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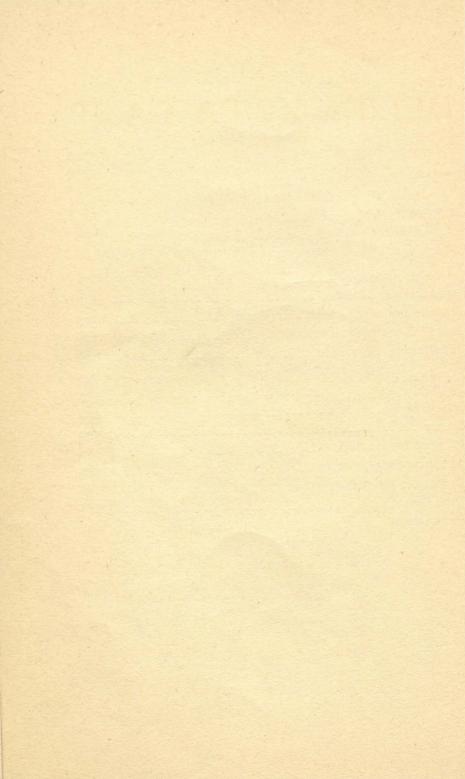
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Important! Notice!

WE NEED more subscriptions to the LAMP. All true Delta Zetas want the LAMP to succeed, I know, and we cannot go on without more enthusiasm and help from our alumnæ. This is an appeal to you, each and every one of you. Consider the proposition seriously, then work for the cause as you have never worked before.

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GRETTA TULLY.

Delta Zeta in Athletics at Miami

A T MIAMI this year, there is a movement to interest girls in athletics by having hall, class, and sorority teams in basketball and baseball. Class numerals are given to those girls who play in match games. Alpha of Delta Zeta is taking an active part in these athletic contests. So far this year the numerals have been awarded for baseball and hockey. Five Delta Zetas won hockey numerals, and five won baseball numerals. Delta Zeta is represented by one player on the junior class team, by two players on the sophomore team, and by three players on the freshman team.

The Delta Zeta basketball team won from Tri Delta by a score of eighteen to three, but lost to Chi Omega by a score of seven to five. The last game had to be forfeited five minutes before time was called because one of our players fainted, and none of the substitutes were able to be present; so we lost the Liberal Arts championship. We hope that our sorority team in baseball this spring may win the cup which is now held by Tri Sigma.

Social Service Department

ONE of the best indications as to whether or not the high school girl is developing into the college woman is the way in which she speaks of her work. If she talks about "school" and "getting her lessons" she is still in the high school stage, albeit a university senior.

Delta has decided to file in her personal chapter records a duplicate of the data collected for the Occupational Bureau and to use this card index system as a means of keeping in closer touch with her own alumnæ.

It is requested that each chapter send to the chairman of social service committee a copy of its local Pan-Hellenic constitution and a discussion of its local Pan-Hellenic problems. Many of our chapter interests hinge on this point and it is hoped that a comparison of these problems and their methods of solution may be helpful to us all.

BETA

We have very little to report concerning social service work in our chapter. There is an opportunity for it at the Inlet and last year a club of girls was organized, who went out there and did what they could in that line. Several of our former girls took part in this work, especially Vienne Caswell. So far this year I have heard nothing about the club and I doubt if it still exists. Beta girls have taken no part in such work this year for many reasons: chiefly for lack of time and the pressure of other things.

ANITA G. LYNCH.

DELTA

I do not know of many needs or opportunities here for social work. There used to be a Civic League that cared for the needy. Now the Oxford Club, composed chiefly of college students, is taking much the same place. The Toynbee Society meets every two weeks and once a month has some out-of-town speaker of some note. Several of our alumnæ are doing fine work in sociology and two of our members are taking seminar work in sociology, which is preparatory for social work.

Our chapter has laid greater stress on other work: making and being friends with everyone is one of our first principles: good friends with the lonely girl as well as with the happy one. The necessity of having friends outside of the chapter is one of our traditions: we *live* it and our pledges get the spirit. From force of habit the older girls are always on the lookout for new friends. ΔZ is noted here for her democratic spirit.

ANNA YOUNGER.

EPSILON

All kinds of social work are being done by the college Y. W. C. A. and the town clubs. One of our girls is usually on the social service committee of the Y. W. C. A. At present, Sue Reed is our representative. Our particular work is trying to live up to the responsibilities which the privilege of possessing a college "home" entails on us. The warmth of mutual interest within such a group is so great an incentive to enter into and stand for the best things in our university life that any failure on our part to enter these activities is less excusable. One of the ways we express our identification with the college life is through our annual "at home" to all the university girls. We began this custom and since then the same idea has been carried out, with certain modifications, by others. We feel that a "college education" means also learning to know people worth while and getting into the university "doings." We keep insisting that it is "up" to us to make people realize that ΔZ is on the campus for business.

FLORA RUTH.

THETA

I think there are plenty of opportunities in our community for social work and we would be willing to help if we only knew of them. Some time ago we attempted to help a poor girl in high school by sending her a few dollars each month, but she rejected our assistance, so we have not tried it again. Madeline Baird was active in Y. W. C. A. work, being a member of the Cabinet.

HENRIETTA JETTINGHOFF.

Іота

Our present social work consists in

- 1. Making freshman girls at home in the fall.
- 2. Coöperating with the faculty in humanizing the university.
 - 3. Acquiring a loan fund for students of Fine Arts.
- 4. A Greater University idea in development of individual music.
- 5. An attempt to make local Pan-Hellenic more free from stereotyped ideas.

VERPLANCK BENNETT.

KAPPA

Kappa has not taken up any social work by itself, but has always worked with the other sororities in this field. At Thanksgiving time each sorority provides a dinner for some poor family, Pan-Hellenic furnishing the name of some family to each sorority. This year at Christmas the sophomore class had a tree for poor children and the sophomore Delta Zetas did their share. Recently Pan-Hellenic gave an entertainment for the benefit of our Home Economics building, and Delta Zeta had her part of the work to care for.

ANNE HOLMES.

We Called

"HOW many of you know this Esther Smith?" asked President Martha of the assembled Delta Zeta fraternity.

Two right hands were raised half way up when twenty should have been.

Martha noted this and continued: "What am I to do with you? How I wish I could impress on you the seriousness of knowing these folks! It has been about six weeks since I asked you to call on her, and—why, it's your duty. Just think how long you—especially you freshmen—will have to live with some of these girls. Can't you see the importance of becoming acquainted with spikes and of choosing the best ones—the ones we want—the ones of our type for Delta Zeta?" Martha finished with an excited question mark.

Without doubt the atmosphere was uncomfortable, and we freshmen, considering ourselves indeed guilty, heartily desired an end of the meeting. As soon as adjournment was moved, Wilma and I, not dwelling at the house, made a quick exit from the living room, passed out through the vestibule and skipped off the porch.

"Aren't you just a little bit ashamed of this? Aren't you—?" sang I lightly. "Honestly, Wilma, I am."

"Well, so am I," answered Wilma emphatically. "I feel like a small potato, but that doesn't help much. Wonder if we can do it tomorrow. I have a class from two till three. Could you go then?"

"Why, let's see. Yes, I have a lesson from two-thirty to three, but I am not busy from then on."

"Good. We'll call on spikes; and above all things do let us meet this Miss Smith. But say! I don't know where these prospectives of ours live."

"Neither do I."

"We'll have to get some of the girls to go along. Who can we find, I wonder?"

"Maybe Marjorie can," I suggested.

"It would be nice to have an upperclassman or two—Edith and Grace, say—along," was Wilma's idea.

"It really doesn't matter, just so at least one of the bunch can talk. That's the main thing to make a call pass along smoothly," I assured.

"I know it. Well, we'll get someone."

"Surely."

We had reached Wilma's house.

"All right. I'll see you tomorrow at three. Good-bye."

On account of a prolonged lesson it was a few minutes after three next day when I rang the bell on Sherwood's porch. Wilma quickly appeared in Sunday School hat and gloves. I exclaimed as to the whyfore, but Wilma showed me a hole in her glove and explained that she was not dressed up.

We walked across the street to the Delta Zeta house, went in and upstairs. Martha was the first person we saw, and when she learned our plan, she called over the house for somebody to accompany us. Marjorie and Edith were not to be found, and Grace and Catharine were too busy, but Dorothy, one who knew the spikes, and also one who could talk, and Gertie, both freshmen, donned their caps and sweaters.

Soon down the street we marched in gay humor, Dorothy and Wilma leading, and Gertie and I bringing up the rear. We called on Miss Culver at Jones's and then passed on over to the Dormitory. Dorothy piloted us about, showing where our different to-be-sisters roomed, and introducing us in a beautiful manner to the only two we found at home. When we finally descended the steps, Dorothy said, "Now let's go home; it's nearly five."

"I should say not," I exploded. "I want to see Esther Smith, yet. You see, we have just time to call on her before the dinner hour, and won't it be glorious to have it done? Hurrah! Where does she live?"

"At the Chard house, I think," informed Gertie.

Without further ado, the company complied with my wishes and started toward said rooming house.

"Say, I wonder, what you think of Miss Kneutz?" began Wilma.

"Who's she?" asked Gertie.

"The red-haired one. Don't you remember? And I want you to know, she came downstairs after me and apologized for not introducing me to her visitor, and I knew her friend all the time. She's from Mrs. Craig's home town, and Mrs. Craig says she is—that is, Miss Kneutz is—made that way, just to put on so to your face you know," explained Dot.

"I don't like her very well, but isn't her roommate, Beth Bailey, a dear?" quoth Wilma.

"Should say so," I agreed. "We sure want her."

We reached the Chard house and ascended the steps to a broad veranda.

"Who's going first?" queried Captain Dorothy.

"You are. Go ahead," said Gertie.

"Me? I want you to hush. I don't know her from Adam. Why, girls, I don't even know where she lives." Dot's eyes gleamed.

"You don't?" Gertie seemed to be trying to get the idea into her head. "Neither do I."

Wilma added her, "Nor I," and I again suggested, "Come on. Let's go back down the steps and take a quick hike."

"No, sir!" asserted Gertie. "We are here now, and we are going to interview Miss Smith. Besides, how that would look. People would think us crazy. Now then, Dot, you're good at getting by with things. You go ahead."

"I want you to hush. If I'd get the wrong girl, what? Well," she agreed finally, "where are the stairs?"

Wilma, having decided by this time that her help was needed, had opened the door and entered the hallway. "Behold, here are the stairs," she said.

We all followed Dorothy up some winding stairs and then rather loiteringly and uncertainly through a dark upper hall to a back room on our left, where a door was open and a light shone into the hall. Within, a girl before a mirror handled a curling iron with swift, nervous motions.

"Beg pardon, but can you tell me where Miss Smith's room is?" dared Dot.

The one addressed, evidently displeased at being delayed, after a second, stepped to the door and glanced quickly at the different transoms down the hall. The first on her left was dark, but motioning to the second, she said rather irritably, "Miss Smith lives there."

"Thank you so much."

Dot rapped. After a moment there were footsteps, and the door opened.

"How do you do, Miss Smith? Miss Smith, I want you to know these girls, Miss Sherwood, Miss Cline, Miss Keller."

After due ceremonies we entered and sat on the only four chairs in the room, while Miss Smith straightened some material on a side table, explaining that she had been writing, and then sat down on the bed.

Dot started things. "What a pleasant room you have here! It's so large and roomy."

"Yes, I like it here. I thought before I came to school this year that perhaps I would get lonesome, not having been in school last year. But I haven't. Some of the girls come up quite often. By the way, you are the second callers I have had today."

"Is that so?"

"Yes. Ruth Smith was over. We have Lit together, and we were reviewing for a quiz."

"Ruth Smith! Why, I want you to know. She is one of our girls," exclaimed Dot.

"Are you Delta Zetas?"

"Yes, surely."

Our friend seemed a little bewildered. "Why I didn't know that. Well, I'm so glad to know you. I know a couple of your girls intimately and like them well."

"We are so glad you do," beamed Dottie dear. "We are quite proud of our bunch. I suppose Ruth told you about her story."

"No, she didn't."

"That's queer," Dot went on. "She was so happy over it. I thought she would remember to tell everyone."

"What about it? I'm extremely interested." Miss Smith was eager.

"Well, I want you to know. She sold one of her stories. Yes, nearly a week ago, I think."

"And got seventy-five dollars for it, too," put in Wilma.

"Isn't that fine?" Our spike was glowing. She was coming.

"We all had a fine time about it, a trio party. You see, about the same time Jessie Wagner, our musician, was honored by having her latest solo performed at a recital; and then, who was the third?" I asked, glancing at Gertie thoughtfully.

"Why, it was Mildred—Mildred Sangster. Don't you know? I'll have to begin back a little to tell Miss Smith. Our fraternity magazine is the Lamp. One day Betty asked Mildred for a dollar and a half for the Lamp. Mildred paid it without a whimper, but she went upstairs, and told her roommate that she had just paid a dollar-fifty light bill."

"So we made those three girls guests of honor at a trio party," finished Dot. "Had the best time. I think sorority life is so happy, and so helpful, too. Especially in some of these best sororities."

Miss Smith seemed favorably—extremely favorably impressed. She assented mildly with a "Yes."

"Girls, do you know what time it is?" asked Wilma, glancing at her wrist.

"What?" I questioned.

"Five-fifteen. We surely must go."

"Yes, indeed. My, how fast the time has gone. We've had a lovely time." Dot came near, and gave Miss Smith a love hug, just as she said "lovely time."

"We're awfully glad to know you, Miss Smith," complimented Wilma.

"I'm glad to know you, too," returned our friend. "I was a little surprised when you came, not knowing any of you, but I was indeed happily surprised."

"Well don't let it have a bad effect on you," we laughed as we left.

"O no. Come again."

"Thank you; we will be glad to."

We made our way down the still unlighted hall and steps to the street; then started toward home.

At the corner, two blocks from the house, we met Ruth Smith, one of our upperclassmen.

"Hi, Froshes."

"Well, talk about angels appearing when you speak of them. Du bist ein angel, Ruth."

"Do you froshes seem to insinuate that you have been talking of me? Well, that will be all right, if you said good things. Where have you been?"

"Over to see Miss Smith. And she likes us fine," said Wilma. "You know it was so queer, none of us knew her. But we called anyway."

"Did you know there were two Smiths over there?" asked our senior.

"No, are there?"

"Yes, we tried to figure out relationship one day. You know Esther Smith, the freshman we are rushing, lives in one of the corner rooms at the back. Then Mary Smith, a senior who has been out a year, lives in the next room. She is somewhat of a journalist, and she's a Theta, too."

"She's a Theta, you say, in the second room and not our spike? Why, girls, I want you to know."

Lois Castell, Delta.

From a Nonsorarity Girl's Standpoint

I HAVE listened to several complaints concerning the attitude of sorority girls towards those who do not belong, but the one that impressed me most was the following: I will tell it to you in the hope that it may, in a measure, change our spirit and make it more sisterly to all girls, not simply to a chosen few.

This girl was invited to belong to a sorority in her first year in college. She felt that the girls were not her kind, in fact their ideals were lower than hers, and she felt that nothing could be gained by her affiliation with them. Then too, owing to the fact that it was necessary for her to be saving, she felt that she could not conscientiously spend the money necessary to become a member.

The result was, she was dropped by this sorority and it happened was not invited to join another while in college.

She went to one of the state universities in the West and her case may not be typical of many others. While in school, she was subjected to slights by sorority girls that made her fairly rebel and hate the college that should have been dear to her. Her nature was of the retiring kind, and any unkindness hurt her deeply. She had some good friends among the sorority girls but she did not feel at ease to visit them at the various sorority houses, because the members there, felt that she was intruding. Then too, she was criticised for "rushing" them. She felt that she could not choose her friends, naturally, but was forced to seek friends among those who were unaffiliated with any group.

Her feeling was that of an outcast. In telling of her life at college she said she felt that she had missed a great deal by not belonging to a sorority. Do not misunderstand me and think that she was the sort of individual who hated sororities. She did not. I asked her frankly why she did not become a member and she told me.

She felt as do I that the fraternity system when brought to its highest degree of efficiency will truly be an ideal organization accomplishing much. And how can we bring about lasting good? First of all remember that we are not choosing a girl as a temporary friend, but as a sister and for life. Will the girl be one that we would be pleased to introduce to our mother, as our sister?

Then when the small group has been chosen inculcate the ideals of that true democratic spirit which will influence the whole college; which will bring a word of cheer to the girl outside of any organization, as well as within it and will make everyone around the happier because we have lived.

Sororities have done much but they are capable of so much more. We can only improve by looking frankly at the criticisms of our opponents. My plea is to recognize no set lines of friendships. We are losing much by not going outside of our own family for our friends. Let us be loyal to our sisters, yes, but let us also be a friend, truly worth having to all girls who need a friend.

Let us say with deeper significance than ever before, "I will be true, for there are those who trust me; I will be pure, for there are those who care; I will be brave, for there is much to suffer; I will be wise, for there is much to dare."

If we realize our responsibility in this way as a member of a "glorious sisterhood," surely we will do nothing petty or selfish and sorority will mean more to us.

ANON.

Pledge Days

We really believed "those" were the days, When all the songs and pranks and plays Had to be given regardless of rhyme Yet we gave them with pleasure, every time.

The Miami March Song we first had to learn, And sing it one evening each taking her turn; Before all the sisters, sitting 'round We six pledges sang and each voice did resound.

Our own song we next were asked to bring Already composed, and prepared to sing, We all sang again midst laughter and shout From all the sisters, gathered about.

After many rehearsals we gave a play Grand opera presented in the most modern way; Our sisters came garbed in evening gowns, To hear our operatic voices sound.

Next we were told of a coming "exam"

Of many names we would have to cram,

Into minds all filled with wonder and doubt

As to how and when "it" would all come about.

The "exam" was over; with all other tasks through We then met trains ready to carry suitcases too, But some Sigma Chi freshmen relieved us of these, While we walked with the Alumnæ greatly pleased.

These girls had come back for our own initiation, Which we had looked to with great expectation, Our pledge days are o'er, our pledge pins we leave, But our dear Roman Lamps take the place of these.

BERTHA HUTCHENS, Alpha.

Discussion

BREADTH OF VIEWPOINT

The necessity of a broader viewpoint on the part of the college student seems evident. By this viewpoint, I refer first to it in regard to people. The ever growing tendency of a college student to draw rigid lines around those whom he calls friends, and thereby excluding and sneering at those without the ring, should be curbed before it is so ingrained in him that he is unable to recognize democracy in citizenship. College students acknowledge that they never had closer, more intensely interested friends than they did in their group, be it organized or not, while they were in college. Yes, we feel we can depend upon those within the circle, but do we have any assurance that there is any depth of sincerity in what we say to others or in what they say to us. "The gift without the giver is bare," but the thought without sincerity behind it is more bare. We are all creatures so subject to the influence brought to bear upon us that we follow in the tracks made for us. Can we afford to let conditions in college foster insincerity in us? Charity of opinion together with broadmindedness of vision magnify the results of an education and justify the time thus spent.

But, again, I refer to the viewpoint we should seek in our conversation. To listen to the conversation of a group of college men today is indeed very exalting. One can get complete information about the music for the next varsity, about the game of pool played last night, about the way the girls are wearing their hair, and about the high cost of living. But how many of them know that Congress has adjourned and that Europe is involved in a serious war? They take the attitude of the farmer who answered to the question, "Did you know Europe is at war today," "Well, they picked out a nice day for it."

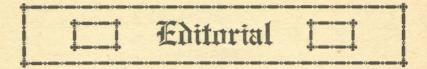
But, in my feministic position, I cannot hurl the accusation at the men, that at least twenty per cent of them are, shall I say somewhat trite? without acknowledging that girls in their sometimes fruitless attempts to "keep up with Liz" still believe that the world is all Prom dresses, powder puffs, and dates flavored with masculinity. Alas! will they never realize that college days offer an opportunity and inclination for reading that will probably never occur to them again; that they are frittering away in daily strolls, hours which might mean steps in advance for them in the educational world; and that with a reading such as might be gained outside, along with a college course, one would never be at loss in conversation, would never be forced to resort to frivolous small talk.

And so with a broader viewpoint and less narrow-minded knocking, we might fuller realize what opportunities college offers and how much we might make of them if only inclination directed it.

HELEN LANE, Alpha.

Spirit

CPIRIT, how incomprehensible! Properly conceived, it is onot superficial, but finds its origin in every true Delta Zeta heart. And just what Alpha chapter considers a true Delta Zeta heart finds as its foundation the purpose of the sorority. It is her aim to aid her sisters morally, intellectually, and spiritually, and the doing of this manifests the spirit we have and do show each other. Although this spirit is not always on the surface, it has a deep seat and never fails if a crisis arises. But even a crisis is not necessary, for we have the spirit all the time even though it is not evident. We are ever ready to share the trials and troubles of a sister, we feel a perfect trust in each other, we never fail of confidence and respect, and always defend and uphold a sister with the best which is in her. This we call spirit and sisterly love for each other. Rushees see it, notice it, remark upon it, but how can they realize it until they are a part of it!



LD MOTHER HUBBARD, went to the cupboard To get her poor dog a bone,

But when she got there, the cupboard was bare And so the poor dog had none."

We sincerely hope that Miss Tully will not object to being compared with "Old Mother Hubbard" and that Banta Publishing Co. will not sue us for libel if we refer to them as the "poor dog," because we wish to make the point that our LAMP money cupboard is bare. What shall we do? If we could only all get together and talk over just LAMP finance matters, we are sure the clouds would fly and that our treasury would profit by such procedure. That is impossible, therefore you, readers, must listen to our side of the question and please agree with us and comply with our request. In this issue you will find a list of the subscribers. This has been printed for a definite purpose: to give each one of you a working basis. For the sake of the LAMP and Delta Zeta will you not, each one of you, sit down as soon as you finish reading the LAMP and write to some Delta Zeta whose name is not included in the list of subscribers, asking her to send her subscription to our business manager? Do this much—spend a sheet of paper, envelope and two cent stamp and the time it would take to write a friendly, newsy note and see if you do not feel repaid. It is our earnest desire that our readers shall feel responsible for the LAMP and that their efforts towards its support, will be more noticeable in the next few weeks. If this does not come to pass, our fears for the existence of the LAMP will be increased and your editor and business manager will be left to "hold the bag" and the LAMP will be no more.

The subject of examinations is probably one of great moment in active chapters just now. No doubt some of the girls think them a nuisance and of little value but surely after serious thought over the matter, no girl feels that way. At a time when sororities are so under the fire of public criticism—adverse and favorable—it behooves us to be informed and indeed, well informed on all points concerning our own organization and all others in so far as we are connected with them in N. P. C. Then, too, these questions have not been compiled with the lone thought of having the active girls commit facts, dates and addresses. All of this is important but the most vital part of these questions is their tendency to make one think. A girl who is trying to answer the sophomore and junior examination questions must use her brain and she must ponder over many important happenings in connection with her sorority life, before she can give an intelligent answer.

"The responsibility of guiding the affairs of your chapter next fall will be yours. State three policies which you hope to put into operation which must need be an improvement on anything yet adopted by your chapter." Juniors! what a chance to do some advance figuring and how welcome the results will be next fall when it is time for you to hold the guiding reins. There are just as vital questions in all of the lists, and girls, do not take the sorority examinations as a burden but welcome them as an opportunity to broaden your views and to make yourselves well informed sorority members.

All great movements should receive much contemplation and consideration. Yes, we mean convention, 1916, at Lincoln, Nebraska. Now that sounds a long way off, but the months will go whirling by and many of us will say, "Oh I just can't go this time; I hadn't planned for it." We are serving notice right now that it is the proper time for you to economize on sodas and candy and to start a "convention fund" for yourself. Think what a treat! To be allowed to visit Zeta chapter, to meet all our western girls who are accomplishing great things, to meet the older women of our sorority who have given much that Delta Zeta might prosper. We want to start you thinking about this great event and will depend on Zeta (in other issues) to fan the flame of your enthusiasm until you become so fired with a desire to attend our 1916 convention that nothing will block your way.

Alumnae Department

Dear Girls of Zeta:

Don't be slow with your chapter letters. No one has asked me to say this but think in what an annoying situation the editor in chief finds herself when your chapter letter is late. No chapter wishes to be a blank as to its letter in any issue of our magazine. Be prompt. Nothing bespeaks for you a surer favorable opinion in the estimation of people than promptness. You may think of your own weariness or that "genius does not burn brightly tonight" but after all, dear girls, Genius is a capacity for hard work, and the achievement of great things by the hard work method.

Don't know what to say? Oh yes you do, dear. Think of Ruth, Janet, Pearle, Mollie, Alma, Alice, Ruby and a score or more of others of us who do not have the pleasure of association with you personally. How you would visit with them if they were here. Yours is their chapter and how they enjoy the news and happenings of it. Tell them of your good times, your new girls, your plans and pleasures and any new features of your university life, as for instance Nebraska's plan for furthering democracy—the university "mixer" where more than a thousand of you meet at stated intervals for a thoroughly good time with everyone. This promises to be a feature worthy of note to other institutions of Nebraska's size. Think how the far-away girls love to hear of them. It brings them nearer to you and they live over again their own happy school days. Then too, the girls of other chapters come to know you better. How we all loved to know of De Pauw's "Old Gold Day."

Don't you know that the toy train with the "man" fastened securely to the Pullman bearing the inscription "Here comes the groom" which Bernice received on the Δ Z Christmas tree and over which you laughed so heartily, will be something of an announcement to our girls?

Then the little toy bear that your secretary received from the same wonderful tree—and which carried on its collar a little plea to let it help her bear the weight of years because this party happened to occur on her birthday, visualizes the little bear bringing mirth to the Christmas party, and the two events—the birthday and the Christmas party—occurring together.

Again how you laughed when Edna's package contained a little motorcycle rider—a "wheeler."

All these things were fun for you. Pass them on.

Then how glad you were when Bess Jeffrey came to spend the week-end. Everybody knows and loves Bess and you were glad she came and other girls will be.

How proud, too, you were when our freshman, Vesta Mawe, carried off one of the highest grades received by anyone in the French Department—one of the French professors told you so.

Another pleasure was added to our list when Elsie Jaeggi—without warning—dropped into Delta Zeta camp, and how proud all were of her success in German examinations, when several hours of advanced work done *in absentia* were credited to her.

And then oh joy! How jubilant we were when our own Ethel Arnold was elected Second Associate Editor of the Daily Nebraskan with numerous candidates in the university field of politics. Proud! Yes, indeed, and with good cause.

Why bless your dear hearts, there are such worlds of things that you can tell the girls through the LAMP that were you to tell them even the half you would rightfully be accused of monopolizing the issue.

In one of the exchanges that has just come to me I read "Life is so short that we need to seize every opportunity we have offered us for developing the power to live." If we are giving pleasure to our dear ones we are developing that power. If we are helping those who are so vigorously striving to help us, as is our editorial staff, we certainly are developing this power to live.

Now girls, one and all, we love Delta Zeta. We wish so ardently to do something to further her interests and to keep our far away out-of-school girls interested in Delta Zeta affairs, and there is truly no surer way to do this than to get them acquainted and interested in our everyday lives. Don't you know the far away ones of your own chapter will long more for their Lamp if they know that the newsy natural girl life of their chapter will be brought to them? The girls of other chapters too will be anxious to know what you are doing.

The art of letter writing used to be one of the much cultivated and highly appreciated arts, so be chatty and social, revive the art if you have lost it—cultivate it if you do have it and be sure that if you are "faithful over a few things you will be ruler over many."

No brighter star is shining than ours, but don't let it be a variable star—going from first magnitude to fourth, or seventh. You girls who are "doing" astronomy, even ever so little, know about the variables that shine brilliantly for a time and even as you look at them they grow dim and disappear. Of course they flash back soon but just that minute of dimness may be when someone turns to see you and you are gone. Your LAMP goes to press and your light is out.

Mrs. C. E. Shugart. Corbett, Ore., at Ferndale Ranch.

Dear Delta Zeta Sisters:

When I saw you all at convention I expected to come West but I didn't know then that I would be out here on the very bank of the Columbia River in the foothills of the Cascades. And what a fascinating experience I am having.

Of course I am teaching, because even out here I can't get away from my profession. I teach English principally, and have quite an interesting high school. In the school there are two Belgians, two Indians and one Norwegian, so you see we are quite cosmopolitan at least.

From my window here I can see far over into Washington and view snow-capped Mt. Adams. Then too, I can see far down the Columbia, and it is a beautiful river. It is said that the scenery here rivals even the Palisades of the Hudson. From school one can see Mt. Hood which is wonderful par-

ticularly when the sun is shining on it, tinting it with pink and lavender, and finally merging into an opalescent mass.

The trees here are practically all evergreen, such as the larch, fir and cedar. We have lovely sword ferns which remain green throughout the year. Then there is the Oregon grape which grows low on the ground, resembling holly except it has no berries. There is an abundance also of maidenhair fern.

Not long ago I visited the salmon cannery about five miles from here. I intend going again when it is in operation. And, oh girls, I have the most delightful prospect for this spring. I'm going out with a fisherman who lives here and watch him catch salmon and sturgeon; some of the latter weigh as much as four hundred pounds or more. Doesn't that sound like a fish story, and won't that be a lark?

My, I've just enjoyed every minute in the West! The people are so lovely.

I do hope that all of you may be able to make the trip out here this spring to the Panama Exposition, then you can take a trip down the Columbia with me. Won't you, girls?

My, how I enjoy my convention pictures and wish I could see you all again.

Much love to you.

HELEN COULTER.

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ALPHA GRADUATE CHAPTER OF DELTA ZETA

It is time for another LAMP, and is nearing the end of our chapter year. May next year find us a larger and more prosperous sorority!

For our February meeting we were entertained by Mrs. C. V. Dunbar. Extension work was our main theme of discussion, and we heard an encouraging report from Martha Railsback, the chairman of the National Extension Fund. There is an urgent need for funds for this work and if every Delta Zeta would respond to the letters which were sent out not long ago, we could soon extend our sisterhood into many colleges and universities. Our entertainment consisted of a review of *The Twenty-Fourth of June* by Grace S. Richmond, given by Mrs. I. H. Hedden, and a paper on "The Origin of St. Valentine's Day" by our hostess.

Our March meeting was held at the home of Miss Beulah Greer. Our president read in the *Questionnaire*, which was prepared by the Examination Committee, and sent out to all active chapters. Answers are due in April.

The annual election of our officers made the April meeting very interesting. Our hostess for that day, Mrs. John Brineman, was chosen to be our president; Mrs. I. H. Hedden, vice-president; Miss Le Ila Brown, secretary; Miss Beulah Greer, treasurer. Arrangements for our State Luncheon were completed. It is to be given at the Claypool Hotel in Indianapolis, on May 8. We are hoping to see assembled on that day at least fifty Delta Zetas. In the evening our alumnæ chapter will entertain at an informal party for all the guests at the home of Miss Martha Railsback. Since our luncheon comes on our regular meeting day, we will have no May meet-

ing. Miss Edna Kidwell sent us a good review of Dr. S. Weir Mitchell's novel, Westways, which was read by the secretary.

Wishing a pleasant summer to every one,—In Delta Zeta bonds.

HELEN SHINGLER DUNBAR.

BETA GRADUATE CHAPTER

Beta alumnæ sends greetings to all the chapters and a hearty welcome to "Epsilon alumnæ."

Beta alumnæ has been having fine meetings this year and is very fortunate in being able to hold her March and June meetings at her Alma Mater. The March meeting was a great success, bringing the alumnæ and active members together as one and we alumnæ felt that it was but yesterday since we were students at "Old Miami."

Mrs. Ira Stock Smith entertained the April meeting at her home in Clifton, Cincinnati. This was the season for election of officers, thus the following were elected: president, Mabelle Minton-Hamilton; vice-president, Rose Pierce, Harrison, Ohio; secretary, Ira Stock Smith, 2300 Wheeler St., Clifton, Cincinnati, Ohio; treasurer, Anna Keen Davis, 4627 Glenshade, Cincinnati. As many of the chapter letters say "Come and visit us" we decided at this meeting to accept some of these invitations and in the name of Beta alumnæ send one junior from Alpha active chapter each year to one of our three nearest active chapters. We hope to begin this plan with this current school year.

Miss Rose Pierce will entertain our May meeting with a one o'clock luncheon at her home in Harrison, Ohio. We especially urge all Alpha Delta Zeta alumnæ to our June meeting at Oxford. Greek-letter day, June 9.

Through the leadership of our most efficient president, Mabelle Minton, the Beta alumnæ aims to keep the Delta Zeta flame burning in the heart of each Beta Delta Zeta alumna as it is through the support of the alumnæ that Delta Zeta is coming to the front and is being hailed as one of the best college sororities.

ANNA KEEN DAVIS.

ZETA GRADUATE CHAPTER

THE Zeta chapter has passed its fifth birthday and we as alumnæ look with pride upon the growth and prosperity of our chapter at Nebraska. We have one of the best active chapters among all the sororities at the university. Among other things the girls have been very successful in scholarship and there were no "failures" in the report of the first semester's work.

As the time of the annual banquet of March 12 and formal, March 13, approaches we are looking forward to the return of many of the alumnæ members. We expect the following persons to attend either or both functions.

1911

Janet Cameron Pearl Barton

Esther Burnett Foster Kathryn Meliza

Harriet Graves Schrag

Grace Burrett Alice Balderson

Hedwig Jaeggi Fontine

1912

Katherine Lowry Molly McComb Marie Peart

1913

Julia Linn Mina Thierhoff Amy Arnold Rose Bergman Emma Carsten Elsie Jaeggi Alma Carsten

Ruth Stonechypher Marriner

1914

Ruth Odell

Edna Brown

Fanny Bergman Coates, Margaret Herman and Minnie Pratt of Δ chapter, De Pauw.

ZETA— PERSONALS

Janet Cameron '11, is teaching history in the high school at Vermilion, South Dakota.

Tekla Egen Drainey '11, has moved to her new home in Kansas City, Mo.

Nettie Wills Shugart presented the active girls with an elegant hand painted chocolate set of her own design and making.

Our chapter editor, Ethel Arnold, was elected by a large majority as one of the associate editors of the university paper, *The Nebraskan*.

VENUS LEAMER, 1910.

GAMMA GRADUATE CHAPTER OF DELTA ZETA

THE first meeting of Gamma graduate chapter for the year 1914-15 was held on October 21 at the home of the president, Mrs. Charles F. F. Campbell. Mary Young gave a report of the Convention held in Indianapolis during the summer. Marie Bluet gave a report from the Program Committee which resulted in calling a special meeting for November 14 in order to complete the program arrangements early in the year.

A resolution, extending sympathy to the family and acknowledging the loss to the sorority, was adopted upon the untimely death of Claudia Faye Hicks and a copy of the same signed by every member of the Graduate Chapter was sent to Mr. and Mrs. Hicks.

Mrs. Campbell had just returned from four months in England and after the business meeting entertained the members with an account of her trip and showed views of the many places she had visited.

The alumnæ were sorry to lose Hazel Bryan, Alpha chapter, who had been with them for more than a year in Columbus. Hazel is teaching in a private school for the deaf in New York City. Marie Bluet has succeeded her as Secretary of the Alumnæ chapter.

At the special meeting November 14 the program of the year was adopted and new members voted upon. An account of the later meetings will serve to show how varied were the topics chosen by the Program Committee. The members have enjoyed the discussions and feel that they have been of mutual

benefit and interest while not in any way detracting from the social pleasure of meeting together.

The regular November meeting was a social gathering at the home of Marie Bluet to welcome the new members, and was much enjoyed by those present.

On November 15, 1914, a little daughter, Valeria, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Kerby Kesler (Adelaide Hixson), Theta. In December Mr. and Mrs. Kesler moved into the country and it is a keen disappointment to the members of Gamma chapter that Adelaide is not able to meet with them.

The relation of the graduate chapter to the active chapter was the subject considered by Mrs. Florence Hart McClain at the home of Madelaine Baird on December 30. An interesting discussion followed, and the members asked Mrs. Campbell to serve as the Alumnæ representative to Pan-Hellenic and also as advisor to the active chapter.

Hazel Bryan, who was returning to New York from her Christmas holidays, and Florence Loewel, who is teaching at Circleville, Ohio, were present on that occasion and helped to make the afternoon enjoyable.

Ethel Schofield led an interesting discussion on "The American College Woman" at the January meeting which was held at the home of Mary Young.

On February 27 the Alumnæ met at the home of Mrs. McClain. Mrs. Charles C. Huntington, patroness of Theta chapter, was the guest of honor. An interesting talk on the Everyday Meaning of Eugenics was given by Mrs. Campbell, who drew upon her own experiences as a social worker and showed family charts to illustrate the heredity of various traits and defects.

The topic for April is the Delta Zeta Alumnæ and that for May the National Extension of Delta Zeta. The June meeting will take the form of an outing in the country or a social afternoon in honor of the pledges of the active chapter.

Two afternoon teas have been given during the past month by Mrs. Campbell that the active chapter might become better acquainted with some of the faculty women. Lady Campbell, who is spending the winter with her son, and the Alumnæ assisted Mrs. Campbell on these occasions.

MARY DRANGA CAMPBELL.

ALPHA—MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters All:

INTE welcome this, another opportunity, for intercourse with you so that we may tell you of our six new sisters. And they are really sisters this time, for they were received into the bond last Saturday, March 6, and because of this I'm sure you will want to see their names in print again. In order of pledging and initiation they are: Ruth Kelsey, Marjory Carson, Lenore Hartzell, Ernestine Cookson, Ella Finley, and Bertha Hutchens. Six little Roman Lamps never reflected any brighter light than shines in the faces of these girls whom we now call sisters and of whom we have reason to expect things. Delta Zeta was the last organization on the campus to initiate, not for any reason either except that it was more convenient to delay it. As Bertha, whom we call "Betty," says, "I was the last person on the campus to be initiated, man, woman, or child, but it was surely worth it." In this, is expressed the feeling of all our initiates and as time goes on, we hope that this enthusiasm may reap great rewards for Delta Zeta and that their lamps may burn ever bright.

But who of the alumnæ were here? Again, were we fortunate in having with us Miss Minton, in whom Delta Zeta rejoices as one of her founders and whom Alpha claims as one of her own alumnæ; Lois Higgins, of Connersville, Indiana; Rose Pierce, of Harrison, Ohio; Laura Marshall, Sydney, Ohio; Jessie McVey, of Blanchester, Ohio; Mrs. Walter Wiley, of Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio; Mrs. Parke Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio; Josephine Jones, of Columbus, Ohio; Dorothy Sloane, Georgia Saylor, Oxford. We had a glorious reunion, although we did miss Helen Coulter, Elsa Thoma, Helen Plock, and Hazel Bryan, because this is the first initiation

these sisters have missed since they have been in the sorority. There were thirty-four present at the initiation banquet held on the same night in Hepburn Hall.

But I am wondering in what our sister chapters may be interested of that which is making up our days here at Miami. There are, of course, things serious, things social, things worth while happening all the time in this college atmosphere. I want to tell you of one of the things we consider worth while, that is the custom Delta Zeta has of attending church en masse the morning after initiation. It is, in truth, a pretty custom and binds our ritual even closer to its source. I wish we all might feel that there is at least one Sunday in the year when every chapter of Delta Zeta attends a church service as a unit.

One of the serious things we have suffered is examinations. They were given deep consideration and while the results in all cases were not perfectly satisfactory, we have not suffered any fall in scholarship. A question we meet, which is more or less serious, is that of keeping perfect unity when half of us live in one hall and half in another. It ought to be a simple matter when there is one tie between us, and it is only this which does clinch us together, but you who do live in houses or in suites in one building, do not recognize the difficulty. It is remarkable how close we are to each other under the circumstances, but how much greater would our sisterhood be if we would enjoy a common home. Let's all pray that one result of the Great War may be that we may be given sorority houses in which we can work more intensely for the uplifting of our principles.

I have left the things social until the end, not because I do not think that they play a very important part in the general make-up of a college life, nor because there are so many of them, but because they loom up distinctly on an horizon dotted with monotonous seven-thirties and eight-thirties which never know a change. And these things have been the Junior Prom with its fraternity house parties; the Madrigal Club Concert; and the mid-year play, When Bunty Pulls the Strings. These are the large events and Delta Zeta did not fail of representation in them all.

But one thing of which I have not told you is that Rennie Sebring-Smith has been elected president of the Young Women's Christian Association for next year. She is without doubt very capable of filling the place, but it is a large responsibility as only one who has worked on the Cabinet realizes, and every Delta Zeta should be willing to be of service to this sister while she is doing a greater service to the college and to the Father who gave us life.

It is too early even to think of next year and I want to close dreaming that this college year will never know an end, and I'm sure it won't in my memories.

Faithfully in the bond,

HELEN A. LANE.

ALPHA—PERSONALS

Mrs. Alfa Lloyd Hayes has returned home after a visit in Oxford.

Marie Guthrie spent the week-end in Oxford at the time of the mid-year play.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wiley spent several days with Dorothy Sloane.

A meeting of the Beta Alumnæ chapter was held at the home of Miss Georgia Saylor, Saturday afternoon, March 6.

Mr. Earl Chenault, of Sabina, Ohio, was the guest of his sister, Edna, for several days.

Mr. John Butz spent the week-end with his daughter, Elsie, at the time of the mid-year play. Elsie played the part of "Eileen" in the play.

BETA-CORNELL UNIVERSITY .

Dear Girls:

Beta is so excited! Maude Ellis was just elected Senior President for next year. We hung around the telephone for an hour, waiting for the decision and when that announcement came you can imagine the shrieks and mighty howls that went up. Dorothy Douglas is President of 1915 so it makes us doubly proud. Please, Miss Censor, do not criticise us for boasting—wouldn't you want to boast too? We are so de-

lighted over it that we must tell it. We had dinner all together at Sage last night in honor of Maude—two tables, whole tables of us— and we presented her with lovely flowers. After dinner the freshman class cheered for her and for their own new president.

Basketball finals come off next week. That is one of the most exciting occasions of the year up here. We play in the armory where the men do, and the classes group themselves on each side wearing their colors and we sing our songs and give our yells until you can't hear yourself think. They sell lemonade and ice cream cones and really a stranger might imagine there was an indoor circus going on. The freshmen play the sophomores, the juniors and seniors play, and then the winning teams. Being a sophomore I must restrain myself right here for of course I know how I think the games are going to turn out. Maude Ellis and Adelaide Mifflin are on the junior squad: Rosamond Wocott is on the sophomore and Marion Lowe was too, but she has had to go home on account of illness. Alice Quinlan is a member of the freshman squad so we are well represented. Oh yes-Virginia Van Brunt is sophomore cheer leader. (Censor, please be merciful!)

We had initiation several weeks ago and initiated the five freshmen whose names I sent in the last letter. We had the banquet at the "Green Lantern Tearoom"—a place that is just as pretty as it sounds. The decorations were pink roses, of course, and that color scheme of rose and green was carried out beautifully even to the ice cream and cake—the latter was a marvel of rose and green layers. We had a wonderful time—the toasts were the cleverest and funniest we have ever had, I think. After it was all over we sat around the table for an hour at least and sang Delta Zeta and Cornell songs—and I guess we all wish that such banquets came more than once a year.

All the classes are having stunts this year. The senior stunt was a "Dormitory Farce"—a take-off on local things which we all appreciated. Dorothy took one of the leads. Junior stunt is tonight and ours is next Saturday. We are giving a musical comedy also localized.

Spring seems to be coming to Ithaca at last—for which hooray! You who have never been in Ithaca or on the wonderful Cornell campus can not know with what enthusiasm we say that—for the walks, the gorges—that quadrangle and senior singing in the spring are indescribable. The thing I am thankfullest for just now is that I am not a senior, and have more such wonderful springs waiting for me here. Some time I will try and tell you more about it,—about those nights in May when all the senior men sit on the steps of Goldwin Smith Hall, singing the old, old songs and we wander up and down the Quadrangle listening—'til when it begins to grow darker, little by little, we sing the "Evening Song" and go strolling homeward. I could talk forever about this, but I glance in horror at the length of this letter and I know I must stop.

ANITA G. LYNCH.

DELTA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

My Dear Girls:

In the last number of the LAMP I promised to tell you how our spike came out, didn't I? You see we have had two formal pledge days this year, so it has kept us on the "jump" for sure.

Friday, January 5, at two o'clock, we took out our written propositions, and called for them in fifteen minutes, just as we did last fall, and then at four o'clock we pledged! We stuck to the rules of the game throughout, and chiefly to that fact we attribute the winning of seven lovely girls. All of them are of an exceptionally strong type, and all are earnest students. Helen Slagle of Churubusco; Garnet McMay of Monticello; and Grace Miller of Crawfordsville, are music students, while Leora Hahn of Wabash; Leota Deam of Bluffton; Hazel Spore of Ft. Wayne, and Gladys Yarbrough of Boonville are full college.

Thursday and Friday of this week we initiated, and last night we gave our banquet for the new girls, welcoming them as real Delta Zeta sisters. It was, indeed, inspiring and impressive to sit at the banquet tables with twenty-seven Delta Zetas, and to realize that we were all standing for and striving for the same ideals, and the same intellectual, moral, and social standards.

Girls, have any of you started a card catalogue system for your chapter? Don't you find it hard to keep in touch with all the girls, especially those who have been out for several years, without some sort of record? We have come to realize that we grow careless, and there seems to be a tendency to "lose out" with the girls who were probably here only one year, and for whom it is impossible to come back often. With this in mind, we have started a card catalogue for Delta chapter. There is a card for every girl who has been initiated in our chapter since its founding. On this is her name, date of graduation from high school, high school honors, date of pledging and initiation, honorary offices in the chapter, college honors, date of marriage and to whom (if married), etc. In a word, we have a brief record of her life from the time she was known to Delta Zeta up to the present. Each year we will add to each member's record, and in this way we expect to keep our chapter ever alive, and enthusiastically in touch with each other.

I guess I'll just tell you of another little scheme we are concocting, too. We are going to keep a history of Delta chapter as a whole. Now the card catalogue will be a record of the girls, while this history will deal with chapter activities and events. We will trace Delta from it's founding to the present, and then add each year. We will begin, of course, with our first house, then record each successive move, and the motive and purpose of such; a record of gifts to our house, made by alumnæ and friends, list of our patronesses and any changes, and anything else of moment and interest to our chapter life. Don't you like the idea? We are expecting good results from both these plans.

April 1 we entertained the ladies of the town and the girls of the University, but I'll tell you all about that next time.

My 15,000 (?) word paper on Roman Religion is calling me, so if you will just pardon me for "three months," I'll finish my letter then.

Worlds of Delta Zeta love to all, Saturday, March 13, '15. CATHARINE J. SINCLAIRE.

ZETA LETTER

THIS is the last opportunity to write of the Zeta chapter pledges, as tomorrow the first of the initiation ceremonies will be held. Those to be initiated are: Ruth Enyeart, University Place; Nettie Jeffrey, Creston, Iowa; Esther Ellinghusen, Omaha; Vesta Mawe, Lincoln; and Myrtle Orton, Unidilla. The pledges are looking forward to initiation with great anticipation and apparently considerable awe.

New initiation robes presented to the chapter by Mrs. Nettie Shugart will be worn for the first time.

A great deal of interest is now felt in the approaching formal party and the enjoyable event it will be in bringing back a large number of the old members. Most all the girls will be back for the banquet which is to be held the night before the formal.

A number of house dances have been given lately. The valentine party in particular was a jolly event. The rooms were decorated with streamers of red and an abundance of valentine symbols and suggestions.

The girls' basketball tournament is to be held soon and we feel proud of the fact that Faye Tolles won a place on the senior class team.

ETHEL M. ARNOLD, Zeta Chapter.

THETA-OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Delta Zeta:

THE January LAMP gives glowing accounts of Christmas parties at Delta Zeta houses and of the good times every one had during the Christmas holidays, but wasn't it good to get back and see everyone again?

Even if we can't pledge freshmen we had a good time sophomore pledge day which was February twenty-sixth and as a result we pledged two lovely girls, Harriett Fischer and Frances Barker both of Columbus. They are live, wide-awake girls and will make excellent Delta Zeta's.

March fourteenth, Mrs. Campbell has invited a number of the faculty ladies to her home to meet all of us. We are going to

choose some patronesses and this is a fine way to become acquainted with our rather extensive faculty.

We had the misfortune of losing one of our best girls this semester. Lillian Johnson has gone home to teach German and English in the Jackson high schools. The ties here are strong though, because she has been back once to visit us and is coming soon again even if she does have to change cars four times and leave at eight o'clock on Sunday mornings.

Delta Zeta is giving a tea March twenty-third in Woman's Union for all of the faculty ladies and senior girls in school. Mr. Charles F. F. Campbell will deliver a lecture on a part of the great work in which he is engaged, his topic will be "The Educational and Industrial Training of the Blind." Special music will also be furnished.

Helen Kaetzel entertained February twentieth with a Washington's Birthday party. We were greatly pleased to have Frances Holliday, formerly of Alpha, with us then.

The active and alumnæ chapters were entertained by a spread at Mary Van Meter's, March fifth. As that was the night of the Co-ed Prom everyone was "dressed up." Arema O'Brien could not entirely disguise herself because the duties that fall to the president of the Woman's Council are numerous and varied so she dressed as a maid. Gladys Laughlin was our football star even though she did escort Edith Cowles who wore a bathing suit.

Imagine our surprise the other day when our daily Ohio State Lantern came out with these headlines, "Sororities Commence Hunt for Speedy Men;" well, that is the truth because the intramural festival is March twentieth and each sorority will enter a relay team in the intersorority special championship race. As a result of our "man hunt" we found three Sigma Alphas and one Sigma Chi willing to run for us. After this festival we will entertain our "runners" with a spread and will give them favors in the form of silver pencils.

Our freshman rush party is scheduled for April twentysixth, pledge day being May first. We think the freshman girls here this year to choose from are finer than ever before; of course our knowledge is limited on account of the exceedingly strict rush rules. But our great day is not far off and our excitement is at such a height that—well it just seems that something has to happen and happen soon.

Wishing success to one and all.

Lovingly in Delta Zeta,

HELEN EMILY NEIGHBOR, Chapter Editor.

IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Sisters in Delta Zeta:

CPRING greetings from Iota.

Due to the mistake of the correspondent Iota's letter did not appear in the January number. Between the January issue and this number lies a long period of time, a period that has been interesting and exceedingly busy for our organization.

Where shall I begin? I believe that the event which has had the largest amount of our interest during these intervening months was the planning for and culmination of our plans in a recital given by Mrs. Collingwood Tucker followed by a reception tendered to the friends of Delta Zeta among the faculty, student body, and residents of Iowa City.

Mrs. Tucker, though not a professional, is one of America's two unique figures in point of southern folk lore interpretations. Alice Finch in this realm is known from coast to coast. Mrs. Tucker's contribution to this field of American art is likewise being accorded a widespread recognition.

Herself a southern woman, her interest in and sympathy for, with her inimitable gift of mimicry fit her in a most unusual way, to give a wholly faithful and characteristic presentation of negro folk songs and spirituals. The following quotation from a local paper will give a more intelligent idea of the affair than my too prejudiced pen.

SOUTHERN WOMAN GIVES RECITAL

"Iowa City was honored by the presence of one of the best known daughters of the South, when last Friday evening, Mrs. Collingwood Tucker gave a recital of southern songs at the Liberal Arts Auditorium. This recital was under the auspices of Delta Zeta Sorority, which tendered a reception in Mrs. Tucker's honor after the program.

"A large audience assembled at the sorority's invitation, and listened with great pleasure to the program of negro melodies and other southern songs. Mrs. Tucker is one of the foremost students of the rapidly disappearing negro folk song. She made an enthusiastic plea for the recognition of these songs as truly American music. 'The negroes are as truly American as the rest of us,' said Mrs. Tucker, 'and their music deserves recognition as American.'

"With regard to the negro problem, Mrs. Tucker is optimistic. She believes that the South must work out the problem unaided, negroes and whites together, but she feels that ultimate success is certain. In this attitude, Mrs. Tucker represents the best southern minds of today.

"The program of songs was made especially attractive and interesting by Mrs. Tucker's comments and explanations.

"She was able to make the audience understand the conditions which have produced these songs, and her enthusiasm and friendliness brought the hearers into complete sympathy with the music. Those present were grateful for the privilege of hearing this recital."

Beside this larger social affair have been two other parties; the one, an informal dancing party for Delta Zetas and "prospectives," the other for Delta Zetas and the masculine accompaniment.

And now let me tell you of one thing over which we all are rejoicing. On the night of our big party, Dr. Williams of Sigma Psi fraternity pinned on our President and Senior Medic, Verplanck Bennett, a Sigma Psi pin telling her that the official announcement would follow in the morning. Besides this a few other honors have fallen to Delta Zeta—Myrtle Tudor is on the new Y. W. C. A. cabinet, Edna O'Harra won second place in the Women's Extemporaneous contest and Alice Hatcher took the same honor in the Women's Artistic Reading contest.

In Greek happenings at Iowa you will be interested to hear of the new Intersorority Council which has developed from the conscious need of a general awakening in such things. The discussions have been along such subjects as, "What can be done to break up the sorority groups between classes in the Liberal Arts corridor"; "How can the sorority girl overcome the barrier imposed between herself and the nonsorority girl by the latter's hyper-modesty"; "What can be done to avoid distorted values in the minds of freshman rushees? and others," these discussions all to lead to an open local Pan-Hellenic Congress later in the spring.

Iota takes great pleasure in announcing the advent of a new magazine at University of Iowa to be the organ in which the highest literary spirit of the Middle West shall find its expression. This magazine—The Midland Monthly—is edited and published under the direction of four of our graduate men with Dean Ansley of the English Department as Consulting Editor. Its three initial numbers have effectively demonstrated that Iowa and her neighbors are capable of producing a literature of no lower standard than are the famous corn and hogs of this community.

And last but not least, our examinations are written—How did you all like them? Some of us were inclined to groan at some of the general questions, but we felt that all of the class questions were thoroughly worth while and we are eagerly awaiting to hear some of the discussions advanced on them.

Exchanges

MRS. R. A. STEPHENS, Editor

THE BALANCE BETWEEN SCHOLARSHIP AND COLLEGE ACTIVITIES

[Chi Omega, at its 1912 Convention, ruled that every member of the fraternity be identified with at least two college activities. The 1914 Convention reëmphasized this ruling. Chi Omega's thought is that college activities offer the opportunity to women to learn coöperation to work or to play together. And in order that these activities may be wisely chosen each chapter's advisory committee is this year classifying the activities of its college under the general divisions, athletic, literary, dramatic and managerial, and recommending to the chapter such of the organizations in each division as are worth while. In this way Chi Omega hopes to coöperate in the elimination of useless college activities.

In explanation of the following symposium by college professors, it should be added that a faculty representative serves on each chapter's advisory committee and many of these faculty representatives are contributors to the symposium.—The Editor.]

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Two tendencies are prevalent on every college campus; one leads the student to devote himself so completely to scholastic achievements as to overlook other essential interests: the other inclines one to yield so fully to activities apart from study as to preclude genuine intellectual growth. It is doubtless true that many secure the baccalaureate degree without ever having formed the habit of serious study: on the other hand it is equally true that there is a limit beyond which close application to books does not only not yield profit but prevents the use of time in other activities whose rewards are scarcely secondary to the so-called educational acquirements. Learning is not all in books; a very valuable part of it comes only through contact with one's fellows. As one leaves the college halls, he finds that success in any avenue of life demands the ability to adapt himself to social situations: these situations bring him in touch with the most diversified groups.

The one who does not gain in youth this power of adaptability will find that he has missed one of the most salient aspects of his educational equipment. The motto recently found over a student's door—"Do not let your studies interfere with your college course" is full of meaning, for a well-regulated college course includes not only that which comes through the instructors, the library and laboratory, but

the unconscious training that comes through mingling with our fellows who call forth sides of our nature that never respond to the stimuli of the usual scholastic régime.

DEAN FORDYCE.

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

The Greek must help us in securing balance between scholarship and college activities. Symmetrical development was at once the ideal and the attainment of the Greek,—"Nothing in excess"; "A mind serene in difficulties." Athletics were his delight; beauty he worshiped; but the ardent desire for mental conquest was no less a passion. Greek games were contests as much in poetry, oratory, drama, as in speed and strength. The Greek could be satisfied only if he were statesman, orator, artist, student and philosopher.

There is no spirit so much needed by the American student as this love of proportion. It implies a manly or womanly self-control—systematic division of time and inflexible though serene adherence to program. It means the clear, swift-working mind that turns quickly from work to play with equal enthusiasm for both. Alert minds and happy dispositions presuppose health, and there is no health without self-denial, proportion.

In a word, I urge: take up college activity—you must be a somebody in the college life—but give it a definitely limited portion of your time; give this with the heartiness, the buoyancy, that characterized the Greek; stop before the moment of fatigue; and so turn with the same eager zest to the storing up of new scholarly energy which is to make you efficient in the years beyond college. Be a Greek.

TULIA BURGESS.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Life as we find it today in our large universities is no longer a simple thing but presents many complex problems. It takes a well-poised student indeed who can strike a happy balance between scholarship and social activities, and press steadily forward in the attainment of his ideals.

The question of how much social activity is desirable for a well-rounded student, is a difficult one, for each student is a law unto himself; and the amount of grind that would be necessary to develop in the best possible manner one student, would be far too much for the student who shuns people and who lives only with his ideals.

In this workaday world of ours some dreamers are needed, for they hold the torch for those who, in their attempt at a balance, have let the side of social activities swing heavy. There is, however, much work to be done and the university that sends forth its students equipped only with knowledge, will not be fulfilling to the best of its ability, the charge placed in its hands, that of fitting the student for life.

Scholarship is fundamental, one cannot live fully without knowledge, but wisdom comes only when knowledge has been applied. The social activities of a university should be a great educational force in the life of its students; through such activities each student should find an opportunity to apply some of his knowledge and to develop an individuality and an ability to face life.

The average student is the one we must consider. The function of a state university is not primarily to develop scientists, philosophers or poets, but citizens, and the balance between scholarship and social activities should be such, that a student after four years goes forth with some ideals of what good citizenship means, and the ability to become a useful member of society.

ANNA RICHARDSON.

UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS

Serious-minded young women in college are constantly asking themselves-"How much time and energy am I to give to activities outside the curriculum?" Of such a problem I have no solution to offer, for the effort to strike a balance between scholarship and student activities is another expression of our problem to readjust ourselves to a new order of things. So long as we live, we shall always be balancing ourselves between the old and the new. And lo! as soon as we are balanced, the new has become the old and a new new now calls for our attention. When scholarship meant the mastery of books and the accumulation of knowledge therefrom, the student had no problem of adjustment. Her dose was prepared, she took the medicine, and awaited results. Since the call of the world today is for skill and efficiency as well as for culture, scholarship has taken on a deeper meaning; and the young woman who is trained for social service is to be a force in the world. Conditions in our college life make it easy for her to get this training through various college activities. The opportunity for individual expression and original effort and the novelty of such experience must awaken the serious-minded young woman to the fact that she must add to her life, training that will bridge the chasm between scholarship and the world. How is she to choose the activity that will best give her this training? If she is to be efficient, she must do substantial work both in book culture and active training. In the nature of her life she cannot, then, spend her energies on a large number of activities. She should be allowed therefore to follow the bent of her nature and choose for herself that particular activity that calls for her earnestness and sincerity of purpose without which there could be no true scholarship.

JOBELLE HOLCOMBE.

—Eleusis of Chi Omega.

After the war in Europe, its causes and probable results, has been discussed from every angle it is interesting to get this first-hand information from Toronto University where college students, both men and women, are doing their best for their cause. The Key of K K Γ prints this letter from a member of Toronto University.

It was under a heavy cloud that the students of the University of Toronto returned to their work late in September. Our Empire was at war. Our thirty thousand Canadians were then in training at the military camp at Valcartier, preparing to go wherever and whenever their country needed them, and among them were over one thousand university men, chiefly graduates. There were few Canadians who had not either relatives or friends among those who have since crossed the sea, and are now in England ready to go directly to the firing line.

This war is a clash between two ideals of life, and one or the other must go. It must be a fight to the finish. If we lose, then all that we stand for disappears—the right of the individual, weak or strong, to develop his God-given powers; the right of nations, however small, to enjoy their own democracy; the conviction that justice is enthroned above brute force. Realizing that, and strong in the conviction of the righteousness of our cause, it was clear from the outset that the universities of Canada must prepare to do their part in the maintenance of those ideals. The universities have not been found wanting, and I am going to tell something of what has been done in the University of Toronto.

Early in September it was rumored that compulsory military training would be instituted in the university for all men students. No definite plans were made, but before the term opened, a number of enterprising city students, and a few members of the faculty, completed the forty drills necessary to try the examination for noncommissioned officers. Those who succeeded have served as such during the past term.

Most of the men completed the forty drills necessary for efficiency before Christmas, and forty of the students and faculty tried the commissioned officers examinations. The preparation for that examination required six hours' lecture work a week for six weeks besides the regular drilling, and the mastery of several prescribed military books. The fact that men in heavy courses have given up so much of their time to this work is an evidence of their earnestness and willing sacrifice, for it was voluntary......

During the Easter term, lectures will be given on military subjects, and most of those who drilled before Christmas will try the noncommissioned officers' examination, while many will try the examination qualifying them to accept commissions in any regiment to which they might become attached.

The following from Alpha Gamma Delta's Quarterly seems to echo our Censor's "fifthly" Efficiency, the power to do:

FRATERNITY AND ITS RELATION TO COMMUNITY LIFE

Would the men who declare that education is a preparation for community living make the same assertion in regard to Fraternity as a means of preparation? Let us think. A community needs, first, unselfishness among its members—a subordination of the individual to the whole. Now does Fraternity help us in this respect? Indeed, yes! The moment its doors are opened to us—we are transformed from isolated individuals to members of a group; we are links in a chain, our lives must be not a living "in" but a living "out"—ideals begin to lead us which make us realize unselfishness as the keynote to harmony. And we find ourselves developing the I-could-not-for-my-self-but-I-will-for-the-Fraternity spirit. This is the attitude which, taken into the life of a community, makes the sacrifice of the individual to the whole a habit.

What else does community life demand? "Coöperation," you say. And does fraternity living contribute to this? The whole system of fraternity is founded upon coöperation. Fraternity itself spells coöperation. Never is a meeting conducted, never is a question decided, never is a curtain purchased, or a new rug selected that there is not an inter-working—a coöperation among the members.

Efficiency is another essential requirement of members of a community. Fraternity gives us this, not in practical preparation for specific accomplishment but in a training which fosters individual responsibility. Within the fraternity a veritable division of labor exists. Each member has somewhere in the plan of things her own special duty. The responsibility for its execution lies wholly with her. Sometimes the task is very big and real; sometimes it is trivial—but always the task and its accomplishment are hers.

All these essentials, however, are valueless to the community unless there exists among its members a certain poise and balance. The wheels of a watch may be perfect but if they are not properly balance, in relation to their fellow wheels the watch will not work. And here again our fraternity living is a valuable asset. Fraternity gives us constant contact with various types of people. We hold rush parties, we go to receptions, we transact business with our chapter lawyer, interview the grocer, and even consult with the plumber or "gas" man. During our four years of such training we unconsciously develop a self-assurance and poise that gives us the balance we need for community living.

President James B. Curtis of the Interfraternity Conference was given a flattering reception during a recent visit of his to Chicago when on the evening of March 1, one hundred Greeks of the western city gathered at the Blackstone Hotel and held a dinner in his honor. There were twenty-three fraternities represented, all of them members of the New York Conference. Mr. Curtis had been in Chicago several days attending a meeting of the western section of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity and the Greeks of the city considered it an opportunity to give due honor to this prominent fraternity man. After the dinner, Mr. Curtis spoke of the spirit of interfraternalism which now prevailed in contradiction to the rabid feeling of other days. It was a goodly company and the first gathering of Greeks in Chicago since the Greek Conference of two years ago when fifty-five of the fraternities and sororities met and organized the College Fraternity Reference Bureau. It was an interesting thing to note that it was in the room at the Blackstone that the first Pan-Greek gathering was held two years ago, that the dinner to Mr. Curtis was given.

Not a single degree was conferred on a woman in the states of New Jersey and Delaware last year. They were the only states in the Union barren of women graduates. The same year Massachusetts recognized 1,200 women and New York nearly 1,500. New Jersey is taking steps to remedy this condition. The State Federation of Women's Clubs has initiated a movement to found a woman's college, and Rutgers College

has offered to affiliate with it if an endowment of \$15,000 for the first year and \$20,000 for each of the three succeeding years can be raised.—Reference Bureau Bulletin.

When a Harvard student wished to smoke or drink in the eighteenth century he had to go to the president of the university and get permission. This was necessary according to Albert Matthews, '82, who is editing the history of Harvard before 1750 for the Massachusetts Historical Society.

One college rule read:

"No scholar shall take tobacco unless permitted by the president with the consent of his parents or guardian and on good reason first given by a physician and then in a sober and private manner."

Further "No scholar shall unnecessarily frequent any tavern or victualing house in Cambridge or eat or drink there without leave from ye president or one of ye tutors.—Reference Bureau Bulletin.

The students at Northwestern University which is a great fraternity school, are noted for their democracy. At a recent class party, however, in order to bring about a more intimate basis of friendship, a prize was offered to the member of the class who would most successfully describe the color of the eyes of the most number of her classmates. The prize was won by Imogene Fox who told the color of the eyes of 97 of her classmates.—Reference Bureau Bulletin.