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In Belta Zeta

SPIRIT of dear Delta Zeta, You are with us every day, In the smile of friendly faces, In the songs that cheer the way.

In the gleaming of the candles,
In the flicker of the flame,
In the long gold rays of sunset,
Speaks the love that crowns your name.

When we waken in the darkness, We can feel your great heart beat With the love that ever leads us Upward, onward to His feet.

From Mu Chapter



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Autumn

A LONG the prairie roads, the blue-fringed Gentinas nod And gossip with their neighbor, the yellow goldenrod. And Sumachs, who the summer through, all soberly were gowned, Are with the richest of the Autumn's colors crowned. They seem to flaunt their plumage in a haughty sort of way At a modest hedge of hazel that is just across the way.

Beyond the field of stubble, the shocks of fodder corn Stand out in smoky haze, like wigwams left forlorn. The bob-white whistles cheerily; the partridge on the wing Whirrs past, a gay young fellow, out just to have a fling. And a flock of noisy tourists, discuss high in a tree, The tiresome life of stay-at-homes, like Mr. Chickadee.

The cricket, minstrel of the fields, artistic vagabond,
Tho' thin, and rather tattered, to encores does respond,
And none would think that mayhap is it his parting lay
More fitting for a premiere in moonlit June or May.
Oh, who wouldn't go a roving when Autumn sounds her call,
And every nook and cranny teems with wonders of the fall.

Ethel Nicholson, Nu.

The Song Book

THE Song Book and Fraternity Magazine are the two big things where individualism and originality have full sway. They express in a great many ways the sum and substance of a fraternity. Instead of quoting that well-known phrase, "Tell me what you eat and I'll tell you what you are", I think for a fraternity, "Tell me what you sing and I'll tell you what sort of a bunch you are", would be very appropriate.

The old Delta Zeta Song Book will form a splendid back-

ground for the new one, but it does not exactly fill all the requirements. What we want are songs composed by Delta Zeta girls, as well as popular songs of the various colleges and chapter houses. Originality and individualism should be the keynote of our new song book.

Music or words in any form or shape except one will be gladly looked over and, if satisfactory, used. I will look over



VIRGINIA BALLASEYUS, Editor of Song Book

all music, but cannot look over music gladly that has been poorly written. Sometimes it is almost impossible for the committee to judge a song because the notes are like so many chicken tracks. Yet I feel if everyone is doing her best it is worth the effort of the committee. By satisfactory music I mean good substantial tunes with lots of pep and rhythm, and words that are edifying as well as sentimental. We don't want trite harmony or songs that have been hashed over for several years. Give us something that will arouse and create a heart beating, even if it be a barber shop chord effect. Let us hear from one and all—whether you be a second Beethoven or not. Fraternally yours,

E. VIRGINIA BALLASEYUS.

A Bit of Appreciation

Editor's Note:—A few changes have been made in the Grand Council. In appreciation for what four members of the last Grand Council have done for Delta Zeta, these few paragraphs have been written.

AN APPRECIATION OF OUR PAST GRAND PRESIDENT.

Our editor has imposed upon me a most difficult task when she asked me to express in one article Delta Zeta's appreciation of her past Grand President, Mrs. Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson. I could devote the entire space of this magazine to recalling instances where we are deeply indebted to her for having so ably served our fraternity. From the time Mrs. Stephenson was initiated into Alpha Chapter at Miami, she has always been most devoted to her fraternity. We recall how, under very obstinate circumstances, she established our Beta Chapter, and then that after her graduation from Cornell University, she entered into broader fraternity work as our National Secretary, in which capacity she acted for two years.

For four years she has served us in Delta Zeta as our leader, and we who know her best, realize how innumerable have been her tasks, and how endless the days of planning, worrying and writing.

Perhaps no other officer of Delta Zeta will ever guide our progress under quite the same circumstances as did Mrs. Stephenson, who has steered our course during the four most important years in our history, and who has achieved results in developments and in new policies which seem marvelous. Regardless of the reputation that clings to her particular color of hair, we who have been associated with her most intimately bear witness to a calmness and level-headed self-control and conscientiousness in all matters.

But we know Mrs. Stephenson other than as a national officer of a fraternity. We admire her as a daughter and sister in a large family, as a devoted wife, as a delightful hostess, as a friend, and as a friend in the truest sense, who even in her very busy life has found time for the minute kindnesses that make friendship sweet. Although we Delta Zetas are loth to

lose her as our President, we are glad to welcome her as our National Historian, and we feel that we have her most loyal support and sympathy in all our Delta Zeta work.

MARTHA LOUISE RAILSBACK.

GERTRUDE McELFRESH.

Many of our Delta Zeta sisters are busy women, but none are busier than Mrs. McElfresh, who was unwilling to accept the heavy work of the Grand Treasurership for another term. Her work in the department of English in Oregon Agricultural College occupies all of her time. One task at a time and that one done well is her motto.

During the three years and a half which Mrs. McElfresh served as Grand Treasurer her practical, businesslike book-keeping have placed the finances of Delta Zeta upon a solid basis. Her efficiency in her office has inspired every member of her fraternity with whom she came in contact with a keener responsibility in fraternity affairs. Through her efforts a new plan of bookkeeping has been inaugurated in the treasury and no Grand Treasurer will again have the difficulties which those who preceded her had.

Delta Zeta has indeed great cause for gratitude to Mrs. Mc-Elfresh and is to be congratulated that such efficiency has been at her command.

ELIZABETH COULTER STEPHENSON.

MILDRED McKAY.

It was learned with regret that Mildred McKay, because of the pressure of other work and lack of time, has had to give up her work for Delta Zeta as chairman of the Social Service Committee.

Too great praise cannot be given her for what she has done while active in national Delta Zeta work. It is due to Miss McKay that we have a policy for social service work. This policy is sane and practical yet filled with the highest idealism.

Her other splendid contribution to Delta Zeta is the Big Sister plan. The adoption of this plan will strengthen the bond between the alumnae and the active chapter. Miss McKay has shown Delta Zeta that only by the upbuilding of a strong organization within ourselves, making use of the available talent in Delta Zeta, may we be able to do worthy service to the college world and the world in general.

No one has been so active in her efforts to uproot inefficient methods and to awaken indifference into life.

Our very best wishes are with her in her work in the active social service work of a great city.

ELIZABETH COULTER STEPHENSON.

GRETTA TULLY

Much credit and praise should be given to Gretta Tully for her efficient work as business manager of The Lamp. Taking The Lamp with little or no finance back of it, she has steered it through the rough places, and put it in the right channel which means *success*. It has taken time and energy in arousing the fraternity to the importance of a national publication, but with persistency Gretta has accomplished her purpose, and with the expiration of her term of office The Lamp was found to be in a good financial and prosperous state.

Buy A Brick

A S THIS collegiate year begins, we renew our interest in things relative to our fraternity. What is the state of it now? To be sure, Delta Zeta is growing so fast that one must of necessity be a subscriber of our "Lamp" in order to 'keep up with Lizzie' as the saying goes. No, I'm not bidding for your "Lamp" subscription. There's no need of that. You have all long ago subscribed.

And as your thoughts do turn to the fraternity world, you realize, do you not, that a fraternity to be a real fraternity can not live in the present, it must see afar off! When driving your Packard, you focus your vision several hundred feet ahead. Do you not see in this hundred foot vision, a desire for Delta Zeta to grow nationally, to add still more strength to that she already proudly possesses? Alumnae, isn't it the national standing of Delta Zeta in which you are now most interested! Undoubtedly you, as an undergraduate, cherish your fraternity for the love

and fellowship your chapter gave you; now you have added to that bond the even broader interest, that of Delta Zeta nationally. As here lies alumnae interests, so here rests alumnae responsibilities. It is to you, alumnae of Delta Zeta, that the Extension Fund Committee appeals.

Each of you have received a letter from some one of us. It is a great pleasure to be able already to acknowledge signs of appreciation of what Delta Zeta is trying to do. May I ask that you reread the letter sent you, consider it seriously if you have not already done so, and for the sake of what your fraternity means to you, help us by some sort of financial pledge, make possible more Delta Zeta chapters throughout the college world.

You are wondering perhaps what the committee means by its sale of bricks. You are aware, however, that we are campaigning for material to construct, to build up Delta Zeta to even greater heights. A contractor needs bricks and we who have undertaken this contract need bricks, too. All that we specify is that they shall be silver, gold, or paper, and that Uncle Sam will recognize them in his monetary system. We offer them particularly to babes in the hopes that in memory of their children, Delta Zeta mothers will want to contribute. It is the sincere hope of the fraternity that we as a fraternity may in this way acquire a list of future daughters, or lovers of Delta Zeta to whom we may act as an ever watchful and protecting god-mother.

With deep appreciation of whatever you may feel it in your heart and power to do, we submit our services to you in the name of Delta Zeta.

Signed, Extension Fund Committee.

MARY POLSON, Paola, Kansas, Effie Abraham, Oxford, Ohio, HELEN A. LANE, Chairman,

Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Pocational Department

The College Woman and Vocations

Helen M. Bennett, Manager of Chicago Collegiate Bureau of Occupations.

T is a great thing to be born a woman. It is a greater thing to be a woman of this day. It is a wonderful opportunity to stand where new forces, new requirements, new possibilities are facing one, and to be a part of one of the greatest tides of progress that history has known.

The list of the achievements of women today would run longer than the printer would print. The avenues open to her are more multifarious than her tastes. Her possibilities are legion. Her responsibilities endless. It is both a pleasure and a task to live up to the standards of the twentieth century woman. And among the various classes of women to which the world is turning with sometimes amused, sometimes reverential, but always interested eyes, none is more full of potentialities or more befraught with danger than is the college girl.

For the world is measuring the efficiency of higher education for women by the college product. It is passing upon the desirability of women in public places largely by the record which the college girl makes. "For," asks the world, and it is a perfectly good and fair question, "if this class of highly trained and privileged women do not come up to the standards expected, from whence then may we expect women who will justify our beliefs?"

In short, more hangs today upon the character, the efficiency, and the all-round development of the college women than upon any other one type of the feminine gender.

Interested in education, vitally interested in girls, and in the economic and social status of women, groups of women graduates of colleges and universities from all over the country have organized and are operating Collegiate Bureaus of Occupations in Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Richmond, and Pittsburgh. All of the organizations have a common purpose—and that is to test out the college product, to investigate new lines of work for women, to place girls who do not want to teach in occupations suitable to them, to be of vocational service, and to co-operate with the colleges and universities in bringing to the knowledge of the graduates the requirements of the world.

Not so many years ago the college girls who did not marry at once or who did not stay at home after commencement, almost without an exception, went into teaching. It was considered the one profession for women. Now we have come to take a larger view of the teaching profession. We believe it to be one of the greatest and one for which its followers must have a special gift. The girl who has no gift for teaching, no desire for it, has no right to enter its field. But the day is coming and coming rapidly when every woman will be expected to have some profession, and by the time a girl has been graduated from college she should at least know what line of work she wants to follow and should have done something to prepare herself for this work.

The Collegiate Bureaus of Occupations are helping these girls to decide, helping them to find out how and where to get their necessary training, and also helping them to find positions. The girl who has just finished a course in a college of liberal arts finds herself confronted usually by one of two necessities. Either she must add technical training to her education before she can hold a position that amounts to much, or else she must be willing to go as an apprentice, working for whatever salary she is worth—and that at first is not much—until she can become trained through her work.

Among the general fields of work which women are entering are the fields of social work, secretarial work, domestic science, journalism, library work, commercial work, vocational lines, civic work, and to a lesser extent, the scientific fields. There is always a demand for the college girl who is trained to do a certain type of work well, and who places no false valuation upon herself, but is willing to measure her work by the value of her services to the world.

When the college girl comes to know herself well, and to

understand how to apply her education so it will function for efficiency, she will indeed justify the higher education of women in the eyes of everyone, and will help largely in the solving of so many economic and social theories and conditions which are confronting women.

Nursing, A Profession for Educated Momen

I N these days of social unrest, while people of all classes and professions are bending their efforts toward the betterment of the public health, the thoughts of the educated young woman are turned forcibly toward the necessity of choosing wisely, a profession which will make of her a greater social asset. The young women of our generation have a wide choice of vocations. And one of the most useful of these and one which women are peculiarly adapted is the oldest of all professions, Nursing.

For the majority of people the history of nursing begins with tales of the Crimea and accounts of the heroic work of Florence Nightingale. But those familiar with the story of its development realize that the rudiments of nursing were originated in primitive times. From those far off days, the history of nursing reads like a fairy tale, into which is woven sufficient romance to make of it an absorbing study.

Twenty-five years ago there were only two professions open to women—teaching and nursing. And the young woman who took up the latter found that she was limited to a choice between two fields of endeavor. For a few there were institutional positions but for the great majority there was nothing in the future but private nursing.

Private nursing is still an important field, but the nursing situation is greatly changed at the present time. More and more people are being educated to the point of demanding hospital care for their sick. This, coupled with the rapid advance of medical science has created a demand for institutional workers of various types and at the same time has narrowed the field of private nursing. The result is that the young nurse, upon the eve of graduation finds, that instead of a choice between two lines of work, she is offered such a wealth of interesting opportunities that she is often at a loss to know which to choose.

The need for private nurses is so familiar that further elaboration is unnecessary. Although fewer workers are needed than formerly, this field will always require and will no doubt attract a goodly number of young women.

Hospital positions are many and varied and may include positions in the hospital proper or in the training school. Among these are those of superintendent, assistants, supervisors, head nurses, surgical nurses, house keepers and dietitians. A comparatively new position is that of instructor of nurses.

The very name, "Public Health Nursing," gives one an idea of the scope and importance of this branch of work in which nurses are engaged. This work is chiefly educational and preventive although it is also concerned with the care of the sick in the home. District or visiting nursing is the oldest of its branches but some of its newer ones are equally interesting. Among the latter are. Infant Welfare Work which includes the teaching of mothers as well as the care of sick babies; Insurance Nursing, which differs from Visiting Nursing only in that the nurses are paid by the insurance companies for visiting sick policy holders and lastly, School Nursing. This is vastly interesting as well as important, for not only is it hoped by this branch of the work to discover physical defects and provide proper treatment for the same, but also to bring about an earlier recognition of cases of the acute infectious diseases to which children are subject. Another sub-division of this branch of nursing offers the position of resident nurse in schools and colleges. Here the nurse often has a great deal of actual nursing to do although her work is frequently a combination of teaching and nursing.

Social Service and Welfare Work differ from the preceding in that the latter require less actual nursing. Hospital Social Service aims to conserve the strength of the patient after he has left the hospital by attending to home conditions and getting him the right kind of employment. Welfare work in department stores and factories is especially designed to keep employees well and happy and to render first aid in case of accidents.

Philanthropic societies specializing in such lines as Child Welfare and Mental Hygiene often secure the services of nurses for organization and publicity work. Other lines of social activity in which nurses have proven successful are sanitary inspection, investigation work with criminals and probation work.

As laboratory assistants, nurses are widely employed. These positions vary greatly in their scope and advantages offered but present many interesting opportunities.

Army and Navy nursing prove interesting fields for many women. The service is spent in hospitals and nurses are transferred from one station to another, traveling extensively at home and abroad.

Red Cross Nurses do emergency duty in time of war or of any national calamity. It has been the aim of those women in charge of this work to enroll for this service the very flower of the nursing profession. The women enrolled in the Red Cross Town and County Nursing Service do visiting nursing which is true pioneer work. In some of the mountain districts, the nurses visit their patients on horse back, carrying their supplies in saddle bags. Here indeed the nurse must be pre-eminently, the teacher, if she is to be a success.

In all these branches of work in the nursing field, the salaries vary from \$50 to \$250 per month, some with and others without maintenance.

For these fields and for others which are less clearly mapped out the nursing profession needs re-inforcements. And the recruits are needed from the large body of educated women who are yearly leaving our colleges. A great many of the problems before us are extremely practical, but so many radical changes must be made, and such extensive organization of the old as well as organization of the new lines of work must be accomplished that we need women who are well trained mentally, who have the highest kind of executive ability and have the vision to see far ahead and the power to grasp the shadowy things of the future and make them realities. For this we need women who can lead, who have the courage of their convictions, initiative, boundless courage, and enthusiasm.

To the women of the right type, nursing offers advantages that can be had in few other professions. Most important of all it offers opportunities for real and lasting service to humanity. The expense of the nurse's education is comparatively small and after graduation she finds it possible to begin her work with little fear of competition. She need not stay in one place, for wherever she goes a competent woman is sure to find a demand for her services. In addition to this, nursing could scarcely be said, if one

may be allowed to quote an anti-suffrage phrase, "to take a woman out of her sphere," since it is a splendid training for domestic responsibilities.

It would hardly seem wise to close even such a short article without offering a few suggestions for the benefit of the young women who may contemplate entering a school of nursing. This should be chosen as carefully as one would choose a college, since every student nurse wishes to become a recognized member of the profession. This can only be done by graduating from a good training school.

Before making a choice applicants should visit several schools or write, making full inquiries regarding the following important points: (1) The size of the school and the character of the service. The scope and character of the work are of greater importance than the size of the school. Training in a hundred bed hospital with an active and varied service, would prove more profitable than in a much larger institution which did not admit all varieties of cases. (2) The reputation of the school. The value of a school is not always in direct proportion to the prestige of the hospital with which it is connected. Some hospitals that have built up reputations upon the brilliant work of famous surgeons offer a very inadequate training. The reputation of the nursing school depends upon the standards set for the care of the patient and the teaching of the student nurse (3) The standards of entrance. If there are no educational standards or if they are very low, it is fair to draw the conclusion that the educational work of the school is not of a high character. (4) The course of study. It is well to ascertain the extent of the class teaching and by whom it is done. This latter is most important, since it is necessary in the nursing profession as in others that teachers have special training. (5) Living and work conditions. These are important considerations, since the efficiency of the worker depends to a great extent upon the health of the individual. An eight-hour day is greatly to be desired and at least a threeweeks vacation yearly. (6) Registration. It would be well for applicants to inquire whether graduates of the school they think of entering are eligible to the title of Registered Nurse (R. N.). If in doubt about the reputation of the school, it would be wise to consult some officer of the State Nurses' Association or to write to the editor of some reliable nursing periodical, such as, "The American Journal of Nursing," 45 S. Union St., Rochester, N. Y.

HELEN LILLIAN BRIDGE, B. S., R. N.

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[Editor's Note: Miss Bridge who is a member of the Delta Delta Delta fraternity and also a member of the Collegiate Committee of the Teachers' College Alumnae Association, has written the above article wishing to bring to the attention of college women the desirability of nursing as a profession for educated women.]

Census of Women Workers

THE following United States census figures of women workers in the United States are of interest. This was collected before the present war.

- 476 Fisherwomen
 - 40 Woodchoppers
 - 45 Quarry workers
 - 15 Stone masonesses
 - 92 Electricians
 - 10 Stationary engineers
 - 24 Coppersmiths
 - 73 Draywomen
 - 6 Stable hands
 - 5 Whitewashers
 - 2 Mining engineers
 - 5 Stonecutters
 - 44 Longshorewomen
- 103 Watchwomen
- 250 Barkeepers
 - 5 Auctioneers

- 41 Lumberwomen
- 39 Mine operatives
- 31 Blacksmiths
- 849 Woman contractors
 - 38 Carpenters
 - 93 Toolmakers
- 117 Molders
 - 3 Civil engineers
 - 8 Plasterers
 - 4 Meat dressers
 - 27 Meat cutters
 - 4 Lumber camp bosses
 - 52 Railway flagwomen
- 150 Deliverywomen
 - 73 Porters
- 873 Undertakers

The Advertising Contest

THE new Business Manager extends greetings to all. We wish to thank each and everyone for their efforts, thus far. to make The Lamp a financial success. We realize that it has been difficult to secure much advertising and a few chapters have had to report failure not from lack of effort, but due to peculiar local conditions. Please be assured that we appreciate what has been done. It is not too late to add to our advertising pages now. Any material that can be secured at any time, please send in at once. We will run it for the four issues as usual, lapping over into next year's. If this can be done in a considerable number of



MADELINE BAIRD, Business Manager of THE LAMP

cases the work of starting the new volume will be greatly lessened and better distributed throughout the year.

Another thing, be loyal to our advertisers. Patronize them, and let them know—and let the other fellow who does not advertise, know that you are doing it. It is purely a business proposition with them and if they find that they get no returns from their "ads" naturally they will discontinue them next year. If their profits are worth while they will increase their space.

You are all interested in the results of the advertising contest. Congratulations to Delta Chapter, they are the winners, and let it be said to their credit that the material was in *on time*. Not that *all* of the others were late, but if the shoe fits wear it. And girls please answer letters promptly. We have had no word at all from some chapters. Isn't it better to report failure and receive credit for your efforts, than to allow others to think that you haven't even tried:

Here are the results of the advertising contest:

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Please let everyone take a personal responsibility to see that your correct address is in this office. In sending in changes, kindly give the old and new address and give your full name and chapter,—and don't wait until some of your magazines have been lost and then complain. Also, when you change your name let us know that, too. We are not mind readers and much confusion results in our files from this.

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Lura Carnes (Delta).....

We have had many requests for extra copies of the Convention number of The Lamp. Some others have failed to receive their copies due to loss in the mails, or changed address, since both our records and the printer's show that they were mailed. The issue is completely exhausted. We would like to supply all. If there is anyone through with their copy who will send it in to us we will gladly pay the extra 25 cents assessment which you paid for it, so that all may have an opportunity to see this number. Send to Madeline Baird, Bus. Mgr., 315 West Ninth Ave., Columbus, Ohio. Put your name and full return address on the wrappers.

Thank you again for the interest and co-operation which you have shown us in our work on The Lamp. We appreciate your letters and are grateful for your suggestions.

MADELINE BAIRD, Bus. Mgr.

Addition for the Directory

Changes of address and new names which came too late for the new directory.

Florence Alderice Hayyard, (Eta), Frankfort, Kansas.

Mabel Evans Meyer, (Eta), 717 Mound St., Atchinson, Kan. Mrs. Talbert W. Riner, (Nellie Evans, Eta), Protection, Kan. Mrs. Clyde C. Rowan, (Valeria Howorth, Eta), Belle Plaine,

Kansas.

Mrs. Paul H. Merry, (Etta Haxton, Eta), 536 Washington Place, East St. Louis, Ill.

Edith Moore Davidson, (Eta), Butte, Mont.

Nora Geisen, (Eta), West Delaware, Leavenworth; Kansas.

Mrs. C. V. Dunbar, (Epsilon), 241 W. 31st, Indianapolis, Ind. Gladys Hunty, (Zeta), Naponee, Nebr.

Amy Axtell, (Zeta), Golden, Colo.

Helen T. Blewer, (Beta), Maple Farm, Owego, N. Y.

Merle Edgar, (Nu), Galesburg, Ill. R. F. D. 3.

Fannie Putcamp, (Zeta), University of N. Dakota, Grand Forks, N. Dakota.

Edith Marguerite Taylor, (Nu), Cradwich, Ill.

Alice E. McLees, (Delta), 1831 Park St., Harrisburg, Pa.

Ethel Ebline, (Epsilon), Ben Davis, Ind.

Mrs. Ivon H. Hedden, (Epsilon), 3346 Park Ave., Indianapolis, Indiana.

Mrs. Lester Keller, (Delta), Burket, Ind.

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Mrs. Georgia McQueen Welton, (Delta), Robinen, Ill.

Mrs. E. B. Black, (Alpha), 424 W. 60 Terrace, Kansas City, Missouri.

Mrs. Philip E. Devant, (Alpha), Ap't. J. Chaner Ap't., Houston, Texas.

Mrs. Edna Getterburg Harrison, (Nu), Lawrence, Kansas.

Esther Clark, (Nu), 1955 Montrose Ave., Royal Annex, Chicago, Ill.

Elsie Snavely, (Iota), Oxford, Iowa.

Edna O'Harra, (Iota), Clermont, Florida.

Margaret Herman, (Zeta), Kenesau, Nebraska.

Margaret Stewert, (Eta), Nevada, Mo.

Merle Feerer Meredith, (Eta), 1934 Maple St., Evanston, Ill.

Ethel Stephens, (Eta), Keewaters, Minn.

Hazel Shellenbarger, (Eta), Westboro, Mo.

Helen Judd Hebrew, (Beta), 410 Dryden Rd., Ithaca, N. Y.

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Moreta Havens, 1220 Holgate Hts., Seattle, Wash.

If you know the address of any of the following notify our Registrar, Janet Cameron, 9 Monroe St., Warren, Ohio.

Kappa.—Marietta Havens, Mrs. Florence Sherman Preston, Mrs. Lestine McClelland.

Iota.-Mrs. Mary Comer, Ada Musser.

Zeta.—Mrs. Fanny Bergmen Coates, Mrs. Emeline Wolfe.

Delta.—Lena McNeel, Mrs. Jess Bogue (Adah Newburn), Grace Hart.

Epsilon.—Mary Moorman, Violet Pinaine, Hannah Popper.

Alpha.-Mrs. Marcelline Roberts Snorf.

Mrs. Harry Combes () (Epsilon)

Miss Mildred French (Lambda)

Miss Mary Moorman (Epsilon)

Mrs. Emmeline Wolfe () (Zeta)

Sterling or Plated

BY A UNIVERSITY MAN

B ACK in her home town, Marian Southworth was "there." There was no doubt about it. A glance through her Engagement Book would prove that fact conclusively. So when Marian Southworth decided to come to college, an alumna sister of the Something Something sorority quite soror-like informed the active chapter at the university that the creme of was going to enroll in college and that she was the most popular girl in that town, adding that she had the most beautiful home, where house parties might be given to goodlooking Betas and Phi Psis.

But sister alumna, in her earnestness to get Marian to come to the University has failed to impress upon her that the workings of the University were based on the internal orders of the Something Something sorority. During the intervening summer, Marian's joy in coming to college allowed no superior thoughts to interfere with her joy. For be it known, that in the village of _______, society was not based on cliques and the Marian Southworth, who came down in the fall of the next year, loaded with dreams of college life with a somewhat hazy idea of a sorority, since those "keep-in-touch" letters never were absolutely clear, thought not more than a second about the Something Somethings.

Now to get into the story, we'll try to get Marian settled. This particular morning she was writing her chum. Her roommate was a hometown girl—one of the kind that are generally believed to be "impossible," and when Marian was in the midst of writing to her chum—the third letter on the third day after her arrival, the door bell rang and Friend Landlady called up to Marian that "some young ladies were waiting to see her."

Marian was too much engrossed in the letter and the ecstatic joy of living to imagine that there was a blotch of powder on her cheek or that her hair was somewhat awry, and impetuously rushed down, expecting to find some fellow-freshmen, but lo and behold, pro and con and the rest of the Siamese twins, nary a freshman but rather three well—if not overdressed young ladies, demurely sitting on the davenport and gazing at her.

'Twas too late to retreat. Marian smiled sweetly and her lips quivered just a wee bit as she said, "You wanted to see me didn't you. I'm Marian Southworth." Of course they knew it was she, and in due turn, the three visitors were introduced.

"Miss Winthrop—Peggy Winthrop has written many nice things about you," said the spokesman, "so we just dropped around to see how you were getting along."

Had Marian known that she was being judged by a jury of her peers, she might have thought twice before she answered, but she didn't. "Just fine," she answered, "I love it all. It's so big and so wonderful."

"Yes," murmured Judge the Second, "but are you well located here—everything nice, good roommate?"

"Best roommate in the world," acquiesed Marian, "you know her, I guess, she's Helen Thomas."

Helen Thomas meant nothing to the three visitors, other than an "impossible."

Thre were a few more commonplace remarks and the visit was over and Marian went back to her chum and the disordered room, and promptly forgot about the incident, other than casually writing to the aforementioned correspondent that some sorority girls were over for a little visit.

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Four of the most favorable "catches" were passed on, and then Marian's name was brought up.

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And also she was so horribly plebian. What girl, who should be selected to wear the flower of Something Something would room or even consider rooming with Helen Thomas. Then also she was awfully independent. Probably she didn't realize that they were judging her, but she should have.

There were just a few who voted for her, those mostly on the belief that Gladys Winthrop, '12, couldn't guess quite that wrong. But needless to say, she failed to get the O. K. of the Something Somethings.

Several times during the year, her name was brought up, once by the president of the glee club, who saw what a willing worker she was and saw the real qualities of the girl and again by one of the members of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet, who noted her settlement work and the popularity gained there, and proposed her name again. But each time the visiting committee led the negative side of the debate and each time, they won.

It wasn't very long before an item appeared in the college daily reading:

"Zeta Zeta Alpha announces the pledging of Marian Southworth, freshman arts of ______."

And strange to relate the Zeta Zetas, whose personell includes the president of the Y. W., the society editor of the college paper, four members on the dramatic club cast and numerous other celebrities, had visited her that same day as the Something Somethings—

Just ten minutes after the Something Somethings had.

And Marian was dressed just the same.

And said just the same.

Jumping to her successes, as chronicled in the year book, when she was graduated one reads, senior honorary society, dramatic club 2-3-4, vice president, social committee junior class, etc."

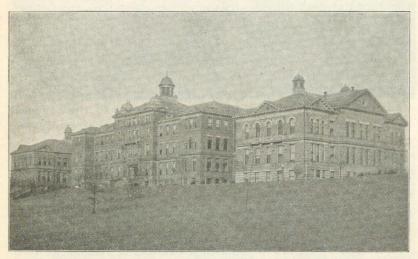
Which only proves "Silver may sometimes appear tarnished, but will always retain its 'sterling' quality."

University of Cincinnati

By DOROTHY G. SMITH

THE University of Cincinnati is first of all unusual in its very foundation. It is builded on a unique plan, being the first municipal university; thus Cincinnati has municipal public education from its kindergartens to a Ph. D. degree.

This system presents many obvious advantages. In the first place, practically anyone may satisfy his thirst for knowledge, the tuition being free to all those living within the city limits, and evening courses in both the high schools and the university make it possible for one to work one's way clear through college.



HANNA, CUNNINGHAM AND MACMICKEN HALLS.

Another advantage is offered by the "College for Teachers." The entire educational system co-operates with this department, and the men and women of pedagogical ambitions do their practice teaching in all classes of schools from those in the poorest and most congested districts to those in the hill-tops. Thus they face real problems and have a foundation of practical knowledge rather than a set of theories which work out only in ideal conditions.

After four years of study in both Liberal Arts and Teachers' College they are graduated and receive a degree of B. S. and a state certificate. They are then placed upon the preferred list for appointments. The quality of the material thus supplied has enabled Cincinnati to set a higher standard for its public school teachers who, unless experienced in the profession, must be college graduates; while those in the high schools are expected to have their Master's degree.

The Cincinnati Art Academy, with no less a person than Frank Duveneck at its head, has recently affiliated with the university and work done here is accepted by the university to the extent of twelve credits.

Another affiliation is that of our College of Medicine with the new hospitals, the new building being in connection with the hospital and the faculty being in charge of the laboratories. Under the supervision of the most competent instruction the poorer people of the city receive free treatment.

Other work of public interest and benefit is that done by the Department of Social Science in co-operation with the Juvenile Court, the House of Refuge and the Departments of Charities and Correction, giving opportunity to the students to come personally in touch with the problems they study, and often sowing the seed of future social service work.

The Psychology Department conducts a laboratory in which they examine backward children. In this way it makes the work of the public schools more efficient, for the undeveloped children are sent to excellent special schools maintained by the city.

Through its Bureau of City Tests, the Department of Chemistry of the Engineering College does great municipal service. Here the advanced students examine street paving materials, such as asphalt cements, road and lubricating oils, pipe and wire coverings, and the many other things in constant use by a city of this size.

The Political Science Department maintains in the City Hall a Municipal Reference Bureau, which offers information on municipal subjects for the whole city, from the council to the private individual.



A BIT OF THE CAMPUS.



Perhaps the best known of our colleges is the College of Engineering. The co-operative course as here instituted has already received commendation far and wide, and Dean Schneider has been asked to inaugurate his system in several other colleges in the East and Middle West. By this system the students are divided into two groups, one of which studies at the college for two weeks while the other group is given actual work in manufacturing plants, railroads and construction companies, and are paid a good wage. At the end of the two weeks the groups change places and "blue jeans" become again blue serge.

One of the most interesting departments, although a new one, is the School of Household Arts. This is a very thorough and difficult school, whose graduates receive the degree of B. S., and all of them have been highly successful, and the school is destined to be a most popular one.

So far nothing has been said of the College of Liberal Arts itself, which has so many representative men and women in its faculty. One thing which we students especially notice is the personal interest which many of the faculty take in those who have work with them. There is not that wide breach which too often exists between professor and student. They are interested in student affairs and respond nobly in attending student functions from football games to "proms." At the head of them all is President Dabney, President of the Association of Urban Universities, and an important factor in educational fields.

Dr. Chandler, Dean of the Liberal Arts College, is well known in literary circles by his books on the drama. We deeply regret the fact that our Dean of Women, Miss Emilie Watts McVea, leaves next year to become the head of Sweet Briar College, for it will be difficult indeed to find another who can fill her place in the college itself and in the hearts of us who know her.

Professor More, of the Physics Department, may often be met with through the medium of Hibbert's Journal, by those who do not already know his books.

Others whose work has attracted wide recognition are Dr. Martin Fischer in Physiology, Dr. Guy Allen Tawny in Phil-

osophy, Dr. Nevin Fenneman in Geology, and Dr. Burnham in Philology. Dr. Harry, Dean of the Graduate School, has done and is doing a great deal of the most excellent work in the translations of Greek dramas.

Not only our present, but our future is worthy of note. We are already surveying with pride the finished sections of the new stadium, the raising of the new chemistry building and at the same time watching the rapid progress of our new Woman's Building, which is so nearly done that we are planning its furnishings and in imagination we can see ourselves studying in its rooms, swimming in its pool, dancing on its roof-garden, or sitting in front of its "real-for-sure" wood fire, which, like our own lamp, is to be kept ever burning.

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A FEW SUGGESTIONS IN WRITING SONGS FOR THE SONG BOOK.

- 1. That the words be typewritten and attached to a copy of the music.
 - 2. That all tunes be legibly written on music paper.
- 3. That the facts concerning the song be given in a note of explanation (such as copyright privileges, etc. We cannot use copyrighted songs).
- 4. That original music be harmonized, if possible, and that all songs have the accompaniment given.
 - 5. A number of hymns (original) are desired.

Editorials

True Worth

TRUE worth is in being, not seeming;
In doing, each day that goes by,
Some little good—not in dreaming
Of great things to do by and by."

How true is this little verse! True worth is in doing not merely dreaming. We will concede that all great men and women are at times dreamers, but truly great men and women put their dreams into deeds. A great many people think they will do great things on the morrow but the morrow never seems to come. We are living to-day and this is the time—the question arises, what is life? My best friend has said that life is Service, so let us think of it in that term and live the life as our Father wishes us to live it.

We are serving Him when we are serving and helping our fellow creatures for "In as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

Bureau of Volunteer Social Service

N OTHING is more certain than that there is a vast amount of good will and ability for social work unutilized because of the lack of proper agency for applying it to service. The Bureau of Volunteer Social Service was organized in Chicago about a year ago, under the auspices of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, to act as a middleman between those who wish to help and those who can make use of helpers. It is beginning to touch upon a large field of work, and hopes to make the coming year one of great helpfulness. It is offering you the opportunity to develop your own gifts while you are sharing them with others.

What can you teach—English, sewing, music? Can you entertain clubs, can you direct children in their play? Can you do friendly visiting, or interviewing or investigative work? If so, the Bureau wants you. Write to its headquarters at Room 519,

431 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill., and it will use its best efforts to put you in touch with an opportunity for service. An article from this Bureau will appear in a later issue.

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THE College Fraternity Reference Burean is offering a prize of \$25.00 for the best history offered by a member of his or her fraternity. Would it not be a stroke of fraternity statesmanship to take advantage of this prize contest? Every fraternity wishes to educate and interest its members in its history—so Delta Zeta get busy, find out all you can about Delta Zeta and try for this prize. Not only will it be helpful to you and to Delta Zeta but it will also be helpful to the College Reference Bureau which exists simply to be of aid to the whole Greek world.

Address all communications to William C. Levere, Box 254, Evanston, Ill.

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S O MANY changes took place in the fraternity world during the college year 1915-16 that a supplement embodying such changes has been prepared for the eighth edition of Baird's Manual. The price of this book is \$3.00 per copy including the supplement, or six copies for \$15.00. Those who have purchased the eighth edition can get a copy of the supplement upon receipt of 50 cents. This Manual is a real necessity if you wish to keep informed on the fraternity phase of college life and activity.

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N THE January Lamp we hope to print a list of the Delta Zeta children who have bought bricks from the Extension Committee for the upbuilding of our fraternity. Let's try and see which chapter can own the most in this structure. Throughout the country we have many Delta Zetas who have children, even though they may no longer be called "babes" have them buy a brick anyway. Which chapter will buy the most bricks?

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Announcements

Will the chapters who have not sent in their list of officers and their by-laws to our National Secretary, do so at once.

Chapters, please file all names of pledges with the National Secretary.

Chapter dues are payable to the National Treasurer by March 15, 1917.

The report of the National Scholarship Committee will reach you by December 1. Who will win the Loving Cup this time?

Don't forget to send your contributions for our extension work to Miss Helen Lane, chairman of this fund, 917 Wildwood Ave., Fort Wayne, Ind.

Our National Vice President, Miss Erma Lindsay, is serving as chairman of a committee to outline a uniform plan of study for our alumnae chapters. Please write any suggestions to her.

There are some Delta Zeta alumnae who have not as yet returned to this office the thirty-five (.35) cents for the minutes and register. Will you please be prompt in the payment of this and send at once 35 cents in stamps, money order or personal check?

(Signed) RENNIE SEBRING SMITH, Y. W. C. A. office, Hamilton, Ohio.

The editor wishes to thank Marie Bluett, Theta for her assistance in proof reading the material for this issue. Miss Bluett has kindly consented to assist the editor this year.

The new constitutions and registers are now ready for distribution. Order directly from registrar. Price 25 cents. All active Delta Zetas and all pledges must have these registers upon initiation. Will the chapters kindly order this at once?

(Signed) JANET CAMERON, 9 Monroe St., Warren, Ohio.

In Memoriam

Fanchion A. Campbell, Epsilon Chapter June, 1916.

RUTH INNIS, Theta Chapter July, 1916.

Social Service

THE YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION OF CORNELL UNIVERSITY

By Ruth L. Pearson, General Y. W. C. A. Sec'y. at Cornell University

City girls, country girls, immigrant girls, industrial girls, high school girls, college girls, girls from the Atlantic to the Pacific, have met together during February and March of this year to celebrate the golden jubilee of the Young Women's Christian Association of the United States. The Y. W. C. A. is permeated with girls. It has as its purpose the building of Christian character among girls. It is world-wide in organization and exists in town, city, university and college, and in many rural districts all over our country. And yet there are those who ask, "What is the Y. W. C. A.?"

For one year as a student and for two years as a Student Secretary in the Latin Quarter of Paris, I watched the Association gather into its membership close on to 2,000 girls annually Girls from all countries, France, England, Germany, Switzerland, Servia, Roumania, Turkey, Russia, Portugal, North and South America, Japan, etc., girls who had come, as thousands before the war did come, to the chief university centers of the continent, for training in music, art, language, literature, law, medicine, or some kindred subject. If you know the loneliness and strangeness of a toreign city in a foreign land, if you know the isolation of student life in the continental universities, you may imagine perhaps the service which the Association Hostel rendered to these girls. Student life in Paris rarely fails to have by its side discouragement and despair. To one little black-eved Roumania girl, just the atmosphere of welcome and friendliness which she found in the hostel tearoom seemed little short of a miracle. and I remember another who said, as we sat together at tea on a dull, cloudy day, "I never could have stood it if it had not been that I could come in here and sit, even though no

one should happen to speak to me." Through lunch room, tea house, library, dispensary and infirmary, lectures, concerts, vesper services, Bible classes, and calls, the Association tried to serve and promote that spirit of friendship which we call brotherhood.

Another experience in Association work came to me in the year following the outbreak of the war. Among the industrial girls in one of our large manufacturing cities I found Association spirit running high. We girls of privilege do not know until we go among them, how eager the girl who works in the factory is for the comradeship of the Association or how ready she is in her service. The difference between association work as one finds it in a city like Paris or that in our modern industrial centers, and association work in an American university seems on the surface to be a difference in need, but it is rather only a difference in the apparentness of the need. One is so conscious of the opportunities for service that the four years of college life seem years precious in their promise of development and power.

The present year marks the tenth anniversary of the affiliation of the Cornell Y. W. C. A. with the national organization. The Association with a membership of about 250 has a strong place in the university life. The office of president ranks next to that of the president of the Student Government Association, and the girls who make up the cabinet are earnest, loyal, and representative. Association activities begin well before the opening of the school year when letters of greeting (by the upper-class advisers) are sent to all entering girls. Many of these girls are met on their arrival, conducted to the dormitories or rooming houses and general assistance is given in registration and through the Information Bureau. The Association teas and reception serve to make the new girl feel at home and offer opportunity for acquaintanceship. The Joy Committee has as its special charge the girls who may be lonely or left out and throughout the year keeps close touch on those who are in the Infirmary.

Because of the complex social life in a university such as Cornell, the main activities of the Association following the opening of the year, are of a more serious nature. Student Bible study courses under trained leadership are arranged in the churches

and in the dormitories, a weekly service is held in Barnes Hall, the Association building, and every third Sunday in the month a service is conducted by the girls at the Old Ladies' Home. Through co-operation with the Social Service League a limited number of girls aid each week in classes in cooking, sewing, dancing, etc., at the settlement house, old clothing is collected, funds for special needs are raised, and an invalid child at the City Hospital is taught daily. The finances needed for carrying on the work of the Association which amount approximately to \$1500 annually are raised by the girls through dues, voluntary pledges, and gifts and pledges from alumnae, faculty and townspeople.

Cornell is represented by a delegation each year at the summer conference at Eaglesmere, and the Conference Committee pursues enthuiastic plans throughout the year for the listing of the delegation and the raising of a loan fund. At the beginning of the second semester begins the training session for the Eight Veek Club, a club composed of girls who have it in their hearts to share something of the joy of their own college life with the girls in their home communities during the months of the summer vacation. Such subjects as "The Appeal of the Country," "Discovering Girls," "Games," "Flowers," "What the State is doing for Country Girls," "Service," etc., are dealt with by competent leaders and a week-end house-party with the county secretary as the guest is planned for the final meeting.

Perhaps the largest piece of work ever undertaken by the Cornell Association occurred in March when a group of seven women was brought to Cornell to speak before the university women on "The Challenge to a Rational Christian Faith." The leading speaker was Mrs. Raymond Robins, of Chicago, president of the National Women's Trade Union League. Mrs. Robins is an authority on the industrial life of women of all countries, and especially on industrial conditions in our cities. She spoke on "The Social Cost of Present Day Industrial Conditions," and on "Christianity and Our Social Responsibility" and brought a tremendous challenge to the college girl to make as she said, "goodness a creative force."

The other speakers were, Mrs. Stephen Baker of New York, Miss Clara S. Reed of Springfield, Mass., Miss Kyle Adams of Columbia, Mrs. Sherwood Eddy, Miss Margaret Burton, and Miss Margaret Flenniken. As some one said, the bringing of these leaders to Cornell was equal to bringing a summer conference here. There was a total attendance of over 1100 at the large meeting, and many parlor meetings and personal interviews were held. Much new and renewed interest in the activities of association work has resulted and we hope the association may be able to make as vital and fundamental a contribution to the lives of the women students each year.

A member of the Cornell Y. W. C. A. said to me last summer. "How much more worth-while Association work among factory girls must seem than our college association work." The Cornell Y. W. C. A. like Christian Associations the world around is an association of girls and it has the privilege of offering a training in leadership and service unique in a college community. In this day when the "challenge of a work to do" comes so close to our hearts, the Association with its high purpose holds a vital place in college life. We cannot do a work and see a path without a vision larger than our own. There can be no more worthwhile work than college association work for there you find girls, privileges, and opportunities linked together. The Y. W. C. A. at Cornell holds no low ideal in seeking to promote a true spirit of democracy, a wide rendering of service, honest Bible study and a knowledge of Christian faith, and it strives each year to interpret in better ways and channels the purpose for which it exists.

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Finding the Way

THERE is only one best conduct of life for you, and that is—the one that IS best for you. Those who wander aimlessly in quest of the single right formula for existence grope in a maze through which they must thread their way endlessly in search of the center which does not exist. There is no one recipe which will serve for all mankind. Each must learn, not his neighbor's, but his own best way of living. To one it may be the routine task, the daily round, to curb the wandering will and bring content. To another it may be the fortitude or escape the sheltering care of habit or the lassitude of sloth. To one it should be the abandonment of philosophy or introspection to rub elbows with his fellowmen; to another the willingness to let the soul awaken and breathe amid the sky-rimmed prairie and under the deathless stars. To one, hearthstone and slippers; to another, the seven seas, the aurora borealis and the Southern Cross. To one, society; to another, solitude. To one, the quiet which stills the passions; to another, the eternal restlessness which brings achievements. The best rounded life contains something of each and all. There are but two attitudes to avoid; the level line of least resistance. and the rigidity of self-distrust which denies every impulse simply because it is impulse. Somewhere between the two lies your course. Many are the thickets to be hewed down, many the crags to be scaled. But beyond stands the Inn in the Clearing, where faithful travelers may find the refreshment, the rest, and the kindly words of welcome which form the goal and reward of life well lived.—Editorial from Collier's Weekly.

Awarding Scholarship Cup at Ohio State University

THE Panhellenic Association of Columbus, Ohio, each year offers a Scholarship Trophy to the fraternity at Ohio State University holding the highest rank. This year the cup was awarded to Pi Beta Phi. Mrs. Charles F. Campbell, chairman of the Scholarship Committee in presenting the cup said in part:

This annual gathering is the one time in the year when all the Greek Letter women of the City and the University come together.

We Alumnae are particularly sensitive to the position held by Fraternity women in all Universities, and it is of great importance that the active members of fraternities should do everything in their power to have it recognized by their fellow students and the public, that belonging to a fraternity is synonomous with good scholarship.

Altogether too much emphasis is placed upon the social life of the fraternities. Unquestionably this is one of the serious weaknesses of such organizations.

Social life is important, and has its proper place when it is not overemphasized, but if our girls who are in the universities today do not more frankly and earnestly strive toward seriousness of purpose, it merely strengthens the impression that our fraternities are frivolous rather than serious.

Properly interpreted the fraternities should be an inspiration and a blessing.

We older women look to this competition as a step in the right direction, and it is very gratifying to find every year a considerable group of young women in each fraternity that appear to be making an honest effort to maintain as high a standard of scholarship as possible.

A university should be better because of the fraternity movement, and it is up to each one of you to strengthen this form of organization.

A fraternity is exactly like an individual; it has the same characteristics. The organization reflects the average characteristic of all its members.

For example, if several of the members of any fraternity are prone to be selfish, it will manifest itself in spite of whatever the other girls in the group may do. If a considerable portion of any one of the societies is more concerned with having a good time, that society will have to bear exactly the same characterization to which an individual submits herself. Have you ever heard of any person being looked up to in any community whose predominant characteristics are thoughtlessness, selfishness and an addiction to merely having a good time?

In just the same way the young ladies in a fraternity, like single individuals in a community, who are sincerely interested in making not only their own lives but those of their neighbors brighter because of kindliness toward others, will be happier themselves and have the respect of their neighbors.

Don't forget that while it is true that a son or daughter may for a certain length of time live upon the reputation of a worthy parent, such support is very thin ice and it will not be long before you get a cold bath if you persist in living upon the reputation of those who have gone before you and done good work.

Every girl here tonight should realize that her own individual effort is just as important for the well being, not only of her own organization, not only for the Panhellenic of Ohio State University, not only for the fraternity movement throughout the country, but for the best that can be developed in the women to whom we are looking to make this community less mercenary and more concerned with the things that are really worth while.

For the benefit of those of you who are not familiar with the way in which this cup has been awarded, let me give you the following brief outline:

All girls active during the year 1915-16 were counted except those in the Graduate School, girls initiated during the academic year were counted for the semester in which they were initiated.

After the grades were secured from the university, a key to groups was made by the committee and the number of hours of each student copied on separate cards with the key number. The number of hours was then interpreted in terms of units.

Merit counts 4 units per hour. Good counts 3 units per hour. Average counts 2 units per hour. Pass counts 1 unit per hour. Condition counts -2 units per hour. Failure counts -3 units per hour.

Deferred grades were not counted unless made up and on the university records at the time grades were given to committee. These units were added and divided by the total number of hours to secure each girl's average. These averages were in turn added and divided by the number of girls in the group to secure the average of each fraternity.

Remember that while it is delightful to have one physical manifestation of victory in the form of this beautiful trophy, don't forget that every girl in the winning group has won something that she is going to carry throughout her life. Namely, the gratification that when she was a student at Ohio State University, she belonged to an organization which stood in the front rank of good scholarship. That, my friends, is a worthy heritage to hand on to your children. I am sure there are women sitting at this table who have an inward glow of satisfaction that they were once privileged to be an active worker in a group of girls who believed in doing things to the best of their ability.

Society

Marguerite Beesley (Zeta) is instructor in English at Liberty, Nebr.

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Fern Fields (Epsilon) is teaching in Marksville, Ind.

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Hertha O'Neill (Kappa) is teaching in Starbuck, Wash.

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Effie Noll (Zeta) is teaching at David City, Nebr.

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Pearl McKamey (Epsilon) is teaching in East Chicago.

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Irene Gwartney (Epsilon) is teaching English in the High School at Corydon, Ind.

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Esther Mohn (Kappa) is teaching in Ronold, Wash.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leipert (Sarah Yost, Zeta) a daughter.

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Clara Dodds (Zeta) is at Powell, Wyoming.

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Sue Reed (Epsilon) is teaching Domestic Science and Physical Training in the High School at Greenville, Ohio.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cox (Nell Abel, Epsilon) a daughter, Margaret Sue.

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A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Steinmeyer (Alice Balderson, Zeta) in July.

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On Thursday, Oct. 26, occurred the marriage of Miss Verna Henniger (Theta) of Lowell, Ohio, to Mr. Clarence Hopp, of St. Louis at the home of the bride's parents.

The following Xi chapter girls were guests of Alpha chapter for the week-end of September 17: Charleene Culbertson, Madge Elsinger, Marjorie MacNaughten, and Katherine Kreidler.

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After attending the Convention, Norma Rost (Xi) made an extended trip to the coast, and spent some time with her father in Phoenix, Arizona.

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Dorothy Smith (Xi) is teaching Spanish in Hughes High School.

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On June 10 occurred the marriage of Frances Ringer of Sedro Woolley, Wash., and Mr. Wilson Lee. Mrs. Lee was a member of Kappa chapter of Delta Zeta, and Mr. Lee belongs to Alpha Sigma Phi.

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Kitty Knepper (Zeta) was married to Raymond Sleuther on June 24, 1916.

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The importance of progressive, inspiring, fraternal ideals is apparent. As long as the fraternity clings to the ideals of snobbish superiority of class distinction, it will fail to accommodate itself to the changing ideals of life.

With broader democracy within and without the fraternity, the outlook of its members widens. Within the chapter will be a variety of types, each of benefit to the other; a wide variety of interest extending the vision of the group; genuine representative government in miniature; every member working in harmony with every other in sifting the problems of contemporary life.

The fraternal ideal must necessarily accord with the progressive ideals of the new university and the new world. It must be consecrated consciously, seriously and vigorously to the achievement of the finest there is in life—a perpetual source of inspiration in subsequent trial and trouble.—Sigma Alpha Epsilon-Record.

Our Post Box

ALPHA—MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Dear Delta Zeta Sisters:

If every chapter has had the success that Alpha Chapter has had this year we know you are all happy and contented. Our rushing season lasted just about three days, which necessitated a great summer correspondence, but we feel that we could not have been any better pleased with our pledges if we had had a half year in which to become acquainted with them. We are quite proud to announce the following as pledges:

Helen Chase, Dayton, Ohio.
Ruth Allen, Dayton, Ohio.
Elizabeth Lyman, Dayton, Ohio.
Edna Browning, Battle Creek, Michigan.
Margaret Henderson, Newport, Kentucky.
Pauline Holt, Lockland, Ohio.
Miriam Weber, Springfield, Ohio.
Juanita Pearson, Troy, Ohio.
Margaret Duncan, Sidney, Ohio.
Hortense Wilkinson, Piqua, Ohio.

Helen Chase is vice-president of the Freshman class; Pauline Hora is secretary.

Miami has grown quite a great deal this year and there are about 800 students matriculated. This is an increase of 200 or more over the enrollment of last year. Things do not seem to have adjusted themselves as quickly this year as formerly, which is likely due to the increase in the number of students.

The mid-year play is to be "The Pillars of Society," but the cast has not been chosen as yet.

Saturday, October 21, was Miami's **Home-Coming** Day, and a number of Delta Zeta alumnae returned for it. The weather was so bad that the week end was not as big a success as it might otherwise have been.

On Sunday evening, October 23rd, Delta Zeta enjoyed Sunday night supper with the pledges. These suppers mean more toward bringing us together than anything else. Our prep. school has begun and is going along splendidly. Our Freshmen are so eager to do things that they enjoy the prep. school and accept suggestions with true Freshman spirit.

Alpha Chapter wishes to take this opportunity to congratulate Zeta Chapter on the great success of our past convention. Alpha's delegate is quite enthusiastic about all the girls she met and still talks of the interesting experiences and good times she had while there. We wish to thank Zeta Chapter for its many courtesies to our delegate, and to all visiting members of Alpha Chapter.

I hope that by the time another letter is due for the Lamp Alpha will have even more news than she has this time. I really believe, though, that there is just so much news that it would not be safe to try to tell it all; so I shall close this time with the wish that all chapters are as happy and satisfied as Alpha is in the work of the year thus far.

Margaret M. Devine, Chapter Editor.

BETA—CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Dear Fraternity Sisters:

Sounds funny doesn't it? But you've probably heard by now that we at that all-wonderful convention decided to discard the unpronouncable "sorority," which couldn't be found in a good dictionary, and call ourselves a fraternity—"She Frats," they say at Cornell, but they take off their hats when they say it, and the "she" means nothing more disrespectful than "Lady Frats."

Our university hasn't opened yet, and I've seen few of our girls, but I don't need Beta's first meeting to tell me what our girls want to say to you.

"Best greetings and good luck through this coming school year." That's Beta's message, and you don't know what a time we're going to have next year, having put such a message, for we're, some of us, compelled to live in cosy outside houses, while the more fortunate ones enjoy dormitory life. Yet we still have our big, attractive chapter room where we'll wander many, many times during the week. Dorothy Bathett and Ida Rayfloer live in it this year, and they want every little girl who wears a lamp to know that she'd be a most welcome visitor af Cornell.

Beta's big sister, Dot Douglas, is to be married October the 12th, and her wedding is to be in rose and green, just for us, with our chapter president, Hilda Eulestem, as maid of honor. Doesn't it sound alluring? If only our faculty would show a sympathetic vein, coupled with a reasonable interest in weddings, we'd all go down, and register two days late. But by the 12th we'll all be together again as hard working students, and talking of the convention and you.

Very sincerely yours,

Margaret Luckings, Chapter Editor.

DELTA-DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

Dear Delta Zeta Sisters:

Every day this fall, since we returned to college, has been chock full of interesting and delightful duties, with an abundance of genuine good times withal. "Spike" was most enthusiastic and successful. As you probably know, the period of the "spike" here at Depauw was changed last year to a much shorter period than heretofore, consisting, last year, of one week and this year of two weeks, a plan which has proven decidedly more acceptable than the previous ones of either one semester or the still longer period of the years' spike.

At the pledge service on September 29th, we pledged eleven girls, all of whom we are justly proud. In selecting our girls we endeavored not to lose sight of scholarship and, if we may judge by the records made up to this time, although necessarily meagre, we shall not be disappointed in those whom we have chosen to be Delta Zetas.

This year we have the presidents of the Young Woman's Christian Association, the Panhellenic, and of Delta Mu Sigma, the only girls' inner-fraternity at Depauw. Besides these honors, we have a girl, one of six to be awarded a numeral by the Girls' Athletic Association, which was a new organization last year. So you see we are quite well represented on the campus.

Perhaps you will be interested in other affairs about our campus, although not strictly Delta Zeta in character. I want to tell you about the wonderful gifts to Depauw on last Commencement Day, of one hundred thousand dollars by Mr. Rector of Chicago, and another of fifty thousand dollars by Mr. Studebaker of South Bend, both of whom have become so generously interested in our college. The money is to be used in the erection of a Girls' Dormitory and an Administration Building. It is expected that the new dormitory will be ready for occupancy by the opening of college next year.

Delta Chapter girls extend to you, her sister chapters, the earnest wish that this may be for each of you the most successful of years.

Gladys Yarbraugh, Chapter Editor.

Epsilon—Indiana University

Dear Sisters in Delta Zeta:

A perfect wave of consternation spread over the fifteen "old" girls of Epsilon when they learned during the summer, that the fraternity houses, because of a ruling of the Dean of Women, could not be opened until four days previous to registration day, and that rushees could not be entertained at the houses before formal rush day. You can imagine under what high pressure we had to work to get the house and ourselves "in order." Our rush was wonderfully successful. We have pledged seven charming and attractive girls: Ethel Kisner, of Terre Haute, Ind.; Merriam Mason, of Martinsville, Ind.; Charlotte Wheeler, of Crown Point, Ind.; Eva Alsman and Hazel Russell, of Sullivan, Ind.; Ruth Simmering, of Indianapolis, Ind., and Vern Kern, of Silver Lake, Ind.

Our Freshmen have given evidence already of being able to do big things in school by going out for athletics and other college activities. But "scolleging" isn't confined to our Freshmen alone. Rachel Brownell is treasurer of the Sophomore class and on the Women's League Board; Hazel Sarles is junior assistant on the Arbutus, the Senior year book; Marguerite Kisner and Mable Robbins are members of the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, and several of the girls are working on the Daily Student staff.

We gave an informal party several weeks ago to introduce our Freshmen to the fraternities. We have gone back to the old-fashioned games at Indiana as a way of entertaining ourselves, because of the rather hostile attitude of the faculty toward fraternity dances. Even old-fashioned games have a charm, for we all had a good time at our Freshmen party. In Epsilon we have planned to give a great many parties during the year just for ourselves. We think that it helps the spirit of Delta Zeta to entertain for one another.

We have a new chaperon this year, Mrs. Carrie Greble, of Indianapolis. We have grown very fond of her in the short time she has been with us.

Our year has started well. We hope all the other chapters have been equally successful.

Yours in the bond, Katherine O'Connor, Chapter Editor.

ZETA—NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY

Dear Sisters in Delta Zeta:

Since the convention it seems so much easier to write a chapter letter. Mere names now mean real people to every Delta Zeta who had the privilege of attending the convention and through them to all other members. For instance, Arema O'Brien, Columbus, Ohio, was the address put on all chapter letters, now it means a real woman, with an alert, charming personality, whom every girl at convention knew and loved. Because of this acquaintance with each other nationally we are all filled with renewed inspiration and enthusiasm.

Zeta Chapter is trying to put this enthusiasm into all the work she is undertaking. The first demand upon this enthusiasm was, of course, the rush season. Our new house was freshly curtained, furnished and decorated, with the convention picture in a conspicuous place, ready for the first rush party.

We gave four parties this year, a Unique Matinee, a Butterfly Breakfast, a Cotillion and a Cabaret Dinner. The Butterfly Breakfast was probably the prettiest party of all. Little tables were set all over the house with butterfly place cards. The girls all wore rose and green maline breakfast caps with big butterfly bows on the sides. The house was decorated throughout with dozens of brilliant winged butterflies.

The star feature of the Unique Matinee, which was given at the home of Ex-governor Aldrich, was selected readings by Mrs. Bess Gearheart Morrison, a well-known Lyceum reader.

The Cotillion was the most informal party. The guests were all presented with Napoleon hats and horns. The tooting of the horns and the throwing of confetti and paper novelties of different kinds soon did away with all reserve and every one seemed to have quite a merry time.

The Cabaret dinner was the last and largest party. The little tables were set as for the breakfast but with rose place cards and a rose in a "Convention" bud vase for the center piece. Beautiful corsage bouquets of roses were given as favors.

As a result of our rushing we have eight new pledges of whom we are very proud. They have an organization all their own with a president and secretary at the head. This helps them to do things in a businesslike way. They are to learn certain Delta Zeta songs before their next meeting and sing them before the active chapter. Later, when they are all initiated, they will be given a course in Fraternity history by some competent upper classman.

One advantage we have gained through our new pledges is the different lines of work we are being drawn into because of their different tastes and interests. Some are art students, some Phy Ed's, some H. E. students and some musicians. Beside their own personal work they are finding work to do in Girls' Club and Y. W.

Our latest problem has been the attempt to secure ads from Lincoln business men, but they are all very opinionated and the only luck we have had is with want ads. I shall explain. Our cook, whom we had had for a year and three weeks, left us one night without a word of farewell and did not return. We immediately sent in a want ad to the Lincoln State Journal. They classified it under "Male Help Wanted." For three days we were busy answering phone calls from "experienced" male cooks. When informed that we wanted a woman they all seemed very indignant. Finally one unusually peevish one inquired why in the world we put it under the "Male Help Column" if we wanted a woman.

Although classified in that way the women were not a bit backward in answering the ad. Every night for a week we held receptions for cooks. (No refreshments served!) You will be glad to learn that we now have a cook competent to please even the most fastidious tastes. We are now ready to entertain any or all of you who visit us.

We all enjoyed Miss French's brief call and were sorry that her loyalty to the Lambda girls prevented her being with us during rush week.

Yours in the bond,

THETA—OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Dear Girls:

This is a "how do you do" letter to tell you all about Theta's activities during the summer and opening weeks of school. We were so busy this summer—all we did was to make sandwiches and go to teas in our best "bib and tucker." We had all kinds of parties and had the best time—there is nothing like summer rushing to keep the chapter together. The result of our strenuous campaign was the best of rushees—Gabrielle Hoodlet, Bess Lockett, Isabelle Barker, Elizabeth Joyce, and Gail Mills, all of Columbus, Wilma Trappe, of Sidney, Mildred Foureman, of Dayton, and Hazel Lorentz, of Barnesville, Ohio. Of course we think they are the nicest and best looking pledges on the whole campus and we know they will be mighty nice petals in our chapter rose.

On the morning of September 23 we initiated our last year's pledges at the Chittenden hotel and at noon a luncheon was served in honor of them and the new pledges. After luncheon the new pledges were formally pledged. Oh, it was a great Delta Zeta day for us! So now the following girls are duly and truly lamp girls: Mary Helen Guy, Mary Emerson, Marion Poppen, Inez Tawse, Emma Froecktling, Zora Johnson and Margaret Neff. On the afternoon of September 21 all girls in the chapter, pledges and guests, were entertained by the Alumna Chapter at the home of our big sister, Florence Hart McClain. Florence makes the most wonderful big sister and we feel mighty glad to have her.

We want all the other girls to know what some of our graduates are doing this year. Arema O'Brien has delighted the hearts of all of us by accepting the position of Assistant Dean of Women here at our university. This means that we have her with us and that means a lot to our chapter, for she is considered a prize Delta Zeta girl. Lillian Johnson is teaching Latin and gymnasium work in the high school at Marysville, Ohio, and runs up to see us every once in a while. Treva Pearson is physical director at Piqua High School and Emily Neighbor is working at the tuberculosis hospital in Columbus.

Our active girls are living up to their name and we are proud to say Margaret Neff, Marion Poppen, Ruth Megathy and Josephine Jones made the Girls' Glee Club. Josephine is also president of the Y. W. C. A. at the University and a member of the staff of the Agricultural Student. Amanda Thomas and Marion Poppen have also gone in for journalism. So it promises to be a great year for us.

We were very sorry to lose our little sister, Ruth Innis, this past summer. She died July 8, and we will always remember her for her gentle life and sweet simplicity.

This is all the news we have for you "other chapters," except to say that we wish you all much success and a happy year.

With love in the bond,

Frances Jean Barker, Chapter Editor.

IOTA—UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Dear Delta Zeta Sisters:

Vacation has come and gone, and we are all back again in college, busier than ever and working harder than ever for Delta Zeta. What an inspiration the convention was, and how many resolves we have made for this coming year!

We "Iotaites" have been more than busy this fall, for we are living in our new house and are rapidly becoming experts in many lines of work. If you have any cleaning, enameling, repairing, and the like that you wish done, do not hesitate to call upon us. Our experience is wide and varied. But in spite of the confusion and the stir, we have enjoyed it, as it has all meant a chapter house of our very own.

Doesn't it seem good to be back in college again—"on the go" every minute and enjoying it all so much? The football season has begun at "Iowa" and we are as enthusiastic as can be. How many of the Zeta girls are coming down to the Iowa-Nebraska game? We hope we shall have the opportunity of seeing a good many.

This year we have planned to entertain a few girls and faculty women at Sunday night lunch every week or two. In this way we hope to get better acquainted with the University girls and make them feel perfectly free to come to the chapter house.

Next week the University is to have quite a treat. Togore is to be here and lecture, also read some of his works. We are anxious to hear him and see him.

We are planning several things for this year, but they will have to keep till the next time.

We are anxious to get the Lamp and learn what all the girls are doing. We got so much help and inspiration at the convention that I know all the chapters are going to do big things. How can we help it with such fine grand officers?

With success to you all,

Bernice Cole, Chapter Editor.

KAPPA—University of Washington

Dear Delta Zeta Girls:

How eager we all were to be back in college again, after a summer of vacation fun!

We had two weeks of rushing this year, and though it was both strenuous and expensive, we believe that it is the best method for Washington. We felt that we knew our girls well, and loved them, before we pledged them. Perhaps you would like to know who they are:

Lucile Johnson, Portland, Ore. Gladys Tucker, Tacoma, Wash. Dorothy Guy, Eugene, Ore. Vinnie Dean, Seattle, Wash. Alice Parchman, Anacortes, Wash. Marie Mooney, Wenatchee, Wash. Frances Skagerlind, Seattle, Wash. Kay DeBard, Seattle, Wash.

We Washingtonians are very proud of our New Home Economics Hall. It is built of light sandstone and occupies a corner of the Liberal Arts Quadrangle. It is for the exclusive use of the women of the university, although at present we have loaned a corner to the Germans.

Next Saturday evening we are going to give a "Coming Out" dance for our Freshmen. It will be here in our chapter house. Our Informal is scheduled for November 18.

Last Friday night we held Open House. All of our families were invited and given a chance to get acquainted with us and with each other. We entertained them with a vaudeville, and laughter was unrestrained. Coffee and cake were served by the ever-willing pledges.

And speaking of pledges, we have a faithful vigilance committee that trails them to discover who "cuts" Freshman class meetings and Y. W. C. A and Women's League meetings. Dire punishments are in store for the guilty ones when the final reckoning day comes. They think that cleaning the basement and laying wood in the fireplace is very trying, but what would they say to shining our shoes and serving our breakfasts in bed?

There has been a strange, grating noise somewhere in the House all afternoon. It can't be a cat scratching on a screen—for surely no cat would have so much perseverance. Perhaps I ought to investigate—

All is discovered! It was only Helen, all curled up on her bed, hard at work. You see she is "learning" to play the ukelele and was chanting monotonously over and over again:

"We wear the diamond, diamond,
"We wear the diamond, diamond,
"We wear the diamond and four pearls."

She has stopped. Why did I disturb her?

Christine Pollard, Chapter Editor.

LAMBDA—KANSAS STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Dear Delta Zeta Sisters:

First of all Lambda Chapter wishes to greet her sister chapters at the beginning of a new college year and we wish to extend our best wishes for a very successful year.

We are most anxious to announce our nine new pledges who have so recently worn the rose and green for the first time: Minnie Wilson, of Manhattan, Kansas; Ruby and Pearl Parkhurst, of Kinsley, Kansas; Leah McIntyre, of Topeka, Kansas; Viola Brainerd, of Paola, Kansas; Ada Robertson, of Washington, Kansas; Frances Keneaster, of Kansas City, Missouri; Lois Litchfield, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and Ann Walker, of Dalhart, Texas.

Our rushing season, which lasted ten days, was quite unrestricted as regards number and kind of parties. Most of our parties were informal affairs given at our new home at the corner of Eighth and Leavenworth streets. Four of our old girls were back during rush season to help us with our parties. As one party followed another and we became better acquainted with the new girls, we loved each one of them more and more, and Oh, the excitement at three o'clock on pledge day when we could announce nine new girls! Since then we have been most happy to announce Mrs. C. E. Downs as a new patroness.

Last week-end we had a visit from Esther French, one of our old girls who is working at Platte, Kansas, this year. This week-end we are giving a house dance in honor of Mr. McNeil, of Chicago, who is here visiting one of our sisters. Saturday, the twenty-first of October, we held initiation for Izil Polson, of Fredonia, and Bessie Sloan, of Salina, Kansas.

Mrs. C. E. Shugart, of Zeta, was a guest at our house and took a prominent part in initiation recently.

Our pledges have already organized and we are communicating fraternally with them through their representative. We are glad to have six of our new girls living in the Chapter House and we are proud of the interest they have already shown in college activities.

In closing let me say that we are most anxious to hear from all our sister chapters through "The Lamp."

Yours in the bond,
Mary Hazel Phinney, Chapter Editor.

MU—UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

Dear Sisters

We have had such a busy and happy time this year that I hardly know where to begin to tell you about it.

Strenuous rushing occupied all of our first days of college. We had several lovely informal teas, fudge parties, picnics and luncheons and on Saturday gave a formal dinner and dance as a grand finale to a glorious and successful week.

Our Freshmen are the most lovable children imaginable and we are exceedingly proud of every one. Frances Brown will now have two little sisters to keep her company during vacation time in her little town of Petaluma, for Hulda Siess and Bessie Lepley both hail from there. It is said that blessings come in pairs, and so did our two new girls from Fresno, Wilma Walton and Bernice Hutchinson—a wee child whom we call 'La Petite." "La Petite" is rivalled in her stature by a brand new pledge, Gladys Barnum, from Oakland. And last, but far from least, Helen Shea from San Diego. Our total membership is now thirty-two.

To our delight, Myrtle and Hope Graeter from Depauw were with us for two days during rushing week. My but we did love to introduce our eastern sisters. It made us feel as though our hearts were spread all the way across the United States and back again via Washington. How we hated to see them go! But we just packed them with love for all our sisters in the East. We stood forlornly in the depot watching the train pull out, but we were left with the feeling that in many ways we were nearer than ever before to all the girls whom we love but of whom we can only think abstractly. And then we had a visit from Norma Rost of Xi Chapter. She only stayed one short afternoon, hence only a few of our girls met her. However we all feel as though she were an old friend from the enthusiastic accounts which the rest of us received.

In addition to our rushing, we gave a delightful informal dance, at which our Freshmen made their debut. A tea and a faculty dinner complete our past social calendar and now we are looking forward to our big formal dance in November.

Upon receiving the list of recommendations from the Grand Council, we decided that among other things we would try to improve our ordinary conversation. Our method of accomplishing this might be of interest. We call ourselves the "Purity League" and every member upon being caught using an "obnoxious colloquialism or a slang expression" forfeits a penny. We have found it to be an expensive form of entertainment and also at times we find ourselves hampered for means of expression. But I am sure that our big Webster dictionary is being appreciated and that our conversation is becoming much more intelligible to our unsophisticated friends.

I must tell you about our nine Seniors who received A. B. degrees last spring. Mildred Goyette is industriously working for her Master's degree and five of the others are working for a State Teacher's Certificate. Gwendolyn Gaynor and Myrtle Simpson are teaching high school and Louise Sheppa is doing Y. W. C. A. social service work in San Francisco.

The girls came back this year with a new enthusiasm for Delta Zeta and with the additional inspiration we have received from the reports of convention, we are hoping to make this the best year we have ever had.

With our love we send our best wishes for a happy and successful year to all the chapters.

Margaret Taylor, Chapter Editor.

Nu-Lombard College

Dear Delta Zeta Sisters:

Greetings from Nu! We feel as if we knew everyone of you, for Marion and Florence have filled us full of "pep" over the convention and our fraternity and have recited so many personal incidents we are anxious to see and meet you all.

Nu was very happy over the honors her graduating girls received last commencement. Edith Taylor was valedictorian and Merle Edgar was salutorian of the class. Edith received honors in Latin and English and a degree of Magna cum laude. Merle received honors in Latin and German and a degree with cum laude. One of our Juniors received honors in expression.

We have been very busy since college opened. One evening we entertained all of the new girls and several women of the faculty at a wiener roast. Since it is against our Penhellenic rules to have any alumna rushing, Estelle could not be present, but to prove she was with us in spirit at least, she lent us her seven-passenger car and her brother, who proved to be an efficient and charming chauffeur if we are to judge from the comments of the new girls. Florence added her car and, though several trips were made, the whole party was finally landed in the woody place we had chosen for the "roast." It was a delightful evening and after the "eats" had disappeared the company gathered about the camp-fire and sang songs. At seven the autos honked "All aboard"—our rushing hours last only until 8 p. m. except Saturday and Sunday— and the girls were conveyed to Lombard Hall.

Most of our rushing is rather of the individual sort, one, two or more of us entertain our prospects at dinner or luncheon. Florence and Nelle gave a waffle supper one evening and afterwards a theater party.

We are trying to keep a reputation for scholarship. Marion Mowry and Nelle Roberts represent us on the Panhellenic Council. Florence Sharer is secretary of Zetacalian, the woman's literary society of the college, and she is also chairman of the "Stroller" board of editors. Ethel Nicholson is our student council representative and is also vice-president of Zetacalian and a staff member of the "Review," our college bi-weekly.

September 28, from four until six, all of the women's Greek letter societies were at home to the non-fraternity women of the college. Our patroness, Mrs. C. M. Poor, kindly placed her charming home at our disposal.

October 25 is our pledge day, and we look forward to adding some strong girls to Delta Zeta. Fraternally yours,

Ethel Nicholson, Chapter Editor.

XI-UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

Dear Sisters in Delta Zeta:

If this letter could be written after the twenty-first of October it would be filled with the details of our very first rush party. As it is, it will probably smack somewhat of the pent-up excitement which everyone in our chapter feels.

The Panhellenic rules being rather strict, we must do all sorts of planning in order to make our parties as attractive as possible and still keep within the pale. Our party is to be given at the Hotel Altamont across the river in Kentucky, and we are arranging by way of entertainment an imitation picture show, a four-reel feature. It is to be acted in pantomime by several of the girls, while the story of the plot, and a most thrilling one it is, is to be read by still another. We have also been busy practicing our songs and have even added one or two new ones to our repertoire, by means of which the rushees will be informed that Delta Zeta is quite the nicest fraternity in existence. Our favors are to be colonial corsage bouquets of Delta Zeta rosebuds, with the names painted on the ribbons in gold, in lieu of place cards. Several members of Alpha Chapter are coming down to be our guests at the party, and at the same time help us in the role of hostesses. To those of you to whom rush parties are an old story, our enthusiasm may seem a bit child-like, but please remember that it is our very first attempt and we are so anxious to get some really fine girls, and right now our hopes run high.

In the way of honors, our vice-president, Vivian Miller, was elected secretary of the Junior class for this year, and is also a member of the Y. W. C. A. cabinet. All of our girls are active in Y. W. C. A. work and other student activities.

Alene Mossmyer, formerly of Alpha Chapter is here at the University this year, and has affiliated with us. Though we sincerely "condole" with Alpha in their loss, we heartily congratulate ourselves on our gain. So our ranks have increased rather than decreased since last year, for our one Senior of last year, Dorothy Smith, has returned and hopes to get her Master's degree this year. We also wish to announce the acquisition of a new patroness, Mrs. Ralph Heaton, a cousin of Marjorie MacNaughton, and a charming young woman and most enthusiastic about Delta Zeta.

In our next letter we hope to be able to tell you all about our second rush party and its results.

The Panhellenic Council is investigating a new rule of procedure of which we are very much in favor. The bids of all the fraternities are sent to one person, a disinterested lawyer, preferably, engaged for the occasion, who has the invitees maks out a list of the different fraternities in order of her preference. She then receives only the bid of the preferred one. This is rather difficult to explain, so I will put in a "for instance." For instance, then, if the girl should put Delta Zeta first on her list (as she should) and another fraternity which had rushed her, second—and we should both bid her, she would receive only our bid. On the other hand if the other fraternity were first she would not receive our bid, and so could not say that she had refused our bid. And in this way no fraternity knows how many bids any other fraternity may have lost. The rule has not been decided

upon as yet as it is waiting for the approval of all the fraternities.

This being our first year, we have many difficulties to overcome, but if we can only make the Freshmen realize how very wonderful it is to be a Delta Zeta, I am sure we shall have some enthusiastic pledges to announce when Pledge Day comes.

Best wishes and love to you all.

Dorothy Gertrude Smith, Chapter Editor.

ALPHA ALUMNAE—INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

Dear Sisters in Delta Zeta:

Our coming year surely looms up a busy and profitable one. Delta Zeta is sharing in the plans of the City Penhellenic to add to the fund to be used in helping a worthy girl whom our City Panhellenic wishes to send to college. You all know that our own Grand President, Miss Martha Railsback, was voted president of that organization last spring for this year. This is an honor over which Delta Zeta may well rejoice. At the Panhellenic luncheon held in the Young Women's Christian Association, October 7, the greatest number of fraternity women that has ever responded, enjoyed a fine program.

The first meeting held at the home of our treasurer, Frances Hankemeier, was conceded to be the best one we have ever had. Business that had accumulated during the late spring and summer, was settled. The girls were urged to pay their Lamp subscriptions and for the Delta Zeta directories published for their convenience.

A buffet supper was proposed for Thursday, October 26, in honor of our visiting Delta Zeta sisters who will be here for the State Teacher's Convention, October 26, 27 and 28. Beulah Greer closed the meeting with a very interesting and entertaining personal report of her trip as delegate to the convention at Lincoln this summer.

Martha Railsback entertained with a delightful luncheon in August in honor of Mrs. H. L. Stephenson and Mrs. Glen Worthington who were visiting here. We are very lucky in having our Grand President in such close touch with us and also our alumnae President, Mrs. I. H. Hedden, who recently moved to Indianapolis from Sheridan.

GAMMA ALUMNAE-COLUMBUS, OHIO

Gamma Graduate Chapter is larger this year than ever before, not only because of the addition of last year's graduates, but also due to the fact that a number of our members are again living in the city.

Arema O'Brien has become Assistant Dean of Women at the Ohio State University; Ethel Schofield is Instructor in German in one of the Junior High Schools of Columbus. Marie Bluett is again teaching a class of mentally deficient children, but this year is in a different school. Gladys Laughlin is designer in a modiste's establishment. Madaline Baird has recently become the indexer for Chemical Abstracts, a publication of the American Chemical Society. She is liv-

ing at home and doing her work at the office of the Chemical Library at the State University. Mrs. Mary Dranga Campbell has become the Assistant Superintendent of the Ohio State School for the Blind, Columbus, Ohio, of which her husband is superintendent. She still continues the publication of the Outlook for the Blind, of which she is business manager. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell undertook the work in connection with this, the largest school of its kind between the Atlantic and Texas, because they believed it possible to fit more effectively the blind young men and women for the battle of life. They believe that for a large number of those who are now in their care, the model should be Hampton Institute or Tuskogee, rather than the usual plan of copying the public schools.

Three years ago the Columbus Panhellenic Association decided to offer a scholarship trophy to the fraternity at Ohio State University holding the highest rank.

The scholarship trophy took the form of a beautiful coffee urn with silver tray. The group holding it for three years was to retain it.

The annual dinner of the Panhellenic, at which the scholarship trophy is awarded, was held at the King Avenue Methodist Church on the evening of November 2, Mrs. C. C. Corner presiding. The only matter of business brought before the association was the method of raising money for the student loan fund. It was voted that instead of holding a Christmas shop to assess the active alumnae members of the nine organizations represented, a sum not less than 50 cents per capita, the proceeds to be devoted to the loan fund.

The various groups sang their fraternity songs and a stunt, "How Not to Do It," was presented. Mrs. Charles F. F. Campbell, chairman of the Scholarship Trophy Committee, presented the coffee urn to Pi Beta Phi as the fraternity holding the highest average. Miss Marjorie Lucile Brown, of Alpha Phi, who was the youngest member of the graduating class of 1915, won the distinction of holding the highest record for the year 1915-1916. She merited 31 of the 34 hours carried and the City Panhellenic recognized her splendid record by the presentation of a beautiful bouquet of roses.

The Alumnae Chapter holds monthly meetings. The first meeting of the year was held at the home of Marie Bluett, president of the chapter. The program committee, consisting of Arema O'Brien, Helen Murray and Mary Young, have arranged a most interesting year's program. Our next meeting will be November 18 at the home of Florence Hart McClain.

DELTA ALUMNAE—LINCOLN, NEBR.

The meetings of the Delta Alumnae Chapter are held monthly at the homes of the town girls. A committee of three is appointed by the president to have charge of the programs for three successive months. The programs consist of a study of local fraternity problems, chapters from Banta's Greek exchange, and current events of the day. This serves to bring us in touch with fraternity life in general. A social hour is held at the close of each meeting. Purely social events are to be arranged at least once a month. One or more members of the Alumnae Chapter are always present at the meetings of the active chapter.

I am sure you will be interested in knowing what some of our girls are doing. Following is a partial list of the girls and what they are doing this year:

Pearl Barton and Iva Swenk are teachers in Lincoln public schools. Elizabeth Seymour, assistant in University Library. Mary Cameron and Venus Leamer are assistants in the City Library. Ruth O'Dell, instructor in English, School of Agriculture, State Farm. Nettie Wills Shugart, our national big sister, is planning a trip to Manhattan, Kansas, as guest of the chapter. Several functions are planned in her honor. Fannie Putcamp, instructor in University of South Dakota. Janet Cameron is instructor in English at Warren, Ohio.

Mina Thieroff Rosenkrantz and Alma Carsten were visitors at the chapter house during rush week.

Grace McIntosh is instructor of history at McCook, Nebraska.

ZETA ALUMNAE—SEATTLE, WASH.

Our Alumnae Chapter was organized this summer with seventeen members. Our officers are: Annah Shelton, president; Lottie Kellogg, vice-president; Bae Dana, recording secretary and treasurer, and Frances R. Lee, corresponding secretary. We have two committees, with very active chairmen, a Social Welfare Committee, under Beth Tanner, and an Active Chapter Committee, under Mareta Havens.

The Social Welfare Committee finds remedies for the needs of the active chapter, which are found out by the Active Chapter Committee. Already we have considered giving two prizes, one to the chapter as a whole if it ranks among the first three fraternities in scholarship in our college, and one to the Freshman with the highest grade for the first two semesters' work. The Active Chapter Committee also makes a report every three months of what the girls at the house are doing.

There are only a few of us in town, but most of the girls plan to come in for the Saturday meeting every month.

We have a "Round Robin" letter started and are getting so much fun from it. What fun if we could have a Round Robin among all the Alumnae Chapters!

Our chapter wishes that all may have a successful, happy and useful year. I hope all members may be as enthusiastic as ours and as hard workers.

Exchanges

INTERFRATERNITY CO-OPERATION.

Co-operation and service are words which typify the modern trend of thought and action. They express ideas which are entering into nearly every modern activity-and most certainly in the solution of the many fraternity problems. Since the formation of the Interfraternity Conference, fraternities and their members have become more friendly and are vying with each other to see which one can offer the most constructive ideas and by example be the leader in those things which are worth while. Local interfraternity associations have been formed in most of the colleges and more recently Panhellenism has taken hold of the large cities. We are proud of the interest that Sigma Alpha Epsilon has shown in these matters and we hope that our members will ever be ready to further the good work being accomplished. There is a great deal yet to be done-chief of which might be said to consist in lifting the veil which separates Greek from Greek and to bring them all within the vale of true brotherhood which knows no division.—Sigma Alpha Epsilon Record.

PREPAREDNESS.

By M. Ruth Guppy (Dean of Women in the University of Oregon)

Preparedness is one of the popular words of the day. It is a watchword, tense and powerful in its expression. Everywhere we hear it:—a call arousing the people to be up and doing. As a nation, we are sufferers from the disease—Americanitis—which is diagnosed as nervousness and undue haste in everything undertaken—whether it is eating, sleeping or working. And with it there comes a lack of thoroughness, and appreciation of detail so plainly shown when individuals are put to the real test. Again, as a nation, we are an optimistic, happy-go-lucky sort of people. Years of peace and com-

mercial success have dulled, in certain ways, our perceptions and our vigilance. We have heeded in a desultory manner the words of warning uttered by Washington, Jefferson and other prominent statesmen. Nevertheless, situations today show how little we have actually profited by their admonitions.

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Preparedness, however, has not only to do with war, but with everything that concerns our welfare, pre-eminently with leadership—that thorough preparation of men and women which enables them to grasp the helm and guide the ship in times of need. Especially now does America demand leaders in commercial circles; on the high seas; and organizers of men. Even with the threatenings of war, there are golden opportunities for those well equipped—those who are "up and doing with a heart for any fate."

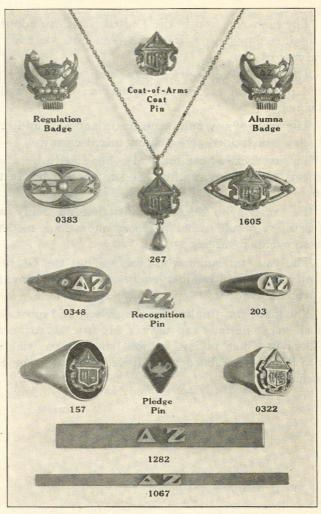
Prominent in circles from which leaders are to come are college men and women—those to whom opportunity has opened the door to wealth untold. America has the right to expect much from such sons and daughters. Has she been disappointed? In a way, yes. The spirit is there, but not the exact technical training in the chosen work which comes from close application and observation. The fault is in the individual—whose duty it is to do—not to dream.—Crescent of Gamma Phi Beta.

NINE DANGEROUS CITIZENS.

The following list of incompetents was taken from the Nebraska National Guard Bulletin. They are seen about us every day. Many of them are the logical successors of the "cracker box statesman" who used to sit in front of the little village grocery store and postoffice. Unfortunately they are far more dangerous to the nation.

- "1. The man who thinks the United States can lick all creation.
- "2. The man who thinks one American can lick any five foreigners.

- "3. The man who wants the United States to adopt a firm stand against any nation, but who does not want his son to fight in case of war.
- "4. The peace-at-any-price man who thinks that gentleness and persuasion can prevail against an envious and determined enemy.
- "5. The man who would send untrained and undisciplined troops against a trained and well-organized enemy.
- "6. The mother 'who didn't raise her son to be a soldier,' but expects some other mother's son to protect her in time of danger.
- "7. The man who doesn't know that an army without strong artillery would stand no more show in a modern war than a snowball in Mexico.
- "8. The yap statesman who orates about the Glory of the Flag, but who voted against every attempt to provide adequate protection for it.
- "9. The man who thinks that the richest and most defenseless of all great nations can have a Monroe Doctrine and an Open Door in China policy, without running the risk of getting into war."—Scabbard and Blade, Quoted from Banta's Gr. Exchange.



A Few Delta Zeta Badges and Novelties

We wish to thank the officials of the Delta Zeta Fraternity and the Delegates to the recent Lincoln Convention for our Appointment as the Sole Official Jeweler to the Fraternity. We feel honored by this appointment and will endeavor to be just as satisfactory in every way as we have been in the year in which we were on probation.

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