

the electric jar, the prism, and the chemist's retort; in which we seek now only an economic use. Is it not the selfish and even cruel aspect which belongs to our great mechanical works, to mills, railways, and machinery, the effect of the mercenary impulses which these works obey? When its errands are noble and adequate, a steamboat bridging the Atlantic between Old and New England and arriving at its ports with the punctuality of a planet, is a step of man into harmony with Nature. The boat at St. Petersburg, which plies along the Lena by magnetism, needs little to make it sublime. When science is learned in love, and its powers are welded by love, they will appear the supplements and continuation of the material creation."

Hand on Shoulder

(*Marching Song*)

Hand on shoulder, step in step,
 We sing Theta Delta and her glory,
 Marching, singing, heart to heart,
 Proclaim our wondrous story;
 Love of frindship, brotherly love,
 Divine to each true brother,
 Hand on shoulder, heart to heart,
 Here pledge we one another.
 So here's a rouse aud there's a rouse,
 A cheer for Theta Delta Chi.
 We march and sing—the rafters ring—
 To Theta Delta Chi.

RUBERT HENRY WHITCOMB, O^A '01.

The Inter-fraternity Conference

The seventh annual meeting of the Inter-fraternity Conference was held at the University Club, in New York, on Saturday, November 27, 1915. Thirty-five fraternities were represented by one or more delegates—the total number of delegates, alternates and visitors being about one hundred and twenty. This is the record attendance. Theta Delta Chi was represented by Carl Axel Harstrom, Ξ '86, as delegate, and by the president of the Grand Lodge and the editor of THE SHIELD as visitors.

The morning session was devoted to hearing the reports of officers and committees, and the afternoon session to a general discussion of the same. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Chairman: Henry H. McCorkle, Φ K Ψ, Columbia; Secretary: O. H. Cheney, Φ Γ Δ, New York University; Treasurer: J. D. Livingston, Δ Φ, Columbia. The officers, who are all residents of New York, and six others constitute the executive committee. In this connection, it is interesting to note that during the past year the executive committee had six meetings at intervals of about sixty days; and the reports presented at the conference reflect the great amount of work accomplished.

Of the seven committee reports presented, doubtless the most important was that on "Chapter House Conditions." This report covers forty-three printed pages, and among other things it recommends strongly that each chapter should have the benefit of graduate advice and counsel in all its affairs; that in the government of the chapter control by seniors, simply because they are seniors, should be avoided, and that there should be continuity of the organization in control. Chapter house finances are treated at length, and it is recommended that the executive committee of each chapter should at the beginning of the year draw up a budget, control credits granted and sought and supervise expenditures generally.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we request all fraternity chapters, whether belonging to this Conference or not, to desist from the practice of voting for their several members in contests for college offices out of a sentiment of fraternity loyalty, and urge that in each case a candidate be voted for solely with reference to his fitness for the position sought, and especially do we urge that no combinations be formed among fraternity chapters at any college to secure by their combined votes the election of a group of candidates to office.

Resolved, That we recommend that the several members of this Conference communicate with their respective chapters located at colleges where no local inter-fraternity conferences now exist, and urge them to assist in the organization of such conferences, and direct that the committee furnish to each member of this Conference a list of such colleges.

Resolved, That we recommend to the several local inter-fraternity conferences located at colleges where any chapter of a fraternity or any local fraternity is not a member, that they be urged to join such conference without delay, and that if for any reason they cannot so join that they be kept informed of the doings of the conference, and urged to co-operate with it informally.

"Resolved, That for the sake of uniformity and clearness we request each local inter-fraternity organization to adopt the name, "Inter-Fraternity Conference," and especially to avoid the use of the expression Pan-Hellenic in its nomenclature.

"Resolved, That we recommend to each local conference and at places where no conferences exist, to the several fraternities having chapters at such places, that they carefully consider the effect of whatever restrictions are in force with respect to pledging and initiations and if they require modification in any respect, to confer with the college authorities for the purpose of securing the same, and in cases of manifest injustice report the facts to the Executive Committee of the Conference in order that pressure may be exerted through a more enlightened public opinion to improve the situation.

"Resolved, That we recommend to local conferences and to fraternity chapters everywhere that the pledging or initiation of persons not matriculated students should cease as soon as possible."

It was voted also to publish the proceedings of this meeting in full in book form and furnish the same at cost to all of the fraternity chapters desiring them.

For the benefit of THE SHIELD readers who may not know about the Inter-fraternity Conference, it should be added that the conference is in no sense a legislative body and has distinctly no such aspiration. It is and is intended to be simply an advisory body; but as such it is exercising a wholesome influence in the fraternity world, and in many states, where legislatures have been hostile to college fraternities, it has reformed public sentiment.

The whole movement originated with President Faunce, of Brown University, aided by Mr. Hamilton W. Mabie, of *The Outlook*. It may be fairly said that the results of the organization thus far have amply justified the expectations of its promoters.

The Fraternity and College Administration

In view of the recently proposed anti-fraternity legislation in several states and the prompt action on the part of fraternity men in helping to defeat these measures, the whole matter has been brought more or less into public notice. To safeguard the existence of the fraternity as an institution, it is necessary to enlighten legislators through the direction of public opinion. Perhaps the most valuable testimony is to be sought from men directly concerned with college administration, they being in a position to evaluate the work of fraternities as agencies in all-round college training. Just a year ago, Provost Edgar P. Smith, of the University of Pennsylvania, in an address to the entering class at that institution, strongly urged fraternity membership as one of the most valuable things in a man's college career. His remarks were given wide publicity by the daily papers and have been frequently republished by the Greek press.

In the belief that fraternity men should be thoroughly acquainted with the views of college authorities, THE SHIELD herewith reprints a digest of some remarks on "The Socializing Value

of Fraternity Life," by William DeWitt Hyde, President of Bowdoin College:

Fraternities in colleges, said Dr. Hyde, like all things human, were born as infants: and at first developed the childish foibles of paraded secrecy and snobbish exclusiveness. In our more progressive colleges this childish stage has passed; affected secrecy and studied snobbishness have given way to frank publicity and arduous responsibility. The grip, the pin, the letters of mysterious meaning, to be sure, remain as harmless relics, like the baby dresses and little shoes the mother keeps fondly in the attic chest long after her boy has grown to be a man.

In colleges that are alert the fraternities have become homes, with houses to care for, pay taxes on, and keep in repair; often with board and lodging to provide; with ideals of character, standards of scholarship and traditions of service to maintain, under the critical eyes of their graduate brothers and their undergraduate rivals.

Responsibility and publicity are the two indispensable guardians of fraternity life. The more they have to do, and the more strictly they are held to corporate responsibility for doing it, the more beneficial will they be both to their members and to the community. In a college where the responsibility and publicity of fraternities is well developed, discipline appeals to the student not as an individual merely, which is an appeal too small and feeble, nor as a member of the college primarily, which is an appeal too vague and general, but as a member of the fraternity whose good standing his conduct helps or harms.

The average student will respond ten times as quickly and effectively to that appeal when sympathetically presented and effectively backed by the support of graduate and older undergraduate brothers as he will to either the smaller individual or the larger institutional appeal. To be a discredit or a drawback to his own group with which he is identified by its election and his choice is an offense of which not one student in a hundred is willing to be guilty.

Publicity is an essential as responsibility, and a great stimulus to it. A college which seeks to make the most of it gives much more publicity to the rank of a fraternity than to that of the individuals who compose it. The relative contributions of the fraternities to the athletic, business, literary, musical and dramatic life of the college likewise are known and read by the entire student body. No student or "delegation," as the group from the same class is called, is willing to stand low in the esteem of prominent graduates of their fraternity. Hence the college officer needs to know not only the undergraduates, but also the influential graduates who are in each fraternity, and use such knowledge on every available occasion, by mail, over the telephone and face to face.

The necessity of "rushing" or "fishing" new men, where competition is sufficiently keen, is a great incentive to keeping fraternity standards high. But where all the students are in

fraternities, or groups very similar to fraternities, a fraternity finds a reputation for low scholarship, feeble athletics, demoralized finances or "sporty" living a very serious handicap.

In entering this lifelong alliance, far more indissoluble than marriage has come to be, freshmen are becoming increasingly wary of fatal defects in a fraternity; and rival fraternities are not slow to point out the defects in each other to freshmen they are seeking to pledge. Accordingly, to get the full benefit of competition between fraternities, it becomes the part of wisdom for a college which has fraternities at all to have enough of them, or of clubs like them, to include all the students in college.

With a little management, and a sufficient subsidy to start the new organization when a new one is needed, it is possible to have all the students organized in groups of from twenty to forty-five, on a plane of equality, in such keen and wholesome rivalry that the strength and the weakness, the honor and the shame of every man in college is brought home as a help or a hindrance to the social group of which he is a member and for whose welfare and reputation he intensely cares.

Too Much Greek?

Not so very long ago a movement which began as a snicker and ended in a good big laugh went the rounds of the fraternities in one of our large universities. It was caused by an announcement which appeared in the local paper to the effect that a fraternity, composed entirely of gentleman of color, at its national convention had changed its name from Kappa Alpha Nu (K A N) to Kappa Alpha Psi, because when the letters of the former name were written, "it did not look Greek enough." The new name, of course, secured the desired effect. But after the laugh had died away, the question arose in the minds of some as to whether this did not represent the true situation in many of our colleges. Everywhere, in every kind of a society, club or organization, we find a demand for Greek names. Every high school literary society, every prep school club, must search the already overworked Greek alphabet for a good combination of letters. In a certain university, a club founded solely for the purpose of advancing the interests of the Republican Party adopted the name Lambda Phi Epsilon.

It seems strange that there should be this clamor for the Greek, especially when no subject is less popular on college curriculums than this dead language. In one of the older and more solid Eastern prep schools, out of a class of forty-four graduating in 1915, only three students offered any work whatsoever in Greek. One cannot but wonder whether these names mean anything or stand for anything, so common are they. It would often seem that they are merely adopted because they form euphonious combinations rather than because they have a significance.

The founding of Theta Delta Chi goes back to the ante-bellum period. In those days the study of Greek and Latin was as much

a part of the boy's education as arithmetic or rhetoric is today. They were sentimental days, romantic days, when associations were made and friendship formed which stood for something, and when the ultimate object of men—especially men in college—was more than the pursuit of the almighty dollar. In such days, then, what was more logical than that a Greek name should have been chosen for the society which represented Greek ideals? But we rejoice in the fact that our name stands for something, and has a living representation in what we believe or profess to believe. It is our creed, and around its meaning and closely interwoven with its meaning the secret of the success of our fraternity is hidden.

One can by no means repeat that sacred motto here, but as we think of our fraternity in our more thoughtful moments, and repeat to ourselves those words which stand for so much—which typify love in its most noble sense—we can understand the force which cements the friendships which are as widely scattered as the east is from the west. We can understand and appreciate the undying love in the heart of our only living founder which inspires him and keeps him young and fresh in his declining years. We can understand when we repeat this motto how such men as our Custodian of Archives can devote practically their whole lives to the advancement of the interests of Theta Delta Chi.

Too much Greek? Yes, perhaps, when scheming students and near politicians hide the mercenary motives of their organizations behind Greek names. Too much Greek? Yes, perhaps, when the demand is for Greek simply because it is Greek. But when the letters are used to represent such noble, such inspired objects as we believe the letters of our name typify, then let it be Greek or Irish or Yiddish. The language makes no difference, for the principles remain the same, unchanging, undying, co-existent with the principles and teachings of our beloved Savior.

MILTON G. SILVER, K^Δ '17.

New Song Book Needed

In view of the fact that the present edition of the song book of Theta Delta Chi is exhausted, and that therefore the publication of another edition becomes a matter of immediate importance, I desire to advance a few suggestions which have met with favor in informal talks with various brothers.

It will scarcely be denied that the present song book is inadequate in two particulars: first, that comparatively few of the songs therein are in present use, or at least in present universal use, among the charges; second, that the absence of any new fraternity songs later than "Stars Ablaze" is to be deplored.

The new edition, it seems to some of us, should remedy both these defects, and I propose that the new edition should follow the outlines herein suggested:

1. That each charge report what songs it actually uses from the old song book at present; what songs it uses distinctively as fraternity songs other than those in the song book; and so far as it can determine from its alumni, what old songs have been connected with the life of the charge and allowed to die out of memory.

2. That each charge be invited to submit original songs, with or without music, by either undergraduates or alumni.

3. That the compilation of the new book be based upon the reports of songs used received from the charges, the Theta Delta clubs, and the alumni associations throughout the country, and that each song shall be designated as in use at such and such charges.

4. That so far as possible each charge shall adopt its official song, to be peculiar to that charge, with a view to use in honor of visiting brothers. These songs should, of course, be short and snappy, suitable for outdoor as well as indoor use.

5. That some of the unused words of Brothers Cameron Mann, Halsey et al., whose felicity in fraternal expression should not be forgotten, should be reset either to new music or arranged to more modern airs.

While there is no intention at all in this article to disparage the work of the past, we must recognize that Theta Delta Chi can no longer be satisfied with merely the ancient songs. Our onward march demands a further tapping of the sources of inspiration. The present generation of Theta Delts must find and must treasure its own Mann, its own Halsey, its own Canfield, its own Hay. Nor can we be content with venerable airs, full of the sentiment of a bygone generation. Brother Fletcher has shown us the way with his inimitable "Stars Ablaze." We want more music of fellowship, more virile and aggressive, as befits a virile and aggressive fraternity. One more suggestion: Would not it be a matter of interest to have a preface which would give the fraternity at large a little history of fraternity songs, their writers, where they were first used, and so forth?

Will not the brothers interested in the matter of a new song book write their views fully and add helpful suggestions through the columns of THE SHIELD?

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An Echo From California

In the belief that first impressions are always the more enduring, the people of California are solicitous that, whether you come from the far North, from the sunny South, from the wild West or the cultured East, the welcome that all receive will be most gracious. Whatever the call may be that brings one into this wonderland of nature and to this people who believe that "the ideal scheme is ever beckoning from the West; the scheme that shall avoid envy, hatred, malice, shall fulfill all of its promises, pay all of its debts, remember its friends and keep itself unspotted from the world," the call is sure to find an answer.

As an echo from the visit of Theta Delta Chi to this land of romance and of song comes a letter from Brother James Mellon, II '65, in which he tells of the enthusiasm of the delegates who were fortunate enough to be at the convention in San Francisco, and of how the brothers of the coast charges gave to all the most entertaining and delightful time. He says: "Our Fraternity can congratulate itself on having the strongest and most enthusiastic body of Theta Deltas out at the coast."

California was the El Dorado of the very earliest of discoverers, the El Dorado of the men of '49, and to those of today, who know and love her, she is still a land of wonder. Giant redwoods and majestic oaks, all that is beautiful of pine and spruce, the silver-leaved firs and the graceful maples, belong to and tell the story of a California of more than three thousand years ago. Hospitality, staunchness and integrity of spirit, the faculty of living well and broadly, with an intense love for and belief in nature show the spirit of a people that has been called forth by their inheritance and nurtured by their environment.

In the year 1841, a body of men calling themselves "The Western Emigration Society" formed the first emigrant train to cross this continent. It took them six months to find this land of promise of which they had heard so much from stray travelers. In 1852, an appropriation was made by the government for further survey of the great western route. Today most of the railroads and highways which connect the East with the West lie through the country then surveyed. But long years before this time the trees of California began to astonish the world. Over one hundred years ago English and Spanish botanists came into this country to study them, and so early was this interest felt in Europe that many trees of the sequoia and other conifers were planted in the parks of England and France.

The Pacific Coast is said to be the most densely timbered region on the earth; and to California nature has been most profligate. In her forests, on the western slope of the Sierra Nevadas, we find the largest trees in the world, redwoods so tall that they seem to touch the sky, Douglas spruce, and the yellow and sugar pines, most wonderful in the fineness of their beauty and stature, and the majestic oaks.

First among the native species of plant life are the conifers, and the sequoia trees are the best of these. From Gray* comes this legend of the planting of these trees on this coast: Two sequoias, sole living representatives of a fossil species that once grew within the Arctic circle, were pushed south along the coast range and the Sierras, were cut off from retreat, and therefore perished everywhere except where soil and climate fostered them. And thus it happens that we find isolated forests of these great trees of a prehistoric age, known as sequoia islands, in the midst of many miles of pine and cedar and spruce. To many lovers of the forest, the redwood sequoia of the coast, with its graceful branching of stem and foliage, is much finer than the mountain redwood tree; but it is in the mountains that we find the immense trees of the forest, growing to a height of three hundred feet.

The redwood belt extends along the western border of the mountain range for about two hundred miles, and at an elevation of from five to eight thousand feet above the level of the sea. For miles the trees will be found in only small groves, among other conifers, but below Kings River, for a distance of seventy miles and from three to ten feet wide, is found an unbroken forest of these king trees, while along the canyons of the south fork of Kings River there is a most wonderful forest of sequoia.

The sequoia tree grows to a height of over three hundred feet and has a circumference of over one hundred feet at the base, and under the right condition of soil and climate will live from five to six thousand years. John Muir tells us that he never saw a sick sequoia or one dying of old age. Unless destroyed by man, it would seem that they would live on indefinitely. The branches of these great trees are like the trunks of large trees and grow out about one hundred feet from the base of the tree, then, extending upward, spread their leaves over the tall pines in a canopy of dense green.

In 1864 Congress granted the Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa Grove of big trees to the State of California for public uses. In October of 1890, Yosemite Park was set apart as a public reservation. In March of 1905, California ceded the Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa big tree grove to the United States, and in 1906 the boundary lines were fixed giving the park 719,622 acres.

California now has three large parks in which these big trees are being preserved, "heirs of a past so grand, with promises of a thousand years yet to be fulfilled." In the Yosemite Park the Mariposa Grove is the most famous, as it was the first one set aside for care.

Here the sequoia may be seen in all of their grandeur and immensity. It was in this grove that John Muir found the fallen monarch whose height was three hundred and forty feet, with a diameter of thirty-five feet, and a count of rings showed it to be over four thousand years old. He says of it: "A noble tree, in its prime at the beginning of the Christian era." In this grove a

* The Century Magazine, Vol. XLI, No. 6, 1892.

road is run through the base of one of these trees over which a coach and four is driven every day.

And now to the members of our fraternity comes a word of great interest. Brother Mellon, in his letter from Yosemite, wrote: "Mrs. Mellon and myself have just spent a day among the six hundred mammoth trees of the Mariposa Grove. With the consent of the government, names have been placed on many of these trees; one is named for Abraham Lincoln; and directly across, to my great delight, I found one bearing the name of our Brother John Hay. The names are placed high on the trees. I took a photo of the John Hay tree, a print of which I inclose you. The John Hay tree is a fine specimen, alive from top to bottom, about two hundred and seventy-five feet high and from twenty to twenty-five feet in diameter. I hope sometime to get permission of the government to place our shield on the tree below Brother Hay's name."

Here among these most majestic trees in the marvelous valley of Yosemite, a vast storehouse of nature, in which she has gathered her most precious treasures, "a temple of the gods," the memory of this great man and devoted Theta Delt is honored. Into the ports of this far western state come ships from all over the world and from her ports they again go forth. Men of all nations will stand under these awe-inspiring trees, listening with uplifted heads to their chant of the seasons, to their chant of the past and the song of the future. Will not the day and the hour always live in their memory, and will not the name of our beloved brother, John Hay, associated as it is with this emblem of majesty and strength, forever live with them?

"College Fraternities"

Almost thirty years ago, there appeared in the *Century Magazine* an article by John Addison Porter entitled, "College Fraternities." The writer reviewed the beginning and early history of the Greek letter fraternities in American colleges and discussed their status at that time (1888) in the college and in public opinion. Apropos of certain matters recently coming before the Interfraternity Conference in reference to anti-fraternity legislation, and the very rapid multiplication within recent years of Greek letter societies—particularly within the field of specialized and technical education—the reflections and predictions of the author of the article are of considerable interest. Several paragraphs from the article follow:

"The fraternities have grown far away from the persecutions of their early days when the hands of all men and faculties were raised against them. Because they met in secret and held themselves free from the intrusion of the faculty for one night in the week, and adorned their poor little badges with Greek letters,



John Hay Tree
MARIPOSA GROVE, YOSEMITE VALLEY

all evil and rebellious conduct was charged against them. Though their purposes were sensible enough, and good rather than evil has come from them, a nameless stigma of bad parentage still rests upon the whole system, to live down which, by an overplus of actual and visible good attainment, has not been possible till within recent years. But prejudice has an unequal contest with conviction. Through persecution and poverty of opportunity and lack of means the new society men fought their way toward solid ground, finding in their struggles and in their ambitions for the success and honors of their fraternities an incentive and charm college life had till then never yielded."

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"Whatever then, may be the shortcomings of college secret societies, it is to their credit that their exponents are men noted for ability and prominence in every useful sphere of life, as well as for mere culture and congeniality, while from end to end of the cataloged chapter lists run in thick procession the starred names of the most brilliant and lamented of the young officers who fell in the battles of our civil war—in the blue and gray ranks alike. Judging the system by its deeds only, it is difficult to escape the conclusion that the best societies have in reality been groups of picked men among the fortunate few, comparatively speaking, who are able to incur the expense of a college education."

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"To represent all the fraternities as standing on anything like the same high plane as to membership, progress in the past and prospects for the future would be misleading. My thoughts have naturally turned to the standing, the equipment, the aspirations, or perhaps only the pretty dreams of those fraternities which deserve to be ranked as the leaders in the race—that some day all the colleges of the United States will be veritable and acknowledged student democracies; that the fraternity buildings, though smaller than the college halls, will equal the latter in durability and completeness of appointment; that all the large cities will have graduate clubs, where the college fraternity man can renew the old associations that he cherished when a student.

"The leading fraternities are fond of affirming the difference in their standard qualifications for membership. Some venerate high scholarship; others pride themselves on the aristocracy of birth or wealth; still others recognize the claims of a heartier and more democratic spirit. This may be true; and yet in all of them there is enough good-fellowship to attract the cultured and enough culture to improve the sociable. They illustrate a law of nature and a law of man, in the tendency of atoms with affinities to form into groups. Having outgrown weaknesses and prejudices, they may be expected to enjoy a career of prosperity."

From the Diary of an American Ambulance Driver in France

BY M. F. TALBOT, I '16

Who spent the summer as a volunteer ambulance driver for the American Ambulance Hospital of Paris.

On the desk beside me as I write stands the shattered fuse end of one of the heavy German shells that buried themselves in the yard of a farm near our shack on the mountain. It was during that bombardment that two young Harvard men won the *croix de guerre* for their readiness to risk their lives in saving four French wounded from a shell torn farm house.

It is not a love of danger, not the inexplicable magnetism of a great struggle that has led some two hundred young Americans to face at times the shriek of shell fire or for months the tedium of mechanical labor, there on the outskirts of a foreign war. Rather I believe, it is a love of France, a nation bound to us by ties of tradition and doubly endeared today by her heroic example of bravery. For this rich Americans have placed back of the French lines the curious little Ford ambulances that bear the names of their donors, have supported the fine American Ambulance Hospital of Paris, and have sent doctors, nurses, and drivers to aid in the work of mercy.

For the three months of the summer vacation, I had the good fortune to serve with a section of American Ambulances in a certain mountainous district of the front. During the idle hours that of necessity fall to the lot of everyone who serves a military machine, I wrote of what I saw and what I felt, there amid the horror and excitement of the French army zone.

August 20. I arrived at the shack early yesterday morning. The tin cups on the breakfast table danced in time to the boom of the heavy batteries, and from the valley below came the rapid crack of the 75's. Evidently the French were "preparing an attack." Along the German trenches, a line of white, cloud like puffs marked the bursting shrapnel, and, at intervals, a high explosive from the big guns would send a geyser of dust and stones leaping into the air.

The gunners worked on all day, serving their pieces mechanically. A telephone bell tinkles. It might be calling one to tea at the country club.

"*Quelle marque?*" asks the sergeant in his little booth under ground, and takes down list of range data in a neat note book.

"The 'Joan of Arc,' she is loaded?" he asks, sticking his head out of the telephone dugout and referring to one of the cannon that has fondly been named for the beloved French heroine.

"*Mais oui,*" answers the gunner after disengaging the broken stump of a cigarette from his beard.

"Fire the 'Joan of Arc.'"

The gunner gives the firing cord a twitch, the air vibrates with a heavy explosion and a shell goes whirring off on its mission of death. The crew pry the piece into position for another shot.

Who knows what wounds, what suffering, what horror each shot means over there in the enemies' trenches? But the gun crew smoke, laugh, load, and fire, mechanically and steadily. They are only a little part of a vast machine. "*C'est la guerre!*"

The bombardment stopped suddenly at dusk; and we knew a long line of needle-pointed bayonets was sweeping up over the ruins of the German trenches. There would be work for us when the stretcher-bearers brought out the wounded at nightfall.

About ten o'clock a despatch was brought in, ordering all three ambulances to run down to ———, and for five more to come up from the base. We pulled on our boots, lighted a lantern, and went out into the darkness, heavy and damp with the night clouds. Slowly the three cars, with headlights extinguished to avoid detection from the German positions, crawled down the slope. Just the flicker of a side lamp lighted the road for some thirty feet ahead and made the long trains of empty caissons toiling up look strangely large in the darkness, the horses plunging and snorting as they pulled out to let us pass, and the gunners, fierce and silent, muffled in their great cloaks.

I spent most of the night at the *poste de secours*, where the wounded were coming in at intervals, some in stretchers and chairs lashed on the backs of mules, some in mountain carts. By the light of a few candles that burned steadily in the heavy, silent darkness, we helped load them into carts and automobiles. In the intervals, I dozed off, to start up shuddering when some agonized sufferer gave voice to his pain.

Dawn was just breaking when I started off; I don't think I shall soon forget the horror of that drive. The road is badly rutted by the artillery and supply convoys that pass day and night. It is impossible to drive comfortably, for one must keep at a certain speed or run the risk of stalling and waiting to be pulled out of the ditch.

Half way up I stopped to cool the steaming motor.

"Gentleman driver," came a faint voice from within, in English, "gentleman driver, please give me to drink."

I gave him my canteen, and, as he drank deeply, stood looking down on suffering such as one can scarcely picture. A dark stain was slowly spreading over the coarse brown blanket that covered his wounded hip. Shattered and broken, his leg swayed back and forth on the stretcher as my weight joggled the machine. Down the little runlet in the floor, down over the open tail-board, down on to the muddy road trickled a crimson stream. Beside this sufferer lay another, the wreck of yesterday's dashing young officer. His face was set in a stare of agony, and, from lips that oozed blood, came the words, repeated over and over again, in a faint, dreamy voice.

"Ninette, oh my God, Ninette!"

A trembling hand pushed back the empty canteen.

"Gentleman driver," he gasped, "I *pray* you drive slowly. We have a broken leg here. You are very kind." And as I closed the curtains, *he tried to smile.*

At ———, I found more cars had come up from the base, and was ordered to proceed to ———, where the rest of the section had been stationed. A few of the stretcher-bearers had been given a moment off to eat, so I helped carry the stretchers into the *poste de secours*. The room was once the store shed of a cotton mill, but today! The floor was packed with stretcher cases and around the walls crowded soldiers with bleeding hands and arms. The air was heavy with the mingled stench of filth, blood and iodine. The faces of the wounded were pale, sad, silent. In one corner a great bearded chasseur turned painfully to gaze at a fair-haired German boy that lay groaning on the stretcher beside him. There was no hate written on the Frenchman's face, but a kind of sad curiosity. And these were the men who once marched away so gallantly to defend *La Patrie* from the hated invader. Tattered, sick, wounded, and filthy, they waited for the surgeon with iron bravery. I wish that those who love to write of the melodramatic soldier with his neat stage bandage, could visit a *poste de secours*.

September 9. After breakfast I said good-bye to the stretcher bearers and doctors at the post. As I was cranking "Mrs. Vanderbilt," one of the *broncadiers* came up to me and grasped me by the hand. His hardened fingers squeezed mine, and his face, bearded and browned by months of life in the trenches, gazed into mine with a kind of wistful expression. "Monsieur is going back to Paris, soon?" he asked.

I told him that I was to leave in a few days, and fumbling in his pocket, he produced a dirty scrap of paper with an address scrawled upon it.

"Will Monsieur have the kindness to call there?" he asked. "It is the dressmaker's in Paris where I used to work, and will you kindly call there and remember me to the girls."

That afternoon, I went down to ———, a little ruined town just back of the trenches. With two *sous-officiers*, I set out past the turn of the valley, and down the open road to the front. At first we walked in single file. Then one of my companions pulled me down into the shelter of the ditch, and stooping almost double, we stumbled ahead for half a mile, around us the ruins of a town thriving and happy a year ago. Though the afternoon was nearly ended, it was oppressively hot. A blazing sunlight beat down upon the blank shell-torn houses. Not a sound save the occasional whir and explosion of a French shell passing over head or the crack of a rifle from the wooded hills above. There was something uncanny in the thought that those silent spruce woods hid part of the line of gray-coated soldiers that stand in arms against half the world.

Turning off the road, we crawled behind a line of ruined houses and wriggled through the rank grass of an abandoned pasture down to the edge of a brook. Suddenly one of my companions

jumped up, leaped across the stream, up the further bank and disappeared through the cellar window of a house opposite.

"Monsieur the American is next," remarked my comrade. "*Allez, mon vieux.*" So I went. A moment later I found myself rubbing my eyes in the half darkness of an underground room, sitting on a mattress conveniently placed to receive guests, an informal entrance to a dinner party.

There was still some daylight left, so I mounted to the ruins of the floor above and crawled out to look at the street in front of the house.

Returning I found the cellar cozily blanketed so no light could be seen from outside. My host insisted I inspect the decorations, and taking up the candle, showed me around the room. Several excellent oil paintings that belonged to the former German owner were hanging on the wall, and beside them a medley of "sporty" clippings from *La Vie Parisienne*. I stopped to examine one of the German paintings.

"*Pas bon ça, c'est Bosche,*" said my host, contemptuously, and pointing to a cover of *La Vie* added with a curious touch of national pride, "*Mais regardez, c'est chique, ça!*"

A few minutes later, we heard the crunch of hob-nailed boots on the floor above. Shading the candle, my host cried "*Entrez donc,*" and down the ladder came first the muddy boots, then the dirty trousers, and finally the bearded face of the cook who had brought us down our dinner from the company kitchen some half mile away.

A curious mixture of camp roughness and French ceremony, that dinner. I was the honored guest, pressed to accept the last boiled potato, the last hunk of beef, and the last of the wine was emptied into my broken cup.

With many assurances that I would write from America, I said good-night and followed the cook up the ladder, rubbing my eyes in the utter darkness outside. Then we set off through curious little alleys among the ruins. Suddenly a flash of blue light burst above us, and I felt the cook pulling me down behind a fallen wall. "The Bosches shoot up light bombs to see if anything is moving here," he explained. A few seconds, and the light went out leaving us in total darkness. Again we set out, and again dodged down to avoid detection, the pots and canteens clattering on the stones as we fell.

I was glad enough when we came to the turn of the road behind a hill and walked on the rest of the way undisturbed.



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, so that the cooperation of all our readers, and especially secretaries of Graduate Associations, is earnestly solicited.—EDITOR.

MacMillan, Eta '97, Disproves Peary's Theory

The assurance of Admiral Peary of the existence of undiscovered land in the Polar Sea, about one hundred and twenty miles from Cape Thomas Hubbard, upon his return from his trip to the northern regions in 1906, and which he had named Crocker Island, influenced the American Museum of Natural History and the American Geographical Society to send out in 1913 an expedition known as the Crocker Land Expedition. It was led by Brother Donald B. MacMillan, H '97, who had been a companion of Admiral Peary in the year 1909 when he made his famous dash toward the North Pole.

In Brother MacMillan's account of his journey from Etah to Cape Thomas Hubbard, with his two colleagues and Eskimos, he tells of stopping at Cape Sabine, the never-to-be-forgotten headquarters of the Greeley Expedition where one by one the members of that party died from starvation during the winter of 1883-84, until only seven almost dead men were found by Captain Schley and his rescuing party. He tells of the unearthing of old abodes of Peary, of the desertion of a number of the Eskimos at critical stages and of their system of establishing food depots. This account is most interesting and gives one somewhat of an idea of the hardships endured by the explorer of the present day, but by comparison very plainly shows an improvement over past attempts to reach unknown lands. Brother MacMillan's description of the journey from Cape Thomas Hubbard, where Admiral Peary, standing on the summit of one of its three hills, had seen snow-capped peaks and valleys of distant land, holds the reader to almost breathless interest. One hundred and fifty miles across the frozen sea these men traveled through heavy mist to find at the end nothing of the beautiful snow-capped peaks and valleys that had been seen during the journey, when the mist had cleared away and the sun shone, nothing of the land that Admiral Peary had left for younger men to discover. To the explorers, this mirage

had been land, the discovery of which was worthy of sacrifice and hardships. To the unintelligent Eskimos, it was plainly and proved truly only mist. The Crocker Land Expedition undertook to verify this discovery of Peary, which for four years had been questioned. Its report leaves no doubt in the minds of all interested. There is no Crocker Island.

Brother MacMillan published two articles in THE SHIELD (Vol. XXVI) in diary form, describing his experiences as a member of the Peary Expedition.

Pi Deuteron Initiation and Banquet

The Π^A Charge of $\Theta \Delta X$ held its annual big initiation on Saturday evening, November 13th. It has been the custom for Π^A and P^A to hold a joint initiation and banquet, but, owing to an inter-fraternity agreement, P^A was unable to join us this year.

The "Cave" of natural rock on the East river bank served for the ritual part of the program. A new mode of entrance to the cave was utilized, and proved a great success. Adolph Hummel, Π^A '16, officiated.

After the formal ceremonies, which resulted in the initiation of four men, Brothers Reich, Van Keuren, MacMullen and Hundt, all adjourned to the Parisien to enjoy the sumptuous banquet in honor of the new brothers.

Seward G. Spoor, P. G. L., was the guest of honor. Nelson P. Mead, Π^A '99, was the toast master of the evening. The banquet was a lively one from beginning to end. "Ernie" Schmid and "Billy" Wettlaufer, who sat opposite each other at the long table, were the center of attraction with songs and stories that couldn't be beat. "Billy" adopted the initiated brothers for the evening and cheers were plentiful for "Billy Wettlaufer's boys."

The speeches started at about eleven-thirty. The main speaker of the occasion was Prexy Spoor who made a rousing good one, speaking among other things, of the famous graduates of Π^A .

The speakers in order were: Chas. P. Schmid, Jr., Π^A '97; Ike Chapman, Π^A '14; Herb Holton, Π^A '99; Seward G. Spoor, Ξ '08; Billy Wettlaufer, Π^A '90; W. S. Mallory, Jr., Φ '15; Austin G. Clark, Π^A '03; Benjamin Van Keuren, Π^A '19.

The brothers present were: Fred C. Reich, Π^A '18; Benjamin Van Keuren, Π^A '19; Arthur H. MacMullen, Π^A '18; Harold J. Wright, Π^A '15; S. Carleton Haight, Π^A '92; G. W. Fischer, Π^A '13; J. A. Harrer, Π^A '16; H. W. Tucker, Π^A '18; E. E. Schmid, Π^A '99; L. Hundt, Π^A '19; H. B. Peters, Π^A '15; Frank E. Mullen, Π^A '10; Micque D. Schmidt, Π^A '14; W. S. Mallory, Jr., Φ '15; Joseph W. Drake, Π^A '16; Fred W. Borchers, Π^A '16; Howard L. Coyne, Π^A '16; Cornelius B. Savage, Π^A '12; Ike Chapman, Π^A '14; Seward G. Spoor, Ξ '08; Austin G. Clark, Π^A '03; Wm. H. Wettlaufer, Π^A '90; Donald Hegeman, P^A '17; John W. Remer, Π^A '93; W. L. Harrington, I '98; Eddie Collins, Π^A '18; Herb Holton, Π^A '99; Samuel C. Neidlinger, Π^A '99; Chas. P. Schmid, Π^A '97; G. O. Engel, Π^A '07; Robert Schmid, Π^A '02; Arthur L. Howe, Π^A '00; Nelson P. Mead, Π^A '99; Adolph Hummel, Π^A '16.

NOTICE!

"Our amiable and popular brother, Walter Cooper, T^A '14, will depart this Washington life for the wild and woollye ere many moons.

"Needless to say, we'll all be damned sorry to see him go."

"*But*, to the end that we should show him how, with all our faults we love him *still* (or yet), it is PROPOSED TO GIVE A LITTLE LUNCHEON IN HIS HONOR AT THE RALEIGH GRILL ON DECEMBER 8TH, AT 12, HIGH NOON.

"Every honest Theta Delt—as well as all who can find the price essential to one's sitting in—will be heartily welcomed. And just to let us know how about it (i. e., how many), you might sign your John Hancock on the lower extremity of this card.

THE COMMITTEE IN CHARGE."

There was much uncertainty in the minds of many who saw that notice on the Chi Deut bulletin board as to just what constituted "The Committee in Charge." But there wasn't a bit of doubt about who or what Strep Cooper is—or was—so by the appointed date a very nice collection of names decorated the "lower extremity." And when the party assembled in the Raleigh Grill and old Pat Albert with his smiling smile and very bald, bald head as much in evidence as ever, at the head of a cozy little table set for a dozen or so, there wasn't one who regretted sitting in.

For the Chi Deut boys have come to know and love Strep during the past year. Who is Strep? Well, it's a long and rather shady story, but we can with safety say that his bank signature is Walter W. Cooper, and when he put it in the Chi Deut visitors' book he added "Tau Deuteron, '14." He's been down here making a valuation of public "futilities," street railways, gas companies and the like, and there isn't a Thete in Washington who won't agree to the proposition that Strep is one of the best that ever came out of the Northwest. As Det Marthinson puts it: "He's a regular guy. Why, the way he puts his feet on the corner of your writing table right among your most private papers you'd take him to be a real Chi Deut man."

But to get back to the luncheon. It was a success. The eats were "far above," and the good fellowship was even better than that. As I said, Pat was there, which is saying enough. But in addition to that—or it—there was Shad Wynne, who, as usual, had some new ones from Missouri to spring; and Little Johnny Walker, the non-fillable, who for a fresh is doing fine; and Stack Ash with his usual enthusiasm (he's the fellow who not only *thinks* he belongs to the best fraternity in the world, but *says* so); and

Det Marthinson, the Swede of renown and more or less ability; and Lew Bond, '12, who is or will some day become famous in his chosen lines (tobacco and accounting); and a few more—too many of 'em to name here.

Yes, it was a good party. All these little farewell luncheons are good parties; in fact, we'd have 'em oftener but then it's hard luck to send a man away just merely to make an excuse for celebration.

By the way, after that feed Pat Albert beat it off to catch a train, "going out of town," but he neglected to say where. And now we wonder if Pat is at it again.

GRAHAM HUGHES, '14.

Note.—Permite me to state for the editor's benefit that the above Hughes is entirely too cussed self-effacing to suit me. He lent color to the occasion by the usual West Virginia colloquy (whatever that is). Hereafter, when he writes, write me and find out if he attended, and if not, why not.

DETLOW MARTHINSON, '16

Something New

"Were you effer in Zinsinnati?"

Up to a short time ago perhaps this question would have had no special bearing on the following. Now it is different, and to be in Cincinnati offers an opportunity which has never before been presented.

You may attend a Theta Delt luncheon if you are in the city on a Friday.

You will be given a chance to meet all the Theta Delts of this city all at once and to partake of some of the real good-fellowship that permeates the atmosphere of these luncheons.

We, on the other hand, will be glad of the opportunity to meet you, and will be only too glad to let you in on some of this same before mentioned good-fellowship.

Several times before the weekly luncheon proposition has been tried in this city, but never before Burt Van Tuyl graced Cincinnati with his residence has there been success. He has instilled pep, jogged the memories of absentees, and really made the luncheons a permanent function in the life of Cincinnati Theta Delts.

Out of a possible eighteen to attend, we maintain an average of twelve. Not so bad—and it's hard for a number of the brothers to be on hand too.

Sometime we may have a Graduate Association to offer the Fraternity. Just now though—well, Mrs. Metropole's cooking is high class. We have a good time, so as the Greek would say, "weeshuldwurrie."

Come around and see us if it necessitates a special trip.

“Ned” Griffing Again

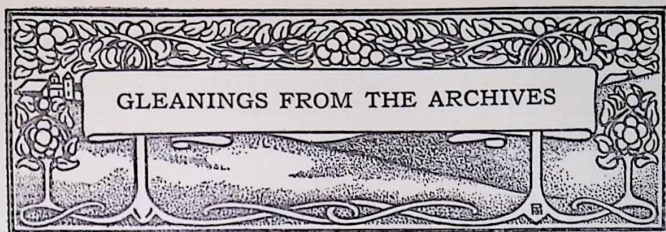
At the recent election, Edward Stetson Griffing, I '89, ex-P. G. L., Republican, was re-elected mayor of New Rochelle, N. Y., over Dr. Condé Pollen, Democrat, by about 400 majority. The pre-election discussions of the qualifications of both candidates were highly complimentary, the campaign finally turning on the conviction that Griffing was the better equipped man for the job. The following excerpt gives us no new light on Brother Griffing's character; on the contrary, merely confirms what Theta Delta Chi has long known of him: “Edward Stetson Griffing, who now holds the office, has an already demonstrated competence to perform its duties. He is trained by both study and experience for dealing with all the problems of municipal administration, and is especially skilled in matters of finance and taxation. His record as mayor has been in every way satisfactory—to those who want a city's business conducted in a business-like way, with due regard for economy and none for partisan interests, which by no means all voters do—and in the course of his term in office just ending, he has not only decreased expenditures in a rapidly growing town, but he actually paid off \$70,000 of its funded debt, an achievement unique in its history. There are, in short, all the reasons for re-electing Mr. Griffing that would be determinative for his retention if he were the chief executive official of any other big corporation.”

“The Man and the Boy”

“The Boy and the Man” is the title of a story of some hundred and fifty pages by Seward D. Allen, Ψ '78. The story originally appeared over the pen name, Luke Saunders, but for considerations which he refrains from stating, Brother Allen decided in the present issue to avow his authorship. The book, which may be read at a sitting, is the story of Joel Meeker, a lumberman of rugged character with a homely but shrewd philosophy. From the many press notices we have selected the two given below, as they accurately suggest the theme of the story:

“The author tells the story of a good old lumberman who seeks to make a test case of getting his logs through pre-empted waters without unjust tolls, and who comes out as others do who try to fight the interests in the open field. A product of New England hills and New England hardship, good Joel Meeker! Chance brought him to the outdoor cathedrals in his manhood, and there he pitched his camp, and made his friends, and seasoned his philosophy, and was a good and just employer, and did a lot and said a little. The history of the lesser lumberman is repeated in his unembittered summary of his grievance.”—*Kansas City Independent*.

“‘The Boy and the Man’ is an excellent story of a lawsuit by Luke Saunders. In the text readers will hear the song of the wind through the pines, spend evenings with log drivers and learn about the handling of logs in the boom.”—*Boston Globe*.



FREDERIC CARTER, EA '91, CUSTODIAN OF THE ARCHIVES

HAROLD ATWOOD BROWN, Φ '05,

DEPUTY CUSTODIAN OF THE ARCHIVES

Contributing Editors

It is indeed curious how oftimes a clipping will be carried along as a part of a scrap book, with little realization that therein is contained the beginning of a most interesting view of the past. A clipping is treasured for some reason, and if we can but discover this and properly connect it with such logical associations as there may be, we can build up an historical viewpoint which is entirely different from that which descends as tradition or that which is written of in books.

For some years a little squib in the famous Burdge scrap book had excited the curiosity of all those who looked upon it, but not to such a degree that they were willing to stop and make the effort to get at the real meaning of it. Written in Greek script, it offered an obstacle to those whose college experience in this language had gone but little further than the charge roll. However, a diligent student paused long enough to discover that the text was not Greek, but English, and that the Greek characters were used merely to heighten the effect of its form—a letter written obviously to refute the generalizations of some one opposed to $\Theta \Delta X$.

"MY DEAR SIR:

"I see in an article signed 'Collegian' an intention on the part of your correspondent to depreciate the standing of other societies. If in the 'Collegians' admiration of the 'Phi Beta Kappa's,' the 'Psi Chi's' and 'Psi U's' and other pet societies the 'Collegian' could refrain from treading on the corns of the 'Theta Delta Chi's' and other respectable college societies, your readers might come to the conclusion that 'Collegian' was not a puffer general to the first mentioned societies and a secret foe to the 'Theta Delta Chi.'

"Yours respectfully,

"GRADUATE."

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It is an interesting letter mainly because it says so little, yet suggests so much. The writer realizing that there was a fight on of no small proportions, took heed of the penciled note at the

bottom of the squib—that it had been taken from *Harper's*, February 13, 1858—obtained the ponderous volume for that year and looked to see what all the commotion was about.

This was what was found in *Harper's Weekly*, January 30, 1858, under the column edited by the Lounger:

OUR COLLEGE SECRET SOCIETIES

"MR. LOUNGER:

"No one who has not been a member of our colleges can have an idea to what extent secret societies are carried, or what an influence they exert over the students. They are conducted somewhat on the principle of the Masonic societies, giving chapters throughout the country, having the grip, passwords, etc.

"The United States has about one hundred and fifty colleges, and there exists in these colleges at least fifty distinct secret societies spreading chapters far and wide. There is but one honorary secret society throughout the country, and that is $\Phi B K$, which has many chapters and takes only the best eight or ten men from each class. Next comes the Skull and Bones, a senior society. That of Yale is the only chapter which they have in this country and they will take no more. Their initiation fee is said to be \$100 and they built themselves a hall in New Haven at great expense. . . .

"Another fine senior society is that of the Scroll and Key. One of the best junior societies in the United States is $\Sigma \Phi$, founded at Union in 1827. Next comes $\Psi \Upsilon$, whose parent chapter is at Union, and which numbers about fifteen chapters. The society which has more chapters than any other is $\Delta K E$, founded at Yale in 1844. $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$, founded at Hamilton in 1832, was once a very good society. $\Phi K \Sigma$, whose parent chapter is at the University of Pennsylvania, has some twelve chapters. $\Delta \Phi$ has some eight or ten, and 's quite a good society. There are now a few small societies left, such as $\Delta \Psi$, $X \Psi$, $Z \Psi$ and $\Theta \Delta X$ In summing the advantage of a secret society, I name as the greatest the genuine friendship which they promote between members. In fact, they become a brother to each other.

"COLLEGIAN."

To which the Lounger replies:

"Collegian is a bad fellow. The Lounger has in a most paternal manner omitted some of his comparisons and epithets. Why should a young man, starting out in life, draw the whole Greek alphabet about his ears like a swarm of bees? Is he aware that Alpha Delta Phi's and Psi Up's never meet without crossing swords? Does he know that college grounds are not large enough to hold in peace two youths, one of whom has taken the Phi Kappa Sigma and the other the Delta Kappa Epsilon, and both in a virulent form?"

"And will the Collegian explain how it is that all the Greek characters when applied to college societies, however they may be arranged, always spell P-U-N-C-H?"

Naive, isn't it? " $\Lambda \Delta \Phi$ was once a very good society." "There are now a few small societies left, $\Delta \Psi$, $X \Psi$, $Z \Psi$ and $\Theta \Delta X$." "In fact, they become as brothers to one another."

It would seem as if "Collegian" must have been a rather sophisticated chap, kind enough to let the world know just what these fraternities were. But such philanthropy was wasted in one

case at least, for "Lounger" gives direct evidence of having some acquaintance with fraternities.

In the issue of February 6, 1858, the "Lounger" begins:

"The Collegian cannot say that he did not have fair warning last week. The Lounger told him that he was drawing the whole Greek alphabet about his ears; that he was tossing a bomb and there was no telling where it might explode or what might be the consequences. The Lounger little dreamed (people who give warnings never do) that he was to suffer in any way. But, bang! it comes into his rooms. Here is the 'Bohemian' swearing at him dreadfully, that he is a double delta something, a d. d. sort of a fellow.

"The Lounger solemnly implores the youth of American colleges to beware how they cast him into hot water."

"Mr. Lounger," says the "Bohemian:"

"I am sorry for the Collegian who writes you a letter about the college secret societies. He is evidently afflicted with the mutual admiration fever so common to the scholastic youth, who, when they ought to be attending to their Latin quantities, are drumming up recruits for 'our society.' You know well, sir, as well as I, what a pang you inflict upon the susceptible hearts of the Delta Psi's, the Chi Psi's, the Zeta Psi's and the Theta Delta Chi's when you allow him to call them 'a few societies left.' Left where? What is the meaning of this sinister remark? Left to be called for like a brown paper parcel? Left by a railway or a steamboat or over the left, or what?"

"The $\Theta \Delta X$ is the most important society in the world in the opinion of the confères, of whom I am one. We have here (New York) a chapter of resident graduates which includes some of the most brilliant ornaments of the learned professions of which, etc.

"We are never 'left' anywhere, as the Collegian will find if he will come down here or over—I suppose he is a Union or a Yale man—next spring. In the meantime I remain,

"Yours, disgusted,

"THE BOHEMIAN."

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The Bohemian? We haven't the slightest idea of his name save that it was included in the roster of that small, brilliant group known to us as the Graduate Club which in 1858-59, was the center of $\Theta \Delta X$. At any rate, he was as sharp in his reply as the "Collegian" was in his assertion.

In the issue of February 13, 1858, comes the first of the extracts already given upon which the editor comments:

"This learned letter must finally dispose of this exciting subject. Our letter box has been inflamed several times in consequence of the fiery nature of the communications dropped into it concerning the societies which are interested in the Greek alphabet. A dead language, indeed!"

The next reference is an editorial of February 27, 1858:

WARLIKE CHARACTERS

The Collegian has stirred the Greek alphabet from Alpha to Omega. The Lounger has already said that the letter he lately published in Greek characters February 13th must end the controversy; and although the claims and con-

cerns of the secret societies are of the last importance and excite the most profound and universal public interest, there is still a part of the public (a little dull, of course, dear Alpha, Beta, Gamma, Delta, etc.) which desires to read of something else.

The Lounger's letter box groans at this moment under the good things which this controversy has caused to fall into it. Innumerable gauntlets, contemptuous defiances, sneers, calm contempts, grim humors, sarcasm, lies direct, Socratic series of questions, rebuffs, replies, indeed every form of letter has heaped up and kindled his inflammable box. Should he assume the responsibility of allowing them to get into his columns, this paper would cease to be safe in the hands of the reader; it would justly be called an incendiary sheet and produce conflagration in the domestic circle.

The Lounger dreprecates any such result and suggests a compromise to be carried into effect in the chapters of the various societies.

Thus, I. Deadly and unappeasable hostility is to be assumed as the normal state of any secret Greek character society against all others.

II. Each society, at a convention to be especially called for the purpose, shall resolve unanimously that all the best fellows in every college always have and always will belong to itself; the fact of membership to be taken as the test of good fellowship.

III. Each society at its convention shall declare all members of the other societies to be entirely beneath contempt and consequently of notice.

This proposition seems to cover the whole ground and protects the honor of each society. It also protects individual members from the necessity of cherishing wrath or writing letters denunciatory of others; and it has the great merit of expressing in permanent form the unalterable convictions of each member of every secret society respecting all the members of every other.

More truth than sarcasm!

It is not such a long period from 1858 to the present day, but it is long enough for the old, narrowing prejudices to drop away from us to the extent that today we are led to laugh at the old evidences of them. It is not difficult to see that in a sense these rather strange attitudes had these places and values. The struggle of the early days, through which each fraternity went, engendered in its members the idea that their fraternity was the best, and the old-time animosity between the colleges might well have been carried over and similarly used in the fraternity system. The narrow loyalty was undoubtedly the force which strengthened the fraternity in its infancy and the infallible individual opinions proved of inestimable value in building up strong fraternity ideals and standards. But the day for these things has passed.

The fraternity system, with its councils and agreements, is, as the name implies, an institution by itself and as such has grown through a natural evolution, discarding in the process the old conceptions which tended first to advance it and then to retard it. Types exist to-day, but the term "fraternity man" is far larger and more expressive than any of the older terms made up of characters taken from the Greek alphabet. In a sense, the fraternity idea is more applicable to the fraternities taken as a whole than taken separately; the emphasis is no longer placed upon the smaller group.

The fraternity man has in no way lost his attribute of loyalty. It has taken a new form and become broader, and, at the same time, associated itself with an equally valuable attribute—appreciation. We often hear of the old-time love and devotion which called for sacrifice, and which some say are absent to-day. They have gone in so far as they no longer express themselves in a blind sort of fashion. In a different form, they are with us yet. Can any one question that $\Theta \Delta X$ has not the true love and devotion of her members, who stand ever ready to make sacrifices for her sake?

But with our love for Theta Delta Chi goes an appreciation for the fraternity by our side, and hence a broader vision of the true fraternal spirit, and it exists among us all, Alpha Deltas, Phi Gammas, Theta Deltas, no matter to what smaller group we may swear allegiance.

Correcting Error in Bradbury Article

SEATTLE, WASH., November 16, 1915.

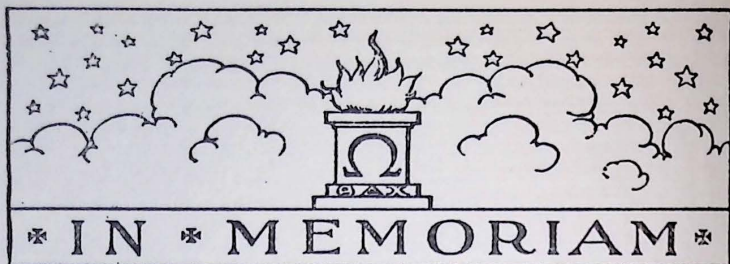
MR. GUY PIERCE,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Brother Pierce:—Have read with a great deal of pleasure your article in THE SHIELD on Jim Bradbury, as you will appreciate when you realize that he was a classmate of mine. I want to call your attention to one error—just as a matter of accuracy for future record—and that is in the date of his initiation. Your article says 1874, but it was at least two years later, although I cannot give you exact date, which is obtainable, I suppose, from the Grand Lodge records—K.'s books having been burned. Jim entered college in '74, in the class of '78, but did not make his exams in the sophomore year and dropped back into my class, '79. I was initiated in the fall of '75, and have a very distinct recollection of Jim's initiation on account of some of the remarkable "rough stuff" that we compelled him to undergo.

The boys of Ξ^A appear to be doing fine this year, and have an unusually good bunch of pledges. I go out to the meeting every two or three weeks—getting dinner at the house—and so try to keep in touch with them. I believe there is no brother in the Northwest who gets more pleasure from his fraternity relations than I.

Fraternally in the bonds,

C. E. MAXFIELD.



We would like to receive and publish an obituary of each and every brother who has passed into the Ω charge.—EDITOR.

RODNEY SMITH

Γ 1854

Ω November 12, 1915

Brigadier General Rodney Smith, United States Army, retired, died at his home at Brandon, Vt., November 12th, in his eighty-seventh year. He was born in Vermont, and received his college education at the University of Vermont, graduating in the class of 1854. Of this class, numbering twenty-seven, but two members survive, George W. Chamberlain, of Berkeley, Cal., and Rev. Simeon Gilbert, of Chicago. He fought through the Civil War in the Army of the Potomac and in the Department of the South. On February 23, 1864, he was appointed a paymaster with the rank of Major by President Lincoln. In 1881 General Smith was promoted to be Deputy Paymaster General, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and in 1886 was appointed Assistant Paymaster General with the rank of Colonel. General Smith was retired by the age law in 1893 and received the brevet of Brigadier General, retired, by Act of Congress, in 1904. He married Miss Julia Ellen Coates, of Peru, Ill., in 1875.

His brother, William Smith, Γ '54, who died in 1912, had a career exactly paralleling his brother's, except that he gained the place of Paymaster General and was retired with the rank of Brigadier General. In the army, William Smith was affectionately known as "Drunken Bill," because he never took a drink.

THOMAS B. KYLE

Θ 1880

Ω August 13, 1915

On August 13, 1915, at his home and city of his birth, Troy, Ohio, Brother Thomas B. Kyle, Θ '80, quietly passed away, the final illness being a second stroke of paralysis following the first after an interval of more than four years.

Brother Kyle was born March 10, 1856, graduating from Troy (Ohio) High School in 1873; entered Dartmouth in 1876 in class of '80. In 1878, left college; was admitted to the bar in 1884; served as magistrate two terms; prosecuting attorney of his native county two terms, 1890-1894, and as Congressman two terms from the Seventh District, Ohio, 1900-04. In 1893,

formed law partnership with Brother George S. Long, O^Δ '79, which continued until Brother Long removed to Columbus, Ohio, in December, 1908. In May, 1911, Brother Kyle was stricken with paralysis, from which he made partial recovery, continuing his practice until a few months before his demise. Possessing a splendid tenor voice of unusual quantity and quality, Brother Kyle was a member of the College Glee Club, which in that day, though small in numbers, made a distinct hit in its circuit.

Kindly, considerate, free from animosity, he was a most lovable character. His party affiliation was Republican and his lodge Masonry to the 32d degree.

His father, Barton S. Kyle, Colonel of the 71st O. V. I., was killed in one of the earliest battles of the Civil War, Shiloh.

He was married December 25, 1884, to Miss Lettie Benedict, of Clinton, Iowa, and two children blessed their union, Mrs. John Cherrington, of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Walter T. Kyle, of Troy, O^Δ '11, non-grad.

He was accorded a Scottish Rite funeral on Sunday, August 15th. The community generally showed its most affectionate regard, and showed that he had in his life practiced the fraternity which binds men's hearts together in mutual consideration and helpfulness.

WILLIAM HENRY CUMMINGS

O^Δ 1879

Ω August 2, 1915

William Henry Cummings died August 2d of pneumonia at Brattleboro, Vt., where he had gone a few days before for rest and medical treatment.

He was born at Dunham, Quebec, August 31, 1852, his parents being William James and Charity Louise (Powers) Cummings. He prepared for college at Thetford (Vt.) Academy, and entered college with the class of 1877, but left sophomore fall to teach at Chelsea, Vt., returning after two years to enter the class of '79.

His life was given to the work of education, and he was principal of Bradford (Vt.) Academy in 1879-84, of Thetford (Vt.) Academy in 1884-9, of Homer (N. Y.) Academy in 1899-90, and of Kimball Union Academy, Meriden, N. H., from 1890 to 1900. His health having broken down, he regained it by means of a pedestrian tour in Europe. He was then superintendent of schools at Hadley, Mass., in 1901-06, and at Claremont, N. H., in 1906-13. His health again failing, he engaged in business for a year, and then became superintendent at Maynard, Mass., where his last work was done.

He was married at Chelsea, Vt., November 25, 1879, to Julia Vincent, daughter of Alonzo H. and Juliet (Vincent) Powers, who survives him, with a daughter.

Mr. Cummings was an educator of marked success, of the type that regards scholarship and character as the chief aims of school work. He devoted himself to the highest interests of his pupils, and reaped the reward of their respect and regard.

He was an enthusiastic lover of nature, and was thoroughly familiar with the mountains of New Hampshire and Vermont and their wild life. He was for many years a member of the Congregational churches in the places of his residence, and vitally connected with their work.—*Dartmouth Alumni Magazine*.

Editor of THE SHIELD: Above is obituary of my classmate Cummings, O^Δ '79, a modest, conscientious, loyal Theta Delt who bore his share of the burden when we emerged from obscurity and started for a more prominent and influential position at Dartmouth. Fraternaly,

GEO. S. LONG, O^Δ '79.

AUGUSTUS ELWIN SCOTT

K 1858

Ω November 19, 1915

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His Infinite wisdom to summon unto Himself our beloved brother, Augustus Elwin Scott; and

WHEREAS, He was the sole survivor of the founders of Kappa Charge of Theta Delta Chi, and in Kappa Charge and in the Fraternity had a long and honored career that earned him the sincerest respect and love of his brethren; and

WHEREAS, The members of the charge realize that in his death they experience the irreparable loss of a good and loyal friend and benefactor; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of Kappa Charge of Theta Delta Chi, in our understanding of its greater loss, extend to the bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this preamble and these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased, to the Grand Lodge of the Fraternity, to all the charges, to the alumni of our own charge, to the SHIELD for publication, that a copy be preserved in the Archives of the Fraternity, and that our badges be draped for a period of thirty days.

For Kappa Charge,

J. RUSSELL WHITMORE, '16,
FREDERICK L. RYAN, '16,
BARRON C. WATSON, '17.

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 JAMES C. BEECHER

Ξ 1873

Ω November, 1915

James C. Beecher, for fifty years a member of the Buffalo bar, was a man of the greatest integrity, possessing an unusually clear legal mind, always showing, in whatever the work, a shrewd and sound judgment. A man who disliked contention and litigation and found no pleasure in verbal combat, he soon established a large office practice, and had many estates to manage and settle in Surrogate's Court.

Whenever, in the interests of his clients he had to go into other courts, or when litigation became necessary in the Surrogate's Court, he always called in counsel to conduct the trial or argument.

Brother Beecher was withal a good deal of a diplomat, and his clients had great confidence in his ability to make judicious settlements, thus keeping them out of litigation, and it was through this strong faculty that he represented the best of clients and thus became a prominent lawyer. "No litigation, if possible," was his theory, but when it became necessary for him to fight a case he choose his counsel so wisely and so well that his case was generally successful. Brother Beecher was a young man studying law at a time when there were only three law schools in this country, and he studied with and was trained in the office of Buffalo's most famous lawyers, the firm of Gausom & Smith, who were both men of strong personalities. John Gauson was well known as an intimate friend of Abraham Lincoln, and Judge Smith was chosen as Judge of the Superior Court. Both were lawyers of the old school, of the highest character, and their mantle easily fell upon the

shoulders of young Brother Beecher, who proved an apt scholar to a very superior training.

The prominent lawyers and law firms of Buffalo recognized Brother Beecher as an authority and their equal, if not their superior, in work in the Surrogate's Court. All men to whom the friends and co-workers of Brother Beecher are known, who held him in so high an esteem, will appreciate that to be peer of such men in his profession our brother must have been no ordinary lawyer.

Speaking of Brother Beecher, a friend says: "For the benefit of the younger generation it should be said of Mr. Beecher that his word was never questioned in court, that no one ever claimed that he advised a client into an unnecessary or foolish litigation and his charges for services were never the subject of litigation."

The name of Brother James Beecher adds dignity to the roll of many such names of the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity. An inspiration to the undergraduates going forth into their life's work from its charges, Brother Beecher was a man of warm sympathies and discriminating judgment, willing to give the "helping hand" to appeals for aid, giving invaluable advice and services to those in trouble, and never chary with financial help, if he felt the call to be a worthy one. Many a leader of the bar to-day owes him a debt for counsel or for employment in some litigated case not beyond his experience as a young lawyer.

REGINALD PERCIVAL COWEN

Z^Δ 1906

Ω August 1915

ARTHUR HAROLD MACKAY

Z^Δ 1913

Ω August 1915

WHEREAS, Reginald Percival Cowen and Arthur Harold Mackay, members of Zeta Deuteron Charge of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, have been removed from us by death, in the month of August, 1915; and

WHEREAS, they were faithful members of this Charge, loyal to its interests, dutifully performing during their college courses whatever they were called upon to do both as officers and as brothers; and

WHEREAS, By their genial disposition and cheerful temperament they had endeared themselves to all those with whom they had come in contact; and

WHEREAS, They died a most glorious death on the field of battle, upholding the honor of their Charge, Fraternity and Country;

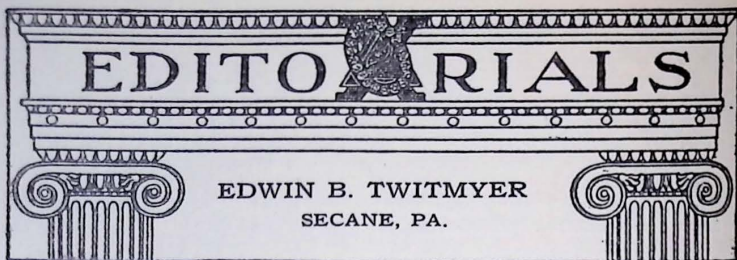
Resolved, That this Charge express its grief by publishing this preamble and resolution in the SHIELD and by entering it in our minutes and archives; and be it

Resolved, That printed copies of the same be sent to each Charge, to the graduates of this Charge, and to the Department of Archives, and that our pins be draped for a period of thirty days; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved families the assurance of this Charge that we grieve with them in the loss of those so dear to us all.

Saturday, October 6, 1915.

[SEAL]



EDITORIALS

EDWIN B. TWITMYER
SECANE, PA.

There smiles Christmas, holly-crowned
 With his blithest coronet:
 Friendship's face he loveth well;
 'Tis a countenance whose spell
 Sheds a balm o'er every mead and dell
 Where we used to fret.

—Theodore Watts-Dunton.

We wish to urge the undergraduates, especially those who are pursuing courses with a view to entering one of the technical professions, to read carefully the admirable paper by Brother Charles D. Marx, B '78, printed in this issue of THE SHIELD. Having worked through the lower degrees of his profession of civil engineer to that of greatest honor and distinction, Brother Marx's message is worthy of the thoughtful attention of men preparing themselves for similar lines of work. In the first days out of college, when the positions to be secured are extremely limited and detailed in their scope, the larger view of one's life work is easily obscured, even though the vision had been happily gained during college days. And yet without the inspiration of a beckoning ideal little beyond hackwork and stupid drudgery can be attained. Therefore, it becomes a matter of utmost importance to know what is best in your line of work and to stretch your mind to conceive it. *Ad astra.*

Everyone's work must necessarily contain much routine. Details by no means may be shirked, and when the element of novelty disappears through constant repetition, arouse little enthusiasm. If one can appreciate the final goal of his business, and view his work-a-day toil in the light of ultimate contribution to the world of men, then even details well performed yield full compensation. Faith in the job is the outcome.

President Spoor's quiet but insistent appeal for a higher grade of scholarship on the part of the undergraduate members of the charges is bearing fruit. Recent reports from several charges, giving the scholastic record over a period of three or four years, show substantial improvement. It is not the ambition of Theta Delta Chi to win out in competition with other fraternities for the highest academic standing at the various colleges where these

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records are published. A vast deal of importance, however, is attached to a consistently maintained standard of college work and whenever the record of a charge reveals a tendency upward, even though slight, that charge is fulfilling the expectation of the fraternity at large.

The scholastic standing of a charge is subject to considerable fluctuation in consequence of the class records of the freshman delegation, conspicuously so when one or more of the new men fail to do work of sufficiently high grade to remain in college. To offer encouragement where most needed ex-President Compton, during his administration, donated the sum of one thousand dollars to the Founder's Corporation, the income of which should be expended yearly for the purpose of some suitable prize to that charge, designated by a Scholarship Committee, whose freshman delegation has had the highest scholarship. These prizes have been awarded annually since this endowment was established, and have served a very useful purpose. We trust the charge presidents will bring this matter to the attention of the freshmen as they become initiates of Theta Delta Chi.

By action of the last convention, the committee on Scholarship, consisting of Brothers Harstrom, Hunter and Meiklejohn, was constituted a standing committee and instructed to extend its function by way of getting in closer touch with the charges with relation to their scholastic standing, to compile comparative tables showing the scholastic progress of the charges and to make recommendations to the Grand Lodge upon all matters which in their judgment might tend to encourage better scholarship.

The decision of the Grand Lodge to hold the next convention at Boston, February 19th, 20th, 21st and 22nd at once guarantees a great gathering. The large number of enthusiastic graduates living in New England in years past have established a fine record for convention attendance and will surely repeat. The regulars will of course be there. The time selected is most favorable for a large undergraduate turnout.

Not in a spirit of competition but rather of emulation, Atlantic coast Thetes, lead by a hard-working committee, will exert every effort to continue the fine spirit of the San Francisco meeting. Read the Charge letters in this issue or pay a short visit to a charge house, and you will appreciate that the word "continue" is used advisedly. The last Convention witnessed a high water mark in fraternal interchange and left an indelible impress upon the minds of those fortunate enough to be present. They are still talking about it, and thereby propagating something of its fine spirit throughout our entire membership.

Unfortunately the details of the February convention could not be settled in time for announcement in this issue of THE SHIELD. Ample notice, however, will reach you through your charge. Just now the important thing is to block out the above mentioned dates and book up for Boston.



Charger will be marked delinquent if their letters are not in the *Editorial office 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.—EDITOR.

**CORNELL
UNIVERSITY**

Initiates: Paul Frederick Stricker, '17, Hamilton, Ohio; John Paul Timmerman, '18, Lima, Ohio; Bartley Edmund Campbell, '18, New York City; Herbert LeRoy Scales, '19, Houston, Tex.

A slow evolution of inter-fraternity affairs brought the issue of second term rushing to a definite settlement and B has taken a stand with about eighteen other fraternities at Cornell for delayed rushing. Another group has held out and will continue the old agreement. Apparently the interests of the two groups have not conflicted and the freshmen have realized the situation, so that many of them have made no decision and will await the February rushing season. The agreement places the fraternities on a higher plane of honor and there is every indication that they shall maintain it. And so these freshmen who are slow to develop and whom the fraternities have neglected until succeeding years are given the opportunity to show their worth. They will then be in a more advantageous position to attract attention and make their choice. B feels that the delayed rushing will make for more accomplishment on the part of the freshmen, who, anxious to make a fraternity, will get out and interest themselves in something—and on the part of the fraternity to make the life within it attractive to the freshmen.

Likewise during the year a regeneration of the political situation of the several classes occurred, and B feels and has felt all along that even though the university is so large and full of conflicting interests, politics are unnecessary. It is the obvious thing, but it has never been emphasized. Accordingly, a Student Council was created to govern all class activities, and the number of men elected to it from each class is proportionate to the position of the class—senior 8, junior 4, sophomore 2, and freshman 1. The senior president, the only class presidential office, is president of the council. Murray Shelton, '16, and Carleton Collins, '16, were elected to the first council.

Many of our alumni have been here during the fall, attending the foot ball games and inspecting the foot ball situation, which is the culmination of four years of concerted action on the part of every one. B's 1916 class has lived through this development, and together with many classmates, fraternity and non-fraternity, rejoices in the success of the work. Dave Taber, '15, half back, who is now coaching the freshmen team; Murray Shelton, '16, end; Carleton Collins, '16, half back, and McCormick, '17, end, have upheld our share of the work.

Among the additional offices held by B men this year are: manager musical clubs by Durland; mandolin club by Michener, Coville and Scheetz;

captain la crosse team by Collins; managing editor of the *Cornell Annuals* by C. M. Thorp; manager freshmen base ball by Michener, and manager of freshmen foot ball.

Brothers Shelton, Collins and Durland are Sphinx Head. Brothers Woodburn, W. B. Shelton and Scales are developing in their track work. Hequembourg, Birkin and Ruhl are competing for track manager, manager of the Navy, and manager of basket ball, respectively.

B lost one of her best men when Price Briscoe was obliged to leave the university on account of his health, and incidentally released an inevitable claim to business manager of the *Cornell Sun*.

The year promises to be a great one for Cornell and B rejoices in its share of the work.

FRANCIS H. SCHEETZ, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: Harold A. Taylor, '17; Donald W. Crabbs, '18; Howard H. Heffron, '18; Robert C. Patterson, '18, and Hudson W. Fleishhauer, '18, affiliated from $\Sigma\Delta$. These brothers are all rapidly getting the spirit, and it will not be long before you will hear good news from them.

The fall house party was a wonder. It lacked but one thing, and that was the presence of more of our alumni and their wives. This party is given chiefly to bring back the alumni and their wives, and we hope that in the future they will realize this and take advantage of the occasion.

The smoker, as a substitute for our fall banquet, had but one redeeming feature; it was less expensive. There was not nearly as many of the old boys here as we had hoped. This may have been partially due to Michigan's poor foot ball showing. The brothers who are strong for a banquet will be glad to hear that we are planning an "old-timer" for some time next spring.

Brother "Cab" Bentley, $\Gamma\Delta$ '16, as president of the charge, has certainly started out with lots of "pep." We are doing things now, and there seems to be a new zeal and interest shown in things Theta Delt as well as Michigan. His battle cry (you who have heard him know it is a real war whoop) is "Theta Delta Chi shall be highest on the scholastic chart!"

As I predicted in my last letter, Brother Whalen, '17, came through by winning his "M" on the foot ball team. "Jim" is certainly an all-around man, as he played in every position on the line but center. "Jim," with Brother Whittingham, '17, made Triangles, the junior engineering honorary society, of which Brothers "Tobie" Taylor, '17, and "Crock" Collins, '17, are already members. Brother Nichols, '17, made Quarterdeck, the junior marine honorary society, and he, with Brother Whittingham, made the mandolin club. Jim Whalen is treasurer of the J-Hop and he predicts a record-breaker.

EDGAR D. CRUMPACKER, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: Percy Osborne Brewer, San Francisco, Cal.; Jules Verne Hilton, Santa Ana, Cal.; Benjamin Franklin Sisson, Berkeley, Cal.; Arthur Donald Alvord, Ventura, Cal.

The two chief events of fraternity interest which have taken place at $\Delta\Delta$ this year have been initiations. The first one, on September 8th, has been treated in full in the *Delta Deut. News*, which we hope a large part of the fraternity will read, and therefore we will but give it a line here in passing. It was intensely successful, the three freshmen (the first three on the list above) entered the fraternity under the most

favorable auspices. The second initiation, held in the Charge House on Saturday night, October 23d, held the same important element of success—Norman Hackett, ΓΔ '98, as toastmaster. Opening an hour later than on the previous occasion, the initiation ceremony was not completed until well after 10, and it was not until 11 o'clock that we gathered around the banquet table. At 11.30 Norm arrived, after a dash from the evening performance at the McDonough Theater, in Brother Vere Hunter's machine. Assuming the dignity of toastmaster, he at once opened the proceedings.

The speakers were: George Hodgkin, ΔΔ '16; Vere Hunter, ΔΔ '03; F. H. Lancashire, ΓΔ '01; Al Thornton, ΔΔ '09; "Fat" Haines, ΗΔ '18; "Doc" Stitt, ΔΔ '14; "Plug" Ryder, ΔΔ '07; "Pickles" Heintz, ΔΔ '18; "Chet" Donnell, ΔΔ '18; "Tash" Waters, ΗΔ '18; Clarkson Crane, ΔΔ '16, and Don Alvord, ΔΔ '19.

We were especially fortunate in having with us Brother Lancashire, ΓΔ '01. He came to San Francisco for a short visit, and luck favored us in that he arrived at the most opportune moment. His speech was by all means the *piece de resistance* of the evening. It was 2 o'clock before the banquet was over, and due to a certain nervous, high-strung condition which always follows affairs in which the sentiment plays so intense a part, and in which the fraternity spirit is in the air, 3 o'clock struck before the brothers were tranquil.

The next morning dawned. (I shall keep right on in chronological order, because the next charge event took place the following morning.) The morning dawned, extremely early, too; and on the 8 o'clock ferry the brothers, clad in various stages of tough-looking clothes, assembled. Muir Woods was the destination; an all-day hike the method. Without a doubt, the Tamalpais and Muir Woods scenery is the most beautiful about the bay. The weather, or rather the climate—we don't have weather out here—was as good as ever; and the affair was a great success. There was a momentary excitement concerning the food. Unhappily, the lunch missed the train, and with it five of the brothers who were acting as commissary department. Now it happens that there are two separate paths to Muir Woods entering at opposite ends of the preserve. The result is obvious. The lunchless entered at one end, the belunched at the other, and, quite naturally, missed each other. They who had no food longed for it passionately, while they who bore it burned just as hotly with the desire to get rid of it, and to foist the burden onto some one else. An animated search occurred, with cries and earnest appeals. And as Muir Woods is an extremely finite bit of forest, it was not long before the two parties met and blended their emotions in the perfect harmony of dinner.

But let us cross the bay again, back to Berkeley, and speak again of the charge. A number of the brothers are out for college activities. All are active in one way or another, whether within or without the house. We are paying great attention this year to scholarship, and hope to keep on with the ascent which we began last semester.

There is harmony in the house and a general good feeling, and we will close by urging all of the Eastern brothers who are voyaging in the West to come and see for themselves.

CLARKSON CRANE, '16, Charge Editor.



Initiates: William Brayshaw, Princetown, W. Va.; J. S. Robinson, Skyron, Va.; L. P. Sutherland, Sutherlin, Va.; I. W. Joynes, Norfolk, Va.; J. G. Warberton, Williamsburg, Va.

At the opening of college, E found seven old men back to promote her cause.

Our rushing is over and we have succeeded in placing the shield on five more men. This is somewhat a large number for E, since our charge is generally very small in numbers, and with this advantage we hope to make this a banner year for E.

Practically all of our men are taking active part in some phase of college activity, and as a result we can state that we have the following officers: Brothers Zehmer, '16, and Williams, '16, are on the *Annual* staff. Brothers Presson, '16, and Pullen, '18, are managers and assistant managers, respectively, of our base ball team. (This gives us three consecutive managers of base ball.) Brothers Presson and Zehmer are also members of the Athletic Council, while Brother Zehmer is a member of Student Council and vice president of senior class. Brother Pullen is a member of the *Flat Hat* staff (our weekly paper), and for his successful work in that line he has been taken into the Sigma Upsilon Literary Fraternity.

Brothers Williams, Presson, Zehmer and Sutherlin are all active men in the production of a Minstrel.

In foot ball, the interesting topic of today, we are also well represented. "Doc" Morrow, E '14, is assistant coach, while Brother Robinson, '18, is holding down right tackle. Brother Joynes, '19, our star quarter, has been absent from the charge, suffering a broken wrist.

Saturday night, October 23d, E gave her annual reception to her alumni, faculty and friends. It was seemingly a great success, bringing back many of her alumni and helping the new brothers to become better acquainted with the alumni, also enabling them to meet both the faculty and townspeople.

We have enjoyed short visits from Brothers Hodges, '02; Davis, '02; Wright, '04; Joynes, '07; Healy, '10; Groves, '11; Vaden, '13; Morrow, '14; Healy, '14; Perkins, '14; Taylor, '15; Bane, '16, and Ladd, Z '93.

E sends best wishes to all of her sister charges, and only wishes to remind them that her doors ever swing wide for every member of Theta Delta Chi.

A. P. S. ROBINSON, '18, *Charge Editor*.



Owing to the new "rushing" system at Brown, Z has no initiates to announce in this issue of THE SHIELD. Under the new agreement entered into by all the fraternities at Brown, freshmen cannot be bid to a fraternity until the Monday following Thanksgiving Day, and cannot be initiated until after the close of the first semester. We have, however, one new brother, Clifford Pierpont Ladd, E '17, to introduce as a member of the Z '18 delegation. Brother "Prep" Loud, Z '15, has returned as a member of the class of 1917. Brother Rodney H. Scott, Z '17, has entered the Lowell Textile School, hoping that by the training acquired there he will be properly fitted to enter the field of business as a manufacturer. Brother Harold Page Wright, Z '18, has transferred to Boston University. The best wishes of the Z charge go forth with these brothers, as they do with the seniors lost by graduation.

In the field of undergraduate activities, Z holds a high place. "Johnnie" Johnston, '16, is a member of the Cammarian Club, first vice-president of the class of 1916, and has been elected captain of the base ball team for the second time. "Spike" Staff, '16, and Mark Farnum, '18, fight side by side on the foot ball team. "Ben" Cleveland, '18, is "scutting" for one of the managerships, and is second vice-president of the class of 1918. "Ben" Slade, '18, and "Jack" Isaac, '18, are out for track and are doing fine work. Barclay Jones, '16, as manager of the gym teams and business manager of the *Liber*, Brown's year book, finds his time well filled up with work. "Old B. L.,"

however, has found some time for his studies and, as a result, has recently been awarded the Francis Wayland Scholarship. "Jap" Wight, '17, is on the celebration committee and chairman of the junior prom committee. "Ricky" Burton, '16, is cheer leader, chairman of the celebration committee, and chairman of the class day committee. "Bob" Foote, '17, is secretary of the class of 1917. Vernon Rice, '16, better known as "Abie," is first speaker at the class tree and religious and educational secretary of the Brown Christian Association. "Snooky" Snell, '13, has forsaken base ball and is now an instructor in the biological department.

We have been very fortunate in having a number of the alumni around since college has opened. "Bloke" Sims, '13, has kept us laughing and in a good humor with numerous anecdotes of his undergraduate days. Brother Canfield, '09, has taken the same interest as in former years in the welfare of the brothers and has helped greatly at "rush" meetings. Jack Jenney, '15, has been here nearly every day and is showing us that his interest in Z is as great as ever. Harold Kinne, '15, has been in, and on one occasion gave us a very interesting talk on the convention held in San Francisco and the spirit of Theta Deltas along the Pacific Coast. "Rufe" Worrell, B '11, is around this year and has brought Brother "Bunny" Worrell, B '15, around several times. We expect to see a great deal of these two brothers from B during the winter. Frank Frost, '15, was here frequently before he accepted a position with a prominent railway at Pittsburgh. Paul Curtis, '15, has been in several times and promises to be around many times this year.

There is always some one here at 81 Waterman street, and we are always glad to meet new brothers and welcome back all brothers, so come around whenever you are in Providence and see what Z has to offer you.

JOHN R. W. HALL, '17, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: Harold Austen Whitcomb, '20, Smith Falls, Ont.; Marshall Waitt Henderson, '20, Victoria, B. C.

Z^Δ opened house this fall after a period of considerable anxiety. Due to the rapid enlistment of brothers in the cause of their country at the close of last session and during the summer it was a question as to whether sufficient numbers of brothers would return to continue in due manner the duties of an active charge.

But all is well at 23 Durocher street (our new house number). Reduced more than fifty per cent. this year in the number of active brothers over last we soon saw the answer to an old question regarding the charge with few members and the one with many members, which has often come before us.

Nevertheless we miss the old familiar faces about the house, but the old spirit still prevails to keep Z^Δ up to good standard both in scholastic and social activities.

Brother Frank Parkins, '15, tells us great tales of the good times and of the many close friendships made while traveling to and from the convention where royal hospitality was shown by the coast brothers.

Brother Balm, '16, is ably filling the position of secretary of the Science Undergraduate Society.

Brother Parkins, '16, is on the senior play committee.

Brother McCullogh, '17, is secretary of the hockey club with Brothers Whitcomb and Kelsch on the executive staff.

When in town, brothers, remember that the door is always open at Z^Δ and a welcome is assured to visitors.

CHESTER F. KELSCH, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: John Thomas Reynolds, '18, New Haven, Conn.; Laurence Gould Barton, '19, Portland, Me.; Robert Towle Burr, '19, Dorchester, Mass.; Edward Corcoran, '19, Norwich, Conn.; Daniel Francis Mahoney, '19, Portland, Me.; Laurence McCulloch, '19, Ashmont, Mass.; Hugh Addison Mitchell, '19, Brunswick, Me.; Harlow Baynum Mosher, '19, Dexter, Me.

All in all, this looks like a very happy year for H. While we feel keenly the loss of our senior delegation of last year, we are beginning to realize that this loss is fully counteracted by the present freshman delegation, which has more than come up to our expectations. All the brothers are pulling together this year, and a spirit of congeniality reigns supreme.

We are well represented in college activities this year: Brothers Beal, '16; Wood, '16; Phillips, '17, and Stone, '17, made their letters in foot ball this fall, while Brother Campbell, '17, was on the varsity squad. Brothers Farnham, '18, McCulloch, '19, Barton, '19, and Mosher, '19, have all been out for fall track work, Brother Mosher making the varsity cross country team. Brothers Biggers, '17; Mooers, '18, and Corcoran, '19, have parts in "Mrs. Dot," the play which the dramatic club is giving this year, Brother Corcoran having the leading part. Brother Burr, '19, is making a strong bid for the tennis team, in the fall trials. Brothers Mitchell, '19, and Mosher, '19, are out for the *Orient* Board. Brother Biggers, '17, is on the editorial board of the *Quill*, while Brother Albion, '18, is one of the associate editors of the *Orient*. Brother Phillips, '17, is a member of the athletic council. Brother Stearns, '18, after a hard season's work, succeeded in being nominated for the position of assistant manager of football. Brother Merrill, '16, is on the glee club.

Brother "Hap" Yenetchi, '16, has returned to Bowdoin after spending two years at Tufts. Another wandering brother, in the person of "Jim" Boothby, has returned to us after a year's sojourn at the University of Wisconsin. Brunswick mothers have decided to send their daughters away to school.

We miss greatly this year Brother "Ken" Burr, '16, who has decided that the "filthy lucre," to be gained in business in Boston has far greater attractions for him than a mere bit of sheepskin.

We regret to admit that two of our '15 brothers have already found the vices of this great world too much for them, and have retreated to Union Theological Seminary, where they are studying for the ministry.

Brother "Hal" Archer, ex. '13, will soon be leaving this country for an extended trip through South America, in the employ of Parke, Davis Co., of Detroit.

Remember, brothers, any time you happen to be in this part of the country, you simply must drop in and see us. You'll always find a hearty welcome awaiting you.

A. E. LITTLEFIELD, '16, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: 1919—Robert Driver, Sacramento, Cal.; Perry Bacon, Los Angeles, Cal.; Ellet Antrim, Cairo, Ill.; McRae Oliver, Campbell, Cal.; Fay Wright, Santa Ana, Cal.; Kenneth Lillie, Ashland, Ore.

The present year has every prospect of being a very prosperous one for H^A. We have started out with twenty-two men in the charge, most of whom are out gaining prominence. Brothers Bacon, '15; Hoever, '17, and Bacon, '17, are playing on the varsity foot ball squad. Brother Ped Bacon, '19, is playing on the freshman team and is certain to make his numerals.

Brother Hoever, '17, made the trip to Honolulu with the base ball team last summer, and reports that he was royally entertained by Brothers Kelly Henshaw, '12, and Kit Carson, '10. We expect to see Brother Hoever on the mound again next spring. Brother Lillie, '19, is almost certain of a position in the outfield of the varsity nine. Brother Losh, '17, took third place in the century in a recent exposition meet. He is expected to do things in track next spring.

Brother Johnston, '17, made a hit in the part of the broker in the Sword and Sandals play, "Stop Thief." Brother McDermott, '17, is drawing cartoons for the *Chapparral*, the comic, and Brother Antrim, '19, is developing in the same line. Brother McDermott is also a member of the junior opera committee.

H^Δ is sorry to announce that Brothers Austin and Olmsted, '17, could not return to college. Brother Austin is greatly missed from the varsity foot ball team this year.

Brothers Leonard Sprague, Σ^Δ '17, and Raymond Farrell, Π^Δ '16, transferred to Stanford this year. H^Δ extends a hearty welcome to all the visiting brothers, and we are always glad when one decides to join us.

JOHN A. BACON, '17, *Charge Editor*.

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Initiates: John Warren Damon, '18; Joseph Seaverns Guppy, '19; James Marian Bugbee, '18; George Alexander Irwin, '19; Herbert Franklin Young, '19; Chester Robinson Tutein, '18; Conrad Hanson Hediien, '19, and Edward Leslie Sache, '19. Θ^Δ held her initiation Saturday, November 6th. After the initiation the annual banquet was held at the American House, which was an unusually successful affair.

We are better represented in activities this year than ever before. "Kid" Cochrane, '17, is captain of the hockey team, and "Deac" Young, '17, as manager, has arranged the best schedule in years. A. E. Moody, '17, is assistant manager of wrestling and was also elected to the 1917 class executive committee. Sidelinger, '17, is a member of the glee club. "Undie" Damon, '18, is an editor of *The Tech*. C. R. Tutein, '18, was on the 1918 tug-of-war team and was elected to the M. I. T. A. A., and is a candidate for the hockey team. "Young" Young, '19, was the regular quarter back on the 1919 foot ball team. J. S. Guppy, '19, played end on the "Frosh" foot ball team. G. A. Irwin was on the 1919 tug-of-war team.

So far, with the exception of an informal Hallowe'en party, which was a great success, we have not had time for many "stunts" in the social line. However, we are planning a dance for some time in the last of January. If any wandering Theta Delts happen to be in Boston at that time we will consider ourselves slighted if they don't show up at the party.

Again, let me remind any and every Theta Delt who comes to Boston to be sure and visit us at the house.

C. T. BARNARD, '17, *Charge Editor*.



I Charge has taken up temporary quarters at 7 Holyoke Place. There are at present various plans for building a suitable house, but as yet nothing definite has been decided on.

Many members of this Charge have achieved success in activities during the summer as well as in college athletic and literary fields.

Donald Moffat, '16, finished recently his third year at half back on the university soccer team. During the summer he was one of a large Harvard contingent at the Plattsburg training camp. J. H. Townsend, '17, won first in the fall trials for the mile run. C. C. Patterson, '16, was at the Tobbyhanna training camp. W. Patterson, '16, is at present on the university hockey squad. N. Darling, '17, won first in the junior class and second in the doubles of the International Sculling Championship.

J. S. Paffman, '16, played in the National Tennis Championship at the West Side Tennis Courts, New York, where he lost to Beekman, of Princeton, in the second round. Paffman will probably play his second season on the university tennis team next spring.

Robert Stiles, '16, has been elected president of the *Harvard Daily Crimson*.

Frank Coolidge, '16, played last spring on the university base ball team. His hit in the ninth inning won the second game with Yale.

M. F. Talbot, '16, spent the summer as a volunteer ambulance driver for the American Ambulance Hospital, of Paris. He served with a section of American cars operating back of the French lines in Alsace.

**WILLIAMS
COLLEGE**

I^A has just passed through one of the most strenuous rushing seasons in her history. The fact that it was strenuous did not make it any more unfavorable for us, however, for we succeeded in pledging five men of remarkably fine abilities, and generally conceded to be the pick of the freshman class. In the next SHIELD letter we hope to be able to introduce these men, with a possibility of a few more, as true Theta Delts.

Now that foot ball is over, basket ball claims most of the attention in the athletic line. Brother Brewer, '16, is playing center on his class five, and will undoubtedly make a strong bid for a position on the varsity. Brother Jeffery, '17, as assistant manager of the varsity five, has helped to arrange the finest schedule Williams has ever had.

There are not many outside activities in full blast now, but such as they are, I^A is represented in almost every line. We have five men on the musical clubs, some promising material for board track, and are represented in the publication department by "Herb" Fowler, who manages the *Williams Record*. Brother Ross, '18, is out for the assistant managership of the basket ball team.

During the recent rushing season Brothers Devoe and Trenholm, of O^A, visited us, and aided materially in securing the five good men that we came through with. Any brothers of any of the sister charges are always welcome in Williamstown, and we only hope that more will follow in the footsteps of the Dartmouth brothers who visited us.

GEO. JARVIS COFFIN, *Charge Editor*.

**TUMPKINS
COLLEGE**

Initiates: John G. Seaver, '19, Woburn, Mass.; Mortimer B. Stilphen, '19, Swanton, Vt.; Joseph A. Eaton, '19, Rutland, Vt.; John P. Davison, '19, North Billerica, Mass.; F. Hastings Pierce, '19, Somerville, Mass.; Karl Messenger MacIlvain, '19, Forest Hills, Mass.; Raymond

M. Young, '18, Winchester, Mass.

Seventeen active brothers returned to K this fall and under the leadership of Brother "Russ" Whitmore have started in to make things hum—and

then some. "Russ" came back from convention all full of "pep" and we are doing our best to get the convention doings second-hand.

K presents the above list of new brothers as the result of the rushing season just passed. They are all showing themselves to be the best of Theta Delt material. Unfortunately Brother Seaver has been forced to leave on account of illness and we are not certain that he will return.

In the matter of college activities the charge is holding its own, with a good, safe margin over. Brother Stafford, '16, on Tower Cross, and Brother Watson, '17, on Ivy, are taking care of the upper class society work, while Brothers O'Marra, '18; Powers, '18, and Miller, '18, are wielding their official Sword and Shield power over the meek (?) and stupid (?) freshmen.

Brothers Eaton, '19; Stilphen, '19, and MacIlvain, '19, have been elected respectively president, vice-president and secretary of the freshman class. The same trio, together with Brother Patterson, '16, and Brother Loomis, '15, are running (and singing) strong for the musical clubs. Also, the freshman delegation showed their lack of "pep" by having Brothers Pierce, Davison, Eaton and MacIlvain on the team which beat the mighty '18 steam roller. But enough of this. The youngsters will begin to take themselves seriously if we give them too much space.

There was quite a bunch of excitement in the house last week when Brother Patterson was taken away from us to have his appendix pried out. He is doing nicely, thank you, and is threatening to leave the hospital next week.

The varsity football team has taken a lot of our attention this fall, since one of its mainstays is our own "Ollie" Westcott, '18. Watson, '17, and Powers, '18, were on the squad and made a good fight for their respective positions.

The big social event of the year was the annual Grad Night, held October 30. This was attended by the largest gathering of K grads ever held in the house. In the afternoon the "boys" attended the Tufts-M. A. C. game and at 5 P. M. a regular meeting of the charge, at which Brother MacIlvain was initiated. After the meeting a banquet was served in our own cozy dining-room. But the "cats" were only a convenient means of getting before us the big event of the evening—namely, the speeches.

Brother Pierce, '82, was chosen toastmaster, and in his inimitable way introduced the "boys." The "boys" were such men as Brother Scott, '58, founder of K Charge; Brother Hammond, "Prexy" Hooper, and "Tod" Fay. Last, but as usual, not least, was "Prexy" Spoor, who came out especially for the occasion. Oh, it was one big night, and as one of the freshmen put it, "K rang the bell." There was not an undergrad present who could fail to be deeply impressed with the spirit and fervor of these men who have given so much to $\Theta \Delta X$. "Prexy" Spoor stayed with us till the following afternoon, and, believe us, he's some popular at K. The only thing we didn't like about his visit was its shortness.

It was a blow to K to hear only three weeks after our visit from Brother Scott that he had been called to the Omega. Yet, although our sorrow is great, we know that his indomitable spirit and sterling worth have left their mark on the records of K, to be a constant inspiration and guide to us, and to all of $\Theta \Delta X$ to come after us.

The brothers of K extend to the new $\Phi \Delta$ Charge their heartiest greetings and felicitations. We want to co-operate with you in every way to help you in the duties and privileges of your fellowship in $\Theta \Delta X$.

Here's luck to all the sister charges during the coming year.

CHESTER R. EARLE, '17, *Charge Editor*.



1915-16 had a good beginning for K Δ . Twenty old men answered the call of the vigilance committee which demanded our presence at old 201 East Green, "on or before Monday, September 14th"—a whole week before school opened. The old pepper came right along with the bunch, and everybody took the kind of interest in rushing that accomplishes things. As a result, when our old "grads" came back for the sixth annual Illinois Homecoming, we introduced them to eight star pledges from the class of 1919.

Homecoming is always a gala week at Illinois. A dance, a foot ball game, the class scrap, Hobo Band—all help to bring back pleasant memories to the Homecomers. Besides a score of her own alumni, K Δ was hostess to four brothers from T Δ (one of them our own Phil Smith, '18, now a T Δ affiliate). Then, too, there was Harry Jones, $\Delta\Delta$ '15. Harry had certainly made a hit with the few of us who had got to know him at the New York and 'Frisco conventions, and his little visit was surely a treat for everybody. One of the most gratifying surprises was the return to *the man* of the banner class of '15. Not content with shattering all records during their undergraduate days, they have started out to show us how good alumni they are going to be.

But to talk about the active charge, let me tell you just how *active* they are.

"Swede" Norlin, '16, already president of K Δ , has won the fall election for senior class president by a most convincing majority. Other of the boys mixed pretty intimately with the various class politics, as might be taken from the recent committee appointments. Brothers Ashbeck, Moore and Kirkpatrick all landed on the two big senior committees; Brother Milt Silver was chosen a member of the junior prom. committee, while Brothers Ghislin and Snyder received enviable positions on the sophomore committees.

In the field of publications, K Δ is well represented. Brother Silver, as news editor of the *Daily Illini*, is working hard in the strenuous competition for the editorship, and in the minds of those of us who know Milt well, there is little doubt as to what will be the outcome of the election next spring. Milt was also selected as one of the sub-editors on the *Year Book*, published each year by the junior class, while Brother Kirkpatrick, '16, is the senior class representative on this same publication. The latter brother, who edited last year's annual, is now the editor of the quarterly published by the Department of Chemistry. Brother Greene, '18, is on the reportorial staff of the *Daily Illini*, and Brother Norlin is circulation manager of the *Siren*. Brother Ware, '17, has set his eye on the business managership of this magazine and is working enthusiastically in the eliminating competition.

In athletics, Brother "Nick" Carter, '17, varsity broad jumper, is already rounding into old-time form, and has the honor of making the two best jumps of the year in the recent fall handicap and interclass meets. Brother Foulke, '18, who won his numerals in freshman foot ball last fall, is now on the varsity squad and is making a strenuous fight for a position.

When the Homecoming committees were announced, some time ago, K Δ discovered that three of the boys had landed positions. The reason behind this possibly was Brother Ashbeck, who is Engineering Vice President of the Illinois Union, or Brother Silver, who happens to be one of the junior councilmen.

In the managership competition, Brothers Hager, '17, and Thompson, '17, have been chosen junior assistant managers of base ball and track, respectively, while Brother Bill Ashbeck, '16, has been awarded his letter as one of the five varsity managers.

There is just one more activity I want to mention before closing, and that's hospitality. We're just bubbling over with it, and will never be satisfied until you give us a visit and try it out. We're three hours' ride out of Chicago, and practically the same from St. Louis and Indianapolis. Sneak off for a day or two and give us a visit, and we'll see that you never regret it.

SID KIRKPATRICK, '16, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: Ingham C. Baker, Springfield, Mass.; Charles B. Bull, New York City; Arthur B. Hazeldine, Easthampton, Mass.; Donald G. Mitchell, Jr., New London, Conn.; Leonard P. Moore, East Orange, N. J.; Paul R. Reed, Derry, Pa.; Oliver H. Schaaf, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; W. Cornman Spicer, Gloversville, N. Y.; Robert B. Tyler, Palmyra, N. Y.; Robert P. White, Jr., New York City.

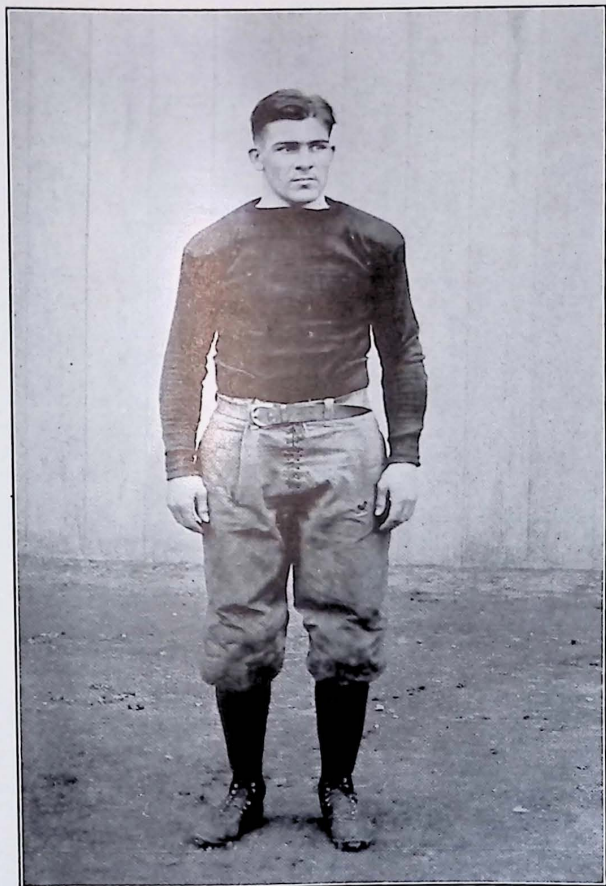
MA opens the year with substantial prospects of its being one of the happiest ever. Not a small item among our substantial grounds for optimism are the above listed newly initiated freshman brothers. Just to add Brother Masten's ukulele and "Tubby" Miller's unfailing fund of good nature would be reasons enough, but there are others.

However, to put things as nearly in their rightful order as our enthusiasm about the freshmen and things in general will let us, we must here put in a word concerning the initiation banquet. When college opened, Prexy Spoor gave us those faint hopes that "if" and "possibly" clauses usually inspire. We did not even dare to place his name on the menu, but when we assembled round the festive board on October 29th he was actually sitting on Toastmaster Whicher's right. Also he made a speech; also he sat up till 4.30 the next morning, holding up his end in a most delightful—I was about to say bull session, but I am told that term involves certain implications—so just recollect what talking with Prexy means and choose your own word. Undoubtedly Prexy was there.

To get back to our substantial grounds for optimism: Brother Taber, '18, in his position at right half back, was one of the biggest reasons for an Amherst foot ball team that included the scalps of Brown and Williams among its trophies, and which must be considered the most successful in years. At present Bill is patiently enduring a plaster cast and the various other hardships entailed by a torn ligament in his knee. It did not happen, however, till the last game, and, although he will be unable to play basket ball, he will certainly be among the candidates for varsity pitcher next spring.

Brother Miller, '17, who won his A. S. T. last year as plunger on the swimming team, is wallowing daily in the natatorium; incidentally that ought to be some swimming team this year. Brother Kohout, '17, is tying himself into knots on the parallel bars, et cetera, and in his capacity as manager of the heavy gym team, he is involving himself in equally difficult mental contortions.

Brother Hughes, '18, is again the proud possessor of the silver cup given to the winner of the freshman-sophomore tennis tournament. Brothers Hughes and Van Dyck helped the sophomores to victory in the freshman-sophomore base ball series. Brother Tooker, '18, won his numerals in the Cider Meet, the annual track event between the two lower classes. Brother Baker, '19, played a star game at center in the freshman-sophomore foot ball game, which the freshman won. There has been a series of soccer games this fall between the three lower classes, popularly known as the "Theta Delt soccer games." To economize space we forego giving the list of the brothers participating.



William R. Taber, MA '18

"A" AMHERST, FOOTBALL



Brothers Shaw, '16; Moginot, '17; Baily, '18, and Houghton, '18, have survived all cuts up to date on the musical clubs. Brother Tylee, '18, is on the sophomore hop committee. Brother Van Dyck, '18, is out for the managership of track, and Brother Stitt, '18, is out for the managership of the musical clubs. Brother Baker, '16, is president of the Mitre, our literary club. Brother Clark, '16, is managing editor of the *Monthly*, and Brother Clark, '17, holds down positions on the editorial boards of both the *Student* and the *Monthly*.

To put it briefly, everybody is working on something or out for something. Remember, when you're in Amherst or vicinity (Northampton, for instance) to drop in on us. There's always an extra bed or two longing for an occupant.

FRANKLIN S. CLARK, '16, *Charge Editor*.

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VIRGINIA

Initiates: G. Howard Kernodle, '19, Washington, D. C.; Richard E. Gutherie, '18, Lynchburg, Va.; E. Russell Wheatley, '19, New York City; J. Gibson Taylor, '19, Joseph, Ore.; William J. Wagenknight, '19, Philadelphia, Pa.; Al Young, '18, Houston, Tex.

With hope, courage, enthusiasm and much pep, N starts the year 1915-16 in her handsome new colonial home.

After being rather widely scattered all summer, most of the brothers have returned for hard work and much boosting. Our start this year far outshines any previous one in our history here. Some of the reasons are: First—We have our elegant new house, of which more will be said in THE SHIELD later. Second—We have many of our best men back and some fine goats and prospects for more good ones. Third—We have a great many more men in college activities than we have ever had before in our history. Fourth—And what is more important, we have an unexcelled spirit and "get-together" enthusiasm, which is fast making life brighter for us and at the same time is creating a name and better standing for Theta Delta Chi at the University of Virginia.

Among our men who have distinguished themselves this year, these call for especial mention:

Roger Stanly, '16, B.A., in addition to being Phi Beta Kappa is Assistant Editor of the *Virginia Law Review*.

Bates Warren, '18, and Tom Bruce, '18, are on the glee club.

"Mon" Warren, '17, is assistant manager of *Corks and Curls* (our annual).

Harold Cash, '18, is the assistant editor of *Corks and Curls*, and also an initiate of Skull and Keys.

"Johnnie" Graves, '16, is a star in so many branches of college activity that we have not room to mention them all here.

"Tom" Michie, '18, is manager of the first year foot ball team and is on the *College Topics* Board.

G. S. Griffith is out for fall basket ball, with hopes of a berth on the varsity.

"Billie" Wagenknight, '19, was the individual star of the freshman foot ball team.

"Gib" Taylor, '19, was a member of the freshman foot ball team.

Of our social events, the brightest so far was the dansant given after the much-heralded Virginia-Vanderbilt game on November 6th, aside from visiting belles, etc., quite a number of alumni were back for the occasion.

We extend a most cordial invitation to all Theta Delts to visit us in our new home at Virginia; and, by the way, if there are any brothers who, for any reason at all, "find it impossible to continue their course at the college at which they are attending," don't forget that the good old University of Virginia is easy to get in, and that we have plenty of room for them. A cordial welcome awaits you, brothers!

EDWARD D. RICHMOND, *Charge Editor.*



Initiates: Herbert Kirk, '19, New Castle, Pa.; John Knickerbocker, '19, Albion, N. Y.; George Burgess, '19, Joliet, Ill.; John Kunkel, '19, New York City; Willet Hicks, '19, Allentown, Pa.

Lehigh University opened its doors for the fiftieth time on September 15, 1915, and with this opening N^{Δ} charge was on the field of battle 100 per cent. strong, ready and eager for a year which promises to be the best in her history.

By graduation, in June, we lost two brothers whose places will be hard to fill, namely, Brothers "Honus" Wagner and "Tommy" Atkins. Honus received the degree of mining engineer and Brother Atkins joined the ranks of the C. E's.

The rushing went off with a bang. We were in the field early and got the pick of the freshmen class. The result is five new members of the charge. The new men are all Theta Delts, heart and soul, and from their present activities each will make a name for himself in college. We held the initiation October 19th. Among the Alumni present were: Brother Harry Morris, '91; Brother Ullman, head of the Department of Chemistry at the University; Brother Bob Burlingame, '08; Brother Cooley, M^{Δ} ; Brother L. R. Atkins, '15; Brother A. S. Callen, '13. We had a wonderful evening with these graduates and regretted that more were not able to be present.

As ever, N^{Δ} is well represented in college activities. Brother "Jim" Keady is playing a great game at left half back in the foot ball team. Brother R. Repko is a second strong end, and Brother Back is taking care of the squad as assistant manager.

When the Sophomore Club elections came off this year, every member of the 1918 delegation in the house made one or more of the honorary clubs.

All the brothers of N^{Δ} are striving to make this a banner year scholastically. We are jealous of Σ^{Δ} , and they had better keep plugging or we will take the scholastic laurels from them.

The new house proposition, which has so long been a matter of discussion, is taking definite shape and prospects look rosy for a chateau for N^{Δ} on the campus. Brother Harry Morris, of the class of '91, is at the head of the Alumni committee, and is making the mail men work overtime with his appeals for the necessary wherewithal for a house.

During August the hearts of the weary students present at summer school were made light by having Brother Ike Chapman, Π^{Δ} '14, breeze in. We sat around with him and had a wonderful time relating experiences and friendships in $O \Delta X$.

We were all delightfully surprised this fall when we saw Brother Charley Anderson come up the street with a beautiful young lady with him. We were even more surprised when he introduced her as Mrs. Charley Anderson. She was formerly Miss Chrystine Barton, of Newport, N. H. Brother Anderson is signed as pitcher with the Boston Red Sox and will report to them as soon as he has finished his college course.

In closing, let me express the desire of N^{Δ} that all wandering Thetas who drift into South Bethlehem will make his house their hotel while here.

The following brothers were back for the Lafayette game: E. G. Steinmetz, '95; C. D. Richmond, '96; R. E. Day, '08; R. Burlingame, '08; C. W. Wallower, '10; J. Anderson, '10; A. R. Shaw, '10; M. S. Jacobs, '10; E. A. Buckley, '11; F. S. Lubrecht, '13; E. F. Price, '13; C. S. Wagner, '15; L. R. Atkins, '15; E. T. Murphy, '01; W. R. Okeson, '96.

We also entertained six brothers from Φ^{Δ} over the game. Come again.

ROBERT W. WOLCOTT, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: Joseph P. Blickensderfer, '18, New Philadelphia, Ohio; Edw. L. Beecher, '19, Buffalo, N. Y.; Gerald H. Persem, '19, St. Louis, Mo.; Hobert L. Himes, '19, Mayville, N. Y.; Morton A. Way, '19, Mayville, N. Y.

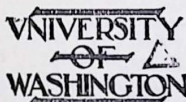
Now that the football season is over, Ξ feels that she is going to make her presence felt much more than we did during the fall. We had no men on the 'varsity eleven, but Brothers Himes and Way were on the squad all season, and promise well for next year.

Basket ball will begin to claim the attention of the college now, and practically all the brothers will be out trying for varsity or class teams.

The big football game of the season, that with Rochester, ended in a glorious victory for Hobart. About twelve X men came down for the game and nine of them stayed over night. To say that we enjoyed their visit would be putting it very mildly. With such a taste of Theta Delt enjoyment as that for an appetizer, we are longingly waiting for the Syracuse banquet to have a real, old-fashioned, "the kind you read about" Thete parties. That banquet promises to be a rip-snorting affair, almost approaching a convention for "pep" and enthusiasm, and Ξ is going to be there in full force. We hope to see a good delegation from all the neighboring charges.

Theta Delt's don't need an invitation to visit Ξ . Just come any time, day or night, and you'll find a royal welcome here.

DONALD A. TRAYSER, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: Malcolm J. Otis, '18, Seattle, Wash.; Thomas Thompson, '18, Seattle, Wash.; Myron V. Judd, '18, Seattle, Wash.; Thomas O. Nash, '18, Omak, Wash.

In spite of the attempts of the recorder to discourage us we are climbing up the scholastic scale and have hopes of bringing home the scholarship cup to Ξ^{Δ} . This is an immense silver trophy which goes each year to the fraternity having the highest scholastic standing at Washington. The boys have all decided that it would make a very suitable companion for our Compton Prize in the trophy room.

Again Washington finishes her foot ball schedule the undefeated champions of the Northwest. This makes the eighth consecutive year that we have brought home the bacon. California was included in the list of victims this year and while none of the brothers played on the team, several journeyed down to Berkley to help with the rooting and were entertained royally by the brothers at Δ^{Δ} . A visit was also paid H^{Δ} , where a very enjoyable afternoon was spent at the charge house and viewing Leland Stanford, Jr., University. We all welcome the return of athletics between California and

Washington. It takes away some of that isolated feeling which we experience in being so far from the other charges.

The inter-fraternity basket ball league is in full swing and Ξ^{Δ} has a fast team in the race. We won our first league game with ease besides defeating some of the teams about the city in practice games.

In other lines of college activities Brother Kauffman, '17, is the mainstay of the Mandolin and Glee Club besides being manager of the new Ukelele Club at Washington. Brother Potter, '17, is also one of the star performers of that organization. Brother Falknor, '17, was pledged and initiated into Phi Lambda Upsilon, national honorary chemistry society, last month. Brother Nash, '18, was elected treasurer of his class and is working hard in that position. Two or three of the brothers have signified their intentions of turning out for the varsity basket ball squad when practise starts.

We are beginning to look eagerly forward to our initiation which takes place in January. Ξ^{Δ} expects to introduce ten fine new Theta Deltas at that time.

MALCOLM J. OTIS, '18, *Charge Editor.*



Initiate: 1918—James Edward MacMahon.

As a result of a very successful rushing season, we have initiated one sophomore and pledged a round dozen of freshmen. It is with the greatest pride and pleasure that we speak of this fine delegation, every one of whom possesses the high qualifications of true Theta Deltas. The success of pledging these "top notchers" was due to the hearty coöperation of the thirty active members to begin the year at Θ^{Δ} . We returned this fall to fill up a very big gap, made by that much beloved '15 delegation of ours, who left us last June to gain the same prominence in the years to come that they did in the four years at old Hanover. The fraternity was indeed proud of them.

This fall we had to pick from the largest freshmen class ever entering Dartmouth College, which numbered a few over five hundred. While all the seventeen fraternities here were fortunate in obtaining good delegations, the short chinning season, unrestrained by inter-fraternity rules, on the whole, has been the cause of much dissatisfaction. At present it looks like a change for the better next year in reinstating some form of the longer season.

On our foot ball team we had Brother Gerish, a veteran from last year, playing half back, who was the mainstay of the team. "Little Mac" McDonough won his varsity letter playing quarter back. On the squad were "Sammy" White, "Eddie" Butts, "Babe" Goss and "Jimmy" MacMahon, who deserve no little credit.

Brother Mackie has been highly honored by being elected president of the Dramatic Association, and has appeared in leading parts in both plays staged this fall. "Fat" with his winning smile could draw a laugh out of the sourest man on earth, and worry is not in his dictionary.

In the sophomore class we claim two of the four officers. Brothers MacMahon and McDonough, through their popularity, were elected to the positions of vice president and treasurer, respectively. "Brute" Emerson has also been elected by his class to work for one of the non-athletic managerships. Brothers Black and Simmons are getting in some fine Christian work for the Y. M. C. A.

Our singers on the glee club and in the choir are "Parky" Poole, "Symy" Black, "Bill" Mackie and "Carl" Sweet.

Brother Gottschaldt is on the editorial board of the *Dartmouth*, and Brother Strout is working hard for business manager.

Brothers Birkenmeyer, Higgins and Robbins did not return to college this fall, but we expect them with us next semester. We are enjoying still the company of Brothers Kimball, '15; Bowler, '15, and Tuck, '15, who are back doing postgraduate work.

It looks like a bright year before us, and $\Theta\Delta$ wishes her sister charges equally good fortune. In closing, we like to emphasize that a cordial welcome is ever extended to the brothers, and we trust that as many as possibly can will drop in on us during the coming year.

WALTER L. WHIPPLE, '17, *Charge Editor*.

COLLEGE OF
THE CITY OF
NEW YORK

Initiates: 1918—Arthur H. MacMullen, Brooklyn; Fred Reich, Long Island City. 1919—Benjamin M. Van Keuren, Rhinebeck, N. Y.; Lester T. Hundt, Bronx, N. Y.

$\Pi\Delta$'s initiation was held on November 13, when the above four men were introduced into $\Theta\Delta X$. An account of the initiation and banquet is given on another page of the *SHIELD*.

The active charge spent a very busy and active summer. Especially active was Brother "Tommy" Tucker, whose deeds are sung below.

Pi Deuteron has a hero,
Tommy Tucker is his name;
Tommy pulled from out the billows
Children two, and rose to fame.

The place was Rockaway, L. I.,
A beach renowned near and far;
Tommy Tucker never faltered,
So they were rescued; not a scar.

Now Tommy has a fine gold watch,
A hundred dollars it did cost;
But he doesn't even wear it,
If he did it might get lost.

The charge editor hesitated to inflict the above, but was desirous that the fact should attract attention.

$\Pi\Delta$ returned this fall handicapped by the loss of Brothers King, Farrell and Waters. With one exception, however, they are in other charges.

Examination season will soon be here and the grind for it has already begun. Two of the brothers, Brother Wright and Brother Harrer, graduate this February. Brother Wright has been elected president of the Varsity Club and also president of the senior Torch and Scroll society.

The basket ball team has been practicing for some weeks now and we are expecting great things from Brother Drake, who is captain. The team looks like a winner and they will have every chance to prove it, for they have an especially fine schedule. Brother Drake, by the way, assisted by Brother Tucker and a few other brothers won the inter-fraternity basket ball championship last spring, thus increasing the decorations of our house with the fine big silver cup. Brother Borchers is making fine progress toward a place on the water polo team. Brother Tucker was the star of his class (1918)

base ball team which won the inter-class series this fall. He did fine work at short.

Our meetings are on Friday evenings at 9 o'clock and we hope that all who come to New York will be sure to come see us.

JOHN A. HARRER, *Chase Editor.*



We of P Δ came back to college in September with our ranks badly shattered. *En masse* we numbered but sixteen, a goodly number, perhaps, but a small one for P Δ . We immediately started a vigorous rushing campaign, and as a result pledged five men. All the freshmen are of the highest caliber and well worthy of our fraternity. Due to the inter-fraternity agreement of last year, none of the men may be initiated until after the mid-terms, when, their marks being satisfactory, we will put them through.

Columbia has again entered the foot ball arena and bids fair to make a success of it. Our opening game with St. Lawrence was evidently an auspicious sign, for we have not yet suffered a defeat and only one game remains to be played, that against Wesleyan. As the ball left the ground for the first kick-off on Southfield since 1905, grads and undergrads went wild. Almost immediately we scored a touchdown, and from then on the game was ours. It is unnecessary to speak of what followed our victory—parades, rough-house—all the indications of a joy-mad crowd were in evidence.

That night we held one of our most successful smokers. As a result of the game many of the old grads turned up and the rooms were jammed. Old foot ball anecdotes fell thick and fast all evening. Many were the plays run over again, not always verbally. A big feature of the evening was Brother Sheldon's movies. Bruce is quite a movie shark, and we all had the pleasure of again seeing the flag-rush with the ensuing rough-house, and, what was even more interesting, movies of the charge in one grand *melée* on the front steps. Brother Van Winkle, ex-P. G. L.; Brother Slitcher, Brother Sullivan, Brother Ehret, and others too numerous to mention turned up. Foot ball certainly is the big thing in college, and now that we have it with us again, I cannot see how we ever managed without it. Men, calling themselves Columbia men, who were just about as much interested in Columbia and her doings last year as a "bookmaker" is in the opera, show up at every game, yell themselves hoarse, fight on the drop of a handkerchief—in truth, are real Columbia men. Foot ball will certainly revolutionize Columbia; indeed, it has already done so.

Other activities are moving along with their accustomed snap. Varsity basket ball practice starts in a week or so and the freshmen have been on the floor for a week. Brothers S. E. Burghard and S. C. Merrill are out for varsity diving with every prospect of success. Brother Harry Caygill is assistant editor of the *Spectator* and Brother Mussaeus is making things hum in Der Deutscher Verein. Brother Buermeyer, who resigned his position as captain of the soccer team to play foot ball, has showed the wisdom of his move by playing a wonderfully steady and consistent game at right end. He is the only man who has not been shifted since the beginning of the season. Brother Merrill has been keeping a fatherly eye on the soccer team, of which he is assistant manager. Through the efforts of several of the brothers the rifle team has been reorganized, with Brother George Vaughn as president and Brother F. Burghard as captain. Brother E. V. Amy, quite a noted shot, is also out for the team. Brother McDill is keeping the strings moving in the

glee club, and along with Brother Caygill keeps us in touch with the muse. Indeed, all the boys are out and working hard for something or other. What we lack in numbers we make up for in pep.

It has been our good fortune to have several of the $\Theta\Delta$ brothers with us this year. Two of the brothers pretend to be taking law, and on the strength of it have been elected to the peerage. They are Brother Baron Russell Livermore, $\Theta\Delta$ '15, and Brother Baron Alan Waite, $\Theta\Delta$ '15. Brother Aleck Telfer, $\Theta\Delta$ '17, is taking several courses at the University and also acting as coach for the foot ball team; Brother Thomas Robbins, $\Theta\Delta$ '18, drops in very frequently to see us, and Brother Dana Jones, $\Theta\Delta$ '12, is living in the house. Brother Charles Hindman, Φ '13, is also with us. Charlie is some musician and we have all kinds of trouble looking after him.

Through the able management of Brother Hal Mallum, $\Delta\Delta$ '15, our cuisine has reached a state of perfection. Hal is surely some hustler and knows how things should be done. He is trying to institute the system of common house management, so successful at Cornell.

It certainly is a large, happy family that gathers at luncheon and dinner every day, and no one is more welcome than a new brother. When in town drop up and see us; you will go away feeling a hundred per cent. better. A few minutes in the old fraternity atmosphere brings back old associations and renews again the hopes and optimistic viewpoint of college days. Drop in and see us and you will owe one more debt to the spirit of $\Theta\Delta X$.

GEORGE J. ELTZ, JR., '16, *Charge Editor*.

UNIVERSITY
OF
WISCONSIN

Initiates: Hal Rohm, '18, Milwaukee, Wis.; Fax Saunders, '18, Waterloo, Wis.; Ralph Collentine, '17, Monroe, Wis.

$\Sigma\Delta$'s well-organized and snappy rushing this fall has certainly produced most gratifying results. Our eight freshman pledges are a fine bunch of men, the pick of the 1919 class, and real Theta Delt material.

The future looks bright for $\Sigma\Delta$ in college activities this year. Brother Mandel, '17, is in fine shape to cop off a job on the varsity basket ball team. Brother Royce, '16, and Ayres, '17, represent the charge on the glee club. Brother Rohm, '18, who made a sensation in freshman pole vaulting last year, will hold his own in the varsity tryout. Brother Andrew, '16, is showing fine executive ability as manager of the *Wisconsin Engineer*. Brother Knott, '17, will hold up Wisconsin's honors in wrestling. Brother Ralph Collentine, '17, is making good in the university band. The pledges are also on the job, standing up scholastically and helping to hold up $\Sigma\Delta$ in activities.

We are very fortunate this year to have with us again Graduate Brothers Hall, '15, of the "Hall of Fame," as president of the National Association of College Unions; "Shorty" Otjen, '14, secretary of the Grand Lodge, and Bird, '12, prominent in President Wilson's industrial commission. Their mature judgment and the inspiration of their personalities help the charge like the governor balls do a steam engine—and, believe me, steam engine just expresses the pep and enthusiasm which "Shorty" and "Tubby" (known in polite society as Dr. Bird) brought back from that great old 'Frisko convention. They never tire of spouting, or we of listening, about those great times.

Speaking of Theta Delt spirit, the swell smokers our original and enterprising president, Brother Leicht, '16, has initiated this fall certainly deserve mention. As a practical way of getting the boys together, our semi-monthly gatherings around the cheerful fireplace with cider, apples, doughnuts and

smokes in abundance, and a wealth of fine snappy talks, cannot be beat. It is great to see the get-together spirit growing and helping to make $\Sigma\Delta$'s future look ever bigger and brighter.

With the foot ball season over, Wisconsin is trying to draw some consolation from the hard-won victories of her rivals. The splendid Badger defense against tremendous odds in the Minnesota game made every Wisconsin man proud of his team.

The informal dance on the eve of the game was a great success, made especially pleasant by the early arrival of four $T\Delta$ brothers. At the house smoker, Saturday night of the fateful 20th, we almost forgot the sorrow of defeat in the cheer and good-fellowship of the fourteen Theta Delt boys from Minnesota. They're a fine bunch of men and it was a great privilege to entertain them.

Brother Spike Royce and his efficient committee have the plans for the formal dinner-dance on December 3d well under way. We look for a big time with a lot of you old grads back to make it bigger.

In closing, our wish goes out to the sister charges for the year well begun, to bring you real success.

PAUL K. AYRES, '17, *Charge Editor.*

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

September 15 saw twenty-three active brothers back on the job, resolved to make the following two weeks the most successful rushing season in the history of $T\Delta$. Our resolve materialized into a reality when rushing ended with Theta Delt pledge pins on nine of the best freshmen on the campus. Then, to make prospects for the year all the brighter, we had two brothers affiliate with us: William E. Hubbard, $\Sigma\Delta$ '15, and Philip Smith, $K\Delta$ '18. These two men fit in with our group in every way, and tend to prove the saying that "a Theta Delt, no matter where he is from, is a right good fellow." Brother Hubbard, even though he has the handle "A.B." attached to his name, is taking the mining engineering course, so we are in hopes that he will spend another year with us.

We had three brothers graduate last year: "Q" Hale, Ken Salisbury and Kenny Caldwell. Brother Caldwell, however, is back this year "taking medicine," and Brother Hale expects to come back next year and continue his law course.

Under the leadership of Brother Tim Madigan, everything has been coming along very successfully both in the house and in college activities. The senior class election results showed Brother Madigan to have been elected class treasurer, which position he holds for life. Brother Madigan is also captain and star of the wrestling team. With a stellar record we predict high honors for him in the intercollegiate and A. A. U. contests.

Another promising athlete in the charge is Brother Schmah, '18, whose chances to make the foot ball team next year look very good. Brothers Hermann, '16, and Wolter, '17, both played on their college foot ball teams in the inter-college series. In hockey, Brothers Vic Hauser, '17; Karl Hauser, '17, and Percy Harrison, '18, will put up a good fight for the team, and in basket ball Brothers Varco, '16, and Barrett, '18, are showing up very well. Brother Lagerquist, '17, has been showing unusual speed in both the high and low hurdles during the fall training.

In musical circles, Brother Campbell, '18, is becoming prominent, having played at the Inter-fraternity Banquet and many other affairs, and Brother Gillespie, '16, has been re-elected president of the University Symphony Orchestra. Brother Brown, '17, is one of the "Day Editors" of the *Minnesota*

Daily, which is a position for which there is much competition. Brothers Branton, '17; Miller, '17, and Dasset, '17, are on the staff of the 1917 *Gopher*, which is the Junior class year book.

Two T^Δ men were appointed by the faculty this year as "Senior Advisers" of freshmen. These were Brother Madigan, '16, and Brother Gillespie, '16, the latter having been elected president of the Advisers.

We "cleaned up" in good shape in the Inter-fraternity Society elections this year. Brothers Caldwell and Gillespie were elected vice-president and sergeant-at-arms, respectively, of the senior society, "Triangle." Brother Miller was elected president, and Brother Branton, treasurer of "Tillicum," the junior society. Brother Barrett was made secretary of "Adelphian," the sophomore society, and one of our "frosh" is chairman of the social committee of "Tan Shonk."

Three of the brothers have recently joined professional fraternities. Brother Hubbard, '15, has joined Theta Tau, the engineering fraternity. Brother Caldwell, '15, has entered Nu Sigma Nu, and Brother Dasset, '17, is pledged to "Cyma," the architectural fraternity.

In the Inter-fraternity athletic contests our chances look very good. Our bowling team has not lost a game out of the many it has already played. Brother Ehrenburg, '16, is president of the Inter-fraternity Bowling League, and Brother Wolter, '17, is captain of the house team. Our prospects are also very good in basket ball and swimming.

Our "frosh" are busy in many different lines of student activities. Two are on the *Daily*, two in the band, one in dramatics, and several in the various lines of athletics. We are unable to initiate this year until the second semester. This rule applies to all fraternities at Minnesota.

On November 20th eighteen brothers took Σ^Δ by storm, the occasion being the annual foot ball struggle between Wisconsin and Minnesota. It is needless to say that the T^Δ men were more than pleased when they saw Minnesota beat Wisconsin to the tune of 20 to 3 and thus win the conference championship. The Σ^Δ boys gave a dance in our honor which was very much enjoyed. During our short stay at Madison Σ^Δ showed us what "real hospitality" is like.

The Minnesota homecoming on November 13th brought many a T^Δ "Alum" back, and in their honor we gave a smoker on the evening of November 12th. Many "grads" also dropped in at the open house which we held after the Chicago game.

We might say in closing that everything at T^Δ is "O. K. in every way," and we don't want you to forget that at 1521 University avenue S. E., any Theta Delt is always more than welcome.

PAUL S. GILLESPIE, *Charge Editor*.



Initiates: William Hunter Anderson, Pittsburgh, Pa.; William McKinney McKelvey, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Charles Donnelly Miller, Scottdale, Pa.; Sutherland Palmer, New Brighton, N. Y.; John Hagerty Pursel, Phillipsburg, N. J.; George Henry Burroughs, Manasquan, N. J.; John Leslie Ryon, Pottsville, Pa.; Charles Alva Dinkey, Pittsburgh, Pa. (affiliated from Nu Deuteron); Thomas Rutherford, Easton, Pa.

All of the above-mentioned freshmen have entered into some one or more of the college activities and their enthusiasm shows real Theta Delt spirit. The initiation ceremony and dinner were held on October 23 and were attended by a number of out of town graduates and undergraduates.

The Φ has received visits from the following brothers: Chapman, Π^{Δ} '14; Weisel, Φ^{Δ} '16; Dinkey, N^{Δ} '18; Nolan, B '15; Stewart, M^{Δ} '13.

One of the most notable functions in the college year during the autumn was the inauguration of Dr. John Henry McCracken to the presidency of Lafayette. There were delegates from one hundred and sixty-three universities, colleges and learned societies in attendance. The Φ was prominently connected with the event through the fact that Brother I. P. Pardee, '74, who is the president of the board of trustees of the college, presided at the inauguration exercises and made the actual induction of Dr. McCracken to the presidency by transferring to him with due ceremony the key of the Bastille and the charter of the college. The exercises extended over a period of two days. At the opening event, an educational conference, Brothers Will Grant Chambers, '94, dean of the School of Education, of the University of Pittsburgh, and E. B. Twitmyer, '96, participated in a formal discussion of the topic, "Organization of a Department of Education." Brother Otho M. Graves, K, was very prominent in making arrangements for the affair and in seeing to the entertainment of the delegates. A large number of the Φ alumni returned for the event, and the charge house was used for the luncheon which was given after the inauguration ceremony.

In the various college activities, Φ , as usual, has her full quota of representatives. Brother Ryon has already won the coveted "L" at tackle on the varsity, and Brother Harris is almost sure to receive his letter.

At the election held last spring, Brothers Pardee and Lee were elected to K. R. T., the honorary junior and senior society. At the same time, Brothers Harris, Stolberg and Kohl made Calumet, the honorary sophomore society.

Brother Day was elected assistant manager of the Sock and Buskin Dramatic Society and Brother Shoemaker is running for assistant manager of tennis.

The brothers returned this year to find the entire house repainted and replastered, which was done through the kindness of Brothers Pardee, Holmes and Markle. The younger alumni of Φ , headed by Brother Darsie, refurbished the lower floor.

We are looking forward to having one of the best of years here at Φ and take this opportunity to extend our sincere wishes for the welfare of the other charges.

W. B. ULMER, *Charge Editor*.

UNIVERSITY
 Φ
PENNSYLVANIA

Initiates: R. W. B. Hutt, '09, Casper, Wyoming; Leon B. Frey, '17, Hanover, Pa. *Affiliate:* Alex. H. Godfrey, '18, formerly I^{Δ} '17.

September 24 found eleven Phi Deuts back ready to begin our first year as Theta Delts. We lost by graduation Brothers Price, Sweeney, Donohoe and Campbell. Brothers T. A. Willson, '17, and A. C. Laudenslager, '17, entered business and did not return to college. Since September Brothers C. H. Weisel, '16, and E. H. Southall, '16, have withdrawn from active membership. The former is employed with the Yarnall-Waring Co., of Philadelphia, and still lives at the house; while the latter, having secured the required number of units, has entered the law school. On the other hand our roll has been increased by the affiliation of Brother Alex. H. Godfrey, '18, formerly Iota Deuteron, '17.

During the past two months we have initiated Brother Leon B. Frey, '17, assistant manager of the lacrosse team, and with the permission of the Grand

Lodge, Brother R. W. B. Hutt, a graduate member of the old local fraternity who was unable to be present at the installation last spring.

We are bound by an inter-fraternity agreement not to rush freshmen until February, but we have pledged two sophomores and are looking over the freshmen with critical eyes and selecting those whom we think would make good Theta Deltas.

The following brothers from other charges are located in Philadelphia and are familiar faces at the house: J. H. Berge, Ξ^{Δ} '13, is in the Medical School; E. L. Godfrey, M^{Δ} '17, is taking a course in the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce; while Brother "Ike" Chapman, Π^{Δ} '14, is teaching at Drexel Institute and is taking a course in the Graduate School. T. H. Lee, Ψ '14, is employed by the New York State Highway Department, and is living at the house; and F. J. Little, X '13, and W. T. McKelvey, P^{Δ} '15, are also employed in the city. M. A. Nicholls, Γ^{Δ} '17, spent the summer at the house.

Φ^{Δ} is indeed fortunate in having, so close at hand, such a live Graduate Association, the members of which pay frequent visits to our meetings, such calls being repaid by our attendance at the graduate dinners.

Saturday, November 20, six of the Phi Deuts journeyed to N^{Δ} to see the Lehigh-Lafayette foot ball game. We were royally entertained by the N^{Δ} boys and spent the night with them. On Sunday we visited Φ , where we received a warm reception.

We have been visited by a number of brothers from other charges and hope to receive more visits in the future. We extend a hearty invitation to all Thetas who come to Philadelphia, to pay Φ^{Δ} a visit.

Our first social event of the year was a tea held at the house on Saturday, November 13, after the Michigan game. Quite a number of the Philadelphia Graduate Association and their wives were present, also several brothers from Phi and Gamma Deuteron.

In closing, the "baby charge" extends to her sister charges a most sincere wish for a very successful year, both in rushing and in other fraternity activities.

FLOYD A. CRISPIN, '18, Charge Editor.

UNIVERSITY
X
ROCHESTER

Initiates: David L. Ellerman, '18; E. Scott Roscoe, '18; Stephen E. Bullock, '19; Oscar Marth, '19; W. Howard O'Connor, '19; Leo Welch, '19.

They are active, too, in college life, as these following remarks indicate: "Dave" is circulating manager of the college paper. "Steve" Bullock and "Oc" Marth played on the freshman foot ball team, and "Howdy" O'Connor has been selected for the 'Varsity basket ball squad. "Scotty" is on the class executive committee.

X takes advantage as much as she can of visiting her nearby charge at Hobart. At the last Hobart-Rochester foot ball practically the whole charge went to Geneva and spent Saturday and Sunday with the Ξ brothers. The week previous we were honored with a visit by four of our Λ^{Δ} brothers.

We are looking forward eagerly to the big social event of the year, the Junior Prom, to be held New Year's Eve. Perhaps more eagerly than in years gone by, for Brother Marks, '17, is chairman of the committee in charge, of which "Rod" Williams, '17, is also a member. Brother Hall, '16, is toastmaster for the Senior Banquet, for which "Bro." Apple, '16, will act, quite adeptly, as "pipe orator," with emphasis on the "pipe." Felix Elliott, '17, is advertising manager for the *Interpres*, and Brother Case, '17, has a position on this board, along with being assistant manager of track. "Slicker" Seitz,

'18, has played at left end in all of the 'varsity games but two this season, while Brothers Crowell, '17, and MacSallum, '17, have been exercising their vocal chords in the glee club.

So far X cannot ask for a more fortunate state of affairs, or a more successful season. We have twenty brothers, which make us the largest charge at X except one. Eight of the brothers visited the annual Syracuse banquet and heartily enjoyed themselves with the brothers from Cornell, Hobart and Hamilton.

E. W. KRIEG, '18, *Charge Editor.*



Initiates: Henry Ravenel, '19, Washington, D. C.; Thomas Rogers Johnson, '19, Washington, D. C.; Abram Reber Wingate, Jr., '19, Washington, D. C.; Morton Blaine Walker, '18; Frank Thomas Richard, Washington, D. C.; Warren Monroe York, '18, Washington, D. C.; Robert Golden Carter, '19, Chevy Chase, Md.; Ferdinand Espey Carter, '18, Chevy Chase, Md.; James Randlett Finley, '19, Washington, D. C.; Henry Johnson Hough, '19, Washington, D. C.; Frank Eugene Fields, '19, Washington, D. C.; Lawrence Elmer Burton, '19, McLean, Va.

X^Δ, at this time, is well launched forth on the most successful year of her career. Twenty-five stalwart men and loyal Theta Deltas have their shoulder to the cart and are pushing in such a way as to make the old wheel spin 'round in a most glorious fashion.

We are quite a modest, unassuming crowd of young men here at X^Δ, yet we feel it to be our duty to set forth in concise words our success in the recent rushing season for the edification of our sister charges. We opened hostilities with the opening of our Alma Mater, and steadily advanced our campaign until twelve triangular buttons of the "Black, White and Blue" made our dear friends in the other fraternities at George Washington gaze in amazement and turn green with envy. Lo! we had landed the pick of the chosen few, the cream of the class of '19.

During the balmy days of October black ties and modest caps were much in evidence. The frosh failed to see the sunshine for the denseness of the gloom. As a hint that better days were to come, the frosh were given a hallow'en dance on the evening when supernatural influences prevail. It proved to be a most successful affair.

The evening of November 5 was the appointed time for the out-of-door jollification. On that evening, eleven freshmen were presented with fond memories that will remain vivid and dear to them for some time to come, perhaps. They straggled back to the house throughout the following morning and were made quite miserable as Saturday progressed. On the evening of the 6th, the mysteries and traditions of Theta Delta Chi were unveiled to the freshmen, and each one started forth on his life journey as a true and loyal Theta Delt. Owing to the fact that he was not pledged until a few days before the other frosh were initiated, Brother Burton was given the honor and extreme pleasure of a private and separate initiation, which he greatly enjoyed. He was initiated on the evenings of December 3 and 4.

While the rushing season claimed much of the time and attention of the brothers, we had a little left over for other things. Brother George Cooper was elected president of the sophomore class, with Brother Janney Nichols as sergeant-at-arms, and Brother "Bob" Carter is president of the freshman class in the School of Arts and Sciences. Brother Ferd Carter is the treasurer of the freshman law class. Several of the brothers are active in the various school publications but time forbids an elaborate presentation of their accomplishments.

The Inter-Fraternity Bowling League, which proved so very interesting last winter, is already under full sway. Our team started the season in a most auspicious manner by taking the first three games from Kappa Alpha.

The frosh are fast rounding into form and from present indications, they will play quite an important part in the various school activities this year. They have decided to continue the publication of the *Chi Doodle* this year, which has proved to be such a great source of pleasure since its inauguration two years ago. Brother Hough was elected editor of that worthy publication and is out with the bulletin that the first issue will appear about December 20.

Most of the brothers have decided that it is too near Christmas to begin studying and so we have postponed the opening of that popular indoor sport until after the Xmas holidays.

X^A sends her most sincere greetings to all of her sister charges and if any of the brothers happen to drift into Washington, D. C., just remember that the key hangs on the front door and the bulldog is always tied.

H. JANNEY NICHOLS, Jr., *Charge Editor.*



Initiates: Kenneth Morrow, '19, Walton, N. Y.; Sidney K. Pardee, '19, New York City; Le Roy Shirley, '19, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Harold Ackler, '19, Illion, N. Y.

Although you have not heard from Ψ since last April, we have by no means been a silent partner. In fact, we think that we have been very much in evidence and we finished up last spring with a rush (not implying that we have since retired from the lists). Brothers M. Gow, '16, and W. Gow, '16, were our contribution to the base ball team and the whole college agrees that we did more than our share. Brother Paige, '16, our track candidate, specialized in the weights.

After a peppy house party, which I fear left two of our brothers without their pins, came commencement. Here's what we did: Brother Woodcock, '15, Φ BK, Valedictorian, Latin prize, senior prize debate; Brother Sherwood, '15, Φ BK, German prize, chemistry prize, Root fellowship in biology. Brothers Hasbrouck, '18, and Timerman, '18, took both the freshmen essay prizes, and Brother Woods, '18, made prize stage for excellence in public speaking. Thus Theta Delta Chi captured about half of the honors.

We are proud of our freshmen, all four of them. We put them on the job as soon as they arrived. Morrow has already made the mandolin club and the college band. Pardee has graduated from scrub to sub out on the foot ball field. Shirley is out for *Hamilton Life* and Ackler for assistant manager of track.

We enjoyed having Brothers Grant, '18; Sherwood, '16; Lewis, '14; Barber, '10; Woolcott, '09; Getman, '11; MacIntyre, '05; Nellis, '06; Erskine, '12, and McMartin, '08, back with us for initiation.

In foot ball this year Ψ sent out seven players and one "ass" manager out of our fifteen men. Going some. Of these, Brothers M. and W. Gow, '16, and Paige, '16, played 'varsity ball all season. Brother M. Gow, however, had the misfortune to be "laid out" in the Rochester game, and consequently missed playing in the Union game. Brother Pardee, '19, got into the Clarkson Tech game and will probably be a regular next year.

When we are not running the college, sleeping, eating or arguing, we are musicing a little, playing "hearts," or for those not thusly inclined, spending good time and more valuable time in "Ute," that is to say, Utica, N. Y.—our local "metrolipus"—three-fourths of an hour distant by trolley. We would be glad to initiate any other brothers who happen to be in our vicinity into the joys of these diversions.

NEWELL TIMERMAN, '18, *Charge Editor.*



Topics of interest for this section are earnestly solicited from all who are able to give them. Communications should be addressed to the editor, Edwin B. Twitmyer, Secane, Pa.

Γ^A CHARGE

"NORM" HACKETT, '98, is playing in a stock company at Salt Lake City. He expects to be anchored there all winter.

Z^A CHARGE

"WILF" BOVEY, '03, Major; "ART" and "SAM" MATHEWSON, Lieuts., and "ART" GRAFFTEZ, Captain, are with the Forty-second Hylanders, now in the trenches.

"KEN" MATHEWSON, '15, made a record for endurance in the beginners' class in aviation and is now attached to the R. N. A. S.

"BILL" MORRIS, '16, Q. M. S., Princess Pat's., reports having had a bullet pass through his hat.

KEN. JENCKES, '17, and LLOYD ROCHESTER, '17, experienced the thrills of a "Zepp" raid upon their camp.

JACK PARKES, '17, is teaching musketry in England.

CHARLIE CANTLEY, '09, Major, was recalled by government for the steel company, to take charge of shell making.

RALPH SKELTON, '12, went to France in the artillery with rank of lieutenant.

JOHN KERRY, '15, we learn, has made remarkable progress in a hospital in Cannes.

BRITAIN O. SMITH, '15, is making "subs" with the Vickers Ltd., Eng. How about the American Navy, Brit?

WALTER JEFFREY, '17, maintained his reputation in foot ball at Sarnia, where he is inspecting shells.

"COLIE" SUTHERLAND, '17, and FRASER MCGREGOR, '17, are dressers, training with the Dalhousie Hospital Unit.

JOE GALLAGHER, '14, passed the Dominion Medical examinations.

"DEAK" CHAMBERS, '14, is government inspector of shells at New Glasgow.

"BILLY" PETERSON, '06, Major, and HENRY MORGAN, '13, Adjutant, are attached to the Seventy-third Hylanders.

"GUS" PORTER, '11, was mentioned in despatches for bravery by his commanding officer.

FRANK PARKINS, '15, is attached to the C. A. S. C., with rank of lieutenant.

DICK CATE, '18, Lieutenant, in the artillery, is training in Canada.

RALPH STOCKWELL, '11, Lieutenant, and "HAL" SCOTT are in France with the Fifth C. M. R.

"LA" SCOTT, '12, joined the engineers and is now in England, with the rank of lieutenant.

H^A CHARGE

R. J. DAVIS, '15, has been working since graduation last spring with the State Bank, in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

E. F. HUDSON, '14, is with the State Highway Commission, and is located at Dunsmuir, Shasta County, Cal.

C. P. BROWN, '14, is with the Standard Oil Company, at Fullerton, Cal.

P. L. HIGGINS, '15, has gone into politics. He is now private secretary to Mayor Davie, of Oakland, Cal.

CHAUNCEY SMITH, '11, has a position with the Shell Oil Company, at Martinez, Cal.

R. A. OLMSTED, '17, did not return to college this semester. He is working for the Southern California Edison Company, in Los Angeles. He is living at the Huntley Apartments with Brothers FRANK BELCHER, '13, and "PURP" FAWCETT, '12.

R. H. BROWN, '10, is out of the automobile business and is manager of the Telephone Company, in Glendale, Cal.

H. T. BECKWITH, '07, is on a mysterious trip to Alaska.

M. B. HENSHAW, '12, is still located in Honolulu with Hackfelt Company. He made his first visit to California in several years in November.

Θ^A CHARGE

"WEE" WILLIAMS, '06, is representing the Empire Zinc Co. with headquarters at Salt Lake City. His territory comprises Colorado, Nevada, Utah and lower Idaho.

"DOC" MOORE, '11, is head of the Moore Grocery Co., at Pittsburg, Texas.

NEWMAN B. GREGORY, '09, is building roads around Texarkana.

"POP" HUFSMITH, '11, is keeping two machines busy at Palestine, Texas.

"WEENY" SCHELL, '12; HARVEY BENSON, '12; "BULL" GERE, '13, and "TIGE" GERE, '14, are making war munitions at the U. S. Cartridge Company, at Lowell, Mass.

CLARENCE HALE is working for his father at Springfield, Mass.

"DICK" BAILEY is making wedding presents at the Oneida Community Silver Company, Oneida, N. Y.

"PETE" WHITTLESLEY, '12, is now with the Norton Grinding Company, at Worcester, Mass.

"GENE" PLACE, '15, is working in Newark, N. J.

GEORGE HENDERSON, '06, is a mining engineer in South America.

I CHARGE

EDWARD DANA, '07, who entered the employ of the Boston Elevated in that year as a conductor, has been made superintendent of traffic, in charge of the newly created department of traffic. He will have general charge of preparing time tables, routing cars, laying out surface car routes and making traffic counts.

K CHARGE

RAYMOND G. LINCOLN, '10, was appointed Assistant United States District Attorney of the Hartford (Conn.) District, October 15, 1915.

Brother Lincoln was born in Hartford and is a graduate of the Hartford High School. He attended Tufts College at Medford, Mass., where he took an academic course, and in 1910 received the degree of A.B. from that institution. He then entered the law school of Harvard University, being graduated in 1913 and receiving the degree of LL.B. In January, 1914, he was admitted to the Connecticut bar and has since been engaged in legal practice, having an office in the First National Bank Building, at No. 50 State Street.

M^A CHARGE

An excerpt from the *Amherst Student* for Thursday, October 21:

"Tuesday night, at the University Club, of Brooklyn, a banquet of the Brooklyn alumni was held. The presiding officer of the club, Mr. SAMUEL C. FAIRLEY, M^A '92, was toastmaster. Dean Olds attended and spoke on the college, emphasizing especially the changes of the last few years. Mr. ALEXANDER D. NOYES, '83, the financial editor of the *New York Evening Post*, was principal speaker of the evening. The other speakers were M. G. HITCHCOCK, M^A '92, Superintendent of Pratt Institute; Mr. FRANK D. BLODGETT, '93, who was recently elected president of Adelphi College; Prof. PERCY H. BOYNTON, '97, who is professor of English at the University of Chicago; Mr. F. STEWART CRAWFORD, M^A '97, who recently held a position on the staff of the *New York Tribune*, and who is at present officially connected with the city government of New York; and FRANK KANE, M^A '04, Amherst's erstwhile crackerjack pitcher. The Rev. NEHEMIAH BOYNTON, D.D., '79, made the closing speech with his customary fluency."

FRED L. THOMPSON, '04, is director of Physical Education in the University of North Dakota.

LEONARD G. DIEHL, '05, is advertising manager of the *Butte Miner*.

GEORGE FRISBEE WHICHER, '10, has been called from the University of Illinois, where he was for two years instructor of English, to fill the chair of associate professor of English at Amherst, and incidentally to become the sixth *frater in facultate*. Needless to say, it was not without provocation that the trustees of Amherst College saw fit to select a man who has been out of college for so short a time. His actions at Columbia were, no doubt, partly responsible, although George claims his record at that institution was

in no way abnormal. The cold facts are that in 1911 he was awarded an M.A., in 1913 was Fellow in English, and in 1915 he was further honored with a Ph.D. Aside from his career at Illinois, about which we are very much in the dark, he has published several books, which, it is quite possible, some of the powers that be looked into before calling him from the West. The latest of these is "The Life and Romances of Mrs. Eliza Haywood," Columbia University Press, 1915. For the ignorant, he offers the explanation that it is a dissertation on a woman novelist of the time of Defoe. His scholastic achievements are, however, among the least of the things he has done for Theta Delt and M Δ . He points with pride to Steven Emerson Whicher, who will undoubtedly be "Steve" Whicher, M Δ '36.

PIERRE DREWSON, '10, when last heard from in his journey around the world, had reached Gibraltar.

RALPH W. WESTCOTT, '13, has been appointed principal of the Junior High School, of Ipswich, Mass.

WILLIAM M. CRILLY, '14, is in business with his father in Chicago. "Mike" is already pointing out the advantages of the married life.

GUY HARRY GUNDAKER, '14, in so far as we can read between the lines of his somewhat infrequent missives, is in the expert accounting business. There is also another rumor abroad which would establish a bond of sympathy between him and "Mike" Crilly, but that is only a rumor. We await facts, be they in the form of a confession or otherwise.

J. CUTHBERT LONG, '14, has decamped from South End House, Boston, and is now reporting for the *Springfield Union*, Springfield, Mass. "Shorty's" subtle line can be heard bubbling forth with nonchalant spontaneity around the M Δ house most any week end.

J. CLIFFORD HAYNER, '15, has decided to apply "those bright eyes" to the study of microbes. "Cliff" is attending New York Homœopathic Medical College and Flower Hospital.

HOMER M. SMITH, '15, is teaching at the Repton School, Tarrytown, N. Y. "Schmitt," to uphold the dignity of his present position, has parted his hair in the middle and looks the part.

N CHARGE

JAMES C. BARDIN, M.D., '08, of the University of Virginia faculty, took the fatal step. Brother Bardin is to be congratulated upon his pretty bride, who was the popular Miss Sally Nelson, of this community. Dr. and Mrs. Bardin have an artistic little cottage within the University grounds, where a warm welcome awaits Theta Delt.

A. G. A. BALZ, '12, B.A., M.A., Ph.D., of the University faculty, is very busy managing the financial end of our handsome new house, which we are living in now. Brother Balz has the sympathy and praise of us all.

A. M. AIKEN, '14, LL.B., of Danville, Va., is doing so well at law that he has bought at least one motor car and is contemplating another car—or a wife.

JAMES R. CASH, B.A., M.A., '15, of Chattanooga, Tenn., is now chasing an M.D. at Johns Hopkins University. Brother Cash is greatly missed here.

HARRY COWARDIN, M.E., '15, is conducting a machine shop in his native city, Richmond, Va.

ADAIR ("WOP") ARCHER, '16, whose poetic soul sought a more uplifting environ, has settled at Harvard University for the winter.

WALTER H. ("PETE") HALL, JR., '16, who left us last spring, is on his way to be an oil king. Norfolk, Va., his home town, is the scene of his beginning. "Pete" sells all kinds of oils.

CHARLES NICHOLAS HARPER, M.D., '15, is an interne in the Mercer Hospital, at Trenton, N. J.

CLIFTON J. HADEN, '17, accepted a position in the shipping department of the Jamison Cold Storage Door Company, of Hagerstown, Md., last March. Recently he has been promoted to the sales department of the same company.

N^A CHARGE

C. S. WAGNER, '15, is at present employed in Danville. Brother "JUDY" PRICE, '13, is teaching him the mysteries of pipe making.

L. R. ATKENS, '15, is at present employed by the State Highway Department building a road between Allentown and Easton, so he is a frequent visitor at the house.

COPE CALLEN, '10, visited us this fall. Cope is at present teaching mining engineering at University of Illinois.

ROBERT BURLINGAME, '08, is at present in the plumbing business in South Bethlehem, and is a frequent visitor at the house.

ARTHUR CALLEN, '13, is employed as instructor in the Metallurgy Department of the University, and spends every spare moment with us.

N^A's roll of benedicts is steadily on the increase. We have received word of the marriage or engagement of the following brothers: ROBERT CAMPBELL, '13; CARL SHUMAN, '15.

N^A extends most sincere sympathy to BROTHER HORACE D. KERR, '11, of Park Ridge, Ill., upon the death of his wife, Madge M., November 20.

O CHARGE

Middletown, October 4.—CHARLES COLLARD ADAMS, '59, and Mrs. Adams, of Cromwell, completed yesterday fifty-five years of married life. Both are physically active. Mr. Adams is seen upon the streets here nearly every day and, in good weather, frequently makes the trip upon foot. Mrs. Adams, who taught school in her younger days, when visited by one of her former pupils, sometime since, was so sprightly and youthful in appearance that the man could hardly believe he was in the presence of his former teacher. Mrs. Adams is a member of the Ranney family, which had a conspicuous part in the early life of this town, and there has come from the pen of Mr. Adams a delightful recital of those early days in his book, "Middletown Upper Houses." Other ties that bind the Adams family to Middletown are Mr. Adams' connection with Wesleyan University, where he was granted his Bachelor's Degree in 1859. Later he joined the Southern New England Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church and was assigned a pastorate but, in 1862, he was made chaplain of the Twenty-second Connecticut Volunteers. In 1864 he took Deacon's Orders in the Protestant Episcopal Church, was ordained a priest a year later, and until 1883 was the rector of churches in this state and elsewhere. In that year he was received into the Roman Catholic Church. Mr. and Mrs. Adams have many friends who will extend congratulations upon the completion of so long a married life.—*The Times*.

O^Δ CHARGE

W. H. MASON, '13, is making good with Swift & Co., Boston, after two years in the West.

KENDALL WINSHIP, '13, after a short visit with the boys at Hanover, has returned to St. Paul, there to resume his duties with the Great Northern Railroad.

CLYFTON CHANDLER, '14, has been elected secretary of the Dartmouth Club, in Boston.

EDGAR A. CURTIS, '15, is learning the coal business in Norfolk, Va.

R. S. GUEST, '15, is with Lee Higginson Company, brokers, in Boston.

FRANK W. MILLER, '93, State Superintendent of Schools of Ohio, has just reported conspicuous improvements in the work of the school system of the state following enactments of the Ohio Legislature about a year ago. After reporting in detail he says: "There is practically a consensus of opinion among school men and students of educational problems as to the possibilities of advancement and school betterment under the provisions of the new school code."

 II^Δ CHARGE

HERBERT HOLTON, '99, has been promoted to assistant professor in physics in the College of the City of New York.

NELSON P. MEAD, '99, has been promoted to professor of history in the College of the City of New York.

HENRY E. CRAMPTON, '93, of Columbia University, delivered a splendid address, entitled "Science, Culture, and Human Duty," at the annual meeting of the Phi Beta Kappa Association, of Philadelphia, held at the Drexel Institute on Saturday evening, December 4th. Pursuant to outlining the general scope and growth of science, Dr. Crampton clearly and concisely stated that "the true" scientific research is being utilized for the good of mankind, and likewise the gaining of this truth has a certain well-defined esthetic value, in that by it mankind realizes the harmony of the universe as a whole. Culture also, and, in defining culture, Dr. Crampton brushed aside all the superficial connotation which the word sometimes carries, was shown to be related to human life in a similar manner, since it, too, leads to "the true, the good, and the beautiful." Since then, to a certain extent, at least, man has at his command the true, the good and the beautiful of "Science and Culture," he should be able to emphasize more and more these fundamentals in his daily life not only as an individual or as a nation, but internationally. Dr. Crampton's paper was noteworthy for clarity of expression and structure as well as material. Among the Thetes present were Hollis Godfrey, K '95; L. W. Baxter, Ψ '79; M. A. Bryant, II '04; J. A. Davis, II '08, all of whom are members of Ψ B K.

 Σ^Δ CHARGE

HOWIE ADAMS, '15, is planning on practising in Washington on completion of his course in law at the University of Washington.

EARL HUBBARD, '15, has selected advanced courses in geology at the University of Minnesota.

HALSEY DARROW, '15, is in the employ of the Ryerson Steel Company, of Chicago.

FRED LOOMIS, '15, has an accounting position with the Omaha Plumbing Supply Company, at Omaha, Neb.

AL STIRN, '15, is managing his farm near Friendship, Wis.

JOE BAILLIE, '15, is associated with his father in the clothing business at Madison, Wis.

CY SEELYE, '15, is assistant engineer on the flood prevention project at Dayton, Ohio.

T^Δ CHARGE

FRED ANDREWS, '01; HOWARD GUINLAN, '14; CARL SNYDER, '15, united with a large delegation of active brothers at the "homecoming" in Madison, November 20. Eighteen T^Δ men were royally entertained by the Σ^Δ brothers.

FRED ANDREWS is with the Stevens Jarvis Company, in the lumber business at Rockford, Del.

HOWARD QUINLAN, '14, is in the wholesale grocery business, with Foley Brothers and Quinlan, of St. Paul.

CARL D. SNYDER, '15, is manager of the electric light plant at Washna, Iowa.

JACK MCEWAN, T^Δ '14, starred for the Army in the recent foot ball victory over the Naval Academy. McEwan has played on the Army team three years, and has been chosen captain of the 1916 team. He was chosen all-American center last year, and will probably be conceded the position this year.

EARLE T. PICKERING, '11, has just finished a successful season, coaching the St. Thomas College foot ball team.

WEBSTER G. HODGE, '13, is in the banking business at Pine City, Minn.

KENNETH B. SALISBURY, '15, is now with the Salisbury-Satterlee wholesale bedding company, of Minneapolis.

GLENN CARPENTER, '13, is secretary and treasurer of the Carpenter Lumber Company, of Minneapolis.

WILLIAM GREENLEY, '07, is sales manager of the Universal Portland Cement Company for the Dakotas and Montanas.

Φ CHARGE

TRACY D. LUCCOCK, '05, has resigned from his position on the *American Lumberman*, of Chicago, to become associated with the Vacuum Oil Company, of 61 Broadway, New York City.

X CHARGE

CHARLES W. WATKEYS, '01, professor and official statistician at the University of Rochester, at the opening of college, reported upon last year's scholastic averages. Of especial interest are the averages obtained by groups of students interested in usual college activities. The average of all students for the year was 74.81 per cent. That of the Senior Class of 1915 was 79.79;

of the Class of 1916, 78.52; Interpress Board, 77.35; Campus Board, 80. The Debating Team, with 82.2, was highest. Outdoor track men had 74.78; Dramatic Club members, 74.2; Class of 1917, 73.16; foot ball team, 72.3; Freshman Class of 1918, 71.56; basket ball and base ball teams, 70.5 and 69.7, respectively.

COLONEL WILLIS S. PAINE, '68, was elected captain of the Society of the Descendants of the Mayflower, at the annual election held in New York City, November 22, 1915.

Ψ CHARGE

CALVIN N. KENDALL, '82, recently published a book "How to Teach the Fundamental Subjects." Brother Kendall was superintendent of schools at Indianapolis and is now Commissioner of Education for the State of New Jersey.

S. G. ALLAN, '78, has just published a book entitled "The Man and the Boy." Brother Allan is practicing law at Eugene, Ore.

JOHN HERBERT PARDEE, '89, has left for a tour of the Philippines, China and Japan, which will last several months. Brother Pardee has just recovered from a serious attack of typhoid fever.

The lawsuit which WOOLCOTT, '09, is waging against the Shuberts in New York City is attracting widespread interest. Its outcome will practically decide the status of dramatic criticism.

ALBERT GETMAN, '11, is practicing medicine at Syracuse, N. Y. He is associated with DR. SHERWOOD, Ψ '82.

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Marriages

George E. Pierce, M^Δ '09, was married to Miss Vashtie C. Bitter, of Eureka, Kan., on Wednesday, September 22d. They have been at home to Theta Deltas at 23 Wellington Road, the Felsway, Medford, Mass., since October 15th.

Clarence George Feltner, Π^Δ '14, of New York City, and Miss Helen Myer, of Philadelphia, were married March 6, 1915, at the Little Church Around the Corner, New York City.

Roman Brodessir, Σ^Δ '14, to Marguerite Luick, of Milwaukee, Wis.

Lynn B. Timmerman, B '14, was married to Miss Lillian Deisel, daughter of Henry Deisel, of Lima, Ohio, October 12. They will live in Cleveland, Ohio.

Robert, Mueller, Φ '15, of Pittsburgh, was married October 12th to Miss Anna Elizabeth Freeman, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Freeman, of Freemansburg, at the home of the bride's parents. Frank M. Everson, Φ '14, was the best man.

Karl G. Schuman, N^Δ '15, to Miss Lucile Pierson, of Newark, N. J.

Eber W. Cook, N^Δ '12, was married in early autumn to Miss Lena Buehler, of Youngstown, Ohio.

William Kimball Maxwell, Γ^Δ '98, was married to Mrs. Amy Z. Cruse, October 2, 1915, at Kansas City, Mo.



Engagements

C. W. Hale, Θ^Δ '15, to Miss Edna B. Fifield, of Springfield.

Elmer Sefton Frazier, X^Δ '15, of Washington, D. C., to Miss Helen Suzanne Galey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James G. Galey, of Pittsburgh.



Births

Mr. and Mrs. John K. Knoop, Σ^Δ '14, announce the birth of Mark Dale Knoop, June 21, 1915.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Farley, Σ^Δ '09, announce the birth of Edward Farley, Jr., June 30, 1915.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. Hamilton, X '98, announce the birth of a son, October 30, 1915.

¶ The campaign for a larger subscription list for THE SHIELD is under way.

¶ We are receiving some mighty encouraging letters from the graduates.

¶ We like the “pep” and business methods displayed in the work of some of the charges.

¶ Read the letters on the pages following and absorb some of their enthusiasm.

¶ Every name added means a better SHIELD.

Read These Letters

September 6, 1915.

DEAR BROTHER BRISTOL:

Many thanks for your courteous letter of August 27th. Your letter is of much interest to me. I will keep the subscription blanks and use them as occasion reveals itself. In my travels, which are extensive for the past season, I covered twenty thousand miles, curiously enough, in a play called "Milestones." I find the negligence of subscribers is not so much indifference to THE SHIELD as the inertia that makes us all more dead than alive! Every Theta Delt must constitute himself an agent for subscriptions. Every one who is working can afford two dollars; it is all nonsense to say otherwise. In this, as in all things, it is unity that makes for triumph. (I talk like a military man!) As soon as a man graduates and has gained the advantage of Theta Delta Chi, it is amazing how soon he slips into "the lean and slippered pantaloons" and forgets entirely his present duty to the great fraternity that did so much to make him. Fraternaly,

ARTHUR W. ROW, K '01.

 BELGIUM, October 23, 1915.

C. H. BRISTOL, ESQ.,

President Theta Delta Chi Press.

Dear Brother Bristol:—Enclosed please find my check, which, less exchange according to my college training, should be somewhere in the vicinity of two dollars (\$2.00).

I will be glad to see a copy of THE SHIELD again, as it will relieve the monotony of living in a drain called by all newspaper correspondents and military writers a trench. Still I guess if you were here for a three days' rain you will agree that a drain is no sweeter by another name. Would not be elsewhere, though, for the world; best sport I have struck—getting a good pot on a pair of deuces not in it.

I have asked you to send THE SHIELD to my wife, as by that time I may be shoving daisies upward through the soil of Belgium or nursing a "blittie" in some hospital in England.

I wish you every success in getting subscriptions for THE SHIELD.

Yours fraternally,

(Signed) C. G. PORTER, Z^A '09.

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S.K.

Dear Sir:-

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708 S. Goodwin Ave.
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Yours
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Dear Brother:

If you're not a subscriber for the *Shield*, here's where you've got something to explain. Brother C. H. Bristol, president of Theta Delta Chi Press, up and wants 1000 new subscribers for the *Shield*,--and he wants them quick. What's your answer?

The *Shield* is 2 bucks per annum for you-grads, and believe me, those two bucks will buy you more good fraternity news, and bring you more honest to God satisfaction, than any two bucks you ever let loose of. I don't have to tell you we've got the best fraternity magazine published. You know it. But did you know we were the first fraternity to have a publication. Well, it's a fact and we're proud of it.

Prexy Spoor has put the editing and business management of the *Shield* under a new Board of Directors, and believe me, the way they're going after things means business. Let's get behind them and show them that Kappa Deuteron still has the old pepper. You owe it to the fraternity and you owe it to yourself, so don't put it off any longer. Sit down right now and mail me your check. while you're still thinking about it.

Brother Bristol said he wanted 40 new subscriptions from Kappa Deuteron's alumni. I'm counting on you for one of them.

Very fraternally yours,

Sid Kirkpatrick,
Shield Editor

708 South Goodwin Avenue,
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November 17, 1915

DEAR BROTHER:

Theta Delta Chi has made many calls upon you in the past, and you have responded readily to the best of your ability, both to the call of the fraternity as a whole and to the call of old Kappa. Now the call comes to you, as a graduate member to support an institution in Theta Delta Chi; namely, the *Shield*.

The *Shield* needs no introduction to you, for you may be at present a subscriber to it. If you are not, we have a message for you. You may have subscribed formerly and had difficulty in receiving the magazine regularly; you may not have been fully satisfied with the way the work was being carried on. A little explanation is, therefore, in order.

The work of publishing the *Shield* has been taken over by the Philadelphia Graduate Association. They have issued a call to the graduates for one thousand new subscriptions, and with these, added to the undergraduate subscription list, they promise to show great results. They guarantee to settle satisfactorily any complaints about not receiving the *Shield*, or about any other matters relating to it. If you have any complaints in regard to past subscriptions, kindly communicate with Theta Delta Press at their new address, and they will do all in their power to settle it. Will you cooperate with the members of Kappa Charge in this matter?

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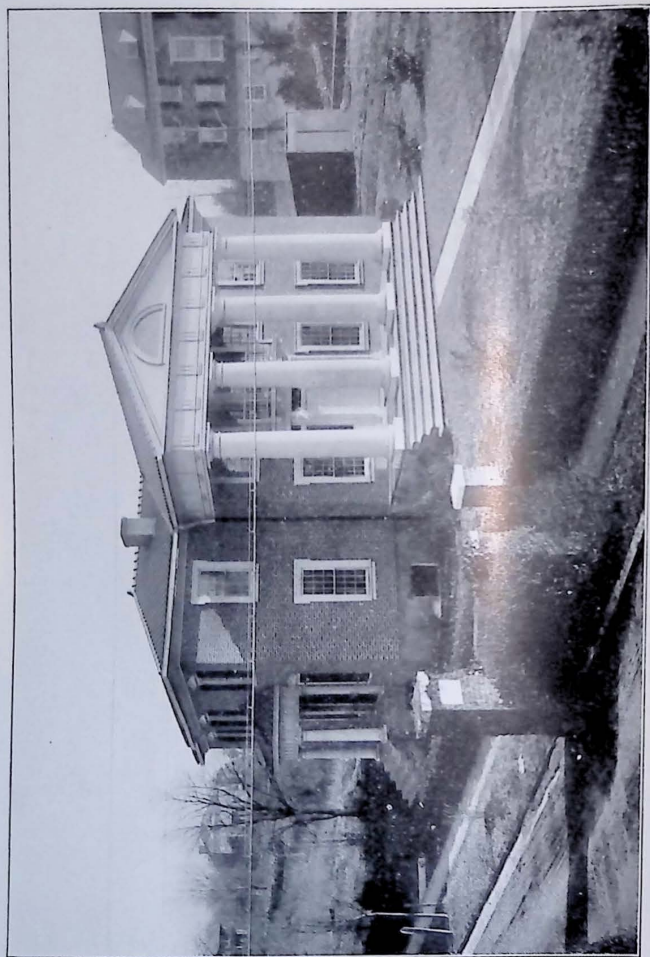
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BY JAMES BARDIN, M.D., '10

Perhaps to a greater degree than is usual, Nu's home combines beauty and convenience; and certainly no fraternity house here is better designed for the function it must fulfil: for a fraternity house must be at once dwelling and club-house, and should at the same time be pleasing and dignified, and in harmony with its surroundings.

The scheme of architecture of Virginia is based upon the severest classical canons, and its keynote is austere simplicity, yet it is flexible beyond the ordinary, and it can be adapted, seemingly, to any purpose; stately structures for public and monumental uses, as well as small dwellings, look equally well when designed upon our Graeco-Roman model; and this fortunate adaptability is the explanation of the consistency and purity of the architectural group formed by public and private buildings at the University. Nu's house is an example, and an unusually successful one, of the prevailing Graeco-Roman design. Its severe lines and plain brick walls are relieved only by simple white cornices, and the lofty white pillars of the portico. There are no broken lines, no curves or projections, no ornamentation—the external beauty of the house springs from exquisitely studied proportions, and the skillful management of line and mass.

Within the same austere simplicity prevails. One enters a large hall, with a narrow colonial stair at the back, directly in line with the door, and a massive brick fire-place to the left. To the right, demarked by a great false door, the opening of which is nearly as wide as the entrance hall is deep, is a long, narrow lounge room; behind this is a small "den." The windows of the entrance hall and lounge are very large, with plain white frames and small square panes. The floors are of polished oak, golden in tone, while

the walls are of a rich, dull yellow; the cornices and ceilings are white. The hangings of the windows in hall and lounge are of tapestry-stuff, with a dull brown color predominating. The furniture is colonial mahogany, with a relief of tapestry chairs and brown-toned rugs. The lights—of the semi-indirect type—are of bronze, in severely colonial design. The "den" is serviceably furnished in heavy golden oak, and contains a massive hanging lamp of hand-hammered bronze, which is itself, an unusual work of art, and nothing else in the house quite rivals it, lest it be the ancient knocker on the front door.

To the left of the entrance-hall, entered by a door to the right of the fire-place, is a hall leading to three bedrooms. The hall can also be entered by its own door in the side of the house; this door is sheltered by a small portico, and is protected by a massive green-bronze grill.

Upstairs are eight bedrooms with baths, clothes-closets, etc. The simplicity of design prevails here as elsewhere; and even the half-hidden, habitually unnoticed details are carefully studied, and all is kept in harmony.

The basement floor was especially designed to serve the purposes of a fraternity. Upon descending the stairs, the furnace room lies directly in front, but effectively concealed by a heavy door. To the right lies the lodge-room—a masterpiece of designing. The room is as long as the house is deep. The ceiling is low and floor and walls are of concrete. The entire back wall is arranged in the form of a niche or chapel, guarded by two massive doric pillars with a low arch between. The essential furnishings of this part of the room are designed to harmonize with the massive austerity of the chamber as a whole. An ingenious system of switches enables the presiding officer to control the lights, which can also be turned on and off at will by the guardian of the door.

At the opposite end of the basement hall there is another room of the same size and shape as the lodge-room. This is intended to be used for soirees and parties of one sort and another. It can be entered from without by its own door: a manifest advantage. There is also in the basement a janitor's room, and space has been left for a kitchen, if the Charge ever wants one.

The appointments of the house are the most modern obtainable. The heating system is automatically controlled—a great advantage in the South; and a complete vacuum cleaning apparatus is built into the house. Electricity is variously applied, and it is certain that the house lacks nothing that modern ingenuity could supply.

As an architectural type, as a comfortable, home-like dwelling and as a fraternity-house, the building is a sort of "last word." Nu Charge is more than fortunate in securing it. And the writer, who—like all his brothers—is so justly proud of it, takes this occasion to compliment the rare artistry and skill of its designer.





View of Reception Hall from Living Room—Nu's New House

HOW NU GOT HER NEW HOUSE

BY E. D. RICHMOND, '15

As all of you doubtless know, or at least should know, Nu Charge is at the Univeristy of Virginia, near Charlottesville, Va.

The University was founded in 1819, by Thomas Jefferson. The buildings throughout the University are of the true colonial type, many being built by Jefferson himself, and all of them in harmony with his ambitious plans. There are about one thousand enrolled students in the University. Fraternities play a large part, and exert a strong influence in student life.

Nu Charge was re-established here in 1910, and has rapidly pushed to the front among the better fraternities. The alumni and undergraduate members of Nu were enthusiastic over the Charge's splendid growth and bright future. Great things seemed in store for Theta Delta Chi at Virginia. We had been renting a dwelling house since our re-establishment, but we needed a new house of our own, not only for the comforts to be secured thereby, and for the help in getting good "goats," but also as an outward sign of our success—a monument to ΘΔΧ.

The crystallization of our ambition began in 1913, with the foundation of The Graduate Association—and article describing in detail this association will be found elsewhere in this issue of THE SHIELD.

As time passed we became more and more anxious for a house of our own; we looked at sites for the building and constantly talked about our plans.

In the spring of 1915, while we were very keen on this subject, Dr. W. A. Lambeth, father of athletics at the University of Virginia, began building a large, modern, colonial house, which was designed expressly for a fraternity. The good doctor had no particular fraternity in mind, but we soon put one there. We were much excited over the idea of a fine new house for Nu. New house, new house, was the constant topic—but we did not have the money, and Dr. Lambeth wanted real money for his house and lot. This particular one under construction would just suit our needs; it would be, when finished, exactly what we wanted. This was the house for us; we simply had to have it!

The price set by the owner, Dr. Lambeth, for the house and lot was \$20,000.00. After a hurried canvass, we found that we could not raise more than about one-fifth of this amount. Our biggest asset was enthusiasm.

We made the owner of the house an offer of a small cash payment, with a mortgage (technically, a deed of trust) for the balance,—interest and part of principal of mortgage to be payable annually. Much to our delight, Dr. Lambeth, the owner, accepted our proposition. The first big step had been taken, we had signed the contract for an elegant new house which was fast nearing completion—but the money had to be raised.

We had been working for a long time on a plan to raise the necessary funds. The first thing we did in this direction, was to

incorporate the Charge under the laws of Virginia—the official name is Nu House Corporation. Next, we issued 3 per cent. first mortgage bonds against the house. These bonds we sold to the undergraduates and alumni. The money derived from the sale of these bonds added to the funds of the Graduate Association (mentioned before) started us off beautifully. The plan is to pay off the mortgage and keep up the payment of interest on mortgage and bonds by: (1) Selling more bonds; (2) The income from the Graduate Association, and (3) The rent paid by the active members for their rooms in the house.

All of the brothers at Nu have worked hard to realize their ambition—a handsome house of their own. Theta Delts old and young, from far and near, are invited to pay Nu a visit in her fine new home.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF NU CHARGE

BY ALBERT G. A. BALZ, B.A., M.A., '12

In June, 1913, the Alumni Association of Nu Charge of Theta Delta Chi was formed. A number of the alumni brothers of Nu were attending the final celebrations of the University, and these visitors joined with the active charge in a dinner. The needs and problems of the Charge were thoroughly discussed on this occasion. It was the opinion of all present that Nu was greatly in need of some sort of an organization of the alumni that would bind them together and bring them in helpful relationship with the re-established Charge, and with each other. This feeling finally found expression in the present Alumni Association.

The importance of such an association for Nu Charge appears from a consideration of the following facts: Nu at that time, and at present, possesses a very small number of graduate brothers. The number of alumni coming from the charge that surrendered its charter in 1881, is very small, indeed; and the re-established Charge has not been out of its "babyhood" period long enough to have acquired a long list of big brothers. The safety and prosperity of any Charge depends largely on the concerted organized support and vital interest of its alumni; for Nu Charge it is exceptionally important that her alumni be knit firmly to the Charge, and play a part in the development of her life; furthermore, such an organization is necessary because of Nu's relative isolation in the South. Our student-body is recruited in great measure from the entire South—that is, from just that section of the country where there are few Theta Delts, and where Theta Delta Chi is least known. Alumni work for the Charge is essential in such circumstances.

The final reason for this organization was the necessity for an early solution of the problem of providing Nu with a home. The dues of the members of the association were to form a sinking fund to be devoted to that purpose, and, indirectly, the co-operative endeavor stimulated by such association, is, in the long run, a much more potent factor in securing the solution to





Reception Hall—Living Room in Background—Nu's New House

the problem. In order to sustain alumni interest, and to promote efficient co-operation, the Association has endeavored each year to publish a *Bulletin*. This *Bulletin* contains a history of the Charge for the current session, letters from alumni brothers, and similar articles; and, finally, a continually revised list of the alumni, with addresses, occupation, and other bits of information, is always given in the publication.

The Alumni Association, however, does not exist merely for the sake of helping Nu to secure her own home. That is but one of its purposes; and when that home is finally paid for, the association will by no means cease to exist because it no longer shall have a function. For that spirit which united to solve that problem, should, and will, be perpetuated. There will always be new ways in which alumni can help the Charge—such an association can, if it will, find expressions for its spirit of loyalty and devotion in ways more significant than building a house. Graduation should not mean the cessation of fraternity life; on the contrary, the life of a brother as alumnus should be continuous with his former life as active member of the Charge. To afford a guarantee of this continuity of fraternity life, and to weld together inseparably the alumni and the Charge should be the first function of an alumni association. The publication of *Bulletins*, with its lists of names and addresses, and the collection of dues, are merely ancillary. As the years pass, therefore, and Nu's roll of graduate brothers lengthens, the Alumni Association should prove of increased, rather than lessened, importance.

The Alumni Association has accomplished a great deal in the two and a half years of its existence; it faces the burden of the debt upon the Charge house as its immediate problem; but when that burden is removed, let us hope that the Association will continue to assert itself as a force making for the right development of Nu Charge.

APPRECIATION

Nu Charge is under an immense debt of gratitude to the men who have made it possible to acquire her new home, and no account of the house could be complete that did not give acknowledgment and thanks to Albert Balz, James R. Cash, A. M. Aiken and Edward Richmond, for the patient and effective work they have done in getting together the funds and conducting the negotiations precedent to buying the house.

To A. M. Aiken, W. H. Clark, R. C. Dingedine, Fritz Dressler, R. W. Byrd Hart, Thomas A. Nalle, E. D. Richmond, Gervas Taylor, N. S. Turnbull and Franklin Allen, the Charge owes, and takes this opportunity to give, its thanks for unusually generous subscriptions for bonds. To those men of Nu who have subscribed according to their means—many of them with considerable sacrifice—the Charge is more than grateful.

Soldiers in Theta Delta Chi

BY ONE IN MUFTI

IN MEMORIAM

F. L. Eardley-Wilmot, Λ^A '17, Lieutenant Princess Patricia
Canadian Light Infantry.

J. G. Helliwell, Λ^A '10, Captain 1st. Battalion, C. E. F.

R. P. Cowen, Z^A '06, Captain, Border Regiment, B. E. F.

Arthur MacKay, Z^A '13, Private, 1st. Brigade, C. F. A.

On Fame's eternal camping-ground
Their Silent tents are spread,
And Glory guards with solemn round
The bivouac of the dead.

On this eternal vision the eyes of our lineage will rest in solemn reverence. These comrades whose last remains lie shrouded in the foreign dust have bequeathed to us a fixed and priceless heritage. Their cardinal deeds will forever be a cynosure in the firmament of our history, and the sheen of sacrifice through future years will enlighten the Charges from which their duty called them unto death. Their mortal frames have turned again to ashes, and the cold gray arms of the wooden cross shed benison on the sacred graves, but they themselves are raised above fatality. And as, among their countless brethren, they passed to rest, we seemed to hear a solace in their requiem as it swept the chords of deathless victory, and spoke their accession to the immortal realms of the elect. Like those who pass their silent graves, we, too, have bared our heads and stand in reverence to our comrades' memory.

Who went and who return not—say not so!
Virtue treads paths that end not in the grave;
No ban of endless night exiles the brave,
And, to the saner mind,
We rather seem the dead that stayed behind

ON ACTIVE SERVICE

Abendeana, E. M., Λ^A '13, Lieutenant Canadian Engineers.

Blakeman, F. W., Z^A '03, Captain, Army Medical Corps,
C. E. F.

Bovey, F. W. H., Z^A '03, Major, 42d Battalion C. E. F.

Bradshaw, W. J., Λ^A '16, Lieutenant 30th Battery C. F. A.

Cate, E., Z^A '18 Lieutenant 35th Battery C. F. A.

Cantley, C. L., Z^A '09, Colonel, 1st. Contingent, C. E. F.

Clement, C. M., Λ^A '16, Private, 30th Reserve Battalion.

Chestnut, E. F., Λ^A '11, Corporal, 19th Battalion.

Chestnut, A. W., Λ^A '11, Private, 4th University Company,
P. P. C. L. I.

Chamberlain, K. H., Λ^A '18, Sergeant, C. A. P. C.

- Fortin, C. E. F., Z^A '03, Medical Officer L. S. H.
Graftey, A. W., Z^A '14, Captain, 42d Battalion.
Graham, W. S., Z^A '07, Corporal, 9th Battalion.
Firstbrook, J. H., Λ^A '17, Lieutenant, Royal Flying Corps.
Hadley, W. F., Λ^A '16, Captain, R. C. E.
McDiarmaid, B., Z^A '14, Lieutenant, 9th Battalion.
McKinnon, J. A., Z^A '07, Lieutenant, Canadian Engineers.
McKimm, C. H., Λ^A '14, Lieutenant, Battalion.
McIntosh, D. G., Λ^A '14, Lieutenant, 34th Battalion.
McIntosh, P. D., Λ^A '18, Lieutenant, 127th Battalion.
McEachern, J. McF., Λ^A '19, Lieutenant, M. G. O. 43d Battalion.
McKenzie, W. L., Λ^A '18, Private, 5th Field Ambulance, C. E. F.
McLean, C. M., Λ^A '14, Private, 157th Battalion.
McClenaghan, V. S., Λ^A '17, Lieutenant, Canadian Engineers.
McLaren, A. J., Λ^A '12, Lieutenant, Winnipeg Battalion, C. E. F.
MacPherson, C. K., Λ^A '16, Lieutenant, 164th Battalion.
Morgan, H. W., Z^A '13, Captain and Adjutant, 73d Battalion.
Mathewson, J. A., Z^A '13, Lieutenant, 42d Battalion.
Mathewson, K., Z^A '13, Lieutenant 42d Battalion.
Mathewson, K., Z^A '15, Lieutenant, Royal Flying Corps.
Mathewson, S. J., Z^A '13, Lieutenant, 42d Battalion.
Morton, G. V., Λ^A '13, Captain, R. A. M. C.
Morton, F. V., Λ^A '16, Gunner, 25th Battery C. F. A.
Myers, H. C., Λ^A '15, Lieutenant, Divisional Signallers, C. E. F.
Parkes, A. J. R., Z^A '17, Lieutenant, 23d Battalion.
Parkins, F. A., Z^A '15, Lieutenant Army Service Corps, C. E. F.
Porter, C. G., Z^A '09, Lieutenant, 2d Brigade C. F. A.
Peterson, W. G., Z^A '06, Major, 73d Battalion.
Reid, H. W., Λ^A '17, Lieutenant, C. O. T. C.
Stitt, O. M., Z^A '08, Lieutenant, Canadian Engineers.
Stockwell, R. F., Z^A '08, Major, 5th C. M. R.
Scott, H., Z^A '11, Lieutenant, 8th C. M. R.
Scott, A. W., Z^A '11, Lieutenant Canadian Engineers.
Scott, G. O., Z^A '09, Major, Attached to B. E. F.
Scott, C., Z^A '13, Lieutenant, 33d Battery, R. F. A., B. E. F.
Skelton, R., Z^A '10, Lieutenant, R. A. M. C.
Thomas, A. M., Λ^A '16, Lieutenant, Royal Flying Corps.
Urquhart, H. A., Λ^A '17, Private, C. A. P. C.
Watson, W. H., Λ^A '16, Lieutenant, 75th Battalion.
Watson, H. J., Λ^A '17, Lieutenant, 124th Battalion.
Fraser, W. G., Z^A '10, Volunteer Red Cross, France.
Kerry, J., Z^A '15, No. 7, General Hospital, France.
McGregor, A. F., Z^A '17, No. 7, General Hospital, France.
Morris, W. H., Z^A '16, Sergeant, P. P. C. L. I.
Birks, H., Z^A '15, Lieutenant, 42d Battalion.
Rochester, L. B., Z^A '17, Corporal 7th Brigade C. F. A.
Sutherland, C. G., Z^A '17, No. 7, General Hospital, France.
Jenckes, K. B., Z^A '17, Sergeant, 7th Brigade C. F. A.
Learoyd, D. R., Z^A '18, No. 3, General Hospital, France.

To those alone who see so darkly through the glass of life, that their myopic eyes discern only the aggregation of wealth as man's highest destiny, can this war appear recalcitrant to human progress. To such, the waste of munitionment commodities, the devastation of the products of human genius and labor, and the depletion of national manhood would seem calamities so imponderable that to gnaw the chains of servitude and oppression were better than to sustain the material divestment. But such persons are a nation by themselves, a vanishing race, mercenary and unfraternal in their character and expectant of a reward tomorrow for every deed which they perform today. What remain of them when the conflict is over will be but the barren relics of the old age, not the inheritors of the new. This is an epochal time and the great war is marking the meridian from which the tide of future events will ebb and flow. Of the coming transformation the *vera causa* will not be found in the changing frontiers of the world or in the triumph or discomfiture of armies which are mere incidents in the march of time, but in those changes in the nation's soul which come by reason of sorrow and bereavement, by the matchless self-sacrifice and duty simply done by the obscure and humble and by the great and noble alike, in every corner of the land. And, lastly, in those changes which are wrought in and by the men who leave their homes and friends to man the stricken fields where killing is a duty, and death wails incessantly through the sky. It is from the testimony of these men, that the first breath of renaissance is felt; it is bourne even now across the sea and we feel it hot from the experience of war. It speaks a consciousness of "The Divinity which moves within" and a turning of men's thoughts to the immortal aspect of existence. In the most piercing days of Belgium's agony, Cardinal Mercier, that intrepid minister and patriot, addressed these words to his heroic people, "The soldier who dies to save his brothers, and to defend the hearths and altars of country, reaches the highest of all degrees of charity" and it is correspondingly true that the soldier who faces death is second only to him whose warefare for the same unselfish ends is accomplished.

The participation of the Canadian Charges of Theta Delta Chi is stern and resolute in this immortal war. The Honor Roll shows 40 per cent. of Zeta Deuteron on active service and a moiety of Lambda Deuts are by their side, but stop! those figures are yesterday's, since then more have gone and the time approaches when the entire strength must be given to the final stroke which will end in victory. Of our beloved founders, whose lives were lost through peaceful ministry to their fellows, and of the loyal host who perished in the maelstrom of '61, these soldiers in Theta Delta Chi are worthy heirs. Their mettle has matured before their years, for many are still in their 'teens and yet their spirit is not that which regards with listless eye the nation's agony. The face is unchanged; the same breath which tells of entering France relates the pleasantries of the parting furlough, but it is not so within. They are filled with the deeper exhortation and the un-

conquerable spirit of the fallen, and they march on to the iron battlefields with the strength of a higher power in their hearts. And to the centuries which look down upon their youthful strength and to the world that turns its eyes toward their untried valor, they return the cry of old against the fear for liberty:

No! though destruction o'er the land
Come pouring as a flood,
The sun that sees our falling day
Shall watch our sabres deadly sway
And set that night in blood.



Our Secret

For in our hearts there 'e're will be
As from some power rolled in
From out the very depths of sea,
'Tis heard above the din,
The richest, purest melody,
To us who are within.

I'd sing it were not I forbid
By those above on high;
But in our mystic bond 'tis hid,
And none may come so high,
But those dear sons whom she has bid
To Theta Delta Chi.

E. D. C., Γ^A '16.

Merritt Caldwell Fernald

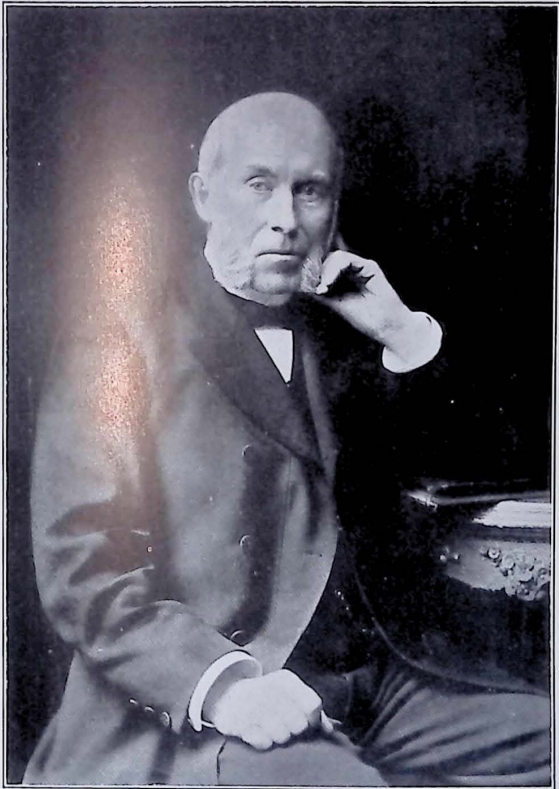
Dr. Merritt Caldwell Fernald, H '61, former president of the University of Maine, died at his home in Orono, Maine, early Saturday morning, January 8th, following an attack of the grip.

Merritt Caldwell Fernald was born at South Levant, May 26, 1838, the son of Robert and Roxana (Buswell) Fernald. He was educated in the common schools of his native town, at East Corinth Academy, Bucksport Seminary and Bowdoin College, where he graduated in 1861 in company with former Chief Justice Emery, of the Supreme court, the late Prof. A. S. Packard of Brown University, Gen. Thomas W. Hyde of Bath, Frank L. Dingley, editor of the *Lewiston Journal*, Edward Stanwood, publisher of the *Youth's Companion*, and other men who were to distinguish themselves in later life. Dr. Fernald was given the degree of Doctor of Philosophy by Bowdoin in 1881, and the honorary degree of LL. D. in 1902.

Dr. Fernald was engaged in educational work throughout his life, beginning his career as an educator by teaching nine terms in the common schools of his native town. He taught eight terms in the high school at South Levant, and in 1863 went to Bethel as principal of Gould's Academy. A year of scientific study at Harvard university followed, and in 1865 he went to Houlton as principal of Houlton Academy, now Ricker Classical Institute. After a year and a half in this position he accepted the principalship of Foxcroft Academy, where he remained for two years.

In 1868 Dr. Fernald became associated with the newly organized Maine State College, now the University of Maine, as professor of mathematics and physics, and acting president. The problem that confronted him was a difficult one—the building of a college from the ground up. Though the institution was under state control, the legislature was not disposed to be generous in the granting of necessary funds, and the older Maine colleges looked askance at the new-comer among them. In these early years of struggle, when the foundations of the university were being laid, Dr. Fernald piloted the new college along a difficult way, and much of the success of the present is due to the wisdom and sound common sense which he displayed in his official position during those early days. His unselfishness and devotion have coupled his name with that of the University of Maine so strongly that as long as the university endures Maine men and women will speak of him with deep respect and reverence. It is given to few men to serve their state in a higher way than Dr. Fernald has served the state of Maine.

He continued as acting president until 1871, and in his professorship until 1879, in which year he was made president of the college. In 1893 ill health compelled him to retire, and in 1896 the board of trustees gave him the honorary title of professor emeritus of mathematics. In 1898 his health had so far improved as to enable him to accept the chair of philosophy, a position he filled until 1908, when at the age of 70 he retired from active



Merritt Caldwell Fernald

service as professor emeritus of philosophy. In recognition of his services to the cause of education, the board of the Carnegie foundation granted Dr. Fernald a special pension from the General Education Fund—a high honor which it has given to but few men connected with state institutions.

Aside from his educational work, Dr. Fernald was most interested in the Congregational church, having been prominently connected with the Penobscot Conference in various capacities for many years.

Just before his last illness, he completed a history of the University of Maine, which is shortly to be published. Coming from the pen of one who was most intimately connected with the University's early days and saw its rise to the foremost ranks of American institutions of learning, it will be valued by all friends of the University.

The following appreciation by his friend the Rev. John M. Harrington, of Orono, Maine, epitomizes the qualities and work of Brother Fernald as a gentleman and citizen:

It is 16 years last October since first I met Dr. Fernald. I loved and admired him then, and my love and admiration for him have intensified and increased as the years rolled by.

He was a gentleman in the true sense of the word, noble in acts, refined in manners, well-bred, educated, courteous, kind and honorable, and carrying into public life the high standard of his private morals. He was a true type of the gentleman of the old school, which is unfortunately fast passing away, but which has left its impression in the generation in which he lived and its influence even in the present. All, irrespective of creed or politics, revered and loved him, for he was an upright citizen, than whom there was no better in Orono; charitable, both in word and deed, whose good works, in their entirety, are known only by Him who scrutinizes the heart.

He always helped to legislate what he considered best for the benefit of the community, and as a neighbor, with all the characteristics of a Christian gentleman, Dr. Fernald's memory will be long and fondly cherished.

Brother Fernald was initiated into the mysteries of Theta Delta Chi in the early days of H Charge. Few of his contemporaries in college survive him. Throughout his life he was ever devoted to his fraternity and honored in its councils. An extended article in reference to his academic and fraternity activities appeared in *THE SHIELD*, Vol. XXIV, No. 4. 1908.

Sixty-eighth Annual Convention

The Sixty-eighth Annual Convention of Theta Delta Chi was held at Boston, Saturday, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, February 19, 20, 21 and 22, 1916, in the Copley-Plaza Hotel. The fraternity has become accustomed to expect a high-water-mark meeting in Boston. Reference to the records shows the years 1877, 1878, 1879, 1882, 1886, 1889, 1892, 1895, 1899, 1903, 1906, and 1909 marking our annual gatherings in that city. One cannot go over these records without being impressed with the fact that our New England brethren know how to anticipate every detail, and in doing so always contribute in a large measure to the expeditious dispatch of business. As dispensers of hospitality their record is unexcelled. Prominently mentioned in the account of the last Boston convention in 1909 we find the names of Brothers Gibbs, Parsons, Wise and F. L. Carter, Jr. Those who attended the 68th know how well they "came back," not to mention at this point the list of names on the various committees who planned so successfully for our comfort and pleasure.

Secure in the belief that history repeats herself, the delegates and an unusually large number of graduate and undergraduate Thetes started the ball rolling Saturday morning at ten o'clock with song and a burst of enthusiasm.

Business of serious import to our fraternity came up for consideration. The various entertainments gave opportunity for enjoyment and fraternal interchange. Good fellowship ever was uppermost. A ringing speech by the Governor of the Commonwealth and fraternal felicitations from many "old grads" kept the enthusiasm at white heat. Such ingredients as these always result in a successful Convention, and in this instance marked a point of vantage which will always be conspicuous in the history of our fraternity.

The officers of the Convention together with the accredited delegates were as follows:

President, SERWARD G. SPOOR, Ξ '08.

Secretary, CHRISTIAN J. OTJEN, Σ^{Δ} '16.

Treasurer, H. STANFORD MCLEOD, Z '16.

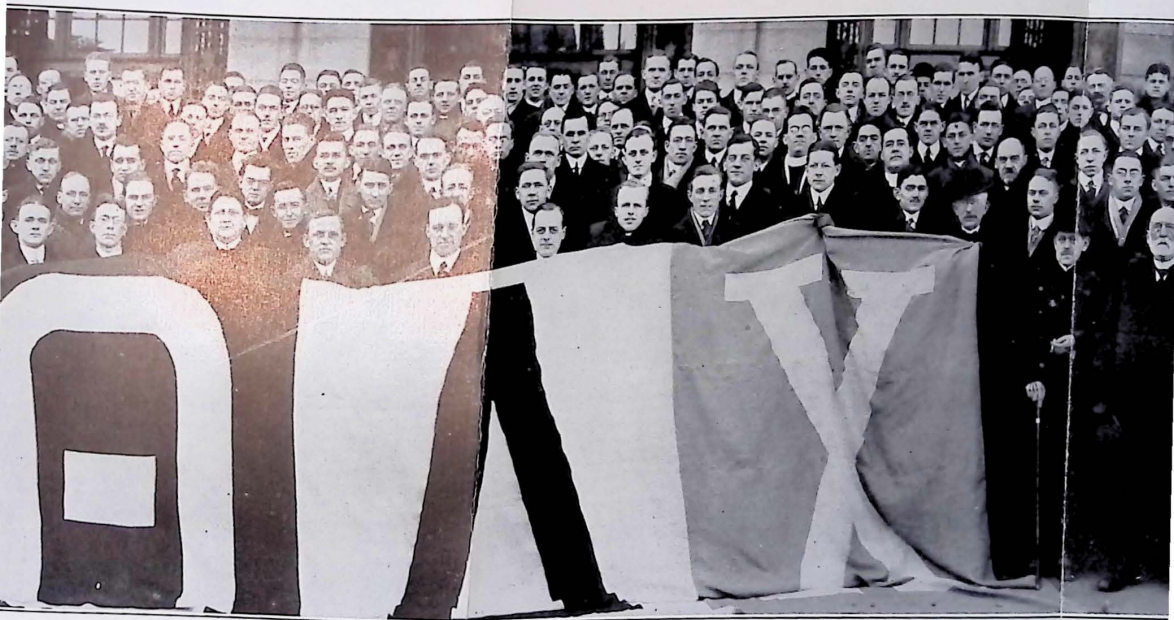
Graduate Secretary, CARL TOMBO, P Δ '02.

Graduate Treasurer, GUY C. PIERCE, K '96.

Clerk of Convention, I. A. CHAPMAN, Π^{Δ} '14.



THE SIX



THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THETA DELTA CHI

BOSTON, FEBRUARY 19-22, 1916



Delegates

- B—CORNELL: D. H. Scheetz, '16; H. F. Hollis, '17; *L. H. Parker, '89.
- Γ^Δ—MICHIGAN: R. P. Stewart, '16; M. Nicholls, '17; B. H. Winchester, '01.
- Δ^Δ—CALIFORNIA: K. D. Cuttle, '17; O. S. Waters, '18; F. H. Buck, '07.
- E—WILLIAM AND MARY: H. G. Chandler, '18; C. C. Graves, '17; W. H. Pattus, '08.
- Z—BROWN: H. H. Burton, '16; H. P. Witte, '16; R. K. Lyons, '99; alternate, Lewis A. Barker, '99.
- Z^Δ—MCGILL: *C. F. Kelsch, '15; *G. A. Parkins, '16; *E. R. Parkins, '03.
- H—BOWDOIN: A. E. Littlefield, '16; K. G. Stone, '17; J. F. Hamburger, '10.
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 GEORGE G. BULFINCH, JR., '07, 526 Harvard St., Brookline, Mass.
 S. ALBERT CRAGIN, '05, 159 High St., Lawrence, Mass.
 EVERETT W. CRAWFORD, '01, 15 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.
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LAMBDA DEUTERON

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 J. H. ROGERS, '19, Toronto University, Toronto, Canada.

MU DEUTERON

- W. E. BAKER, '16, Amherst, Mass.
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 ROLAND H. BROCK, '12, Athol, Mass.
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 RAWDON M. VAN DYCK, '18, Newark, New York.
 EDWARD S. WARD, '98, North Attleboro, Mass.
 RALPH W. WESTCOTT, '13, Ipswich, Mass.

NU

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 ROGER STANLEY, '16, University, Va.

NU DEUTERON

- ADOLPH BACH, JR., '17, South Bethlehem, Pa.
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 A. ELLIS HUNT, '11, Newtonville, Mass.
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XI

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H. GORDON MULLEN, '19, Hanover, N. H.
PHILIP K. MURDOCK, '15, Spencer, Mass.
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STURGIS PISHON, '10, 100 Summer St., Boston, Mass.
PARKER POOLE, '18, Hanover, N. H.
THOS. B. ROBBINS, '18, Medina, N. Y.
BERTRAND A. SMALLEY, '94, 165 Terrace St., Roxbury, Mass.
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L. A. SPRAGUE, '07, New London, Conn., care Stone & Webster.
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RUBERT H. WHITCOMB, '01, St. Luke's School, Wayne, Pa.
JOHN W. WHITE, '17, North Brookfield, Mass.

PI DEUTERON

- FRED W. BORCHER, '16, Norwood, Mass.
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 J. R. FRAWLEY, '16, Madison, Wis.
 C. J. OTJEN, '16, Milwaukee, Wis.
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PHI

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 J. J. HENNESSEY, '13, Palmyra, N. Y.
 FRANK S. HOLBROOK, '03, Brockport, N. Y.
 RAUB JAMES, '16, Rochester, N. Y.
 WM. F. LOVE, '03, Court House, Rochester, N. Y.
 DONALD J. MACPHERSON, '11, Palmyra, N. Y.

OSCAR MARTH, '19, Rochester, N. Y.
 A. F. SPICHLER, '18, 662 Averill Ave., Rochester, N. Y.
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 M. R. GOW, '16, Clinton, N. Y.
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 BRADFORD W. SHERWOOD, '82, 1441 South Salina St.
 EDWIN B. SHERWOOD, '16, 1441 South Salina St.
 LESLIE W. YULE, '17, Clinton, N. Y.

Summary of Attendance

CHARGE	GRADUATE	UNDERGRADUATE	TOTAL
Beta		2	2
Gamma Deuteron	5	5	10
Delta Deuteron	3	2	5
Epsilon	1	2	3
Epsilon Deuteron	2	..	2
Zeta	35	18	52
Zeta Deuteron	1	..	1
Eta	21	15	36
Eta Deuteron	2	2
Theta Deuteron	14	23	37
Iota	26	19	45
Iota Deuteron	16	7	23
Kappa	42	25	67
Kappa Deuteron	1	2	3
Lambda	20	..	20
Lambda Deuteron	1	2	3
Mu Deuteron	14	8	22
Nu	1	2	3
Nu Deuteron	3	2	5
Xi	5	4	9
Xi Deuteron	2	2
Omicron Deuteron	30	31	61
Pi Deuteron	3	2	5
Rho Deuteron	3	7	10
Sigma Deuteron	2	3	5
Tau Deuteron	1	2	3
Phi	2	4	6
Phi Deuteron	4	3	7
Chi	6	6	12
Chi Deuteron	2	4	6
Psi	3	4	7
	266	209	475

The Business Sessions

FIRST SESSION

In the absence of Russell C. Gibbs, I^A '00, Chairman of the General Committees, the first business session of the convention was called to order at 10.15 a. m., Saturday, February 19, by Fred A. Arnold, Z '97, Vice-Chairman. Brother Arnold said: "In absence of Brother Gibbs, and on behalf of the committee, I desire to welcome to Boston the Sixty-eighth Convention of Theta Delta Chi. The committee will be glad to do all in their power to make your stay pleasant and enjoyable."

Seward G. Spoor, Ξ '08, President of the Grand Lodge, responded: "It is to be emphasized that we are pleased with the hospitality which the Boston brothers have extended to us. Mindful of the fact that we, of Theta Delta Chi, have benefited in coming here before and have found great satisfaction in meeting in this hospitable city, we accept the offer of Brother Arnold. As we proceed we are sure that all will go well and we shall have a rich, royal, good time."

During the test administered by Brothers Wolcott, N^A '18; Sheetz, B '16; Ricker, K '14, and Bentley, Γ^A '16, "Stars Ablaze" was sung, with Brother Fletcher, I '08, at the piano. This song, written by Brother Fletcher and first presented at the Sixtieth Convention, held in New York, tapped the first flow of enthusiasm which was so much in evidence throughout the entire convention.

President Spoor, in the absence of the Custodian of Archives, who for many years has performed the service, directed J. Russell Whitmore, '16, of the K, the oldest charge in continuous existence, to open the meeting in due form. A. K. Stewart, Θ^A '16, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, reported that all delegates but those from Z^A Charge had registered; and that four of the chartered graduate associations were represented by delegates.

President Seward G. Spoor, Ξ '08, greeted with a round of applause, then presented his report as President of the Forty-seventh Grand Lodge, prefacing the reading of the report by saying: "I can say with depth of feeling that I wish to offer the thanks of the Grand Lodge for the co-operation that you have exhibited, and express the hope that this co-operation will help us to weld the present to the future and then, as we consistently lend our aid, we will make for the perpetuation and enhancement and glorification of the Theta Delta Chi."

The report, which gave to the delegates some insight into the tremendous amount of work accomplished by the Forty-seventh Grand Lodge was enthusiastically received and, upon motion, referred to the proper committee.

Christian J. Otjen, Σ^A '16, Secretary of the Grand Lodge, read his report, which was referred to the proper committee. At this point Melvin M. Johnson, K '92, was presented to the convention, and responded as follows: "I did not expect that I should be called

upon at this convention, for my plans were to leave for Washington in a very short time. I am exceedingly glad to get here to see the boys and to show my loyalty and to participate in the friendly joys of convention even though I may be considered one of the old ones."

Stanford McLeod, Z '16, then presented the report of the Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, which was referred, upon vote, to committee.

At this point the President brought to the attention of the brothers the fact that the Custodian of Archives was accused of preparing the convention telegram to our Brother Andrew H. Green, Alpha '49, and said that he was ready to receive a motion to send the telegram which Brother Carter, E^A '90, had prepared. Brother Otjen, S^A '16, seconded by Brother Chapman, II^A '14, so moved, and the following telegram was ordered sent:

BOSTON, MASS., February 19, 1916.

It is a source of pride to you to be our Nestor, while we find our hearts pulsative therewith. We express our glorification in your crown of years. We hug tenderly this benison for us and send to you this manifest of our affection.

BRETHREN in Sixty-eighth Convention Assembled.

The reports of Carl Tempo, P^A '02, Graduate Secretary of the Grand Lodge, and Guy C. Pierce, K '96, Graduate Treasurer of the Grand Lodge, were read and, by vote, referred to committee.

Just before the close of the session, Samuel W. McCall, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entered the hall and was introduced to the convention by President Spoor in the following words: "Of all the figures in the life of Massachusetts this man needs no introduction, for by all odds he is the biggest man of the great Bay State. He has recognized our fraternity and our products by selecting as his secretary one of our own, and by permitting his son, Sumner, to become a member of our fraternity."

Standing, the convention greeted Governor McCall with prolonged cheers and applause. He said, in part: "This is not to be a long speech, but I prefer you to sit down, even though as a schoolmaster I ask you to take your seats. I am glad to be here and to welcome the delegates of Theta Delta Chi for, as your Chairman says, I know a lot about your society. I am not sure I gave my consent to Sumner; if I did, it was nominal, for he would have joined anyway. I was in Dartmouth at the time your fraternity was established and I understand that it has grown now into a very vigorous organization. In my day Psi U, Alpha Delta Phi and D. K. E. were the prominent organizations. I belonged to a very large local, Tri Kapp. This fraternity is purely local and lacks the values which come from the representative idea. I recognize the opportunities and the benefits which arise upon having chapters in other colleges, because when I visited such institutions I found it lonesome to be without representation. I think these outside chapters are of help in keeping one chapter from becoming too narrow and such conventions as these tend to promote a gen-

eral feeling of brotherhood existing between all college men. I know that, as I visited abroad with Alpha Deltas I felt that this was a most vital thing, and it is a matter of regret to me that my old society, the leading society of Dartmouth, has not established other chapters. I think, without stretching a point, that I can welcome you in the name of Massachusetts—you men from other States, and I am glad that you have met here in this State, which contains so many institutions of higher learning. I hope that the visit will be profitable and enjoyable, that the society will be stronger for it and that you may not delay your next visit too far into the future."

At the conclusion of these remarks Governor McCall withdrew from the convention hall, the delegates standing.

General announcements were made by Brother Arnold. Brother Carter announced that Governor and Mrs. McCall invited the fraternity to a reception to be held at the State House on Washington's Birthday from ten to one.

On motion the session adjourned at 1.30 p. m. D. H. Trayser, '18 of Ξ , second oldest charge in continuous existence, closing the meeting.

SECOND SESSION

The meeting was called to order by President Spoor at 2.10 p. m., with all delegates present. M. R. Gow, '16 of Ψ , third charge in continuous existence, opened the meeting. I. A. Chapman, Π^{Δ} '14, Clerk of the Convention, read the minutes of the first session, which were accepted.

The Secretary read the following telegrams:

FRESNO, CAL., February 18, 1916.

SEWARD G. SPOOR,

Theta Delta Chi Convention, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Greetings to you and all the boys from Fresno, Cal., and wishing I could be with you at Sixty-eighth Convention, Barnwell, Roberts, Bullard, White, Marshall, Risley, living here, join me.

(Signed) BILL STRANAHAN.

STANFORD UNIVERSITY, CAL., February 19, 1916.

SEWARD G. SPOOR, *Pres.*,

The Delta Chi, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Although Brothers Nisbet and Bacon are with you to extend personal greetings from us, we wish to send the fraternity our hopes and good wishes for a bang up convention. To all the sister charges and the Grand Lodge, greetings. In the bonds.

(Signed) .ETA DEUTERON.

TACOMA, February 19, 1916.

SEWARD G. SPOOR,

Care Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Good old convention days again, but alas, am stalled away out here with no chance of getting there. How my heart aches to join with you in renewing

warm friendships. Shall be there in thought, leading songs, especially first rousing "Come, my boys." May convention break records and result in a greater Theta Delta Chi all along the line. An affectionate grip to all from

(Signed) NORM.

At the suggestion of Brother Spoor, Norm's song was sung, with Brother Whitcomb, O^Δ '01, at the piano.

Then followed the presentation of the following reports: Report on the SHIELD by Edwin B. Twitmyer, Φ '96, editor of the SHIELD; Report of the Theta Delta Chi Press by Cameron H. Bristol, Ψ '04, president of the Press; Report on the Founders' Corporation by Robert S. Emerson, Z '97, president. These reports were received and, upon vote, referred to the proper committees. Robert S. Emerson, Z '97, then presented the report of the Standing Committee on New Legislation.

At this point, Brother Spoor said: "We have with us to-day a representative of one of the oldest and best charges, who, in his youth, helped to establish his own charge and has been active in establishing charges ever since. He can always give us a word of inspiration. We want to hear from Clay W. Holmes, Φ '69."

To which Brother Holmes replied, in substance:

In 1889 I breathed the air of my first convention in Boston; since then I have attended every Boston convention, and my mind has been full of the thought that either I have changed or that Theta Delta Chi has changed, and I have been endeavoring to discover the nature of this change. Twenty-eight conventions have passed, twenty-five of which I attended, and these told me that the fraternity was growing larger and stronger while I was growing older, and that I would soon be on the shelf. I have come to the conclusion that I fail to see the faces I used to see and this tells me that some day I shall not be here, which, to be sure, is a sad thought, now that it is almost fifty years since the shield was put upon my breast. During these fifty years I have seen many changes. I like to be with the rest, but I thought—I don't know whether I want to come to this convention, for I won't meet the old men I used to meet and I will fail to find old Seth Smith and Capen, whom I knew in the older days and who were always present.

Not long ago I got an invitation to attend an initiation at the charge which I helped to install. It was Γ^Δ at Ann Arbor. I left business and I truly had the time of my life. I was not looking for old friends, but for the young boys, and I found them. I came home filled with the spirit, but it was chilled with the thought that, if I wanted to see the friends of long ago I must go over on the other side to see them. I took a catalogue the other day, and turning to the Ω list I checked all those among the dear ones who had been my friends, and I pencilled nearly a hundred. It is a peculiar feeling you have when you do this and you can tell it when it comes to you.

It is an honor to stand before this body, this great body of splendid looking men; for remember, the first convention I attended had but fourteen men from seven charges. To be sure, there was as much enthusiasm bundled up in the hearts of those fourteen men as there is in your hearts to-day. I can appreciate well, with dear old Andrew Green, what it means to see this fraternity become larger, for I have seen the seed which he planted grow up into a big tree. I didn't plant that seed, but I helped to nurture it.

I am delighted to stand here and look in your faces, and I couldn't help but think, as McCall was paying us his respects, that it was a compliment

for the Governor to set aside his time to tell us that although he was not of us, yet he was with us. The other day I told a college president that it was the fraternities which did so much to make his and other colleges. The spirit which we inculcate and scatter throughout the land, makes for the unity of brotherly affection which is building up our country.

Seventy-five per cent. of the good which comes from a college education comes from the social education which we pursue in our fraternity. What do you take away from the college halls to the business of this world? Those who can look back for fifty years can realize that in substance there is little other than the love which was generated while there. It is strong, for there is nothing which will go on quite so far or quite so long. And this affection which we cultivate, we spread about in these conventions and then each one goes out a better man for it.

I hope to come to many more conventions; I hope to learn to love those of the younger group, and I believe that I, in heart, am as young as any. This convention I am privileged to experience that which I dreamed of even in my college days. When I left college and started out on my career I hoped that I might have a son who would follow in my footsteps, but I was not blest in this way. I had a daughter, however, who had a son, and to-day I look down upon my grandson, sitting in this convention, the first grandson in Theta Delta Chi. I am going to pass over to him the love and the name and I hope that you will respect him as you respect me. I have been loyal and true and tried to do that which would bring renown to Theta Delta Chi and those who wear her shield. What the effects of this contact have been is for you to determine, but there is pride in my heart that I could carry her banner and lead her forces, and I commend to you all the glory of Theta Delta Chi which I discovered as I tried to live it, and if you likewise try to live it your destiny which lies before you will be covered with honor. Let us all work for the upbuilding of the nation and for the uplifting of the fraternity. This fraternity is a great thing; I know of nothing greater than that to which we swore allegiance. I trust you will all get as much out of the fraternity as I have, this fraternity which we love so well. I hope you will breathe the spirit, sing the songs, and do her honor.

President Spoor then announced committees and adjournment was taken at 5 p. m. Francis H. Sheetz, '16 of B, the fourth charge in continuous existence, closed the meeting.

THIRD SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 10.45 a. m. in the ball room of the Copley Plaza and then opened in due form by K. D. Stone, '17 of the H, the fifth charge in continuous existence. The minutes of the last session were read and accepted. In the absence of Frederic Carter, E^A '90, Custodian of Archives, the report of this officer was read by the Deputy Custodian I. A. Chapman, II^A '14. The report of the Quizz Book Committee was then read by Secretary Otjen.

Then followed the report of the Committee on the Report of the Founders' Corporation. This report created considerable enthusiasm, and before quiet had been restored the funds of the corporation had been substantially increased by subscriptions to membership by both delegates and visiting brethren. During the time devoted to this matter Brother Pierce briefly outlined the great

work of the Founders' Corporation and told how all the funds were guarded by a system of trusteeship, of which nine directors were ever watchful to see that no money was wasted. Three of these are graduate members of the Grand Lodge.

President Spoor then said: "As we are so near adjournment we turn to listen to a brother who is with us this morning, who has been a pillar of strength for many, many years and a source of inspiration on many occasions. I refer to Alexander Mann of the Ξ ."

Brother Mann responded:

I appreciate the kindly way of introduction. I can't remember any inspiration which you got from me, and I am glad, on the other hand, to come in and gather some inspiration from you. It is a pleasure to welcome the brothers to Boston, and a great pleasure indeed to have the opportunity to exchange the grip with the delegates of my old charge. There is a touch of melancholy for the old graduate who drops in upon your conventoin after having left college so early, for you all look so young; yet in a sense we never grow old in the Theta Delta Chi, and I feel younger because I came in to see you. It did me good to see the black, white and blue banner flying on the flagstaff of the Copley Plaza. It is not often that we have the pleasure to welcome you here, yet I am sure that the men of New England fully measure up to the standards of our fraternity. I wish that I might stay and take my share of the work which is being done, but I cannot, and, unfortunately, a previous engagement will keep me from the banquet, unless your presiding officer will allow me to drop in informally later. I can't make you welcome to Trinity, for Sunday is past, and, further, I don't want to embarrass you by any suggestion as to what you did yesterday. Such occasions as this make a man realize that the old ties are strong and the old loyalty is true, and I still feel the old thrill whenever I see the shield on the brothers present. Very often at some church meeting a man will walk up and give me the grip, and we have many pleasant times talking of the old fraternity days and the life that never grows old. Come to Boston as often as you can, to do us all the good you can, and in turn we will attempt to do you no harm.

President Spoor then read an announcement from the President of the Theta Delta Chi Press, urging the graduates to come to the support of the SHIELD by subscribing for it, and in this connection President Spoor said: "I know what the Press has been doing, for I receive the minutes of the board meetings. There is not a harder working board of directors. The Theta Delta Chi Press wears out shoe leather, chasing around and looking for graduate subscriptions. The undergraduates are getting the graduates to see that there is a connecting link between their hearts and the business organization of the fraternity. I am asking you to buy something—to get something for your money. Read the SHIELD, criticise, write Twitmyer, kick about the Grand Lodge—there is nothing like constructive criticism. The Grand Lodge hardly knows the whole sentiment of the fraternity and if we can get the graduates to come into closer touch with the Grand Lodge, we will have the benefits which arise from the expression of the graduate mind. The Press gave you a business report. This corporation is as evenly keeled as the Standard Oil. It figures out the cost of printing, even down to the last page. No longer will they get the

profit which comes from the cuts in the SHIELD and which, as a business organization, they had no right to. The Theta Delta Chi Press is a plain case of business efficiency, and, consequently, this Board of Directors will make good. They are doing their work for the love of the fraternity, and the Grand Lodge expects you to back them up."

At this point Brother Pierre Chamberlain, X^Δ, arose and said that he had just received word that his charge had twenty-one graduate subscriptions for the SHIELD.

In order to prepare for the convention picture, adjournment was taken at 12.30, Brother Raymond De Voc, '16 of O^Δ, the sixth charge in continuous existence, closing the meeting.

FOURTH SESSION

Called to order at 2.50 p. m., the meeting was opened in due form by Brother Adolph Hummel, '16 of II^Δ, the seventh charge in continuous existence. The minutes of the last session were read and accepted, following which the time was devoted to the reading of the reports of Committees on Officers' Reports, and the disposal of the recommendations therein contained.

In the absence of Seward D. Allen, Ψ '78, Chairman, Carl Tombo, P^Δ 02, presented the report of the Forty-seven-Forty-eight Committee, which had been appointed by order of the preceding convention to investigate and report upon the actual date of the founding of our fraternity. Clay W. Holmes, Φ '69, led the discussion which followed. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, For more than forty years after the founding of our fraternity the founders and members generally claimed the year 1847 as the founding date of the fraternity; and

WHEREAS, Through differing claims, publications and records of the early years of the fraternity, there has been doubt as to the founding date; and

WHEREAS, The question has again been brought before the fraternity and officially investigated, and new and additional evidence been brought forward;

Now, therefore, be it resolved:

1. That the year 1847 be and the same is hereby officially declared to be the founding year of the fraternity, and that October 31st in each year be hereafter observed as the anniversary of founding;

2. That the fraternity and all its charges and associations hereafter use the dates given in all publications and announcements and for other appropriate purposes.

The next on the order of business was the election of a Nominating Committee, which it was decided should consist of eight graduate and three undergraduate members. The following delegates were elected: Graduates—Frank Buck, Δ^Δ '07; Burt Winchester, P^Δ '01; Herbert Holton, II^Δ '99; J. Frank Drake, O^Δ '02; Lewis A. Barker, Z '99; J. P. Carr, I '11; Francis H. Bird, Σ^Δ '12;

Edward G. Steinmetz, N^A '95. Undergraduates—R. P. Stewart, Γ^A '16; Raymond De Voe, O^A '16; Paul Gillespie, T^A '16.

A communication was then received from Brother Willis S. Paine, X '68, in reference to the desirability of the re-establishment of the A Charge. Upon motion this matter was referred to the Standing Committee on New Legislation.

President Spoor then said, "In a body of this kind with such sentiment as we have, it is easy to sympathize with the two sister charges in Canada who are bearing up so bravely in face of the great conflict. They have paid the price for what they believe is right. I have a letter from one of the delegates explaining why he could not be present, and I ask the clerk to read this letter to you.

"MONTREAL, February 19, 1916.

"DEAR BROTHER SPOOR: I had hoped to be able to make arrangements to get down to convention this year, as graduate representative of Z^A, but, unfortunately, find it impossible. The 3d Victoria Rifles, to which I am attached, will be shortly given the honor of forming a battalion for 'Overseas,' and, as I intend to go with them, I am busy at present doing some preliminary training as well as getting my affairs settled up. This war has affected McGill and the charge most seriously. Over 1,500 graduates and undergraduates have already gone. The Medical Department sent on a complete hospital unit of 1,000 beds. The charge has now over forty men at the front, two of whom, Brothers Pat Cowen and Arthur MacKay, have paid the extreme sacrifice to uphold the ideals of justice, liberty and the right of each man to order his life along the lines which seem best to him, for which our forefathers have fought for over a thousand years.

"The ideals of sacrifice, service and loyalty, for which our fraternity has always so resolutely stood, it seems to me, have been wonderfully upheld and exemplified in these boys, who, counting not the cost, have gone forth to fight for what they considered the right.

"Canada, from being a self-governing colony, has developed, through the acid test of war, into a nation—co-partner with the other great colonies and the mother country in the great British Empire, and is determined, cost what it may, to see the 'game' through to a successful finish.

"If you can see your way clear some time during the convention to direct the thoughts of the delegates to the 100 odd Thetes from McGill and Toronto, who are in the trenches, you will be doing something which, if I could get down, I would dearly love to do myself.

"With best wishes for a successful convention and kindest regards to all the boys, I am

"Fraternally yours,

"(Signed) EDGAR R. PARKINS."

Brother Emerson immediately arose, "I would like to move that this convention send its greetings to Brother Parkins and that his letter be spread at length upon the minutes. I can't speak to this point, for I was on the Embassy, which installed Z^A and Brother Parkins did everything for us." Motion seconded and carried unanimously.

Brother Holmes moved that this convention absolve Z^A and A^A from all obligations and duties so long as the war lasts, and

after the war to place them upon our records just where they were before it began. Carried unanimously by a rising vote.

The convention then proceeded to the consideration of the recommendations proposed by the committee on the report of the P. G. L. until time for adjournment at 5 p. m. Among the important matters considered were the publication of a new song book and a new catalogue, membership in Theta Delta Chi is related to high school and honorary fraternities, marking the birth place of Theta Delta Chi and rushing rules.

The meeting was closed by Brother Burghardt, '16 of P^Δ, eighth oldest charge in continuous existence.

FIFTH SESSION

The fifth session was opened in due form at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning by Brother Adolph Bach, Jr., 16, of N^Δ, the ninth charge in continuous existence. After roll call, the minutes of the fourth session were read and accepted. Further reports of committees were then received.

President Spoor then said: "At some period of each convention we always have the pleasure of hearing from the one permanent officer of this fraternity. He is known as the Custodian of Archives or as "Freddie." We will now hear from "Freddie."

Brother Carter responded with a thrilling speech on the meaning of our ideals of fraternity and friendship, and was loudly applauded.

Brother Pierce then made a strong plea for subscriptions to the SHIELD, pointing out the necessity of backing up the SHIELD, stating that Theta Delta Chi had the oldest publication and so deserved support of her graduates. He ended by saying that his charge had the largest percentage of graduate subscriptions, and that, if any charge exceeded that number, he was going to take off his coat, and shirt if need be, and get to work. He said that this was a threat, not a promise. Brother Pierre Chamberlain, X^Δ '16, announced that X^Δ with 29 subscriptions beat the record of K.

Off came the coat.

During the efforts of the Graduate Treasurer of the Grand Lodge to uphold the honor and dignity of his charge, the President of the Grand Lodge called upon several brothers to speak to the convention.

Brother Frank H. Buck, Δ^Δ '07, presented to the convention a set of resolutions looking toward a closer bond of union between the Chartered Graduate Associations and the Grand Lodge. After considerable discussion these resolutions were referred to the Standing Committee on New Legislation. President Spoor announced the following committee to attend the reception of Governor McCall: Rossell C. Gibbs, I^Δ 00; Reginald Nash, Z '14, and R. W. Bartlett, O^Δ '94.

The remainder of the session was taken up with a further consideration of the report of the committee on the President's

report. Adjournment was taken until 2:15 p. m. Brother G. N. Keeney, '16 of M^A, the tenth charge in continuous existence, closing the meeting.

SIXTH SESSION

The sixth and last session of the convention was called to order at 2:30 p. m. The meeting was opened by Brother H. P. Witte, Jr., '16, of Z, the eleventh charge in continuous existence. The minutes of the fifth session were read and after several minor corrections accepted.

Then followed further discussion upon the final items in the report of the committee on the President's report, a large number of undergraduate and graduate delegates and visiting brethren participating. The entire report of the committee was accepted and the recommendations contained therein adopted.

A motion was passed, thanking the Standing Committee of the Old South Society for the use of their church for the commemoration service held on Sunday, February 20.

At this point Clay W. Holmes read the following telegram from E. J. Cook, Ξ '95, ex-P. G. L., who was unable to attend convention on account of the illness of his mother:

GENEVA, N. Y., February 22, 1916.

Dear Clay: Your letter appreciated. Mother's condition has made it my first duty to remain here. Convey to all my warm affections. I envy you the new thrill that each one will receive. Impress upon the boys the necessity of pinning this thrill to something permanent. Each year I spell with larger letters the word friendship.

The Nominating Committee reported nominations for the officers of the next Grand Lodge as follows: President, Seward G. Spoor, Ξ '08; Secretary, Maurice A. Nicholls, Γ^A '17; Treasurer, Granville B. Fuller, O^A '16; Graduate Secretary, Carl Tomco, P^A '02; Graduate Treasurer, Guy C. Pierce, K '96. By unanimous vote the Clerk of Convention was directed to cast one vote for each nominee.

Clay W. Holmes, Φ '69, then took the chair and conducted the ceremonies incident to the installation of Seward G. Spoor as President of the Forty-eighth Grand Lodge.

In his inaugural address President Spoor spoke as follows: "I was reared by parents who believed that the best guardianship of a young man's morals and principles was to place in him trust and confidence, for by the inspiration thus generated he would be more apt to measure up to the standards of manhood. What I am due to the fact that these dear parents still linger and, trusting in me, give me that inspiration to be a man.

"I stand here given a most unusual honor at your hands. In receiving this honor I am mindful of the fact that by so doing, you, too, have given me that inspiration which comes through trust and confidence. With this in my heart, I hope I will be able to

measure up to that standard which you expect your president to maintain.

"I claim again that co-operation of friendship and fraternity which I enjoyed during the past two years. Without it no man can hope to do the work which lies in the future—to perpetuate the great fraternal principles which are evidenced not only in $\Theta \Delta X$, but in the whole fraternity system—and, brothers, I will do my best."

"Love Cannot Die" was then sung.

President Spoor then installed the other members of the Grand Lodge, with the exception of the Graduate Secretary, Brother Carl Tombo, who had been called away to New York.

It was regularly moved, seconded, and carried that a vote of thanks be given to the brothers of New England, whose efforts made possible a most enjoyable convention.

There being no further business the 68th Convention was then formally closed by Frederic Carter, E^d '90, Custodian of Archives, exactly in the manner prescribed in the old A minute book.

Potlatch at Theta Deut

The first day of convention strenuosity came to a delightful close at 80 Bay State Road, the home of Theta Deut, where "Tech" Theta Delts held open house.

To those who have not "bean" in Boston and are not familiar with a round square, the directions of Brother Arnold were not of such a serious nature as to preclude their ultimate arrival at the Theta Deut house.

Weeks ago the Potlatch announced upon the convention program had stimulated the curiosity of the writer to some private scientific investigation. By reference to the publications of the Bureau of American Ethnology he found: *Potlatch*: The great winter ceremonies among the tribes of the North Pacific coast from Oregon to Alaska. The word has passed into popular speech along the northwest coast from the Chinook jargon into which it was adopted from the pootka word "patshatl," giving or a gift.

Although varying considerably in different parts of the coast, these potlatches were mainly marked, as the name implies, by the giving away of quantities of goods, commonly *blankets*. The giver sometimes went so far as to strip himself of nearly every possession except his house, but he obtained an abundant reward, in his own estimation, in the respect with which his fellow-townsmen afterward regarded him, and when others "potlatched" he, in turn, received a share of their property with interest, so that potentially he was richer than before.

Yes, it was a real potlatch; the gift of hospitality was never more generously or enthusiastically bestowed. Boston weather was such as to make the gift of a blanket most welcome. Theta Deut needed

all the blankets in the house, therefore unstinted hospitality to bring about forgetfulness in the minds of their guests as to the time-honored custom.

Brother Fred L. Carter, Jr., I '03, Chairman of the Committee, with his faithful co-workers, gave the visiting brothers personal attention. Bountiful supplies of things to warm the inner man and fortify against the chilling temperature of out of doors, served to emphasize the warmth of welcome and more certainly to impress the memory of those fortunate enough to be present that they had "potlatched."

The new Theta Delt marching song was again thrown on the screen, with Brother Whitcomb, O^d '01, the composer, occupying the stool. Copies of this new song were distributed among those present and it seemed to make a real hit, as it had previously during the hour before the opening of the first business session of the convention. And from this description it is hoped that those unfortunates, unable to reach the house of Theta Deut, even after having been so carefully coached how to go around the block by Brother Arnold, will recognize that the affair was a real potlatch.

It may be well to add that the brothers, with utmost confidence in their guide, turned to the left upon departing.

The Commemoration Service

In the beautiful New Old South Church the impressive Commemoration Service was held at four o'clock Sunday afternoon. Always impressive it was doubly so to many of the older brothers who had not forgotten the first service—that hour consecrated to the memory of a brother so dear to the fraternity and of whom one speaker on that memorable day said, "Among all those who have passed within the portals of the great Omega Charge and have responded to its solemn roll call, there is none the mention of whose name brings to the hearts of Theta Deltas a greater sense of personal loss than that of our lamented brother, Jacob Spahn." February, 22, 1903, this memorial service was held in Boston in the Roxbury Universalist Church and naturally those who knew and loved Brother Spahn, recalled, and lived over that hour.

The bitter cold weather did not keep the loyal brothers giving from out their busy lives these few moments of consecration to the memory of their brothers who had "passed beyond the mystic veil by which death guards from time the secrets of eternity."

Rev. Frederick W. Hamilton, K '80, took his text from Proverbs 17, 17. "A friend loveth at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." He dwelt upon the love and faithfulness taught by the fraternity and made his listeners feel the earnestness and devotion which fills his own life.

President Seward G. Spoor, read as follows:

Friends and brothers:—The tie which binds us to our departed brothers, is that of friendship and fraternity. Yet our experience

of the enduring nature of the bonds which unite us while we live, strengthens within us the assured hope of a future life with friendship still more perfect. Fraternal love does not die, but ever lives, and bids us look forward with unfaltering faith to reunion with our loved ones in the Great Beyond.

Inspired by this faith in the enduring bonds of our friendship, we have consecrated the Omega Charge to receive our departed brethren. Upon the roll of this Omega Charge, we inscribe the names of those who have left us since last we assembled:

OMEGA ROLL

Robert Childs Scott, Ξ '70.....	July 3, 1915.
Dr. C. C. O'Brien, K '70.....	July 16, 1915.
Henry W. Cory, K '67.....	July 23, 1915.
Thomas B. Kyle, O Δ '80.....	August 13, 1915.
Arthur Harold MacKay, Z Δ '15.....	August 15, 1915.
Reginald Percival Cowans, Z Δ '06.....	August 15, 1915.
Joseph Lawrence Hicks, Δ '56.....	August 19, 1915.
Frank Edwin Palmer, H Δ '14.....	September 9, 1915.
James Curtis Beecher, Ξ '73.....	November 15, 1915.
A. E. Scott, K '58.....	November 19, 1915.
Ashbel Norton Fitch, B '71.....	December, 1915.
Fox Holden, B '72.....	December, 1915.
Earnest White Arnold, $\Delta\Delta$ '00.....	December, 1915.
Joseph Edward Hill, $\Delta\Delta$ '09.....	December, 1915.
Herbert Dorrance Bullock, Z '65.....	December 24, 1915.
Fenelon Atwell Pierce, Z '64.....	January 1, 1916.
Irvin W. Horn, H '86.....	January 5, 1916.
Summer Edwards, H '10.....	January 7, 1916.
Merritt C. Fernald, H '61.....	January 8, 1916.
William A. Deering, H '75.....	January 8, 1916.
George W. Newman, O Δ '02.....	January 13, 1916.
William W. Dawley, Ψ '75.....	January 20, 1916.
Elijah Munn Rawley, '73.....	January 14, 1916.
Charles Victor Mapes, I '57.....	January 14, 1916.
Leonard Carlton Peckitt, Φ '10.....	January 15, 1916.
Claud B. Leonard, K '76.....	January 27, 1916.
Gerald Donohue, $\Phi\Delta$ '15.....	February 15, 1916.
Percival Freeman Marston, H '88.....	February 19, 1916.

Not as strangers hesitating,
 Enter they the Sacred Hall,
 There they find their brethren waiting,
 For Omega waits us all.

In accordance with this precious faith and this enduring hope, we come today, in sorrow, to say these last words of earthly farewell. No longer enrolled with us, they are not severed from us.

Though to the roll call of their Charges on earth they answer not,
still answer they in Omega's Halls.

Weeping with those who weep, bowed down with those who
are bereaved, we mourn their departure, as of those who are bound
to us by the everlasting bonds of our sacred friendship.

Committing them unto that Spirit Charge, we sorrow not,
even as others who have no hope.

Not merely as a day endures our bond,
True friendship brooks not narrow bounds of time,
Leal friends await thee in the Great Beyond,
Omega's Halls are thronged with souls sublime.

Believing in the enduring nature of our friendship, we bid each
one Godspeed from a world of strife and sorrow, to a world of peace
and bliss. We commend each one to our brethren gone before,
through faith in the Divine Friend who sticketh closer than a
brother.

Farewell to them until we each in turn shall join them in the
Perfect Charge above, and realize the full fruition of our fraternal
faith.

PRAYER

O, God, the Father, Guardian
Of the Perfect Charge on High,
Receive Thy Sons, our brothers
In our Theta Delta Chi.

Order of Service

Howard W. Schafer, Organist, Lambda '04.

Invocation—*Air*: "Italian Hymn."

O Thou eternal One,
Light of the midday sun,
Our source and end,
With Thine untiring eye
Guard Theta Delta Chi,
And wisdom from on high
Her councils lend.

Alpha, Thou morning ray,
Omega, close of day,
We rest in Thee.
Father, whose wondrous might
Kindled the stars of night,
Endue us with Thy light
And harmony.

T. T. Swinburne, *Chi* '92.

Prayer—Rev. Willis H. Butler, Pi Deuteron '93.

Assistant Pastor—The New Old South Church.

Anthem—Chorus of Delegates.

Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand—*Schnecker*.

Leon E. Baldwin, Chorister, Lambda '96.

Lessons from the Scriptures—Rev. Asa Merrick Parker, Iota
Deuteron.

Hymn—*Bethany.*

Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!
E'en though it be a cross
That raiseth me;
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!

Though like the wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone;
Yet in my dreams I'd be
Nearer, my God to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!

Or if on joyful wing,
Cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon and stars forgot,
Upward I fly;
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to Thee,
Nearer to Thee!

Address—Rev. Frederick W. Hamilton, Kappa '80.

Anthem—Chorus of Delegates.

The Long Day Closes—*Sullivan.*

Omega Roll—Seward G. Spoor, Xi '08. President of the Grand Lodge.

Solo—Leon E. Baldwin, Lambda '96.

Gone to Their Rest.

In Memoriam—Rev. Willis P. Odell, Lambda '80.

Hymn—"Portuguese Hymn."

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in His excellent word.
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
Who unto the Saviour for refuge have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee! Oh be not dismayed,
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of sorrow shall not over flow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
My grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flames shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"Even down to old age all My people shall prove
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they still in My bosom be borne."

Benediction—

Doxology—

Father, we raise our hymn to Thee,
We live in Theta Delta Chi;
And on our hearts inscribed shall be
Theta Chi Delta when we die.

T. T. Swinburne, Chi '92.

The Charge Luncheons

The Charge luncheons in some ways can be considered the best part of a convention. They are surrounded by an atmosphere of intimacy which is impossible at the banquet table or in the meeting hall, for here the graduate can get close to the undergraduate and learn first hand of what his Charge is doing. It is a relief indeed to get away from the continual hum of passing motions and to talk of things free from the fear of the chairman's gavel. The older men have known the younger boys but for a day, yet together they seem as old cronies when they talk of places known to each other; and there is a bond between them which is even as strong as that which comes from contact. In the clouds of smoke rising gently to the ceiling from the black bowl of the college pipe, there is many a picture of bygone days and of pals long since departed. Nor is it all a sad reminiscence, for merry are the laughs which come upon the recital of some college escapade, and many a pun passes current which otherwise would die a lonesome death.

And so we hesitate to break in and disturb the intimacies of these circles bound together so happily, for all the pleasure therein is destroyed when once they are placed upon the printed page. Yet there are some for whom it was impossible to attend, and for their sake we give the barest outlines, hoping that they will be able to fill in and thus live through a convention if only in memory.

B gathered with Γ^{Δ} , and the fun ran fast when Bert Winchester, primed with all his enthusiasm, beamed upon "his boys," and those brothers from the sister Charge who stand ever ready to back up the bunch at Ann Arbor.

"East is East and West is West" goes the old song, and while Δ^{Δ} , H^{Δ} and E^{Δ} gave the lie to the words which follow the quotation, yet they did eat alone this once. Judging from the reports of this luncheon we may assume that they had a royal good time and all became members of a certain famous fraternity under the tutelage of a tall blonde who answers to the name Tége.

The South too had a tendency to recognize geographical distinctions, for E, N and X^{Δ} had a corner to themselves and free from the chilling winds, sat down to a luncheon not composed of chicken and waffles.

H, along with I^{Δ} , endeavored to obtain their proverbial slab of pie and finally located in the Westminster, while Z and I, bent upon the same quest, decided upon the New England cooking of Mrs. Copley. K and A, on the other hand, upheld the culinary reputation of the Boston City Club.

Π^{Δ} and P^{Δ} planned to dine together, but a misunderstanding caused them to be separated; yet it is rumored that both kept to time-honored custom prevalent in the great metropolis by finishing their lunch within the limit of eight and one-half minutes.

And who had "Prexie?" Why E , of course. In the basement of the Westminster they ranged themselves along a rectangular table with S. Groetius at the head. We looked in upon them and

received a most cordial invitation to partake, but hesitated to tarry with them and break up what appeared to be the best party of all.

N^{Δ} and Φ^{Δ} joined by a common bond ate with apparent zest the codfish of Boston, yet not without a little thought of the Philadelphia capon, born and raised under the shadow of the patron saint whose image adorns the box from which comes the first morsel of the day. Φ was to be with them, but the cold was too much for one of her distinguished members, and so this charge dined within the home precincts; yet their good-will was with their brothers from Pennsylvania.

K^{Δ} joined with Z^{Δ} and Λ^{Δ} in the Oxford Hotel, and we have not a doubt that for K^{Δ} it was a luncheon long worth remembering.

Z^{Δ} and T^{Δ} , together with X and Ψ , also made the Oxford Hotel the scene of their festivities; and although few in number they made the most of their opportunities, for there was much enthusiasm generated in that small group. M^{Δ} was not far away, and with her sat one of her sons who did so much for the Charge luncheon as a whole.

Who could blame Θ^{Δ} for retiring to her own home to celebrate her luncheon? If you had been among the last to leave 80 Bay State Road on that memorable Saturday night, you too would have wondered as to the final disposition of those huge plates of sandwiches left after the big part of the night was over. We know full well that Θ^{Δ} had the tastiest luncheon of all.

Judging from numbers O^{Δ} had the most successful gathering, even though they waited a day so that the whole under-graduate Charge might be included around the board. It was indeed a great luncheon, filled with enthusiasm and good spirits and typical of the Charge.

Here we leave you to make as much of these luncheons as you please. If you never attended one they appear only as a certain part of the Convention programme, but if ever you have sat down to enjoy the flow of good fellowship you will agree with us that they made up the pleasantest part of the whole Convention—and ought not to be described at any great length for fear of failing to accomplish that which is impossible.

The Theater Party

Hurriedly leaving dinner parties Monday evening, scores of Theta Deltas, in spite of the unintentional omission of explicit directions on the part of the committee, found their way to the Colonial Theater. The night was cold and blustery, but on entering the theater the heart of every Theta Delt was warmed with anticipation and a sense of temporary proprietorship. That this was their night was quite evident. The orchestra was a solid mass of delegates and visiting brothers, their wives and sweethearts. A few fortunate outsiders viewed the scene of gaity from aloft.

Fraternity and college pennants adorned every conspicuous place and fraternal good-will and comradery prevailed.

Some operettas capture the public by their music, some by their stars and comedians, and others by the originality of stage devices. The "Pom-Pom" seems to have all these qualities. In addition to its fascinating music, it tells an interesting story. The play begins on the stage of the Olympia Theater, Nice; then progresses to the foyer, and from these lavish scenes, jumps to a jail yard. It doesn't take long for a comic opera heroine to escape from a jail, however, though Mizzi makes her escape in the most picturesque manner on record. The dramatic second act occurs in a thieves' haunt, The Black Elephant, where a revel is being held.

Mizzi Hajos as "Pom-Pom, the Pickpocket" was bewitching. She seemed to do her very best for her enthusiastic audience and surely never before have her fascinating talents elicited more hearty appreciation. Whether she mimicked strong men's feats, swaggered in the disguise of a girl heaped upon that of a boy, picked the pocket of a dummy or coquetted with the nearest lover, the "joint" and the Thetes beyond the footlights with one accord applauded her.

A storm of applause followed her most charming song, "In the Dark," and the gorgeous bunch of official carnations, held together in the usual fashion with Theta Delta Chi colors, was but slight expression of appreciation, graciously presented and smilingly received. Later Mizzi appeared with a huge rosette of black, white and blue ribbon which adorned and quite obscured one small shoulder.

Tom McNaughton as "Policeman No. 13" brought forth storms of laughter and applause when in the second act in the scene at the "Black Elephant" (be it known this was a rendezvous of thieves and cut throats) he stalked forward with two old guns and holding them in the faces of a motely bunch of "rough necks" cried "Where's Guy Pierce?" It was in truth somewhat disquiting to have our veteran treasurer paged in a hang out of that sort. "No. 13" talked about a small pet—a weasel, and when asked what he called it answered, "His name was *Hilda Spoor*." Some minutes later he vehemently declared that he had "*promised his Aunt Carrie Buck never to gamble*." His one song was "I'm Unlucky" and when encoored he came back and sang the following:

Saturday night I started out to go "AROUND THE BLOCK."
I met CLAY HOLMES and TWITMYER a starting for a walk.
To find the way to BAY STATE ROAD, the Potlatch to adorn,
I threaded the maze of Boston streets until the early morn.

I'm unlucky, born unlucky,
On the day that happens to be my day,
As I followed ARNOLD'S route,
I couldn't get to THETA DEUT
All thru being born upon a Friday.

I have no doubt but that you fellows
 All know of "PREXY" SPOOR.
 From his head the hairs are falling
 And he's searching for a cure;
 NED GRIFFING suggested mange cure
 PHIL CARTER, Carter's Ink,
 But unless he nails grass to his head
 He's for the bald headed row I think.

But he's lucky, born lucky,
 Destined to become a Theta Delt;
 Now his skin is tough as leather
 And it holds the grass seed better,
 Because he stands for Theta Delta Chi.

When LEW BARKER'S dead and gone,
 And never to return,
 He's bound to go to Heaven,
 For he's too darn tough to burn;
 But no one knows the future
 And it's not wise to foretell,
 Even RUSTY GIBBS has a chance for Heaven,
 So LEW has one for "HELL-O LEW."

But he's lucky so lucky,
 Though he might be destined for a warm time
 down below
 His skin's as tough as leather,
 And will keep the heat out better
 Because he's been in Theta Delta Chi.

The Grand Lodge box was filled and there could be no question as to how that august body enjoyed the whole thing. Prexy's hearty laugh and that of Carl Tombo's rose above all others.

The convention theater party originated in Boston thirteen years ago. Not then or since has a convention party witnessed a more pleasing production, or a company played to a more enthusiastic audience.

Banquet

The banquet, attended by more than 300 members, provided a fitting culmination to the Sixty-eighth Annual Convention. Held in the grand ball room of the Copley Plaza, the scene was one to stir the hearts of all present. Forming in line to the notes of a bugle call in the foyer of the hotel the brethren grouped in charges marched to their assigned places. The room had been decorated with banners and pennants giving it a familiar college touch. An enormous ΘΔΧ flag was draped from the ceiling back of the speakers' table. A very unique table decoration consisted of a



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dozen captive balloons of variegated hues, anchored over each table. When released by burning off the strings they ascended and exploded with a flash and loud detonation. For a time the scene suggested a Verdun battle field, the air filled with exploding shrapnell.

During the dinner college cheers and songs kept things lively and finally, in a wonderful bust of spontaneously accumulated enthusiasm, the snake march started. With hands on shoulders and singing our "Marching Song" the line wound about the tables and passed in review before the speakers' table. For fully fifteen minutes college students and old grads enjoyed this time-honored way of giving expression to the feelings within.

When Charles Neal Barney, K '95, toastmaster finally secured order he said: "This is truly the most inspiring Theta Delt sight that most of us have seen for many years. I do not think that you who participated in the serpentine dance, or whatever you call it, around the room here, appreciate how much it meant to those of us who looked on from the platform and saw a form of enthusiasm that some of us have not seen for half a century or so.

This occasion draws men of all kinds together, and yet men of one kind. Some of you are attending your first convention here in Boston, and some of the older men at this table have been at very many of these annual gatherings. I think some of us have wondered tonight how it happened that we got into so good a fraternity. I felt a good deal like the doctor I read about the other day who attended one of Billy Sunday's meetings, and was asked if he did not wish to be born again. He said, "No; I am a specialist in obstetrics, and I would not care to take the risk." (Laughter.)

I think a good many of us, as we look at the personnel of Theta Delta Chi today, would not wish to take the risk of having to be invited over again to join this noble fraternity.

To many of you this is an occasion of retrospect. To some of you it is an occasion of prospect. To some of us, who are here on the platform, it is both. Some of us were graduated a quarter of a century ago, or were in college, at least, a quarter of a century ago, although we do not look it. (Applause.) Thank you, Guy. (Aside.) Guy was in college with me, so you can figure about when I was there. (Laughter.) But we get the opportunity of looking back at the noble history of the fraternity, as well as sharing with you undergraduates, some of the spirit of Theta Delta Chi in the future.

One of my earliest recollections of Kappa charge was when Clay W. Holmes came to visit Kappa in the winter of 1891 and 1892. He looked then exactly as he does now, except that he looked a little older then (applause), and he made the same kind of speech he has been making this year, that sort of a *morituri te salutamus* speech. He tells us he is getting old, but we do not believe it, and brothers, we expect, those of us who are going to be present for the next fifty years, to find Clay W. Holmes there, looking as young as he did a quarter of a century ago. He told me that he had a

grandson here, the first Theta Delt grandson, which shows us how old our fraternity is getting to be.

I think those of us who are concerned at the present time with college administration, view with some concern the changing life, the changing spirit, I might say, in American colleges. When some of us were in college—I was about to say when Judge Hammond and I were in college—we used to read Plato in the original; didn't we, Judge?"

Judge HAMMOND: "Never heard of it."

The TOASTMASTER: "At least I did. And you fellows, today, many of you, do not know any Greek, except what is contained in the motto of our fraternity. The times have changed. The old order of cultural studies has given way, in many institutions, to the demands of those who believe, that somehow or other, the colleges should fit the men for active participation in their jobs in life.

I suspect that there is still greater need in the American college today for the spirit of a fraternity like this than there was in the days when some of us were in college, because I believe that Theta Delta Chi is furnishing today, as it always has furnished, that bit of sentiment—if you call it that—that bit of fraternity, of brotherliness, of kindness, that means a great deal more to the man who graduates from college than the question of whether or not he studied Greek or took chemistry instead.

I recall very well hearing our brother Capen, who, for many years, was the president of Tufts, and a beloved member of Kappa charge, whom many of you have heard at banquets—I recall hearing him on one occasion, in our own charge room, say that after all the thing that he recalled with the greatest delight and the greatest profit of his college course, was not the instruction in any particular study in the college curriculum, but the association with his brothers in Theta Delta Chi. That was the word of an educator who knew what he was talking about and who felt in his life, as you and I feel in our lives, the thrill of the friendships we have known in this fraternity of ours.

Now, I suspect that, as time goes on, there is going to be a greater need for the friendship exemplified by our order, because today in America we have reached a position where we realize that men cannot think and act and feel as individuals, but must think and feel collectively, and, when we see the nations of Europe engaged in the fearful conflict going on, we realize that the building up of the spirit of fraternity will some day give to international affairs a different aspect than they now have.

But my task tonight is not to speak what is welling up in my own heart, of memories of a quarter of a century of this beloved fraternity of ours. It is rather to ask those who have come here with a special message, to speak to you out of the fullness of their hearts. We have been disappointed in one or two of our speakers. Brother Raines has gotten lost on the way somewhere; at least he has not arrived. I think we are very much in the position of the darky woman whom a librarian friend of mine told me about a

little while ago. This darky woman came into a public library and said, "Have you Ella Wheeler Wilcox's Poems of Love?" The librarian said, "No; I am sorry, but they are out." She said, "Well, have you Ella Wheeler Wilcox's Poems of Passion?" To which the librarian answered, "No; I am sorry they are out." "Well, then give me Gibbon's Rome."

Well, tonight, while we cannot supply you what you came to hear, we have some which, while different in character, will be equally acceptable to you."

Before announcing the first speaker the following letters and telegrams were read:

CINCINNATI, OHIO, February 19, 1916.

SEWARD G. SPOOR, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Greetings. Let Theta Delta Chi know that her Cincinnati brothers are red hot with enthusiasm. If you don't believe it, drop in to our Friday lunches, and be convinced and fed. Best wishes for rousing convention and general good time. Regret we can't send delegation to add to joyful noise.

CINCINNATI ALUMNI.

MONTREAL, QUEBEC, February 20, 1916.

SEWARD G. SPOOR, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Z^A sends best wishes for a successful and enthusiastic convention. Though unable to send delegates we nevertheless are with you in spirit. Here's hoping that the war will be over before another convention rolls around and that I shall be able to again renew all my friendships.

FRANK A. PARKINS.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., February 22, 1916.

SEWARD G. SPOOR, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Phi Deuteron sends best wishes to the new Grand Lodge. May the stars shine even brighter under the new regime.

PHI DEUTERON CHARGE.

BUFFALO, N. Y., February 21, 1916.

THETA DELTA CHI CONVENTION:

Buffalo Graduate Association of Theta Delts sends greetings.

EVERETT H. HUNT, *President*.

NEW YORK, N. Y., February 21, 1916.

MR. SEWARD G. SPOOR, Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

Dear Seward: I find that imperative city engagements to-night and to-morrow morning make it impossible for me to go to the convention. I am more disappointed than I can express to you. Tell the boys how I regret that I cannot be with them and give them all my best wishes.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

EDWARD STETSON GRIFFING, I '89.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., February 16, 1916.

HON. SEWARD G. SPOOR, *President Theta Delta Chi*,
149 Broadway, New York, N. Y.

My dear Brothers: I received your notice of the meeting of the sixty-eighth annual convention at the Copley Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass., on the 19th-22nd inst., inclusive.

When I received this notice I made up my mind to attend the convention this year and fully expected to leave to-day for Washington and New York, so as to be in Boston by the 19th and present myself at this meeting. I find, however, that my clients have me in such charge I cannot get off the lid here in time to meet with you, to my great regret. It is indeed a great disappointment I cannot be with you in Boston. I have always remembered the happy occasions of past meetings in Boston; also I did wish to be with our brothers, as I have not met with them since the election in New York of Brother Compton as president of the Grand Lodge. However, I will be with you in spirit and wish to say I will greatly appreciate it if you will extend my felicitations and best wishes to all those present, and especially any members of Epsilon Deuteron (Yale) Chapter.

Kindly extend to my friends and brothers an invitation whenever they get a chance to move this way to call and see me in the land of sunshine and flowers. We have fruit, fresh vegetables and flowers every day in the year (including Sundays) and the best fishing in these United States (except Sundays). I am always glad to have a call from a "Theta Delt" and serve them to the full extent of my ability.

I know the convention will be a success and I only wish I could be with you to add my little part in helping out.

With kindest regards and sincere best wishes, I am,

Fraternally yours,

CROMWELL GIBBONS.

Awards of the Compton Scholarship Prize Committee and the Mileage Committee were then announced. Edmund B. Sherwood, Ψ 16, accepting the scholarship prize responded for his charge as follows:

"Members in the sixty-eighth convention assembled: The Psi men feel very much gratified to receive this, and I am sure when we take this back that there will be a great celebration, and I thank you all." (Applause.)

Raymond F. DeVoe, O^A '16, responding to the toastmaster's presentation remarks, accepted the cup for his charge with the following speech:

"Brethren in the sixty-eighth convention assembled: I am sure that, for Omicron Deuteron Charge, I cannot express the feeling of the Charge for the beautiful cup which we have won. I am sure it was the ambition of every member in the Charge to achieve this, and I want to state to the convention that out of the four times for which the cup has been competed, this is the second time that

Omicron Deuteron has won it of the four times, and I hope that this percentage may be not only maintained in the future, but that Omicron Deuteron may be the steady possessor of this beautiful cup." (Prolonged applause.)

The TOASTMASTER: "Brothers, as the first speaker tonight I have the honor to present to you a brother who was graduated from Kappa charge in the year 1861. That was a few years ago. He has served the commonwealth of Massachusetts upon the bench of her Superior Court, and has just terminated a long and faithful service upon the Supreme Court of this commonwealth, Brother John W. Hammond." (Prolonged applause.)

HON. JOHN WILKES HAMMOND, K '61: "Brothers of the society, I intended to make a good speech tonight. I represent, I believe, the oldest charge which has a continuous existence—Kappa, and I think I am the only one here representing the class of '61, and yet, with all these expectations, I am introduced here as Gibbon's Rome. I have heard of that book and I have undertaken to read it several times, but I never succeeded, and I do not think what I say will make a much better impression upon your minds than Gibbon's Rome did on mine. I shall not talk long, gentlemen, it is too late. My speech is, "Why We Exist."

C. F. Brown, better known as Artemus Ward, fifty or sixty years ago, used to address the New England lyceums, announcing as his speech, "The Babes in the Woods." But he always began by saying that he knew nothing about babies, nothing about the babes in the woods, and he was not going to say a word about them, for he did not know anything about them, but he selected that title because he thought it would draw an audience. (Laughter.) Many a book in the first edition at least, sells by reason of the title, and also many a theatrical play, and I thought that would be a good thing to catch you with.

But, I do not intend to say anything about why we exist. It is too complicated a problem even for a Theta Delt of long standing. Cotton Mather, the eminent Puritan divine, might have said, "We exist for the glory of God." Well, that depends on whom he is speaking about. I can think of some of the human race who do not seem to me to be of very much use in that direction. (Laughter.) But that cannot be said of Theta Deltas. We as a part of the world, do exist for the glory of God, if anybody does, but, as I sit here, I am reminded of the difference in the times. When an old man undertakes to speak, he is generally reminiscent, and generally tedious, and I may be before I get through.

We had a society in Tufts College at that time, which represented the best students in the college. I did not get in the first year. I went around the hill lonesome, and nobody asked me to join any society. There were two of them there. But, in the second year, I managed to pull through, and was with the society for three years. It was a literary society largely. We used to have a little supper at times, but not much of a one, and, if I do say it, I do not think that there was ever a purer minded set of

fellows in the world than those who were members of that society at that time. (Laughter.) What they have been since, I conceive I may judge from those upon my right and upon my left. (Laughter.) I have to take both sides, gentlemen, in order to be perfectly neutral, a state of mind which all parties are desirous that the people of the United States should take.

We had discussions and, although I have told it once and all the Kappa fellows have heard it within three months, I would like to give you an illustration of the discussions that we had. We had deep questions, questions of immortality, questions whether realization was better than anticipation, or otherwise (Laughter); we had questions of free will. There were some young men among us who wanted to be clergymen, and they wanted to be educated by their fellow brothers for that line of life. One question was this: "On the resurrection day, do we arise with the same bodies that we had in life?" That was a deeply philosophical question, but it was characteristic, for we managed all those things at that time. Well, those who were in favor, who were in the affirmative, took texts from the bible and from the philosophers, to show that we did. Some heretical fellows took the negative, and said they did not think we did. There was one man in the lodge, a fine scholar—I will call him Smith because that was not his name—who seldom took much part in the debates, did not seem to care about immortality and those important things. He studied chemistry and had a material mind. On one occasion, Smith got up and astonished us all, for he seldom debated. Said he, "It is a well-known fact that decomposed bodies find their way into vegetation. It is possible when John Smith dies for part of his body to find its way into an apple or a potato, and that would be eaten by Jim Jones, and be in Jim Jones' body when he died, and that go on for ages, so that one particle might be at times in the bodies of several." Then, having stated his proposition, he arose to the occasion and said, "Brothers, on the resurrection day, what a hell of a row there will be over those particles." (Laughter.)

Those are the discussions that we had, but gentlemen, it was a fine body of young men. The most of them are gone but they were good scholars. In those days, everybody in class studied the same thing. My name began with "H." On my left sat Forbes; on my right sat Harris. I do not believe that there were a dozen recitations in the four years, at which I was not flanked by those two men. We all studied the same thing. We studied Greek, I think. I know that at the Junior Exhibition which we had, I was assigned a part to read in Greek. My speech was Demosthenes. I have never been able to read the first line of it since. The only Greek I can remember is *hoi polloi*, and I am not certain about that (laughter), but that was called a disciplinary education. We studied Latin and Greek, but left it after we got out of college, and can scarcely read our diplomas written in Latin. Now, everything is different.

I will detain you no longer by these reminiscences. I want to express to you the feeling I have for being associated with Theta

Delta Chi, and for being here tonight. Is it a fancy of mine, or is it true that, as a rule, the members of this fraternity, as men, as friends, and as scholars, rank high among the fraternities? I believe that if I did not know what this function was, I should feel it and know it by the manners of those who are present. I had classmates who were in other societies. My own chum was a Zeta Psi, as it was called, but a Thete always looked different to me than any other student.

Everybody knows that in college one of the best things about college life is the association, the friendship, and one of the best things about this society is that it contributes, as much at least as any other society, to that desirable part of college life. I have bored you long enough, and you feel now, no doubt, as I feel when I undertake to read Gibbon." (Prolonged applause.)

The TOASTMASTER: "I have a feeling, after all, that Brother Hammond would rather have us call him Gibbon's Rome than Ella Wheeler Wilcox's Poems of Love. (Laughter.)

I was reminded while he was speaking of the theme debated in the charge in his day, as well as by the subject which was assigned him on the program, of the story which a friend of mine told me of a school teacher who was interested in the psychology of young children, and she asked them to write a composition one day upon the subject, "Are you afraid of dying? State your reasons." One small boy wrote, "I am not afraid of dying, and my reason is that I am in perfect health and have no disease." (Laughter.)

The year '95 was a year when many distinguished men graduated from many distinguished institutions. I am going to present one of them tonight, a graduate of Eta Charge, our brother John Shaw French, Eta '95, who will speak on the "Legacy of the Fraternity."

Brother French delivered a scholarly and stirring oration which will take a place among the best productions in our fraternity literature. Owing to its length and the desirability of publishing it in full it has been reserved for the April issue of THE SHIELD.

The TOASTMASTER: "Now, brothers, I am sure we do not want to leave tonight without hearing from our President of the Past Grand Lodge, and of the New Grand Lodge." (Applause.)

President SEWARD G. SPOOR, E '08: "Brother Toastmaster and brothers in Theta Delta Chi: It seems to be the style, at least judging from the last two speakers, to define yourself before starting out. I have come to the conclusion, brothers, having witnessed that black elephant last night, that so far as the fraternity was concerned, I was the white elephant, because, I seem to have been instrumental in that more or less doubtful subject which we undertook on our convention floor, and which our worthy Toastmaster warned us was a very dangerous thing to undertake, that is, of being re-born. You will recall that we were born over again yesterday. We found out that we were a few months older than we thought we were, but we pulled through all right, and the fraternity seems to be quite a noisy child still.

From Judge Hammond, we have had, interesting incidents of what took place and what was discussed in his day in college. In my travels about from charge to charge, I find that it is quite true they did actually discuss those weighty subjects. Not long ago I was perusing the minutes of good Zeta charge, and I found they devoted three meetings to a debate as to whether a certain printing machine which a brother owned, should not be purchased by the charge. You will notice that it was a weighty machine. However, as the final resolution stood, it was too expensive for the charge pocketbook, and they did not purchase it. Such things happen in our charges.

On the other hand, one charge in a hilly country, experienced this student life condition. They do not walk up and down the hill to classes in the winter; they use sleds to come down at least. I do not know how they get up. But the grave misfortune happened of a student missing the turn and running into a wooden arbor, meeting his death. His father felt that a suitable memorial should be erected at that college in memory of his son, and on that same site, so he tore down the old wooden arbor and erected a stone one.

I am going to make this exceedingly brief and will try to leave with you this one thought, which came to me most spontaneously a moment ago when these brothers of Lamda Deuteron came here and said, "Spoor, we have to leave now; we have to start straight back, because we have only a short leave of absence out of our uniforms, but we want to leave this little flag with you." (Producing small flag.) I noticed a moment before that one of those same brothers went up there and took down the Toronto banner, and pinned on the middle of it was this flag, standing out on the front of their university insignia, as much in the fore rank of their attention at the present moment as anything near and dear to their hearts. It is their nation, and it is this flag which to them means all. I take it that in coming with that thoughtfulness and leaving with me this little token, it suggests the love, the reverence, the affection, which those boys have for this fraternity. They are ever anxious to show that even when they are in that suspense, where patriotism runs high, that they have a patriotism, and a love, and a reverence for this fraternity. They connect the two on every hand. We know, one and all, what a man's love for country is. We know what a man will do for his country. To pay the price with his life is very insufficient to him when defense is necessary, and the action of those brothers in connecting their fraternity and their country assures us that their fraternity and ours, means as much in their hearts as their country itself. Oh, we all know those dear old lines, and where they came from, and how we are connected with them by tradition—"Shall we bring the flag back to the line?" "No; bring your line up to the flag."

Are not those brothers in Canada doing it every day in patriotic devotion, and are they not doing it every day in their sacrifice in fraternal devotion? Oh, brothers, we owe them much. We should

extend to them not only our sympathy but our encouragement, that they may weather the storm, and that they may endure. We can give this simply a passing thought on an evening like this, but if we are truly fraternity brothers, we can give them encouragement by a written line now and then. Let each one of us resolve here and now that within the next month we will drop a line to each of those two charges. We know how they have remembered this convention and how they have sacrificed to play their part in it. It devolves upon us to do our part in lending them that encouragement which can only come through fraternal greeting, for what is more inspiring and encouraging than the extension of the hand of Theta Delta Chi. Let us resolve here and now that we will do this little personal thing, for the flag does not belong to me, but belongs to the fraternity, and I want this little visit to go down into the tradition of this fraternity and this charge, and purposely place it, therefore, in the careful possession of the Custodian of Archives with proper explanation because, mindful of the condition surrounding our charges that suffered in the Civil War, and how we cherish now the traditions that have been preserved from that day, we should be careful now to preserve such little, and yet such expressive acts as this.

These things must be done in this fraternity, just as much as we must do those more prosy things leading to greater efficiency. Let us be mindful of both. The business things may seem to have more attraction. They seem to be more in the minds of the brothers and the officers at times, and we get careless about the other side of this fraternity of friendship. I, therefore, leave that thought with you.

Turning to the other side, the prosy side, in leaving, I want to say this one word as to business, and it is troubling me considerably. I came to this convention with a report full of business that had to be done, not by this Grand Lodge, but by the next one, if it went through, and lo! and behold, it went through, and I am the goat. Therefore, I must say that I have arranged to take the midnight train, to start in the morning. I have put myself in the position of having to appoint a half dozen committees to start work, investigating high-school fraternities, and so on. We never know what sort of a job we may be setting for ourselves. Having done it, brothers, I want to assure you, on behalf of this new Grand Lodge, that we will take our own medicine, and we will come back to the next convention, wherever it may be held, hoping to give the convention and the fraternity the benefit of those many committee investigations, which are now, it seems, the policy of the fraternity, covering these many phases of study and research and investigation into the highways and byways of good and efficient fraternity organization. We must do that in order to keep apace with the progress of fraternities from the standpoint of government and efficiency, and I believe that the next convention will be full of interesting reports from the standing committees.

In conclusion, brothers, I can only repeat my expression of gratitude which I endeavored to express this afternoon, for the confidence which you have shown you have in us. The inspiration of that will lead us to endeavor much, and we hope to accomplish at least a little, that this fraternity may not only endure, but go on and on into greater usefulness, broader life, more friendships and a fuller conception of what our ideals are, so that in the end, we may be as rich in youth, as rich in love of the fraternity, as this dear old brother who came out of Tufts College years and years before most of us were born. We must be mindful constantly of these open doors for fraternal intercourse and take advantage of them. We must be mindful that the medium through which we can do this is our organization itself, and this Grand Lodge pledges itself, therefore, to do all in its power to the end that this fraternity may go on into greater usefulness and greater happiness for us all." (Prolonged applause.)

The TOASTMASTER: "Brothers, the hour is getting late, but I am sure there are several members here tonight whom you wish to hear from before we leave. They will be exceedingly brief, but I trust that those of you who can stay, will do so. There are several brothers here who have come away across the continent to attend this convention, and those of us who have been across to the other side of this great country of ours, know that the spirit of Theta Delta Chi is just as prevalent on the Pacific Coast as it is here.

I was in the city of San Francisco four or five years ago and I met my old college classmate, Sid Clark, whom some of you may have seen on the stage. He was playing in one of the theaters in San Francisco and he offered to show me the town. Never having been shown the town of San Francisco, and believing it was worth seeing, I put myself under the guidance of Brother Clark, and the very first place he took me was a gathering of Theta Delts in one of the restaurants of San Francisco, and I felt, after all, that the Pacific Coast represented to Theta Delta Chi exactly what the Atlantic Coast does.

I take great pleasure in asking Brother Frank Buck, who was chairman of the convention last year, to say a word to us tonight." (Applause.)

FRANK BUCK, Δ^Δ '07: "Brother Toastmaster and brothers: I am going to make my remarks very brief because I realize that the hour is late, and that a great many of the brothers have gone already or must go to catch midnight trains for New York.

This is my third Boston convention. I have seen a great deal of Boston and I have always admired the way in which they have handled the convention here. When it was my good fortune to be chosen to take care of the convention at San Francisco, I and the committee set before ourselves the model of the Boston conventions, to which we would strive to attain.

I have but a brief message to give to you. In California and on the Pacific Coast the altar fires of Theta Delta Chi are

burning just as brightly as they are burning here in Boston, as they are burning throughout New England and the East. The stars are ablaze there just as they are here, and that same spirit of fraternity, of harmony and good-will, prevails there throughout our meetings, as it does here. We are always glad to welcome you as we have been welcomed here. We only regret that there are not more of you who come out our way, and I hope that any of you who are here tonight will not miss the opportunity of looking us up and letting us show what Theta Delta Chi means in California—exactly what we have seen it means here in Boston during the last four days.”

The TOASTMASTER: “We are going to have a word from Brother W. F. Gregory, of Omicron Deuteron.”

W. F. GREGORY, O^A '88: “Worthy Toastmaster and brothers: I am surprised for the second time tonight. The first time, two or three hours ago, it was hinted that I might be called upon, but I rejoiced that I escaped owing to the lateness of the hour. Having no speech, I will fall back on a previous one—“Why We Exist.” The brother who responded to that answered it very well in his own personality. He is his own reason for existence, and he can answer it that way. Still, it will be put up to us, “Why is a Theta Delt?” Many who have not the fraternal spirit will say there is no answer. Some others, who ought to answer it, might be unable to, readily. Our first answer is, that there is a thrill about the three letters which stand for the motto of our fraternity, that comes to us in a different way than any other symbols on earth. We all feel it. Then, we must remember that when a man goes to college, he enters upon a greater freedom from responsibility and accountability than he has ever known before, or ever will know again, with impunity. He needs an anchor. The best way to find it is in worthy companionship, in a worthy fraternity. If an organized fraternity is not tolerated, he will find his companionship in a different way. Then he can answer the question, but after he has been out 25 years, will he answer it? I say, he can, and we exist as Theta Delt because it is worth while for us to exist.” (Applause.)

The TOASTMASTER: Brothers, before we adjourn, let us rise and drink a toast to the Omega Charge.

On the day following the close of convention the editor received the following letter from Brother W. G. Raines, E '70, who was announced as a speaker for the banquet:

NEW YORK, February 26, 1916.

My Dear Editor: Honored with an invitation to respond to a toast, “The Silent Force,” at our Boston fraternity banquet, I duly prepared a response—not supposing that it would be made in absolute silence. In proof of good purpose I enclose a copy.

I started for Boston in ample time to do as I promised my Brother Gibbs, but my train, delayed by a wreck—a most serious affair—arrived at 11.45 P. M., which would have been reasonably early for the boys of a quarter century ago. I promptly 'phoned the Copley Plaza and a facetious "Neutral" responded to my inquiry with the information "The boys have suffered enough—gone to bed—and you will have no chance to add to their misery." I registered, over night, at the Essex, returning to New York in a mood ordinarily impossible in flesh and blood. To hunt up my brethren and slay a few of them in their innocence, would have suited it well; for I felt very much like Jove, one day, when he purposed to destroy the earth. I shall be better presently.

Most sincerely,

W. G. RAINES, Xi '70.

The manuscript of Brother Raines' speech is now in the hands of the editor and will appear in the April issue of THE SHIELD.

Mileage Cup Prize

The Mileage Cup Prize committee reported that after computation of mileage from the various charges to Boston and a complete perusal of the registration records, O^Δ with twenty-nine undergraduates present, other than delegates, and an aggregate mileage of 4,205, was entitled to the possession of the Mileage Cup for the ensuing year.

The Compton Scholarship Prize

The Compton Scholarship committee reported to convention that this year nineteen of the twenty-nine charges filed returns for the college year 1914-15.

The committee awarded the prize to the Ψ charge, at Hamilton College, and made Honorable Mention of the E charge at the College of William and Mary, the Z charge at McGill University, and the Φ^Δ charge at the University of Pennsylvania.

Φ^Δ was not in existence during the whole college year, but is highly commended because of its good standing; and Z^Δ eliminated herself from the competition in a spirit of fairness to the other charges. The situation is so interesting, and so creditable to the charge, that we quote from the report:

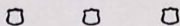
"We took in only four freshmen last year, and of those one is back this year. The other three had enlisted for military service overseas, and left college before the final examinations. Hence you see we have the marks of only one man available. It would, of course, not be fair to the other charges to hand in one man's marks to represent Zeta Deut., for it happens this brother stood well at the top of his class. When the war is over Zeta Deut. will give the best of them a run for the prize."

Fine spirit that.

The charges are reminded that henceforth the competition includes the entire membership of each charge.

As Seen and Heard

Did you note the wondrous gavel wielded by our President? He had nuts to crack, apparently, and so the old-fashioned claw-hammer was in evidence. Vociferously he hammered and clawed and (oh fie) broke one claw.



Suddenly the Committee on Grand Lodge Report asked the Grand Lodge to confer with them. It was only 3 a. m.

Why should the G. L. retire? No reason.

So the summons met with hearty response—all save one.

His home is in Philadelphia and he asked, "What time is it?"

Answer "II." "If you had not lied to me, I would come."

Oh foxy evasion.

And so the other four, shrouded in blankets a la Cherokee nation—crept from divers floors and assembled in 447 to give evidence of knowledge of their duties to the grim inquisitors who surrounded them.

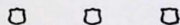
They were even as those who attend sunrise on the summit of the Rigi-Kulm. All were enshrouded similarly—and to your onlooker, it was great.

But the 4 a. m. incident was grand. The President turns up then at his own headquarters from divers meetings and retires. From the next couch cometh many snorts-wide but comprehensive.

And finally the President bethinks "I can go to room of the Clerk and SLEEP."

He doth and slumbers well. At 7 he returns to his own domicile.

And lo—the Secretary still sweetly snor-teth.



On Saturday noon 'twas time to announce the nearing Potlatch. How plain to tell.

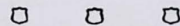
"The brethren will walk out of the front door of the hotel—then turn to right past the side door—then through the hotel to left side door.

From here—walk to Huntington Avenue—turn left and go forward until you reach the third block on your right.

Then go through the gate.

Walk round the block. "You are not there yet."

So far you are only back at the hotel. Now go round the block and all the way round. Arriving at subway, descend, stay aboard 8 minutes—emerge—take 1st right, 2d left, 3d right and there you are."



The presence of Clay W. Holmes, of the First Grand Lodge and President of the 23d and 24th Grand Lodges became most noteworthy when he was called upon to install the President-elect of the 49th Grand Lodge. It is most unlikely that so far reaching a span of years as that will ever again mark the classes spreading between the President-elect and the installing frater.

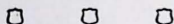
Tuesday opened with a bang.

A bang of human force, for from an unlocated quarter came an intense Wheeeeeeee—CHOOOO that reverberated through the hall, woke up the General Manager of the hotel, called out the fire-drill, and shook the sacred cod-fish in the Capitol.

My, we hope that orator comes next year.



All, the committees report long sessions. Is there no way to expedite our work without keeping good floor men out of the Convention for protracted work and labor? Is there no *media res* to stop these willing sacrifices of men who come to Convention to participate in the transactions?

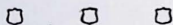


For the second time—Omicron Deuteron took away the mileage cup. May the hills of New Hampshire send forth the winning team next year. In time a Deed of Trust may be theirs to receive.



What a grand thing—scholarship. If Zeta Deuteron had more men, she might have had the Scholarship prize. It was not fair for one man to cop it. And Phi Deuteron could have claimed the prize had her rating covered a full year.

PSI—the old headquarters of “cube Root” and of “square Root” received acclaim.



Governor McCall spoke as one whose son was of us.

Governor Hughes spoke to us in 1908 as one who loved his legal adviser, Ex-President Huffcut. To contrast the two addresses were invidious. But to those who heard both the thought came clearly—that merit dwells when Executives can so address us as to warm our hearts because they understand us and our aims.

And this is no slight allusion for these things tell us much.



One brother always held strongly on what was compatible and what incompatible. Sometimes it was people, sometimes food, always a result befitting the banks of the Lehigh and the blare of the ballyhoo.



At 2 a. m. Wednesday, Bob Emerson folded his tents and taking Meiklejohn Ξ as ballast motored his way to Providence or Pawtucket as the case may be. He showed no wheels as temporary Chairman—he showed no wheels to yawning cops, as he sped to the region of What Cheer at the hour 'twixt darkness and dawn.

After 11 p. m., the only token recognized by certain white-coated citizens in a remote corner of the Copley Plaza—delivered us from locating it in terms of the points of the compass—was a conventional (not a joke) key attached to a leather tag bearing thereon the name of a sleeping chamber. Only one man entertaining determination to sleep could be found at 11.01 p. m., and much to his surprise suddenly found himself the most popular and sought after individual among his brothers in the entire city of Boston.

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"Move we adjourn until 2:15 p. m."

"Second the motion."

"All in favor—"

"Mr. President—I wish to—"

"Can't be done." Motion *to adjourn* is not, etc.

"But Mr. President."

"Not in order" (emphasized by a blow with a three-pound claw hammer).

"But I do not wish to debate—'adjourn.'"

"Well, debate 2:15 all you like."

"Motion carried" (claw hammer once more).

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If Brother Guy Pierce will stop wearing yellow shirts he can qualify as a Billy S. understudy. He knows how to take his coat off in meeting and has the ability to get it across as well.

Drop the hint that K Charge is not first on the list of SHIELD subscribers, F. C., or any other activity, and you start something. X^Δ subscription list looked mighty good, but the glory was short lived. Incidentally "the threat" cost K graduates two per, but they will get their money's worth.

Isaac A. Chapman, II^A '14

APPOINTED DEPUTY CUSTODIAN OF ARCHIVES, DECEMBER 23, 1915.

No one can doubt that April third, 1892, was an extremely bright and happy day. It could have been no otherwise, for on that date Isaac A. Chapman entered this world. Receiving his early education in the schools of Greater New York, he was impressed by the advantages in the system, and continued on his way by entering the College of the City of New York in 1910.

Here the benevolent influence of Theta Delta Chi exerted itself, and early in his freshman year he was admitted into her bonds of brotherhood. There a new field for his many talents was opened to him, and "Ike" at once proceeded to show that the confidence of the Pi Deuteron brothers was not misplaced in making him one of them. To a charge which boasts not so much of its numbers as of its individuals, he showed himself a fitting example of Pi Deut's policies. President of his charge in his sophomore and junior years, secretary of the Grand Lodge in his senior year, he showed that leadership is not lacking in his makeup.

After his graduation in 1914 from City College, Ike was not quite persuaded that his education was complete. So journeying down to Philadelphia, he entered the Graduate School at the University of Pennsylvania, between whiles being engaged as an instructor in Drexel Institute in Philadelphia. Being in Philadelphia at that time was an incentive to "Ike," and he was one of those greatly instrumental in the installation of the Phi Deuteron charge. For these new brothers he has always had a word of advice when needed, and his cheery presence has had much to do with the success of the "baby" charge.

We could keep on interminably in enumerating the honors and incidents of "Ike's" life, but his latest achievement will suffice. It is that which has called these words into being. On December twenty-third, at Pi Deuteron when many Thetes were called together to do honor to Brother Carter, E^A '90, who had served nineteen years as Custodian of Archives, it was announced that he was to be rewarded with a deputy, one who was known to be tried and true, none other than our "Ike". To all his former duties this has now been added, and we know that no more fitting person could have been selected.

He is but a boy at heart,—we will not offend him by mentioning years,—but this heart belongs to the most open and sincere of all men. Ready to do his utmost when his assistance is needed, he fulfils to the end his every duty. He is indeed a true Theta Delt whom it is well "to have known."

E. H. G., P^A '16.



I. A. Chapman, II^d '14
DEPUTY CUSTODIAN OF ARCHIVES



Maurice A. Nicholls, P³ '17
SECRETARY OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH GRAND LODGE

Maurice A. Nicholls, Γ^{Δ} '17

SECRETARY OF THE GRAND LODGE

When Maurice A. Nicholls, Γ^{Δ} '17, was chosen by the convention as Grand Lodge Secretary, the brothers at Γ^{Δ} were most agreeably surprised and yet proud to know that so great a confidence has been placed in one of their number who we feel is truly worthy of the trust.

"Nick," as he is fondly called, hails from the "Smoky City," Pittsburg, Pa. He entered the University of Michigan with the 1917 engineering class and is now specializing in marine engineering. His first year brought him a fine record of scholarship, which he has since maintained.

Last summer he spent in gaining some practical experience at Cramp's ship yards at Philadelphia, living at the new Φ^{Δ} charge house with Brother "Ike" Chapman. There, through his close and intimate contact with "Ike" Chapman and the enthusiastic brothers in Philadelphia, he imbibed a great deal of the true Theta Delt spirit of good fellowship and service and gained much valuable knowledge of our fraternity, which will prove invaluable to him in performing the duties of his new office.

From the start "Nick" took a keen interest in the workings of the fraternity and in his two and one-half years as a Theta Delt has acquired quite a wealth of information concerning it. He was elected secretary at the end of his first year and for the past two seasons has done good work on the rushing committee.

His interest in the campus has never been very wide or varied, but what he has done has been done well. He is now assistant manager of the Glee Club and will be manager next year. This gives him a trip to the Pacific coast with the clubs this spring. As a result of his activities he was elected to Quarter-deck, a marine honorary society and he is also a member of $\Delta\Sigma\Pi$, a national marine engineering society.

"Nick" has always been a willing worker and whatever task has been assigned to him, he has done cheerfully and well. His congenial personality and gift of conversation have won for him many warm friends. Always carrying himself with a quiet dignity, he inspires in others a confidence which is never misplaced. We of Γ^{Δ} feel that he has been well chosen and that for him will be the same words of praise as those given to his predecessor, when his fulfilment of the duties of this office are over.

HARRY N. WHITTINGHAM, Γ^{Δ} '17.

Granville Benton Fuller, O^A '16

TREASURER OF THE GRAND LODGE

One clear day in the fall of 1912 there appeared at Dartmouth the reddest cheeked freshman ever seen on the college campus. He was immediately termed "Pinkie" by the ever present wits, and his career had started. His bubbling enthusiasm and manly characteristics made him at once the subject of fraternity rushing. Pinkie had his mind on one only, however, and his first and incidentally greatest honor, was bestowed on him in March of 1913 when he wore the shield for the first time.

From that time on other college honors were thrust upon him with constant regularity. In the spring of his sophomore year, he was elected to the *Year Book* board, and in this position his ability to do things thoroughly was made evident. Like the stamp he went through with every detail, with great tenacity of purpose, until it had reached its destination. At this time also he became very prominent on the bars (horizontal and parallel) and his ability to do the "giant swing" made him a valuable member for the gymnasium team.

In the Charge elections for the year 1915 the selection of an assistant treasurer was comparatively simple, for "Pinkie" had already made his qualifications apparent. With the ease of a magician he seemed to pluck money from the air, and once it was in his hands he rivalled Ingersoll in making the dollar famous. This year he succeeded to the treasurership of the Charge, and with great thrift and efficiency placed the Charge on a firm financial basis. His books and reports show accuracy and care, and are models for future Charge treasurers.

In his senior year he is manager of the gymnasium team, and has been elected to the Dragon Senior Society. It is rumored that the Dragon Society is to have a new house, and undoubtedly much of the blame can be placed upon Pinkie. In June he will receive the B. S. degree, but will not be lost to the Charge, as he will be back next year for post-graduate work in the Tuck School of Finance. His great hobby is to be an expert on statistics, and a Charge delinquent in payments in the future may expect to see its deficiencies represented by various parabolas and hyperbolas.

The Omicron Deuteron Charge is behind him to the man for it knows that just as he has endeared himself to our Charge by his high ideals and self-sacrifice, so will he endear himself to all who flaunt the black, white and blue. He is a man among men, he is a friend by being friendly, and beneath the modest exterior there beats a heart of pure gold.

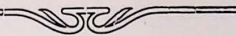
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Granville B. Fuller, O^A '16
TREASURER OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH GRAND LODGE



Hand on Shoulder



To

PHI DEUTERON

R. H. WHITCOMB, O^A '01

1916

Hand on Shoulder

(Marching Song)

Dedicated to
Phi Deuteron

Rubert Henry Whitcomb, O^Δ '01

f

Hand on shoul-der, step in step, We sing The-ta

f

This system contains the first two staves of music. The top staff is a vocal line in G major (one flat) and common time, starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The bottom staff is a piano accompaniment in the same key and time, also starting with a forte (*f*) dynamic. The lyrics are written below the vocal staff.

Delt and her glo - ry, March-ing, sing-ing, heart to heart Pro-

This system contains the next two staves of music. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "Delt and her glo - ry, March-ing, sing-ing, heart to heart Pro-". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and rhythmic patterns. There are some markings in the piano part, including a double bar line with repeat dots.

mf

claim the an-cient sto - ry, Love of friendship, Brother-ly love, Di-

mf

This system contains the final two staves of music. The vocal line continues with the lyrics "claim the an-cient sto - ry, Love of friendship, Brother-ly love, Di-". The piano accompaniment continues with chords and rhythmic patterns. There are some markings in the piano part, including a double bar line with repeat dots and a mezzo-forte (*mf*) dynamic marking.

ff

vine to each true broth - er; Hand on shoul - der, heart to heart, Here

f

pledge we one an - oth - er, So here's a rouse and

there's a rouse, A cheer for The - ta Del - ta Chi, We

fz

march and sing—The raft - ers ring To The - ta Del - ta Chi.



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, so that the cooperation of all our readers, and especially secretaries of Graduate Associations, is earnestly solicited.—EDITOR,

Annual Kappa Deuteron Alumni Christmas Party

Not content with having furnished about one-half the attendance at the Christmas party of the Central Graduate Association in Chicago, Kappa Deuteron's pep crowd decided that it was altogether fitting and proper that it should have such a party of its own, while the boys were in and about the Windy City. Ex-Lieut.-Col. Spud Armstrong acted as chairman of the national committee, and a call was issued for all those who claimed K^Δ as their charge to report on or about 6 o'clock on the evening of December 29th at Fort Dearborn hotel, city of Chicago, county of Cook.

And they reported. Twenty of 'em, representing Kappa Deuteron's best (I was there). The little dinner was no rasmatuidious affair (with apologies to Gomez)—simply a bone a plate and beer extra. But say, there was as much pep as was ever dispensed at any \$5 banquet, with all the high muck-a-mucks in the universe present.

The committee on arrangements (that's Spud) decided beforehand that the longest speech would be to say there would be no speeches, but along about 9 o'clock, after the boys had sung 'till they were hoarse, the time was ripe for toasts. Brother Dutch Pfister rose to the occasion and acted as toastmaster. Brothers responded who had not spoken at a Theta Delta Chi gathering for years. First, there was Brother Jas. Hunt, one of the founders of the Charge. James had sort a got out of touch with things, and the words didn't come as freely with him as they did with Brother Harold Derby, who distinguished himself as an orator-extraordinary.

When the ball was once started there was no stopping. Not until every man present had responded to a toast (even including

Irwin Tucker Brown and Harold Peter Streff) did the relentless toastmaster stop. A final song, and the party broke up at 10 o'clock; that is, it officially broke up, but there was an informal gathering at Heinekabubler's where Milt Silver was the "goat," but we won't mention that.

As was said before there were twenty present on that memorable night; twenty of the best Theta Delts in the land united to make Kappa Deuteron's second annual Christmas party a rousing success. We'll venture to say that there'll be thirty, or forty, or fifty next year (for we are determined to make it an annual affair) when the Theta Delt, or more particularly the Kappa Deut, world learns of the doings of last December 29th.

Rusty missed a train, Lindy broke a date, Bill Dawson stayed away from Danville, and two freshman pledges came all the way from Iowa. This was responsible for some of the spirit of the occasion. All credit to Brother Spud and the rest who staged the party; the boys who came got their reward that night.

MILT SILVER, K^Δ '17.

Sigma Deut Entertains Tau Deut

The 1915 Home Coming will be long remembered. Yes, it is true that Minnesota beat us twenty to three, but when you consider the fact that practically the whole active Tau Deuteron Charge were our guests it would hardly have become us as hosts to send them back disheartened by defeat. There is a game next year you know.

The first contingent of Minnesota brothers arrived on Friday in time for our informal dance, and they demonstrated that the "Minnesota shift" was as irresistible on the dance floor as on the football field. A number of the Sigma Deuteron alumni and their wives also helped to make the party a success. Thanks to Brothers Frank and Harry Kessenich the house was very appropriately decorated for the occasion with the maroon and gold of Minnesota and the cardinal of Wisconsin predominant throughout the color scheme.

The next morning the rest of the Tau Deut boys put in a welcome appearance. We will not discourse at length upon the various and sundry ways by which they got down to Madison;—what interests us is that they got here. Neither will we give much space to an account of the game except to remark that the next time "Doc" Ehler issues tickets for his collapsible bleachers he ought to include an aeroplane attachment with each one. It is seldom that a whole section of stands can cave in as it did without someone being seriously injured.

After the game seventy-five Theta Delts including the Minnesota boys and the Sigma Deut alumni took dinner together at the charge house. Then followed a couple of hours of amusement at the Orpheum where seats had been reserved in the center of

the house since there wasn't room for everybody in the front row.

Upon returning to the charge house the boys proceeded to get further acquainted over cider and doughnuts. Brother Ehrenburg of Tau Deut entertained the brothers at the piano with his interpretation of the "Razoo" and other Minnesota compositions. Of course all the fraternity songs were sung and everyone joined in with true Theta Delt spirit.

The last thing on the evening's program was the initiation of the Tau Deut brothers who remained over for later trains into the Wisconsin chapter of that venerable institution known as the "chain gang." Thus ended the "get together" of the Tau Deuts and the Sigma Deuts, a pleasure which we hope may be enjoyed again many times in the future.

Among those present from Tau Deuteron were Brothers Andrews, Branton, Chase, Ehrenburg, Gillespie, Hermann, Hauser, V. Hauser, Harrison, Hubbard, Madigan, Merrill, Small, Snyder and Varco.

The following Sigma Deuts were among those who "came back:" Brothers Joe Bailey, Roz Boutwell, Tommy Brazeau, Bill Chadwick, Miles Dady, Deke Draves, Dud Dyer, Ed. Farley, Bill Hannon, Frank Kessenich, Harry Kessenich, Jay Martin, Newc Musser, Pat Nevin, Shorty Otjen, Johnny Rosholt, Al Stirn, Empty Ray, Casey Jones, and Art Wilmanns. Brother Winter, H '80, was also present.

About Medical Theta Delts

At the January meeting of the New York County Medical Society, held at the Academy of Medicine, nearly 1,000 physicians listened to the inaugural address of the President, Dr. Frederick E. Sondern, M.D., P^Δ '89. Dan S. Dougherty, M.D., Π^Δ '92, is the Secretary of the Society. Sergeant Mareo S. Parker, Π^Δ, with a detail of the Seventh Regiment National Guard, was in charge of an exhibit of Field Hospital Equipment, military preparedness being one of the subjects of the evening. Among the audience were Wm. H. McIntire, M.D., H^Δ '89, George Kasmack, M.D., P^Δ '92, and Edwin C. Chamberlain, M.D., Φ^Δ '93.

I. P. Pardee Gives \$20,000 Lafayette Scholarship

At the quarterly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Lafayette College, held February 4th, announcement was made of a gift of \$20,000 to the college by Brother I. P. Pardee, Φ '74, of Hazleton. It is to be devoted to scholarships for Hazleton boys. The gift was made as a memorial to Mr. Pardee's father, the late Ario Pardee.

Brother Pardee served as the ninth President of the Grand Lodge of Theta Delta Chi. He is now president of the Board of Trustees of Lafayette College.

George W. Newman Killed in Mexico

The name of George Willard Newman, Θ^A '02, appeared among those of the seventeen Americans who were shot by Mexican bandits near Cusihiuriachic, on Monday, January 10th. On that day a party of eighteen Americans left El Paso, Texas, for Culsi to re-open the Bonanza mines there. While going up a grade the train was attacked by bandits alleged to be under the leadership of Rodriguez, a Villa supporter. All of the Americans were robbed of their valuables and clothing and were then executed by a firing squad. One man only escaped to tell the story.

Brother Newman was born May 31, 1879, at Keene, New Hampshire, where he lived up to the time of his entering Dartmouth. He received the degree of Bachelor of Science in 1902, and was graduated from the Thayer school of engineering in 1903. Since leaving Dartmouth, Newman had spent practically all of his time in Mexico, where he had been associated with different mining interests in the capacity of mining engineer.

In college Newman was prominent in athletics and other college activities. He was a regular member of the basket-ball team and was also on the baseball squad. He was a member of the Dragon senior society, as well as Theta Delta Chi.

To Subscribers

The Theta Delta Chi Press wishes to call to the attention of subscribers to THE SHIELD certain changes in subscription rules which have been recently adopted.

Heretofore it has been the custom to retain a subscriber's name on the mailing list for one or two issues after the expiration of his subscription. This policy has been absolutely discontinued, and hereafter no subscriber will receive an issue of THE SHIELD after his subscription has expired. Each subscriber will find under the front cover of the issue with which his subscription expires, a yellow slip, notifying him of the expiration of his subscription, and it is the desire of The Press to urge each subscriber to fill in this slip and send it in promptly with his remittance. This practice will save time and expense necessary in sending out bills when subscriptions have expired.

Subscribers are also notified that by a recent action of The Press a five-year subscription will be entered at a price of \$9.00, or a three-year subscription at \$5.50, a subscription for one year being \$2.00 as before. It is hoped that as many subscribers as possible will send in subscriptions for either five or three years.

The management of THE SHIELD is making a special effort very materially to increase its subscription list, and in this effort it urges each subscriber to lend his co-operation. We want THE SHIELD to be among the very best fraternity publications. It deserves the support of every Theta Delt. It is the only means by which a graduate can keep in close touch with the fraternity,

and his Charge. If each graduate subscriber would make it his fraternal duty to secure at once at least one new graduate subscription to THE SHIELD, a big increase in circulation would immediately result.

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Public Service Recognized

The city council of Cleveland, Ohio, on December 20, 1915, passed an ordinance authorizing payment of \$5,000 to the estate of Judge James Lawrence, Θ '71, Ω '14, for his services in connection with the lake front litigation. Brother Lawrence commenced the suit against the railroads over twenty years ago while Director of Law of Cleveland and continued thereafter as special counsel in the case. A few months after Judge Lawrence had passed into Ω the Supreme Court of the United States decided in favor of the city.

Mayor Newton D. Baker ascribed the city's victory to the efforts of Brother Lawrence and introduced the ordinance in council himself as a recognition of the late judge's untiring work in behalf of the people of Cleveland.

Returned to New York Assembly

At the elections held last fall Brothers W. W. Law, Jr., E^A '92, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y., William J. Maier, Ψ '99, Seneca Falls, N. Y., and Stephen D. Stephens, P^A '11, Tompkinsville, N. Y., were re-elected to represent their respective districts in the Assembly.

Book of Verse

"Leaves from the Signal Elm" is the title of an attractive little book of verse by Lucien Lord, of Athol, Mass., collected and edited by his nephew L. E. Taylor, Z '95. Done in various measures the poems are in the main description of the life and interests of the home town of the author. The signal elm or sentinal tree is a land mark near an old fort in sight of his home and cleverly used in the title adds an attractive local color to the collection. The volume is privately published.



FREDERIC CARTER, EA '91, CUSTODIAN OF THE ARCHIVES

I. A. CHAPMAN, II^A '14, DEPUTY CUSTODIAN OF THE ARCHIVES

Contributing Editors

It is not without reason that a fraternity is mysterious. For a fraternity to be a success in early years it was absolutely necessary that it surround itself with an impenetrable veil of secrecy, and the more esoteric its doings and connections the nearer it approached perfection. Happily those days have passed and the fraternity has thrown aside many of those characteristics which were of value in former times, but which to-day would tend to harm it and to keep it from gaining the appreciation and respect of the world. The fraternity now has the secrecy, the possession of which is only just and reasonable. Strangely enough some of our darkest secrets persist to this very day. Read then a letter from one of our brothers:

A charge house strikes one as an anomalously strange title: it is irregular and implies nothing. It does not convey any meaning to the uninitiated ear, and the result is that it is simply a conundrum without any answer.

Why was it selected? Where was it taken from? In what period of the world's history are charge houses to be heard of, and what were they and by whom occupied?

We know of monasteries, and convents, and religious houses. We have heard of Charter House, the well-known school in England where many a celebrity received his early training. We know of Trinity House and of the Mansion House and of the Mayor's House, of London, from Whittington down. We are familiar with the club house, the town house, the country house, the school house, the boarding house, the roundhouse; we have heard of the sponging house, the custom house, the Parliament House, the Chapter house, the White House, the Clearing house, the banking house, the State House, the storehouse, the boathouse, the station house, the counting house, the eating house, the house of correction, the meeting house, the half-way house, the charnel house, the card house, the prison house, the dance house, the wholesale house, the retail house, the pest house, but damme if I can tell what to understand by a Charge house!

I have consulted my Webster, but only to find that a charge house means (1) a school house and (2) a free school; and that BOTH these are obsolete!

Cannot the Theta Delta Chi Fraternity devise some better title for their headquarters in Troy than one that is obsolete?

It is a curious letter and indicates a curious state of mind. As to his question we can only echo for an answer, "Damme if we can tell." We verified his assertion concerning his Webster, and even went further and consulted some of the older dictionaries only to find that no additional information was gained for all our trouble. Some years ago a good brother took the pains to quote from "Love's Labor Lost," act V, scene 1, in which Armado asks Holofernes, "Do you not educate youth at the charge house on the top of the mountain?" The notes show that Shakespeare meant a free school and the usage proves undoubtedly that "Charge" is an old word, though curiously enough no history of education will give the slightest evidence that "Charge" had been employed in this scene.

Can it be that the founders or the early members borrowed this word as applied to one educational institution and used it in connection with another? This hardly seems likely. While we are willing to throw aside this suggestion as utterly useless, yet it is wise, we think, to retain the words Free School and to see whether or not there is something here that would indicate the origin of the word charge used in our sense. By a free school is meant not that kind of school with which we are familiar in the United States, but an English school like Eton or Harrow, which in the olden days was autonomous and existed by virtue of a document, a commission or a charter, demanding, as the case may have been, a small or large tuition fee. Without assuming too much we think it safe to say that a free school was one which was chartered or, at any rate, existed because a higher body had given it a right to exist, and that the adjective charge comes from the verb to charge—to charter—to grant the right to autonomous existence.

We rest here—not content with our explanations, but satisfied that we have placed before you an argument for a closer study of our traditions and history. The early writings of our founders show the expression of genius far beyond that which we would expect from those of their years. Allowing much for their ability it is certain nevertheless that for many of their conceptions they had to go to the content of their college and academy experiences. We hope that some day some Theta Delt, given to scholarly pursuits, will undertake in the interests of Theta Delta Chi, a thorough research into the curricula and studies of our early brothers with a view of obtaining a firm foundation upon which we may build up a surer knowledge of our terms and practices.



We would like to receive and publish an obituary of each and every brother who has passed into the Ω charge.—EDITOR.

ROBERT TEMPLE GRINNAN

N 1874

Ω 1914

Major Robert Temple Grinnan was born in Fredericksburg, Va., in 1854, and died at Asheville, N. C., 1914. Ex-president Winston, of the University of North Carolina, has written the following tribute to our departed brother:

"To lead a pure and honorable life, to perform many and varied duties with modesty and efficiency, to inspire a generation of youth with lofty ideals, to leave the world better and happier because he had lived in it—such was the mission of Robert Temple Grinnan.

"For this mission he was well equipped by heredity, education and environment. Heredity gave him the strong, virile and sterling qualities of the enduring Glassel stock, a stock made famous by its most illustrious scion, the noble family of Argyle; education gave him the training and inspiration of the best Virginia academies and the great Virginia University; environment furnished him, as the field for his life work, the celebrated Bingham Military School.

"He was a student, a teacher, an inspirer of young men all his life.

"For thirty-four years he was friend, counselor, teacher to hundreds, yes, thousands, of lads in the Bingham School, who owed to him the foundation of their character and the inspiration of their lives. His high sense of duty, his strong personality, his humorous and epigrammatic speech, no less than his strict integrity and honest impartiality endeared him to his pupils. They not only respected and admired, but even liked him and loved him as one of themselves.

"His mind was clear and strong, especially fitted for mathematical analysis and instruction, wherein his boys unanimously declared him to be without a peer.

"As assistant superintendent of the Bingham School (really co-superintendent with his father-in-law, Col. Robert Bingham), his influence and usefulness were greatly multiplied. He shirked no responsibilities, but performed all duties with firmness, courage, honesty and impartiality. In the minds and affections of the cadets the Bingham School was finely mirrored in Major Grinnan.

"He was not a closet man, but lived abreast the times. He studied and knew all the movements of humanity in politics, in commerce, in religion, literature, science and art.

"Major Grinnan was peculiarly happy in his social and domestic life. He had early married Miss Sadie Alves Bingham, daughter of Col. Robert Bingham, superintendent of the Bingham School.

"Mrs. Grinnan seemed especially fitted by rare womanly charms and brilliant qualities to supplement the work of her husband.

"The death of Major Grinnan was felt as a marked loss not only by the Bingham School, but also by the city of Asheville, the state of North Carolina, and by thousands of young men in other states whose lives he had guided and inspired.

"For such a man there is no death; he lives forever in the lives he has created."

Among Brother Grinnan's effects was found an old group picture of Nu Charge in '74. Brother "Norm" Hackett suggested that Mrs. Grinnan present this to the charge, which she graciously did, together with a later photograph of Major Grinnan, and these priceless trophies are now highly prized among the other valued pictures on the walls of Nu's new charge house.

SUMNER EDWARDS

H 1910

Omega January 6, 1916

Sumner Edwards, M.D., of Bethel, Me., died at Boston, Mass., on the evening of January 6, 1916. He was born at Lewiston, Me., June 10, 1889, the son of Ayres Mason and Lucinda S. Edwards.

He entered Bowdoin College in the Fall of 1906 from St. John's Military Academy. The son of a Theta Delta, he became a member of H Charge the same year. Throughout his college course he was prominent in all undergraduate activities. He was a member of his class football team for two years, a member of his class gymnasium squad, and a member of his class track team for four years. He was a member of the 'varsity relay team his senior year, was a member of the 'varsity track team for three years; twice established new records in the 220-yard hurdles in the Maine Intercollegiates, won the 220-yard hurdles at the New England meet, and made a place in the same event at the Eastern Intercollegiates of 1910. He was secretary and treasurer of the Massachusetts Club for two years, was a member of the Undergraduate Council, the Ibis, the Deutscher Verein, Friars, Good Government Club, and Chemical Club. His Senior year he was proctor of his college dormitory, and was chosen permanent class president, an honor he held until his death. For high scholarship he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received a provisional commencement appointment. In his fraternity life he was given the highest honor in the power of the charge to bestow.

In the year following graduation from Bowdoin, he was at Hebron Academy a successful teacher and track coach. In the fall of 1911 he entered Harvard Medical School, and graduated from that institution last June among the leaders of his class. He was appointed to an internship in medicine at the Peter Bent Brigham Hospital, Boston, and was successfully serving in this capacity at the time of his death.

ELIJAH M. REWEY

Ψ 1873

Ω January 14, 1916

Elijah Munn Rewey, known to his intimates as Sam Rewey, connected with the *Sun* in various capacities for the last thirty-seven years, died January

14, 1916, of pneumonia, after less than a day's illness, at his home, 503 Eighth avenue, Brooklyn.

Brother Rewey was born in the township of Litchfield, Herkimer County, this state, on November 13, 1849, and was the son of Philander and Sarah Richardson Rewey. He was graduated from Hamilton in 1873. He was editorial writer and a year later editor of the Worcester, Mass., *Daily Press*. After five years' work on the *Press* he went to New York and joined the *Sun* staff as a reporter on April 23, 1878. He was for four years night city editor, from 1881 to 1885.

Brother Rewey was exchange editor of the *Sun*, incidentally writing editorial paragraphs, from 1887 until 1903, when failing sight caused him to give up the work. He returned to the *Sun* staff after a rest and was reading copy on the night before he died.

As paragraphist on the Worcester *Press* Rewey gave the paper a national reputation. He was an expert as a weaver of humorous phrases and a poet of talent. Many of his verses appeared in magazines and illustrated weeklies. He was also a frequent contributor to *Harper's Magazine*, *Puck*, and the *Detroit Free Press*.

"One of the oldest and best beloved men of the *Sun*, one to whom the readers and sons of the *Sun* have been indebted for a third of a century for countless benefactions in the way of kindly humor and sound sense and incessant services, impersonal so far as they were concerned, quit a life of good work yesterday when Elijah M. Rewey died."

LEONARD CARLTON PECKITT

Φ 1914

Ω January 15, 1915

Leonard Carlton Peckitt, ex-Phi '14, died at the home of his parents in Catasauqua, Pa., January 15, 1916. "Peck," as he was familiarly known, spent three years at Lafayette, and his cheerful disposition and general good humor will always be remembered by his friends and brothers.

GEORGE WILLIARD NEWMAN

οΔ 1902

Ω January 10, 1916

JOSEPH LAWRENCE HICKS

Δ 1856

Ω August 15, 1915

FENELON A. PEARCE

Z 1867

Ω January 1, 1916

Fenelon A. Pearce, a partner in the firm of Palmer & Capron, manufacturing jewelers, of Providence and New York, died of pneumonia in Memorial Hospital January 1, 1916, after an illness of ten days.

Brother Pearce had long been connected with the jewelry trade. He joined the firm of Palmer & Capron as office manager of the New York

branch and later succeeded to the interest of Mr. Capron upon the latter's decease. For thirty years Mr. Pearce had made his headquarters at 20 Maiden Lane, New York City, and was a well-known figure in the jewelry district of the metropolis.

CHARLES VICTOR MAPES

I 1857 (Charter Member)

Ω January 14, 1916

The above-named brother departed this life January 23, 1916, at his home, No. 140 West Fifty-seventh street, in this city. He was seventy-nine years old. He died suddenly of pneumonia. The company, of which he was the head and founder, has been engaged in the manufacture of fertilizer for many years.

Born in New York City, Brother Mapes was the son of Professor James J. Mapes. He was graduated from Harvard in 1857. After making a special study of agricultural chemistry he introduced in this country a fertilizer adapted for the growth needs of potatoes. He was associated for some time with the late Professor Wilbur O. Atwater in making soil tests at the National Agricultural Experiment Station in Washington.

Brother Mapes was one of the organizers and first president of the New York Chemical and Fertilizer Exchange. He was a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

He was a brother of the late Mrs. Mary Mapes Dodge, founder of the *St. Nicholas Magazine*. Three sons, who survive, are Mr. Victor Mapes, playwright and author; Mr. Charles Halsted Mapes and Mr. Clyde Spencer Mapes.

While a junior at Harvard he joined in the petition to the A Charge. He was one of the charter members of the I Charge. He was the president of the first Theta Delta Chi Graduate Club in the metropolis. He was one of the honorary members of our present Graduate Club. He was also a member of the Harvard and University Clubs. He was most kind and considerate to the members of our brotherhood at all times.

TREASURER, NEW YORK GRADUTE ASSOCIATION.

The entrance into Omega of Brother Charles Victor Mapes, I '57, on January 14, 1916, takes from our earthly presence a brother whose contact in days when Π^{Δ} and P^{Δ} were the youngest charges, was constant and ever extended.

The first time the writer went to a New York meeting in the 80's is marked in memory by the hearty fellowship extended by Brother Mapes in a fraternity gathering.

At his decease at the age of 80 years the present generation could not know well this stalwart fraternalism always so pervasive in his host, who was a Charter Member of the I in the 50's, and kind friend 'midst an unusually busy life to all Π^{Δ} and P^{Δ} in the 80's, thirty years later.

His impress was real. Twenty-nine years ago Brother Mapes was the stimulus of all New York activities of our fraternity.

He is singled for this presentment because he gave me fraternal insight, and because there must be men here to-day who hold him in the same fraternal esteem as this much younger brother, who offers this small tribute to his friend.

CUSTODIAN OF ARCHIVES.

HARRY FONTAINE NASH

I 1909

Ω November 25, 1915

Harry Fontaine Nash was born in Cambridge October 18, 1886, attended the Cambridge Latin School, from which place he entered Harvard in 1905 and graduated in 1909. In his freshman year he played on the baseball team and continued this activity in his sophomore year until he injured his arm. He was a member of both his freshman and 'varsity glee clubs and president of the latter.

He was initiated into the I Charge of Theta Delta Chi, October 29, 1907. He held no offices in the charge but was a loyal brother. Because of ill health his college activities were somewhat restricted. In fact, ill health caused him to give up his intentions of entering upon a medical career. During the past eight years he has suffered much with never a word of complaint. His nature was one of the sunniest despite many disappointments, and his friends all loved him. A few years ago he went to Lake George for his health and was married there two years ago.

ARTHUR O. PHINNEY, I '00.

WILLIAM WALLACE DAWLEY

Ψ 1875

Ω January 4, 1916

Rev. Dr. William Wallace Dawley, pastor emeritus of the First Baptist Church, Syracuse, N. Y., died January 4, 1916, after a long illness.

Brother Dawley was born at North Wilna, September 20, 1850, the son of the late James Henry and Orphelia M. Olds Dawley. He received his preliminary education at Antwerp Academy, and after he was graduated attended the Watertown High School.

After he was graduated from high school he entered Hamilton College, at Clinton, where he received the degree of A. B. in 1875. In 1876 he was admitted to the bar in Utica. He was vice-principal of the Amsterdam Academy from 1876 until 1878. For one year he practiced law in Amsterdam. He then gave up his law practice and entered the Theological Seminary at Colgate University, Hamilton. He was ordained to the ministry at Whitesboro in 1879, and was pastor of the Baptist Church there until 1881.

He then went to Guelph, Ont., where he remained four years, then going to Gloversville, where he was pastor of the Baptist Church two years. He was next made pastor of the Woodland Park Baptist Church in St. Paul, Minn., where he remained until 1893.

Brother Dawley then went to Duluth, Minn., being pastor of the First Baptist Church there until 1896, when he went to Minneapolis, Minn., to accept the pastorate of the Central Baptist Church. There he remained until 1904, when he accepted a call to the Central Baptist Church in Syracuse.

In 1899 the honorary degree of D.D. was given Brother Dawley by Colgate University.

Brother Dawley was probably one of the most widely known clergymen in Central New York State. He was a most loyal and enthusiastic Theta Delta and was beloved by everyone who knew him.

ASHBEL NORTON FITCH

B 1871 (Charter Member)

Ω December 7, 1915

Brother Fitch, you will find by referring to the record, was one of the charter members of Beta and up to the time of his death was a most loyal Theta Delt. He came to Tacoma in 1887, organizing the Traders' Bank and remained as its president until the disastrous period of 1893, when it went out of business, paying however, its depositors in full.

He was born in Groten, N. Y., sixty-eight years ago, was always interested in civic affairs, and for seventeen years a member of the Pierce County Bar Association, retiring from active service five years ago, although he still kept an office in town. He has served Tacoma on the Park Commission and as president of the Chamber of Commerce and for twenty years was a trustee of the First Congregational Church.

His death occurred December 7, 1915, at his home at Sylvan, a suburb of Tacoma.

BARTON KAUFFMAN, Ξ^Δ '13.

ALBERT COLE BEARSS

Θ 1861

Ω March 9, 1915

MERRITT CALDWELL FERNALD

Eta '61, Omega January 8, 1916

IRVING WILLIAM HORNE

Eta '86, Omega January 5, 1916

SUMNER EDWARDS

Eta '10, Omega January 7, 1916

Three of our brothers in Eta have passed away into the Omega within a single week, and the charge feels the loss keenly. Brother Merritt C. Fernald died after a long and successful life devoted to education, serving as president of a neighboring university. Brother Irving W. Horne had also devoted his life to teaching, and he was loved and respected by all with whom he came in contact. The death of Brother Sumner Edwards came just as he was entering the medical profession with most brilliant prospects. In college he was prominent and popular, holding an athletic record which has not been broken within the State, and receiving from class and fraternity the highest offices which they could bestow.

All three, both in college and in after life, showed those qualities becoming members of Theta Delta Chi. We, the members of Eta Charge of Theta Delta Chi, extend our heartfelt sympathy to those who feel even more intimately the loss of these brothers.

For the Charge,

HENRY GERARD WOOD,
EARLE WARREN COOK,
ROBERT GREENHALGH ALBION.

Brunswick, Me., January 24, 1916.

 GERALD RICHARD DONOHOE

Phi Deuteron 1915

Omega February 14, 1916

WHEREAS, In accordance with Divine decree, Gerald Richard Donohoe has been withdrawn from our midst, on this 15th day of February, 1916; and

WHEREAS, He, a charter member of the Phi Deuteron Charge in the Theta Delta Chi, has proved himself a brother faithful unto death, during his undergraduate and graduate life with us; and

WHEREAS, He has endeared himself to each and every one of us as a beloved friend and brother; be it

Resolved, That the Phi Deuteron Charge herein records her heartfelt grief in this loss; and be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be inscribed on the minutes and archives of this charge, and that they be published in THE SHIELD of Theta Delta Chi, and that copies be sent to each of the Charges in our beloved fraternity, and to all of the graduates of the Phi Deuteron Charge, and to the Department of Archives of Theta Delta Chi; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to the bereaved family our deepest sympathy in the loss that we share with them.

PHI DEUTERON CHARGE.

Tuesday, February 16, 1916.

 ASHBEL NORTON FITCH

Beta 1871, Omega December, 1915

 FOX HOLDEN

Beta 1872, Omega December, 1915

WHEREAS, Ashbel Norton Fitch and Fox Holden, members of Beta Charge of Theta Delta Chi Fraternity, have been removed from us by death, in the month of December, 1915; and

WHEREAS, They were both founders of Beta Charge of Theta Delta Chi, and in Beta Charge and in the Fraternity had a long and honored career that earned them the sincerest respect and love of their brethren; and

WHEREAS, The members of the Charge realize that in the deaths of these two they experience the irreparable loss of good and loyal friends and benefactors; be it, therefore,

Resolved, That we, the members of Beta Charge of Theta Delta Chi, in our understanding of its great loss, extend to the bereaved families our heartfelt sympathy; and be it further.

Resolved, That copies of this preamble and these resolutions be sent to the families of the deceased, to the Grand Lodge of the Fraternity, to all the Charges, to the alumni of our own Charge, and to the SHIELD for publication, that a copy be preserved in the Archives of the Fraternity, and that our badges be draped for a period of thirty days.

WILLIAM W. DAWLEY

Psi November 25, 1871

Omega January 4, 1916

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

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the relatives of our departed brother, to each of the charges, and to the SHIELD for publication.

For the Psi Charge of Theta Delta Chi:

MILLARD R. GOW, '16.

HERBERT C. GETMAN, '16.

DANIEL LUCE, JR., '17.

January 11, 1916, Clinton, N. Y.



EDITORIALS

EDWIN B. TWITMYER
SECANE, PA.

Within the limits of a very short editorial career it is permitted again to comment upon the efforts and achievements of Seward G. Spoor, E '08, as President of the Grand Lodge. Despite the fact that a period of only eight months has elapsed since the last convention, many problems, serious in their nature and of utmost concern to the fraternity at large, have presented themselves for administrative handling. These problems have included such questions as the improvement in scholarship within the Charge membership, the relation of Theta Delta Chi to high school fraternities and to the very rapid growth of honorary and professional fraternities, the conservation of time honored and traditionally treasured practices, the further arousal of interest in the Founders' Corporation, and the support of THE SHIELD on the part of our graduates. Of course, apart from these questions, having so wide a bearing on the welfare of the fraternity, the president has been called upon not only to make Charge visitations, but to act in an advisory and judicial capacity in constantly occurring local situations. The report of the President revealed the fidelity with which his work had been prosecuted. The various items of the report were reviewed by a committee comprised of members with the utmost devotion to the best interests of our fraternity. They returned to the Convention recommendations in harmony with the President's attitude and policy, and on each item contained in the report, the Convention accepted these recommendations. No more genuine stamp of approval could be placed upon his work. The natural outcome of this situation was the return of President Spoor as head of the Grand Lodge for another year.

In this connection we view with genuine satisfaction the re-election of Guy C. Pierce, K '96, and Carl Tombo, P^A '01, as Graduate Treasurer and Graduate Secretary respectively. Brother Pierce has served on the Grand Lodge for a number of years, and his periodic return is greeted each succeeding year with augmented heartiness and enthusiasm. That men of this stamp are willing to give freely of their time and energy to our fraternity work is a substantial guarantee of our perpetuity.

These re-elections further insure a certain degree of continuity in our affairs which unquestionably will result in a vigorous prose-