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WHAT'S WHO *in* PSI U

BY EMMETT HAY NAYLOR, ZETA '09
Member of the Executive Council

HENRY FORD boasts he knows nothing of history. This is rather tough on the great makers of geography. The wars of the Roses are as nothing compared to the mechanism of a tin Lizzie, whereas Cavour is no more than the boy who sweeps out the garage. Just as there is no place to go, but out, and no place to come, but in, so there is no way now to look, but forward as experience is a needless expense. Henry is not a Psi U, Deo gratias, for had he been, he might have cultivated a retrospect as well as a radiator. But on the other hand, how many Psi U's, who have sworn at or by a Rolls-Rough, know anything about the history of the Fraternity?

Give the name of just one founder and about when Psi U was founded? Those are not catch questions and have more than a Scotch liberality. I don't ask you to be exact, but even then you most likely are stumped. The questions are unimportant! Is your own age forgotten by you? Why any more forget the approximate life of Psi U? Then where is the Alpha chapter? Name and locate twelve chapters and see how many you have forgotten since your freshman year. Aw, what's the use? Unless you are a Chinaman or good poker player—and I've never found either as yet in the Fraternity—you will have hard work not registering chagrin the next time someone gives you the sacred clutch from the Zeta-Zeta (my own chapter must innocently suffer this attempt at levity) and gets away with a saw-buck touch. As a matter of purse protection, if not pride, you should not be caught in the meshes of your own ignorance. Don't laugh at poor old Hen, all fussed in a court room just because he didn't know that Xenophon didn't win the Crimean war and that Cleopatra was not one of Disraeli's lovers, when you without the least embarrassment of a public exhibition cannot get by with a respectable passing grade in answering a few simple questions about Psi U. The best place to save yourself from this crushing disgrace is to turn to Brother Wertheimer's account in the front of the last general catalogue. It will only take you twenty minutes to read and you'll know so much when you get through that you will have a much better face with which every morning to greet your Gillette.

And then there is the Executive Council! Wordworth's violet by a mossy bank was not half so modest as the least of these. Like the June bride, our shrinking nature is our chiefest charm. However, if the Psi

U alumni knew more about the council, some brothers might be less censorious. Some have called us "self perpetuating patriarchs." We don't mind being thought fit models for Madame Tessaud's Wax Works, but "patriarchs" is too biting. It is the tooth that hurts. However, it is the council's fault that we have for so long thus hidden our brilliant light under a bushel and so here it will be lifted and in Gabriel fashion the dead will walk abroad. This is not an apologia vitae (which is not a nerve tonic) for there is nothing for which to apologize. This is but an introduction to the high cockalorums and an explanation of how they crow.

The Council is composed of 10 men, elected in groups of two, for five years at the annual conventions. A brief obituary notice about each might help impress you with the importance, near importance, and never-will-be importance of the personnel of your sanhedrin. Here they are, count them!

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The Council meets the second Wednesday in every month in that refrigerating plant on the 18th floor of the Hotel Biltmore, New York, known as the Psi U Club. In prices it is more like Jesse James' headquarters with the men behind the desk about as civil as his accomplices. To reach these heights of floors and prices, one runs the gauntlet, like Parsifal in the vale of temptation, of cheap lounge-lizards, demi-mondes

and people from Kokomo, trying to look like New York folks, lolling about a tinselled tea arcade. This is why the members of the council have to be either elderly or virtuous, else we never could have a quorum on meetin' night. Even at that there is sometimes delay between the 43rd St. entrance and our sky-line sanctum sanctorum from the windows of which one can look all over God's creation and Brooklyn.

The meeting of the Council is a business affair. It has to be as there is too much work to be done to have it otherwise. If anyone thinks the Council hasn't any real problems to solve, let him come to a meeting and see the amount of correspondence and the decisions which have to be handled in a long and concentrated session once a month. There is usually a full attendance at each meeting, which under the eighteenth amendment is not capable of any double interpretation. An election to the Council is not accepted lightly by any member.

What the Council needs is a paid secretary, some Psi U graduate who, as a law student or in some other leisurely pursuit, would have time to answer correspondence throughout the month. This would give the chapters better service and would relieve the congestion of the Council meetings. This man would not be secretary of the Fraternity, but just of the Council. And the Fraternity should have an office somewhat larger than the present post office box, where all records, catalogues, song books, matters for the archives and correspondence could safely be kept and where mail could be promptly answered.

There are a good many things Psi U not only can do but must do to hold its place at the head of college fraternities. (Of course, among ourselves we'll not dispute that placement.) We should have a uniform system of chapter supervision by the alumni of each chapter, a standard system of accounts for each chapter, regular periodic report forms from each chapter to the Council, more regular and systematic visits to the chapters by members of the Council who would explain the principles of Psi U and check records; we should have a uniform ritual for all chapters, uniform rolls, a benefit fund for deserving undergraduate members and last, but not the least, some system of better holding the interest—and contributions—of all alumni. Thanks to the energy of the Chicago Psi U Club, *THE DIAMOND* is a big step forward. Let us keep on moving.

The older alumni need have no fear that the young Turks are planning an overthrow of the traditions of the Fraternity. Not on your life, nor do we want to see the society tied up with a lot of needless red tape, but the above suggestions indicate much that can, should and will be done to make Psi U even more unified and worth while. We are confronted with

facts and not a theory, and we must wake up and listen to the birds sing in some place other than a cemetery.

Some of the Psi U alumni may think that the Fraternity exhibits all the generosity of a Welshman when it comes to expansion. It is not, through any lack of an appreciation of the brotherhood of man, that we object to having a chapter at Tuskegee, but that such a policy of ruthless profligacy in growth strikes at the solar plexus of our structure. We would not build a Manchu wall about our sacred preserves to keep wandering tribes from seeking immortality under the garnet and gold, but we want to be sure they can all successfully eat of our fruit and not get disintegrating indigestion.

Psi U is founded on the basis of the chapters as a unit and the fraternity as controlled by these chapters. Each chapter is governed by its active members with the assistance of a committee of its own alumni. Some fraternities are governed nationally by an autocratic board of trustees with a paid travelling secretary. The undergraduates have about as much voice in the conduct of the fraternity as a tongued-tied curate would have at a Yiddish picnic. The undergraduates are the great unwashed of the society, whereas the governing body is an oligarchy of the elite. It is the rankest kind of distinction and belittles an undergraduate as soon as he is initiated. Psi U most emphatically does not believe in this Prussian policy. This Fraternity is essentially democratic; the undergraduate is judged a man; the convention is his voice.

Each year the Fraternity holds a convention at which each chapter is supposed to be represented by a senior and junior delegate. The junior delegate should be the senior delegate the following year for he then has some knowledge of how affairs are conducted and is thus, it is hoped, more able the second time at least to give sober thoughts to the proceedings. At the convention the policy and all actions of the Fraternity are decided. These decisions are final and supreme. The Executive Council, elected at the convention, merely acts under instruction of the convention and interprets, supervises and attends to general matters with a kind of paternal solicitude between annual meetings. It keeps in touch with each chapter and acts towards them in purely an advisory capacity. We have no rules and hence no penalties. Thus you see the alleged arch-angels are, after all, not much more than mere barn-yard fowl.

Psi U has yet to be shown that this fundamental principle of our founders is not *Mene Mene Tekel Upharsin*—with apologies to old Belshazzar's party. It is really a remarkable thing that year after year with new

faces and changing thoughts passing before our shrines, the Diamond of Psi Upsilon has never sparkled less. The undergraduates haven't treated the old Fraternity very roughly. Just as the undergraduates (class after class) have maintained our high personnel, so they likewise have never been found unworthy of the confidence of our founders. On the whole chapter control, the corner stone of our structure, has proven itself to be of solid granite. But it would soon crack and surely crumble if too much weight of added chapters were put upon it.

If Psi U were much larger, the convention would soon become unwieldy and the cordial contact of the smaller group would be lost. A governing board of bosses would have to be chosen to run things and the founders would groan in their resting places. Psi U is not built to be a great, big salvation army nor are we in the hotel business. We are not exclusive, but we live in a modest structure where a limited number of the right kind of guests are always welcome. Nothing would be gained by opening our doors to all. Overcrowding carried too far within fixed limits breeds discord. We appreciate the desire of those who would sit beneath our vine and fig tree, but until all of our chapters are in a healthy and strong condition, we had best turn our attention to those already within our walls before we think of raising the portcullis.

Some member of the Council is supposed to, and in some cases does, call upon each chapter each year. Thus is one bright spot brought into the otherwise drab days of undergraduate life. The visitant is hailed with the same eagerness as is an itinerant pastor in the Kentucky hills. Everyone combs his hair and by way of festive garb, sometimes wears a pair of socks and a collar; the house is swept, the broken furniture put away and the brothers are told to stop swearing, while the honor is being conferred. The councillor is, of course, all pouter-pigeoned up and thinks he really is somebody, provided no one in the chapter has his real number. The freshman trembling with adoration shakes hands with the all-highest and then writes mother all about it. His nibs attends a regular meeting, gives the brothers a real treat in the form of a talk on how nice it would be to have them all make Phi Beta Kappa—the advisor doubtless having been goat of his own class—and then there is a feed of chicken salad made out of veal, during which Brother Dinkenspiel in an unguarded moment disgraces the chapter by asking for only three fingers of coffee. Afterwards, everybody just sits around and talks and talks and sits around and then eventually and finally, and at last the councillor with great dignity as befits his fitness, having forgotten to look over the account books, which the treasurer on the previous night sat up doctoring, says good-bye and

gives each brother an immortal bunch of fingers as he goes out the door; then everybody says, Thank Gawd! and it's all over.

Some questions which are asked a member of the council at such times about Psi U practices might be answered here. First, about jewelry. It is not considered any more good taste to wear Psi U jewelry than it is to wear a college arm band. Both are for yokels, but not for Psi U's. The only piece of Psi U jewelry which should be worn is the regulation pin and for evening dress the so-called dress suit pin, if one has been foolish enough so to blow in his money. Watch charms, cuff links, stick pins, hat pins, camisoles, etc., are seldom made with Psi U letters or emblems thereon and are never worn by the brothers. The Psi U pin is only to be worn by a Psi U and not by his sweetheart or wife. It looks about as flat for a woman to wear our badge as it would for one of us to wear it on our coat lapel. No man has a mortgage on a sweetheart and the dear thing may not always be as careful as she might with the pin, with the result that she either loses it or gives it to the cook or hocks it for a fudge sundae. No, brother, keep your pin and good reputation, and always wear both yourself. But in wearing your pin don't place it in the middle of your vest. You don't have to advertise the fact that you are a Psi U any more than you do that you are a gentleman.

Psi U hat bands are *de rigueur*, as it were, which means they are according to Hoyle and may be worn on any kind of head-gear except a straw hat! Psi U banners are all right, but it is ten to one that a year after graduation they will be in the old hair trunk in the attic. Psi U is never referred to as a "frat" except by people who eat with their knives. The letters or pin are not sketched on book ends or ever written, such being as asinine as carving one's initials in a Steinway. Common sense and decent taste are the best guides.

The merits and demerits of Psi U are not seriously discussed with those outside the brotherhood. This practice, however, can be carried to the limit of absurdity where the name of the Fraternity is never mentioned except sotto voce, and the brother so addressed acts like Pamela did when told that women really had legs beneath their skirts. Of course, there will be good-natured joking about the Fraternity, which should be accepted in good part; and no one should be offended and act childish under such raillery just as no one at any time should boast about Psi U. The fact that you are a Psi U doesn't prove necessarily that you are a gentleman or that you amount to anything. Like choosing good ancestry it is but one means to that end. It is for you at all times to show you are worthy

of Psi U. A man's true measure, as taken by wisest men, is what he is, not his family, fraternity or finances.

The relation with other fraternities is often a vexed question of the vexed. Cordiality and gentlemanly treatment is the only course. If some society does something which may annoy some chapter of Psi U, just remember that retaliatory methods are at once childish and unsatisfactory. Psi U is too good to stoop to mean or cheap tactics. If some other society so demeans itself, treat the whole matter with silent contempt. A darky, one day was sitting solemnly in front of his cabin; his head was bandaged, his arm was in a sling, he was badly battered and bruised. A friend stopped and exclaimed: "For de Lawd sake Mose, what am de mattah?" "Nothin' much. Only a jackass done kick me." "Did it hurt?" "No — No, I jest considered the source." And so be it in Psi U's relations to other societies. In all things, treat them with courtesy and genuine regard when they meet Psi U in like manner, otherwise pity them, but don't sink to the level of any unbecoming thing they may do.

The relation between the chapters of Psi U should be most intimate and cordial. Yet there are some chapters where a visiting brother is accepted with the utmost condescension. It is enough to make one wish he wore a red flannel shirt and could really be sure of a welcome as a visiting fireman. Psi U, like any fraternity is apt to have wished on it some men, whose manners are a diametrical contradiction of the blue blood they would disport. All hail the every-day regular fellows who are not oppressed with upholding the traditions and standards of some assumed family who have recently struck pay dirt and a realization of their own importance. Don't judge a chapter by the ill-breeding of one of these snobs, who has accidentally gotten under the ropes. And especially is it to be hoped that no chapter will allow a prune so to establish its attitude toward other chapters that its real men are hidden by a false standard. Every chapter should make it a cardinal practice to be cordial to every visiting brother and never hesitate to make him feel a warmth of welcome. But if he wants to borrow money, be sure first that he is a Psi U.

And so in drawing this epistle to the Effusions to a finale, I would suggest that any futile attempt on my part at trying to assume the style of a spring-butterfly be accepted in the good-natured spirit in which it flits from one fragrant flower of thought to another. It is hoped that the few points made are a little clearer than the Einstein theory and that after reading this, Irvin Cobb will not seem to you like a Methodist tract writer. Psi U is one of the best fraternities and it should be our aim to

make it the best; there is plenty of room for improvement. To this end the Fraternity expects of its undergraduates good scholarship, not grade hunting, but a constant studious attitude of mind which assures graduation, if possible with honors. Nothing injures Psi U more than to have men drop out of college. It expects men so to conduct themselves as to be a credit to themselves, by being gentlemen, by participating in college activities, by meeting all obligations promptly and by being absolutely loyal to their Alma Mater and our Fraternity.

Psi U expects of its alumni the same things only in a different setting. The Fraternity has given much to every brother and he should not be found wanting in paying back some of his indebtedness; especially if he has gained much in worldly goods, he should not feel the least embarrassment in donating something to his chapter. But above all, he should not forget old Psi U, that has given him some of his most pleasant and tenderest memories. And if these have faded in the least, let them be once more illumined by a subscription to *THE DIAMOND*.

We started out in a Ford car. We have been bumping around for some time on this familiar Psi U road and are now out of juice. So be it—and here we stop; but by way of final interest name that one founder, the date and place of Psi U's nativity and twelve chapter members of our fraternal family. And then sing over to yourself some of the endeared songs, get out your pin, if you aren't wearing it and keep it on your chest, send a \$1000 cheque or more to your chapter, subscribe to "*THE DIAMOND*" and be not only a regular fellow but a real Psi U in good standing with your own conscience and Fraternity. And then thine will be the honor and the glory forever and ever. Ahem!

ALUMNI CO-OPERATION WITH THEIR CHAPTERS

BY H. C. DARLINGTON, OMEGA '07, TRUSTEE OF THE OMEGA CHAPTER

TO what extent can the active co-operation of alumni benefit a chapter, and when does such co-operation become harmful to the best interests of the chapter?

It has been said that the alumni are a chapter's strongest asset and that a chapter cannot expect uninterrupted superiority in its college unless it has the enthusiastic support and good will of its alumni body. The practice is well-nigh universal for an alumnus to send to his college young men who are expected to reflect credit on the institution and on the fraternity, but aside from that loyal interest, the alumnus allows his chapter to solve its many problems of policy, of scholarship, and of finances without any help from him, and he keeps to himself the experience he has gained in his four years in college or in the years following in the business world. And, when his chapter, in trouble, comes to him for help to make up a deficit or for some other reason, he is irritated by the lack of attention to details and the unbusiness-like methods employed by the undergraduates—little realizing that conditions are very much as they were when he was an undergraduate, and that it is he who has changed as he has matured and as he has acquired more orderly and business-like habits.

If a chapter can be helped and benefited by the counsel and co-operation of its alumni, so can it be hurt when co-operation becomes supervision which deprives the men in the active chapter of responsibilities and work which they should do or should learn to do. A sense of responsibility is certainly not characteristic of men in college, but that sense of responsibility which is so desirable cannot be acquired if the men in the active chapter are relieved of all important responsibilities, and those phases of chapter work which make for dependableness and reliability are taken over by the alumni.

Some of our chapters handle in a year as much as ten or fifteen thousand dollars from room rent, dues and board, and the care of such an amount is no small responsibility for young men without training or experience in the handling of money. Nearly every chapter of our fraternity now owns its house. The alumni owe it to themselves, to the fraternity and to the men who will form the active membership in years to come, to see to it that the property is cared for, that it is kept insured, that taxes are paid and that interest on the mortgage, if any, is promptly met.

Several of our chapters have adopted a plan by which the active chapter merely collects the money for board, room rent and dues and turns it over to a local banker, or to an alumni committee who, in turn, make

the necessary expenditures. Others have alumni committees which administer all the chapter's finances. Believing that both extremes of no co-operation at all, and more or less complete supervision over the chapter's finances are not best, the writer wishes to describe the steps taken at the Omega to solve these problems.

When the Omega house was built, four years ago, a board of four trustees was established to have entire charge of raising funds, letting contracts, etc., all in connection with the building of the new house. Though the house has now been occupied about four years, the original work of the trustees is not yet completed, and it is probable that when all subscriptions are paid, and the house free of debt, the chapter and alumni will wish to continue some plan of alumni co-operation. The chapter pays rent to the trustees who pay the taxes, insurance and interest on indebtedness. The ordinary bills of the Chapter for maintenance of the house and various chapter expenses are paid by the chapter and all collections are made and the money banked by the treasurer and the steward. Feeling that they are under a serious responsibility to the alumni body, the Trustees require monthly statements from the chapter giving an income and expense account, a balance sheet as well as a detailed list of accounts receivable and bills payable. These statements are checked and the books audited quarterly by an outside auditor. Thus the trustees are in a position to know what the chapter's income and expenses are and can know how well the men and the treasurer are paying their bills. A budget is drawn up quarterly showing expected income and expenditures for the following three months, and the chapter requires the treasurer to make the budget the basis of his weekly reports. The chapter turns over to the trustees a part of the initiation fees to be used for major repairs and replacements in the house.

The trustees are elected by the active chapter and an effort has been made to make the board of trustees representative of the whole alumni body by selecting its members from classes about equally separated in years from the founding of the chapter to the present time. Thus the oldest member is a charter member of the chapter in the new University and the youngest graduated less than three years ago. The two younger members of the board are frequent visitors at the chapter house and are in close touch with the men in the active chapter.

An auxiliary committee, called "Committee on Chapter Policy" has recently been appointed, consisting of two alumni and three active men, including the head of the chapter. The committee considers recommendations of the trustees and other alumni on all subjects relating to the chapter

and the fraternity. This committee is really a committee of the active chapter as the duties of the alumni members are merely advisory, and the committee takes no action or stand without the concurrence of its active members. The recommendations or suggestions of alumni are considered and thoroughly discussed and then presented to the chapter either as originally made or as changed by the committee. Recommendations are thus presented to the chapter as coming from its own membership and not as coming from alumni who may be out of touch with conditions in the college or in the chapter. Of course the success of such a committee depends very largely upon the tact and interest of the alumni members, but it has been very successful in getting the hearty co-operation of the chapter without producing any feeling on the part of the men in the active chapter of being dictated to or talked down to.

Questions of scholarship are considered by the Committee on Chapter Policy, but the most real and tangible help to good scholarship in the chapter is a beautiful cup given by an alumnus. The cup is awarded annually to the freshman who has maintained the highest grades during his first year. His name is engraved on the cup and at the end of his sophomore year, it is handed on to another freshman.

Such a plan of alumni co-operation as I have outlined, is, of course, much more feasible in a city where there are a large number of resident alumni. Since the plan was adopted, the Omega has been self-supporting and has never had to appeal to its alumni for financial help.

SCHOLARSHIP IN OUR CHAPTERS

THE question of scholarship in our chapters is one that merits the consideration of the fraternity at large. I had hoped to have statistics on the rating of our chapters among the other fraternities at their respective colleges for this issue, but it seems impossible to gather this information before next fall.

I have visited fifteen of our chapters within the last year and in nearly every case obtained from the college authorities our chapter's scholastic standing. These visits have clearly brought out the fact that our chapters do not have the proper point of view on the matter of scholarship. The Executive Council does not attempt to preach grade hunting, but it does ask that our chapters do creditable work and rank at least within the first third of the fraternities at their respective colleges or Universities.

It is true that a few of our chapters have consistently maintained a satisfactory average, but it is more noticeable that many have not. A

multitude of reasons are offered in explanation of poor showing in scholarship, but usually the story that comes to the surface shows a lack of organization within the chapter for handling this problem.

The Executive Council always has and, I presume, always will keep this subject in a prominent place because it realizes that the strength of a chapter depends largely upon its ability to keep its men in college and to graduate them. Personally I always judge a chapter's strength by the size and quality of its senior delegation rather than by any detailed accounts of competitive rushing victories over its rivals on the campus; altho no one is more interested in these tales than myself.

The active chapter man who stays in college with a creditable scholarship record is the man who supports his chapter in its activities, has the welfare of it at heart and proves most loyal to his Alma Mater and chapter in after life.

Most of our chapters have careful supervision of the campus activities of their members and have a well formulated policy for the development of new members along these lines, and it is a custom that merits commendation. But when I ask about scholarship supervision, as many of the brothers as can will back out of the room while those who cannot make a "getaway" feverishly endeavor to change the subject.

I was never rushed by Phi Beta Kappa myself, but like all alumni, I realize, as does the Council from years of experience, that we must turn our attention to this subject that is claiming the attention of the fraternity world today.

Are the Alumni as well as the undergraduates at fault to some degree for the present condition? I feel that they are and for that reason it is discussed in *THE DIAMOND*.

The alumni organizations of all of our chapters should insist upon a scholastic requirement for initiation if the college authorities do not, altho most of them are leaning toward this now. Nothing will weaken a chapter more quickly than to have its newly initiated members "flunk" out of college—these men are not assets to a chapter, they are distinct liabilities, and are what I class as "pin bearers"—not Psi U's. I do not believe many real Psi U's are made in less than four years of undergraduate life. They should have their alumni contribute cups or prizes for excellence in scholarship, the best individual improvement in standing, the best class average or whatever they may elect.

These things have been tried out with marked success in some chapters. Prom tickets—funds to rebate dues and such have been provided with

telling effect. A proper spirit of encouragement will cause any chapter to rally.

In Psi U, the active chapters have to bear the heavy brunt of all problems and they usually cannot provide out of their current funds for such methods of encouragement as are outlined above. I do not believe that this subject has been brought before the alumni heretofore in such a manner as to solicit their aid and advice, except in rare instances where their own chapter's scholastic record has reached such depths that the faculty called on them or the Executive Council to step in and bring about an improvement. In these latter cases only the sterner methods are thought of and the result is not lasting.

I ask that you reflect on this subject a little, for it is an all important one; any suggestions will be gladly received by the chapters, the Council and THE DIAMOND.

R. BOURKE CORCORAN

Member of the Executive Council.

PSI UPSILON AND THE INTER-FRATERNITY CONFERENCE

FOR days following the mailing of the January issue of THE DIAMOND, the editors lived in trepidation, for fearful they were that the remarks of Dean "Tommy" Clark anent the participation of our beloved order in the annual Inter-fraternity Conferences would bring anti-affiliation riots to this peaceful land and other consequences distressing to the national quietude. But it appears that their anxiety was unwarranted. No riots have been reported, trains still run on schedule, the stock market continues to function and the weather, most sensitive of all elements, remains undisturbed.

It was disappointing, nevertheless, to find so little apparent interest in the question. Only one alumnus, A. P. Sawyer, Beta '80, addressed the editors and he was more concerned with Brother Hungerford's article in the November number of THE DIAMOND than with Clark's letter. His letter was in part as follows:

"I had hoped to have congratulated the Editors of THE DIAMOND upon their first issue and now feel that I could have done so were it not for the first article which I feel was misplaced in occupying the most prominent position in the issue and untimely in again bringing into the field of controversy a matter so recently passed upon by the Chapters and, supposedly, settled.

“I maintain that it is not necessary for Psi Upsilon to join such an organization as the Inter-fraternity Conference and submit itself to the dictates of those who understand neither Psi Upsilon nor its aims and principles to do effective work and to cooperate, if you will, in measures for the general good of all fraternities.

“It seems to me that the purpose of this movement is, under the specious plea of cooperation, to gather the fraternities into one organization, the powers of the governing body of which shall gradually be increased until it becomes autocratic, and then to use the fraternities for ends for which they never were intended. In other words, it seems to me that this whole movement is part and parcel of that radical propaganda, now rife in our colleges and universities, which, in the name of reform and progress, purposes nothing less than the overthrow and demolition of all our institutions, social, economic and political.”

The fact that Psi Upsilon could withdraw from the Conferences at any time it should find that body becoming other than one with purely advisory functions should calm the fears of the author of this letter.

Three Alumni organizations have expressed opinions on this question—The Psi U Club of Milwaukee adopted a resolution at its December meeting in favor of our joining the Conferences. The scribe of the New York Club states that “the local sentiment seems to be in favor of our joining the Conferences.” The secretary of the Oregon Association, says, that after hearing a talk by Brother Sawyer, “he expressed the unanimous opinion of all present, that we should not join this organization.”

It is probable that the question will be raised at the Xi Convention, and, because of the possibility, all chapters would be wise to devote an hour or two to discussion of the advisability of such a step and send their delegates to the Convention at Middletown with instructions upon the matter.

EDITORIAL

INITIATION OF COLLEGE GRADUATES

DELEGATES to the 1921 Convention with the Xi will almost certainly be confronted with this question: Shall the Psi U Constitution be amended to permit initiation of college graduates? There is agitation of the matter among a small group of alumni in the East, who favor such a change in order that a few college men who were not fraternity members in college but who have been successful in after life may be honored by initiation into Psi U.

It is extremely important that every chapter give serious consideration to this question and send its delegates to Wesleyan with well-defined notions of what the brothers back home think of the matter. Thoughtful action upon this proposal is a duty the chapters owe to their alumni.

There are certain obvious aspects of the question which need only be touched upon. The time for initiation of a man is when he is an undergraduate, for then the rushing period permits a chapter to observe him. The standard which governs any chapter in its choice of new members is quite different from that by which a man's success in business or professional life is measured. We may assume that every non-fraternity man, if he was known in college at all, was at some time judged by his classmates in Psi U. Their decision should be final for they were the ones most concerned. That every member of a particular delegation may be more favorably disposed toward a man ten or twenty years afterwards should not open the doors of Psi U, for the responsibility which a Psi U feels in college when asked to vote upon a candidate grows measurably weaker in proportion to the time which has elapsed since he graduated. An instance of this is the ease with which any petitioning body secures the endorsement of Psi U alumni in its vicinity. If alumni are not to be permitted to choose graduates for initiation, certainly our active members should evade the responsibility. Rushing of a graduate candidate would be as embarrassing to all concerned as it would be farcical. And furthermore, who is to do the rushing? This and other practical difficulties are rather apparent, but there is a very grave objection which is less obvious.

It is difficult to imagine a suggestion more foreign to the spirit of our Fraternity than this one, which opens the door to a radical change in one of the fundamental principles of our order. Psi Upsilon is an undergraduate society, election to membership in which has always been a matter for determination by active brothers in college. Initiation of graduates will necessarily be proposed by alumni, except in certain instances in which a group of students may favor the adoption of a friendly professor or a man of wealth who could be persuaded to donate a new house. Active chapters can never be very vitally interested in initiating a graduate.

Consider the Psi U process. When a man has been through our ritual, has signed his name on the dotted line, has paid his initiation fee and has had the diamond pinned on his vest, is he a Psi U? The outer world says so, but we know that the transformation isn't so simple a ceremony. He is a brother in name, but not in spirit. The true brotherhood of Psi U is understood, appreciated and enjoyed only by those who have lived through years of college life with fellow Psi U's. We are a society of college men who grew from verdant freshman to dignified seniors under the influence of young men inspired by the high ideals for which our Fraternity stands.

Mere initiation produces as finished a Psi U as the act of enlistment does a soldier. They are both "rookies," and just as the enlisted man needs the discipline of military training before he becomes a soldier so our neophyte needs the discipline of college fraternity life amongst his fellows before he becomes a Psi U in spirit. There can be no substitute for this experience. A college graduate taken into membership without this training in Psi U, however willing and anxious he might be to become one of us, would be as alien in spirit as Wilson found himself in the conferences of the Big Four.

If Psi Upsilon were an honor society, there would be ground for argument, but it isn't, and we should be careful not to make it one. We don't reward men for what they have done, but offer them an opportunity to uphold the traditions of the Psi U family, which demands service of every wearer of the diamond, for only thru activity in undergraduate affairs does Psi U carry on. Initiation of graduates—one or many—would be to no purpose, for Psi U would neither give nor receive by such action. Why cheapen the fine spirit of friendship which is the Psi U ideal by accepting for membership men who cannot possibly become real Psi U's?

WARNING

SEVERAL members of the fraternity have reported that they have been accosted by a man falsely representing himself to be a Psi U, who gives the hard luck story related below in order to obtain money.

He usually introduces himself as Bro. Denby of the Chi chapter, class of about 1913—altho he has used this name as of the 1911 class at the Zeta, and in another instance he presented himself as Lester Y. Baylis of the Delta Delta chapter, class of 1917.

He offers a good imitation of the grip and is familiar with Psi U history, chapter roll, etc. He is about 5 feet 8 inches tall, dark, and makes a creditable appearance on most occasions.

His customary story is that he is employed by the Arrow Engineering

Company and is in transit from one city to another. On the current morning he has had all of his personal effects, excepting his clothing, stolen from his berth on the Pullman coming into town; his wife and child are with him waiting at the station or at a local hotel and have not had anything to eat that day. The wife and child part of his story are the only true features that the victims have been able to discover.

He promises to send you a check immediately upon his arrival at his destination, and he has in the past referred to two of the Chicago resident brothers as very good friends of his and says "they are mighty fine boys too." These references are firm in their stand that they would like to meet this party face to face once more.

To our knowledge he has operated successfully during the last fourteen months in Detroit, Chicago and Des Moines, Iowa. We would suggest that all chapters and alumni be on the lookout for him and should you be favored with a call kindly see to it that he receives a real reception and a night's lodging at the local jail. Then notify the Editors of *THE DIAMOND*.

PROMINENT PSI U'S

CHARLES PIEZ, LAMEDA '89

IT is with distinct pride that Psi Upsilon claims Charles Piez as one of her loyal sons. Born in Germany, of naturalized American parents, he grew up in this country, and became one of the most typical Americans of his time.

Brother Piez received his technical education as a mining engineer at the School of Mines, Columbia University. Seventeen years after graduation, after he had attained the position of chief engineer and general manager of the Philadelphia works of the Link-Belt Engineering Company of Philadelphia, he was elected president of a consolidated organization of three related companies, the Link-Belt Machinery Company (Chicago), the Ewart Manufacturing Company (Indianapolis), and the Link-Belt Engineering Company (Philadelphia). The consolidation was thereafter known as the Link-Belt Company, with five factories in four cities, and sales offices throughout the world.

The consolidated corporation under Bro. Piez's management became widely known as an efficiently operated and successful engineering and manufacturing enterprise, and largely as a result of his fame as an organizer and manager of industry, Brother Piez was selected by Mr. E. N. Hurley, Chairman of the United States Shipping Board, to be Vice-President and



CHARLES PIEZ - LAMBDA '89



RICHARD S. BARTHELMESS - BETA BETA '17

General Manager of the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation, to carry out the nation's shipbuilding program. Charles M. Schwab, later chosen Director General of this corporation, "the greatest business organization in the world's history," and Brother Piez, were inseparable associates and friends in their titanic efforts to "bridge the seas with ships."

As general manager of this mammoth enterprise, and later succeeding Mr. Schwab as director general, Brother Piez advised upon and directed the expenditure of three billion dollars. He had control over 600,000 persons employed in the shipyards and fabricating plants, and in industries furnishing supplies to the Yards.

On May 1, 1919, Brother Piez resigned as director general, to return to his private business. He is president of the Link-Belt Company, and of the Electric Steel Company; a director in several Chicago banks; and actively interested in a number of commercial and civic organizations.

He has been instrumental in framing much of the labor legislation of the state of Illinois, having been a member of the Commission that drew the State Factory Act; was Chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Commission, and a member of the State Arbitration Board.

Brother Piez has served as president of the Link-Belt Company, employing thousands of all classes of labor, for fourteen years without a strike or other serious labor disturbance.

RICHARD SEMLER BARTHELMESS, BETA BETA '17

IF you are a movie fan you enjoyed "Broken Blossoms" and "Way Down East," two of David Griffith's productions, and particularly you liked the handsome young man who took the part of the Chinaman in the former and was the hero of the latter. The gentleman was none other than Brother Barthelmess, Beta Beta '17.

While in college his ambition to become an actor was evident for he spent his summer vacations with stock companies. After he entered the movies his rise to prominence was meteoric (as a real press agent would write). His first big picture was with Marguerite Clark, and since then he has played opposite many another of our favorites including Norma Talmadge, Theda Bara and Valeska Suratt. That should be fame enough for any young man.

Just now we understand he is threatening to divorce Mr. David Griffith and conduct his own affairs. Daughters of Psi U's will not be interested in the color of his eyes, for, alas, he is a married man.

THE 1921 CONVENTION AT WESLEYAN, MIDDLETOWN, CONN.

THE Executive Council has asked the Xi Chapter to hold the convention this year and they have accepted the honor. The dates are May 5th, 6th and 7th.

The last two conventions have been attended by fewer alumni than should take part in these sessions. The reason advanced by many, being that information concerning the time and place of the convention is not properly circulated.

Alumni who have ever attended a convention will need little urging. This year's activities will be no exception to the general rule, and the Executive Council and Chapters are anxious that a large delegation of alumni visit the Xi at convention time.

Alumni residing in the East, particularly, ought not to pass up this opportunity for a few days of real vacation. Keep the event in mind and remember these dates.

THE RUSSIAN DEBACLE

BY CHRISTIAN GROSS, OMICRON '17*

*“Over the Romany Pataran
East where the silence broods
With a purple wave on an opal beach
In the hush of the Maham Woods—*

*“Follow the Romany Pataran
West to the sinking sun
Where the junk sails lift in the homeless drift
And the East and the West are one”*

THAT “you can fool part of the people all of the time, and all of the people part of the time,” but that you cannot “fool all of the people all of the time” presupposes a degree of intelligence on the part of the people fooled. From our warm, cheerful homes here within our shores we are not inclined to look out of our windows across the cheerless snows toward the sadly ignorant millions in Russia, where daily, “all of the people are being fooled all of the time.” Their present condition is a vivid warning to future generations and nations and is a crying plea for education of the masses in civic pride and in government.

*[EDITOR'S NOTE.—Christian Gross, Omicron '17, has finally returned to civilian ways after four years of military service, during which he saw action in many countries. He just came home from a lengthy stay in Siberia and the East. Those of us who knew him in college recall the periodic accounts of his picturesque meanderings and remember the poignant realization of the closeness of the war when we learned of his sudden death in France, and shared the suspense of his family through the days of anxious waiting and cabled investigations which terminated in the happy announcement of his safety.]

He planned and managed the University of Illinois Allied Bazaar for War Relief and was interested in organizing an ambulance unit with which he finally went abroad. He served with the French until General Pershing's arrival overseas, when he enlisted in the American Army as a private. He soon worked into a commission and after the armistice went with the American Expeditionary Forces to Siberia where his exciting career continued.

Chris has so many decorations he has difficulty in remembering them all. He has the Croix de Guerre, the British Military Cross, the American Field Service Medal, which was awarded by the French for his service under the Tricolour before the United States entered the war, and the American Distinguished Service Cross, which he received for his heroic service in Siberia. His most recent honor is the award of a fellowship for 1921-22 in Agriculture in the French Universities.

[Brother Gross consented to share with us the results of his many months in Siberia and has written an account of a situation of which he can speak from experience.]

Frankly, like most people of my acquaintance, I did not want to look upon them and see it all, but, it having come my way in the natural course of events, I have set about to chronicle briefly in a purely narrative and descriptive manner a few paragraphs to picture how one half of the world suffers and struggles while the other half under blue and cloudless skies enjoys life as life is capable of being enjoyed—both in pastime and in industrial progress.

The glorious history of Russia and the noteworthy men that she has produced are as nothing before the wanton mob of unprincipled vandals who have usurped the dignity and the tranquility of that country today.

Before looking at the other things of Russia let us, for future understanding, pause for the moment at that complex—yet simple—nervous organ, the Russian mind—"The Root of Evil" as it were. And in doing this, may we not overlook for the time the comparatively small percentage of minds which are keen and accurate, and logical; those with understanding, perception and constructibility—the minds of the educated people. If these were in the majority rather than in the sad minority, Russia would today be a far different county. Then let us consider the inner feelings, the pulse of Russia itself, the peasant class, which *is* the country—at least ninety-five per cent of it. If it were not for the overwhelming numerical superiority and the undermining mental inferiority of this class, the murderous revolution which has smouldered since 1905, could never continue with the present universal approval. An educated, logical person is as foreign to a Bolshevik gathering of peasants as one of these same class-typifying peasants would be at a faculty meeting of one of our Universities.

In one sentiment—indeed the only one these simple minded, simple faced, simple lived people really understand—they are wholly in accord. In all other sentiments and plans there is discord, and there are as many different lines of thought, as many different political parties, as there are fanatic and fantastic radical propagandists to wave their arms, muss their hair, distort their features and expound their "Methods of Deliverance" to the open-mouthed listeners, who are in most cases believers.

This first sentiment, foremost among all thoughts in the Russian mind of today, is that of "Down with the old regime, and all of its remaining adherents."

The second sentiment starts out boldly but ends in all points of the compass. It is "Up with — — almost anything else." The question "Up with what" seems to bring forth no end of elaborate socialistic plans for the deliverance of Russia; each having its particular leader and its own

following—but none in the last analysis capable of standing the acid test of logic and practicability. All these plans and theories are put forth to benefit ultimately the particular propagandist who hopes to induce enough of the mass of ignorant, unthinking humanity to rally about him to instill confidence in his pet idea, so that when he takes up his field of operations in an adjoining territory, some of his prestige will travel ahead and pave the way, and he may be met with welcome.

Only in a country of widespread and universal simpleness of mind could these things take place, without someone among all that mass of people having enough of an understanding of the practical outer world to sow a grain of dissention against these radical utterances. Rural Russia and Siberia are the only such places.

To China and India, where the people are more ignorant and more capable of *being* ignorant than the Russians, students from other lands return regularly to the soil of their nativity—with new vision, new understanding, new views of life for all with whom they associate, new aims and new ideals.

But Russia is not so fortunate. Once a son of Russia manages to get away into the outer world he rarely if ever returns—either from curiosity, desire or sentiment. His new freedom intoxicates him and his old bondage warns him to stay away. So he never returns, never carries back the wonderful story of his new understanding of democracy as the free peoples know it—where capital and power do not spell serfdom and tyranny and—“a man’s a man for a’ that.”

His religion likewise has stunted the mind of the Russian and narrowed his scope, so that he has turned with hopeful eye and open arms to the salvation offered to him by the speech-making radicals, who pull the proverbial wool over the eyes of these believing and willing-to-be-fooled people at every opportunity. For centuries these simple people have given their minds and their hearts unto the priest with a blind hope and blinder optimism that the church would pull them through. But the priest did not know. He did not live and feel their thoughts and sufferings—he only saw them and guessed. All through revolutionary Russia today it is the peasant who knows and lives in adversity and hardship—the priest only sees it, and the Bolsheviki agitators hold up their religion in the faces of their peasant adherents and thus break down the last possible inclination of the peasants to do right and obey the Will of God, by leading them to believe that the Church sanctions their crimes through the mouthpiece of these agitators. So the revolution becomes a struggle

between "God and Right" on the one side, and "God and Wrong" on the other.

After several centuries of oppression the crash gradually threatened and finally came. And such a crash it was—everything went—government, art, industry, morality, lawfulness, honor, initiative, progress, self-respect, and even religion to some extent. The religion of Russia is too deeply burned into its people for them to disavow their allegiance to the Church or its influence and mastery over them. Although I have more than once been in the vicinity, and observed soon afterwards the results of the savage raid of a band of unprincipled Bolsheviki on a peaceful town, during which the dwelling of the village priest was sacked and burned, his family taken away, and the priest himself wantonly murdered, I believe that in sobriety and without the vicious urge of *Vodka* and the burning words of some radical agitator ringing in his ears no Russian would knowingly perpetrate that crime.

Yet I was recently asked by a prominent American citizen—a Christian, though not by birth—with a generous portion of the good things of life, a home and a family and all that they mean, whether these revolutionists were not of the same stamp as our own patriots of 1776. At first I thought he was jesting, but he was serious and sincere.

I replied, "To understand what you are struggling to obtain, to give that aim your whole life and mind, is one thing—inspiring and creative of national spirit, tradition and fireside history for those to follow. But to follow unintelligently every radical destructionist, to oscillate between the doctrines of first one and then another propagandist, to shift from one absurdity to another, to follow one mad-man and then another—shows a state of imbecility with no goal for the future. It is simply an ignorant dissatisfaction with things as they are that moves these outlaws. They have cursed the world with a creed that has innoculated the restless elements throughout the world with the poison of Bolshevism. If that is like the men of 1776 then you are correct."

The hatred for the old regime, for capital, for organized industry and for education has been so much harangued and has become so thoroughly instilled in the hearts of the people that it is dangerous for a Russian to appear to be anything other than one of the revolutionists. Indeed there are many families who today owe their very lives to the fact that they put on the garb and the air and assumed the state of mind, when among strangers, of the revolutionists before it was too late. Although at times we were mistaken, we could usually pick out such people.

Their eyes sparkled with intelligence, with the refinement and assurance

which indicated almost unerringly their actual state, their sympathies, their education, their breeding and their station in life. For a high type of Russian is a high type the world over. These families were naturally reticent, for their family secret meant their life. But as time went on and they saw in us, in spite of our necessarily wabby and undefined policy in Siberia, a similarity of ideals and principles they would reveal their identity to us. Conversation—often in perfect English or French—was lowered on this subject to the “trench whisper” of the front line listening posts during the war in France.

Bolshevism, socialism, sovietism, or anarchy—which ever is the fact—has the upper hand. Destruction, license, barbarity, immorality, terrorism, and radicalism are in full swing. Progress is dead—and tradition is buried by its side.

To-day there is no national spirit in Russia. There is, however, a tremendously sincere racial spirit which has its basis in a common hatred for the Japanese in whom Russians, particularly those in eastern Siberia, see a menace greater than the yoke of political intrigue which they have borne with disappointment since 1905. The brown cloud in their South-eastern horizon is great enough to bind the Siberians together against a racial foe if not against an actual one. For in spite of their disgraceful present chaos, these simple Russian people will never bring themselves to submit to occupancy of their land by a race of people to whom they feel, in spite of all, that they are superior. This may someday be the saving factor, the light, the common danger that will awaken them and lead them out of the dark toward combined effort, progress, and unity—who knows?

THE PAGE OF MISSING MEN

THE editors in an endeavor to assist the chapters in revising their address lists asked for the names of brothers who are classified on the rolls as “Whereabouts unknown.” The following names are those sent in by the few chapters that responded to our offer. If you know the address of any of the brothers listed below you will be conferring a distinct favor by sending your information to the secretary of the Chapter in interest.

THETA

1853	GEORGE AVERY	1892	CHARLES WHITMAN HILLS
1873	HENRY CLAY CARPENTER	1893	WILLIAM ANGUS HAMILTON
1875	SAMUEL WILMER ABBEY	1893	HENRY DOMINGO CORDOVEZ
1875	JOHN HENRY MASON	1904	GEORGE VAUGHN SHERRILL
1892	WILLIAM DENNISON CULVER	1907	GLENN ALLISON RICHARDSON

DELTA

1866	NICHOLAS L. ROOSEVELT	1901	HENRY D. BRENNAN
1872	GEORGE C. EYLAND	1901	CALEB HYATT
1872	GEORGE J. ROCKWELL	1904	ANDREW WALZ
1879	FERNANDO HERBOSO	1905	OLIVER C. GARVIN
1882	CLARENCE W. PERRY	1906	HERBERT C. DOWLER
1887	ALBERT S. O. DEWEY	1909	SAMUEL G. COOPER
1888	EDWARD W. THWING	1910	HARRY ANDERSON
1890	HERBERT L. CARPENTER	1911	V. PATTERSON
1891	WILLIAM A. HAMILTON	1914	HOWARD W. LANGLEY
1893	DR. SAMUEL COCHRAN	1914	F. F. VAN DEWATER
1896	ROBERT K. HOWARD	1915	JOHN J. BRIDGETTS
1896	FREDK. C. SECKERSON	1920	IRVING E. DODGE
1899	WILSON M. BROWN	1922	THOMAS B. MACADAM

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1886	EDWARD V. D. SLAUSON	1897	FOREST ROSE
1886	AMBROSE B. TREMAIN	1897	PERCY A. ROSE
1876	EDMOND BEARDSLEY	1899	STEPHEN C. WOODHALL
1890	DANIEL GILDAY	1908	J. WENTWORTH PERKINS
1893	JOHN J. BRADLEY	1912	EDWARD C. MCGOVERN
1898	LEO H. ROBBINS	1916	JOHN P. RAY
1899	WILLIAM H. SMITH		

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1905	ADAMS, HENRY F.	1919	LOCKRIDGE, ROBERT T.
1910	BACON, ROGER W.	1914	MCCARTHY, ROBERT E.
1884	BEDELL, WILLIAM A.	1910	MERRITT, HOWARD B.
1913	BEERBOWER, L. DUMONT	1905	OLNEY, JOHN S.
1906	CALDWELL, ROGER G.	1920	PUGHE, ARTHUR R.
1906	CARMAN, JOSEPH P.	1913	QUIRK, JOSEPH C.
1917	CLARK, DONALD B.	1908	REMICK, ROSCOE H.
1878	CLARKE, CHARLES D.	1890	ROACH, FRANK C.
1877	CLARKE, WILLIS G.	1885	SAXE, JOHN W.
1920	DAYTON, LOGAN M.	1892	SCOTT, EVERETT H.
1860	EDWARDS, JAMES T.	1880	SHEFFIELD, CHARLES A.
1874	EMERSON, GEORGE A.	1917	SLOAN, EDWARD C.
1888	HILLERY, FRED A.	1880	WALTON, OLIN S.
1894	HOWE, REV. ARTHUR L.	1914	WEINSTEIN, HAROLD E.
1899	HUBBARD, SAMUEL W.	1869	WELLS, REV. WILBERFORCE
1886	KNOWLES, FRANCIS W.	1902	WILCOX, DR. CLARENCE R.

BETA BETA

1908	BEACH, CLEVELAND H. B.	1899	INGALLS, FREDERICK C.
1906	EWING, WILLIAM BARNELL	1912	OLIVER, FERGUS
1912	EVINSON, SAMUEL HERBERT	1917	PEABODY, HENRY GILMAN
1899	FRENCH, GEORGE ALBERT	1915	RYERSON, HERBERT EDWAY, JR.
1866	HAYDEN, CHARLES CONNOR	1877	WILLSON, CHARLES T.

OMEGA

1898	THOS. B. BLACKBURN	1903	JULIAN I. PRUGH
1914	R. LEIGH HUBBARD	1879	CHAS. D. SNAPP
1899	DONALD A. KENNEDY	1875	JONATHAN STALEY
1874	J. A. MITCHELL	1897	ROBT. N. TOOKER

SUBSCRIPTIONS BY CHAPTERS—COMPLETE

STATISTICS ON CHAPTER SUBSCRIPTIONS THROUGH FEBRUARY 28TH

RATING BY PERCENTAGE OF	
ALUMNI SUBSCRIPTIONS	
1	2
Omicron.....	55.5
Tau.....	43.0
Omega.....	37.2
Theta Theta.....	27.7
Theta Delta.....	26.4
Iota.....	24.6
Chi.....	22.8
Delta.....	22.7
Mu.....	22.5
Epsilon.....	21.6
Rho.....	20.3
Gamma.....	19.8
Psi.....	18.3
Beta Beta.....	15.1
Pi.....	14.4
Eta.....	14.0
Xi.....	12.1
Pi.....	9.7
Theta.....	9.0
Sigma.....	8.8
Zeta.....	6.5
Kappa.....	4.4
Lambda.....	3.9
Alpha.....	*2.9
Upsilon.....	2.4
Beta.....	2.1

The Nu Chapter was not listed in 1917 Catalogue but has 43 alumni subscribers so cannot be graded.

*Chapter inactive.

Chapter	Members*	Number of Subscriptions	Percentage
Theta.....	609	55	9.0
Delta.....	638	145	22.7
Beta.....	1800	38	2.1
Sigma.....	320	28	8.8
Gamma.....	580	115	19.8
Zeta.....	599	39	6.5
Lambda.....	467	18	3.9
Kappa.....	408	18	4.4
Psi.....	224	41	18.3
Xi.....	584	71	12.1
Alpha†.....	67	2	2.9
Upsilon.....	357	8	2.4
Iota.....	195	48	24.6
Phi.....	500	72	14.4
Omega.....	277	103	37.2
Pi.....	412	40	9.7
Chi.....	413	94	22.8
Beta Beta.....	310	47	15.1
Eta.....	277	39	14.0
Tau.....	287	123	43.0
Mu.....	275	62	22.5
Rho.....	300	61	20.3
Epsilon.....	181	39	21.6
Omicron.....	139	77	55.5
Delta Delta.....	76	20	26.4
Theta Theta.....	76	21	27.7
Nu.....	43
Total.....	10304	1438	13.9

* Taken from the figures in the 1917 Catalogue.

† Chapter inactive.

RATING BY NUMBER OF SUBSCRIPTIONS THROUGH FEBRUARY 28TH

1	Delta.....	145
2	Tau.....	123
3	Gamma.....	115
4	Omega.....	103
5	Chi.....	94
6	Omicron.....	77
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STATISTICS are always interesting. According to the 1917 Catalogue, which is the best reference at hand, there are thirty-one cities in which fifty of more Psi U's reside and one hundred and sixteen places claim the residence of at least ten or more men. In twenty-three cities and towns THE DIAMOND has a following of ten or more subscribers, the first three cities of the country alone passing the half century mark on the DIAMOND rolls.

Take a look at the following list and find out where your city stands. THE DIAMOND cannot send men out to canvass for subscriptions. It will be up to some Psi U or group of Psi U's to put THE DIAMOND across in the various places. Several of the Psi U clubs have already done this. Instead of the fifteen clubs that have corresponded with THE DIAMOND so far, there should be thirty or forty. If there is not a Psi U organization in your town, start one. We will help you.

Are you content to let things stand as they are? This list is published primarily to start something. We hope it does.

City	Number of Members*	Number of Subscribers	City	Number of Members*	Number of Subscribers
New York	1531	175	Pittsburg	86	11
Chicago	455	122	San Francisco	86	11
Philadelphia	256	77	Washington, D.C.	124	10
Minneapolis	134	44	St. Paul	67	10
Cleveland	78	42	Berkeley	47	8
Brooklyn	253	39	Albany	51	8
Toronto	32	32	Boston	235	7
Milwaukee	47	25	Duluth	18	6
Toledo	32	22	Kansas City	16	6
Syracuse	111	20	Cincinnati	52	5
Seattle	75	19	Dayton	11	5
Buffalo	98	19	Omaha	20	4
Detroit	111	18	Denver	36	4
St. Louis	58	18	New Haven	111	4
Los Angeles	85	17	Portland, Maine	74	4
Evanston Ill.	58	16	Baltimore	26	3
Rochester	220	14	Indianapolis	22	3
Hartford	92	13			
Providence	144	12			

*Taken from the figures in the 1917 catalogue.

MAY WE ASK YOU?

WE are in receipt of a number of subscriptions that have been secured and sent in by subscribers who are pleased with **THE DIAMOND** and believe in its merits as a potential factor in the fraternity. The chapters as a whole and the board of editors have put forth their best efforts to secure subscriptions. We take the liberty of asking you to sign up one or more of your close associates in the fraternity who are not on our lists. We print herewith a few blank subscriptions which you can cut out and carry with you until you have them filled out, then mail them to us. If all of our subscribers will co-operate with us to this extent, our income will be greatly increased and it will enable us to relieve the active chapters of their present financial responsibility with respect to **THE DIAMOND**.

We explained in the first issue that the publication of **THE DIAMOND** has been made possible by the fact that each chapter has guaranteed \$100.00 a year, and this has enabled us to publish it without fear of a deficit. All alumni will agree that this publication should be supported by them instead of by the active men; the chapters have not complained, but it is the hope of the editors to secure enough subscriptions before convention time so that they can allow the chapter guarantee to be lowered for the coming year.

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HUMOR—By Request

We reprint a Chapter letter in verse, sent out by one of our Chapters a few years ago as a protest to the platitudinous Chapter letters we all know so well—it did a great deal to stimulate better letters—and we reprint it because we think it clever. The Chapter's name we omit upon the advice of a number of the brothers who feared that a copy would fall into the hands of our "friendly enemies," who might pass the judgment the last verse invites.

Dear Brothers of the———

We haven't done so well this year,
We're in an awful stew—
Pledged up five men, a sorry lot,
Four niggers and a Jew.

The coons were trying to steal our gin,
We bid 'em all up brown.
The Jew was buying up old clothes,
We had to knock him down.

One bird came down from Amherst,
He went from bad to worse;
We're teaching him to stack a deck
And drink and smoke and curse.

We're fixing up a "frat" house
That looks like Noah's Ark;
Its Greeko-Gotho-Roman lines
Are lovely,—after dark!

Two of the boys have leprosy,
Three more have Spanish flu,
Another has the smallpox, with
A touch of typhoid, too.

The —— 's in the county jail,
Charged with a heinous crime;
He beat up some poor newsboy
And stole his last thin dime.

The balance of our noble crew
 Are drinking hard, or drunk.
 (With us it's "Chapter Spirits," not
 That "Chapter Spirit" bunk!")

Of course you all can see at once
 We're clearly S. O. L.,
 But then, we're rather proud of it,—
 Original as hell!

Of thieves and thugs and pickpockets
 We have our entire share;
 So you can judge us for yourselves.
 Yours fondly,

PSI U IN SYRIA

ONE might suppose that when a Psi U strays as far from these United States as Beirut, which is just as distant as it sounds, he would become too deeply interested in things abroad to keep in mind his college fraternity affiliation. Not so with Brother Walter Booth Adams, Delta '87. He was one of the first subscribers, and liked the November number so well that he wrote—well, just read what he said:

The American University of Beirut,
 Beirut, Syria, Jan. 7, 1921.

To the Editors of *THE DIAMOND*:

I have "an impulse" and I must obey it and write to you and tell you how delighted I was with the first number of *THE DIAMOND*. I was in college when Brother Allison's publication was alive and deeply regretted that it did not survive. Here's to you and long life to the publication!

I wish to tell you how delighted I was to learn several facts. In the first place, of some of the Omega's brothers. I was in the home-land in 1914, in fact I landed from Syria the very day the war broke out, August 2d,—and was lucky in getting away from Old England when I did. I was in Chicago a few days, the guest of my old friend and former colleague in our university here, Rev. Dr. J. W. Nicely, the father of Brothers "Jim" and Harold Nicely,—they lived under the same roof we did, and I knew them as babies. Jim, when he left for America, said to my wife, "Good bye, I'm going to America, and I'll be back in a minute!" He has not yet come, but I was perfectly delighted that he did "go Psi U." And

Harold, too. That little bit of information was worth to me many times the price of subscription! You see my good and old friend since 1892, Dr. John Nicely, is only "an imitation Psi U," in other words, a "Phi Gam," and I suppose he could not screw up his courage to write me the news that both of his sons had gone the way I had gone in my youth!

And then, imagine my surprise to learn of the Theta Theta and especially of the Nu! On my way home in 1914, on the way to St. Louis, a chair companion introduced me to his son. I noticed his pin and he saw mine. We gripped, naturally, and I inquired his chapter. "Delta Delta." "What? I'm a Delta man myself. What do you mean by Delta Delta?" "Haven't you heard?—at Williams." And that was my first knowledge of the success of Psi U up there. I had boosted for a chapter there in my college days, but they just would not.

We have no formal alumni association here, but Prof. Harvey Porter, Gamma '70, Ph. D., D. D. emeritus professor of history, and I hold the fort, and at our resurrection of our Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association he was chosen the president of it and yours from the Delta was named secretary. "Psi U's swiping all the officers, again!"

Again, please accept my salaams and best wishes for the utmost success of THE DIAMOND.

Yours in the Bonds,
WALTER BOOTH ADAMS, M. D.
Delta '87.

IN MEMORIAM

WILLIAM ROBINSON BLAIR—Beta Beta '75.

THE Chapter deeply regrets to announce the death of Bro. William R. Blair, '75, which occurred on December 19, 1920. Judge Blair was one of the Chapter's most prominent alumni, and his death is a great loss to the whole fraternity.

Brother Blair was born in the old city of Allegheny, the son of John C. Blair, a pioneer steel manufacturer, and Anne (nee Robinson) Blair. He was a student at St. Paul's School, Concord, H. N., was graduated from Trinity College in 1875, and from Columbia Law School in 1878. Soon after his graduation he began practicing law in Pittsburgh, and upon the passage of the Federal bankruptcy act in 1898 he was appointed referee in that district. His record in this position was unexcelled, and he was recognized as an authority on bankruptcy.

CORNELIUS RYCKMAN BLAUVELT—Delta '64.

ON August 12th, 1920, Brother Blauvelt died at his home in Nyack, N. Y. Always intensely interested in all things pertaining to his college life and especially to the Fraternity, he was one of the first to respond to the call for support for the new "DIAMOND."

A clergyman of the reformed church in America, Brother Blauvelt since his retirement did a great deal of book reviewing and other work on "The Intelligencer," his denominational weekly publication.

He was largely instrumental in forming the Society of Comparative Religions, and was the corresponding secretary of this organization throughout its entire existence.

Dr. Blauvelt graduated in '64, with an A.B., took his M.A. in '71, and Ph.D. in '91.

GODFREY ROGER PISEK—Delta '94.

Brother Pisek died suddenly of heart disease during the early part of January. He was a member of the Class of '94, Arts, and took his M.D. in '97. At the time of his death he was Professor of Pediatrics in the New York Post-Graduate Hospital. Dr. Pisek had made a study of Diseases of Children, both here and in Europe, and made many contributions to Medical Publications on this subject.

BETA '77—Anthony Gould (February 28, 1921)

GAMMA '63—James Griswold Merrill (December 22, 1920)

ZETA '70—Sanford Henry Steele (December 19, 1920)

XI '73—Arthur Prince Adams (November 22, 1920)

BETA BETA '58—William Hamersley (September 17, 1920)

BETA BETA '87—Lloyd Saltus (January 16, 1921)

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ALUMNI CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

PSI U CLUBS AND MORE PSI U CLUBS

Hey there, Brother! Yes, you from Boston. Snap out of it! Where are you? Still dazed from the speedy work of Charles Ponzi?

Of at least forty cities that should have strong active alumni clubs, a scant handful of twelve have made their existence known in THE DIAMOND—of twelve thousand Psi U's available, approximately two thousand are on THE DIAMOND's mailing list. Therefore, five-sixths of the members of Psi U are dead—spiritually non-existing so far as the noble old fraternity is concerned. Where are Boston, Washington, The Twin Cities, San Francisco, and the rest of them? Taking the 1917 catalogue as a basis, Boston with its nearby suburbs has approximately four hundred members—knock off 25% for the change caused by time and the war, and there is still a list of three hundred strong. With such numbers and with but slight interest, a real live organization should exist. Perhaps you do—may the readers of THE DIAMOND hear from you?

This applies just as strongly to San Francisco, with Oakland, and Berkeley to help her out; and such cities as Albany, Baltimore, Denver, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Rochester, Springfield, Mass., Syracuse, etc., have plenty of men to form a club. But no organization will exist if you all sit back and let the other man do it. You, reader, take it upon yourself to be the founder and organizer of the club in your city.

THE OTHER PART OF THE CIRCLE

Is there any Psi U Club in the country that can say that it doesn't need members? No! Well, how can it get them? One way is a house-to-house canvass, one might say. But how can you canvass a man when you don't know he is there? Another way is through THE DIAMOND. The number of subscribers to THE DIAMOND is increasing by leaps and bounds every day. We know that there are many men in places boasting of Psi Clubs that do not belong to the clubs. We know also that there are Psi U organizations in some places that do not know about, so how can the unacquainted reader of THE DIAMOND in those places know of a Psi U club right under his nose if you, Mr. Club Secretary, aren't going to deal him out some bright sparkling news about your activities. If you prove to him that you have a live-wire club with something more interesting than an annual banquet to look forward to he is going to want to join your club. Remember that our opening thought dealt with the fact that you need more members and why—because with a larger membership, with greater financial backing, you can enlarge the scope of your activities, you can become a greater factor in the organized strength of Psi Upsilon.

The columns of **THE DIAMOND** are free advertising for your club. It cannot be called a logical argument if you crab about having too few members, when you fail to make use of the best medium possible to accomplish the results you desire. So, Mr. Club Officer, get busy with some news that is just going to make your prospects want to buy.

DOES THIS APPLY TO YOU?

You lover of soft easy chairs, you, whose heart is in your stomach, you, who linger because you're late—and, you, lover of keen competition, you, whose heart is in your work, you, who hustle to keep ahead. Stop! Consider! Sit down there by the fire, make yourself comfortable and ponder these things—

Does Psi U mean anything to you? Have you any friend whom you never would have met if it were not for Psi U? How many Psi U friends have you? Bear in mind the motto of the Fraternity, what it did for you in college and perhaps since—then ask yourself the question: "What have I done for Psi Upsilon?" Can you answer this question with an assurance of having worthily given her something? If you can, these words are not directed to you, for if you have already given, you will gladly give again in this, her reawakening. If you cannot—come forward and act! Here's your opportunity.

Every Psi U must sit up and take notice. Many brothers are realizing that we have been living on the glories of the past, and that we must get together, but a far greater number are snoozing in the ether of indifference. To those who seem to have forgotten her, to have lost apparently all connection, we ask but little—it is this: Let us hear from you. If you will join the club in your city, subscribe to **THE DIAMOND**, show some interest by expressing an opinion, start an argument—you'll be surprised. Psi Upsilon needs you—yes, you, reader.

We feel that **THE DIAMOND** needs no argument as to its worth and the pleasure it should give you to go over its pages and find out what Psi U and Psi U's are doing. If it doesn't measure up to your ideas, start something. Let us know. We are as broadminded as they make them. **THE DIAMOND** is far from perfect. We know it. But we are doing our best. Its standard will be raised in proportion to the interest you show and the constructive criticism you offer.

Are you a member of a Psi U Club? Why not? You perhaps could spend the best part of a night advancing reasons for not affiliating yourself. Do you ever stop to consider why you should join? The Psi U Club of Chicago in its article in this number has outlined very clearly why every Psi U in the country should become a member of a club. Read it and

discover some of the reasons why you, to justify your possession of the badge, should extend yourself a bit. Good organization makes for strength. To be strong Psi U needs organization. Here's one way to solve the problem.

Are you with us? Well then—prove it!

A. A. HALLOCK, Xi '16.

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF BANDON, OREGON

President, ROBERT M. McDONALD, Delta '19

Secretary, R. MONTGOMERY MACDONALD, Delta '19

THE DIAMOND is proving to be quite a publication, which to one isolated in the wilds of Oregon is a Godsend. We have organized a Psi Upsilon Club of Bandon, of which I am President, Vice President, etc., etc., for from all I can find out I am the only one eligible within five hundred miles, and "we" wish to express "our" hopes that it will be "our" pleasure to entertain some misguided Brother who has strayed so far as Bandon. For entertainment we have to offer the most exclusive tract of deer, duck, or cougar hunting in America to say nothing of the famous South Western Oregon "White Mule." (Editor's note.—We hope the "mule" has a "kick.")

WESTERN NEW YORK ASSOCIATION OF PSI UPSILON, BUFFALO

President, DEANE H. ANDREW, Pi '10

Vice-President, THOMAS F. ROCHESTER, Delta Delta '17

Secretary, PAUL H. SCHOEPFLIN, Pi '12

Treasurer, WILLIAM C. WARREN, Beta '14

THE Annual Dinner of the Western New York Association of Psi Upsilon was held on January 28th, at the University Club of Buffalo. Brother Harvey D. Blakeslee, Upsilon '00, presided, and forty-five brothers, including men from Buffalo, Niagara Falls and Rochester, were assembled.

Psi U songs rang thru the hall with the true, old-time spirit. Brother Raymond Stevens entertained us with banjo selections and a Psi Upsilon quartette, led by Brother Deane Andrew, sang parodies and indulged in the regular "chestnut" melodies which always awaken memories of "Those days of yore." Brother Josiah Willis, Phi '73, sang once more, his favorite song.

The address of Rev. L. O. Williams, Zeta '86, thrilled us. He spoke of Brother Richard Hovey, his close friend and the author of the "Stein Song." The recital of Hovey's poems, as well as those of Brother Williams, was thoroly enjoyed.

Business was disposed of with the despatch which is characteristic of

our Psi U Association. Brother James Rice appealed for support of THE DIAMOND, and the above officers were chosen for the ensuing year.

Discussion of the urgent need for a closer union of Psi U's in this vicinity, provoked a veritable storm of enthusiasm. A unanimous vote was secured for the monthly luncheon of Psi Upsilon. The evening ended with songs and a march thru the clubrooms.

The first luncheon held on Friday, February 18th, at the Ellicott Club, was attended by thirty-one men. Psi U's were found where Psi U's had not been known.

The next luncheon will be held on Friday, March 18th, at the Ellicott Club, at 12:15 P. M. Our flying start assures a real Psi Upsilon organization in Western New York.

Every visiting brother will find a hearty welcome, if he but make his presence in the city known.

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF CHICAGO

AUDITORIUM HOTEL

Honorary President, THOS. E. DONNELLEY, Beta '89

President, PERCIVAL B. PALMER, JR., Gamma '04

Vice-President, R. BOURKE CORCORAN, Omega '15

Secretary, BERNARD E. NEWMAN, Omega '17

Treasurer, KENNETH C. MACPHERSON, Omega '18

THE business of getting settled in our new quarters in the Auditorium Hotel has occupied the attention of the Club for the past month, and as a consequence, the special social features which were contemplated had to be abandoned. However, we are now very comfortably located and a series of club nights, to be featured by talks given by civic and commercial leaders, will be inaugurated during the latter part of March.

The question raised by the Psi U Club of New York in the last edition of THE DIAMOND, namely, "What can be done to make the Club more attractive to Psi U's," brings up for discussion a problem which should, in our estimation, be given careful consideration. It is a problem confronting the officers of all fraternity clubs which maintain their own quarters. The Psi Upsilon Club of Chicago is not an exception. We have a membership large enough to permit us to carry on the limited obligations which we have assumed. THE DIAMOND has been a huge success. We are proud of it. But by getting in touch with the various chapters and the fraternity at large, new fields for activity have been pointed out to us which can be carried on by all Psi Upsilon clubs and associations. We are all agreed that influential alumni organizations located throughout the country are bound to have their beneficial effects upon the neighboring chapters as well as upon the prospective candidates who go each year to

the various colleges in which we are represented. To carry on the activities necessary to create an alumni motive force behind the active chapters requires the support of every alumnus brother.

The question then is not "What can be done to make the Club more attractive to Psi U's," but "How can the various clubs bring before each alumnus the necessity for allying himself with the club nearest his home?" Many fraternities have adopted the system of alumni dues. This idea has never met with favor in Psi Upsilon, but certainly Psi U deserves the support of every alumnus, and by offering this support through a well-organized and well-financed club or association, the results will be infinitely more far reaching than if each alumnus were to pay alumni dues to his chapter.

The Psi Upsilon Club of New York has been successful in securing memberships from a large percentage of the Psi U's in New York. In Chicago we have been less successful, and have at present only twenty-five per cent of the Psi U's in Chicago enrolled in the club. If the percentage in all the cities where we maintain clubs were one hundred, their combined memberships would not exceed fifty per cent of the general membership of the fraternity. In other words, the real necessity for affiliating with a nearby Psi Upsilon club must be presented to every Psi U, and those brothers who are classed as non-residents must be acquainted with the idea that the nominal amount they spend in dues each year, is their share in the continual progress of the Fraternity.

The Psi Upsilon club of Chicago frankly admits that it needs members. There are over five hundred Psi U's in Chicago, and only one-hundred and thirty are members of this club. This issue of *THE DIAMOND* will reach many brothers who are among those three hundred and sixty-five who do not belong, as well as a host of brothers residing near Chicago. Perhaps the idea of becoming a member of the Psi Upsilon Club of Chicago has not been presented to you or perchance it has, and you felt that you could not take advantage of the facilities it offers. Won't you kindly look at the matter in the light of contributing to an active force engaged in furthering the interests of the fraternity, and select the class of membership which you desire, and then request us to add your name to our membership list?

Regular Resident membership	\$10 per quarter.
Non-Resident	\$10 per year, payable semi-annually.
Special Resident,—for men out of college for less than three years, \$5 per quarter.	

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF CLEVELAND

Honorary President, WM. L. DEMING, Chi '77

President, ARTHUR S. WRIGHT, Theta '82

Secretary-Treasurer, A. A. HALLOCK, Xi '16

WE have stretched forth our hand, for the first time, to underline with emphatic action a primal reason for the existence of the Psi Upsilon Club of Cleveland. On the evening of Monday, February the 21st, the first concrete and concerted effort was made by the alumni to propel your Clevelanders of the right caliber towards Psi U. It brought back a glimpse of the old days when we gathered in our chapter house to look "em" over. By various means employed, honorable and otherwise, our newly appointed committee on sub-freshmen, Bro. Ralph H. Gordon, Sigma '18, ferreted out the secret intention of several young men to attend some one of our higher institutions of learning the coming fall. And straightway they were entertained at the University Club. Not lavishly, it is true, but in good old Psi U style.

Our beloved poet, John Kendrick's Bangs, furnished the inspiration of the evening, his presence in Cleveland being no mean incentive for a far more stupendous celebration.

The evening was a real success. Iota as usual was on the crest of the song wave, carrying along with them the faltering and more scattered efforts of the remaining minority. Such ardent attention was paid to the young guests that garnet and gold pledge buttons seemed to be hovering in the near proximity of lapels. And then the reminiscences of the speaker, intermingling Psi U with Psi Upsilon history and Psi U war experiences. The few moments that Bro. Bangs could spare us from his well-loaded calendar were thoroughly enjoyed and we trust that his return to Cleveland will be speedy.

Our first year of endeavor has borne some fruit. The eager and zealous ones have been reenforced, and the spirit of a strong organization is now stirring. A constitution has been drawn up and is awaiting ratification. Committees are laying their plans for entertainment of various kinds, and what not. Luncheons are in order for the coming year every other week at the Athletic Club. We look forward in general to a wealth of possibility, and we trust that the men sent to the various colleges and universities, from Cleveland, tagged for Psi U, will be found worthy of the consideration of the Chapters of our great fraternity.

At this meeting an executive committee of the following men was appointed: F. G. Clark, Chairman; Arthur S. Wright, member ex-officio; E. S. Rich, B. A. Collins, O. W. L. Coffin and W. G. Tapping and the secretary.

NOTES

Brother Harry Barber Sawyer, Iota '97, died sometime during the middle of this month, leaving a wife and two children, Allen and Stanley, and Brother R. T. Sawyer, Iota '00. H. B. Sawyer received an L.L.B. in 1901 at Western University. He was a member of Theta Nu Epsilon and Delta Beta Phi; he was on the football team at Kenyon for four years and was captain the last two. He was a lawyer.

Bro. Don. Breckenridge, Chi '20, took the big jump about a month ago. The early part of January he hopped over into South Dakota, and back again, but on the return trip he didn't hop, he travelled tranquilly in double harness to the echo of Mendelssohn's time honored ballad. Miss Joyce Cook was her name, and Groton, S. D., the 6th of January were the time and place.

It is rumored that Bro. Arthur Newberry, Chi '12, is contemplating moving the setting of his home and business to Chicago. That will be Chicago's gain and our loss.

CLARENCE U. YOUNG, THETA '19,
Associate Editor

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF DETROIT

President, LOWELL R. SMITH, Gamma '15
Secretary, FRANCIS R. KHUEN, Phi '15

ELEVEN members of Psi Upsilon from eight Chapters met in the early part of February at luncheon at the Hotel Fort Shelby and drew up tentative plans for the formation of a strong Psi U Club of Detroit. Temporary officers were elected and it was decided that for the present the club activities would be limited to a luncheon every Wednesday in the Green Room of the Hotel Cadillac.

As soon as it is possible to get together an address list of the men here we hope to arrange for a Smoker at which permanent organization will be effected. We take this opportunity of urging the Executive Council to waste no time in preparing a new Directory as we have found that the 1917 catalogue is far out of date and is useless insofar as locating men is concerned.

PSI UPSILON CLUB OF LOS ANGELES

President, WILLIAM W. LOVETT, JR., Epsilon '13
Treasurer, HARCOURT HERVEY, Epsilon '15
Secretary, FRANCIS P. GRAVES, Epsilon '17

FOR many years prior to the war there had existed in Los Angeles an association composed of "Psi U's" from practically every chapter

in the country, who had located here permanently, or who happened to be present in this section during the winter months. The association had as its object the holding of a banquet each year which was supposedly on Founders' Day, but the banquet was actually held during vacation at the University of California, so that the members of the active chapter at Berkeley who live in Los Angeles could participate.

It had been the habit of a small group of the younger members during all this time to gather at an agreed place for luncheon every day. While some of these luncheons were large in number, no arrangements were made and the men simply dropped in, sat at a large table in one of the cafes, and ordered what they desired from the regular menu.

After the war, this same group of brothers, with some few changes and additions, re-formed their old habit of having luncheon together, and a few of them took it upon themselves to call up a list of twenty-five or thirty brothers each Thursday in order that a substantial number would be sure to appear at least once a week. It was not long before this arrangement proved itself so enjoyable that every one inquired why there were no more banquets and why the luncheons were not an organized affair. The answer was apparent; no one was designated to take charge, and no one up to that time had taken the responsibility upon himself of calling the old organization together. After more or less heated arguments upon the subject, five of the brothers organized themselves into a banquet committee, arranged for a banquet and sent invitations to such a list as they themselves could make up.

The banquet was held at La Crescenta Lodge, a small tavern some distance out of town, ideally situated for such an affair. Thirty-three of the brothers were present, mostly from the Epsilon chapter. Some power or authority not known to us, and we believe not provided for in the constitution, intermitted the much celebrated 18th amendment, with the result that the banquet was a complete success. An organization meeting was held and officers elected for the year. It was the consensus of opinion that the new association should have for its object something more than the annual banquet, with the result that luncheons are now held every Thursday, except legal holidays, at the Bull Pen Inn. So far we have had three luncheons with an average attendance of about twenty, which shows every sign of increasing. Arrangements have been made for a private dining room and it is expected that at least twenty-five or thirty of the brothers will get the habit and that visiting brothers will help swell the numbers considerably.

Already we hear on every hand the cry—"Why can't we have our own

club house," and while this may seem somewhat ambitious for the near future, it is apparent, with the rapidly increasing number of alumni from all parts of the country who are settling in this neighborhood, that one day a club house will be inevitable. At present our difficulty is in ascertaining the names and addresses of brothers who have never before appeared upon our rolls. We are instituting a campaign whereby each man who comes to the luncheons for the first time is asked and expected to find some other "Psi U" who has not made his debut and to bring him in.

The association plans to send to each of its members a mimeographed list of corrected addresses in order that the brothers may keep in touch with each other.

All of us appreciate "THE DIAMOND" and realize that it has been an incentive for the organization of many institutions similar to our own.

At our next meeting we will appoint some brother whose duty it shall be to keep "THE DIAMOND" informed as to our activities, and to become responsible for securing subscriptions.

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF MILWAUKEE

President, DR. C. H. STODDARD, Rho '91

Vice-President, GRANT FITCH, Beta '81

Secretary and Treasurer, T. WESLEY TUTTLE, Rho '19

A SMALL and heroic group of loyal brothers are sticking to their guns in an effort to make the get-together habit every so often firmly implanted in Milwaukee. For our purposes we have chosen Friday noon as the time and the University Club as the place for our talk-fests. Every Psi U within traveling distance is urged to make his presence known and to be at these luncheons, which are strictly informal affairs.

At the outset, several of those more interested in this idea, took it upon themselves to telephone individually all brothers in the downtown district, and remind them that the day was Friday and that on said Friday Psi U's met. For a period of two months this was done each Friday. As a result the number attending our luncheons grew from eight at the first one to sixteen at the largest.

At this particular luncheon, we were favored with the presence of Brother Reinald Werrenrath, the noted American baritone. Werrenrath's breezy manner and interesting conversation, relating to his travels about the United States and impressions of Psi U's at various places, were most interesting and we thoroughly enjoyed his visit and trust that he will honor us when again he is in our territory.

For those involved in the amateur detective work and secret service

methods used in securing Brother Werrenrath's presence at this luncheon, we may say that they felt thoroughly repaid for their efforts.

To revert to the weekly luncheon round-up, it has seemed to some of the brothers that it should not be necessary for several individuals to remind every Psi U who is able to attend a luncheon on Friday noon, that it is his privilege to do so. This smacks of childishness on their part and school teacher methods on the part of those interested in seeing Psi U prosper locally.

We believe that our Association is of sufficient importance and offers enough to each of its members to warrant their supporting it voluntarily by contributing their presence to the meetings. That this, however, has not been the case, is indicated by the fact that the attendance dropped from sixteen to seven or eight on occasions when several brothers were not reminded of the Friday noon luncheon. We feel that it is simply oversight and not lack of loyalty. However, may we ask that all brothers reading this article who are located in Milwaukee, or passing through Milwaukee, reserve Friday noon for the Psi U gang, and either get in touch with the Secretary, or report in person at the University Club at 12:15. The clerk at the desk will see that you are immediately introduced to the proper individuals, should you be a stranger in town.

At the December meeting the Psi U Alumni Association of Milwaukee went on record in favor of a more efficient and businesslike administration of affairs of the Executive Council. The Association also went on record in favor of Psi Upsilon Fraternity becoming a member of the Inter-Fraternity Council.

At the present time, Brother Ed Williams, Rho '19, is cruising about the West Indies, and last reports indicated in his own words, quite typical of Psi U, that it is very hot but not dry.

We are endeavoring to get our files up-to-date and the Secretary requests that all Psi U's in Milwaukee be on the lookout for any new arrivals and immediately notify the Secretary and Treasurer of their discovery.

Judging from the articles from various sections, it would seem that many Alumni associations are confronted with the same difficulties we are in securing attendance. Any suggestions as to successful methods for rounding up the wandering brothers will be thoroughly appreciated by the Milwaukee outfit.

We wish to register a hearty endorsement for the excellent work that THE DIAMOND is doing in gathering together the lost ends of fraternal activities and best wishes for continued growth.

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF NEW YORK

President, IRA ADELBERT PLACE, Chi '81

First Vice-President, JAMES McVICKAR BREED, Gamma '03

Second Vice-President, DAVID ORR, Delta '97

Third Vice-President, WARREN CONVERSE FRENCH, Zeta '80

Treasurer, AUSTIN MEIGS POOLE, Delta '87

Secretary, VINCENT ROBERTS, Delta '05

IN the classic language of B. L. T., F. P. A. and the other "colyum" conductors, news are scarce. Seeing that New Yorkers never hear any good stories, and that the writer can't make jokes, it looks as though this contribution is to be drier than the Volstead act. Which by the way, isn't so dry around Manhattan; this is merely for the information of any who might be staying away from here on that account.

A good many members of the Club have discussed the January DIAMOND's article on "Psi Upsilon and the Inter-fraternity Conference," this with the more interest because of the attention the subject has had from Brother Edward Hungerford and Brother Herbert L. Bridgman, who are both members of the Club. While the writer's own views are likely to color his interpretation of the general attitude toward this problem, it seems fair to state that there is quite a local sentiment in favor of joining the Conference. As a general proposition, it would seem wise to be a part of this organized effort for the betterment of fraternities as a whole, and thus share not only in the benefits which may accrue, but in the duties and obligations now borne by the other fraternities. Staying outside the Conference puts Psi Upsilon in something the same position as the automobilist who is perfectly willing to tour the country, using all the road signs along the way, but does not belong to any club and thus pay his share of the cost. To those not affiliated with Psi Upsilon, the fraternity's attitude must look something like a "Heads I win, tails you lose" proposition, which is not very flattering.

So far as our own activities are concerned, the regular "club nights" on the second Wednesday of each month, have brought a fair attendance. To make the Club as influential as it ought to be among the Psi U's of this community requires still further effort, and the officers are doing their best to devise plans to accomplish that result.

PAUL B. WILLIAMS, Psi '08,
Associate Editor.

PSI UPSILON CLUB OF PORTLAND, OREGON

President, GEORGE M. MASON, Delta '92

Vice-President, H. B. VAN DUZER, Theta '96

Secretary, ALLAN W. LANDER, Kappa '10

Completing the chain of Psi Upsilon Alumni Associations on the Pacific Coast, the alumni brothers in the state of Oregon effected the organization of the Psi Upsilon Club of that state at a dinner given at the University Club in Portland, January 7, 1921. Bro. George C. Mason, Delta '92, was elected President, Bro. H. B. Van Duzer, Theta '96, Vice-President, and Bro. Allen W. Lander, Kappa '10, Secy. and Treasurer. The association includes 32 members of the fraternity in the state, 17 of whom live in the city of Portland. Complete and pleasant surprise was one of the features of the first meeting, as many of the brothers present met old friends whom they had never suspected of being members of Psi U.

The Club has laid plans for similar affairs each month, the second of which was given at the Waverly Country Club, Friday evening, February 4. On this occasion the members were the guests of Bro. Mason, who entertained with true Psi U hospitality. Among these were Bro. A. P. Sawyer, Beta '80, of Seattle, who is affectionately known as the "Daddy" of the Theta Theta, and Bros. Matt O'Connor and Merville McInnis, both active members of Theta Theta, acting as special representatives to tell of the manner in which the traditions of Psi Upsilon are being maintained at the University of Washington. Bro. Sawyer in his talk voiced the unanimous opinion of the brothers that Psi U should not under any consideration enter the Inter-fraternity Conference. The other brothers present, including Bro. Mason, were: H. B. Van Duzer, Theta '96, J. F. Bovard, Epsilon '03, A. W. Lander, Kappa '10, Cletus Minahan, Theta Theta '16, Alvah T. Weston, Theta Theta '20, W. D. Clarke, Phi '07, James Young, Omicron '07, Alfred Lomax, Theta Theta '17.

The Club is looking forward to a pleasant future as more brothers are added to our number each year.

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF ST. LOUIS

President, CARL F. G. MEYER, Theta '01

Secretary, BRONSON S. BARROWS, Mu '20

THE last get together of the Psi U Club in St. Louis was held on January 31st at Cafferata's. We had a fine dinner, followed by a trip to Brother Roger Gray's theater, "The Pershing."

The dinner was attended by the following brothers: Henry A. Weil, Sigma '09, Tully O. Buckner, Delta Delta '18, Ralph T. Whitelaw, Gamma '02, Sam C. Vail, Rho '16, Roger Gray, Mu '02, William Cotler, Jr.,

Carl F. G. Meyer, Theta '01, Frank J. McDevitt, Eta '04, Prescott S. Bush, Beta '17, H. M. Bixby, Foster Hampton, Owen S. Tilton, D. T. Farnham, A. Malcolm Whitelaw, Sam D. Capen, Paul Jones, Jr., Bronson S. Barrows, Mu '20.

Brother Roger Gray was the moving spirit of the evening and succeeded in furnishing entertainment and song that filled old John Cafferata's with the airs of old Psi U.

The session adjourned at about eight fifteen and the brothers made their way to Roger Gray's famous opera house. Brother Gray acknowledged the applause of the brothers in a little curtain speech between acts.

The next meeting of the Psi U Club will be held at the University Club, Grand and Washington Avenues, about the middle of March.

THE PSI UPSILON CLUB OF SIOUX CITY, IA.

President, DAN H. BROWN, Omega '16

Vice-President, EDWARD L. HICKS, JR., Omega '19

Secretary, HOMER W. JOHNSON, JR., Zeta '18

Treasurer, GEORGE R. CALL, Omega '21

OUR merry Psi U bunk-shooters have been with us in full force the past few weeks and so pleasing has been their work that each is now proudly wearing upon his breast a likeness of that leather medal, famed in song and story.

Each toreador finally wearies of the Spanish pastime at our meetings and then the conversation turns to the subject that is near all our hearts—the advancement of Psi Upsilon. Many and varied are the suggestions brought forth by this topic, but all agree on the one point of a lack of some definite national organization to assist in discovering and educating men of potential Psi U caliber.

Time after time a man of splendid possibilities enters college lacking the superficial polish deemed so essential by a certain type of man, who, unfortunately, exists even in Psi U Chapters, and as a consequence, doesn't get by. Four years later this same man is a prominent figure on the campus, well-known and well-liked, while the tea-dancer who kept him out has failed to make much of a ripple in the college world. Then the Chapter says, "We made a big mistake," but Psi U has lost out on a member she should have gained.

Because of national strength, the efforts of various unorganized alumni, some really effective undergraduate rushing and a fair measure of good fortune Psi U has remained at the top. This we should realize, however—we can't always drift pleasantly while other strong fraternities continue to work hard and intelligently.

The problem of a real rushing system for our fraternity is worthy of some thought at the next Convention for unless we do take action along that line we may be forced to the necessity of speaking of "The Good Old Days," when the next generation is faced with the question of fraternity standings in the college world.

THE PSI Upsilon CLUB OF TOLEDO

President, ISAAC KINSEY, Jr., Phi '16

Treasurer, HAROLD S. REYNOLDS, Phi '06

Secretary, DAVID ROBISON, Delta Delta '14

THE Psi U Club of Toledo is still "on deck" and very much alive. The annual banquet was held at the Toledo Club during the holidays—and what a banquet it was! Pep? Why, man alive—the man who invented that word had no conception of its true meaning. Thirty-five or forty brothers (we tried to count 'em but couldn't) were in full attendance. Brother Isaac Kinsey, Jr., our President, presided in his own inimitable way, and was very ably assisted by Brother Horace Buggie of the Rho. And sing? You should have heard us snap into "Welcome Brothers Old and Young." Every good Psi U song ever known was sung until the very rafters shook. We had not issued any engraved invitation to Mr. Volstead, father of that very well-known Act, so you can draw your own conclusions.

It is sufficient to say that it was a typical old-fashioned Psi U party with the most wonderful good fellowship very much in evidence. After all is said and done, Psi U fellowship is really the only kind—all others are imitations.

The Club is planning a motor trip to the Phi, on Saturday, March the 5th, to take in the Phi's annual initiation and banquet. Any visiting brothers that are in the vicinity are cordially invited to go along. There will be plenty of room and a live time is promised.

NOTES

Willie Cuff is getting to be quite a devotee of the theatre. It is our understanding that Willie is simply paying penance to his good wife for some indiscretion committed during the holidays. How about it, Willie?

Isaac Kinsey, Jr., has recently been admitted as a partner in the firm of Persons Campbell & Co.

Horace H. Buggie, of the Rho, is one of the Toledo Club's leading lights. Horace is the guiding star of the Dura Mechanical Hardware Company, manufacturers of automobile accessories, and a subsidiary of the Milburn Wagon Company.

We are sorry to report that Brother Carleton Baumgardner has been

under the weather for some time and has recently gone to California for several months to regain his strength.

Brother George Greenhalgh is progressing with unusual success as Director of Public Safety. The town sure did need it and George deserves a great deal of credit.

TORONTO ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

President, E. STERLING DEAN, Upsilon '90

Vice-President, W. J. HANLEY, Nu '01

Treasurer, W. E. WILDER, Nu '12

Secretary, J. A. MCCAMUS, Nu '12

THE Toronto Alumni Association held its first Annual Banquet at the King Edward Hotel, on January 8th, and the seventy odd brothers who attended joyously united in making the occasion a landmark of fond memories in the history of the Fraternity in Canada.

The majority of the celebrants were members of the Nu but the Upsilon sent that grand old enthusiast, E. Sterling Dean, and the ever popular "Don" Curtis. The Chi was represented by "Alex" Bentley, the Pi by Fred Burgess, and the Beta by F. C. (alias Jimmie) Lee. (We give their names because they all forgot that we had joined the family, and handed us another assortment of pleasant bouquets.)

From afar we had with us Reg Gundy, of Provost, Alberta, Pete McAllister, of Winnipeg, Thain MacDowell, Fred Honeywell, and "Diddle" Harris of Ottawa, F. P. Potvin of Blind River, Bob McMullen of New York, Duffy Slein and Bill Ryerson of Brantford and several others who are not mentioned because, for some reason or other, we cannot recall the extent to which they pledged themselves to support the movement that was started for the benefit of the Nu. (Will the brothers please renew their pledges by mail?)

The menu was in keeping with the reputation of "Mine Host," and the toast list was appropriate. It brought out the latent oratorical powers of many an imitator of the Greek Master (we mean in the pebble habit, although the arid restrictions no doubt caused some to wish that the lantern was also available for use in the operation of the underground railway). Anyway, everybody found the affair bright and snappy. The Kazoo Band danced and played inimitably, and their uniforms outdid anything we have seen on the stage for some years. The Hawaiian Orchestra even outshone its performances in the days when the great "N. J." wielded the baton. Alex Stewart's imitation of Ken McCrimmon's "Hielan Mon," and Walter Brewster's comic songs brought down the house. The Lee Bros.-Hanley quartette gave admirable renditions

of the Drinking Song, and several other sentimental pieces. With Fraser Allen tearing the piano to pieces, the entire company made the rafters ring with a number of gems from the song book.

Pleasant features of the function were the presentations made by the Active Members of the Nu Chapter to two of the Old Guard. Ken McCrimmon received a jeweled pin, and Bill Hanley a handsome loving cup. The latter is a magnificent specimen of the jeweler's art, and on its ebony base a silver plate bears the inscription—"In appreciation of William Joseph Hanley, a founder of Chi Delta Psi Fraternity, November Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-Eight, and a leader in the achievement of its purpose, April Nineteen Hundred and Twenty,

from

The Charter Members of Nu Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity."

In the absence of Brother McCrimmon in Rio de Janeiro, Brother Hanley accepted the gifts on behalf of both, and for once in his life his powers of expression deserted him.

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The Alumni take dinner at Nu Chapter House on the first Monday of every month.

Theta Theta put Brother Short Broadfoot over the "jumps" on January 22nd, many thanks. Here's hoping the goat's teeth were well sharpened because the younger fry in this neck of the woods still remember the days when he used the file.

A few brothers have not yet sent their subscriptions for *THE DIAMOND* and are therefore knocking our percentage.

That percentage idea shows that the Editors are there with the brains, or have had a large experience in taking up Church collections.

Bro. Percy Harris has generously offered to publish a Canadian Psi U Directory and the secretary would be obliged if all chapters would send lists of the names and addresses of brothers on their rolls who are resident in Canada.

PROSPECTS

Orillia, Ont., January 7th, to Brother and Mrs. J. T. Mulcahey, a son.
Midland, Ont., January 10th, to Brother and Mrs. F. P. Potvin, a son.
Willsboro, Essex County, N. Y., January 20th, to Brother and Mrs. N. J. MacDonald, a son.

CHAPTER COMMUNICATIONS

THETA — UNION COLLEGE

THE storm of mid-year exams swept the College Campus with hurricane velocity this month, carrying before it in its wrath four Psi U's and one pledged man. All of our upper-classmen survived, the victims being either sophomores or men repeating their freshmen year. We cannot feel too badly about this, for Union during the last two semesters has notoriously become a "tough" place to stay. As one student aptly put it, he had "won his Ellery Scholarship from Oxford to Union." The college under the present regime is first, last, and only, a place to study.

The next event of importance at the Theta is the eighty-seventh annual initiation. The delegation of '24 will be taken into Psi U the twenty-sixth of February. Special letters have been sent to all the alumni, and an assemblage of alumni unprecedented in the annals of initiations of recent years will be present. A good group of speakers, including Bro. Ripton '80, Bro. Bellinger '81, Bro. Richards '95, and Bro. Horace Van Voast '92, and headed by Toastmaster Bro. Dow Beekman '84, will entertain the brothers following the banquet, and will enlighten the new brothers concerning what Psi U may mean to them.

Those who will be initiated are:
Norman Lawrence Bates, Jr. . . . Oswego, N. Y.
Northrop Terry Bellinger New York City
Charles Reynell Bidelman Albion, N. Y.
Kenneth Barnard Brandenburg, N. Y. City
Walter Hamilton Gibson,

East Rockaway, N. Y.
MacLaren Richards Hudson Falls, N. Y.
Horace Silliman Van Voast, Jr.,

Schenectady, N. Y.
Bellinger is the son of Bro. William Bellinger '81, Bates the son of Norman L. Bates '88, Richards the son of Orson Richards '95, and Van Voast the son of Horace Van Voast '92.

Of interest to the active brothers and those alumni who are more intimately acquainted with chapter gossip, is the fact that several of the brothers are competing for the Gilbert-Cook poetry prize, which was

mentioned in the last DIAMOND. The entries so far are:

Brothers Carpenter and Joslyn, in the dual authorship of a rhythmic minor lament called "Ode to a Garage."

Brothers Morre, Cline and de Lima, in a triarticulate rendition written to the tune of "Kneel Down and Kiss the Birdie," and entitled "One Kiss (el) Do For Us Three."

Brother Hendrickson in a sentimental sonnet called "Jamaica Is the Sweetest Ginger."

Brother Beekman, in an idealistic and highly visionary epic called "How Dowbeck Built His Railroad from Schoharie to Detroit."

Rumor has it that Brother Veeder is entering an original ballad transcending all his previous efforts, and glorifying the idyllic life of "The Streets of Old New York."

ALUMNI NOTES

The associate editor has found it extremely difficult to obtain news of alumni, and the cooperation of everyone who reads THE DIAMOND is requested. If you know any item of interest concerning any Theta alumni, kindly send it to the associate editor at the Psi U House, and he will deem it a great favor.

Samuel Hathaway Turner '98, President of the Second National Bank of Elmira, N. Y., has recently been elected President of the New York Bankers' Association.

Marshall Lowman '19 was recently married to Miss Camilla Brian of Elmira, N. Y. They are now residing in that city, where "Mush" is engaged in the contracting business.

Albert Van Voast '90 died recently at his home in Schenectady, following an apoplectic stroke.

"Shorty" Du Bois '18, who is employed with the Upson-Walton Company, has recently been transferred to the New York offices. Reports have it that "Shorty" is some boy in a business way, and his friends think that if he can manipulate steel wire as he used to handle the pasteboards, he should soon be a millionaire.



HOME OF THE SIGMA



HOME OF THE IOTA

"Doc" Kathan '19, who is at present selling bonds in New York, tells a good one on Bro. "Syd" Brown '20. Doc says that Syd, while walking along a New York Street, was accosted thus by a stranger:

"Say, you ain't a bull or a dick, are you? Well, I gotta have some money quick to get out of town, and I'll let you have this big diamond ring for \$10.00!"

The stranger walked off with a ten-dollar bill, and Syd took his enormous sparkler to a jeweler. The jeweler examined it, and made Syd a generous offer of a dollar and a half!

We offer this tale with our own reservations, for "Doc" does love a good story.

MARSHALL HAWKES,
Associate Editor.

DELTA — NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

WITH the New Year, the Delta is doing her best oget off to a flying start of prosperity. From the incoming class of February-September freshmen she has picked a delegation of six promising men who will be initiated during the Spring. Added to those taken in last Fall, they will compose the best 1924 delegation on the Heights.

We will refrain from the usual activity stuff, except to say that the Chapter has, as usual, done her duty by the Glee Club and Varsity Quartet, has a man on the frosh basketball team, and has good prospects for baseball—both Varsity and Inter-house.

The Junior Prom. was a success, as was also the House party which followed.

At the University Alumni Smoker held recently, Brother "Al" Bill sure did have an inspiration when he asked all the Psi U's in the assemblage to rise. The Delta seemed to be in the ascendant just then.

In the drive for the Memorial Gymnasium to be erected on the Heights in honor of N. Y. U. men who made the supreme sacrifice in the World War, Brother Parkhurst '19 is doing yeoman service on the Student

Committee for raising the funds.

Uppermost in the minds of us of the Delta at the present moment is the new activity of the Delta Corporation and Alumni in general with regard to putting the House in good condition.

On the first of April there is to be a "Delta Dinner" at Keane's, and every Delta man within reaching distance of New York is urged to be present. Details are not yet available, but some action is promised us by the Corporation. The active Chapter will be present 100%, and all alumni who can do so are urged to come along.

The mid-years are over and we are all still in the University, and have every intention of remaining here. As it seems to be the style, the Delta's correspondent will make the usual report of lack of Phi Beta Kappa keys about the house, but will express hope for the future.

Any information concerning the Dinner may be obtained from Brother Frank E. Booth, 2107 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

WALTER A. TOPPING,
Associate Editor.

BETA — YALE UNIVERSITY

DURING the past month both the crew and baseball managements have issued calls for candidates. Many have responded, and the indoor work is well under way. The Beta is well represented in these sports with F. Coxe and C. L. Parsons of last year's team, T. Durant, and others out for baseball. In crew, among the promising candidates are C. V. Whitney, A. C. McHenry, W. S. Cowles, O. T. Buckingham, and B. C. Pelly.

Since the last issue of THE DIAMOND, many of the 1922 officers of different organizations have been elected, and in these we see many Beta men. The Yale Record is run—both editorially and in the business management—by F. W. Bronson and Edison Dick, who are in the 1922 delegation. A. C. Frost is president of the Yale University Dramatic Association and J. W. Kingsbury is press manager of the same organization. Brother A. W. Bingham is

treasurer of the Yale Graphic, the leading pictorial sheet of the college.

At a recent meeting of the Academic Inter-Fraternity Council, W. Shiras, who is head of the 1923 delegation, was elected chairman of that body, thus placing the Beta in the lead in all inter-fraternity matters. The Spring Campaign begins next week, and on March seventh, five new men are to be taken into the 1923 delegation. A week of running follows, which I am sure will be enjoyed by all, and then the annual Spring banquet will be held. We hope that any of the out of town brothers who are able will attend.

Three of our number went to Dartmouth several weeks ago with the University Hockey Team and they reported a warm welcome from the Zeta Chapter. At Pennsylvania also they were very hospitably received. One can appreciate a great deal the value of Psi Upsilon as a national fraternity when visiting in another college.

The University's Alumni Day was on Washington's birthday and many graduates

were back, including the following Beta brothers: K. Wooley '17; F. H. Lovejoy '18; E. Woolley '18; K. A. Wood '19; A. P. Dann '19; L. G. Adams '20; J. Hemingway '20; J. McHenry '20; C. Platt '20; and A. C. Schermerhorn '20.

The Junior Promenade was held early in the month and proved to be "the best ever," due undoubtedly to the fact that Brother Jimmie Bush officiated as Floor Manager. No dawn teas, or "breakfasts," were held in the Beta, as in former years, due to a faculty ruling. Sometime during the Spring term the Beta, together with D. K. E., will give its annual German. These Germans have usually been held during this term, but it was decided to postpone them this year.

ALUMNI NOTES

Francis Burton Harrison, Beta '95, present Governor of the Philippines, is planning a long vacation trip through England, Scotland and the United States.

JOHN C. PARSONS,
Associate Editor.

SIGMA — BROWN UNIVERSITY

IN THE last issue of THE DIAMOND we outlined the system of fraternity rushing in vogue at Brown and intimated the probability of our securing an excellent delegation.

Our hopes proved not unfounded. The Sigma pledged her good men, nine of them already of tried worth. Morris Dennett Affleck '23, of Yonkers, New York, is a track and football man; Gerald Webb Bennett '24, of Colorado Springs, Colorado, won the Freshman and the college tennis crown this Fall. Hence his place on the regular team is assured. This, incidentally, makes it appear as if three men out of the four on the team would be Psi U's.

Mark Randolph Flather '24, of Nashua, New Hampshire, is expected to figure prominently in college dramatics. Francis Olney Hough '24, of New York City, New York, is an officer of the Freshman class. David Leslie Jones '24, of Chicago, Illinois, came to Brown with a splendid reputation as a swimmer which he has well upheld since his entrance. He has broken records

in nearly all meets and has been of infinite worth as anchor man on the relay team. The swimming coach believes that we have in him the highest point scorer of any man in college in the East. Robinson Carr Lockey '24, of Los Angeles, California, is a member of the 'Varsity track team. William Reynolds Manning '24, of Wilmington, Delaware, is "scutting" for the Brown Daily Herald and is an officer of the Freshman class. John James Monk '24, of Fort Dodge, Iowa, is a member of the 'Varsity track team. He has placed in the thousand metres in several indoor meets. Norman William Saunders '24, of Providence, Rhode Island, swims on the Freshman relay team. Robert Edwards Soellner '24, of Schenectady, New York, is a member of the Freshman track team. Carlton Lewis Staples '24, of Taunton, Massachusetts, is showing up well on the 'Varsity swimming team. From the preceding compilation it will be observed that our delegation holds out more promise. It is admittedly the

"best on the hill." Hence Psi U '24 qualifies as a worthy brother to Psi U of previous years.

On Monday evening, February 14, at the regular meeting of the Sigma, Dwight Hawes Thomas '23, of Reading, Massachusetts, was formally initiated into the fraternity. This marked the happy climax of a heart-rending struggle on the initiate's part against tremendous, and, to one less

fearless, overwhelming odds. It seemed that the entire faculty conspired to deprive us of our new brother. He plodded steadily along, however, and eventually was duly successful in passing the required four semester hours of work. Congratulations to Brother Thomas!

J. D. E. JONES, JR.,
Associate Editor.

GAMMA — AMHERST COLLEGE

THOUGH our capricious New England Winter has not yet abdicated, the debut of 1921 was followed by the usual restlessness of those about to emerge from protracted hibernation. The Christmas holidays gave birth to a long train of subsequent developments. Moreover, as the Jack O'Lantern quaintly phrased it, athletic relations have been resumed with Smith. Few are being able to fill the cup, but in the fire of approaching Spring, many a Winter garment of repentance is being flung. Scholastic endeavor is still raging high and yet at the same time, few have penetrated the thin air of the Phi Bet regions. The second term began on January 6 with but few casualties, and no disabilities credited to too high scholastic honors.

Brother Soule '22, manager of basketball, still manifests a healthy exuberance of spirit despite the team's rather questionable success this season. However, somewhat compensating this, the swimming team under the capable captaincy of Brother Whitcomb '21, has almost completed the season without a single defeat. The Gammy basketball team is maintaining last year's admirable record by romping to victory in the interfraternity series. Brother J. B. Williams won the heavy-weight championship in a recent intramural wrestling tournament. (Information regarding the fortuitous sports will be forwarded upon request.)

The Alpha Deltas staged "Heliogabalus" for the Gammy, in their amphitheater on the evening of January 18. The sumptuous stage settings, the excellent acting, and the delightful cordiality shown the Chapter made this event one of the pleasantest of the year. On February 12, the Amherst

Musical Clubs held a very successful dance in the house. Despite a recent Smith blue law which says houses shall be well illuminated at all dances, those who attended this affair know that everybody wasn't. At the time of writing the Gamma is looking forward to holding a party on March 5. We hope that any brothers who could have attended, did so.

On January 11, the Chapter initiated Paul Farrand Dubois '24, of Hudson, N. Y. Brother Burr Howe '22 (ex-'21, ex-'20, ex-'19) has been elected president of the Cotillion Club. Spring vacation marks the close of Brother L. C. Esty's successful career as managing editor of the "Student."

The committee in charge of the \$3,000,000 Centennial Gift drive has raised all but \$500,000. The drive for the remainder of the fund will be resumed at commencement time when it is expected that the drive will be brought to a successful close.

Last Fall the Gamma Corporation established from the income of the \$1,000 bequest from Augustus How Buck (Gamma '49) to commemorate the friendship between himself and Augustus Milton Gay (Gamma '50), the "Gay" and "Buck" prizes, to those brothers of the Chapter, certified by the College Authorities as of highest general average in the Chapter in scholarship in general college work, the former not less than 80 per cent.

When the news of the Deke's successful convention trip to Cuba became known, a certain brother, connected with Lord Jeff, conducted an investigation to ascertain the fraternity and college of the President of Mexico. After purchasing the latest editions of several well-known newspapers, he found

the name of the latest incumbent and proceeded to look him up in Mexico's up-to-the-second "Who Will Be Who." He discovered that his only degree was murder in the first, but nothing to indicate his fraternal connections that is of course, if we overlook his brief connections with the Hohenzollern Society. Certainly, under these circumstances it would be advisable to push the matter further—yet in passing, who knows where conventions will be held in the future.

The 15th and 16th of April will be devoted at Amherst to sub-freshmen. The Gamma would welcome any information regarding any of the men who are planning to visit Amherst, and would also be very glad to entertain any sub-freshman whom any brother might send here as possible Psi U material. In former years it has happened that a legacy has been entertained at another house through our lack of knowledge of his presence at Amherst.

In the past two months the Gamma has exchanged several rather fleeting visits with the brothers of the Xi and the Beta Beta. Among the alumni brothers who have visited the Gamma this year are Brothers Billings '18, Moore '17, and Kilby '20. Brother Fischer '21 has visited Amherst not infrequently when in this part of the country.

It is with pleasure that we learn that the Psi U convention will be held at the Xi this Spring. The Gamma hopes any of the brothers who attend the convention and who can find the opportunity to visit Amherst will not fail to come up and see us. To avoid reverting to that quaint and time-honored expression of hospitality, "you

can't wear the welcome off the mat," we merely mention the fact that the first indication of Spring is going to see the old line of chairs on the front porch once more.

A consensus of undergraduate opinion at the Gamma places THE DIAMOND in an exalted position in the realm of current literature. We venture to say that the time is not far distant when THE DIAMOND will become the "vade mecum" of Psi U men. Already F. Scott Fitzgerald's "Nack and Neck," R. W. Chambers' "The Reckless Sex," and other popular novels are yielding to their more fascinating rival. We understand that one of the chief prerequisites of an interesting contribution is humor. The Muse doesn't always respond when evoked. Should THE DIAMOND become too heavy for some, there is still the chapter letter.

ALUMNI NOTES

'20. The Gamma takes this opportunity of congratulating Walter B. Mallon, whose engagement has recently been announced. Brother Mallon is to marry Miss G. Lucile Stone of Montclair, N. J.

Brother "Ned" Wright is connected with A. H. Bull Steamship Co., and is now located at San Juan, Cuba.

'21. Brothers Bixby and Thayer, who are pursuing the elusive goddess of knowledge amid the spires and towers of Oxford, spent the brief six weeks' Christmas vacation touring the continent. They were last heard of in Egypt.

R. T. B. HAND,
Associate Editor.

ZETA — DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

ON THE evening of February 26th, the Zeta Chapter pledged its 1924 delegation of eighteen stemwinding allstars. As a result of the long season which was decided upon by the Interfraternity Council there was considerable skepticism as to the delegations which the twenty-four fraternities at Dartmouth would pledge, and it is with no small pleasure that the Zeta publishes the names of its new delegation:

From the class of '23:

F Preston Leavitt, Portland, Maine.

From the class of '24:

Robert D. Anderson, Brookline, Mass.
Joseph G. Butler, III, Youngstown, Ohio.
Sylvester J. Dorsel, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Richard Fagan, New York City.
Roger N. Harris, Dallas, Texas.
Kenneth A. Harvey, Wellesley Hills, Mass.
Lee Harwood, New London, Conn.
Clifford W. Higley, Hudson Falls, N. Y.
James M. Hutton, Cincinnati, Ohio.
Otis G. Jackson, Medford, Mass.
Edward H. Learnard, Newton, Mass.

Richard C. Leonard, Bismarck, N. D.
James M. Reid, Denver, Colo.
Fred N. Rix, Pike, N. H.
Henry W. Stevens, Appleton, Wis.
W. Almon Stopford, Jr., Montclair, N. J.
Robert C. Strong, Newton, Mass.

At this point we quote from the communication of the Rho Chapter which appeared in the January number of *THE DIAMOND*.

"A new grand piano was purchased out of net profits for the Summer months; and a sinking fund has been instituted for the retirement of the first mortgage bonds on the house."

When the brothers of the Rho make music on the new box, the Zeta Chapter wishes that they would hold in loving memory the six worthy brothers of the Zeta who, by spending several pleasant weeks at the Wisconsin summer school, made it possible for the Rho to so refurbish their house. The Zeta rejoices that within the fraternal band there are such astute business men.

Since the publication of the last issue of *THE DIAMOND*, there has been erected in the Chapter House a bronze tablet in memory of the eight brothers of the Zeta who gave their lives in the world war. This tablet was the gift of the four delegations which were active during the year 1919-1920.

The business of the active chapter is running along smoothly during the winter months. Brother W. D. Mann, Quechee, Vt., served on the committee of the Dartmouth Outing Club which directed the 10th annual Winter Carnival. W. M. Chamberlain, Worcester, Mass., and Edwin H. Johnson, Sioux City, Iowa, have been running on the indoor relay teams during the past season. H. D. Sammis, Huntington, Long Island, and John Z. Jordan, Denver, Colo., have polevaulted in several meets. John Foster, Montclair, N. J., and L. K. Neidlinger, East Orange, N. J., have played regularly on the hockey team. Leroy F. Ball, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., and John L. Taylor, Mt. Vernon, are managers respectively of the fencing and gym teams. Ralph Staley, Denver, Colo., Joseph Houston, Denver, Colo., Howard D. Sammis, Huntington, L. I., Philip J. Deering, Portland, Maine, George Vanderbilt, Greenville, N. Y., are in the

competition for the managerial appointments which will be made late in the college year. T. H. Pinney, New London, Conn., is the leader of the college orchestra and the college band. Andrew Marshall is the business director of The Players, which is the dramatic organization of Dartmouth. James S. Doyle, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., has lately rejoined the basket-ball squad. D. H. Ankeny, Minneapolis, Minn., and Robert Bartlett, Peacedale, R. I., and T. H. Pinney are connected with the Glee and Mandolin Clubs.

ALUMNI NOTES

Philip D. Smith, Zeta '15, was with us for Winter Carnival. Mrs. Smith acted as chaperone for the Psi Upsilon houseparty.

Doc. Walters, Zeta '15, of Rochester, Minn., recently married Miss Phoebe Mayo, of Rochester, Minn. Doctor and Mrs. Walters spent several days in Hanover during February.

Chub Sterling, Zeta '11, of Philadelphia, lectured in Tuck School on February 19th. He is connected with the Curtis Publishing Co. of Philadelphia.

Kelly Wells '12, has recently returned from an extended tour of South America for the First National Bank of Boston.

Bob Stoughton '12, announces the arrival of Elizabeth, weighing eight pounds, on September 5, 1920, at Hartford, Conn. Bob has returned from Saranac Lake to Hartford, and is living at his people's home, pending the completion of his own house, which was expected to be ready for occupancy on October 1.

Parker Trowbridge '13, and Miss Zylpha Wadsworth Dyke, of Worcester, Mass., were married April 10, 1920. "Fat" is with Paine, Webber and Company at 319 Main St., Worcester.

E. V. K. ("General") Willson '13, is president of the Texlahoma Construction Company of Dallas, Texas, and is living at the Dallas Country Club.

"Charlie" Griffith '15, gave his lecture-ritual, "The Heritage of Music in America Since 1620" in memory of the Pilgrim Tercentenary, at the state teachers' meeting, Burlington, Vt., October 8.

George M. Rounds, Jr., '99, arrived in Detroit, Mich., September 7. George, Sr.,

will doubtless now have a personal interest as "social investigator" in other forms of motor vehicles than those produced by his boss, the head of the Ford Motor Company.

Doc Viets '12, is off for Albany, N. Y., this winter to do some work under the Rockefeller Foundation, and writes that his address for a time will be the University Club, Albany.

Don Aldrich '17, immediately after graduation from the theological school last June, became assistant at St. Paul's Cathedral, Boston. He married and is living in Cambridge.

Albert O. Brown, '78, was elected governor of New Hampshire, at the November election. His election as permanent trustee of the College was noted in the December Magazine in another department.

George Graves, '10, is stock and traffic manager for Walter M. Lowney Company, candy manufacturers, Boston.

Allen Doggett, '10, is teaching rural sociology at Hampton Institute, Va.

A. W. (Jack) Crooks, '11, is now with C. J. Cox at 26 Union St., Boston, general sheet and metal work, fans, blowers, etc.

Elon Graham Pratt, '06, was married in New York City, December 11, 1920, to Mrs. Marabelle Carroll, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Davis. Mr. and Mrs. Pratt are living at 344 West 72nd St., New York.

Two new books from the pen of Rev. Francis E. Clark '73, D. D., LL. D., have appeared. One, "Our Italian Fellow Citizens," a volume of 217 pages, is published by Small, Maynard and Company of Boston. The other, "The Gospel of Out-of-Doors," is published by the Association Press.

WILLIAM H. BARBER,
Associate Editor.

LAMBDA—COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

(No Communication Received)

WILLIAM S. KEITH,
Associate Editor.

KAPPA — BOWDOIN COLLEGE

MIDYEARS past and the Kappa still under full sail! The report of the office for the first semester makes us second ranking fraternity on the Campus. Brother Cousens, '24, is tied for second place in his class, and Brother Houghton, '21, has been awarded the Everett Scholarship—"awarded each year to that member of the graduating class whom the President and Trustees shall deem the best qualified to take a post-graduate course in this or some other country." Brother Houghton will take his scholarship in psychology at Harvard. Last year this scholarship was awarded to Brother Goodrich.

Brother Hunt, '22, made the fastest time in the trials for the college relay team before the B. A. A. games and in so doing won the cup given each year to the fastest relay man in college. In the B. A. A. games he not only acquitted himself well in the relay race, but also won the 660 yard handicap run.

At a recent sub-freshman entertainment, two men were pledged for next year: Albert W. Tolman, Jr.; son of Brother A. W. Tolman, Kappa '88, and Allan Howes, both of Portland, Me. These men with Norman D. Roberts of Braintree, Mass., who was pledged at Christmas, form a very promising nucleus for our 1925 delegation.

ALUMNI NOTES

'98. Brother Milton D. Morrill, inventor of a system of home building, has recently left for France to direct reconstruction of homes and buildings on a large scale. In his system, the buildings are made of concrete and it is planned to utilize the immense quantities of broken stone, brick, and other debris available. His system and services are donated under the French restoration fund.

'98. Brother William W. Lawrence, professor of English at Columbia, is spending the spring in France and Spain. He will study in England during the summer.

'11. Brother Donald Redfern is studying the collection of books here in the College Library, having to do with the Huguenots, in preparation for writing a book concerning them.

'15. Brother Paul Wing is production manager of the Worcester Press Steel Co.

'16. Brother Ted Hawes is sales manager of the Worcester Press Steel Co. Brothers Wing and Hawes became connected with

this company in 1917, and have gained their present responsible positions, each in his department, with remarkable parallelism.

'16. Brother F. H. L. Hargraves is in the advertising department of the "quality group" of magazines, having his headquarters at the offices of the Review of Reviews.

'17. Brother Theodore B. Fobes is working for the firm of Murgesson Fobes of Portland, Me. His father, Leon M. Fobes, Kappa '92, is the junior member of this firm.

'18. Since the last report for THE DIAMOND was sent, we have learned that Brother Robert Creighton has accepted a position on the editorial staff of the Knox Messenger, published at Rockland, Me.

'20. Brother Delmont T. Dunbar has left the Castine High School and is now teacher of the classics at Leominster (Mass.) High School.

'21. Brother L. B. Dennett, having been graduated at midyears, has become associated with the Dupont Fibresilk Co. in Buffalo,

GEO. H. QUINBY,
Associate Editor.

PSI — HAMILTON COLLEGE

AS the Psi Associate Editor is unlocking his Corona, load after load of stone is being drawn up the Hill past the present House to the new lot on the edge of the campus. Already large piles of gray-brown stone, stacked on the site of the new House, are visible to the Dekes. It can be truthfully stated that they experience no little chagrin at the sight, for it daily serves as a reminder to them that Psi U has the jump on them in "the new house matter." As a point of information, both fraternities were planning on starting work on their respective houses this spring. Moreover, it may be added, the houses are to be constructed on adjoining lots. And now, we sit back contentedly in our easy chairs and watch the stone going up the Hill.

Mid-year examinations have come and gone. The Psi is able to report no casualties. Slipping, jostling, writhing, pushing, we all "got through," even the freshmen brothers. So the Psi faces the new semester with her ranks intact, save for the loss of Brother Stevens, who unfortunately was compelled

to drop out of the 1924 delegation as the result of circumstances not within his control.

Junior Prom followed immediately upon the heels of examinations, and believe us, brothers, Bacchus, Apollo, and all the rest of the outfit had nothing on us. In the language of the day, "It was *some* party!" The statement that it was the best party on the Hill comes from the mouths of members of other fraternities as well as from loyal Psi U's. Word soon spread around the campus, and as a result, the Psi's halls were continually thronged with a crowd of visiting couples. We are content if they enjoyed it as much as they seemed to be doing. The Psi was very glad to welcome at this time among her guests, Brother "Wally" Johnson '16, Brother "Gerry" Hubbard, ex-'18, and Brother "Russ" Clegg, ex-'19. Our only regret is that more of the alumni brothers did not find it possible to be present.

The Psi wishes to thank publicly the Upsilon brothers for their invitation at the time of the Hamilton-Rochester basketball game, and at the same time to offer a word

of explanation as to the reason for the non-acceptance of the majority of the brothers. This reason may be summed up in one word—financial. True to the reputation of traditional college men, the brothers returned from the mad, gay whirl of Christmas vacation with many delightful memories—and no money. To our regret, the invitation of the Upsilon for a party three days after our return struck us at psychologically and financially the wrong moment. Otherwise we should have packed the Chapter House of the Upsilon until they would have been compelled to move their tables and divans out into Prince Street for lack of room.

An announcement in this place is fitting of Brother Carl Warren's election to the honor court of the college. Brother Warren served on this court last year, and was re-elected this, his sophomore year, for a term of three years, or, in other words, the rest of his college course. This is an exceptional honor, for so far as we have been able to determine, there is no record of any case where a man has served his full four years on this court.

ALUMNI NOTES

Brother William C. Barber, '84, formerly the mayor of Joliet, Ill., has been appointed City Manager of Dayton, Ohio. He will take office February 1.

Brother Clayton B. Weed, '17, was recently married to Miss Helen Seaycroft of Nyack, New York. Brothers Wallace B. Johnson, '15, and Milton D. Russell, ex-'18, were in the bridal party. Brother Weed is with the Harris Forbes Co., of New York.

Brother Harry W. Bosworth, ex-'05, is agency manager for the Burroughs Adding

Machine Co. at 1937 Elm Street, Manchester, N. H.

Brother Henry K. Webster, '97, has recently written a book entitled, "Mary Wollaston," which the Chicago Tribune praised as among the best sellers of the month.

Brother Louis J. Baumer, '17, is now engaged in gold mining. His address is 1515 Ralston Avenue, Burlingame, California.

Brother Charles A. Doolittle, Gamma '72, died at his home in Utica, January 19, after a prolonged illness. He received the degree of LL. B. from Hamilton College in 1875.

Brother Robert W. Higbie, Jr., '15, since his return from France, has been connected with a real estate firm in Jamaica, N. Y. He is now joining in the founding of a company to promote educational and religious moving pictures.

Brother Dr. Walter F. Jones, '08, of New York City, and Miss Margurite Martini of Marseilles, France, were married in the Church of the Transfiguration in New York, December 6, 1920. Brother Paul B. Williams, '08, and Mrs. Williams were the attending couple. During the war Brother Jones was a captain in the Medical Corps of the United States Army, attached to the British forces, with which he served in England, Italy, and France. It was while on this duty that he met Miss Martini. She comes from a distinguished French family, being the niece of the former minister of the interior, M. Pams. Brother and Mrs. Jones will reside at 885 Park Avenue, New York City.

KENNETH B. TURNER,
Associate Editor.

XI — WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

NOW that midyears are past and Spring is somewhere on the road, the Xi is turning its thoughts toward the Convention, which meets here May 5th, 6th and 7th. Plans are already being formulated and preparations being made, of which it is yet too early to speak definitely. These will all out in good time, after the mills of the committees have ground out their grist. In the meantime, we'll merely say that things are moving.

The basketball season is almost at an end, with a record of ten victories, four defeats, and two games to go. Such teams as Brown, Harvard, Dartmouth, Williams, Amherst, and Springfield have gone down to defeat before our speedy quintette, of which the star forwards are Brothers Robertson and Robison. The newspapers have christened these two "the Robbies," and they form a speedy and fighting duo that has been found hard to beat.

The swimming team has not been quite so successful thus far, altho there are victories over Harvard and Williams to its credit and four meets left on the schedule. During the Williams' meet Captain Norm Williams broke his own college record in the 220 yard swim, and the relay team, on which are Brothers Williams and Hannan, also set up a new time for the pool in its event. Among the plungers, Brother Mutt Strickland is making a name for himself.

From the 18th to the 20th of February, Wesleyan carried out its annual program of entertainment for prospective freshmen, and the Xi had as its guests about a dozen fellows recommended by alumni and others. Altho a young blizzard came down the pike and tied up all train service for twenty-four hours, a fine program including a glee club concert, Wesleyan Night, house "bum," and basketball and swimming victories over Williams had been previously carried out. By means of such a week-end of activities the college and the fraternities believe they have found a very good method of giving next fall's prospective class "the once-over" without the accompanying rush and haste of an intensive cultivation season.

After a period of uncertainty and doubt as to its future, the Wesleyan Argus, the college newspaper, has been reorganized and rejuvenated. Brother Trundle remains as its efficient managing editor, which position he has held for the past year, and Brothers Robertson, Williams and Lauer are among the newly-elected associate editors.

Last, but far from least, we would record the Xi's recent scholastic achievements. We seem to have finally reached the point of convincing the faculty that we should all be given "grades what *am* grades." You see, we have long known that we all deserve Phi Beta marks, but the faculty has "been from Missouri." But now the worm has turned. Five out of the twenty freshmen who were

on the Honor Roll for excellent work in the first semester hail from our lowest bench. As for the rest of the chapter, they received such marks that we rank next to highest among the nine national fraternities on the hill. The "gentlemen from Missouri" are evidently convinced. Furthermore, we intend that they shall remain so.

ALUMNI NOTES

W. T. Morgan, ex-'18, is down in New Haven with the Monroe Adding Machine Company.

Jimmy Austin is up paper-profiteering in Glens Falls, where he helped boost the price of that article as long as he could.

Babe Bell, ex-'19, a lieutenant j. g. in Uncle Sam's Navy, is with the Asiatic destroyer squadron and was last reported near Constantinople and the Turkish harems.

Pop Crandell, ex-'19, still wields a mean brush and palette, we see, as he did back in college days. The cover of "Judge" the other week was graced with his work—a most delightful sea-nymph, rumored to be Mrs. "Pop."

We were mighty glad to have Biff Richards visit us the past week-end and tell us about Biff Jr. (christened Benjamin Armstrong) who will be in the Xi's 1941 or thereabouts delegation, we hope. Biff, Sr., is associated with the Coe-Stapley Mfg. Corp. in New Haven.

Ken Woodruff, ex-'19, is located at the Bayonne, N. J., Refineries of the Standard Oil Company.

We wish to congratulate Tubby Moore '20, whose engagement to Miss Helen Peck of Corona, L. I., was recently announced. Tubby is now a chemist in the laboratory of a big paint company over in Brooklyn.

H. B. DOLBEARE,
Associate Editor.

UPSILON — UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

IN VIEW of the fact that the Convention is not far off, the Upsilon takes the opportunity of expressing its views upon the most fundamental issues which will be

decided upon. We feel that a statement of our feelings in these matters should be made with our reasons for the stand taken.

The Upsilon has always stood for con-

servatism in all matters and especially a very slow and carefully deliberated plan of expansion. Some may be of the opinion that Psi U should take in a chapter wherever there is a group which at all merits the honor. We hear arguments that we are selfish in our attitude in as much as we are not willing to share Psi Upsilon with others. This may be the reason of a very few, but the stand is taken by the general run of the conservative chapters because we realize what a great honor it is to be a Psi U, and we do not wish to have quantity at the expense of quality.

Since our founding our general policy has been to look very carefully before we leap. This course of action has brought us nothing but benefits. Psi U is the only important national fraternity which can point out but one inactive Chapter. A dead chapter is like a millstone about the neck of the Fraternity as a whole, and by keeping to the same course of action which we have followed in the past we will be able to keep up our good record. Of course, the Upsilon realizes that no Chapter is for an expansion system such as is in existence in some of the less conservative fraternities but we feel that there is no group which is at the present of a quality such as to warrant a charter. Let us rather turn our attention to strengthening and giving Psi U a better and stronger foothold where she already has chapters. Therefore we do not think that any group should be considered, but that they should be given a longer opportunity to prove themselves worthy.

The matter of the Interfraternity Council will be brought up at the Convention, and

here again the Upsilon feels that this is something which we will do well to keep away from. Of course, there are benefits to be derived from the Council, but it is the idea of the Upsilon that these benefits would not be as great as is generally imagined by those in favor of it. The majority of the fraternities who are represented in the Council are of a type entirely different from Psi U. The second and third-rate fraternities have the same representation and outnumber those better and more conservative ones which hold to ideals similar to those of Psi U. If any decision were made by the entire Council, Psi U would have to follow it, and we would not have much to say more than an expression of our views because of the nature of many of the other fraternities represented. This might easily be a very important consideration, and the Upsilon feels that the Fraternity should not place itself in a position where it might be forced to follow a plan of action which would be against her principles and traditions.

ALUMNI NOTES

Roy D. Anthony, '08, visited the Chapter House the other day after an absence of eight years.

Herbert E. Hanford, '09, holds a position with the Monroe Calculating Machine Co. at Buffalo.

Frederick Thomas, '15, is also in the Buffalo office of the Monroe Calculating Machine Co.

James B. Sykes, '17, is a lieutenant in the regular Naval forces.

RICHARD J. MYERS,
Associate Editor.

IOTA — KENYON COLLEGE

WE WANT to start right out by saying that we think **THE DIAMOND** is improving with every issue, and that it should continue to do so, as more and more new ideas are put into practice. The second semester is well started now, and one

begins to think a bit about Spring, with its accompanying ambition-wrecking qualities, so we are trying to get a good grip on the ol' studies now so they won't slip so easily, once they begin to. Speaking of studies, the scholarship rating for fraternities has

just come out, and for the benefit of the alumni who were discouraged with us last year, let it be known that the Iota has climbed up out of the mire to the extent of being in third place for the semester just past.

There isn't a staggering amount of Chapter news just at this time, except for the initiation. It was held Saturday evening, February the twelfth, with a goodly showing of older Brothers present. The banquet was of course held in the House, and was said by many to be one of the best ever held. These affairs aren't quite what they used to be, due to the well-known drought; but the wee nip will sneak into such gatherings somehow, so the good old days are not yet completely blotted out. It does us undergraduates a lot of good to see the way the alumni come back here for initiations and go through the same thing year after year, always with the same enthusiasm with which they went through initiation "doings" while they themselves were in college. It makes us wonder if we will have as true spirit when we're out.

The Chapter is in good condition now, with sixteen men, all doing their part in Chapter and College activities. The co-operation and general spirit leave little to be wished for, and the classes are well balanced. The men are not fiends when it comes to the studies, but manage to keep up that end so as to make a pretty fair showing and keep up the reputation about the Hill. An innovation has just been started in the form of Sunday night suppers at the House. We do not have our meals there except on rare occasions, and it makes an excellent way of getting and keeping together. Guests from other fraternities will be invited once in a while, and we always have one of the more congenial members of the Faculty with us. The caretaker's good wife prepares the supper, so come to us on Sunday, Alumni, for she—puts forth a mean meal!

The Iota gave a very successful Tea Dance and reception at Prom. time. As it is the only chapter on the Hill with a house, it was decided to throw a party and put it over on some of the boys. The president's wife (wife of the president of the

College, not the Chapter) acted as hostess, and the wife of one of the professors (who is also the mother of two Iota Psi U's) assisted us by receiving guests and pouring. About one hundred and sixty-five guests were entertained, and indeed, almost refused to go home, although unusually long hours were specified on the invitations. It would seem after this first attempt at this sort of entertaining, that the house is very well laid out for it, with a good dancing space, and plenty of room left for those who do not care to dance to lounge about.

While the Chapter is against the too rapid expansion of Psi U, we are looking forward with eagerness to the future of the University. Within the past year we have received endowments amounting to \$10,000,000.00 for a new medical school. The endowment is large enough so that no expense or labor will be spared to make the new school one of the best in the country and to place Rochester among the medical centers of the country. Mr. Eastman, who was one of the chief donors, also gave \$3,500,000.00 for a School of Music.

Our present campus is altogether too small to accommodate any more buildings and the question arose as to where we could put the new school. Not satisfied with what he had already done, Mr. Eastman recently started a movement for the purchase of a large tract of land on the outskirts of the city, bordering on the Genesee river, and brought forward the plan of moving the college to this site. The traditions which surround the old campus make us rather reluctant to leave it, but the future of the college depends to a large degree upon the success of this plan. The Upsilon feels that this expansion will bring men from all parts of the country and make Rochester less of a city college than it has been in the past.

The Chapter at present numbers thirty-four men, which exceeds the high-water mark of previous years. We are doing our share on the campus and incidentally are well on our way to win the intramural basketball cup. We lament the fact that the rooms kept for visiting brothers are not filled more often, but we appreciate it when they are.

One idea in regard to THE DIAMOND that we'd like to see put into practice is that of publishing in each issue the comparative percentages of alumni subscriptions for each Chapter. As it stands, we do not know how the Iota or any other Chapter rates in this respect. And besides, it would do no harm to create in this way a little friendly inter-chapter rivalry. How about it?

Pledged:

William Harper Pennell '23, of Van Wert, Ohio.

Louis Edward Madden '24, of Denver, newly arrived at Kenyon from Dartmouth College.

ALUMNI NOTES

'20. Ned Goodman was with us just before Christmas, and threw his customary good party for the Chapter. Jim Todd '18, and Gene Carpenter '19, were also here for the event.

'04. Max Long paid a very short visit here not long ago. We wish he'd tear himself away from his somewhat newly-acquired wife and stay longer next time.

'18. Edwin Matthews stopped off with us a while recently, while on the way home from a flying business trip.

Among the Brothers back for initiation were: Willard Armstrong '96, Walter Collins '03, Lee Vaughn '04, Carl Weiant '05, "Andy" Anderson '14, Atlee Wise '17, Campbell Meeker '17, Don Wattley '17, "Fuzzy" Downe '18, Gene Carpenter '19, Wharton Weida '19, and Ned Goodman '20.

(Will any of the alumni who know something interesting and new about any of the others please communicate it to the associate editor?)

PHILIP HUMMEL,
Associate Editor.

PHI — UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

WITH the beginning of the semester the Phi Chapter hopes to step into a new era of activity and work. Under the capable leadership of the recently chosen head of the house, Paul Eaton, we feel that the future holds great things for the Fraternity. Even the alumni seem to at last have broken the shell of the chrysalis in which they have so long rested and are taking a new interest in the activities of the chapter.

The 57th annual initiation to be held in Ann Arbor the week ending March 5th, gives every indication of being one of the best ever held by the Phi. This year instead of merely sending the regular announcement card there was also sent to each alumnus a letter requesting that he take particular pains to try to attend this year's initiation and thus renew his ties with the Phi. Answers have been returning in every mail and we expect a large alumni representation. Of course even with all the interest which we have for those coming back it is impossible to forget those who take the main part in the coming event. There will be eleven initiates who will all make good Psi U's. Of the class of 1923 there are the following men:

Robert Adams, Louisville, Ky.
Ralph Backus, Detroit, Mich.

Paul Dunikin, Grand Rapids, Mich.

Those of the class of 1924 are:

Smith Bolton, Saginaw, Mich.

William Marston, Louisville, Ky.

Harold Nutting, Oak Park, Ill.

Hugh Smith, Jackson, Mich.

Sherman Spitzer, Oak Park, Ill.

Joseph Shaw, Spokane, Wash.

Prosser Watts, Adrian, Mich.

Edward Weadock, Saginaw, Mich.

Brother Corcoran, of the Executive Council, in his recent visit to the Phi, we are sorry to say, was not very pleased with our scholastic standing. The marks for the first semester's work have just been received and we wish to say they are very much better than those which he saw, in fact we feel they will be well above the average.

The Annual Hole Rush which is held by the freshmen and sophomores of this Chapter almost got the larger part of the fraternity in trouble with the authorities. There happened to be a little "set to" between the two classes on the campus and some of the faculty thought that the police were after some dangerous characters. However after some explaining it was satisfactorily settled and the class of '23 were the victors.

Two brothers of the junior class have returned to resume their work at the University. Brother Worcester has been visiting his family in the Philippines since he left school last Spring and Brother Bolton has had a year's vacation.

In closing, the Phi Chapter wishes to

extend greetings to all the brothers and hopes that it may be host to many visitors, both of its own alumni and the brothers of other Chapters during the coming months.

FRANK F. WEBBER,
Associate Editor.

OMEGA — UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

WITH the end of the Winter quarter but two weeks away, the Omega finds its active brothers aroused at the prospects of examinations and the acquisition of enough grade points to keep them eligible for public appearance during the coming Spring, and to maintain our scholastic standards at Chicago.

The Winter term has been an enjoyable one, and except for the graduation of two men, has cemented together the same well-balanced chapter which started the school year last fall. On January 29, we had one of the most successful initiations in the chapter's history; and the five men who went through then, together with the five now pledged, constitute a delegation firmly united in class spirit, and in every way fitting to uphold Psi U. ideals. The chapter was glad to welcome the official visit of Brother E. H. Naylor of the Executive Council on January 26th and are justly proud of his report as to the condition of the house, finances, records, and general state of the chapter.

On March 6th, a very successful "Parent's Tea" was held at the house, at which time the memorial to Richard Perry Matthews, Omega '16, was unveiled. The painting was done by Oliver D. Grover, Omega '82, and depicts "Rick" in his flying togs as he was on the day he was killed over Dans-sur-Meuse in the Autumn of 1918. Parents of the active chapter men, members of the Faculty, alumni, friends, and relatives of Rick were present at the time.

Our Winter activities have been numerous; and on the campus as well as in athletics we are well represented. Brother Kenneth "Doc" Gordon was recently elected to the Undergraduate Council from the Junior

class, and Brother Harold Lewis to the Honor Commission from among the Sophomore candidates. Brother Harold F. Yegge is now captaining the swimming team, and making record time in the 150-yard backstroke. His election made the third captaincy to go to the Omega during the current year, Brother Colville C. Jackson having guided the football team from left tackle, and Brother E. H. Moore, Jr., son of E. H. Moore, Beta '83, leading the cross-country artists.

Within the Chapter there is a splendid Psi U. spirit of fraternalism and cooperation. Practically every man has assumed, or been appointed to, some chapter duty; and this plan has been found the most successful for promoting unity and the fulfillment of Omega obligations. We realize the importance of inter-chapter communications, and visits especially at meetings, and have been represented by active Omega brothers at the Omicron, the Rho, and the Phi. A delegation of Omega men will investigate soon the petitioning organization at the University of Kansas, since we believe that the western chapters should be particularly familiar with any such aspiring local clubs in the Middle West.

We have many plans for the Spring, both in the way of social and chapter activities; and especially in Spring rushing, one of our biggest problems, we believe our new system will work to advantage. Our alumni, we hope, will cooperate by sending in the names of any prospects, and each brother is responsible for a certain territory which he will canvass for likely Psi U material.

ALUMNI NOTES

Brother Francis T. Ward, Omega '15, now living in Forest Hill, Long Island, was a

recent visitor at the chapter. Fran is now with the J. P. Morgan Co. in New York, and stopped over on his way south on a business trip.

Brother James Nicely, Omega '20, reports that the Harvard Law School is a terrible grind.

Brother E. H. Naylor of the Executive Council paid the Chapter an official visit on January 26th, and was in the city on other business for several days.

Brother Bradley Hall, Omega '20, is in Madison, Wis., with the Continental Casualty Co. and a regular customer at the Rho.

Brother J. F. Chappell is to be congratulated upon a new arrival in his family.

Brother K. A. Macpherson, Omega '20, with the American Relief Commission in Hamburg, Germany, sent his congratulations to the new initiates.

Brother A. C. McCullough, Rho '18, is

now in Chicago with the Illinois Steel Company, and is living at the Omega.

Brother Paul J. Hawk, Omega '18, is manager of a large Eastern territory for the Independent Advertising Co. of New York.

Brothers Carlton B. Adams and Donald M. Swett of the class of '18 have recently joined the ranks of married men. "Don" now has two Brothers-in-law, Max and Ralph Cornwell of the class of '16.

Brother H. L. Willett, Omega '06, has recently returned from a vacation trip to Trinidad and the West Indies. While in Jamaica he sent the following message to a thirsty brother member of the Psi U Club of Chicago: "I should like to suggest this place for the next Psi U. Convention. Drinks are 14 cents each. Here's success!"

Brother Ed H. Ahrens, also of the class of '06, is now secretary of the New York chapter of the University of Chicago Alumni Association.

CHESTER C. GUY,
Associate Editor.

PI — SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

DUE to the fact that the former associate editor of *THE DIAMOND* left college rather suddenly about a week ago the work of the new associate was completed in about one week. All mistakes will kindly be blamed to this fact.

The Pi is justly proud of its record for the college year both in scholarship and in activity. Perhaps the greatest single honor which we can be proud of today comes through the efforts of Brother Gulick '22, who has been elected captain of football for next year. He received a just reward for his untiring efforts during the season, and his work during the Summer in getting his scholastic work in shape, so there would be no question as to his eligibility. "Bert" was placed on one of the so-called "All American" teams by the majority of sport writers last Fall, which shows that he was on the job. Any brothers on football teams opposing Syracuse next Fall will want to look out for "Bert," especially if they play in the backfield or oppose him at tackle. We look for a fine record in football next year under his leadership.

Another man who has been very prominent in University affairs is Brother Allen

'21, who is president of the student body. Brother Allen, Brother Gridley and Brother Copeland are members of the senior council. In the Spring, Allen plays second base on the baseball team which will be managed by Copeland this Spring. Gridley is president of the University Y. M. C. A.

Brother O'Donnell '22, as assistant manager of track is in charge of the interscholastic track meet to be held in the Stadium here sometime in May. This brings together the best track men in the high schools and prep. schools of the East. Brother O'Donnell was recently away on a month's tour with "The Little Theater Party." This company was sent through the East by the Lyceum Bureau and O'Donnell was the only undergraduate chosen to make this trip, the rest of the party all being graduates.

The Pi is very much interested in the idea of some sort of a union between the Theta, Chi, Psi, Upsilon and the Pi. We feel that it would do a great deal to bring about a more brotherly feeling between the chapters in question which would be highly profitable when the chapters are so near together.

We hope that this Spring may see this accomplished. Last Spring an effort was made to entertain the Chi brothers here in Syracuse but something came up at Ithaca which made it impossible for them to accept at that time and no other date was arranged. As Syracuse is the best located for a meeting of all four chapters we would be glad to entertain delegates from the other chapters for the purpose of bringing this about at any date which is suitable to the other four chapters.

The Pi would like to bring before the chapters the idea of second semester initiation or the requiring of a man to pass 80% of his first semester work before he is allowed to be initiated. In Syracuse this system has been adopted by all fraternities on the hill and has been highly successful. It not only eliminates the man who comes to college to waste his time or simply to make a fraternity, but it also serves as an incentive to get started right in the college work which, after all, is what we come to college for. In most colleges in the country there is a rule that a man has to pass a certain amount of his work or leave college. Why send a man out into the world as a Psi U who has not even finished his freshman year in college when such a rule would make this impossible? He would miss all the vital training and comradeship which makes a real Psi U. A Psi U is not made in a day, there is no short cut. A real Psi U is the product of four years of service and training. It is almost infallibly true that the men who stick in college the full four years are the men who really make the fraternity what it is. In the last two years we have at least three examples which prove the value of this system. Men who either lacked the ambition and pep to pass their work and stay in college or did not care enough about the fraternity to put forth the necessary effort to pass the 80% requirement. In any case they would have been of no value to the fraternity, and on the other hand might have seriously injured the standard of the fraternity. We feel that it would be well if this matter were considered by the chapters as a prospective ruling of the convention to limit initiation into the fraternity only to men who pass

80% of their first semester work. We also believe that serious consideration should be given to the idea of entering into the interfraternity conference. From the article in the last issue of *THE DIAMOND*, the associate editor would take it that we would not be an asset to the conference. Why enter a thing which we could not be of some benefit to. Mr. Clark brings forth no result of the conferences which would be of value to us and nothing startling has been done that we have heard of.

As it is therefore of no advantage, why enter any such conference especially when the executive power of the fraternity is vested in the individual chapters through the convention.

ALUMNI NOTES

We all wondered why Brother Preston took such vital interest in the election of Gov. Miller last Fall; even making a speech in chapter meeting. He was in the law firm with Gov. Miller and it is rumored now that he is going to Albany and rest up after the strenuous campaign.

Brother Martin Hilfinger '14, was elected a director of the A. E. Nettleton Co. the first of the year and at the directors' meeting of the company was elected vice-president of the company. This is proof enough that Brother Hilfinger is still on the job, as he was when he was in college, where he was a Varsity crew and football man. He also won the Monx Head trophy in his junior year as the best all-round man in college.

Brother MacKenzie '20, is in town with us again and says he is going to run Brother Garrett '18, a race for perfect attendance at chapter meetings. Brother Garrett is the "steadiest" alumnus we have, rarely missing a meeting.

It is plain that we need more news from the alumni for the support of *THE DIAMOND* as well as subscriptions. Out of town alumni especially. Send us some news of what you are doing. If you are too modest, send in something about someone else. We need humor. Give us a good joke on someone, we all want to hear it. Let us hear from a lot of you before the next issue.

CALVIN B. CATHERS,
Associate Editor.

CHI — CORNELL UNIVERSITY

CORNELL is at the time of writing in the throes of a discussion over the adoption of the Honor System for the entire University, a step which according to present indications will have become a reality by the time this issue of *THE DIAMOND* appears. The general student sentiment appears to be strongly in favor of the change, and assured of this point, the Faculty is expected to adopt the system in the near future.

The Honor System has been in effect in several of the colleges for some years, and has had such success that an agitation was started several months ago by a group of undergraduates to put it across for the University as a whole. A referendum held at the time of registration indicated that an almost overwhelming majority of the students favor the scheme. The constitution of the Honor System is nearly completed, and is to be put before the Faculty and the undergraduates in the near future for final action.

The Honor System is but one of many subjects which have ruffled the usual calm of student sentiment at Cornell this year. The first was the general question of probation as administered by the University authorities, against which there was much protest, especially on the part of the unfortunate ones. Then followed the old, old co-ed question, which burst forth in great fury during the latter part of the Fall, reaching the general conclusion that co-eds are a necessary evil, to be avoided by the brethren as frequently as possible.

Speaking of probation reminds us of the rather pleasant fact that the chapter squeezed by the mid-year slaughter with only two pros, and no busts—the best record we've had in some time.

All worries about exams, however, were quickly forgotten; for right on the heels of Block Week came Junior Week. The house party went off in fine style, and according to the old saying, "a thoroughly good time was enjoyed by all." Fifteen fair maidens and two chaperons were with us to help us forget our troubles for the all-too-short period of four days.

There occurred during the party a rather

unexpected outcropping of diamonds, the engagement of Miss Marie de la Vergne to Brother Fratt being announced during the festivities.

The House gave an open tea dance to the Hill on Friday afternoon, preceding the annual Junior Prom, the crowning event of the week. The tea dance served a double purpose in that, aside from the pleasure of the dance, the brethren were enabled to make good their losses of hats, coats, and goloshes, which had been heavy at the various dances the preceding evening.

As a remembrance of the good time we hope they had, our guests presented us with two very fine pictures, one of them portraying a drinking bout, as enjoyed in "ye gude olde days."

But now there is nothing left of the party except fond remembrances—and an occasional pink or blue tinted letter—and we must turn to other matters.

Since the last issue of *THE DIAMOND* appeared we have added one to our Chapter roll, W. B. Hough '23, of Denver, Colo.

He is a member of the crew which made such a remarkable record as a freshman organization last Spring, covering the two-mile course at the Intercollegiate Regatta in better time than any of the varsity crews entered. There is a fair chance that this combination will row as the varsity eight this Spring.

With this eight available—an eight which was called the "best college eight in the country" last Spring by a well-known sport writer—the season's crew prospects are of the brightest, despite the loss of the "Grand Old Man." The outlook for baseball is somewhat uncertain, in that we have a new coach and little experienced material. Track prospects, on the other hand, look somewhat better than those of a year ago, although it is too early to make any predictions as to the results of the Spring meets.

In regard to the University activities, the Chapter is now in a very good condition. As competitions have been decided during the first half of the year, we have received our fair share of the college honors. Fur-

thermore, nearly all of the freshmen either have started on competitions or in athletics, or have indicated their intention of going out for various activities as soon as the competitions begin.

Turning now to the doings of the Chi alumni, we find a great deal of activity. The annual "Little Chi" dinner was held in New York City early in January, and was one of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held, being in a sense a celebration of the fact that Psi U was the first fraternity to endow a professorship in the recent Cornell Endowment campaign. Unfortunately, the dinner was held at a time when most of the active Chapter could not leave Ithaca; but according to the reports of the one Brother who represented the Chapter, it was a true Psi U gathering.

We are now able to welcome the formation of a similar Chi group in Chicago, started at the instigation of a few especially active Brethren at a dinner held recently. At the time of writing we have no details of the new scheme, but feel that any such association is extremely valuable to the Chapter, as well as to the alumni participating. A good example has been set by the Chi alumni of New York and Chicago, which may well be followed by alumni elsewhere—organization so that get-togethers of a social nature can be held, at which as many Chi men as possible are present.

A. W. WILLCOX,
Associate Editor.

BETA BETA — TRINITY COLLEGE

SINCE the last issue of *THE DIAMOND*, the Chapter has held two of its most important social functions of the collegiate year; first, the Psi U tea held on Monday, January 31st, from four until seven; secondly—and more important from a fraternity point of view—the February Festival, on Wednesday evening, February 2nd. The house was beautifully decorated for both these events with smilax and red and yellow flowers, representing the garnet and gold of Psi Upsilon. The former was attended by about one hundred guests and the Chapter believes the affair was one of the most successful in years. The latter was the birthday party of the Order of Beta Beta and it was very encouraging for the Chapter to have such a large number of Alumni present. The oldest alumnus present was Brother John F. George, Beta Beta '77, who was the first speaker of the evening. He touched on various phases of fraternity life and then very humorously pointed out a peculiarity of personal interest, that everything important in his life came in pairs, as he was born in the year '55, graduated in '77, belonged to Beta Beta and was the father of twin sons, both members of the fraternity.

Brother Anson T. McCook '02, then presented the Anita McAlpine Cup. This cup was donated to the Chapter in memory of Miss Anita McAlpine and is presented each year to that member of the Junior delegation who has taken the greatest interest in the welfare of the Chapter and who has worked most faithfully in its behalf. After a very appropriate speech, Brother McCook presented the cup to Brother William Cleveland Hicks '21.

The question of a memorial to Beta Beta's two men who lost their lives during the war—namely, Brother William J. Hammersley '09, and Brother Thomas B. Boardman '18,—was discussed and it was decided to place a fitting memorial to their memory in the Chapter House. It was also decided that a memorial in memory of Brother Samuel S. Hart, D. D. '66, should also be erected. It is the aim of Brother Hudson '14, to have every living Beta Beta subscribe something to this memorial. The other speakers of the evening were Brothers Johnson '84, Sweet '10, Merrill '10, Stewart '11, Gildersleeve '11, Bunnell '11, Bates '12, Hudson '14, and Tree '17.

Beta Beta is well represented on the committee that intends to launch an Endow-

ment Fund Drive for Trinity in the Spring. Brother Charles G. Woodward '99, is a member of the Endowment Committee. At a luncheon recently held in Hartford to discuss the campaign the following Brothers were present as leaders in the Drive: Judge Joseph Buffington '75, Shiras Morris '96, C. G. Woodward '98, Edgar F. Waterman '98, Treasurer of Trinity College, J. H. K. Davis '99, and T. C. Hudson '14.

ALUMNI NOTES

'09. Brother Harriman is Vice-President of the Fidelity Trust Co., of Buffalo, N. Y.

'10. Brother Wilbert A. Smith is a member of the firm of L. C. Smith & Bros. Typewriter Co., Syracuse, N. Y.

'14. Brother A. W. Walker is married and may be reached c/o Minter Homes Corporation, Huntington, West Va.

Brother G. C. Burgwin is Assistant Trust Officer of the Fidelity, Title & Trust Co., of Pittsburgh, Pa.

'15. The Chapter wishes to extend

heartiest congratulations to Newell R. Sage, who has announced his engagement to Miss Edith Armstrong, of Los Angeles, Calif.

'16. Brother E. A. Niles, who held a Rhodes Scholarship at Oxford University, is now studying at the Harvard Law School and may be reached at 10 Oxford St., Cambridge, Mass.

'17. Brother Bloomfield Launt recently retired from the insurance business and is now Secretary of the Endowment Fund Committee and General Alumni Secretary of Temple University, Philadelphia, Pa.

'19. Brother Sumner Shepherd is with the Travelers' Insurance Co., 11th floor, Park Building, Worcester, Mass.

'19. Brother H. A. Armstrong has recently been elected a member of the Baronial Order of Runnymede and a member of the Founder's and Patriot's Society.

J. ERNEST BLACK,
Associate Editor.

ETA — LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

ONE more mid-year fight with the Faculty is over, and the mortality was surprisingly low. Our opponents came through unscathed, while we lost one man. This brother was no piker though, and was excluded from all of his exams, which so far as we know is a record, and like many other college records is where it belongs, in the Psi U house.

The new semester brings us close to initiation, March 12th is the date, and it is essential that a good representation of Alumni and Brothers from nearby Chapters attend, as on the final ceremony rests the success of our new policy of initiating no men until they have fooled the Faculty for one semester. Our September delegation of six, has dwindled to four. The two who fell by the wayside lasted just ten weeks, so our new policy has barred from the Fraternity two men who would have been of very little value.

In previous years the Lafayette football game has been the big drawing card for our initiation crowd, but this year we will have to substitute a wrestling meet with the University of Pennsylvania, and a swimming

meet with Brown, and of course the annual banquet. (The last word might be spelled "banq-wet," as Bethlehem is, to quote the Lehigh Valley Railroad, in the "Switzerland of America," and we have heard of no prohibition laws in Switzerland.)

While on the subject of visitors, we wish that those Alumni who find it impossible to see us in person at least once a year, would write an occasional note advising us of items of interest about themselves, or relative to other Brothers. This is necessary in order that our record book may be kept up to date, and such information would also lend interest to this column.

In the past few weeks we have enjoyed visits from several Delta Brothers, who stopped off just long enough to make us wish that they could have stayed indefinitely. The same can be said of the Brothers from the "Gammy" who came with their swimming team last week. We hope to have these men, as well as delegates from the Tau, Chi, Lambda, and Sigma here for our initiation.

It seems to us that if the custom were started of having delegates from nearby

Chapters attending such functions that it would be of great benefit to the Fraternity. It would aid the Chapter holding the initiation to have a ceremony more impressive to the initiates, and it would also promote good-fellowship, and a much closer bond between the various Chapters. Both of these points are certainly of great enough importance to warrant consideration by the Sister Chapters, and if any of our neighbors are favorably inclined toward the idea, and appear here on March 12th, they will find us ready to cooperate with them in the future.

We lived up this, the deadest season of the College year, with a Washington's Birthday Party on the night of the 21st, and the morning of the 22nd. The decorations were committed by Brother Bill Stanton, who said they were lovely, and he should know as he was in a very "artistic" mood.

It really was a most successful affair, and as the roof is still apparently on tight, we may take another chance soon.

The Lehigh Basketball team got off to a very poor start this year, but with the return of Brother "Timmy" Donovan (Cap't.) at mid-years, has taken a brace, and has won all its games since then, and promise to go through the remainder of the season undefeated. Brother Hartung is playing an excellent game at guard. The season will soon close, and every day the chances of Brother Lee being elected Manager, grow brighter. Brother Read is also at present in line for a managership, that of the wrestling team.

Taking the risk of becoming exceedingly boresome, we again ask for many visitors on March 12th.

H. H. DU BOIS,
Associate Editor.

TAU — UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

AT this writing the Tau is at the end of what seems to have been a very successful rushing season. However, the men taken in this year cannot be too good to make up for the Brothers who are graduating in June. Such men as Pat Spencer, the All-American center forward of soccer fame, Bill Copeland, stroke of the Varsity crew and guard on the football team, and Ed Vare, Manager of the football team, are hard to replace, but we are doing our best to secure a delegation which will keep the Tau in her present proud position on the campus. In this all important work we have been materially aided by the presence of many loyal alumni at the smokers. Among those who attended on one of these occasions was Brother R. B. Burns, Tau 1910, who has recently returned from Valparaiso, Chile. We are also extremely grateful to those brothers from other Chapters to whom we wrote requesting information about freshmen whom we were rushing from their home towns. The information obtained in this way helped us a great deal in verifying the opinions we had formed of these men from personal observation.

Heartiest congratulations are due Bryce Blynn and Carrow Thibault, both of whom were married a short time ago. The engagement of George Blabon, Tau '22, to Miss Adelaide Pyle of Overbrook, was also recently announced. Congratulations, Diz, old boy. We shouldn't be at all surprised to hear soon that Spike Shannon had joined the ranks of the Benedicts. He was heard to remark a short time ago that he was going to find himself a dame; and all the Brothers who know Spike at all never knew him to start anything that he didn't finish.

The Tau is more active on the campus this year than ever before, if possible, having men in every sport and activity on the campus. The latest addition is in Penn's baby sport, the indoor pony polo team, for which Eddie Vare has been playing a superb, dashing game. In the recent match with Princeton he scored five of Pennsylvania's eleven goals and gave an exhibition of horsemanship which in the opinion of many critics has seldom been excelled in intercollegiate circles.

The Mask and Wig Club is holding daily practice for its annual show which takes place Easter week in Philadelphia. The

Club is planning to make an extended tour this year of the East and Middle West, and any of the Brothers from sister Chapters who can see the show will have an opportunity to observe several of their Brothers from the Tau behind the footlights. Keg Ledyard, as last year, will have the principal comic part, while Jack Hellawell, Harry Curtis and one of our incoming freshman delegation will also take part in the show. Brother Ledyard, beside being a comedian of no mean ability, is leader of Penn's Glee Club.

The scholastic standing of the Chapter has been maintained at its usual position; that is, we have no Phi Beta Kappa men, but on the other hand none of our number has been dropped from college for deficient scholastic standing.

We undergraduates here at the Tau are glad to say that the alumni in Philadelphia are organizing more closely than ever before and a more complete unity has been established between the active Chapter and the graduates. By keeping up this good work, there should soon be as active a Psi U Club in Philly as there is in almost all the other big cities of the country.

The secretary of the Chapter would appreciate hearing from any graduate Tau men whose addresses have changed during the last year. Our rolls are in a deplorable condition, but with the cooperation of the alumni we should be able to put them in an up-to-date form by this Spring.

BY TELEGRAPH

The annual initiation was held on the evening of March 15, with a large number of brothers in attendance. The following men were initiated: Benjamin Faucett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Eugene Curry Felt, Franklin, Pa.; John Wesley Hightower, Atlanta, Ga.; Ralph Lathrop Kelly, Youngstown, Ohio; Charles Jefferson Lyon, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Robert Lincoln Parkinson, Jr., Germantown, Pa.; James Whipple Perry, Elmira, N. Y.; Frederick Emil Quinn, Newark, N. J.; Ralph Thudium Schoble, Wyncote, Pa.; William Bunn Severn, Jr., Melrose Park, Pa.; Edward Adams Shumway, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.; Lowell Shumway Thomas, Germantown, Pa.

MERRITT HULBURD,
Associate Editor.

MU — UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

WHEN we stop to consider, it is hard to realize that the year is rapidly drawing to a close, but when we look out of the window and see the popcorn man selling peanuts on the corner we come to appreciate the fact that spring is not far off, and that it is time to look back and consider the events of the year which is passing as well as look into the future to what little is left of the college year.

Among the bright spots which still glow in the minds of the brothers are the Christmas formal (although rather deep in the past), initiation of the new Brothers and the attending banquet, and the Alumni smoker. This will no doubt remain for a long time in the minds of the Alumni who were present, chiefly because of the strength of the cigars. It is rumored that the next day several half-burned cigars were found walking out of the house. A number of the Brothers captured some of them and are

using them to *chin* themselves on, for morn exercise.

Aside from the drawback of the cigars the smoker was a huge success. It was only an informal affair, but about seventy-five Alumni turned out for it with great enthusiasm. Many men who had not been back for several years returned for this event and it gave the younger men in the Chapter and the new initiates a chance to get acquainted with them. The general results were so satisfactory, that another one is planned for the near future.

The last part of January was taken up largely with initiation proceedings. After the customary week of "rough stuff" ten freshmen out of a class of fourteen were put through the formal initiation and two more were put through three weeks later. On the night before the formal initiation the freshmen gave a musical comedy for the upperclassmen which would make Mr.

Ziegfeld go back to Podunk Center. We there made the startling discovery that one freshman and two towels make an entrancing chorus girl. In all, their last appearance as pledgemen certainly brought down the house and all the stray shoes.

After they had been trained down to a proper weight by the week of festivities (for the upperclassmen anyway), they were put through the formal initiation January 29th, and are now rapidly recovering their former health and beauty.

Since the publication of the scholastic reports of last year, we find that our worst fears have been realized and we have deserted our former revered position in the scholarship scale and have risen five places above it. If present conditions continue we shall draw even farther away from our old position in next year's report. We enjoy our present place very much although we do feel somewhat unnatural so far away.

The activities in which the brothers are engaged are steadily increasing, and a movement of fraternity men to get control more and more of school activities is reflected in the chapter. By next year conditions should be materially changed, and the fraternity man should occupy many of the important positions which are now held by non-fraternity men. We also have had one man, Roland Whitney '23, elected to White Dragon, the Junior Honorary Fraternity.

The Mu is severely handicapped in that there are no glee or mandolin clubs at Minnesota and hence our vocal talent, of which there is a great deal in the Chapter is doomed to "blush unseen" or waste their attempts at yodeling on the unappreciative members of neighboring fraternities whose only response is a volley of ink wells, or appearing at the window garbed in ear muffs.

In regard to the future, we certainly hope that the warm weather will hold off long enough to allow us to get a little studying in before the annual attack of Spring fever works its havoc. A natural let-down in

college work always occurs in the Spring when our thoughts turn to lighter things, but we hope to get in a little good work before the let-down takes place.

We are planning a reception for the parents and families of the men in the active chapter, for Sunday, February 27th, to be held at the Chapter house. The purpose of the reception is for the parents to become better acquainted with all the men in the Chapter and promote better understanding between the parents and the men. We certainly believe that this is a much-needed event, and should be a success in every way.

The principal event of the Spring is the long-looked for Alumni banquet. Since being postponed last Spring on account of the waiter's strike it has been looked forward to with great expectation, and, it appears certain that it will really come off this time, sometime in the latter part of April. It will probably be held as was planned for last year at the University Club in St. Paul, and will be the first real banquet since the memorable convention in 1919. We hope that everyone will be able to sit down to a good time without any undue strain on their hip pockets, and we look for a large turnout of Alumni, both young and old for this event.

We thoroughly believe in *THE DIAMOND* and its future and certainly believe that the Chicago editors are to be congratulated upon their enterprise and good spirit in putting across such an undertaking so successfully. We believe that the rapidly increasing number of *DIAMOND* subscriptions is sufficient evidence of the approval of the Alumni and the insurance of its future success.

ALUMNI NOTES

Theron Gerow '20, is now working with C. F. Haylin Construction Co., at International Falls, Minn.

Leo Butler '20, has recently left for Europe for an indefinite stay.

E. R. SAMMIS,
Associate Editor.

RHO — UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

SUNDRY spasms of activity have occupied the time and energy of the Brothers on the shore of Mendota for the past month, among them being bridge whist, passing of semester examinations, and the Junior Prom. Bridge could hardly be classified as a spasm—in the way that it is played at the Rho it is more like religion, in fact, it seems to fill effectively the place of religion. But examinations and Prom were certainly spasms, in the strongest sense of the word.

True to Psi U traditions most of the Brothers managed by devious methods to continue honoring the University with their presences. Brother Fairfield conducted his band of trusty Epicureans down to the book store where they solemnly purchased text books prescribed by their several courses, and then returned and performed their semi-annual miracle of condensing education into a few feverish evenings of study, and passing their courses. Brother Fairfield has decided, after graduating from college with numerous medals of scholarship, to go into the correspondence school business. His plan is original, dealing with the administration of education in tabloid form—entire courses to be given in ten lessons, nine of which will be devoted to treatises on the subject of future development in Canada and Cuba. But the final results were scholastically satisfactory, and the Chapter is once more preparing to embark on a period of peace and prosperity.

Just after examinations came Prom—Prom in all its glory. Now that it is over, they all say that it was the best ever. Certain it is that for four days the school was plunged into such an orgy of pleasure and gaiety that the end of it all came with a disconcerting crash. Nights colored with music and revelry, lovely women and immaculate escorts, taxi cabs and dinners, platitudes and small talk; mornings fraught with sleep and weariness; and the aftermath consisting of reminiscent conferences, heart throbs, or aches, and more reminiscent conferences. Now most of the participants have emerged convalescent, and are considering the possibilities of either floating a bond issue or repudiating the stu-

pendous debts. There is a welcome end where even wine, women and song reach a sufficiency.

Even as this copy goes to press, the Psi U basketball team is playing one of its games in the semi-finals of the fraternity league. The team, captained by "T" Gould, has experienced a successful season and now promises to be runner up for the championship of the school. Similarly, the bowling team finished its season last Thursday night, well up in the list of competing teams. The team lost by three pins the deciding game which would have placed them in the finals for the cup. Brother Bauman explains the defeat as resulting from the fact that the pins, although knocked down, were rounded on the bottom so that they bounded back to a standing position. Next season the Chapter has decided to equip the bowling team with exploding balls, so that this difficulty may be obviated.

On this very evening of publication the Chapter received a welcome visitor, Marcus L. Baxter, of the class of '19. The financial world of Chicago was able to spare Marcus for a few hours while he hurried back to Madison to pay his respects to college days. It would be well if more of the Brothers could follow his example.

Brother Edward Mathews has left to accept a position instructing in agriculture, near La Crosse, Wisconsin. His duties will consist in giving the farmers lessons in rotating crops, milking by gasoline, and manipulating grain so that it may be shipped in barrels.

Football prospects for next fall are very good. Brother Gould has decided to come back in order to graduate on the tenth anniversary of his class, and will probably be on the team. He also hopes to complete his book, entitled "How I Got Through School," which will be published immediately after graduation, and which will be an inspiration to any aspiring undergraduates.

Brother Frank Weston, owing to his injury at the first of the season, has not been able to play basketball this year. A detective has been engaged from an agency in Chicago

to solve the mystery of where he spends his evenings. The following insert occurred in his notebook with such frequency that a rubber stamp was purchased. (Feb. 18. 7:30 P. M. last seen departing on fast trot up North Langdon St.)

Brother Marson (Jimmy) Pierce drove out from Milwaukee, recently in his new Lafayette. He brought welcome news of the Milwaukee Alumni Association, and left the chapter richer by the addition of several choice stories.

Brother J. C. Evans '16, when last heard of was in the publishing business in New York City. Now we can account for the rapid degeneration of contemporary literature.

In closing we must not forget to mention the masquerade ball which enlivened the Prom festivities. Several of the characters will long be remembered as having carried

through their roles with remarkable success—we might mention Brother Gould, who appeared as a Spanish toreador, Brother Fairfield as General Pershing when a boy, and John N. O'Brien who, as the spirit of Mexico, was especially good in his rendition of the original shimmy of Adam and Eve before they were thrown out of the garden.

The annual initiation and banquet of the Rho Chapter of Psi Upsilon, was held Saturday, March twelfth.

INITIATES

Class of 1924

Edwin J. Chapman	<i>Oshkosh, Wis.</i>
William F. Ingraham, Jr.	<i>Sioux City, Ia.</i>
Edmund J. Lachmann	<i>Neenah, Wis.</i>
Benjamin H. Pearse	<i>Milwaukee, Wis.</i>
Robert R. Thompson	<i>Oshkosh, Wis.</i>
Thomas R. Wall	<i>Oshkosh, Wis.</i>

FRANK GRAY '21,
Associate Editor.

EPSILON — UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

WHILE the benighted active members of the other Chapters are huddling about blazing fires, the sweltering February sun beats down pitilessly upon the inmates of 1815 Highland Place, producing the ailment commonly known as "Spring fever." This somewhat premature complaint, with all of its concomitant languor and inertia, has not left the present writer wholly unscathed; and to the resultant befogged condition of his mind may be attributed the incoherencies set forth hereinafter. Having thus dispensed with the preliminaries after a brilliant opening paragraph in which the novel idea of discussing the balmy weather has been so ingeniously utilized, we may conveniently come down to cases and treat of the specific achievements of the Epsilon, tactfully omitting any misdeeds that may be laid to our account.

In the January number of THE DIAMOND we ventured to express a hope that the Psi Upsilon Association of Los Angeles would reorganize and rehabilitate itself. This hope became a reality on the night of January 8th, at a dinner held in a quiet suburban retreat, which was attended by a goodly

number of alumni and eight representatives of the active Chapter. Before the insidious effect of the light refreshments served had time to impair the lucidity of the fluent oratory of the Brothers, it was deemed advisable to make arrangements for permanent organization. This was done accordingly, and William W. Lovett, Jr., Epsilon '13, was duly elected president. It was decided to hold luncheons on every Thursday at the Bull Pen Inn. It need hardly be said that visiting Psi U's in Los Angeles are cordially invited to attend.

Very few things have been accomplished during the course of the present semester that were not mentioned in our last report of progress. The advent of the era of Spring sports has come, and, of course, this keeps a great many occupied. Names of members of the senior class may be found on the rolls of the leading honor societies. Three of our "rising young barristers" of the 1921 delegation were recently initiated into the legal fraternity of Phi Delta Phi. One senior, the vice-president of the Associated Students, is taking the lead in the Senior Extravaganza, and another is man-

ager of the "Pelican," the campus humorous monthly. Of the remaining classes, we can only make predictions, and these are often hazardous.

A number of Fraternity events are scheduled for the month of March. Chief among these are the semi-annual dance and the Freshman Show. Owing to the existence of new faculty rulings prohibiting dancing after one o'clock, it was thought best to move the party over to the Fairmont Hotel where no restraint would be placed on the Terpsichorean proclivities of the Brethren. The Freshman Show has been an annual institution since the founding of the Chapter. Beginning as a respectable burlesque on the weaknesses of the upperclassmen, it has gradually sunk to somewhat questionable depths. Each succeeding class has vied with its predecessor in the exploitation of those qualities once euphemistically termed "risque." Strange to say, its popularity among the alumni has in no wise decreased. In recent years, however, only the younger and less sedate have been invited, because the presence of older Brothers necessitated some curtailment in the frankness of expression.

A new feature that has been introduced is the bi-monthly "Owl," edited by the chairman of the literary committee, and delivered after every other meeting. Contributions are solicited from every one in the House. The faults of the various Brothers are mercilessly lampooned by the omniscient "Owl," who apparently does not sleep all through the day, as is generally and quite erroneously supposed. In the incisive utterances of the wise old bird lies the "giftie" that Burns sought in vain—"to see oursel's as ithers see us."

The Editor has made an invaluable suggestion for the improvement of alumni data. He proposed that a man be selected from every fourth delegation to keep the active Chapter posted on the doings of

its graduates. Lack of time has made it impossible to put this plan into operation in preparing the material for the present issue; but it will enable us to give more comprehensive information in the June number. For the present, the facts gathered and printed below will have to serve as—

ALUMNI NOTES

'00. Ezra Decoto, District Attorney of Alameda County, addressed the pre-legal students of the University a few weeks ago.

'07. Alfred C. B. Flecher is in business in Antwerp, Belgium.

'08. Talcott Williamson, head of the English Department of the Oakland Technical High School, is more intimately associated with the active Borthers than any other alumnus. He pays us regular visits and gives us timely advice.

'14. Roswell Ham is instructor in the English Department of Yale University.

'15. Harcourt Hervey is a member of the firm of contractors in charge of the construction of the new Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

'17. Ross Kirkpatrick, who recently deserted the ranks of the benedicts, has returned from an airplane trip to Alaska.

'19. Cesar Bertheau is en route to India in the employ of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

Harris Kirk is in the commercial paper business in San Francisco.

'20. Harris Carrigan and Donald Clamptett, also '20, have become bloated bondholders in the brokerage office of Girvin & Miller.

'22. Andrew Crowell stopped off recently at the Chapter House on his way to his ranch at Willamina, Oregon.

J. Anstruther Lawson is engaged in chemical research with the Spreckels Sugar Company.

ALBERT PARKER,
Associate Editor.

OMICRON — UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

WE are wondering if all the brothers enrolled the several shrines of knowledge at which our fraternity has chapters are as diligently applied in the quest for information as are the brothers of the

Omicron. The second semester has begun its encroachments on our time and energy and it has seen the men off with a flying start, encouraged by a creditable rise in the house average for the past semester. But

with the new term has come premature spring weather, and the consequent distraction toward lines not generally connected with college curriculums. However, several things of note have been accomplished by the chapter in these first few weeks.

Brother Walter Tenney, of the class of '23, distinguished himself in the leading role in the opera "Sweethearts" given in the University auditorium, February 18 and 19. This is the first time that a student opera has consisted of a mixed cast, and Brother Walt was called upon to play the hard part of kissing the beautiful, charming leading lady at least a dozen times to the great delight of the audience. Brother Bill Genung featured in the chorus.

We are more than happy to relate that Brother Chuck Carney is able to be back on the basketball squad. Even though encumbered with a heavy brace for his knee, injured in football, he has delighted the fans with his "old time" accuracy in shooting baskets.

Speaking of basketball, we might mention the fraternity team which to date has a record of three victories and only one defeat. The chances of topping the division appear very bright.

The Omicron has been very fortunate in receiving visits from several prominent alumni. Brother George Koch '20, who is connected with the Rochester Lumber Company,

was able to stay over for about ten days on his way to Memphis to look over some timber land in Tennessee. The chapter profited greatly by his sage advice. This last weekend, Brother Nels Utley '18 paid the Omicron a timely visit and offered a number of profitable suggestions for the house. Brother F. A. Pruitt '17, dropped in unexpectedly for a few hours, and in return for a typical Omicron "banquet" he presented the boys with a box of exceedingly good cigars.

Additions to the chapter this term have given us a new impetus. Brother Hal Orr, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and of the original class of '20, has regained his health sufficiently to resume his studies. His return is a source of great satisfaction to the house. Brother Don Franklin, Omega '22, has transferred his interests to the Omicron.

Our heartiest congratulations are extended to Brother Hank Mosier '20, on becoming the father of a baby girl on a recent date.

The literary talent of the chapter has been sadly depleted by the loss of Brother Punk Pinckard, who is now on the staff of the Chicago Journal. His departure has resulted in this mediocre, but well-meant effort on the part of the substitute associate editors—

ARTHUR HUMPHREY

AND

WALTER TENNEY,

Associate Editors.

DELTA DELTA — WILLIAMS COLLEGE

SINCE the publication of the January DIAMOND, very little of note or more than passing interest has occurred to break the monotony of the long winter term. The mid-year examinations, while not in any way an unusual occurrence for this time of year, provided a break, not only to the above-mentioned monotony, but also in our close relationship with two of the brothers, who, overconfident in their ability to successfully emulate the gladiators of Spain in their great national sport, fell in the arena, one mortally wounded, but the other only temporarily so, for he will be with us again next year. But to redeem this loss, reinforcements arrived in the person of our long-lost brother, "General" North, who, after a

year's absence from the fold, claims that he has at last realized the value of a college education.

After the Battle of Brains came temporary relief in the three day mid-year vacation, which was taken up with the gayety and festivity of houseparty, in which we were well chaperoned by several of the Gamma brothers who came up to see what-ho. They did. Incense rose to the skies and joy was almost unrefined.

And now another semester confronts us, and we must settle down to contemplation, at least, of things more serious. It is never too early to think of next year, and a rushing committee is already at work trying to get information on next year's class. The sooner

information on prospective freshmen is in our hands, the better organized we will be for rushing, and although it may seem somewhat premature to some, we would like to ask the brothers of the sister chapters for any possible "dope," and assure them that it will be greatly appreciated.

Snow is still on the ground, but we feel that spring is indeed on its way to the Berkshires, for baseball practice has already started in preparation for the southern trip during the Easter holidays. Brother Dorsey is one of the veteran moundmen and his arm is rapidly getting into shape. Williams is very fortunate this year in procuring the services of Jack Coombs as coach. Coombs was the iron man of the Philadelphia pitching staff when the Athletics were winning all their pennants, and under his leadership and guidance a successful season is being looked forward to with keen anticipation.

Perhaps the most interesting question to the college body at the present time is that of compulsory chapel. More discontent evidenced in editorials as well as in general talk has been manifested on this subject for grievance than on any other in years. Open discussion at the last meeting of the Forum between members of the Faculty and students got nowhere, and now the Student Council is going to put the question before the next meeting of the Board of Trustees. We eagerly await the result of this meeting.

Brother Carr has just been elected chairman of the Senior Prom Committee and now there is no question but what it will be a tremendous success. He is also a member of the Class Day Committee.

Roderick McLeod '13, is now studying at the Union Theological Seminary and expects to be ordained in the Spring. He managed to pay us a short visit a few weeks ago and during his stay informed us he used to be one of the biggest snakes in college. But now it seems he is on the straight and narrow for life. In spite of that he is married and during the Fall became the father of a baby girl, Jesse MacKenzie McLeod.

Frank Wickes '12, is now a foreign representative of P. N. Gray & Co. in Antwerp, and he has taken advantage of this opportunity to marry a Belgian lady. We haven't heard the details yet.

Laurence Wellington '12, is working in the New York office of P. N. Gray & Co.

Oliver Toll '13, is practicing law in Denver.

Edward Powell '13, has recently been promoted to the head of his department in the N. W. Ayer Advertising Co. of Philadelphia.

Goodrich Schaffler '18, is now studying at the Harvard Medical School.

HENRY S. PRESCOTT,
Associate Editor.

THETA THETA — UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

PSI Upsilon's position in the Pacific Northwest was materially strengthened by the formation recently of the Psi Upsilon Club of Oregon, in Portland. The Theta Theta has felt the need of organized support in that section of our territory, and the Chapter was delighted to receive an invitation in January to send representatives to the Portland Brothers' second dinner, February 4th. Brothers Matthew O'Connor and Merville McInnis, both '21, were sent south for the occasion, and they brought back enthusiastic reports of the hospitality with which they were greeted. When their names were announced to the Oregon Brothers, the latter thought they were receiving a delegation from the Emerald

Isle, and they were relieved to learn that Brother McInnis spells his name without a "g," and is a canny Scott. Brother O'Connor had no alibi.

Washington, being a tax-supported institution, has been going through the crucial period of a state legislative session, and is apparently weathering the storm successfully. A much larger appropriation for the next biennium is expected to be granted by the legislature than that allowed by the last session, although the increase is not so large as that asked for by the administration. At the present writing, an increase of thirty-four mills is virtually assured in the state mill tax for the university. We hope the augmented income will work toward

a very prosperous development of Washington during the next two years, and that additions to the faculty which may result from it may bring an additional Brother or two to our list of "fratres in facultate."

The Theta Theta has recently taken the lead in compiling statistics for the President's office showing the beneficial influence of fraternities in inducing undergraduates to persist in their college course. Our figures showed that out of our 131 members, 42 have graduated, 46 are now resident at Washington, 5 in eastern colleges, and 38, or 29 per cent have retired without degrees. This means that our percentage of persistence is now 71 per cent, while the average persistence of students at Washington is 28 per cent.

Six Brothers were added to the Chapter's roll at the Theta Theta's sixth annual initiation at the Chapter house January 18. We were pleased to have the opportunity at that time of initiating Brother Frederick C. Broadfoot, Nu '07, in behalf of the Nu. Brother Broadfoot was one of the early members of the Chi Delta Psi Society, and now resides in Seattle. He was introduced to the Chapter by Brother F. G. T. Lucas, Nu '01, who came down from Vancouver, B. C., for the purpose. The initiation was pronounced one of the most successful the Theta Theta has ever held, and was attended by a large number of alumni Brothers from Seattle and the vicinity. Brother George H. Walker, of the Upsilon, delivered the address of the occasion.

The ledger of the Theta Theta's activities on the campus during the Winter quarter shows a well rounded account. Clayton Bolinger, as captain of the Varsity wrestling team, has been in the limelight, having already earned a second letter in that sport.

As a side issue, Brother Bolinger, with the assistance of Brother Francis McDaniel Brown '23, edified a campus audience recently with a tumbling act at the Junior Vodvil, which was listed on the program as "The Matriculators." Being a punster himself, Brother Bolinger was the only person who caught the reference of the name to the character of the act, mat tricks.

"Perk" Low, one of the newly-initiated

freshman Brothers, has already made a name for himself in athletics. He has won two numerals, having played end on the freshman Varsity football team, and on the freshman Basketball quintet, of which he is captain. He will also be out for baseball in the Spring.

In the other athletic activities, Pat Tidmarsh, Bob Butler, and Hugh Middleton are contestants for oars in the Varsity shell, while Jim Esary, Jim Campbell, and Will Walker are showing up to good advantage in the freshman boat. Frank Perkins, a last year's letter man, John Wilson, and Ernest Ketcham are out for track, and Lloyd Low for baseball. He is a likely candidate for the position behind the bat.

In the more scholastic activities, Harold Raines '23, represented the University in debate against British Columbia, and was victorious, thereby winning his Debate "W." Brother O'Connor has been instrumental in founding a new campus magazine, "The Columns," and is one of the editors of the publication. In ante bellum days, Brother O'Connor officiated at the demise of a literary monthly, of which he was editor. He hopes to graduate before the present venture comes to an untimely end.

The 1921 Junior Prom, February 5th, was directed by Brother Wilmoth Allen '22, as chairman of the committee, of which Brother Clarence Shawler was also a member. Brothers Frank Perkins and Morris Bolinger have been appointed on the Junior Day committee. Theodore Rackerby '23, has been made assistant business manager of "The Columns," and Howard Selby '23, on the business staff of "Tyee," the Washington Annual. Brothers Harold Hutchinson and Mac Brown have been elected to Phi Delta Phi, honorary law fraternity.

To encourage service to the University in the Chapter, the senior Brothers recently announced their intention to present a memorial plaque at the end of the year to the Brother whose earnest efforts have done the most toward the advancement of the standard of his Alma Mater. The medal is thereafter to be conferred annually by the senior class in the house for a term of possession of one year, the name of each

Brother honored thereby to be engraved upon a new link.

ALUMNI NOTES

'20. Brother Arthur Keyes has recently announced his engagement to Miss Mildred Jackson of Seattle.

'20. Brother William F. ("Baldy") Way is to be congratulated upon the birth of a son, Griffith Way, on December 21, 1920.

'20. Brother Tom Dobbs is business manager of the Everett Daily News.

'17. Brother Al Lomax is with the Faculty of the School of Business Administration at the University of Oregon.

'16. Brother Cletus Minahan is with James Kearns and Abbott one of the largest printing concerns in Portland.

'20. Brother Al Weston is with the Advertising Service Bureau in Portland, Ore.

CLARK EWING,
Associate Editor.

NU — UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO

THE Chapter communications in the last issue of THE DIAMOND all contained inspiring reports of Psi U conquests, and the publication will, no doubt, develop a healthy rivalry that will bring even greater results in the future.

Since our last epistle the Nu has made considerable progress, and its members have been in the midst of all University activities.

Brother Ken Hamilton recently received a Rhodes' Scholarship. As a result he goes to Oxford next Fall to see how much more he can learn about medicine, cricket, football and the art of acquiring a new accent. His Brothers of the Nu are betting that the honors he has just won are only the preliminaries of a great and successful career. We have also added another football captain to Psi U's already lengthy list. Brother Gordon Duncan has been elected the captain of next year's first team. "Gord" is an experienced player, having played star games at outside wing for the last two seasons. Congratulations and prayers for another championship.

Brother Joe Sullivan has recently been elected captain of the Varsity Junior Hockey Team, which is at the time of writing tied for the group championship. Under our rules the captains are elected by the players of the teams, and we are proud of the popularity and ability of both Brothers.

The daily papers have changed Brother Frank Sullivan's nickname from "Rosy" to "Pinch-hitter." As a pinch-hitter, Frank is certainly there. In every one of the games this season Varsity has had an uphill fight, and "Sully" has invariably been there with the goal that was needed to secure victory.

He probably has as many to his credit as any man on the senior team. In the O. H. A. the team is in the running for the championship, while in the Intercollegiate, Queen's were beaten 7 to 1 in the only game so far played.

The first annual dinner of the Psi Upsilon Alumni Association of Toronto was held on January 8th at the King Edward Hotel, and every Brother who was there voted it a great success. The speeches were many and varied, some being serious exhortations while others were very amusing. The committee in charge deserve to be complimented on the success of this, the initial dinner.

The Chapter has been doing intensive rushing lately, and the work that has been done will certainly bring good results.

There has been some talk of forming an inter-fraternity hockey league at Toronto. The Nu has plenty of good material and would like to see the project go through, but the greatest drawback so far has been the weather. If the weather-man had been a good Psi U, he might have shown a little fraternal spirit and turned on some cold weather.

The Chapter has decided to hold a dance at the King Edward Hotel on the evening of March 11th, and will gladly welcome any of the Brothers from other Chapters who may find it convenient to come.

The Alumni take dinner at the Chapter House on the first Monday in each month, and every Alumnus should take advantage of this opportunity of becoming more intimately acquainted with the active Chapter.

FOSTER ROBERTSON,
Associate Editor.

