiated honorary members of O^A, and partly as a business meeting in regard to the O^A house question.

The speaking was excellent and very interesting. A. C. Ward, '72, one of the founders of the Charge, told of the birth of O^A and history of the early years. Most of the classes had representatives present and most of the history of the Charge was reviewed. The Theta Delt sentiment was interspersed with college touches and with Charge business on the house question.

The Committee on the Charge House reported the purchase of the Bisbee house on West Wheelock street, Hanover, and method of financing the project was shown and approved.

The luncheon was attended by seventy-four, of which number thirty-four were undergraduates and forty were graduates. We believe that it was the largest Charge luncheon held during the Convention and it was the largest in the history of O^A. Everyone enjoyed the occasion; who could have helped it, with such music as "Harry" McDevitt, "Pat" Hathaway, Mort Hull and "Dick" Lord gave us in the way of entertainment?

At the Convention sessions O^A was always represented with a large delegation although not very much in prominence. Still, Perley O. Place, '93, was very fluent on the floor, especially in regard to the Z^A petition. "George Ray" Wicker, B '90, who was the Convention Toastmaster is claimed by O^A because his seat of activities is at Dartmouth, and we were at the Convention banquet about thirty-five strong to back up our claim.

SEEN AND HEARD IN BOSTON

MONDAY EVENING'S SYMPOSIUM

One of the pleasant happenings of the Convention was the gathering together of some forty or fifty brothers of different Charges in the restaurant of the Hotel Bellevue after the theatre party Monday night. The trouble started by two tables consolidating. It took but a short time to consolidate all the tables in the dining room into one long table with Theta Delts all around and the barbarians put to flight.

There was no toastmaster or orderly procedure in spite of the fact that there were three P. G. L.'s in attendance. The chief feature of the ceremonies was the continuous singing by the various Charges, led of course by P^A, of the song which had been popularized at the theatre, particular accent being placed upon the "Yip" and the "Hooray." Neither the police nor any building inspector appeared on the scene, but we could feel the old building shake.



Henry Dawson Brown



Charles Colcord Adams.

Brown and Adams, the Omicron twins,
Will never be quiet till Omicron wins.



Our young Brother Adams of O passed the word around that Brother Brown of the same Charge wanted to tell a story. Brother Brown was called on with gusto and vigor and was finally persuaded to his feet. He told his story all right and then fled. Stories and songs, with the usual accompaniment, were kept up until a late hour. The informal gathering was very congenial and gave an opportunity for fellows of different Charges making each other's acquaintance.

Did you hear the racket on Monday night after the theatre party was over and the crowd that met in the café of the Bellevue had broken up? If you should be in doubt as to the cause or think that they have that amount of noise in Boston as a regular thing we will tell you that it was only the P^A crowd, led by the irrepressible "Rudie" which had undertaken the job of moving the State House from Beacon Hill to some distant point in Roxbury. The P^A crowd came to Boston with the express design of awakening the Hub of the Universe and they came near succeeding. One thing is certain, not one of them was seen to go to bed or to sleep from the moment they arrived in Boston until the last of the crowd turned his back on the place now made famous by the Sixty-First Convention. Boston breathed a sigh of relief when "Rudie" and the mob from New York said good-bye.

CONVENTION NOTES

It is difficult to estimate which occasion was the more harrowing, the tearful appeal of Collard Adams, O '59 at the Convention, or the manifest confusion of Brown, O '59, when called upon at Monday evening's symposium to make a speech. However that may be, the "boys" of O certainly did make good.

Speaking of E with her long roll of ministerial graduates, you should have been with Starbuck, E '90, at the Hotel Bellevue just before the banquet, and then accompanied him on the sleeper to New York.

The way of the transgressor is popularly supposed to be hard, and the streets of Boston are notoriously crooked, but of all the difficult channels, unchartered, unlighted, and guarded by a secret door in the paneling, the trials, tribulations and difficulties of getting from the reception room in the Hotel Somerset to the northwest corner of the ground floor (to which locality it was necessary to go before the banquet), were the worst ever. As a purely temperance document, I would suggest that a chart of the course, as devised by the management of the Hotel Somerset, be sent to the proprietors of the Hotel Astor and the Waldorf-Astoria, New York City.

Expert observation at the banquet did not tend to yield an overwhelming story that it was a very dry affair; but it was as dry as the desert of Sahara compared with the outside conditions of the crowd after walking from the Hotel Somerset to the Hotel Bellevue in the rain.

The decorum of the theatre party seemed abnormal, especially as the foreigners who were in Boston had always read in the newspapers that one of the courses in a noted institution of learning across the Charles river, involved a more or less noisy attendance at a Boston theatre. This decorum was somewhat relieved (?) by the discordant grumbling sounds that came from the pit while the audience was departing. ERROR—The Editor of this section does not feel at liberty to edit the Convention notes that have been submitted, but is it only fair to the management of the theatre to say that there was a rumor to the effect that the sounds which have been described were in reality a song from P^A. At least this is what I was told when I heard the noise at the theatre.—*Ed.*

The honors of a toastmaster are great; his trials severe. It would seem that in order to be a successful toastmaster one has to *enjoy* cold feet, a long walk in a drenching rain, and a continuous state of unpreparedness as to whether, upon pressing a button, he will get some foolish remarks, some scintillating wit, or a funeral oration. However, good bracing country air is the best nerve tonic in the world.

The scintillating brother who seems to be trying to live in Los Angeles, and continue a law practice in Seattle, Wash. and Bangor, Me., still continues to display his symphonic tastes. Two years ago it was a symphony in gray. The colors change somewhat but he is always symphonic and immaculate.

It is to be hoped that the quality of the legislation passed by the Convention is up to the standard, but it is submitted that it is extremely difficult to legislate properly without tobacco smoke. It might be suggested that a clear atmosphere would have rendered the report of the By-Laws Committee somewhat clearer, but between dogmatic expounding of various provisions of the report as it was offered, and the many, many, many interjections and explanations by one of the active members of the Committee on the floor (who at times seemed to be on both sides of any given question), it was very difficult to get any clear conception of what was going on. The Convention clerk was supposed to know more about it than anybody else, but he has stated officially that he did not have the least idea of what was happen-

ing. It is again submitted that tobacco smoke tends to lend clearness to the perceptive and mental qualities, and probably aids in expressing matters clearly.

The sigh of relief which went up all over the Convention hall when Ned Griffing, I '89 stated that that was his last speech, was promptly suppressed by the P. G. L., but before the brothers got over the shock Brother Griffing was again on his feet and made several more speeches before the adjournment, to say nothing of one at the banquet.

While the attendance during the Convention was larger than in former years, the attendance at the business sessions of the Convention seemed materially smaller.

There were fewer gray hairs at the Convention than usual and also fewer brothers who had come from a distance. It is to be hoped that the walking will be improved before the next Convention, or that the railroads will put their ties closer together.

While the Convention was a great success in every way, there has been some talk that recent Conventions have become too big both from the business standpoint and from the social standpoint. In view of the large numbers, one sees many Theta Delts without even speaking to them, because one's time is all taken up in meeting as many as possible; and on the business end there are certain serious difficulties in large numbers.

Among the very pleasant features of the Convention were the nightly informal gatherings at the Headquarters of the Grand Lodge. Here was a chance for the real Fraternity spirit and a fine opportunity to become really acquainted. Incidentally there was important Fraternity legislation to be talked over. When the fellows gathered together at the headquarters at midnight, it was such a delightful occasion that it seemed a shame to tear one's self away and waste time in bed. Such gatherings are not only delightful to those who participate but they cultivate the true Fraternity spirit in the best sense.

Extract from the official Records of the By-Laws Committee read to the Convention at the Fifth Business Session.

Meeting of the By-Laws Committee held at 11.00 p. m. at the Hotel Bellevue.

Present: The Chairman, Clay W. Holmes, C. W. Holmes and Brother Holmes.

The following communications were received and filed:

Dear Brother:

I regret deeply my inability to be present at the meeting. I was obliged to attend a pure food exhibit by Dr. Wiley, Chief of the Agricultural Department, who is now holding a Court of Inquiry in Boston to determine which is the safe beverage for college men to indulge in when attending a college Convention, and also to describe what particular drink will best agree with the old veterans who are not accustomed to anything stronger than water.

Fraternally yours,

EDWARD STETSON GRIFFING

Dear Brother:

I find myself suddenly summoned by Madame Sembrich to support her in her final concert in Boston where I am to sing, "Columbia the Gem of Long Island Sound."

Yours

RUDI TOMBO

Dear Brother:

I find myself unable to meet you tonight owing to a sad accident which happened to C. Collard Adams, who was waylaid by a Harvard Freshman and taken for a Sophomore on his way to a class banquet. I was directed by Brother Brown to rescue him and put him safely to bed.

Fraternally yours,

EDWARD JOHN COOK

THE RETURN

There is one very pleasant and enjoyable portion of the Boston Conventions, that the Boston members themselves never experience. This is the grand finale on board the twelve o'clock Boston-New York Express.

As that hour draws near and various members rise from their seats at the banquet and make a hurried exit, sympathetic glances and nods of farewell are cast by those who remain. Were they to know the truth their sympathy would turn to envy, for hardly are the travellers aboard the train before the festivities begin and sleep is far down on the program.

This year,—well, it is only necessary to state that Starbuck, E '90 was there as master of ceremonies, and he did his duty nobly. At such a time 42d street is altogether too near Boston.

William Hollis Godfrey is not only an author of very interesting fiction but he is also a man of action. This was demonstrated just before the speaking occurred at the banquet, when he enacted the title rôle of his latest book, "The Man Who Ended War."

Coffee had been served and the undergraduates felt that some

activity was imperative to relieve their condition. Suddenly one of them espied the balcony and quickly gathering his force he established it as his headquarters and began a merry war, using napkins rolled into balls as his ammunition. Those below were not slow to return the fire and soon a scene similar to the old-fashioned snowball fight was enacted. Serious results were prevented by the diplomacy of Billy Godfrey and when order was once more restored, the toast-master got busy.

By the way, if you have not read "The Man Who Ended War," written by Brother Godfrey, you will be repaid by doing so.

PORTRAIT OF FOUNDER GREEN PRESENTED

Remarks of Robert J. Mahon at Sixty-First Convention, presenting the new portrait of Founder Green to President Cook from New York Graduate Association.

It is my pleasant duty to present to Edward John Cook, President of the Grand Lodge, from the New York Graduate Association, through the kindness of Willis S. Paine, X '68, this portrait of the last survivor of the founders of our Fraternity. It is a fact, not without its own pathos that this portrait is likely to be the last that shall be taken of this venerable face.

The man who looks out of this picture at us, in his bodily presence, is far away in Michigan, but his soul, his spirit, his essence, is as truly here as we are in body. It was his spirit more than his body that founded the Fraternity. It was his sentiment of friendship that inspired him to the real greatness that looks ahead into future generations.

I think it was Huxley who said that the looking into the future and providing for coming generations is one of the signs of true greatness. In the language of the world, Brother Andrew H. Green would not be termed a great man; the conservative and impartial estimate of the world that knows him would be that he was an honest man who gained success in that part of the world which he touched, that he acted his part in life with conspicuous fidelity to his trust. It would be superfluous to state the facts of his life. We all know or ought to know them. The fresh-cheeked boys now taking the vows are taught them and the old grey heads well remember them. We are more interested now in the sentiment of his life than in the facts.

It was a noble aspiration that moved these founders to bind themselves together by the honor of their oath and establish this society of human brotherhood. In a general sense the young college men are the flower of the nation, and in this selected class the founders planted the seed of those principles and high resolves that stand for $\Theta \Delta X$. As a permanent and active factor in the life of the principal colleges

and universities, it has already lived over threescore years. Its good results cannot be estimated by any scientific formula. But as a standard of clean college life, as an aid to the weaker part of youth, as an incentive to nobler resolves for future life, it is affectionately known to every man who has taken the oath of its membership. To found any permanent organization of real success is a worthy accomplishment. To found an organization in the aristocracy of culture and nourish it with the fire and life of youthful human affection and moral control must indeed be an achievement of far reaching influence. The very consciousness of such an act accomplished must be a rare pleasure. As this last founder sits in the repose of his advancing years he must see great beauty in this work which he commenced in his early youth. It is difficult to fancy a more delightful retrospect—the imaginative and wondering boy taking the first vows of a Theta Delt—the grasp of the new brother's hand—the steady work—perhaps a trip or even a fall—and then the hand stretching out in help—the joyousness of first victories over self—the growth of maturity—the developed firmness of manhood—these are the pictures that the founder has before him and they stretch back for sixty years and more.

While sentiment, and especially fraternity sentiment, may be said to be the real honey of life, one cannot live on that alone. But it energizes and vitalizes human nature into good work and practical results. The concrete and practical work planned and ushered into the world by these founders is best shown by this human gathering of young and old, of nearly every creed and from every quarter of the nation. From Virginia and Canada, from Maine and California, the practical call of duty has brought you here to guide and control by serious deed the organization that is vitalized with the sentiment born in the ever fresh heart of the man whose picture we now look upon. Such an achievement is one which should satisfy the humanity and heart of any man.

In sympathy with the sentiment that stirred the founders, the New York Graduate Association and Brother Paine now give you, Brother Cook, this portrait of the last one left, of those so dear to our Fraternity.

IMPRESSIONS OF THE BOSTON CONVENTION

A CRITICISM

I think that it was too big a Convention, for one of its chief purposes, that of transacting fraternity business. Would it not be possible to prepare during the year an agenda which should be submitted to the Charges for careful deliberation, and to which the Convention should in great measure confine itself? In that case the charges could send real *representatives* of Charge opinion or Charge conclusion, who would have a greater interest in Convention proceedings, and would be prepared to debate and vote more intelligently.

The charges could then send one business representative each, and one social representative. The social representatives could have their conventions everywhere in the Convention city. They could spend the whole time scattering seeds of "kindness," and, in the intervals of the business Convention, could quickly introduce their business brothers to the good things they had discovered.

As it is now, the too many ignorant representatives are in a constant mind of divided duty. If they tend to their business, they can't carry back word of all the good fellows they might have come to know. If they come to know too many good fellows, they can't report "back home" what the Convention did; much less what stand their charges took. And as "between them both," the two duties leave neither satisfactorily done.

GEORGE RAY WICKER, B '90

We are requested to give the impressions of the late Boston Convention as made upon the minds of the "Omicron Twins." Briefly and subjectively:—The reception given us we cannot characterize otherwise than flattering, affectionate and respectful. Everywhere and on all occasions "the gay old boys of Omicron '59" were greeted with every evidence of the hearty friendship that distinguishes $\Theta \Delta X$. And our adoption into O^A as honorary members emphasized this sentiment most heartily, and awakened in our hearts emotions that others must imagine or experience in order to appreciate them, for they cannot be described in any words that we can express. While memory holds her seat we shall never forget our fraternal associations in the Boston Convention. The New York Convention of the previous year was unique to us; it was grand, inspiring, delightful; and though we were strangers to nearly all, the acquaintances made, the friendships formed, and the associations begun were intensified, strengthened and broadened at Boston.

Objectively: The Convention was a magnificent gathering of magnificent young men; with a sprinkling of men in middle life, experienced, judicial, wise; yet full of the enthusiasm pertinent to the occasion, and cherishing the "days of auld lang syne" and the joys and memories of the vanished years. Altogether, the Boston Convention leaves a splendid inspiration in our hearts. If it shall eventuate in the outcome which we so earnestly sought—the reestablishment of the O Charge, from which we went out so sorrowfully fifty years ago—we shall joyfully yet reverently say, "Now lettest thou thy servants depart in peace, for our eyes have seen thy salvation."

HENRY BASCOM BROWN, O '59

My twin was duly authorized to express my sentiments, yet in one respect he has failed. He is in his seventy-seventh year and I am