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RECORDS

MINUTES OF THE MORNING SESSION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1957

LECTURE HALL, CHEMISTRY BUILDING

HAMILTON COLLEGE

CLINTON, NEW YORK

The annual Convention held in the 124th year of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity and with the Psi Chapter as host, was called to order at 10:20 a.m. at the Chemistry Laboratory by Gardner A. Callanen, Jr., Psi '29, President of the Psi Chapter Alumni Association and Chairman of the Alumni Convention Committee. Brother Callanen extended the greetings of the Psi Chapter and its alumni to the Convention.

Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21, President of the Executive Council, was then introduced by Brother Callanen. President Burton welcomed the delegates and expressed the appreciation of those assembled at the Convention for the hospitality already extended by the alumni and undergraduate brothers of the Psi Chapter.

On motion, duly adopted, Brother Burton was elected Temporary Chairman of the Convention. The Temporary Chairman appointed Jerome W. Brush, Jr., Delta Delta '39, Secretary of the Executive Council, as Temporary Recorder, and Michael Magzis, Psi '59, and George D. Richards, Psi '59, as Temporary Assistant Recorders.

The Temporary Chairman appointed the following committees by customary rotation:

On Credentials:

Daniel B. Pierson, Zeta '58, Chairman
Philip Dugan, Lambda '58
Chester W. Cooke, Kappa '57
John M. Driscoll, Jr., Psi '58
Frederick D. Banfield, Xi '58
Jerome W. Brush, Jr., Delta Delta '39, Executive Council

On Permanent Organization:

Frederick B. Parker, Jr., Upsilon '58, Chairman
Charles A. Crowell, Phi '58
Alvin Newman, Omega '58
John J. Schantz, Pi '58
LeRoy J. Weed, Theta '01, Executive Council

A motion was duly adopted that the Convention recess briefly to enable the Committees to prepare their reports.

At the end of the recess the Temporary Chairman called the Convention to order.

The Committee on Credentials announced preliminary registration of delegates: twenty-one chapters present with credentials, two chapters present without credentials and seven chapters not present. The Committee reported it would render reports to the Convention from time to time as credentials were presented to the Committee. No action was taken by the Convention on this announcement.

The Committee on Permanent Organization presented its report, making the following nominations for officers of this Convention:

<i>President</i>	Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21
<i>1st Vice President</i>	A. Northey Jones, Beta Beta '17
<i>2nd Vice President</i>	Edward T. Richards, Sigma '27
<i>3rd Vice President</i>	Gardner A. Callanen, Jr., Psi '29
<i>4th Vice President</i>	Charles H. Seaver, Psi '21
<i>Recorder</i>	Jerome W. Brush, Jr., Delta Delta '39
<i>Assistant Recorder</i>	Michael Magzis, Psi '59
<i>Assistant Recorder</i>	George D. Richards, Psi '59

A motion was adopted that this report be unanimously accepted and that the Temporary Recorder be instructed to cast one ballot for the election of the Permanent Officers nominated. The Temporary Recorder reported that the ballot had been cast and that the Permanent Officers had been elected.

President Burton assumed the Chair, reported the formal calling of the Convention and directed the attention of the delegates to the notice with respect to the time and place of the Convention.

A motion was adopted to convene the Convention as a Committee of the Whole, subject to the call of the Chairman to reconvene.

The Chair was turned over to Brother Callanen who then introduced Dr. Robert W. McEwen, President of Hamilton College, who welcomed the delegates. He gave a brief outline of some Hamilton College history and expressed his belief in fraternities, as long as they continued to contribute an important part in the growth of the whole man. The Convention gave Dr. McEwen a standing ovation.

The Chairman reconvened the Convention.

He appointed as Parliamentarian for this Convention, LeRoy J. Weed, Theta '01, Life Member of the Executive Council.

A motion was duly adopted approving the Records of the 1956 Convention and waiving the reading thereof.

The President called for the reading of the Rules of the Convention by Franklin F. Bruder, Theta '25, a member of the Executive Council. On motion, duly adopted, the Rules were accepted.

The Recorder called the Roll of the Chapters and reported that 24 Chapters were represented by delegates and that a quorum was present.

The President then appointed the following standing committees:

To Nominate Members of the Executive Council:

Charles D. Robinson, Chi '58, Chairman
Benjamin J. Williams, Beta Beta '58
John M. Mimnaugh, Eta '58
James E. Heerin, Jr., Tau '58
A. Northey Jones, Beta Beta '17, Executive Council

On Annual Communications and Unfinished Business:

Marshall C. Clark, Rho '59, Chairman
Louis M. Harris, Mu '58
Roger G. Price, Epsilon '59
Robert B. Stiven, Jr., Omicron '58
R. K. Northey, Nu '12, Executive Council

On New Business:

Stephen B. Frost, Delta Delta '58, Chairman
Brock Scott, Theta Theta '58
John R. M. Bristol, Nu '59
Roslow Lys, Zeta Zeta '58
John C. Esty, Gamma '22, Executive Council

On Academic Standing and Awards:

Frank R. Caravette, Epsilon Nu '58, Chairman
Matthew A. Pommer, Epsilon Omega '60
Bruce G. MacCaul, Theta Epsilon '58
Elwin R. Brown, Theta '58
Lawrence W. Towle, Kappa '24, Executive Council
William B. Falconer, Jr., Delta Delta '49, Alumni Association

To Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition:

Donald J. Harterre, Epsilon Phi '57, Chairman
Terence J. Connors, Delta '58
Lawrence C. Moss, Sigma '59
Allen N. Fitchen, Gamma '58
Thomas K. Kunichika, Jr., Psi '58
John R. Burleigh, Zeta '14, Executive Council

Seminar Committee on the Constitution:

Robert E. Murray, Nu '60, Chairman
Murray L. Eskenazi, Lambda '57
H. John Lageschulte, Epsilon Omega '59
Merlin G. Brooks, Theta Epsilon '60
Edward T. Richards, Sigma '27, Executive Council

The Annual Communication of the Executive Council was read by Brother Dan H. Brown, Omega '16, a member of the Executive Council (Appendix A of Records).

On motion, duly adopted, the Annual Communication was accepted, ordered filed and referred to the Committee on Annual Communications and Unfinished Business.

Brother Jones read the annual Report of the Treasurer (Appendix B, B¹ and B² of the Records), copies of which were distributed to the delegates.

On motion, duly adopted, the Report of the Treasurer was accepted, ordered filed and referred to the Committee on Annual Communications and Unfinished Business.

The President stated that the standing committees could hold meetings and prepare their written reports during a recess which would be called after the afternoon session convened. The seminar committee may hold its meeting simultaneously. All reports must be written and should be completed for presentation as soon as possible.

The President introduced the following alumni to the Convention:

Charles S. F. Lincoln, Kappa '91
Russell A. Callow, Theta Theta '16
Francis B. Stebbins, Phi '17
George H. Quinby, Kappa '23
Paul J. Hughes, Delta '34
William B. Falconer, Jr., Delta Delta '49

On motion, duly adopted, the Convention adjourned at 11:45 a.m., to reconvene in the Lecture Hall of the Chemistry Building at 2:30 p.m., Thursday, September 5, 1957.

MINUTES OF THE AFTERNOON SESSION

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1957

LECTURE HALL, CHEMISTRY BUILDING

HAMILTON COLLEGE

CLINTON, NEW YORK

The Convention was called to order by President Burton at 2:30 p.m. Assistant Recorder Magzis called the Roll of the Chapters and reported that 27 Chapters were represented by delegates and that a quorum was present.

The minutes of the previous session were read by Recorder Brush. On motion, duly adopted, they were approved as read.

Daniel B. Pierson, Zeta '58, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials, rendered an interim report to the Convention to the effect that a quorum, consisting of the duly appointed representatives of twenty-seven Chapters of the Fraternity, was present. The delegates from the twenty-eighth Chapter, the Mu, were present, but, as monies are still owing to the Executive Council by that chapter, the delegates could not be seated, according to the Constitution. The credentials of two other Chapters had not, as yet, been presented. The Committee reported that it would render additional reports to the Convention from time to time as credentials were presented to the Committee. On motion, duly adopted, this report was accepted (for list of delegates, see Appendix C of Records).

On motion, duly adopted, it was voted to seat the Mu delegates, without power of vote.

On motion, duly adopted, the Convention recessed at 2:43 p.m. for thirty minutes for the purpose of holding committee meetings.

At the end of the recess President Burton called the Convention to order at 3:25 p.m.

President Burton called for a report from the Committee to Nominate Members of the Executive Council. Charles D. Robinson, Chi '58, Chairman of the Committee, presented the report of that Committee, nominating the following Brothers to serve on the Executive Council for the term expiring with the Convention of 1962:

Robert P. Hughes, Delta '20
Albert C. Jacobs, Phi '21

The Committee recommended that the third vacancy be filled by the Executive Council, if possible, with a Brother from a Far Western Chapter.

A motion was adopted that this report be accepted and that the Recorder be instructed to cast a single ballot for the election of the Brothers nominated to the Executive Council for the term expiring with the Convention of 1962. The Recorder reported that the ballot had been cast and that those nominated had been elected.

Frederick B. Parker, Jr., Upsilon '58, requested and obtained permission to address the Convention. He stated that the Upsilon Chapter desired to extend a warm invitation to the Fraternity to hold the 1958 Convention with the Upsilon Chapter as host. He stated that 1958 would be the centennial year of the Upsilon.

John F. Bush, Jr., Upsilon '22, requested and obtained permission to address the Convention. He confirmed Brother Parker's invitation on behalf of the Upsilon alumni and indicated that the Convention would be the highlight of a year-long celebration of the Upsilon Centennial.

John M. Mimnaugh, Eta '58, requested and received permission to address the Convention. He stated that the Eta Chapter extended a cordial invitation to the Fraternity to hold the 1959 Convention with the Eta, which year will mark the 75th anniversary of its founding. He emphasized that the Eta, after the Omega, is the next Chapter in order of rotation to host the Convention; that it will have been thirty years since the Eta Chapter was last host to the Convention; that both the Eta Chapter and Lehigh University have made numerous physical improvements and additions so as to provide an appropriate atmosphere for the Convention; that a large group of second and third year members are genuinely interested in playing host to the Convention; and that the Chapter alumni and active Brothers have decided that the Eta will be an excellent and appropriate host to the Convention.

Dan H. Brown, Omega '16, member of the Executive Council, requested and obtained permission to address the Convention. He stated that, in the absence of the Omega undergraduate delegates, he wished the Omega Chapter to be considered as the host to the 1959 Convention, as it was next in line of rotation. He stated that with a large number of undergraduate and alumni Brothers in the area it would be most fitting to have the Omega serve as host and would help revitalize the Fraternity in the Chicago area. He stated that he understood that only the 1958 Convention of the Fraternity would take action on the invitation, but that, nevertheless, he wished this Convention to record the desire of the Omega Chapter.

President Burton called for a report from the Committee on Annual Communications and Unfinished Business. Marshall C. Clark, Rho '59, Chairman of the Committee, presented the report of that Committee, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED : That the Annual Communication of the Executive Council to the 1957 Convention of Psi Upsilon, held under the auspices of the Psi Chapter at Clinton, New York, be accepted as submitted.

RESOLVED : That the Report of the Treasurer be accepted as submitted, with the sincere thanks and appreciation of the Convention to A. Northey Jones, Beta Beta '17.

RESOLVED : That the Convention approve the payment of \$500 to the Psi Chapter as a contribution towards the expense of running the Convention.

RESOLVED : That the Convention authorize the Treasurer to transfer the sum of \$3700 from the appropriate fund or funds to the Diamond Fund to cover the existing deficit in that fund.

RESOLVED : That the kind invitation of the Upsilon Chapter to hold the 1958 Convention at the Upsilon Chapter in Rochester, New York, to celebrate its 100th anniversary, be accepted.

On motion, duly made and seconded, these resolutions, separately rendered by the Committee on Annual Communications and Unfinished Business, were duly adopted. The Chairman of the Committee on Annual Communications and Unfinished Business requested a report from the Permanent Committee of the Executive Council on Expansion. In the absence of the Chairman of that Committee, John R. Burleigh, Zeta '14, announced that the Committee had nothing to report. There was considerable discussion on the subject of expansion, but no action was taken.

The President announced that the Recorder had reviewed the Chapter Reports and that certain reports would be read to the Convention by the delegates. The Recorder announced that the reports had been selected on the basis of contrast and that some of the reports read would be among the better ones and some among the poorer ones. Excerpts of certain reports which contained interesting Chapter activities would also be read during the course of the Convention.

The senior delegates of two chapters were then called up to render their Chapter Reports orally, Robert B. Stiven, Jr., Omicron '58, and Louis M. Harris, Mu '58 (Appendix D of the Records, pages fifty-eight and fifty-four, respectively).

The President introduced the following alumni to the Convention:

John F. Bush, Jr., Upsilon '22
Wallace B. Johnson, Psi '15

On motion, duly adopted, the Convention adjourned at 4:40 p.m. to reconvene in the Lecture Hall of the Chemistry Building at 10:00 a.m., Friday, September 6, 1957.

MINUTES OF THE MORNING SESSION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1957

LECTURE HALL, CHEMISTRY BUILDING

HAMILTON COLLEGE

CLINTON, NEW YORK

The Convention was called to order by President Burton at 10:27 a.m. Recorder Brush called the Roll of the Chapters and reported that 25 Chapters were represented by delegates and that a quorum was present. The delegate

from the Omega Chapter, Alvin Newman, Omega '58 who had recently reported to the Committee on Credentials, was introduced to the Convention.

On motion, duly adopted, the reading of the minutes of the preceding session was dispensed with.

The President requested that the Records of the Convention include note of the letters received by Representative Horace Seely-Brown, Jr., Psi '29, and read at the banquet on the evening of September 5. The communications were from Senator Theodore Francis Green, Sigma '87; Senator Prescott S. Bush, Beta '17; Representative Frederic R. Coudert, Jr., Lambda '18; and Representative Jack Westland, Theta Theta '26.

The Chairman of the Committee on Academic Standing and Awards, Frank R. Caravette, Epsilon Nn '58, presented the report of that Committee, which recommended the adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED : That the award for the academic year 1956 for the greatest scholarship improvement for the previous year's academic standing should be presented to our host Chapter, the Psi.

RESOLVED : That the award for the highest scholastic achievement for the 1956 academic year should be presented to the Omega Chapter.

RESOLVED : That the Convention commend and congratulate the Mu, Epsilon, Theta Epsilon, Zeta Zeta, Eta, Tau and Delta for outstanding scholarship during the 1956 academic year.

RESOLVED : That the Convention permit the Mu, Omega, Psi and the Epsilon to describe to the Convention the methods by which they have achieved their scholastic success.

RESOLVED : That the officers of the respective Chapters which are low on the scholastic rating of our Fraternity establish some sort of criteria whereby the upper classmen, as well as the pledges, are encouraged and assisted in their scholastic achievement.

The Committee noted that eleven Chapters have slipped in their relative standings: Kappa, Epsilon Nu, Omicron, Theta, Upsilon, Delta Delta, Beta Beta, Chi, Iota, Rho and Epsilon Omega. However, from the incomplete 1957 reports we have received so far, we are pleased to note that seven of these Chapters: Kappa, Epsilon Nu, Omicron, Delta Delta, Chi, Iota and Epsilon Omega have improved their position this year. No reports have been received yet concerning the 1957 standings of the other four.

In addition to the resolutions, Brother Caravette said that the Committee would like to commend the Chapters because twenty-eight Chapters have elected outstanding juniors this year, in contrast to the small number of about twelve Chapters which have done so in preceding years.

He also stated that the Committee feels that there is a problem existing in many Chapters because the Chapter average is being dragged down by the very poor grades of two or three men. This problem may be acute in chapters having a small membership.

On motion, duly made and seconded, these resolutions were duly adopted.

There followed discussion by the Convention of the problem existing in some Chapters of the Chapter average being dragged down by low grades of a few men. No action was taken.

The President introduced the following:

Peter A. GaBauer, Pi '25
George L. Brain, Iota '20
John E. Becker, Psi '03

The President called upon the Committee to Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition. Donald J. Harterre, Epsilon Phi '57, Chairman of the Committee, recommended the adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED : That the 115th Convention of Psi Upsilon Fraternity extend its appreciation and thanks to Clayton W. Butterfield, Pi '11, for his devoted work towards the completion of the heraldry of our Fraternity.

RESOLVED : That the Executive Council Committee to Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition be, and it hereby is, authorized and empowered to urge upon those chapters which are still delinquent in submitting copies of their rituals, viz.: Theta, Gamma, Zeta, Xi, Phi, Chi and Beta Beta, the importance and desirability of such submission from the point of view of the Fraternity as a whole.

RESOLVED : That the Executive Council be, and it hereby is, empowered to notify those Chapters whose rituals the Executive Council believes to be inadequate.

On motion, duly made and seconded, the report was accepted.

On motion, duly adopted, the Convention recessed at 10:55 a.m. for the purpose of holding committee meetings.

At the end of the recess President Burton called the Convention to order at 11:30 a.m.

On motion, duly made and seconded, the resolutions rendered by the Committee to Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition were duly adopted.

Robert E. Murray, Nu '60, was called on for the report of the Seminar Committee on the Constitution. Brother Murray read the following sections of the Constitution: Preamble; Object; Powers of the Convention and How to Amend the Constitution.

Believing that there are certain provisions of the Constitution that for various reasons should be called to the attention of the delegates and through them to their respective Chapters, Brother Murray pointed out the following:

1. The object of the Fraternity as set forth in Article I, Section 3.
2. The provision as to the wearing of the pin as set forth in Article I, Section 4.
3. The legislative and executive powers of the Convention and of the Executive Council as set forth in Article II, Sections 1 through 6.
4. The provision as to the holding of literary meetings as set forth in Article IV, Section 2.

Brother Murray presented the following resolutions:

RESOLVED : That each Chapter of the Fraternity cause to be placed in its Chapter Room a lettering (or a plaque bearing lettering) of the object of the Fraternity as set forth in Article I, Section 3, of the Constitution.

RESOLVED : That each Chapter of the Fraternity require all newly inducted Brothers to pass an examination dealing with the meaning and the content of the Constitution before permitting said newly inducted Brothers to vote at any Chapter meeting.

RESOLVED : That a ten-day provision in Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution be stricken from the rest of the paragraph and that the Executive Council be instructed to prepare and forward to the Chapters a proposed amendment of the Article and Section in question.

RESOLVED : That an ambiguity in Article VI of the Constitution as to whether or not a graduate member may (or must) be regarded as an Active member exists and that the Executive Council be instructed to prepare and submit to the Chapters an amended wording of these provisions so as to resolve ambiguities.

On motion, duly adopted, the report was accepted. After discussion, on motion, duly made and seconded, the resolution that each Chapter of the Fraternity cause to be placed in the Chapter Room a lettering of the object of the Fraternity was referred back to the Committee.

After discussion, on motion, duly made and seconded, the resolution that each Chapter require all newly inducted Brothers to pass an examination on the Constitution was defeated by a call of the Roll of the Chapters, 6 YEAS, 22 NAYS, 1 ABSENT and 1 NOT VOTING.

Because the time of adjournment of this particular session had been passed, the President said that the remaining resolutions of the report of the Seminar Committee on the Constitution would be considered in the afternoon session.

He introduced T. B. Barry, Upsilon '15, to the Convention.

On motion, duly adopted, the Convention adjourned at 12:12 p.m. to reconvene at 2:30 p.m. Friday, September 6, 1957.

MINUTES OF THE AFTERNOON SESSION

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1957

LECTURE HALL, CHEMISTRY BUILDING

HAMILTON COLLEGE

CLINTON, NEW YORK

The Convention was called to order by President Burton at 2:30 p.m. Recorder Brush called the Roll of the Chapters and reported that 29 Chapters were represented by delegates and that a quorum was present.

The discussion of the report of the Seminar Committee on the Constitution was continued.

The resolution that Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution contains a ten-day provision that might best be stricken from the rest of the paragraph and that the Executive Council be instructed to prepare and forward to the chapters a proposed amendment of the article and section in question was, on motion, duly made and seconded, adopted.

The resolution that Article VI of the Constitution be amended was, on motion, duly made and seconded, adopted.

The resolution that each Chapter of the Fraternity cause to be placed in its Chapter Room a lettering of the object of the Constitution, which had been referred back to the Committee, was withdrawn by the Committee and the following resolution substituted:

RESOLVED : That this Convention believe it to be in the best interests of the Fraternity to keep always before its members the object of the Fraternity and to this end this Convention recommends to the Chapters that each Chapter incorporate the object of the Fraternity into its oral Chapter meeting ritual and also cause the wording of the object to be prominently displayed in written form in the Chapter Room.

After discussion, on motion, duly made and seconded, the resolution was passed.

The President read a telegram from the New York Office of the Executive Council which indicated that a check had been received from the Mu Chapter in full amount to cover the monies previously owed by that Chapter. On motion, duly made and seconded, the delegates of the Mu Chapter were voted full voting rights on the floor of the Convention.

The President called for the report of the Committee on New Business. Stephen B. Frost, Delta Delta '58, Chairman, submitted the report and recommended the adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED : That this Convention expresses its most sincere appreciation for the extremely cordial hospitality which has been extended by the Psi Chapter at this Convention.

RESOLVED : That this Convention expresses its heartfelt appreciation for the interest and hospitality displayed by Dr. Robert W. McEwen, President of Hamilton College, as well as for his stimulating remarks on the importance

of and opportunities in fraternities, given at this Convention.

RESOLVED : That the delegates of this Convention express their gratitude to the members of the Executive Council and the Alumni Association who have visited various Chapters of the Fraternity with personal sacrifice of time and expense incurred therein; and further

That the Convention hopes for the continuation and expansion of the Fraternity visits in the interest of the strengthening of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

RESOLVED : That this Convention consider the adoption of a pin for the purpose of recognition, to be worn in the lapel; and further

That the design and size be determined by the Executive Council.

On motion, duly made and seconded, the first three resolutions were adopted. After discussion, the last resolution was defeated by a Roll of the Chapters, 11 YEAS, 17 NAYS and 1 NOT VOTING.

Chairman Frost submitted for the Committee a revised resolution as follows:

RESOLVED : That this Convention consider the adoption of a pin for the purpose of recognition, to be worn in the lapel; and further

That the design and size be determined by the Executive Council with the approval of the next Convention.

On motion, duly made and seconded, the resolution was defeated by a call of the Roll of the Chapters, 12 YEAS and 17 NAYS.

At the request of the President the Recorder requested that Daniel B. Pierson, Zeta '58, and Allen N. Fitchen, Gamma '58, read portions of their Chapter reports to the Convention (Appendix D of the Records, pages thirty-six and thirty-four, respectively).

Roslow Lys, Zeta Zeta '58, requested and received permission to address the Convention. He stated that with reference to the earlier discussion on the Convention floor on the subject of Expansion that, in view of the absence of a report from the Permanent Committee of the Executive Council on Expansion, he would like to recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED : That the 115th National Convention of Psi Upsilon request from a committee of five representative Chapters, each from areas of large alumni support, an investigation into the possibility of a national building fund for the purpose of expansion and construction; and

That their reports be made by letter to the Executive Council, the Chapters, and the 116th National Convention by November 1, 1957.

RESOLVED : That the 1957 Convention of Psi Upsilon request the Epsilon and Theta Theta Chapters to *investigate* the present fraternity system at the University of Oregon

with regard to the feasibility of installing a Psi Upsilon chapter at that school; and

That the results of these inquiries of the Epsilon and Theta Theta Chapters should be presented by letter to the Executive Council's Committee on Expansion, the individual Chapters of Psi Upsilon, and presented by the delegates from the Epsilon and Theta Theta Chapters to the 1958 Convention of Psi Upsilon.

After discussion, on motion, duly made and seconded, these resolutions were adopted.

Dan H. Brown, Omega '16 member of the Executive Council, requested and received permission to address the Convention. He stated that he would like to visit the University of Oregon and report back to the Chapters and Executive Council. The Convention vocally approved his offer.

Edward T. Richards, Sigma '27, requested and received permission to address the Convention. He made a suggestion that Chapters be informed before the Convention as to committee assignments.

The Committee To Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition conducted a formal chapter meeting in accordance with the ritual of the Epsilon Phi Chapter. Donald J. Harterre, Epsilon Phi '57, presided and Allen N. Fitchen, Gamma '58, acted as Recording Secretary.

After affording an opportunity for further new business, the President thanked the delegates of the Convention for their courtesy and interest in the proceedings. He requested the delegates to report the proceedings of the Convention to their Chapters and to convey the good wishes of the members of the Executive Council to each Chapter.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn *sine die* was duly adopted at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JEROME W. BRUSH, JR., Delta Delta '39, *Recorder*

MICHAEL MAGZIS, Psi '59, *Assistant Recorder*

GEORGE D. RICHARDS, Psi '59, *Assistant Recorder*

Appendix A

THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION
OF THE
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
TO THE
1957 CONVENTION OF PSI UPSILON
HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE
PSI CHAPTER
CLINTON, NEW YORK
SEPTEMBER 5 AND 6, 1957

The Executive Council has great pleasure in extending a cordial welcome to the delegates and visitors to the 115th Convention of Psi Upsilon held in the 124th year of the Fraternity.

We deeply appreciate the hospitality of our hosts of the Psi Chapter and anticipate a Convention which will be both helpful and enjoyable. Our thanks also go to President McEwen and the Trustees of Hamilton College through whom we are privileged to hold our meetings on this lovely campus.

The Psi Chapter, ninth to be established, installed on September 25, 1843, nearly 114 years ago, has been host to the Convention on five previous occasions: 1851, 1864, 1876, 1895 and 1927. From the Annals of Psi Upsilon, the Chapter on the Conventions of the Fraternity, compiled by Brother Earl D. Babst, Iota-Phi '93, we cull some salient facts in regard to these Conventions.

In 1851, the Convention established the Alpha at Harvard, the eleventh Chapter, and recommended the establishment of chapters in the West. "Feasting, Hilarity and Mirth until the Dawn."

In 1864, a proposal was brought before the Convention to erect a Memorial to members killed in the "War". "Resuscitation of the Theta Chapter was entrusted with the Xi Chapter, and resuscitation of the Alpha, with the Sigma Chapter." The Seventh General Catalogue, containing 2678 names, was reported. (The Fraternity now numbers upwards of 18,000 *living* members.) "That a badge uniform in size and shape is not only eminently proper but absolutely necessary. That the badges worn by the members of the Beta (Yale) be adopted as a uniform pin." Chauncey M. Depew, Beta 1856, presided at the public literary exercises, the orator being Charles Dudley Warner, Psi 1851, and the poet, the Hon. Francis M. Finch, Beta 1849, author of the "Smoking Song" and other well loved Psi U songs.

The Annual Communication to the 1876 Convention noted "strong desire in some portions of the Fraternity to introduce a new and very decided change in the relations of graduates to the active life of the Fraternity," and the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved that every fifteen (15) members or fraction thereof, other than active members present at any Annual Convention be allowed one vote: provided that said fifteen (15) non active members do not belong to any one chapter of the Fraternity." Professor Willard Fiske, Ph.D., Psi 1851, read for the first time an historical account which he later published as "The Story of the Psi Upsilon". Plans were announced for the installation of the Chi at Cornell, the seventeenth Chapter. Announcement was made of the publication by the Zeta of the Seventh Song Book.

In its Annual Communication to the Convention of 1895, the Executive Council noticed the visits of Dr. Goodale, Founder, to the Lambda, Delta, Beta, Beta Beta, and Xi Chapters, and that in the summer of 1894 the official flag of the Fraternity had been displayed at Anniversary Lodge, North Greenland, 77.40 North, and at Camp Faraday, Ellesmere Land, in the same latitude. Council was empowered to select a uniform Psi Upsilon pin.

Some of those who are here today attended the Convention of 1927, and will remember that the late George H. Fox, Upsilon '67, then a member and later Honorary President of the Executive Council, related incidents of the Convention of 1864 held with the Psi, when the delegates drove from Utica to Clinton and their coach overturned on the way, drawing many amusing comparisons between the conditions prevailing in 1864 and those of 1927. The petition of the Epsilon Phi Fraternity of McGill University was heard (for the third time) and referred to the Chapters. (The Epsilon Phi Chapter of Psi Upsilon was installed during the following year.) The Executive Council in its Annual Communication reported new chapter houses built by the Delta Delta and Beta; and 2558 life subscriptions to *The Diamond*, which had been revived in 1920. (The *Diamond* subscription list approximates 12,000 at the present time.)

CONDITION OF THE FRATERNITY:

Thirty years is a long time. In the thirty years since the last Convention held at the Psi, those of us who were then extant have lived through the worst business and financial depression in history, devastating World War II, and a terrible but geographically limited War in Korea. The world and society have changed as a result of these events.

In life we can be sure of one thing, and that is change. Human nature, however, has not changed since Psi Upsilon was founded in 1833. Riches and rockets do not necessarily improve society and fraternal bonds. In Psi Upsilon there is nothing so priceless as the bonds of youth and the experience of age. Each has its advantages and its disadvantages. All of us at least give lip service to freedom of speech and freedom of religion. Yet history records that the very people who came to this continent to obtain such freedoms frequently were unwilling to grant such freedom to others. Today, both in Canada and the United States, it is very hard to define the difference between a conservative and a liberal. Labelled liberals in the United States Congress are split in civil rights cases on whether there should be trials by jury.

The current wage-price spiral has brought about world-wide inflation. A new aristocracy has been born. The A.F. of L., C.I.O., carpenters, plumbers, and auto-assembly-line workers have supplanted the butchers, bakers, and candlestick makers. Anyone can get a college education today for free, and degrees (question mark) are awarded both to the qualified and the unqualified. Conformity and the common man pass through the portals of so-called higher education institutions. Employers, therefore, frequently turn to the few remaining liberal arts colleges, such as Hamilton, for potential future executive material and *THE UNCOMMON MAN*. Never before in history have there been greater opportunities for young men to excel. The old joke, "we have too many officers and no privates," is definitely not applicable today.

Thirty-two undergraduate Chapters have been installed by Psi Upsilon, of which only two, the Alpha and Beta, at Harvard and Yale respectively, are inactive today. Of the thirty active Chapters, all of which are represented here today, twenty were established before the Twentieth Century. Of the younger ten, only one, the Delta Delta, founded at Williams College in 1913, was established in Eastern United States. Seven of the ten are in educational institutions supported by government funds, and, in fact, thirteen of the thirty active Chapters are in institutions which are government supported in whole or in part.

All of this leads to the question: Can the privately endowed higher educational institutions survive, and should we in the future consider establishing

chapters in institutions supported and politically dominated by the state? Further, half of our Chapters today are located in big metropolitan centers—by some they are called street car universities or Sorbonnes-on-the-Subway. These are serious Psi Upsilon problems on which to ponder.

Let us here learn and re-learn the principles of Psi Upsilon, "to promote the highest moral, intellectual and social excellence of our members."

In addition to the Committees prescribed under the Convention Rules, as amended in 1933, To Nominate Members of the Executive Council, On Annual Communications and Unfinished Business, and On New Business, and the Committees of recent vintage, namely, On Academic Standing and Awards, and To Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition, a Seminar Committee will be appointed on The Constitution. Letters received by the Executive Council confirm that the officers of many of our Chapters, particularly those installed in recent years, do not know the powers granted to the Convention, the Executive Council, the Chapters, and the Chapter Alumni Associations. Let us have read to this Convention by a representative of such Committee, the Preamble to the Constitution, and such sections of the Constitution as The Object of the Fraternity, Delegation of Powers, requirements to change the Constitution, for the delight and education of the delegates.

It is planned to conduct the main work of the Convention in Seminars of the above mentioned Committees. Each Chapter is represented on a Committee. Reports of these Committees will be made to the floor of the Convention for discussion, if necessary, and votes. Time, however does not permit a lengthy discussion of every subject. The chairman may therefore have to exercise the prerogative of limiting some of the discussions.

The pledging and de-pledging of a member of the Chinese race at our Epsilon Omega Chapter became, as most of you know, a matter involving unfortunate misunderstandings. Fraternities in general, and Psi Upsilon in particular, were criticised, and several Psi Upsilon alumni indicated that they were disturbed about the incident.

After extensive deliberations on the part of your Executive Council, Dr. Albert C. Jacobs, President of Trinity College and a member of the Executive Council, and the President of the Council, Brother Benjamin T. Burton, were authorized to make a special trip to Evanston, Illinois, to confer with the undergraduate members of this Chapter and with Dr. J. Roscoe Miller, President of Northwestern University.

Your Executive Council is happy to report that in its opinion the misunderstandings affecting the Chapter and the University have been resolved and the matter has been concluded.

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL:

The Constitution of the Fraternity defines the powers and duties of the Executive Council. The Council acts as a clearing house for Fraternity business between Conventions. It is the custodian of Fraternity property. It is an advisory rather than an authoritarian body, but it is empowered to decide all points at issue between Chapters when appealed to. Its members voluntarily assume the duties which in many fraternities are discharged by a paid traveling secretary. They pay their own expenses incurred in making Chapter Visits and in attending Conventions, and defray the cost of their own meetings. Their only, but sufficient, compensation is the honor and pleasure of serving the Fraternity.

Seven meetings have been held during the past year on the following dates:

October 22, 1956
November 30, 1956
January 21, 1957
March 4, 1957
April 8, 1957
May 20, 1957
September 4, 1957

All of these meetings were well attended, some of the members coming from Chicago, Toronto, and other distant points to New York to attend them.

The terms of two members of the Council expire with this Convention:

Robert P. Hughes, Delta '20
 Albert C. Jacobs, Phi '21

A third vacancy exists, owing to the resignation of Donald B. Derby, Pi '18, whose term also was due to expire with this Convention. It is therefore the duty of the Convention to elect three members of the Executive Council for the usual term of five years.

CHAPTER VISITS:

Seventeen Chapter Visitations, formal or informal, have been made by members of the Executive Council since the 1956 Convention to the following Chapters:

THETA	John C. Esty, Gamma '22
DELTA	John R. Burleigh, Zeta '14
SIGMA	Albert C. Jacobs, Phi '21
GAMMA (informal)	John C. Esty, Gamma '22
ZETA	Dan H. Brown, Omega '16
LAMBDA	Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21
IOTA	Dan H. Brown, Omega '16
OMEGA	Dan H. Brown, Omega '16
CHI	LeRoy J. Weed, Theta '01
ETA	Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21
TAU	Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21
MU	Dan H. Brown, Omega '16
RHO	Dan H. Brown, Omega '16
EPSILON	R. Bourke Corcoran, Omega '15 (By request)
OMICRON	Dan H. Brown, Omega '16
DELTA DELTA	Lawrence W. Towle, Kappa '24
EPSILON OMEGA	Dan H. Brown, Omega '15 Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21 Albert C. Jacobs, Phi '21
THETA EPSILON	R. Bourke Corcoran, Omega '15 (By request)

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP:

General resolutions adopted by the Convention of 1949 directed that two awards be made each year in recognition of Chapter academic achievement: one to the Chapter having the highest academic standing, and one to the Chapter evidencing the greatest improvement in its academic standing over the preceding year. The Award for Academic Distinction consists of a cup, which is held by the winning Chapter for the ensuing year, and a permanent plaque. The Award for Greatest Improvement consists of a permanent plaque.

Since its establishment, the Psi Upsilon Award for Academic Distinction has been won by the following Chapters:

1949	Iota
1950	Rho
1951	Lambda
1952	Iota
1953	Epsilon
1954	Omega and Theta Epsilon
1955	Upsilon

It will be the duty of this Convention to select the winners of the Award for Academic Distinction and the Award for Greatest Improvement for the year ending June, 1956.

RITUAL AND TRADITION:

At the end of the year this Committee reluctantly reports that there are still eight Chapters which have so far failed to cooperate with the Committee by placing their rituals on file in the archives of the Fraternity. We hope that the delegates from the Theta, Gamma, Zeta, Xi, Phi, Pi, Chi, and Beta Beta will carry this message back to their Chapters and that their rituals will be sent in at the earliest possible date.

During the past year one venerable ritual was discovered in the archives of the Delta. No one seems to know anything about it other than that it was from the private library of a member of the 1885 delegation of the Pi Chapter.

Much time and correspondence has been devoted to completing the roster of Chapter coat-of-arms. At the moment the crest of the Epsilon Nu Chapter is about ready for adoption; that of the Epsilon Omega has been sketched out roughly and the Committee has been trying to open up a discussion of this subject with the Theta Epsilon.

We heartily recommend to all of you a study of Psi U heraldry as it is set forth in the Annals. In this respect we cannot commend too highly the work being done by Brother Clayton Butterfield, Pi '11, who continues to do such a magnificent job in a field so little understood by the Brothers.

As was initiated last year, we plan to conduct one of the sessions of this Convention in the manner of a chapter meeting of one of our Chapters.

THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION IN 1957:

The Alumni Association has embarked upon an increasingly active campaign of cooperation with the various Chapter and regional alumni associations of the Fraternity. To help inculcate a further appreciation of what it means to be a member of Psi Upsilon a set of guiding principles has been drawn up and circulated to all Chapter and regional alumni associations. This was done in the hope that they might be transmitted to the undergraduate Chapters to serve as guide lines for their thinking. They are a re-statement of the principles and philosophy for which our Fraternity has always stood.

It is also the desire of the Alumni Association to stimulate close and frequent personal contact between Chapter alumni associations and their respective undergraduate Chapters, as this tangible evidence of continuing interest in Psi Upsilon cannot help but have a maturing effect upon the undergraduates. The members of the Board of Governors of the Alumni Association are undertaking to make as many visits as possible, particularly to their own Chapters, thereby augmenting the official visits by members of the Executive Council.

In accordance with the Fraternity's policy of Chapter autonomy, the national Alumni Association can only be of maximum assistance if it can learn from the Chapter and regional association how it can be helpful. To this end suggestions are welcomed.

Additional copies of the 17th Directory of Psi Upsilon, published in 1956 and kept up-to-date by an annual supplement listing each year's graduates, are available and can be of great usefulness to each young Brother as he leaves his college or university and starts out upon his life's work.

1958 CONVENTION:

It is the duty of the 1957 Convention to decide with which Chapter the 1958 Convention shall be held. A cordial and pressing invitation for that event has been extended to the Fraternity by the Upsilon Chapter, which will celebrate its centennial next year. This Convention will decide whether to accept that invitation, thereby departing from the order of customary rotation. The last time the Upsilon entertained the Convention was in 1936. The Chapter next in rotation is the Omega, which has not been host to the Convention since 1928. The Chapters next in line are the Eta, Omicron, Delta, Theta, and Beta Beta.

GENERAL:

It has been said that, aside from birth, marriage, and death, there are perhaps less than ten major events in the life of a man. We hope this Convention will be one of these major events in the lifetime of the delegates. For most of you this well may be your first and last Psi Upsilon Convention. Make the most of it in terms of knowledge and friendship.

Yours in the Bonds,

THE COMMITTEE OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PSI UPSILON
ON THE ANNUAL COMMUNICATION TO THE 1957 CONVENTION

BENJAMIN T. BURTON, Chi '21
A. NORTHEY JONES, Beta Beta '17
EDWARD T. RICHARDS, Sigma '27
JEROME W. BRUSH, JR., Delta Delta '39

New York, N. Y.
September 4, 1957.

Appendix B

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

OF THE

PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY

REPORT OF THE TREASURER

1957

There is presented herewith a statement of the net worth of the various funds of the Fraternity held by the Executive Council as of April 30, 1957, a summary of income and expenses of the various funds for the year ended April 30, 1957, and comparative total figures for the year ended April 30, 1956. A list of investments held in the General, Douglas, Bridgman, and Diamond Life Subscription Funds, respectively, is also set forth.

The net worth of the various funds decreased \$873 during the year after the transfer of \$6,390 received for Diamond Life Subscriptions to the Reserve for Diamond Life Subscriptions. The preceding year the net worth of the various funds had increased \$3,512 but in that year profits on the sale of securities amounted to \$4,234 whereas in 1957 no profits or losses were realized in security transactions. The operating results of the two years therefore were not much different. It is to be noted, however, that because of losses incurred in publishing the Diamond we do not seem to be able to operate in the black without some fortuitous profits other than from operations. The decrease in net worth in 1957 results from losses of \$3,673 in the Diamond Fund, and \$157 in the Convention Fund offset to the extent of \$2,957 by surpluses of \$628 in the General Fund and \$2,328 in the Diamond Life Subscription Fund. The surplus for the year in the Diamond Life Subscription Fund was due to the excess of interest and dividends received over the annuity paid to the Diamond Fund.

The loss in publishing the Diamond of \$3,673 compares with a loss of \$2,910 in 1956. These figures are not strictly comparable as certain 1956 publication costs were not determined until 1957 and the amounts reserved for their payment were insufficient so that the excess was accounted for in 1957. In other words the 1957 Diamond expenses include certain sums which were applicable to 1956. Furthermore, printing costs were larger due in part to a 5% increase in the contract rate for printing so we continue to have substantial losses in publishing the Diamond. Since 1940 we have accumulated a reserve of \$96,249 in the Diamond Life Subscription Fund and this past year the 4% annuity from this fund devoted to Diamond publication costs amounted to \$3,996 and next year will amount to \$4,251. We have hoped that losses in publishing the Diamond could be reduced gradually as the annuity payments increased and that Diamond deficits could continue to be met from the surplus of other funds until income and expenses balance so that the price of Diamond Life Subscriptions would not have to be increased. Whether or not this can be done remains to be seen. This convention is asked to authorize the transfer of \$3,700 from the Diamond Life Subscription Fund to the Diamond Fund to offset the loss for the past year in publishing the Diamond.

The market value of our investments on April 30, 1957 was \$25,816 in excess of their cost.

Of the accounts receivable for chapter taxes and Diamond life subscriptions totaling \$4,127 on April 30, 1957, \$3,770 has since been collected, leaving only \$357 still due from the Mu Chapter. The Treasurer wishes to compliment those chapters which in a businesslike manner paid their taxes and

Diamond life subscriptions promptly in the spring of this year but wishes to point out the delay in payment by other chapters seems inexcusable. The time to remit the \$15 per initiate for Diamond life subscriptions is when the \$15 is collected from the initiate, not later when the initiate's \$15 has been spent otherwise and the chapter has to search for ways of meeting the obligation.

The assets of the Willard Fiske Fund, which in accordance with the stipulation of the donor are to be left intact until their value reaches \$1,000 are not included in the attached statement. This fund now amounts to \$982 in a savings bank account and should reach \$1,000 during the current year. It is proposed that after it reaches \$1,000 that the income therefrom will be applied towards Diamond publication costs until some other use is voted.

The Treasurer wishes to express his thanks to the chapter treasurers for their cooperation in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN NORTHEY JONES, Beta Beta 1917

Treasurer

August 31, 1957

Appendix B'

THE PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY

INVESTMENTS—April 30, 1957

GENERAL FUND:		<i>Cost</i>	<i>Market Value</i>
\$2,000	Northspan Uranium Ltd. 5¾% "A" 1963	\$1,980.00	\$2,450.00
200	shs. J. I. Case Common Stock	5,350.00	3,050.00
100	shs. Chesapeake & Ohio Rwy. Com. Stock	3,502.38	6,375.00
108	shs. The Southern Co. Com. Stock	2,086.32	2,484.00
151	shs. Sun Oil Co. Com. Stock	5,340.00	12,080.00
		<u>\$18,258.70</u>	<u>\$26,439.00</u>
DOUGLAS FUND:			
\$2,000	Western Maryland 4% 1969	\$2,000.00	\$1,940.00
BRIDGMAN FUND			
\$5,000	Kingdom of Belgium 4% 1964	\$4,975.00	\$4,937.50
100	shs. Anderson Clayton & Co. Com. Stock	2,753.24	4,300.00
100	shs. Chesapeake & Ohio Rwy. Com. Stock	3,313.94	6,375.00
100	shs. Climax Molybdenum Co. Com. Stock	3,527.50	6,900.00
200	shs. Cone Mills Com. Stock	6,000.00	2,675.00
100	shs. J. P. Stevens & Co. Com. Stock	3,276.25	2,025.00
		<u>\$23,845.93</u>	<u>\$27,212.50</u>
DIAMOND LIFE SUBSCRIPTION FUND			
\$1,000	U. S. Govt. Bond Ser. "G" 2½% 7/1/57	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
\$750	Dom. of Canada 5th Victory Loan 3% 1959	750.00	750.00
\$500	Dom. of Canada 7th Victory Loan 3% 1962	500.00	500.00
\$500	Dom. of Canada 9th Victory Loan 3% 1966	500.00	500.00
\$5,000	Commonwealth of Australia 3½% 1966	4,925.00	4,556.25
\$5,000	Commonwealth of Australia 4½% 1971	4,925.00	4,937.50
\$5,000	Ft. Worth & Denver Rwy. 4¾% 1982	5,050.00	5,000.00
\$5,000	Gen. Electric 3½% Debs. 1976	5,025.00	4,850.00
\$5,000	Gen. Motors Accept. Corp. 3⅞% Debs. 1961	4,975.00	4,962.50
\$7,000	General Motors Corp. 3¼% Debs. 1979	7,035.00	6,580.00
\$5,000	Massachusetts Turnpike Auth'y 3.30% 1994	5,000.00	4,275.00
\$10,000	Northern Pacific Rwy. 3% 2047 Reg.	6,975.00	6,300.00
\$5,000	Riegel Paper Co. 3¾% 1980	5,000.00	4,500.00
\$5,000	Texas & New Orleans RR "B" 3¼% 1970	5,000.00	4,206.25
\$4,000	Western Maryland Rwy. 4% 1969	4,007.50	3,880.00
\$3,000	Western Maryland Rwy. 3½% "C" 1979	3,000.00	2,700.00
39	shs. Amer. Tel. & Tel. Com. Stock	5,623.23	6,932.25
100	shs. First National City Bank Com. Stock	5,331.00	6,562.50
90	shs. Guaranty Trust Co. Cap. Stock	4,158.80	6,063.75
225	shs. Scovill Mfg. Co. Com. Stock	6,887.80	7,143.75
200	shs. Southern Pacific Co. Com. Stock	7,145.61	8,825.00
300	shs. Standard Oil Co. N. J. Com. Stock	6,507.48	18,075.00
40	shs. U. S. Steel Corp. 7% Pfd.	5,229.40	5,780.00
		<u>\$104,550.82</u>	<u>\$118,879.75</u>
		<u>\$148,655.45</u>	<u>\$174,471.25</u>

Appendix B²

THE PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY

Statement of Net Worth April 30, 1957
and Income and Expense Accounts for the Twelve Months ended April 30, 1957

	General Fund	Diamond Fund	Bridgman & Douglas Funds	Diamond Life Subscr. Fund	Convention Fund	Archives Fund	Total April 30, 1957	Total April 30, 1956
NET WORTH represented by:								
Cash in bank	\$ 265.52	\$3,724.55	\$ 176.58	\$ 1,009.78	\$2,039.61	\$936.29	\$ 8,152.33	\$16,606.40
Petty cash fund	20.00						20.00	20.00
Canadian cash				5,474.05			5,474.05	5,314.22
Accounts receivable—Chapters	1,400.00	3,252.07		2,235.00	492.00		874.93	1,612.00
—Miscellaneous	686.64						686.64	457.50
Investments (at cost)	18,258.70		25,845.93	104,550.82			148,655.45	135,413.48
Albert Poole Jacobs Memorabilia Col.	1.00						1.00	1.00
Song records								54.00
Song books	251.90						251.90	299.90
Ties	420.00						420.00	462.00
Annals of Psi Upsilon	182.00						182.00	224.00
Reserve for Diamond Life Subscriptions				96,249.70			96,249.70	91,122.05
Total Net Worth	\$21,485.76	\$ 472.48	\$26,022.51	\$17,019.95	\$2,531.61	\$936.29	\$68,468.60	\$69,342.45
INCOME:								
Income from chapter taxes	\$ 4,918.50	\$	\$	\$	\$1,639.50	\$	\$ 6,558.00	\$ 6,378.00
Interest and dividends received	681.53	1,525.00		5,161.17			7,367.70	7,148.28
Life subscriptions to Diamond				6,390.00			6,390.00	6,825.00
Annual subscriptions to Diamond		1.00					1.00	
Annuity from Diamond Life Subscr. Fund		3,996.00					3,996.00	3,723.00
Profit on sale of securities								4,234.39
Profit on sale of Annals and ties	29.50						29.50	16.00
Total Income	\$ 5,629.53	\$5,522.00	\$	\$11,551.17	\$1,639.50	\$	\$24,342.20	\$28,324.67

Appendix C

1957 CONVENTION ATTENDANCE

The following were duly elected delegates to the 1957 Convention of the Fraternity held with the Psi Chapter at Hamilton College on September 5 and 6, 1957, and presented credentials to the Committee on Credentials, certifying their election:

THETA	Elwin R. Brown '58
DELTA	Robert F. Brodell '58 Terence J. Connors '58
SIGMA	Lawrence C. Moss '59
GAMMA	Allen N. Fitcher '58 W. B. Martin Gross '58
ZETA	Daniel B. Pierson '58
LAMBDA	Murray L. Eskenazi '57 Philip Dugan '58
KAPPA	Chester W. Cooke '57 Donald A. Perkins '58
PSI	John M. Driscoll, Jr., '58 David T. Sykes '59
XI	Frederick D. Banfield '58 James D. Steen '60
UPSILON	Frederick B. Parker, Jr., '58 Lars Pedersen '59
IOTA	NOT REPRESENTED
PHI	C. Stuart Buchanan '59 Charles A. Crowell '59
OMEGA	Alvin Newman '58
PI	John J. Schantz '58 Peter A. Lara '59
CHI	Charles D. Robinson '58 Lawlor M. Reck '59
BETA BETA	Richard L. Pickering '58 Benjamin J. Williams '58
ETA	Thomas S. Griggs '58 John M. Mimnaugh '58 William J. Sprague '58 Alexander T. VanRensselaer '58 William E. Rodgers '59
TAU	Edward F. Genetti '58 Edward L. Hawes '58 James E. Heerin, Jr., '58

MU	Louis M. Harris '58 Kevin Curry '59
RHO	Marshall C. Clark '59 James U. Snyder, Jr., '59
EPSILON	Roger G. Price '59
OMICRON	James H. Jacobs, Jr., '58 Robert B. Stiven, Jr., '58
DELTA DELTA	Stephen B. Frost '58 Joseph W. Young, III, '58 G. William Benedict '59 Peter F. Bradley '59 William M. Ott, Jr., '59 John E. Palmer, Jr., '59 James W. Rayhill '59 Cabray Wortley, Jr., '59
THETA THETA	Brock Scott '58
NU	John R. M. Bristol '58 Robert E. Murray '59
EPSILON PHI	Donald J. Harterre '57 Donald C. Ferrier '59
ZETA ZETA	Roslow Lys '58
EPSILON NU	Frank R. Caravette '58 Richard P. Maher '58
EPSILON OMEGA	H. John Lageschulte '59 Matthew A. Pommer '60
THETA EPSILON	Ronald E. Wilson '57 Bruce G. MacCaul '58 Merlin G. Brooks '60
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL	Benjamin T. Burton, Chi '21 A. Northey Jones, Beta Beta '17 Edward T. Richards, Sigma '27 Jerome W. Brush, Jr., Delta Delta '39 Daniel H. Brown, Omega '16 Franklin F. Bruder, Theta '25 John R. Burleigh, Zeta '14 John C. Esty, Gamma '22 R. K. Northey, Nu '12 Richard M. Ross, Lambda '20 Lawrence W. Towle, Kappa '24 LeRoy J. Weed, Theta '01

The following were not designated as delegates to the 1957 Convention, but they were present, from time to time, during the Convention:

THETA	Thorn Foster '58 John H. Kenyon '58
DELTA	Paul J. Hughes '34

KAPPA	C. S. F. Lincoln '91 George H. Quinby '23
PSI	John E. Becker '03
Wallace B. Johnson '15	Terry Eld '59
Thomas B. Jones '18	Scott Finegan '59
R. Roy Perkins '19	James Fox '59
Richard J. Lighthall '21	William Friend '59
Charles H. Seaver '21	Joseph Leard '59
Gardner A. Callanen, Jr., '29	Michael Magzis '59
Horace Seely-Brown, Jr., '29	John Martin '59
Brewster H. Gere '33	John McNamara '59
Dale P. Williams '49	Robert Patton '59
William Billings '58	George D. Richards '59
Robert Brooks '58	Richard Alofs '60
Neal Brown '58	Thomas Button '60
John H. Caldwell, III, '58	David Carroll '60
William Easton '58	Thomas Charvala '60
William George '58	Philip Fahringer '60
Eric Hasseltine '58	Edward Hughes '60
Robert Hastings '58	Roger Killion '60
Thomas K. Kunichika, Jr., '58	Arthur Romans '60
John Murphy '58	Richard Schumann '60
Frank O'Brien '58	Donald Spiegelman '60
Robert Riddle '58	James Turnbull '60
Charles Braisted '59	John White '60
XI	Julian Plaisted '58 John Squire '59
UPSILON	M. C. Barry '15 John F. Bush, Jr., '22 James Alrutz '58 Robert J. Folwell '58 William A. Miller '58 Gerald Pieters '60 William Tobin '60 Donald Treadwell '60 John Wentworth '60
IOTA	George L. Brain '20
PHI	Francis B. Stebbins '17 William M. Ryan, III, '51
OMEGA	Ivan Carlson '58
PI	Richard J. Lighthall '20 Peter A. GaBauer '25 Richard Horstman '57
CHI	Hans Schuler '58
MU	Connie Horgoord '58 John Mason '59
RHO	Richard DeMerell '58 Nicholas Maher '60
DELTA DELTA	William B. Falconer, Jr., '49

THETA THETA	Russell S. Callow '16
EPSILON PHI	Donald C. Budge '58
EPSILON NU	Bernie L. Lattner '57 Stanley Eigelberner '58 Hans Schuler '58
THETA EPSILON	Joseph G. Schneider '54

Appendix D

ANNUAL REPORTS

FROM

THE CHAPTERS

THETA CHAPTER

The Theta Chapter of Psi Upsilon started off the year with a successful rushing program headed by Edward V. Ince, then President of the House, and Sheldon P. French, Chairman of the Rushing Committee. At the close of the formal rushing period, we pledged ten men, one of whom left college at the end of the first semester because of bad marks and one other depledged when he got married. These two men were replaced by the pledging of two more men at the beginning of the second semester. We feel we were selective in our choice of whom we bid, and, as a result, we obtained some of the top men in the freshman class.

The Theta was more active in sports this year than it has been for a long time. We were represented on almost every varsity squad on campus.

In social activities, we feel that the Theta showed itself as a leading fraternity on campus. The season, which included the usual football parties and three College-sponsored weekends, was climaxed by a formal cocktail party for the faculty, at the beginning of May.

Academically, the Theta has not done so well. Only three members of the house made the Dean's List. While others in the house have obtained marks equal to and above the college all mens' average, we still have too many brothers whose marks put them in bad standing with the college. We have been confronted with this problem of scholarship for a number of years now. The house trustees have met with the house officers on numerous occasions to see what could be done to raise the scholastic standing of the Theta, but so far no one has come up with a positive solution to the problem. Various study rules have been initiated with some success, but they have not produced a definite effect on raising the house average. Both the house and the trustees have shown concern over the matter, and the only answer we can presently offer is that marks are mainly the concern of the individual, and we, as a group, cannot force a college student to study. Perhaps those who are doing badly will soon realize the value of obtaining respectable marks.

In spite of our scholarship, we of the Theta feel we have spent a successful and prosperous year. Never before has the house functioned so well as a unit, and we believe that this year we have made the Theta one of the leading fraternities on the Union College Campus.

DELTA CHAPTER

The past academic year has been one of the most successful in the history of the Delta. When the house opened its doors in the fall of 1956, there were only thirteen brothers remaining to carry on the traditions of Psi Upsilon. However, after a year of much hard work and perseverance, the chapter's ranks were increased to twenty-three brothers and three pledges. Because only two senior brothers will have graduated this June, the Delta will be more than strong enough to carry on a vigorous rushing program this fall, a large pledge class being essential to replace the eight brothers who will graduate in June of 1958.

With the financial support available from the extremely active alumni of the Delta, many improvements were carried out in the house. With the exception of the first floor, which was painted by the brothers during the summer of 1956, every room in the house, as well as the halls and stairs, was given a fresh coat of paint. This, along with the many new articles of furniture also contributed by the alumni, added greatly to the appearance of the house. Especially appreciated by the musically-inclined brothers was the donation of an almost new grand piano by the mother of Brother La Mastro's fiancée. With the exception of a new lawn, which is sorely needed, the appearance of the Delta, inside and out, makes it one of the most attractive houses on the campus.

If it were not for fraternities, social life and sports activities at University Heights would be practically nil. Indeed, a majority of the men on the various college teams are fraternity members. The Delta is very well represented on the university's teams. Brothers Beirne and Stefankiewicz and Pledge Cocotis are on the swimming team, and Brothers Bach and Howley do their best to keep the track team moving on. The wrestling team has a Psi U as its prize member. Brother Bernhardt, in spite of his deceiving size, has won many matches for the team on the basis of his own performance, and there are few brothers in the house who would doubt his prowess in this field.

Inter-fraternity sports events were participated in by all of the brothers, and although the Delta did not win any first-place trophies this year, the chapter usually took second or third place. Brother Maiz, who is athletic chairman, and Brothers Beirne, Bernhardt, Contri, and Grabe, can be noted as having represented Psi U at every fraternity sports event during the past year, certainly a sign of true fraternity spirit.

There was hardly a weekend that passed without some sort of entertainment being provided by the social committee, headed by Brothers Grabe and McGeen. Highlights this past year were a Toga Party, a South-Sea-Island Party, a Barn Dance, and a Calypso Dance. Of course, the really great times were had at the Christmas and Spring Formals, with the house being amazingly transformed into a night-club, and the brothers trying to forget that another semester or year of hard academic work had past.

The social calendar would not be complete without mention of the annual Yule Log ceremony. This is a custom primarily observed at the Delta, and takes place shortly before school closes for winter recess. At this time, the alumni return, and it's a wonderful feeling to see men who graduated as far back as 1898 coming back to visit the halls of the Delta and reliving some of the memories of their youth. Perhaps it is this occasion that spurs the active brothers to remember the Delta in the same way, and thus add to the tremendous alumni support that the chapter enjoys.

Besides their active participation in sports, Psi U's have been taking an extremely active part in other campus activities. Brothers Beirne and La Mastro are members of the Bristol Pre-Medical Society, and along with Brothers Cassidy, Connors, Howley and Wozniak, make up a large segment of the Newman Club, which has as its advisor, Professor Richard D. Mallery, Delta '28. Brother Wozniak belongs to the Glee Club and is still trying very hard to convince the brothers that he has a voice. Brothers Brance and Holcomb are recent additions to the Veteran's Club and have already done much for the Delta on the basis of their wide and varied experience. Brother Polo, who will have graduated this June and who served in the capacity of President of the Delta during the second half of the year, was elected to Tau Beta Pi, the national engineering honor society, thus adding another prize to the many he has already reaped as a member of the student government, Pershing Rifles, and various engineering societies.

Although not especially active on campus, some brothers have done much to keep things active at the house. Outstanding are Brother Holcomb, whose progressive jazz variations are always welcome when one wants to relax, and Brother Hoffman who contributes much to the house culturally because of his excellent musicianship at the piano and his knowledge of opera.

The Delta Chapter has had extreme difficulty in recent years in keeping on top of the list as far as academic standing among fraternities goes. At the conclusion of the fall semester, the house was in ninth place out of thirteen fraternities on campus, but the end of the year will probably find us near the bottom of the list again. It appears that the brothers overestimated their confidence in their mid-year grades. Perhaps we will do better next year.

One of the outstanding events that has occurred at the Delta this past year has been the restoration of extremely old initiation ceremonies which have not been used for many years. The many hours of research which were necessary for such a project were given by Brother Polo, who felt that the initiation ceremonies were too sparse and lacked effect and solemnity. The initiative which he showed in restoring these ceremonies will always be remembered by all the brothers, but especially by the pledge class initiated last February. Without a doubt, these rites make the initiate fully realize the responsibilities he is taking on when he becomes a member of Psi Upsilon, and leave an indelible mark on his mind of his first acquaintance with the mystic symbols of the fraternity.

Brother Polo, together with Brother Bach, also instituted a heraldic committee for the express purpose of searching through the old letters and records of the fraternity. One of their most interesting projects was an attempt to have a chart printed which would hold the national fraternity emblem, along with the individual symbols of all the chapters. Unfortunately, the project would have run into a tremendous expense and had to be forgotten. Nevertheless, the committee carries on work which is of extreme importance and interest to Psi U's everywhere, the background of the fraternity.

The brothers of the Delta Chapter of Psi Upsilon feel that the fraternal bond that exists among them is unique at the Heights' campus, a campus where the majority of the students' primary interest is in grades only. Even some of the other fraternities on campus, because of their environment, have been converted into nothing more than luncheon clubs and Greek-letter societies. Of course, every Delta realizes that his primary obligation is to get through school successfully, but he also remembers that one of the reasons that he is going to school is to make friends, to make friendships that will last the rest of his life. The Delta Chapter may be unique because of the types of schools where it is located, but in spite of this uniqueness, there is still the spark within every Delta member that makes him a true Psi U.

SIGMA CHAPTER

SCHOLASTIC STANDING: The committee on scholastic standing, pleased with progress the brothers have made towards academic improvement, is concerned about the house average, which dropped .051 from the previous semester; however, it is the feeling of this committee that Brown University has been becoming increasingly more difficult with each semester, and it is significant to note that the chapter has brought its position from that of seventeenth to fourteenth.

The committee also held a compulsory study hall for the freshman pledge class with successful results. Seven out of ten eligible freshmen were initiated on May the second. These freshmen attained a minimum of at least a 2.00 at the mid-semester. We believe that continual improvement will be shown by the chapter because the brothers have a more mature outlook on their scholastic standing.

Available results of our last four semesters were:

<i>Semester</i>	<i>Average</i>	<i>Position</i>
II — 1954-5	2.142	17
I — 1955-6	2.021	16
II — 1955-6	2.135	17
I — 1956-7	2.085	14

GENERAL HOUSE IMPROVEMENT: The general overall house improvement has been reflected in the spirit and interest of the chapter over the past several years. By far, the most important addition to the house has been the purchase of a new living room rug. The senior class donated its house gift this fall, which was the purchase of a new 21-inch television set for the bar. The junior class present was given this spring; this was the addition of a second-hand pool table with cues and balls and cover. Other parts of the improvement program were the renovation of the bar, and adding and refinishing furniture in library and living room.

CHAPTER ROOM: Since the movement of the Sigma chapter from 4 Manning Street to its location in the new quadrangle, the problem of duplicating the chapter room of the old house has been of the utmost concern of the brothers. During the course of this year, much has been accomplished in the realization of this task. This summer a new podium was constructed through generous contributions by the alumni. The podium was painted by the brothers, and a complete re-wiring of the chapter room was accomplished by Brother Shattuck.

One of the most gratifying sights to the brothers is progress being made in Alumni contributions of new chairs for the chapter room. At the beginning of this year the chapter boasted of three new chairs; however, we have received a total of ten since then. Each class in the fraternity has donated a chair in its name in addition. Several new alumni have sent in contributions for a new chair to be given in their name, and many more have been pledged. The old living room rug is to be dyed a garnet color and cut so as to fit in the chapter room. It is the belief of the chapter room committee that the complete renovation of the chapter room will be at a completion at the conclusion of next year.

SOCIAL: The social schedule of the Sigma Chapter this year has been concerned with activities ranging from Homecoming and Spring Initiation Weekends, and Alumni parties to Christmas festivities for the under-privileged children of Providence.

The annual spring initiation is always a high point of the semester. This initiation has been the first step toward re-establishing the traditional banquet given for the newly initiated brothers. The Chapter is very pleased with the alumni return for this event. It is the hope of all of the brothers that we shall shortly be able to follow the pattern of initiations of the past, wherein the ceremony and the banquet were "black tie" affairs, looked forward to, and greatly respected by the chapter and the University.

At this initiation the social committee concluded the social year officially. It has been a highly successful year, and yet ended on a note of improvement for the next year in all respects; parties, civic duties, and initiations.

OUTSTANDING JUNIOR: The award given to the junior of each chapter by the National Fraternity each year is presented for his excellence in scholastic ability, extracurricular activities, time spent for his fraternity, and his all around activities.

This year the award went to Hay Hamilton Rockwell.

Brother Rockwell has participated in the Freshman Wrestling Squad, the Canterbury Club of which he is Senior Warden, Chairman of the Religious Symposium Committee, Staff of the Liber Brunensis (Brown Year Book), Sigma Chapter Interfraternity Council member representative, and Sigma Rushing Co-Chairman. This past semester Hays has produced a 3.00 average.

Brother Rockwell deserves this award and has the backing of the entire fraternity in accepting this honor.

RUSHING: Once again the Sigma chapter of Psi Upsilon has completed a successful rushing campaign. The rushing committee handed out 16 bids to freshmen, and they received 15 acceptances. This seems to indicate that our policy of rushing has been, to say the least, successful, and the rushing committee submits this report in the hope that it will be passed along to the other chapters of Psi Upsilon.

We believe that our success in rushing has been a united effort, one in which every brother and pledgee takes an active part. We feel, furthermore, that the life-blood of our fraternity depends upon our freshman class, and we hope that our recommendations may be of some advantage to some other chapter of Psi Upsilon.

In the past four years, the Sigma chapter of Psi Upsilon has given out sixty bids, and we have received fifty-four acceptances. This record should speak for itself. We believe that our rushing program is the finest here at Brown, and the results over the past four years speak in behalf of this.

GAMMA CHAPTER

The Gamma Chapter proved itself once more this year collectively and individually to be an active and vital force in all aspects of the life of the college community.

ACADEMICS: The overall academic house standing improved considerably over last year with a move from eleventh to seventh place out of the thirteen fraternities ranked. The house average was well over the college average and only points below top ranking.

But more outstanding was the number of seniors engaged in honors work. Fourteen of the seventeen members of the graduating delegation participated in the program. Brother Wasserstrom, a junior Phi Beta, served as undergraduate president of the honorary society and was graduated *summa cum laude*, receiving in addition a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship for graduate study. Brother McGavic completed his course of study with *magna cum laude* distinction. In addition Brother Clark was elected Class Marshall, and his imposing figure added great dignity to the graduation proceedings.

With recent reports of the trustees and faculty on the place of fraternities on the campus and a movement for social dormitories (later defeated by a student referendum), many fraternities resigned themselves to being sharply rebuked for generating a so-called negative influence on the academic life of the college. The Gamma, however, took another course and instead demonstrated to the other fraternities that faculty-fraternity relations could be improved. Besides the usual faculty smokers, the relations with the house adviser, a biology professor, improved immeasurably. Although at first taken aback by the fact that Dr. Ellis was not only a Williams graduate but an Alpha Delta too, the brothers found that they had a valuable friend and counsellor, who was willing to give generously of his time. Dr. Ellis made appointments with the brothers to discuss their academic program and to aid them in other personal matters. He also met with the officers of the local alumni corporation and otherwise familiarized himself with the many and varied aspects of the fraternity. This association has served as a model for the other houses to emulate and made several formerly disinterested faculty members appreciate the honest and sound contributions of a fraternity like Psi U. At a time when opposition to fraternities among academic circles is becoming more articulate, we strongly support this means and any others that might be relevant to the local situation to insure the existence of the fraternity.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR: Diversity of interest was the keynote of the brothers' participation in extra-curricular activities, with many making outstanding contributions.

Three brothers were elected to Scarab and Sphinx, the senior and junior honorary societies respectively. Brother Kelly was one of three juniors elected to Student Council. The senior staff of the yearbook, including the editor-in-chief, literary editor and business manager, all of whom were Psi U's, were likewise succeeded by Psi U's. Interest was also shown in the *Student*, the college newspaper, with brothers serving on the junior editorial, sports and business boards. Brothers Walton, Gross and Palmer were members of the Debate Council. Brother Walton also served on the executive committee of the Automobile Association. For his outstanding contributions to the House Management Committee Brother Logamarcino was elected to serve on the executive committee for the coming year. Musical organizations were not lacking in Psi U representatives either. The DQ, popular singing group, Chapel Choir and Glee Club were considerably enriched by the voices of several brothers. Brother Kelly has been elected president of the Glee Club for next year. Brother Kelly was accorded another honor in being chosen a freshmen dorm proctor, another evidence of the willingness of Psi U's to contribute to the betterment of the college community in a constructive way.

Fall, winter and spring sports were vigorously undertaken by a number of brothers, with noteworthy achievements made by not a few. Brother Stephens, a first-string end, thrilled a capacity crowd at the homecoming football game by scoring the only touchdown in a contest with highly touted Tufts. Brother Gadsby played number one on the squash team, and Brother Chase was a consistent scorer on the lacrosse team. The first undefeated track team in the history of the college, winner of the Eastern "B" division championship, was ably assisted in achieving these distinctions through the efforts of Brother Horton, who established a new single season scoring record. The house intramural standing dropped from last year's second place—possibly the result of lack of interest, although Brother Greenman, who was in charge of the house program, was elected Rules and Eligibility Chairman in recognition of his accomplishments in aiding the program as a whole.

HOUSE NEWS: Activities within the confines of the house were also varied. In some respects there was a decrease of that somewhat intangible but desirable aura of house spirit. This defect was especially noticeable in the early fall with a decrease in pledging activity, because of the amount of time spent the previous spring. The house actively supported a movement this year to return to full fall pledging in order that a more meaningful and coherent program might be effected.

House spirit increased immeasurably during the winter and spring with the brothers actively participating in improvements projects, which included the refurbishing of the game room, painting bedrooms and the formation of a beautification committee on the part of Brothers Huber and Crossley, who, besides attending to such ordinary tasks as fertilizing the lawn and cutting grass, also planted pansies and morning glories about the grounds.

The climax of this steady increase in house spirit was the unity of purpose and action, which was presented by the house during rushing this spring. With a rushing period of only eighteen days the rushing chairmen were wholeheartedly supported by the brothers and one of the finest groups of freshmen was formed one week before the official close of rushing.

The Gamma held a wide range of social functions. The weekends ran the gamut from the usual informal bar groups to a parent's weekend, toga party, block party and formal dance. Other less formal activities demonstrated as the year progressed that the spirit of brotherhood did not

depend on the usual crutches of social interaction, such as the Saturday night bar groups, but rather on deeper and more enduring bonds of association.

The waxing house spirit cannot wholly be explained, as has been attempted, by presenting the concrete facts of achievement during the past year on the part of the brothers singly and cooperatively.

The final evaluation of a collection of individuals of diverse backgrounds and interests who have chosen to live together and share in many common enterprises cannot be stated. The deeper meaning of the superficial account here presented must be encountered first hand in order to know the full experience that life within the vital and forceful structure of the fraternity brings.

ZETA CHAPTER

The Zeta Chapter of Psi Upsilon again enjoyed one of its finest years on the Dartmouth Campus. The fall term opened with a very successful rushing and pledging period with the house gaining 18 new brothers. One of the pledges first projects was joining the brothers in an excavation of a new basement room. It was quite an achievement to look back on when the room was finished, for not only had we improved our physical plant, but through constant work and cooperation together we had developed a true feeling of "esprit de corps".

One of the major projects this year was developing a closer bond between the fraternity and its alumni. This project was quite successful, being highlighted by a very enjoyable alumni week-end in the spring which brought back to Hanover forty brothers and their families to renew old acquaintances and memories. An indication of the results of the project was the many letters we received praising our week-end and asking for another next year.

The academic year of 1956-7 in the Zeta Chapter showed much improvement, but left room for more. In the first semester the over-all fraternity average was above 3.0 for the first time in many years. This improvement was due mainly to the work of the academic committee of the fraternity which kept a watchful and directing eye on these brothers with low over-all averages or those having trouble in an individual course. The feeling for academic improvement in the Zeta Chapter has been aroused considerably, mainly by the report of the 1956 Psi Upsilon Convention, stating we were among the lowest of all chapters.

In athletics the Zeta Chapter again proved to be a leader on the Hanover scene. This year the house has three varsity captains representing the squash, swimming, and crew teams. Also represented in the house are fifty-six out of sixty-five brothers with either freshman numerals or varsity letters and many in more than one sport. As a house in intramural contests the Zeta Chapter was winner of one college championship in softball and runner-up in hockey, football, and squash and proved itself a formidable opponent in all activities except for basketball.

Individually the brothers of the Zeta Chapter have proven themselves leaders on the campus as is indicated by the various honors they have received. Eleven out of twenty-one seniors were initiated into one of the senior societies which take only about one-tenth of the whole senior class. As if this were not an achievement in itself, the Zeta Chapter can boast of two senior society presidents and one secretary. Also, a member of the outgoing senior class, D. Monte Pascoe '57 received the Barrett Cup, honoring him as the outstanding individual on the Dartmouth Campus for the year 1956-7.

In retrospect, the Zeta Chapter of Psi Upsilon during the past year has taken great steps in furthering its reputation as one of the leading fraternities on the Dartmouth Campus. Though there is always room for improvement, especially in the academic field, we of the Zeta Chapter report to the Annual

Convention with pride in our accomplishments and are looking forward in every way to a successful year to come.

LAMBDA CHAPTER

The most outstanding event that occurred during the 1956-57 school year was the acquisition of a new Chapter House. The house is a four-story building located at 542 West 114 Street, New York City, and it is in excellent physical condition. The acquisition of this house was made possible only through the active support of many loyal Lambda Alumni. In the short time we have been in the house much progress has been made to improve it and, although the house is superior to most on our campus, a great deal of work remains to be done before it will be on a par with other Psi U Chapter Houses.

The Lambda initiated seven excellent men last year: three freshmen, two sophomores, one junior, and one senior. This brought the total number of Active Brothers to nineteen.

Psi U was again well represented in campus activities. In intercollegiate athletics the Lambda had a total of thirteen out of nineteen men participating including two Varsity Swimmers, two Varsity Lightweight Football players, two men on the Varsity Crew, and four mainstays of the Water Polo Team, including the Captain. Among the Freshmen there is one man of each of the Freshman Swimming, Football, and Crew teams.

As usual Psi Upsilon participated in a full intramural program and won the Intramural Swimming Trophy.

In non-athletic campus activities, the Lambda has two members on the Editorial Board of the Columbia Daily Spectator, Vice President of the Tau Beta Pi Chapter at Columbia, Vice President of the Senior Honorary Society of the Engineering School, and men engaged in almost all of the activities on the campus.

For the seventh year in succession the House has won the trophy for the Most Outstanding Support of the Columbia College Fund Spring Carnival.

This year the Lambda was the recipient of the Columbia Interfraternity Scholastic Improvement Trophy, and further improvement is expected in the next academic year. Having one man elected to Phi Beta Kappa, another elected to Tau Beta Pi, and two men on the Dean's List has helped the Lambda to win this trophy.

On the athletic fields and on the campus, in the classrooms and in the Columbia community, Psi U was one of the outstanding fraternities at Columbia. Deep rooted friendships are born at the Lambda and the unity of our Chapter is a source of great fraternal satisfaction. The one-hundred-fifteenth year of the Lambda has been a year of growth and progress and we are sure that even better years lie ahead.

KAPPA CHAPTER

Superficially, life at the Kappa may appear to be going on just as it has for the past three years. The varsity athletic rosters are still illuminated with the names of Psi U personnel, among them the captains of both the football and the basketball teams. The college's weekend activities still receive much of their impetus from the questioning cry, "What's going on at the Psi U House tonight?"—because, as always, our living room and marine room are colorful stopping points in Bowdoin's mobile social activity. Scholastically, the Kappa is still lodged in the nether regions of the fraternity academic ratings. The hesitant arrival of spring once more finds softball, volleyball, horseshoes, Sing practice, and "Ivy fever" taking command of the brothers' efforts. So it seems that the immutable cycle continues along in its standard manner at 250 Maine Street, but those who have been here for the past year can testify that all is not as it seems.

Internally things are different and have been so since September. One of the pleasanter changes here at the Kappa has been the gradual eviction of that unwelcome but long-staying boarder, Procrastination. Some of the brothers, having grown accustomed to his presence, were sorry to witness his departure, but by now most of his "Do It Later" signs have been removed from their rooms.

Much of the Kappa's cumulative energy has been devoted to academic achievement, as will be attested by the large number of Psi U's on the dean's list. Those upholding the scholastic honor of the chapter include Brothers Ashe, Blomfelt, Teeling, Clayton Bennett, Merritt, Rogers, Westwig, DeGroot, Potter, Flynn, Donald Bennett and Kjoerven. Sophomore Brendan Teeling was awarded the Hormell Trophy, as the member of the class of '59 with the highest scholastic average and athletic proficiency combined.

Under Brother McGoldrick's leadership, the initiation program and banquet were planned and carried off with the ease and enjoyment that is characteristic of careful forethought and early preparation. Responsibilities accepted and performed by Brothers Drenzek, Cooke, Potter, and Christie helped to fashion this year's program into the most entertaining and smoothly run event of the year. It is also interesting to note that the homecoming display had been constructed and set up early on Friday afternoon, rather than the customary last minute arranging of yesteryear.

Winter house parties were no exception to the "new method". Little details like setting up beds, distributing party favors, building the snow sculpture, obtaining chaperones—all these were taken care of by Thursday of the weekend. And 'midst all of the planning and moving, the panic and fury were kept to an astonishing minimum.

Campus Chest Weekend saw the Psi U booth set up for operation early in the afternoon, and witnessed the further cooperation of the brothers who volunteered their time for working in the booth. This year the guest theologian for the BIF conference—often awkward affairs—was made more than welcome by the natural interest shown in his presence by a number of brothers, and the discussion proved to be worthwhile for those in attendance. The numerous sub-freshman weekends have benefited from the tireless efforts of Brothers Bird, Christie, Belforti, Waters, and several others who have also given up their time, their recreation and their sacks in an effort to stock the Class of 1961 with able material.

In the field of extra-curricular activities the brothers of the Kappa have participated in many diverse organizations. The Glee Club, Bowdoin's most outstanding non-athletic extra-curricular group, numbers among its members eight Psi U's. Hank Eubank is a member of its executive council, is leading the bass section and is manager of the Chapel Choir. Dick Downes holds the bass spot in the Meddiebempsters, Bowdoin's augmented double quartet, while freshman Ted Fuller will sing with the groups next year. Those brothers also active in the club are Clayton Bennett, John Bird, Al Merritt, Jerry Fletcher, Tim Ellis and Tony Leach.

Other notable contributions were made to the campus activities by Brothers Perkins and Graham in the Masque and Gown, Brothers Shepherd and Grinold as cheerleaders, while Brothers Christie and Shepherd notably donated their sterling talents to WBOR's "The Mad Hour". Brother Payson is active on the "Orient" staff, and is also vice-president of the White Key, while Brother Simonds ably served as president of the Student Council and Brother McGlennon has been the secretary of the Student Curriculum Committee. Steve Anderson is vice-president of the Student Union Committee, while Ernie Belforti is acting on the Ivy Day Committee. Brother Smith has represented the house in interfraternity debating and at a recent tournament held at Dartmouth, Pete was given a certificate for being the tournament's outstanding debator. Another Psi U orator, John Christie, recently won the Lockwood-Fairbanks Public Speaking Contest.

This report is definitely a means of patting ourselves on the back for the past year's efforts, but it is not to be assumed that complacency has set

in here at the Kappa. Shortcomings and limitations exist, as always. We are a large house, with seventy-six active brothers; the joke about eating in two shifts is now approaching reality. With such a large active membership it requires a twisting of definition to call ourselves a fraternity. The problems of size, rising costs, the future of the physical plant—none of these have been faced squarely to date, and this is a vestige of the old order. The problems are new; the method of handling them is not. But right now there are more brothers concerned with the responsibilities and necessities of the house and willing to do something about them, before it is too late, than we have seen here at the Kappa in four years.

PSI CHAPTER

At this time last year, the Psi reported: "It is important to be associated with a 'great bunch of guys.' It is also important that this 'bunch' work hard to better their fraternity and to better their college. We feel that we are succeeding; the change is not complete, but it is, we hope, nearing completion."

We feel again that we are succeeding; our general scholarship has risen noticeably in the past year, and there are more brothers connected with extra-curricular activities than ever before. Equally important, house spirit, that important but indefinable quality, has continued to grow stronger as the year has progressed.

The publication of the dean's list at the beginning of the second semester showed the Psi to be well represented there; among the brothers on the list were Brothers Baruch, Eaker, Pierson, Caldwell, Hasseltine, Hopkins, Hastings, O'Brien, Patton, Richards, Spiegelman, Feleppa, Griffiths, Hall, Knubel, Poppeliers, Brooks, Brown, Easton, George, Murphy, Finegan, Fox, Levene, Magzis, Fahringer, Killion, Romans, and Turnbull. Brother John Driscoll, this year's scholarship chairman, did much to help the freshmen adjust themselves to the ways of college studies; to him should go a good deal of credit for his hard work.

As in the past, Psi Upsilon was extremely well represented on the athletic fields. Brother O'Brien was elected co-captain of next year's football team.

During the winter season, five brothers were on the basketball squad, which was co-captained by Brother O'Brien. Brother Driscoll will be co-captain of the team next year. Brother Keogh was co-captain of the swimming team, and Brother Hopkins was elected co-captain of that team for the coming year.

Spring brought no dwindling to the Psi's representation on the athletic fields. Four brothers were on one track team, with the elder Eld being captain. We had good baseball representations and also had members on the tennis, golf and lacrosse teams. Brother Driscoll will co-captain the latter in the coming year.

The extra-curricular activities of the Psi were not, however, limited to the various playing fields. Brothers Brooks, Kunichika, Martin, MacNamara, McLeod, and Richards helped the choir to be the fine singing group it is. Brother Feleppa proved that Psi U's too can be members of Nons Onze, the honorary social society. Brother Baruch proved himself a splendid debater and was consequently elected to Delta Sigma Rho, the national forensic society. Brother Romans was chosen as the member of the freshman class best suited to be a member of the Honor Court. Brothers Hall and Pierson were on the Chapel Board, and in the spring Brother Leard was also elected to that body. Brothers Kunichika and Billings were on the editorial staff of the *Spectator*, the college newspaper, and Brothers Martin and Richards contributed various articles to the same.

Brothers Hall and Kunichika were members of the Canterbury Club; the latter was elected secretary of that organization for the coming year. John

Driscoll was elected president of the Newman Club; others belonging to this organization were Brothers DiGiulian, Fahringer, O'Brien, Murphy, Feleppa, and Esch. Brother Fox played in Hamilton's illustratious marching band, and Brother Billings was a member of the Press Club. At the end of the year, Brothers Baruch and Eaker were named to Phi Beta Kappa; Brother Eaker was also one of the country's ten recipients of a generous Rockefeller Foundation Award, which will enable him to do advanced scientific research. Brothers Patton, Griffiths, and McLeod were members of the Student Curriculum Committee, and Brother Caldwell was named chairman of that group for the coming year.

Brother Keogh was a member of the Interfraternity Council, and, at the end of the year, Brothers Alofs, Driscoll, and Caldwell were elected members of the newly devised Student Senate. Brother Driscoll was elected president of the Class of '58. Brothers Feleppa and Romans were members of the Charlatans; Brother Feleppa served as assistant director of this thespian organization. Brothers Schumann and Spiegelman were members of the Sailing Club.

Naturally, a fraternity cannot depend alone upon extra-curricular activities for superiority. The Psi has distinguished itself within the house itself during the past year. Many physical improvements were made in the house. New tile floors were laid in one of the hallways and in the kitchen. A new dishwasher has been installed. Our new patio should be completed within the next few months.

Under the guidance of rushing chairman Dick Hall, the Psi gathered together an excellent pledge class last fall. All seem firmly started on successful college careers. We feel sure that Neal Brown, who is to be rushing chairman for the coming year, will do every bit as fine a job.

Socially, our year has been a fine one. Social Chairman Bob Hazen is the efficient brother who guided us through numerous houseparties, football weekends, as well as alumni dinners and two cocktail parties for the faculty, all of which were extremely pleasant.

Brothers Feleppa and Pierson wrote two house party musical comedies which were great successes. In intramural athletics, the Psi placed second in volleyball and fourth in basketball.

Brothers Levene and Rhymer will leave next year to spend their junior year at the Sorbonne; Brother Hasseltine will spend the next three years at M. I. T.

Brother Kunichika conducted the Psi in the Interfraternity Sing contest, in which we walked off with first prize and a handsome cup. Brother Jack Caldwell and his convention committee have spent long hours working with interested alumni to make the coming convention a great success; we hope that this convention will make all our alumni foster even warmer feelings towards us than they have in the past.

Our record for the year is a good one; it is not, however, one which cannot be surpassed. Hence, we shall strive in the coming year as we have in the past several years to better ourselves, our fraternity, and our college.

XI CHAPTER

This past year the Xi enjoyed a completely remodeled house. As a fraternity a new high in house spirit was achieved, resulting in a full pledge class, made up of first choices. It is generally conceded that we have the finest freshman class on campus, which means we shall have to maintain this high spirit and unity in order to stay in first place.

As a fraternity, we were hosts to the faculty in a housewarming designed to introduce the faculty to our redecorated house. In the spring, we had our third annual Psi Upsilon Conference. The topic this year was "The Aims of Education". We had several outstanding speakers, and the commentator was

Wesleyan's President Butterfield. We feel greatly honored that recordings of this conference are being presented to the Ford Foundation as an example of how a fraternity can work to further intellectual interests on a college campus. Special recognition should be given to Brother Ben Chadwick who was chairman of the conference planning committee.

Individually we continued to participate in extra-curricular activities. This wide participation in campus activities has become a tradition in the Xi. Brother Jack Corrodi was co-captain of the varsity football team, while Brother Ken Travis was named most valuable player of the season. Seven of the brothers were on the soccer team and four of them letter winners. Other athletic teams on which we were represented were swimming, handball, golf and freshman basketball and baseball.

Three of our seniors were tapped for senior honorary societies. Brother Killough in addition to being Executive Editor of the *Argus*, the school newspaper, was named Class Manager of the Class of 1957. Brothers Killough and Walther were College Body Senators and Brother Killough was further honored by being named Chairman of the Freshman Orientation Committee of the college. Brother Walther, in addition to being Chairman of the College Elections, was a member of the board of directors of the college radio station.

Brother Danzoll has been elected Managing Editor of the *Argus* for next year and we have placed several men in editorial positions. Brother Ken Travis was vice president of the class of 1957. Brother Killough, in recognition for his record at Wesleyan, was the recipient of a Noble Award to continue his studies at the graduate school of his choice. In addition we are actively encouraging the freshmen and sophomores to enter those activities which interest them.

Scholastically the members of the chapter realize the importance of maintaining a respectable average and are constantly striving to reach the number one position.

Before closing I would again like to thank our graduate brothers for their continued loyal support. Without it we could never have risen to the heights we now enjoy.

The Xi looks forward to meeting any Psi U's who find themselves in our area and warmly extends an invitation to stop in and see us.

UPSILON CHAPTER

One of the most eventful years of recent times has just passed in the halls of the Upsilon. It will be unforgettable both because of the difficulties encountered and the cooperative effort of every member in improving each aspect of the fraternity to enable it to maintain its coveted, leading position on the University of Rochester Campus.

On December 8, 1956, the third floor of the chapter house was subject to a severe fire. The so-called Jace Lawrence or Junior Room was gutted, with five or the junior brothers losing everything they possessed. Extensive smoke and water damage spread through the rest of the house to a damage total of nearly thirty-thousand dollars. However, because of the work of a unified house and an active alumni, the house is now completely redecorated inside and out, including improvements such as dormer windows, new wall murals, rugs and other furnishings, placing the house in better shape than ever. The university was more than generous in supplying rooms for the displaced members until they could reclaim their rooms early this spring. The house is now running on an even keel once again. Still every effort is being made to continue improvement as our resources will permit.

The fall brought a most outstanding pledge class. These new brothers are nineteen in number and have taken a most active part in house proceedings. A significant fact to be noted in portraying the high calibre of these men is the work they have undertaken to improve the house. They are now in the process of

providing new sleeping quarters for the third floor. Part of the storage space is being renovated, and the sleeping capacity of the house will be increased from twenty-three to twenty-seven. This has been under discussion for several years. The house has finally pledged a class of men who have shown the initiative to further the benefits of the house for its members.

The chapter now has an active membership of fifty-five members which is about full capacity for the Upsilon.

Although, scholastically, the house slipped last year, it has made much progress the past two semesters and should again rank with the leaders on the fraternity quadrangle. Twenty men were on the dean's list for academic superiority during the course of the year and one member graduated this June with *cum laude* honors. Supervised study sessions held for the freshmen and special assistance by those outstanding in various fields have aided this scholastic drive. Evidences of success in this field are shown in the membership of the several honorary societies around the campus. The senior honorary, Keideans, holds two Psi U's and has chosen two more from the junior class. Five brothers are members of Mendicants, the junior honorary society; one holding the office of president. They have selected three more from the sophomore class. The sophomore's Yellow Key has two Psi U's and will add two more next year. Three brothers are members of Tau Beta Pi, one the president. Delta Rho, the journalistic honorary, tapped one Psi U.

In the field of student government, the Upsilon Chapter played a prominent part and shall be even more important in the future. Four members are represented in College Congress and various committees contain many more. During the past year the treasurer of the junior class, president of the sophomore class and social chairman of the freshman class were brothers. Next year Psi U's hold the offices of senior class president, senior class treasurer, junior class treasurer and sophomore class president.

Dramatics finds the chapter taking more than an active part. The Stagers' president both this year and next is a Psi U.

Psi U's are prominent in activities such as the school paper, yearbook, literary magazine, frosh directory, campus radio station, choral groups and religious organizations including leadership in three.

By this participation, it is hoped that members will increase the prestige of the fraternity and more important, gain knowledge that will aid and broaden every brother.

The Upsilon Chapter has always been proud of its athletic prowess and has maintained and improved it during the past year. Thirteen brothers were members of the football team including both co-captains. Trophies for the most valuable back and most improved player both went to Psi U's. Two brothers participated in basketball and four in baseball including the co-captain. Every varsity sport had at least one Psi U actively participating. The Alexander Award to the outstanding athlete was awarded to a brother. The freshman class contains many fine athletes to maintain the tradition. In intramural athletics, the house has had winning seasons in every sport.

Socially, the Upsilon held a respected position for another year. Organization and unity are the mainstays of a fraternity house party. The chapter has constantly attempted to attain this high standard of social life and in so doing has held many of the most successful weekends on the campus.

For several years the house has enjoyed a strong financial status. During the past year, a new bookkeeping and billing system was installed in the treasurer's and steward's office. This is proving itself quite effective and debts to the house are rapidly on the decline. The future appears to hold an even more pleasing financial status for the Upsilon Chapter.

Perhaps a word should be stated pertaining to activities of the alumni. This year they have taken over much of the maintenance of the house plant. Many ways of saving money have been indicated to the active brothers and with full cooperation to the alumni these have been adopted. The active

brothers are quite appreciative of the extensive support given by those who have not forgotten their ties with Psi Upsilon. Though misunderstandings sometimes appear, all of these are immediately straightened out and further strengthen the bond with the alumni. As each brother leaves the halls of the chapter house, it is hoped that he will attempt in some manner to aid the Upsilon, as the present alumni are now doing.

This, the chapter feels, sums up the Upsilon. Strong and unified, the members are determined to maintain their leading position upon the Rochester campus. Common tragedy, in the form of fire, has further strengthened the bonds of fellowship as each brother was called upon to put forth full cooperation in the face of disaster. Though the fire hindered the house in many ways, it has definitely strengthened the house in others.

Next year will be the hundredth anniversary of our beloved chapter. Plans with the alumni are now being laid for a gala initiation banquet celebrating the chapter's founding.

The goals of the Upsilon are to further inculcate each brother with the vows taken at our altar in the hope that the fine traditions of our great fraternity will live forever.

IOTA CHAPTER

NO REPORT SUBMITTED

PHI CHAPTER

The members of the Phi Chapter would like to express to the Fraternity their appreciation for the privilege of having been hosts to last year's convention. It was an experience which has given greater warmth and meaning to the name Psi Upsilon.

The past year has been one characterized by a variety of activities for our chapter. It was also a year of achievement spotted by an occasional failure, but in retrospect we feel that it is best summed up by the word "success". A categorical examination of the year's activities seems to be the most efficient method of presentation.

SCHOLARSHIP: Scholarship is, or always should be, of great importance to the members of a fraternity. Much of a chapter's reputation on its campus depends on the scholastic achievement of its membership. It is in this area of fraternity activity that we have had both success and disappointment. The Phi has always been fortunate in having each semester a number of outstanding students. This last Spring Richard Rearick, who was president of the house during the convention, finished his undergraduate work with a perfect five "A" semester. Unfortunately, everyone did not do as well. We had difficulty with pledge class grades and were unable to initiate several men. It was a disappointment to both the pledges and the active members. Several programs which promise improvement in this situation are now under study. The relative position of the Phi among the other forty-three fraternities at Michigan is rather difficult to determine. The University does not make house grade averages available until sometime after the end of a college year. The picture is further confused by the fact that a very small percentage often separates as many as fifteen houses. An estimate at the present time places Psi Upsilon at about the midpoint in fraternity ranking. It is our real hope that any future change in our standing will be one of improvement and a great deal of energy is being expended to make this a reality rather than merely a hope.

ATHLETICS: For the past several years the Phi chapter has not put much emphasis on athletic competition at the varsity level. But this does not mean that there is no participation at all. The University has an extensive intramural program for fraternities and our chapter has taken advantage of it. In several sports we reached the finals which is rather surprising since many houses have over twice the members we do. Again we feel that participation is essential if we are to be an integral part of the fraternity system here at Michigan. Sports offer a fine opportunity to meet and exchange ideas with other groups.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: It is in this field that several of the brothers have had great success. Tim Leedy served a year as president of the Interfraternity Council and did a great deal to bring credit and prestige to the Fraternity. Several other brothers have held subordinate positions with the IFC also. These men have done a great deal to keep Psi Upsilon in the respected position it has held for so long.

Two of the brothers have been on the cheerleading team and will return this Fall. Dick Rearick was tapped for Hectorians, the all-fraternities men's honorary. Several other members have been similarly honored for their work in various activities.

Socially the Phi stands with the most active houses. The social chairmen serving during the past year have been both energetic and imaginative. A wide variety of parties were held which made nearly every weekend enjoyable. We have found also that social affairs can have a truly positive influence on the Fraternity. The Brothers have a chance to work together and then enjoy the fruits of their work. In the end there is a definite strengthening of the feeling of brotherhood.

HOUSE MANAGEMENT: The Phi chapter is fortunate to have one of the newest and most beautiful houses on the campus. Through the generosity of our alumni association the facilities are in fine order. Many improvements were made prior to the convention and since then a new washer and dryer have been installed and a new television set added to the living room. This fall, for the first time in several years, we will have a house-mother. It is felt that she will prove to be a valuable addition to the fraternity. A house-mother can act as a chaperone for parties and a hostess on football weekends, etc. Of even greater importance, however, is the influence we feel she will have on the over-all conduct of the brothers within the house. A woman's presence at the table always brings an improvement in manners and speech. The new house-mother will also assist the house manager with the chapter's financial affairs. Few fraternities here at Michigan have taken this voluntary step but we believe it will be of great advantage.

RUSHING AND PLEDGING: Both of these programs met with success during the last year. In the fall we pledged one of the largest group of men in the history of the chapter. Aside from the fact that we lost a far too high percentage of our pledges due to poor grades, it was still a fine example of house teamwork. During the year the pledge training program was under constant reevaluation in order to find means of improving it. In the future it will be even more comprehensive than it is now.

ALUMNI AFFAIRS: During the past year our relations with our alumni became a little strained over the matter of finances. We were without a dependable full-time cook and lost money each month on food expenses. There seemed to be a lack of understanding between the active chapter and the Executive Council of the Phi. After a number of meetings together whatever differences existed were ironed out, largely due to the patience of the members of the alumni board. This spring the house employed a man who runs an agency which concerns itself with advising

fraternities on alumni relations. He is also taking care of a portion of the planning for this fall's rushing schedule. We are certain that his advice will be a profitable investment in both of these fields.

These, in brief, are the things that have been going on at the Phi. They do not represent that intangible "Something" that makes a fine fraternity what it is. We of the Phi chapter believe that we have found that "Something" in spite of its illusiveness. Through hard work and concern for the other fellow we hope to remain a strong, close-knit group that is proud to be a part of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

OMEGA CHAPTER

If one wishes to estimate how good a given fraternity on a given campus is, there are certain criteria that must be investigated. These are 1. academic achievement, 2. integration of the members into campus life, 3. the position of the fraternity among the other fraternities on an athletic and social basis, and 4. the internal spirit of the given chapter. The current year saw the Omega retain its position as the outstanding fraternity on the University of Chicago campus.

Regarding the first and certainly most important criterion, it is all too often found in reports like this that the term "academic improvement" is used. In our case, a more appropriate phrase would be "academic achievement." At present, roughly 60% of the members of the Omega are on scholarship—undergraduate, graduate or professional. It, of course, follows that a goodly number of the members of the senior and junior honor societies are Psi U's.

Three members of the student government, three of the four members of the National Intercollegiate Chess Championship team, the batting and fielding wizard of the baseball team, three of the five starters on the varsity basketball team, an abundant supply of track men, and the chairmen of the interfraternity council's rules committee keep us well represented on campus activities.

Socially, numerous small parties, as well as all campus, all fraternity, and Psi U—Alpha Delta Phi formals, combined with cocktail parties for the university's faculty and Chicago area Omega alumni have marked an adequately successful social season. Certainly the high point of the year was the Hard Times Party, an all campus open house.

Athletically, our intra-mural teams maintained their dominance on the scene as evidenced by the following from the current U. of C. yearbook. ". . . Psi U remained the New York Yankees of the fraternity and divisional leagues. . . . Its teams played basketball as if they had invented it, taking first place in the fraternity and in all-University competition." Our teams were equally successful in touch football, volley ball, track, table tennis, and horseshoes. In the remaining sports we had to be content with second places.

The one intangible that must be considered is the spirit of the brothers. This is probably best illustrated by the improvement in the physical shape of the house. Every brother, active and pledge alike, took part in such varied activities as painting the living room and the hallways, reupholstering furniture, painting the rooms and refinishing woodwork. Such a universally displayed interest in the welfare of the house must be synonymous with spirit.

The year 1956-57 has been, in retrospect, a good one for the Omega. We are looking forward for an even better one next year.

PI CHAPTER

During the last year much progress was made at the Pi. Following, as the Pi report to the convention, are excerpts from its annual report to its trust association.

MEMBERSHIP: The Pi's membership consisted of 54 members, of which 19 were pledges earlier this year. Twenty-one lived in the house.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM: Generally speaking, the house scholarship program is the responsibility of the third vice-president, as he assumes the role and title of Scholarship Chairman.

The Scholarship Chairman is expected to be aware of the academic performance of each individual in the house in order to be able to offer appropriate and intelligent advice regarding extra study hours or outside help. The Scholarship Chairman is greatly aided in his "awareness" by scholarship reports which are distributed to the faculty at mid-term. Each report has space for the mid-term grade and also ample room for any remarks that the faculty members may have concerning the individuals' performance or suggestions for improvement. Faculty acceptance and response is generally very good and the reports often prove invaluable in improving a student's performance.

The Scholarship Chairman is also responsible for arranging the nightly study hall which all pledges must attend from 7 until 10 o'clock, at which time there are "quiet hours" throughout the house. In order to avoid the possibility of study hall becoming the only study period for the pledges an effort is made to use this nightly session as a means of propagating good study habits, and the pledges are constantly reminded that outside study is also important and necessary.

In order to put this study system in the house on a more personal basis, each pledge is encouraged to bring any difficulties, especially academic, to a particular senior, if possible he has the same major or is otherwise especially equipped to handle the pledge's problems. When the basic problem is not known, or when the senior is unable to help him, the pledge is generally referred to the member of the faculty or administration whom we feel can be of greatest assistance. Each senior-pledge "team" frequently studies together. Preparation for examinations and class assignments is thereby facilitated and made more valuable.

Though the most obvious reward for satisfactory academic achievement is eligibility for initiation, this stimulus is naturally ineffective for the active members. Therefore, other stimuli are available within the fraternity. For instance, Psi Upsilon annually awards a cup to the chapter with the highest scholastic average improvement. Furthermore, those chapters which are notably low in academics are often called on at the national convention, to provide an explanation and to outline plans for future improvement.

On the chapter level, an outstanding junior award is given annually which, among other things, considers academic achievement. Furthermore, the Psi Upsilon Trust Association, which is concerned only with this chapter, buys the "key" for any members who are elected to various academic honoraries.

The past few semesters there has been an evidence of unofficial competition between the active members and the pledges, taken as groups, regarding academic achievement. Although this competition is completely informal, recognition of it seems to be continually increasing.

As pointed out, the alumni of our chapter have taken an exceptionally keen interest in our scholarship program. Through cooperation with the undergraduates, the trust association has donated a plaque which will be inscribed with the date and class of the winners per semester. It was felt that the plaque would inherently prove as a motive for greater study concentration for the individual classes, thus creating a more serious study routine.

As of the week of March 17, 1957, a concentrated study program will be effected for all brothers who did not achieve a 1.00 for the academic semester beginning October 1, 1956, through January 31, 1957.

This newly initiated requirement of eight hours study hall, (i.e. pledge study hall 14 hours per week), will be asked of all upperclass actives who have fallen below the necessary 1.00 accumulative average sustained by the university.

It is evident, then, that a great deal of our scholarship is directed toward our pledges. It is felt that they—usually freshmen—are in a better position to gain benefits from efforts along this line, since they often need help in adjusting to the demands of college work and good habits are developed in this early stage, and in most cases they will be retained throughout the remainder of the individual's college years.

FRATERNITY AND THE INDIVIDUAL: The growth of cultural activities in Psi Upsilon is best exemplified by the rapidly increasing interest in classical and semi-classical music. Several of the brothers are taking the university's music appreciation course and are spreading their enthusiasm throughout the house. At present, twelve of the brothers are enrolled in the classical division of the Columbia Record Club, through whose services are obtained many excellent records.

The brothers of Psi Upsilon are well represented in the audience at the current Boar's Head productions, as they have been in the past. One of the brothers has a role in "Summer and Smoke", thus increasing the dramatic awareness of the entire house. Many of the members are now planning to attend the concerts to be given in Syracuse in the near future by two of the country's best orchestras. The Sunday afternoon concerts in Crouse Auditorium are always well attended by the men in the house.

Psi Upsilon has always endeavored to increase its members, consciousness of the cultural and educational facilities available to them. We now feel that, if not totally successful, we have come nearer to our goal than ever before.

ACCLIMATION AND INTEGRATION OF PLEDGES: From the moment a man walks into the chapter house to accept his pledge pen he is made to feel as much a part of the house as his position of pledge will permit. The pledge's urged to attend all social gatherings sponsored by the chapter and the university. Since he attends these affairs in the company of his brothers-to-be, he has the opportunity to get to know them all better and to let them know him.

Psi Upsilon pledges are urged to apply for class activities as a means of more fully integrating them in their respective classes. All freshman pledges are encouraged to apply for Goon Squad and for various freshman committees. It is the feeling of the house that such connections will tie the freshman more firmly to his classmates, his universe and that such ties are to be desired. Just as a unified pledge class is necessary for a smoothly functioning fraternity, nothing is more important to school spirit than closely knit classes.

During the time of their pledgship, all pledges are given some responsibility within the chapter. Pledges are always placed in charge of building the snow sculpture for Winter Weekend. The pledges and brothers work on projects such as this, as they do on other projects; Spring Float, Campus Chest, Colgate Weekend poster, etc. Each pledge receives some duty, which varies from week to week, in the chapter house. According to the efficiency with which his assignment is carried out, the pledge is either praised or reprimanded. Psi Upsilon has always felt that the aptness with which a pledge carries out his assignments is indicative of his personal character and aptitudes.

CITY STUDENTS: In Psi Upsilon, the city brother is made to feel very much a part of his fraternity. He is provided with a meal ticket which

allows him to eat lunches, and any other meal, which he would otherwise have to eat elsewhere. If for any reason a city brother desires to move into the fraternity house for a limited time, he is encouraged to do so. A bed is provided free for a night or two for any city brother who may need it. Needless to say, city brothers are urged to live in for at least their senior year. We feel that this helps them to become more acclimated to their fraternity and to living in close contact with others of their own age group.

An active attempt is made by Psi Upsilon to have its city members engage in campus activities. Too often the city student's circle of friends is limited to other city students and fraternity brothers. The friendship of students from other areas and with dissimilar opinions from one's own proves invaluable both at college and in later life.

Pledges and city brothers form an integral part of fraternity life. The one is the basis for further growth and expansion; the other will eventually be the real backbone of a fraternity: city alumni. For these reasons Psi Upsilon attempts, quite successfully, to make these two groups feel important and at home in their chosen fraternity.

PARTICIPATION OF MEMBERS AND PLEDGES IN CHAPTER ACTIVITIES: At one time or another in their fraternity careers, nearly all brothers hold an office. Through the system of elected and appointed offices, positions are apportioned as equitably as possible. Since there is no system of nominations, each senior is eligible for all senior offices, each junior for all junior offices, etc. Elections are unannounced, and the secret ballot is used, so that the man whom the chapter thinks is best qualified, not the best speaker, receives the office.

The pledges have their own government, which is supervised by the senior brothers which helps in preparing the pledges for more responsible positions within the chapter.

The individual brother cannot but gain from his experience of leadership in Psi Upsilon, since each member is given the opportunity to gain by direct contact with responsibility.

VOCATIONAL AID EXTENDED MEMBERS & PLEDGES: The main source of vocational guidance is the alumni of our chapter. A carefully kept file of the occupations and addresses of all alumni has proved to be an invaluable asset in establishing business contacts for the recent graduates. The local alumni are always willing to give vocational advice to the undergraduate and this opportunity has been used to the fullest extent.

PUBLICATIONS: We have our own chapter publications, "The Pi Garnet", which is issued 2 times a year and is written and published by the chapter members. This is sent to all the alumni whose names are annually checked in our alumni lists. Money for this publication comes from annual funds from the alumni which are collected by the trust association. This paper is either of four or six pages and is designed to satisfy both actives and alumni.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES WITH REGARD TO FINANCES: There have been no changes in the financial setup of Psi Upsilon. We have achieved an excellent system by delegating to one person, the house steward, the duties of treasurer, steward, and house manager. This position is filled by application to the Psi Upsilon Trust Association who weigh the merits of the applicants. An accounting or business major is usually chosen to fill the position, and this provides excellent experience for this man. An alumni accountant checks the house finances with the steward every two weeks, and bills are paid through the Trust Association. Jack Mann of Syracuse is our accountant at present, and through him advice is given to the steward on purchasing and bookkeeping.

FRATERNITY AND THE COMMUNITY: From March of '56, the house has a full list of community projects and public relations activities. In that month several pledges and brothers volunteered to work at a local scout camp. A full day's work resulted in several cabins being creosoted and painted. Last spring the house also played host to a university debate team.

On Army Week-end last fall the house entertained some fourteen cadets.

In December, in cooperation with the annual I. F. C. work detail for the city, our pledge class and several brothers washed windows at an organization on James Street. The chapter also held its annual orphan's party. The orphans were not able to travel to the house this year, so the site was changed to the Salvation Army Headquarters. The party was a chaotic success, climaxed with a Santa Claus brother handing out gifts to many children from all over the city.

The I-F-C-Pan-Hel social welfare project held last month, found Psi Upsilon teamed with Sigma Kappa. They entertained at the Syracuse Boy's Club, the two houses ran an annual Penny Carnival for two hours in the afternoon. The results of the project could be seen on television that night, as portions of the afternoon's activities were filmed by WSYR-TV.

RECREATION AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: The recreational program of Psi Upsilon is typical of collegiate recreation. Several of the brothers participate in varsity competition, and nearly all the rest take part in intramural sports. Both last year and this year, Psi Upsilon initiated the Inter-Fraternity football league. The brothers won the championship trophy in this league for the same two years. The brothers and the pledges of the chapter often compete throughout the year in various sports.

FRATERNITY AND SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY: The members of Psi Upsilon have participated in a great many activities in the university. Several honors have fallen to members of Psi Upsilon in recognition for their services to the university and even more important there is a diverse interest in the house, leading to varied list of activities.

Last spring we proved that spirit can do wonders by winning the "most original" division of the Spring Float Contest. Also during that time of year, Psi U operated a booth in the Campus Chest Carnival, contributing substantially to that charity. We entered the I. F. C. ring, losing in the first round due to a lack of intensive practice because of a university ruling regarding our status.

Since most of the members are somewhat sports-minded, the football trophy was again awarded for excellence in intramural fraternity football league.

Our honorary list is composed of members of Boards Head, Orange Key, Sigma Tau Rao speech honorary, and their men in Scarbbard and Blade Military honorary.

Our members have been engaged in both freshman and varsity crew, lacrosse, baseball, football, basketball, wrestling, skiing.

CHI CHAPTER

The Chi Chapter this year has experienced one of its best years. House spirit is at a maximum and this collective effort manifested itself in the finest rushing record in the history of the chapter. The effects of this unification were also evident in the successful house functions held by the chapter this year—particularly enjoyable were those weekends devoted to the parents and the faculty. Lastly, the campus has indicated its respect for the brothers by voting them into many of the top positions on campus.

PLEDGING: Rushing his year was very successful. At the end of the first week of the two-week rushing period, the house realized that it was doing very well and started to think of fewer bids than was customary in the past. At the end of the second week 27 bids were handed out and 26 were returned—a return of 96%.

Upon pledging the house, the freshmen were quick to assume their responsibilities within the house and seemed eager to learn how it functioned. We expect this class to add much to the house and to the university in their four years at Cornell.

This spring we initiated 20 of the 26 pledges—following our policy of initiating only those in good scholastic standing with the university. It was gratifying to learn at the end of the year that of the six boys we pledged while on probation, four worked their way off probation this spring. These boys will be initiated next fall.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Psi U has always been one of the top activities houses at Cornell. In the ten to twelve years that the IFC has awarded an activities plaque, Psi U has never placed anywhere except first, second or third. This year we placed second in activities per man. The winning house is a house of about half our size. We are first on the campus in athletics.

Psi U has never made a conscious effort to force its members into activities; however, in general we rush and pledge the type of man who is going to contribute to the university community. This coming year looks as though it will be another good year. Topping the list of Psi U held jobs are President of the IFC and President of the Student Union. Also we have many up and coming freshmen athletes—three of whom were captains of their freshmen squads.

SCHOLARSHIP: It is in the field of academics that the chapter has fallen down in recent years. Our house is very low in the fraternity standings, and last year the house average was below the all-men university average. This year the house average improved a little, although the final figures are not out yet.

The reasons for this low scholastic standing are undoubtedly many fold, but we feel that the two main reasons are (1) the type of individual in the chapter now, and (2) the poor academic atmosphere maintained in the house. This first reason we are unwilling to change. This is not to say that we are interested in the man who is unable to handle his studies; but rather it is to say that we are more interested in the 78 or 80 student who contributes to the university in other fields than we are in the 85 or 90 student whose only contribution is academic excellence. Needless to say, we are looking for the men who can do both.

The second reason we are trying our best to correct. We took stricter measures in enforcing quiet hours this year than ever before. Also, our “big brother” system was used in effect as a means toward closer control over the study habits of the freshmen. This had a telling effect in the overall rise in the pledge’s grades.

It should be mentioned that we are not totally void in the academic area. This year we had three boys elected to Tau Beta Pi. Also three of the five engineering colleges have Psi U’s as presidents of their scholastic honorary societies.

SOCIAL: In the social area there are two points that we would like to mention aside from the fact that we had a very successful year. The first of these two highlights of the social season is the now annual occurrence—Parents Weekend. This year we had 35 sets of parents visit the house for the weekend. The high spot of the weekend is traditionally the barbecue

dinner held on the back terrace of the chapter house. This has become one of the most enjoyable weekends of the year, and is particularly nice for the parents of the freshmen, as it gives them an opportunity to see the house and to meet the members.

The other social event that has become tradition here at Psi U is the faculty cocktail party. We usually entertain about 75 faculty members and members of the administration staff. We are the only house that serves dinner to the faculty, and it has proven to be very successful. We have had many favorable comments concerning this event, and it serves as an excellent opportunity for the brothers and the staff to get acquainted.

BETA BETA CHAPTER

1956-1957 has been an interesting year for Beta Beta. The house opened with 13 active brothers and after a hectic rush week was able to pledge eight men. A combination of apathy on the part of the brothers, a late start in rushing and general misfortune caused the number to be small.

It soon became apparent that the chapter could run adequately on a smaller number than it has had in several years, and the various house department chairmen started to get their affairs in order. Brothers Hall and Woodward economized in the kitchen without detracting at all from the quality or quantity of the meals. Treasurer Ben Williams suggested that maid service be discontinued, and with brothers cleaning the house, the treasury compiled a nice nest egg. Brothers Boos and Holbrook did a fine job as social chairmen, and not only did they organize some fine fall house parties but they also substantially reduced the deficit. They were succeeded in January by Brothers Smith and Anderson who have continued the fine work.

Beta Beta's troubles, however, were just beginning. At mid-years in February the house average dropped to 71, third from the bottom in the fraternity standings. The faculty recommended that we be among those placed on social probation. The low average was due to a general *ennui* on the part of the brothers in regard to scholastic matters. Newly elected House President Bob Stevenson and the Colt Trust recommended a mandatory study hall in the college library for all brothers, a policy which has been followed out with good results. Mid-semester finds a few still in difficulty but with general improvement overall.

Despite the setback in rushing and the scholastic problems, the year has been a notable one for Beta Beta. In spite of our comparatively small numbers April finds us fourth out of fifteen in the intra-mural program. Led by Brothers Williams and Holbrook, the wrestling team took first place. The next day the swimming team took a fourth place with back-stroker Whitney and diver Moran taking firsts. This spring found us competing in softball and golf. The golf team took a third and while the results of the softball are still in the making it looks as though Psi U is good for a third or fourth. As usual we placed high in squash and tennis, taking thirds in both. All in all the Beta Beta has placed in six of the eleven various sports.

In other campus activities the Beta Beta is also well represented. Three of our seniors were among the eleven in the class of '57 for "Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities". They were: Brother Robert Stevenson, who is managing editor of the college weekly *The Tripod*; Brother John Shields, who is President of the Exchequer and Sports Car Clubs; and Brother Brooks Baker, who is our campus senator and president of the student body. Brother Baker also reports that the National Games, Inc. is manufacturing the educational children's game of "Spell-A-Vision" which he created last year. The Beta Beta also has Brothers Doran and Whitney on the executive board of the *Review*, the campus literary magazine. Brother Moran has a leading role in the Jester's spring production, "The Lady's Not For Burning" and Brother Stevenson is to

star in the Jester's original musical, "Never Do Today". Brother Moran was re-elected captain of the squash team.

The Colt Trust has met several times with the active brotherhood, and in response to a feeling that new blood was needed, three new members were elected from among the recent alumni. With the backing of the Colt Trust a drive was started to get some improvements in the physical plant. New carpets have been purchased for the first floor and with the help of Brother Eichacker '33, work was started on pine panelling the basement. One room has been completed and is furnished with a pool table which Brother Williams acquired and donated to the House. The brothers have also repainted one of the first floor rooms and wallpapered the television room as well as repainting all of the fireplaces and moldings around the house. All of these measures have had a great effect on the the general appearance of the house.

The brothers and alumni have been working hard on the rushing for next year and there is a strong indication that we will take an exceptionally fine pledge class next fall, although we hesitate to count chickens before they are hatched.

The House once again won the cup for the highest per capita contribution to the Campus Chest. At the I.F.C. stunt night the Beta Beta's presented a witty satire on the building of the college's Bell Tower which took a third prize. The skit was authored by Brother Stevenson. In February the annual February Festival was held and many of our Beta Beta alumni returned for the ceremonies. The Alumni Day Dinner in New York found the Beta Beta represented by Brothers Ben Williams, Nick Boos, and John Shields.

All in all it has been an interesting year for the Beta Beta and despite the major setbacks there has been a definite improvement in all of the departments and activities of the chapter and with the prospects for rushing looking so fine the returning brothers are looking forward to an even better year in '57-'58.

ETA CHAPTER

The root of all of the Eta's problems for the past several years has been the low number of brothers who have been living in the chapter house. With a concentrated drive on rushing during the past two years, particularly this year, we have filled the house to capacity for the fall and expect an even greater number of brothers and pledges next spring. With this added number, we have conquered scholastic, financial and social problems and look toward this fall with optimism and confidence.

House improvements made during the past year, coupled with those made this summer have restored every part of the chapter house to excellent physical condition. This summer the trim and porches on the outside of the house were scraped and painted. A new refrigerator for the kitchen was purchased, and we have been able to borrow a food freezer free of charge, cutting our food costs appreciably. The front yard has been re-seeded, and trees have been trimmed and cut. The pledges have started a project to remodel our game-room to give it an old-English atmosphere. Old desks and beds are being replaced by new ones. The Mothers' Club has proved not only a fine social institution but a source of funds for accomplishing minor improvements in the house that ladies appreciate. They have redecorated the ladies' room, bought lamps, pictures, plants and end tables.

Extra-curricular activities have been stressed particularly hard this year, this being one area in which the pledges excel. Pledges were represented on freshman football, basketball, track, soccer, lacrosse, hockey, tennis and rifle teams. The brothers played on soccer, cross-country, football, track and hockey teams. Others hold such positions as editor-in-chief of the school newspaper, members of Arcadia, our central student governing body, members of the class

cabinets and officers of military societies, honoraries and course societies. Members of Mustard and Cheese, the dramatic society, the debating team, Brown Key, Lehigh's athletic society, the Lehigh band, the radio station, editor of the fraternity rushing handbook, editor of the freshman handbook and members of several student-faculty committees. All pledges are required to participate in at least two extra-curricular activities and the brothers in three.

After experiencing scholastic difficulties for several years, the chapter ranked 11th among Lehigh's 30 fraternities a year ago last spring. Then, during the fall semester, we allowed many second-year pledges with low grades to live in the house. These men had much to do with placing the chapter on scholastic probation at the mid-year point. These pledges were depledged for failing to make the required average, and our scholastic standards were raised during rushing when we admitted as pledges only those men who had attained satisfactory grades during the fall semester. The house was restored to good scholastic standing following the spring semester with the pledges receiving excellent grades and the brothers improving greatly over their fall ranking. The chapter was commended by the dean of students at mid-semester last spring for being the third best fraternity in the lowest number of members failing courses.

At the Goodale Literary Association (our chapter alumni organization) meeting last fall and again in June, plans were laid for organizing Psi U alumni in the Bethlehem area for purposes of holding gatherings for these brothers at the chapter house this fall.

Publicity has kept the chapter in contact with alumni, other chapters and Lehigh undergraduates. The "Whippoorwill," our chapter publication, published twice annually has brought wide response. Rushing pamphlets which describe the chapter house and its members were distributed to freshmen before rushing. We were one of the few houses on campus to do this. We also continued to contact incoming Lehigh freshmen over the summer for purposes of selecting good Psi U material. Brothers who are members of various campus publications have given the house excellent publicity. Our fire engine was featured in a story in a Bethlehem paper last spring.

Increasing financial problems were solved by several new rules we instituted this spring. One is to issue house bills at the beginning of each month, making them payable on the 15th. Another is to have each member contribute twenty dollars to a "delinquency pool," a fund from which money is drawn to pay the house bill of a brother who fails to pay on time. This plan is effective, because the delinquent brother then owes the money to every brother, not to the house, and in order for the brothers to get their money back, the bill must be paid. We also have two paying dishwasher jobs available in the kitchen for brothers who are behind in paying their bills.

House morale has constantly been improving with the added number of brothers in the house. We have continued to hold a Christmas party each year for unfortunate children from the local area and have recently instituted a Hallow'een party which has become quite popular. Brothers also gave blood last spring for a local boy who was suffering from a rare blood disease. The fire engine has become another morale booster and is a familiar sight on campus. Pledging has been made more practical, and we have slanted every effort to produce Psi U's who will be active not only for their four years at Lehigh, but for years to come. We have selected a new, more active faculty advisor and have continued to maintain close faculty relations by inviting faculty and administrative members to the house for dinner. Literary meetings are held twice each semester and we include one or more literary exercise in every meeting. We at the Eta feel that the foundation has been laid and that the plans and traditions we have instituted during the past year will continue to maintain the Eta's high position among fraternities at Lehigh.

TAU CHAPTER

An amazing transformation of the physical appearance of the Tau Chapter during this last year has taken place, paralleled by commensurate improvements in the number of members, their scholarship, and their participation in extra-curricular activities. The more intangible aspects of the house have not remained dormant either, as our alumni relations and results of rushing show.

What strikes the eye first upon entering the chapter house is the lightened living room and dining room, now that the ceiling has been repainted. The stairwell has been brightened with a coat of the same color. More noticeable are the new rugs from the first to the third floor.

This redecoration so urgently needed was made possible through the support of the active alumni and work of the brothers. In the fall a vigorous campaign was held asking the past members of the Tau for donations. They responded with the typical Psi U spirit, giving a more than adequate amount for the project. The remaining money will be used to buy a new stove for the kitchen and to finance other vital repairs. The brothers, working together did the entire job of painting. An even closer unity was fostered.

This undoubtedly affected the splendid results of rushing. We pledged seventeen men, who promise to continue being outstanding in their intellectual attainments, athletic endeavor, and other extra-curricular pursuits.

Last year there was much consternation regarding the chapter's low scholastic standing. The situation has been remedied. Through conscientious application the chapter rose from thirty-sixth to twenty-first. This is the second largest increase in standing among the thirty-eight fraternities at the University of Pennsylvania. When this year's statistics are released this fall we look confidently forward to seeing this position retained or bettered.

We feel that the chapter is on the road back to preeminence at the university, as the large amount of brothers participating in extra-curricular activities indicates. Some of these are freshman and varsity crew, lightweight football, swimming, tennis, golf and weight-lifting. Playing a less active role is a soccer manager and a member of the athletic managerial board. There is a man on the *Daily Pennsylvanian*, the glee club, the band, Mask and Wig Club which is the honor society of Penn's famous dramatic group.

The house was particularly pleased to have one of the brothers given the chairmanship of the Houston Hall, the governing body of the oldest student union in the United States. Equally gratifying was the election of another to chairmanship of the Undergraduate Council.

Most indicative of the improvement is the increased membership in the campus honorary societies, Friars, Sphinx and Phi Kappa Beta.

In order to cement more firmly the existing bonds between the alumni and the undergraduates, a division of Psi Upsilon of Philadelphia has been set up, the members of which will work closely with the undergraduates, as advisors and active supporters. Such a liaison group has been needed desperately. It augurs well for further improvement in the house.

All of these ameliorations in membership, scholarship, extra-curricular activities have brought the house a long way from the nil accomplishment of several years ago. We confidently look forward to the coming year, expecting the chapter to become an even greater credit to the fraternity.

MU CHAPTER

We of the Mu Chapter feel that we have much to be proud of in our achievements of this past year. Many improvements both in the house and in fraternal feeling have contributed to our continued status as a leader among the University of Minnesota's fraternities.

HOUSE: There have been many noteworthy improvements in the physical condition of our house since last year. We have built a new addition in our basement, called the "Grotto," which is a sort of party room off the dining room intended for intimate conversation by soft candlelight.

Our kitchen has been completely renovated. We have acquired all new stainless steel silverware, a new refrigerator, milk machine, freezer, toaster, coffee maker, new dishes and pots and pans and a new ventilation system.

We have all new furniture in our living room and the new carpeting and drapes have been ordered. Brother Ray Beim, a very active and interested alumnus of the Mu, is contributing a baby grand piano for our living room. Next fall, we will have, by far, the most beautiful living room of all the fraternities on this campus.

There have been many new desks and drapes put in the rooms and all in all our house is in the most beautiful condition it has been in for many years.

There has been much interest shown by the brothers in a new library which would possibly be built next year on the second floor.

ALUMNI AND MOTHERS CLUB: We of the Mu, are blessed with an interested and active alumni association and Mother's Club. The alumni have been of invaluable help to us in many ways in this past year, and their guiding hand has been greatly appreciated.

In order to strengthen relations with our alumni, we have printed a chapter newspaper called the "Psi U Muses" which was very favorably received by the alumni. We now have a complete up-to-date mailing list of all the Psi U alumni in Minnesota and each brother's name is on an address-o-graph plate. This, of course, greatly facilitates our keeping all our brothers in constant contact with all the happenings at the house.

We have had an alumni "stag" at the house and a banquet at Woodhill Country Club. Both of these events were heavily attended and great successes.

Our Mother's Club has, as in years past, shown great interest in keeping up the physical condition of our house. It has contributed most of the new drapes, bedspreads and mirrors which we now have. We have had several functions during the year with the Mother's Club and they have been very good strengthening ties with this important group.

ATHLETICS: Two of our brothers have achieved prominence in the last year in varsity athletics. George Klein is the captain of the Minnesota basketball team next year and broke the Big Ten scoring record for the single game during this past season. Perry Gehring will be the starting end for the Minnesota football team this next season and, according to sports writers in this area, both men stand a good chance to become All-American next year.

In intra-mural athletics, the Mu has maintained its prominent position in the system again this year. A first place in swimming, second in hockey, third in track and baseball make us very good contenders for the All-Participation Trophy given by the university every year to the top scoring fraternity in sports.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: In the annual Campus Carnival, the Mu Chapter placed first and second for most original concession (an egg throwing game) and for most ticket sales.

One of our brothers has inaugurated a very successful pledge program which has been adopted by the IFC as part of its regular policy. Another was the editor of the Greek Week Magazine. Another is head of the Fraternity Purchasing Association Committee.

SOCIAL: The Mu has had a very successful social season again this

year. We have been very much in demand by other fraternities and sororities for co-parties and exchanges. Our many theme parties this past year set a new high in originality and entertainment. The name of Psi Upsilon on the Minnesota campus has risen considerably socially this past year.

CHAPTER: We have had several problems which have arisen this past year which we feel we should include in this report. One is inactivity. A total of nine brothers have gone inactive for various reasons, only half of which the chapter felt were valid. When the chapter voted against their reasons, it realized the futility of such a move because of its inability to enforce such a decision under the present Constitution. Perhaps this problem could be brought before the convention so that some legislation might result.

Unfortunately, we cannot point with pride to our scholastic achievement this past year. From a strong academic position last year, we have dropped to average standings. We do have a handful of brothers who consistently maintain excellent scholastic records, but the majority do not try as hard as they should. We have concluded that it's necessary to pledge only those men of proven academic worth. We also will institute a study program for next fall's pledge class which will be as important a part of their pledging as any other.

RUSHING: We have pledged many good men this past quarter and, because of the improved condition of the house and our ranking on campus, we are looking forward to a very successful rush next fall. There is certainly a very evident feeling here that this chapter will very soon rank top at Minnesota in every area, possibly next year.

RHO CHAPTER

Fraternities like everything else have their cycles. At the close of the first semester in January, the last of a strong group of seniors, who had given much to the chapter in their four years, graduated. This left us with a very young chapter, the majority of whom are sophomores and freshmen. The poor rushing of two and three years ago hurt us in the overall maturity of the members, but it also forced responsibilities and duties on our younger members, teaching them things that they would not have had the opportunity to learn so early, had our junior and senior classes been full. They will be able to add much more in the coming years.

In the past we have considered ourselves a conservative fraternity in that we are not an athletic club or one that goes wild over every campus activity. We do have several members out for varsity athletics, and we did win several division intra-mural trophies this year, but it was nothing to brag about. With our entry into the all-university Campus Carnival this spring, a new high was reached in our participation in campus activities; this was a break from the past tradition and a good thing.

The university here classifies us as a social fraternity. Friendships and brotherhood are built between people who can enjoy themselves together. Our social calendar was well-filled with a variety of social events, ranging from beer suppers with every good sorority to two large scale formals. By following a plan of moderation and variety, we tried to satisfy as many members as possible, and, looking back, the opinion of most was that we had succeeded.

Social life and scholarship have a nasty habit of not mixing too well and so moderation of our social life was necessary. Studying is an individual thing, and cannot be forced upon anyone; all we hoped to do was give the members and pledges the time and create the atmosphere. The first semester found us above last year's showing but still well down the ladder compared

with the other fraternities on campus. One interesting fact is that the pledges ranked much better than the actives and were quite high as compared with other pledge classes from the other fraternities, a good sign for the coming years.

We firmly believe that we had a successful school year, and the coming year will be even better. Immaturity was our one main problem, and this we are not worried about, as it is self-correcting.

EPSILON CHAPTER

This school year for the Epsilon Chapter of Psi Upsilon at the University of California has been one of the most successful years in our chapter's history. Thirty of the brothers returned last September to prepare the house for rushing which begins the week before registration. For our fourth semester in a row the Epsilon Chapter boasted one of the best rushing records on campus. Twenty bids were accepted out of the twenty-two that were offered. Nineteen out of these twenty pledges made their grades and became new brothers. This was the top pledge class on campus of the national fraternities.

Our scholarship record was amazing. Out of fifty-two fraternities at the University of California, the Epsilon Chapter ranked sixth academically with an overall average of 1.4318. This average of 1.4318 means that each member averaged two B's and two C's.

Our social schedule this semester was filled with many fine parties, exchanges, an overnight, our annual Christmas Party, the Spring Barn Dance, and our South of the Border Party. Our annual Christmas Party will long be remembered as being most gratifying to the chapter. Each year we invite several dozen underprivileged children of all races and give them a party with Christmas presents, games, and a "genuine" Santa Claus, portrayed by one of the heavier members of the chapter. After the children were taken care of, the brothers went Christmas caroling and danced at a private home in Piedmont.

Highlighting our spring semester was our overnight at a hotel overlooking the famous "17-mile drive" at Carmel-by-the-Sea. We enjoyed their swimming pool, ballroom, and bar immensely. Last but not least, our social calendar was rounded out by the traditional freshman play which was highly entertaining.

The Epsilon Chapter is noted for its fine participation in athletics and school activities. In the fall six brothers participated in varsity and junior varsity football. We also had one of the mainstays of the California Rugby team, which had a terrific record and a participant in varsity basketball.

In the spring our track team was bolstered by three Epsilons, and our varsity crew had two starting rowers on the first shell.

Other brothers did very well in golf, swimming and water polo.

The Epsilon Chapter is very well represented in the men's honorary societies on campus. Ten of the brothers are in Triune, the sophomore men's honor society. Almost all of the entire senior class are members of Winged Helmet or Skull and Keys, which are the senior men's honorary social clubs. We are especially proud of Brother Larry Woodward who was president of Skull and Keys last semester.

Financially, this year was one of the most successful for the Epsilon Chapter. With our house filled to capacity, our house bills were lowered individually, and we were able to erase a large debt, with the help of our alumni.

We were especially proud of the fact that Brother Tom Dutton '54, an excellent football player and Phi Beta Kappa, has become the Assistant Dean of Student, with the duty of being a liaison officer between the fraternities and the administration.

In conclusion, we firmly feel that our achievements this year academically, socially, financially, and fraternally have greatly strengthened Psi Upsilon's fine name and record here at the University of California.

OMICRON CHAPTER

The past year in the history of the Omicron will long be remembered as a period of extraordinary accomplishment by the chapter in all areas in which the fraternity participated actively. Namely these are—scholarship proficiency, representation in university activities, social recognition and success in Inter-Fraternity Intra-mural competition. Beyond the efforts of the undergraduates, the Omicron also has had its physical plant changed and remodeled to meet the increased enrollments at the University of Illinois thru the untiring efforts of our Omicron Alumni Association.

The scholastic proficiency of the chapter during the past year has been recognized not only by the university but by many undergraduate societies on the campus which awarded brothers of the Omicron unusual and distinct honors.

Brother Kenneth Derby, senior in civil engineering, and Brother James Archer, senior in history, were both named to the University Bronze Tablet. To be named for this singular honor they had to remain in the upper 3% of their respective colleges for their junior and senior years at the university. Brother Derby had an all-university average of 4.96 out of a possible 5.00 and Brother Archer had a 4.94 average which entitled them to this honor. Also Brothers Derby and Archer received both class honors and college honors. Brother Derby is a member and president of the local chapter of Tau Beta Pi while Brother Archer was named for membership in Phi Alpha Theta, national history honorary and received a \$100.00 fellowship for his scholastic proficiency.

Two freshmen, now Brothers Hinrichs and Pease, were both named to Phi Eta Sigma, freshman scholastic honorary for having 4.5 averages for their first semesters work in the university.

The freshman new-initiate class had a cumulative average of 4.34 out of a five point, which leads the chapter to believe that the newer brothers will be keeping up the traditions of their predecessors.

The chapter as a whole, however, is still in need of stronger development of scholastic potential. The chapter ranked 41 out of 58 fraternities last semester, compared with 49th in the previous semester, showing some improvement, but definitely inconsistent with the scholastic ideals of our fraternity. Recognizing this deficiency of the chapter, the chapter has tried to take some positive steps in the hope of increasing our position on the University of Illinois campus in respect to scholarship.

Some of the means initiated are: the awarding of a scholarship key each semester to the brother showing the greatest scholastic improvement record and to the freshman who has the highest grade point average for one semester's work. In addition the alumni association has each year for the past three years awarded to the pledge who has had the best grades, activities, house participation and qualities which are typical of a Psi U, the Kenneth Reimer Memorial award. Outside of these material awards and incentives for better scholarship the chapter has increased the evening study hour time, initiated a weekly check on the grades of pledges and developed a tutoring system by which brothers tutor each other and the pledges in subjects they are having difficulty with. Loss of seniority and other chapter privileges also face the brother who has not kept himself in good scholastic standing with the university. The chapter is now in the process of developing further their scholarship program in the hopes of having the Omicron in the top twenty and then the top ten and then on the very top of the 58 fraternities on the Illinois Campus.

The past year has found more brothers of the Omicron in increasingly high positions of responsibility on the university campus. Brother Kenneth Derby was elected President of Tau Beta Pi and named as Battalion Commander of the University Army R.O.T.C. in recognition of his military proficiency and high scholarship. He was also named to Wa-Naw-See, Senior Men's Activity Honorary. Brother Sheldon Hauck was named one of the eight student directors on the Illini Union Board and later elected as President of the Illini Union and vice-

chairman of the Illini Union Board. The Illini Union is the supervisor and overseer of all student activities on the university campus. He was also tapped for Ma-Wan-Da, the top university senior men's honorary, one of the first Psi U's in contemporary Illinois history. He was one of 22 senior men picked for this honor. Brother Deane Haning was named chairman of the annual spring musical, Brother Jack Gill was named as chairman of the annual career conference on the campus. Brother Andrew Machata is the sophomore swimming manager. Brother Fielder Dowding has just finished the year as a sophomore manager of the school year-book, *The ILLIO*. Brother Hinrichs finished a year as a sophomore manager on the concert and entertainment board. It can be reported that every brother in the house has been representing Psi U in a university activity of his particular interest, all of which has helped to enhance our name on this campus.

In the field of intra-mural sports, the Omicron hopes to keep up its position of 13th out of 58 fraternities which it enjoyed last year. Moving towards that goal we have won the baseball and water polo leagues and been near the top in football and basketball, while individual efforts in track, swimming, gymnastics and other sports have not gone unrecognized with the awarding of several individual trophies. Our efforts in this area are major and have paid big dividends.

The house next year will be in the best physical and financial condition in its history. For years the Omicron has suffered on the Illinois campus by being one of the smaller houses, making it difficult to compete with the larger houses which average 60 to 65 men each, while the Omicron had a maximum enrollment of 48. The alumni association during the past three years has spent upwards of \$12,000 in remodeling, with completely new furniture and fixtures, the living room, solarium, library and dining room, which made our first floor the most beautiful on the campus. During the past year upwards of \$15,000 was spent in carpeting the second and third floors, repainting the entire house inside from top to bottom, installing new light fixtures, rewiring the entire house, providing 45 new mattresses for the dorm, new doors and moldings throughout the house, all of which made our house without a doubt the best physical plant on the entire campus. This is a factor which plays a predominant part in rushing and pledging on this campus, a fact which certainly came to light last year in rushing. In addition, the alumni have just finished spending an additional \$20-25,000 in furnishing 6 new study rooms in the ground floor to accommodate 15 more men, raising our fall enrollment to 62 men. These rooms are the most modern in every respect; adequate lighting, tile floors, flush doors; large wall closets and adequate furnishings. With the increased enrollment in the house, we will be in an extremely advantageous financial and physical condition to meet the increasingly severe inter-fraternity competition on the campus. This advantage will help immensely in moving Psi U to the top and enable it to maintain its present enviable position of being among the top twenty fraternities on the Illinois campus.

DELTA DELTA CHAPTER

This year at Williams has been one in which the fraternities have had to examine their very grounds for existence. Never before has there been so much investigation of almost every aspect of fraternity life and values. The very atmosphere of the campus has caused every fraternity to examine itself, looking for and attempting to improve its weaker aspects. We at the Delta Delta Chapter have felt the atmosphere and resulting pressure and have paused and taken a look at ourselves. The following report should reveal just exactly what we have done in light of the situation. We have achieved considerable; yet we have fallen down in some aspects as far as major improvement is concerned. It is important to face the facts as they are and not as you would like to believe

they are. With this in mind, we have tried to trace various trends in the house by being as objective as possible.

PHYSICAL PLANT: There are few who would deny that the Delta Delta Chapter is the top physical plant among the fraternities at Williams. This has been the case, and it will continue to be so with our present system of cleanerships and our long range plans for major improvements.

Within the last year we have bought new drapes for the dining room, tiled the second floor bathroom walls, refinished the living room floor, repainted the second floor hall, covered the kitchen floor with asbestos tile, redecorated the ladies bathroom, and we have maintained our annual policy of keeping our plant up-to-date, all at great expense, since our plant is a huge operation.

We have a house cleanership system which serves a twofold purpose: first, it permits undergraduates who are in need of financial assistance to receive the needed remuneration in return for which they do the house a service. Second, the service rendered by the housemen keeps the house in fine condition. This system has been a considerable success as far as it accomplishes both of these purposes.

An example of our long range major improvements was evidenced and achieved this past summer. The entire heating system was overhauled, and a complete electrical job was done throughout the house, which includes among other things a boost in the amperage.

The combination of our present system of cleanerships and long range plans for major improvements will continue to keep the house in top physical condition.

MEMBERSHIP: Last fall we pledged and later initiated 18 sophomores. This spring we pledged and initiated one more sophomore, bringing our total to 19, one above the quota set by the college. This makes the total membership of the junior and senior classes, 37. If our rushing pays off this fall, we shall be in the top three houses as far as total membership goes.

The 19 initiates are from all over the country, from California to Maine. The northeast has the largest representation followed by the midwest.

With the addition of this very diversified group, the house representation in campus activities has increased considerably, but still leaves something to be desired. The trend is favorable as far as the number of individuals joining the various activities is concerned. Should we get the class we expect this year, our position will be considerably improved.

The activity in which the house is best represented at the present time is the college radio station, WMS. We have five members in the station, three of them being in an executive capacity. We have three members on the college newspaper, the *WILLIAMS RECORD*, the advertising manager, the subscription manager and the other is a member of the editorial board. The *RECORD* is extremely influential in formulating and influencing campus opinion. One activity in which we have made a tremendous improvement is the college theatre. Four of the brothers have taken parts in various productions, and one brother directed two of the productions. The Young Republicans Club was organized and is controlled by members of the house, one of them being the president. We have two of the members of the house representing us in the best dixieland band on the campus and one of the leaders in the Country, Phinney's Favorite Five. As far as varsity sports are concerned, we are not well represented with 16 letter winners. Our intramural program has been the activity of the house in which we may take the most pride as far as improvement is concerned. Last year we were approximately tenth in the overall intramural standings. This year we have moved up to sixth, only a few points away from the third, fourth, and fifth place

teams. Out of twenty participants this is a considerable improvement, and one that is likely to continue because of the junior participants.

PUBLICITY: The house newspaper, THE DELTA DELTA, has made three appearances this year, all of them excellent. This is a top quality paper, and one of the very positive aspects of the house. The undergraduates write all of the articles and publish it themselves.

The paper is sent to all of the Delta Delta alumni, undergraduates' parents, and every chapter of Psi Upsilon. This is a tremendous success in linking the chapter and its activities with those who should know and be interested in just exactly what we are doing.

One thing that is not connected with THE DELTA DELTA, but has been extremely influential in promoting publicity and good relations, was our annual faculty cocktail party on May 1. Close to two hundred faculty and their wives enjoyed cocktails and a lavish buffet dinner at the house. The comments received after the affair from those who attended indicate that it did a great deal in furthering faculty-undergraduate relations.

ALUMNI RELATIONS: We are very proud of the steps taken in this direction. This last year we have formed an Alumni Relations Committee with multifold purposes. The purposes are:

- (1) Publish THE DELTA DELTA.
- (2) Aid the corresponding secretary in sending out invitations, Christmas cards, and thank you notes.
- (3) Work with alumni committees on money-raising projects other than regular house drives.
- (4) Advise the president and the house of alumni visitations.
- (5) Prepare entertainment for visiting alumni and guests.
- (6) Co-ordinate alumni-undergraduate activities.
- (7) Suggest to, or advise president and house of possible alumni-undergraduate policy.

The idea of the formation of such a committee is a good sign in itself, but it is so easy for such a committee to lapse into inaction because there is little it *has* to do, but a great deal it *can* do, with the proper initiative. The first year of this committee has been a busy one, and quite fruitful. Two examples should serve as evidence. First, the committee was instrumental in organizing and running the weekend of April 27, 1957. This weekend was chosen by our alumni directors, The Delta Delta Society Incorporated, for their annual Williamstown meeting. The meeting was surrounded by planned meals and undergraduate-alumni activities, all of which were quite successful, largely because of the work of the Alumni Relations Committee. The second example of its work is in little better than embryonic form but holds promise of becoming one of the biggest achievements that this chapter could make. This is the formulation of a scholarship program for the house. The committee is currently working with our Alumni Scholarship Committee by advising it as to the best ways to award the various gifts to the undergraduates. When a fund is established, and scholarship award prepared for, the work of the two committees will reach fruition.

The committee has paid off. Its scope is large, but for a committee that is not even a year old, its achievements and current effort has also been large.

CONCLUSIONS: We should like to mention in more detail what I hinted at in the opening paragraph when I mentioned the "atmosphere"

of the college in regards to fraternities and their values.

The following undergraduate reports were made this year:

- (1) The Gargoyle Report on Total Opportunity.
- (2) The report of the Williams College Council Committee on Discrimination.
- (3) An Undergraduate Proposal to Abolish Fraternities.

The Total Opportunity proposal called for the fraternities on the campus to take every person who wanted to join a fraternity, The plan would permit any rushee to become a social member of some fraternity the period of one month. If at the end of that period the fraternity wanted to sever relations with the social member, it could do so. On the other hand, if it wished to pledge him, it could do this. There were other minor issues that went along with this, but the essential point of the proposal was the one month's social membership.

The Discrimination report was an exhaustive investigation into the history of discrimination on the part of the fraternities since the end of World War II. This was not a drive for total opportunity, but equal opportunity. An exploration of "the area in which considerations other than character and personality are present in the selection process."

The proposal to abolish fraternities at Williams was obviously the most radical proposal to appear. It was signed by 22 of the more respected undergraduates on the campus and presented to the president and trustees of the college. The plan would have the college buy the fraternities and turn them into dormitories. The endorsers claimed that this would do away with the weak aspects of fraternities and preserve their good points.

The results of these three reports: the total opportunity report was voted down by a joint meeting of the College and Social Councils because of certain obvious defects in the proposal and a desire to retain the fraternity privilege of selection; the discrimination report was not to have been voted on, as it was an investigation, not a plan; but the results have been something to make certain houses think; the proposal to abolish fraternities was defeated by the president and the trustees, but the whole issue is by no means dead.

It is in this atmosphere that the fraternities at Williams must attempt to improve themselves in every aspect and, by doing so, rid the college of the existing atmosphere. We feel that people tend to become carried away with some of the talk, and they then begin to overlook the facts and certain values that fraternity life has to offer. The Delta Delta Chapter has members representing every point of view. In a way this is a very good thing, because this is when weaker aspects are aired. Once they are in plain view, they can be corrected, and this is what we, as well as every other house on the campus, are trying to do. Our attempts to strengthen ourself are present, and even some results of these attempts are discernable. The future, not *in spite of* the atmosphere prevalent on the campus, but primarily *because of* it, holds promise for the realization of our attempts to improve and strengthen the chapter.

THETA THETA CHAPTER

The Theta Theta pledged thirty fine members in 1956. Twenty-six of these men have now been initiated. This fraternity has shown the strength that is necessary to climb into the forefront of extra-curricular campus activities. The organized groups on the Washington campus are offered numerous activities in which to participate. It is senseless to enter something which you

have little talent in or which will hurt you scholastically. With this in mind we have been careful before entering into each event. By doing this we have had more time to accomplish our objectives and gained a winning attitude. Just this spring we campaigned for Brother Bob Knight who walked off with Junior Class President for next year.

We entered the Sophomore Carnival which consists of vaudeville acts of all fraternities and sororities. The acts are judged on originality, construction and crowd appeal. By preparing for this event for several weeks and with the help of the Alpha Chi Omega sorority we took second place in the doubles contest. Co-chairmen and hardest workers on the carnival were Brothers Brock Scott and Tom Parrman.

Varsity athletics this year found some Theta Thetas winning Big W's and freshman numerals in golf, crew and swimming.

Intramural athletics are very competitive at Washington. This year Psi U has been in the quarter finals in basketball and currently won its league in baseball, which leaves us in sight of the championship. Participation in intramurals this year has been excellent.

The 1956 scholarship standing of Psi U on this campus was quite low. This year we have become much more scholarship conscious. The program is one of concentrated effort on those whose grades are just good enough to stay in school. They are the ones who pull the grade average down below the all men's average. Those who fall below a 2.3 grade point (based on 4 point possible) have mid-quarter grade cards sent to their instructors the following quarter. If their grades do not show considerable improvement, they are forced to study on weekends. The freshmen must abide study hours which are from 7 to 10 o'clock, five nights a week. This program has resulted in bringing the average up to a 2.36 last quarter which should be above the all men's average. Never has the all fraternity average been higher than the all men's average.

Ken Elliott who is the new rushing chairman is now preparing for our summer rushing program. This is a tremendous job and Ken is tackling it with much vigor. The Psi U's are showing much enthusiasm in anticipation of next years rushing.

The fraternities at the University of Washington are getting increasingly more competitive in every aspect of college activities. Every so often a particular fraternity appears to others as the top house on campus. We feel that the Theta Theta is ready to take this position.

NU CHAPTER

The Nu is pleased to report a successful year academically, socially, and in the field of athletics.

SCHOLARSHIP: The Nu regrets that because of non-recognition of fraternities by the University of Toronto, we are unable to give a comparative academic report. However, it would appear that the Nu has maintained its high scholastic standing. Fourteen brothers received their diplomas at graduation this year, among them Brother Ross Kennedy who obtained an honour standing for the fourth consecutive year and stood first in the School of Commerce and Finance. Undergraduate results are as yet incomplete but already we have been informed that Brother John R. M. Bristol has received the Sigmund Samuelson Award for East Asiatic Studies. It appears at this time that the remainder of the brothers on the whole maintained a satisfactory record.

ATHLETICS: Hats off to Brother Norm Williams who was recently chosen by the University as the leading contributor to athletics at the University of Toronto. Brother Williams starred at track and football

and was the president of his faculty's athletic executive. Favourable performances were also shown by many other brothers on the athletic field. Brother Pete Potter was again captain of the Varsity basketball team, and the Chapter was represented on the intercollegiate teams in football, hockey, basketball, skiing, and track. There being no organized interfraternity competition, many brothers represented their respective colleges with credit in the intramural circuits.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES: Socially, the year began well with a large turnout at Homecoming Week-end, continuing through a series of successful football parties to a first term climax at the Christmas banquet and dance. A warm glow was added to the latter occasion by continuing the tradition of a Christmas party of underprivileged children. The highlight of the year came with the Spring Formal and the Grad-Active Banquet, where a very fine turnout of grads was most stimulating to the active Chapter.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: The participation of several brothers in Student Government is indicative of our well-rounded Chapter interests. Among these were Brother John Sheppard who joined Brother Williams on the University Athletic Administration Committee and Brother Gordon Scott who was active on the Faculty of Dentistry Executive.

FOR THE FUTURE: This autumn, when the new term begins, fourteen of the older, more experienced brothers will be gone. This means that a very active rushing and pledging campaign must be undertaken. We have been very successful in the past and we are again looking forward to a full year of University and Fraternity life.

In closing, we would like to remind all brothers of Psi Upsilon that the doors of the Nu Chapter are always open in anticipation of your future visits.

EPSILON PHI CHAPTER

The brothers of Epsilon Phi are able to look back with pride on a highly successful year. The previous year's record was outstanding, but we feel that this one is equal to it.

In order to clarify some of the figures used in this report, the following information will probably be advantageous. The total fraternity membership at McGill, about 720 men, amounts to about 15% of the university's enrollment. The E Phi maintains an active chapter of approximately thirty-five.

We feel that we are at, or near the top of, the fraternity list on the McGill campus, and each year-end review seem to confirm our opinion. The house is definitely well-rounded and versatile. There is probably not another more active fraternity on the campus as far as extra-curricular affairs are concerned.

The number and quality of our athletes also compares favorably with those of any other house.

As is the case with many people, we also feel that a good social life is important. We try, however, to limit the number of social events, and most of them have turned out successfully. We have two annual open house parties that are well attended, much talked about, and much enjoyed by the campus at large. This year's closing party was the best in several years. Our scholastic record, often most important and least attended to, was very gratifying this year and showed a large improvement over that of the previous year.

To allow use of greater detail, the rest of the report will be divided into the following sections: Scholarship, Extra-curricular Activities, Athletics and General.

SCHOLARSHIP: The scholastic record of the fraternity improved greatly during the past year. Final exams have been completed at McGill

and, with nearly all results received, only two men have failed to make the grade. This, added to the two who failed out at Christmas, results in a fifty per cent improvement over the eight who were forced out of school last year. Two of the fellows are returning so our actual strength in numbers will be weakened very little. We attribute part of this improvement to our "big brother" system of supervision which received more than usual expphasis this year. Under this plan each freshman had his studying supervised by an older brother who had taken much the same courses. The outcome seems to have warranted all extra effort.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: The fraternity lived up to its record of being one of the most active houses on the campus. There were no less than eleven E Phi's as presidents or chairmen of different campus organizations. An excellent indication of the fraternity's position was demonstrated late in the fall when the Scarlet Key, McGill's Honour Society held its annual elections. Twenty-eight positions were open to the student body and eight Psi U's were successfully elected.

The fraternity received even higher honours in campus-wide elections held in March. In next year's student affairs, the President of the Student's Society, the Chairman of the Student's Athletic Council, and the President of the Inter-fraternity Council will all be Psi U's. It is the second time in three years that the latter two positions have been held by Psi U's. The house certainly shows no signs of weakening in the next year, at least.

ATHLETICS: The house gave strong support to the previous claim of versatility made in this report by competing rather extensively in athletics.

Our inter-fraternity record was far from remarkable but was adequate nevertheless. Our basketball and squash teams advanced to the semi-finals and our swimming squad swept the I.F.C. meet. Our hockey and football representatives, however, were far from powerful machines, to say the least.

A strong showing was made in intercollegiate sports, especially when the size of our chapter is considered. We placed two men on the senior football team, two on the intermediate team, two on the senior hockey team, one on the intermediate team, three on the tract team, and one each on the Harrier, skiing, badminton, water polo and rugger teams. Some played more than one sport. The greatest athletic achievement occurred when a Psi U won the Forbes trophy, presented annually by Stuart Forbes, a distinguished alumnus of Epsilon Phi, to McGill's most outstanding athlete. The recipient also received one of only two awards made this year to students who had compiled exceptional athletic records while at McGill.

GENERAL: Despite all the effort spent on non-fraternity affairs, much enjoyable time and energy was spent on the organization and execution of fraternity affairs. Spirit was good throughout the year, and the house is in adequate financial condition. Several changes, such as financial charges and staff duties, are planned for next year, which we feel will smooth out a few rough spots. Despite the diversity of personalities and interests prevalent in the fraternity, the house is an extremely closely-bound unit, and we feel that it would be very difficult to find a better house on the McGill campus.

ZETA ZETA CHAPTER

Following a resolution adopted last year the Zeta Zeta concentrated on improving scholarship within the chapter, and to that end initiated restrictive

clauses into the initiation ceremonies whereby the initiate was required to attain at least a 55% average in his examinations, while still a pledge, in order to participate in the initiation ceremony. This resolution was strictly adhered to and although it necessitated holding over one pledge who failed to attain satisfactory standing, it was felt that the end result justified the means as there was a significant improvement in Freshmen marks. Added to this we were very selective in the men we bid, however, we were rewarded by initiating 12 top notch men.

Since the last report the Chapter House has undergone considerable improvement. The main floor has been recarpeted and tiled, and the brothers are currently engaged in remodelling the Chapter room in the basement. It is with great pleasure that we announce that as of this convention date the Chapter House is debt free, all outstanding mortgages having been retired, and the Zeta Zeta chapter is now looking into a new chapter house to be constructed on the University Campus.

In the Inter-Fraternity competitions we again held our own this year. The Chapter placed third in the Song Fest singing "Aura Lee" and the "Psi U Summons". In sports we entered all competitions and managed to get as far as the semi finals in about two thirds of entries. Scholastically we stood 4.4% above the over-all University average for men. We boast 11 scholarships.

The past year has found Psi Upsilon prominent in many extra curricular activities. Nine brothers held executive positions in various clubs and undergraduate societies. In the coming year we have Brother Neil Merrick elected to the Student's Council as Chairman of the Underground Societies Committee. Other club executives will not be known until the coming term begins.

The Chapter paper, "The Zeta Zeta Zephyr," has been edited on a monthly basis this past year, a literary effort which we hope to continue. Any chapters not receiving copies are asked to contact the chapter house so that this oversight may be corrected.

Socially, the year was climaxed by the Spring Formal which received enthusiastic support from the active chapter and Alumni in spite of an unseasonal snowstorm.

To maintain closest possible relations between the active chapter and our Alumni we have instituted a system of inviting 8 or 10 Alumni to the house for cocktails and dinner every second meeting night. This has proven to be very successful and has become a regular procedure.

Thus Zeta Zeta has had another successful year. We hope to have greater achievements in the coming year with our new executive of Brothers Sucha Singh, President; Robert Evans, Vice-President; Alan D. Holmes, Secretary; Ian McKenzie, Treasurer.

EPSILON NU CHAPTER

The Epsilon Nu must be considered one of the best established chapters of Psi Upsilon. We have been leaders in campus activities for a number of years, and, at last year's convention, we were honored by the Psi Upsilon plaque for most improved scholarship. We have still maintained high scholastic standings at the chapter house and have always had, and always intend to have, an active, lively and interesting social program.

The brothers had an impressive record in intramural football, losing only two games.

The night previous to homecoming, we held a plantation party, which was a very posh affair and a novel way to welcome our alumni back to the fold. All brothers enjoyed themselves and our dates were amazed at the beautiful simulation of an old southern mansion.

Most of the brothers made the trip to Ann Arbor to visit the Phi and watch State win a thriller over Michigan.

A high point of Fall Term was Fathers' Day. We each had our father up for a football game, dinner and pleasant party.

In the midst of all this frantic activity, we managed to get one of the finest pledgee classes on campus. We did not lose a man whom we tapped, and the entire house was quite pleased that it had rushed so ardently and conscientiously.

After returning from the Christmas holidays and Brother Jim Clarke's wedding reception, the brothers settled down for a long winter's nap, consisting mostly of studying. We did manage to have a very pleasant week end at Major Mountain where all the brothers and dates (even novices) tried their hand (or should we say "legs") at skiing. Happily, there were no serious casualties aside from a few scratches and bruises.

During this time, the Chapter inaugurated a new policy of presenting each archon with a goldplated gavel.

With the fraternal system challenged as it is today, the Epsilon Nu has taken an increased interest in scholarship, and we now require our pledgees to attend study table three nights a week and obtain a 2.2. grade average before activation. It is our feeling that proper study habits formed in these early years will follow our new brother through his future career.

Sportwise, Spring term proved highly successful. The Psi U's managed to win all its baseball games, but one. Participation was exceptionally good and all the brothers were very pleased with this fine showing.

In activities, the Epsilon Nu is represented by Brother Caravette, as Recording Secretary for I. F. C., Brother Zarembo, who is second man on the tennis team, Brother Rodgers is sports writer for the State News, and Brother Beard, who replaces Brother Poggi, is circulation manager for the State News.

Spring term ended with the dedication of a scholarship plaque to Mrs. Alexander, our housemother, who, we regret to say, is leaving us after eight years of devoted service. This trophy will be awarded to the brother showing the most improvement from one term to the next.

While the brothers are enjoying the summer vacation, the work of Epsilon Nu continues. Our alumni board, under the direction of Brother Pinckney, is in the process of repainting and remodelling our chapter house. With these improvements, we look forward to a highly successful 1957-58 school year.

In closing, we would like to say that we shall continue to do our best in all endeavors and invite all brothers to stop and visit us in our East Lansing home.

EPSILON OMEGA CHAPTER

The academic period of 1956-57 was "Bootstraps Year" for the Epsilon Omega. From what can only be called a bleak beginning, the chapter has managed to rise—to lift itself by its own bootstraps—to a position where we hope it is a credit to the fraternity.

The story of the chapter's fall from grace is, unfortunately, well-known. The stinging accounts of the Sherman Wu de-pledging reached the ears of a national audience. But the story of how the Epsilon Omega bounced back from its misfortunes remains unknown for those who have not been able directly to observe its progress.

The facts tell this story for the chapter:

In fall quarter, we were 27th out of 28 houses in scholastic standing. At the end of the year, we were fifth, with almost half of the brothers maintaining a "B" average or better.

We started the year with only one man in a campus honorary. We finished the year by being represented in three professional fraternities, and two honoraries.

In fall quarter, we had five brothers who were "inactive"—non-dues-paying, non-participating members. We now have no "inactives."

In fall quarter, we did not pledge a single member during "open" rush. We pledged three in the next quarter.

In fall quarter, our public and alumni relations reached rock bottom. Psi U's who read only inflammatory or incomplete accounts of the Sherman Wu incident wrote us scathing letters of criticism. The whole fraternity became alarmed at the great show of resentment from the general public as a result of our action.

As the focus of so much invective and (as we thought) unearned criticism, the members of our chapter adopted attitudes ranging from anger to discouragement. Many brothers felt discouraged at not being able to "do anything right."

A resulting collection of misfortune had the effect of setting our chapter back on its heels during the first part of this year.

But two factors, which later arose, unsuspected, out of the incident, combined to elevate the condition of the Epsilon Omega to a point which is described by our seniors as "the best we've ever seen." The first of these factors is the unprecedented unity forced on the members of the house in standing together against the onslaught of abuse received from all parts of the country. This unity has helped us to work together in "proving ourselves" to the other chapters of Psi Upsilon.

The other factor was the realization that most of the Psi U alumni had not condemned us. They had criticized us, perhaps, for bringing unfavorable comment on the fraternity, but they had not condemned.

In a program designed to explain ourselves to the Psi U World, we began a series of newsletters called the *Owlet*. We have tried to re-new our bond with other chapters, especially those which are close enough to permit personal contact. For Chicago-area alumni we arranged a series of banquets to encourage interest in the Epsilon Omega. The program has elicited none but the most favorable comment, and the chapter feels that it has helped to re-instate us into the good graces of most Psi U's.

Most of our labor, however, has been centered on our own chapter. In campus activities, we snagged two of the biggest positions at Northwestern: the chairman of the Big Ten IFC-Panhel Conference, and the director of the largest political party on the campus. We have several men on varsity teams, one who was on the editorial board of the N.U. honour magazine, and two who had important parts in campus musicals or dramatic presentations. Mere listing is tedious, but suffice to say that the efforts of the brothers in working for the chapter has produced much visible and measurable accomplishment.

Perhaps the year's biggest achievement is the formulation of definite plans for a new house. At present, the Epsilon Omega is the only chapter of a strong national fraternity on the Northwestern campus which does not have adequate housing. However, the Epsilon Omega Trustee Council has made final arrangements with the university to pick up the first option on a new fraternity dwelling. The house, which will cost \$250,000, will be financed primarily by a 50-year mortgage, which has been offered by the university. The house will be completed and ready for occupancy by September, 1959.

Our achievements show the proper attitude, but there is still much to be done.

THETA EPSILON CHAPTER

The Theta Epsilon has witnessed another interesting and eventful year. Some of our activities are covered in the following paragraphs.

RUSHING: We had a successful rushing season, considering the obstacles we faced. Ours is a commuters school at which less than twenty per-cent

of the incoming freshmen choose to affiliate with Greek Letter Societies. We of the Theta Epsilon also have the added disadvantages of having the oldest and smallest chapter house of any fraternity on our campus and are competing with houses whose physical plants approach country club magnitude, while our physical plant would be considered a slum. We rushed approximately fifty men whom we considered Psi U quality. Approximately twenty of these we felt would blend in with our chapter, and we extended bids to them. Seven of the top rushees accepted our bid; the others chose the security and luxury of a well financed eating club.

PHYSICAL PLANT: The condition of the house was as bad as ever. The showers in both bathrooms continued to leak into the rooms below and the plaster continued its never ending crumbling process. Under improvements the landlord installed a new furnace to the existing heating system which serves the first floor and one bedroom, the other bedrooms being unheated. After having been condemned and shut off, we had the gas lines throughout the house checked and repaired so as to have service renewed.

The biggest improvement of the year was the addition of the volley ball court in the back yard. Through the generosity of the Mothers Club, a contribution by the landlord, and money from our own treasury, we had a substantial portion of the back yard paved. This serves as a volley ball court and a parking area for the brothers.

MOTHERS CLUB: The Mothers Club was wonderful; at their open house they gave us two new leather couches as a Christmas present. They also paid for many of the maintenance and repair bills for the furnishings and contributed heavily toward the volley ball court.

MEMBERSHIP: In January the Theta Epsilon initiated six into the bonds of Psi Upsilon. This gave us thirty-two Theta Epsilons on campus, twenty-four of whom were active in the affairs of the chapter. The prospects for next year are that we will have approximately sixteen active members.

ACTIVITIES: Many brothers were active in campus activities. Three of the pledges were in Pages (Freshmen Mens Service Organization). Brothers Bradshaw and Brooks were selected for Squires (Sophomore Mens Service Organization). Brothers Blinn and Sherman were in Knights (Upperclass Mens Service Organization). Brother Sherman was publicity chairman for Senior Class and also for Song Fest. Brother Blinn's activities are too numerous to list but the highlights are that he was elected Yell King for next year and was chosen chairman for Troy Chest (the one charity drive of the school year). With the Yell King in the house, we should really have spirit next year.

SOCIAL: We had a very good social program in the fall semester. The highlight was the weekend formal at the mountain resort of Idyllwild. In January we had a rushing party at which we broke several university social rules and were thus placed on social and pledging probation till January of '58. This meant no parties and no pledges. This last semester the brothers studied their books, and for entertainment they attended classes.

PROBLEMS: The problem of the Theta Epsilon is its chapter house. With our present house we cannot compete with the other fraternities on our campus. We pay \$275 a month rent, all twelve months, and still live in a slum which many of the brothers would not consider living in, ex-

cept for their loyalty to the chapter and the realization that in order to pay the rent someone has to live in it.

No prospect for improvement is seen, since the General Alumni Association of Southern California has taken an apathetic attitude toward the situation. There are few Theta Epsilons among its ranks, and the majority of the members owe their loyalty to their own chapters. We realize that this same problem will prevent the adequate development of any new chapters, and unless some form of financial assistance on the national level is developed, no new chapter will be able to survive, and many existing chapters will be in danger of falling into obscurity. Under our present financial arrangement, each chapter is dependent upon its own alumni for support. How can a new chapter without alumni of its own survive under this system? It is quite apparent that if Psi Upsilon wishes to continue as top fraternity it must learn to help those chapters which are in need of help.

Resolutions Adopted

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

General Resolution No. 1. Resolved: That the Recorder be instructed to cast a single ballot electing each of the following Brothers:

Robert P. Hughes, Delta '20
Albert C. Jacobs, Phi '21

to the Executive Council for the term expiring with the Convention of 1962.

General Resolution No. 2. Resolved: That the Convention approve the payment of \$500 to the Psi Chapter as a contribution towards the expense of running the Convention.

General Resolution No. 3. Resolved: That the Convention authorize the Treasurer to transfer the sum of \$3700 from the appropriate fund or funds to the Diamond Fund to cover the existing deficit in that fund.

General Resolution No. 4. Resolved: That the kind invitation of the Upsilon Chapter to hold the 1958 Convention at the Upsilon Chapter in Rochester, New York, to celebrate its 100th anniversary, be accepted.

General Resolution No. 5. Resolved: That the Executive Council Committee to Foster, Protect and Improve Ritual and Tradition be, and it hereby is, authorized and empowered to urge upon those chapters which are still delinquent in submitting copies of their rituals, viz.: Theta, Gamma, Zeta, Xi, Phi, Chi and Beta Beta, the importance and desirability of such submission from the point of view of the Fraternity as a whole.

General Resolution No. 6. Resolved: That the Executive Council be, and it hereby is, empowered to notify those Chapters whose rituals the Executive Council believes to be inadequate.

General Resolution No. 7. Resolved: That a ten-day provision in Article II, Section 2, of the Constitution be stricken from the rest of the paragraph and that the Executive Council be instructed to prepare and forward to the Chapters a proposed amendment of the Article and Section in question.

General Resolution No. 8. Resolved: That an ambiguity in Article VI of the Constitution as to whether or not a graduate member may (or must) be regarded as an Active member exists and that the Executive Council be instructed to prepare and submit to the Chapters an amended wording of these provisions so as to resolve ambiguities.

General Resolution No. 9. Resolved: That this Convention believe it to be in the best interests of the Fraternity to keep always before its members the object of the Fraternity and to this end this Convention recommends to the Chapters that each Chapter incorporate the object of the Fraternity into its oral Chapter meeting ritual and also cause the wording of the object to be prominently displayed in written form in the Chapter Room.

General Resolution No. 10. Resolved: That the delegates of this Convention express their gratitude to the members of the Executive Council and the Alumni Association who have visited various Chapters of the Fraternity with personal sacrifice of time and expense incurred therein.

General Resolution No. 11. Resolved: That the Convention hopes for the continuation and expansion of the Fraternity visits in the interest of the strengthening of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

General Resolution No. 12. Resolved: That the 115th National Convention of Psi Upsilon request from a committee of five representative Chapters, each from areas of large alumni support, an investigation into the possibility of a national building fund for the purpose of expansion and construction; and

General Resolution No. 13. Resolved: That their reports be made by letter to the Executive Council, the Chapters, and the 116th National Convention by November 1, 1957.

General Resolution No. 14. Resolved: That the 1957 Convention of Psi Upsilon request the Epsilon and Theta Theta Chapters to *investigate* the present fraternity system at the University of Oregon with regard to the feasibility of installing a Psi Upsilon chapter at that school.

General Resolution No. 15 Resolved: That the results of these inquiries of the Epsilon and Theta Theta Chapters should be presented by letter to the Executive Council's Committee on Expansion, the individual Chapters of Psi Upsilon, and presented by the delegates from the Epsilon and Theta Theta Chapters to the 1958 Convention of Psi Upsilon.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

Special Resolution No. 1. Resolved: That the award for the academic year 1956 for the greatest scholarship improvement for the previous year's academic standing should be presented to our host Chapter, the Psi.

Special Resolution No. 2. Resolved: That the award for the highest scholastic achievement for the 1956 academic year should be presented to the Omega Chapter.

Special Resolution No. 3. Resolved: That the Convention commend and congratulate the Mu, Epsilon, Theta Epsilon, Zeta Zeta, Eta, Tau and Delta for outstanding scholarship during the 1956 academic year.

Special Resolution No. 4. Resolved: That the Convention permit the Mu, Omega, Psi and the Epsilon to describe to the Convention the methods by which they have achieved their scholastic success.

Special Resolution No. 5. Resolved: That the officers of the respective Chapters which are low on the scholastic rating of our Fraternity establish some sort of criteria whereby the upper classmen, as well as the pledges, are encouraged and assisted in their scholastic achievement.

Special Resolution No. 6. Resolved: That the 115th Convention of Psi Upsilon Fraternity extend its appreciation and thanks to Clayton W. Butterfield, Pi '11, for his devoted work towards the completion of the heraldry of our Fraternity.

Special Resolution No. 7. Resolved: That this Convention expresses its most sincere appreciation for the extremely cordial hospitality which has been extended by the Psi Chapter at this Convention.

Special Resolution No. 8. Resolved: That this Convention expresses its heartfelt appreciation for the interest and hospitality displayed by Dr. Robert W. McEwen, President of Hamilton College, as well as for his stimulating remarks on the importance of and opportunities in fraternities, given at this Convention.