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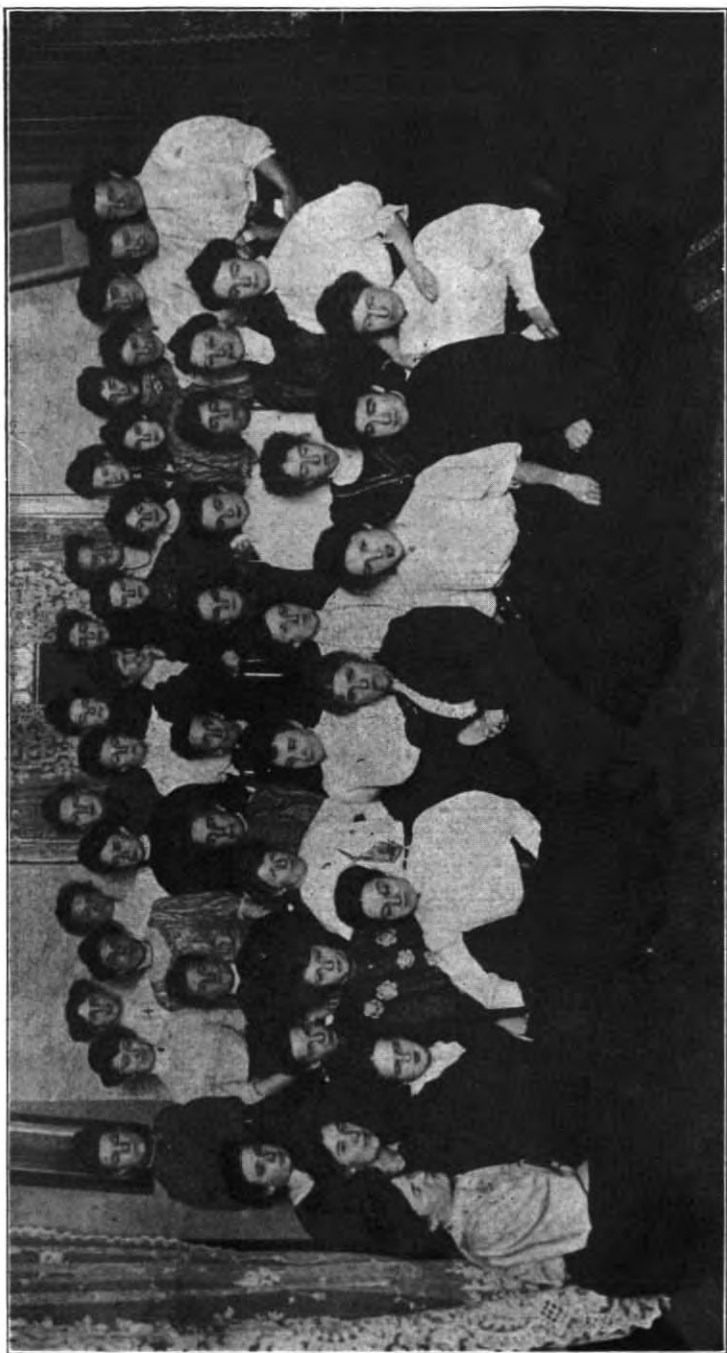
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To the Alumnae of Pi Beta Phi

The united effort of the working force of the Alumnae Department to reach all alumnae during the past three months, with the message which Convention made possible, has its reward in the present enrollment of more than one thousand members. This work is not yet finished and we hope to report a greater growth and enthusiasm as the year grows older.

The amendments to the statutes provide the nucleus of a stronger organization which must develop if the needs of the fraternity are understood and supplied. Many clubs have made requests for certificates and it is to be hoped that none will neglect this requirement. The first and greatest inspiration in the work of the clubs is the chapter nearest; then to look to more than local conditions,—for neither chapter nor club may consider its individual growth only, each has greater responsibilities which must be recognized if the best results are to be attained. The study of the constitution is necessary for the chapter's success, and it cannot be less important to the club whose members, having had the chapter experience, are able to suggest new lines of growth.

What this department may do for the fraternity, is not to be measured by any achievement yet realized, because of the divided interests of the alumnae. The new ruling, that members of chapters, both graduate and undergraduate must be enrolled in this department for four years after leaving college, will aid greatly the spirit of unity in the organization. The answer to the questions of how and how much the department will grow, depends

upon our willingness to keep in touch with the activities of college life after our student days, to consider the influence of the teachings of Pi Beta Phi in the problems of student life upon which the best thought of educators is being concentrated, and to suggest and create ways and means of increasing the power of this influence; to recognize as personal, the responsibility of sustaining the standards of the fraternity, and of stimulating the ambitions and intellectual interests of the undergraduates.

This issue of the ARROW voices the greetings of many who have long been identified with Pi Beta Phi, and of a larger number, who have more recently affiliated with her interests, and from all comes the message of fraternity spirit.

The secretaries of the department are most grateful to the alumnae for the response given to their efforts, and ask the assistance of all in furthering the interests of the work.

MAY COPELAND REYNOLDS.

Architecture as a Profession for Women.

(WITH A PROLOGUE)

When the college days are over, the young man chooses his business as a matter of course, and it is not an easy thing to do. But with the young woman the choice is more deliberate if the imperative question of bread and butter, and perhaps repaying college expenses, does not confront her. The first question is, "Shall she choose a special business?" If she feels that the family income is not large, with the younger members of the family to be educated, it is right that she should do something to bring in a pecuniary return. Then comes the question, "What shall she do?" Some women seem to arrive at the solution by what might be called a natural selection; some one thing seems to appeal to her, or there is a place waiting for her to fill, but most women make a more intentional choice. In doing so, a girl must first consider herself, her capabilities and her resources;

how much of herself she is willing to give; how much time she is ready to spend in special preparation after her regular college course; and how much patience she has to wait for results. Or perhaps she is looking for a profitable occupation to fill in a few years until some greater interest may come into her life. She should face the question fairly. The business world is no bed of roses, least of all for a woman. If she enter it, she must expect to work hard and steadily and regularly, perhaps to endure the supercilious smiles of skeptical friends. She must expect to do a man's work with a woman's strength, and if she is to have a little gaiety, that means a draft on her reserve energies.

In the olden days man was well intentioned when he tried to keep his womankind from any contact with the rough world. For it is a hard world. Each new comer must measure herself to the standards already set. One is sorry to see the young girl, fresh from her school days, fall into step and keep the pace of the striving mass. It may be only a bit of sentiment, but I should like to shield my young sister if I could. The sweet old-fashioned woman in the home, who has time for other people, is coming into fashion again. Her shadow falls before her. She, alone, can solve some of the pressing woman's problems, if she retain the mastery of her own time and devote it to what seems most worth while to her. In the small village as well as in the great city, there is a crying need for the educated eye that sees, and hand that is willing and ready to do. There are so many things that busy people pass by unnoticed, or, if seeing, are powerless to do for lack of time.

The fortunate girl, who from childhood has had her small responsibilities in the household and received a recompense, call it an allowance or what you will, which she learns to spend wisely, has had an excellent training, whether she is to become a business woman or a housewife. Such a system gives a girl her independence in a rational way, while she is at home, and the essence of a business training for her later life.

It would seem that the business which comes nearest to woman's particular sphere is planning the house in which she lives.

Why should not a woman be an architect? She may surely, if she will. But let the will be strong and the perseverance assured, for the field is very broad and the requirements many. If this be her choice she must have a thorough preparation by all means, although just what this may mean depends on the individual. A good college course is essential. There are self-made women as well as self-made men, but a woman must conserve her energies, and a broad culture is the first essential to a successful architect.

The girl who is fond of geometry and takes delight in working out original demonstrations, will find that same delight in working out the plan of a house, giving a symmetry and beauty to the whole, with never a stray corner wasted. She should be of an investigating turn of mind, never giving up a thing because some one tells her it cannot be done. She will find that there is a correct solution to every problem; that design is an accurate science; and she will learn to know at a glance what is possible to given conditions. She must train the eye and hand to work together and never be satisfied with less than the best.

The student must learn how the masters solved the problems in the past and how far we can apply the same principles today. In geometry we never think of hunting a new solution each time we work out an old proposition. Problems repeat themselves constantly to an architect. It is much better to know a good solution that has been proven than to strive after something original. When the student has gathered her information, she must be able to present her ideas in a logical and beautiful way. Form, color, and composition are the means of expression; water-color, pen and ink, pencil or crayon the medium. Each period and civilization had its own language. She must learn at least the alphabet of these and become familiar with a few. A study of Greek proportion and Greek feeling is the foundation of our science. The Gothic builders, with their balancing of part against part, and making stone into lace work show another phase, and have left most beautiful work.

But the poetry of the design is unavailing if the strength of the materials be inadequate. In the old days when builders were

not so economical they built so that the eye assured them of sufficient strength. But now there must be no waste of materials. The use of iron and steel further complicates matters and makes a science in itself.

Perhaps this will give an idea of what the good school attempts to teach, together with some outline of the building trades. For an architect must understand technically half the trades in the labor unions and put in practice nearly all of the arts. There are several good technical schools in the country which give the student this necessary training, in so far as a training may be given, though it is a little like learning to swim or row before going into the water. They teach the stroke, and show what one is aiming to do,—a necessary knowledge. If the student has had some practical training in an office before entering the technical school it is very helpful. It gives some pegs, so to speak, on which to hang the knowledge gained. But a woman entering one of these schools finds herself in that long suffering class—the minority, and soon discovers that she is a “Co-ed” with all that signifies in the East, which is vastly different from the idea it conveys in the West. Nevertheless, she is permitted to enter and to work, and she receives the awards that she fully earns. Indeed, such has been the record of the few women in the architectural courses that much is expected of them. Often the student has the opportunity of making careful studies or measured drawings of some good old colonial buildings on this side, or a trip for study and sketching on the continent, all of which is immensely helpful.

After all this preparation, the student, and especially the woman, is likely to begin actual work with less pay than a stenographer, who has spent six months at a business college. Then it becomes a matter of years of regular work, mastering the customs and traditions of an office and some of the little peculiarities of the contractor, that is, gaining what is commonly known as “experience.”

But the work itself is worth all the trouble to one who loves it, for its possibilities are endless. There is a fascination in working out each new problem that comes; there is wide variety, even

in the same class of work, and a field for all one's powers. It has its limitations and its drudgery, of course, but I doubt if there is any business that is such a constant delight in the doing.

Several years' working experience in an architect's office is essential before one can undertake responsible work. And here is the greatest difficulty in a woman's path. A few offices in the country expect some of the draftsmen to be women and are planned accordingly. Fortunate is the woman who finds such a one. Many others will accept women draftsmen. Generally, if a man has work he needs done he will take any assistant who can do it. But there are many offices that are closed to women. Other architects say they would gladly employ a woman, but that their offices are not so arranged that it would be pleasant for her, which settles the matter. I have been told,—but this was an exceptional case,—that the senior partner wished to swear or smoke if he chose, so he could not employ women. There are even some cities, one in the East to my knowledge, where the offices are practically closed to a woman, though she may go into business for herself if she chooses. There are a few women in the country who are established architects, and doing a satisfactory business, if not amassing a fortune.

Perhaps interior decoration appeals to more women than the building of houses. On the whole it is perhaps more practicable to many women. There is not so much preparation required, nor so much responsibility in carrying out the work. Sometimes this includes all the interior finish and woodwork, as well as wall treatment and furniture, sometimes only the decoration. This is very interesting work and it is in great demand in these days when a house is furnished all through at one time and the owner is more willing to pay for it than to work out color schemes and wall spaces for himself. It has the advantage that while a house is only built once, it has to be redecorated every few years, and this branch seems to be conceded as properly a woman's work.

When a house is built, especially a country house, the grounds must be laid out and the approaches arranged. The terraces, pergola and garden make a fascinating problem. Here then is



FLORENCE KENYON HAYDEN

Ohio Beta

another profession that often falls to an architect, and one that a woman might well adopt, that of landscape architecture. She could extend this to the small garden and its arrangement. Elizabeth could plan her own, but there are many people who would gladly be relieved of the work of deciding what to plant and where to put it. I might add that it would be a boon to the neighbor as well; there are such possibilities in a garden and so few are realized.

In any of its phases the architect must constantly meet the laboring man, and perhaps there is no one else who has so little confidence in a woman's ability. It is a bit disconcerting to have the foreman on a job doubt your knowledge of a set of drawings, which you yourself have made, and as the office boy lounges through the room, asks him "Is it thus and so?" The youth nonchalantly glances at the drawing and says, "Oh, yes, that's right," and the man goes away satisfied. But after he has carried out one set of drawings, he never doubts you again. He becomes one of your staunch supporters and will not allow others to question your ability. The business man is not so easily convinced. If he doubts you there is nothing to be done, he will probably take his work to a man. One might say that woman is the stranger coming into the business world, like the hunter from an alien tribe, and must stand the old test that distrusts every man until he has proved himself. When she has once shown beyond a doubt that she can do a thing well, she is given the opportunity for doing, and opportunities are the stepping stones.

ETHEL BARTHOLOMEW.

Iowa Gamma

A Pi Phi Architect.

FLORENCE KENYON HAYDEN

Can a woman be thoroughly successful in business, come into daily contact with the blunt and sordid commercial world, and yet retain those fine sensibilities and that essentially feminine

delicacy which constitute perhaps her greatest charm as a woman? It may be conservatism, or it may be old-fashioned prejudice, call it what you wish, but most of us secretly believe that the answer to the question is "No!" So it is with a feeling of pride that Ohio Beta looks to Florence Kenyon Hayden as a most delightful exception to the general rule. Yet she is not the ordinary exceptional woman, for there is about her personality that "*je ne sais quoi*," which makes it impossible to meet her and not be impressed with it. Those of us who know her best sincerely believe that there is nothing which she cannot do, and we have yet to be disillusioned, that is, if our confidence in her is the illusion which she modestly insists that it is. Most of us can do one or two things indifferently well, but anything that Kenyon Hayden does, is done superlatively well. Whether it be to star in amateur theatricals, sing, play, write a story, act as toastmistress at a banquet, draw up the plans and specifications for a building, the result is the same, satisfactory in every respect.

Her professional work is, like everything else that she does, characterized by brilliancy and originality. She is an indefatigable worker, and unlike most people who work hard, she spares anyone but herself. It was really her steadfast adherence to the most difficult kind of difficult work that prevented her from receiving a diploma from the university. The course which she took is conceded to be the hardest in the curriculum, and one under which the most superb health is bound to suffer to some extent. It was no wonder, then, that a student of Kenyon Hayden's type, the conscientious student who does twice the amount of work actually required, should be unable to stand the strain. But after all a mere diploma is not essential, when one has without it the knowledge that it symbolizes. And that the trustees and faculty of the Ohio State University realized this, is shown by the fact that when the Woman's Building became an immediate possibility instead of one of their golden dreams, they awarded the contract to Kenyon Hayden, who had been out of college a little less than three years and was inexperienced when compared with the old and established architects who had

bid against her. The statement in a recent issue of the *ARROW* that she had been awarded the contract in connection with two women colleagues is erroneous. The fact is, that two or three years ago, when a woman's dormitory was a remote possibility but not a probability, Kenyon and two other women students were asked to draw up tentative plans. But her present contract is entirely different. If we were proud of her then,—and we surely were—it were needless to say that "proud" does not express our feelings at present. Besides the honor of being awarded the contract for the Woman's Building she has recently been given charge of the designing and arrangement of the Ohio Exhibit in the Mines and Metallurgy Building at the Jamestown Exposition. These have been her most conspicuous successes so far, and when you remember that they come not at the height of a career, but almost at its very beginning, you will agree that we are justified in our anticipations for her future.

We wish you could all have the pleasure of going through some of the beautiful residences that she has built in the city of Columbus. It has always been the lament of the house-keeper that no architect ever seemed able to comprehend that one or two closets in a house were not sufficient to contain the wardrobes, the linen, and all the other impedimenta which every household must possess. But lack of closet room was only one of the many things that the average architect could not appreciate, and it is in remedying such defects that "Miladi" architect has succeeded. Here is where the "eternal feminine" manifests itself in Kenyon Hayden's work. Clever, original, ornamental and best of all absolutely practical features abound in every nook and cranny of her houses. The *Ladies' Home Journal* could save time and money on its articles about "How to Make Home Attractive," if they would reduce it to this simple formula "Employ Kenyon Hayden as your architect." But not being Pi Phis, its editors might think such a statement would savor of an advertisement, so we must leave them to the error of their ways.

G. S. J.

A Little Song of Hope.

*Somewhere, the weary spirit
Shall reach a haven calm.
Somewhere, the heart that's broken
Shall find a healing balm.*

*Somewhere, what men call failure,
May be success most true.
Somewhere, the crown and laurel
Shall replace the cross and rue.*

*Sometime, the sky shall brighten
And the shadows flee away
Sometime, we shall be happy,
Forever and a day.*

LEILA PEABODY,
Colorado Alpha.

An Alumnae Opportunity.

In a recent article in the "Outlook" by Clarence F. Birdseye on "The Greek Letter Fraternity as an Educational Influence" is voiced a message which should appeal to every loyal alumna, whether of Pi Beta Phi or any other strongly organized national fraternity. Mr. Birdseye deals with conditions in men's fraternities, but many problems there, slightly modified, are such as must be met and solved in those of the women.

A new period is opening in the development of the national fraternity, occasioned chiefly by the growth in the size of our educational institutions, and the consequent loss of individualism in the relation of faculty and under-graduates. Where formerly the few pupils in a college knew well and were closely associated

with great minded college teachers, now in many institutions the student never comes in contact with the professor outside of class room and often there he meets not the heads of departments but younger assistants.

Where then is the twentieth century young man or woman in the larger colleges and universities to get this moral and mental influence but in the college fraternity. How is this influence to be more wisely exerted upon the undergraduates, than through the sympathy and guidance of the alumni, especially those living in the college town.

The active chapter of a fraternity is merely transient, changing from year to year in membership and general character; the alumnae form the permanent body upon which the world passes judgment as to the merits or faults of the fraternity system. The upper class girls should be the governing body in the chapter, for a successful chapter must always be wisely governed. It may succeed, does succeed with careful direction from these older girls, who by experience, often unpleasant, have learned the value of doing good college work, keeping high ideals and steady purposes, despite the distractions more and more attending modern college life. It does not seem fair, however, that the burden of the direction of these younger girls should always fall upon one or two busy seniors, when there is in the town an alumnae circle composed of fine, strong women, developed in mind and heart, as well fitted to give advice as any college teacher of the older days.

If our duty as Pi Phi ends with commencement day; if after that time we say, "I was a Pi Phi," then this gift of time and thought to the lives of our younger sisters is not required; there is no responsibility and the chapter may manage as well as it can without us. No loyal alumna will admit this nor feel that her pleasure in the fraternity ended that June day when she received her degree from her alma mater. There is the same thrill of pride in the sight of the arrow on some fine woman she meets after school days, as when she saw it for the first time on some undergraduate friend, who had seemed to her to reach Pi Phi

standard. As long as we feel pride and pleasure in our sorority, we owe a duty to it.

The number of chapter homes, scattered through the United States, shows that the alumnae have not neglected giving financial aid. But the fraternity, which is to be the leading one in this era of fraternity development as an educational influence, is not to be the organization with the most chapter houses to its credit, but the one which turns out the finest women every year, the one in which the fewest mistakes are made, in which the fewest girls leave college before graduation because of failure in work, or ill health. Failure in health, too, is not always caused by the social life of college; the ambitious girl often needs restraint from wiser friends as much as her more carelessly minded sister.

The alumnae living far from the college towns can remain in touch in a measure with the active chapter, but it is for the local alumnae circles to keep in close sympathy with the girls, ready to give advice when called upon and also to offer suggestions tactfully when needed. The club, which concerned in its own affairs suddenly wakes up some day to find that grave mistakes have been made by active members, and which then, not knowing the girls personally or the conditions causing the trouble, tries to help matters by one indignation meeting, may expect to find the late advice resented. It is better to anticipate troubles and correct any mistakes before they are made.

One much-rushed freshman in a woman's college this fall, gave her pledge finally to a fraternity, assigning as the chief reason for her choice, that the alumnae club every month made careful inquiry as to the scholarship of the active members. In how many universities or colleges do local alumnae circles of Pi Beta Phi exercise this supervision?

It is for the alumnae of any sorority to recognize that the atmosphere of the chapter house determines the character of the chapter's influence and that the responsibility is upon them. We, alumnae of Pi Beta Phi, must keep up with general progress or reform in fraternity lines. Eventually we may perhaps hope to

have the alumnae strongly organized in every college town, directed as to their duty to the active chapter by a wisely chosen committee, which shall have carefully investigated undergraduate conditions in the thirty-six schools where chapters of Pi Beta Phi are located.

This is indeed an opportunity for Pi Beta Phi. We are proud to be the first founded of all women's fraternities. Let us be first in helping solve every question of vital educational import.

MAY BELLE ALLSTRAND,
Iowa Zeta, '05.

What a Fraternity Girl Thinks

We have recently had impressed on our minds very forcibly the necessity of keeping fraternity affairs strictly within the fraternity. I do not mean our inmost fraternity secrets, no one would think of telling those, but little chapter matters. I think we all feel in a general way that there are a great many things that should never be talked about outside, but I do not believe that as a general thing we impress it strongly enough on the chapter as a whole. Things that happen in fraternity meeting, little personal affairs between the girls themselves, and small experiences they may have had with other fraternity girls or men, are talked about as being good conversational material when other topics prove uninteresting and we are bent on whiling away a half hour or two. Haven't we enough to talk about without drawing on this source and isn't it worth while making a special effort, both as a whole and as individuals, to keep such things inviolable? We are apt to have rather severe lessons, sometimes, even within a chapter that feels that it has made a conscientious effort in this respect, that make us give this subject a great deal of thought.

Illinois Zeta.

“What is the best way for a chapter to keep in touch with its alumnae? Ought the active girls or the alumnae to take the initiative in keeping up this interest?” What chapter has not discussed and re-discussed these questions?

Alumnae Initiative

The problem of keeping up the interest of the alumnae in the active chapter is a serious one. That for the good both of the active girls and of the alumnae this interest ought to be sustained, no one can doubt. A good method, however, seems lacking as yet. When a girl leaves college, other interests are certain to come into her life, and necessarily to take first place there. Not that her fraternity life means less to her but that other things mean more, the proportion is changed, inevitably. In the active chapter each year brings great changes, and in all too short a time every girl whom the graduate has even met has gone from college, she is practically unknown and is classed simply as one of “our alumnae.”

That this regrettable state of affairs exists is not, it seems to me, entirely the fault of the active chapter. It may be true that they do not do all that they might and should, but they certainly do a great deal considering that their active college life is so very full of duties and obligations. It is often the case that alumnae are sensitive and quick to take offense when none is intended. They forget too soon how many things they used to have on their minds, and how easy it was for them to overlook little courtesies. There is not a chapter, I feel confident, but is anxious to know its alumnae better and to come closer in touch with their ideas and ideals for Pi Beta Phi. Still one must remember that there are perhaps twenty active girls to each hundred alumnae, so it really seems that the first advances ought to be made by the alumnae. The chapter has no way of knowing if an alumna is interested, unless she tells them so, and beyond a doubt they have too many things to do to try to keep up the enthusiasm of an uninterested alumna, if there is such a person. But when they know, what chapter does not

rejoice in keeping alive the interest of one of their dear "old girls?"

Illinois Epsilon.

A question which has been much agitated, especially since the recommendation of the Inter-Sorority Conference, is that of

*"Prep" School
Sororities*

Preparatory school sororities. Should a girl be made ineligible for membership in a national Greek letter sorority because of her membership in a "Prep" school sorority? We think not. The girls whom we want for Pi Phi—the all-around fine girls—are girls who would be naturally selected for membership in any high school or college sorority. These girls at the time of their attendance at these "Prep" schools very probably have little idea of coming to a university later. Is it probable then that they will refuse to become a member of the college sorority on the chance that some day they may enter a university and may be asked by a sorority there? Is it fair to ask it of them? Indeed it seems to me that in college as well as in university life, a sorority must mean so much to a girl—must fill so large a part of her horizon.

We of Missouri Alpha have had so many of our best girls come to us members of either high school or college sororities, that we feel strongly on the subject. These girls have been among the strongest and most enthusiastic girls in the fraternity. They have come to us with some idea of the meaning of Greek letter life—and who can say that Pi Phi has meant less to them because of their "Prep" school sorority? After all was not this a step in their preparation for Pi Phi?

Missouri Alpha.

Monday night is always devoted to fraternity meetings, and every other week we have "social meeting" instead of the business one. Two girls have charge of it, and they try to make their "stunt" better or more original than the last. They are limited to fifty cents apiece, which goes for refreshments. The meetings take the

*The Social
Meeting*

form of dances, children's parties, fancy dress balls, card parties, or sewing bees. During the fall the girls do their Christmas sewing at these meetings. The last meeting before Christmas we have a tree and Santa Claus. Each girl buys a ten-cent "joke" present for some other girl whom the committee assigns, and writes a poem to go with it. Our Christmas Tree is always one of the most enjoyable events of the year.

Wisconsin Alpha.

In all the varying phases of our fraternity life, our little social events, the striving to be helpful and unselfish toward our sisters, and the manifold other joyful troubles which the

*A Chance
to Help*

fraternity bond includes, I wonder if we are not often a little forgetful of that institution to which

Pi Phi owes her existence, our college or university. I do not mean the matter of scholarship, for upon this we have always prided ourselves, but in those numerous other circumstances which are a part of our college life, Pi Phi may "do herself proud"; there is the dull literary society which our enthusiasm and co-operation may raise to the standard of a flourishing organization, the glee club and chorus need the strengthening and harmonizing influence of Pi Phi voices; and how gratifying it is to hear that our recent visitors wondered what could be the name of "that pleasant girl, with the gold arrow pin," who showed them about the campus and buildings. The overtaxed matron would have fewer cares if the Pi Phis under her charge would always try to obey the sometimes irksome but always necessary rules. We can give a measure of our happiness to the traditional non-fraternity girl, whose anomalous position we in the joy of Pi Phidom can hardly appreciate.

These of course are just a few of the things we can do and that without taking extra time from the busy routine of our student life,—little things which will not only render Pi Phi more complete in itself, but which will make her recognized by the faculty as absolutely indispensable to the welfare of the college.

Illinois Beta.

Maryland Alpha has a confession to make and a question to ask. We have been wondering of late whether we are doing anything really vital as a chapter toward the realization of our aims. Our confession is that we fear we are doing little more as a whole than each individual member could do alone and our question is, "How can we remedy this state of affairs? What definite things can we do that look toward the realization of our fraternity aspirations." The life of any college girl is a busy one and in the hurry and bustle of it all we are apt only in a vague sort of way to think over such questions as these. Perhaps other chapters have had to face this very problem. What was your solution of it?

One fault of the fraternity girl of to-day, noticed by an outsider, is her critical attitude toward all things. This spirit is fostered by three things, at least: her necessarily critical attitude toward the new girl in rushing season, her well-meant effort to live up to her initiation vows and help the new girl by friendly criticism, and her sometimes strained relations with her rival chapters all lead to this same result. Too often when a group of girls get together they begin a wholesale slaughter in words, of every girl in their acquaintance who is not there. Common language calls this "knocking." In a case of one of our own girls why not tactfully set about to mend her faults, and in a rival girl merely be thankful that we do not have to bother about her defects.

Indiana Gamma.

Chapter loyalty is of two sorts, the loyalty of the alumnae and the loyalty of the active chapter. Real loyalty involves self sacrifice whenever it is found, and that toward one's *Chapter Loyalty* fraternity is no exception.

The alumnae can best prove their feeling for the chapter by what they do in the world to make their chapter

proud to own them, and by their warm interest in the chapter itself.

The active chapter best proves its loyalty when each and every member is willing to give up something of her own pleasure for the good of the whole. This in brief is chapter loyalty toward the fraternity.

Pennsylvania Alpha.

I recently heard a very lovable Pi Phi girl say: "Oh! I just wish they'd take our Pi Phi chapters out of the small schools and the denominational schools particularly. Chapters in the state universities, Barnard, Leland Stanford and like prominent institutions give us some prestige; but what good does it do us to have chapters in this, that and the other school maintained by as many different churches?"

Though she was extreme in both views and words, yet I've heard so many splendid Phi Phi's express substantially the same sentiments, I could not resist saying a word on the other side. Did you, who feel that way, ever stop to think that the students in a denominational college went there because it *was* maintained by their denomination, because they were loyal to their belief, faithful to the church of their choice, and willing and anxious to encourage those in charge of it by their support? Even if as some argue, their parents sent them, they have the right spirit in them which will show itself sooner or later. And the faithful person, girl or man, is the finest sort of a fraternity person. A girl who is faithful to her church, faithful to her friends, faithful to her college—in short, faithful to anything she believes in, is the right kind of a girl to make the woman Pi Phi would have her be.

Fidelity is the cornerstone in the foundation of character, and you find it in the student of the denominational college.

Ethel Van Chise.

Something unusual seems to be expected of the college graduate. She has had peculiar advantages and must hold a peculiar position. As a matter of fact, however, there are only occasional instances where a woman gains prominence after her commencement and the majority of us fulfill the usual destiny of our sex in accepting the position of junior partner in some home.

*Fraternity as a
Training School*

Fraternity helps to fit us for our life work in a much more practical way than we fully realize. So many girls come to college from homes where each one has been the darling of her family and from mothers who would each scoff at the idea that she was weakening her daughter, and yet who keeps her from learning the simplest rudiments of housekeeping by doing everything herself, silencing every remonstrance on the girl's part by the unanswerable argument that she can do it better and take less time.

But in the chapter life, in the course of cookie-shines, spreads, even large receptions and a hundred and one other ways of entertainment there must be someone who will go ahead and plan, as truly as there must be others who can carry out those plans.

The girl, who at home, sat back and let others do, finds that now responsibility rests upon her and that according as she performs her task, there will be success or failure. So she rises to the occasion and bakes and brews, contrives makeshifts and succeeds in a way which would astonish the home folks. And then she gets to work to put the rooms or house, as the case may be, into gala dress, thereby developing a latent artistic talent which she had never realized she possessed. Last of all, her fraternity's guests arrive and however tired she may be, she conceals it all and strives to make others enjoy themselves with no thought of her own weariness.

Those entertained pass judgment in some conventional terms as, "a charming affair," or, "one of *the* functions of the year"; but the girl herself knows that above and beyond all this, she has acquired a greater confidence in herself; and whether she realizes it or not, she has helped to make herself a little bit better home-keeper, in the future.

Vermont Alpha.

Louisiana Alpha would like to know what some of the other chapters think about taking in a girl in her junior year. Is it fair to her, or to ourselves, simply because she has been overlooked, to let her slip by us entirely? Perhaps she was rushed by some other fraternity and has preferred to remain a "barb." It may be that she is of such fine character and possessed of such qualities that she demands the best or nothing. Is it not better to have two years of this girl's college life made brighter and better by Pi Beta Phi? Is it not better for Pi Phi to take her into its own; why should we hesitate?

To be sure there is another side of the question. Would this same girl accept our invitation after having been at college two years without being asked before? Then, too, we must respect the wishes of our sisters who were active during this girl's freshman and sophomore years. But it can easily be ascertained what their reasons were for not asking her; and if she was simply overlooked, I for one think that it is better for Louisiana Alpha and for all other chapters to "make hay while the sun shines."

Louisiana Alpha.

Alumnae Department

Alumnae Clubs

THE BOSTON ALUMNAE CLUB

The Boston Club has held its meetings as usual once each month. In December we have an extra meeting in the form of a Christmas reunion at the fraternity rooms, followed by a dinner and the usual college reunion at the university in the evening.

We have been very much interested in the rules adopted by the Convention in regard to the alumnae work and they receive our hearty endorsement, for we believe that they will secure a more thorough organization and bring all the alumnae nearer together. We have applied for charter certificate and feel that the outlook for the present year is most encouraging.

The alumnae and active chapter here are strong and united in their efforts for the wine and blue, and this year most of our work will be in assisting the local chapter.

The officers of the club are: Mrs. Ida Hodge Benjamin, president; Pearl Baneroft, vice-president; Helen Barrett, secretary and treasurer; Ruth P. Dennis, corresponding secretary.

RUTH DENNIS.

THE WASHINGTON ALUMNAE CLUB

The first event of the season to Washington Pi Phi was the reception given at the university to the new girls and their mothers. In this way, the alumnae assist the active chapter annually.

Following the suggestions of Convention, our last regular meeting was held in the interest of the active chapter at George

Washington University. A number of representatives of the chapter were present, the evening being spent learning the needs of the active girls and discussing plans for future co-operation.

The Washington alumnae have adopted all of the amendments made regarding alumnae clubs and are in hearty accord with the new movement.

FLORENCE E. FRISBY.

THE SYRACUSE CLUB

The Syracuse Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi is in a most flourishing condition this year. There are now about twenty members, who meet every other Monday to transact the business of the club and to enjoy an hour's chat.

The club gave a very successful ball at the Kanatenah Club House a few nights ago, to help the active chapter in their rushing.

A month or so ago, we all went to call on the active chapter, one Friday night, taking them a real old-fashioned cookie-shine as a surprise. The surprise came within one of being "on us," as we had somewhat underestimated our baby sisters' love for cookies. We looked at that crumbless tablecloth, after it was all over, and wondered whether they had had enough, or too much, or too little.

We have been seated in a body a few feet from the altar, several times this year, where we could conveniently watch our white veiled sisters bring the trembling brothers into our large family.

And then we had a virtuous attack, just after the active delegate to the Convention made her report and after we read the alumnae rules adopted by the Convention, we decided to read a book, a chapter or so each meeting, for the better development of our minds. The book chosen was "Coniston"; I think it hasn't been opened yet, there is always so much (or many) to talk over, and besides, we have all read it at home by this time.

The motion was made and carried that the first meeting in October be devoted to the interests of the active chapter.

The motion was made and carried that the first meeting in November be devoted to the study of the Constitution of Pi Beta Phi.

The secretary was instructed to send for a certificate, according to the suggestions of Convention. She has sent for it but it has not yet come.

There is nothing else to say, except that we have a great deal of fun, a moderate amount of intellectual conversation, a bit of something good to eat and a hearty welcome for any Pi Beta Phi sister who might happen to stray into Syracuse on the afternoon of our regular meetings. The next meeting will be on the seventeenth of December.

EVA ROE.

THE NEW YORK ALUMNAE CLUB

The New York Alumnae Club endeavors to bring together socially the members of Pi Beta Phi living in and near New York, to promote intercourse among them, and to keep alive interest in fraternity work and ideals among those who have left the active life of their college chapters. Although there are many Pi Phis living in New York our club is a small one, having this year only eighteen members. This is probably because the Pi Phis in New York are not the alumnae of one chapter with the close associations of college life naturally tending to continue in the life of an alumnae club, but are for the most part strangers, coming from chapters scattered through many states. The members of the club feel that it offers an opportunity for fraternity members to meet one another, and wish to make it a center of association for members coming to New York, where they will find fraternity friends, perhaps meet old friends again. We take this opportunity through the ARROW of inviting Pi Phis in New York to associate themselves in our club and meet one another through its means. This club meets on the first Saturday of every month at three o'clock in the chapter rooms of New York Beta, the "Marquette," 417 West 120th Street, New

York. The secretary will be glad to obtain the names and addresses of members of the fraternity who have recently come to New York, that an invitation to meet the club may be sent to them.

Three meetings of the club have been held. The November meeting was devoted to a discussion of the Convention of last summer. The delegate of New York Beta presented a report of her experience, and our Province President, Anna M. Jackson, contributed many interesting details. Miss Smith, Grand Secretary, sent us a report on new chapters and the policy of the fraternity in regard to expansion, which was supplemented by remarks from Miss Bartholomew, and from Mrs. Theiss, former Grand Secretary. At the December meeting an interesting paper giving fraternity statistics was presented by Miss Wilson, Iowa Gamma.

The club has applied to Mrs. Reynolds for an alumnae club certificate and looks forward to an active life and growth.

DORA RUSSELL NEVINS.

THE BALTIMORE CLUB

The Baltimore Club of Pi Beta Phi Alumnae held its first meeting of the year on October twenty-first at the home of Helen Doll-Tottle.

The most important action was that taken in regard to the suggestions of Convention. It was decided that we devote the October meeting to the interests of Maryland Alpha, the January meeting to the study of the constitution and history of the fraternity, and the April meeting to the celebration of Founders' Day.

The present members of the club are most anxious to enroll every Pi Phi residing in Baltimore and are making a special effort in that direction.

It is the custom of the club to invite some member of the active chapter to be present at our meetings. The delegate to our last meeting told of the rules and plans for rushing season and the

alumnae have tried to help Maryland Alpha in whatever ways they could.

The officers for the year are Lucy Murray, president, Blanche Reisinger, secretary-treasurer.

BLANCHE REISINGER.

THE GALESBURG ASSOCIATION

The Galesburg Association of Pi Beta Phi was organized in December, 1905. For several years the alumnae in the city had not taken any part in fraternity affairs, but for some time there had been a feeling both on their side and on that of the active chapters, Illinois Beta and Illinois Delta, that something should be done to retain the interest of the older members of the fraternity. An association of former years had ceased to exist because the members felt that they were not gaining much, simply from gathering once a month to talk over old times, and there seemed to be no way of finding out how the active girls could be helped when they hardly knew them by sight. It was decided to try a new plan, a unique one, we believe, in the annals of the fraternity, and the results here have exceeded the fondest hopes of the promoters.

The Galesburg Association of Pi Beta Phi includes in its membership all resident Pi Phis together with the chapters of Illinois Beta and Illinois Delta. Thus the alumnae and active girls are associated in one organization and in planning for our monthly meetings the girls of today are working side by side with those of yesterday. The entertainment is furnished in turn by the alumnae, Illinois Beta, and Illinois Delta, and we meet the first Saturday evening of every month from October to May. It was felt that to really succeed we must have something to work for, and a room has been furnished in the Galesburg City Hospital, which is kept well supplied by devoting one-third of the yearly dues to its needs.

At the present time we have not succeeded in interesting every Pi Phi in the city, yet every month brings back a few more and

we feel confident that in time they will all be members of the association. When the question of joining the National Alumnae Association came up, at first many were averse, thinking that we would have to give up our own organization. When we learned that since the alumnae have charge of at least three meetings during the year, we are eligible to belong to the national department while retaining our local association, it was voted to join and application has been made for a certificate. In this way it is hoped that in a little while it may become a fact in Galesburg that once a Pi Phi is always a Pi Phi.

MILDRED BROWN.

THE INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNAE

The Indianapolis alumnae have regular meetings the second Saturday in each month. Our meetings are arranged on a regular schedule with three business meetings during the winter.

The actives meet with the alumnae every few months, so that we keep in close touch with each other. Any visiting Pi Phi in the city on the second Saturday will be very welcome.

We have sent for an alumnae certificate and hope to receive it soon.

The officers for the year are, Annie McCollum, president, Alice Good, secretary, and Mrs. Thornton, treasurer.

ALICE GOOD.

THE HILLSDALE CLUB.

The Michigan Alpha Alumnae Club met December eighth at the home of Mrs. E. T. Prideaux. It was voted to apply to Mrs. Reynolds for a club certificate at once. During the past year the club has been bending all its energies towards helping the Hillsdale College chapter. Last spring as a gift for Founders' Day a beautiful library table was sent to the chapter hall; this fall, November thirteenth, a progressive dinner was given at the home of Mrs. B. F. Green as a rushing party in honor of the chapter.

At the last meeting an election of officers was held, Mrs. Anna Closson-Green being retained as president, and Mrs. F. B. Meyer elected secretary and Miss Effie Patch, treasurer, in place of Miss Vernor, who resigned those onerous offices.

ANNIE VERNOR.

MINNESOTA ALUMNAE CLUB

The Pi Beta Phi alumnae residing in Minneapolis organized in a somewhat informal way in 1905. The incentive to organization was the hope of an active chapter at the University of Minnesota, and the work of the club last year centered around that interest. There were several meetings of a business or social nature, but the club remained unaffiliated with the national organization.

Last September, after the installation of Minnesota Alpha, it was the unanimous wish that we organize ourselves on a more definite basis, and thus make the association more efficient. Our first meeting was at the home of Edith Robbins in Robbinsdale, in October. We then decided to re-organize in conformity with the revised fraternity statutes regarding alumnae clubs. Our next meeting was on November twenty-fourth, at the home of Esther Friedlander. The new constitution was formally adopted at this time. The constitution meets the requirements of the statutes and includes such other provisions as are necessary. The following are the officers for the year: President, Cora Emilie Marlow; vice-president, Mrs. Jessie Farmer Gamble; secretary-treasurer, Alice Elizabeth Thompson. These officers constitute an executive committee, which arranges the details of all meetings and has the power to call extra ones at its discretion.

The absence, until this year, of an active chapter at the university has made the task of organization no small one. Fifteen or more chapters are represented among our alumnae, who number about thirty-five. This year we hope to include at least twenty-five of these on our membership list.

ALICE E. THOMPSON.

THE BURLINGTON ALUMNAE

The Burlington Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi held its first meeting of the season at the beautiful home of the president, Mrs. Louis Blaul. At this meeting a new impetus was given the chapter by the admission of several alumnae: Mrs. W. L. Cooper, Mrs. H. O. Todd, Mrs. C. M. Waite, Mrs. Walter Burt, Miss Pearl Hayden, Miss Margaret Teuscher and Miss Sadie Buel.

Mrs. Blaul's sister, Miss Alma Poehler, a Pi Phi of Lawrence, Kansas, was the guest of honor and contributed much to the afternoon's enjoyment by her beautiful songs.

After the routine work and an hour of Pi Phi music, a delicious luncheon was served and the guests bade adieu to their hostess with a hearty "Ring, Ching, Ching."

Miss Dorothy Schultz entertained the club delightfully on November twenty-fourth. At this meeting, Miss Leila Penrose, Miss Josephine Burt, Mrs. Cora Lang and Mrs. Arthur Schramm joined us. But three or four alumnae remain who have not identified themselves with the club and it is sincerely hoped they will do so before another meeting.

EDNA UHLER GILMAN.

DES MOINES ALUMNAE CLUB

Our alumnae club has not been heard from for some time, but we have not been inactive. This fall we have had the good fortune to have a bride in our circle, and we have made the most of the circumstance to have some jolly times. You all know her, too, for she is one of our long-time and most popular girls, Miss Ella J. Cummins that was, Mrs. Theodore Grefe now. There is a suspicion of romance about it, too, for the bride was principal of the Olive McHenry school, and Mr. Grefe is president of the school board. The wedding occurred the night of Hallowe'en. During November we gave two parties—post-nuptials, the first an afternoon at the home of Mrs. Harry Wallace, when just "we

girls" were there to make merry; the second an evening party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Suel Spaulding, when we entertained our husbands and friends to meet Mr. and Mrs. Grefe. It was the first affair of the kind we have attempted, and was such a success that we contemplate future occasions with the same guest list. The first Saturday in December, our regular meeting day, Mrs. Grefe entertained us at her new home, and we all contributed pieces of silk and sewed blocks for her silk quilt.

The annual Pan-Hellenic banquet is set for January twenty-fourth. This is always a delightful occasion "When Greek meets Greek." The Phi Phis outnumber all of the other sororities.

ANNA ROSS-CLARKE.

LOUISIANA ALPHA ALUMNAE

First and foremost, Louisiana Alpha, alumnae and active, want to thank you from the bottom of their hearts for giving them the 1907 convention. Let me say, right here and now, (so that you can begin saving up), that we expect you all to join us in making our next convention a record-breaking one in the annals of Pi Beta Phi, and there is no better way of helping than by coming down to New Orleans in person next Christmas-week. There is room in our homes and our hearts for each and every one—and we want you.

Rushing season has come and gone and left the alumnae and active of Louisiana Alpha sharing a great deal of joy and a little pain with one another. We have five unusually enthusiastic freshmen,—whom we feel sure you will all hear from some day—Fay Dillard, Martha Gilmore, Lois Janvier, Janie Miller and Irving Murphy. We lost but one "rushee." Of our victories you shall all share a little later and of our defeat we have been making and are going to make such inner victories as will help us to be worthier bearers of the name and standard of Pi Beta Phi.

We are looking forward with the greatest eagerness to hearing "how it is" with our sister chapters now that the first strenuous

days are over and we sincerely hope that if they sustain any losses or apparent losses, they will be as specific in writing of them as they are in writing of their victories, because it seems to us that losses are just as momentous as victories in the history of fraternity life.

THE DENVER CLUB

The first quarterly meeting of the Denver Alumnae Club was held at luncheon at the Brown Palace hotel, forty-eight being present. Active and alumnae members from both Boulder and Denver were with us, and a few from other near-by towns.

After luncheon a business meeting was held, with Mrs. N. H. Bolles in the chair, in the absence of the president. The most important work which has been done by the Denver alumnae has been the building of a bungalow for the active girls of Colorado Beta. There is but a small balance to be paid on the building, and this will be made up by subscriptions among the alumnae.

Colorado Alpha explained the plans for their new chapter house, for which the ground has just been broken.

The meeting then adjourned, the date of the next one being fixed for February sixteenth.

MARY E. WALLIHAN.

THE MILWAUKEE ALUMNAE

On Saturday, December first, the Pi Beta Phis who were in Milwaukee for the Thanksgiving season, met at a luncheon at the Deutscher Club. Five states, Michigan, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and Wisconsin, were represented by the three active and the twelve alumnae members present. The event was so thoroughly enjoyable that it was determined to make the Pi Phi luncheon a feature of each Thanksgiving season. The Milwaukee Pi Phis hope that another year the fraternity members from Racine, Waukesha, and other adjoining cities can arrange to be present.

The luncheon was followed by a theater party at the afternoon performance of "The Grand Mogul."

The Pi Phis of the city expect to meet the first Saturday in January at the home of Mrs. James S. Church, 683 Stowell Avenue, for the purpose of organizing a permanent alumnae club. A luncheon will be served at half past twelve. The Pi Phis from the neighboring cities are cordially invited to be present and to become members of the new alumnae chapter. Those who can be present Saturday, January fifth, at the luncheon are requested to send their names to Mrs. Church.

ANNA WEBSTER LYTLE.

THE LINCOLN CLUB

Another year has passed and we are again called to give an account of our club and what it has accomplished. We feel it has been little compared to what we might have done and have planned to do the coming year.

We are at present in a somewhat disabled condition, owing to absence from the city of three of our officers, but as the holidays approach they will be flocking back to their homes and we shall then be ready to take up our work again. Our president, Mrs. Eames, has just lost her mother and we mourn with her in her deep sorrow—for ours is the loss of a true and loyal friend.

Our active membership numbers about eighteen, the largest the club has ever had. We are sewing for charity this winter and find it a great pleasure to be doing for others who are not so fortunate as we, and really accomplishing things worth while. We aim to keep in touch with the active chapter and all they are doing, and owing to a scarcity of good "Houses for Rent" have started a chapter house fund in which every alumnae member of Nebraska Beta is to have an interest and we hope within two years to be the first woman's fraternity in Lincoln to own a home. We realize that it will be a big undertaking, but others have succeeded, and why not we?

Last spring a plan was suggested for our early fall work, that of assuming all responsibility for social functions given during

rushing week, and it proved to be a very successful one, for as it happened, only eight of the twenty-four active members of last year were able to return to college and with so small a chapter they would have found it impossible to have accomplished much had they not had the co-operation of their alumnae.

The new rules adopted by convention for the use of alumnae clubs are a step in the right direction and we are glad to feel that at last we have a definite work in the rapid progress of our fraternity.

Greetings and best wishes for all Pi Phis, both active and alumnae. * ANNE STEWART.

THE CLUB OF LAWRENCE, KANSAS

Our club has a membership of about thirty and our regular meetings are fairly well attended. This year there is more unity and interest even than before, as we are trying to raise funds to build a new chapter house by next winter. The success for next year seems somewhat doubtful now, but we are by no means hopeless.

The alumnae are closer to the active chapter than ever before, two members belonging to their executive board for chapter house management and discipline.

Then, too, the alumnae have this winter given a series of receptions in the chapter house to the faculty with the hope of bringing the girls more in touch with them.

NADINE NOWLIN.

Personals

VERMONT ALPHA

Ina H. Gore, '06, was married Thanksgiving day to Clifford D. Cushman, Delta Upsilon, Middlebury, '06.

October twenty-ninth the chapter received a very pleasant, though short, visit, from June Roys-Gage.

Fannie Sutton-Lake of Concord, N. H., visited the Pharetra, November the nineteenth.

COLUMBIA ALPHA

Edith White and Florence Ziegenfuss of California Beta are spending the winter in Washington. They attended the Army and Navy football game at Philadelphia on December first.

Edna McKnew, '09, is traveling in Europe this winter where she expects to remain for probably a year or two.

Mrs. Wyatt Aiken (Adair Taylor, Louisiana Alpha) is in Washington for the winter at the Hotel Richmond.

Anne Margaret Merrill, '08, is taking her junior year at the University of Maine, Orono, but will return to George Washington next winter for her final work and degree.

Adele Ria Taylor, '06, went to Philadelphia for the Army and Navy football game on Saturday, December first.

Clella Stevens, '06, is assistant-principal of the high school at her home, Harrison Valley, Pennsylvania.

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA

Edith O. McCain was married in October to Frederic B. Jaekel and most of the chapter attended the reception. They are spending some weeks in Florida before going to housekeeping.

Anna Morris Jackson, Alpha Province President, visited us lately.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Snyder are now living on Baltimore Avenue, Philadelphia, where they are keeping house.

We had a large number of our alumnae with us for pledge day, December eighth.

Elizabeth K. Carter, '06, who has been ill, is improving.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA

Blanche Allyn Bane spent several days in town during October, visiting Fannie Davis-Phillips.

Rebecca Shove spent Thanksgiving with Ida Sames in Morristown.

Ella Garvin, Ida Sames, Mellie Westcott, Edna Seaman and Ursula Parmley visited in Camden, New Jersey, some time ago, and Anna Lyell entertained them at a Pi Beta Phi luncheon.

Edith Overholt McCain was married to Frederick Blair Jaekel, Phi Gamma Delta, on the seventh of November.

F. Rebecca Shove, ex-'07, is teaching in the Friends' Academy, Locust Valley, L. I.

Ruth Hammitt, ex-'06, is teaching in the Phillips Brooks school, Philadelphia.

The engagement of Helen W. Buoy, '02, and Mr. Edward Burrows, '02, Phi Gamma Delta, of McKeesport, Penn., has been announced.

NEW YORK ALPHA

Wealthy Honsinger has been sent as a teacher to Nang Chang, China, by the Women's Home Missionary Society.

Fannie Ladd-Locke is living, since her marriage, in Brewerton, Ohio.

Henrietta Gamble did not return to college this fall.

Maude Smith is teaching near Syracuse.

Dorothy Dickerson-Helmer has been living, since her marriage, in Sequoit, N. Y.

Angeline Maine, ex-'07, has been visiting us at the chapter house.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA.

Lucretia Berry is teaching in the Chelsea High School.

Rebecca Berry, '06, is teaching in Provincetown, Mass.

Helen Meserve is teaching this year at Dover, N. H.

Elna Coates, Vermont Alpha and Massachusetts Alpha, was married November the twenty-eighth to Charles Alvah Blake.

Mrs. Minnie Laird Shirley is teaching in the high school at Valley Falls, R. I.

Mrs. Jeanette Dodge Chapman is living in Valley Falls, where her husband is principal of the high school.

MARYLAND ALPHA

Emily Haskins was married on November eighth to Mr. Robert Gawthrop. Among the bridesmaids were the following Pi

Phis, Nellie Biehn, maid of honor, Blanche Reisinger, Alice Dunning, Olive Mast and Sarah Rupp.

The chapter has enjoyed visits from the following alumnae this year: Alice Dunning, Mary Ames-Haskin, Mabel Allison, and Emily Haskins-Gawthrop.

OHIO ALPHA

Mary H. Miser spent Thanksgiving at Ellis Hall, a guest of several of the Pi Phi girls.

Mabel Rorick of Ohio Beta has been visiting friends at Ohio University.

Born to Pansy Herrold-Morgan, a daughter, Amy Herrold, October fifteenth.

We are proud to announce to our sister chapters that three of our girls, Clare Humphrey, Mary Simon and Bernice Coultrap, have been elected members of the Science Club. Also Mary Chappellear and Maude Mullay are members of English Club.

OHIO BETA

Augusta Connolley, who is teaching in Steubenville, Ohio, spent a few days of last week at home.

A daughter was recently born to Mr. and Mrs. J. Harry Birnie (nee Marion Nichols).

Martha Jones returned home for the Thanksgiving vacation, from Defiance, Ohio, where she is teaching.

Grace Bradford and Margaret Wilcox visited Gertrude Jackson at Portsmouth, Ohio, over Thanksgiving.

Blanche Moss-Connolley has a baby girl.

A little daughter was lately born to Ruth Houseman-Belknap.

ILLINOIS BETA

Ethel Chamberlain, '06, is in college at the University of Chicago.

Ethelwyn Grier, '04, is teaching at West Henry, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ayres made a short stop in Galesburg to visit friends and Lombard en route to their new home at 2047 W. 30th street, Los Angeles, California.

Delia Conger, '06, is attending college at Wellesley.

Lillian Courtney is in school at Wolfe Hall, Denver.

Elsie Garlick is teaching in the Chicago schools and for some time has been employed in South Englewood.

Eleanor Claycomb of Sycamore, Illinois, spent some time with her sister, Louise, at Lombard Hall.

Elizabeth F. Philbrook was married at her home in Racine, Wisconsin, October eighteenth to Mr. W. W. Pollock.

Mila and Ruth Parke are at the University of Chicago.

Carrie Hurd, in college '05 and '06, has spent the past summer and fall traveling in the west.

ILLINOIS EPSILON

Lenore Negus, '03, who is teaching in Bay City, Michigan, was back for the Thanksgiving vacation.

At our informal dance on November sixteenth, we had the pleasure of entertaining Harriet Hill of Illinois Delta, Nellie Miller and Marion Ross of Illinois Zeta, and Hazel Schelp, Marion Whidden and Selma Vognild of Wisconsin Alpha.

Gertrude Ahern, ex-'08, Northwestern School of Music, is taking a course in music at Joliet, this year.

Faith Hoyt, '03, is teaching in Waterloo, Iowa.

At the meeting of the National Association of Collegiate Alumnae recently held in Evanston, the chapter was very much pleased to meet and receive greetings from Anna Webster Lytle, Nebraska Beta, '98.

Bess Stipes of Illinois Zeta, Louise Leavenworth of Minnesota Alpha, and Ruth Cochran of Columbia Alpha, have visited Illinois Epsilon within the past few weeks.

ILLINOIS ZETA

Kate Mann, '06, who is teaching in the Bushnell High School, visited in the house during the Thanksgiving vacation.

Edith Greene, who was at Illinois last year, was with us for Thanksgiving vacation.

Angie Stedman, '05, is to be married December seventeenth to Arthur Allen, '04, Delta Tau Delta, of Peoria, Ill.

Born to Florence E. Carter-Sherman, a daughter, October seventh.

INDIANA ALPHA

Grace Bryan of Muncie, Indiana, spent the Thanksgiving vacation with her parents in Franklin.

Fay Marshall and Mary Magaw of Columbia City, Ind., spent Thanksgiving vacation at their homes in Franklin.

Professor Jeanette Zeppenfeld was entertained at the home of Miss Viola Lukens in Peru, during vacation.

Cora Voyles recently visited Pi Phi sisters in Franklin.

Lillian Weyl is teacher of art in the Shortridge High School, Indianapolis.

May McDowell, '06, is teaching in the Clayton High School.

INDIANA BETA

Opal Havens, '06, Alice Albertson, Lela Thiebaud and Della Miller visited us the week before Thanksgiving.

Kate Blakely was married November twenty-seventh to Noble Praig, Delta Tau Delta.

Carolyn Reed is teaching in North Vernon, Indiana.

INDIANA GAMMA

On Wednesday, December nineteenth, Lulu B. Kellar was married to Mr. Courtney Wheeler of Kokomo.

Bertha Empey, now of Illinois Zeta, visited Indiana Gamma sisters during the Thanksgiving recess.

MICHIGAN ALPHA

Winifred Whaley, Elisabeth Dudley, Blanche Bradley, Lulu and Blanche Merrifield and Vivian Lyon visited us during the Thanksgiving vacation.

Born to Gladys Barker-West, on October twenty-third, a son.

Mrs. May Copeland Reynolds spent a few days with us.

Annie Vernor announces her engagement to Charles McKinley.

Elizabeth Robinson, '96, visited the college for a few days.

MICHIGAN BETA

Nellie Kellogg, '05, of Battle Creek, Michigan, who has been teaching in Cavite, province of Cavite, Philippine Islands, was married in Manila, August first, to Louis J. Van Schaick, governor of the Province of Cavite. Governor Van Schaick is a son of Senator Van Schaick of New York.

Madge Sibley, '04, of Detroit, was married October fifteenth to Dr. Raymond Habler. Their address is 120 E. 24th street, New York City.

Marie Winsor, '06, is teaching in the high school at Marshall, Michigan. *

Lotta Broadbridge, '06, is teaching in the Delray High School, Detroit, Michigan. Her address is 308 Vinewood Avenue.

Mary Edwards, '06, is teaching in the high school at Manistee, Michigan.

Dora Payne, '06, has resigned her position in Boston and has accepted a position in an insurance office in Los Angeles, California. Her address is 858 E. 28th street.

Helen Briggs, ex-'07, who has been teaching in Dundee High School, is ill at her home in Toledo, Ohio, with typhoid fever.

Eleanor Towar, '03, left November twelfth for a year abroad.

Elsa Tritscheller-Ely, '05, has moved to Rutherford, New Jersey.

WISCONSIN ALPHA

Anne Wright, ex-'04, visited Millie Askew in October.

A daughter was born to Virginia Hayner-Saunders, November fourth.

Alma Moser-Reinsch has returned from her trip in South America, France and Spain.

The engagement of Millie Askew, '04, to Mr. Theodore Werder of Ashland was recently announced.

Minnie Lee Dodd, '06, spent Thanksgiving at the chapter house.

Phoebe Becket, ex-'09, was married to Mr. Charles Donaldson of Chicago, December fourth.

MINNESOTA ALPHA

Bessie Tucker, '06, is teaching in the high school at Mabel.

Agnes Watson, '06, is teaching in the high school at Chisholm.

Nellie Heyd, '06, and Edith Garbett, '06, are teaching in the high school at St. Paul Park.

Florence Burgess, '06, is assisting in the registrar's office at the University.

Mrs. Marie Palmer Bond expects to spend the winter in Salt Lake City.

Mrs. Emily Brooks Harrison has been spending several months in California.

Mrs. Fannie Edwards Brewster, Illinois Beta, entertained the active chapter on November sixteenth at her home on Kenwood Boulevard.

Miss Emma Hart, who has been connected with the Cumulative Index for several years, has gone to her home in Spring Valley to remain indefinitely.

Clara Edith Bailey is instructor in Latin in the Occidental College at Los Angeles.

Agnes Robinson, who is a graduate of the Johnson School of Music, is this year giving her entire time to teaching music. She is organist in the Portland Avenue Church of Christ.

Esther Friedlander was elected vice-president of the Central High School Alumni Association at a recent meeting called by Mayor Jones.

Mrs. Maud Huntley Jenks, Wisconsin Alpha, wife of Prof. A. E. Jenks of the Sociology Department, is a welcome addition to our list of faculty wives.

The State Educational Association in December was represented in its discussions by several Pi Phis: Elizabeth Fass gave a paper before the Science Round Table, and Esther Friedlander one before the Greek Round Table.

Mrs. Emma White Shellenberger, Iowa Zeta, Amy Robbins, Mrs. Adelaide Robbins Gillette, and Cora E. Marlow are doing post graduate at the university.

Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, mother of Alice E. Thompson, '06, died Saturday, December first. Mrs. Thompson was much interested in Pi Beta Phi; she was generous in her hospitality, and beloved by all who knew her.

IOWA BETA

Cora Quayle is teaching at North English, Iowa.
Blanche Spurgeon is teaching at Orient, Iowa.

IOWA GAMMA

Mary Wilson, '06, has given up her position in the high school at Moulton, Iowa, and is now acting as private secretary to Dean Stanton.

Luella Kilbourne, Beth McMullen, and Sophie Hargis attended the Y. W. C. A. convention at Grinnell in November.

Mrs. Stella Stinson Harris of Fairfield, Iowa, spent Thanksgiving at the college.

Louise Rowe, '04, spent several days in November with our chapter.

Mrs. Olive Wilson Curtis, '87, visited in New Orleans recently.

IOWA ZETA

Naomi Stockdale was married November fourteenth to Wilmot Baughn, Sigma Chi, at her home in Estherville, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Baughn will make their home in Omaha.

Ethel Bond was married in October to Frank Mungle, Phi Delta Theta.

Bertha Remley is teaching at Iowa Falls this year.

Sadie Holiday, ex-'07, spent Thanksgiving with us.

Josephine Worster, ex-'08, visited us at the time of the Ames-Iowa game.

Hazel Higley of Chicago, ex-'07, spent two weeks with us in November.

Madge Robb of Albia made us a short visit in November.

Grace Gabriel, '05, is teaching at Le Mars.

May Belle Allstrand and Sara McBride spent several days with us this fall. They are both teaching in Waterloo this year.

MISSOURI ALPHA

Helen Wald of Louisiana, Missouri, made a short visit at the chapter house during the early part of November.

Among visitors to the chapter during the past month have been Anna Hudson of Carrollton, Missouri, and Jean McCune of Bowling Green, Missouri. Both these girls were active Pi Phi last year.

For a month or more, Nevora Fuller, one of our girls, has been in the hospital suffering from typhoid fever. We are glad to say that she is doing nicely and will be taken to her home this week. We hope to have her back with us at the beginning of the second semester.

Ethel Hudson of Columbia, Missouri, has announced her engagement to Mr. Patrick McBaine. The marriage will take place the twenty-seventh of December.

Mary Stephens, one of our town girls, held her coming-out party the fifteenth of November.

The members of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity gave a dance on the twenty-third of November for Mary Stephens.

Eula McCune of Bowling Green is now making a short visit at the chapter house.

KANSAS ALPHA

Mary Buckles, Lucretia Hart and Margaret Hammond visited at the chapter house just before Thanksgiving.

The annual Thanksgiving banquet in Kansas City was held Wednesday, November twenty-eighth, at half past nine in the evening. Sixty Pi Phi were present. The banquet was served in the Japanese rooms at the Hotel Baltimore.

Saturday afternoon, November twenty-fourth, our alumnae entertained the members of the faculty and their wives at the chapter house, to meet the active girls.

Frances Newby, '06, who spent the past month in Oklahoma City has returned to her home in Kansas City.

Louise McCracken, '09, has moved from Leavenworth to Kansas City.

Madge Bullene of Denver, Colorado, has been visiting in Lawrence.

Mrs. J. W. Green entertained the active girls with a cookie-shine November twentieth, as a surprise party for her niece, Elizabeth Stephens.

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NEBRASKA BETA

Edna Holland-De Putron is visiting in Lincoln.

The chapter enjoyed a visit from Gertrude Branch, Michigan Beta, a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Sue Ashman-Brown has been visiting her mother in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Mabel Lyford and Kate Heacock are visiting at the chapter house.

Helen Dolson-Baird came down to spend Thanksgiving with her mother in Lincoln and will remain several weeks.

Mrs. Cooper of Ottumwa, Iowa, has been visiting in Lincoln.

LOUISIANA ALPHA

On November twelfth, Mary Bayne Vaught was married to Wilmer Hayward. Mr. and Mrs. Hayward will reside in Pensacola, Florida.

In October, two Pi Phi babies were added to the Louisiana Alpha "Baby Roll," John Dabney Miller, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Dabney Miller, and Helen Rainey Hardie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hardie.

Viola Murphy is taking a post-graduate course at Tulane.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Butler spent their honeymoon abroad and are now residing in Memphis, Tennessee, where they will make their home. The bride's sister, Bessie Dillard, has just returned from a visit to them.

The wedding of Carrie Charles to Lieutenant Wise of the

U. S. Marine Corps was solemnized very quietly last September. Mrs. Wise is with her husband's parents, Admiral and Mrs. Wise, at Old Point Comfort, Virginia.

Erie Waters has returned from her summer home in Canada and is busy giving music-lessons.

Virginia Logan Eskregge is the proud mother of a small son.

Five members of the Louisiana Alpha Alumnae Club are teaching in the Newcomb night school.

Bemis Sharp is visiting her brother, Lieutenant Sharp, at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.

Laure Beauregard is visiting her aunt in Baltimore.

TEXAS ALPHA

May S. Wynne visited Julia Estill during Thanksgiving days.

Pearl Hall and Lucile Pendleton were here the last week in November visiting Helen Garrison. They are now in Victoria. Kate Martin spent several weeks with us this fall.

Nora Hummel came up from San Antonio to see the Thanksgiving game.

Sadie Millspaugh was also here for a few days. She is teaching in San Angelo.

Born, a son, to Aline Harris-McAshan of Houston.

Fay Hudgins of Texarkana was married to Mr. Frank J. Fouke in October.

Mrs. John Bennett, Texas Alpha, was with friends and relatives for a few days in November.

COLORADO ALPHA

Margaret Helps and Maude McKenzie went to Denver, November thirtieth, to attend an alumnae theatre party, a "cookie-shine" at Helen Stidger's, and the regular alumnae luncheon at the Brown.

Since our last ARROW, Claire Husted has become Mrs. O'Neil. She is living at the Shirley and expects to be there about a year.

Mary Downer and Elizabeth Downer have returned from abroad, but do not expect to enter college again.

Out of town Pi Phi present at our initiation were few this year, but there were present Fanny Plummer-Morton, Laura Killgore, Donnie Armstrong, Emma Sternberg and Helen Stidger.

The active girls gave Floye Lewis a rainbow shower at the lodge. A number of the alumnae were present. Floye Lewis will be married to James Giffin the nineteenth of this month. They will spend about a month in California.

May Whitmore-Calkins was in Boulder visiting for several days and attended a Pi Phi thimble party.

We have a new Pi Phi baby in Boulder. Edith Allison-Austin has a baby girl whom we claim as ours.

Clara Morse-Winner sent us a very pleasant greeting at initiation time which we read at the banquet.

Luella Corbin, who has been suffering from a nervous illness, is very much better now.

Mrs. Lou Clark has gone to East Orange to make her future home.

Julia McKinley-Denio of Wyoming will spend the Christmas holidays in Longmont and Boulder.

Claire Williams Humphry has returned to Denver, having spent some time in California.

COLORADO BETA

Martha Kimball, the Grand Treasurer, has left college to accept a position as teacher in the Miss Wolcott School of Denver.

Louise Neil was married to Clarence Tasher on October thirteenth. They will make their home in Duluth, Minnesota.

Edna Stickney is teaching in Paradox, Colorado.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA

Myrtle Timmons, '06, is teaching in San Juan Capistrano, California.

Edna Reeves, '05, is spending the winter traveling in the east.

Ruth Waterhouse, ex-'06, has been living in the chapter house this semester and we hope to have her with us for the rest of the year.

Alice Hayes, '06, and Eugenia Miller, ex-'06, made us a short visit in October.

CALIFORNIA BETA

May-Boggs-Picton took lunch with us last month.

Daisy French-Howard has taken up her residence in Berkeley.

Estelle Wilson has returned from her Alaskan trip and is living at the chapter house.

Mary Day, Marie Struve, Bertha Crawford, Madge Smith and Charlotte Walters visited us at the time of the big football game.

Editorials

Convention reports have been sent out to all chapters, to the secretaries of alumnae clubs and to all other persons known to be interested. If any one who has not received the report desires to have one, copies may be obtained from the editor.

The public, especially that part of it which is interested in education and its tendencies, is just waking up to the significance of fraternities in the college life of today. Within the past two years probably a dozen articles on this subject have appeared in the more serious magazines and in the large metropolitan dailies. Of these none have been so widely quoted and commented upon as that of Mr. Birdseye, in the educational number of the *Outlook* for last August. To the outside public, the striking point of the article is the figures showing the rapid growth and present extent and strength of the fraternity system, a system which the *Outlook*, commenting editorially, compares with doubtful analogy to the "nations" of the medieval universities. The fraternity man or woman finds other and more suggestive points of interest; the actual need of the fraternity unit in the complex life of our great universities, the possible service of fraternity to college,

most of all the large unused powers of the alumnae and the ways in which it may be utilized. Concerning this last, Mr. Birdseye offers some intensely practical suggestions of the ends to which alumni effort may be directed:

“First, to a careful study of present undergraduate conditions, and to improving these conditions in all their own chapters.

Second, to inciting their own active members to do their best possible work and get the best possible training during their college course.

Third, to realize that in many ways they are their undergraduates' only hope for true individualism.

Fourth, to co-operate in a large way with one another in the study and elimination of the too prevalent waste of lives during the college course.

Fifth, to reach backward into the preparatory schools and clean up moral conditions there.

Let the fraternities, and as well the colleges, be judged, not by wealth or age or numbers, but by the results which they work out in the lives of their individual members; by the real value of their output and not by the size of their capital or plant.”

It will be noticed that none of these suggestions look to the merely material well-being of the chapter. Alumni are already contributing generously of money and financial influence, so generously that it would not occur to most chapters that anything more could be expected, or to alumni that there was occasion for further help. We alumni have then to thank Mr. Birdseye chiefly for this, that he has pointed out an opportunity for greater usefulness and a definite line of work.

There is little that is new in his program. The governing bodies of most fraternities have long been working on these problems, the Inter-Sorority Conference has discussed them, visiting delegates have impressed them on the chapters. The merit of his suggestions is that they put the responsibility where it properly belongs, with those who best understand the conditions in each college, whose influence is strongest and most sympathetic,—the chapter alumni.

As has been announced hitherto in the *ARROW*, alumnae subscriptions cannot be dated back of their receipt. There is published of every issue an edition sufficient to meet all reasonable demands upon it, that is, to cover present circulation, future initiations, a small surplus for filling out chapter files and a slight increase in the Alumnae Association. Last year and this, however, the Association has grown beyond all expectation, and a great increase has occurred each year, after the first *ARROW* has been issued, with the result that the edition has fallen short.

It seems but fair under the circumstances that the *alumnae*, rather than the active members, should lose the earlier numbers of the volume. In the first place every alumna is notified early in the fall that her subscription is due, something manifestly impossible to do in the case of the uninitiated freshman. Secondly, the alumnae subscribers, with the increasing size of the *ARROW* and the increased cost per page of printing, are now receiving their magazines at less than cost, the increased expense being borne entirely by the active membership.

This is to explain why late alumnae subscribers cannot expect to receive back numbers. It goes without saying, also, that all alumnae, like all active subscriptions, end with the volume. Promptness in payment of alumnae dues is thus very desirable.

In the same connection it may be well to remind alumnae subscribers to be sure that both address and money are sent. There have been occasional complaints that names are sent without dues, and lately there comes the surprising report of dues sent without names. While the state secretaries *may* correctly infer the source from the postmark or handwriting, and the subscriber *may* therefore receive her *ARROW*, the chances are much against it. A reminder to exercise care is therefore timely.

Chapter Letters

ALPHA PROVINCE

VERMONT ALPHA—MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

(Chartered 1893)

When we are reminded that it is time for the chapter letter, we are also reminded that it is almost Christmas and we are soon to part for the winter holidays. How short this term has been! Once more the air castles which we have so elaborately built have fallen and we realize how little we have accomplished after all.

Our social life since the rushing season has not been very exciting. Under the new rules we are allowed few festivities. We had a charming little Hallowe'en party however in the Pharetra, for our own girls and a few sub-freshmen, also an informal dance the week before Thanksgiving.

The senior class has had its election and Pi Beta Phi is well represented on its office roll. Gwendoline T. Hughes was appointed vice president, Myrtle A. Mosier, class prophet, and Mabel E. Stevenson, class historian.

I cannot say that we have done very much for our alumnae, but last spring we did send a letter to each alumna telling her as much of our present chapter life as we thought would be of interest to her. Our idea was that by writing similar letters every little while we might keep our graduates from losing their interest in their fraternity. I think we have succeeded to some extent, for our old girls have taken pains to visit us as often as possible, give us some of their good advice and help us in sundry other ways.

Perhaps we might mention the help that our alumnae have given us financially. Some of the seniors of last year proposed last spring in the fraternity meeting that the alumnae should feel it their duty and pleasure to aid the chapter a little in money matters the first year after leaving college. This suggestion has proven a good one, as some of our last year's seniors have most generously shared their first month's pedagogic salary with us.

Once more Vermont Alpha sends the heartiest of Christmas greetings and best wishes for the new year to all her Pi Phi sisters.

MABEL E. STEVENSON.

VERMONT BETA—UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT

(Chartered 1898)

The autumn has passed rapidly and left many pleasant memories to Vermont Beta. The rushing season is over and we introduce to you our pledge, **Gena Chapin**, whom we are sure will prove an enthusiastic Pi Phi.

There have been a good many social doings the past few weeks. One night in October we drove to Williston, a few miles out of town, and spent the evening at the home of Sylvia Warren, one of our active girls. Another evening we visited one of our seniors in her home at Essex Junction. One feature of the entertainment was the presentation of *Reveries of a Bachelor*. Our regular annual reception to the freshman girls was held Hallowe'en at the home of one of our charter members, Mrs. Waddell. Many appropriate games and tricks afforded entertainment for the evening. We celebrated the founding of our chapter November twenty-fourth, by a cookie-shine at the rooms in the evening.

Two of our members attended initiation of Vermont Alpha and report a delightful time. It is so pleasant to be near another chapter and in direct communication with it.

A new building, Morrill Hall, destined for the agricultural department is in process of erection but will probably not be completed before next year.

We have been visited by several of our alumnae: Daisy Russell, Ada Hurlburt, Mrs. Waddell, Grace Strong, Gertrude Johnston and Alice Durfee.

Gertrude Johnston, '06, is now teaching in Monticello, New York. Roberta Campbell has been teaching in East Bane.

After the Christmas vacation which is now so near we are planning for a Pi Phi Christmas tree.

Vermont Beta sends heartiest wishes for success and happiness to all her Pi Phi sisters.

HELEN L. ALLEN.

COLUMBIA ALPHA—GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1889)

Life in the active chapter means so much to the girl in college that it would be little to wonder at if sometimes she found herself thinking with something of dread of the time when she must drop the work so absorbing and join the ranks of the interested alumnae. Natural as the existence of this feeling must be in Columbia Alpha as elsewhere, I believe we have it reduced to a comfortable minimum, that is, if enthusiastic support and constant intercourse count for anything in making the estimate.

As far back as I can go, by personal experience or hearsay, we have always been able to rely on our alumnae for sympathetic response of a very practical sort. Well organized into a large and flourishing alumnae club, they have kept constantly in touch with us by allowing us a share in all their social evenings—by no means dead ones—and on the other hand by caring enough to attend ours. It is they who within the past few years have launched us in our rushing by entertaining all the freshman girls during the first week of college, and it is they who for years have arranged for and carried through the annual joint celebration of Founder's Day.

During the last few months there seems to have come from somewhere an added stimulus to do something more for the active chapter. As a result we were invited to attend the meeting held one evening at their president's home, and there much to our delight were asked to lay before them any line of the winter's activity or any future social affair, to which they might lend us practical aid. We are not backward in appreciating generosity of such a nature. We spoke, and before the evening had ended, committees had been appointed and the first steps taken for an affair to be held probably in February, which is now filling all our minds with the keenest sort of interest.

Since my sister has been one of our representatives among the alumnae of this city and I have learned more truthfully the fraternity situation outside of college, I have learned also to realize of how much mutual value alumnae and active chapter can be to each other. The strength and experience of our older girls who have lived it all over cannot help but steady us in the working out of our own problems. The close touch that Columbia Alpha enjoys with its graduate girls has made us feel, too, that our usefulness need not end with the close of the college course.

We are expecting to celebrate Christmas this year by a regular jolly old-fashioned party to be given at one of the girl's homes the night after Christmas. The atmosphere is to be one of mystery for we are all going masked. We have planned to have a Christmas tree and even a Yule log.

I would like to take this opportunity of introducing our new member of Columbia Alpha, Ruth Millicent Denham, last year a freshman at Smith but now regularly enrolled as a student at George Washington. She has confessed with cheerful readiness that at the first of the year she was dreadfully lonesome and homesick for the dormitory life, but that now somehow—well—that fraternity is a marvelous substitute.

With best wishes to all our chapters, especially from our convert from dormitory life,

HELEN MARIE EVANS. ..

PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA—SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1892)

The rushing season term at Swarthmore is almost over and we girls are already beginning to breathe a sigh of relief, and to feel that at last we can settle down. This year the time of rushing has been greatly shortened, and we are united in the feeling that this is a decided improvement. We are thoroughly convinced that a long pledge day never can do away with the evils of rushing and therefore feel that a short one is better in every way.

Our alumnae have been most kind this year and their efforts have been much appreciated. We have felt their support in many ways. At almost every meeting this year two or three of our old girls have been present. Many of them have come to our functions, and more than all we have felt their interest and support in all that we do almost more than ever before. During the week before pledge day and on that important occasion itself many of our old girls were with us, and their help and interest was felt by all.

We girls feel that the active chapter and the alumnae can and ought to be of untold value to each other. This certainly should be true, for each needs and can do much for the other.

The younger girls need the advice of older heads many times and realize that experience often counts where nothing else can. The older girls find that by coming often, and learning to know well the girls in the active chapter and by sharing their plans, their own interest in the chapter is greatly strengthened and improved. Thus if each can only recognize the help that it can give, the two ought to work together for the best good of Pi Beta Phi. With best wishes for our sister chapters.

ANNA E. STUBBS.

PENNSYLVANIA BETA—BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1895)

Once again our fall term is nearly over, and the Christmas holidays are close at hand; it seems almost impossible that the thirteen weeks are so nearly spent, for we have had so many good times together.

About the middle of October we had a chicken and waffle dinner at Mrs. Hullis,' and what a good time we had, we seven Pi Phis and our freshmen! On the twenty-fourth of October we gave a cookie-shine in honor of Blanche Bane, one of our alumnae who was spending a few days in town. It was the first one for this year, and the very first one for our sophomores. We had asked our town alumnae and we thoroughly

enjoyed hearing them tell of their days in Pi Phi. The spread was good and all seemed to have enjoyed themselves, especially the sophomores.

Most of our freshmen spent their Thanksgiving vacation here at college and we Pi Phis who stayed spent the time getting better acquainted with them, and so with spreads, fudge parties and long walks, the holiday seemed all too short.

With best wishes for a very successful and happy year.

EDNA A. SEAMAN.

PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA—DICKINSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1903)

Since our last letter we have adopted into our Pi Phi family nine new children. The initiation was especially pleasant, because so many of the alumnae were able to be present. We have as guests, Jessie Houck, Lou Sheets, Katherine Kiefer, Bess Craighead, Sarah Black, Ida Shimmel, Kathleen Gooding and Mary Stahr. Although Miss Black is a Pennsylvania Beta girl we feel that she belongs partly to us.

On Thanksgiving the girls who didn't go home spent the evening in the chapter rooms. Arrangements had been made to have the alumnae girls with us and we listened eagerly to the tales of the babyhood days of our chapter. What fine old days they must have been.

There we looked through our petition to Pi Beta Phi and when we read the splendid things said of our girls then in college, we were made to feel our responsibility in living up to their standard.

One evening before her wedding we entertained Gertrude Super and surprised her with a handkerchief shower.

Pennsylvania Gamma sends best wishes for a merry Christmas and a joyous bright New Year, to her sister chapters and alumnae.

HELEN KISNER.

NEW YORK ALPHA—SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1895)

It seems fitting for New York Alpha to gloat just a little over the triumphant exit of the Varsity foot ball team; Syracuse 4, West Point 0, is, we think, a trifle elating

We are still in the throes of rushing. Pan-Hellenic has decreed that pledge-day is not to come and make us the happiest of maidens until about the middle of February. We had hoped for an earlier date. Such a late pledge-day, instead of simplifying rushing and making it less strenuous and trying, seems to us to fail entirely in its purpose. We hope for a more

satisfactory arrangement next year, and for a little better understanding between the chapters represented in the association.

We have lately become the happy possessors of a fine, new rug for the reception room, and are now laying plans for a new set of dishes.

Aside from the numerous rushing parties, we have not entertained any as yet. December the sixth, the alumnae of New York Alpha entertained delightfully at a dance in honor of the active chapter.

Best wishes to our sister chapters.

LOIS HAWKS.

NEW YORK BETA—BARNARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1904)

December finds us right in the midst of our rushing season and with a very hopeful outlook. We are forbidden by Pan-Hellenic, as you probably know, to entertain the same freshmen more than once a month so we try to make that affair as nice as possible.

On October first Mrs. Farnsworth, an alumna of Colorado Alpha, took us all out for a sail in her launch. We were out for the greater part of the afternoon and took our lunch, having hot tea which Mrs. Farnsworth kindly made for us. This was not a freshman rushing party but really **an affair for several of the upper classmen** whom we were rushing.

Later we had a cookie-shine and all the freshmen seemed to enjoy themselves immensely.

We wish that you could all meet our two new juniors, Alice J. Emerson and Maud Smith, of whom we are very proud. There have been a great many transfers from other colleges at Barnard this year and we feel that we have the "pick" of the junior class in our two new girls.

Our last rushing "stunt" was a cotillion and dance given in the Barnard theater. We all voted it one of the best times we have ever had and we were very glad to hear that the freshmen all agreed with us. We had about twenty dances, six of which were figures of the cotillion. There were three figures in which the men favored the girls and three in which the girls favored the men. Some of the favors were made by Julia Freed, to whom the success of the dance is in a large measure due, and some were given by several of the other girls. Then a few of the out-of-town girls stayed at the rooms all night, as did one of the freshmen, and we certainly had one of the jolliest times possible talking over the dance.

On Tuesday of the week before Christmas we expect to give a party to the freshmen. We are planning to have a tree and a small present for each of the girls and also a good "spread."

As the rushing season is so long we all become tired of the name of "freshman" and so, by way of vacation, Irene Adams, one of our seniors,

had us all—just the chapter—up at her home for a day early in November. Mount Kisco is a number of miles from the city and we certainly did enjoy the ten-mile straw ride in the country. After the ride came a delightful luncheon at Irene's home. We were glad to have Willa Wilson, Baltimore, '05, with us for the day. We are planning to have these chapter good times as often as possible that we may not let the interests of rushing interfere with our life as fraternity sisters. Too often, we feel, the only time we all come together, is for the business meetings.

Besides the usual fraternity affairs there are many other social events at college. Next week we have the Undergraduate Tea to which we invite our outside friends. Then on Saturday, November twenty-fourth, the juniors gave a very thrilling melodrama called "Angelina, the Orphaned Heiress."

Although these two months have been a continual round of teas and parties, we have been doing other things, too. Sophie Woodman last week attended the Y. W. C. A. Conference held under the auspices of the Joint Committee which met in this city. She enjoyed meeting Margaret Kyle-Barber, Swarthmore, and Pearl Archibald, Nebraska Beta, very much.

I am very sorry that I cannot say a great deal about the New York alumnae. As far as our own alumnae are concerned, as I said in the last letter, they were very good to us last year, helping us furnish our rooms, having meetings there, coming to our meetings and initiations and doing many little things to help us. But still we all feel very strongly the need of a still larger alumnae club and we think that there ought to be one, especially as there are so many Pi Phis in New York City. There are more than sixty here and we have often thought how delightful it would be if only they would join the club.

With best wishes from New York Beta for a very happy New Year,
MAUDE I. KLEIN.

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA—BOSTON UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1896)

Massachusetts Alpha is proud and happy to introduce to her sisters in Pi Beta Phi, Helen Brown, Bessie Wheeler, Mildred Skerry, Marion Morton and Eugenia Goodwin of the class of 1910.

The initiation ceremony was held at the home of Edna Cullis, '07, in Belmont and the annual banquet was given in the evening at the Hotel Westminster. Over fifty attended, twenty active girls and the rest alumnae. We were doubly happy at having with us Mrs. Sykes, who chaperoned us last summer at our house party, and who seemed quite as pleased to see "her girls" as we were to have her with us.

Since initiation we have settled down to steady hard work in college and to a quiet, helpful life in the fraternity. Our meetings are held every Friday afternoon, after the week's lessons are over. The entertainment is provided each time by a different class delegation. We are looking forward to this week's meeting when our freshmen have charge for the first time.

We miss Frances Morris, '09, from among us. She was taken ill before pledge day with typhoid pneumonia, and was obliged to return to her home in Rapid City, So. Dakota, to regain her strength.

The college glee club united with the Wesleyan glee club and gave a concert and dance in Huntington Chambers, and the following week gave their annual concert in Jacob Sleeper Hall. The Gamma Delta Society, an organization including all the girls of the college, presented Tennyson's "Princess" early in December, Ruth Eaton, '09, took the part of the princess, and her success made us very proud of our sophomore sister.

The Friday before Christmas will occur the annual Gamma Delta spread, when the alumnae return to greet old and new friends.

Our Boston alumnae club keeps in close touch with the active chapter, and we owe much of our success in rushing to their willing co-operation. They furnish us with a piano for our rooms and store our furniture during the summer vacation. They always entertain the active chapter with a luncheon on Commencement Day, while Founders' Day is celebrated by the chapter with either a reception or a cookie shine for the alumnae. In these and many other ways, each chapter retains a deep interest in the other, an interest which we intend to strengthen and increase as our chapter grows.

And now as the close of the year draws near Massachusetts Alpha extends sincere wishes to all the chapters for a happy, joyful Christmas tide and a successful New Year.

BLANCHE L. M. CHARLTON.

MARYLAND ALPHA—WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE

(Chartered 1897)

It hardly seems possible to us girls of Maryland Alpha that in two short weeks Christmas vacation will begin, for at this time last year pledge day was long past and all the little pledglings had become full-fledged Pi Phis. This year, however, we are just in the midst of our two weeks rush and have had just the one function we are allowed. If the freshmen enjoyed it as much as the active chapter and alumnae who went it was indeed a success for we all declared we had had the "time of our lives." We left college about four Friday afternoon and went out to the Woodland Hall, a hotel in the suburbs of Baltimore, where we had a general

good time until a big auto came and took us all home Saturday. Now that this function is over we feel that the worst is past and are awaiting with great impatience the all important day.

We were very fortunate in having with us on our house party several of our alumnae, May Keller, Mabel Allison, Mary Ames-Haskin, our chaperone, and Irene Fenton. Indeed our alumnae have been so good to us this year in so many ways and we have seen so much more of them than we formerly did that we really feel lots better united with them than ever before. Perhaps this may be due to a plan we adopted last year which worked so well that I will pass it on. The alumnae chapter sends a delegate to the meetings of the active chapter and the active chapter does the same to the alumnae and once every six weeks we have a purely social open meeting of the two chapters. This plan accomplishes the double purpose of keeping the two chapters in touch each with the work of the other and of giving a chance for the active girls and the alumnae to become well acquainted. We are anticipating many good times together this year in our new fraternity rooms which we have just furnished and which seem complete now that we have our piano, the gift of our alumnae.

LOUISE N. VAN SANT.

BETA PROVINCE

OHIO ALPHA—OHIO UNIVERSITY.

(Chartered 1889)

Fortune has favored Ohio Alpha this term. When we last wrote, we had but three pledges, now we have seven new girls to introduce to you—Eva Mitchell, Ione Perkins, Elizabeth King, Inez Collins, Maude Mullay, Helen Foster and Mary Connett, who are all enthusiastic Pi Phis.

Our initiation took place on the twenty-third of October and was a most delightful and impressive occasion. Nearly twenty of our alumnae were present and we were all delighted to have Mrs. Burr, our Province President, at our initiation. She gave us an interesting and helpful talk about what Pi Beta Phi meant to us and to others. She also told us about some of our sister chapters in the west which she had visited. Especially she impressed it upon the alumnae to organize and to help the active girls more. This was influential in establishing an alumnae association which is very strong, composed of twenty-one members. They meet twice a month and we can already feel the deeper interest which is displayed in the active chapter.

Mary H. Miser, one of our last year's girls, spent Thanksgiving at Ellis Hall, the guest of several of the girls who remained at the university during the Thanksgiving holidays.

Clare Humphrey and Maude Mullay entertained the active girls with a unique paper-doll party. We all went prepared to look and act like paper-dolls, our dresses being made of crepe tissue-paper. Everything was carried out so completely and we enjoyed ourselves so hugely that we advise this kind of a "stunt" to our sister chapters.

Delta Tau Delta entertained us with a dance in the Assembly Club rooms and this proved to be one of the most brilliant events of the season. On Hallow'en Beta Theta Pi entertained and a large proportion of those present were from our fraternity. Their house was beautifully decorated with autumn leaves, pumpkins and corn, and a fortune-teller's wigwam occupying the corner of one room carried out the spirit of Hallow'en completely.

Ohio University is advancing rapidly in athletics and we surely feel proud of our football team, which has lost only one game this season.

A new women's dormitory is now being erected on the campus which is to be named Boyd Hall, for Miss Margaret Boyd, the first woman graduate of the university, who was an honorary member of Pi Beta Phi.

With best wishes to all sister chapters for a happy New Year.

EDYTH M. EATON.

OHIO BETA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

Were it not for the fact that the Christmas season is upon us and final examinations at hand, it would be hard to realize that a term of the college year has past, for the time has gone so quickly and has been spent so happily.

Since our last chapter letter we held our initiation and annual banquet on October twenty-seventh. About thirty Pi Phis enjoyed the feast which was given at one of the hotels. We had the very great pleasure of enjoying, during our initiation and banquet, a visit from Mrs. May C. Reynolds, our Grand Vice President, and Mrs. Edith C. Burr, President of Beta Province. We were delighted to have them with us and only wish that their visit might have been longer.

Next month our annual formal dance is to be given, and as usual we expect to have quite a number of our alumnae enjoy it with us. Several of our girls who are teaching out of town are coming to Columbus for this, our one big party of this year.

Our alumnae hold a meeting and supper spread every two weeks. In the past it has been their plan to have a joint spread of the active and

alumnae girls at least once a month. These are very enjoyable affairs, indeed, especially in the summer when the table is spread on the lawn. The plan has been changed this winter and two active girls are to be invited to each spread while the joint spreads are to be held less often. In this way we keep in close touch with each other. The older girls come often to our meetings and once in a while spend the noon hour with us at college. We wish more of them would do this for we always enjoy it immensely.

At last we are the happy possessors of a fraternity room at the home of one of our freshmen. It is a large, light room at just the right distance from college. We have had much pleasure in furnishing it and are looking forward to many pleasant hours to be spent there.

Ohio Beta sends a loving Christmas greeting and wishes for a happy New Year to all Phi Phis.

HELEN M. CLARKE.

INDIANA ALPHA—FRANKLIN COLLEGE.

(Chartered 1888)

In comparison with the excitement of the rushing season the last three months have been very quiet ones. The only entertainment we have to report is an informal party given in honor of the Indiana Beta and Indiana Gamma girls who attended the Y. W. C. A. state convention held in Franklin in November. It was a most enjoyable party, for besides the visitors, it was a gathering for all of our alumnae who were here at the time.

The bond between the active and alumnae chapters of Indiana Alpha is a strong one. Quite a number of our alumnae live in Franklin, and so are able to attend fraternity meetings when they so desire. The alumnae are invited to our cookie-shines and informal parties. Each commencement season the active and alumnae girls give a cookie-shine on the college campus for all visiting Pi Phis.

Indiana Alpha has a house committee, composed of three alumnae and three active girls, who manage the securing and maintenance of a chapter house.

Last year the local alumnae club entertained the active chapter with an evening with famous pictures.

Franklin College faculty has introduced a new course of study in the curriculum, that of domestic science. Bertha Miller, one of our alumnae who was graduated from Columbia University last year, will have charge of this work.

Before closing let me mention several honors of our chapter. For the past year the presidency of the college Y. W. C. A. has been held by one

of our girls, and three other Pi Phis hold positions as tutors in history, chemistry and mathematics respectively.

The term examinations are near and our girls are busy preparing for them.

With best wishes for a happy year to all Pi Phis.

JULIA LYLE WILSON.

INDIANA BETA—INDIANA UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1892)

Thanksgiving vacation is over and we have again settled down to work. Our first "Scavenger" is to be read tonight. All the girls are busy trying to think of some good joke on the girls. This year has been a happy one for Pi Phi at Indiana University. We have had so many of our old girls back to visit us. Those who can't come have written such good letters, that we feel that no matter how far away they are they never will forget us.

Our town alumnae take a great interest in us, more so this year, it seems than ever before. They have formed an alumnae club, which meets every two weeks. They are always ready to give us suggestions and we feel perfectly free to go to them for any advice. They gave us several new pieces of furniture for our parlors this fall and helped us in the rush in many ways. A card party was given by one of them and another planned a dinner party which was given at the chapter house.

We all hope that this year will be as promising to Pi Phi everywhere as it is to Indiana Beta.

BARBARA VOYLES.

INDIANA GAMMA—BUTLER COLLEGE

(Chartered 1897)

Since our last letter Indiana Gamma has pledged one new girl—Lillian Thornton—and has initiated all her pledges. One of the alumnae offered her home for the initiation and after we had finished we were invited out to the dining room to a most delightful spread which the alumnae had prepared for us. We all joined in singing some of the dear old Pi Phi songs and our new girls began to feel at home immediately. To tell something of our ways of keeping in touch with our alumnae is no hard task, for the bonds between us are very close. It is understood that the active chapter is invited to the monthly meetings of the alumnae club, and although all do not go, some of us do, and we never fail to enjoy them. The alumnae are always welcomed to our meetings and very often some of them come, so that they always know what we are doing and they are

always ready to help us. Every fall they entertain our rushees with some formal function and we entertain them in the spring.

On November nineteenth, together with the chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, we entertained the new chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta at dinner at the Columbia Club. Miss Ethel Curryer acted as our chaperon and Ethel Woody from our own chapter was toastmistress.

To keep up a spirit of good comradeship in our own chapter we have a dinner in town or a spread at one of the girls' homes every month and we succeed wonderfully well in keeping close together, which is always something of a problem to the chapter having no house. Our last meeting together for this term will be a Christmas party which our freshmen have planned for us.

LUCILE DIFLAKE.

ILLINOIS BETA—LOMBARD COLLEGE

(Chartered 1872)

We have just recovered from fall examinations and are looking forward to a new year, a new term of joyful co-operation with our new girls.

Our grades have been read in fraternity meeting every month this term and it is needless to say that that alone was an incentive to study and a good thing for results in examinations.

Since our last letter, many hopes have been fulfilled and anticipations realized. November twelfth, we initiated our five pledges at the home of Mrs. Marsh, a loyal alumna. After the ceremony, thirty Pi Phis sat down to the cookie-shine, as we sang "The Cloth is Now Spread on the Carpet."

Several of our alumnae from out of town have visited us this fall and one of our best times was a cookie-shine given in honor of Nellie Needham-Ayres and her husband. Mr. Ayres was the only man present and in his speech of appreciation said he was glad to be a Pi Phi brother and on the inside, rather than waiting at the door as in the "good old college days."

Illinois Beta declares, "To tell of our ambitions, our struggles, and our good times is to tell of our alumnae." They open their homes to us for initiations, association meetings and entertainment. We go to them for sympathy and counsel.

The Galesburg Pi Beta Phi Association has done much to bring us closer to each other. The assembly this month with the Knox girls was very successful and it was an inspiration to meet the new initiates of our sister chapter and visiting Pi Phis from other colleges. Miss Sisson told us of her trip abroad. The Lombard chapter entertains the association

this month and after our usual business meeting, we hope to have the alumnae join the active chapters in an informal discussion on "What a fraternity girl thinks."

We are all interested in our Pi Phi room at the hospital and in many ways the aims of the alumnae are our aims.

A happy New Year to every Pi Phi wherever she may be.

MARION WEBSTER.

ILLINOIS DELTA—KNOX COLLEGE

(Chartered 1884)

Since the last letter our time in the fraternity has been spent in initiations and plans for next term. Let us introduce our new sisters: Evelyn Holliday, Jessie Archer, Gladys Van Patten, Annette Lindner, Lillian Green, Elizabeth Gard and Eunice Jacobson. We now number nineteen and are remarkably congenial considering that ten of us were just taken in this year.

A few of our girls have had the pleasure this fall of visiting the Pi Phis at Champaign and bringing our chapter new ideas and inspirations. After hearing directly of our fraternity girls living in a house of their own we feel more strongly the lack of one with us, but in our case it has seemed impossible as yet, as the faculty are not in favor of it.

During the last few weeks class functions have been predominant in the social life of Knox. Each class has had a dance or social evening and the juniors have instituted the custom of a banquet. Our chapter is especially well represented in the freshman and junior classes.

The New Year will have come in by the time this is read so Illinois Delta wishes all Pi Beta Phis a prosperous New Year.

LULU HINCHLIFF.

ILLINOIS EPSILON—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1894)

Illinois Epsilon has had so many interesting experiences since the last ARROW letter was written, that one hardly knows where to begin to tell about them. Probably, however, the matter of greatest importance, after our very successful pledge day, is our initiation. Owing to the smallness of our chapter rooms the ceremony and banquet were given in the Evanston Women's Club rooms, which were certainly ideal for such an affair. Next to the freshmen, themselves, the thing which pleased us the most was that thirty-five alumnae from in or near Chicago were present at that initiation. It certainly was delightful to have them back, and to know that even though they were now out of college they still retained

their interest in, and enthusiasm for our dear Pi Beta Phi. As the result of a very strenuous rushing season, we proudly present to you 28 new Pi Beta Phis, eleven of the best girls in college: Agnes Collyer, Katherine Little, Mary Beggs, Etta Shoupe, Opal Cranor, Fern Miller, Mabel Cowdin, Edna Estelle, Sibyl Davis, Jessie Baker and Frances Hall

We girls consider ourselves unusually fortunate this year, since already we have had at least short visits from girls of Illinois Zeta, Illinois Delta, Wisconsin Alpha, and Minnesota Alpha. Living as our girls do, scattered about in Evanston and Chicago, it is very hard for us to entertain in the way that we would like to, but we do love to have the girls from other chapters visit us, and we try always to make them have the best possible time.

During the past year our chapter has, we feel, been coming in closer touch not only with our own alumnae, but with the members of the Chicago Alumnae Club. We have come to know them better, and as an inevitable consequence to feel a greater interest in them. Late last spring, Mrs. McClanahan, of Illinois Alpha, gave an informal reception for the North-Shore alumnae and our active chapter, and it was there that the enthusiasm which led to our big initiation started. It had been years since many of our Chicago Pi Phis had seen an initiation, and if they enjoyed seeing one again, even half as much as we enjoyed having them at ours, we consider ourselves much more than repaid for all our work. Chapters in a small town do not realize how much more difficult it is for us to really know our resident alumnae, than it is for them to do so. Chicago is so big, and our alumnae so scattered that no matter how greatly each of us wished it, it would be impossible for all the Chicago alumnae ever to meet all of our girls at the same time. Considering this fact, we Northwestern girls feel that our alumnae are unusually loyal and helpful, though we wish that we might be able to see more of them and to know more of them personally.

It seems hard to realize that before we get another ARROW hot! Christmas and New Years will have passed and we shall all be back hard at work, our long-looked for vacation a thing of the past. But, even though the greeting will have to be late, Illinois Epsilon wishes you all a very happy and prosperous year, the best in your history as chapters of Pi Beta Phi.

AMY BURNHAM ONKEN.

ILLINOIS ZETA—UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

(Chartered 1895)

First of all we must introduce to you our freshmen, for they are really a most significant part of our number. At the first of the year we pledged

Stella Work of Ottumwa, Iowa, and Inez Turell of Champaign, and on Tuesday, October sixteenth, we pledged Ethel Douglas and Marion Goodman of Chicago, Marion Ross of Springfield, Katherine Fairbrother of East St. Louis, Ethel Burkhart of Marion, and Grace Fitzgerald of Benton. On Saturday, October twentieth, we initiated them, so they have been active members a long time now. We feel well repaid now, for our midnight conversations and sleepless nights during those first four weeks, although we were very glad to drop to a lower level and start in our year's work in earnest.

We had already begun to plan before rushing season was over what we should do for the chapter and for the alumnae this year. We planned to send all of our alumnae a report during the year of all the fraternity affairs. Always before we have kept in touch with them informally but this year we want to be sure that everyone is reached. We have a permanent building fund supported by our alumnae and last year four of our alumnae and a business man who is a Pi Phi brother built us our present chapter house. We also received very material aid from many of them during rushing season.

We have planned to make a special celebration of Founders' Day this year. Of course we have always celebrated it in some way, but this year we want to have an annual formal party and a banquet at that time and make a special, concerted effort to have as many of our alumnae with us as possible.

We have done little entertaining this year except our rushing parties. The night before Thanksgiving, however, we had a small very informal dance at our house, and although it is not very convenient for dancing the effort proved so successful that we are planning more of them. We shall also have our usual cookie-shine the night before separating for the Christmas holidays.

We have had visits from several Pi Phis from other chapters this fall. During the Illinois Y. W. C. A. convention we entertained Misses Linder and Ingersol of Illinois Delta, and Miss Anthony of Missouri Alpha, now the head of the Household Science Department at Illinois Wesleyan University. At the time of the Illinois-Wisconsin game we entertained Misses Hinkley, Schelp, Waterman, Volkman, Koenen and Kelly of Wisconsin Alpha, and Miss Avery of Illinois Delta. We enjoyed this interchange of chapter ideas so much and hope to see many more Pi Phis from other chapters this year, since we occupy rather a central position right in the heart of Pi Phidom.

LOIS SWIGART.

MICHIGAN ALPHA—HILLSDALE COLLEGE

(Chartered 1887)

We wish to introduce to the Pi Phi world our five new pledges—Bess Kempf, Marjorie Whitney, Dee Baker, Alice Satterthwaite, and Pearl Kepple. We are indeed very proud and happy, for not one of our invitations was refused.

On November thirteenth our alumnae gave a dinner for the new girls and the active chapter at the home of Mrs. Green. Mrs. Stewart was toastmistress and such a fine one she made! After dinner we pledged the girls and it was such a beautiful ceremony. All of the resident alumnae were present and helped so much to make the girls realize what they were entering upon.

On the following Saturday night we gave a cookie-shine in our rooms for the new girls and were so glad to welcome Mrs. May C. Reynolds. We wish that every Pi Phi could have heard the talk she gave to us, it was so helpful to the "old" girls as well as the new. She impressed upon the minds of our pledges the duties of a Pi Phi and how much they, as Pi Phis owed to the world, as we never could have done. We are so proud to have Mrs. Reynolds among our alumnae—a charter member of our chapter. She certainly is an example of a true Pi Phi. If only we could become such how happy we should be.

Michigan Alpha is especially fortunate in having so many resident alumnae. They are such a help to us, so dependable and always ready to give advice. Their homes are always open to us when we want them. We owe much of our success in rushing to our alumnae and they are very generous to us. In the last year they have given us some lovely things for our rooms, a beautiful library table as well as pictures and china. We are certainly truly grateful for all they do for us.

On last Saturday night we had another cookie-shine for our visitors, among whom was Miss Martha Downey of Michigan Beta. We were so glad to welcome Miss Downey as "one of us." It is always such a pleasure to meet Pi Phis of other chapters for it seems to bring us closer together.

Michigan Alpha wishes you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

CELIA B. RINE.

MICHIGAN BETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

(Chartered 1888)

Since our last letter, initiation, held on the third of November, has come and gone again. Beside many of the "old girls" from the chapter,

there were here to help us, Maude and Mary Corbett and Mrs. Tripp from Michigan Alpha, Miss Thayer from Indiana Beta, Mrs. Black of Pennsylvania Beta and Anne Wright of Wisconsin Alpha. Mrs. Burr was here also and gave us an interesting talk at the banquet. Beside the five pledges of whom I wrote in the last letter, we initiated one other, Lois Rix. I need say no more in introducing her to you than that she is Pi Phi material through and through.

There have been so many things happening this fall that after initiation was over we were all glad to have some time for study without interruption from outside. Once, however, several weeks ago we came together for a good time with a fancy dress party. It was planned in a very short time, but in spite of that all the costumes were good. Every nationality was represented from an Indian squaw to a French maid.

We are glad to report that the largest number of alumnae were back for initiation this year that have come for a long time. About thirty of the old girls sat at the table with us, and joined in our Pi Phi songs. They have helped us so much this year and last in furnishing our house, and making it cheerful that we feel greatly indebted to them. Last year the Detroit Alumnae Association took the responsibility of guarding the house fund, and helping to raise money to build or purchase a chapter house. Many contributed to the fund and many others promised to buy shares when we finally became a corporation to sell stock.

But we do not want the alumnae to feel that we value them alone for the help they bring us in a financial way. It is good to have them back just to hear them talk of old times, and to learn more of the fraternity and the chapter. We intend to follow Mrs. Burr's suggestion this year and send out a letter to all our alumnae some time in March, telling all about the affairs of the active chapter. This is in order that we may keep up an acquaintance, which might be dropped after their immediate friends leave college.

We hope that next year there may be more than ever at our banquet, and that at all times our alumnae may feel as free to come to our chapter house as if they were still active girls.

Best wishes from Michigan Beta to all Pi Phis.

ANNABEL CAREY.

WISCONSIN ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

(Chartered 1894)

Since her last letter Wisconsin Alpha has added a strong member to Pi Beta Phi, Esther Stavrum of La Crosse. Initiation was held October sixteenth, when we also initiated as patroness Miss Edith Barber. Early in November we entertained for our freshmen at our regular fall

party, and later we gave a reception for town and faculty people, to introduce our new chaperone, Mrs. Bashford.

Daisy Moser, one of our seniors and our Convention delegate, has been obliged to leave college on account of her eyes. We are glad to say that she will probably be active again next year.

Delta Kappa Epsilon has granted a charter to a local fraternity, Rho Delta Phi.

During the Thanksgiving recess a number of the active girls who were in Milwaukee had a luncheon at the Deutscher Club and visited the alumnae who were in the city. An Alumnae Club was formed by the Milwaukee alumnae, which is to meet at the home of some member every month, the guests paying a nominal sum which they will use for the benefit of the active chapter. We have seven alumnae here in Madison, all of whom are of great assistance to us during "rushing" and at any time we entertain. At commencement they manage the banquet and use the proceeds for the chapter house. During the summer we wrote to all the alumnae we could reach, and asked them to send us names of possible "ruskees," and for a dollar to help buy rugs for our house. We sent rushing blanks, and got names from several alumnae. Nearly all replied at once and showed great interest in our plans.

Wisconsin Alpha sends greetings to all Pi Beta Phis.

DOROTHY MARIE BURNHAM.

MINNESOTA ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

(Re-chartered 1906)

Once more we find Christmas upon us, and the first half of our college year nearly ended. How the time flies when we are all so busy!

On October twenty-seventh we held our first initiation and it was a delightful one in every respect. After the ceremonies we sat down to a banquet; a number of toasts followed it, serving to work off some of the over enthusiasm.

of the surplus enthusiasm of the evening. We initiated ten of the most beautiful girls in college—two post-graduates, two juniors and six nice young freshmen.

In addition we have two new pledges,—Ruth Chandler of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, and Olive Schellenberger of Minneapolis. Olive's mother was a member of I. C. Sorosis at Iowa City. Our new girls are a continual source of delight to us; they are good students, prominent in all college affairs, and their energies are untiring in the interests of Pi Beta Phi. We are very, very proud of them.

"Alice Shevlin Hall," the new women's building, was formally opened December sixth, and the girls have taken possession. The building is

a beautiful addition to the college buildings, though we hated to see the skeleton of the "Old Main" torn down. The Y. W. C. A. has already held a very profitable bazaar in the new building.

We have another alumna to add to the ranks, Mrs. Jenks, a member of Wisconsin Alpha. Mr. Jenks is professor of sociology at the University. We are glad to have Mrs. Jenks living near the college center.

Eleanor Just of Illinois Epsilon has been a visitor at Minnesota for the past week, and we are trying to induce her to extend her visit until after our informal party. One of our juniors, Louise Leavenworth, visited Illinois Epsilon at the time of the Chicago-Minnesota game and reported a most delightful time.

Now that the foot-ball season is over, college society is in full swing. All the fraternities are introducing their freshmen, and times are gay. We were to have our party December fifth at the home of Genevieve Walston, but have postponed it for two weeks on account of the sudden death of Mrs. Thompson, the mother of Alice E. Thompson, one of our charter members.

The girls of Minnesota Alpha will always remember Mrs. Thompson as one of their staunchest friends. She used her energy and time in our behalf, lending us her home, and extending to us her sweet hospitality, when she was scarcely able to be about. Many visiting Pi Phis have enjoyed her welcome and will remember her cheerful, loving disposition.

The baby chapter wishes to thank all her older sisters for the welcome they have given her to the ranks of Pi Beta Phi, and extends to them and to every Pi Phi, the best of wishes for a Merry, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

FLORENCE LELIA AMBLE.

IOWA BETA—SIMPSON COLLEGE

(Chartered 1874)

We are nearing the goal of our fall term, and now is the time we hurry to gather together the portions of knowledge we have been collecting the past three months, and we rush back and pick up some of the fragments we have let fall or passed by unheedingly. But we are not worrying, for we have tried to do our duty and so can look back over the term with pride and pleasure.

We have something else which we can look at with pride and pleasure, we are very grateful for our alumnae club. It is a strong chapter, numbering about twenty-five members, and every member shows a personal interest in our welfare. Last year when we were furnishing our chapter house the alumnae entered into our plans and helped us in many ways. They entertain us at five o'clock teas and dinners and occasionally help us

entertain. We are so proud of our alumnae that we like to have at least one present when we entertain new girls.

Three of our girls, Jessie Schee, Marjory Woods, and Nanny White were delegates to the State Y. W. C. A. Convention at Grinnell.

Of late we have been having our chapter meetings on Saturday afternoons. After business session we spend the time making Christmas presents.

We have planned a series of rushing parties, entertaining only a few of the new girls at a time, in order that we may know each one personally. We gave the first of this series last week. First we took the girls to a very exciting basket-ball game, and then to the home of one of our girls, to a chafing-dish party. There we "dressed up" in the ridiculous costumes which we had prepared, and a little impromptu play was given, which culminated in a mock wedding. The pleasure of the evening was enhanced by the presence of Mrs. Sig'ler, one of our alumnae.

Most of the girls are going to be in town during the holidays and several of our old girls are coming to visit, so we are planning a week of jollification.

Iowa Beta wishes all a happy New Year.

LOIS SILCOTT.

IOWA GAMMA—IOWA STATE COLLEGE

(Re-chartered 1906)

Another term is nearly ended, and the girls of Iowa Gamma are all busy with the papers and examinations which always mark the close of the term's work. While we shall all be glad to go home and take a much-needed rest, a tinge of sadness cannot help creeping into the senior's heart, when she thinks how soon her college days are to be over, separating her from the girls she has grown to know and love as sisters.

The campus is now in a great state of activity. Work on the Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. building is being pushed rapidly, and the excavations for the new Agricultural hall are being made. A new interurban road is being constructed, which will connect the college with the town.

On November seventeenth, we gave our term party at Smith's hall. Several girls from other colleges were with us for the event.

Saturday afternoon, December eighth, the ladies of the faculty gave the regular Y. W. C. A. party to the girls at the home of Mrs. E. W. Stanton, one of our alumnae. Every one had a jolly good time and left feeling better acquainted with all the girls.

Pi Phi has a strong alumnae chapter here. Most of the members live on the campus, but there are also a few whose homes are down town. The alumnae and active members feel very near to each other. We are always

glad to have any of our alumnae present at our business meetings, and at social meetings—why, we simply couldn't get along without them! Their advice and assistance have always been a great deal of help to us, and a look or word of approbation is indeed worth working for.

The homes of the alumnae are always open to the girls, and many a merry cookie-shine and many a serious business meeting have been held there. We always think of our alumnae as a part of "the girls,"—the better and wiser part.

Iowa Gamma sends best holiday wishes to all her sister chapters.

FLORENCE PETTINGER.

IOWA ZETA—IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1882)

Iowa Zeta is very glad of this opportunity to speak of the alumnae, for we have the ideal kind and we so much appreciate what they do for us.

As an alumnae club they stand back of us in our fraternity house arrangements and without their advice and support I fear we could have had no house this year. From time to time they have entertained us charmingly at their homes and last spring they gave us a delightful banquet on Founders' Day. Very often they attend our spreads, and throughout the rushing season they helped us receive at nearly all of our functions. So we feel very fortunate that they take such an active interest in us and also that we have the opportunity of knowing them so personally.

Our chapter life this fall has been unusually pleasant. With our freshmen duly initiated we are full of much Pi Phi spirit and enthusiasm. We have had many lovely times together. Nearly every spread ends in an informal dance for our house is arranged very nicely for dancing.

In October we gave a reception to the faculty ladies, town ladies and all fraternity girls in honor of our chaperone, Mrs. Hunt. At our next spread, the last before the holidays, each girl makes a present to the house. The first of the formal parties comes December fourteenth and many of the girls are looking forward eagerly to the event.

Aside from fraternity news, we are glad to tell you how much our University has grown this year. The registration has reached twenty-one hundred, three hundred more than ever before.

We have some splendid new buildings under way, and a new college has been opened in connection with the university, the College of Music, which fills a long felt want.

With best Christmas wishes to all,

EDITH BALL.

MISSOURI ALPHA—MISSOURI UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1899)

Since our last letter to the ARROW we girls of Missouri Alpha have been as busy as only college girls can be. When it came time to go home for the Thanksgiving holidays we were all amazed to think so much time had gone and that half of our first semester had passed.

About two weeks before the holidays mid-semester "exams" began and every one worked as hard as possible to get good grades. We are hoping that for a time we shall have no more "exams"—at least not until our finals in January.

Some time ago we decided to entertain each of the fraternities by giving a little dance for each one at our house. As there are eleven fraternities we have been kept pretty busy; however, we have only four more of these parties and expect to be through before Christmas. We have enjoyed these little informals so much, as they give us an opportunity to meet the freshmen and also give our freshmen a chance to meet all the men of every fraternity. Both the Phi Gamma and Phi Delta Thetas have given informals for the Pi Phis.

I purposely delayed writing this letter until after our return from Kansas City, so that I might tell all the Pi Phis about our banquet. As you doubtless know, the Kansas City alumnae are very strong, possessing a good many girls from the universities of Kansas and Missouri, and with a number of members from other chapters than these two which are nearest. These banquets are an annual institution and serve to keep the alumnae of Kansas City and the active chapters of Kansas and Missouri close together. This year we are proud to say our banquet exceeded in number that of any other sorority, there being sixty-two people present. The banquet was planned by the alumnae and certainly did them credit. The table was beautifully decorated with smilax, and a large arrow made of dark red chrysanthemums held the place of honor in the center of the table. Toasts were given between each course, Pi Phi songs were sung, and the cheer given. Pi Phis of every sort were there from the youngest freshman to the gray-haired lady who had been an I. C. at Monmouth. Such a gathering cannot help but make one enthusiastic and more appreciative of what Pi Phi means. We only wish that all Pi Phis might enjoy such a reunion every year.

All the girls have returned now and we are all ready to work for a few weeks before going home for the Christmas holidays. This year we have been especially fortunate in having a number of our old girls visit us. This keeps us in close touch with the girls who are no longer in school and renews our interest in each other.

Before I close I must say a few words about our alumnae. Here in Columbia we have no organized alumnae. However, we keep in very close relation to the town girls, who are always interested and willing to do everything possible to help the chapter. In fact, we girls simply could not get along without our town girls, upon whom we are perhaps too willing to impose.

May all Pi Phis enjoy the merriest possible Christmas and the happiest kind of a New Year,

LILLIAN CARNES.

KANSAS ALPHA—KANSAS UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1873)

Christmas is coming and we have been so busy and are going to be so busy that we hardly know where to begin. All of our twelve freshmen are safely initiated and we have still another pledge, Lucile Dillard. We were planning to have them give their farce soon but there is so much to do now that we have postponed it until after Christmas. We are busy at present getting ready for the "County Fair." The Pi Phis will give "The Reveries of a Bachelor," the Kappas will give a "Prison," the Thetas a side show and the Chi Omegas a candy booth.

The University has organized a Dramatic Association which consists of fifty members and within it is the "Masque Club" where the really "keen" persons are admitted. The "Masque Club" was the old organization while the larger one was organized this year. Several of our girls are members of both and one of our freshmen is to take the leading woman's part in "David Garrick," the play which they are to present this year. The Association offers a series of short plays which are to be invitation affairs and every one is supposed to "graft" for the rare and much sought invitations.

It would take a book to tell all that our alumnae have done for us this year. In the first place they have arranged it so that we feel sure of our house next year which of course is the best thing of all. They have helped us make a set of house rules which have smoothed over things in general and helped us to act like "perfect ladies." They have promised to give with us a series of teas for the faculty, whereby the girls and their professors can assume more informal relations. One of these teas has already been given and it was very delightful. In spite of a raw, rainy afternoon, we had a large number of guests and they seemed to have a thoroughly good time.

The girls have done more house entertaining than usual, that is, we often have members of the alumnae and faculty down to dinner and for the evening, an idea which we like very much.

The fraternity girls are going to give a Pan-Hellenic dance soon and it has caused more excitement among the feminine part of the college than anything that has happened for a long time. This was another wise suggestion from the alumnae.

Thanksgiving eve about seventy active and alumnae Pi Phis of Kansas and Missouri dined together at our banquet in Kansas City, and by the number of K. U. faces there, it would seem as if our whole chapter had been present. Several of our girls went to Lincoln to the football game and there the Nebraska chapter entertained us beautifully and introduced us to several of their alumnae of whom they seem to be as proud as we are of ours.

Kansas Alpha sends Christmas greetings, New Years greetings, and every good kind of greeting to all Pi Phis, active and alumnae.

AMARETTE WEAVER.

NEBRASKA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

(Chartered 1895)

It scarcely seems possible that the holidays are so close at hand and that another chapter letter is due.

The interim has been a very busy and pleasant one for Nebraska Beta. After one week of strenuous rushing we had none at all until after the mid-semester reports were out when we were at liberty once more to pledge. We now wish to introduce to our sisters two more energetic freshmen, Grace Shallenberger of Alma, and Henrietta Benedict of Omaha, Nebraska.

One of the most pleasant features of our chapter life thus far this year was the visit of our Kansas sisters. On November nineteenth, the day of the Kansas-Nebraska football game, eight Pi Phis came up to get acquainted with us and incidentally to see the game. We spent a very happy day together and were only sorry, when the train carried them away about twelve o'clock that night, that we could not keep them longer.

What a pleasure and benefit it is to meet these other girls! We feel that it makes enthusiasm and spirit keener and the real value of fraternity life more evident.

We have entertained several times informally this fall. Beside our house parties, we have given one party at Walsh Hall for our freshmen.

As for our alumnae, Nebraska Beta feels that she cannot express her appreciation of all they do for us. Those in the city gave all our rushing parties last fall and all of them are now liberally contributing to our house fund. Their enthusiasm and interest are ever present and when-

ever we feel the need of assistance in any way, they are ready on the instant.

The large alumnae circle here in Lincoln keeps closely in contact* with the active chapter and so both are helped, the chapter being benefited by the increasing strength behind them and the alumnae by having their interest thus sustained.

Nebraska Beta wishes to all Pi Phis a very pleasant vacation and a happy and successful New Year.

M. PEARL FITZGERALD.

LOUISIANA ALPHA—NEWCOMB COLLEGE, TULANE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1891)

Since our last letter, Louisiana Alpha has initiated five "goats," namely Fay Dillard, Irving Murphy, Martha Gilmore, Lois Janvier and Janie Miller, thus making fourteen loyal Pi Phis in the chapter. At this initiation one of the most interesting things that happened was the reports of the active members on rushing the alumnae and of the alumnae on rushing the active. Each girl was to guess which Pi Phi had drawn her name and had rushed her since the initiation before. If she guessed right she was entitled to a chance for the prize—a bunch of red carnations. It was great! Besides the fun derived from it, we found that it brought an active girl into closer relations with an alumna than perhaps would have happened otherwise.

Two new fraternities were installed at Newcomb in October, Alpha Delta Phi and Phi Mu. At present there are six fraternities: according to installment Pi Beta Phi (1891); Alpha Omicron Pi (1898); Chi Omega (1900); Kappa Kappa Gamma (1904); Phi Mu (1906); Alpha Delta Phi (1906). Pan Hellenic welcomed her two new Greek children into Newcomb by giving them a reception in the Chi Omega room.

At the opening of the opera, Pi Beta Phis, as usual, were prominent and among the debutantes Louisiana Alpha claims some of the most popular and attractive girls.

The chapter has adopted a wedding present to be given to Louisiana Alpha brides. It is a loving cup, made of Newcomb pottery with three designs: one of carnations, another of arrows and the third the Newcomb seal. They are so pretty that the Pi Phis are getting married as fast as possible in order to have one sent to them.

The active members and the alumnae are anticipating giving a Christmas party to the Newcomb Night School. This school was founded for the purpose of giving a free education to working people; and the interest taken and the good derived by teachers,—who are Newcomb alumnae and

offer their services free—as well as by the scholars themselves, is remarkable.

In closing, Louisiana Alpha sends best wishes to all Pi Phis.

JESSIE TEBO.

TEXAS ALPHA—UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

(Chartered 1902)

Since writing the last chapter letter, Texas Alpha has initiated her pledges, and added two more to the list of freshmen, soon to be Pi Phis, but as yet uninitiated. These are Hallet Searcy of Dallas and Louise Andrews of Sherman. Their sister pledges are Janie Robinson and Grace Byrne. We are very, very proud of these girls, and are sure they will be most loyal members.

We had no mock initiation, but followed the ceremonies with a grand "cookie-shine," the first of the year. Songs and toasts added to the evening's enjoyment.

We have been beautifying the house lately, and its appearance is much improved by gifts from Pi Phi fathers and mothers, as well as from the girls themselves. Many of our alumnae visited us Thanksgiving week and it was good indeed to have them back for a while again.

LOTTIE HARRIS.

DELTA PROVINCE

COLORADO ALPHA—COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1884)

The thing nearest all our hearts at present is our new house. Today they broke the ground, and I suppose time will drag while the excavations are being made. Every energy is being put forth to raise money. Each girl gives fifty cents a month that she has earned in some way, so you can find some one to do anything you want done. Some of the girls shampoo hair, some wash and iron shirtwaists, manicure, black shoes, darn stockings, clean rooms, patch, do catering and seize on every available occupation. This has proved very successful as well as very amusing.

We have also had two parties given by the girls,—admission ten cents—everyone must go, or at least send her money, which is turned over to the house fund. One evening at one of these parties we hemmed a table cloth and a dozen napkins for the house. The alumnae intend to give a play for the benefit of the house as soon as Floye Lewis returns.

They are all having numerous meetings and we think there is something in the wind, of course concerning the new house.

We had our initiation November third, and it was a very pretty one. Our six pledges are now six loyal freshmen who enter into the spirit of all Pi Phi doings with zeal. We had forty-six at our banquet which we held at the new Gilbert Hall.

This Friday night the Woman's League gives two little plays in which Katherine McKenzie and Helen Waltemeyer take part. Later the dramatic club gives a play in which Rosina Vaughn and Frances Waltemeyer have parts. We are planning to have a bazaar December fifteenth, the proceeds go to the house fund, so each girl is working diligently on pretty things.

We have started work on our Pi Phi Christmas tree and we hope a great many of our older girls will be back to enjoy it with us. With warmest wishes for a very happy New Year from Colorado Alpha.

ISABEL MCKENZIE.

COLORADO BETA—DENVER UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1885)

The first term of the college closes next week, and we are all thinking about our "exams." We settled down to work weeks ago, wedging in a little excitement here and there in the way of a party or "cookie-shine."

We initiated our six freshmen in October and followed the initiation with a reception in honor of the initiates. A great many of the alumnae were present to see these new girls put on the arrow. How pleased we all are to have our alumnae come out to our initiations and receptions. It makes Pi Beta Phi mean so much more to us to feel that we have women of influence and social standing back of us, and to think that it is the tie of sisterhood in Pi Beta Phi that binds us together.

Then the new girls enjoy meeting the alumnae, and we wish them to feel that they are always welcome.

After we began our work in earnest we met in a social way less often than formerly, but just a few weeks ago, all of the active girls came together for a good time, just among themselves, in fancy dress. We had the good time always guaranteed to a Pi Phi when she goes to a "cookie-shine."

Although the rush for new girls is over for this year, still, since we have kept our eyes open, we have found two fine girls, Bertha Gulette and her cousin Elaine Gulette, whom we wish to introduce as future Phi Phis. On the Friday after Thanksgiving about fifty Pi Phis had luncheon together and the active girls were so glad of this opportunity to meet

with the alumnae. We thought of what they had done for us, and how if it were not for them, we would not have that beloved bungalow, which we call our own. We feel that that is the greatest thing they have done for us, but it is not away the biggest things that count most. There is not a Pi Phi in Denver who is not willing to give up her time to the girls when they go to her for advice, and they kindly open their homes to us at any time. It would be impossible for the girls to repay all the kindnesses of these older sisters, and the only thing they can do is to make them feel welcome when they come among them, and listen and consider carefully any suggestions they may offer.

Now just one other little scrap of news, and one that makes us all very proud and happy. Our chancellor was elected governor at the last election and from our knowledge of him, we feel that Governor Euchtel will make one of the best leaders Colorado has ever had.

Colorado Beta wishes all the chapters a happy and successful New Year.

EDITH AMIE DRESSER.

CALIFORNIA ALPHA—LELAND STANFORD JR. UNIVERSITY

(Chartered 1891)

The Christmas vacation is so near at hand now and everyone is looking forward to such a happy time that even the approaching examinations cannot dampen our spirits.

Since our last letter we have initiated another member into Pi Phi. We consider ourselves very fortunate in being able to introduce to you Roberta Roberts of San Jose, California. She is not living in the house at present but will be with us after the Christmas vacation.

November tenth, the annual foot-ball game was played with the University of California and almost all of our chapter were delightfully entertained at the Berkeley Chapter house. The night before the game they had a "cookie-shine," at which we all had a very enjoyable time.

About the middle of the semester the Kappa Kappa Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta and Pi Beta Phi fraternities entertained the three other fraternities in Pan-Hellenic with a dance. As there are over a hundred fraternity girls in the University there were a good many there. By getting together in this way we all get acquainted and there is a much stronger friendship among us. Next semester the other three fraternities will entertain us in the same way.

Eizabeth Officer, one of our seniors, was elected to the English Club. This is an honor club for original work in English. California Alpha sends a New Year's greeting to you all.

MILDRED M. HADLEY.

CALIFORNIA BETA—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

(Chartered 1900)

The college year thus far has been an unusually busy one. So many events both in college activities and in the chapter house have followed in such rapid succession that we can hardly realize that it is almost time for our Christmas holidays and that the year nineteen hundred six is about to close.

On November fifth we had a second initiation at which time Madge Bliven became a Pi Phi. California Beta now has a freshman class of six of whom we are very proud.

The Prytanean society of the university gave a fete, lasting one afternoon and evening, for the benefit of the Students' Infirmary fund. All the college girls took an active part in helping to make the affair a success both socially and financially. Pi Beta Phi was well represented on many of the committees.

The Pi Phi sophomores entertained the chapter at a dance given as a farewell party to Edith White and Florence Ziegenfuss who have gone east to spend the winter in New York and Washington.

Perhaps the most enjoyable event in our chapter life this term was a cookie-shine which we had the night before the big foot-ball game with Stanford. The girls of California Alpha came up Friday afternoon and stayed at the house with us and in the evening we had a reunion and "jolly up." A number of our alumnae were here and we all enjoyed a most pleasant evening which was spent in singing, dancing and in various "stunts" by the different classes, finally ending with a banquet. The next day was Saturday, the day of our annual inter-collegiate foot-ball match with Stanford. The air was full of excitement for our enthusiasm over the coming contest knew no bounds. The new Rugby game was played and although the outcome was not what students of the University of California had looked for, we enjoyed the game and hope for a victory next year.

The dramatic society of the university staged the "Merry Wives of Winsor." Ethel Morton, one of our sophomores, took the part of Anne Page. The production was given in the Greek theatre on a beautiful moonlight night and it proved a great success in every particular.

The day after Thanksgiving is one of the gala days in the college year. By tradition the junior class has charge of the festivities and this year they presented a farce which was well written and well rendered. The Junior Prom in the evening was one of the prettiest dances ever given by any of the classes.

The alumnae of our chapter have no organization because they are

greatly scattered. A few of the graduate girls live around the bay and they keep in touch with the active chapter by visits to the house and by entertaining the girls at luncheons or dinners. Each year the alumnae send a gift to the house in the form of table linen or silverware. The chapter does nothing special in return except that we keep a warm place in our hearts for all the older girls and give them a hearty welcome whenever they visit Berkeley and the chapter house.

California Beta sends very best wishes for a happy New Year to all Pi Phis.

IDA MAY MCCOY.

Exchanges

Since the issue of the November ARROW, the following exchanges have been received and are here acknowledged:

For October: the *Beta Theta Pi*, the *Caducens* of Kappa Sigma, the *Key* of Kappa Kappa Gamma, the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta.

For November: the *Delta* of Sigma Nu, the *Phi Gamma Delta*, the *Rainbow* of Delta Tau Delta, the *Crescent* of Gamma Phi Beta, the *Alpha Xi Delta*, the *Kappa Alpha Theta*.

For December: the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta.

The New York *Evening Post* indicates a determined effort and voices a popular sentiment in this editorial note.

News items coming from many localities indicate that this is to be a year of active effort on the part of school authorities to suppress entirely the high school Greek letter fraternities. Des Moines and Omaha are the latest cities to adopt a rule excluding all members of these associations absolutely from athletic teams and all other school honors. It is rather noteworthy that some of the teachers and principals most active in this campaign are themselves members of college fraternities. But the elimination of the fraternity from secondary school life is really of a piece with the movement of which leading fraternity men have long approved, to prohibit freshmen from joining or "pledging" to the collegiate chapters. The fact is that the preparatory school fraternity has every

disadvantage of that in the college with none of its genuine benefits. At best, the Greek letter society is chiefly justified by the fact that students are bound to form clubs or coteries of some sort, and those which enlist the active help and interest of representative alumni are less apt to run to seed than others. But the high school "frat" has no reason for existence, and the movement for its suppression deserves all encouragement.

The greeting of the Grand President of Kappa Kappa Gamma contains the following excellent thought:

Above all, let us remember that we are first of all women; second college women; and last, fraternity women. Let us remember that fraternity has no part in college affairs, in college elections, in behavior about the college buildings. Fraternity is a thing apart, not to be thrust in the face of those who are co-workers in the larger body of students. Let us so conduct ourselves that any one may say that we are helpful; good to be with; true to ourselves as women; true to our college and our associates; it follows that we will be true to our fraternity.

The muse of Beta Theta Pi has recently inspired a delightful fraternity Rubaiyat, of which these verses are a good sample.

Now the new year revives the rushing fires
 And fiercely glows each chapter's fond desires,
 While every loyal Greek, from morn till night,
 Talks, argues, pleads, spends money and perspires.

Come, fill the dates, and in the corner fling
 Your books,—this is no time for studying.
 For spiking day is nearing, and e'en now
 With Alpha Delt the freshman's on the wing.

The handsome youth we set our hearts upon
 Smiles at our artful pleading—and anon
 While we are saying "Gee, this is a cinch,"
 Off with the Phi Psis or the Sigs has gone.

Some for the stars of football pant and some
 Sigh for the sons of millionaires to come.
 But, as for us, let cash and credit go;
 Give us good fellows who can make things hum.

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Myself, a freshman, blissful hours spent
 With rival frats and heard great argument
 About alumni rolls; but in the end
 With those who laughed at all my jokes I went.

The while with buffetings I yet did burn,
 I journeyed from the lips of Greek to learn:
 "Live for the love of those who trust you here;
 Live,—for a greater love you cannot earn."

A modest cottage 'neath the campus brow;
 Auddy light; a Beta dorg; and thou,
 My brothers tilting up the roof with song—
 Ah, college life were paradise e'now.

Ah, make the most of college days you spend
 'Ere to the dust of business you descend,
 Dust into dust to turn and thence to live,
 Sans song, sans stein, sans roughhouse and sans friend.

Kappa Sigma has an honor roll composed of every chapter that closes the year free of debt to the national treasury. Might it not be more effective to have a black list of all chapters still in debt at the end of the year?

Kappa Kappa Gamma has started a scholarship fund, which is still too small to be used. It also has a committee on scholarship in college and an officer known as an adviser of women on social affairs. These seem to be some of the improvements authorized by the recent convention.

President Edmund J. James of the University of Illinois has laid before the fraternity men of the university, a plan for holding a national fraternity convention next year, evidently similar in purpose to the Inter-Sorority Conference. The object is to discuss fraternity problems and take such action as will promote the best interests of fraternities in general.

Wofford College, Spartansburg, S. C., has abolished fraternities by a system of "gradual emancipation" covering a period of

four years. This will render inactive chapters of six fraternities, but as the college is not co-educational, no women's fraternities are affected.

The *Caducens* of Kappa Sigma for October and the *Delta* of Sigma Nu for November appear in new covers of cheerful hue and almost identical in design. We wonder if it was an accident or "done apurpose."

Kappa Alpha Theta has entered Washington University, St. Louis, the installation having taken place November thirtieth.

Kappa Sigma has lately entered the University of Oklahoma.

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