# RECORDS

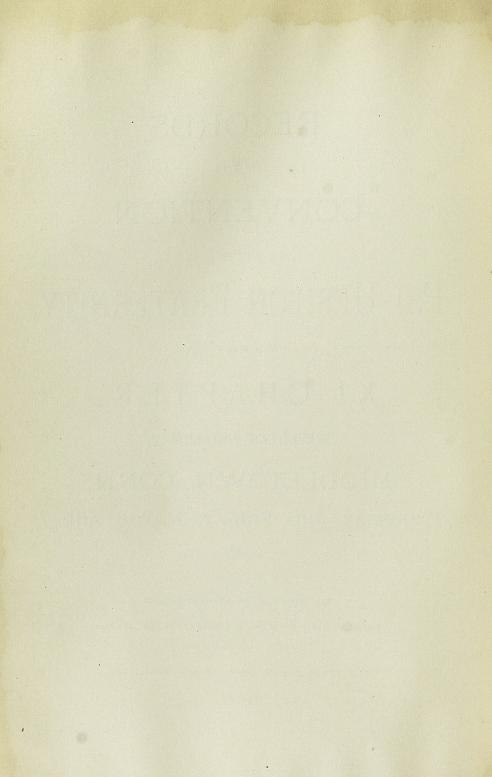
OF THE

# CONVENTION

OF THE

# PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY.

1897.



# RECORDS.

### THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1897.

The Convention in the sixty-fourth year of the Fraternity, with the Xi Chapter in Wesleyan University, at Middletown, Conn., was called to order, at 10.30 A. M., in the Xi Chapter Hall, by Bro. Herbert L. Bridgman (Γ'66), of the Executive Council, who named Bro. L. K. Willman (Ξ'97) Temporary President, and Bro. R. D. Whiting (Ξ'98) Temporary Recorder. Bro. J. S. Judd (Ξ'85), Chairman of the Committee of Arrangements, in brief remarks, welcomed the delegates to the home of the Xi, and the following committees were announced by the Temporary President:

On Permanent Organization.—Bros. John Gowdy ( $\Xi$  '97), R. A. Witherspoon ( $\Upsilon$  '97) and L. Horton (M '97).

On Credentials.—Bros. E. W. Wallin ( $\Delta$  '97), Robert W. Carle (B '97) and F. P. Sackett ( $\Sigma$  '97).

After a recess of twenty minutes the Committee on Permanent Organization reported the following as permanent officers:

President.
H. L. BRIDGMAN (Γ'66).

Vice-Presidents. Francis S. Bangs ( $\Lambda$  '78), George S. Coleman ( $\Xi$  '76), George C. Howland ( $\Gamma$  '85).

Recorder.
W. G. Giffin (\(\mathcal{Z}\) '97).

Assistant Recorders. H. R. Remsen ( $\Xi$  '98), R. W. Abbott ( $\Delta$  '98).

The Committee on Credentials reported the following list of duly accredited

#### DELEGATES.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.—Herbert L. Bridgman ( $\Gamma$  '66); alternate, George S. Coleman ( $\Xi$  '76).

THETA. - Willis E. Merriman, Jr., '98.

BETA, -Robert W. Carle, '97; Edward Sawyer, '98.

Delta.—Eric Wilhelm Wallin, '97; David Orr, '97, and Renwick W. Abbott, '98.

SIGMA.—Franklin P. Sackett, '97; Merwin White, '99.

ZETA.—Richard Marcy, '98.

GAMMA.—Howard H. Mossman, '98; Percy H. Boynton, '97.

Lambda.—Francis S. Bangs, '78; F. P. Keppel, Jr., '98; Arthur A. Fowler, '99.

KAPPA.—Edgar Gilman Pratt, '97; Stephen E. Young, '98.

Psi.—F. D. Briggs, '98; Henry H. Pease, '99.

XI,-John Gowdy, '97.

Upsilon.—Robert A. Witherspoon, '97.

IOTA.—William N. Kennedy, '92; Philemon B. Stanberry, Jr., '98.

Рні.—John B. Keating, '97.

PI.—Eugene W. Murry, '98; Robert B. Adams, '97.

Сні.—С. Н. Віаіг, Јг., '97.

Beta Beta.—George S. McCook, '97; Edward S. Travers, '98.

ETA.—Louis Diven, '97.

TAU.—Owen J. Roberts, '95 and '98; William N. Morice, '99.

Mu.-Lawrence E. Horton, '97 and '99.

Rно.—Vrooman Mason, '95.

First Graduate.—George C. Howland, '85; alternate, John V. Irwin.

Second Graduate.—D. W. Northrop, '68; alternate, C. McK. Loeser, '91.

The report was accepted and the Convention having unanimously adopted the rules of the Convention of 1892, the Annual Communication of the Executive Council (see pages 10-12) was presented by Secretary Bro. Bangs.

A recess of half an hour was ordered, in order that the representatives of the St. Stephen's College petitioners might be heard. The delegates and others assembled in the reception room on the lower floor of the Xi Chapter House, Bro. George C. Howland presiding, and were addressed by Rev. Dr. F. S. Sill, Archdeacon of Albany, N. Y., and Rev. G. S. Bennett, of Jersey City, in support of the petition from the Eulexian Society, and Mr. J. B. Greiner, in support of that from the Kappa Gamma Chi.

Upon the re-assembling of the Convention, the Committee on Credentials reported the presence of the delegates, Bros. W. N. Kennedy ('92) and P. B. Stanberry ('98), of the Iota.

The following Standing Committees were announced by the President:

To Nominate an Executive Council : Bros. Louis Diven (H'97), F. P. Sackett  $(\Sigma'97)$ , Vrooman Mason (P'95), Eugene W. Murry (H'98) and Edgar G. Pratt (K'97).

On the Annual Communication : Bros. John Gowdy ( $\Xi$  '97), Owen J. Roberts (T '95), F. P. Keppel, Jr. ( $\Lambda$  '98), Edward Sawyer (B '98) and John B. Keating, ( $\Phi$  '98).

ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Bros. W. E. Merriman, Jr. ( $\Theta$  '98), Richard Marcy (Z '98), F. D. Briggs ( $\Psi$  '98), L. E. Horton (M '97) and P. B. Stanberry, Jr. (I '98).

On New Business: Bros. Charles H. Blair, Jr. (X '97), P. H. Boynton  $(\Gamma '97)$ , David Orr  $(\Delta '97)$ , George S. McCook (BB '97) and Robert A. Witherspoon  $(\Upsilon '97)$ .

The President reported the reference of the Annual Communication (Appendix A, pages 10 12), the Table of Membership (Appendix B, page 13) and the Treasurer's Report (Appendix C, pages 14 and 15) to the Committee on the Annual Communication, and the petitions from the Omega Club in Chicago University (Appendix D, pages 16-18) and the Eulexian and Kappa Gamma Chi Societies of St. Stephen's College (Appendix E, pages 19 and 20) to the Committee on New Business.

Recess.

The Committee to nominate an Executive Council nominated as members of the Council for the ensuing year Bros. Herbert L. Bridgman ( $\Gamma$  '66), Francis S. Bangs ( $\Delta$  '78), William M. Kingsley ( $\Delta$  '83), Frank L. Hall (B '72), George S. Coleman ( $\Xi$  '76), who were, thereupon, unanimously elected, Vice-President Howland in the chair.

The Committee on the Annual Communication presented General Resolutions Nos. 1-6 (see page 7), which were, under suspension of the rules, unanimously adopted.

The same Committee also presented General Resolution No. 7 (see page 7). During the discussion which followed, upon the request of Bro. Charles W. Smiley (\(\mathbb{E}\) '74), the stipulation tendered to the graduate members of the Gmega Chapter, under General Resolution No. 11, of 1896, and the correspondence in relation thereto (Appendix F, pages 21-23), were read in full. The resolution was adopted by unanimous vote.

The Committee also presented General Resolution No. 8 (see page 7), which was adopted unanimously, the Psi not voting.

The Committee also presented Special Resolution No. 1, which was unanimously adopted.

The Committee also presented General Resolution No. 9, as follows:

"That the application for the establishment of a Chapter at the University of Chicago be granted without specification as to the Chapter name, and that action upon the question be immediately taken by the several Chapters of the Fraternity." Discussion ensuing, at the close of the debate, the resolution as reported by the Committee was adopted by the following vote:

Ave—Theta, Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Zeta, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Upsilon, Pi, Chi, Beta Beta—14.

NAY-Iota, Phi, Eta, Tau, Mu and Rho-6.

President Rev. Dr. George E. Reed (\(\exists' 69\)), of Dickinson College at Carlisle, Pa., being present, upon invitation of the chair, briefly addressed the Convention upon the general welfare and prosperity of the Fraternity, and the Recorder read the following telegram from the Pi:

"Syracuse, N.  $\Upsilon$  —At 8.30 this morning ground was broken for the new Chapter House.

THEODORE L. WAUGH."

Adjourned until Friday morning at 10 o'clock.

#### FRIDAY, MAY 7, 1897.

The minutes of the previous sessions having been read and approved, the Committee on New Business presented General Resolution No. 10 (see page 7).

The Secretary of the Council presented a statement (Appendix G, page 24) showing the places at which the Conventions of the last twenty-five years had been held. Bro. Adams (II) stated that it was the hope of his Chapter to hold the Convention in its new house in 1900, and the resolution was then adopted.

The Committee on New Business presented Resolution No. 11, as follows:

General Resolution No. 11.—Resolved, That the Executive Council be requested to investigate the matter of a standard pin, an authorized jeweler, and a uniform place of wearing, a full report of the same to be submitted to the Convention next year.

Bro. Bangs called the attention of the Convention to the report by the Council to the Convention of '96, showing the adoption of a uniform badge, and the resolution was, on motion of Bro. Boynton  $(\Gamma)$ , amended and adopted (see page 8).

The Committee also reported Special Resolution No. 2. After an appreciative tribute by Bro. Isaac F. Russell (2'75) to the memory and character of Bro. Bayliss, the resolution was adopted.

Bro. Howland, by unanimous consent, addressed the Convention upon the Chicago-Omega matter, after which Bro. Bangs offered General Resolution No. 13. The rules having been suspended, upon roll call, the resolution was unanimously adopted.

Upon motion of Bro. Howland, General Resolution No. 9 was reconsidered. The resolution was amended by striking out "without specification as to the chapter name," and inserting "shall be known by the name of Omega," and, in that form, adopted, by following vote:

Aye.—Theta, Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Zeta, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Upsilon, Iota, Phi, Pi, Chi, Eta, Tau, Mu, Rho.

No.—Beta Beta.

Special Resolutions Nos. 3, 4, and 5 were unanimously adopted, without division, and the Convention then adjourned *sine die*.

#### RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

#### GENERAL RESOLUTIONS.

General Resolution No. 1.—Resolved, That the report of the Treasurer of the Executive Council be and hereby is approved.

General Resolution No. 2.—Resolved, That a tax be levied by the Executive Council upon the chapters at the rate of \$1 for each active member on the rolls on February 1, 1898, for the general purposes of the Fraternity.

General Resolution No. 3.—Resolved, That the Committee to revise and amend the Constitution, appointed pursuant to General Resolution No. 4 of 1896, be and hereby is authorized to continue until the completion of its work.

General Resolution No. 4.—Resolved, That the Executive Council be and hereby is authorized to employ a Registrar, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Council, upon whom may be devolved, subject to the supervision of the Council, the entire charge of the rolls, reports and other statistical information filed by the chapters with the Council.

General Resolution No. 5.—Resolved, That the publication of a general catalogue of the Fraternity in 1900 be and is hereby authorized, subject to the approval by the Convention of 1898 of estimates of cost, proposed form, and other details to be submitted by the Executive Council.

General Resolution No. 6.—Resolved, That the Council be and hereby is authorized to cause the remaining copies of the Insignia to be suitably bound.

General Resolution No. 7.—Resolved, That the Convention endorse and approve the action taken by the Council pursuant to General Resolution No. 11 of 1896.

General Resolution No. 8.—Resolved, That the applications for the establishment of a chapter at St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N. Y., be and are hereby denied.

General Resolution No. 9.—Resolved, That the application for the establishment of a chapter, which shall be known by the name of Omega, at the University of Chicago be granted, and that the action upon the question be immediately taken by the several chapters of the Fraternity.

General Resolution No. 10.—Resolved, That the Executive Council be empowered to select the chapter with which the sixty-fifth annual convention is to be held, and that they notify the chapter prior to January 1, 1898.

General Resolution No. 11.—Resolved, That the standard pin recommended by the Council be adopted, and that the Council choose an authorized Fraternity jeweler and notify the chapters of their choice, and that they investigate the question of the place of wearing the pin, and report further on that question at the next convention.

General Resolution No.12.—Whereas, On or about the 31st day of January, 1896, certain graduate members of the Omega Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, viz: Richard B. Twiss, '75; Augustus G. Anderson, '86; Newton C. Wheeler, '73; Thomas C. Roney, '78; James P. Gardner, '81; Charles R. Calkins, '71; C. T. Otis, '74; C. W. Nicholes, '75; H. B. Mitchell, '76; C. R. Dean, '77; W. H. Hopkins, '79; D. B. Cheney, '80; J. C. Hopkins, '81; C. W. Naylor, '81; R. F. Harper, '83; F. S. Cheney, '84; H. S. Houston, '88, and Theodore M. Hammond, '85; without any authority or sanction whatever from the Fraternity, undertook to initiate certain undergraduates of the University of Chicago into memberbership in the Fraternity, all of the said undergraduates being members of the so-called Omega Club, which had on three different occasions applied to the chapters of the Fraternity for a charter as a chapter of the Fraternity, which application had in each instance been denied; and

Whereas, The Convention of 1896, after hearing the said Richard B. Twiss on behalf of the said graduate members of the Omega Chapter, did by general resolution, duly passed, declare the said proceedings of January 31, 1896, to be in violation of the laws of the Fraternity and null and void; and

Whereas, The said Richard B. Twiss, in a public address to the Convention of 1896, did state that he had, after due deliberation and careful consideration, advised, aided and prosecuted the said proceedings of January 31, 1896, and under like circumstances would again pursue the same course and had no apology or excuse to make for so doing; and

Whereas, The Convention of 1896, by General Resolution No. 11, provided for the appointment of a Special Committee to which should be submitted for decision all questions at issue between the said graduate members of the Omega Chapter and the Fraternity; and

Whereas, The said Richard B. Twiss on behalf of himself and the said graduate members of the Omega Chapter, has refused to take any part in any proceedings or hearing by such Special Committee, pursuant to said General Resolution No. 11 of 1896; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the said R. B. Twiss, A. G. Anderson, N. C. Wheeler, T. C. Roney, J. P. Gardner, C. R. Calkins, C. T. Otis, C. W. Nicholes, H. B. Mitchell, C. R. Dean, W. H. Hopkins, D. B. Cheney, J. C. Hopkins, C. W. Naylor, R. F. Harper, F. S. Cheney, H. S. Houston and T. M. Hammond be and hereby are declared guilty of conduct unworthy of members of the Fraternity, and prejudicial to its reputation, good order and welfare, and they

are hereby suspended from the Fraternity for the period of two years from the date of the adoption of this resolution.

#### SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

Special Resolution No. 1.—Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention further applications for the establishment of a chapter at St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N. Y., will be futile.

Special Resolution No. 2.—Resolved, That the Convention records its grateful appreciation of the service and example of Benjamin H. Bayliss ( $\triangle$  '65), for fourteen years a member of the Executive Council, and its profound sense of the loss sustained by the Fraternity in his death. We cherish his memory as that of a brother exemplifying high and unselfish attainment in the spirit and the principles of Psi Upsilon.

Resolved, That the Executive Council is requested to transmit to the family of Mr. Bayliss a copy of the foregoing minute.

Special Resolution No. 3.—Resolved, That the Convention extends its thanks to the President and Recorders.

Special Resolution No. 4.—Resolved, That the Convention expresses its thanks for the admirable Convention arrangements, and its affectionate appreciation of the good-fellowship and generous hospitality of the brothers of the Xi.

Special Resolution No. 5.—Resolved, That the convention records its obligations to Bros. Charles F. Johnson (B '57), orator; John Kendrick Bangs (A '83), poet, and George S. Coleman ( $\Xi$  '76), president of the public literary exercises.

#### (APPENDIX A.)

# THE COMMUNICATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO THE CONVENTION OF 1897.

- I. Membership. The active membership of the Fraternity on February 1, 1897, according to the annual reports, was 507, an increase of five over the membership reported in 1896.
- II. CONSTITUTIONAL REVISION. The committee appointed under General Resolution No. 4, of 1896, to revise the Constitution, has not completed its labors.
- III. Insignia. The Council recommends that the greater portion, if not all, of the remaining copies of the Insignia of Psi Upsilon be bound in cloth of the Fraternity colors, bearing proper devices, at a cost of about thirty cents per copy, to be paid out of the General Fund.
- IV. LIST AND REGISTER. The Membership List distributed to the Chapters in May, 1896, proved to be a matter of so much difficulty in compilation and publication that the Council has deemed it unwise to make a second issue. The Council urges upon the Convention the necessity for a permanent, paid Registrar, upon whom, subject to the supervision of the Council, shall be devolved the entire charge of rolls, reports and other statistical information of the Chapters as required for the prompt and intelligent administration of Fraternity affairs and the preservation of the Fraternity records.
- V. Catalogue. Ten years have passed since the issue of the last Fraternity catalogue. Three chapters and ten classes are now wholly uncatalogued, and the Convention may well consider the publication of a new catalogue in 1900 the initial step toward which should be taken now, if at all, to the end that the work may proceed upon fully matured and carefully studied plans, with the greatest economy of labor and expense consistent with creditable and satisfactory results.
- VI. Finances. The Fraternity treasury continues to be in a satisfactory condition. A renewal of the tax of \$1 per active member for the ensuing year, to be added to the General Fund, is recommended for the reasons stated in the Communication of 1896.
- VII. IN Memoriam. The Council reports the death, on June 21, 1896, of Joseph W. Harper ( $\Lambda$ '48), a trustee of Columbia University; on February 10, 1897, of William H. Boughton ( $\Lambda$ '58), author of some of the most popular Fraternity songs, and on April 17, 1897, of Henry D. Hyde ( $\Gamma$ '61), a trustee of Amherst College. Benjamin H. Bayliss ( $\Delta$ '65), for fourteen years a member of the Council, died on March 7, 1897. Each of these brothers served and

honored the Fraternity, and the Council commends to the chapters emulation of their virtues and the perpetuation of their memory. The members of the Council have presented to the Psi Upsilon Club in New York a portrait of Brother Bayliss, a duplicate of that presented by Lieut.-Gov. Timothy L. Woodruff (B '78) to the Memorial Presbyterian Sunday-school of Brooklyn, of which Mr. Bayliss was for twenty-five years the superintendent.

VIII. COUNCIL VACANCY. The vacancy in the Council, caused by the death of Brother Bayliss, was filled on March 13, 1897, as prescribed by the Constitution, by the election of Brother George S. Coleman ( $\Xi$  '76).

IX. Petitions. The third petition from active and retired members of the Kappa Gamma Chi Society of St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N. Y., is herewith transmitted to the Convention.

X. University of Chicago. In conformity with General Resolution No. 10, of 1896, the Council on June 22, 1896, transmitted to President Harper, of the University of Chicago, a certified copy of General Resolutions Nos. 8 and 9 of 1896, declaring invalid the proceedings taken on January 31, 1896, to initiate into the Omega Chapter certain undergraduates of the University. The undergraduate members of the Omega Club, having been informed of the illegality of their proceedings, in the autumn of 1896 formally abandoned their claims to membership in the Fraternity, and subsequently presented a new petition for admission, the original of which is herewith filed. After careful personal inquiries and investigation at Chicago by members of the Council, the Council unanimously approved the petition and submitted it to the chapters in February, 1897. Fifteen chapters voted in favor of granting it, viz: Theta, Delta, Sigma, Zeta, Gamma, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Pi, Chi, Beta Beta, Tau, Mu, Rho; the Iota first voted unanimously in favor, but afterwards reconsidered and voted unanimously in the negative; the Phi and Eta voted in the negative; the Upsilon suspended action; the Beta has not reported. The petition was, therefore, denied. A new petition has been presented, and is herewith submitted to the Convention, with the unanimous recommendation of the Council.

XI. THE OMEGA. On June 25, 1896, at Chicago, the Council, through Bro. Bayliss, delivered to Bro. Richard B. Twiss, as the representative of the Omega, a stipulation in accordance with the terms of General Resolution No. 11, 1896, providing for the appointment of a Special Committee; also, that the graduate members of the Omega would abide by the decision of the Special Committee, and that meanwhile and until the report of the Committee should be acted upon by the Convention of 1897, neither the graduate members of the Omega Chapter nor their organization would attempt to exercise any of

the functions of a chapter. On November 5, 1896, Bro. Twiss, for himself and his associates, notified the Council that they declined to make the stipulation required by the Convention of 1897. The stipulation as proposed, and all correspondence relating thereto, are herewith submitted.

### Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. BRIDGMAN, FRANCIS S. BANGS, WILLIAM M. KINGSLEY, FRANK L. HALL, GEORGE S. COLEMAN.

May 6, 1897

## (APPENDIX B.)

## TABLE OF MEMBERSHIP, FEBRUARY 1, 1897.

CHAPTER.	Seniors.	Juniors.	Sophomores.	Freshmen.	Post-Graduates,	Law Students.	Medical Students.	Special Course.	Total Membership, 1897.	Total Membership, 1896.	Increase, 1897.	Decrease, 1897.
Theta Delta Beta Sigma Gamma Zeta Lambda Kappa Psi Xi Upsilon Iota Phi Pi Chi Beta Beta Eta Tau Mu Rho Totals	28 	3 9 35 5 6  3 7 7 3 3 10 6 1 8 6 2 7 7 7 3 3 2 4 6 6 6 7 7 7 7 7 7 8 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7	8 8 8 8 100 8 8 9 7 4 9 9 7 7 3 6 6 5 7 7 8 8 8 7 7 3 3 3 120	3 9  1 10  8 5 4 4 10 4 3 3 12 8 8 1 7 10 3  10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	2 2	3 	2  1  6  9	3 3 2 1 2 8	16 36 35 26 34 34 30 26 17 37 24 8 33 26 17 19 17 33 18 21	177 322 477 288 344 344 266 288 177 344 288 6 6 366 23 188 222 199 366 177 0 —————————————————————————————————	4 4 3 2 3 1 21 5	1 12 2 2 4 3 2 3

# (APPENDIX C.)

### TREASURER'S REPORT.

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	Xi and Beta, April 20 and 21, 1896.		13	95
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	tion of Council, re Chicago Uni-			
versit	y matters.		71	74
Arthur, I	Mountain & Co., book to contain Constitution for Rho			
	Printing Est. statement as to		5	25
	a Society	\$31 50		
Convention	on Records	56 57		
Circulars,	postage, etc	7 66		
			95	73
Amour	nt carried forward		\$261	40

PAYMENTS—Continued.			
Amount brought forward	. 85	261	40
Cadillac Engraving Co., 500 copies Psi U.			
insignia of heraldry		286	00
Moravian Co. on account printing supple-			
mental membership list		100	00
Brooklyn Daily Eagle circulars, envelopes and			
posting circulars announcing death of			
B. H. Bayliss		6	24
Armstrong & Co., insurance on song books			
and plates in Philadelphia			00
Postage, freight, etc., on song books		6	60
Expressage on pamphlet "Insignia of Psi			00
Upsilon"		4	30
tary		75	00
Rent post-office box for year		16	
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Frank L.	HALL.		
	Treasure	r.	
BALANCE SHEET, MAY, 1897.			
	Dr. $C$		
General Fund	\$3,0		
Convention Fund		372	
Supplemental Membership List		1	20
Catalogue account	\$27 00		
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Frank L. Hall, Treasurer.

#### (APPENDIX D.)

## NOTICE TO THE PRESIDENT OF CHICAGO UNIVERSITY.

NEW YORK, June 22, 1896.

To William R. Harper, D.D., President of the University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.:

DEAR SIR:—Pursuant to the instructions of the Convention of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, held at Ann Arbor, Michigan, on May 7 and 8, 1896, I beg to inform you of the following resolutions, adopted by the Convention, viz.:

General Resolution No. 8.—Resolved, That the proceedings taken at Chicago on January 31, 1896, or other date, purporting in the name of the Omega Chapter of Psi Upsilon, or otherwise to initiate into the Psi Upsilon Fraternity Messrs. Harry W. Stone, Horace R. Dougherty, Raymond W. Stevens, Louis Wolf, Jr., Ralph H. Johnson, Oswald J. Arnold, Philip Rand, William S. Bond, Robert W. Tooker, Moses D. McIntyre, Arthur Henning, B. B. Smith, D. A. Kennedy and William E. Goodfellow, or any other undergraduate of the University of Chicago, were and are in violation of the laws of the Fraternity, and null and void.

General Resolution No. 9.—Resolved, That the organization claiming to be the Omega Chapter of the Psi Upsılon Fraternity, at the University of Chicago, has no valid existence under the laws of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

General Resolution No. 10.—Resolved, That the Executive Council be and is hereby directed to transmit copies of General Resolutions Nos. 8 and 9 to the proper authorities of the University of Chicago.

Respectfully yours,

F. S. BANGS,

Secretary of the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

[Seal of the Fraternity.]

# CHICAGO PETITION SUBMITTED TO THE CHAPTERS, FEBRUARY 20, 1897.

To the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Gentlemen:—Your petitioners, undergraduates of the University of Chicago, relying upon representations made by certain graduate members of the Omega Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, went through a form of initiation in January last, purporting to initiate us into the Psi Upsilon Fraternity. We were told that there were certain irregularities in the proceedings, which were, however, simply matters of form, and that the initiation would be ratified by the convention of the Fraternity.

We have no intention of defying the Fraternity, and do not desire to consider ourselves members of the Fraternity, unless initiated in a legal way, and

with the consent of the chapters.

Since we have been informed that our initiation was regarded by the Fraternity as illegal, we have, as a sign of our good faith in the matter, ceased to claim the privileges of members, and we now respectfully petition the Fraternity to take such measures as shall render us legal members of the Fraternity, by granting a charter to your petitioners under some chapter name not previously borne by any chapter, by ordering a new initiation, and taking such other measures as are prescribed by the Constitution of the Fraternity, in order that the Fraternity may be represented in a fitting manner in this university.

We believe that the high rank of the new University of Chicago is now fully recognized and assured, and as an evidence of our fitness to represent Psi Upsilon here, we offer in addition to testimonials previously presented, the subjoined statements of the members of Psi Upsilon on the faculty of the university, and also of the students here who were connected with Psi

Upsilon in other institutions.

PHILIP RAND, Moses Dwight McIntyre, Oswald Arnold, Byron B. Smith, WILLIAM SCOTT BOND, ROBERT NEWTON TOOKER, Jr., ARTHUR SEARS HENNING, DONALD KENNEDY,

W. D. RICHARDSON.

Office of the President. (Founded by John D. Rockefeller.) CHICAGO, Nov. 18, 1896.

To the Members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

The officers of the University of Chicago would be glad to have a chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity established in the University.

The men whose names have been presented are reputable and worthy.

Signed, William R. Harper.

University of Chicago, Nov. 19, 1896.

The undersigned, members of the Faculty of the University of Chicago, regard Chicago as a suitable place for a chapter of Psi Upsilon, and heartily endorse the present petitioners.

F. A. Blackburn,  $\Phi$  '68, A. A. Stagg, B '88, A. T. Walker,  $\varDelta$  '87, Henry H. Donaldson, B '79, E. H. Moore, B '83, George C. Howland,  $\varGamma$  '85, Charles R. Henderson,  $\varOmega$  '70.

We, the undersigned, students of the University of Chicago, endorse the foregoing statement, and will be glad to co-operate with the petitioners in building up a chapter if a charter be granted.

H. R. Fling, K'86, Ernst DeKoven Leffingwell, B'B'95, Philip W. Hamill, B'98, J. Stuart Johnston, I'98.

#### PETITION TO THE CONVENTION OF 1897.

MAY 1, 1897.

To the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

Gentlemen:—We, the undersigned, members of The Omega Club, the local society of the University of Chicago, organized by a committee appointed for that purpose by the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity in January, 1894, having for over three years successfully carried on our society with a high standard in every branch of university life, do now respectfully petition the Psi Upsilon Fraternity to become a chapter of said Fraternity.

We believe that the high rank of the new University of Chicago is now fully recognized and assured; and as an evidence of our fitness to represent Psi Upsilon here, we offer, in addition to testimonials previously presented, the subjoined statement of members of Psi Upsilon on the faculty of this university and also of the students here who were connected with Psi Upsilon in

other institutions.

(Signed) Harry Wheeler Stone,
Ralph Hiram Johnson,
Horace Raymond Dougherty,
Philip Rand,
William Scott Bond,
Louis Wolf, Jr.,
Raymond W. Stevens,
Oswald James Arnold,
Robert Newton Tooker, Jr.,
Byron Bayard Smith,
Thomas B. Blackburn.

Moses Dwight McIntyre, Fred. Cameron Vincent, Donald Kennedy, Arthur Sears Henning, William E. Goodfellow, William D. Richardson, George S. Steward, Edwin Lee Poulson, Charles D. W. Halsey, Walter Joseph Schmahl,

#### (APPENDIX E.)

St. Stephen's College, Annandale-on-Hudson, April, 1897.

To the Executive Council and Chapters of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity:

Gentlemen:—The undersigned, representing the active and past members of the Kappa Gamma Chi of St. Stephen's College, Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y., do hereby make this, our third, application for a charter of Psi Upsilon.

In support of our petition, we again call the attention of Psi Upsilon to the fact that our Fraternity has existed as a strictly secret and local organization since 1868.

It has always maintained a high tone and standard, drawing its members from among the best men in the college. It has always sought a small membership, thus securing a choice of the men. The active membership to-day is fourteen.

Meetings are held weekly, with formal literary exercises, and in addition there are frequent gatherings of a distinctly social nature.

It is a most representative Fraternity, both in scholarship and undergraduate affairs. The building fund for a new chapter house is in a prosperous condition, and the final plans for the building will be submitted at the annual reunion in June.

With this petition we present additional reasons why a chapter of Psi Upsilon should be established in St. Stephen's, and we respectfully recall the long list of Psi Upsilon alumni, who endorsed our first application.

During the past year the Fraternity has maintained a vigorous existence, and holds steadfastly to its purpose to press forward to a high ideal of fraternity life and work.

In this spirit, we again respectfully apply to you for a charter of Psi Upsilon.

Respectfully yours,

A. RANDOLPH B. HEGEMAN, FRANCIS C. STEINMETZ, ALBERT LARRIEN LONGLEY, JOSEPH P. GILSON, JACOB B. GRIENER.

Committee.

# ACTIVE MEMBERS OF KAPPA GAMMA CHI.

We here present the record of each member in full.

Joseph P. Gilson, '97 Baltimore, Md.; President Convocation of Undergraduates; President Senior Class; Editor-in-Chief St. Stephen's Messenger '96-7; Chairman Executive Committee Athletic Association.

EDWARD H. YOUNG, '97.; Rock Island, Ill; President Athletic Association;

Business Manager Dramatic Association.

ADELBERT McGINNIS, '97.; Sp. C., Bristol, Conn.

Archibald M. Judd, '98, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Business Manager St. S. Messenger '97-8.; Manager Baseball Team; Treasurer Gymnasium Building Fund; Chairman Gymnasium Building Committee; Vice-President Dramatic Association.

Charles B. McGuire, '99, Johnstown, Pa.; Captain Baseball Team, '97;

Secretary and Treasurer Dramatic Association.

Angus McK. Porter, '99, Washington, D.C.; Sophomore Editor Messenger. TALCOT G. VANAMEE, 1900, Newburgh, N.Y.; Freshman Editor Messenger.

Myron S. Angus, Sp. C., Buffalo, N. Y.

CHARLES P. BISPHAM, Sp. C., Barbados, W. I.; Football Team Subs;

Baseball Team; Glee Club; Fairbaior Quartette; Dramatic Association.
CHARLES L. WHEELER, '98, Medford, Mass.; Assistant Business Manager Messenger, '96-7; Secretary-Treasurer Athletic Association, Secretary-Treasurer Junior Class.

JACOB B. GRIENER, '98, Sp. C., Terre Haute, Ind.; Manager Football

Team, '97-8; Secretary Gymnasium Building Committee.

CHARLES S. CHAMPLIN, '99, Dalton, Mass.; Manager Glee Club. Amos E. Carrol, '99. Troy, N. Y.; Captain Football Team, '97-8. Robert F. Kellemen, '99, Providence, R. I.; Treasurer Sophomore Class.

St. Stephen's—a college of liberal arts, not a technical school.

We desire especially to correct the impression that St. Stephen's College is a technical school. This is an error that has arisen by reason of the fact that so many of the alumni of St. Stephen's take a theological course after graduating from the college.

A technical school is one which gives a course preparatory to a particular profession and is permitted to grant only such professional degrees as are pro-

vided for its curriculum.

While St. Stephen's by its charter can grant any degree whatever, no theology is studied at St. Stephen's. The students are taking the usual course in arts preparatory to any profession, and on receiving his degree of B. A. from St. Stephen's a man is prepared to enter on the study of law, medicine. theology, civics, etc., as he elects, but he has had no technical instruction in any one of these professions. St. Stephen's has alumni who are now lawyers, physicians clergymen, business men, brokers, journalists, actors, etc., and hence it is in every way a college of the liberal arts. St. Stephen's stands in the same class with Trinity and Kenyon. All three are "church" colleges, i. e., under the government of ecclesiastical authority, and offering such special privileges as will attract those men who expect ultimately to enter the ministry of the church, but St. Stephen's, like all other colleges, leaves the technical instruction for the professional school. The late Rev. Charles F. Hoffman, D.D., of New York City, recognized the work of the college by frequent benefactions, amounting in all to nearly \$300,000.

St. Stephen's, with its distinctively collegiate character, offers a field especially fitted for fraternity life, and has every indication of a great future. In view of these facts, Kappa Gamma Chi urges again the establishment of a chapter of Psi Upsilon at this time, when the field is almost clear, Sigma Alpha Epsilon alone having entered the college. It will be the fraternity that

enters now that will accomplish the best and most permanent results.

Further information concerning St. Stephen's, or the Kappa Gamma Chi, will be furnished on application to Mr. Jos. P. Gilson, Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y., or the Rev. A. R. B. Hegeman, 105 Ten Broeck street, Albany, N. Y.

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 20, 1896.

Mr. F. S. Bangs, Secretary, P. O. Box 1720, New York.

DEAR SIR.—The meeting referred to in my former letter has been held, and a partial conclusion touching the proposed stipulation reached. The matter will be definitely settled soon, and the result reported to the Executive Council.

Yours truly,

RICHARD B. TWISS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 24, 1896.

RICHARD B. Twiss, Esq., 115 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

Dear Sir.—Your letter of the 20th has been duly received. You say that the meeting referred to in your former letter has been held, "and a partial conclusion touching the proposed stipulation reached," and that "the matter will be definitely settled soon and the result reported to the Executive Council."

The stipulation which you are holding under consideration was placed in your hands on June 25th last. In view of the considerable time that has elapsed since then, the course of action that you or your associates are pursuing is of as much significance as any formal announcement of your intention.

The condition proposed by the Convention, and stated in the proposed stipulation. is that pending the appointment of the Special Committee, and the making of its decision, and the confirmation of the decision by the Convention of 1897, "neither the graduate members of the Omega Chapter, nor their organization will exercise any of the functions of a chapter of the Fraternity."

The Council, therefore, requests you to inform it without delay whether the graduate members of the Omega Chapter or their organization have exercised, or attempted to exercise, any of the functions of a chapter of the Fraternity since May 8, 1896.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) F. S. Bangs, Secretary.

CHICAGO, Nov. 5, 1896.

Mr. F. S. Bangs, Secretary, 100 Broadway, New York City.

Dear Sir.—After many discussions and much earnest effort, the Omega alumni find themselves unable to arrive at anything like unanimity of sentiment regarding the matter of signing the proposed stipulation handed me by Mr. Bayliss. A large majority of them cannot be induced to favor such

action, and I am instructed to so inform the Executive Council.

In reply to the Council's inquiry of October 24 as to whether the Omega alumni or their organization have exercised or attempted to exercise any of the functions of a chapter of the Fraternity since May 8, 1896, I may state that while practically little has been done since that time, the Omega alumni have never interpreted the resolution passed at the last convention and looking to a settlement of the differences between them and the Fraternity, as in any way binding them until they should enter into the stipulation therein proposed. They are surprised to learn that the resolution is considered capable of any other interpretation.

Yours truly,

RICHARD B. TWISS.

# (APPENDIX G.)

The Conventions, 1872-1897, have been held as follows:

Theta	1883	Iota	1888
Beta		Phi	
Delta	1887	Omega	
Sigma	1890	Pi	1882
Gamma		Chi	1884
Zeta	1893	Beta Beta	
Lambda1874 and	1892	Eta	
Kappa	1894	Tau	1000
Psi	1895	Mu	
Xi		Rho	
Upsilon		100	