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A LAMP

WRAPPED IN CLOUDS
WHICH THE LIGHT SHINES THROUGH,
BURNISHED GOLD,
WITH A FLAME OF BLUE.
SYMBOL OF WHAT,
TO THE GIRL WHO PERCEIVED?
EMBLEM SMALL,
OF IDEALS ACHIEVED!

DOROTHY CATHERS, *Zeta* '35



DEDICATION

To

Julia Bishop Coleman

Anne Simmons Friedline

Mabelle Minton Hagemann

Alfa Lloyd Hayes

Anna Keen Davis

Mary Collins Galbraith

*in loving tribute to the joy which they have made
possible to all of us through the adventure begun*

October 24, 1902

we dedicate this

Story of Delta Zeta

October 24, 1934



FOUNDERS OF DELTA ZETA, NOVEMBER, 1902
Julia Bishop, Anne Simmons, Anna Keen, Alfa Lloyd,
Mary Collins, Mabelle Minton.

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Grace Mason Lundy — An Appreciation

This issue which tells the story of Delta Zeta, combines Volume 23, Number 4 with Volume 24, Number 1, of THE LAMP of Delta Zeta.

Written by Grace Mason Lundy, Chairman of the History Committee since 1926, it is an excellent word picture of the growth and achievements of Delta Zeta in the thirty-three years of the sorority's existence.

It is altogether fitting at this time at the very beginning of this story of Delta Zeta to pause to take note of the one who not only has written it for us but who has contributed so much to the story itself; to pay homage to her who has given so much of her time and painstaking effort to making this story what it is.

It is an impossible task to write, in a few words, of the unselfish loyalty and splendid idealism which Grace Mason Lundy has devoted to her sorority. She has served Delta Zeta as Historian, Registrar, Editor, First Vice President, Visiting Delegate, Chairman of the Ritual and Insignia Committee, a member of the Constitution Committee, and was the first Executive Secretary. One of her greatest single contributions to the sorority was the writing of *The Manual*, a complete guide for officers, a book that could have been written only by one of her great understanding of the sorority and her genius for the descriptive word. Grace Mason Lundy has the supreme gift of saying big things in little words, a real test of merit. Happy, with a keen buoyancy of spirit that makes her enthusiasm contagious, she is the inspiration for many of her humble followers.

Here's to Grace Mason Lundy, Honorable Mention for Distinguished Service to Delta Zeta.

—M. H. P.



GRACE MASON LUNDY, Historian

Foreword

TO Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson Delta Zeta owes a new debt when this history of the sorority shall appear as a completed book. She was the real pioneer in the preparation of our history. Without her courage, her painstaking care, her comprehensive plan, the very beginnings might yet be unmade; certainly would never have been so well and so truly made. Her pages of lovingly done manuscript have been not merely informative in what their lines recorded, but inspirational. From her mind and pen you have, practically unchanged, the account of Delta Zeta from its founding though the year 1917, when, but for the World War, her work even though still uncompleted, should have been published.

The contribution of Julia Bishop Coleman's term as historian will not see real distribution until a really comprehensive history, minutely detailed, can be published. She collected, filed and passed on to succeeding historians, many large envelopes each with the history of a chapter prepared by chapter historians, and written too extensively in detail to fit this present work. Some later historian will speak with appreciation and gratitude of these histories, and the volume of labor represented by them. It has been the policy of the present historian to encourage the preparation within each chapter of just such history for the information and interest of members of the several chapters, and those which in response to her requests, have been submitted to her, have justified her in her own mind for the making of such request. It is a matter of real regret that we are now unable to give to the whole sorority certain of these chapter accounts which in their freshness and vigor and happy spirit show the truth of what

has made the history of the chapters and the sorority, although the practical considerations of expense and such like mundane matters rules out its printing at this time.

Although Mrs. Stephenson's tentative outline was not used when the 1923 History LAMP first gave us her work in print, most of the general account (through the 1916 Convention) is her work with few changes; and hers too is the chapter on Founders and the biography of Martha Louise Railsback, in the section on "Our Presidents."

The arrangement followed in this present edition of the history is largely a continuation of the 1923 plan, since that seems as simple and logical as any. It is merely a fairly brief chronological account, with separate chapters dealing with developments and phases of the whole organization, and short sections pertaining to the separate chapters.

Certain chapters which have failed to respond to calls for historical material are responsible for unevennesses and change of spirit in the accounts of the chapters. It can hardly be too strongly stressed that the keeping of a comprehensive and unbroken chapter history is of potent influence and ever-increasing value to the individual chapter. While the record as for the whole sorority may of necessity be condensed and omit many items of importance, the history of the individual chapter can scarcely be too much in detail and mementoes. Some day, from the mosaic of all these bits, shall be composed a beautiful whole which we may confidently expect to find in the history, lived and written, of Delta Zeta and Delta Zetas, when we celebrate our Golden Milestone. Until then—may this suffice.

GRACE MASON LUNDY, *Historian*

A Legend of a Rose Garden

YEARS AGO in a beautiful land there was a lovely garden filled with all manner of flowers and watched over by a wise Gardener. In the midst of the garden there was a portion which was the pride of the Gardener's heart. Here were roses of every kind. They were varied in hue and fragrance, in size, beauty and texture. The Gardener worked and dreamed among his roses and watched them with careful eyes. Dreaming there came the desire to add a new variety of a more delicate hue than any there, one that would be fine in texture, rich in fragrance and of enduring strength.

Searching, at last upon the banks of the Killarney in the Land of Loving Kindness, he found a fragile wild rose. From this he took a cutting and returning to his garden he grafted it upon the Red Rose of Courage. With infinite care and tenderness he watched the cutting and found that it grew and would bloom. The unfolding petals showed the hue he desired, a firmer pink than that of the wild rose, but with the added petals of the Red Rose; united were the strength of the one and the fragrance and delicacy of the other.

From the new growth of the pink rose

he selected another cutting. Having prepared a rich soil, he planted it with loving care. Over it he placed the glass called Truth. That no harm might come to his rose he selected six of his worthiest handmaidens to take charge of it. One was named Enthusiasm. Her zeal never tired. Early and late in the midst of her other labors she watched the rose that it would not wither and die. She directed the efforts of her sister, Protection, who guarded the rose that no enemy might do it harm. Sympathy, another sister watched lest the earth around the precious cutting should become dry. Sister Knowledge studied the ways of cultivation, that the rose might be rugged and fragrant. Purity hovered near washing off the plant, taking care that nothing soiled the freshness of its petals. Tenderness ministered both to her sisters and the rose. Under the care of the Wise Gardener and with the ministrations of the six sisters the new rose flourished and bloomed.

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After the cutting took root the stem developed.

The stem of a flower is its pushing force. The stem of our rose is the Coun-

NOTE: This little sketch, "The Legend of a Rose Garden," is a compilation from the manuscripts for our History as prepared by Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson. With poetic feeling Mrs. Stephenson conceived of the sorority as symbolized in its flower, the lovely Killarney rose, and worked out an appropriate scheme based on that motif. Introducing the entire work with the little story of the Gardener and his search for the perfect rose, she carried her simile on through such later chapters as the Soil (Miami University), the Handmaidens (naturally, our

Founders), Thorns (early difficulties) and so on. So carefully had she worked out her similes that had the History been published from the manuscripts prepared by her, the legend would have been very pleasing as the background for the essential facts of Delta Zeta's history. The scheme was favorably received by the sorority, and in somewhat modified form was the basis for the toast program at the 1916 Convention. Mrs. Stephenson preserved from that toast list the three toasts given by Margaret Luckings, Beta, on "The Stem"; Janet Grey Cameron, Zeta, "The Full-

By Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson

cil, which through its splendid co-operation and efficiency has given us strength and vigor for the fragile plant so that it has branched out far and wide and has become strong enough to fight successfully any destroying force. Now one stem supports a lovely rose bush bearing hosts of beautiful blossoms. The roses, and every petal of them, know whence the supporting strength of that stem comes and are thankful.

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Looking at the center of the rose we marvel no longer at the beauty and strength of the sepals and petals, for strong, straight and majestic in the very center of the rose stands the pistil, symbolical of the Grand President. Supporting this central point are the stamens, symbolical of the officers of the Grand Council.

As the petals of the rose open out they are as dreams come true. When life first stirred in the veins of the young plant there was the conception of the perfect rose and all through the period of growth it was planned for.

And now as the buds unfold giving promise of the glory to come, we feel that exhilaration, that exultant expect-

ancy that comes when we know that our ideals are about to be realised. As the petals open out one by one we are almost breathless, for each one is different. One is curved gracefully, one is almost smooth, one is tinged with a little deeper shade of pink, yet all are of wondrous beauty.

The first buds to brave the cold and breeze are our first chapters; many of their petals are opened out to show a deeper shade of color. Close to the heart of the plant are the unopened buds just lifting their soft-hued faces to the light. These are the newest chapters.

Though every bud is different—for were they all alike the plant would never be so beautiful, it would not be a rose—yet there is about them a certain similarity in form and harmony, in shading, that marks them all as children of the same mother plant. No bud or half blown rose is unnecessary or unimportant, none must droop or have imperfect edges for the marring of one bud or bloom or one petal ruins the beauty of the whole plant. May each chapter have the vision of the perfect rose, each girl see the glory of the perfect petal, that the petals may make a perfect full blown rose and the plant become a most beautiful blending of color and form, a perfect creation.

blown Rose"; and Frances Brown, Mu, on "Half Blown Roses and Rosebuds," and used them to preface the corresponding sections of her history. They are included in the legend as here compiled in order to make the story complete.

Your present historian feels that each writer's inspiration is best worked out by the one who conceives it; and therefore regretfully abandoned the Rose Garden plan when it came her turn to assemble the history of the sorority. But the loveliness of the conception,

and the significance of the rose in our sorority, prompts the presentation here of at least a portion of the work begun with so much thought, carried out with such artistic harmony, and so lovingly made ready for our enjoyment and benefit.

Founders' Day, first officially established by the Convention of 1912 and observed that following fall, would be a very suitable time to bring this story again before our chapters, and we are glad to have an opportunity to make it available.



ELIZABETH COULTER STEPHENSON, First Historian

The College Fraternity— An American Institution

*"Long live the love of fellowship
Circling the old and new."*

TO every college woman, even of the present generation which has so much and takes so calmly privileges which outrival the wildest dreams of an earlier day, the story of woman's long and uneven but determined fight for equal educational privileges with her brother should be of interest. And to every Greek letter woman the story of the rise and growth of women's secret organizations, paralleling and supplementing the college history of women, is another story of significance.

The newest fraternity pledge soon learns that the whole system dates itself officially from the founding of Phi Beta Kappa at William and Mary College in 1776. Actually there had been two earlier societies of the nature of the college fraternity: The Flat Hat, founded, William and Mary about 1750; and the later P.D.A. Phi Beta Kappa superseded these and made history for us in that it chose to use a Greek name. The classic influence predominating in education of that day (and Greek being considered indispensable to a higher education) it is not surprising that the new society should embody both in name and fundamental principles certain Greek characteristics. At the time of its establishment and until the Revolutionary War disrupted college life for the young men of that day, Phi Beta Kappa was distinctly a social, *fraternal* society.

It would be inevitable that young men removed from their homes and associated with other young men in educational pursuit, should form natural groups based on strong and cherished friendships; and their deliberate attempt to make an enduring tie for these friendships was the basic principle on which rose the college fraternity. Its secret nature followed from the natural fact that secrecy is dear to all, from childhood on, but in the case

of these early organizations secrecy had also some protective value for the faculty of that day did not always favor an extra display of student freedom and initiative. And yet, ironically enough, the colleges owe to fraternities a debt which they were slow to see and even slower to acknowledge; and received from them a service which in some instances was almost life-saving in its scope. This service was the creating of a connecting tie between colleges all over the country, unofficial but definite and influential, the result of the extension activities of fraternities. More than fifty years before there was any attempt on the part of the educational institutions to form any sort of contact among themselves for the advancement, information and unification of educational efforts in this country, the fraternity chapters had already sown the seeds of acquaintance and common aims, and this association, though arrived at through the social medium of the fraternity, was none the less of vital importance largely because of the fact that the leaders of the country in the decades just following were then in college and many of them were numbered in the early roster of fraternity men.

Phi Beta Kappa's history as a social fraternity was short, practically ceasing with the Revolutionary War. Though it became upon its revival the society we now know, with basic purpose the honoring of distinguished scholastic attainments, still its great service to the fraternity world lay in the fact that it had furnished the impetus and model for many later similar organizations which filled the place it was created to take. That the college fraternity satisfied a definite desire on the part of the American college youth is attested by the fact that the present number of purely social fraternities in American colleges and



APOLLO ROOM, IN RESTORED RALEIGH TAVERN, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA. TRADITION SAYS THAT IN THIS ROOM PHI BETA KAPPA WAS FOUNDED, AND HERE THE MEMBERS HELD THEIR MEETINGS.

universities is now well over one hundred.

The fraternity system as a man's activity was well established in leading educational centers before the heaviest part of woman's struggle to be recognised as being entitled to coeducational privileges was even suggested. To be sure, there had early been some "crying in the wilderness." Sarah Josepha Hale, a staunch and unrelenting champion of real educational opportunities for women lent the aid of her editorial voice in *Godey's Lady's Book*, the leading home magazine of the era, and her personal friendship to every attempt at giving women educational advantages commensurate with those of men. She was long a friend and backer of Emma Willard, whose school for girls became famous. Mrs. Hale also took a vigorous interest in the establishment of Vassar College even to being the moving force of having the word "Female" removed from the original title carved in stone over its portals. But public sentiment was overwhelmingly against education for women in anything except the purely decorative type to be received at the various "finishing schools" which was deemed proper and sufficient. Many and imaginative were the horrible pictures painted of the ruin which would surely and rightfully overtake a country so lost to propriety as to allow its women the hazardous right to experiment on the college curriculum with their purely female brains! . . . Parents, who after all are at the bottom of that vague thing "public opinion," showed themselves strangely loath to admit that daughters could be as able, intellectually, as sons; and even progressive families making every sacrifice to educate their boys held close rein on the girls. How must they have liked the coals of fire heaped on their heads by Lucy Mott, Anna Howard Shaw and others who fought and sacrificed for every step of their way to and through, college!

It is easy to understand why the first openings for coeducation were made not in the conservative East but in the pioneer Midwest. Oberlin College in Ohio was made coeducational from its es-

tablishment in 1833; and many others both state and denominational were so organized that if they did not receive women from their first days they quickly opened at the first serious request from interested young women. Yet even where the institution openly conceded coeducation actual experience often proved that this was to a limited extent only; that certain restrictions were placed on the enrollment in courses or in participation in public exercises; and the pioneer college woman found her victory one that never was cheaply or easily won.

In general the advent of women students brought no real opposition from the men. True to boy nature, jeers, jokes and pranks must be attempted. But the women who were so true to their dreams that they braved all for a chance at college were also young women of resourcefulness and wit and almost always quickly able to put their would-be tormentors in the worst of the case; after which their ordeal was generally at its end.

In the pioneer states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, and Wisconsin a number of institutions were opened to women before or during the Civil War. Indeed the influence of this war and the splendid part played therein by women the country over resulted in a much more rapid acceptance of women in colleges after its close; so that in the Midwest and West there were, by 1870, some two dozen institutions where women were accepted, on the face of it at least, on equal terms with men. In the eastern states the struggle was less successful; although educational advantages were finally conceded to be both due and suitable for women, they were more often provided by colleges for women alone than by the grant of coeducational privileges. Thus it comes about that the majority of colleges for women only are located in the East; they do not exist in comparable numbers elsewhere in our country for the reason that they do not express the ideals or meet the needs of those sections.

Not because woman was determined to copy her brother in all things but because the fundamental need of friendship is as

strong in her as in him the college woman produced her own secret organizations from her college experience. First of all came two in a southern college. These were the Adelphian (1851) and Philomathean (1852) both founded at Wesleyan Female College in Macon, Georgia. This college was the first to be chartered by any state; and its two secret societies flourished until the Civil War closed the doors of the college. Both were kept going by loyal members and revived when peace returned to the land. Years later these two societies changed their names and characters sufficiently to meet the needs of changing days and became National Panhellenic Congress members, Alpha Delta Pi and Phi Mu. . . . First to bear a Greek name among all secret societies for women was a local, Chi Delta Theta, founded at Emma Willard's school, the Troy Female Seminary, in 1856. Its formation was sponsored by members of the men's fraternity Theta Delta Chi, but it lasted only a few years, and its only interest to us now is its Greek naming. In 1867 the I. C. Sorosis was founded at Monmouth College in Illinois. It quickly established other groups, or chapters, and thus has claim to be the first "national" among the women's organizations. Eventually it discarded all except its college chapters (in early days there were "town" groups formed and on equal standing with the college groups) and took the name by which it has been known since 1888, Pi Beta Phi. Monmouth was the scene also of the founding in November, 1870, of Kappa Kappa Gamma, so named from the first. But January of 1870 had seen the establishment at DePauw (then called Indiana Asbury) of Kappa Alpha Theta, which by these few months won the right to being known as the first women's secret society of national extent to be founded with a Greek name.

The next few years saw a spontaneous upspringing of others—Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta, Sigma Kappa, Delta Gamma. Besides these there must have been numerous local ones, for many of the earlier chapters of the early nationals

were formed from locals which petitioned for the privilege of affiliation with the more vigorous organization. The growth of these organizations in the period between 1870 and 1890 was slow and irregular, but before 1890 Alpha Chi Omega, at DePauw University in the Middle West, and Delta Delta Delta at Boston University in the East, had made their appearance. This date seems to mark the turn of the tide to a definite approval for higher education for women, and the women's fraternities prospered thereby. In the decade between 1890-1900, Alpha Omicron Pi, Alpha Xi Delta, Chi Omega, Kappa Delta, and Zeta Tau Alpha swelled the number of women's fraternities, and in the period from 1900-10, over two hundred college chapters were founded, showing that there was a very real desire and place for the sorority as a part of the life of the college girl. On this wave of enthusiasm, Philomathean and Adelphian took a new lease on life, adopted their present names of Phi Mu and Alpha Delta Pi, and, with the addition of Delta Zeta and Alpha Gamma Delta, we find the early years of the twentieth century showing the college girl and her sorority an established fact and a busy factor in college life.

The next decade saw Beta Phi Alpha, Alpha Delta Theta, and Theta Upsilon organized. Then Phi Omega Pi and Lambda Omega were organized and Beta Sigma Omicron broke from her junior college classification and was admitted to National Panhellenic Congress.

The earliest of these organizations, while personally endeared to their members for the friendships they fostered, had as their definite aim the clear intention of being in all things the equal of the men; in educational recognition first, and after that in every form of college life activity. The encouragement which they constantly gave their members, the impetus to excel and thus prove beyond question their rights to college education, and also the incentive which this in turn gave to completing college, unquestionably gave to these groups much of the deep and true devotion, the courage

and the excellence which they almost invariably demonstrated. They knew they had a Cause; and nobly they supported it. Even when the greatest need for winning and using equal rights had passed, the women's fraternities perpetuated opportunity for the woman student to be recognised for herself and they support her in her endeavors to win on her individual merit.

With many ups and plenty of downs, and with numerous adjustments to conditions which made flexibility an essential to continued existence, the college women's secret society has come into the twentieth century, and has become almost as universally known and accepted as the coed herself. On the whole, these organizations are known as fraternities. Despite the protest of the men at this lifting of a name they claim for their own

peculiar use, there seems to be no real reason for not allowing a women's organization a right to be a "fraternity" if it so desires. On the other hand, some organizations have preferred to adopt the name "sorority" and probably the general public uses this term more often than "woman's fraternity." The word "sorority" was coined by Professor Frank Smalley of Syracuse University for the members of Gamma Phi Beta. Liking the name the Gamma Phi's adopted it at once officially, and since 1911 it has been a word in good standing, having that year "made the dictionary." Six of the N.P.C. organizations, among them Delta Zeta, use the word sorority; all others have remained fraternities. But as immortal Will would remind us—"What's in a name?"

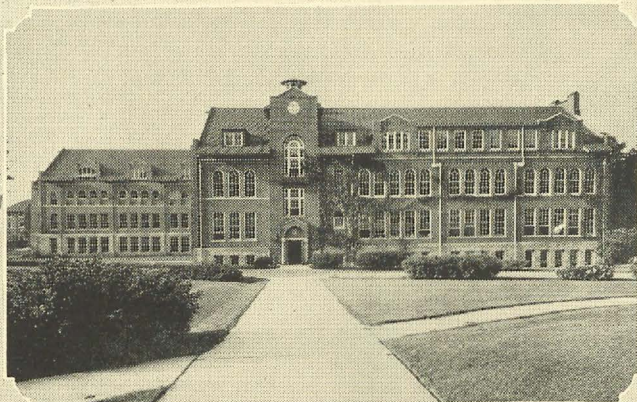


Chronological History of the Sorority

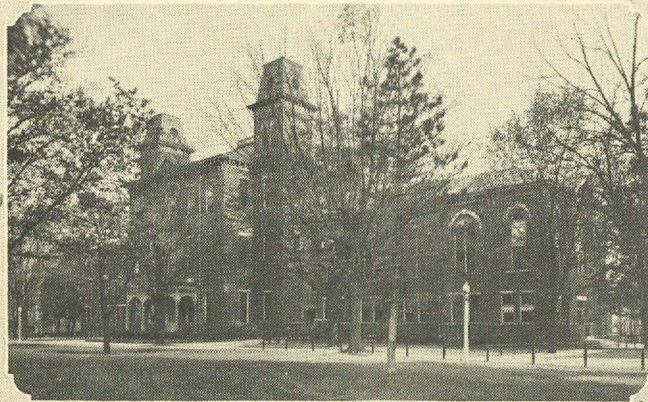
- 1902—Women admitted to full status as students at Miami University. In September the first meetings leading to the formation of Delta Zeta were held. On October 24 the Articles of Incorporation were issued by the Secretary of the State of Ohio. Four pledges were added, with Elizabeth Coulter the first initiate. Dr. Benton, president of Miami, made grand patron in appreciation of his invaluable assistance.
- 1903—Julia Bishop and Luella Crugar returned to conduct "rush," which consisted mainly of going for rides with a horse and buggy! The chief qualification for membership was the possession of five dollars.
- 1904—Period of usual development with the trials of a new group.
- 1906—First "alumnae come-back" for initiation to Alpha's house, first off the campus at Miami.
- 1907—First National Convention of Delta Zeta held at the Algonquin Hotel, Dayton, Ohio. Alfa Lloyd Hayes, Grand President.
- 1908—Beta Chapter installed at Cornell University. Second National Convention in Oxford made Alpha the governing body.
- 1909—Delta at DePauw and Epsilon at Indiana University were installed in May, just one day apart. Gamma, at Minnesota was approved though not installed.
- 1910—Zeta at the University of Nebraska made the fifth chapter and completed the number required for admission into Panhellenic which admission came at the next meeting of N.P.C. Publication of *THE LAMP* was authorized. Council made the governing body. Third National Convention, Indianapolis, Indiana. Annual examinations introduced. Eta installed with encouragement of Dr. Benton who was then president of Baker University.
- 1911—Delta Zeta sent first delegate to N.P.C.
- 1912—Fourth National Convention held at Winona Lake, Indiana. Elizabeth Coulter Stevenson elected president; constitution revised; song book appeared; alumnae chapters authorized. First Directory.
- 1913—First alumnae chapter organized at Indianapolis.
- 1914—Fifth National Convention held at Indianapolis. First national constitution adopted.
- 1915—Three chapters installed, Lambda, Mu, and Nu. Mu first chapter to own its own home.
- 1916—Sixth National Convention at Lincoln, Nebraska. Martha Louise Railsback elected national president. Burr Patterson chosen official jewelers. Uniform treasury system started.
- 1917—Social Service work started.
- 1918—Convention postponed due to war.
- 1919—Miss Railsback resigned presidency due to heavy war work. Rene Sebring Smith became acting executive.
- 1920—Seventh and Eighth Conventions held at Denver.
- 1921—Second Song Book appeared.
- 1922—Central Office opened. Ninth Convention, held at Ithaca. Little Lamp adopted as Social Service project.
- 1923—Delta Zeta one of first three to subscribe full quota of Panhellenic House stock. Contribution made toward rebuilding the Library of Louvain. First History.
- 1924—Tenth national convention held in Evanston, Illinois. Central Office moved to Indianapolis. Big Lamp at Vest, Kentucky, adopted as social service project. Julia Bishop Coleman national president.

- 1925—First province conventions held in each province.
- 1926—Eleventh national convention at San Francisco. New constitution authorized. Life subscription plan at time of initiation adopted. Anne Simmons Friedline elected president.
- 1927—New Song Book distributed. First "Birthday Drive" for Vest as silver anniversary gift to Delta Zeta. Sun dial presented to Miami in commemoration of twenty-fifth anniversary of founding. Dr. Benton died June 28.
- 1928—Silver Anniversary Convention held at Bigwin Inn. Four Founders present. *Sidelights*, esoteric publication, appeared. Full time Visiting Delegate employed. Myrtle Graeter Malott elected president.
- 1929—Revised Song Book and Information Pamphlet issued. The Manual, the Blue Book for Pledges and the Course of Study published.
- 1930—Lucky Thirteenth Convention held at Madison. Rene Sebring Smith Chairman of N.P.C.
- 1931—Redistricting of provinces for greater efficiency. National auditing system adopted for all chapters.
- 1932—New Constitution and Fifth Directory published.
- 1933—Century of Progress Convention, Chicago, Illinois. Two councils elected.
- 1934—Council visits Vest. Margaret H. Pease assumes Presidency. National Headquarters moved to Cincinnati.





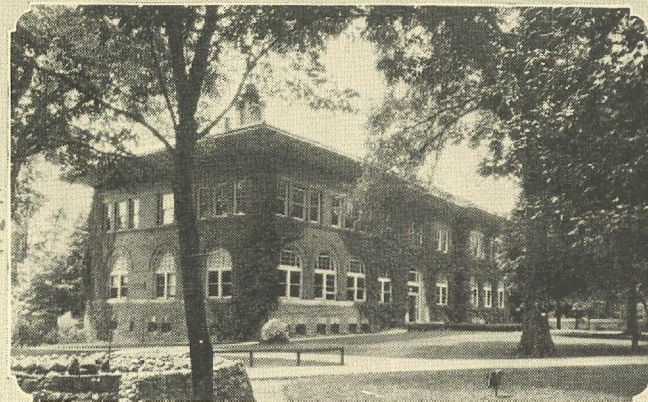
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In Old Main, Delta Zeta was founded.

Old Miami—and the New

*"Old Miami, new Miami,
Days that were and days to be;
Tell the story of her glory—
Our Miami, here's to thee!"*

DELTA ZETA is a product of this twentieth century, her birthdate being just within the beginnings of this era. However, her fraternal foundations were firmly laid in the traditions and achievements of pioneer days, and their spirit is hers. Possibly no sorority has been more fortunate in the place of its first appearance, and in sorority as with individuals, environment counts for much. This statement is made deliberately, for Miami University is conceded to be one of the educational leaders of the entire country in the quality of influence it has exerted. Even in the days when much of this country was yet to be reached only by covered wagon, Oxford Ohio boasted proudly of its title as "the Athens of the West." Though but a small and quiet village it was indeed the seat of three educational institutions, well patronized and noted for their fine principles and leadership. These three were, Miami University; the Western College for Women, supported by the Presbyterian Church and still continuing its fine service; and Oxford College for Women, founded in 1830 under the presidency of a former president of Miami, Dr. Scott; father of Caroline Scott who later became the wife of President Benjamin Harrison, a Miami alumnus. Oxford College after a long and honorable history recently (1929) merged with Miami University and so continues in wider fields, while at the same time insuring continuance of its memory.

Miami University, with which our particular interest at this time lies, was provided for by Act of the General Assembly of Ohio on the 17th of February, 1809, in conformance with the provisions of a grant by Congress, in 1792, of a tract of land to be devoted to furthering higher education in the states. Being un-

able to sell the tract and use the funds therefrom for the establishment of a college in some other part of the state, the legislature at length decided to use it as the site of the institution. The name, Miami University, was selected with a view to pleasing the settlers of the surrounding Miami River valley, and the little cluster of rude log huts which at that time composed the settlement in its midst was complimented by the name, Oxford. With a Board of Trustees, fourteen good Scotch and Scotch-Irish for the most part, work was begun for the new university. The first few years little was done except solicit funds for the plant and equipment. Some of the legislators who were eager to speed the opening, generously contributed twenty dollars each to this first field worker (or missionary, as they called him). Among the contributors was former President John Adams, whose gift was ten dollars, and two books for the library.

Twelve years of difficulty and uncertainty passed by before the actual opening of the new institution. But during these years the pioneer farmers of the Miami Valley had been attracted to the established site of their promised college, that their sons might not lack educational advantages as would be their fate if they should live too far from some center of higher learning. The new college advertised in the pages of the newspapers of the region, and doubtless many a youth and his parents felt a new surge of ambition upon perusing the crabbed, inky paragraphs which set forth the unexcelled features of cheapness and excellence to be found so generously, according to the advertisements, at Miami University.

The first five classes after the opening of the university, averaged only ten or

eleven graduates. Many young men could not enter college until they were twenty-one or even older; some few entered at thirty, a few graduated even at forty. The rigors of those days were such that many an eldest son must help set his brothers and sisters on their feet financially before he was free to go out and do what he wanted for himself. In case that was a college education, he delayed not nor hesitated because he might be past his callow teens when he could find the leisure or freedom to enter college. Thus it was no wonder that Miami was claiming to be a college of "Elect Students" or that she won for herself the name of "The Yale of the West." Affectionately bestowed subtitles have been Miami's in abundance. Among the later ones was, "The Mother of Statesmen," for she acquired a long and imposing list of alumni prominent in the ministry, in public and national life. Among them at random may be mentioned President Harrison, White-law Reid, Calvin S. Bree, Andrew L. Harris, John W. Noble, General Runkle, and the Hon. H. M. McCracken. Miami has also set aside July 25 to observe as the birthday of Dr. William McGuffey, who was on her faculty at the time when he was compiling the material for his famous readers.

The record of Miami University was long the record of a small college. She failed for years to progress, to grow, as she should have, because of the niggardly appropriations given her by the state which had created her. In all these years of vicissitudes, she was served with strength and devotion by a series of superior Christian ministers who as presidents of Miami gave her the best they had, whatever might be their occasional shortcomings in dealing with the strictly human weaknesses of their students. Her faculty was almost without exception, of high intelligence and superior character; the latter in special meaning, as many were ordained ministers. Despite any shortcomings, Old Miami was characterized by spirited students and intensely loyal ones. A charming account of the early years of the university is given by

Dr. W. H. Upham (Miami '97) in his book "Old Miami."

During the Civil War Miami struck the lowest ebb of her history. She was a borderline college; both North and South were represented in her student ranks, and men marched from her shady campus to wear both the blue and the gray. Though the faculty remained to carry on, and though some students remained to keep the doors opened throughout the war (86 at lowest enrollment), the aftermath was too much, and with Commencement of 1873 she was compelled to close her gates and cease to function. But now her friends, and her alumni were awakened, and through their efforts the University again began classes in 1885 and gradually Miami regained her former strength, though not without an uphill struggle on the part of those who would not give up their faith in her; and valiant sacrifice from her executives.

Under the presidency of Dr. R. W. McFarland, new progress began and during the later administration of Dr. W. O. Thompson and Dr. Guy Potter Benton, marked and enduring advances were made. This growth and progress has continued under the direction of Dr. Raymond Hughes and Dr. W. H. Upham. State appropriations worthy of the name have put Miami on a firm basis financially. Broader policies and modern methods have been stressed since Dr. Benton began what may truly be called the "New Miami." He admitted women students on full equality with men and in many ways laid the foundations for the later additions and advances. From the almost unbelievable enrollment of 86, during the Civil War, the university now claims 4000 students. The library has grown from 1296 volumes to well over 65,000. From one small two-story building, "Old Main" there have grown fifteen splendid buildings on a campus of 147 acres, the total original cost of buildings and equipment being \$1,218,000.00.

It is not, however, in buildings and equipment that Miami claims her greatest riches. Rather it is in the spirit of her sons and daughters, the richness of their

memories and in her traditions of service and valor and inspiration, that she stands enthroned in the life of her country. She still ranks, comparatively, as a small university. But hers has been a big service.

Not only because she is dear to us as the cradle of Delta Zeta, but also because of the fact that Miami is a college of the Middle West, the same type as many others in which Delta Zeta located her chapters, this sketch of Miami is given here to serve as an indication of the spirit of the universities where our earlier chapters were installed. The history of the growth of Miami is the history, in a measure, of the growth of such other universities as Ohio State, Indiana, DePauw, Iowa and Nebraska. The influence of these institutions, with their similarity of ideals, could not fail to foster a similar spirit in the lives of the students they enrolled.

Miami has, however, one claim not possessed by many other of these sister institutions. She is called "the mother of fraternities." Within her halls were founded, before 1860, three fraternities known far and wide as the Miami Triad: Beta Theta Pi, founded in 1839; Phi Delta Theta, 1848, and Sigma Chi in 1855 formed by a group which broke away from the Miami Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon which fraternity had established a chapter there in 1852. Later were established chapters of Delta Upsilon, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon and Sigma Nu. In addition to these, the "New Miami" also saw the birth, in 1904, of a new national fraternity, Phi Kappa Tau. Much of the color and romance of Miami's early history hinges on the fraternities; while in turn the sturdy character, the definite interrelation of these three and much of their later policy and history, is undoubtedly the result of Miami influence. They were the western-most of all college fraternities at their founding date and the western spirit and tradition, the decidedly progressive organization and history, has marked them throughout the years.

Even so, Delta Zeta, though many years the junior of these, first three so-

cieties, has inherited much that was inherited by them. Although Ohio claims the distinction of having the first college which from its foundation offered women equal educational opportunity with men (Oberlin, founded 1833) and though hers is a splendid and generous educational system, still even here opportunities for women lagged far behind those for men. Miami University was already advanced in history and tradition when in 1892 she first accepted women into her normal department, only. It was another ten years before women could receive full college training side by side with the men students; and so 1902, the founding date of Delta Zeta marks the entrance into Miami of women of a certain pioneer stamp. The entire list of college activities as known to Miami women of today, dates from 1902, and the founders of Delta Zeta were among the early women who formed and guided the Y.W.C.A., the literary societies and other college organizations. Their names are signed to charters and articles of organization other than those of Delta Zeta; the entire field of women's activity in Miami of that day knew their attention and their influence.

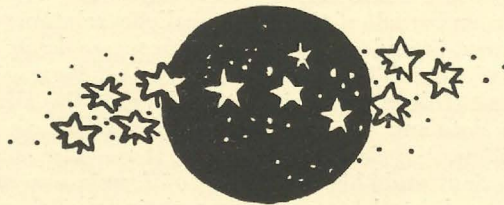
To foster a new organization rather than to bring in one already formed, would be thoroughly in keeping with the Miami tradition. At the time of the banding together of the six founders of this sorority, the sorority system was already firmly established in other colleges of Ohio. Kappa Alpha Theta was first to enter the state, with a chapter at Wooster in 1875; and by 1902 there were twelve chapters of six national sororities in six colleges in Ohio. (Four others were added by 1911.) Even admitting that inter-college relations then were nothing like those we know today, it is inconceivable that these girls would not know something of the already existing chapters and in fact have friends belonging to them. It remains clear that the suggestion of forming an organization of their own, their college's own and not just the pleasure of belonging to a sorority in order to give a background for their

friendship, was from the first a distinct part of their thought. The stories of the founders all bear out this idea; that after the first casual suggestion, the inspiration to prepare an organization that could become a national one; leaped into the foreground of all thoughts and plans.

What they could not foresee, was that the period in which they were undertaking this large task was one significant in general fraternal history for women. It marks a crisis and a new turn in the history of the sorority movement. So bitter had become the opposition to sororities in some localities and colleges; so general were the charges of strife and snobbishness caused by sorority and non-sorority conflict; so precarious was the situation for the entire sorority cause, that the beginning of the twentieth century is important for two things which saved the day. First of these was the coming together for the first time, for peaceful discussion, of sorority representatives. From this meeting, held, interestingly enough in 1902, has grown the present Panhellenic Congress. The second saving fact was the establishment, right around the opening of the twentieth century, of a number of new sororities, all of which have from the first expressed a definite aim of service to those outside the sorority bond as well as the securing for themselves of sorority privileges; and with this as a foundation ideal their advent has been of force in compelling the reshaping of the course of sororities in general. Or perhaps it might be safe to say that the rise of these younger groups induced a return at least, to original

ideals which had in large part become quite obscured by later superfluities within the older groups. This younger group includes Delta Zeta (1902); Alpha Gamma Delta courageously taking root at Syracuse in 1904, and added to, a little later by Phi Mu and Alpha Delta Pi as new expressions of already old secret societies; then, considerably later, by Alpha Delta Theta, Beta Phi Alpha, Theta Upsilon and the newer entrants into the N.P.C. world. Courage and vision were necessary for these organizations in their infancy; and a tenacious will to justify their contention that nationalization was not an unreasonable and outgrown possibility. They entered the sorority field at a time when many leaders in sorority work felt that the field was filled full, and closed; that the day for the forming of any new groups was positively past; that much, in fact all, pertaining to organization, had been accomplished; and that there was actual danger of overcrowding the sorority field. In 1906 there were 12 national sororities, with 229 chapters. Today there are 23 members in full standing in National Panhellenic Congress, with a total chapter number of 1177.

At Miami alone, Delta Zeta has been followed by seven others of these groups. Only two of these belong to the oldest sorority groups. So it would seem that the spirit of the New Miami, as that of the Old Miami, was a pioneer spirit, and drew pioneers. It has fostered the ideals which the small colleges seem best able to fix in the hearts of youth and which lead to glorious and unselfish service.



Women and the "New Miami"

*"Beneath the green shade of the sheltering elms
On the field with the fighting team
We work and play with a loyal will,
Bear the banner of thy fame."*

TO THE presidential chair of Miami University came, in July, 1902, Dr. Guy Potter Benton. His administration covered a period of nine years and was one of great progress for Miami. The task which faced him in the university was an enormous one, one demanding his fullest talents. That he succeeded in the peculiar needs of the time is evidenced by a statement made by Dr. A. H. Upham in his book "Old Miami." He calls the administration of Dr. Benton the time when "the old Miami at last yields place contentedly to the new."

It was very much of the "old" Miami when Dr. Benton came to it; for in strongly traditional centers such as colleges of this type, time is not marked by the calendar alone and Miami had not moved aggressively forward to all that was modern in the college world of 1902. So doubtless the spirit of the old Miami was more in evidence at this time than anyone realised. Even today one who makes a pilgrimage to Oxford readily perceives this atmosphere of older days and customs; and as a native of Ohio himself and a member of Phi Delta Theta which had its birthplace at Miami it can easily be surmised that Dr. Benton's outlook on Miami this first year was of an earlier cast than that which came to be his as he took his stride and more and more brought Miami forward into the period of development where she actually belonged. Falling naturally into the spirit of old Miami and in the comparative quiet and seclusion of the Oxford village it would be easy to adopt also the general attitude and feeling of pioneering.

Among the changes which appeared swiftly after Dr. Benton's induction none was perhaps more drastic than the opening of the university to women students.

This was one of his first innovations, all arrangements for the welcoming (by the administration) of the newcomers being ready for the fall term of 1902.

No large number appeared this first year and a goodly number of these had already had some college training elsewhere. Whatever may have been the real feelings of the men who had always had sole sway in Miami heretofore, the announcement in the *Miami Student* was quite gallant and genial—maybe just a little condescending.

The girls themselves took to their new environment like the famous ducks to water. They became very busy with the organization of such campus necessities as a Young Women's Christian Association, the Liberal Arts Club, and just to prove how quickly they could learn from observation, it was no long time before there even appeared a sorority!

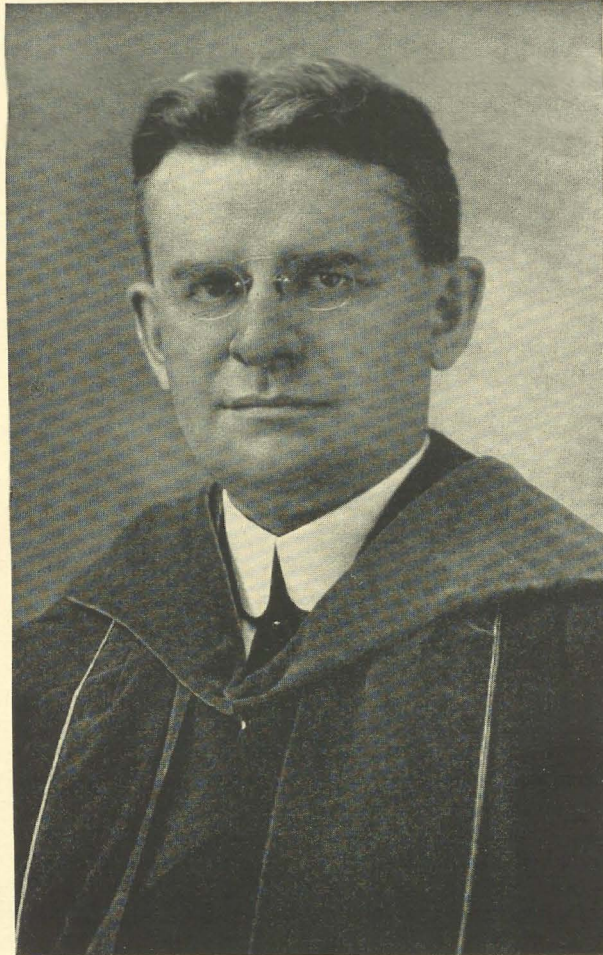
The primary impulse toward the fixing of natural friendships into the set form of a secret organization came about in a very casual and easy manner as it properly should. There were among the first coeds at Miami University a small number who by reason of such factors as previous acquaintance, residence in the same rooming house, attendance in classes together, had come to form a group that was frequently brought together. In this group were numbered two girls whose homes were in Oxford, blond Alfa Lloyd and dark-haired Mabelle Minton; Julia Bishop and Anne Simmons, friends from nearby Cincinnati; dainty Mary Collins and brisk Anna Keen; and now and then Betty Coulter who also lived near Oxford.

In this first year of women's equality with the men there were no ready-made campus organizations for the coeds, and being ambitious and capable the girls did

not long delay in establishing a college Y.W.C.A., forming the Liberal Arts Club, and in general providing themselves with things about which to be busy.

The new organizations were of course

by the *Miami Student* as being enjoyed by the male guests as well. Talking it all over afterward it was only natural that the more active of the women students should have wished that the pleasant social companionship enjoyed in this one



DR. GUY POTTER BENTON

quite popular and the Y.W.C.A. celebrated its full organization by holding an evening party—important because the first ever held on Miami campus. This social occasion, mild and decorous enough, was a real landmark to the women who had fostered the organization and managed the affair, and was even recognised

evening could be perpetuated and given some more formal setting. They had before their eyes every day an example of what could be enjoyed from such companionship, for those were the days when fraternity ties were distinctly perceived and exhibited, the four fraternities, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi

FIRST DELTA ZETA CHAPTER



Left to right: Julia Bishop, Elizabeth Coulter, Lillian Minton, Luella Crugan, Noble Miller, Mabelle Minton, Alfa Lloyd, Mary Collins, Anne Simmons.

and Delta Kappa Epsilon, having things very much their own way in all college life. There in the big old recitation room in the east end of Old Main, where the party had been held, someone voiced the suggestion, "Why not a sorority for us?" . . . It found ready response in the hearts of others in the group who, away from home in a new world, felt the need for strong ties of friendship.

A few evenings later this group met with Alfa Lloyd and talked about plans while enjoying Welsh rare-bit made in a chafing dish quite in the latest fashion. Three days later a more practical session was held at the room of Julia Bishop and Anne Simmons, on Flower street. Here the name was chosen, and tentative colors.

Still three more days passed by and an opportunity came to make dramatic announcement of their secret. A street fair was being held in Oxford town and all the college world must attend and participate in the fun. Down through the crowds came parading six very nonchalant, unselfconscious (if you could believe their good acting!) young women students, carrying red, white, and blue canes that were further adorned with long long ribbon streamers of rose and green tied to the handles! Whether the general public or even their college associates were able to grasp the full meaning of all this symbolism mattered not, so long as the first public step had been made to the satisfaction of the organizers. Shortly afterward Mabelle Minton was hostess at a meeting where as extremely important business, the choice of first neophyte was made and plans for the most suitable torment for the first part of her initiation were made—no doubt being entertained as to her acceptance apparently. And happily for us all, Bess Coulter gave a whole hearted consent to the invitation to join the Alpha Delta Zetas.

Not long afterward, the group made its social debut with a very beautiful and elaborate rose reception, given at the home of Alfa Lloyd.

The Miami *Student* of October, 1902,

contains several articles and items of interest to us. The account of the installation of Dr. Benton is given at some length, and is prophetic of the splendid administration he gave the university. This issue is also the first in which the recently admitted coeds were given concession, the Board of Editors of the *Student* appointed two women reporters, one from the Normal School and one from the university proper. It is interesting to note that the latter was Bess Coulter. This same issue contains the following paragraph in the social department:

A SORORITY

On September 19, six of our progressive co-eds organized a sorority. It is a local organization at present but the girls hope to have sufficient success to warrant them in putting in chapters in other schools.

The society is known as the Alpha Delta Zeta and their colors are Nile green and old rose.

The members of the society at present are Missess Collins, Lloyd, Minton, Keen, Simmons, and Bishop.

Note that this section gives the date of the early meeting and organization, and not the date which we now use as the founding.

At that time it was possible for the president of the university to have much closer friendships with his students than would be possible now, and from the very first the girls had confided in and received assistance from Dr. Benton. With appreciation of the helpful influence of the fraternity to a man, and with the fire and enthusiasm that brings about action from a worthy ideal, Dr. Benton's fancy dwelt on the idea of inspiring the group to larger ambitions than merely the forming of a group for local needs and satisfactions. It was a natural enough suggestion that as Miami's sons had given three fraternities for her own, so the daughters, now just entering, might also leave a gift of inspiration and friendly guidance. One could even guess that just the mellow quality of the fall days on Miami's campus would give the final touch needed to visualize the work as done and already established in years of

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE DELTA ZETA SORORITY

State of Ohio

These Articles of Incorporation of the Sorority witnesseth, That we the undersigned, all of whom are citizens of the State of Ohio, desiring to form a corporation not for profit, under the general corporation laws of said State, do hereby certify:

First: The name of said corporation shall be Delta Zeta Sorority.

Second: Said corporation shall be located and its principal business transacted at Miami University, Oxford, in Butler County, Ohio.

Third: The purpose for which said corporation is formed is as follows: To build up the character and cultivate the truest and deepest friendship among its members. To stimulate one another in the pursuit of knowledge and the attainment of a high standard of morality; to inculcate elevated sentiments and noble principles and to afford each other every possible assistance and to incite all to the attainment of a memorable fame. Grateful to God for His bountiful gifts, rich blessings and tender mercies do hereby associate ourselves together under the laws of (the state of) Ohio for the incorporation of secret societies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, We have hereunto set our hands this twenty-fourth day of October, A.D. 1902.

(Signed)

Alfa Lloyd
Mary Collins
Anna Louise Keen
Julia Lawrence Bishop
Mabel M. Minton
Anne Dial Simmons

The State of Ohio, County of Butler, L.L.

On this 28th day of October, A.D. 1902, personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for said county the above named Alfa Lloyd, Anna Louise Keen, Mabel M. Minton, Mary Collins, Julia Lawrence Bishop, Anne Dial Simmons, who each severally acknowledge the signing of the foregoing articles of incorporation to be his free action and deed, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

Witness my hand and official seal on the day and year last aforesaid.

(Signed) O. P. FINCH, *Notary Public*

The State of Ohio, County of Butler, L.L.

I, John S. Hoffman, Jr., Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas, within and for the county aforesaid, do hereby certify that O. B. Finch, whose name is subscribed to the foregoing acknowledgment as a Notary Public, was at the date thereof a Notary Public in and for said county, duly commissioned and qualified and authorized as such to take said acknowledgment, and further, that I am well acquainted with his handwriting, and believe that the signature to said acknowledgments is genuine.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of said Court, at Hamilton this 28th day of October, A.D. 1902.

(Signed) JOHN L. HOFFMAN, JR., *Clerk*

I, Lewis C. Laylin, Secretary of State of Ohio, do hereby certify that the foregoing is an exemplified copy, carefully compared by me with the original record now in my official custody as Secretary of State, and found to be true and correct, of the Articles of Incorporation of Delta Zeta Sorority, filed in this office on the 7th day of November, A.D. 1902, and recorded in Volume 92, page 54, of the Records of Incorporations.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal at Columbus, the 7th day of November, A.D. 1902.

(Signed) LEWIS C. LAYLIN
Secretary of State



MAY, 1903

Left to right: Julia Bishop, Bess Coulter, Lillian Minton, Luella Crugar, Noble Miller, Mabelle Minton, Alfa Lloyd, Mary Collins, Anne Simmons.

cherished sentiment as part of Miami's tradition. Whatever the combination of forces leading to the idea of national ambition, it fell on fertile soil and the necessary preparations were undertaken with due seriousness.

In an institution of the size Miami was then, no such undertaking could go unnoticed by the other members of the student body. The activities of these six girls came to the notice of the "Senators," an organization of men from the various fraternities, and a sort of self-constituted Board of Regulators. They took it upon themselves to discipline these presumptuous young women, who would fain assume for themselves the honor of emulating the men's fraternities, and many were the tricks they played on the harassed girls. One stole the constitution from the very hand of the secretary of the newly formed organization, as she walked out of the president's office. It is with much delight that the Founders tell of the pursuit of the villain by Dr. Benton himself, and of his winning back the precious document, not because of his sprinting ability, but by the virtue of his official position.

Another incident relates that when the ritual was about to suffer the same experience, Anna Keen, from whose hands it had been snatched, resorted to tears (supposed), which so melted the heart of the would-be confiscator that he humbly returned the papers, only to see the sly young damsel walk off, laughing at his simplicity!

To this day Dr. Coleman, who was one of these obstreperous Senators, has a habit of singing, with a twinkle in his eye, "We love thy sacred shrine—" when Mrs. Coleman is summoned to drop everything and go forth for Delta Zeta, and she tells us that was the first line of a song she was writing when he made way with it.

However, in spite of the persecutions of these tormentors, the organization was prepared: a whistle, grip, and motto adopted, and the Delta Zeta Sorority was formed, and was incorporated under the laws of the State of Ohio.

The articles of incorporation outline the purpose of the sorority to be—"To build up the character and cultivate the truest and deepest friendship among its members: to stimulate one another in the pursuit of knowledge and the attainment of a high standard of morality: to inculcate elevated sentiments and noble principles, and to afford each other every possible assistance and to incite all to the attainment of a memorable fame." No mean aim which these six undertook, to set up for their own and their followers' attainment!

Soon the men's fraternities, seeing that the members of Delta Zeta were indeed in earnest, and going about the business of forming a sorority in accepted fashion, ceased to poke fun at the group, but instead even looked upon it with pride as another organization to establish one more Miami tradition. Probably without taking into serious consideration the competition that must have inevitably come

from the sororities already in the field, the Delta Zetas went about laying the foundation for a Greek-letter organization which should have the ideal of nationalism from the very beginning.*

Having formed their organization, the Delta Zeta girls now began their life as a Greek organization. Their first patronesses were Mrs. Benton and Mrs. Hoke, wife of the newly-elected professor of Natural History. There were four members added to the roll: Elizabeth Coulter, Noble Miller, Lillian Minton, and Luella Crugar. All four were members of the Miami girls' basketball team, and prominent besides in Y.W.C.A. and other college activities.

The initiation of these new girls was duly celebrated with what the chapter termed a "banquet" and doubtless from the standpoint of menu it well deserved the name. Anna Keen Davis, pointing

to the picture of the six Founders, however, reminded us that their strongmindedness might be well evidenced in founding a sorority and resisting obstacles, but that they remained quite unsophisticated in matters of dress. Upon the momentous occasion of the "chapter"



JULIA BISHOP
May, 1903



JULIA BISHOP AND ANNA KEEN
AT EPWORTH HEIGHTS

* Although Delta Zeta was the only organization on the campus which was avowedly a woman's fraternity, there came into existence a little later a social club known as Q.T., members wearing as their badge a coffin. The two groups, being formed for entirely different purposes, did not come into any sort of rivalry. About a year later, the Q.T. group changed their name to a Greek one and choosing the letters most resembling Q.T., took the name of Phi Tau, although retaining their emblem.

(Founders only) going to sit for its picture, the photographer made the suggestion that a slight décolletage would make a more pleasing portrait and five Founders rushed about seeking their lowest-necked frocks, or mercilessly slashing out good lace yokes from Sunday bests. But Anna Keen, thinking the matter over, decided that such a low neck was against her convictions and should not be recorded against her for posterity's criticism; hence, for all to see, the high collar and the firm set of mouth to keep her convictions as high!

In this first year they gave no formal social affairs. Their one party was a big sleigh ride to the home of Mabelle Minton, twenty miles in the country. The most exciting part of this evening was losing their way in the high snow drifts, so that it was midnight when they arrived at their destination; not too late, however, to partake with sharpened appetites, of the bounteous "spread" which awaited them. Their at-

tentions this first year were occupied in perfecting their organization, making the group a strong unit within itself and developing its members. The end of the college year found Delta Zeta upon a firm financial basis, with members well



EPWORTH HEIGHTS, 1903

organized, and plans laid for the future of Delta Zeta as a national organization.

Rushing with Horse and Buggy

In the fall of 1903 only two of the members were back in college to carry out the plans of the preceding year. Four had accepted teaching positions, and three were claimed by home cares. But Julia Bishop and Luella Crugar were not alarmed by the unexpected turn of things and went to work with good spirits, and soon added five members to their ranks. As Miss Crugar's work was so heavy as to prevent her from giving much time to the affairs of Delta Zeta, Julia Bishop was practically THE sorority, had the pleasure of doing the rushing, using a horse and buggy to take her prospectives for long trips around Oxford, and, finally, the honor of being the treasurer and paying the bills from

her own pocket! With good success in organizing the new members, the chapter again began a happy and profitable year. A letter from one of the initiates of this year gives a vivid picture of the chapter at its work and play. Marie Hirst Stokes writes:

Happy days—that is the first thought that comes to my mind as it travels back over the years to that memorable one when I became a sister in Delta Zeta, for those were happy days, the happiest memory holds for me and no doubt for the others who were then my constant companions. And the next thought, how I wish I had kept a diary in my college days! What a help it would be now to bring into clear relief the picture which the events of subsequent years have caused to grow dim in my mind!

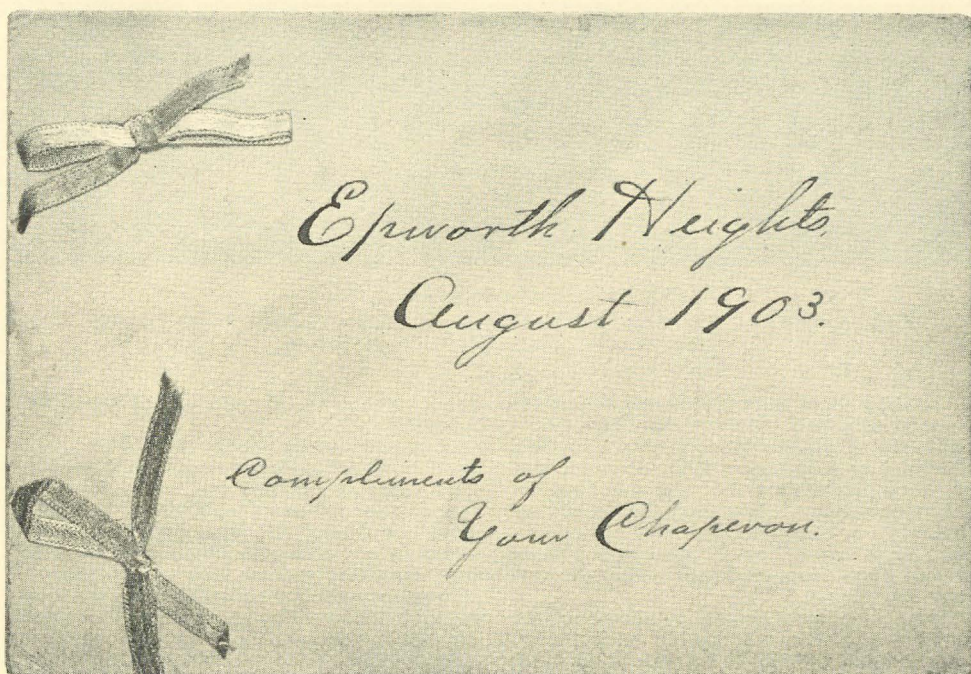
One September day of 1903 I arrived at the Main Hall of Miami University at Oxford, Ohio, for my first morning at Chapel services, feeling very strange and shy. Gaz-



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ing timidly about among the many students assembled in the vestibule, I was delighted to see two familiar ones, Julia Bishop and Luella Crugar, two girls I had known in Cincinnati. They beckoned me and, greeting me cordially, introduced me to a third girl, Mary Coulter, who was with them. I noticed two bits of ribbon, rose and green, peeping out from under the lapel of Mary's coat but of course did not know what they meant. Later I learned they were the colors of the Delta Zeta Sorority and the fact that Mary was a pledge.

Julia and Luella were the only members of Delta Zeta who had returned to Miami that fall. They had promptly pledged Mary



SECOND INITIATION BANQUET, OXFORD, 1903.

Standing: Helen Gaskill, Daisy Minnich, Marjorie Grant, Elizabeth Coulter, Luella Crugar, Florence Kerr, Alfa Lloyd, Edith Dininger, Mary Belle Martin.
Seated, left to right: Mabel Craig, Marie Hirst, Mary Collins, Lillian Minton, Elizabeth Barnett, Helen Daniels; Right—Arminta Bachman, Julia Bishop, Anne Simmons, Noble Miller, Anna Keen, Eva Shellabarger; Foreground—Mildred Law.



DELTA ZETA CHAPTER, MAY, 1904

Left to right: Lilla Stanton, Elizabeth Barnett, Luella Crugar, Jessie Denman, Mary Coulter, Marie Hirst, Julia Bishop.

whose sister Bess had been their first initiate of the year before. It was perhaps two weeks before they pledged anyone else and then they selected Jessie Denman, Lilla Stanton, and me. How proud we three were when we received our colors! You may be sure they were worn in conspicuous places! How Julia and Luella ordered us all around and made us wait upon them, especially Julia: she was extremely "bossy."

Then came initiation day. A number of the last year's girls were coming back for it. Julia ordered Lilla and me to go to the train to meet Anna Keen and Anne Simmons and carry their suitcases to their rooms for them. Lilla and I (who together weighed 190 pounds) hired a horse and buggy so that we would not wear ourselves out carrying those suitcases, and drove to the train. Julia was there and when the two Annas arrived, she rushed to our buggy standing near by, hurried them into it, jumped into it herself and drove off, leaving us standing by the station with the suitcases. That is just an illustration of the way Julia did things. However, we paid her back after we were initiated. One prank was played by getting all the alarm clocks from the village jeweler, setting them for ten o'clock and hiding them in the room where Julia was entertaining an admirer.

These things happened in the unregenerate days when "foolishness" was a part of the initiation. Besides Julia and Luella there were present for the initiation Anna Keen, Anne Simmons, Noble Miller, Alfa Lloyd, Bess Coulter, Mary Collins, and Lillian and Mabelle Minton. And what a grilling time those girls put us four frightened little initiates through! After that distressing part came the beautiful impressive time, with the ceremonial and the beautiful ritual and at the end the warm greetings of our new sisters. Our hearts thrilled with the thought of the wonderful comradeship which had come to us with the taking of the vows. After that the banquet and the escorting home of four tired but happy girls, each treasuring a glowing pink rose and a rosy dream of happy

hours to come to be spent with the dear new friends.

And the dream came true! How many good times we girls had together, how many hard places we helped each other over. The foundations of many a lifetime friendship were laid during this time. Although we had no sorority house and Miami had no woman's dormitory at that time and our respective rooms were far separated, still we maintained a unity of existence and built up a strong sorority spirit. At meetings, our great purpose, the making of Delta Zeta a National Sorority, was often brought up, and ways and means for the furtherance of our object discussed. The possibility of a chapter at Cornell was often discussed and some inquiry was made concerning the opportunity there. No definite steps were taken, however, for we felt that there was still room for development of the mother chapter and that we needed a little more growth.

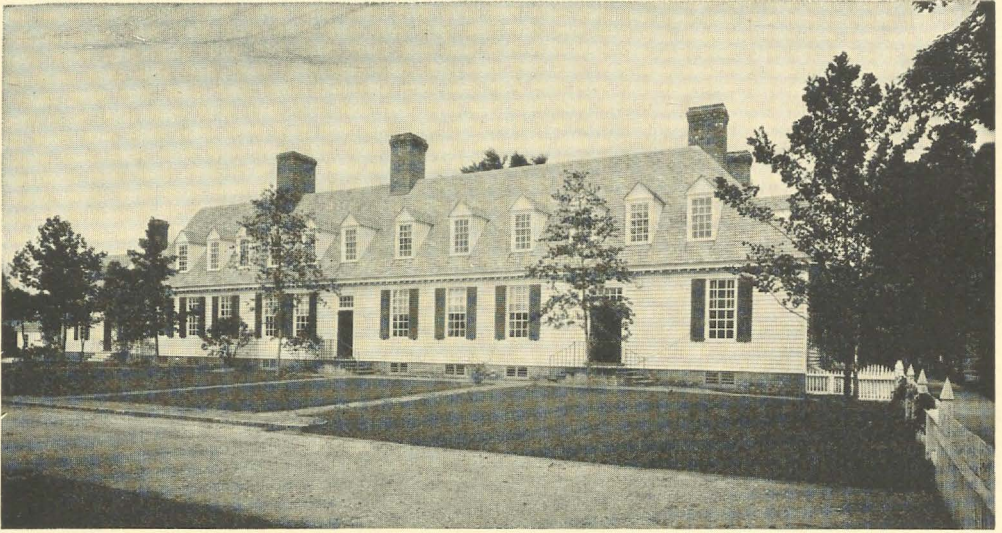
One more initiation was held that year when we added Elizabeth Barnett to our numbers. Elizabeth was so shy and retiring that the girls did not get acquainted with her for some time and so could not till then discover how charming a personality or what worth of character she had. When she was discovered they took steps immediately to make her one of them and she had the honor of "having an initiation held for her alone."

If space permitted, many stories, touched with humor and sentiment, smacking faintly of quaintness, all unmistakably tinged with the shadow of the so-called "mauve decade" could be added to the sketch given above. Some later historian may well covet the chance and collect these colorful reminiscences as bit by bit they are related by our Founders and early initiates at conventions and Founders' Day banquets. Interesting as they are and important too,

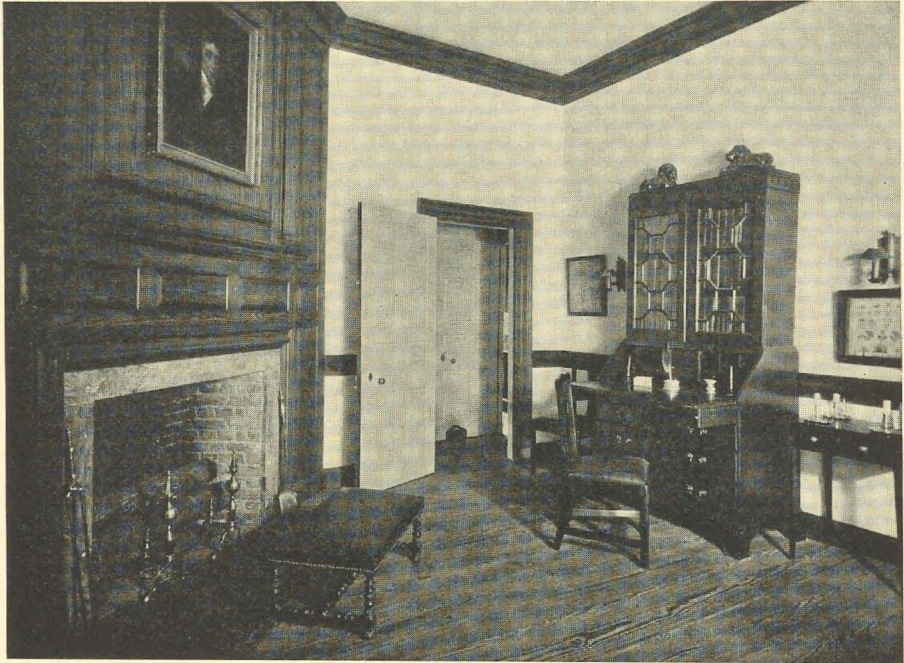
as they are in presenting the spirit of that early group, we have seen enough to sense that the early days of Alpha chapter show not only the enthusiasm of the pioneer in striking out for unexplored regions, but the less spectacular, steady and patient adherence of the settler and builder in making his own that which the pioneer showed him. And thus we

turn from the very first days of Alpha Chapter and shall see how this which Mrs. Stephenson so aptly calls the first rose on the bush, shortly was to show that common characteristic of all roses, namely, thorns; or those things which by any other name would still be recognized as difficulties.





EXTERIOR VIEW OF RESTORED RALEIGH TAVERN, WILLIAMSBURG, VIRGINIA



THE RECEPTION ROOM AT RALEIGH TAVERN

Early Years

THE year 1905-06 proved to be a surprising one. In the fall a larger group than ever before had returned, was ready to begin what was expected to be a banner year. The chapter was living in a house and all began auspiciously, with the pledging of several new girls.

For the first time none of the founders had returned to the college chapter, although most were nearby teaching or at home. But, as often happens, those who do not do the pioneer work have not quite the steadfastness to an original aim, as those who worked with that one ambition. Consequently, when Alpha chapter learned from one or two tentative efforts that establishing Delta Zeta as a recognized national sorority was going to prove a slower and more difficult task than their roseate dreams had anticipated, and added the fact that the other local group had now taken a Greek name and was actually setting itself up to rush against Delta Zeta, and perhaps a few more complications, there arose an idea of becoming national by joining some already established organization, rather than by continuing in the aim of making Delta Zeta itself a national sorority. Taking counsel first among themselves and then with Dr. Benton, they gradually evolved the definite decision to petition Kappa Alpha Theta, which appealed to them because of its record as the oldest Greek-letter organization for women. Even the alumnae did not refuse to assent to this plan, realizing the strong feeling of the younger girls, and relying upon Dr. Benton's approval for making such a change in policy. But upon sending in to Kappa Alpha Theta their request to petition for a charter, they learned with much amazement that the Phi Tau girls had done the same thing. Advice was given for the two groups to combine and try their fortunes together. Reluctantly, for Delta Zeta was precious to them all, they considered and finally adopted the plan of

union. It was a decision made with tears on the part of many of them, who were nearly heartbroken at what seemed to be the discarding of all that had been so treasured in their own organization. Mustering their courage, however, they burned all the Delta Zeta paraphernalia, and prepared the petition from the joint group, the name Phi Tau being used. This was late in the college year, and to some of the alumnae was a distinct shock; for their aim of making Delta Zeta national had never been entirely lost, and had quickly revived after the first request to Kappa Alpha Theta had showed that their rivals were also seeking a charter. Delay on the part of the national organization, with finally, a negative answer, gave to the original members the opportunity they sought. When it appeared that another organization would have to be petitioned if the group was to obtain a national charter, these girls undertook to persuade their original Delta Zetas to try to delay the petition until all of them should be out of college, which would occur in the spring of 1907. Thus the girls who had at any time been initiated into the Delta Zeta group would be graduated and could then join with their alumnae to proceed with making Delta Zeta active and national, leaving those who had been of the Phi Tau group to proceed with their petition. This postponement and division the Phi Tau group did not agree to; and the college year closed with matters in great uncertainty.

First Convention, Dayton, Ohio, 1907

During the summer the alumnae decided to discuss the outlook and take some definite action, although they did not wish to do anything to make their friends in the college group feel too strong disapproval of their course. Being assured by friends in Delta Kappa Epsilon that they could continue existence as the corporate body of Delta Zeta, reorganize an active chapter and

THE DELTA ZETA SORORITY

Founded at Miami University
Oxford, Ohio,

— 1902, —

To all to whom these presents come
greeting. It appearing that

Gertrude C. McElfresh, Grace H. Gare,
Ida C. Nightingale, Marguerite Decker and
Emma C. Vindsay

are students in good standing in Cornell Uni-
versity Ithaca New York, that the
Alpha Chapter of the Delta Zeta Sor-
ority, located at Miami University hereby
constitutes the afore-mentioned young women
when duly initiated, the Beta Chapter of the
Delta Zeta Sorority, entitled to all its
rights and benefits.

Given under our hands and seal at
Oxford, Ohio, this 14th day of March 1908.

Alta Lloyd, President.
Elizabeth Barker, Secretary.



BETA'S CHARTER



BETA CHAPTER MEMBERS

proceed with their original aim of becoming a national organization, they now proceeded with their meeting. Led and directed by Elizabeth Coulter, nineteen girls who attended pledged themselves to carry out the nationalization work. With Eva Shellabarger as chairman, this meeting was upon motion declared to be a Convention, and a national body was then and there estab-



ALFA LLOYD

lished. Alfa Lloyd was made chairman of the committee on constitution, and she with Mary Collins, put in charge of reviving the chapter at Miami. Elizabeth Coulter was given charge of Extension work. All the business was conducted in an orderly way and when this First National Convention (!) of Delta Zeta was closed, there was a strong feeling that although everything had to be done over, the incentive of working for Delta Zeta remained, and that the purpose they had cherished from the first could yet be accomplished.

Reorganization of Alpha Chapter, 1908

In accordance with these plans, Alfa Lloyd, Mary Collins, Bess Coulter and Jessie Denman were laying plans in the summer of 1907 for a new Delta Zeta. They could work well together because they all lived in Oxford and were right on the scene of action. A constitution was prepared, the ritual rewritten and plans made to recover certain Delta Zeta

property which had gone astray. When Miami opened in the fall, Mary Collins and Alfa Lloyd began their search for girls to whom they could entrust the strenuous undertaking of re-establishing the chapter. By January they felt that they had secured girls with the needed talent and executive ability, and thus in the beginning of 1908 Alpha chapter began to function again, although the formal initiation of the new members did not take place until June, when the new ritual was given to Lillian Lloyd, Faye Bunyan, Hazel Bryan and Lois Pierce, the first to experience it. In the fall Ruth Gaddis was initiated. Having had previous experience in a local sorority at Ohio Wesleyan, she had much to contribute to the constructive work of the year. . . . Meantime, following her plans for advanced work, Eliza-



JULIA BISHOP AND ANNE SIMMONS
Quebec, 1907

beth Coulter had gone to Cornell University to study during the year 1907-08; and true to her trust as extension worker, she drew about her a small group of congenial friends who became the charter members of Beta chapter in March,

1908. Every member of this group was outstanding in her personal and scholastic attainments, and in addition, the friendship within the group was remarkably close and strong. Great must have been the pride in Bess Coulter's heart when on her birthday, March 14 she, alone, initiated the five whom she had chosen to bring the name of Delta Zeta to Cornell. And enthusiastically was the news received at Miami, where the tiny band of Alpha was carefully fanning back the spark to life.

Oxford First National Headquarters

In the summer of 1908 a second "Convention" was held, in Oxford. It is not hard to surmise that it was in reality not much more than a reunion of Alpha chapter members, and that its most exciting piece of business would be to hear from Bess an account of her new chapter, and her future plans. For she had the distinction at that time of being the only Delta Zeta who had seen any except the Alpha girls; none of the original Beta members being able to come so far "west" even for a sorority convention. And in anticipation of future extension activity, there was certain business which must be officially transacted; particularly the formal adoption of the constitution and ritual which had been prepared the summer before. Conferences with the officers of Alpha, discussion of correspondence received from Beta, concluded the routine of business; yet it meant a great deal to the two chapters, Alpha and Beta to feel that there was a national organization planning for them. Election resulted in the following Council for the next two years: Grand President, Alfa Lloyd; Grand Vice-President, Mary Coulter; Grand Treasurer, Jessie Denman; Grand Secretary, Elizabeth Coulter, all of Alpha chapter. There was some consideration of possible extension fields, among them the University of Cincinnati; but no definite action was taken, as it seemed the sorority felt that circumstances of special import would probably arise, bringing openings that could be taken

as they came.

One such opening did arise in the near future. Mabelle Hobart, a member of Beta Chapter, went to the University of Minnesota for study. There with the suggestion and assistance of Miss Coulter, she considered the possibilities for a new chapter of Delta Zeta. A small but promising nucleus of some six members was found and in the spring pledged



ANNE SIMMONS AND JULIA L. BISHOP
Quebec, 1907

to membership; to be installed in the fall as Gamma chapter. During the same spring however, the Grand President who had in the meantime become Mrs. Hayes, had followed openings for chapters at DePauw and Indiana University; and finding it possible to gather and install her groups in short order, she had duly ushered Delta and Epsilon chapters into being. When it was found, in the fall, that a series of misfortunes had prevented the return of the Gamma pledges to the university, leaving but one of them to carry on, and preventing any installation at that time, Miss Coulter asked that the name Gamma be saved for Minnesota, and eventually that group



GRAND COUNCIL, 1912

did arise which claimed the name and place (May, 1923).

Extension for Panhellenic Qualifications

In this biennium the affairs of Delta Zeta prospered decidedly. Alpha chapter was very soon recognized as holding her former place of importance, due to the energy and enthusiasm with which her early members advanced her welfare. Local pride was strong at Miami and in the town, and the fact that the headquarters of the young sorority were established here (*Constitution, 1908, providing: The principal place of business of the Delta Zeta Sorority shall be at Oxford, Ohio*), gave Alpha chapter added prominence. She directed the course of expansion, provided the installing teams, and issued the charters. Mrs. Hayes did the larger part of the travelling to investigate possible groups and was chief installing officer, assisted (for Delta and Epsilon) by Ruth Gaddis and Frances Knapp. In February, 1910 was established Zeta chapter, at the University of Nebraska. The installation was conducted by Mrs. Hayes alone, hence was composed largely of the reading of the secret material. Thus having attained the five chapters required for membership in National Panhellenic Congress, Delta Zeta could truly justify her claim to national standing and the recognition for it. The official notification of acceptance for N.P.C. membership did come soon, June 1910, but just before this time, one extra chapter was added for good measure; Eta, at Baker University. When this group was installed, May 23, 1910, by members of Zeta chapter, it received the last of the charters issued under the old Constitution by Alpha college chapter. For with the Convention of 1910, Alpha relinquished control of the sorority management, and the Grand Council elected at that time took full charge of all matters of government, extension and national concern. The "old days" were over. Safely through the gauntlet of tests at last, Delta Zeta was ready to show what should be her con-

tribution and her achievements in the larger field of Panhellenism.

Growth and Expansion

Following her entrance as a full fledged member of Panhellenic, Delta Zeta began a period of greater growth; growth, of course, in such an organization meaning extension. With special attention to entrance into leading state universities, she added in the next few years chapters at the state universities of Ohio (1911), Iowa (1914), Washington (1914), California (1915), Louisiana (1917), Wisconsin (1918), North Dakota (1918), Oregon (1920). Along with these came some groups in municipal and denominational colleges: Nu, at Lombard, (1915), Xi at Cincinnati, and Omicron at Pittsburgh, (1917), Pi at Eureka, (1917), Rho at Denver, (1917), Franklin, (1920). Three chapters were established at State Agricultural Colleges: Lambda at Kansas State Agricultural College, (1914), Phi at Washington State, (1919), and Chi at Oregon State, (1919). During this period of formation, extension was regarded variously by chapters according to their sectional or educational traditions; and because Delta Zeta was still very young and imbued with the spirit of democracy, those who were guiding extension tried sincerely to allow each chapter full consideration for any opinion honestly held, whether it meant accord with their plans or not. Thus the actual placing of the new chapters showed no apparently definite regional preference nor in fact any strongly decided trend toward any one policy of extension. The plans of the extension committee were more consciously directed, but the fulfillment of them encountered obstacles which made of the final results only an incomplete demonstration of the working plans.

Probably the greatest single obstacle in early extension was the lack of sufficient financial backing to make possible the visits, the contacts, which openings suggested and needed. Thus in 1911 an opportunity for a chapter at the Univer-

sity of Minnesota was again lost; this time because the petitioning group felt that after bearing the expenses of installation it would not have sufficient funds to plunge at once into the fall rushing; a request to know what assistance could be expected from the national treasury brought the regretful reply that it could offer nothing; and with reluctance Kappa Zeta was forced to abandon its hopes of coming into Delta Zeta. In 1913-14, there was extensive correspondence between Mabelle Minton, then extension chairman, and Mrs. Brandenburg, a patroness of Alpha chapter, who was then on a visit to her native state of Kansas. She was an alumna of K.S.A.C. and member of one of the locals there; and being sincerely interested in Delta Zeta's advancement, she undertook to do some investigation at the state university at Lawrence, and at her own Alma Mater. In the latter case she was successful, with assistance from Mrs. Shugart, in forming a local group, Zeta Omicron, which petitioned for a charter and was installed in the spring of 1915, almost simultaneously with chapters of Tri Delta, Pi Beta Phi and others; thus giving us Lambda chapter. But developments at the state university needed more than Mrs. Brandenburg was able to give and more than the sorority was able to finance. Hence a good opening was postponed for too many years.

During these years when the treasury was in process of being developed, and extension, like the stepchild, was practically left out in the cold, each extension committee had to devise some plans for raising its own funds. This first took the form of soliciting funds from alumnae; developing into a "Buy a Brick" campaign in the years 1914-15. Alumnae were urged to contribute any sum from one dollar up, to be credited as a building brick in the sorority. A respectable sum was thus secured, a number of "bricks" being bought in the name of husbands and children as well as members; but the work of promoting and collecting was arduous and the income

uncertain at best. At 1914 Convention each chapter was urged to undertake to secure or to finance the installation of, one chapter. Thus Lambda became partly the gift of the Cincinnati alumnae chapter; and Delta's gift to the sorority was Nu at Lombard College.

But with time came greater financial security, and by the time of the 1920 Convention, the sorority was able to pay the expenses of those who made visits and installed chapters, and the installation expenses had been so budgeted that from that time on the new chapter's payment to the national treasury was adequate to cover all expense incurred in its installation and prior investigation with but few exceptions. Now the growth of the sorority makes it possible for almost any institution to be visited by a national or province visitor on the budget allowed for travelling, without adding undue expense to her mileage.

The 1920 Convention, first to meet after the World War had caused general upheaval of conditions, took an ultra-conservative stand on extension with particular emphasis on the two years just ahead. But the rapid recovery of all college institutions induced a more favorable attitude at 1922 Convention, and as the delegates were there given a study of extension activities along Panhellenic lines, and the special possibilities and needs of Delta Zeta were made clear to them, this increased information went far to clearing away prejudice and discrimination. A map of the country showing the growth and distribution of Delta Zeta chapters, gave concrete support to the need for considered expansion. The sorority had evidently suffered no special harm in its more or less undirected plan of expansion, but the results of it were that Beta at Cornell was very much isolated; the entire south untouched except for Sigma, remotely located in Louisiana; and (although some of this was due to geographical conditions the sorority could not alter) the five chapters in the west were removed from the rest of the sorority by an extremely wide stretch of

"great open spaces." Thus thoughtful attention to extension needs became a major item of business at this convention, and when Georgia Chandler Hornung, then extension chairman, presented four new petitions to be considered the convention body was ready to receive them with open minds and informed ones. Fortunately these four petitions came from institutions which would help in rounding out the scope of the sorority, and represented a forward step in guided expansion. Chapters at Adelphi (Alpha Zeta) and George Washington University (Alpha Delta) gave strength to the east; Alpha Epsilon at Oklahoma State College helped bridge the gap between Kansas and Louisiana; and Alpha Gamma at the University of Alabama brought Sigma a few steps nearer the Delta Zeta center of population. The installation of these chapters, in the fall of 1922, was a great satisfaction. The establishment of chapters at Michigan (Alpha Eta, January 1923), University of Kentucky (Alpha Theta, May 1923), and the University of Southern California (Alpha Iota, November 1923), further increased the symmetry of distribution. The establishment of alumnae groups to give assistance and backing to these new chapters was also of great importance in making sure the growth of the new chapters.

The admission of these new chapters indicated an increased willingness on the part of the chapters to consider new petitioning groups. In common with other sororities, Delta Zeta was for the next several years, offered almost an embarrassment of excellent openings, and went into a period distinguished by the immense volume of correspondence on extension with would-be petitioners, from which but comparatively few could be encouraged to hope for a charter.

Period of Greatest Extension Activity

In the biennium 1922-24 there was much interest in new groups offered from the southeast: although the west and midwest were also represented on the

accepted petitions list. Realizing the earnest wish of these new groups to take their place in the sorority as soon as possible, and feeling that it would prove beneficial to have them under full guidance as quickly as they were ready, special attention was given to providing assistance from some competent member for as many of the new groups as could be given it, and installations were speeded up to allow the new chapters representatives at the 1924 Convention.

The institutions selected and the chapters installed in them, in this period, were: Syracuse University (Alpha Kappa), St. Lawrence University (Alpha Mu), University of Maine (Alpha Upsilon), in the east. In the south were Randolph-Macon Woman's College (Alpha Xi), Brenau (Alpha Omicron), Howard College (Alpha Pi), Florida State College for Women (Alpha Sigma); new additions in the west were at the University of Colorado (Alpha Lambda) and the University of Texas (Alpha Tau). The lifting of the ban on national sororities at Ohio Wesleyan found Delta Zeta receiving petitions almost at once, from three groups there; but preference was given to the revived Kappa Gamma Delta, the local of which Ruth Gaddis Jeffries had been a member years before. This group became Alpha Rho of Delta Zeta. Alpha Nu Chapter at Butler was installed in the spring of 1924, ready to move with the college to its new campus. Thus the Convention of 1924, assembling at Evanston, found forty-three college chapters answering to roll call.

Reaching the Last Corner of the Country

Naturally enough the next biennium called for intensive rather than extensive development; but charters were granted to four more groups on which work had begun under Mrs. Hornung and developed to completion under the administration of Edythe Wilson Thoesen who took up extension work in 1926. These groups served to fill out remaining gaps and were of interest for various



FANNIE PUTCAMP SMITH
National Secretary, 1926-30
Extension Officer

distinguishing circumstances. Alpha Phi Chapter, at the University of Kansas, was the product of official colonization work; Alpha Psi, at Southern Methodist University, also represented colonization, of a slightly different type, by alumnae; Alpha Chi at the University of California at Los Angeles, was like Alpha Nu, in anticipation of a move to a new campus; while Alpha Omega at Millsaps College filled another gap in the long line south of the Mason-Dixon line. With the establishment of these chapters Delta Zeta chapters were literally in the four corners of the nation.

Extension in a List of Selected Colleges

When in 1926 Fannie Putcamp Smith took charge of extension for the sorority, it was clear that future extension would have to be made from carefully restricted choice unless the chapter roll were eventually to become all too lengthy. Mrs. Smith undertook this problem with the thorough and logical methods characteristic of her scholarly training. She prepared a survey of all colleges open to sororities, in which Delta Zeta had no chapter. From those not obviously already filled, she further listed and classified these colleges according to their educational recognition, endowment, desirability from the standpoint of geographical or general need of the sorority. From the completed list the Council made a list of colleges approved as possible fields of extension. Thus Mrs. Smith was able to do away with needless correspondence by simply informing an inquiring group that its college was not on the selected list, if such were the case; or in case of an inquiry from an approved institution, she could save delay and make her preliminary investigations promptly. At the same time the sorority having approved this procedure, could know that it would not be called upon to consider petitions from any except institutions really wanted upon the chapter roll in preference to other possible openings. This method was efficient and workable. The chapters installed under its operation have been: Beta Alpha

(Rhode Island State College; local work begun under Mrs. Hornung); Beta Beta, University of Mississippi, just reopening to sororities; Beta Gamma, University of Louisville; Beta Delta, University of South Carolina, where a former ban was taken off; Beta Epsilon, University of Pennsylvania; Beta Zeta, University of Utah; Beta Eta, Swarthmore College, since inactive by abolition of sororities from campus; Beta Theta, Bucknell College (work begun under Mrs. Smith, 1926-28, but completed under Miss Reinle, 1928-30); Beta Iota, University of Arizona; Beta Kappa, Iowa State College, and Beta Lambda, University of Tennessee. This, the newest of our college chapters, was installed in September of 1933, under the direction of Lucille Crowell Cooks, who succeeded Lisette Reinle, in 1933, as Extension Vice-President. And thus is completed the roll call of the college chapters of Delta Zeta. What the policy of the future will be, whether conditions will compel all sororities to increase their chapter rolls to the seventy and eighty mark; or whether the results of the economic depression now passing over, will limit the extent of sorority extension generally; whether the advent of new member-sororities in N.P.C. will tend to divert some of the need for considering petitions from the older groups, or whether the opening in the future of desirable new institutions will bring new situations—are developments about which only theorizing can now be done, and which must be left to the disclosures made by passing years.

The increase in experience and efficiency in the handling of administrative problems, the lessening of the stress on national officers by adequate development of the province system, will, it is certain, make possible the handling of an organization of a scope far in excess of what the sororities of generations past would have considered even remotely possible. The excellence of the institutions represented on the chapter roll of Delta Zeta has long been a matter of pride to the sorority, contributing as it

undoubtedly does, to the strength of the entire organization. This discrimination in placing chapters where the conditions and attitude of the college are favorable to the best development, will naturally be continued. The Delta Zeta constitution formerly required the ratio of two chapters in "A" grade institutions, to each one in a "B" grade institution. This ratio was always more than to the letter kept; and as a part of the written constitution has since been dropped. Delta Zeta has wisely not confined herself to any one type of institution. A preponderance of chapters are in state universities, but she has provided for herself unity

with diversity by allowing a reasonable representation of municipal and agricultural institutions and especially of the smaller, denominational colleges, with their essential fitness for sorority life. This influence is perhaps the one of all others which might be studied as of advantage in future extension. Of the fifty-nine institutions in which Delta Zeta has established chapters, nearly all are members of the American Association of University Women; twenty-seven of her chapters are on the roll of institutions having Phi Beta Kappa chapters, and eleven are on the list of the Carnegie Foundation.



Founders and Patron

*"Who sows good seed shall surely reap,
The year grows rich as it grows old;
Life's latest sands are sands of gold."*

ALPHA Chapter's historian (writing in 1933), begins her story of the chapter's inception thus: "Only the restless came." And thus concisely does the girl of today give a pen-picture of her ideas of that generation to which her mother belonged. It comes over her with a shock of surprise that the women of 1902 whom she meets in certain fiction as "Within This Present" (Margaret Ayer Barnes), or in history "Our Times" (Mark Sullivan) and "The Mauve Decade" (Thomas Beer) are actually the contemporaries of her mother when mother was daughter's age! and that many a pictured generalization in the pages of these books is simply a matter of familiar memory to mother and Aunt Dora. And the picture of the girl of 1902 as given in our tableaux and style shows, with high pompadour, choker collars, Gibson girl figures, is not exactly the picture of the spirit of that day, if we can believe Mr. Thomas Beer. For, let us note, that intrepid castigator of the the smug complacency of the closing years of the nineteenth century, which he scornfully terms the Mauve Decade, is compelled in spite of all his honest denunciations, to spare the American woman from his onslaughts.

Instead, he shows her to us as indomitable, fearless, of a mold sufficiently heroic to lend to her suffrage parades, mass meetings and other manifestations of her militant and robust spirit, a glamour and a romance all the more remarkable in view of the fact that her efforts were uncannily productive of practical results. The spirit which prompted these expressions of a desire for a broader outlet for energy and interest, could not but be reflected in the contemporary activities of the daughters and younger sisters of the older woman. The girl in her teens,

too, craved action, excitement, whatever would satisfy her insistent longing for some creative task, release her imagination and her intellect, bring her beauty and vivid contacts, in short, set free the nature that had been neglected and thwarted by the supremacy of pragmatism.

Conservative midwesterners, in the dawn of the twentieth century, cautiously let down the last of the sheltering and hampering barriers that had protected their young women. Strongholds of the mauve decade tottered ever faster and faster. When in 1902 Miami University admitted women to its sacred portals, a few valiant "coeds," daughters, a number of them, of the sons of old Miami, made up the first year's enrollment of female students. Dr. Guy Potter Benton, under whose inaugural auspices this innovation was realized, marked a final step in the thorough equalization of the men and women students when he had the daring to assist in the formation of a "woman's fraternity."

It was a group of these first coeds on the Miami campus, who raised the youthful standard that brought a new vanguard to Miami University. From the assembling of two or three friends who carefully brought others until there was a group six in number, came a bold thought. There were conferences, discussions—deep sessions with the wise counselor Dr. Guy Potter Benton, whose friendly encouragement from presidential heights gave them courage and a wide vision. Finally, a formal statement, much in the style of the period: "Grateful to God for His bountiful gifts, rich blessings, and tender mercies, do ordain and establish this Constitution of the Delta Zeta Sorority." Delta Zeta was founded.

Our Founders*

Alfa Lloyd
Mary Collins

Anna Keen
Julia Bishop

Mabelle Minton
Anne Simmons

Alfa Lloyd Hayes

ALFA LLOYD HAYES, daughter of Thomas C. and Flora Lloyd, was born at Camden, Ohio, October 24, 1880. Her parents' later removal to Oxford for residence gave Alfa her high school days in Oxford, and continuing her education at the famous institution, Oxford College for Women, she was graduated therefrom in the spring of 1902, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. With many other seekers after knowledge she registered at Miami University the following fall with the intention of doing work for the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy.

It was not long until she was one of a group of six friends. Feeling proud of historic Miami and her record as Mother of Fraternities, she was imbued with the proposal binding all these friends into still closer ties and making of them the first woman's fraternity at Miami. Several preliminary meetings with this object in view were held in the Lloyd home. Finally all plans came to a focus when in the rooms of Mary Collins these friends pledged themselves to this purpose and laid out a definite plan of action.

When the first business meeting was held after the charter for the organization had been granted by the State of Ohio, Alfa Lloyd was chosen president. For one year she wielded the scepter of office firmly and well. The seriousness with which the first president regarded Delta Zeta as well as her position of general favorite made the new Sorority acceptable and a real addition to the society of the college. The close of her year as president saw Delta Zeta well started upon her life journey, with a

* Material for these biographies drawn largely from Mss. of Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson as submitted to 1918 Council Meeting.

membership of nine, a clean record financially and an accepted place in the life of the university.

Upon leaving Miami she found her time fully taken in assisting her father in his business and in fulfilling her social obligations as one of the prominent young women of the town. She kept her interest, however, in the Sorority she had helped to found. She aided the chapter in every way she could and lost no opportunity to meet new girls and help make them at home. Her experience, tact and cordial manner were of great value to Delta Zeta in acquiring new members. During the re-organization of the chapter in 1907 Alfa Lloyd worked with the greatest zeal to make Delta Zeta again a force in the college community.

In 1908 in the month of June, Miss Lloyd was married to Mr. Orison H. Hayes, a rising young lawyer of Indianapolis. They had met while Alfa was visiting friends in that city and after a brief engagement plighted their troth in the Miami Auditorium, now Benton Hall. Being married in this building was significant in its sentiment as Mr. Lloyd had designed and built the edifice. It was a most unusual as well as beautiful wedding, being the first and only wedding ceremony ever performed in the Auditorium. It was besides, a Delta Zeta wedding, made more lovely by the use of the Delta Zeta colors and roses as well as by the assistance of Delta Zeta girls. Above all it was a notable wedding because of the position, popularity and attractions of the bride.

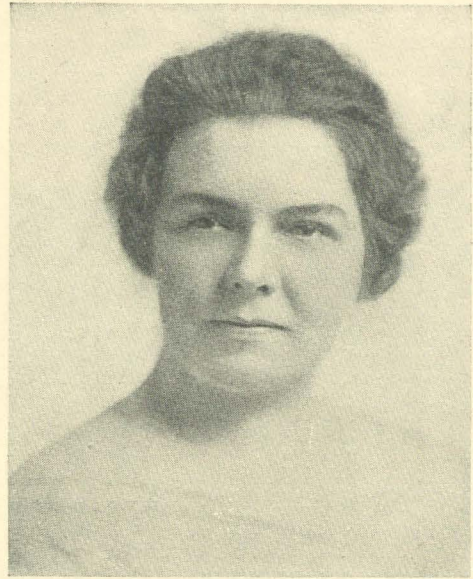
The young people went to Indianapolis, to make their home and at once became popular in society and became social leaders. August 1, 1910, their son Orison Lloyd was born and Mrs. Hayes added to her other accomplishments that of a devoted mother. Although devoted

to home, husband and child she found time to engage in many social and philanthropic activities. Her zeal for the welfare of Delta Zeta never flagged after her marriage but at great inconvenience to her home life she made many trips to establish new chapters.

In June, 1908, at the second National Convention of Delta Zeta, in Oxford, she was made Grand President and served in that capacity for four years, struggling with the discouragements that naturally arise in the early life of any young organization. Due to her efforts Delta, Epsilon, Zeta and Eta chapters were organized, the two latter being organized by her in a time when she was disturbed by ill health. She presided at the next convention held in Indianapolis in 1910 and also at the 1912 Convention at Winona Lake. At the former she was re-elected to hold office for two years and during the next year proceeded to put the now national Sorority upon a better working basis. At the Winona Convention she was elected to the position of N.P.C. delegate, National Historian and National Inspector. Not the least of her work was that as N.P.C. delegate; she made Delta Zeta known to the fraternity world nationally.

She held office in Delta Zeta for a period of eight continuous years of active service. Not less important was her work in the clubs of Indianapolis. She was a member of the Monday Club, an organization meeting for the purpose of the study of literature. For two years she was the president of the Indiana branch of Oxford College Alumnae. Throughout this time she was chairman of the committee for raising \$1,000 for the endowment fund of Oxford College. During this busy time she helped organize the first alumnae chapter in Indianapolis for Delta Zeta. She was also one of the leaders in forming in this city the City Panhellenic.

Mrs. Hayes was, after her removal from Indianapolis to Washington, D.C., a charter member of the alumnae chapter established there, and when she again changed her residence to Cambridge,



ALFA LLOYD HAYES

Mass., she continued to take an active part in Panhellenic circles.

In the spring of 1924 she assisted with the installation of Alpha Kappa chapter at Syracuse University, and her presence at the national convention held in Evanston the following June was a great event for the scores of young members to whom until that time our Founders had been mysterious and mythical individuals known by name only. . . . Now that Mrs. Hayes has taken up her residence in Evanston she is in close touch with Alpha Alpha chapter and the Chicago Alumnae Chapter. At 1930 and 1933 conventions she was surrounded with younger sisters delighting in her reminiscences of early days; and the Fashion Show of the 1933 Convention was vividly illustrated by the gowns which formed part of Alfa Lloyd's college wardrobe and those in the trousseau of young Mrs. Hayes, first Grand President of Delta Zeta.

Mary Jane Collins Galbraith

Mary Collins was born in Fremont City, Ohio, December 27, 1879, being

the fourth child of James and Maude Rosanna Collins. Mr. Collins was a descendant of one of the earliest colonists of Virginia who had come to that state in 1619. Mrs. Collins was a descendant of a family of German nobility,



MARY COLLINS GALBRAITH

her grandfather being the son of a nobleman of the name of Von Zeurlinden. Mrs. Collins' ancestors came to the United States in 1835 and settled in Ohio, in Delaware county. Mary's grandfather was one of the "Forty-niners" who went to California. Mr. Collins' family came from Virginia in 1860 and settled near Springfield, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Collins were married in 1870 and settled on a farm near Fremont City. Here Mary first saw the dawn.

Among her brothers and sisters Mary spent a happy girlhood and attended grade and high school in Fremont City. For a time after her graduation she taught in the public school. Then in 1902 when the fame of the Teachers' College at Miami University had reached her ears she came to Oxford to add to her talent for teaching by professional training.

Essentially feminine, dainty and refined was Mary Collins as she joined the ranks of the students of Miami. "Lady Mary," her nick-name is as descriptive of her as a more wordy pen picture would be. To the mind of the writer "Fluffy Ruffles" also is descriptive of her type. Of average height and slight figure, with oval face framed by lovely dark wavy hair, her deep brown eyes were her chief facial charm. Her nature was most gentle and sweet but was not lacking in firmness. As soon as she came to Miami she made friends with the other charter members of Delta Zeta. Her room at Mrs. Bradley's was a central location and so made a most convenient meeting place for the young organizers to discuss business. Convenience was not the only attraction to this



MARY COLLINS GALBRAITH TODAY

place for the charm of the hostess would have brought them together very often anyway.

The contribution of Mary Collins to Delta Zeta at this time is no small one and yet it is hard to define. Just as the charm of a beautiful, refined woman in its effect upon society is hard to define,

just so is the influence of Mary Collins, a woman of the most delicate sensibilities, illusive and intangible as it is, yet had a tangible effect upon the moulding, strengthening and perpetuation of the organization to which she gave her best efforts. The influence of one individual upon another is hard to analyze yet it is one of the most potent influences in society. The early organization of Delta Zeta benefited from the influence of Mary Collins whose presence always made each one feel a better, kinder woman.

The influence of Mary Collins did not cease with her departure from Miami, but upon accepting a position in the primary department of the Oxford Schools she was ever near at hand to help guide and direct the young Delta Zetas. Her talent as a teacher was unusual and she was most successful in this position which she held for three years. Thereupon she left for a more lucrative position in the public schools of Columbus, Ohio. While thus engaged as a busy teacher she went to work with a will and organized Theta chapter at Ohio State University in Columbus, a chapter which has been a very great addition to Delta Zeta. This was a tangible contribution to Delta Zeta and a most important one. Never did her interest and influence in the chapter lag even when, after four years she gave up her work in Columbus schools to go West.

In the fall of 1911 she went to Cody, Wyo., where she taught for some time with great interest and pleasure in her novel surroundings. In the fall of 1915 she entered Michigan State Normal College from which institution she was graduated in June, 1916. She at once accepted a position as critic teacher in the County Normal at Hartford, Mich.

June 24, 1919, Miss Collins married George Galbraith and now makes her home in Columbus, Ohio.

Though not numbered among those holding official positions in Delta Zeta since her marriage, Mary Collins has remained in close and loyal touch with her sisters in Columbus. When in 1928, the



ANNA KEEN DAVIS

national council endeavored to gather again all six Founders with their younger sisters, it was a delight to have Mary Collins Galbraith among those who responded to the invitation. All expectations of the younger members as to "Lady Mary" were fully met when they saw her actually among them, beautiful in her white-haired youthfulness, charming in her interest and sympathy. It was her special privilege to act as official conductress from Columbus to convention of the two students from the Delta Zeta school at Vest, and her tact and simplicity in making easy and friendly the contacts between the members of the sorority and these two inexperienced children of the mountains gave a perfect demonstration of what Mary Collins had to offer in the early days of Delta Zeta.

Anna Louise Keen Davis

A ray of sunshine was brought into the life of Delta Zeta by Anna Louise Keen. A brief sketch such as this fails to give the picture of the bright face, quick intelligence of mind, bright energetic spirit and beauty of character

which this one of the Founders of Delta Zeta has. "None knew her but to love her."

Her parents were Moses Keen and Margaret Murphy Keen who were sweethearts in the school at Milford, Ohio and at the age of eighteen were married. The



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far west lured them to a search for wealth in the fertile soil of Kansas, where they took up a homestead. After five years they returned to Ohio and located in Newtown, one of the oldest villages of the state. Here, September 2, 1884, Anna Louise was born.

Upon the farm which was her home Anna grew strong and rugged from her happy outdoor life. She attended the village school and from there went to high school in Cincinnati, attending Woodward High School, one of the justly famous high schools of that proud city. In June, 1902, Anna was graduated with a most favorable record in scholarship and having the respect and highest esteem of teachers and classmates.

Miami University next attracted Miss Keen and with several other Cincinnati

girls she boarded the train for Oxford and college. In this new atmosphere she at once found congenial work and congenial friends. Among these were Mabelle Minton and Anne Simmons. When a woman's fraternity was proposed it was natural that this wide-awake, alert and capable young woman should have been greatly interested and very zealous in working out the plans for it. Light hearted and happy as Anna was, yet the organization and development of the mother chapter were always matters filled with deep seriousness for her. It meant to her an organization founded for the furtherance of the highest womanly ideals.

To the group of founders she was a constant inspiration because of her ready cheer, and her constant resourcefulness. No task was too hard to be undertaken, no obstacle met that could not be removed. Her steady persistence usually won. A story is told of her that while returning from Dr. Benton's office with the Delta Zeta constitution which she had just read, some pestering male students in an effort to tease snatched away the papers she was guarding so carefully. She soon recovered them, however, by the simple expedient of pretending to cry and the gallant young men felt heartily ashamed of themselves while the gay young deceiver laughed in her sleeve.

Anna Keen's work in Delta Zeta was to put things upon a practical basis. Possessed of untiring zeal in everything she did there was a vigor and joyous spontaneity in her work that made her circle of friends rejoice to associate with her. She was the first secretary of Delta Zeta and was always most prompt in attendance at business meetings, and most practical in her suggestions for the advancement of the organization. The chapter had the benefit of her active membership only one year. In the fall of 1903 she began her career as a teacher.

From 1905 until the time of her marriage she devoted her time to the study of music upon the piano. She also took

an active part in the social and church life of Newtown. She and Mr. George Howard Davis were married August 15, 1910, and they went to Madisonville to make their home, where Mr. Davis was engaged in teaching. (He is now princi-

this chapter in the capacity of treasurer for three years and in 1916 served as president.

Besides her work for Delta Zeta she takes a spirited part in the life of her city. She is the president of the Madi-



JULIA BISHOP COLEMAN

pal of three schools of Cincinnati.) Mr. and Mrs. Davis have recently purchased an old farm house, built in 1830 by one of Mr. Davis' ancestors. They have remodeled it and furnished it in style of the 1830 period. Here they both may be found actively engaged where any work for the betterment of their community is on hand. Anna also took a most active part in the reorganization of Delta Zeta which took place in 1907. She was one of the prime movers in the organization of Beta (Cincinnati) Alumnae Chapter which was founded in 1913. She served

sonville Civic League and gives much of her time and energy to this important work. She is especially interested in the church work of the Methodist Church of that city and takes an active part therein as president of the Epworth League, superintendent of the Mission Band and as teacher of a young women's Bible class. She is now President of Hamilton County W.C.T.U. and Secretary of the W.C.T.U. of the State of Ohio.

Delta Zeta has gained much benefit from the wholesomeness, practical good sense and joyous spontaneity of Anna

Keen Davis. She is one who is an honor to Delta Zeta and one whom Delta Zeta delights to honor.

Julia Bishop Coleman

Of those who watched the beginning and growth of Delta Zeta there was no one who contributed more to the vitality



JULIA BISHOP AND MARY COLLINS, 1903

of the young organization than Julia Bishop. The spirit that is in Delta Zeta came from her.

She was born in Loveland, Ohio, May 19, 1881. Her parents were Dr. Lucius W. Bishop and Permelia Tufts Bishop. Both were persons of considerable education and unusual refinement. Dr. Bishop was graduated from Miami University in 1867 and from Ohio Medical College in 1870. Mrs. Bishop was a graduate of Xenia Female College. Dr. Bishop practiced medicine in Loveland for the greater part of his life. Both he and Mrs. Bishop took a prominent part in the life of the village and to them considerable credit is due for the prosperity and well being of the place.

Julia attended the public school in Loveland and high school in Madisonville. Her proficiency as a student as well as her womanly qualities won her the superintendent as a friend. She especially excelled at this time in original work in English. With a fine record for

scholarship Julia was graduated from this school in 1898.

In 1899 she registered for work in the University of Cincinnati. Here she continued her record for splendid scholarship but left there in 1901 in order to be at home with her widowed mother who had the care of her invalid sister.

In 1902 through the influence of Dr. Dyer, the Dean of the Normal College of Miami, Julia Bishop came to Miami University. The fact that her father had called Miami "Alma Mater" was no doubt an influence that decided this action. Julia at once made friends in her new college home. Chief among these were Anne Simmons, Mary Collins, Mabelle Minton, Alfa Lloyd and Anna Keen.

When Delta Zeta was organized Julia Bishop put into it the idealism and spirituality which has made it live. The ritual which is so dear to every member of Delta Zeta was written by her with help from Dr. Benton. Her office the first year in the fraternity was that of treasurer. The affairs of this office she handled in a most creditable manner.

Not only in the fraternity work was Julia prominent but also in other college activities was she well known. During her first year at Miami the Young Women's Christian Association was organized there; she was one of the charter members and was active not only in the organization but always took a leading part in the work thereafter, being vice-president and chairman of the membership committee the first year and having charge of the devotional work the second year. Of this organization which is now the strongest and most active of organizations at Miami, Julia Bishop may be justly proud that she was a charter member.

In the fall of 1903 Julia Bishop was the only member of Delta Zeta who returned to Miami. Had it not been for her genius for making friends and keeping them it would have been hard for Delta Zeta to recover from the loss of her eight other members. Those not returning to Miami had either taken posi-

tions as teachers or were busy with work in their own homes. Thus the work of continuing Delta Zeta was left almost entirely in the hands of Julia Bishop. Her hands were capable to the task, however, and Delta Zeta grew and prospered under her leadership for that year she was the president of the chapter. Beloved by Delta Zeta sisters, fellow students and members of the faculty, there was probably no woman at Miami so respected and admired. She is one of the fine women who made co-education popular at Miami where it was not at first in high favor with the men who had been lords of all they surveyed for eighty years.

It was while a student at Miami that Julia met Mr. Coleman and their romance began. (But many other Delta Kappa Epsilon men worshipped at her shrine so that the mere observer scarcely knew which one she preferred.)

In 1904 Miss Bishop was graduated from Miami with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, leaving not only a record for scholarship of a high order but also leaving a memory of her womanliness and strength of character.

During the years after leaving Miami, the college romance begun there ripened into still deeper and deeper affection until it was consummated in the marriage of Julia Bishop to John McFerren Coleman, then in the banking business in Adams County, Ohio. In 1913 Mr. Coleman entered upon a medical course in the Ohio Miami Medical College of Cincinnati, Ohio, and was graduated therefrom in June, 1917. Dr. and Mrs. Coleman make their home in Loveland in the beautiful home where Julia was born. Here their daughters, Mary Permelia, May 7, 1913, and Julia Jean, November 18, 1916, were born.

Despite the care of her busy household and the expert attention to her children Mrs. Coleman found time to spend in the woman's clubs and social service in her own community. She is a member of the D.A.R. and the Ohio P.E.O. sisterhood, of which organization she served in a most distinguished capacity for two

terms as state president, and of Eastern Star. She continued to be interested in literature and belongs to several literary clubs. She has had charge of all Red Cross relief work of Loveland during the recent period of economic distress. She takes a prominent part in the Mother's Club of Loveland and is active in the social center work connected with it.



FOUNDERS' HOUSEPARTY, 1903

But her heart is in her home and there can this one of the great women of Delta Zeta be found at her best.

In 1920 she was elected National Historian. In this office she worked ardently, collecting much valuable material, although unable to complete the history.

At the 1922 Convention Mrs. Coleman was elected to the office of Vice-President. In this capacity she rendered splendid, tireless, service, not only through the work exclusively pertaining to her office, but in the capacity of inspector and installing officer where she showed herself a great inspiration and a tower of strength to the chapters and the council members. During this biennium, the following new alumnae chapters were chartered: Spokane, Detroit, Los Angeles. Work in developing chapters at Dayton, Ohio; Baton Rouge, La.; and in the Twin Cities, was begun. Another service of increasing significance

was the definite encouragement of Alumnae Associations. She assisted in the installation of Alpha Gamma, Alpha Delta, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Theta, Alpha Lambda, Alpha Xi, Alpha Tau, Alpha Upsilon, and Beta Gamma.

The great value of her service to Delta Zeta, in this capacity, led most logically to her enthusiastic election as President in 1924. As President she gave an administration of notable worth to Delta Zeta, and her refusal of a second term was unwillingly received by her sorority, for it may truly be said that no other president has in one term aroused the great love that Mrs. Coleman received from all who felt her influence. Fuller treatment of it must be deferred to the proper place in the chapter on administration.

When the California convention, in 1926, reluctantly allowed Mrs. Coleman to retire from active service on council to give more attention to her home and young daughters it retained her interest and her invaluable services by making her chairman of the important Committee on Constitution, which position she still holds. At 1933 Convention it was the privilege of Mrs. Coleman, one so far unique to a Delta Zeta Founder, to be present and assist in the initiation of her daughter, Mary, as convention initiate, and in beautiful and symbolic fashion mark a new milestone in her adventures in Delta Zeta.

Mabelle Minton Hagemann

Mabelle May Minton who brought into Delta Zeta her large enthusiasm and broad generosity of spirit was born in Millville, Ohio, November 8, 1880. Her mother was Florence Jane Parker a descendant of General Warren of Boston, and whose ancestors came to America in 1620 in the *Mayflower*. Her father, Harvey Minton, met her mother when they both were students in Wheaton College, Illinois. The college romance resulted in marriage and their life together began upon a farm near the tiny village of Millville. Here on Buena Vista Farm three sons and five daughters

were born, Mabelle being the eldest. Mabelle went to the country school near by, named for her grandfather. The outdoor life gave to Mabelle a superb physique and fostered in her a love for freedom and democracy. After finishing the required course in the country school, she went to Hamilton High School and from there went to Wheaton College, her father's and mother's Alma Mater. In 1902 Mabelle went to Miami and quickly became associated with those who were to conceive of Delta Zeta and bring this woman's fraternity into existence.

In 1903 the illness of her mother prevented her return. In 1905 Mabelle took a course in the Teachers' College of Columbia and then had a teacher's experience of two years in the state of New Jersey. After this she took up work in a large banking institution in New York City where she held a responsible position for four years.

The entire reliability which characterized her business career is shown throughout her work in and for Delta Zeta. As one of its organizers she was tireless in her efforts to bring unity and stability into the Sorority from the time of its inception. At critical moments in the beginning of Delta Zeta she was self-possessed and resourceful. She never shirked the hard things but was ready to sacrifice herself in any way for the attainment of Delta Zeta to national recognition.

A few intimate incidents of her early membership and endeavor are remembered with interest by the other members. Upon the occasion of the first initiation, in the spirit of a practical joke some of the men of the fraternities boasted that they were going to be present and see how the Delta Zeta girls did it. Every one but Mabelle was excited but she calmly began plans for making such inspection impossible. This involved changing the place of initiation from the usual meeting place of Delta Zeta in the Main building of Miami to Mabelle's own home. Due to this plan the initiation went off without interrup-

tion. Upon another occasion when an initiate fainted during the rites Mabelle showed instant resourcefulness in taking care of the young lady who was ill, while all the others were wringing their hands. One of her characteristics which has done much for the stability of Delta Zeta has been her constant insistence upon the selection of girls of unusually high type of character and scholarship for membership. From the first Mabelle insisted that mere popularity was not sufficient requirement for admission to Delta Zeta.

Her work outside of active membership was of the same reliable and useful character. In the work of extension she organized and established Iota chapter which from the beginning has been a great credit to Delta Zeta. In the establishment of Omicron and Xi she also took a most important part. In the capacity of a national officer she served as Recording Secretary, 1912-14, National Inspector, 1914-16. At the 1910, 1912 and 1914 conventions she took a most active and inspiring part. Dele-



MABELLE MINTON HAGEMANN

Mabelle lived with her parents and brothers and sisters upon Buena Vista Farm, her birthplace. Such a circle might seem limited for one of her talents and resources yet because of her radiant personality, light and cheer emanated from this home—each brother and each sister was helped in his or her career by this generous big sister and a more useful life was the result. Alpha chapter too, felt her sympathy and generosity. They found that she could be relied and called upon at all times. No one of the founders made as many visits to Alpha chapter or was in such close touch with its problems and activities.

In 1921 Miss Minton married Mr. Henry F. Hagemann and until her husband's death, in 1924, led the uneventful but busy life of a homemaker in Columbus. She later resumed her business activities in actuarial work, and gradually resumed closer contact with the sorority. In 1928 she was one of the four Founders to attend convention at Bigwin Inn. Her old charm of manner as usual made all her friends, and she climaxed her inspirational activities for the sorority



THE FOUNDERS'—ORIGINAL CHORE GIRLS

gates loved her at sight so her influence was very great. Her ideals for Delta Zeta being of the highest type, this influence always brought out the best at these conventions.

After giving up her business career

in her beautiful toast, "Hail, My Daughters!" at the installation banquet. With the forward look which had ever been hers, she pointed to new goals for us, and her comparison of the founders and patron to the rainbow, which is composed of separate colors beautiful in themselves, but which blend to the pure white of friendship and loyalty, will long be remembered for the response it found in hundreds of hearts. This was Mabelle Minton's final message to the



OXFORD STREET FAIR, SEPTEMBER, 1901
Arthur L. Bairnsfather, Mayme Barger,
Alfa Lloyd. Mr. Bairnsfather
designed the first Delta Zeta
badge.

sorority she had loved and served so long and faithfully, for within the year the sorority was to be saddened by the news of her death, sudden and unexpected even by those who knew she was battling with what must be a fatal affliction. Though she was the first of the Founders to leave us her legacy to us is one of inestimable worth in the lessons of service and sisterhood which she not only taught but demonstrated.

Anne Simmons Friedline

The date of the birth of this interesting member of Delta Zeta was January 23, 1879. Her parents were Rebecca Dial and Matson Simmons. The youngest of six sisters, one might expect her to be the spoiled child of the family, but quite otherwise. The love and affection lavished upon her by her sisters has made her, only the more, appreciate her

responsibility in giving out the brightness and cheer which this brought into her life.

In beautiful Walnut Hills in Cincinnati, she went to grade school and then entered the Walnut Hills High School graduating with the high esteem of her teachers in 1898. Thereupon Anne entered the University of Cincinnati and at the end of four years having won social as well as scholastic distinction, was graduated. The following fall she went to Miami University and there immediately made friends of the girls with whom the nucleus of Delta Zeta was made.

Her contribution to this group was a splendid cheerfulness and most practical helpfulness. An appeal to her judgment by the others never failed to bring successful and well directed action. Naturally the beginning of Delta Zeta was not all serious efforts and uphill work. There were obstacles some times in the way of forming a complete organization but many were the happy "larks" which our founders had together. As she was chief of their councils so was Anne Dial Simmons chief in their merry making. Her happy face seldom seen without the smile that all her friends loved, with the dimples showing, was a true indication of the happy heart within, from which there never came a glint of malice or envy. Perhaps the best characterization that can be made of her is to say that she was the perfect comrade. Her friends felt surrounded by her sympathy and understanding and exhilarated by her constant good cheer. This was of advantage in her future career, for, not only did her scholastic ability, but this other of being a good comrade, make her a most successful teacher.

Upon graduation from Miami in 1903 with the degree of B.P. she went to teach in the Lockland High School, Lockland, Ohio. During her first year there she continued her work at Miami and was granted the degree of A.M. in 1904. In this city she taught sentence structure for three years and she was beloved by both pupils and associates.

From this high school she went to accept a position in the teaching of history in the Norwood High School, Norwood, Ohio.

In 1909 she gave up this work and entered upon a new career. On June 29, 1909, she and Mr. Justus R. Friedline of Colorado Springs, Colo., were united in marriage in her old home upon Walnut Hills. She left this happy home of her childhood to make equally happy that of Mr. Friedline in Colorado Springs. Here Mrs. Friedline entered with zest into the life of the city. She was a member of numerous clubs, some literary, others purely social. The work of the Daughters of the American Revolution became one of her great interests. She was for several years regent of her chapter and in 1927 was elected state regent, doing outstanding work in visiting and co-ordinating her chapters. After this term of office she became chairman of the National Committee on Americanization, proving a valued worker in this capacity. From 1920-22 she was president of the local branch of the A.A.U.W.; served as vice-president both of the city Federation of Woman's clubs, and the city Panhellenic, as well as a member of the Drama League. She was an unusually charming hostess and always at her best within the portals of her lovely home. Most of their winters Mr. and Mrs. Friedline spent in travel.

Mrs. Friedline took a lively interest in the affairs of Delta Zeta following her graduation from Miami. Her first important work was that which she did in connection with the revival of Delta Zeta from its inactivity in 1907. In 1912-14 she served Delta Zeta nationally as the Grand Vice-president and was active in creating a fund for extension work. Her later interest was in extension work for Delta Zeta in her section, in which work she served as a committee member under Mrs. Stephenson's presidency. She assisted with the installation of Alpha Lambda and Alpha Phi chapters, by which latter time she had again returned to the national council, serving 1925-26 as Vice-president to fill out the



ANNE SIMMONS FRIEDLINE

unexpired term of Georgia Chandler Hornung, resigned.

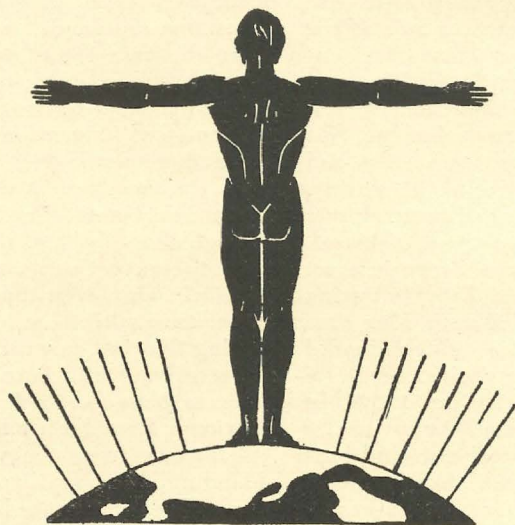
In the year 1925-26 her work was of great practical value to Delta Zeta. As officer in charge of the alumnae work, she presented at convention a report showing work done with care and keen insight into the needs and conditions of the alumnae chapters. But in inspections of college chapters, too, she proved herself able to grasp the undergraduate problems of today even though her personal experience with them had almost ceased during the past several years.—At 1926 convention, Delta Zeta felt itself fortunate to have available for the post of National President, one connected with its history from the very time of the founding, and happily elected Anne Simmons Friedline to its highest office.

Her administration was marked by careful business methods, and emphasized the work of internal rather than extensional, growth.

By her own request she was again released from council service at the conclusion of the convention of 1928 where she presided with vision and great

ability. Her husband's health causing her some concern, she felt her home should come first for the immediate future. Almost tragically prophetic was her feeling, for in the following winter she was to lose her husband, who had been, as she herself said, "the perfect comrade." Irreparably bereaved she yet rallied from this blow with the courage which was hers by nature and training, and again gave herself to service to Delta Zeta, this time in a new capacity. In 1929-30 she was the splendid and tireless guide of Iota chapter, just then moving into its new home with many exacting adjustments to make. She made

for herself an outstanding reputation with faculty and others. Wishing to be nearer her home again for business and personal reasons, she assumed the same position with Alpha Lambda chapter for 1931-32. Her sudden death in September 1932 was a shock which took from Delta Zeta a wise and saving counselor, a sound and conservative builder, and true friend. The depth of our loss we are yet to discover fully, as time brings up new situations in which instinct would turn us to Anne Simmons for that balanced judgment, that firmness of decision and that sagacity which were hers in rare measure.



IN MEMORIAM

By Florence Boller, Alpha Iota

The Delta Zeta Girl in Reverent Attitude Proclaims:

*"Oh, dear departed Founder, we would build
To thee a shrine of rarest Vaurian stone;
The marble sculptured to reveal at once
The pattern of the character in your face
And the blended virtues—faith, hope, and love.
We would have the sculptor chisel fine
Each line to show your gracious kindness,
Your persevering courage and loyal service
To our sisterhood.
Before this marble shrine we humbly place
A candle, token of our remembrance."*



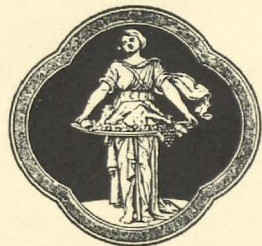
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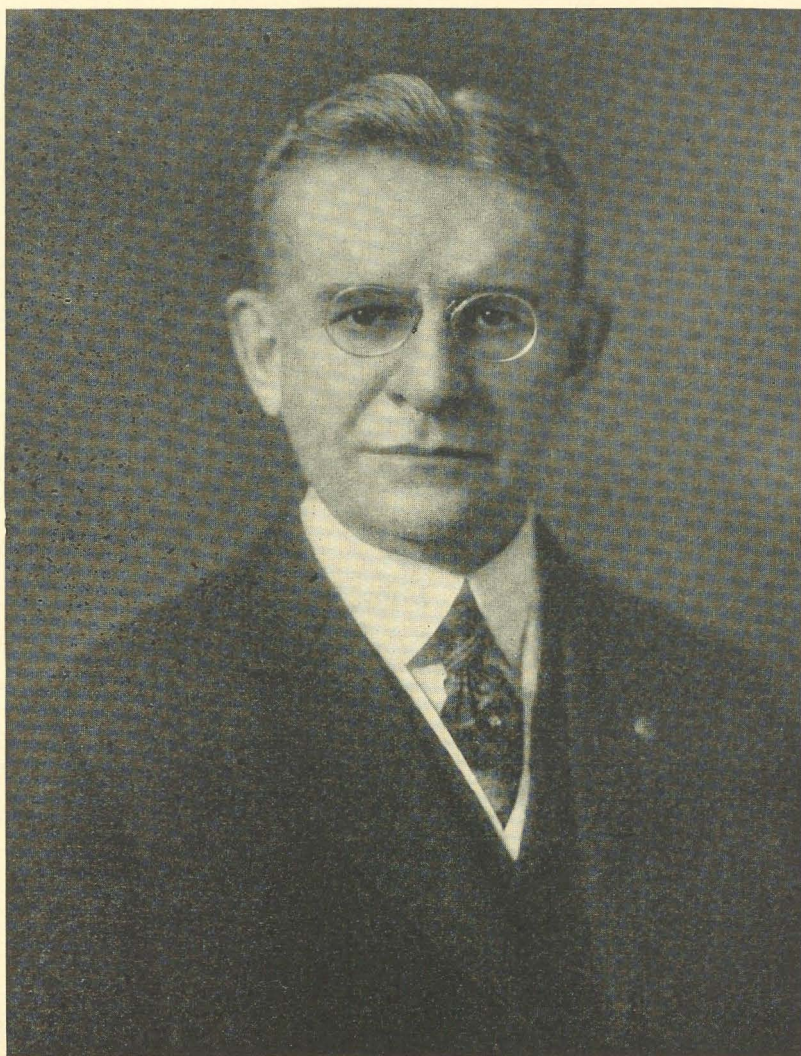
*"Sisters dear, below, raise me not
On granite pedestal so high above you.
Bow not in solemn awe, nor turn away
In sadness and with chill respect;
My heart is not a stone.
I would have you love me just as I loved you;
Reveal to me your feeling in return
Not by a marble statue or a bust
Of cold, unyielding stone,
But rather by a living shrine within your hearts
That I may share each joy and blessing rare,
May watch the flame e'er burning in your lamps;
Oh, keep them glowing bright, then I shall be
Content and grateful for your unceasing zeal
Securing the bonds of our fraternity."*



The Delta Zeta Girl Rejoins:

*"Oh, dear departed one, mistake us not
We speak to you in metaphor.
The finest marble was to signify
Your purity of word and deed and thought;
The shrine, our reverence and devotion;
The taper, symbol of our burning memory.
As you command, our hearts shall make the shrine;
The light before it will inspire each act
Of ours, in striving to complete the building
Of our Temple of Life upon the firm
Foundations laid by you."*





DR. GUY POTTER BENTON, Grand Patron

Our Grand Patron

"The influence of one true teacher on the lives of those who come within the sphere of his touch, who can measure?"

NO DELTA ZETA history would be complete without mention of Dr. Guy Potter Benton, whose idea was the very foundation of Delta Zeta, and whose assistance meant so much in the early days at Miami.

Dr. Guy Potter Benton

The following is quoted from the *Miami Student* of October, 1902:

A grandson of Henry Wharton, a pioneer of Southern Ohio, Dr. Benton was born in Kenton, Hardin County, in 1865, and passed his boyhood in that native town, receiving his early training in the public schools of that place.

In 1880 when ready for college he entered the Ohio Wesleyan University at Delaware, where he remained until the end of his sophomore year, going from there to Baker University, a leading college of Kansas, where he was graduated. He then pursued a postgraduate course at Wooster University in history and sociology.

Soon after leaving college he was elected superintendent of the public schools at Fort Scott, Kan., which position he held for seven years, when he was appointed assistant superintendent of public instruction for the state of Kansas and later was made a member of the State Board of Education.

While holding this position the entire public educational work of the state was brought to a high standard, mainly by his effort and untiring industry which is one of his chief traits.

From the public educational work of the state he was called by his Alma Mater to the chair of history and sociology in Baker University.

Specially fitted for this department, his enthusiasm, personal magnetism and his talent for teaching made him unusually popular with both faculty and students and the three years spent here established, beyond doubt, his reputation as one of the foremost educators of the West, and so won the esteem and good will of his colleagues that it was with sincere regret they saw him leave to accept the presidency of the Upper Iowa University.

Confident of his ability to do his part and believing that success awaits him, his friends at Miami echo the benediction of President Thompson in his inaugural address—"May God bless him and the state support him."

After a most successful career as president of Miami University, Dr. Benton resigned in 1911 to take the same position in the University of Vermont.

From this position he was called, in 1917, to work in the "Y" overseas; later Educational Director with the Army of Occupation until the fall of 1919. In April he accepted the presidency of the University of Manila, which post he held until 1923. Forced in 1923 to give up his work because of what soon became apparent was sleeping sickness contracted in the islands, he returned to the United States in the hope that medical attention might restore his health, but the struggle was hopeless and for four more years he fought a losing battle. Delta Zeta with other friends grieved over this tragic development, and attempted in some small measure to make happier for Dr. Benton and his family, the months of trial and difficulty. Julia Bishop Coleman and other members of Alpha chapter represented Delta Zeta at the burial services, fittingly held at Miami University, and the entire sorority did honor to one whom we shall always be proud to call **FOUNDER AND FRIEND**: "One whom we loved much, honored greatly, and shall remember always."

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From the *Scroll* of Phi Delta Theta, October, 1927:

Guy Potter Benton, the fourteenth President of the General Council of Phi Delta Theta, has passed.

Few men in the history of the fraternity have left a deeper impress upon it. Entering Ohio Wesleyan University in the fall of 1882, he is recalled by his friend and roommate, John Edwin Brown, as a sweet boy who, from the very beginning of his career, was distinguished by his happy disposition and his untiring application to any task set before him.

He received his A.B. degree, however, from Baker University and later took his

Master's degree at Ohio Wesleyan. He also studied at Wooster University and at Berlin. The degree of D.D. was conferred on him at Baker University in 1900 and at Ohio Wesleyan in 1905. The degree of LL.D. was conferred on him by Upper Iowa University, 1906, the University of Vermont in 1911, Middlebury College, 1912, University of Mississippi, 1914, and Miami University, 1916. The degree of L.H.D. was conferred on him by Norwich University in 1916.

His long and distinguished career as an educator began when he was elected superintendent of schools at Fort Scott, Kansas, 1896. Later he became assistant state superintendent of public instruction in Kansas and then professor of history and sociology at Baker University. His career as an executive began at Upper Iowa University in 1899. In 1902 he came to Miami University as President and continued at Miami until 1911 when he was called to the University of Vermont.

When the United States entered the World War, Guy Potter Benton at once felt that his place was with the boys at the front. He was a member of one of the first Y.M.C.A. groups to go to France and was made General Y.M.C.A. Secretary for Paris. Later he was assigned to the staff of General Sample when he was commanding the Second Division, with his headquarters at Langres. After the Armistice, he was assigned to the U. S. Army educational corps and became chief educational director of the army at Coblenz where he remained until June, 1919.

In 1920 he went to the Philippine Islands as educational consultant to the commanding general but resigned in March, 1921, to accept the presidency of the University of the Philippines. Under a ten year contract, he mapped out an extensive plan for the development of the university, but he was forced to resign in 1923 because of illness. It soon became apparent that he was afflicted with sleeping sickness. He returned to the United States and sought expert medical attention but his condition gradually grew worse from that time until his death Tuesday, June 28, 1927.

The personality of Dr. Benton, his great industry and enthusiasm, his remarkable power of speech, his manifest sincerity and genuineness gained for him the support of faculty, trustees, students and alumni wherever he went and insured him the allegiance and love of all who knew him.

His work for the fraternity, begun at

Ohio Wesleyan, never faltered. When he was called to Miami University, he quickly took advantage of the opportunity to assist the mother chapter. He was largely instrumental in arousing the interest of the fraternity at large in the undertaking to erect a Memorial Chapter House. At the Convention of 1912 he was elected to the presidency of the General Council and did much to strengthen the resolution of the membership at large in their determination to uphold the original ideal of the founders. Under his aggressive leadership the fraternity took a definite stand on the question of intoxicants at banquets. The serving of wines and even stronger drinks at fraternity banquets had been a very common practice with practically all college fraternities but Dr. Benton felt that such a practice was wholly out of keeping with the ideals of the founders of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity. Without much difficulty, he succeeded in having the fraternity go on record officially banishing any kind of intoxicants from official gatherings, not only of the general fraternity, but of meetings everywhere.

His inspiring addresses before various chapters, his wonderful services in connection with the installation of new chapters, and his contagious optimism will long be remembered by those who were so fortunate as to serve with him or sit at his feet during his years of administration. One of his chief concerns was the welfare of "his boys." In his service overseas he was a clearing house for Phi Delta Theta information. In his sojourn in the Philippines he was the inspiration for a revived and active Alumni Club in Manila and on his return to this country, suffering from his fatal affliction, he none the less stood ready to advise with leaders of the fraternity for its welfare.

It is fitting that he should have been buried from the chapel of Benton Hall on the Miami campus, a Hall named by the trustees of Miami University in his honor. He lies at rest on the hill overlooking the birthplace of the Fraternity and his spirit is added to the illustrious roll of the founders along with that of Walter Palmer and the other devoted leaders who have done so much for Phi Delta Theta.

An exemplary Christian gentleman, husband and father, a builder of youth, and an outstanding university executive, Dr. Benton has gone to his reward from a world made better by his life.—ARTHUR R. PRIEST, *DePaww*, '91.



Conventions Record the Growth of the National Organization

Conventions of Delta Zeta

- 1907 Dayton, Ohio, Algonquin Hotel
- 1908 Oxford, Ohio
- 1910 Indianapolis, Indiana, Columbia Club
- 1912 Winona Lake, Indiana, Westminster Hotel
- 1914 Indianapolis, Indiana, Columbia Club
- 1916 Lincoln, Nebraska, Lincoln Hotel
- 1918 A Council Meeting at Columbus, Ohio, was substituted for the Convention in order to observe wartime economy.
- 1920 Denver, Colorado, Hotel Shirley
- 1922 Ithaca, New York, Sage College, Cornell University
- 1924 Evanston, Illinois, Orrington Hotel
- 1926 San Francisco, California, Fairmont Hotel
- 1928 Bigwin Inn, Lake of Bays, Ontario
- 1930 Madison, Wisconsin, Loraine Hotel
- 1933 Chicago, Illinois, Hotel Windermere East

THE Convention of 1910 is the first which really deserves the name of "National," for the Convention of 1907 was exclusively of members of Alpha chapter and directed toward the re-organizing of Delta Zeta; and the Convention of 1908 was held before Delta Zeta had qualified for membership in the National Panhellenic Congress. So the 1910 meeting is a landmark of importance in our onward path.

1910 Convention, Indianapolis

According to the original minutes of the meeting, kept by Ada Mae Burke (Epsilon), secretary pro tem, "The first session of the Delta Zeta Convention was called to order by the Grand President, Mrs. Hayes, June 17, 1910, at the Columbia Club, Indianapolis, Indiana."

The following delegates answered to roll call:

Alpha Chapter—Ruth Gaddis
Beta Chapter—Abbie Dibble
Delta Chapter—Stella Moor
Epsilon Chapter—Grace Alexander
Zeta Chapter—Miss (Janet) Cameron
Eta Chapter—Miss (Ferne) Samuel

It is perhaps hard for those of us who think of roll call at the 1933 Convention, with 74 chapter names called, to feel the thrill that must have been present at this convention; the stir that accompanies the little prelude of solemnity when some momentous action is to be taken.

Momentous indeed this convention was. The language of the secretary, however, reduces the pulsing life of the meetings to prosaic statements of the fact accomplished. Beta chapter was to be allowed to choose girls from the horticultural and agricultural departments; the President introduced the plan of annual sorority examinations; subscriptions to the newly created magazine, the LAMP, were to be obligatory upon all members of college chapters; an initiation fee of fifteen dollars was set, although Epsilon was allowed to charge a fee of five dollars to be paid at pledging; the bill of \$13.68 to cover expenses of delegates from Zeta chapter to assist at the installation of Eta chapter, was approved; any girl wishing to resign must submit a written request that her resignation be permitted, and the chapter shall vote on its granting; and so on—a drone of business that sounds only trivial now but must have tingled with importance to those living it. The secretary's report is all too brief; too condensed, and yet perhaps this very prosaic quality signifies how completely these new chapters had settled into the accepted permanence of their sorority, and would have been surprised had they been told that in a comparatively few years this convention would be regarded as one of pioneer character, and every crumb of business report eagerly sought.

The reports of the six delegates, we

are informed, "were of special interest to the girls from the other chapters." In fact, the special business of the whole convention was, the development of the individual chapters and their members. Development of the individual members could, it was suggested, be assisted by well arranged and entertaining programs at chapter meetings. The round tables discussed this earnestly. The pros and cons of sophomore pledging, which at that time had been recommended by National Panhellenic Congress, was considered at length. Theoretically it seemed commendable to the majority, but, conscious of their youth, the members refrained from making a definite decision to recommend belated pledging. Extension was another matter which interested every member. In the discussions much information was derived, but no aggressive campaign adopted.

From the point of view of later importance undoubtedly the most important move was the establishment of the official magazine. To edit this quarterly the convention elected Ruth Gaddis of Alpha chapter. A songbook was also inaugurated, with Alma Miller of Delta as chairman and Elmira Case, Epsilon, as assistant. The election of officers gave the following council for the next two years:

Alfa Lloyd Hayes—President
Kathryn Goodwin, *Epsilon*—Vice President
Ida E. Nightingale, *Beta*—Secretary
Bernice Bassett, *Delta*—Treasurer
Martha Railsback, *Delta*—Corresponding Secretary

It was decided to hold the national assembly biennially. Once more stressing the importance of developing the character and personality of the individual member (this was the strong theme of the officers for the next two years, as well), the Third National Convention dissolved and its several members left for their homes with satisfying memories of work accomplished, acquaintances made, and strength gained and given.

The effect of the convention was felt and shown by each chapter, in the next

year. The enthusiasm of the delegates, their zeal for college and active chapter work, their ambitions for the national welfare, showed that they had seen the vision of a greater sorority and were setting themselves to their tasks. By September all officers and committees were busy in the program for the year. The arrival of the first issue of the *LAMP* stirred every chapter with eagerness for further advancement. Actual friendship between the chapters was felt and the consciousness of unity strengthened. Extension was not pressed, but the addition of Theta chapter at Ohio State, in January, 1911, was welcomed; and although no more chapters were added at this time the work of welding the chapters together was one of the most important services rendered by this Grand Council; important because the feeling of unity meant so much to the chapters later entering Delta Zeta.

During this time Delta Zeta made her début at the National Pan-Hellenic (spelling of 1911) Congress by Mrs. Hayes and Miss Railsback representing her. Although appearing for the youngest of the member fraternities, they acquitted themselves creditably on the committees to which they were appointed. The years 1910-12 were very important in the development of National Panhellenic and Delta Zeta, entering at just this time, profited greatly by the work of organization she saw going on in that body. The National Panhellenic Congress at its meeting in 1911 created a constitution and for the first time defined a policy and set before its members a definite purpose. No one principle has been of greater advantage to all women's fraternities than the broad and sane policy which this body outlined for the use of the fraternities in their relations to one another and to college life.

Convention at Winona Lake, 1912

At the end of two years filled to the utmost with evidences of growth and development, the Fourth Delta Zeta Convention was held at Winona Lake, June

15-21, 1912. Winona Lake is the home of the Presbyterian Summer Assembly and its location in northern Indiana is one of great natural beauty. A spirit of accomplishment is invariably felt by every group meeting in this place, perhaps the kindly spirit left by the many preceding groups bent on worthy purpose. Howbeit, the officers and the chapter delegates (fourteen in all) who met here on Delta Zeta business played and worked in a most whole-hearted way. Never was a happier crowd of girls gathered together. A great amount of business was transacted during the day but frolic and fun consumed the evenings. The hours spent upon the lake are still remembered with pleasure by those who attended.

No particular department received the emphasis at this convention, but each



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was given attention so that the development of the ensuing two years might be well-proportioned. As usual, the reports of officers, committees, and delegates formed a large part of the business, but were heard with interest. It

was gratifying to have the treasurer report a good balance; the songbook committee was congratulated on having its material ready for the printer. Chapters were eager to see this book and Miss Miller was instructed to proceed with



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the printing. A better plan for the self-government of the local chapters was formulated. For the first time in Delta Zeta history appears mention of rushing rules! A policy to be considered as that generally approved by Delta Zeta for the guidance of its chapters, was adopted. Some specific rules were suggested. A broader policy for the LAMP was suggested; gratefully heard by the editor, and immediately put into use.

Other important matters were the reduction of alumnae dues from three dollars per year to one dollar; the appointment of a committee "to procure all Delta Zeta pins illegally held by members of the former Phi Tau"; designating of October 24, 1912, as "Homecoming Day" to be celebrated in all chapters; the provision for a meeting of the Council on business, in 1913, and, final-

Memory Book



June 23-28, 1924

Delta Zeta Convention
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS

SIXTH National Convention of DELTA ZETA



Lincoln, Nebraska,
June 26th to July 1st, 1916
LINCOLN HOTEL

To attend at Miami University October 24, 1906.
Gay Porter Barnes, O. D., M. D., Grand Patron

FOUNDERS: Mary Weston, Miss Carter, Anna Kent, Julia Brown, C.

PROGRAM

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National Convention of Delta Zeta

July 13 - 17, 1914

W. W. C. A. Indianapolis, Indiana

Program

MONDAY
Afternoon: 1:30 - 5:00 Reports of Delegates
Evening: Informal Reception 8:00 Max O. H. Hayes

TUESDAY
Morning: 8:00 - 11:30 Unfinished Business Revision of Constitution
Afternoon: 1:30 - 3:30 Discussion of Constitution.
Evening: 8:00 - 11:00 Banquet at Claypool Hotel

WEDNESDAY
Morning: 8:00 - 10:00 Discussion of Economic Problems.
Afternoon: 3:00 - 6:00 Reception to Greek Letter People. Hour of Miss Elizabeth
Evening: 8:00 - 12:00 Local Initiatives and Lodge Service.

THURSDAY
Morning: 8:00 - 12:00 Informal Meeting of Committees.
Afternoon: 1:30 - 5:00 Reports of Committees.
Evening: 8:00 Sister Night. Y. W. C. A.

FRIDAY
Morning: Division of Officers of Grand Council.
Evening: 8:00 - 9:00 Chicken Supper at Matthewsville.

ly, the appointment of Epsilon chapter as a committee on arrangements for the next convention, which would be held in Indianapolis in 1914. One new matter of development was begun at this convention, namely the forming of *alumnæ* chapters, and the following were appointed to begin this work: in Indiana, Mrs. Hayes, chairman, with Bernice Bassett and Ada Mae Burke as members; and in Ohio, Miss Elsa Thoma, chairman, with Adelaide Hixon as assistant. Committees to take account of various interests expressed were formed, and officers were ample in number, the Grand Council elected at this time being:

Grand President—Mrs. H. L. Stephenson, *Alpha* and *Beta*

Grand Vice President—Mrs. Justine Friedline, *Alpha*

Grand Recording Secretary—Miss Mabelle Minton, *Alpha*

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Martha L. Railsback, *Delta*

Grand Treasurer—Miss Emma Brunger, *Epsilon*

Registrar—Miss Julia Christman, *Theta*

Grand Custodian—Miss Bernice Bassett, *Delta*

Editor-in-Chief—Miss Grace Alexander, *Epsilon*

Assistant Editor—Miss Minnie Pratt, *Delta*

Advisory Board—Mrs. Ruth Gaddis Jeffries, *Alpha*, Mrs. Gladys Robinson Stephens, *Epsilon*, Miss Frances Francis, *Zeta*

Sorority Inspector and Panhellenic Delegate—Mrs. O. H. Hayes

Extension Committee—Mrs. Frank Hecker (Jessie Denman, *Alpha*); Mrs. R. L. Hazard, *Eta*, Western Member; Miss Ida Nightingale, *Beta*, Eastern Member

The convention activities closed with a formal banquet at the Westminster Hotel, at which Mrs. Hayes served most admirably as toastmistress. Lightened by flashes of humor, her words of advice to chapters were well received by the active members. Miss Minton's account of the founding of Delta Zeta, and its succeeding history, proved most interesting. (Would that our first historian had preserved it!) Not least in interest were the toasts of the college delegates whose remarks were bright and appropriate.

The delegates left the next day with

the feeling that they had received much inspiration from the close association with the officers and other delegates, and that the aims of sorority life had been impressed more deeply upon them by their new president. The officers in turn received encouragement from the earnest spirit and the loyalty evidenced by the delegates.

Propositions from a number of other organizations, that Delta Zeta should merge with them, had come to the Council in the last biennium. Some of these were young fraternities who felt that in union there would be a gain of strength which neither might attain alone; some were from older organizations who wished to absorb the Delta Zeta chapters into themselves, but in each case the implication was that the dangers and difficulties ahead might best be avoided by abandoning the program of extending Delta Zeta as she was, and proceeding on derived strength. To those who had, in 1907 and later, laid the foundations for Delta Zeta's phoenix-like second appearance, any such proposal was unwelcome. Nevertheless, unwilling to proceed arbitrarily if the chapters had wished to consider the idea, the officers had made known to them the possibility of combining. They did not fail to point out that no less an authority than Mrs. Ida Shaw Martin had urged this step, stating that she felt sure it would mean life for the combined group, whereas an attempt to continue an independent career might result in the loss of all that had been done. At that time there were twenty-three sororities carrying chapters in many colleges (five of these have either been absorbed or died since 1911) and in larger universities such as California, which had twelve sororities, and Nebraska and Northwestern, each with eleven, there was a feeling that all the really eligible material was taken up, that there were "too many sororities." Mrs. Martin had wide experience, keen insight, and sincere fraternal interest in the future of the women's organizations. Her suggestion, most logical, was that Delta Zeta should ally herself with some

southern sorority as Delta Zeta had then no southern chapters, and the matter of combining two chapters on any one campus would be escaped. Her points were exceedingly well taken, and correspondence on the matter of combining Delta Zeta and Zeta Tau Alpha ensued; but in the end it was found difficult to adjust the conflict of names and badges, and each side mutually wishing to retain the dearest part of its characteristics, the arrangement proved impractical. It could hardly have been foreseen by anyone, at that time, that the day was to come when the plea would be "there are not enough sororities," when National Panhellenic would foster the development of young organizations in order that more girls on crowded college campuses could enjoy fraternity privilege.

Biennium 1912-14 Shows Great Striding

Her decision once made, Delta Zeta turned naturally to extension as being of importance to her at this time. The addition of Iota chapter at the University of Iowa, May 20, 1913, brought to Delta Zeta a most valuable member chapter.

This advance was attended with the loss, the same year, of Eta chapter, owing to depletion of members and adverse circumstances connected with the system of sophomore pledging.

Delta Zeta continued to advance, however, for the plans for organizing alumnae chapters had begun to bear fruit. The Council had entered with zeal into the encouraging of these groups, and in the spring of 1913 had the pleasure of seeing the first alumnae chapter begin its official life. This was the Indianapolis chapter, at first named Alpha Alumnae chapter. Indianapolis did not long enjoy possession of the sole alumnae chapter, for in May, 1913, the Beta (Cincinnati) Alumnae chapter was organized, at the home of Lilla Stanton West, *Alpha*.

From the very beginning of this administration special attention had been given to the LAMP. Miss Gaddis had been hampered by lack of funds, not

only because the sorority was small but because it was as yet difficult to arouse in the girls a national interest as great as that in building up their own chapter. The new editor, Grace Alexander, and her assistants worked tirelessly toward a better financial basis and a better journal. Merle Maxwell Hedden, *Epsilon*, was appointed by Mrs. Stephenson as an additional assistant, and too much praise cannot be given the three Epsilon girls, Miss Alexander (later Mrs. Frank Duncan), Mrs. R. A. Stephens, and Mrs. Hedden, who worked so hard, often under great discouragement, at the task of enlarging the usefulness of the LAMP. In the first issue of this term there was a directory of alumnae, which was the first made, and a most valuable aid it proved to be to the officers in particular and to all Delta Zetas.

No Council meeting was held in 1913, owing to distances too great and dollars too precious—but voluminous correspondence partly overcame obstacles and matters progressed.

In the fall of 1913 an extension fund was created by subscription through the efforts of Mrs. Stephenson and Mrs. Friedline, the latter having care of the bonds and being in general charge of the subscriptions. This fund, although it never rose to great proportions, did afford some financial assistance in extension, but its greatest value was in the sense of personal contribution which it fostered and which was of especial importance in strengthening the feeling of individual relation to the national work.

Perhaps the most outstanding contribution of this administration is the new national constitution which it prepared and offered at the next convention. Mrs. Stephenson had begun asking the officers for suggestions early in the term, and she in the meantime worked upon the preamble and the outline. With the advice from her assistants once in her hands, she was able to go ahead with the work and, practically unaided, wrote the constitution which remained with very few changes until 1926. At the same time a revision of the constitution

of the local chapters was begun, the ritual was re-written for presentation at convention.

Again extension was in order, and once more it was the contribution of Mrs. Stephenson. With the installation in April, 1914, of Kappa chapter at the University of Washington, Delta Zeta added the first of her far western chapters, and this breaking of the way for other chapters in the West was almost as important in the value of Kappa as was its own worth.

Two more *alumnæ* chapters, at Columbus, Ohio, and Lincoln, Nebraska, were added in 1914, so that the 1914 Convention had an even dozen chapters represented; eight college and four *alumnæ*. So much had been written in the LAMP about the coming convention, Epsilon chapter had through personal letters done so much to arouse enthusiasm, that the 1914 Convention was found to be a most successful one in the opinion of the members.

A Constitutional Convention

The Fifth National Convention of Delta Zeta was held in Indianapolis July 13-17, 1914. Through the untiring efforts of Epsilon chapter, with Sue Reed as chairman of convention committee, everything was done to make officers and delegates comfortable and the convention a complete success. Meetings were held at the Y.W.C.A., where the officers and delegates were housed. Guests were entertained at the homes of Indianapolis *alumnæ*.

This might have been considered as a Constitution Convention. The program shows the importance given to the work of considering and accepting the new document.

PROGRAM

Monday

Afternoon—Reports of Delegates
Evening—Informal Reception at the home of Mrs. Hayes

Tuesday

Morning—Reports of Delegates Continued
Afternoon—Discussion of Sorority Problems
Evening—Banquet at the Claypool Hotel

Wednesday

Morning—Revision of the Constitution Begun
Afternoon—Reception to Greek letter Women of Indianapolis, at home of Miss Railsback
Evening—Ideal Pledge Service and Initiation by Epsilon Chapter, assisted by Mrs. Shugart of Zeta.

Thursday

Morning—Standardizing of the Ritual. Revision of Constitution Continued
Afternoon—Report of the Social Service Committee
Evening—Revision of the Constitution finished

Friday

Morning—Reports of Committees. Election of Officers.
Afternoon and Evening—Picnic at Katydid Bungalow, summer home of Mr. and Mrs. Railsback

Fifty enthusiastic members of Delta Zeta were present at this convention. Its success was due entirely to their energy and their loyal support to the Grand Council.* In spite of the hot weather, business was conducted with an interest and a vim that showed their faith in Delta Zeta. With equal zest all entered into the pleasures of the week, everyone contributed her enjoyment to the general happiness. A time-saving device which, however, really proved to be very enjoyable, was the arrangement of having the reports of the Grand Officers to form the toasts at the formal banquet.

Responsibility for Setting a Good Example

A most inspiring contribution to the program was the report of Mildred McKay, *Beta*, chairman of the social service committee. It impressed upon Delta Zeta the importance of being *prepared* to serve before undertaking the service of others. It emphasized the need of helping girls to solve the vital problems of college life, and forcibly applied the old truth that an organization is useful only as it serves others. Miss McKay pointed out that the most effective service for Delta Zeta at this time was by

* This section a direct quotation from Mrs. Stephenson's Mss.

united effort to make the individual chapter a force in college life; a force that would raise the social, intellectual, and moral standards of college women and inspire the incoming members with wholesome ideas and a right understanding of the opportunity and responsibility of a college woman.

Delta Zeta went on record as opposed to the initiation of chaperons and honorary members, and legislated against the initiation of girls from high school sororities, in accordance with the wish expressed by National Panhellenic. It also took a definite stand against impulsive rushing, extravagance in rushing parties, and other social extravagances.

The spirit of the convention was that Greek-letter women have a greater responsibility toward their college than other women, because they have a greater opportunity to exert an influence for good.

Election gave the following as members of Grand Council: for President, Mrs. Stephenson, who had embodied for all Delta Zetas the ideal leader for a fraternity, in her preceding term;

Vice President, Martha Louise Railsback, *Delta*; Grand Secretary, Mrs. Nettie Wills Shugart, *Zeta*; Recording Secretary, Erma Lindsay, *Beta*; Grand Treasurer, Gertrude McElfresh, *Beta*; National Inspector, Mabelle Minton, *Alpha*; National Panhellenic Delegate, Martha Railsback; Sorority Historian, Alfa Lloyd Hayes, *Alpha*; Editor of the LAMP, Grace Alexander Duncan, *Epsilon*; Censor for the LAMP, Florence Joy, *Iota*; Business Manager, Edith Wray, *Delta*; Exchange Editor, Mrs. R. A. Stephens, *Epsilon*; Advertising Manager, Mrs. I. H. Hedden, *Epsilon*.

This 1914 Convention was memorable both because of the excellence of planning and management, assuring a happy admixture of business and entertainment; and also because of the amount and importance of business transacted. The outstanding work included such heavy tasks as the drafting of a national constitution, the standardization of the ritual, the formation of a definite social service policy, and the beginning of active extension work.

A reunion of members of Delta Zeta was planned to take place during the Panama Exposition in 1915. Invitations were extended from both Zeta and Theta chapters, that the 1916 Convention meet with them. At the request of the convention, Mrs. Stephenson made the decision, and in choosing Lincoln as the meeting place she pointed out that it offered interest in the promotion of extension.

In the years 1914-16 considerable extension work was done. The first charter of the term was granted to a group of alumnae in New York City, thus forming a fifth alumnae chapter.

Three college chapters were also chartered, the largest number yet installed in a single term. They represented three types and sizes of colleges, Lambda being installed at the Kansas State Agricultural College, Mu at the University of California, and Nu at the Lombard College in Galesburg, Illinois.

1915 Council Meeting, Berkeley, California

In August, 1915, the Grand Council installed Mu chapter and remained in Berkeley for a Council Meeting. The business occupying them at this time included the plans for better government of chapters; re-organization of the LAMP, and appointment of an editor to fill Mrs. Duncan's unexpired term; and matters to be taken up at the meeting of National Panhellenic Congress which followed the next week. The meetings were held at the Mu chapter house, and the Mu girls were delightfully thoughtful of arrangements for comfort and enjoyment. Great pleasure had been felt in the fact that the installation of Mu had been attended by much the largest representation both in numbers and chapters ever present at the establishment of a chapter of Delta Zeta. The presence of the entire Council also made the ceremonies seem unusually impressive.

The National Officers received much benefit from attending the meetings of the National Panhellenic Congress at



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this time, and in particular gained much from the contacts with officers of other fraternities. Delta Zeta was also very proud of the interest manifested in the discussion given by Mrs. Mary Dranga Campbell, *Epsilon*, at a Panhellenic Round table on Social Service. Mrs. Campbell spoke of her service in the education of the blind. At the Panhellenic banquet which closed the session, Mrs. Gertrude McElfresh, professor of English and acting dean of women at Oregon Agricultural College, represented Delta Zeta in a most charming and creditable manner.

The year 1916 opened auspiciously, for Delta Zeta gained two new chapters in the month of January, these being Xi at the University of Cincinnati and Omicron at the University of Pittsburgh.

Early in the year the Grand Officers and Zeta chapter as convention hostess began through the LAMP a campaign for the most notable convention in the history of Delta Zeta. Because of this enthusiastic promotion it befell that a large number of Delta Zetas met in the Lincoln Hotel, Lincoln, Nebraska, June 26. Here the Grand Officers and delegates lived for a most enjoyable week. The program was prepared by Janet Cameron, *Zeta*, and was carried out in every detail.

1916 Convention, Lincoln

PROGRAM

Sunday

- 9 to 12—Church by groups
- 2 to 5—Reception at the home of Mrs. Davis

Monday

- 9 to 12—Meeting guests
- 12 to 2 P.M.—Luncheon
- 2 to 5:30—Opening meeting of Convention

PROGRAM

- Music—Violin Solo, Esther French (A)
- Address of Welcome—President of Zeta Chapter
- Grand President's Address—Mrs. H. L. Stephenson
- The Fraternity Girl and College Ideals—Mrs. A. E. Sheldon, Patroness of Zeta Chapter

- Reception of Delegates' Credentials—Mrs. C. E. Shugart
- Appointing of Committees
- Reports of Standing Committees

- 8 to 10 P.M.—Informal at home of Vivian Knight

Tuesday

- 9 to 12 A.M. and 2 to 5:30 P.M.
 - Prayer
 - Roll Call
 - Minutes of last National Convention
- 8 to 11 P.M.—Pageant, Temple Theater

Wednesday

- 9 to 12 A.M. and 2 to 5:30 P.M.
 - Prayer
 - Roll Call
 - Chapter Reports
- 12 to 2 P.M.—Luncheon at Commercial Club
- 8 P.M.—Model Initiation, Lincoln Hotel by Zeta Chapter

Thursday

- 9 to 12 A.M.—Prayer
 - Roll Call
 - Report of Alumnae Chapters
 - Open Discussion of Panhellenic Affairs
 - Miscellaneous Business
- 3 to 5 P.M.—Reception to Greek letter Women of Lincoln, at Home of Ex-Governor and Mrs. Aldrich, Patrons of Zeta Chapter
- 6:30 P.M.—Banquet, Lincoln Hotel

Friday

- 9 to 12 A.M.—Prayer
 - Roll Call
 - Closing Up of Convention Affairs
 - Election of National Officers
 - Installation Services
 - Auditing of local and National Books
- 12 to 8 P.M.—Picnic at Crete, Nebraska

To go into detail concerning this convention which was so successful from every point of view, it may be said in the beginning that much enthusiasm was aroused on the way to Lincoln. Not only by the Kappa girls who made up a large party and came so far, from the West, but also by the special train which was made up in Chicago and filled with delegates from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and New York, was much friendliness encouraged and high spirits resulted. From the moment of arrival and cordial greeting by the Lincoln girls, to the farewell handshake almost a week later,

friendliness was everywhere in evidence. The get-acquainted party at the home of Mrs. Davis on Sunday brought the two groups, those from the far West, and the rest of the members, into their first personal contacts. A different but most enjoyable social experience was what was termed Pageant Night, when, in the Temple Theater, the Delta Zetas produced their own bill of entertainment, the program being:

Delta Zeta in Nebraska—Alpha Chapter
A Lone Stunt by a Lone Girl—Beta Chapter
A Day at DePauw—Delta Chapter
Vocal Music—Nell Easley of Epsilon Chapter
Greek Mythology—Zeta Chapter
Vaudeville a la Mode—Theta Chapter
The Talented Triplets—Iota Chapter
Kappalogues—Kappa Chapter
A Fall Rushing—Lambda Chapter
Monologue "How Rube Played"—Frances Brown, Mu
Pantomime: Blue Beard—Nu Chapter
Music—Xi Chapter
A Fraternity Room—Omicron Chapter

This, which is the first official Stunt Night of any convention, is now a regular feature of the biennial meetings. Needless to remind those who were there of the gales of laughter; and that the program was enjoyed is easily surmised.

A vast amount of business was done at this convention; some relating to such matters as chapter problems—like the poor, always with us; or the LAMP, How to Widen its Influence (to the Business Manager's ear this always interprets itself as, how to secure more subscribers); questions and problems of local Panhellenics; the approval of a service for the installation of chapter officers; the adoption, in accordance with the recommendation of the Social Service Committee, of a pledge that Delta Zetas would buy garments which had the Consumers' League mark.

Enter—"The Delta Zeta Fraternity"

This convention was also of importance for a number of other individual reasons. It marked the first time that real initiates had been given the honor of receiving the convention model initiation. The girls to receive this ceremony

were Claudia Wells of Lambda chapter, and Florence Burch of Zeta. At this time, also, the convention expressed itself as favoring the name "Delta Zeta Fraternity" rather than "Delta Zeta Sorority." This change of name had come about from a discussion in N.P.C. as to whether or not all the women's organizations should style themselves fraternities.* The office of Censor of the LAMP was dispensed with; and Grand Council was given authority to carry on all business and make decisions for immediate use, in the interim of conventions. Burr, Patterson and Company of Detroit were appointed sole official jewelers. Some few changes were made in the constitution, and a system of uniform dues for chapters to pay the National Treasury was evolved.

The official attendance, as well as total number present, was the largest of any convention to this time; there were present six National Officers, delegates from thirteen college chapters, and five alumnae chapters. The spirit of the entire meeting was most inspiring. No little of this may be laid to the auspicious tone which the message of the Grand President had imparted. In her address, "Unity with Diversity," she likened the fraternity to a mosaic masterpiece; each unit beautiful and complete within itself, and entirely unique; but all fitting together with exquisite harmony and meaning, into a perfect whole. Such a message was a treasure for the heart of every girl in Delta Zeta.

Although the convention learned that Mrs. Stephenson felt she must lighten her Delta Zeta labors, its regret at losing her from the presidency was tempered both with deep appreciation that she had been able to give so much to Delta Zeta when she needed it, and that there was available as successor one excellently ready to assume the guidance of the fraternity. The election of Martha L. Railsback as Grand President was

* NOTE: This convention may be excused for not observing constitutional requirements and for failing to change Articles of Incorporation.

greeted with spontaneous applause. Her fellow members on Council were:

Grand Vice President—Erma Lindsay, *Beta*
Grand Secretary—Rene Sebring Smith, *Alpha*

Grand Treasurer—Hazel Putnam, *Iota*
Editor of the LAMP—Arema O'Brien, *Theta*
Historian—Mrs. Stephenson
Parliamentarian—Ruby Long, *Kappa*
Registrar—Janet Cameron, *Zeta*

Auxiliary officers were: Business Manager of the LAMP, Madeline Baird, *Theta*; Social Service Chairman, Beulah Greer, *Alpha*; Editor of the Songbook, Virginia Ballaseyus, *Mu*; Big Sister, Mrs. Shugart, *Zeta*; and the usual standing committees.

With the granting of a charter for an alumnae chapter to members living in Seattle, the total number of chapters was now twenty; thirteen college and seven alumnae, with one inactive (*Eta*) for the record of fourteen years.

The new Council began work with seriousness and dispatch. Evidences of their executive ability were seen within the first year. All chapters had been inspected by district visitors; and excellent assistance given in handling their problems. The alumnae chapters were increased by four new ones—Lafayette and Ft. Wayne, Indiana; Omaha and Berkeley, California being chartered. Two new college chapters, *Pi* at Eureka College, Eureka, Illinois, and *Rho* at the University of Denver, were installed.

1916-17 Year of Great Advancement

These evidences of progress inspired to further advances when in July, 1917, the Grand Council met for a business meeting at the summer home of Miss Railsback—Katydid Bungalow, near Martinsville, Indiana. The officers present were, Miss Railsback, Rene Sebring Smith, Arema O'Brien and Hazel Putnam.

Discussion of the usual problems of the fraternity and the new phases of them resulting from America's entrance in the World War, occupied much time. House management problems received

special attention. The work of the National Big Sister and her committee in their work with the chapters was commended and continued. Special importance should be attached to the adoption, at this time, of the uniform system for the management of college chapter treasuries, the plan being the work of Carl Malott, husband of Myrtle Graeter Malott who had done such excellent work on the Finance Committee of which she had been appointed Chairman at the 1916 Convention. This system with modifications is still in use in Delta Zeta and has been of great value in producing uniformity of chapter finance management.

Much interest was felt in the report of the Extension Committee which presented evidence of more extensive investigations than had been made in any past year, and was very gratifying as to actual results. Two petitions brought up at this time were passed upon, subject to ratification by all officers and the chapters. These petitions were from Alpha Alpha Zeta, at the Louisiana State University, and a local at North Dakota University, Alpha Sigma Alpha. The former petition was entirely unexpected by the Council at this time; it being the plan of Nettie Wills Shugart to bring it to Council as a happy surprise and in this she succeeded perfectly. These two chapters are sometimes called the gift of the Lincoln Alumnae Chapter, inasmuch as each was fostered by a member of Zeta Chapter. Mrs. Shugart and Mayme Dworak of Zeta worked with the group at L.S.U., and Fannie Putcamp who was at that time on the faculty of the University of North Dakota, had been very helpful in the assistance of Alpha Sigma Alpha. These two groups were of outstanding excellence and have been valuable additions to the chapter roll. The installation of Sigma was of especial note as marking the very first of our southern chapters. New instructions for use of future petitioning groups were prepared. And the reminder issued—"Members, attention! When traveling, leaving your chapter, or going to

a college where there is nothing known of Delta Zeta (incredible supposition!) remember that through your interest, your praise, your influence, a new chapter may be added to Delta Zeta. Every favorable word counts—every thought counts. *Remember!*”

The reports of all the officers showed a tremendous amount of work done, often at the expense of great personal energy and financial burden. Their satisfaction in the condition of the fraternity as evidenced by the growth of every department, was their reward.

The Social Service Committee Report was heard with the usual great interest. Miss Greer offered suggestions which the advance of the fraternity had now made adaptable, and the minutes of the meeting show the following sections: “Moved, seconded and carried, that our Social Service Fund, started by the royalty on pins, be thrown into one general fund, to be considered as a loan fund which may be used as a scholarship fund for chapter loans or for the promotion of social service at the discretion of a committee to be appointed by the President and Vice President, and the latter to be Chairman of the Committee.” “Moved, seconded, and carried, that all alumnae chapters be asked to contribute \$25.00 to this fund during the year of 1917-18.” And thus was created the Scholarship Fund.

At the close of the meeting, it seemed that conditions might be such that even in spite of the war, there could be in 1918, a Convention meeting with Beta Chapter, this having been long a dream of the fraternity.

Early in 1918 it was seen that this was to be impossible, and by vote of the chapters there was substituted a meeting of the Council, held in Columbus, Ohio, June 10-16, 1918. The hostesses were Theta Chapter and the Columbus Alumnae Chapter, and the officers in attendance were, Miss Railsback; Miss Smith, Secretary; Miss O'Brien, Editor; Ann Younger, Songbook Editor; Myrtle Graeter Malott, Treasurer; Madeline Baird, Registrar.

1918 Council Meeting, Columbus, Ohio

The usual routine of business took place; reports of officers, committees, and chapters; minutes of the 1916 Convention and 1917 Council Meeting.

Changes in the constitution, subject to approval at the next Convention, were discussed. There was great pleasure in the report of the Historian, and in the manuscript submitted, and Mrs. Stephenson was urged to complete the work and have it printed.

After one year's trial it was found that the treasury system was still in the adaptive stage, and an additional year of trial was recommended by Council.

The report of the Extension Committee showed the installation of Sigma Chapter (Louisiana State University); Tau Chapter (University of Wisconsin); and Upsilon Chapter (University of North Dakota) since the 1916 Convention. Petitions were presented from Delta Phi Phi, at the Washington State College, and Delta Omega, at Oregon Agricultural College. These petitions were granted, with the chapters to be installed as Phi and Chi respectively. The plans for reviving Eta Chapter were greeted with approval and the re-establishment celebrated in October following.

Owing to the war's deterrent effect, the Loan Fund was reported as growing more slowly than had been hoped, but yet making good gain.

A number of guests were present at the various social functions which marked this Council Meeting, and on the whole it had sufficiently the aspect of a small Convention to be an inspiration to all those who attended, in this time of emergency and strain. No election being possible, the Council was to hold over until Convention.

In the fall of 1918, with the Armistice and the end of the War, Delta Zeta along with many other organizations, found herself casting about to know the exact status in which she then was, and attempting to plan in the wisest possible way for the inevitable adjustment the coming year promised.

Difficulties Survived, Even Surmounted

The summer of 1919 brought a blow in the shape of the resignation of the President, Martha Railsback. This step she had found necessary in view of the pressure of her own work, and the heavy duties of the presidency, which were only the last of a long term of services for Delta Zeta. Realizing the loss that Delta Zeta was facing, Miss Smith urged all the chapters to request a reconsideration by Miss Railsback, in the hope that she would consent to hold office until the expected Convention of 1920. This, although it was done in such a spirit as to leave "Our Martha" no doubt as to her place in the regard of her chapters, was not successful in lessening her feeling that she must cut down on her activities, and so with great regret Council was compelled to accept for the fraternity the resignation of one whose service for years had been unceasing in promoting the welfare of Delta Zeta.

Further complications were met when the Grand Vice President reported that she would be unable to succeed to the Presidency at this time; the announcement of her succeeding to Miss Railsback's place having reached her in the hospital, on the birthday of her first daughter. Miss Smith therefore became the acting executive for the time remaining until the 1920 Convention, and as Secretary she appointed Mary Luella Reeder, a charter member of Eta at the time of its re-establishment, and then serving as secretary to the president of Baker University.

Great credit must be given to the re-organized Council, which so promptly assumed its work and kept the organization moving along in remarkably smooth fashion during the rest of the biennium. It became very evident that a Convention in 1920 was indispensable, but conditions made it seem more advisable to postpone the holding of it at Ithaca, since the expense of transportation would be extremely high. Therefore Denver was chosen, and Rho, Lambda and Eta Chapters were named as joint hostesses.

1920 Convention, Denver, Colorado

This Convention, being the first in four years, was one of enthusiasm, even of curiosity to members who, in their entire college experience had not had an opportunity of attending a Convention of their fraternity.

The Shirley Hotel was chosen as headquarters, and there were in attendance eighty-eight registered members; of whom six were Council Officers, one an acting officer, twenty-one, delegates from the college chapters, and ten present as delegates from alumnae chapters. Four alumnae chapters were not represented.

Reports of officers, chapters and committees showed that even with the strain of the war years, progress had been made and that it was an admirable time for marked progress.

The installation of Phi, Chi and Psi Chapters, was reported; the latter having been done by Miss Smith as her last official duty before starting to Convention. A Charter was granted to Delta Psi, at the University of Oregon, which would be Omega Chapter. For future convenience in the work of Extension and Inspection, there were created four Provinces, with a President appointed for the work within each. This is the first time Delta Zeta uses the Province name and combines the functions of extension and inspection.

Constitution and ritual were found to need some attention. The changes in the constitution had to do largely with finances. At this time changes in the manner of paying Life LAMP Subscriptions and Life Alumnae Dues were made, providing for their payment on the five-year plan, five dollars being paid each year on each tax, until finished. The National Big Sister was made a regular member of Council. The making of several changes in the ritual were approved, and a committee with Esther Culp of Pi as Chairman, was instructed to prepare this revision by 1922 Convention.

It was proposed that Delta Zeta change her social service policy from that of assisting her own members ex-

clusively, to the adopting of one large issue to be the national altruistic work; at the same time to increase the size and service of the Loan Fund. Though considered with approval, more extended inquiry rather than immediate action, was the decision.

Although much other business occupied the time of the delegates it was felt by all that this was a time to make

Grand Secretary—Luella Reeder
Grand Treasurer—Myrtle Graeter Malott
Editor—Arema O'Brien
Big Sister—Nettie Wills Shugart
Parliamentarian—Alys Sutton, *Sigma*
Historian—Julia Bishop Coleman
Registrar—Henrietta Schlegel Jones, *Omicron*

A new staff of assistants was appointed for the LAMP, and Gertrude McElfresh was made Panhellenic representative.



AT DENVER CONVENTION

haste slowly. This, the combined Seventh and Eighth Convention of Delta Zeta showed how great had been the growth of the sorority since it had met in Lincoln in 1916. A multitude of adjustments and new problems presented themselves to the assembly. In most cases the wisest way to handle these seemed to be to consider the matter carefully and entrust its investigation to a committee, rather than to make a hasty decision during Convention days. The great changes that had come about in the college and fraternity world since 1916 demanded watchful care, that each onward step might make for real progress and not have to be re-traced. In preparation for these new demands Delta Zeta elected for the coming two years the following Council:

Grand President—Rene Sebring Smith
Grand Vice President—Ruby Long

At the close of the Convention the general feeling was that now at the successful weathering of the recent critical period, Delta Zeta was ready to embark on a new era of progress.

During the next biennium the establishment of three new chapters was of great interest. These were, Omega, at the University of Oregon; Alpha Alpha at Northwestern University; and Alpha Beta at the University of Illinois. This composed the entire extension record for the term, and until the Convention of 1922 removed the idea, arrived at by some error in a number of chapters, that 1920 Convention had voted to consider petitions at Conventions only. This mistaken impression was responsible for much loss of time and opportunity, as the two years from 1920-22 offered Delta Zeta many openings favorable to her growth. However, it was fortunate

that a number of petitions denied action in the interim held over until the next Convention and were successful in being accepted.

Chapter development was encouraged through visitation by the province presidents and not the least factor in promoting the feeling of unity and kinship was the appearance, in 1921, of the second edition of the Songbook, which had been long and eagerly desired.

Beta Chapter's cherished dream of entertaining a Convention on the beautiful Cornell campus was realized in 1922. At Ithaca in June there gathered by far the largest, and in many respects the most enthusiastic, Convention yet known to Delta Zeta. Its record of achievement was happily in keeping with its numbers and zest.

1922 Convention, Ithaca, New York

Great enthusiasm was manifested at the report of the Extension Secretary, Georgia Chandler Hornung, who presented to the Convention petitions from five groups, representing as many sections and types of colleges. Each petition was supported by some officer who had visited the group, and the Convention was unanimous in accepting the entire five, which resulted in the installation the same fall, of: Alpha Gamma Chapter, University of Alabama; Alpha Delta Chapter, George Washington University; Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College; Alpha Zeta, Adelphi College, and Alpha Eta, University of Michigan. Charters were also granted for these new alumnae chapters: at Eureka, Illinois; Franklin, Indiana; Chicago and Los Angeles. (The two first named later returned their charters and became associations, which by their inherent nature they should be.)

The Social Service Committee reported with the definite request that Delta Zeta now adopt a national altruistic project, and that the special project be the supporting of a school in the mountains of Kentucky, in connection with the Caney Creek Community Center, Inc. A fascinating account of the

work of this center, and of one Delta Zeta worker's enthusiasm for it, was read, the contribution of Esther Mooney of Delta Chapter. With immense acclaim the Convention voted to accept this recommendation.

Myrtle Malott had the pleasure of reporting the treasury to be in the very best condition of its whole history. As she said, this report was "short—but sweet" to the ears not only of the delegates but of the treasurer, who had for five years been hoping to see so prosperous a day.

The Historian reported much labor, some results, and much hope for the future.

Numerous changes to the constitution were suggested, some adopted, and a new revision of the constitution ordered to be made ready for printing.

Central Office Established

Perhaps the most momentous of the decisions of this Convention, with the possible exception of the adoption of the Social Service program, was the approving of the creation of a Central Office for the fraternity, with a paid, full-time secretary in charge, in order to collect in the hands of one person much of the routine and a considerable portion of the general work of correspondence. It was decided to have this office located for the first two years, in the same city with the President. Supplies, records, and files were to be kept here and all distributions made therefrom.

The Council elected at this Convention was composed of:

Grand President—Rene Sebring Smith
Grand Vice President—Julia Bishop Coleman
Secretary—Marita Oelkers Littauer, *Beta*
Treasurer—Edythe Wilson Thoesen, *Lambda*
Editor—Vera Brown Jones, *Alpha Alpha*
Registrar—Myrtle Graeter Malott
Parliamentarian—Ruby Long
Historian—Grace Mason, *Epsilon*
Big Sister—Nettie Wills Shugart
Extension Secretary—Georgia Chandler Hornung

The newly-established Social Service Program was put in the hands of Arema O'Brien Kirven, who at this time closed eight years of continuous service as



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LAMP Editor, thus establishing the longest term of work in one office, known to Delta Zetas.

The usual standing Committees were appointed, and the post-Convention Council Meeting appointed Grace Mason as Executive Secretary for the coming two years.

Aside from the amount of work accomplished, the Convention was delightful from the standpoint of fellowship and enjoyment. Beta Chapter, assisted ably by its alumnae in the New York Alumnae Chapter, proved hostesses adequate for every demand. The natural beauty of the Cornell campus was a great asset. For the first time the Convention had met in comparative seclusion, instead of in an hotel in the midst of city clamor, and the experiment was found a success. In fact, the success of this Convention was a splendid advertisement for future ones, as well as a standing challenge to break its record.

The fall of 1922 found all in readiness for the heavy demands of the year ahead. The Central Office was opened in Muncie, Indiana, and the first activity of the year was the arranging for the installations of the new chapters. A schedule for the inspection of each college chapter, during the year, was early begun and carried along throughout the year. Before the Council Meeting of 1923, there had been added two more new college chapters; Alpha Theta at the University of Kentucky, and the long-awaited Gamma, at Minnesota. The close of the year showed decided cause for satisfaction in the condition of the chapters, the national unity, and the newly increased number of chapter houses owned by our chapters, there being at this time thirteen houses owned out of twenty-four maintained.

1923 Council Meeting, Indianapolis

In the summer of 1923 the Council Meeting was held in Indianapolis with Indianapolis Alumnae chapter as hostess. This meeting was largely in the nature of a program for the future, and the forward look was found in almost every

department reporting. At this meeting a substantial sum was voted to be given towards the rebuilding of the Library of Louvain, which had been destroyed during the war.

The Extension Chairman reported a great number of petitions soon to be ready for consideration, and presented for re-consideration the petition from Lambda Rho at the University of Southern California. The former negatives being reconsidered, the petition was granted and installation set for November; the new chapter to be Alpha Iota.

Mrs. Coleman as Vice President had been assigned special work with the alumnae and had devoted much time to the promotion of alumnae associations, as well as encouraging new alumnae chapters. She recommended the plan used by Upsilon Chapter, which had been the pioneer chapter in the encouraging and fostering of this form of alumnae contact. Mrs. Coleman reported some progress but stressed the need for greater education as to their value. At this time the old form of naming the alumnae chapters for letters of the Greek Alphabet, was dropped for the simpler plan of naming the chapter for the city in which it was founded. A charter was granted to alumnae in Detroit, and Cleveland and Dayton reported activity in this direction. Emphasis was placed on the fact that alumnae must keep in good standing to enjoy full alumnae privileges.

Again the treasurer had the pleasure of reporting fine condition of the funds. It was decided that Delta Zeta be one of the N.P.C. member organizations supporting the proposed Panhellenic House in New York City; that stock should be bought for the national organization and a campaign promoted to encourage chapters and members to purchase. The Loan Fund reported numerous individual loans, and the prospect of being able, in the near future, to make larger loans, such as to assist in the financing of chapter houses. The value of the thirteen houses then owned by chapters of Delta Zeta was reported as \$300,000.00.

As always, the report of the Social Service Committee was one of great interest. This time, Mrs. Kirven gave a report in person, she having just made a special trip to visit "The Little Lamp," the school which Delta Zeta had been financing for the past year. Her report gave much satisfaction, and it was felt that Delta Zeta could consider itself of real service through this means.

History Appears December, 1923

The publications of the fraternity reported variously. The songbook, that it could not be ready for an indefinite time unless chapters responded more generously; the History, that a short story of Delta Zeta would be printed in the December 1923 LAMP, in recognition of Delta Zeta's twenty-first anniversary; the LAMP itself, that progress was being made but both financially and in the matter of material, continuous vigilance was still necessary to secure results at all satisfactory. Increase of life subscriptions was to be urged in every way.

The social features of the Council Meeting were most enjoyable. An initiation with a candidate from Epsilon Chapter; an all-day picnic drive to Bloomington to see the new chapter house built by Epsilon after the fire of 1922; and finally attendance at a rush party held by all three Indiana chapters at the Irvington Country Club, gave much pleasure to the visiting officers.

In the fall of 1923, Miss Smith left Muncie to spend the year in New York studying, and her residence there was marked by great contact with members of other fraternities and consequently important service for Delta Zeta, unofficially as well as by her work as Delta Zeta representative at the National Panhellenic Congress.

Delta Zeta also suffered the loss of her chapter house at Berkeley, in the disastrous fire which swept over the city. It was most commendably and promptly replaced by one even better suited to the purpose than had been the first one, although the clustering ivy which had given the house a charming distinction could not be duplicated.

Wider Horizons

This year 1923-24 will stand out for years as one of amazing growth in extension fields. Mrs. Hornung, receiving one after another excellent petitions in localities and colleges of advantage to Delta Zeta, found herself almost embarrassed by the wealth of available material. Scrutiny of the entire fraternity field showed extension to be at high peak in many organizations. All circumstances, with the additional fact of 1924 being the year for a national convention, combined to persuade her that greater benefit would be had from presenting these petitions to the fraternity for a verdict before Convention, than to hold them over. During the winter months she kept the national and province officers busy, inspecting these would-be petitioners. The approved ones were presented to the fraternity for its vote, and the year ending with the Convention of 1924 showed the installation of ten new college chapters. Therefore it was that at 1924, at Evanston, there answered to roll call, forty-three college chapters, of whom unquestionably the most eager and anticipatory must be the delegates from the ten newest groups: Alpha Kappa, Syracuse University; Alpha Lambda, the University of Colorado; Alpha Mu, St. Lawrence University; Alpha Nu, Butler College; Alpha Xi, Randolph-Macon Women's College; Alpha Omicron, Brenau College; Alpha Pi, Howard College; Alpha Rho, Ohio Wesleyan University; Alpha Sigma, Florida State College for Women; and Alpha Tau, University of Texas.

Extension, however, was not emphasized to the neglect of the other departments of the fraternity. The 1924 Convention showed that the growth had been not only outward, in the form of these many new shoots, but that the roots of the organization had also been pushed deeper and the vigor of the whole organization strengthened.

1924 Convention, Evanston, Illinois

In June 1924 Delta Zeta assembled for her Tenth National Convention at the Hotel Orrington, in Evanston, Illi-



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nois. Alpha Alpha was the hostess chapter, with Tau and the three sister chapters in Illinois as assistants. This Convention is the first in which attendance numbers hundred-S, and it was a veritable "Know Thyself" session in that so many chapters were meeting and being met for the first time. The introduction of the charming representatives from the new chapters was a delightful feature of the first day's first session, and the enthusiasm of these new members was from first to last an inspiration that carried through even the most routine sessions.

Only one new chapter was voted upon at this Convention, the petition of Kappa Nu Alpha, of the University of Maine, which had been visited and recommended by Rene Sebring Smith and Alfa Lloyd Hayes.

The report of the treasurer was heard with enthusiasm, as Mrs. Thoesen had prepared a number of graphs and charts to show the distribution of income and expenditures, the condition of the Loan Fund, the budget for the coming biennium, and other usually prosaic data. Special satisfaction was felt in the condition of the alumnae dues income, this special source of income having far exceeded the estimated payments since 1922.

Revisions of the ritual were authorized; as well as a new edition of the national constitution, made necessary by numerous acts of Convention, most significant of them being the reducing of the number of officers on Council. The Registrar, Parliamentarian and Big Sister each incorporated in her report a motion that her office be removed from Council, designating other places for their work to be assigned. Also, the work of extension was given to the National Secretary, thus dropping the Extension Secretary, as a separate officer, from Council. The six officers elected to form the new Council—henceforth designated as "National" rather than "Grand"—were:

President—Julia Bishop Coleman
Vice President—Georgia Chandler Hornung
Secretary—Marita Oelkers Littauer

Treasurer—Myrtle Graeter Malott
Editor—Vera Brown Jones
Historian—Grace Mason

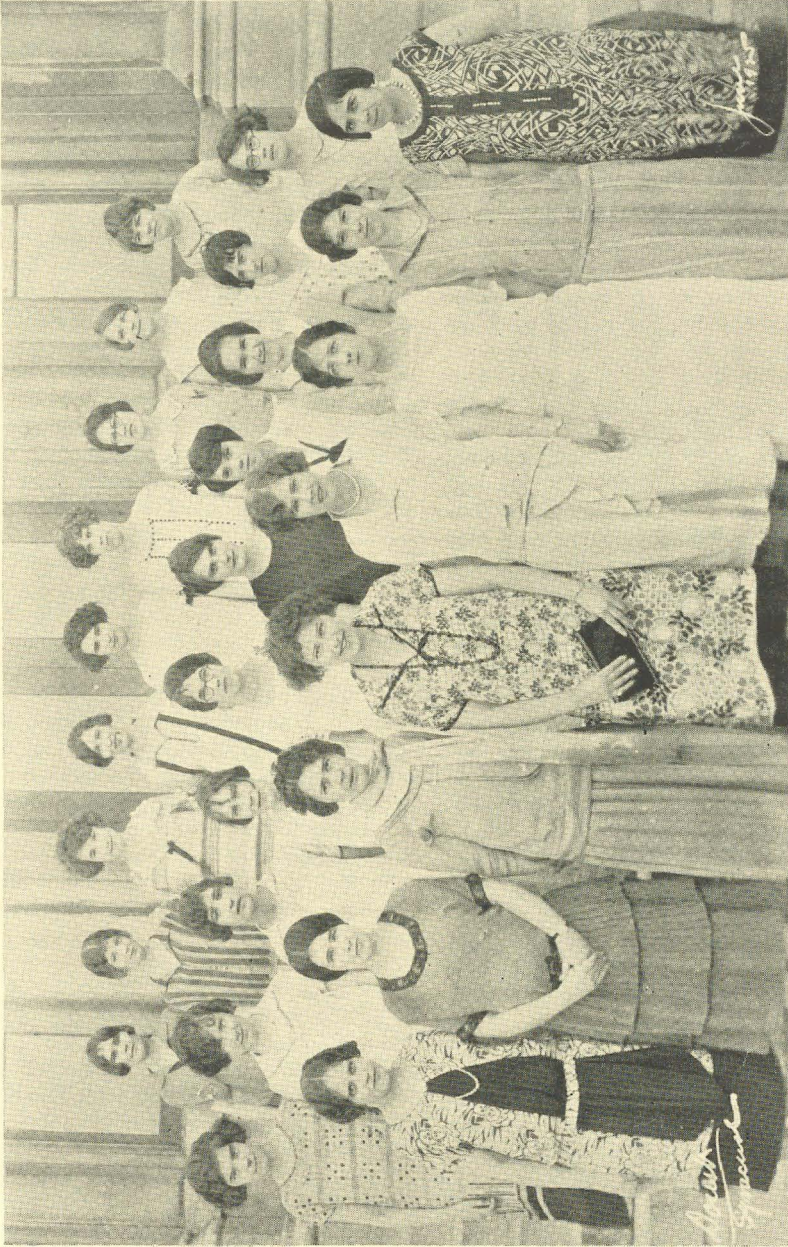
This is the first Council which does not include at least one officer making her debut in national work.

The special features of this Convention were the plans made for the improvement in chapter self government, the encouragement of alumnae associations and chapters, the first appearance of a Convention Daily, setting up of an independent social center, larger than "the Little Lamp" at Vest, Ky., the improving and extending of the function of the Province organization and the provision for improving the financing of the LAMP. Of special interest from the more general point of view were the presence at Convention after 10 years absence of Alfa Lloyd Hayes; the adopting of a standard form of pledge service and of initiation costume; and the consideration of a revised coat of arms.

In the fall of 1924 all departments were found ready for the year's work. The Central Office was moved to Indianapolis for greater effectiveness; the year's schedule of chapter visitation was begun; Alpha Upsilon Chapter installation in November added a new region (Maine) to that reached by Delta Zeta chapters; cultivation and assistance of groups at Kansas University, Southern Methodist University and the University of California at Los Angeles were under the guidance of the extension department; a prosperous year, effectively begun.

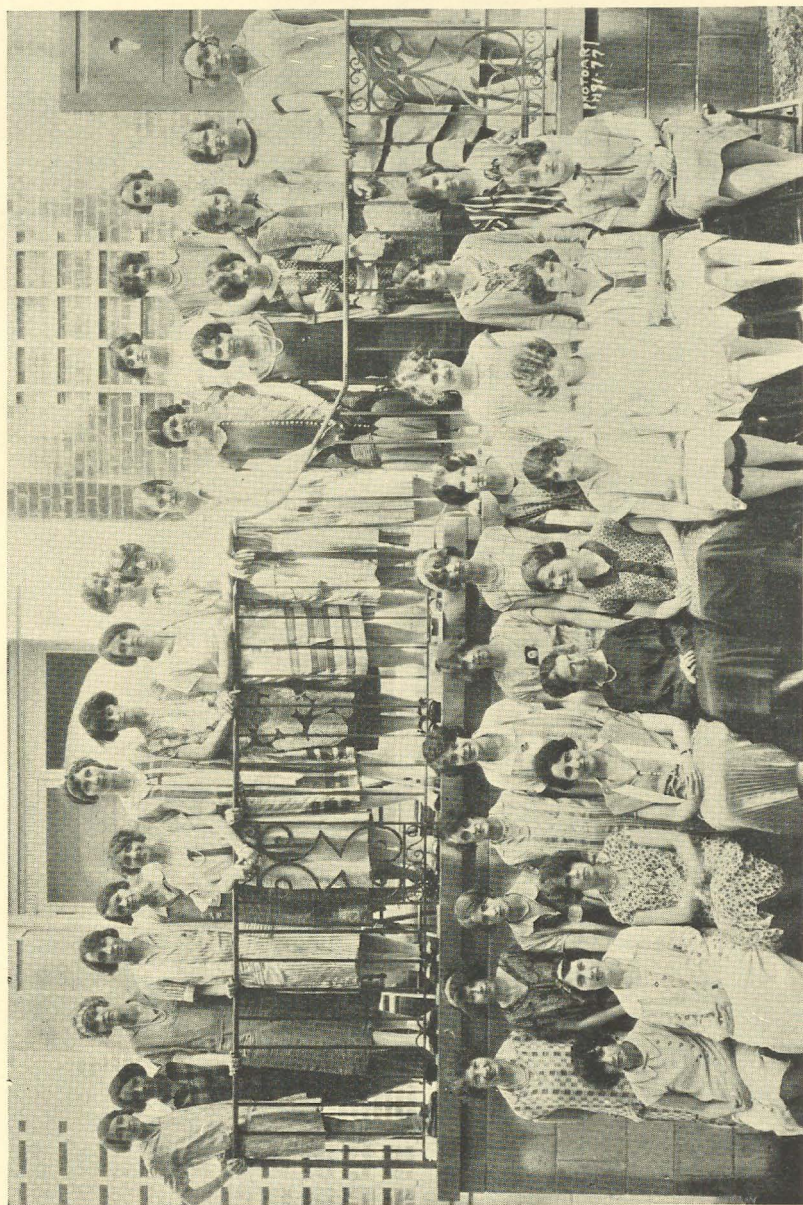
First Province Conventions—1925

The summer of 1925 is marked by the first of the biennial Province Conventions. Beta Province is the first Province to hold such a meeting, its climatic conditions favoring an early meeting and April being the month selected. The petitions of the local groups at Kansas and at the University of California at Los Angeles having been granted, the installations of these chapters were made the occasion for the conventions of their respective provinces. This plan was



ALPHA PROVINCE CONVENTION, 1925

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DELTA PROVINCE CONVENTION, 1925



EPSILON PROVINCE CONVENTION, 1925



FIRST ANNUAL CONVENTION OF ETA PROVINCE, 1925

found enjoyable but had the drawback of causing the delegates to miss more classroom sessions than seemed desirable. The other conventions took place in the month of June. Therefore reports from all seven province conventions were given at the meeting of the Council which took place at the home of Mrs. Coleman.

Council Visits Δ Z's Mountain School

The officers attending this meeting were: Mrs. Coleman, President; Mrs. Justus R. Friedline, who had been appointed to finish the term after Mrs. Hornung's resignation as Vice President; Mrs. Malott, Treasurer; Mrs. Edythe Wilson Thoesen, who had been persuaded, early in the preceding fall, to accept the office of Secretary upon the inability of Mrs. Littauer to continue; Mrs. Jones, Editor, and Miss Mason, Historian.

Special attention was given to the reports submitted by the visiting officers upon their chapter inspections and recommendations were prepared for each individual chapter. A charter was granted to alumnae in Dayton, Ohio, for a chapter there. In the line of extension, the groups at Southern Methodist University and Millsaps College were approved for further encouragement. Finances showed a gratifying gain. The local constitution was given exhaustive consideration and careful revision for later consideration by National Convention. Re-affirming her intention of adhering to the ideals of her founding, Delta Zeta issued statements calling the attention of members to rules prohibiting certain disapproved practices, and in the decisions made upon a number of cases of discipline brought up at this time, the bearing of the Delta Zeta principles upon the decision made, was carefully explained. At the same time pleasure was expressed in the reports from all sides which showed the sentiment of the undergraduate members to be for right and sound conservatism rather than undue unrestraint.

Much time was given to the consider-

ation of the plans and program for the 1926 Convention, as submitted by the committee in charge, and the feeling was voiced that a notable convention was assured. A session with railroad officials, arranging for the first trans-continental convention special train of the fraternity, was held.

The revised coat of arms was approved, and arrangements made for the changing of the Delta Zeta "shingle" from the engraved card formerly used, to a wall plaque bearing the coat of arms on the face and a certificate of membership on the reverse. The submitted design for the pin for mothers and patronesses was approved by the Council. Loving cups were viewed but no change made at this time. It was voted to purchase for the possession of the fraternity a new loving cup to be awarded for scholarship, the former cup having been permanently won by Iota Chapter. The ritual received careful attention both as to content and mode of presentation and a new revision was ordered for distribution in the fall, in order that the chapters might use it for a year and vote upon it in 1926.

The Council also took pleasure in presenting to Dr. Guy Potter Benton, in part recognition of his contribution to Δ Z, a gift of five hundred dollars. Mrs. Coleman was instructed to make the presentation during her forthcoming visit to Minneapolis in the fall.

Part of one day was happily spent in a visit to Miami University, which three members had never before seen. Here Council was entertained by Miss Anne Habekost, of Alpha Chapter, who was Dean of Women for the summer session, and enjoyed meeting a number of other Alpha girls, active and alumnae. Another pleasant social occasion was a dinner in Cincinnati, the hostesses being the Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter and the special guests other than Council, the members of Xi Chapter.

Following the business sessions, a memorable experience was shared by Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Malott and Miss Mason, who, with Dr. Coleman as con-

ductor and chauffeur, made a trip to the Delta Zeta School in Kentucky. At Ashland, Kentucky, they were joined by Mrs. Kirven, Miss Amanda Thomas and Miss Aline Davis of the Social Service Committee, and Esther Mooney Stumbo, to whom credit for suggesting this as a field of altruistic work for the Fraternity, belongs. The trip occupied an entire week, and was not only intensely interesting, but very informative and helpful in planning for the future work with the school.

The year 1925-26 seemed a very short one indeed. The winter months saw every chapter visited by either a national or a province officer. In January the National Panhellenic Congress met in Dallas, Texas, and Delta Zeta was represented by four of her officers, Miss Rene Sebring Smith as Panhellenic representative for Delta Zeta, succeeded to the office of Treasurer of Panhellenic, being the first of Delta Zeta's members to assume officership in Panhellenic. Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Jones and Miss Mason were the other members in attendance; Mrs. Coleman being alternate delegate, and Mrs. Jones and Miss Mason primarily interested in the editor's conference. At this time the petitioning group at Southern Methodist University was also inspected by the officers, and approval of the work they had done under the guidance of Fannie Putcamp Smith, Province President, cordially expressed.

Two petitions were presented by Mrs. Thoesen in the early spring, and being accepted, the groups were installed as Alpha Psi (Southern Methodist University) and Alpha Omega (Millsaps College), before convention, although not in time to allow the new chapters to vote. Thus was completed the second round of the Greek Alphabet.

Almost before it seemed possible, Convention time was at hand. For five days prior to Convention, the Council met in business session in Colorado Springs, going over the suggestions made by the National and Province Officers and considering other matters

which must be disposed of before the Convention assembled.

Fraternity on Wheels

Having finished their preliminary labors, the Council members met the Convention Special at Colorado Springs and completed the journey in the company of the delegates travelling on it. So very successful did this train prove as a promoter of fellowship, a tonic toward happy Convention spirit, that it deserves mention in the history of the fraternity. A stop was made at Salt Lake City to visit the University of Utah, the Convention being the guests of a local group which had organized with the wish of receiving a charter from Delta Zeta. The informal petition of this group was presented to the Convention by its president, and heard with much interest, although no definite action was contemplated at the time.

"Delta Zeta en Route to San Francisco," 1926

The girls who attended the 1916 Convention at Lincoln, and the 1920 at Denver, had much excitement and satisfaction from the special coaches filled with themselves, which were possible from Chicago on to points west. When Convention went to Ithaca in 1922, there was not so much convening on the trains until Cleveland; although it is memorably true that after Niagara Falls, almost everyone in one's coach seemed to be bound for Ithaca. However, this train, exceedingly cindery, and limited only in the matter of its conveniences, was never even unofficially claimed as a "special." The first chance for a genuine "special" came when the California Convention was to be held. The National Council decided that registrations seemed to give sure advance guarantee of enough members to warrant a train from Chicago on west, and with the unceasing help and interest of Mr. Wellinghoff of the Milwaukee Railroad, the Convention Special was one of the pleasantest parts of the entire trip . . . Complete with every modern provision for comfortable

travelling, including the barber shop! The train was the scene for five days of a continuous house party. At every stop admiring travellers got off to admire the twinkling tail-light which announced to the world that the Delta Zetas were en route to San Francisco. At Kansas City



and Denver stops were made to enjoy the hospitality of the local Delta Zetas; while the stopover at Colorado Springs for the dual purpose of picking up the National Council and allowing for trips up Pikes Peak, was one of much excitement. Other stops along the way were arranged for recreation; while a visit in Salt Lake City gave not only wonderful sightseeing but acquaintance with the local group at the University which wished to petition Delta Zeta. By the time the train was crossing the Rocky Mountains most of the girls were ready merely to rest and enjoy the scenery, or to visit with each other and chuckle over the clever pages and cartoons of "The Lampkin," the Convention Special's Daily; faithfully issued every day by Margaret Huenefeld and the mimeograph generously loaned by University of Cincinnati Lambda Chis. On the Fourth of July, 1926, the Special reached its destination, where the 250 girls who tumbled pell-mell from its coaches surely thought that the entire Yellow Taxi fleet of San Francisco was waiting

to take them to the Fairmont—but it was remarkable how many people were all cleaned up and ready to go out to Chinatown for dinner that night, where of course the first topic of conversation was again, "Wasn't the special marvelous?" It still is.

1926 Convention—San Francisco

True to history, the 1926 Convention marked an advance over all previous ones, both in attendance and in other features. It is conceded by all that in smoothness of operation, perfection of detail in entertainment, prevalence of courtesy and general comfort, the Fairmont Hotel and Mu and Berkeley Chapters surpassed all former committees.

The Convention was characterized by thoughtfulness and careful interest, almost to the point of ultra-conservatism, in its actions.

A vast amount of work had been done on the Constitutions both local and National. Mrs. Coleman bespoke the preparation of all the laws of Delta Zeta in one volume; the Convention was delighted that when the appointments of committees were announced, Mrs. Coleman was chairman of this committee.

Myrtle Graeter Malott made perhaps her most notable contribution to Delta Zeta in the re-organization of fees, and the budgeting of income, which she proposed. It is proof of the interest which she injected into this report, to know that the session on finance was reported by many delegates as that holding for them the most vital interest; and proof of the soundness of her plan was shown during the first year of its operation. The general content of the new plan was a complete revision of the fees paid by undergraduate members, and member chapters; the outstanding feature being that the initiation fee she recommended was distributed to cover the member's entire life dues and a lifetime subscription to the LAMP. A special arrangement by which alumnae were to receive the same value upon payment of such balance as they would be found to owe, was also planned; one year being allow-

ed in which the completion of a sum equal in amount to that paid by initiates at initiation should entitle alumnae to paid-in-full status. The results financially were, in the first year, sufficiently conclusive proof that a plan of this sort would solve many of the difficulties experienced in prior administrations, of collecting dues from alumnae. The national treasury flourished and the LAMP fund grew like the proverbial green bay tree. These generalities are demonstrated more concretely in the chapters on Central Office and Finance.

The 1926 convention favored a period of decreased extension until next convention, providing for this by increasing the length of time which local groups must be organized before they may petition or receive a charter. The present size of the chapter roll also led to the adoption for future years of a policy of selecting those institutions or localities in which extension would be of most benefit to Delta Zeta and of the furtherance of colonization in forming new groups from a preferred list of colleges.

The organization and function of the Province Officers was given attention and the service of these workers made more greatly applicable to the national organization. The emphasis for the coming biennium was laid on work with the alumnae members, through the formation of more alumnae associations, and the recruiting of alumnae for more and closer contact with the entire organization. Although this work is the special function of the National Vice President, the Province organization, entire, being well adapted to its promotion, would serve as the logical instrument for it. It was at this convention that the name fraternity was changed and we once again became sorority.

The characteristic note of this Convention was the feeling of desiring deeply intensive work in the organization for the coming two years. The executive ability needed for this program was admirably present in the experience and temperament of the incoming president, and her administration was therefore

marked with this care for internal improvement.

The National Council elected at 1926 Convention was composed of but five officers, the historian being dropped from Council position by this Convention. The officers chosen were:

President—Anne Simmons Friedline
Vice President—Lois Higgins, *Alpha*
Secretary—Fannie Putcamp Smith (Mrs. Frederick D.), *Zeta*
Treasurer—Winona E. Jones, *Mu*
Editor—Grace Mason Lundy

Δ Z House Ownership Grows

The first year of Mrs. Friedline's administration showed notable work done toward the enacting of the legislation of the California Convention. Chapter visitation was selected as being one of the best means of promoting the intensive cultivation of strength and character for the sorority. Much of this visiting was done by Mrs. Friedline, giving her helpful personal knowledge to her task. An increased amount of routine work developed for the new Executive Secretary, Miss Sabina T. Murray (Beta) so that the staff in Central Office was increased. Among the items of interest and advancement which this first year recorded were, the issuing of the third edition of the Songbook; careful study by the standing committee on scholarship, of better means for accurately measuring and comparing the scholastic requirements of the several chapters in competition for the national scholarship cup; and the consideration of a scholarship award of purely sorority significance, designs for which were prepared and studied for later action; the loan fund extended its service to the sorority both in individual and chapter loans, and the prosperity of the entire organization took gratifying form, the LAMP Endowment Fund growing with especial gain, while the chapter house valuation report of 1927, showed twenty houses owned by the sorority, with a valuation exceeding \$527,000.00, and six new ones then in construction, which would bring the total property ownership up to more than \$750,000.00.

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Alpha Province Convention

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Second Convention

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Beta Province of Delta Zeta

BIRMINGHAM ALUMNAE CHAPTER
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Third Biennial Convention

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Delta Zeta Sorority

Buena Vista Hotel
Biloxi, Mississippi

July Third to Fifth
Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Nine

DELTA PROVINCE
of
DELTA ZETA

DELTA ZETA HOUSE
519 Eleventh Avenue, Southeast
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

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Guests: Gamma and Tau City Alumnae Chapters
Chaperons: Mrs. Winifred Bennett

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1929

Gamma Province
Convention

Delta Zeta Fraternity

June 14, 15, 16, 1927

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of Eta Province of
Delta Zeta

JUNE NINETEENTH and TWENTIETH
NINETEEN HUNDRED and THIRTY-ONE

Headquarters
HEATHMAN HOTEL

Third Biennial Convention

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Delta Zeta Sorority

Argonaut Hotel

Denver

June 20, 21, 22

Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-Nine

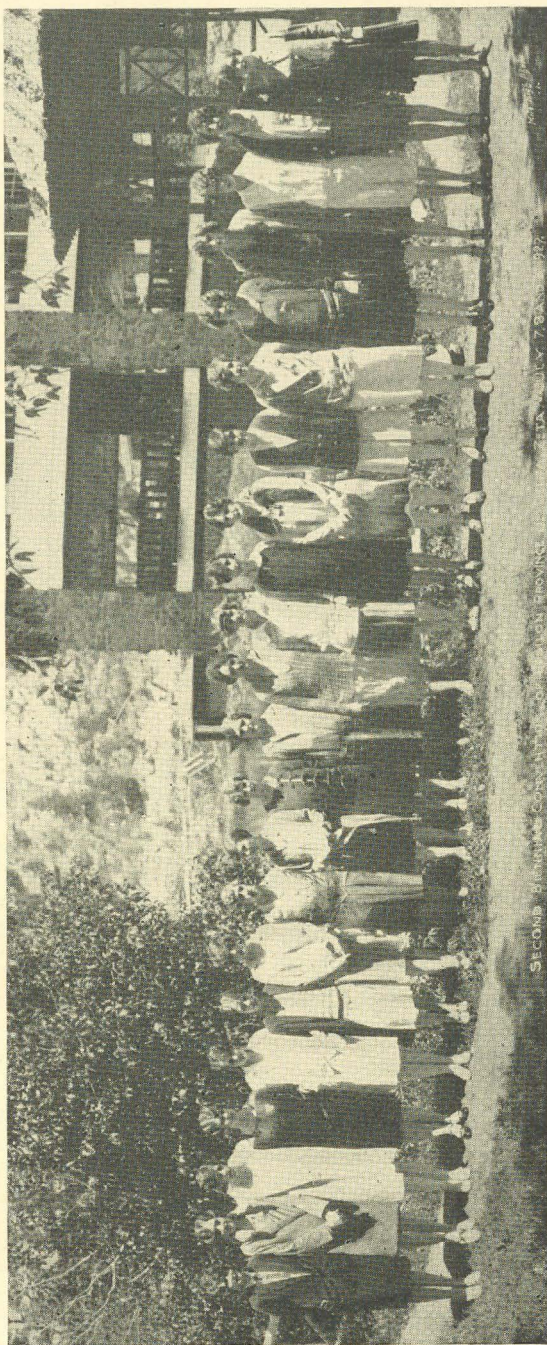
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GAMMA PROVINCE CONVENTION, 1927



SECOND BIENNIAL CONVENTION OF EPSILON PROVINCE, 1927

These and many other matters were reported, discussed and made the basis for a new year's work, at the 1927 Council Meeting, held at Troutdale-in-the-Pines, Colorado, in July, 1927.

Troutdale-in-the-Pines, Mrs. Fried-

of the 1926 Convention were bearing gratifying results. The greatest amount of interest, perhaps, was shown in the large number of life memberships taken out by alumnae in response to the Life-line plans set up at the California meet-



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line's selection for the 1927 Council Meeting, proved to be a happy choice;

ing. At the recommendation of Miss Jones, national treasurer, it was voted



AT ETA PROVINCE CONVENTION, 1927

its invigorating mountain climate making possible a more comfortable meeting than often falls to the lot of conscientious Council workers.

The reports of the business of the year just concluded showed that plans

to extend the special plan to the close of the year 1927 in order that none need be disappointed in a chance to take up the new offer.

Naturally this great increase in Life-liners made an equal increase in the

number of LAMP subscribers, to which were also added the 500 new initiates taken into the sorority during the year 1926-27.

Several new publications were received with pleasure; the new songbook, under the chairmanship of Miriam Landrum, *Alpha Tau*, having arrived just in time for the Province Conventions being held during the summer. The revision of the Constitution, in galley proof, was also read with great interest.

Fannie Putcamp Smith presented a beautifully assembled work on Extension possibilities and standards, accompanying it with requests to petition from Tau Delta at the University of Mississippi, and Theta Delta Omicron at Rhode Island State College. A revised list of approved fields for extension was prepared by the Council from material outlined by Mrs. Smith.

A matter of interest was the planning for what has since become an annual event; the Birthday Gift for our Social Service work. This year, 1927, being Delta Zeta's Silver Anniversary was considered an appropriate time for making some offering, as individual members, to show our appreciation for Delta Zeta, and the especial value of such a campaign would be that it would give to our scattered alumnae a chance to share personally in this work, instead of confining its support to those in organized alumnae and active groups.

The general alumnae report showed 20 alumnae chapters in full standing, with an increased interest in the formation of clubs throughout the country, and a slower, but still growing interest in the possibilities of alumnae associations for benefit to members of the separate chapters.

Many matters dealing with the improvement of chapter performance and routine, toward the strengthening of the tie between chapters and their province and national organization, toward the increasing of the helpfulness from the larger units to the local groups, were carefully worked over and planned for in detail. In all the business there was

clearly in evidence the same intention of building soundly, and of planning what might with reason be hoped to be attained.

Simultaneously with the satisfaction felt by the officers in the realization of a longtime dream for a permanent memorial at Miami University, came the sad news of the passing of Dr. Benton, faithful friend from the beginning of the sorority. Resolutions of sympathy were passed and ordered spread on the record of the minutes as the merely formal expression of a grief which to those to whom it came personally was beyond words.

The final business of the meeting, was appropriately, the working out of plans for the 1928 Convention, which was scheduled to meet in Canada, at Bigwin Inn, in June, 1928. So full of interest were these discussions, so many points of special interest were presented, that when the Council members bade each other farewell it was almost as though they had been by some magic granted a little preview into the future, seeing in advance the outstanding gathering of 1928.

Silver Anniversary Convention Crosses International Boundary

The Twelfth National Convention will remain memorable in the convention annals of Delta Zeta for years to come. First of all, the anniversary which it commemorated was outstanding. The presence of four of the original six gave the desired atmosphere of historic import; while the delegates were completely enchanted by their acquaintance with these previously awesome older sisters. Not even the deep regret at being unable to have Alfa Lloyd Hayes and Anna Keen Davis, the two remaining founders, as well as Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson, the first initiate, could dispel the unalloyed delight of meeting and knowing Julia Bishop Coleman, Mary Collins Galbraith, Mabelle Minton Hagemann, and the constant delight at the dignity with humor which Anne Simmons Fried-

line exhibited in her dual rôle of founder and president.

Probably the greatest single element of surprise was the presence for the first three days of Convention of two pupils from the Delta Zeta School at Vest, Kentucky. Oscar Patrick and Gertrude Sutton, selected by school vote as the boy and girl best fitted and entitled to represent their home community and school at this meeting, made the long and novel journey from the mountains of Kentucky to the mountains and lakes of Canada, well guided by Mary Collins Galbraith, who confessed that this to her as well as to them, was a first experience with a national Convention of Delta Zeta! To hear these children give first hand reports of the Delta Zeta Social Service program in action, to gain something of an understanding of their background, their history and their ambitions, was to make the whole undertaking more meaningful, more vivid than it had ever been before. That the whole trip, with its multiplicity of new experiences, was both fascinating and educational to the Kentucky visitors, no one could doubt; but it gave pause for thought to the girls so interested in them, when informal acquaintance disclosed that there were many others like these two, who did not take for familiar everyday surroundings, such things as steamboats, elevators, Ohio cornfields, a sunrise on level land, meals served in courses, the propriety of cigarettes for women!

Quite the opposite of this experience was the honor and privilege of welcoming into Delta Zeta as our convention initiate, a woman whose name and achievement was known to almost every girl present. Distinguished for her professional work as head of the English Department of Hunter College, but possibly even better known for her years of service as chairman of the O. Henry Short Story Award Committee, Dr. Blanche Colton Williams quickly won the hearts of her sisters by her sincere and stimulating personality. To Beta Beta Chapter at the University of

Mississippi went the honor of being the home chapter of this new member, she having been both student and instructor there in former years. This initiation conducted by the chapters of the southern province, was of unusual dignity and beauty, given, as it was, in the large meeting pavilion of the Inn, and witnessed by the hundreds of convention attendants, whose thrilled interest somehow carried over to the initiation service and charged it with unusual solemnity and intensity.

Space forbids more than the mention that the Stunt Night at this Convention was a whirlwind of laughter and fun, open to the entire guest body of the Inn, and by them apparently as much enjoyed as by the sorority.

The high notes of beauty and solemnity were struck again in the exquisite pageant, written and directed by Elaine Ryan, of Mu Chapter; and in the concluding banquet, with its unforgettable messages from Ruby Long, Anne Simmons Friedline and Mabelle Minton Hagemann. The fullness of the experiences of this convention would have been ample reason for the sorority thus to come together, even had it not also transacted some really significant business.

Chief among these should be mentioned the enlarging of the National Council again by the creating of the office of second vice president, to become the extension director of the sorority, the first vice president to continue in full charge of *alumnæ* activities. The secretary being thus relieved of extension, was given more time to devote to the direction of sorority education, and scholarship, from thence forward her special duties. At this time the number of officers for each province was reduced from four, to two; these to be a director or president, and a secretary-treasurer. The growth of the sorority having made the custom of allowing each chapter a vote on every petition for new charter to be granted, a revised plan was recommended by Mrs. Smith and adopted. This plan, which continues in effect, is as follows: Those



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who shall have a vote on any proposed charter grant are, The National Council, the president of the province in which the proposed charter is located; the five college chapters, and two alumnae chapters nearest it. Only one negative vote may be received if the petition is granted; and the vote of the National Council must be unanimously affirmative. Inasmuch as some of these changes involved constitutional changes, a commit-

tee to make a careful and complete revision of the constitution, harmonizing all the rules of the various conventions, and prepare the book for publication, was named to perform this task. The convention authorized the provision for a full-time, paid, visiting delegate for the coming year; and the issuance of a new edition of the pledge course of study and one for initiated members and chapter officers. Four petitions were granted



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under the newly adopted plan, at convention. These were to Alpha Gamma Club at the University of South Carolina; to Chi Sigma Theta at the University of Louisville; to Phi Lambda at the University of Pennsylvania, and to Zeta Tau at the University of Utah. These new chapters, Beta Gamma to Beta Zeta

and regret that her home ties determined her to refuse further office.

An interesting touch of Panhellenism was given this convention by the fact that ours was immediately preceded by that of Zeta Tau Alpha and followed at once by Alpha Xi Delta's assembly, so that a fleeting acquaintance with both



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inclusive, were installed in the following September and October.

Other items of interest were the Song Contest Award, won by Harriet Campbell of Pi chapter, second place being taken by Juanita Kelly of Nu, whose contribution, "Dream Girl of Delta Zeta" has now become one of the sorority's most popular songs; the Province Song Contest; the Memorial Service held for Dr. Guy Potter Benton; the presentation to the Founders of silver candlesticks to mark the anniversary; and the sorority's gift to Mrs. Friedline in appreciation of her fine leadership

was possible and much enjoyed.

The Council elected at this time was composed of:

President—Myrtle Graeter Malott
 First Vice President—Lois Higgins
 Second Vice President—Fannie Putcamp
 Smith
 Secretary—Ruby Long
 Treasurer—Winona Jones
 Editor—Margaret Huenefeld Pease, Xi

Irene Boughton of Iota Chapter, who had served successfully as Province President, became Executive Secretary, succeeding Miss Murray, and Grace Mason Lundy was made visiting delegate.

The new administration quickly began to produce the results anticipated by the 1928 Convention. The revised constitution, the pledge book, the course of study and the manual for chapter officers, were all ready for distribution soon after the Council Meeting of 1929 had approved the plans and materials outlined for them. Provinces held their third biennial conventions, and great interest was displayed in the next national Convention.

In Memoriam, Founder Mabelle Minton Hagemann

An unusual surge of pride and increased national consciousness was clearly distinguished by the officers in their contacts with chapters and alumnae members. Some of this was doubtless due to the deeper significance given to the Founders' Day observances of 1929 for this was the first time that the Founders' group was broken by death. The passing of Mabelle Minton Hagemann in March 1929 brought a sense of personal loss to every Delta Zeta who had ever known her influence; but at the same time all were stimulated to endeavors of perpetuating her lofty ideals and her consecration to the advancement of her beloved sorority.

Council Meeting Lake Wawasee, Ind.

The Council Meeting of 1929, held at Lake Wawasee, in Indiana, made extensive inquiries and plans for the 1930 Convention, but regretfully abandoned the plan of holding it in Glacier National Park, as the 1928 Convention had voted to do. It was felt that after the great financial depression which had so seriously affected the country, a wiser selection would be to choose some spot which by its location would make the transportation costs as low as possible, and Madison, Wisconsin, was thus selected.

Two new committees of importance were established by this Council meeting, evidencing the changing trend of the routine business developing for the sorority. A House Committee, which should serve as a clearing house for information

to chapters wishing to buy or build houses, was placed under the chairmanship of Helen Meyer Craig, Mu. The material and statistics compiled by this committee as part of its contribution to



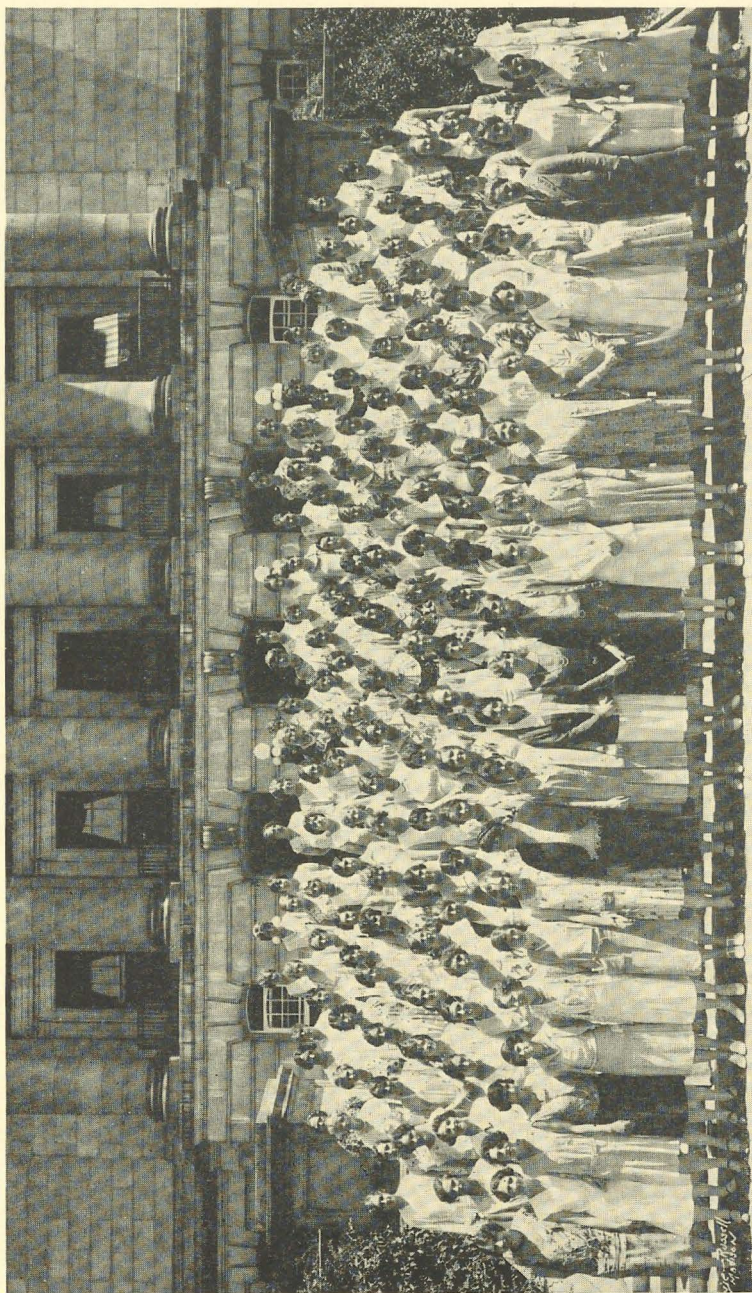
TAKEN IN FRONT OF BUENA VISTA HOTEL,
BILOXI, MISS.

such guidance as chapters needed from it, has proven to be a veritable cyclopaedia of information on all phases of house financing and has been of inestimable help to chapters undertaking ownership programs. In view of the economic depression so soon to sweep down on the land, it was particularly important that every chapter's housing finances should be of the soundest. The success with which chapters operating under the guidance of this committee have weathered the crisis, well attests its service.

A second permanent committee called a Finance Control Board, was set up to provide for the care and custody of the funds of the sorority, now arriving, in the case of the LAMP Endowment Fund especially, at such a degree of increase and development that the wisest management and careful handling was needed in a form permanent and unbroken.

13th National Convention a Success by All Signs

The Thirteenth Convention of Delta Zeta deliberately flaunted its signs and superstitions in the face of whatever jinx was hovering 'round, and routed



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him! Lacking the picturesque scenery of Bigwin Inn, Cornell, and other previous scenes of conventions, the Hotel Loraine compensated for this by a service which was truly one hundred per cent efficient and interested. The mechanics of the convention actually moved as though on ball bearings.

Making the most of the possibilities offered by "signs," many innovations were offered. Black cats and other emblems of witchery and sorcery were featured in the intriguing programs, which were black with bright scarlet linings. All the usual convention data, and the words of the songs sung most at Convention, were included in these booklets which were the work of Margaret Pease, and among the most prized of all convention mementoes. The programs, together with delegate's meal ticket, a notebook for jottings at business sessions, the mimeographed reports of the Council officers, in fact all the equipment necessary for successful convention attendance, were distributed to the delegates in large black portfolio envelopes, convenient and compact for scatterly members.

The program proved highly enjoyable. For the first time was held the Pups and Hounds luncheon. Laying aside all dignity, the convention attendants were called upon to "bark" once for each Convention they had attended. One bark made one a pup; and great was the mirth and applause when six barks, the last one a lone lorn bay, proved Myrtle Malott the veteran hound of them all.

This Convention also instituted the custom of a play day. The fact that the weather bureau decided not to co-operate in making outdoor sports possible did not at all ruin the play features; and appropriately enough, the skies cleared, a really truly rainbow came out—and the program for the evening was featuring a Rainbow Dinner.

Forum discussion proved to be unusually helpful and stimulating this year; and from intent consideration of varied sorority problems the Conven-

tion turned to a hilarious Stunt Night which set a high mark for spontaneous performance in this line of Convention activity. No one who saw her will ever forget Rene Sebring Smith winning her potato peeling test for initiation into the Chore Girls Union by eating the potatoes she saw she couldn't peel in time. The "bleachers" cheered her wildly.

Special pride was taken in the excellent report of the work done by Rene Sebring Smith in the year just closed, when as chairman of the National Panhellenic Congress she climaxed her seventeen years of service for Delta Zeta by a signal achievement, the bringing to Panhellenic of representatives from the college Panhellenic groups, thus making possible a sharing of the ideas and understandings of the college generation with those who were attempting their guidance on a plan of longtime scope and development.

Among announcements of interest were the presenting of the national scholarship award to Alpha Psi chapter; and the presentation of the new plan for future computations of scholarship standings. The installations of two new chapters, Beta Eta at Swarthmore College in May 1930, and of Beta Theta, to be established at Bucknell in September, were reported. The merging of Knox and Lombard Colleges, and the consequent removal to the Knox College campus of Nu Chapter, was heard with much interest and not a little curiosity as to possible other merger problems of the future.

Again we find a Convention distinguished by the inspirational quality it demonstrated throughout. The addresses contained in the formal program proved to be each an individual message, yet all united to bring such complete and practical inspiration as is seldom possible to find in one Convention. First of these was "Beyond the Horizon," given by Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, president of Beta Theta Pi, who was guest speaker at the opening of Convention. Out of the richness and sincerity of his fraternity experience Dr. Shepardson was

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able to set for Delta Zeta new standards for individual and national development and to imbue all who heard him with a sense of high privilege and opportunity which organization membership gives. Following the banquet which centered around the Convention initiation, demonstrated this time by the Council and Province officers, the Convention heard two addresses on the ritual, its background, history, significance and symbolism, given by Fannie Putcamp Smith and Grace Mason Lundy. Wednesday evening's formal program, with its three addresses by distinguished Delta Zetas, was worth the entire trip. Anne Simons Friedline, speaking on "Chapter Achievements" approached her theme as bearing on inner achievements which should come to each member and each chapter; and gave a moving appeal for a conscious sense of definite direction in the pursuit for more ideal and inspired living. Elizabeth Barnes, alumnae adviser for Chi Chapter and Vice President of the National Collegiate Players, spoke on "Conserving the Human Element in Delta Zeta;" while Ruby Long, the inimitable, gave each of us a little sheer enchantment in her whimsical, lovable philosophy, "The Adventure of Living."

Election of officers gave the following personnel of Council for the next biennium:

President—Myrtle Graeter Malott
 First Vice President—Grace Mason Lundy
 Second Vice President—Lisette Reinle, *Mu*
 Secretary—Margaret Buchanan, *Alpha Om-
 ega*

Treasurer—Helen Johnston, *Iota*
 Editor—Margaret Huenefeld Pease

The reelection of Mrs. Malott and Mrs. Pease was so unanimously the desire of Convention as to be almost a clamor; so great had been the value of their work in the two years previous. To the direction of expansion came Lisette Reinle, whose work as Convention Marshal had commended her to larger fields of national service; while the office of treasurer could scarcely have been given to a person of wider or more suitable experience than Helen Johnston, well

known as a successful national president of the Altrusa Club and fitted by personal business achievement to this exacting work. Her immense personal popularity with the Convention, after serving three successive times as the official Convention physician, was assurance that the routine of this office would not succeed in making her chapter workers forget her personality in the details of finances. The work of the secretary's office was well entrusted to the care of modest, twinkling, lovable Margaret Buchanan, who was taken to hearts of the conventioners as unfailingly as she had been to those of the chapters in the southern province over which she had for two years been serving in the same office.

The Council retained Irene Boughton as Executive Secretary, but moved the executive offices from Indianapolis to San Antonio, Texas, in order to facilitate the work of Mrs. Malott in plans which looked toward a return, ultimately, of the national office to Ohio where a permanent headquarters could be established at Oxford.

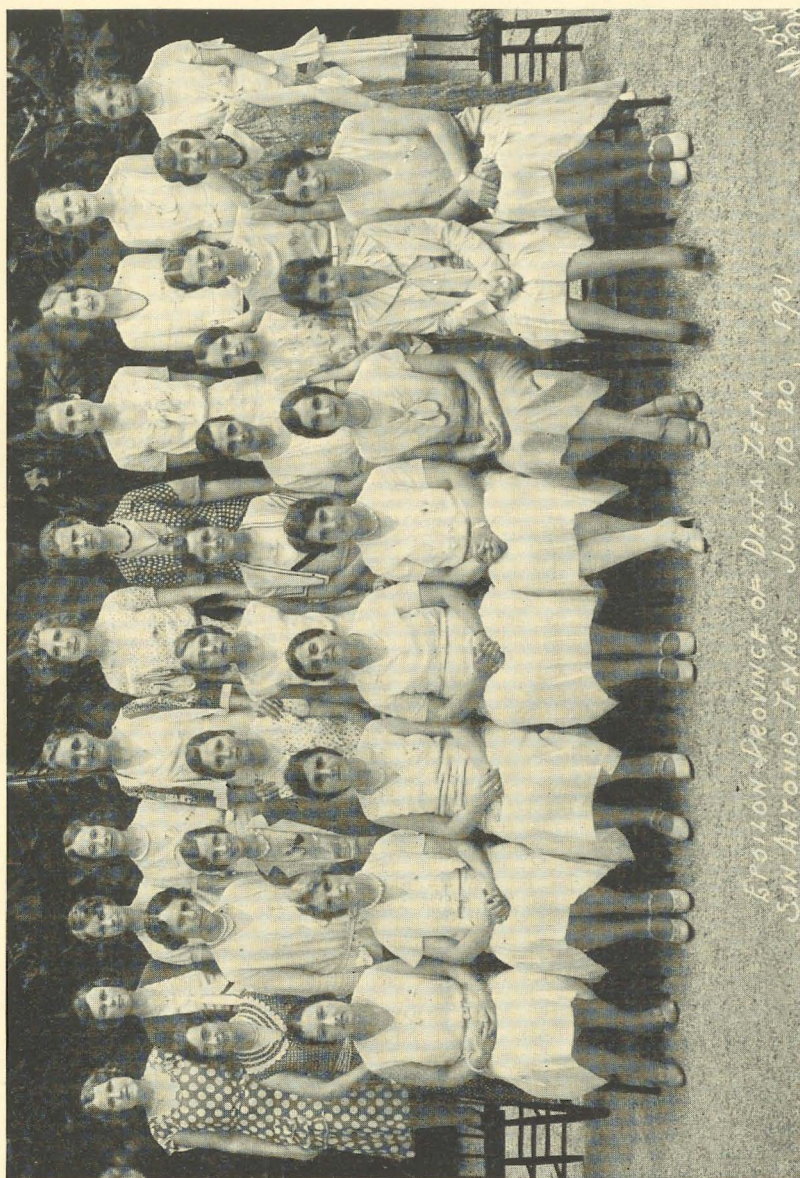
Quoting from the LAMP:

"The National Council of Delta Zeta met at the home of the president, Myrtle Graeter Malott, in San Antonio, Texas, the last week in July and the first week of August. And such a meeting! More business, more things accomplished more good meals, more tortillas consumed! The whole council came away talking Spanish and picking out cacti needles. Dr. Johnston was especially proficient at the latter.

Among other things the map of these United States was again divided, this time into fifteen districts, with a director appointed for each district; a national magazine agency was established—we are now running into competition with the boys who work their way through collitch; a small yearly per capita was levied on alumnae chapters and clubs; a new constitution was accepted; an addressograph machine with all the frills was purchased for central office; work was begun on the new directory which



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will appear as an issue of the LAMP; and plans were completed for the 1932 Convention at Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina. Aside from these minor details, letters of commendation or recommendation were sent to every college chapter; chapter building plans and finance plans were examined; arrangements were completed for chapter visits by province directors in every province before Christmas; and the social service program for the ensuing year was outlined.

Between times, the council was royally entertained by the N. P. and the N. P.'s husband. Any member of the council is only too ready and willing to give the Malotts an A-1 rating as host, hostess, or sight-seeing experts.

After the Council Meeting a select few took 'Venus de Milam' and drove down to the southern part of Texas and into Old Mexico. Lest we rave about that—we will call that another story. Suffice it to say that we are Texas boosters. And that from an Ohioan! Well, *pochita* booster let's say. Adios!"

1932 Convention Postponed

Early in 1932 there began to be suggestions for postponing the Convention due that year. Province directors, who had been carefully watching their own college chapters, urged such a step, pointing out that the chapters had by careful management been able to come through the economic crisis in excellent condition to date, but that many would find it difficult to finance their delegate's expenses, even though the mileage did not compose a part of the tax on them. It was felt by these province officers that the number of Convention visitors, too, would be much decreased by the diminished incomes of so many members, and it seemed quite probable that a very great decrease in attendance would also mean a falling off in the inspirational quality of the convention.

Though concurring in these opinions for the most part, the Council called for a vote by mail from all chapters, after considering the reasons both for

postponement and for holding the scheduled meeting. The result showed a great majority favoring postponement. Though this was a real disappointment to all the sorority, and especially to the southern province, which would have been hostess for the proposed Convention at Grove Park Inn, at Asheville, it was felt that the decision was a wise one, and one which would allow of the expenditure of more money in chapter assistance, in providing extra visitation, and in internal development, than would have perhaps been possible under any other arrangement.

Early in July Mrs. Malott, making her annual visit to her parents in Indiana, and accompanied by Miss Boughton, was joined by Mrs. Pease, and the three of them went over such business as was demanding of special consideration in preparation for the fall opening of college; caring for much routine and some new business, they faithfully endeavored to do all possible to prevent any lack in progressive guidance even though the Convention enthusiasm was not there to give its helpful impetus. This meeting has laughingly but not unsuitably been called the "Compressed" Council meeting of the Depression years.

The resignation of Margaret Buchanan due to pressure of her work at the Mississippi State College for Women, was accepted with regret; and Ruby Long was prevailed upon to resume the office for the year remaining before Convention. As for Convention, the depression being still something much to be reckoned with, Chicago was chosen as the scene of the 1933 meeting, both because of unequalled transportation facilities and low rates, and the fact that the world-famous Century of Progress would be in Chicago at that time. Consideration of business led to the appointing of a number of co-organizers for college chapters, and for the inauguration of the plan of a chairman of alumnae work for each state, the better to promote alumnae activity and interest. A survey of the condition of the sorority as

a whole showed such splendid condition and development that the fall issue of the sorority esoteric gave considerable space to this information, first to tracing the history of the social service project in Kentucky, and secondly in compiling a list of statistical items which would give each member a bird's eye view of her sorority as it stood of even date. More than almost any other one thing, this terse, unadorned analysis of Delta Zeta in a time so unsettled and troublous, served to assure her chapters and members at large that she rested on sound foundations and was growing surely, steadily, though with less of the flourish than had marked her activities just a few short years before when all was apparently in the heyday of prosperity.

The nation wide observances for Founders' Day, 1932, brought again a realization of the toll which time inevitably takes; for in the months just preceding Delta Zeta had lost two loved and loyal members: Nettie Wills Shugart, of Zeta, the moving spirit of our Founders' Candle-lighting Service; and, with a deep sense of the irreparable, Anne Simmons Friedline. Special tribute was paid them in the Founders' ceremonies.

Thirty-one Years and a Century of Progress

This intriguing phrase was used on all sides to designate the Fourteenth National Convention characteristic. Gathered at the Hotel Windermere in Chicago were a larger number of Delta Zetas than had ever before attended a national convention. In fact the hotel had to do some quick and effective work to provide quarters for all who came, for they had reserved only a minimum of space, and these sisters kept arriving in hordes and dozens. Of course the opportunity of "seeing the Fair" along with the convention, was a great factor in bringing this unusually large number; but the later discovery that most of those who registered were on hand for the business sessions as well as for the social events, was clear evidence that convention for

convention's sake was also in their plans.

Again the pups and hounds barked out their excited testimony of conventions attended. Again all were barked down at last but Myrtle Graeter Malott, who was much surprised when after her triumph solo bark (Rene Sebring Smith a close second), she was graciously presented with a large, handsome dog collar, bearing her initials in brass stud-ding—amazingly all in readiness for the moment. This bit of drollery proved a perfect ice breaker for all the "pups" and fellowship reigned supreme.

Two young women, each exceptionally attractive, proved twin drawing cards for all the delegates and visitors. One of these was Mary Permelia Coleman, older daughter of Julia Bishop Coleman, and candidate for the 1933 Model Initiation Ceremony, conducted by the Council, assisted by Mrs. Coleman and the province officers. The love and peculiar sentiment associated with this initiation and its candidate, and the perfection of presentation seemed to set an all time record for feeling unusual in its intensity and evidence. No one present in that initiation room will ever forget Julia Bishop Coleman with the lamp. The banquet which followed was not only exquisitely planned, as usual; it held the final thrill for each Delta Zeta's cup when there rose to speak on the toast program, the sorority's very first initiate, Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson, and then its very newest to that moment, Mary Permelia Coleman. Thirty-one years of striving for ideals of the substance of shared sisterhood, were compressed into those few moments; history tingled in the very air. All knew themselves to be proud and happy, supremely at oneness; but no one could blame the Alpha girls, both old and new, for feeling that theirs was a little special circle within the circle. . . . After the banquet had drawn to its close of song, there was a reception in the loggia, and Mary Coleman divided honors with Gail Patrick (Margaret Fitzpatrick) proudly claimed by Alpha Pi, and a loyal Delta Zeta. Not only because she was a



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young actress of ability beginning to make a name for herself in Hollywood, but even more because she proved to be sincere and unspoiled in her enthusiasm for life and all it offered, she made friends of all who met her. Stunt night brought its usual array of talent along non-sensical lines, but the performance of Evelyn Brown, Alpha Alpha, as interpolator, was excruciatingly funny; and the unexpected appearance of the three official judges in amazingly long beards and wigs bearing strange resemblance to paper curls of childhood days, with proper judicial robes, and with gravity of demeanor duly delivered their verdict after searching formidable tomes which to one peering over the shoulder of the senior judge seemed to resemble the telephone directory of Chicago, Ill., U. S. A. Yes, this was that irrepressible trio, Ruby, Lois and Margaret.

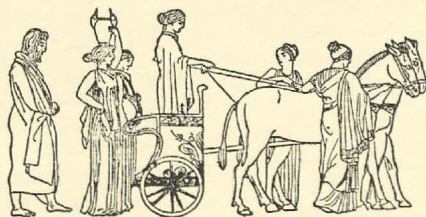
Great interest centered about the reports of work at the mountain school, and especially the instructive and deeply illuminating address given by Miss Helen Dingman, executive secretary of the Southern Mountain Workers' Conference and field worker from Berea College. Miss Dingman, having just made a careful survey of the community served by our school, was able to present to the convention a specific report with body of suggestions for future service to the mountain people in whom we were interested. For the second time, the showing of movies from Vest gave visual acquaintance with the locale and people where our center was located, and finally, the presence and the reports of Mr.

and Mrs. McCarty, respectively vocational guidance director, and nurse, at the center for the past year, brought interest to a high point.

Decidedly a departure from past precedent, the Convention in pursuance of a recommendation made by the Convention Committee on Recommendations, voted to set the next national convention for three years hence, in order to return to the right years of meeting, and the better to facilitate a return to accustomed procedure, elected two councils, one to serve for one year only, the second to take office for what would normally be the biennium following the regular convention due in 1934. The Council for the first year was with one exception, the council elected at 1930. Lisette Reinle asked to be relieved of further service, due to pressure of her professional duties, and as her successor the Convention elected Lucille Crowell Cooks, Alpha, for the past five years a successful province officer. The Council elected to serve from 1934-36, was,

President—Margaret H. Pease, *Xi*
 First Vice President—Georgia Chandler
 Hornung, *Epsilon*
 Second Vice President—Lucille Crowell
 Cooks, *Alpha*
 Secretary—Helen Meyer Craig, *Mu*
 Treasurer—Helen Johnston, *Iota*
 Editor—Grace Mason Lundy, *Epsilon*

It was decided to continue the sorority office in San Antonio until the change of councils, when it should be moved to Cincinnati, and Miss Boughton remained in charge. The services of Margaret Pease as official visiting delegate for the year 1933-34 were also arranged for.



Administration

Mother Chapter Controls Early Organizations

THE earliest form of centralized control which is found in fraternity government is control by the mother chapter, or initial unit. Authority to grant charters to new chapters, and, in fact, complete and almost despotic power over these chapters, was in the hands of this body. In actual practice it was found that sooner or later the local chapters exercised great freedom in the managing of their own affairs and policies, and that the whole fraternity had the nature of a confederation loosely held together by its common ritual and name. It might accord a nominal deference to the mother chapter, but only nominal; the occasional conclaves or conventions were held as much to satisfy the demands of the later chapters, for representation, as to aid and assist the governing one. Between conventions, matters pertaining to the whole organization continued to be in the hands of the governing chapter. Naturally enough, it was impossible to develop much real fraternity policy. So long as the independent expression of the local policies of the various chapters gave rise to no particular conflict, the organization moved forward after a fashion, and might consider itself fortunate.

Sooner or later each organization discarded this temporary control for the more effective, logical plan of government by an elective body, variously termed Council, Board of Directors, Regents or similar names. Control by the mother chapter appears now, and admittedly is, weak and faulty; yet it had in the beginning sufficient merit to make it the best temporary form of control for an organization system which was in itself but an experiment at best.

Delta Zeta Follows Miami Precedent

Just why Delta Zeta, established at a day when the experimental days of fraternal organizations were past, and

formed, as it was, with the definite and avowed intention of becoming national, should have adopted the plan of control by the mother chapter, we can scarcely tell. Perhaps the advice and assistance of fraternity men, members of organizations whose early days on the Miami campus were thus guided, influenced the Founders of Delta Zeta. Again, it must be remembered that the Constitution of 1902 was meant to apply chiefly to the governing of Alpha Chapter, and that it was simply transferred *in toto* to the later chapters for their own local use and even served as the sole guidance of the national officers until it was supplanted by a revised local constitution and a definite national constitution in 1914 under the presidency of Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson.

Grand Council Established, 1908

Dating from the Convention held in Oxford, Ohio, in 1908 there were national, or "grand," officers, but Alpha Chapter continued to grant the charters for new chapters until after the establishment of Eta Chapter. With the chapter roll at six college chapters, control of the sorority was given over entirely into the hands of the Grand Council. This governing body was at first organized most simply, consisting of but four members: Grand President, Grand Vice President, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer. Their duties were limited to assisting the Alpha and Beta Chapters and soliciting funds from the alumnae whenever the necessity arose. They were then governed by the same constitution used by the active chapters, and were to meet every year alternating with the National Assembly (Convention).

The Grand Council was later gradually increased in numbers, until in 1914 it is amusing to notice that the Grand Council as listed in the LAMP, numbers eighteen members. These were not all added at once. The 1910 Convention created the offices of Editor and of Cor-

responding Secretary. The 1912 Convention added others: Registrar, Grand Custodian of the Badge, Assistant Editor of the LAMP, Advisory Board of the LAMP (three members), Sorority Inspector, Delegate to the National Panhellenic Congress, Extension Committee (three members), Historian and Parliamentarian. All had equal voting powers and were consulted by the Grand President on all matters.

Revised Constitution Changes Council Formation, 1914

When the 1910 Convention gave Delta Zeta her first real start at working under an organized Council, the Constitution of Alpha Chapter, although clearly inadequate, was that under which the Council operated. The Grand President held the chief powers, those of appointing committees, directing the work of extension, and appropriation of funds. The old Constitution continued to be used until the Council elected at 1912 Convention had begun its work.

"When the National Assembly met, a unanimous vote was required to pass any measure. The matters considered at National Assembly were, Extension, business pertaining to National Panhellenic, discipline and improvement of chapters, election of national officers.

"Usually new chapters were voted upon whenever a petition was sent to the Grand Council. Upon receipt of such petition by the Grand Council, the procedure was to send notice from the Grand President, to each chapter, a notice of the receipt of the petition, together with the recommendation for its acceptance or rejection. Upon receiving this notice, each chapter at once voted upon the admission of the petitioner. Each officer in Grand Council also received such a notice, and cast her individual vote. Admission of a new chapter required a unanimous vote from all chapters and officers. In fact, so did every matter of business brought before both chapters and officers before it could become effective."¹

¹Quotation from Mss. of E.C.S.

Upon assuming the presidency Mrs. Stephenson, realizing that it was impossible to continue using so inadequate a vehicle, commenced the revision of the local constitution, and the preparation of a new national constitution. She was assisted by the members of her Council to the best of their ability and opportunities, but the major part of the credit for the difficult task belongs to Mrs. Stephenson individually. The excellent constitution which she submitted as the outstanding individual achievement of her first term was a contribution second to none, toward Delta Zeta's progress. It embodied all the measures passed by former national assemblies for the government of the national organization, defined and limited the duties of each officer, limited the officers of the Grand Council to a smaller number and defined the relationship of the national organization to the active and alumnae chapters. This important work was presented at the 1914 Convention and by it adopted. A few amendments were made at the 1916 Convention but the Constitution remained practically the same for the next eight years after its adoption.

Under the provisions of this Constitution, the Grand Council was composed of eight members. Five of these, the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editor, were designated as superior officers; the remaining three, Registrar, Parliamentarian and Historian, were called subordinate officers.

"A few amendments were made at the National Convention of 1916, but the constitution remained practically the same for the next six years. The 1922 Convention had one entire business session devoted to the consideration, and ultimate rejection, of many proposed amendments and changes to the National Constitution. However, the next four years saw many changes within the organization. Few of these changes required any new constitutional provisions; most of them were in accord with implications or interpretations of the existing constitution. It became increasingly clear, nevertheless, to the officers of the

organization, that some more definite set of laws was needed by the undergraduate chapters, and most particularly by province officers, who, beginning for the first time to find themselves faced with real jobs, found too that neither their powers nor their limitations were clearly known to themselves."²

The 1920 Convention made the national Big Sister a member of Council, and the 1922 meeting added the Extension Chairman, so that the 1922-24 Council, the last to bear the name of "Grand," was composed of ten members.

Development of the National Council, 1924

The shifting size and character of the governing body is a natural process for an organization undergoing the changes in size and function which marked the history of Delta Zeta in her earlier years. Certain functions were found to be only temporarily necessary; others showed a likeness which made a combination the logical solution; still others later were found to be well suited as the special work of some standing committee. Experience showed best results and most economy of both effort and funds to be secured with a smaller governing body. Hence it is that the 1924 Convention marks the last appearance on Council of both the Registrar and the Parliamentarian. At this time, too, a change in the naming of the Council was made; and the "Grand" was replaced by the "National." The first National Council consisted of these six officers: President, Vice President, Secretary (whose main work was extension), Treasurer, Editor and Historian. The work of the Big Sister (chapter inspection) was placed under the supervision of the President, with the other members of Council and the Province Presidents as authorized visitors. The Central Office took over the work of the Registrar, and the Parliamentarian, whose chief function had been to act as critic and guide on Convention procedure was designated as henceforth being

²Quotation from Mss. of E.C.S.

appointive for each convention. The 1926 Convention removed the Historian and placed that work in the hands of a standing committee, and for the next biennium we have a Council made up of only the original four offices with the inevitable addition of the Editor. The 1928 Convention by adding the office of Second Vice President, restored the number to six, at which it yet stands.

Formation of Provinces Facilitates Work of Council

The volume of business transacted by the Council of today would be impossible to carry without the system of province organization. This system is now used in almost every fraternal organization. Even with the assistance of this arrangement the work involved by the present size and extent of the sorority taxes the energy of the staff of officers. Originally, the province plan was due not so much to great pressure of business, as to scattered placement of chapters. The older organizations, in days when their chapters were few in number and some geographically remote from other chapters, or any national officer, found that such an isolated chapter had small chance of receiving direct attention from national officers unless it was so fortunate as to have one of its members serving on Council. Most organizations had but modest treasuries in their younger days; most of them, too, were so loosely organized that non-visitation by national officers was due as much to informal policy as to limited funds. And yet there must be at least a minimum of contact and supervision. Nothing was more logical than to divide the country into smaller units, place over each an officer to whom could be delegated the work then impossible for the national officers because of insufficient time or funds for personal attention; and behold, almost full-fledged from its inception, the province or district system. Unlike most expedients, however, this solution proved to be one which increased in possibility of service and adaptability, as the organization grew and flourished.

Province Inspectors of 1916—Province Presidents, 1920

The first divisions made by Delta Zeta were for the furthering of extension rather than chapter visitation. The first extension committee was composed of three members; the chairman, and two members designated respectively as Western Member and Eastern Member. Then for two years the work of promoting extension was placed in the hands of the National Inspector, Mabelle Minton being the untiring incumbent of this dual office. The 1916 Convention again separated these functions, setting up an extension committee which gave six members each in charge of all extension activities in the states allotted to her, with the Grand President as chairman. Likewise inspection activities, in the general charge of the President, were apportioned among eight district inspectors, no one of whom had more than three chapters to visit. Although the number of districts was in 1920 reduced to six, the plan continued in use until the Convention of 1920, as part of its reorganization work, formally set up four provinces, each with its president, whose duty was to act as inspector and council delegate in all business concerning the college and alumnae chapters in her province. No amendment was at this time made in the constitution, to provide for the establishment of these provinces, and the duties were assigned by the Grand President. These first Provinces, and their Presidents, were:

ALPHA:

President, Marita Oelkers Littauer
Chapters, College: Alpha, Beta, Theta, Xi, Omicron; Alumnae: Beta (Cincinnati), Gamma (Columbus, Ohio), Epsilon (New York City), Nu (Pittsburgh), Lambda (Washington, D.C.)

BETA:

President, Merle Maxwell Hedden
Chapters, College: Delta, Epsilon, Nu, Pi, Tau, Psi, Alpha Alpha, Alpha Beta. Alumnae: Alpha (Indianapolis), Eta (Lafayette, Ind.), Iota (Ft. Wayne, Ind.)

DELTA:

President, Fannie Putcamp
Chapters, College: Zeta, Eta, Iota, Lambda,

Rho, Sigma, Upsilon. Alumnae: Delta (Lincoln, Neb.), Theta (Omaha), Mu (Denver), Xi (Kansas City)

EPSILON:

President, Gladys Wright Penney
Chapters, College: Kappa, Mu, Phi, Chi, Omega. Alumnae: Zeta (Seattle), Kappa (San Francisco), Omicron (Portland, Ore.)

There was no Province designated as Gamma.

By the time of 1922 Convention it was admitted that the Province organization was of sufficient worth to be made a permanent part of Delta Zeta. However, it was felt best to allow the experience of one more biennium to show more clearly just what should be expressed as the function of the province system when it should be incorporated as part of the constitutional members of the fraternity, and the existing provinces were continued, additions being made to each as new chapters belonging to the various sections were installed in this biennium.

Provinces Constitutionally Recognized 1924

The 1924 Convention made formal recognition of the Provinces by adopting for use in the coming biennium, a constitution which the Constitution Committee had prepared for the government of the Province. This constitution was more truly a set of by-laws than a definite constitution, since it gave to the provinces no actual powers of legislation or independent administration. Its most important contribution was the planning for Province Conventions to be held in the years when there was no National Convention. Although these conventions could pass no laws that would be binding over and above the national constitution, it was felt that a meeting of small groups, unified geographically, would do much good toward creating a deeper feeling of nationalism, and as a preparation for the work of the national meetings. Seven provinces were designated, each comprising a number of college and alumnae chapters, and over each province was a president, with a secretary for assistant and particularly

to promote the activities of *alumnæ*, experience showing that visitation of college chapters, with attendant correspondence, gave each president sufficient for the time she could give her work.

First Province Conventions, 1925

The summer of 1925 found each of the provinces enthusiastically holding its first convention. Officers and chapters alike were delighted with the results of these meetings, and unquestionably the 1926 Convention felt the beneficial experience of the ideas formed and exchanged at the local meetings. These, the pioneer conventions of the Provinces, were held as follows:

Alpha Province—Syracuse University, June. Beta and Alpha Kappa hostesses.

Beta Province—Birmingham, Alabama, April. Alpha Pi and Birmingham *alumnæ*, hostesses.

Gamma Province—Indianapolis, June. Alpha Nu and Indianapolis *alumnæ*, hostesses.

Delta Province—Madison, Wisconsin, June. Tau Chapter hostess.

Epsilon Province—Lawrence, Kansas and Kansas City, in April at the time of installation of Alpha Phi Chapter.

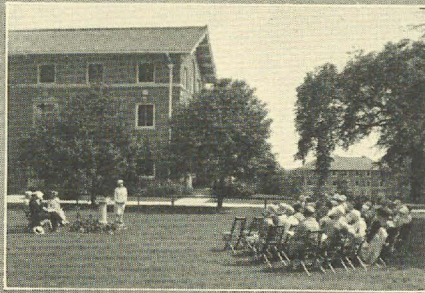
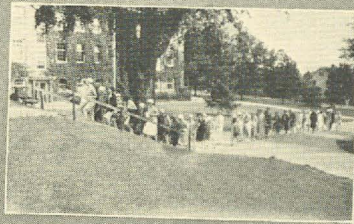
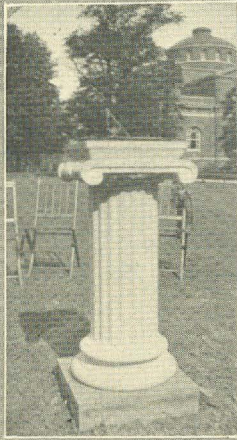
Zeta Province—Los Angeles, May; at the time of installation of Alpha Chi Chapter. Alpha Iota and Los Angeles *alumnæ* hostesses.

Eta Province—Portland, Oregon, June, 1925. Portland *Alumnæ*, Chi and Omega, hostesses.

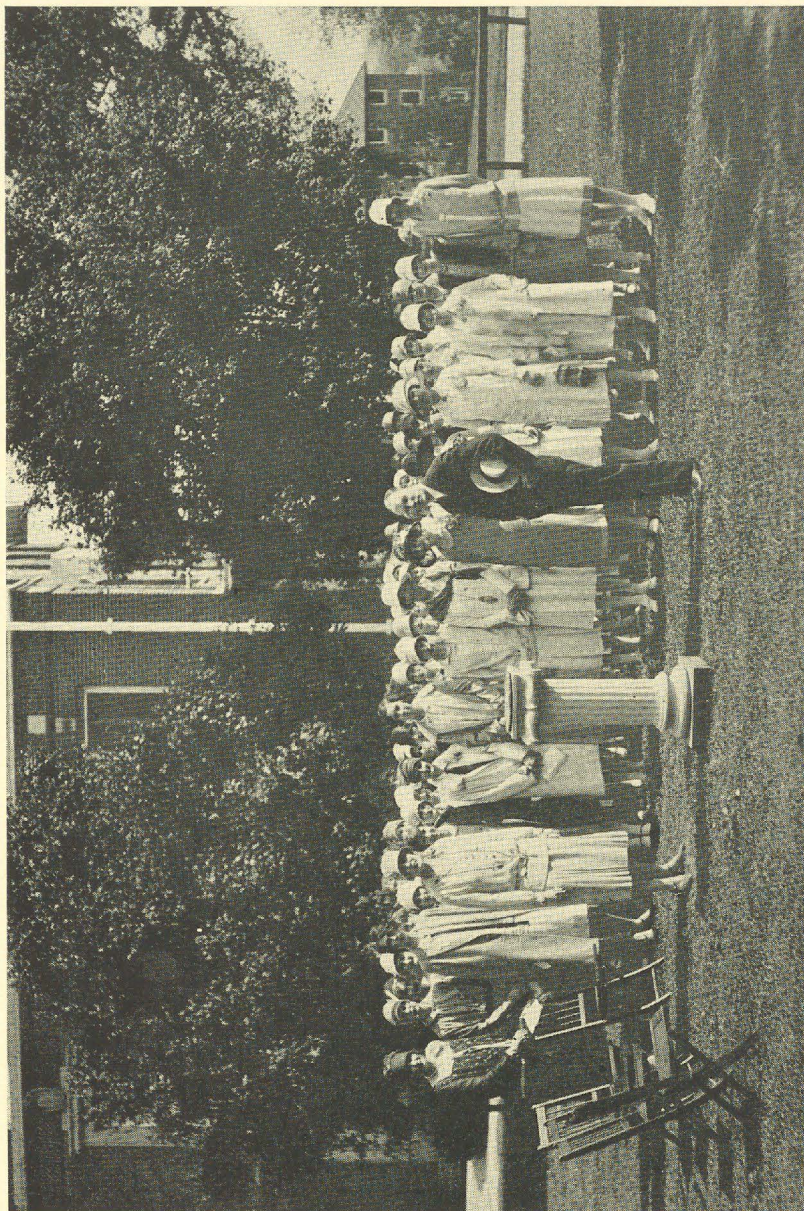
The 1926 Convention received and accepted a recommendation from the pre-convention Council meeting, by which the number of Province Officers was increased to four: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. It was planned that each of these officers be in her own province, in the same capacity as the corresponding national officer, and that she should be the special agent within her province, of that national officer. The whole group of Province Treasurers was in addition, to serve as the National Finance Committee, under the chairmanship of the National

Treasurer. This plan proved to be unnecessarily ambitious and complicated, and was later replaced by provision for two officers only (President, and Secretary-Treasurer); and still later, by a revision of the constitution limiting the required officers to a Director for each province. Reasons for the changes were first that there was unnecessary expense to be incurred in having so large a staff; and that since it would naturally be impossible to pay the expenses of so many to the national conventions, they would inevitably be cut off from that source of information and inspiration most needful for their work as planned in 1926. Time showed that while there was always an extra amount of work for the one officer only, it could be handled with occasional or volunteer assistance, and that it was not unreasonable to bring this one person to Convention in view of the benefit she was thus enabled to give her chapters, her Council and her fellow-presidents. Under the latest revision of the constitution, the province presidents are duly qualified as voting members of Convention and have also a vote on any proposal for charter grant within their province, presented between conventions. This plan (one officer, but with greater power and recognition) seems likely to remain in force for an indefinite period.

All reports from the 1925 Province Conventions showed that they were successful as a means of creating better acquaintance and affording convention experience to many who might be unable to attend national conventions, also that they served excellently as clearing houses for much information of value and interest to the localities they composed. They did present the drawback of expense, for it was observed that each province Convention cost the chapters of the province nearly as much as sending their delegates to national convention. And of course there was no assistance from the National Treasury except the expenses of the province and national officers who attended each meeting. However, the chapters, upon cir-



SUNDIAL PRESENTATION, OXFORD, 1927



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President Hughes of Miami and Lois Higgins in foreground

cularization, replied they felt Province Conventions justified the financial outlay, and accordingly, each Province held a Convention in the summer of 1927.

These conventions and their locations, were: Alpha Province, New York City, June 30-July 2, with headquarters in the Women's University Club. Beta Province met in Birmingham, November 6-8, its earlier plans for an April meeting having been suddenly disrupted by the flood in the Mississippi valley in the spring of 1927. Gamma Province met in Cincinnati and Oxford, in June; Delta took over the Golfmore Hotel at Grand Beach, Michigan, for three profitable days in June; Epsilon Province, meeting at Troutdale-in-the-Pines, had some joint meetings with the National Council holding its annual assembly there at the same time; Zeta Province selected the football season as most suitable to its members, and assembled a record-making number for Founders' Day, in Los Angeles. Eta Province met at the Kappa home and found its three-day house party decidedly refreshing.

Of all these conventions, the most interest from the sorority at large, centered on the Gamma Province Convention, for one of the events of this Convention was the dedication and presentation to Miami University of the Delta Zeta Memorial Sun Dial.

There had been for some years a growing desire on the part of the Delta Zeta Sorority to place some suitable reminder of its founding place on the Miami Campus, and the decision had been made, at 1926 Convention, that this should be done and should be preferably in the form of a sun dial. To Iva Stock Smith, *Alpha*, fell the difficult task of choosing the final design for the memorial, and the wisdom of this choice was apparent in the beauty and symbolism of the dial as finally completed.

The ceremonies attendant upon its presentation were unusually suitable, dignified and gratifying. The actual unveiling was done by Mrs. Smith; and then Julia Bishop Coleman gave an address entitled "The Moving Finger."

On behalf of the sorority, Lois Higgins, National Vice President, presented the dial to President Raymond Hughes who in a brief speech of acceptance spoke also of his knowledge of and gratification over, the accomplishments of the sorority. The beauty of the Miami Campus on a perfect summer afternoon made just the setting one's heart would wish for such a service as this, and members in attendance at this Convention felt themselves to be what indeed they were, privileged to assist in one of the outstanding sentiment-experiences of the sorority.

In the summer of 1929 the chapters of Delta Zeta once more gathered for Province Conventions. The sites selected for these were: Alpha Province, Washington, D.C., July; Beta Province, Biloxi, Mississippi, May; Gamma Province, Columbus, Ohio, June; Delta Province, Minneapolis, June; Epsilon Province, Denver, June; Zeta Province, Los Angeles, May; Eta Province, Portland, Oregon, June.

The summer of 1931 witnessed the holding of the Province Conventions for the fourth time. Alpha Province departed from city haunts to meet with Alpha Kappa Chapter at the chapter house; Beta Province chose the Henry Grady Hotel, Atlanta, for its meeting place, Gamma Province met at the historic Phoenix Hotel, in Lexington, Kentucky, home of the social festivities of Alpha Theta's installation; Delta Province enjoyed the hospitality of the beautiful Alpha Alpha Chapter house on Northwestern campus; Epsilon Province perpetuated regional tradition with a "round-up" in Texas, to be exact at the famous old Menger Hotel in San Antonio. Zeta Province again met in Los Angeles, alternating between Alpha Iota and Alpha Chi houses as headquarters, while Portland, Oregon, was again honored with the meeting of Eta Province.

Provinces Rearranged and Named, 1931

Although possibly unaware of the fact, the provinces were meeting for the

last time as Alpha to Eta, in the summer of 1931. The use of Greek names was proving somewhat confusing, besides having nothing of intrinsic helpfulness to contribute. Furthermore it was felt that there could be some improvements made in the grouping and arranging of the provinces. Having been given this authority, by 1930 Convention, to make changes in province division at its discretion, National Council after consultation with province workers and consideration of the present and probable future of the chapter distribution, made a new division in which there were established fifteen provinces, to be called Province I, Province II, and so on, and gave to each Province a President, although preferring to call her, from now on, a director.

Although the addition of future college chapters, or a rapid growth of alumnae groups within the province may necessitate later changes, this plan has worked well and bids fair to remain a suitable division for some time yet to come.

The summer of 1932 saw no Conventions either province or national, since the National Convention which would logically have come in that summer, had been postponed until 1933. For this reason the provinces needed no meeting in 1933; and when the national convention did meet, both council and chapters were agreed to dispense with province conventions in the year 1934 or until financial conditions should appreciably improve. Whether it will be possible to resume meetings in 1935 cannot as yet be stated with certainty, but it is practically unquestioned that Province Conventions will again be a part of the sorority program when conditions warrant.

With neither the power nor the intention to study or inaugurate sorority legislation, these smaller, more informal meetings have a great deal to contribute to the welfare of Delta Zeta. So great has become the pressure on the time of delegates attending national conventions, that there is less and less

chance for an informal exchange of experience and ideas between members from any given locality, at the national convention. Certain problems do arise from sectional conditions, which could not so well be solved through any other medium as through the Province Convention. In a small group of chapter delegates there may be a freer and more detailed exchange of ideas and plans, and the fact that a national officer attends each convention insures the bringing in of ideas from outside the province; while the fact that the province director is also a voting member of convention allows each province to be represented for its best interests in council meetings and conventions. It is always possible for the provinces to send resolutions or suggestions to be considered by council and convention, and this they have been helpful in doing.

Value of the Province Plan

The Province has become an invaluable part of the sorority's organization for growth and government. First of all, there is always accessible to each chapter for prompt and intelligent assistance, an officer whose field is sufficiently limited for her to know her chapters well. Corollary to this, the same officer will be in attendance at convention and ready to help determine whether proposed legislation will fit the needs and possibilities of her chapters. Turning back again, she will carry to her chapters, on her chapter visits, a conception of national aims and opportunities perhaps more mature and extended than is possible for the undergraduate member to secure from her own convention experience. The best total value of these three statements is exemplified in the great service rendered to the chapters and the sorority in the chapter visitation by the province officers. In the carrying out of the sorority's deliberate policy, it is intended that at least one visit a year shall be made to every college chapter; and under present arrangements, these are made one year by a national officer or the appointed visiting delegate, and

in the alternate year by the province director. It is likely that little money disbursed from the national treasury functions more effectively to the benefit of the sorority, than that which is spent for visiting expenses.

So much for the value to the organization as a whole, of the service of Province directors.

That "something" which is so frequently mentioned as needing to be cultivated with assiduous interest, "internal development" probably receives no greater help from any one factor than from the province convention. With a minimum of actual sorority business to take place, there is unequalled opportunity for gathering informally in discussion groups, in friendly social intercourse, in shared expression through singing, stunts, ritualistic ceremonies. Even in the short time allotted to a province convention, friendships grow apace, differences of experience are fused into a common understanding of that which lies behind our common bond; the chapters through these members' growth, come to a more complete understanding of the sorority.

Central Office Established

In the minutes of the 1920 Convention we find the following in the report of the Reorganization Committee: "Moved and seconded that the office of the Grand Secretary be the central office of the fraternity. Carried." "Moved and seconded that the office of supplies be the office of Registrar and also act as a clearing house for all Delta Zeta affairs. That she have ritual, be custodian of badge, and send all orders for pins. Carried." And so, although this gives to two separate officers some of the work now done in Delta Zeta's Central Office, it is of moment historically because it is the first official mention of a central office. From 1920 to 1922 the plan as above adopted was used, and was found to be very helpful in concentrating much business heretofore scattered and but vaguely understood. The 1922 Convention sanctioned the establishment of one

central office for Delta Zeta, with a paid, full time secretary in charge. Due to the fact that Rene Sebring Smith had had unusually important experience in Delta Zeta work since assuming its leadership in the summer of 1919, it was felt that the new office should be located where her assistance could be readily given. Accordingly in the fall of 1922 the Central Office of Delta Zeta was opened at 464 The Johnson Block, Muncie, Indiana. The first executive secretary was Grace Mason, Epsilon, who had also been elected Historian at the 1922 Convention.

In these first two years a great deal of preliminary work was done. Preparation of forms for keeping records, consolidation of old records, shaping of new plans, were among the activities in addition to the regular routine work prescribed by the 1922 Council.

The duties of the first executive secretary were varied, and made up largely of certain ones formerly the quota of the Council officers. The definite establishment of a single place of supplies, of general correspondence and matters of records for the chapters and officers, was expected to relieve the hitherto burdensome tax of work assigned to the elective officers.

During the period from 1922 to 1924 the executive secretary carried her work with only occasional assistants. The great increase in business and the extending of the general plans of the sorority and consequently of the work of the Central Office, made necessary the adding of a full time assistant, so that from 1922-24 there were two workers in the office. Miss Mason being retained both as Historian and as Executive Secretary, attempted to fill the role of resident worker and occasional chapter visitor, with some discomfort to herself and hindrance to the work of the office. It had been moved from Muncie to Indianapolis after the 1924 Convention, there being no logical reason for its remaining in Muncie after the departure of Miss Smith.

From 1922 to 1924 Delta Zeta fol-

lowed the plan used by a number of organizations, in housing the Central Office in the home of the executive secretary. The location selected was in a quiet residence district, yet sufficiently close to the center of the city to receive adequate mail and other business service. The 1926 post-convention Council meeting voted to move the office into a purely business block, and it then located at 445 the Illinois Building. This is one of the handsomer and newer business buildings of the city, located within easy reach of all stations, the post-office, and business supply houses. The Delta Zeta officers occupied a suite of three rooms, and the business of the sorority soon demanded the time of two fulltime workers, and one halftime clerk.

During the period 1926-28, the office was in charge of Sabina T. Murray, *Beta*, who carried on the work with finesse and dispatch and endeared herself to the chapters generally by the personal tone in her correspondence.

After the 1928 Convention, Irene C. Boughton, *Iota*, was selected executive secretary by the council and has held the office ever since. In 1930, at the Madison Convention, Mrs. Malott, then national president, requested that the office be moved to her home, since she felt it was a decided handicap to the president to be so far from the scene of action. Accordingly the office moved to San Antonio, Texas, and remained there until the summer of 1934. During the time in San Antonio, Mrs. Malott and Miss Boughton worked unceasingly on old files and records, sorting, refiling, and generally reorganizing the office. In 1932 an Addressograph was purchased and added to the office fixtures, and from that time the LAMP mailing list has been in the office.

After the installation of the new council in Cincinnati in the summer of 1934, the office moved to that city, the home of the new president. There it is established in the beautiful new Carew Tower, a handsome fifty-three story office structure commanding a beautiful view of the Ohio River and the surrounding

Kentucky hills, and visible from all parts of the city and suburbs. Miss Boughton was reappointed executive secretary and one full time clerk is employed.

The dream of "going to Oxford" is still before us and we look forward to the time when we shall go home to the place of our birth.

The services of the centralized executive office have proven invaluable to every branch of the sorority.

Administration System (Summarized)

Delta Zeta as organized today (1934) comprises 50 college chapters and 21 alumnae chapters. These are grouped in fifteen provinces, each province being an arbitrarily designated geographical division of the country. Over each province is a province president, selected biennially by the national council which is the highest executive body, being elected by the biennial national convention, the highest legislative body.

The members of the national convention are: one delegate from each college and each alumnae chapter in good standing, the members of the last-elected council, the province officers, the past presidents of the sorority, and the Founders of Delta Zeta. The national council now consists of six officers: President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Editor. Since the reduction of the province officers from the four established in 1926 to the original one, the duties of that one have naturally become more complicated; but it is felt that the additional importance placed on the province directors by making them full voting members of Convention, would justify the additional responsibility. Province conventions, which for a time were definitely set to take place in the year intervening between two national conventions, are now more optional with the chapters. While not discounting the value of such meetings, it was found in the two years when province meetings were held that they could and in most cases did, prove unexpected-

edly expensive upon the chapters and the individuals. In order to study the whole situation more thoroughly, formulate ways whereby the advantages but not the expenses of these meetings might be retained, the years 1929 and 1931 were allowed to go without province meetings. They are expected to begin again in the year 1935 providing economic conditions in the country generally warrant the expense. Such meetings have no power of actual legislation for the chapters. Rather, they stimulate helpful discussion of possible new legislation or plans to be discussed at the next national convention; they create a bond of interest between the chapters of the province, strengthen the feeling of national unity, and may if they so desire, memorialize the National Convention on issues they consider of vital importance.

On all legislation and business except that specifically provided for in some other manner, the voting members are the same as for business transacted in Convention sessions. The manner of voting on petitions has been changed from the earlier custom of a vote from each active and alumnae chapter and council member. Under the latest revision of the constitution those who vote on a petition for a new college chapter are: The national council, the director of the province in which the proposed chapter would be located, the five nearest college chapters and the two nearest alumnae chapters. The petition must have the vote of the council and the province director and may not be granted if there be more than one negative vote from the college chapters voting. Council alone votes on petitions for alumnae

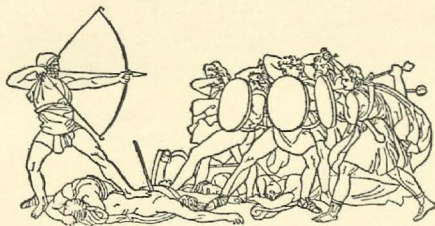
charters, and it also has the authority to transact all business in the interim of the Convention.

Supervision and Visitation

The local chapters are given a generous amount of freedom in their own government, although they must always abide by the intent of the national constitution and code. Uniformity of usage and interpretation of sorority problems, and general assistance and advice to the chapters, is afforded by visits from the national and province officers, the official visiting delegate in those years when one is in the field. Each chapter receives at least one official visit each year; these usually being from national and province visitors in alternation. In addition, each chapter has the assistance of a local Alumnae Adviser or Advisory Board, which acting in close connection with the province and national officers, and being always right at hand, is able to help smooth out many small points of friction and worry before they become serious.

The Business Office

In addition to these elected officers and their appointed assistants, the sorority has also an executive secretary to handle the purely routine work of the organization. She has charge of our business office and is headquarters manager for all chapter supplies, reports and other required routine operations. While it will always be necessary for the officers to carry on a great deal of correspondence personally, the executive secretary and business office have proven of inestimable value.





ALFA LLOYD HAYES, *Founder*
Grand President, 1908-1912

Presidents of Delta Zeta

FOR thirty-two years Delta Zeta drew her national presidents from two chapters, Alpha and Delta. It was only coincidence; but very natural that the two oldest chapters should for the period of its youth furnish the sorority with its executive officers. When in 1934 Margaret Huenefeld Pease of Xi Chapter becomes the eighth national president, she introduces a new chapter but it may still be claimed that all the presidents have come from Ohio and Indiana chapters.

The presidents of Delta Zeta, and their terms of office, are as follows:

Alfa Lloyd Hayes, *Alpha*, 1908-1912.

Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson, *Alpha*, 1912-1916.

Martha Louise Railsback, *Delta*, 1916-1919 (resigned, 1919).

Rene Sebring Smith, *Alpha*, 1919-1924 (acting executive, 1919-1920).

Julia Bishop Coleman, *Alpha*, 1924-1926.

Anne Simmons Friedline, *Alpha*, 1926-1928.

Myrtle Graeter Malott, *Delta*, 1928-1934.

Margaret Huenefeld Pease, *Xi*, 1934-.

Three of these presidents were also Founders of Delta Zeta. The account of their administrations has been included, in each case, with the section pertaining to each member, under "Founders."

ADMINISTRATION OF ALFA LLOYD HAYES, 1908-1912

The Period of Qualifying for Panhellenic Recognition and Standing

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ADMINISTRATION OF ELIZABETH COULTER STEPHENSON, 1912-1916

The Period of Constitutional Development and Organization

Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson, our second President, is so inseparably a part of Delta Zeta, almost from its beginning, that it is difficult to write of any

phase of Delta Zeta's life without paying tribute to her loyalty and her service.

The parents of Elizabeth Coulter were Thomas William and Caroline (Cooper) Coulter. Both were American born, Mr. Coulter being of Scotch, Quaker and Dutch ancestry. His grandparents and his father were among the earliest settlers in Butler County, Ohio, and both father and grandfather were farmers, which vocation Mr. Coulter followed all his life. Mrs. Coulter was the daughter of Dr. Jacob Cooper, a well-known Hebrew scholar, Presbyterian minister, and (for the greater part of his life) Professor of Philosophy in Rutgers College, New Brunswick, N.J. Elizabeth Coulter was the second of five children; Charles, James, Mary and Helen being the others. On the farm, near Oxford, Elizabeth was born, March 14, 1881. With her brothers and sisters Elizabeth attended the country school and at the age of fourteen went to high school in Oxford graduating in 1898 with a high average grade for the course. Thereupon she went to Oxford College for women to continue her education, attracted to this one of the two women's colleges in Oxford, by the fact that her grandmother, Caroline MacDill Cooper, a great aunt Ruth Cooper, and her mother, were all alumnae of this time-honored institution.

Her brothers were at this time students in Miami University and the distance from their home to Oxford led them to rent a house for themselves. Elizabeth's time was entirely taken up with her studies and the housekeeping for the three of them.

At her graduation from Oxford, in 1902, Miss Coulter received second honors in the classical course, and the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In the following fall she entered the Normal Department of Miami University, where she numbered as friends those who were to become the Founders of Delta Zeta.



ELIZABETH COULTER STEPHENSON
Grand President, 1912-16

She became the first pledge of the new sorority, and she was the first person to receive the initiation ceremony, being initiated in March, 1903.

Upon graduating from Miami University with the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy, Elizabeth Coulter became a teacher in the Franklin, Ohio, High School. In the summer of 1904 she returned for the summer session at Miami University. There she had for roommate, Lilla Stanton (West), with whom she studied and "larked" in the beginning of what developed into an enduring friendship.

After this happy summer Miss Coulter resumed her work in the Franklin High School, where she continued to teach until 1906. Being physically worn out by the strain of teaching she determined to make a change and accepted a position as proof reader in a large publishing house in Cincinnati. She was employed as proof reader for three months after which time she was persuaded by Professor Dyer, Superintendent of the public schools, of Cincinnati and her former instructor in Miami, to go back to teaching. Accordingly in January, 1907, she began to teach in the public schools of Cincinnati where she taught until 1909, but spent the year 1907-08 in Cornell University. For her year's work she received the master of arts' degree for advanced work in English, her graduating thesis being an important translation of Hermann Paull's conception of Germanic Philology.* In 1909 she went to teach in the Norwood High School near Cincinnati. This was her happiest and most successful year of teaching although it was her last, for her marriage to Mr. Henry Lee Stephenson, a prominent merchant of Portland, Ore., took place July 14, 1910.

Her interest in Delta Zeta began one spring day in 1903 when Anna Simmons approached her in the main hall of Miami University and asked her to become a member of Delta Zeta, explaining the

* This work was of such outstanding merit as to attain her a place in "Who's Who in America."

purpose of the budding organization. This appealed strongly to the girl known as Bess Coulter by her classmates so that there was little hesitation in accepting the invitation. Not only were all the members of Delta Zeta her good friends but a further appeal was that this organization was founded with the purpose of becoming a national fraternity. Her grandfather Jacob Cooper had been one of the charter members of Delta Kappa Epsilon at Miami and her brother James was a member of the same fraternity so it was that a glow of pride accompanied the thought that she might have a little part in such an accomplishment and thus keep up the family tradition.

Her first real work for Delta Zeta was in the reorganization of Delta Zeta after the break in 1906. All her spare time in the summer and fall of that year was spent in correspondence with the alumnae of Delta Zeta laying plans for the reconstruction of the organization. This resulted in the first National Assembly of Delta Zeta in 1907 in Dayton which has been mentioned before.

The following year while at Cornell Miss Coulter, familiarly known by her associates as "Betty," "Cherub" and "Tommy" planned and established the second chapter of the sorority while the mother chapter was being reorganized. The founding of this chapter was one of the happiest events of her life. Not one refusal met her invitation to become a charter member of Beta chapter, by the girls who were then and have ever since been her devoted friends.

Her next work was for an attempt to found a chapter in the University of Minnesota. Although this was a disappointment it only served as an incentive to further efforts for Delta Zeta.

Upon her appointment as Grand President, although just recovering from a serious illness and much of the correspondence having to be done in bed, Mrs. Stephenson went to work with a will. Her idea was to get every girl in Delta Zeta to work her hardest. Every member of Grand Council helped most en-

thusiastically but those doing unusually valuable work were Grace Alexander Duncan, *Epsilon*, Anne Simmons Friedline, *Alpha*, Emma Brunger, *Epsilon*, Gladys Robinson Stephens, *Epsilon*, and Merle Maxwell Hedden, *Epsilon*. The 1914-16 administration brought to the front besides these, Martha Louise Railsback, *Delta*, Gertrude McElfresh, *Beta*, Nettie Wills Shugart, *Zeta*, Mildred McKay, *Beta*, Gretta Tully, *Theta*, Arema O'Brien, *Theta*, and Julia Christman, *Theta*. Mrs. Stephenson was very happy in her work for Delta Zeta although discouragements often came. That her efforts were attended with success was largely due, she always asserted, to the splendid support given her by the national officers and the active chapters. The progress made during this administration has been mentioned elsewhere. She regards as her most important work for Delta Zeta, the reorganization in 1907, founding Beta Chapter, founding of Kappa Chapter, and the making of a national constitution. In addition to her work for Delta Zeta Mrs. Stephenson has always found time to take an active part in the work of her church, in organizing the work of the Campfire Girls and later assisting their program, and in the A.A.U.W., in which organization she has successfully held office. Since the death of Mr. Stephenson, Mrs. Stephenson has again resumed her professional work as a teacher, with distinguished success.

Her appearance at the 1922 Convention, after several years of unavoidable absence was a timely one, as she served with gratifying efficiency on the Constitutional revision Committee at that time. Although she has been able to participate in each of the Province Conventions held in the Northwest Province, she did not again attend a National Convention until 1933. It appeared to all present, very fitting that the first member ever to be initiated by the Founders should be present upon the occasion of the initiation of the first daughter of any Founder. But whether by such coincidence or otherwise, Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson

will always be inextricably associated with all that is courageous, vivid, and enduring, in the Delta Zeta Sorority.

ADMINISTRATION OF MARTHA LOUISE RAILSBACK: 1916-1919

The Period of Development of National Consciousness

Martha Louise Railsback, who was the third Grand President of Delta Zeta, is a Hoosier. Her parents were Charles Railsback and Katherine Minneck Railsback, both of German descent. Her father, a man of splendid character and a public spirited citizen, is a sound example of what was formerly meant by calling an outstanding American a "self-made man." Largely by his own determined efforts, he rose to manhood's success as owner of a large and prosperous grocery specialty business. Denied certain more formal advantages which a moneyed childhood might have given him, he trained and educated himself to a degree superior to that attained by many whose way was made easier for them. Mrs. Railsback,* was an exceptional woman, possessed of unusual charm, an ideal mother, a model homemaker and an interested and efficient worker in the Methodist Church, in the Young Woman's Christian Association, and a host of other civic and social activities. Martha Louise was the second of four children; an elder sister Julia (deceased) and a brother Leigh and sister Ruth May, being younger.

Martha Louise was born in Indianapolis in 1888. Here she attended the public schools graduating from Shortridge High School with a splendid record for both friendship and scholarship. She was also of quite an independent turn of mind, early learning to make her own decisions and stand by them for better or worse. Thus when it came time to choose her college, she chose neither Indiana University where her mother had attended and where she had belonged to Kappa Kappa Gamma, nor Purdue University where her brother, a member

* Deceased, summer 1934.

of Alpha Tau Omega, had gone. Instead, she elected to attend DePauw University, entering there as a member of the class of 1909. This decision would seem to have been a fortunate one for Delta Zeta, since it brought Martha and later on, Ruth May, into Delta Zeta.

did indeed possess and along with them a fine sympathy, a sense of humor, resourcefulness and a keen regard for justice. These qualities were readily known upon acquaintance, and attested to both by her personal friends and by her associates in the college organizations in



MARTHA LOUISE RAILSBACK
Grand President, 1916-20

When Alfa Lloyd Hayes visited DePauw with the idea of seeing whether it might support a chapter of Delta Zeta, she received the name of Martha Louise Railsback from the president of the university, with his recommendation for both her fine scholastic record and her outstanding ability as a leader. These qualities Mrs. Hayes found she

which she was active—the Y.W.C.A., the Sodalitas Latina, and Der Deutsche Verein. She was already showing that splendid business ability which made her a valuable member not only in her own chapter but to all Delta Zeta.

Although at the time of Delta Chapter's installation Martha was a senior, she did not fail to leave the impress of

her character and her personality on her new chapter. For it she has always maintained the most loyal and devoted attachment.

Receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1909 (the youngest member of that year's graduating class) she went the following year to teach in the high



MARTHA RAILSBACK TINSLEY TODAY

school at Roachdale, Indiana. Here she taught German and History with great success for the three following years. From this position she went, in the fall of 1912, to Shelbyville, Indiana, home of her friend and chapter-sister Edith Wray. Here she introduced the study of German, and also taught Latin. In the middle of this year she was forced by illness to resign from teaching for a time. During this next year she spent considerable time abroad, spending most of her time in Italy, France and Germany where she perfected her knowledge of German in order to teach it more successfully. Returning home she threw herself with greater ardor than ever into her profession, and her service for Delta Zeta.

Her first participation in the national

affairs of Delta Zeta had been upon the occasion of the 1910 Convention in Indianapolis. In this convention Martha Railsback had taken an important part. She had definite plans for chapter government to suggest, and these had at once commended themselves to the Grand Council, who adopted them as chapter laws. She had taken a prominent part in the work of some of the convention committees, and all that she did was well done. Recognizing her ability, and her availability, the convention had elected her to serve as Corresponding Secretary for the biennium 1910-1912. (Re-elected for 1912-14.) She was also selected to represent Delta Zeta in the National Panhellenic Congress, after its admission in 1911. These two offices she filled most creditably, and proved herself of the greatest assistance to the Grand President, Mrs. Hayes.

In January, 1911, Miss Railsback was one of the installing officers for Theta Chapter at Ohio State University. Though she had already been present at two installations, her own chapter Delta and its almost-twin Epsilon, this was her first official appearance as installing officer. However, from this time on she was called upon to take more and more of the installation work, assisting at the installation of Mu, Nu, Omicron, Pi, and Rho Chapters. Hers was the outstanding records for number of installations attended at the time when she left the presidency. In each case her presence on such an occasion gave to the new chapter the inspiration of a fine womanhood and a sterling character.

The 1914 Convention elected Martha Railsback Vice President. Upon the inability of Mrs. Stephenson to continue as President after 1916 Convention, the convention unanimously turned to Martha Railsback, "our Martha," as she was affectionately called. She assumed the duties of president at a time filled with significance for the sorority, and looming with many portents for the nation. In her previous period of service she had filled many positions; not only those of the constitutionally prescribed

office, but as Panhellenic delegate, as Chapter Inspector, as Chairman of Extension. As President, she retained her Panhellenic capacity, continued with the direction of inspection, and maintained always a vital interest in assisting with extension work.

After returning to Indianapolis for residence, she took an active part in the affairs of the Indianapolis alumnae chapter, in fact the organization meeting was held at her home. During her term as President Delta Zeta added seven college chapters (Nu, Pi, Rho, Sigma, Tau, Upsilon, Phi) and six alumnae chapters. She had already taken such active interest in the developing of Nu, Pi, and Rho chapters that they are often called her contribution to Delta Zeta. The Lafayette, Indiana, and Omaha, Nebraska, alumnae chapters were organized largely through her efforts. Mrs. Stephenson, looking over the record of Martha's work, considered that her work organizing an extension fund, the initial step to stabilizing this branch of our work; and the systematic organization of chapter inspections, the instituting of chapter examinations, and the developing of scholastic competitions among the chapters, were services of especial value and helpfulness.

Interested and active in Delta Zeta work as she was, Martha Louise still found time to do important work in the Indianapolis city Panhellenic, which she served as both treasurer and president, in the city Y.W.C.A., and in local Delta Zeta affairs. During her second year of office she made what was up to that time the longest and most extensive inspection trip undertaken by one officer in Delta Zeta. This was a trip through the western states, an interesting journey made partly by rail and partly by motor, in which she visited all except one of the western chapters.

After the entrance of the United States into the World War, Martha found herself more and more impelled to get into active service in some form, and she took up duty in the National Council of Defense, her headquarters

being in San Diego. She worked with relentless energy, giving much of her strength to activities not directly expected of her but which she simply saw needed to be done. At the same time she carried the tremendous load of sorority leadership without perceptible slackening in attention or devotion. This combined strain was too much, and weighing the circumstances as calmly and as fairly as she could, it seemed to Martha that her wisest course was to resign from Delta Zeta. To her associated officers and her chapters this was such a calamity that unanimously they begged her to reconsider, but this she could not do, and so in 1919 she relinquished her place at the helm of Delta Zeta. Though a young woman, none had served Delta Zeta longer, more faithfully, or better. To Delta Chapter she had been the loving big sister and wise counselor, to the Indianapolis alumnae, a tower of strength, to all Delta Zeta, the wise administrator and devoted guardian of its interests. To all who knew her she will ever be, in a peculiar sense, "*our Martha.*"

After the close of the war and her release from her former duties, Martha entered into a novel and fascinating life in the Black Hills of South Dakota. Here, with a friend whose kindred spirit of adventuring and pioneer dash matched her own, she became owner and operator of a hotel, an attendant flock of cottages, acted as postmistress, was practically owner of the town and in general led a life of vivid and constant interest. In the fall of 1923 she returned home to Indiana for a visit, later going at Rene Sebring Smith's special request, to assist at the installation of Alpha Iota Chapter. Though located where she cannot take an active resident part in Delta Zeta, she has always retained an alert interest in all that pertains to the sorority, and greatly delighted to talk over its past, present, and probable future with those sisters who sought her hospitality for rest and recuperation. Mrs. Friedline was among those who spent a summer at Spearfish Canyon,

with great delight. In 1932 Martha Louise was married to Mr. Lawrence Tinsley and they continue to reside in South Dakota.

ADMINISTRATION OF RENE SEBRING
SMITH: 1919-1924

*Period of Re-organization and
Expansion*

Rene Sebring Smith was Grand Secretary when circumstances swiftly and unexpectedly developing within Delta Zeta called upon her to become its acting executive. The competence with which she did this, once the decision was forcibly made, is a standing characteristic of this calm-eyed, efficient Hoosier; the second Hoosier president of Delta Zeta.

In the beautiful little hill town of Brookville, Indiana, Rene Sebring Smith made her childhood home. This section of the country, lying near Cincinnati, is idyllically lovely to look upon. For years and years I had known that Rene's home was at Brookville, and I knew how determinedly she at times set her face toward home; but that all seemed very natural to me, knowing what an unusually strong tie of devotion existed in the Smith family. It was not until fairly recent years when a bus trip to Cincinnati (undertaken in near-disgust because of missing the only adequate train for the day), proved an unexpected joy and delight in the atmosphere of the latter part of the trip, that I began to wonder whether some of the determination in Rene's homeward turning eyes was not for the hills themselves; and whether some of the deep, still calm of those eyes, too, might not come from the influence of the hills. In fact, I very strongly believe it to be the case. . . .

Be that as it may, here in southern Indiana she lived a busy, responsible life, as would naturally fall to the oldest of a family of seven boys and girls. One surmises that the variety of experiences which thus were assured, must have laid the foundation for that humorous quirk so outstanding and so winning a part of

her personality in later years. It is certain that this delight in fun and pranks was a trait much in evidence, much enjoyed, by those who were in Alpha Chapter along with Rene. Many are the wild tales her cohorts of college years delight in telling on her at some dignified occasion such as the installation of a new chapter; or other affair when Rene would be adorned with that regal air which became her so well as an executive; and more than once newly-made sisters have laid aside the awe of one instant for the wide-eyed glee of the tales let loose in the next!

Some normal school training and the further training which teaching in rural schools gives, preceded Rene's entrance in Miami University. Probably no one ever enjoyed her college life, every single part of it, the exciting and the humdrum (to most) as well, than Rennie; as she was known. She was one of the most active members of Alpha Chapter, all during her college life, serving in various capacities, and in her senior year being president. In addition to the regular college work she carried successfully two years of Latin, in one year, in order to graduate sooner. She was president of the college Y. W. C. A. (prophetic omen!) and tennis champion; charter member of Pleiad, an honorary organization of senior girls which became a chapter of Mortar Board in 1923. She was one of the notables who were listed in the "Big Chief" Section of the 1917 *Recensio*, the Miami University year-book. In 1917 she graduated, with the Bachelor of Arts degree.

Social Service, with a special leaning to Y. W. C. A. work, had a natural attraction for Rene. She became the general secretary of the Hamilton, Ohio, Y. W. C. A., where she made an admirable record. She was very happy in her work here, as she was thus within easy distance of Miami University, and her college chapter; also because being near Cincinnati, she could participate in the activities of the alumnae chapter there.

Leaving Hamilton in 1919, she assumed the secretaryship of the Y. W. C. A.



RENE SEBRING SMITH
Grand President, 1920-24
Acting Executive, 1918-20

in Muncie, Indiana, in which place she remained for four busy, successful years. A campaign for funds for a new building was one of her successful projects while here, although she did not remain in Muncie to see the new building or to enjoy it. In the fall of 1923 she resigned from the Muncie position to take advantage of an opportunity to do a year's study in New York City in the National Training School of the Y.W.C.A., and at Columbia University. The conclusion of this year saw her with many new opportunities beckoning. It was a time allowing for changing conditions in various interests in her life, and she hesitated somewhat over the decision. However, that which she finally made was an exceedingly happy and profitable one, leading her to take up the secretaryship of the Long Beach, California, Y.W.C.A. Here she has remained from that time, becoming one of the most loyal of all the many loyal daughters-by-adoption, of the Golden State. All Hoosiers, of course, insist on claiming her still, yielding her only by adoption to California; but for that matter, as all Delta Zetas claim her, she might very nicely wear a bedcover embroidered with the insignia of all the states—only she would probably spring it as her costume for the next Convention Fancy Dress party. . . .

Rene's national service with Delta Zeta began in 1916, when she was elected Grand Secretary, although at that time she was still in college. She filled this office with energy and devotion, becoming as well acquainted with her sorority as though it were a paying job or a college course; she always believed in knowing what it was all about. When the resignation of Martha Railsback in 1919, and the inability of the Vice-President to undertake this heavy responsibility, followed prompt on each other, Rene was pushed into the gap, being next in line, to become the acting head of Delta Zeta. This unexpected and difficult task she discharged so well, in spite of all the tangled threads of a growing and vigorous organization just

coming through a great national crisis of war and its aftermath, that she stood out as the logical leader for the reorganization period. So when in 1920, affairs financial and collegiate once more permitted a national convention, the sorority elected her as president in her own right. The 1922 Convention repeated; and so for five years Delta Zeta had the benefit of the wealth of experience which Rene had garnered as Secretary, plus the natural growth of ability and judgment her years in other organization work had given. It is safe to say that no president had known her sorority better than had Rene when she assumed its leadership. The year 1922-23, in which many new undertakings were being launched, she rendered especial service in directing the setting up of the Central Office in Muncie, establishing its record forms, files, routine, etc.

When, at 1924 Convention, she announced that her personal career was likely to take her into the west, and that she felt the matter of distance alone would work a handicap to Delta Zeta should she entertain any idea of continuing as president, the sorority was able to persuade her to continue as its Panhellenic delegate, a position which she had intermittently held since 1917. Her work in the Panhellenic Congress was a source of much enjoyment to Rene, entailing less responsibility in a way, than had the work with Delta Zeta alone, and bringing her as it did, in contact with an unusually interesting group of women. She herself contributed to the task a keen mind, a discriminating interest and a never-failing fund of quiet, clever wit. It was the privilege of Delta Zeta to be able to retain Rene Sebring Smith as delegate through the successive offices of Treasurer, Secretary and Chairman of National Panhellenic Congress, and we may well be proud of the distinction with which she served us through these years and in each office. Always on the alert for measures that shall make for greater social clarity, and convinced that the Congress must be understood by the girl on the campus if it was to be able to fill



JULIA BISHOP COLEMAN, Founder
Grand President, 1924-26



ANNE SIMMONS FRIEDLINE, *Founder*
National President, 1926-28

the role it assigned to itself, she was able, in her term as Chairman, to inaugurate the plan of having college representatives present for the sessions, as well as the elected representatives of each national sorority. Undoubtedly it was an interesting innovation; unquestionably some good accrued. Whether it was just the thing that was needed, time will tell, but the idea which lay back of it is one characteristic of Rene Sebring Smith. At the 1933 Convention Rene asked to be relieved of her position in Panhellenic work; and though it was with regret that the sorority accepted this resignation, it had cause to be grateful that for seventeen years it had had the benefit, the inspiration and the loyalty, of Rene Sebring Smith, veteran.

It would be impossible for Rene Sebring Smith to "resign" in a positively definite sense, from Delta Zeta unless she becomes a modern Robinson Crusoe. Endearred to literally hundreds of members by personal friendship, her unflagging, self-sacrificing devotion to the advancement of the sorority and of the underlying principles which justify sororities, entitle her to a permanent place among those who have served us most wisely, most lovingly, most inspiringly.

ADMINISTRATION OF JULIA BISHOP
COLEMAN: 1924-26

The Period of Goodwill and Optimism
(See page 58)

ADMINISTRATION OF ANNE SIMMONS
FRIEDLINE: 1928-30

*The Period of Greater Self-Knowledge
and Internal Development*
(See page 62)

ADMINISTRATION OF MYRTLE GRAETER
MALOTT

*Period of Testing for Enduring Systems
and Institutions*

Again a Hoosier.

In the class of 1917 there entered DePauw University one Myrtle Martina Graeter, home town, Ft. Wayne. She pledged Delta Zeta with great enthu-

siasm; she took her pledge duties with similar enthusiasm; she pursued her studies with a likewise atmosphere; she went out for activities with ardor undimmed. Naturally a girl with this buoyant personality became well known, well liked. It is said that wherever she crossed the campus, two greetings sprang forth where possibly none had been before. At any rate, DePauw and Delta Chapter were both the recipients of her attendance, her attention and her enthusiasm, for the conventional four years. She lived through a period when many changes were being brought about on her campus and within her sorority. I have heard Myrtle laugh when she was reading the old history which Delta Chapter kept in meticulous detail, and wonder what the sisters of today—or even of that day, some place besides on a Methodist campus—would think if they knew that the rule "There shall be no dancing" meant that there could be no dancing even by girls with girls, in chapter houses, as is done just automatically now! . . . She took a keen and devoted interest in Delta Zeta, was especially a worshipper of Martha Railsback, a loyal friend of her younger sister Ruth May. In her senior year she was elected president, and sincerely accepted the office as an honor and a trust. This attitude is one from which she has never wavered in all that concerns Delta Zeta.

Graduating in 1917, she was married in a short time to Carl Grant Malott, Acacia, of Purdue. It was not long until Carl was mustered into training camp. He was stationed at Louisville and Myrtle followed, trying—and succeeding—in living (though she does say she got awfully tired of macaroni and spaghetti) on a second lieutenant's pay, at the army canteen. . . . Of course some of it wasn't so bad; and when the war was over and Carl was once more free to continue with his own profession, they were a gay and happy couple. When in 1919 they went to Texas to take up residence, her only regret was at leaving her parents and her sorority, for she took



MYRTLE GRAETER MALOTT
National President, 1928-34



PAST PRESIDENTS HONOR GUESTS AT THE THIRTEENTH CONVENTION
 Left to right: Alfa Lloyd Hayes, Julia Bishop Coleman, Anne Simmons Friedline,
 Rene Sebring Smith

Texas to her heart and has loved it ardently ever since. Carl, Texas, Delta Zeta, one might say are the three major interests of Myrtle Malott. Anyone seeing her working at it could be excused for thinking "and the greatest of these is Delta Zeta," but that we don't quite believe. We think it could give Texas a run for its money, but that Carl easily walks away with first place.

Myrtle Malott claims the sorority's record for being a real convention hound. She has attended every convention since, and beginning with, the 1916 meeting. During Martha Railsback's presidency she wished for a more uniform method of keep the chapter treasury records, and knowing that Myrtle had both by nature and by marriage a great deal of interest in such matters, asked her to work out suggestions for improved and uniform books to be considered for adoption. This she did, and in 1918 the completed treasury book was adopted and distributed among the chapters for use. With modifications and some changes for

making simpler certain operations that seemed confusing or superfluous, this is the form of books still in use by chapters today. At the 1918 Council Meeting Myrtle was selected National Treasurer of Delta Zeta, succeeding Hazel Putnam, resigned, and began at once an energetic effort to improve the financial methods and conditions of the sorority. At that time the custom of charging each alumna member one dollar per year alumnae dues, set up by the 1914 constitution, was still in effect; but due to the expense and labor required to bill these members, and keep up the bookkeeping work of such a procedure, the books showed an enormous sum of assets receivable, but uncollected. On this one task Myrtle worked assiduously, with some success by 1920 Convention, but with a growing conviction that here was a place where a change of method would be necessary eventually. In 1922 she was able to report to convention the first prosperous treasury in the history of the sorority. For the next two years

she served as registrar, while Edythe Wilson Thoesen, as treasurer, continued to bring the sorority into calm financial seas. Again in 1924 Myrtle assumed the treasury, and worked with much success

estimates, of how a LAMP endowment under such a plan would grow and assure the continuance of the magazine in perpetuity. This plan is perhaps Myrtle Malott's greatest single contribution to



MARGARET H. PEASE
National President, 1934-

on increasing the number of paid-for-life members and LAMP subscribers, the project on which Mrs. Thoesen had made such a notably successful beginning. At the 1926 Convention, the report of the treasurer was of monumental interest; it introduced a new plan of life membership dues and LAMP subscriptions, and gave complete figures based on actuarial

the advancement of the sorority, for it marked a forward step financially that has facilitated every line of development within the sorority.

Retiring from council in 1926, there were two years of unofficial life for "Mrs. Dollars" as she had long been dubbed. But appearance at the 1928 Convention brought its own train of de-

velopments; Myrtle was elected president. The 1930 Convention re-elected her, and when the 1932 Convention was postponed she was thus given one more year of service, willy-nilly. Finally, the 1933 Convention by electing two councils and asking the incumbent one to hold over, added a sixth year of service as President to Myrtle Graeter Malott's long span of unceasing services for Delta Zeta. When she retires from the presidency she will have the longest term of office yet held by any member, if we may count membership on the National Finance Committee (1926-28) as on an equality with council membership.

It is difficult to estimate at close range, the exact values of the contribution which Delta Zeta has received from Myrtle Malott's varied contacts with it. Whether to say that the straightening out of financial policies and routine, thus making for greater security and satisfaction for the chapters and the national soundness of operation; whether to stress the quality of leadership that was necessary to bring an organization through years of surprises and upsets everywhere; whether to give first place to the unwavering loyalty, the ceaseless ambition for, the deepseated devotion to the sorority as an ideal—this is a matter of choice so difficult as to decide only that each of these is in its own place an indispensable factor in making the contribution of Myrtle Graeter Malott that which it is. Out of an experience involving hundreds of members in all positions from the newest pledge to the very Founders, one feels that it is not an exaggeration to claim for Myrtle that in the case of Delta Zeta, "Greater love hath none." We close with the beginning of the

initiated the following year after a sojourn at Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois. Graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1921 she returned to the university in the fall and entered the College of Law, from which she was graduated in 1924, receiving a Bachelor of Laws degree.

Upon her graduation she was admitted to the bar of Ohio in June, 1924, and to Federal practice six months later. She was engaged in the general practice of law in Cincinnati until 1926, when she became Law Librarian of the College of Law of the University of Cincinnati, which position she held until her marriage in 1928.

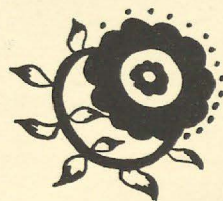
Her first official duty in Delta Zeta, besides the activity in her own chapter, Xi, and the Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter, was as editor of the *Lampkin*, the paper which was printed on board the Delta Zeta Special Train for the San Francisco Convention. The next year she served on the Constitution Committee, and at the 1928 convention, was elected Editor of *THE LAMP* which position she held until 1934. At the 1933 convention she was elected National President, and took office in July, 1934. During the year 1933-34 she served the sorority as visiting delegate, combining this with her work as editor.

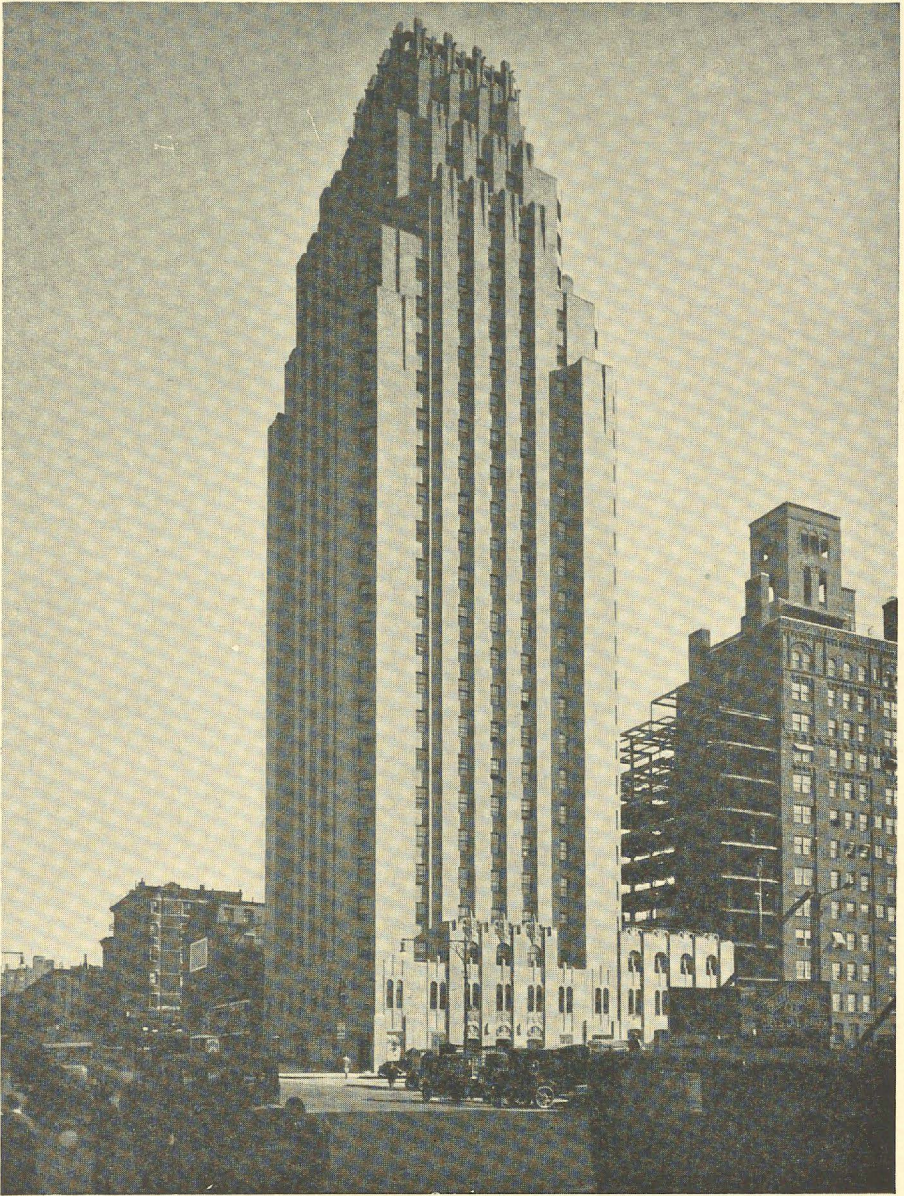
Mrs. Pease brings to the office of president an appreciation of the responsibility such office demands, and although it is only the beginning of her term of office, the close contact she has had with the sorority membership at large through frequent chapter visits, letters, and installation should prove of inestimable value in helping her make a real contribution to the sorority.

ADMINISTRATION OF MARGARET HUENEFELD PEASE: 1934-

The Period of Readjustment and Recovery

Margaret Elizabeth Huenefeld (Mrs. John Wemple Pease), Xi '21, entered the University of Cincinnati in the fall of 1917, was pledged to Delta Zeta and





BECKMAN TOWER (PANHELLENIC)

National Panhellenic Congress

THE name "National Panhellenic Congress" falls glibly enough from the lips of most sorority members, yet both alumnae and active members confess themselves, at times, somewhat lacking in exact information as to what this organization is and does. Therefore a chapter on the development of Panhellenic relationships may well be included in the history of any single sorority.

The National Panhellenic Congress is a gathering of official and alternate delegates representing national women's fraternities. The official delegates, one from each member-organization, are those who are selected by their organizations to report for it and cast its vote on all actions taken in the Congress. The alternate delegates, two from each member organization, participate unofficially, having a voice but no vote, in the sessions of the Congress.

There are today twenty-three organizations in full membership, and two who are associate members, pending the time when their chapters and organization meet the outlined requirements for membership.

This does not exhaust the list of national fraternities for women, for there is now a total of forty-five such organizations, most of which will eventually, if they so desire, become members of the National Panhellenic Congress. The increasing demands for more organizations to meet campus needs, points to this development, and it is in response to this trend that the National Panhellenic Congress has adopted the plan of admitting groups to associate membership in order that they may the better and more quickly have the benefits and experiences of Panhellenic activities.

The present list of members of National Panhellenic Congress is:

1. Pi Beta Phi
2. Kappa Alpha Theta
3. Kappa Kappa Gamma
4. Alpha Phi
5. Delta Gamma

6. Gamma Phi Beta
7. Alpha Chi Omega
8. Delta Delta Delta
9. Alpha Xi Delta
10. Chi Omega
11. Sigma Kappa
12. Alpha Omicron Pi
13. Zeta Tau Alpha
14. Alpha Gamma Delta
15. Alpha Delta Pi
16. Delta Zeta
17. Phi Mu
18. Kappa Delta
19. Beta Phi Alpha
20. Alpha Delta Theta
21. Theta Upsilon
22. Beta Sigma Omicron
23. Phi Omega Pi

This list represents the gradual development over some thirty years of an experiment in inter-organization association and cooperation, now taken quite as a matter of course but at one time almost despaired of.

Early fraternal relationships among women's as well as men's organizations were those of rivalry and worse; actual "lifting" of initiated members from one organization to another was not unknown, and such things as rushing restrictions and agreements were unheard of. After two or three unsuccessful attempts to assemble representatives for friendly conference there did finally come a meeting in Boston in 1891 at which representatives of seven women's organizations were present and discussion of matters of importance to all were for the first time discussed. Here for the first time were formulated the recommendations for "greater moderation in rushing, that chapters be watchful that they may pursue no method that should be considered questionable or underhanded," the framing of local rushing rules on each campus, etc. However, not all the organizations were yet ready to subscribe to even these few and seemingly simple agreements and some of the representatives thought there would never



RENE SEBRING SMITH, *Alpha*
Chairman, National Panhellenic Congress, 1929-31

be a practical union for cooperation desirable as they felt it would be. The World's Fair of 1893 saw another rather formal attempt to organize, a meeting being held in connection with the Congress of fraternities (men's) where both business and social sessions were arranged and five of the organizations co-operated in maintaining a booth in the Woman's building where fraternity women could rest, meet friends, and incidentally register their attendance and their fraternal affiliation.

For almost another decade there was nothing further in the way of Panhellenic organization, but in 1902 the same seven who had met in Boston in 1891 met in Chicago in May and held the first official meeting of the National Panhellenic Conference, as then called.

The second meeting, held in 1903, made provision for the organization of college Panhellenic organizations on every campus where two or more national sororities should meet; and the third meeting, in 1904, attempted to define the standards which should constitute rating as "national" fraternity—these being "at least five college chapters all in institutions of full collegiate rank."

By 1900 there were fourteen national fraternities for women, and quickly the membership of the National Panhellenic Conference was increased by additions to the seven originally attending its meetings. In 1911 Delta Zeta became the sixteenth member organization. Since then seven others have qualified for full membership, and doubtless as time goes on, others of the thirty-seven women's organizations now maintaining chapters on five or more college campi, will become full fledged members. Since 1915, the meetings have been biennial instead of the annual conference first held; and the name has become The National Panhellenic Congress.

Quoting from the constitution of the organization we read that its purpose is "To maintain on a high plane fraternity life and interfraternity relationship, to cooperate with college authorities in

their effort to maintain high social scholarship standards throughout the whole college, and to be a forum for the discussion of questions of interest to the college and fraternity world."

The fraternity world as applied to women now consists of the active and alumnae members of over one thousand chapters of thirty-seven organizations represented on nearly 150 college campi. The small group of women who, representing these thousands, gather every two years to constitute the National Panhellenic Congress is not a body assembled to legislate or to rule for the organizations but rather to consider and discuss the large fundamental matters which must be considered by each organization for the benefit of the individual group and the prosperity of the system. High standards of scholarship, finer social standards, right living in right chapter houses, character building as the supreme responsibility, these are the guiding principles upon which the organizations unite. The most experienced officers of each organization are invariably chosen for this highly important work; and associated with these are others for each organization is allowed two alternate delegates at each Congress.

The distinguishing feature of this organization has been, perhaps, the open mindedness which marks its actions. While considering and at times experimenting with measures looking to better local and national conditions, it has at all times been honest enough to discontinue plans and policies which proved unwise or impractical. Today its close relationship to the Association of the Deans of Women on the one hand and to the college chapters on the other hand make it uniquely fitted for the functions of research and guidance which it is called upon to assume. Recognizing that every organization is striving for the best possible standards for its members and chapters, and that none itself can absorb benefits unless all share, this group has made distinguished contributions to the progress of the college fraternity women through its studies of

WHERE DELTA ZETA MEETS OTHER PANAHELLENIC GROUPS

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BΓ	Mississippi.....									Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ	Δ
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* Inactive. Swarthmore all sororities ruled out.

policies and conditions fundamental to all; and it stands in the minds of all as the truest exemplification of fraternity ideals.

The publications of the N.P.C., "Condensed Statement of the Proceedings of the National Panhellenic Congress (1902-24)" and the later bulletins prepared by the Committee on Information, are invaluable in the working of any fraternal group, demonstrating that not by

laws but by living influence is the value of such unified efforts best proven.

Delta Zeta's official representatives to National Panhellenic Congress have been but five in number: (According to the constitution of Delta Zeta, the National President appoints the delegate, if she herself cannot serve.)

- 1911-14 Alfa Lloyd Hayes
- 1911-17 Martha Louise Railsback
- 1917-34 Rene Sebring Smith, with

1920-22 Gertrude Ewing McElfresh.
1933- Myrtle Graeter Malott (chair-
man City Panhellenics Committee)

Rene Sebring Smith was Treasurer of N.P.C. 1925-27, Secretary 1927-1929, and chairman from 1929 until 1931 when she presided at the twenty-second congress which was held in St. Louis, Missouri.

The promotion of Panhellenic lodges or buildings on a college campus, eliminating the expense of separate lodges for

the sorority groups, is an interesting side-growth of Panhellenic development. And while in no way a part of the program of the National Panhellenic Congress, yet the Panhellenic House (Beekman Tower) of New York City is among the monumental activities of united action from sorority women; and lacking the understanding and fellowship developed from the years of influence from National Panhellenic Congress, such an undertaking would have been impossible of accomplishment.



College Chapters

<i>Chapter</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Established</i>
Alpha	Miami University	1902
Gamma	University of Minnesota	1923
Delta	DePauw University	1909
Epsilon	Indiana University	1909
Zeta	University of Nebraska	1910
Eta	Baker University	1910
Theta	Ohio State University	1911
Iota	State University of Iowa	1913
Kappa	University of Washington	1914
Mu	University of California	1915
Nu	Knox College	1915
Xi	University of Cincinnati	1916
Omicron	University of Pittsburgh	1916
Pi	Eureka College	1917
Rho	Denver University	1917
Sigma	Louisiana State University	1917
Tau	University of Wisconsin	1918
Upsilon	University of North Dakota	1919
Phi	State University of Washington	1919
Chi	Oregon Agricultural College	1919
Psi	Franklin College	1920
Omega	University of Oregon	1920
Alpha Alpha	Northwestern University	1920
Alpha Beta	University of Illinois	1921
Alpha Gamma	University of Alabama	1922
Alpha Delta	George Washington University	1922
Alpha Zeta	Adelphi College	1922
Alpha Eta	University of Michigan	1922
Alpha Theta	University of Kentucky	1923
Alpha Iota	University of Southern California	1923
Alpha Kappa	Syracuse University	1924
Alpha Nu	Butler University	1924
Alpha Xi	Randolph-Macon Woman's College	1924
Alpha Omicron	Brenau College	1924
Alpha Pi	Howard College	1924
Alpha Rho	Ohio Wesleyan University	1924
Alpha Sigma	Florida State College for Women	1924
Alpha Tau	University of Texas	1924
Alpha Upsilon	University of Maine	1924
Alpha Phi	University of Kansas	1925
Alpha Chi	University of California, L.A.	1925
Alpha Psi	Southern Methodist University	1926
Alpha Omega	Millsaps College	1926
Beta Alpha	Rhode Island State College	1928
Beta Beta	University of Mississippi	1928
Beta Gamma	University of Louisville	1928
Beta Delta	University of South Carolina	1928
Beta Zeta	University of Utah	1928
Beta Eta	Swarthmore College	1930
Beta Theta	Bucknell University	1930
Beta Iota	University of Arizona	1930
Beta Kappa	Iowa State College	1931
Beta Lambda	University of Tennessee	1933

ALTHOUGH Alpha Chapter really was begun in September 1902, she always counts her official birthday, national Founders' Day, October 24.

The chapter has the distinction of having provided more national officers

than any other chapter; having since 1908 contributed five presidents, three historians, three vice-presidents, the first editor, two grand secretaries, and numerous auxiliary workers and province officers.

Initiations of Alpha Chapter, always held as nearly as possible to February 22, are still held in the room where the first initiation service took place. In architecture this hall was especially suitable for such services, and as years have gone by tradition has been added to make the original features even dearer.

Prominence in campus and scholastic activities has ever been characteristic of Alpha Chapter; nor must it be overlooked that the personal popularity of the chapter has always been at a high point. In fact, the chapter has been one which has laid fine traditions and faithfully adhered to them. Elsa Thoma (Baer) class of 1913, was the first Delta Zeta from Alpha Chapter to receive Phi Beta Kappa honors after the entrance of Phi Beta Kappa in 1911. She has had a creditable number of followers. Delta Zeta has had the distinction of the first Junior Prom leader, the first woman to edit the annual yearbook, the *Recensio*, the first woman to read for honors, and two winners of the Neukom Trophy Cup, a cup awarded annually to the Miami woman student voted to be the best all-round girl. Alpha's two winners are Hazel Bowen, 1923 and Leah Rose, 1924.

Beta Chapter Second to Light the Lamp

Just as Elizabeth Coulter (Stephen-son) was Delta Zeta's first initiate so was she also its first (though unofficial) extension chairman. Having gone to Cornell in 1907 to secure her Master's Degree, she found there a group of friends so congenial with her and with each other that the actual organizing of Beta Chapter was simply a confirmation of the ties already formed. Miss Coulter, variously known as "Chub," "Tommy" or "Betty," had become so well liked that had she not considered her Delta Zeta membership as prohibiting joining another organization, she might have affiliated with another group. However, her earnest purpose of helping Delta Zeta become truly national was always first with her, and she remained true to her early ideals for Delta Zeta. This year was one of re-organization for Alpha

Chapter, and it had been in working but two months when Betty Coulter, in March, invited as charter members of Beta Chapter, Gertrude McElfresh, Erma Lindsay, Ida Nightingale, Grace Hare, and Marguerite Decker. Erma Lindsay was the only freshman in the group, and the thrills felt by her, a lowly "frosh," at being elected to share honors and happiness with her beloved Betty, were delightfully told by her in the Beta Number of the LAMP, volume 3, number 3 as follows:

The only light in the room came from a green shaded candle on the desk and everything in the room was obscured, except that one ray of light escaped from the top of the candle-shade and illumined the picture of Betty which hung over the desk.

To think that I was the only one left of the five whom Betty had initiated that night in March, 1908! And I thought over the history of those six years.

My memory of that first year was necessarily subjective. I was a freshman, a dreamer and a hero worshipper at that, and everything about Cornell was then, as now, surrounded with a rosy light. I can safely say I was the "greenest" Frosh that ever entered Cornell, and lucky for me was it that I chanced upon Gertrude McElfresh for a room-mate.

Gertrude had come from Oregon to enter as Junior and had become quickly one of the most popular girls in Sage. To meet her was to become her slave, and I was the most insignificant though the most devoted of her henchman. I loved the very ground upon which she walked—and so did others.

From November to February I was in the hospital with scarlet fever. Gertrude was the most faithful of many who made life happy for an unfortunate little Frosh. After I came back, Grace Hare, Betty Coulter, Ida Nightingale and Marguerite Decker were added to the list. Grace, or "Bunny," was noted for her fun. Any one who was sad or weary or discouraged came to Bun and went away happy; she was the life of every group she graced with her presence. Ida Nightingale, or "Chip," had a voice like her namesake and a dramatic ability that made her the star of Dramatic Club and Class stunts. Marguerite Decker had the dignity of a Minerva, the style of a Parisian, and a goodly share of the male portion of the University at her feet.

And one day Betty, Betty, who always appeared to me with a halo about her head of auburn and a dimple in her cheek that laughed away my awe, asked me to be a charter member of Beta Chapter. Any one of the five girls might have joined one of

the existing sororities. But we wanted Betty and we wanted each other—and therefore we wanted Delta Zeta.

How proud we were when our pins came and, since we were not yet ready to announce our chapter, we wore them under our dresses and smiled at each other when we met and put our hands over our hearts.

We were initiated on Betty's birthday. I remember the round-eyed wonder with which I viewed preparations for a party in the big dining room where, as a Frosh, I could not enter; the joy with which I received the news that since I was a frosh I was to be allowed to walk down town to the postoffice for the charter, and the wonder of becoming a real member at last.

Everyone was kind to us. Though we shared to a greater degree the disadvantages the younger sororities all feel before the one or two oldest, our girls were pretty, popular, and of high standing in scholarship. Being a freshman I did not count particularly, but everyone hoped for something of me in the hands of such fine sisters. We had three fine patronesses in the faculty who helped us much.

Of course it was hard to start. I received none of the brunt of it, but I realized. Those of you who are in colleges where sororities are numerous and in high favor, cannot understand the odds against which even the oldest sororities here fight, where there is an intense spirit of democracy that makes sorority girls avoid most carefully all appearance of clannishness or sorority spirit in public, forces a girl often to discriminate against her sorority sisters in favor of independents and makes half the girls invited to join sororities each year "go independent" from choice. Add to this the fact that most of the girls who join sororities are after the oldest, and often sacrifice their preference for the girls to their desire to belong to a well-known sorority, and you will see against what we struggled my sophomore year as the second chapter of Delta Zeta.

But the next year light broke. We found four girls of the kind of which we had found but two the year before, who thought, not of the sorority's standing, but its girls. The next year Delta Zeta was national, and we were on an equal footing in rushing rules with other sororities.

We have had and have girls prominent in all activities and all classes. Delta Zeta holds her own with the other sororities. This year our president as president of Panhellenic here proved forever our right to an equal share in the positions of that organization, and now we suffer only from youth and the fewness of our alumnae, things which have their advantages as well as their drawbacks, for we have something extra to work for and to increase our love.

We have worked, all of us, how we have worked—but after all, is that what Delta

Zeta means to me? As I look back I see what recalled the history of our growth has been more or less conscious, what I see as I gazed at Betty's picture was rather the result and accompaniment of that work.

Love—can anything equal the bond that has resulted in a love that leads us, scattered as we are, to sacrifice everything, even to the half of a short journey home, to see each other? That has resulted in a round-robin of seventeen of us that has travelled from Oregon to New York and reached all of us every two or three months for three years, and which no one dreams of neglecting or delaying, but only of hurrying on so she may get it sooner? That has meant a unity of home and interests for some of us that will last all our lives?

The joy of service. Shall I ever forget the pleasure Ellie and I took in turning down four beds every night, in running errands, in coining something to do for our dear upper classmen, or how Dick and Gertrude sat up all night copying rituals and writing invitations? Shall we ever forget the trips to the infirmary, the meeting of trains, the smoothing of brows and troubled hearts that our sisters did for us? And did anyone begrudge it?

Fun—could any one help laughing the time dignified Gertrude entered her room with a wild war whoop and dance to find a professor and his wife there? Or the time we decorated Dick's room with her various pairs of shoes? Or when they put furs in my bed and a cold water bottle in Chip's and had to wait outside the door till nearly one o'clock before we went to bed and they had the pleasure of hearing our bloodcurdling yells? Or the time we were discussing inheritance at the table and Helen came out of an abstraction to remark that the only inherited thing in their family was twins?

I chortled aloud, Adelaide stirred, and the clock struck. Gladly would I have sat there all night delighting in those thoughts. But the next watcher would be unhappy should she not be allowed to do her share, so I went to seek her.

She arose willingly and gave up her bed to me. As the door closed behind her, her roommate moved and murmured in her sleep, "What was the happiest thing that ever happened to you?" And though I knew she wouldn't hear, I snuggled down in my pillow and whispered "Delta Zeta."

ERMA LINDSAY, *Beta*

Delta Zeta was really pioneering at Cornell in the advent of Beta Chapter, for she was the first of the younger organizations to form a chapter there, and the first chapter of any organization, since 1889. Unquestionably Elizabeth Coulter chose well, for the new group,

although small, made noteworthy history from the first. In their social activities they were greatly aided by their three patronesses, and before the close of the year had made their formal debut as a member of Panhellenic, and had increased their membership by the addition of Mildred McKay, Edna Foster, and Eleanore Edwards.

and enduring policy. Marcella Pendery, '18, and Esther Conroy Loucks, '27, province presidents. Sabina T. Murray, '14, was executive secretary for two years.

The first Phi Beta Kappa from Beta was Ida Nightingale, and Erma Lindsay, a second charter member, was also Phi Beta Kappa, and Sigma Xi. Among



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Until 1917, Beta Chapter lived happily in the dormitories and held its meetings in a chapter room. From 1917 until the winter of 1919 she lived in rented houses; but a fire at the latter time made the chapter homeless for the rest of the year and turned the thoughts of its members toward owning their chapter house. A house fund was begun and in 1921, largely through the efforts of Marita Oelkers Littauer, Beta purchased her own house.

Beta Chapter has given the following national officers: Gertrude McElfresh, treasurer 1914-1916; Ida Nightingale, secretary 1910-12; Erma Lindsay Land, vice-president 1918-20; Marita Oelkers Littauer, secretary 1922-24. (Mrs. Littauer was elected for a second term, Convention 1924 but resigned that same fall.) Mildred McKay, the first Chairman of Social Service, outlined a broad

other honors have been four graduate scholarships won and the claiming, for several consecutive years, of at least one member a year in "Hexie," the senior women's honorary society (now a chapter of Mortar Board) to which but twelve women are elected each year.

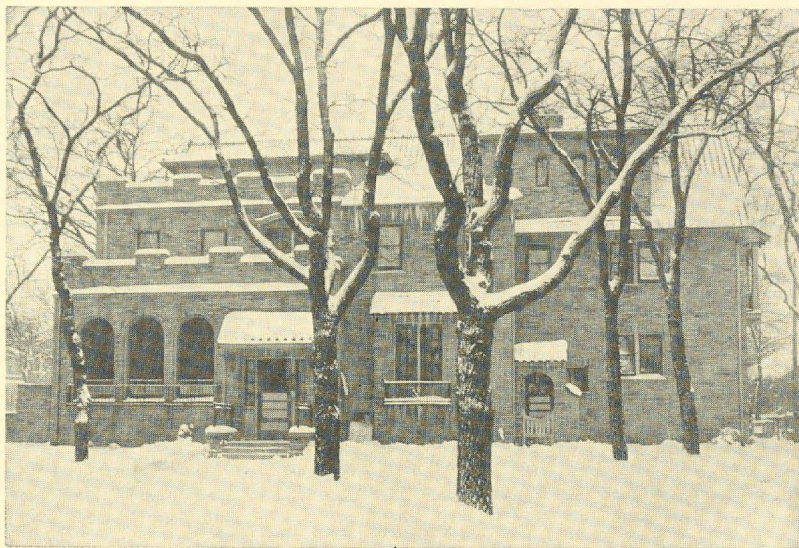
The 1922 Convention, the largest to that time, was entertained at Ithaca with Beta girls as hostesses.

Gamma the Romantic Chapter

Gamma Chapter perhaps enjoys the greatest element of romance in the history of Delta Zeta Chapters. The University of Minnesota was one in which Elizabeth Coulter wished to encourage the establishment of a chapter, and her contacts with a group of girls in this university seemed to suggest installation of the third chapter here. While correspondence was still going on, groups at

DePauw and Indiana University moved forward more rapidly with their petitions and being more accessible to officers, were installed as Delta and Epsilon, the name Gamma being reserved for the Minnesota girls. These were only pledged, not initiated, in the spring, the initiation being planned for early fall. Alas! the opening of the next college

prived unexpectedly of Miss Hobart's presence, the group without her assistance and advice relinquished its attempt at so difficult a task and again Gamma was frustrated in being. Busily attending to other petitioners in the years that followed, Delta Zeta made no further contacts with the university until, in 1922, a group which was visited and



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year found the little group scattered by illnesses and other disappointment of their hopes. But one girl returned, and at that time nothing more was done. In 1911 a local, Kappa Zeta, was recommended by Mabelle Hobart, of Beta Chapter, who was then in the university. In their petition they asked to be installed as Kappa Chapter, not knowing that the name of Gamma was held in reserve for their Alma Mater. Although the group and the petition met with favorable attention from Delta Zeta, the installation was recommended to be made conditional upon the group and the sorority having arranged to mutual benefit and satisfaction, a treasury which would enable the proposed chapter to begin its life on a basis to compare with other organizations. De-

recommended by Edythe Wilson Thoesen, found a favorable reception from Delta Zeta officers. With their encouragement the girls worked faithfully and in May 1923, the destined name of Gamma Chapter of Delta Zeta replaced the local one of the Gamma Club.

The installing officers for Gamma Chapter were Nettie Wills Shugart, Vera Brown Jones and Luella Hall, assisted by a team of members from Upsilon, the sponsoring chapter. It was of great interest to the visiting members and the new chapter, to see how true it is that "it pays to advertise." The newspaper notices of the proposed installation and the social activities planned in connection showed that in the Twin Cities there were a number of Delta Zetas hitherto unknown to each other or to the

new group. Their presence at the installation banquet, in addition to those already working with the chapter, gave an interesting scope of chapter presentation, and this fortunate discovery also greatly hastened the organization of the Twin Cities Alumnae Chapter for further assistance to Gamma.

The charter members of the chapter were: Helen Woodruff, '24; Evelyn Keln, '25; Marion Ladner, '24; Lorinda Larson, '25; Sylvia Larson, '24; Dorothy McCarthy, '24; Arlyne Ostrom, '24; Eleanor Small, '24; Eleanor Strickler, '25; Leona Train, '25; Erma Wood, '24; Germania Friedl, '25; Lyravine Fish, '25; and Mildred Habberstadt, '23.

The fall of 1923 found Gamma Chapter with thirteen carrying on fraternity duties quite deftly, living in a rented house, and conducting an enthusiastic rush. Pledging eleven new girls, they took as their slogan, "Be Known" and justified it excellently. In 1925 the alumnae and undergraduate members joined forces to purchase a splendid lot, in close proximity to the campus, and the fall of 1927 found them housed there in a house which careful planning had assured of being gracious, commodious and satisfying.

Leona Train, one of the charter members, is the author of a little volume of poems, "Driftwood." The chapter has from the first distinguished itself by active participation in campus interests, and for tangible proof of its industry now owns a whole row of trophy cups for which no doubt the thoughtful architect planned an especial niche in the new house. In National Work, Gamma has been represented by Helen Woodruff, '24, one of the charter members who served the sorority as Province Director; Myrtle Bloemers Johnson, '28, served most capably as Magazine Chairman; and Gertrude Johnson, '25, was a member of the Social Service Committee.

Delta Chapter Has Historic Home

Special interest attaches to DePauw University, home of Delta Chapter, be-

cause of the founding here in 1870, of Kappa Alpha Theta, the first national woman's fraternity to bear a Greek name from its founding. Alpha Chi Omega also claims DePauw as her birthplace (1885).

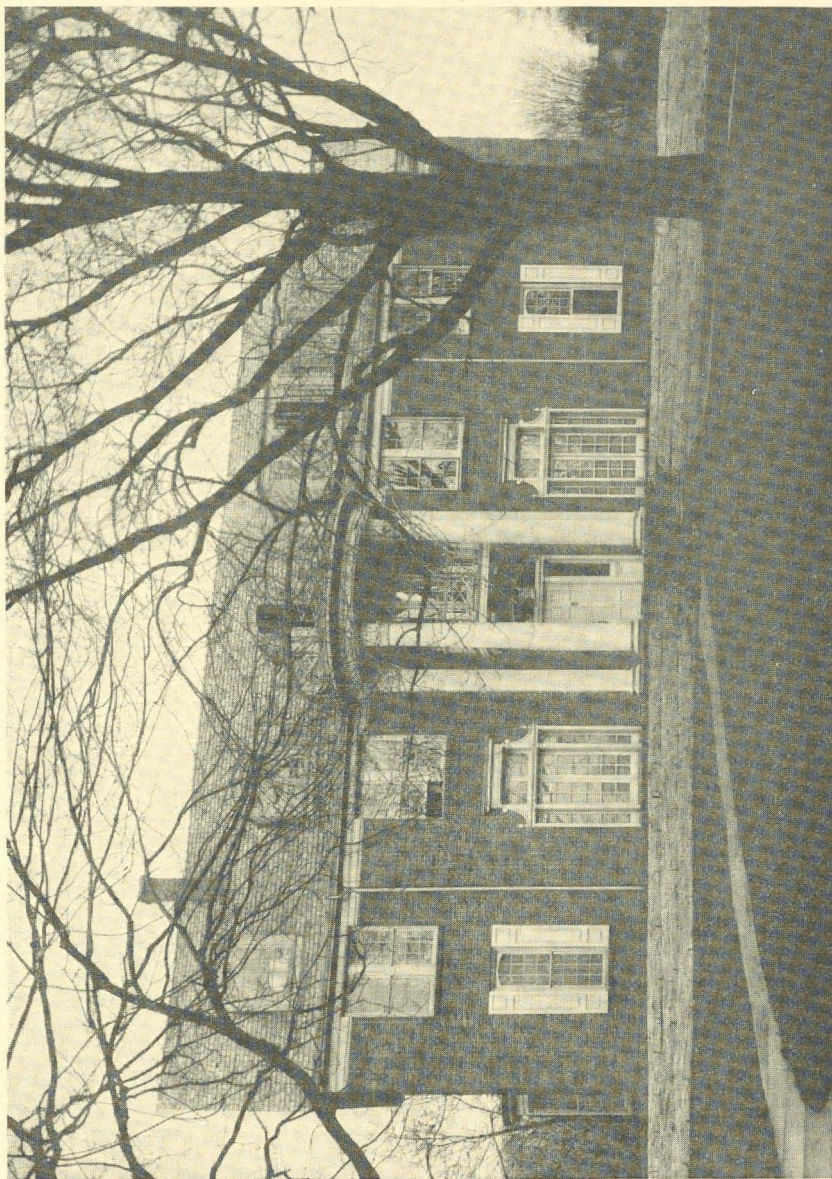
On May 21, 1909, Alfa Lloyd Hayes, assisted by Hazel Bryan of Alpha Chapter, installed Delta Chapter of Delta Zeta at DePauw University, Greencastle, Ind. The charter group had been formed largely by Martha Louise Railsback, through the influence and encouragement of Mrs. Hayes. Associated with Martha Railsback as charter members were Bess Staigers, Lucille Ewers, Stella Moor, Bernice Bassett, and Mabel Hall.

The following day some of the new members had the unusual privilege of attending the installation of their sister and neighbor chapter, Epsilon, at the University of Indiana.

The charter members of Delta Chapter at once began to make plans for the fall. They secured a conveniently located house, and during the summer prepared for its furnishings in the fall, besides adding three pledges to their numbers.

Although they had to work in shifts at entertaining and doing the actual work of preparing the food, and other requisites for a "party," the chapter was successful in pledging nineteen girls, and immediately after that inaugurated a custom that remains in the chapter today—an "Open House" to introduce the pledges to the faculty and student body.

After living in various rented houses Delta Chapter in 1922 purchased for her home the historic old Ridpath homestead. Aside from the possible inspiration to be derived from living beneath the roof which had sheltered the noted historian, the chapter knew a real pride in the commodious house, the shady lawn, and beautiful trees; as well as financial usefulness from the sale of the large back lots, when her later building program was under way. In keeping with the growth of the chapter and the need for more modern housing



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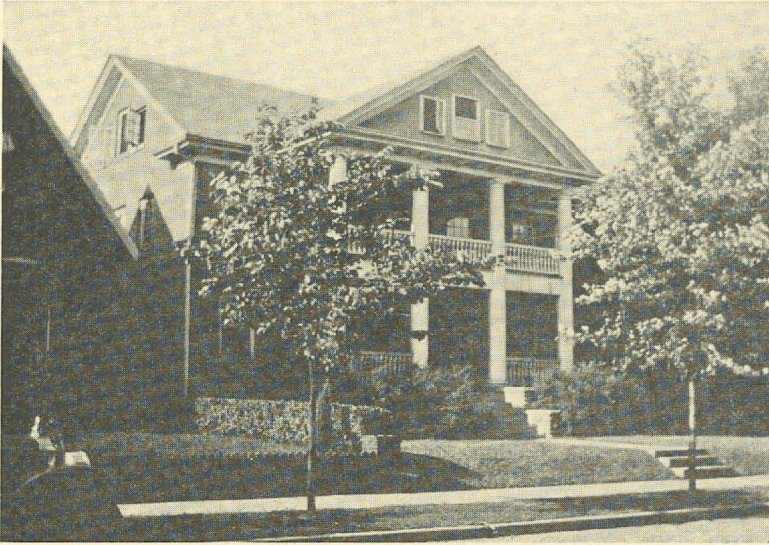
the chapter undertook a remodelling program, so extensive as to be almost like building complete, which in the fall of 1931 gave it one of the most beautiful of all the chapter houses on the DePauw campus.

Delta has always been active in the life of the sorority. From her membership came national officers very quickly, Martha Railsback becoming Secretary in 1910. In all she has contributed two songbook editors, one Grand

Mooney (Stumbo) of Delta. Lucille Ewers Sawyer was for years associated with her husband in work in South American educational life, and Elizabeth Chambers went to China as secretary to Dr. Lemuel Murlin when he resigned from the presidency of DePauw to accept a post in China.

Epsilon Chapter One Day After Delta

Epsilon chapter of Delta Zeta was almost a twin with Delta Chapter, being



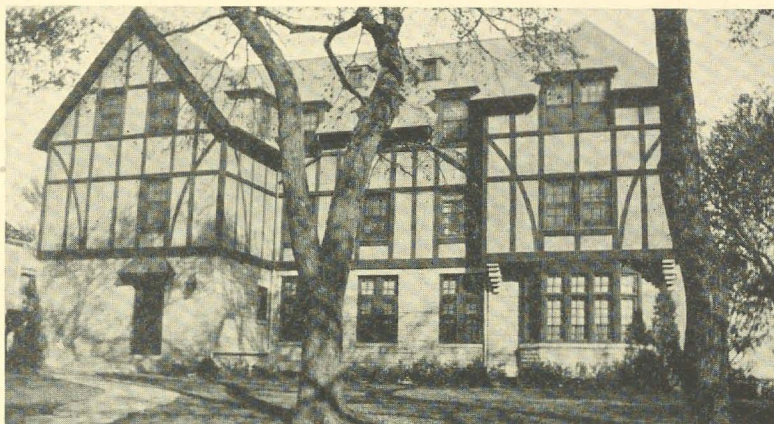
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Secretary, two treasurers, two presidents, and a long list of workers in committee and other activities. Members of Delta served on the hostess committees for the 1912 and 1914 Conventions, and were among the charter members of the first alumnae chapter, as well as being represented among the charter groups of numerous later-formed chapters. Something of a missionary spirit pervades the group, very suitably. Bernice Bassett was for years a teacher in a school in Kobe, Japan, while the first Delta Zeta teacher at Caney Creek and the member to whose individual persuasion our adoption of the present form of social service is due, was Esther

installed at Indiana University just one day after Delta was established at DePauw. This group, like Delta, was formed largely through the investigation of Mrs. Hayes. She was assisted in her quest for girls by Mrs. Mary Drange Graebe, then cataloger at the university library. With the co-operation of the Dean of Women, they had decided upon a group of five girls, Ade May Burke, Elizabeth Thompson, Gladys Marine, Hannah Popper, and Ida Calvin. To these were added as charter members, Edna Kidwell and Kathryn Goodwin. These seven girls were installed as Epsilon Chapter by Mrs. Hayes, assisted by Hazel Bryan, Frances Knapp and

Ruth Gaddis, all of Alpha. In addition to the seven girls who were active, there were added in that summer three alumnae members whose presence and assistance was of great value to the new chapter, Mrs. E. R. Cumings, wife of the head of the Geology department of the university; Mrs. Fred H. Batman, wife of a leading Bloomington physician; and Mary Dranga Graebe (now Campbell).

three vice presidents, one treasurer, two LAMP editors, a historian, and the first executive secretary of the sorority. She had Verne Hardman as a charter member of Indiana Gamma of Phi Beta Kappa, installed in 1911, and Violet Pinaire (Coarsey) as winner of the first W.A.A. sweater won by any Indiana woman. She has three times held the scholarship cup of the campus, and was the first chapter to initiate a Delta Zeta



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Chapter houses were long an accepted institution at Indiana University so the new chapter established itself in a rented home in the fall, living for the next several years in a series of houses, some suitable, others only available! Discussion of owning was frequent but only desultory until a fire during the Christmas vacation, 1922, made something definite a necessity. Thereupon a strenuous campaign for funds for a house to be owned by Epsilon was undertaken by Jessie Welborn, '19, Mrs. Cumings and a committee. Though tremendous problems had to be overcome, the efforts of the workers equalled the obstacles and in the fall of 1923 the chapter was able to move into its own home. With some few additions and improvements this remains the chapter's present house.

Epsilon has contributed to Delta Zeta

daughter, Edith Cumings, '25.

Entrance of Zeta Chapter Brings Panhellenic Membership

Zeta Chapter at the University of Nebraska owes its beginning to a friendship between Nelle Easley of Epsilon, and Pearle Arnot, later a charter member of Zeta Chapter. Through their correspondence, Pearle Arnot gradually drew to her a group of nine others, and these ten petitioned for a chapter of Delta Zeta. Their installation as Delta Zeta's fifth chapter gives Zeta the distinction of being the chapter that marked Delta Zeta's completion of the requirements for membership in National Panhellenic Congress. Work for the charter from Delta Zeta was begun in the fall of 1909, and on February 12, 1910, they were installed by Mrs. Hayes, then Grand President of Delta Zeta.

Zeta was the first western chapter, and being naturally interested in having neighbor chapters, was active in furthering the cause of the group at Baker University which became Eta Chapter, and three members of the installing team were from Zeta Chapter.

Zeta Chapter has lived in a chapter house from the very first, although it was not until May 1920 that she became the owner of her home. This house was not all that the chapter needed, although the location was satisfactory, and by 1926 plans were being undertaken for the building of a second and more adequate house, ready for occupancy, by the fall of 1927, and which was a source of pride to the entire membership.

Zeta was also the first chapter to be installed in a city of sufficient size to furnish sufficient resident members for the immediate formation of an alumnae chapter in the same town with the chapter. The Lincoln alumnae chapter has been noted for its interest and effective work, and has been a bulwark to the active chapter at all times. The two chapters combined to act as hostesses for the 1916 Convention.

Twice a year is published *Ze Zeta Zephyr*, a lively little bulletin giving chapter and alumnae news and serving as a reminder of fraternity ties to scattered alumnae members. From Zeta have come as national officers Nettie Wills Shugart, Grand Secretary and Big Sister; Fannie Putcamp Smith, Secretary and Second Vice President, and a host of workers along general lines.

Dr. Benton Recommends Eta Chapter

Upon recommendation of Dr. Benton, Mrs. Hayes made a visit to Baker University just after the Zeta installation. A temporary illness inconveniently shortened her stay and prevented any definite accomplishment. However, the seed was sown, and the girls with whom she had talked kept thinking about establishing a Delta Zeta chapter, and with gradual additions to their number, took definite action in the same spring,



NETTIE WILLS SHUGART
National Big Sister

organizing under the name of Sigma Rho, and providing themselves, as their own records have it, "with songs, colors, motto and a marvelous constitution for the edification of their faculty." (No small evening's work; but a banquet had preceded and no doubt fortified them for it!) Of course their particular aim was to secure a charter from Delta Zeta. Therefore they lost no time in preparing the petition. The comparatively simple procedure of that time being quickly over, the charter was duly granted, by Alpha Chapter, still the governing body, and Eta Chapter was installed May 18, 1910, by three members of Zeta, Fannie Putcamp, Pearl Arnot, and Frances Francis. Fannie Putcamp relates that it took them two days to conduct this installation, but admits that most of it was of a social nature, the present-day routine of business being then blissfully unknown.

Eta Chapter finished her college year

in businesslike manner, securing a house for the coming year, and initiating two pledges, as well as giving a large reception to "warm the house" and make their début as a national organization.

The year 1910-11 was an especially happy and successful one. Even the year 1911-12, though attended with the struggle common to the first year of sophomore pledging, passed by with appearance of strength and prosperity for coming days. The fall of 1912 brought disaster. The normal losses of graduation were increased by others due to failure of members to return, because of home cares or employment. The small group's ordinary chance to recuperate through addition of numerous pledges was lost because this was the year when, due to N.P.C. policy, sophomore pledging was being tried out in many places. Etta Haxton found herself the one, lone member prepared to remain in college for the year. Though she made a valiant effort to call back others, or to find new members to replace them, conditions of competition were naturally too much for one girl alone to surmount. Hers was an impossible task. Delta Zeta has no less reason to be proud of her because she failed; as an individual she made an enviable scholastic record, and it was said of her she held enough campus activities for an entire chapter!

In the spring of 1916 Martha Railsback made a visit to Baker but reported that enrollment did not in her opinion warrant an endeavor to revive the chapter. Upon this report the Eta charter was sent back to the Council for safe-keeping, and the thirty-two loyal but chapterless Etas undertook to keep their interest high by means of a chapter letter, at first a round robin, later a newsletter called "What Everybody Talks About." They even sent a delegate to the 1916 Convention.

This splendid spirit served to keep alive the Delta Zeta association of the Eta girls and was watched with sympathy by Nettie Wills Shugart. Being in a position to know rather well what

was going on in the Baker campus, she and Zeta Chapter banded together to encourage the revival of the chapter when the way should open, and, with co-operation from Eta members they were able to re-instate Eta, on October 25-26, 1918. Mrs. Shugart took great joy in conducting this installation, as did her assistants, members from old Eta, from Zeta and from Lambda. The new charter members were: Minnie Stockebrand, Luella Reeder, Jane Leibig, Ruth Dressler, Janet Gibbon, Ruth Gibbon, Lelia Huckleberry, Grace Hazen, Jacquetta Reed, Grace Reeder, Vera Winget and Hazel Kerr. There were also five pledged girls.

After her re-establishment Eta became quickly a vigorous group. She purchased a chapter house known as "The Old Homestead," and in all ways endeavored to make up for lost time. Eta girls were very active in campus organizations, and stood high in scholarship. Luella Reeder of the second charter group made a splendid alumnae member, being located in the university office; and later on doing excellent work as Grand Secretary under Rene Sebring Smith. Clara Huffman Barrow, '13, has served as President of Phi Beta.

Eta's life seemed always to be fated to be strictly divided between the bitter and the sweet; the year of the death of her first member, Anna Clark Jillson, Dorothy Jillson, Anna's daughter, was pledged to Eta. The year of completing the payments on the chapter house Eta became for a second time inactive, her fortunes going into the decline which was then being felt so keenly by the entire university. When Edna Wheatley, province president and herself a loyal member of Eta, closed the doors of the chapter house in the spring of 1934 it was with the question in her mind whether this was the last rite of Eta, or whether a third and "charmed" revival might at some later date be written into the history of the chapter.

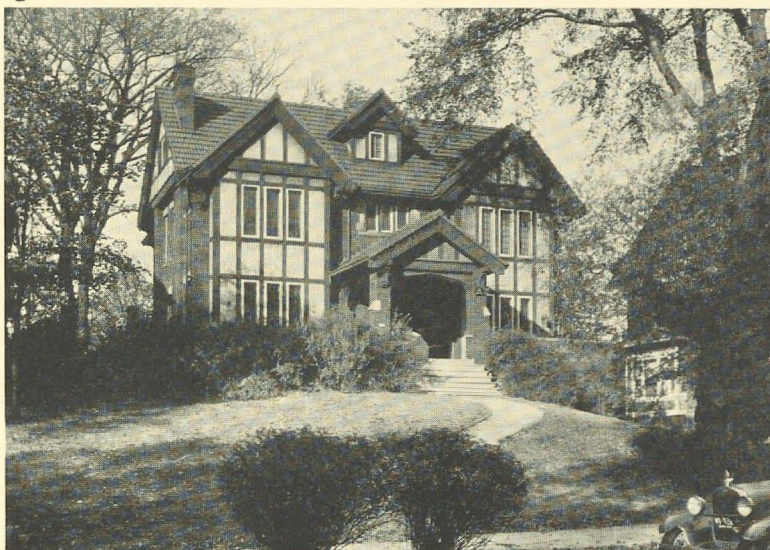
Theta

Theta Chapter at Ohio State Univer-

sity is another chapter which was in large sense the contribution of one of Delta Zeta's Founders.

In the year 1910 Mary Collins, teaching in Columbus, Ohio, had through friends in the city met some members of a local sorority, Beta Gamma by name, located at O.S.U. To Mary Collins these girls seemed to offer just what

Karshner, Florence Loewell, Gretta Tully, Marguerite Hanna, Madeline Baird, Ethel Schofield, and Mae McElroy. This was a small group even before the days when ten was the required minimum, and of these nine, four were seniors; but the fact that they resided in Columbus was a great help, for they continued to assist with the chapter in



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she would like in the way of a new chapter for Delta Zeta. As the friendship between the group and Miss Collins grew, the girls reciprocated in their feeling of wishing to share her sorority, and the organization turned its attention to perfecting the qualities which would make it an acceptable petitioner. When the Beta Gamma group sent the question to Delta Zeta, it was, for the first time in Delta Zeta history, voted upon by the various chapters; up to this time charters had according to constitutional provision, been granted solely by Alpha active.

January 21, 1911, the group was installed as Theta Chapter, the following being charter members: Julia Christman, Mapel Dell Sherman, Hazel

true active fashion until it was unquestionably well established. The date of the installation was marked with a terrific snowstorm, but beyond the fact that it delayed one of the prospective installers, Grace Alexander, it did not hinder the enjoyment of the installation team, composed of Martha Railsback, Grand Secretary, assisted by those veteran installers, Frances Knapp and Faye Bunyan of Alpha, and of course, Mary Collins.

Much interest attached to this new chapter, no installations having been held there for fifteen years. Delta Zeta was soon followed by Delta Gamma (March 1911) and from then on O.S.U. came to know a steady succession of new chapters for a number of years.



IOTA CHARTER MEMBERS

Snavely	Herr	Axton
	Joy	
Dyas		Putnan
Keller		Willeh

This year also saw the first chapter house for women on the O.S.U. campus, a local organization being the first to take this step. Of the N.P.C. groups, Tri Delta was first to occupy a house, and Delta Zeta second (1915). Theta Chapter was not long in preparing for house ownership instead of mere occupation, and in this has had the unwavering aid of the Columbus Alumnae, her house being one of the choicest both in location and general suitability of any on this campus.

These alumnae, as mentioned earlier, continued actively interested in the chapter and although the alumnae did meet to themselves for all intents and purposes the two groups were merely one group, for some time. Gradually it came about in natural fashion that alumnae need no longer attend chapter meetings and serve as active members, and certain alumnae activities being better served by a separate group, the Columbus alumnae chapter (or Gamma Alumnae as it was chartered), came into official status.

From the very first Theta Chapter was well represented scholastically and in activities. The year 1911 marks the first of a considerable number of Phi Beta Kappa election for Delta Zeta. In Theta Chapter Julia Christman was the member thus distinguished.

In 1912 when Theta's charter seniors were august alumnae of one year's standing, Julia Christman was elected registrar. She was succeeded in this office by Madeline Baird, who issued the first directory of the sorority. Madeline also served as Business Manager of the LAMP, not such an easy task in those days. Later Thetas who filled this same capacity were Amanda Thomas and Dorothy Boyd (Haskins). All of these held their office during the editorship of Arema O'Brien (Kirven) who holds the longtime record as Delta Zeta editor; and added to her years of service in that office, the position of social service chairman, under whose term the work in Kentucky was begun.

The 1918 Convention being aban-

doned because of war pressure, a Council meeting was substituted for it; the meeting was in Columbus, sessions of Council being held at the home of Arema O'Brien. Enough members of the sorority were in or near Columbus, that they could plan for enough social features to give this gathering quite the appearance of a convention; not so large as 1916, to be sure, but larger than 1910, or 1912, at the same time. Theta Chapter sponsored Alpha Rho Chapter at Ohio Wesleyan, and served as hostess for the 1927 meeting of the Province, then Gamma Province.

Iota

The impetus for forming a chapter of Delta Zeta at the University of Iowa came first from two faculty wives who had formerly been patronesses for Epsilon at Indiana University and felt a continuing interest in the sorority. In the year 1912-13, Mabelle Minton was acting as chaperone for one of the sororities at Iowa, and to her Mrs. W. A. Jessup and Mrs. S. K. Stevenson brought the beginnings of their plans. Their combined interest and influence made possible a rapid and successful completion of a strong group, so that Mabelle Minton had the gratification of being able to conduct the installation ceremonies before she left that campus in the spring of 1913. The assisting members of the installation team included Nell Easley of Epsilon Chapter and members of Zeta, the nearest neighbor chapter.

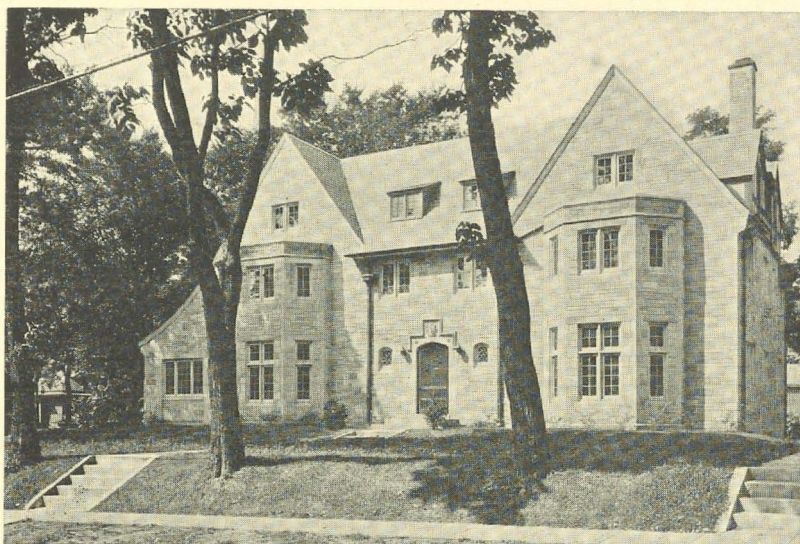
Installation, which took place May 20, 1913, granted the charter to these members: Elsie Axten, Geneva Herr, Marjorie Dyas, Eva Mae Willer, Edna O'Harra, Florence Joy, Ada Musser, Elsie Snively, Hazel Putnam and Buda Keller. Mrs. Stevenson and Mrs. Jessup were the first patronesses of the group, and served it loyally for a number of years.

Holding a high scholastic standing, Iota Chapter was the first chapter to win permanent possession of the sorority's national scholarship cup, in 1915.

From the charter membership the sorority shortly selected two members to serve in national capacity; Florence Joy becoming first Censor of the LAMP, for which she was well fitted being a member of the English faculty at the university, and Hazel Putnam being elected Treasurer at the 1916 Convention.

An interesting innovation begun by

missioner of Education for the United States, is possibly her highest point of distinction in members' achievements. Other members winning recognition in their various fields are Myrna Boyce, Dean of Women, Transylvania College; Buda Keller, advertising specialist; Helen Johnston, twice National President of Altrusa, well known specialist in women's and children's diseases in



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Iota on the occasion of its first formal faculty reception, was the bringing to the university of some outstanding entertainment. This plan it carried successfully for several years until the other facilities for providing such could assume the direction of student programs. Among the attractions brought by Delta Zeta were the Ben Greet players, one of the most outstanding of all campus entertainment groups of their day.

Iota still retains the lead in the number of her members whose later careers take them into university and college teaching, showing a larger number of alumnae in this profession than any other chapter. The selection of Bess Goodykoontz to serve as Assistant Com-

Des Moines and lastly the extremely popular treasurer of Delta Zeta; Irene Caroline Boughton, '23, twice president of Delta Province and since 1928 the much-loved executive secretary to Delta Zeta; Mildred Freburg Berry, on faculty of Rockford College; Edna Porter, national worker for the Y.W.C.A.; and Ruth Stewart, writer.

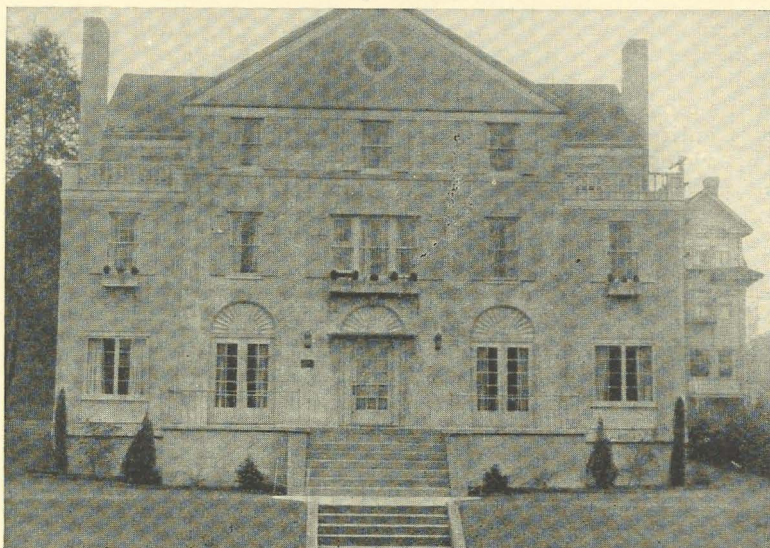
In the fall of 1928 Iota Chapter realized a longtime project when she was able to move into a new home, one of the most attractive and modern not only on the Iowa campus, but anywhere among the colleges of the country.

Kappa

When her marriage took Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson to the northwest to

live, it also provided Delta Zeta with an admirable extension director in a field as yet untouched by her. The growth and opportunity offered by the University of Washington appealed to Mrs. Stephenson and she found too, a local group which interested her in its membership and ideals. This group called itself Kappa Delta, and had

same ardor they had shown in their earlier quest for companionship and unity. Their already close bonds, and good organization, prompted Mrs. Stephenson to hasten the work of presenting their petition and moving forward the installation in the case of charter grant. When her expectations were, naturally enough, realized, she proceeded



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grown from a group of friends and classmates whose earlier, informal association had been more or less with the motto "Carpe Diem." Wishing to make something more definite of their association, they set up a local sorority, taking these letters K Δ and choosing for themselves colors of garnet and white, symbolic of the red blood of heart friendship and white for youth. Their flower was the red carnation; jewel, the garnet and they wore triangular pins of gold, jeweled with one garnet. From the very first the girls enjoyed an unusually strong and stimulating friendship, and when they became interested in Mrs. Stephenson and her sorority, they threw themselves into the qualifying for national membership with the

to install the chapter before the close of the college year, this being also a convention year for Delta Zeta.

On May 31, 1914, thirteen Kappa Delta girls became Kappa Chapter of Delta Zeta, carrying thus in name an outward as well as a spiritual part of their local into the national group. Initiation and installation ceremonies were held at the home of Esther Mitchell, one of the group. The charter members were: Mareta Havens, Frances Ringer, Ruby Long, Christine Pollard, Lottie Kellogg, Gladys Hitt, Hertha O'Neill, Esther Mitchell, Hilda Knausenberger, Clara Knausenberger, Anna Holmes, Annah Shelton, Lucy Shelton, and Elsie Morse. There were also six charter pledges and five alumnae members.

Mrs. Henry Landes and Mrs. Edwin Saunders, selected at this time for patronesses, probably hold the record among all Delta Zeta patronesses, being the first, and still the only, patronesses of Kappa Chapter. Mrs. Landes, who was also the mother of Viola Rawls, a later member of Kappa, later attained personal distinction for her excellent record as mayor of Seattle.

Kappa postponed its formal announcement reception until the opening of college in the fall, and was heralded as the twelfth national woman's organization on the campus.

Kappa's entire history has been marked by vigor and by quite large membership, both characteristics in keeping with this campus. Her activities have placed her in every part of campus and college activity and with early entrance into national work, Ruby Long has become not only inseparably Kappa, but inseparably part of Delta Zeta's national components.

Kappa was first among Delta Zeta chapters to form and promote a Father's Club; has been the source of one of the outstanding alumnae groups of the sorority, has a long and prosperous history of house financing and ownership, and holds one of the longest records for a single housemother, having retained Mrs. Hattie Maris in this capacity for twelve years.

Running parallel with the vigor and initiative that stamps her as a western chapter, Kappa has also been unusually devoted and successful in building up a body of local and national traditions; which possibly accounts to large extent for the firm loyalty of her scores of alumnae and the enthusiasm of her annual pledge accessions.

Kappa not only keeps her history in an interesting and complete narrative form, but cherishes the large scrapbook, filled with bits that mean much to Kappas old and new, and which was lovingly compiled as the contribution, first, of Margaret Cartano, '28, and which has since been carefully continued by the historians of the chapter.

Lambda Chapter First National Chartered at K.S.A.C.

Lambda of Delta Zeta, the first chapter of a national woman's organization to be installed at the Kansas State Agricultural College, was formed from a local group, Zeta Omicron, and its nine members became Lambda Chapter of Delta Zeta on May 22, 1915.

The Z O group had been interested in Delta Zeta through Mrs. Brandenburg, herself an alumna of K.S.A.C., and a patroness, then, of Alpha Chapter where her husband had become Dean. She had interested the girls in Delta Zeta and Mabelle Minton in the institution, and later through the assistance of Nettie Wills Shugart the preparatory work was completed and the chapter became a reality. The charter members were: Ruth Milton, Mary Polson, Grace Fox, Ruth Hutchings, Kate Summers, Dorothy Hadley, Mary Alice Wilcox, Georgia McBroom and Carolyn E. Lear. Their advent as Delta Zeta was soon followed by the installation of chapters of Pi Beta Phi and Tri Delta, so that all three began their campus history as contemporaries.

In the fall of 1915 the chapter took a house, but soon acquired ambitions for owning her home, and the story of how Lambda built her home on a capital of 65c became one of the historic tales of the sorority. In the spring of 1922 she initiated her 100th member.

The girls of this group were characterized by great friendliness and personal popularity among the student body, holding a record for placing candidates in the popularity contests.

Lambda alumnae have given the chapter considerable prominence in national service and in their individual professions. It is to Edythe Wilson Thoesen, of this chapter, that we owe our first pledge course of study; also to her in her later capacity as Grand Treasurer, that our financial prosperity owes its first really notable increase. Edythe's sister, Yvonne Wilson Toof, served as Social Service Director for several

years and has been extremely interested in Vest.

Other members who have distinguished themselves professionally are, Mildred French, Dean of Women at Connecticut State College; Araminta Holman Paddleford, '18, writer and faculty member in the Fine Arts Department at K.S.A.C.; Elizabeth Dickens,

Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco both then in session. Not only Council, but a large number of visitors from other chapters, attending the Exposition, were able to attend the installation ceremonies and festivities. In fact one of the entertainment features given by the new group was a tea for its Delta Zeta visitors, in the California



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contributor to women's periodicals; Mary Polson Charlton, '16, journalism staff of the University of Columbia; Izil Polson Long, journalism staff (and later writer) at K.S.A.C., first editor of the *Convention Daily* (1924).

Mu

In August, 1915, Mu Chapter of Delta Zeta was installed at the University of California. This installation was noteworthy in our history for a number of reasons. In immediate consideration is the fact that for the first time on the occasion of any installation, the entire Grand Council was present. This was due to a combination of the National Panhellenic Congress and the Panama-

Building at the Exposition. All this was quite fortunate for the new chapter, inasmuch as its rather isolated situation later made its visitors fewer and its contacts with the sorority at large, scattered.

A second reason for special interest was that the local group, Enewah Club, from which Mu Chapter was formed, was older in point of organization than Delta Zeta herself. This group had begun existence in 1900 as one of the numerous house clubs on the California campus, and had steadily maintained a strong position on the campus, bringing into membership in the sorority the largest chapter roll of any new group not only until this time but for some

years to come; and living in its own home at the time of installation.

On the charter appear the names of: (alumnæ) Mary Fairchild, '12; Gladys Rogers, '07; Helen Meyer, '14; Mary Ruth Hill, '15; Laura Ricketts, Gwendolyn Gaynor, Louise Harvey, Virginia Ballaseyus, Leslie Hayes, Myrtle Simpson, Margaret Heinrich, Louise Sheppa, Augusta Caldwell, Genevieve Luff, Margo Sheppa, Frances Brown, Edith Ueland, Mary Esther Hamilton and Helen Nutting.

At the time of the installation ceremonies, the entire chapter was saddened by the sudden death of Edna Farrell, a pledge of Enewah. A number of the Enewah girls went to her home, and pinned on her dress the Enewah pin, a golden feather, as a sort of symbol of the passing on of Enewah with the passing of Edna. She was the last girl ever to receive the Enewah pin, and the girls who had shared it with her as a final token of love, went direct from this act to receive the pledge service of Delta Zeta.

The year-by-year history kept by Mu Chapter is one which is so lively and so filled with the spirit of the sorority that even to a stranger it makes entertaining reading. The years are not particularly unusual except as they record the continued growth and stability of a unit always on the alert, always striving to give the best possible account of itself and its opportunities. It is practically a tradition of the sorority that there is a special brand of loyalty virus which just passes on from one generation of Mu alumnæ to succeeding ones. That this is recognized, and looked forward to with anticipation even by undergraduates, seems to be indicated in the closing section of the history sent in by Alice Morgan, and which is quoted here:

How easy it is to forget about one's college days after graduation and when the intimate contact with college friends is over! But the Delta Zeta graduates seem never to forget their sorority and to remember the hard times that they inevitably had; and they realize what a lot of aid these wiser and more experienced girls and women out of

college could give. We of Mu Chapter know and freely admit that without our alumnæ we would never have been able to reach the goal that we have reached.

How distressed and worried we are when some unexpected expense comes up that just has to be taken care of—what to do? Then along come the alumnæ, ever willing to aid and to help pull us out of our trouble. Or the active girls want to give a benefit or to raise money by some rummage sales, etc., and we know we will get all the help in the world from our alumnæ once more. And although sometimes we of the "younger fry" hate to admit that we do not know it all, we usually find that advice from the alums is something to be considered seriously. And then there is some great event as a province or national convention—there are the alumnæ behind it to do the hard work, that takes so much time which a busy school girl can't seem to find. It would be impossible to enumerate *all* the great work that has been done by our alumnæ association for us, both great and small. Probably the most memorable was their rush to our assistance after the Berkeley fire. Delta Zeta's was the very first new house to be built after that disaster.

It must be a wonderful thing that a spirit such as Delta Zeta can live forever in the hearts of her members. For as these young women go out of their colleges to homes of their own or into the business world, they seem always to have one thought before all others—and that is the memory of Delta Zeta and what she did for them.—Quoted from "The History of Mu of Delta Zeta," as compiled by Alice Morgan, '31.

Nu Chapter First Delta Zeta Group in Illinois

Nu Chapter first located at Lombard College, Galesburg, Illinois, was formed from a local named Lambda Sigma Lambda, and a number of interesting circumstances surround its development. President H. W. Hurt, himself a member of Beta Theta Pi, had informed Delta Zeta officers that in his opinion the time was ripe for a third sorority at Lombard. The two chapters already on the campus, Pi Beta Phi and Alpha Xi Delta (which was founded at Lombard), would, he thought, welcome a third to the local Panhellenic. Accordingly, he assisted Mabelle Minton, who was the first Delta Zeta visitor, to meet a number of students whom he felt were of the worth desired, and whose existing friendships might assist the more closely

linked relations of sorority membership. Miss Minton found herself highly pleased with the members whom she met, and with the alumnae whom they wished to include as charter members. She left the group organized informally, and before long the constitution, name and other appurtenances of a secret organization were added. The definite purpose of the group was to petition Delta Zeta.

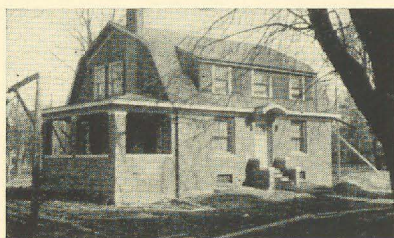
At this time Miss Minton was carrying on her extension plans almost exclusively by the financial assistance of the member chapter. Each college and alumnae chapter was pledging itself to assist in the bearing of expense attendant upon developing contacts with new groups and sending their installing officers. To Delta Chapter it seemed that they as the first Indiana Chapter, should logically sponsor the first chapter in Indiana's sister state. Hence it was that when the Lambda Sigma Lambda girls were installed, June 3, 1915 as Nu Chapter, the installing team was from Delta Chapter. In addition to Miss Railsback, then President, Myrtle Graeter and Catherine Sinclair ushered the new sisters into Delta Zeta.

Of especial interest were the three alumnae initiates, Edna Zetterburg, the college librarian, and the secretary of the Lombard Alumni Association, was one of these. A second was Florence Drury, of the Home Economics faculty, who later became Delta Zeta's Extension Secretary. The third was Mrs. Hurt, wife of the president, who had been in the department of Public Speaking. Her initiation was not announced at the time, as she had been impartially patroness to all three sororities and felt that her relations with the girls should continue in equal distribution.

The charter members of Nu Chapter were: Edna Viola Zetterburg, Estelle Marie Burns, Florence Drury, Gertrude Dallach, Edna Thoreen, Esther Clark, Naomi Carr, Lillian Merle Edgar, Edith Taylor, Nelle Marie Roberts, Irene Anderson, Meta Ludtke, Marion Mowry and Florence Sharer.

Most of the students at Lombard

lived in or near Galesburg, and the few out-of-town women students were expected to live in the women's dormitory, hence a real chapter house was not needed. The two older organizations had for some time rejoiced in small but attractive lodges at the edge of the campus, in which to hold their chapter meet-



NU'S LODGE ON LOMBARD CAMPUS

ings and parties. Delta Zeta was eight years in securing her own lodge but the years of planning and preparation assured a prompt and satisfactory execution of plans when the building was definitely begun. The lodge stands in line with those of the other sororities making a most attractive "Sorority Row" in the shade of the beautiful poplars from which the college takes its name.

Unfortunately for the future usefulness of these lodges, Lombard College found itself in 1929 falling upon meager days; and when practical considerations led to the merging of Knox and Lombard Colleges, and the removal of the latter's student body, activities and personality to Knox Campus on the other side of town, the sorority lodges had perforce to be abandoned as centers of chapter activity. This was not only because of inaccessibility, but by ruling of Knox College which forbade any such separate quarters for the women's groups.

The transfer of Nu Chapter to Knox College was made without undue difficulty, although there was naturally a quite real grief over the passing of what had so long been a cherished Alma Mater; the active girls fitted into their new campus surroundings with the ready



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adaptability of youth, and the alumnae loyally supported the transplanted chapter. . . . Pi Beta Phi, formed one chapter from her previous two; Alpha Xi Delta absorbed a local on the Knox campus to continue as her Alpha Chapter, and these groups together with chapters of Phi Mu, Delta Delta Delta, and Delta Zeta undertook the reorganization of Panhellenic life on Knox campus.

By the time this history is being printed the girls of Nu Chapter are girls whose entire college history has been made as Knox students. The earlier days of divided allegiance are now past and Delta Zeta at Knox carries on those aims and traditions which she had so worthily exemplified at her home, Lombard College.

Nu Chapter has always been prominent in activities, having among its members officers of the student council, numerous members of the college dramatic society and of Delta Phi Delta, honorary in fine arts; four winners of the D.A.R. essay contest; many class officers; representatives in athletics and publications, and faculty assistants. In 1922 she won the float prize at the college Homecoming. This chapter claims Juan-

ita Kelly Bednar who wrote *Dream Girl of Delta Zeta*, and Hazel Egan, past province officer.

Double Thirteen Lucky for Delta Zetas at Cincinnati

Xi Chapter of Delta Zeta was installed January 15, 1916 at the University of Cincinnati. There were thirteen charter members and this was the thirteenth chapter, so the old saying that double thirteen is lucky, had excellent chance for proving true in this case, and has vindicated itself admirably.

The University of Cincinnati had at that time 3,108 students, of whom 1,471 were women, and of this number 1,365 were girls belonging to no fraternity. From 1892 until 1913, Delta Delta Delta was the only N.P.C. organization on the campus; in 1913, it was joined by Kappa Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta and Chi Omega. The next year a chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma which had been chartered in 1885 and become inactive in the same year, was revived. Since the entrance of Delta Zeta nine other organizations have been installed. The university has grown so phenomenally that

not only in 1915 but now, also, there are many who belong to no organization.

The girls who became charter members of Xi Chapter were quite well acquainted with Delta Zeta through friendships with members from Alpha Chapter. Although they were distinctly of fraternity type (banal expression but useful!) they found the somewhat indifferent fraternity relations less satisfying than the friendships already existing among themselves. Interest in organizations was being more generally manifested, however, and the idea of being charter members of a national organization appealed to them, and Delta Zeta friendships turned their choice that way.

In the summer of 1915 Elsa Thoma Baer, of Alpha Chapter, had suggested to Norma Rost that the group in which she was most closely associated organize to form a chapter of Delta Zeta. A further conversation with Mabelle Minton appealed to Miss Rost, so that in the fall she began gathering her group and making the proposition to them. Mabelle Minton met and approved each girl personally, and finally there were twelve in all, and at the suggestion of Professor M. A. Cassidy, they took the name Hypatia Society.

In the meantime invitations to other sororities had not been lacking. Practically every girl could have pledged to some group already on the campus, but they had made their decision to stand together or join nothing. Then came opposition from the college Panhellenic, which looking upon the Hypatia Society and seeing in it girls known to be engaged in some sort of social activity, undertook to have the group governed as a member of the local Panhellenic. This however did not suit the purpose of the Hypatians and for the time being they won their point.

When the chapter was installed the following were charter members: Agnes Westerlund, Vivian Millar, Charlene Culbertson, Marjorie MacNaughton, Katherine Heard, Grace Seifried, Louise Dohrman, Katherine Kreidler, Marjorie

Miller, Adelaide Seifried, Norma Rost (president) and Dorothy Smith. Madge Elsinger, who made the thirteenth member, was pledged at this time and initiated the following June.

The installing team was, Martha Railsback, Elsa Thoma, Mabelle Minton, and other members of Alpha and Theta Chapters, with some alumnæ already residing in Cincinnati. The installation ceremonies took place in the Hotel Gibson, and the new chapter was given a very cordial welcome. It made its social bow with a Tea-dansant, a new form of social function, and one which both because of its novelty and the popularity of the hostesses, was highly successful.

In common with most chapters in municipal universities, Xi has had difficulty in maintaining established headquarters for chapter meetings and storing chapter property. For a short time it rented a small house, which furnished living quarters for a few out-of-town members and a chaperone, and allowed the chapters, college and alumnæ as well, a permanent place to hold meetings. Conditions and expense both limited the term of desirability of this plan. Pending tentative plans for a woman's building which may contain chapter rooms for the sororities, the chapter is now renting an apartment near the university, and greatly enjoys its gatherings there. They have received generous gifts of linen, china, a piano and other useful articles from the alumnæ and the mothers' club.

Two of Xi's most beloved traditions are that of summer camp, where alumnæ and actives mingle informally and of the reunion at this time of all girls who have belonged to "Mystic 13" (now Mortar Board) at Cincinnati. Another custom is that of holding initiation always on February 22nd, a tradition established in the first year on the campus.

Xi has always been noted for her strong and joyful alumnæ loyalty, and for the cleverness and good fellowship always marking their gatherings, whether in alumnæ meetings, chapter reunion,

rushing stunt or stunt night at convention. At the latter they are always strong competitors for first place. Among committee workers have been numbered Marylou Nickerson Dalzell, social service; Bertha Rogert, vocational guidance chairman, and culminating in the achievements of Margaret Huenefeld Pease as Editor of the LAMP, 1928-1934, and national President, 1934.

Omicron

Though the University of Pittsburgh is nearly one hundred and fifty years old, those activities and features for which it is best known are of more recent development. The date 1904, with the entrance of a new Chancellor (Dr. Samuel Block McCormick) marks many changes; one in actual geographical location; one in name, from the Western University of Pennsylvania to the University of Pittsburgh; the great expansion of the scope of the curriculum, to take notice of the need for training in mineral industries and oil and gas production and refining, the backbone of the industrial region in which the university is located. With the later inauguration of Chancellor Bowman the University startled the country with its plans for a new university of entirely unique conception. This Cathedral of Learning, as it was termed, of modern, significantly inspirational architecture, will be fourteen stories high and when completed will include all the classrooms, libraries and laboratories for the university. In addition there will be a large Commons room, special rooms for student recreational and social activities. Eventually it is hoped to have buildings like dormitories, fraternity lodges, and a Panhellenic house, not omitting the chapel and library, on all four sides of the plot with lawns in the center. Though unfinished to date, the experiment is one of challenge and great promise; the definitely inspirational character of all the architectural and interior details intending to serve to stimulate boys and girls for the ideal of a life yet to be lived; the serving of the community with common

sense, with beauty, with spiritual incentive.

In such an institution there is bound to be a reflection of the university spirit in every organization it supports. At Pitt perhaps no groups are more responsive to the aims and atmosphere of the university than are the sororities. The groups in this university embody several customs and features unique to themselves; some which might well be extended to other colleges, some which fit only the place where they have been developed. Delta Zeta has taken a vital part in the developing and molding of these customs.

Sororities first entered Pitt in 1915. Two nationals granted charters for winter installation, a third was to enter in the spring. A fourth local group had been formed from thirteen girls whose friendship dated from freshman days. They had received recognition from the Student Senate and Board of Deans and were working toward that point of development which would justify them in petitioning a national organization. Tentatively they had selected one of the oldest nationals as their choice possibly influenced by the choices of the other groups. But Fate was just around the corner for Helen and Mary Howard, to whom goes the credit for the actual organization of the group, met a Delta Zeta, Mrs. Mary Dranga Campbell, sister to their family physician. The attraction was mutual, and the group unanimously changed its choice to Delta Zeta, after a visit from Mabelle Minton in December.

So strong was the organization, so outstanding the personnel, activities and scholastic record of the $\Sigma \Sigma \Gamma$ group, that Mrs. Campbell urged the quickest possible consideration for installation. Xi Chapter at the University of Cincinnati was to be installed the second week of January, 1916; therefore it was arranged that the two installations should be conducted by the same group of officers, in close sequence. And thus it came about that on January 21, 1916, Martha Railsback assisted by Mrs.

Campbell and others, installed as charter members of Omicron Chapter the following girls: Helen Howard, Mary Howard, Mary Piersol, Margaret Holliday, Eunice Story, Dorothy Green, May Karns, Elizabeth Learn, Mary Sanner, Margeurite Matteson, Sadie Kirch, Mabel Gardner and Ina Pratt. Twelve girls were added during the remainder of the year, five charter members graduating in June. Twelve of these thirteen girls were attending college on First Honors Scholarships from high school. In fact the group's scholarship was so far above most others on campus that "A" became almost a synonym for Delta Zeta. There was, however, great versatility of talent among them, and the encouragement of individual achievement has been always one of the chapter's policies. It has had the capable assistance of Helen Rush, assistant dean of women, in developing along the lines most acceptable to the university, and its honors and activities record is indisputably one based on merit, not on social or political alignment, as such would be unthought of at Pitt.

Certain difficulties almost always encountered in municipal institutions, such as lack of suitable meeting headquarters, and a place for storing of sorority materials, have had a larger influence in the history of Omicron than such handicaps should show. Geographical isolation and peculiarity of campus custom have also prevented complete participation in the things of the sorority; but these differences need only contact to be removed. The chapter will doubtless find most of its minor complexities done away when, and if, time brings about the Panhellenic house for which they all hope. In the meantime the chapter is happily established in an attractive apartment just off the campus.

Pi

In 1916 there came to the attention of Martha Railsback a small college and a local group therein which aroused her interest. The college was Eureka, a

small, denominational school located in Eureka, Illinois. There had been formed, on February 17, 1915, a local sorority known as Kappa Delta Pi. It prospered and became a leader on the Eureka campus, and the president of the college was moved to recommend it to the consideration of Delta Zeta for a chapter.



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In the spring of 1916 Kappa Pi had received a charter from the state of Illinois, but upon acquaintance with Miss Railsback it elected to choose nationalization rather than individualization, and although this was the smallest college from which the sorority had considered a petition, the sorority accepted the group and it was installed on February 17, 1917, the third birthday of the group. The charter members were Cora D. Bacon, Vera Bacon, Veda Mae Vose, Ermine Felter, Gertrude Snook, Ella Snook, Mary Wallace, Helen Coleman, Esther Ferne Culp, and Lalla Beers. Martha Railsback was installing officer, assisted by Florence Drury, Rene Sebring Smith and alumnae members from Zeta and Nu: Edna Thoreen, Marion Mowry, Florence Sharer, Nell Roberts, Naoma Robbins, Mary Jane Ellis and Beulah Whitman.

Pi has remained the only national chapter at Eureka and due somewhat to the unusual characteristics of the college and its student body, it has devoted its energies to the building up of customs and ideals that befit a small, rather conservative group which by reason of its situation is freed from the more hectic activity of house acquisition, strenuous



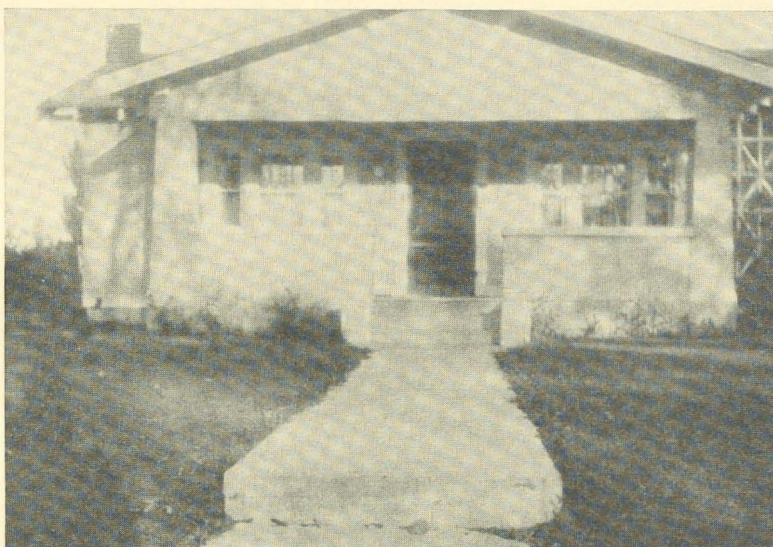
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chapter management or heavy financial problems.

With the exception of two years, the chapter has lived in the college dormitory, called Lida's Wood. The chapter has one wing of the building which includes a large corridor furnished as a general lounge, the girls' rooms opening off on each side. There is a sleeping

chosen a May breakfast as a means of entertaining girls from other sororities. Each member chooses as her guest a girl from one of the other sororities, and the whole group go to the bluffs for breakfast on some fine May morning.

The alumnae have provided a loan fund which grants one scholarship each year to the most deserving Junior or



RHO'S LODGE

porch and a separate study room for really studious work.

Many Pi girls have lived in Eureka, so that there is a strong alumnae group in the town which is closely associated with the chapter in all sorority affairs. Joint gatherings always feature Founders' Day, the chapter birthday, Homecoming, the Annual Rose Tea during rush week. Pi's birthday is always featured with a huge cake, cut with a knife presented by Esther Culp's mother years ago.

In 1930, Pi Chapter joined with Nu Chapter of Knox College, Galesburg, in a Founders' Day banquet held at Peoria, thus founding another custom which has been followed since that time.

On Eureka campus, Delta Zeta has

Senior member of the chapter.

Pi Chapter considers Mrs. Mary Hoover Jones, alumna adviser, as one of its notable members. The year 1930 marked the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of Eureka College, which was celebrated by an all-school festival. The principal feature of the week-end was the production of a pageant "Eureka's Diamond Jubilee," written by Mrs. Jones and played in the open-air theatre.

Pi Chapter perhaps more than any other in Delta Zeta today, retains much of the quiet old time flavor characteristic of earlier chapters and earlier college days. It is a distinct pleasure to know this leisurely and cultivated spirit that has become all too rare in the more com-



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mercialized atmosphere of so many colleges of today.

Rho

Clarabelle Huffman, western member of the Extension Committee under Martha Railsback, was instructor in music at the Colorado College in Colorado Springs, when she became interested in extension at Denver University, a growing municipal institution. Through faculty friends she learned that there was a vigorous local group, which seemed ready for the attention of some national sorority. This group, Delta Omega by name, had been organized in the fall of 1915, with thirteen charter members. By the time Miss Huffman met it, in the fall of 1916, the girls had grown somewhat in numbers and had rented a house near the campus where they could hold meetings, there being but few out-of-town girls in the student body. Miss Huffman was pleased with the university and with the group. It was outstanding in activities, and had among its members six who had entered the university with scholarships awarded for outstanding high school records.

The petition of Delta Omega having been duly accepted, installation took place in April 14, 1917. The installing members were greatly surprised to find that April in Denver could feature a tremendous snowstorm, but their enjoyment of the occasion was only the keener for this to them unusual feature. Zeta Chapter and Lincoln and Omaha alumnae chapters sponsored the new group, presenting its official loving cup and sending for the installation Florence Burch, Vivian Knight, Verice Wolfe. Nettie Wills Shugart, National Big Sister, and Blanche Baird of Lambda were the other assistants of Martha Railsback who was chief installing officer. Charter members were: Emma Mann, Florence Stine, Helen Fry, Bettie Washington Batie, Margaret Bonney, Mildred Gordon, Melva John, Olive John, Ruth Casey, Charlotte Thompson, Florence Gustafson, Marion Spinney, Martha Ford, Henrietta Davies, Grace Stueland, Ruth

Stine, Ruth Sharp, Nellie Ellison, Florence Kellogg.

An alumnae chapter was quickly formed as alumnae members warranted, and the two groups entered into an active social service program under the direction of the Associated Charities. In 1920 the Denver groups were hostesses, assisted by Eta and Lambda, for the National Convention; and again in 1926 entertained the convention-goers when the convention special stopped over in Denver for most of a day.

Rho alumnae were helpful in the purchase and financing of the chapter's lodge, which serves as a meeting place for business and social functions.

Sigma

First chapter below the Mason-Dixon line is Sigma, at Louisiana State University, which was installed on November 30 and December 1, 1918. The charter members, fifteen in number, were members of a local group Alpha Alpha Zeta. Their interest in Delta Zeta was the result of contact with Mayme Dworak of Zeta Chapter, who was at this time doing bacteriological work in the university. She went about her work so quietly, sharing the secret with only Nettie Wills Shugart, the National Big Sister, that the petition was entirely ready, and presented to the meeting of the Grand Council in 1917 as an entire surprise.

Geographically this chapter was exceedingly well placed, and the interesting and romantic history of the institution added its share to the glamour of southern attractiveness. Delta Zeta was the third sorority to enter this university being preceded only by Kappa Delta (1908) and Alpha Delta Pi (1914). Thus, entering a southern institution where only two "southern" sororities were located, she was taking quite a pioneer step.

The charter members were: Catherine Winters, Alys Sutton, Ella May Atkins, Oma Atkins, Mable Miller, Irma Scott, Augusta Welsh, Josie Burris, Mildred Tucker, Gladys Bacon, Gladys Means,

Thelma Wilson, Amy Davidson, Opal Kearby, and Laura Powers. They were installed by Rene Sebring Smith assisted by Nettie Wills Shugart, Arema O'Brien and Myrtle Graeter Malott.

Chapter houses have not been accepted at L. S. U., and for some time the chapter had to devise means of bringing together its members, pledges and pa-

taking the new. Finally the university adopted the experiment of permitting the sororities to build lodges to use for social meetings, and Sigma with great enthusiasm built and dedicated her lodge in 1929. Ultimately the authorities decided to recall this privilege, but agreed that sometime they will purchase the lodges from the groups, who are again



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tronesses. This was done by a Thursday afternoon bridge club where all met and became more closely acquainted. Later on the university designated rooms in Peabody Hall for the use of the sororities, and here the girls held meetings, parties and in off hours met for informal chats. When, in 1926, the new campus of the university, completely removed from the old site, was opened for use, there again rose the difficulty of keeping the chapter in close association, due to the plan of having underclassmen remain on the old campus, upperclassmen

faced with their old problem of how to maintain chapter spirit though separated.

In spite of all this the spirit of the chapter has been vigorous. She has numbered many of the most popular and efficient coeds on the campus in her chapter roll, and Sigma spirit has become traditional. In 1918 the sororities played baseball games for the benefit of war subscriptions, and Sigma was winner of the championship. She also had two of a hiking team which during a Christmas vacation hiked from Baton Rouge to

New Orleans, a distance of one hundred and twenty miles.

Among her charter members she has cause for pride in the achievements of

Sigma is proud that through the efforts of Catherine Winters she has given to Delta Zeta her little sister, Alpha Sigma Chapter; and that Beta Kappa at Ames



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Edith Barrett Hamilton in bacteriological work; Alys Sutton McCroskey in the legal world; Catherine Winters in her splendid record of history professor, now being for several years at the State Normal School at Natchitoches. Also

is largely the result of the direction and inspiration of Katherine Day Harris, *Sigma*, '26.

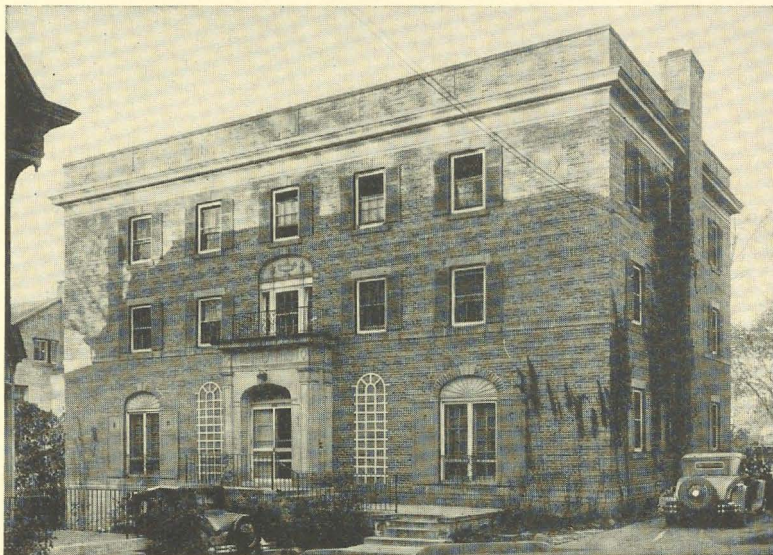
Tau

Tau Chapter at the University of Wisconsin was formed from a group of girls

whose first interest in Delta Zeta grew from an acquaintance with Esther Mooney of Delta. The Extension Committee as organized at the time was actively engaged in the various districts but for some reason no official inquiry or investigation had been made at Wisconsin, although it ranked among the most desirable institutions in the country. This was possibly due to the fact that there

Younger. There were ten charter members: Annette Walker, Mildred Chichester, Nina Mann, Helen Collins, Goldes Kischel, Thelma Jones, Dorothy Smart, Frances Latimer, Gladys Marquardt, and Margaret McMeans.

In the fall Tau Chapter took up active life in a chapter house, which it later purchased and lived in until the growth of the chapter made a new home imper-



TAU CHAPTER HOUSE

was just at this time some anti-fraternity sentiment growing up on the Wisconsin campus; and on the surface it might have seemed that a new chapter would have received but a cold welcome. Regardless of this if she even knew it, Esther Mooney thought the girls whom she knew in this group would be a welcome accession to Delta Zeta, and her opinion was shared by Leta Browning of Alpha, who made an extended visit to the group, and by Florence Drury who later came on for the official inspection at the request of Esther and Leta.

The installation took place on June 8, 1918, with Martha Railsback in charge, and Rene Sebring Smith, Florence Drury, Ruth May Railsback, Anne

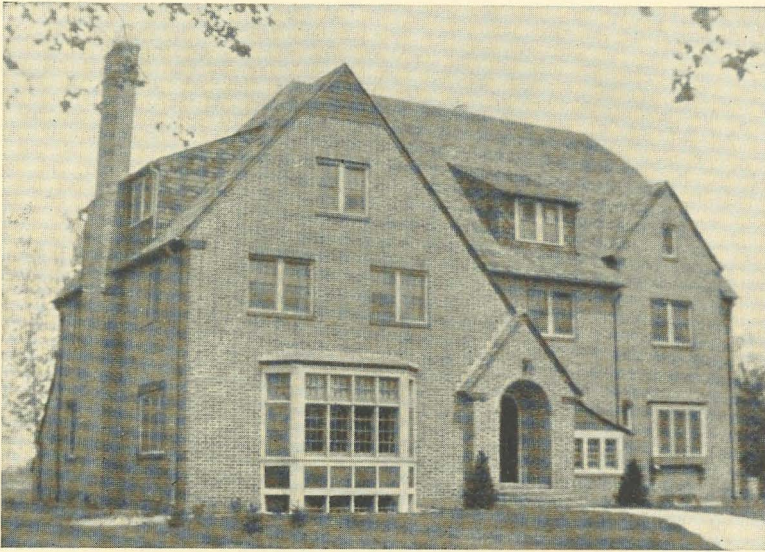
active. In the fall of 1925 this new home was entered, and has been a source of pride and satisfaction to all its occupants. The location, near Lake Mendota, and the excellent planning of the house, were completed by the chapter's satisfaction in the fact that all the interior designing, decoration and furnishing, had been done as a part of her college work by Pearl Weaver, a member of the senior class.

Tau has been unusually well represented in the many campus activity and honor societies at Wisconsin. At present she is represented on the faculty by Dr. Helen Pratt Davis, '23, physician at the student clinic, and Lillian Twenhofel Pfeiffer, '26, instructor in the University High School.

Upsilon

The eyes of the sorority having been turned toward the northwest with its entrance into Wisconsin, it was very fitting that the next chapter to be added should mark one step farther into the, as yet, new northwest; and the addition of Upsilon chapter, at the University of North Dakota on March 1 and 2, 1919, was this forward step.

Encouraged and assisted by Dr. Pfeiffer and Miss Smith, and given special sorority advice and guidance by the latter, the group worked toward meeting the requirements for petitioning Delta Zeta; the first informal petition to be placed before council for consideration at 1917 council session. A Σ E was able to show enviable scholastic ranking. It had held first place scholastically on its



UPSILON CHAPTER HOUSE

Like Sigma, Upsilon owed its Delta Zeta ambitions to a member of Zeta Chapter. In the case of Upsilon it was Fannie Putcamp, herself a charter member of Zeta, who deserves the credit for bringing us this excellent group. Fannie was at this time teaching in the University High School at Grand Forks, and through a faculty friend, Dr. Norma Pfeiffer, was introduced to a local group called Alpha Sigma Epsilon. This group had been formed in the fall of 1916; its moving spirits being Edith and Esther Hagert, Viola Perry and Bess Hanson. To themselves they drew nine others, and the group of thirteen perfected a local sorority that would meet the requirements of the University Council for existing officially.

campus, had one member of Phi Beta Kappa (Luella Hall), a winner of the Thomas Scholarship (Kathleen Robertson). Delta Zeta approved her for encouragement and watching. The second year Kathleen Robertson and Viola Perry became Phi Beta Kappa (as well as serving on the board of editors of the *Student*); Constance Stegenga and Kathleen Robertson won Thomas scholarships. There were members of Alpha Sigma Epsilon in every leading activity. In the third year the petition was granted, and in spite of an unprecedented snowstorm which blocked trains and seemed to stop the world temporarily, Myrtle Graeter Malott, Nettie Wills Shugart and their assistants carried out the installation and, after it was all safe-

ly over, revelled in the unusual features that had marked it. The chapter held the scholarship cup again this year; also had two more Phi Beta Kappas, Julia Rue and Constance Stegenga, each of whom also won a graduate fellowship. Constance repeated Luella Hall's record of winning the Gansd Cup, awarded to the senior graduating with highest scho-

record of scholarship and activities, carefully, meticulously kept in detail by Luella Hall on a systematic set of record forms devised by her, is one to merit great admiration both for the facts it shows and for the care with which they are preserved.

In 1919 Upsilon formed a corporation looking to the building up of a fund to



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lastic standing in the class. In the spring it was announced that again the group, now Delta Zeta, was first scholastically, and Eveline Kloster was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. This record of having representation in Phi Beta Kappa is really one of Upsilon's traditions, and one of which we may all be proud with her.

As time has gone on she has not forgotten to have representation in all the other leading organizations, as Sigma Alpha Iota, Mortar Board, Matrix, but she has not strayed far from her original devotion to fine scholarship. The chapter

give it a chapter home. She was able within a short time to purchase a house which while only temporarily suitable to the chapter's needs, gave a good financial nucleus for the later house which she built and entered in the fall of 1927. This house is among the most attractive owned by any of our chapters, its combination chapter room and study hall being especially worthy of note.

The Upsilon Alumnae Association, the first of its kind to be officially formed and set in action in Delta Zeta, was organized in 1920. It publishes the chapter

newsletter, *Upsilon Uptodate*, one of the best we have. Luella Hall again deserves much credit for this movement, so successful in preserving and strengthening chapter unity, and in keeping the alumnae in the front lists of those who support every new national movement, as the drive for Life LAMP subscriptions, Life-line members, and all such.

An abundance of college and chapter tradition makes for exceptional alumnae interest among Upsilonians. The chapter has distinguished itself by the unusually large number of cups and first places it has taken in the annual Homecoming competitions for best float and best house decoration; and also for the leading place its members, by individuals and by classes, have taken in the Carney Song Contest, an institution peculiar to North Dakota and one of the dearest to the hearts of all the daughters of Dakotah.

Some of the members of this chapter who have achieved enviable records in various fields are Kathleen Robertson, writer; Margot Kops, designer; Donald Hamilton, air stewardess and Wilhelmina Scott, physician.

Phi

About this time activity in the northwest gave two strong new chapters, almost twins, which were gladly welcomed by the sorority, but especially by Kappa Chapter, which had long been completely alone in her section of the country. She now felt much less isolated, although to midwestern eyes the distance between any two of these chapters was immense.

These two chapters, Phi and Chi, had much in common. Each was located in a state college, the agricultural or land-grant college, but each possessing distinct cultural and liberal training and traditions. Each group had been interested in Delta Zeta affiliation by the personal influence of friendship with one Delta Zeta; and each group had Delta Zeta for its sole ambition from the time of actual organization.

Phi Chapter at the State College of

Washington, was formed from a local sorority, Delta Phi Phi. This group had been visited and interested in Delta Zeta by Margaret Taylor of Mu Chapter, in the fall of 1917. Its members were all very active in college activities and the fact that outstanding juniors and seniors were among its membership gave it a strength and standing on the campus from the first. Though the girls felt themselves very inexperienced after Miss Taylor departed leaving them to blaze the trail alone, they seemed blessed in discovering other Delta Zetas nearby, previously unknown to them. Mildred French, then supervisor of home economics and art in the schools of Spokane, was a constant help. It was a red-letter day when they found right in Pullman a sister Delta Zeta, Ferne Samuel Lacy, of Eta, whose husband was principal of the Pullman High School. The second semester brought to them Aletha Callahan, who had been a pledge to Kappa Chapter. Then all seemed to move smoothly and swiftly; so that in May, 1918, the organization of Delta Phi Phi was complete, thirteen actives and two pledges, and a house rented for the fall. The petition book had gone in, and under the triangular gold pins of Delta Phi Phi thirteen hearts were thrilled to a standstill when the word of the favorable vote was received. This was the year of the S.A.T.C., a quiet year socially, an anxious and serious year in many ways; the group went steadily about its business, pledged seven more girls before the installation, which took place on April 18 and 19, 1919. Most appropriately it happened that the initiation took place on Saturday night before Easter, so that the newly-made Delta Zetas were able to attend for the first official appearance as Phi Chapter, the very lovely Easter morning service which is unique with the girls of W.S.C.

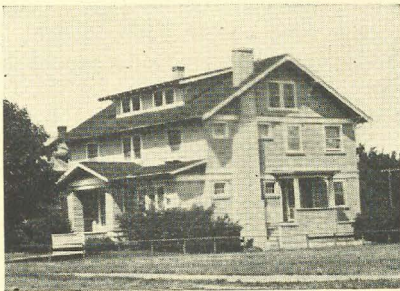
The installation was conducted by Ruby Long, assisted by Gertrude McElfresh, Ferne Samuel Lacy, Doris Slipper and Mary Currie of Kappa Chapter, and Mildred French of Lambda.

Phi Chapter has always had the

handicap of being shut off by its geographical location, from a very free association with other chapters; yet it has always been a vigorously loyal and unified group, both within itself and in its relation to the national projects of Delta Zeta. One of its most commendable customs has been the annual "Modern Writer's Formal," at which time the chapter entertains formally for its college and faculty friends, and has always a guest speaker noted in the literary field. A second custom, a far cry from this but possibly enjoyed as much in its way, is the tradition of the "Grand Uproar Company" a plan which provides not only hilarious fun, but also a modest sum for the chapter's building fund, set aside for the house of their dreams—to be.

Chi

One week following the installation of Phi Chapter (on April 24, 1919), Chi Chapter was installed at the Oregon



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Agricultural College at Corvallis. This group, Zeta Chi, organized in 1917, had been carefully sponsored and trained by Mrs. McElfresh and had much of Delta Zeta preparation. So well were they organized from the first that the faculty committee on student affairs gave them its official recognition when their formal organization was but two weeks old.

The strength and growth of the college made it an admirable place for a vigorous new group, and Delta Zeta has found this to be one of her most progres-

sive, sturdy and alert groups, one distinguished by success in all, it seems, that she undertakes.

Sixteen members were initiated at the installation: Zelta Feike, Elithe Loughary, Edith Ireland, Maple Cole, Margaret Turner, Erma Beals, Esther Gardner, Winifred Hazen, Dorothy Edwards, Mary McComb, Arline Barnum, Laura Garnjobst, Gertrude Lienkaemper, Alice Feike, Helen Moore and Frances Parker. The installing team was composed of Gertrude McElfresh, Ruby Long, Mildred French, Alys Sutton of Sigma and members of Kappa Chapter.

At the time of the charter grant Chi Chapter was not living in a house, and her installation ceremonies were held in the homes of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Sigma Phi Epsilon, graciously lent for the occasion. However, the chapter at once took up residence in a house near the campus, and began laying plans for a home of its own. Though this dream was not realized until the fall of 1931, the years of careful work and planning and saving were fully justified in the beauty and comfort of the house, and the security of its financing.

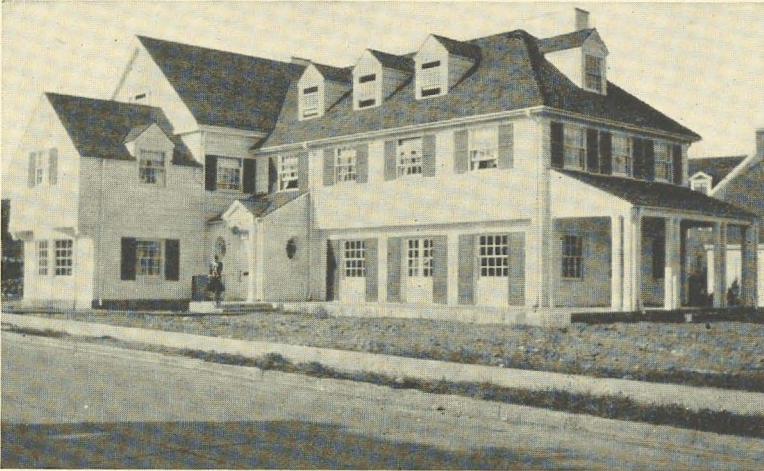
Chi Chapter has a custom dear to all members, the annual Rendezvous, held at the anniversary of chartering each spring. This is in fact the *alumnæ* homecoming; the actives move out of the house, the *alumnæ* move in and for one week-end turn back the hands of Time's clock and visit and gabble to heart's content. A joint banquet with the actives is of course a standard feature of the Rendezvous; also, quite to the point, the generous gift which the Homecomers always leave.

Chi has been distinguished for her members winning signal honors in many lines, not only in undergraduate days but in the later professional or interest lines they follow. Her members have become widely scattered in location, but wherever they go they send back the news of their doings to be distributed again by means of the *Chi-ogram*, the chapter's newsletter, among all the *alumnæ* far and near.

Psi

In April, 1913, there was formed on the Franklin College campus a local sorority, Iota Psi Nu, which formed the third sorority group on this campus, the others being Pi Beta Phi and Delta Delta Delta. Though the college was small, it was marked by a splendid type of woman student, so that there was ample room for this group, and it was quickly enabled to compete in excellent manner

initiated into Delta Zeta to become the Psi Chapter of the national organization. The installing ceremonies for so large a group were naturally an arduous task. Rene Sebring Smith, Florence Drury, Ruth May Railsback and a number of others from the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter, put in a busy day and night at ritualistic work, but were able to survive and enjoy the cordial welcome given by the college to the new initiates: Norma



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with its older sisters. For nearly seven years, Psi Nu, as it was generally known, grew and thrived and its dagger-thrust pin was seen on members of all the important organizations on Franklin campus. Then came national aspirations. Through friends in Delta Zeta the group was inspired to send a petition for a charter and its excellent record and earnestness made a great appeal to Florence Drury, at the time Director of Extension. Convention at Denver was just one month away when the votes began to come in; and with record-making efficiency Rene Sebring Smith and Florence Drury, assisted willingly by the Psi Nu girls themselves, made all arrangements for the installation to take place before convention. This it did. Thirty eight members of Iota Psi Nu were

Merrill, Donna Smoot, Marie Smith, Rovene Rinehart, Lavinia Schlenker, Bertha Caffyn, Inez Owen, Edna Smith, Mary Lewis, Ruth McDaniels, Helen Constable, Fern Teagarden, Bess Innis, Charlotte Trout, Theodosia Beasley, Margaret Lewis, Sabra Cather, Lillian Alice Roberts, C'Dale Crabb, Imogene Storms, Fern McGuire, Una Hauk.

Psi Chapter is housed in the woman's dormitory at Franklin College, where it has a large, attractive chapter room, completely furnished and forming a happy headquarters for the chapter gatherings and for entertaining rushees. This plan is one which Franklin College has followed for many years. For a short period in the "boom days" of college enrollments, the sororities were granted their plea to live out in houses, as the

men's organizations do; but the experiment was not wholly satisfactory to either the groups or the college and when enrollments again decreased so that the dormitory could accommodate all women students, the groups moved back in.

This chapter has made an enviable record on the campus of a small, exceedingly tradition-surrounded college. Its members have done well by the name of

Omega

In Oregon an interesting situation prevails. The State University at Eugene and the State Agricultural College at Corvallis are but 45 miles apart, and in these latter days of depression budgets it has even been possible for faculty members to serve both institutions. It was but natural that Mrs. Gertrude McElfresh, a member of the faculty of the O. A. C., should look forward to a chap-



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Delta Zeta as they did by that of Psi Nu. Among the traditions developed by the group are a number which are based on comradeship of the actives with the alumnae. There being a large number of resident alumnae makes possible an active alumnae club which is loyally and constantly associated with the active group. They observe Founders' Day jointly, entertain each year for the Mothers' Day tea; work in common with the Mothers' Club of Franklin, and issue a monthly newsletter to all alumnae. The chapter's favorite song is one which holds over from local days, only the Greek names being changed—it was written by Theodosia Beasley, *Psi*, '20, who was for five years the registrar of Franklin College and now occupies a similar position at Hillsdale College, in Michigan.

ter at the State University as a companion for Chi Chapter which she had sponsored at Corvallis.

At this time there were five national sororities on the campus, with additional locals, some recognized, some sub rosa. The group called Delta Psi seemed to Mrs. McElfresh, on their becoming known to her, a promising nucleus. She accordingly gave them such assistance as she could properly bestow, and spoke for them at the 1920 Convention when their petition was presented by Alys Sutton, a Delta Zeta from Sigma Chapter then studying at Oregon and a member of the chapter later. Convention was pleased to see a fourth chapter in the two great northwestern states, and accordingly, on the 15 and 16 of the following October, Omega Chapter of Delta Zeta was installed at the University of Oregon. The

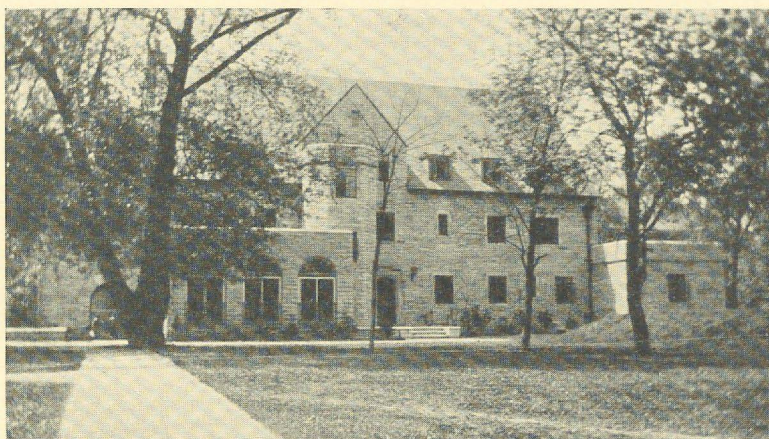
charter members were, Mildred Parks, '19; Leona Marsters, '20; Gladys Everett, Jean McEachern, Adelaide Parker, Jeannette Hogan, Mabel Sutherland, Bernice Shipp, Veda Patton, Nadine Stevens, Thelma Hoefflein, Elaine Todd, Genevieve Johnston, Helen Smith, Gertrude Whitton. Alys Sutton was affiliated.

There were also eleven pledges, pledged at this time. The installation was conducted by Mrs. McElfresh, then

of the Northwest" seemed not at all too glittering.

Omega Chapter lived in a house from the very start, and in a short time became owner of the commodious frame residence which housed them. Ambitions and larger chapters pointed to a more pretentious, modern home; and this, by careful hard work became a reality in the fall of 1931.

The chapter issues a newsletter to



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Panhellenic Delegate, Ruby Long, Grand Vice President, assisted by Alys Sutton, *Sigma*; Mary Currie, Mary Veysey, and Marie Schafer, *Kappa*; Thelma Shafer and Mildred Hurd, *Phi*; Pansy Hutchinson and Ella Wintler, *Kappa*, representing Seattle Alumnæ; Myrtle Burnap, *Phi*, representing Portland Alumnæ; and the following active members from Chi: Dorothy Edwards, Esther Gardner, Winifred Hazen, Bernice Nelson, Hazel Fulkerson, Evelyn Fulkerson, Hulda Faust, Helen Moore, Ruth Rosebraugh, Helen Ogden, Elizabeth Hughson, Betty Onkka and Wilma Miller. All in all it was quite the largest and most cosmopolitan gathering of Delta Zetas which the northwest had mustered to that time, and the occasion was a brilliant one in the memories of those attending, so that the toast program, based on the theme "The Jewels

members of its association and now enjoys the support and association of the alumnae club of Eugene.

Alpha Alpha

The history of Alpha Alpha Chapter of Delta Zeta begins in the spring of 1919, with a little group of girls in Northwestern University whose frequent friendly meetings led them to begin speaking jokingly of "our sorority." In April, holding one of their chummy "cosies" at the home of Vera Brown Jones, whose niece Lucille Stewart was really the leader of this group, they made a decision to form a local sorority and work for eventual nationalization. This determination was given impetus by Mrs. Jones, whose previous acquaintance with Epsilon of Delta Zeta during her husband's membership on the Indiana faculty, had given her a lasting

interest in the sorority. Although the girls knew that their dean of women was at that time averse to admitting another national group to her campus, they hoped to win her approval if they could become strong enough, and they took the simple but symbolic name, "Delta."

Their request to Delta Zeta for information pertaining to presenting a petition was welcomed by the extension committee. Plans were made by the Deltas to begin aggressive work with the opening of the fall session; and this they did, although all but three of their original number had graduated or taken leave of absence. Realizing that the preponderance of rushing was done among girls who lived in Chicago or along the north shore, they concentrated their rushing activities on the out-of-town girls living in the dormitory. In a short time six new members were added to the group. A visit in December from Esther Mooney gave them lots of encouragement, enthusiasm and help. Her visit with Dean Potter, however, showed the dean's attitude unchanged. Nevertheless Vera Brown Jones determined to seek information at the head of all authority and was somewhat surprised and completely pleased, to learn that the President of Northwestern, probably unaware of the positive stand taken by his dean, was most encouraging on his part, and promised to give any help within his power to secure the charter.

By the end of February the necessary twelve members were ready, well prepared for the visit of Rene Sebring Smith, for which the Deltas took the precaution to secure the sanction of President Hough. As luck would have it, Dean Potter was out of town when Miss Smith came, but the girls loved her at sight and were determined to win Delta Zeta affiliation.

They were very happy when she gave her final verdict, approving the preparation of the formal petition. Fingers and feet flew busily preparing a petition worthy of the cause. It was indeed a beautiful piece of work, the pride of their hearts. Once having sealed the

parcel and with it their fate, as they felt, they plunged into a series of parties to add more girls and to become better and better friends one to the other. Great was their joy when in June the telegram of acceptance was received, opened as they tell, by the trembling fingers of the president; installation was to follow in the fall; summer couldn't be short enough!

Complications many and varied, some amusing, some near-serious, naturally kept all in suspense as the week-end for installation approached. They felt that the stork at least had favored them, for he had brought baby Dan Jones five weeks before installation so his mother could be the first initiate of the chapter-to-be Alpha Alpha. Came the day. Nervously they made a call at the office of Dean Potter for permission that all should be duly recognized; but again—she was out of town. The president's approval had to suffice; they were determined not to delay matters at this juncture.

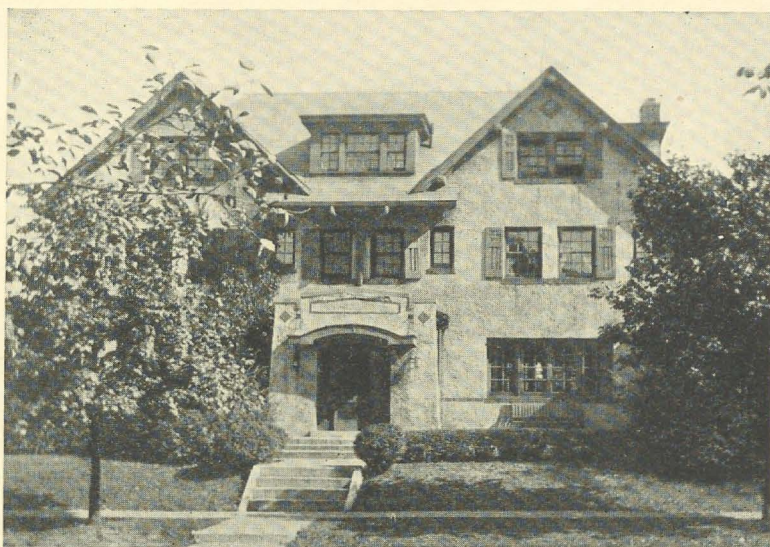
On September 18 and 19, 1920, the impressive ceremonies took place in the Evanston Woman's Club. The installing team was composed of Arema O'Brien Kirven, Madeline Baird, *Theta*; Thelma Jones, Caroline Oestrich, Erma Hatch and Trent Alexander of *Tau*; Esther Mooney, *Delta*; Helen Collins and Margaret McMeans, alumnae of *Tau*. At the banquet which followed the initiation ceremonies, there were alumnae present who represented Alpha, Delta, Epsilon, Lambda, in addition to those who had assisted with initiation.

The twelve charter members of Alpha Alpha were: Vera Brown Jones, Lucille Stewart, Rosamund Howland, Helen Loveless, Rose Pipal, Verdelle Richardson, Vivian Sharp, Alice Redfield, Lilian Bollenbach, Eutokia Hellier, Grace Hoadley and Dorothy Harridge. Three of the charter members were also Phi Beta Kappa and the chapter won distinction in its first few years for its combination of "Beauty and Brains," carrying off the first place in scholarship for three successive times.

The troubles of the group were not

ended with their initiation, however, for when the Dean of Women finally learned of their installation she expressed her disapproval and her resentment by ruling that for six weeks they could not wear their pins or be publicly recognized. But as news does have a way of leaking forth it became known on campus what penalty had been placed on the

range was ready for housewarming on the official opening day. The chapter has since 1926 enjoyed a lively newsletter, issued monthly by the alumnae association, and has built up a cherished custom of remembering every alumna with a greeting on her birthday. Their return is amply worthwhile for it is an alumnae loyalty of unusual fervor and respon-



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new chapter, and the sympathy of the student body was all for the girls. On the day when recognition was finally permitted, every Greek-letter society sent flowers in token of the lifting of the sentence, and the ordeal, once over, had perhaps been a help rather than a hindrance.

Alpha Alpha at once took an active part in all the activities of the sorority. They sponsored Alpha Eta at Michigan when it was installed; and were the chief hostess chapter at 1924 Convention, performing like veterans in the many arduous tasks involved.

When the house building program of Northwestern University was undertaken in 1925 this was the newest of all sorority groups to qualify for building; and the Delta Zeta house in the quad-

siveness. The latest large service rendered by this chapter was to assist in managing the 1933 Convention held in Chicago.

Alpha Beta

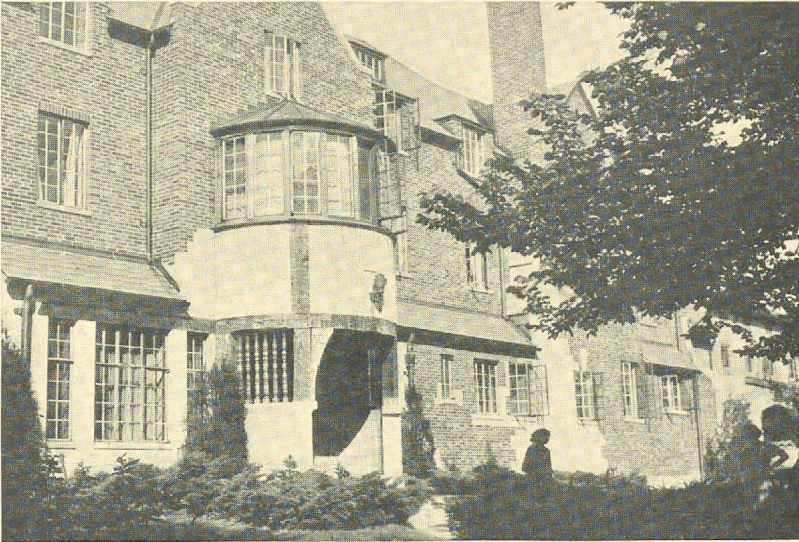
Precisely at the same time when the Deltas at Northwestern were organizing and putting out tentative feelers toward Delta Zeta, a similar activity was manifest on a neighboring campus. Veda Vose, *Pi*, who was a graduate student at the University of Illinois in 1918-19, with Beulah Whitman, *Nu*, who was taking her senior work at Illinois, conceived the idea of developing a group to petition Delta Zeta. Having secured the approval of Florence Drury of the extension committee, they chose ten girls and in May of 1919 Florence made a preliminary

visit to look them over and make further suggestions. An administration ruling required that a local group must be one year old before it could petition a national; and consequently the girls petitioned for a charter as a local, Kappa Pi by name, which was granted by the council of administration that spring.

The next fall they moved into a house,

(the Greek Ψ making such a nice double meaning since it *could* look like a monogram of the university) went to the group at Franklin College.

Next year Kappa Pi resided in (as their historian says) "a horrible yellow and green house which the Campus Scout called 'Ike Hanan's Canary Bird House,'" but houses were scarce and



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secured a splendidly helpful chaperone, worked hard on scholarship so that they rose from third place to second, and added some excellent pledges. All the time they worked hard collecting and preparing material for the petition, which they intended to send out as soon as their one-year age would allow, and secretly they had hopes of success in short order, so that they could already visualize their Delta Zeta pins with a Psi guard—Psi being the chapter name next in line on Delta Zeta's roll at that time.

But bittersweet was the double-barreled report which they received. Delta Zeta found the petition acceptable; but the college insisted upon one more semester as a local, to make sure that the group was deservedly stable and permanent. That summer the coveted Psi guard

they were lucky to have it. Again they stood second in scholarship. Permission from the Dean of Women and the council of administration was now forthcoming, and on April 23, 1921, the group was installed as Alpha Beta of Delta Zeta.

The charter members were: Delia Shaw, Pauline Frier, Pearl Frier, Edna Schierbaum, Marie Dobyns, Clara Rush, Ada Wharmby, Harriet Rush, Mary Sparks and Anna Patton. The installing team was Rene Sebring Smith, the Grand President, assisted by Luella Reeder, Grand Secretary, and Effie Abraham, an alumna from Alpha Chapter who had assisted them all year long. Many representatives from the chapters in Illinois and elsewhere attended the installation banquet.

After a succession of rented houses

the chapter purchased a home for itself, being very greatly assisted by the Father's Club. This home they sold in 1932 and bought a very beautiful new chapter house in the section which has recently become the center of organization houses. The new house was first occupied in the fall of 1932.

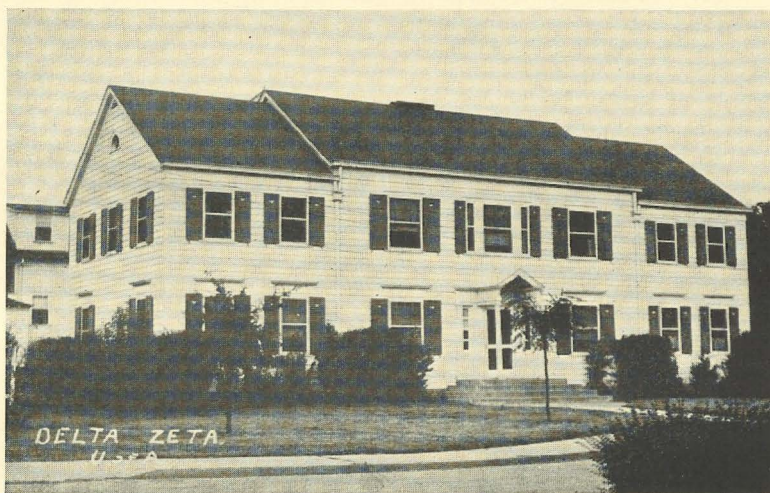
The chapter has a number of interesting traditions. Fall Homecoming, Dad's Day, the giving to the seniors of recognition pins each October, the annual Christmas party given by a loyal patroness, the ups and downs of pledge

having among her own members an "orchestra," usually a trio or a quartette, which plays not only for Delta Zeta enjoyment but for campus affairs as well.

Alpha Gamma

The action of the 1922 Convention in granting four new charters, opened for Delta Zeta four comparatively untouched areas.

First of these new chapters was Alpha Gamma, installed at the University of Alabama on September 9, 1922. Julia Bishop Coleman was in charge and was



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week, terminated by each pledge presenting her upperclassman with an impressive paddle, receiving (presumably) in return a lovely corsage from said upperclassman at the initiation banquet; church in a group the morning after initiation; a birthday cake for each girl's birthday; a joint dance held with Alpha Alpha in Chicago during the Christmas vacation; senior breakfast, with announcements of engagements. Achievements are recognized by a piece of jewelry for the pledge with the most activities; for the best original song; the annual gifts to the house from the pledges and the seniors; and one other which the chapter has greatly enjoyed, that of

assisted by Myrtle Malott. The charter members of the new group were: Gladys Harlee, Gladys Clayton, Marion Bishop, Naomi Pool, Alice Ansley, Louise Wheeler, Julia Corley, Sara Newsom, Mary Louise Ikerman, Mary Charles Armentrout and Mary Maude Bailey.

These girls had been organized into a local group, Delta Sigma, in the year 1920-21, in reality drawn into an interest in Delta Zeta from the first by having in their number Marion Bishop who had been pledged to Nu Chapter at Delta Zeta but had been moved to Alabama for residence when her father, a minister, was transferred to a church in the second state.

At that time there were but three national sororities on the campus, and ample room for more. The friendliest of Panhellenic feeling prevailed, and it was in fact due to the urging of Panhellenic that the charter was granted and the installation so speedily arranged for a group comparatively young on its campus. Faith in Alpha Gamma was well justified.

Their installation was especially welcomed by Sigma who felt that at last she now had a sister chapter in the South. The two chapters combined their influence to present further petitions to the sorority, and shortly had the pleasure of welcoming Alpha Omicron, Alpha Pi and Alpha Sigma.

In the fall of 1925 Alpha Gamma moved into a new chapter house, in location and style a part of the university's official plan for the sorority houses of Alabama. With the chapter came Mrs. Myrtle Leland to be house mother, and to their great satisfaction and benefit has been with them continuously since. They have also been fortunate in having as alumnae adviser Frances Pickens Lewis, one of the charter members, whose unflagging interest, resourcefulness and care have made her a tower of strength to Alpha Gamma.

The chapter has claimed thirteen members of Mortar Board, eight Phi Beta Kappas, two presidents of Women's Council, and numerous additional honors since its establishment.

Alpha Delta

Second to be installed of the chapters chartered by 1922 Convention was the group located in George Washington University, Washington, D.C. This institution is so completely different from the ordinary conception of university, due to its location and to the kinds of service it plans to render, that the girls in the sorority have frequently said, without the sorority they would have practically nothing of what is generally considered "college life."

This petitioning group was locally known as Alpha Delta. The moving spir-

it in its initial organization was Anne Theresa Lawrence, and after the local group had become established she had enlisted the aid of Ann Hanlon, *Alpha*, to interest Delta Zeta in a chapter at this university.

The alumnae club in Washington took an active interest in the furthering of Alpha Delta's welfare, feeling that a chapter there would be advantageous. When the petition was presented to convention for consideration by Mrs. Hornung, it was Ruth May Railsback Armstrong, delegate from the Washington alumnae chapter, who spoke in behalf of the Alpha Delta girls, and the petition was accepted.

The pins which the local Alpha Delta girls had worn were simple monograms, so much like the double-letter guard for Delta Zeta pin, that Mrs. Hornung bespoke for the new group the name, Alpha Delta Chapter and the privilege of retaining their local pins as guards. This was cheerfully granted, and the touch of sentimental association much cherished by the charter members.

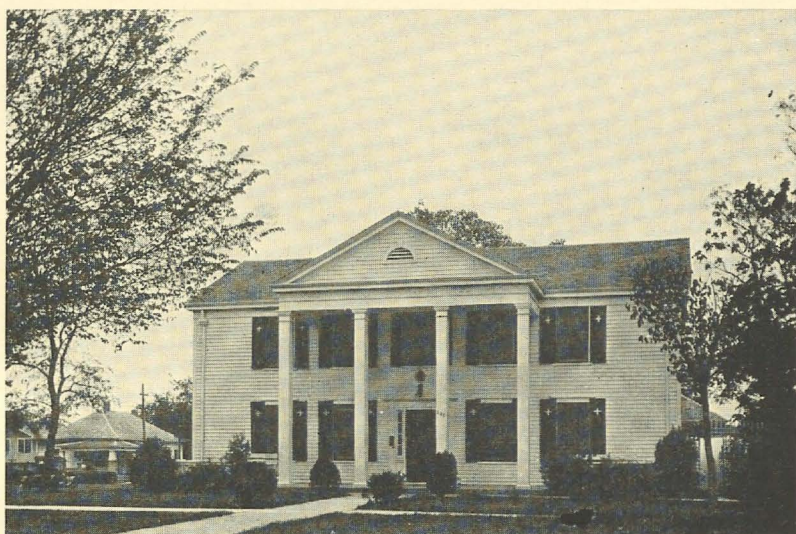
Installation was held on September 22, 1922, for the following: Annette E. T. Steel, Anne Theresa Lawrence, Dorothy Ladd, Dorothy Frost, Frances Stearns Pattison, Phyllis Atkinson, (Mrs.) Mary Jennings Ames, Alice Baldwin and Alice Hill. Julia Bishop Coleman was chief installing officer, assisted by Marita Oelkers Littauer, Grand Secretary, and Ruth May Railsback Armstrong, Dorothy Douglas Zirkle, *Beta*, and other members of the Washington alumnae group.

The chapter established itself in rooms in one of the houses in which the university allocated sorority rooms, and uses this headquarters continually as chapter rendezvous and general lounging place for girls between classes. Among the first patronesses of the chapter was Mrs. Frances Parkinson Keyes, well known writer. A number of interesting traditions have been developed, and as most of the alumnae live in the city too, there is a very close association between the college and alumnae group at all

times. This sentiment is expressed in the song which the chapter possibly considers its favorite.

We're the girls of Delta Zeta of the chapter
Alpha D—
And together we will wander, loyal sisters
fond and true;
In our hearts we'll build a shrine where our
vows will ever shine,
To our sisters we'll be faithful and to our
Delta Z.

a meeting in March, 1920, the motion was carried to petition Delta Zeta, and preparations were at once begun on the petition, in the hope that it might be acted upon during the summer. The book was not received in time for a visitor to meet the group before convention met in Denver in June, and when the petition was presented, it was not given final action as the chapters wished to hear



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Alpha Epsilon

Alpha Epsilon Chapter, at the Oklahoma State College, was the third of the groups chartered by the 1922 Convention. This institution represented advancement into another new region for Delta Zeta, the Southwest.

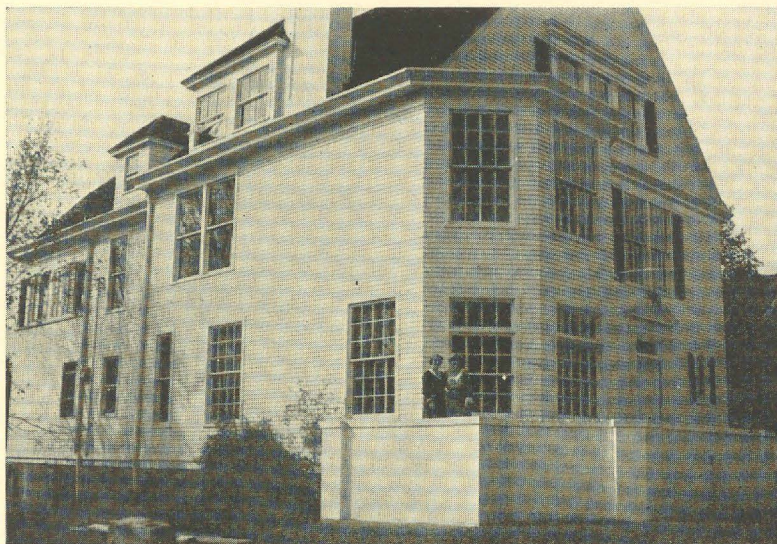
The group which became Alpha Epsilon Chapter was organized in the fall of 1917, as a small social club, and did not take a Greek name, nor enter into activities of the local Panhellenic for about two years. About this time it began to feel that affiliation with some national organization would be a move helpful both to itself and the campus and it took the name Alpha Kappa, from the Greek words for its motto, which had always been, "Seeking higher things." At

more about the petitioning group. In the next two years the sorority granted no petitions, but the girls of Alpha Kappa worked ahead under rather discouraging circumstances. Their cause was from the first championed by Nettie Wills Shugart, and she spoke for the Alpha Kappa petition when it was presented at the 1922 Convention. This time success was with the girls, and they were installed on September 2, 1922, with Nettie Wills Shugart herself as installing officer, assisted by: Louella Reeder Brown, and Marion Burns, *Eta*; Izil Polson, *Lambda*. The charter members were: Florence Straughen, Mabel Helema, Lottie M. Farnsworth, Iris McGee, Dora Bollinger, Ada Scroggs, Alice Fountain, Letha Brattin, Vera Cheatham, Ethel Davis

(faculty member), Cata Fariss, Velma Anderson, Vera Vandenburg, Clara Brown, Mrs. Gladys Burr Green. Soon after an initiation was held for many who were among the original Alpha Kappa group, now alumnae.

The chapter held excellent campus position by the time it assumed national rank, and carried forward this good work after its installation. However, the

the installation of Alpha Zeta Chapter at Adelphi College, on September 16, 1922. Marita Oelkers Littauer, Violet Ironmonger, Lillian Hawley, Margaret Low and members of the New York Alumnae chapter, conducted the installation for the following charter members: Harriet Littig, Macon Miller, Dorothy King, Madeline Betz, Hilda Persons, Virginia Carroll, Margery Allen, Wilma



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adverse circumstances which for several consecutive years worked such economic difficulty in the states of the Southwest, created so rapid chapter turnover, and made chapter maintenance such a problem that Alpha Epsilon became inactive in the year 1932 when the last of its members left college. Its alumnae have entered with appreciation into membership in the Oklahoma City Alumnae Club, and participated in the program of state alumnae activities in order to keep their interest in the past, and future, history of Alpha Epsilon.

Alpha Zeta

Partial relief for the life-long isolation of Beta Chapter was afforded with

Boettler, Mildred Booth, Mabel Haines, Magdilene Kurtz, Eleanore Becker, Ruth Gidmore, Helen Fleckles, Edith Litorin, Josephine McEntee.

These girls had formed a local sorority Alpha Delta Alpha, and having become acquainted with some members of the New York Alumnae chapter, had been assisted and recommended both by this chapter and the visiting officers from the sorority. Their college situation was one unfamiliar to most of the sorority; there being neither houses nor dormitories, nor need for them, as practically all the students at Adelphi lived in Brooklyn and went between home and classes daily. The sororities shared as meeting places, several rooms in a building off campus, but there was nothing in the

way of central headquarters for any group.

However, while the whole thing sounded strange to their sisters, the Alpha Zeta girls took all this for granted, and could put their energies into college work and activities just as thoroughly as any chapter, making an enviable record for themselves in a short time in activities especially.

Now that Adelphi College has moved to Long Island, and proposes to allow for dormitory life, and even contemplates a Panhellenic house or Panhellenic lodge, the situation which the girls of a few more generations take as established will doubtless seem as strange to the early Alpha Zeta girls as did theirs to the rest of the sorority when this chapter, the first in any all-woman's college in the sorority, was established.

Alpha Eta

Alpha Eta Chapter at the University of Michigan was installed January 6, 1923, with the following charter members: Lucile Nichols Landis, Leah McElhenie Magel, (alumnæ); Helene Sooy, Jewel Heiser, Love Barnett, Thelma Henderson, Charlotte Tucker, Lyda Rideout, Elizabeth Wright, Catherine Jones, Alfrieda Barth, Thyra Sheffield, Louise Mattern, Margaret Koon, Lowene Barnett, Margaret Fenkell, Allene Davis, Leo Sherman. The following were also pledged—Lucille Cornell, Elnora Hahn, Eudora Begole. The installing officers were Rene Sebring Smith, Grand President; Vera Brown Jones, Editor; Grace Mason, executive secretary; Georgia Chandler Hornung, Extension Secretary; assisted by members from Alpha Alpha the sponsoring chapter (Evelyn Brown, Mabel Schmitz, and Elizabeth Travis) with Ruth Kelsey, Leta Brown-ing, and Betty Hutchens Barkley, *Alpha*; and Eleanor Lowe Woltzen, *Rho*.

The group had first been inspected in 1921 by Mrs. Coleman, and later on had the assistance of Georgia Hornung after she took up residence in Detroit. The girls of A Δ Z had been recognized by the student council, and inasmuch as

Delta Zeta had long had the University of Michigan on her list of desired openings, and there were only two more nationals to come on this campus, she did not delay in consideration of this group.

Alpha Eta girls have not only made creditable records on the Michigan campus, but as alumnæ have been enthusiastic workers in a number of alumnæ chapters both in Detroit and elsewhere. Theirs has been a field unusually hard for late seekers after distinction and it is a matter for praise to them that in every line of university activity they have done well both as individuals and as the collective group, Alpha Eta.

Alpha Theta

On May 26, 1923, Alpha Theta Chapter of Delta Zeta was installed at the University of Kentucky. The chapter members of this group were: Mary Barnard, Ann Mary Risen, Annie Russell Moore, Gwendolyn Purdom, Corinne Cowgill, Mildred Cowgill, Bernice Bird, Virginia Rose Duff, Ann LeSturgeon, Annasteele Taylor, Sarah Thorn, Gertrude Collins, and Lillian Rasch. They were installed by Julia Bishop Coleman assisted by Grace Mason, Margaret Henderson Crawford, Aline Rogert, Leah Rose; Camilla Fry and Helen Hoover, *Alpha*; Clara Elizabeth Findlater, *Xi*; Myrna Boyce, *Iota*; Emma Vories Meyer, *Psi*.

At this time there were but five nationals in the university, giving membership to barely one-fifth of the women students. The Dean of Women, Miss Jewell, favored the entrance of approved groups, and because she had close acquaintance with and sound confidence in the girls of the local Lambda Phi, was especially interested in their choice of national affiliation. The preliminary visit, made by Frances Hankemeier Ellis, *Epsilon*, as special extension worker in the year 1922-23, was gratifying to both interested parties. The local group endeavored to perfect itself in every possible point, and succeeded in winning the Panhellenic scholarship cup, later repeating this feat three more times, adding a Mor-

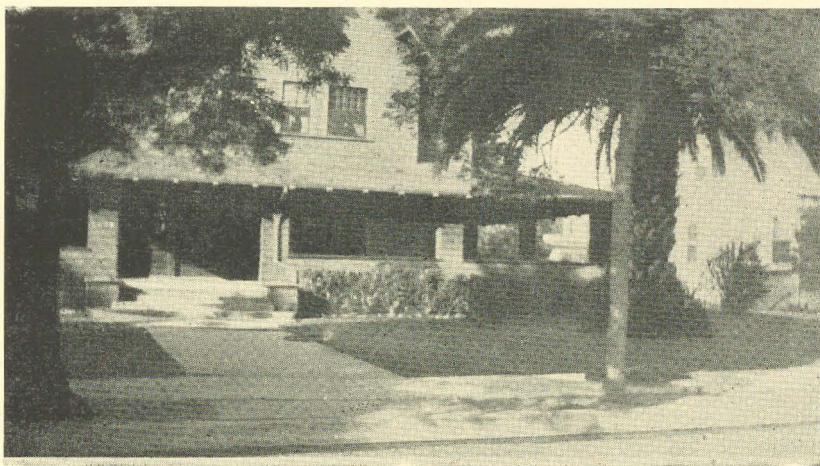
tar Board member and winning recognition in many lines.

The spirit of the installation was an unusually felicitous one, and the association of Alpha Theta members has always been exceedingly congenial. In the initiation of the fall after their installation they were very happy to initiate as an alumna member the faithful friend

between Alpha Theta and her sister chapter Beta Gamma at University of Louisville.

Alpha Iota

Alpha Iota Chapter was established at the University of Southern California on November 8, 1923. It was formed from Lambda Rho, a local sorority established in 1919. First recommended



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who had first turned their attention to Delta Zeta: Miss Grace Cruikshank, a teacher in the Lexington High School, whose admiration and friendship for Anne Habekost, *Alpha*, had prompted her to make the suggestion to Lambda Phi. Miss Cruikshank has always been one of the most loyal promoters of Alpha Theta's good, taking the lead again, in a few years, in forming and developing a strong alumnae club in Lexington, which has been of great help to the girls.

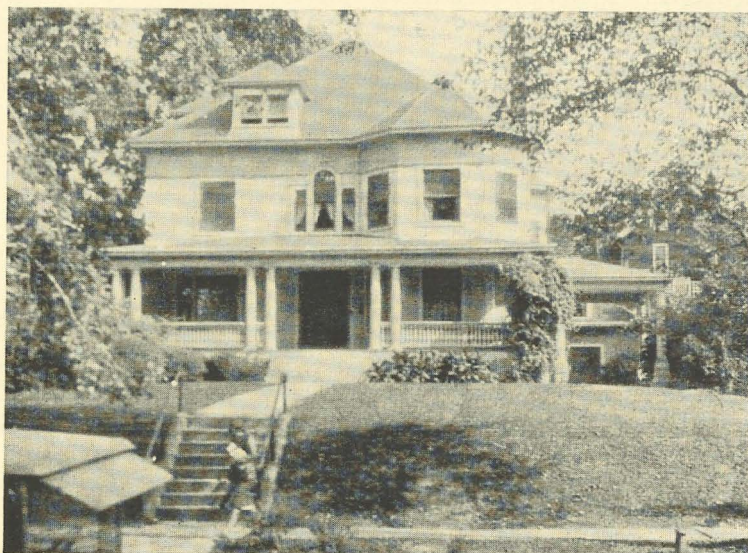
Under the capable direction of Gertrude Collins, Alpha Theta has been the nucleus for three alumnae clubs in the western section of Kentucky, and has backed the state organization among alumnae, supporting the news bulletin, *K. Y. News*, which goes to every Delta Zeta alumna in the state, and which helps to bridge the distance between Alpha Theta and her older sisters, as well as to create a bond of co-operative spirit

by Mrs. Shugart the group was later inspected by Gladys Wright Penney, then Province President, later on by Myrtle Malott and Ruby Long. Considerable delay and a number of difficulties were met by the group, but its allegiance to the choice once made never faltered. The formation of an alumnae chapter in Los Angeles brought to them new help, so that the points which had caused previous hesitancy could be corrected, and at the Council Meeting of 1923 the Grand President was able to announce a reconsideration from objecting voters, and the acceptance of the petition.

Lambda Rho was quite proud of its local history and the fact that it had had Delta Zeta traditions from the first. For among the six original members of Lambda Rho was Grace Litchfield, a sister of two members of Lambda Chapter, and their unofficial "Big Sister" on the campus was Ruby Parkhurst, *Lambda*,

who was a "stray" on the U.S.C. campus that year. The pin adopted by Lambda Rho was a sheathed dagger with three pearls in the hilt; its colors were rose and gold and it grew rapidly in numbers and prominence after its foundations were firmly established. She held membership in the campus honor societies, Spooks and Spokes

LaVonne McLain, Yvonne McFadden, Madge Holt, Elva Edgar and Dorothy Martin. The installing officers were: Martha Railsback and Georgia Hornung, assisted by Mary Dranga Campbell, *Epsilon*, Fae Tolles, *Zeta*, Lois Litchfield, and Ada Robertsen, *Lambda*, Dorothy Porter Miller, Mary Louise Powers and Esther Munson, *Mu*. Many



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(junior honorary); Amazons (senior society); editor of the college annual, 1922; members in other organizations.

The charter group for this 33rd chapter was a large one, totalling 33 (with several alumnæ and pledges as well as the members of the chapter still in college). It included: Lorraine Brown, Gertrude York (faculty member), Bertha Wagener, Gladys Chase, Alice King, Ardis Burroughs, Ruth Inman, Ruth Harrison, LaVerne Harrison, Florence Gilbert Farrell, Louise Thompson, Grace Litchfield Morrison, Sarah Stoneham, Maude Miller, Bertha Berg, Helene Coulthard, Ethel Mac Miller, Clara Gilbert, Frieda Phillips, Lillian Miller, Helene Peterman, Gladys Severinghaus, Vivian Olson, Hildegarde Wilkinson, Maude Stavely, Reba Long,

others attended the installation banquet, 75 members from 12 chapters, being present.

The first Lambda Rho baby was Barbara Merle Princelau, daughter of Emilie Rueger Princelau, and a silver cup with the Lambda Rho crest was presented to her. The local group had established the custom of presenting its brides with tall silver candlesticks with the crest.

Alpha Iota Chapter held first place scholastically in 1931, 1932, and 1933 at U.S.C. She has a long list of members who have won individual distinction in every field of activity in the university. Marjorie Hull (Bryant), class of '27, was national president of the journalistic sorority, Alpha Chi Alpha, for two terms.

In 1932 Alpha Iota Chapter absorbed a local group, Iota Sigma Theta, of ten years' standing on the U.S.C. campus. The entire active group of Iota Sigma Theta, and a number of its alumnæ, were added to Delta Zeta membership.

Alpha Kappa

Syracuse University as a desirable field for expansion had been on the lists of a succession of Delta Zeta Extension Chairmen, but each before her term of office had expired would find herself occupied with groups immediately pressing for attention, or discover that once more the Syracuse regulations had closed the number of organizations possible to recognize that year, so for some reason Syracuse once more would be on the list of those put back into the "waiting" file.

From 1920 until 1923 the group which became Lambda Delta Sigma and later Alpha Kappa of Delta Zeta, waited for their hour to strike. The first attempts at formal organization were held in the early fall of 1922. Three alumnæ, three seniors and two juniors were the members of the little group. With their ideals fixed as Love, Democracy and Service, they wished to use the Greek letters $\Lambda \Delta \Sigma$ for a name. Before another meeting could be called the Eligibility Committee gave out the familiar edict: "no more petitions for local or national sororities" until the second semester. However, Miss Louise Leonard, National President of Alpha Gamma Delta, was aware of the wishes of these girls, and as she was Panhellenic Adviser, and thoroughly conversant with the procedure they needs must experience before being ready to petition a national she advised them to cultivate the group, operate as a club, cherish their name and bide their time. With this encouragement it was easy to proceed with the elections of officers, the choice of Blue and White as colors, the white rose as a flower, and a design for the pin they would have when recognition had been granted. Rituals for pledging and a constitution and by-laws gave much occupation and

were carefully worked out. On November 12, 1922, the first invitations to new members were issued: two to juniors, one each to a sophomore and a freshman. Great was the pride when all were accepted.

Just before Christmas the Eligibility Committee asked for the list of members. They now numbered nineteen. Hopefully it was presented. Again came the decision that nothing more would be done in the addition of sororities that year; but there was one consolation; Miss Leonard told them that inasmuch as their existence was known to the Committee they might wear their pins *and* with the Greek letters. That helped. To be able to plan for the house for the coming year was an even greater advance.

With the signing of the lease, April 20, 1923, Lambda Delta Sigma felt itself arriving nearer its next milepost. The initiation banquet on April 28, with twenty-three members present, and with songs of their own, was a crowning touch for that year; and demanded the taking of an official picture of the membership. How proud they were of the four alumnæ, the seventeen actives and the three pledges!

In the fall of 1923 there was all the excitement of moving into a house, furnishing it, rushing and pledging, arranging (at last) for a visit from their chosen sorority, Delta Zeta. The successful pledge season (eight bids extended; the same accepted!) gave new heart and every member plunged into studies, activities and sorority. In November the coveted recognition from the Eligibility Committee was at last theirs. In December Grace Mason visited them and found only praise from all of whom she inquired about the group. In March the petition was granted and in April installation crowned their years of effort with success.

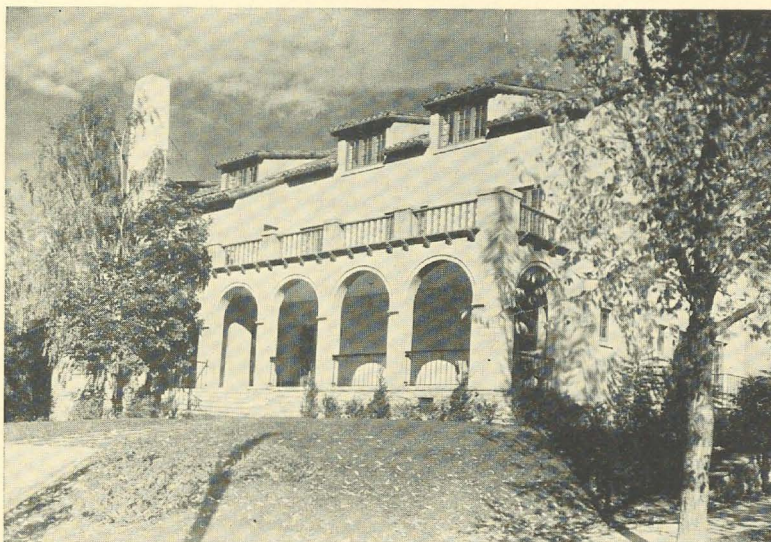
The installation was conducted April 11-13, 1924, by Vera Brown Jones, Alfa Lloyd Hayes, Frances Hankemeier Ellis, Helen Pool Rush, and members of Beta and Omicron Chapters. Beta was

sponsoring chapter, and presented the loving cup. Charter members were: Olive Bishop, Elizabeth Woodman, Wilhelmina Cowles, Mildred Curtis, Iva Hawkins, Dorothy Park, Cornelia Henderson, Anne Halloway, Florence Morehouse, Marguerite Risley, Ruth Shattuck, Winifred Stafford, Bessie Thomas,

as its representative the chapter president, Kathryn Goodall, who soon graduated to the position of Province president (1930-).

Alpha Lambda

Alpha Lambda, installed May 10, 1924, at the University of Colorado, took



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Doris Wilcox, Jessie Weaver, Elsie Welker.

Alpha Kappa's members have stood well both scholastically and in activities. The graduating class of 1927 had representation in all of the nine honor societies on the campus.

The chapter has twice been hostess to province conventions, in 1925 and 1929. As most chapters in this province did not live in houses, it was a great satisfaction to them to have this short-term experience in chapter house living in Alpha Kappa's home, purchased in 1926. Alpha Kappa was followed on the campus by Kappa Delta, which made the list of N.P.C. organizations at Syracuse complete.

Upon the installation of Beta Alpha at Rhode Island Alpha Kappa had the pleasure of serving as sponsor, sending

away from Rho Chapter the isolation which she had known for the six years of her life in Delta Zeta, and it became the accepted thing for these two chapters and the alumnae of Denver and vicinity to observe Founders' Day together, share dances and otherwise enjoy neighborly living.

Although not strictly a colonized chapter, Alpha Lambda had from the early days of its petitioning, the presence and assistance of Ethel Wilson, a transfer from Lambda Chapter to the University of Colorado, and the advice and guidance of Edythe Wilson Thoesen, then National Treasurer.

The girls who founded the local, Pi Delta, held their first formal organizing meeting October 31, 1922. Soon they were recognized by the Organizations Committee of the University, and in

April were admitted to local Panhellenic.

Passing the requirements of the Organizations Committee meant that they must have fifteen girls with strong characters, high scholarship, and an evident interest in college activities. This insured that a local group would be worth the consideration of some national organization, from the start. Pi Delta more than met these requirements, for it was learned when grades were summarized, that this group came out with the highest average made by any group on the Colorado campus.

In addition to the stimulus of friendship, there was present another incentive for forming a chapter of a national organization. This was the absence of dormitory accommodations, and the wish for more attractive living conditions than the ordinary rooming house could afford the girls. The eight national groups on the campus at the time left ample material for other chapters, and the girls felt keenly the need of a home.

In the fall of 1923, thirteen "old" girls returned, determined to develop such strength that their national could not honestly refuse to consider them seriously. With enthusiasm they carried through their pledging season, rented a house, began plans for ultimate ownership, and left nothing undone to merit a charter. A successful grade report for the first semester was the wave which carried them successfully through the chapter vote; and in the spring the chapter was installed in its own home. The installing officers were: Julia Bishop Coleman, Edythe Wilson Thoesen, Anne Simmons Friedline, and members of Rho.

Charter members of Alpha Lambda were: Mildred Findley, Isabella Downey, Clare Ohlson, Florence Anderson, Mabel Dickerson, Cecilia Vigil, Mildred Wade, Ann Trimble, Lavalette Brant, Phoebe Gaumer, Vivien Johnson, Hazelle Murray, Helen Murray, Ann Frances Taheny, Edith Milledge, Florence Goure, Jessie Shaw, Bernice Hartstine, Verna McLaughlin, Ethel Gram-

mer, Evelyn White, Ruth Martin, Maxine Dannenbaum, Alice Marshall, Jean Hubbell, Nadine Robinson, Genevieve Funk, Geneva Davis, Mary Bell (faculty member).

The new chapter very soon entered upon house ownership, remodelling its first home into a most attractive Spanish-style chapter house, in which a housewarming was held in 1928. When, in 1933, the chapter lapsed into inactivity, the Board of Directors of the House Association felt it was best, in the interest of stockholders, to sell the house and liquidate its obligations. The remaining active members took the status of alumnae, becoming members of the Boulder Alumnae Club.

Interesting members of this chapter are: Carmel La Torra, successful concert singer; Jane Norton, producer of plays; and Muriel Sibebe, artist and National Vice-President of $\Delta \Phi \Delta$.

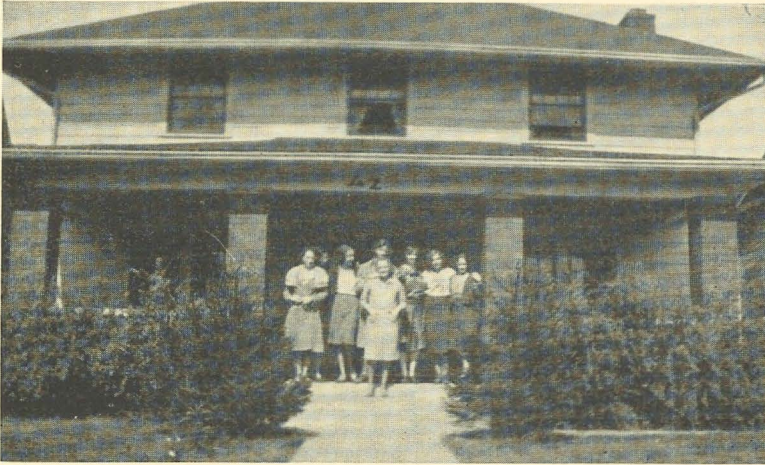
Alpha Mu

Alpha Mu Chapter of Delta Zeta was formed from the local, Lambda Sigma, which was of some years' standing at St. Lawrence College when it was made a chapter of the sorority. The college, located in a comparatively remote section of New York State, is an old one of very proud traditions and extremely conservative principles. It does not propose the growth that a larger, state-endowed institution might desire, but finds satisfaction in the tenacious loyalty of its alumni body and in its high ranking among the institutions of the country.

The girls of Lambda Sigma were loyal Lawrentians. They made conscientious Delta Zetas, but their location was so remote from the remainder of the chapters, their entrance into the college so many years later than the three sororities which had preceded them, that only exceptionally favorable circumstances could have brought them through the years which brought one difficulty after the other to them. Chief of these, quite possibly, was an inability on the part of the group actually to grasp the

fact of being part of a national organization; it experienced difficulty in realizing its transition from a local autonomy to part of a national body. This conflict between ability and ambition was at last the cause for allowing the chapter to become inactive, in the close of the college year, 1929-30, all too few years after its installation. The members of

friendship of the other Indiana chapters, who had been fully apprised of the plan. The first president of the group was Alberta Coburn, herself a Delta Zeta cousin and a frequenter of the Epsilon Chapter house since eighth-grade days. Although the existing organizations on the Butler campus seemed to leave only a small margin for this and for other



ALPHA NU'S FIRST HOME

Lambda Sigma who received the charter were: Mabel Geddes, Mary Bayley, Zelma Bancroft, Ethel Hardick, Mary Kerr, Marianne Oberton, Grace Woodcock, Marian Lawrence, Bernice McGill, Gladys Mount, Iola Bull, Margaret Gollaher, Jessalyn Johns, Dorothy Pollock, Marjorie Aston, Mary Frost, Catherine Lukens and Esther Rowley. The chapter initiated exactly fifty members during its period of activity.

Alpha Nu

In the fall of 1923 there was formed on the Butler campus a group of girls who naïvely called themselves Tau Gamma Tau, the initial letters of these words indicating their motto: To Greater Things. Their avowed purpose was to develop a group whose strength and worth should merit a charter from Delta Zeta. In this undertaking they had the backing of the Grand Council, and the

locals known to be working, though all carried on their operations with considerable secrecy, still the plans for the growth and removal of Butler made it advisable to have groups formed and settled before this removal should take place. In December the Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter felt it was time to announce their protégés, and presented them to the local Panhellenic groups and members at a beautifully appointed tea. Hester Fredenburg Miller of Epsilon acted as Alumna Adviser to the group which gradually grew to the challenging number of thirteen, and the various members entered energetically into college and campus life in order to further their aims.

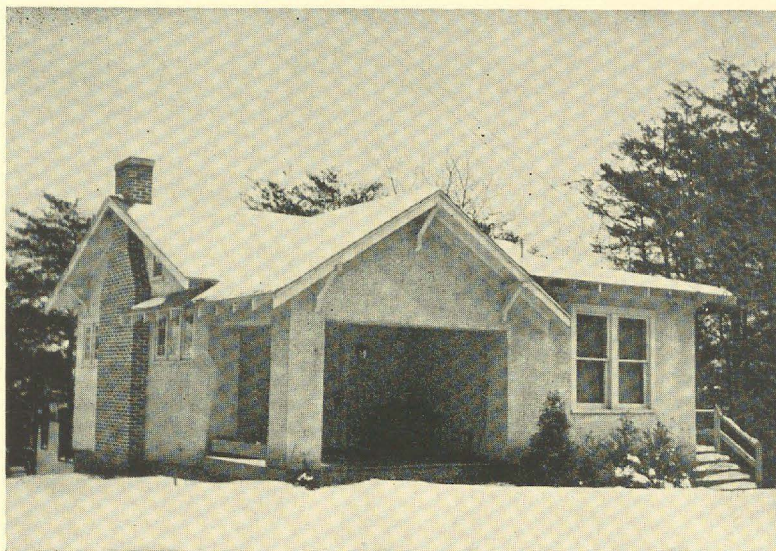
Upon advice it was decided to allow the petition to come out before the 1924 Convention; and upon its acceptance the group was installed just at the close of the college year, by Rene Sebring Smith,

Nettie Wills Shugart and Grace Mason, assisted by alumnae of Indianapolis. The services were held in the house of Pi Beta Phi, courteously offered for the occasion.

In the fall the chapter moved into an attractive house near the Butler campus and valiantly entered its first rush season. Emerging breathless but happy it

liams, had the exciting experience of graduating, being initiated into Delta Zeta, married, and started on her way to South America to be a missionary's wife and herself a teacher, all within one short week.

The Alpha Nu charter, dated June 18, 1924, records the following charter members: Alberta Coburn, Mary Kins-



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found life quite worthwhile and soon was well established in sorority ways.

In 1925 Alpha Nu was hostess chapter to the Convention of Gamma Province. Soon after this, in anticipation of the moving of Butler University to its new and larger campus at Fairview, the chapter formed a Building Association, with the aid and advice of members' fathers, and began accumulating a building fund, although the actual construction of a chapter house has been delayed pending the observation of probable trends of the university development.

Adele Renard, initiated as an alumna member of Alpha Nu, has served as Vice-President of Gamma Province, 1926-28 and as Province President, 1933-. From the charter group one of the first graduates, Winifred Wil-

ley, Frances Quirk, Adele Renard, Pearl Bartley, Hester Renard, Louise Rundle, Winifred Williams, Catherine Fillmore, Hazel Funk, and Zerelda Rubush.

Alpha Xi

In the year 1916, Epsilon Chapter, through correspondence between Georgia Lee Chandler and a friend of hers who was a student at Randolph-Macon Woman's College, carried on considerable correspondence pertaining to promoting a chapter of Delta Zeta at R.-M.W.C. The pressure of college activities and the rather casual nature of the letters allowed the college year to come to a close without further action or without referring it to the Extension Committee for continuance, and the next year neither party to the correspondence

being in college, the whole matter ended in an impasse.

In her mind's eye, R.-M.W.C. loomed large again when Georgia Chandler became Extension Chairman, and she was much gratified when Dorothy Allen, a prominent member of Xi Chapter, accepted a position on the faculty of the Virginia College. Before long Miss Allen was able to report that she felt there was ample room for an excellent chapter, and during her first year she was ready to report the nucleus of a group she would like to sponsor. Accordingly, Mrs. F. E. Ellis made a preliminary visit to Lynchburg to meet the girls of the Kanaloa group.

Finding herself much pleased with the personnel and spirit of Kanaloa, Mrs. Ellis gave them guidance for future development, and true to its motto Kanaloa "Maker of Friendships" successfully increased its group and gained strength for formal petitioning by the winter of 1923-24. The petition was granted and the chapter installed on April 10-12, 1924. Installing officers were: Julia Bishop Coleman, Rene Sebring Smith, Dorothy Allen and representatives from Ξ and Δ Chapters. The charter members were: Coy Beresford, Elizabeth Cole, Elizabeth DuBose, Almeda Garland, Marion Holcombe, Bowers MacKorrel, Helen Milford, Catherine Parnelle, Virginia Shearer, and Annie Lee Young.

There were also the following charter pledges, freshmen; not allowed to be initiated at this college until their sophomore year: Grace Milford, Gretchen Bailey, Ellen Fraser, Mary Turner Tildan and Elizabeth Pulliam.

The chapter was sponsored by Xi, Dorothy Allen's college chapter and the loving cup was presented by them. Soon after installation Alpha Xi initiated into membership its faculty adviser of local days, Dr. Marjorie Harris of the Psychology Department.

Alpha Xi's first big project was to provide for securing a lodge "In the Pines" where the other sorority lodges were located. With courage and careful

planning and loyally backed by their fathers, the young chapter was able to complete the lodge in time for its first rushing season.

She quickly made an excellent scholastic place among the sororities, ranking first twice in her first five years, and standing for her first ten years' history no lower than third most of the time. Alpha Xi experiences some of the difficulties which dormitory life brings to sorority chapters, and finds that in these circumstances her lodge is really a saving factor for creating and holding the chapter spirit and harmony. They feature Sunday evening parties in it, as the girls are allowed to serve suppers on this evening. Sometimes these parties bring in faculty or other friends, sometimes they are purely chapter affairs intended to bring the "family" more closely in unity. The group gives a standard gift to all Alpha Xi brides, and has established a freshman ring and an alumnae news letter. Possibly no chapter finds its members more widely scattered than are the R.-M.W.C. girls, when they leave college for their several homes, but the bonds of college and sorority remain strong and loyalty is an outstanding characteristic of this group. Twice it has had the distinction of nine members attending a national convention, really an unusual number from a college chapter so located and so situated in membership placing as is this one.

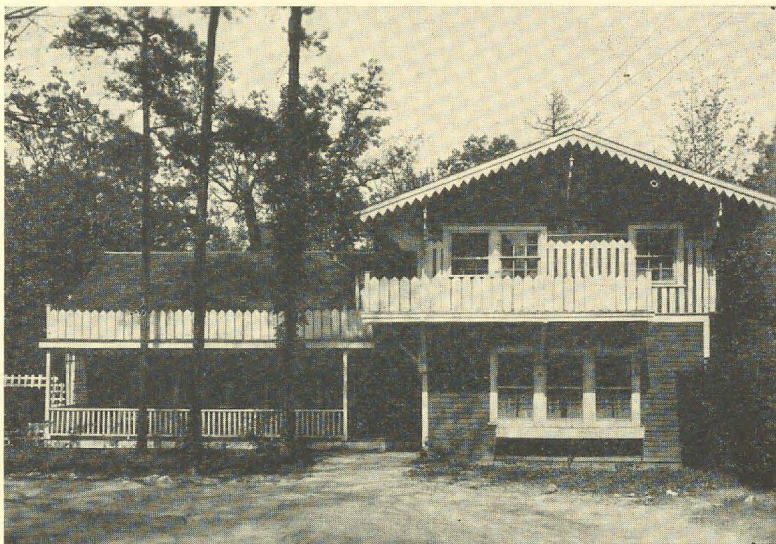
Alpha Xi has rejoiced greatly in the contacts which the province and national conventions bring her, and in those contacts which come from having delegates in attendance at college student gatherings; probably no chapter is more happy to welcome alumnae sisters as faculty members, than this one. She was very happy when Almeda Garland returned to Alma Mater and when Alpha Kappa's Marguerite Risley and Mary Virginia Coleman, *Alpha Beta*, joined the ranks of faculty.

Alpha Omicron

In the fall of 1923 there was announced on the Brenau College campus

a new local sorority known as Beta Beta. Its charter members were: Leah Beth Conner, Sibyl Strickland, Aileen Dickerson, Laura Keaton, Martha Schoolfield, Sara Bridge, Gladys Wakefield, Mildred Hunt, Pearl Jones, Thelma Peterson, Lorene Wakefield, Ruth Dickerson, Cecile Strickland, Milan Rhodes, Elizabeth Burt and Ruth Stoner. The

Thorn of Alpha Theta, Sara Newsom, Louise Wheeler and others of Alpha Gamma. The installation of Alpha Pi Chapter at Howard had just preceded this one and Alpha Gamma girls were gaining much experience as installers. The installation reception was held in the lodge of Alpha Delta Pi, but in the fall Delta Zeta was housed, as is the



ALPHA OMICRON'S LODGE

group was one of very attractive and active girls, and many guesses were hazarded as to its purpose, the meaning of its name, and so forth. The aim was not so long in appearing, at least to the faculty; it was, a charter of Delta Zeta. The meaning of the B B, however, remained a mystery to the end, and finally the girls of the campus dubbed them the "Brenau Belles" and the B B group let it go at that. In the winter of this year there were added as pledges four girls: Edith Jonas, Nina Jones, Georgia Cornelius, and Johnnie Akin. These with the original charter members, formed the charter members of the Alpha Omicron Chapter of Delta Zeta, which was installed at Brenau on May 1, 1924. The installing team was composed of Arema O'Brien Kirven, Grace Mason, Sara

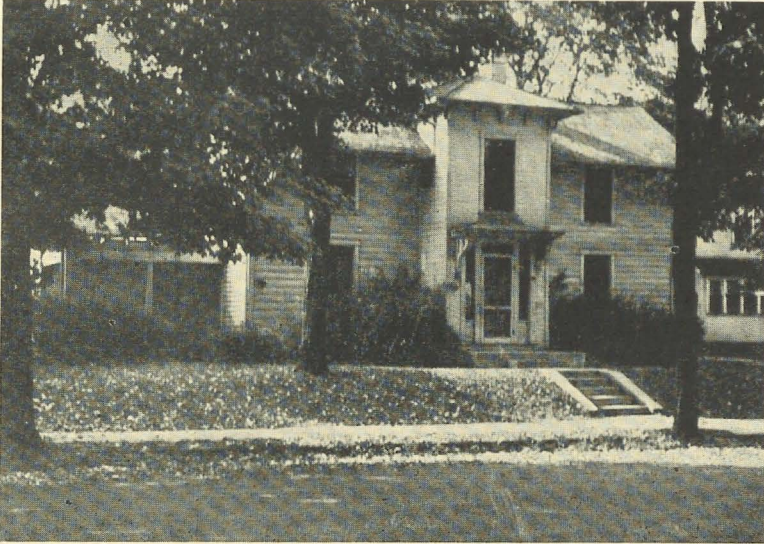
college custom, in a lodge set aside for it, and at the official housewarming received many friendly gifts from the other Panhellenic groups. The chapter has always been distinguished by the number of leaders in student activities represented in its ranks. Like Alpha Xi, this group draws from a large geographical radius, and Alpha Omicron alumnae are represented in many alumnae groups far from Brenau, although more are within the southern province than elsewhere.

Alpha Pi

Alpha Pi Chapter at Howard College was installed in the same week with Alpha Omicron. Its formal installation date is May 10, 1924. The group was formerly Zeta Omega, a local of many years standing on the Howard campus.

Among the charter members of the Alpha Pi Chapter there were, therefore, a number of Howard alumnae. Among these was Miss Bennie Spinks, registrar of the college; Ora Daniel Bohannon, wife of Dr. W. E. Bohannon of the Department of Education and herself later a faculty member, and Annabelle Hendon who succeeded to the position as

Dorothy Peterson, *Tau*. The installation ceremonies were held on the Howard campus, in lodges of the men's fraternity groups, offered to the new sorority. A splendidly friendly Panhellenic spirit was in evidence, and even inter-college friendliness was displayed with the gift of beautiful flowers from Zeta Tau Alpha at Birmingham-Southern College,



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registrar when in 1925 Bennie Spinks resigned to marry Dr. Mason of the faculty. The following is the list of charter members: Ora Daniel Bohannon, Bennie Hope Spinks, Hazel Cobb, Mary Bunn Gay, Ailene Gullahorn, Cornelia Hanlon, Mabel Hodges, Nell Hodges, Mary Nell Holley, Daisy Hoover, Anne Johnston, Helen Lane, Mary Elizabeth McPherson, Doris Mader, Mary Lou Martin, Addilee Mattison, Frances Newman, Nannie Myrtle Price, Ivie Pearl Ray, Pauline Ray, Elizabeth Sadler, Arnice Shelton, Mildred Hay, Claudia Mae Hoover, Mary Lee Morrison, Elna Alm-gren, and Olivia Basenburg.

The sponsoring chapter was Alpha Gamma, whose girls were all present as well as Sara Newsom, Louise Wheeler and other alumnae from the chapter, and

a friendly rival of Howard.

In all its history Alpha Pi has shown prominence in college life and active interest in alumnae affairs. By attendance at conventions, by hearty support of all national projects, by encouragement of local and city Panhellenic activities, the girls have become well known for their interest and support in all that promotes college and fraternal matters. The alumnae form the backbone of Birmingham Alumnae Chapter, and this chapter has rendered signal service in the program for state wide alumnae activity under Victoria Davis, *Alpha Gamma*, chairman for Alabama. The Alpha Pi alumnae deserve a large part of the credit for making the financing of the attractive chapter lodge the successful project it has been.

Augusta Piatt of Alpha Pi is the new Director of Province Five.

Alpha Rho

Among the numerous fine colleges which enable Ohio to hold a leading place in educational ranks, Ohio Wesleyan stands out with a long and honor-

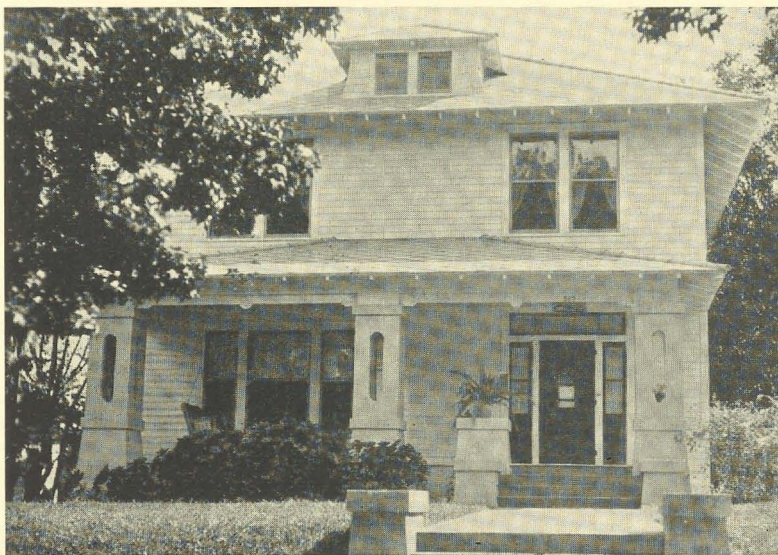


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able history. Sororities had earlier been permitted on this campus, and there had been chapters of Kappa Alpha Theta

and although it had every appearance of being an excellent field for extension, and although at various times the local groups attempted to win the right to nationalization, these efforts continued to be vain. However, in 1932 the ban was lifted. Almost immediately old locals aligned themselves with the former nationals or petitioned new ones; there were two and three inquiries from local groups to many nationals. Delta Zeta received propositions from three locals, but her choice was already made for Kappa Gamma Delta, one of the older groups, in which Ruth Gaddis had been a member before she transferred to Miami and joined Delta Zeta.

Organized first in 1893 with six members, the group was called "La Coterie de grand degré."; and by this name it flourished for five years. Then the members decided upon a Greek name as more pleasing, and chose Kappa Gamma Delta, signifying, "Wisdom is pleasing to



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and Kappa Kappa Gamma, but these had been abolished by an anti-sorority edict issued by the university in 1881. From that time on, only local sororities were allowed on the Wesleyan campus;

sisters." One of the Kappa Gamma Delta girls was the originator of May Day, or, Monnett Day as it is called. In 1913 Kappa Gamma Delta with all other groups, bowed to the edict banning even

local sororities, but the alumnae retained contact with each other through letters and personal friendships. Through the interest of several of them the reorganization was hastened when the university was opened to sororities. The charter members of this chapter, which became Alpha Rho, were: Irene Bancroft, Mary

ous rushing assistance, and a welcome to membership in the Cleveland alumnae, have all been Alpha Rho's through this alumnae group.

Alpha Sigma

In the spring of 1923 there came to Georgia Chandler Hornung two requests



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Halfhill, Ruth Trafter, Helen Rainier, Amelia Lane, Frances Hannett, Marie Buell, Louise Zurmehly, Margaret Johnston, Mary Bartter, Anna Ruth Fulton, Louise Jordan, Florence Honneld, Virginia Fleming, Sara Fife, Dorothy Lank. There were also five charter pledges: Jane Ellis, Eudora Dye, Dorothy James, Dorothy Doxsee, and Elizabeth Allen.

The installation was conducted by Grace Mason, Ruth Gaddis Jeffries and a large delegation from Theta, the sponsoring chapter, and Alpha.

The chapter at Wesleyan has been of special interest to the Cleveland Delta Zetas, as many Cleveland girls enter Wesleyan, and from the first this alumnae group has been a big sister, collectively, to the younger girls. Gifts of chapter equipment, a loan fund, gener-

ous rushing assistance, and a welcome to membership in the Cleveland alumnae, have all been Alpha Rho's through this alumnae group.

from local sororities at the Florida State College for Women, pertaining to petitioning for a charter. This institution was among the most desirable fields for southern extension and the groups seemed quite equal in desirability, but the decision was finally made to encourage the girls of the Alpha Nu local sorority, since they had had the guidance and recommendation of a Delta Zeta faculty member, Catherine Winters, charter member of Sigma.

During the winter, 1923-24, the several groups then petitioning in the southern states were given their official visits and the final suggestions for their improvement outlined. All groups were found to be in excellent condition and it was hoped to have them installed in time to be represented at the convention to be held in Evanston in June, 1924,

even though they might not be old enough to vote.

Thus the installations of Alpha Omicron, Alpha Pi and Alpha Sigma all took place in May before the close of college, Arema O'Brien and Grace Mason serving as national officers for each installation.

Sigma Chapter was to sponsor Alpha Sigma and three actives from Sigma together with Catherine Winters, assisted with the installation. Here all the visiting Delta Zetas met a custom of F.S.C.W. which was unique to them; that of holding all-night initiation, concluding with a breakfast honoring the neophytes. In this case the ordeal was quite a strenuous one, but none of the installers felt it was wasted labor.

The charter members of Sigma Chapter were: Lela Belle Calvert, Carol Whitney, Edith Edwards, Annie Flagg Wilder, Helen Jackson, Mary Cornelia Saunders, Mildred Brantley, Katherine Ray, Natalie Lamb, Pauline Jernigan, Ava Leatherman, Agnes Curry, Mary Alberta Townsend, Helen Ames, Espage Rogers, Mildred Harris, Blanche Curry; and Esther Saunders and Helen Sutton, pledges.

Being the only college chapter in the state of Florida, Alpha Sigma is the center of interest of the several alumnae clubs which have grown into being as Florida has received a larger quota of Delta Zetas from everywhere. Under the direction of Mildred Bullock Keazel, province director, and Jo Covode, state chairman, there are plans for establishing the chapter in its own house, actively under way. Alpha Sigma was very proud to receive her first Delta Zeta daughter-pledge when Mary Lee Coarsey, daughter of Violet Pinaire Coarsey, *Epsilon*, became a pledge.

Alpha Tau

On May 16 and 17 while Alpha Sigma was being installed at Florida State College she was gaining a twin sister at the University of Texas, for here was being installed Alpha Tau of Delta Zeta

formerly a local sorority known as Alpha Beta.

This installation was conducted by Julia Bishop Coleman, assisted by Fannie Putcamp Smith, Myrtle Malott, and local alumnae.

The local group, Alpha Beta, had been systematically developed for the purpose of becoming a Delta Zeta Chapter from the beginning, by a few girls personally selected by Julia Bishop Coleman in connection with Mrs. Neil Carrothers, long connected with the women students of this growing university. Her assistance assured a group with well-rounded representation in various interests, and the chartering group was one of varied and strong talents. The members were: Ruth Bell, Dorothy Burr, Clara Carlisle, Jewell Cowan, Georgia Dancy, Lillian James, Charlotte Knowd, Miriam Landrum (faculty member), Martha McDowell, Frances Murphy, Dorothy Nail, Ura Swann, Mildred Wisian, Masel Wood; and one pledge, Doris Bridges.

Alpha Tau girls had not long to carry the Delta Zeta banner alone in their vast state, for only two years later they were joined to their great satisfaction by Alpha Psi at Southern Methodist University in Dallas. The friendliest of feeling exists between the two groups, and their alumnae join in activities for the welfare of both groups.

Alpha Upsilon

The comparative lack of chapters of Delta Zeta in the eastern states led to an interest being shown in the universities and colleges of this section, and in May, 1923, a definite opening was made for the possible entrance at the University of Maine. The Dean of Women felt that one or two more new chapters could easily be well used on the Maine campus, and she served as a connecting link between Delta Zeta and this group, Kappa Nu Alpha. The first members of this group were all seniors, and most of them honor students. Their high scholastic ideals had, in fact, been their first bond

of union. With thoroughness they had set about forming their local organization; taking for their objects: Scholarship, Friendship, and Activity. Their name, Kappa Nu Alpha, meant Ever Win Nobly. The colors chosen were green and gold, for growth, and friendship; and their pin, a small, pointed oval of gold, bore an emerald at the top, with the letters running below. Officers, committees, and patronesses were chosen and the formal announcement of the new group made in December, 1923.

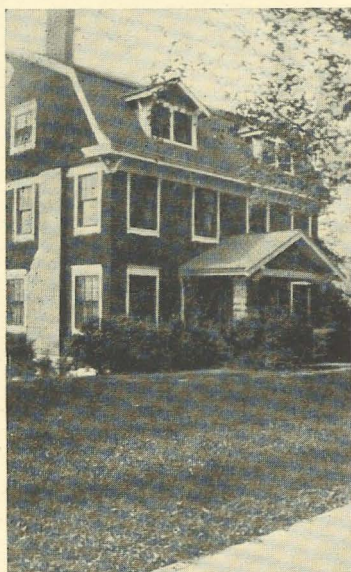
New members were added, additions made in the customs and would-be traditions of the group; a song composed. All this time they were looking at possible national affiliations, and when the vote finally was taken, after visitors from two interested nationals had been received, Delta Zeta was the choice. This being a convention year, the girls made great haste to prepare their formal petition, and it arrived in time to be presented for consideration at the 1924 Convention. Being recommended by Alfa Lloyd Hayes and Rene Sebring Smith, both of whom had personally visited the group, the petition was unanimously accepted, the only one to come to this conclusion at this convention.

While eagerly waiting for the convention vote, the Kappa Nu Alpha girls went about with "business as usual," or more so; and hoping for their charter, began working on their first news letter to alumnae, which, first named the "Kappa Kall," was later re-christened the Zeta Zig-Zag, or simply Zig-Zag, and has been a strong bond among the Alpha Upsilon alumnae to this day.

In the fall of 1924 the chapter was installed by Julia Bishop Coleman, Grace Mason, Marcelle Pendery, then Province President; assisted by Josephine McEntie from Alpha Zeta, the sponsoring chapter and one lone Beta alumna, Edith Oakes Hilton, who came joyfully in across the miles to help put on new pins. The charter members were: Joy Nevens, Ethelyn Percival, Ellen Pierson, Muriel Varnum (alumnae); Anne Fuller, Margery Bailey, Madeline

McPhetres, Dorothy Mossler, Velma Oliver, Harriet Page, Emily Pendleton, Jessie Wood, Amy Adams, Annette Matthews, and Margaret White.

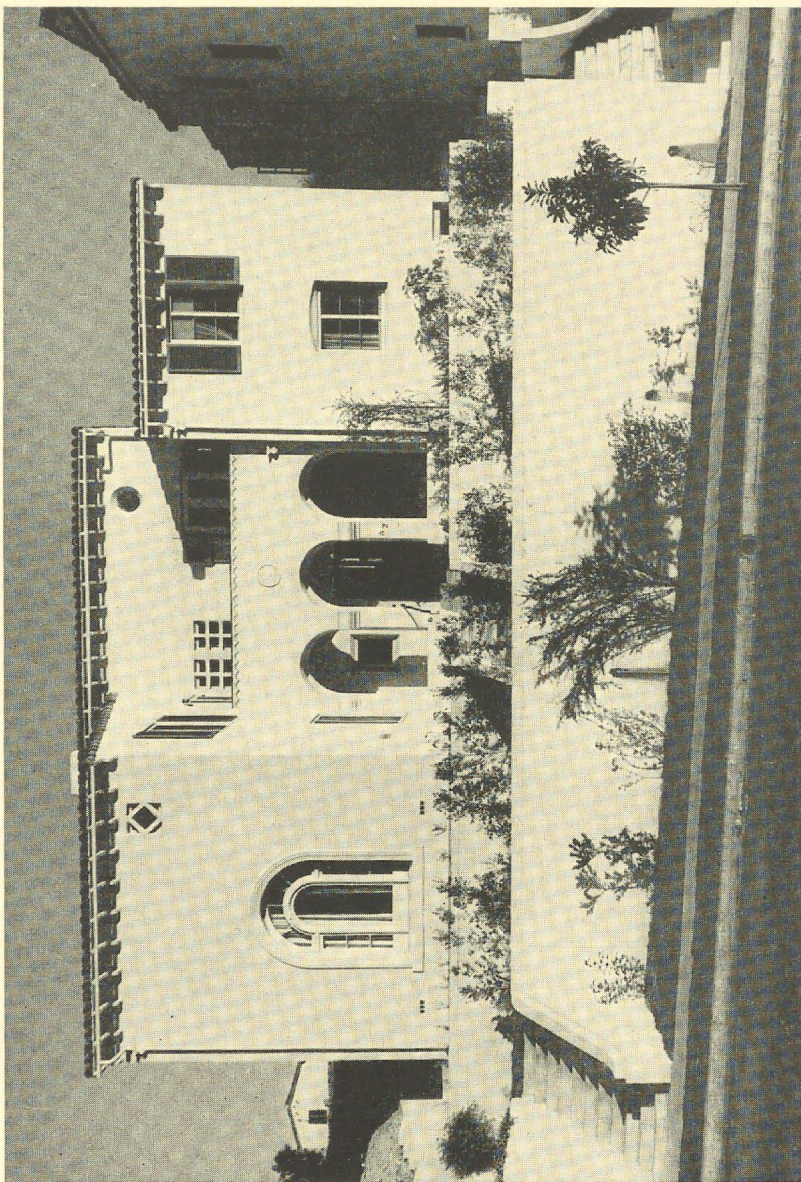
Among this group there were 6 Phi Beta Kappas, 3 Phi Kappa Phi (3 members of both). This excellent start has been kept up by later members with such



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good results that in 1928 the chapter became permanent owner of the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup.

At Maine one is conscious of the spirit of an earlier and perhaps more sincere spirit than the ultra-sophisticated attitude becoming sadly frequent on some colleges. It may be that part of this is due to dormitory living, there being no houses for women at Maine, but whatever the cause, the Maine spirit is vigorous and refreshingly tang-y, even as the pines of the state itself. Delta Zeta is happy to have this strong outpost in the east, and rejoiced with the Alpha Upsilon girls that their period of real isolation was only comparatively short, since the advent of Beta Alpha at Rhode Island gives them a neighbor not too far away.



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Alpha Phi

Alpha Phi Chapter, at the University of Kansas, is the first Delta Zeta Chapter to be formed definitely and solely by the colonization plan.

Ascertaining the desire of the sorority that there might be a chapter at this institution, Georgia Chandler Hornung, on an inspection trip west, stopped at Law-

the details of their local organization, Z Ξ , and following the guidance given them by friends in Delta Zeta, made so sure and quick a growth that the Student Affairs Committee gave them recognition, they were announced in the *Daily Kansan* and from then on, under the leadership of Esther MacCauley, Daisy Ernst's hand-picked associate, they competed on



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rence to talk over the colonization idea with Dean Husband and Chancellor Lindley, both friends of hers. Receiving promise of encouragement if conditions warranted the growth of a new chapter, Mrs. Hornung sent Daisy Ernst, of Tau Chapter, as an organizer the middle of the year, 1923-24. Daisy was a girl of both brilliance and charm, and living in the dormitory, quickly made for herself a place on the campus and a number of friends both organized and independent. From this latter group she carefully chose a few others, and by the end of the college year a small but strong nucleus had been formed for the proposed chapter. In the fall of 1924 these girls picked new additions to their group, worked out

equal terms with nationals many years older and much more firmly established. Near the close of this year, having been inspected and approved by their official visitor, they were formally installed in April, 1925, at the time of the meeting of Epsilon Province, the occasion thus doubly interesting and bringing forth a large number of representatives for the welcoming of the new chapter. Anne Simmons Friedline was the installing officer, and the charter members were: Eloise Burke, Viletta Dumm, Esther MacCauley, Meredith K. Geiger, Dorothy Gordon, Helen Hamilton, Madeline Jones, Helen Morgan, Mary Phillips, Dorothy Taylor, Marjorie Taylor, Enola Snodgrass; also two alumnae mem-

bers (Mrs.) Ruth Richardson Patrick, and (Mrs.) Louise Anderson McDonald; and one pledge, Eleanor Ferguson.

On a campus well-known for the quality of its coeds, this group has from the first made a strong and representative showing. They have been represented in all the major honorary and activities lists; have established themselves in a home of their own purchase of which was begun on a well-planned basis the year after they were installed, and in all ways have shown themselves representative both of their sorority and their Alma Mater. A chapter news letter, begun within a few years of their installation serves to keep the chapter before the attention of its alumnae, and the close, strong tie begun in the days when Daisy Ernst was working have continued; an interesting touch of romance being the marriage of Esther MacCauley, first of the girls chosen, and first chapter president, to Daisy's brother, Sering.

Alpha Chi

The development of the University of California at Los Angeles, from the older institution the Los Angeles State Normal School, founded 1881, is in itself an interesting story. From the sorority standpoint, however, only the more recent years of the university enter into history. In 1923 the institution became an official part of the University of California, offering for the first time a full degree in A.B. work. When by this fact it became eligible for consideration by N.P.C. organizations, locals on the campus began almost immediately to affiliate with national groups.

Delta Zeta did not enter this campus until May 28, 1925. She accepted the petition of a strong group known as Pi Epsilon Alpha, which had been sponsored, and assisted to realize its aim of becoming Delta Zeta, by Dr. and Mrs. Brush, patrons of the Pi Epsilon Alpha girls, and loyal Delta Zeta promoters from their years of serving in the same capacity for Upsilon at North Dakota. The opening was so desirable and the

group so well developed, that Delta Zeta was much the gainer when Alpha Chi was installed. The ceremonies of installation were part of the Province Convention held in Los Angeles at this time, and the installation (May 28), guided by Rene Sebring Smith and Edythe Wilson Thoesen, was attended by a very large number of members of other chapters as well as by the entire Province Convention body. The charter members of the group are: Helen Martin, Gladys Blake, Harriet Sterrett, Wilma Foster Garrison, Elizabeth Brush, Marian Forsyth, Olive Reay, Janice Lillywhite, Eva Rudbach, Ruth Higley, Esther Hodge, Edith Beamish, Dorothy Haserot, Ruth Langley, Mary Trevarrow, Charline Chilson, Ethel Cooley, Josephine Booth, Aline Bryant, Rose Charter, Julia G. Hester, Ruth Stark, Gertrude Justice, Vivian Meade, and Ida Griset.

After living in several rented homes the chapter was ready, when the university in 1930 took over a new site in Westwood addition, to build a new home especially for itself. In the fall of 1931 this was completed and officially dedicated. It is a very beautiful and commodious home; worthy to place as part of the harmonious and elaborate scheme which has been evolved for the architectural plan of the new campus.

In the year, 1932-33, Alpha Chi absorbed the local group Sigma Alpha Kappa, and initiated the college members and some of its alumnae. Among these latter Delta Zeta was very happy to welcome Dean Helen Laughlin, of the university.

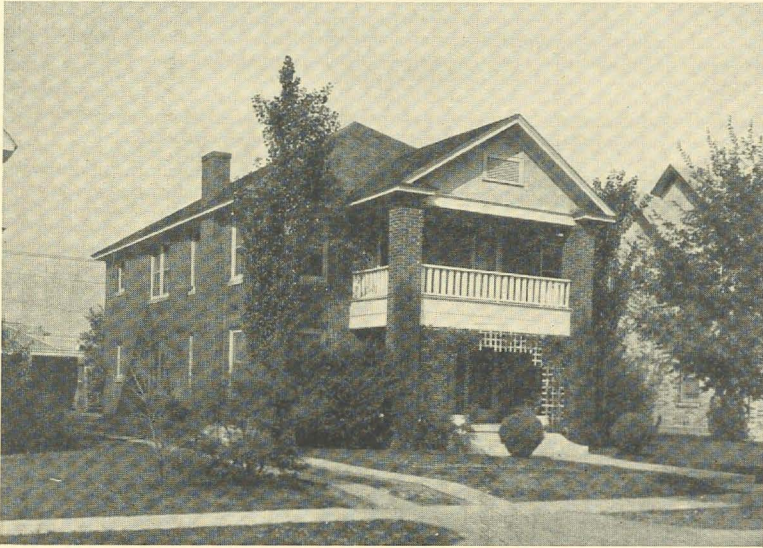
There has been a tradition among the Alpha Chi girls for ranking high in the campus activities, and in this they have continued to lead. Their list is too long for any bit of local history, but shows the spirit of achievement so strong within the chapter. Their happy home life is partly the result of having had for several years the same wise and loving house mother, Mrs. Mary Clough, an aunt of Helen Meyer Craig, but a literal mother to college generations of Alpha Chi of Delta Zeta.

Alpha Psi

Again a form of colonizing is responsible for a new chapter in a desired locale, though here the work is done by an alumna rather than by transferring a student.

On the faculty of Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, was Fannie

and one month later came recognition by the Correlation Committee of the university and by the local Panhellenic. All through the year, 1924-25, and until the middle of the year, 1925-26, the girls continued to work as a local, to increase, develop and strengthen the group, keeping always before them their goal of



ALPHA PSI'S FORMER HOME

Putcamp Smith, charter member of Zeta Chapter, Province of Delta Zeta, and loyal member. To her the sorority put the question, Why should not YOU be the means of our securing just the chapter we want, at S.M.U., recognized by all as one of the coming educational institutions of the southwest, if indeed not the entire country. Fannie's answer to this wish from Delta Zeta was just what would be expected; a chapter outstanding in its personnel, almost letter perfect in its detail of organization, and exquisitely ready in its preparation.

Not all at once, of course. Only gradually were the girls who became the charter members of the local, Kappa Phi, selected and brought together. On March 12, 1924, their official organization meeting took place at the home of Mrs. Smith

qualifying to the standards of Delta Zeta. That their guidance was outstanding and their efforts effective was shown in the unanimous acceptance, on bid day, of all girls they bid. The members of the group were represented in every line of university life, and with it all, held the highest standing of any sorority group on the campus.

At the time of the Panhellenic meeting in Dallas, January, 1926, the group was visited by Julia Bishop Coleman, Vera Brown Jones, Rene Sebring Smith and Grace Mason. Upon their unanimous approval of its work, preparations for installation were sped ahead, and on February 21, 1926, Myrtle Graeter Malott assisted by Fannie Putcamp Smith, and Ruth Cudmore, *Alpha Zeta*, Lucille Day Miller, *Zeta*, and Mack Garrison and Janet Stark, *Alpha Tau*, installed the

new group. Charter members were: Viola Cassidy, Louise Bryan, Marie Friend, Ruby Mae Harbin, (Mrs.) Amanda Preuss Wilson, Inez Cope, Susan Wade Scott, Margueritte Stephens, Mary Roach, Mary Lamar, Virginia Bruce, Dorothea Elzey, Nelva Boren, Ruby Brannon, Willie Elizabeth Mal-low, Fannye Rowell.

Entering with enthusiasm into her new life in Delta Zeta, Alpha Psi Chapter sent a large delegation to the 1926 Convention at San Francisco. In 1927 she won the Panhellenic Scholarship Cup, which was displayed to fine advantage in the chapter room. (Sorority houses are not permitted at S.M.U., but, living in hope, Alpha Psi is nevertheless building up a fund to use for a lodge when, if and as, that day dawns when they are permitted.)

Two interesting developments following the installation of this chapter have been, the forming of an alumnae club in Dallas, thus providing a field for continued activity of the Alpha Psi girls, most of whom are Dallas girls; and the establishment of a Mothers' Club which has set an enviable record in companionship and helpfulness.

Alpha Psi has had an unusually large number of members distinguished for excellence in their special interests. Mary Lamar, '27, has collaborated on a textbook used in a number of universities ("Facts and Ideas" with Drs. Beaty and Leasy); Alice Darby Smith, professor of history, Arkansas State College before her marriage.

Octavia Edwards, scholarship to the Sorbonne; Viola Cassidy Atkinson on the S.M.U. faculty as a teacher of organ before her marriage.

Alpha Omega

On April 5, 1926, Delta Zeta installed Alpha Omega Chapter on the campus of Millsaps College, Jackson, Mississippi. The seventeen charter members were: Margaret Buchanan, Elizabeth Brame, Sidney Brame, Doris Comly, Arlete Talbert, Ida Lee Austin, Claire Sistrunk, Dorothy Alford, Lorene Hill, (Mrs.)

Robbye Dearman Fillingame, Catherine Tatum, Doris Lauchley, Kathleen Carmichael, Anne Sanderson, Winnifred Scott.

Because of her location far from any sister chapters, Alpha Omega was especially glad to assist and welcome the group installed at the state university a few years later. The two chapters have been generously and impartially assisted from their beginnings by Margaret Buchanan. First from her duties in Belhaven College, then later in the Mississippi State College for Women at Columbus she has served as province officer, National Secretary, and now as director of alumnae activities in the state.

Alpha Omega is among those chapters which have neither vine nor fig tree of their own, being largely composed of Jackson girls, and having rooms for meetings in one of the college buildings. Parents have been generous in housing the chapter equipment and archives, and the problems and the achievements of Alpha Omega are enjoyed by none more than by the ardent members of the Delta Zeta Mothers' Club of Jackson. These women have supplied much that the young chapter could ill have spared, and which being so scantily supplied with alumnae in its first days, it would not have had without the devoted and ambitious service of the Delta Zeta mothers.

Beta Alpha

Beta Alpha Chapter at Rhode Island State College is the development of a local group, Theta Delta Omicron, founded at the college in April 1924 by five coeds, and having as their faculty adviser Winifred Hazen of Chi Chapter, then on the home economics staff.

There were but two national sororities at Rhode Island and these girls had been prompted to petition for another chapter to be their own. Miss Hazen was not only their chosen faculty friend, but represented the sorority which they wished to bring on the campus, Delta Zeta.

They designed and purchased attrac-



CHARTER MEMBERS OF BETA BETA CHAPTER

tive pins, monograms in form and jeweled with pearls, but did not announce themselves nor appear publicly with the pins until the beginning of the next year. At this time they selected patrons and patronesses and added a number of new members. On the first birthday of Theta Delta Omicron they held a waffle and chicken dinner which became traditional. Miss Hazen was not with the girls this year but they added two faculty members; Miss Grace Whaley, their official faculty adviser, and Dean Alice Edwards. In the third year on the campus Theta Delta Omicron made the highest scholastic average ever attained by any group at Rhode Island, while the group was represented in every branch of college activity.

During this year they communicated with Fannie Putcamp Smith, telling her of the aims and history of their group, and the membership personnel. In June Margaret Low, of Beta Chapter, went, at Mrs. Smith's request, to visit the group and following her recommendation the Council meeting in July granted the Theta Delta girls permission to petition.

Early in September the petition was mailed. Pledging and initiation increased the membership by seven, the initiation in February being the last one held by Theta Delta Omicron as such. For the petition was accepted, and installation on March 1, 1928, ushered in Beta Alpha Chapter. Her charter members were: Grace C. Whaley (faculty member); Celeste A. Boss, Esther Crandall, Doris E. Dyson, Ida O. Fleming, Evelyn Whitaker, Susan L. Brucker, Genelia M. Dodge, Dorothy Kenyon, Ruth H. Lee, Margaret N. Pierce, Alice A. Todd, Irene Walling, Sarah Barker, Grace Brightman, Dorothy Carr, Muriel Fletcher, Virginia May, Hazel Price, Ella White. They were installed by a group which contained representatives from a number of chapters, collected for the first time at the call of installation. Rene Sebring Smith and Grace Mason Lundy, en route home from Panhellenic meeting, were council representatives.

Katherine Morrison, province treasurer; Kathryn Goodall, representing Alpha Kappa, the sponsoring chapter; the province vice-president, Mary Armentrout Shotts, *Alpha Gamma*; and Eudora Begole Wood, *Alpha Eta*, Irene Bancroft Cobbledick, *Alpha Rho*, and Marguerite H. Pote, *Theta*, the last four charter members of their respective chapters, made an enthusiastic installing group.

Beta Alpha's installation ceremonies had taken place in the attractive new home of Sigma Kappa. Sororities at Rhode Island were allowed chapter house ownership in succession; and while without a house, Beta Alpha made the most of a very cozy little lodge, near the dormitory, which the college allowed them to use. However, their ambitions for a house were strong, and they allowed no grass to grow under their feet; in the fall of 1932 they moved into an exceedingly attractive and ample chapter house, well financed and capably managed.

Energy in all lines has distinguished this group. Their list of honors and activities is outstanding. They have three times held first place in scholarship; and one of the alumnae, Lillian Biltcliffe, gives an annual prize of ten dollars to the freshman with the highest average. The individual members of Beta Alpha are mostly engaged in interesting work of future promise, and the alumnae all retain their keen interest in the chapter either by active membership in the Providence Alumnae Club or through chapter bulletins.

Beta Beta

The installation of Beta Beta Chapter at the University of Mississippi gave Delta Zeta her fiftieth chapter.

This university is among those made romantic by reason of the varied fortunes which its history has brought, and much tradition surrounds the University of Mississippi for its use, during the Civil War, as a hospital by both armies. It was opened to women in 1882, the first southern university to take this

step. Long the site of men's fraternities, "Ole Miss" had in the earlier days of women's history, also had chapters of two national sororities. Later on, action of the legislature banned secret organizations from the campus, and a period of years elapsed without their influence on the campus. When in 1926 the restrictions were conditionally removed, much interest was manifested both by national groups and the local students. Among the local sororities formed at this time was the Tau Delta group. From the first its members worked to qualify for entrance into a national organization, and their choice having settled upon Delta Zeta following a visit from Sara Newsom Yauger (province secretary), they were given permission to petition and on favorable action were installed April 11-13, 1928. The installing officers were: Fannie Putcamp Smith, Grace Mason Lundy, Ora D. Bohannon, province president, Margaret Buchanan, and active members from Sigma and Alpha Omega Chapters. There were also present alumnae from Alpha Sigma, Alpha Theta, Alpha Phi, and Alpha Omega. The charter members were: Myrtle Mason, Joan Conerly, Ida Newsom, Lyda Gordan Shivers, Dixie Jackson, Emma Ruth Corban, Catherine McFarlane, Lou Ella Garrett, Louise Trull, Audrey Blocksom; and pledges, Louise Tribble, Nelle Hathorn, Lynda Faye Patton. The initiation services were held in the rooms of the local chapter of Phi Pi Phi, offered for the occasion.

Beta Beta Chapter had a number of points of distinction; two of its members were the first women ever to make a varsity debate team (Lyda Gordan Shivers and Ida Newsom); Catherine McFarlane was in the "Ole Miss" hall of fame, later on doing special co-organization work for the sorority; to this chapter belongs Dr. Blanche Colton Williams, convention initiate of 1928, and famous for her work in short story fields.

Beta Gamma

Of the petitions presented at the 1928 convention one was greeted by every

reader with many Oh's and Ah's of admiration. This was the petition of Phi Sigma Theta for a chapter of Delta Zeta at the University of Louisville. As the delightful art work of the book was well backed with other substantial qualities of recommendations, the petition was accepted and on September 1, 1928, Beta Gamma of Delta Zeta was installed. A large representation from Ohio and Kentucky chapters was present for the ceremonies, which were conducted by Julia Bishop Coleman, Margaret Pease, Margaret (Peg) Crawford, and girls from Alpha, Xi, and Alpha Theta, the sponsoring chapter. The charter members were: Linda Boyd, Elizabeth Freeman, Katherine Lewis, Dorothy Marattay, Elise Potsdam, Winona Albrecht, Naomi Sengel, Esther Ritter, Jean Allen, Edna Scott Johnson, Elinor Parker, Dorothy Whitlatch, Agnes Mead, Eleanor Holmes, Marguerite Threlkel, and Jean Wood.

The chapter members are almost entirely from Louisville, but for chapter headquarters they maintain an apartment near the campus for meetings and social affairs. The organization of an alumnae club in Louisville, and of a mothers' club, makes very much the same refrain to the verse of installation, but an indispensable part of the song is the refrain.

Beta Gamma has shown real stamina in surviving some difficulties of its early history as Delta Zetas, installed, as it was, just at the beginning of the general depression. The caliber of the girls entering this chapter has been gratifying; equal to the demands of unusual days, Beta Gamma promises splendid development for the future.

Beta Delta

Like others of the southern universities, the University of South Carolina repeats in its history much of the history of the state which supports it. This university has of recent years entered upon a new era of growth and expansion and more generous state support so that its outlook for enlarged service to

the state is greatly increased. Along with the evidences of progress came rumors that the former ban on secret societies was to be lifted. Local groups organized in anticipation of the day. Living in Columbia were three Delta Zetas, Agnes Crawford, *Alpha Sigma*; Coy Beresford Fairer, *Alpha Xi*; and, temporarily, Dorothy McClenahan, *Iota*. These became acquainted with each other, as sisters will, and finding themselves united in a desire to see Delta Zeta establish a chapter in this university, made inquiry among their friends about the probable change of policy. Soon they were happy in knowing a local group which attracted them from the first. It had been organized under the name of the Athla Club, but at the suggestion of its Delta Zeta friends, took a Greek name indicated by the letters Alpha Gamma. At the time of its formal announcement, in 1926, it had six members, colors, a constitution, flower, and pin. The next year five pledges were added and admission to Panhellenic secured. Several very helpful and prominent patronesses also meant much to the girls. The Delta Zetas, later including (Mrs.) Christine Pollard Quattlebaum, *Kappa*, were always ready with help. Mrs. Friedline made the final visit of inspection and urged entrance in the university. The petition was granted at the 1928 convention, and installation took place on September 22, 1928. Installing was in charge of Margaret Pease, assisted by the local alumnae and Mrs. Bohannon and Sara Newsom, province officers.

The charter members of Beta Delta are: Eloise Shepherd, Edna Earle Kirtton, Foy Stevenson, Sara Bowles, Rosalie Turner, Christine Roof, Myrl Vaughan, Willie Jo Hughes, Mrs. Maud C. Gittman, and Mildred Pate.

The girls live in college dormitories or at home if town girls, but the chapter had a room, its first year, in a quaint little building which was originally slave quarters, off campus. Later it has taken a house. It has become an active participant in campus affairs, and has in-

creased its membership and general strength noticeably year by year. With the advent of state alumnae work the alumnae in Columbia have formed an alert alumnae club, and, assisted by the local mothers' club, is of great assistance to Beta Delta.

Beta Epsilon

Holding an enviable place among all the university of the United States is the State University of Pennsylvania. However, until 1914, this institution confined its students to men alone. In 1914 the opening of the School of Education of the University of Pennsylvania gave an opening for women students, and, although it is open to men as well as women, its students are mostly women. It is the center of the women's scholastic activities of the university.

With the entrance of women students naturally came the entrance of sororities. Delta Zeta having placed the university on her preferred list, and learning that a local, Phi Lambda, was interested in the sorority, sent Mary Frances Blakeslee and Vera Stafford, *Alpha Delta*, to make the first visit to the group. They were entertained in the house which Phi Lambda had taken for headquarters almost as soon as she had made her initial bow as a local sorority, in March, 1927. The Delta Zeta visitors felt the group was promising, and encouraged it during the later period of growth and preparation for petitioning. The petition was presented and accepted at the 1928 convention, and the chapter installed as Beta Epsilon on September 28-30, 1928. The installing officers were Margaret H. Pease and Katherine Morrison, province president; assisted by Esther Ewart and Dorothy Mumford, *Alpha Zeta*; Eunice Story Eaton and Mabel Gardner Kirschner, Omicron alumnae; and present for the installation banquet were additional representatives from Omicron, Alpha Delta, and Alpha Zeta.

The charter members of Beta Epsilon were: Mary L. Casey, Maryrose Boyle, Anna F. LaBrun, Catherine Gleeson,

Margaret E. Ahern, Jeanne M. Pericot, Madeline Hogan, Emily J. Cox, Marjorie K. Rockwell, Marion E. Burke, Thelma D. Freas, Margaret A. Forrest, Janet H. Kuder, Mary K. Kinsey, Mildred E. Deering, and Rosemary E. McCarty. Of this group a majority were alumnae, but all expected to take part in chapter affairs on active basis for the first year at least. This plan did not, however, succeed in the working out; and it soon became apparent that the group could not of itself develop sufficient strength to meet the combination disasters of loss of actual members and decrease in new ones due to depression days. At the close of the year 1933 the Council advised becoming inactive at least until there should be a greater economic improvement to bring back members old and new. The chapter was reluctant to accept this decision, but at length agreed. Two members of the group attended the convention of 1930 even though they realized that Beta Epsilon would not open in the fall.

Formation of an alumnae club in Philadelphia gives the Beta Epsilon girls association with other Delta Zetas during the time they have no college chapter affiliation.

Beta Zeta

Beta Zeta Chapter of Delta Zeta was installed at the University of Utah, on October 20, 1928. The group consisted of twenty-three members, as follows: Dauna Asher, Merry Blades, Alice Crandall, Evelyn Crandall, Hannah Hegstead, Frances Jones, Helen Kern, Mary Marshall, Phyllis Nicholson, Margaret Nielson, Helen Orr, Geneve Poulson, Leah Weaver, Ruth Wilson, Bernice Block, Neva Clark, Eileen Friel, Neva Saville, Leona Holt, Minerva Jennings, Dorothy Chamberlain, Florence Snow, and Gladys McCoy. They were installed by Margaret H. Pease, assisted by Lisette Reinle, province president, and Ruth Smith, *Alpha Iota*, and two alumnae residing in Salt Lake City—Winifred Woollsey, *Mu*, and Lauda Newlin Jennings, *Zeta*.

The local group, Zeta Tau, had been established in 1925, by seven women students of the University of Utah, for the express purpose of petitioning Delta Zeta. During the year the group was visited by Grace Mason Lundy, and, in pursuance of its goal, qualified for a local charter from the Union of Utah. Zeta Tau girls entertained the members of the 1926 convention-bound party, and presented their informal petition to the convention by one of the local members. The convention deferred action, but gave some encouragement, promising to hear a formal petition at 1928 convention. For two years the Zeta Tau girls worked like beavers. They increased their membership; they acquired as patronesses such leading women as the wife of the governor of Utah, Mrs. George H. Dern; Mrs. E. O. Leatherwood, wife of the congressman from Utah; Mrs. Hanchett, wife of one of the leading bankers, and herself a regent of the university; and Mrs. Warren Benjamin, then grand matron of the O.E.S. in Utah. They secured a chapter house, being the second sorority of a group of ten on the campus to maintain a house. They formed a mothers' club, or rather, enjoyed it and the many charming social affairs thus afforded them. By June of 1928 the petition was ready; attractive in appearance and commanding in content, and as a last touch the girls of Zeta Tau entertained the delegates from Zeta province and the province officers, as the latter passed through Salt Lake en route to Bigwin Inn where the fate of Zeta Tau was to be decided.

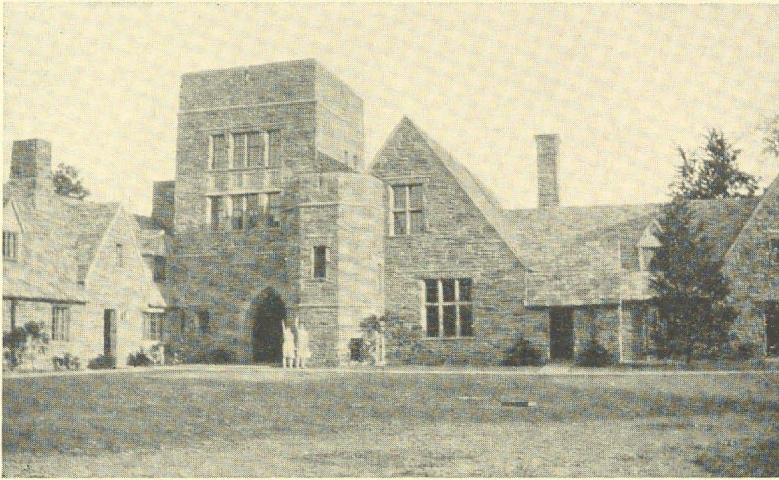
The University of Utah is one with many points of peculiar interest as well as the romantic one of its history in connection with the growth of the state. It was, in fact, provided for and a first beginning made, in 1850; but real work did not begin until some years later. The great advance of the state has been well matched in the development of the university. Since the installation of Delta Zeta there have been installed at Utah chapters of Alpha Delta Pi, Delta Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and Alpha Chi Omega.

Beta Eta

Beta Eta Chapter of Delta Zeta, the fifty-fifth to be added to the chapter roll, was established at Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, Pennsylvania, May 10, 1930.

The adding of Swarthmore to the list of colleges where Delta Zeta was represented had long been a wish of many

known to it through acquaintance with Carroll Buda Keller, *Iota*. So quickly did Alpha Delta Tau qualify for petitioning that it was successful in winning an early acceptance of its request for charter grant, and in March, 1930, was pledged to Delta Zeta by Kathryn Goodall, province director and later alumnae adviser to the new group. The



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members of the councils. But the deliberately restricted student enrollment had long since made this seem only a nice thing to dream about, not one to expect in realization. The college, established in 1864 by the Society of Friends, is rich in tradition, and its scholastic rating among the highest in the country.

During the presidency of Dr. Frank Aydelotte, there was evidenced a desire on the part of the administration to increase the number of Greek organizations on the campus, toward the more nearly complete absorption of the entire student body, or such portion as was interested. This led to a more receptive attitude to inquiring nationals, simultaneously with the creation on campus of new local groups looking to national affiliation. One of these local groups, Alpha Delta Tau, had been announced in November, 1928, and its purpose from the first was to petition Delta Zeta,

installation ceremonies in the fall were directed by Margaret Huenefeld Pease, assisted by Annette Ladd, *Alpha Delta*; Kathryn Goodall, *Alpha Kappa*; Helen Collins McElwee, *Tau*; Rachel Brownell Casey, *Epsilon*; and members of Beta Epsilon. The charter members of the group were: Miss Frances Burlingame (faculty); Mary Elizabeth Betts, Marian Colson, Esther Dudley, Cecelia Garriques, Helen Grumpelt, Margaret Gurney, Mary McKenzie, Helen Mitchell Smith, Mary Alice Williams, Edith Zabriskie, Dorothy Underwood, Helen Flanagan, and Barbara Crosse.

Scarcely had the chapter become used to its new name and status when a counter-current to the late expansive mood of the college led to student action declaring a moratorium on the activities of sorority groups; prohibiting further pledging and looking to the complete abolition of sorority groups (men's

groups not affected) when present membership should have graduated from college. In spite of reasonable protests on the part of the alumnae of the six women's nationals on the campus, a second moratorium was the best that could be secured; the final action taken, illogically enough as many felt, by a student body which was thus abolishing something it had not had the power of first approving, resulted in the removal from Swarthmore of all women's national organizations, in the winter of 1933. To the older organizations, with long and cherished histories at Swarthmore, and involved also in the ownership of expensive chapter lodges, a real blow was thus sustained. To Delta Zeta, with activities ended almost as they began, the passing of Beta Eta is more like the awakening to find a delightful dream—just a dream.

Beta Theta

Beta Theta Chapter at Bucknell University was formed from a local, Zeta Gamma Tau, which had been founded in 1925. They had prepared for themselves a complete ritualistic performance, with pledge pin, initiated members' pin, coat-of-arms, and excellent constitution and foundation principles. While the group had among its members representatives of every club, honorary fraternity, and organization open to women on Bucknell campus, its chief aim was to stand for the highest and finest in scholarship, and its success in holding to this ideal was shown in the creditable number of graduates, *cum laude* and *magna cum laude*, which its alumnae list shows. The petition being granted, pledging was conducted May, 1930, and upon approval by the 1930 convention, installation was conducted on September 21, 1930. Margaret H. Pease was in charge, assisted by Katherine Morrison, *Omicron*; Annette Steel Ladd, *Alpha Delta*; and Kathryn Goodall, *Alpha Kappa*. Twelve alumnae members and thirteen undergraduates were taken into Beta Theta Chapter at this time. The thirteen whose names appear as charter

members are: Janet Murphy, Gretchen Fisher, June Reidler, Barbara Smith, Nan Lee Thomas, Helen Naylor, Helen Hobbs, Violet Munson, Dorothy Robertson, Miriam Stafford, Maria Groff, Olive Barr, Evelyn Beckworth, Ruth Avery. Olive Barr, one of the charter members, has become the first chairman of state alumnae activities in Pennsylvania, and Beta Theta finds two new clubs, one right in Harrisburg and one in Scranton, of great assistance.

Sororities at Bucknell do not operate houses, but for chapter use have suites in the college halls. A friendly Panhellenic spirit and general democratic attitude is conspicuous in this college.

Charter members of Beta Theta have in alumnae activities begun promising careers, among them being Evelyn Beckworth, winner of the Rhodes Scholarship prize; Janet Murphy, first chapter president, pursuing graduate work on a scholarship at Bryn Mawr; Ruth Avery is listed among the chapter firsts as first pledge and first initiate; Marguerite Rathmell was the first bride, her marriage to George Fletcher Waggoner taking place on September 29, 1929. Marguerite Cynthia Waggoner claims honors as the first chapter daughter. Be it also said to the credit of Beta Theta that when the call for chapter histories was issued, the first to respond with all material was Beta Theta, through its deserving historian.

Beta Iota

Beta Iota Chapter, installed at the University of Arizona, December 13, 1930, was the realization of a long-time wish on the part of the national organization, and the first successful attempt in a series of local gestures which had covered a period of years. Presenting, as it does, a number of features which attract sorority attention and make excellent chapters with proper conditions, the University of Arizona is at the same time perpetually handicapped by a possibility of low student numbers which is a factor distinctly recognized by the administration and the organizations as

making necessary very careful supervision of extension activities.

At one time when a very fine, though small, local group had been developed under the leadership of Valerie Hall, *Mu*, who took her junior and senior college work at Arizona, the way seemed clear for a charter to be granted. But just at the moment when the group appeared strongest and most ready, campus conditions again determined the faculty to stay any further chapters from entering until the threat of curtailment was passed; and the graduation of Valerie Hall and the seniors of that year took from the group the hope of a chapter for some years; ultimately the group was lost by disintegration and graduation before the Student Affairs Committee could see its way to encouraging any more locals.

The group which became Beta Iota was carefully assisted, in its local history, by Edna Guilbert Wrench, *Alpha Lambda*. For two years they worked without even the encouragement of recognition by the Student Activities Committee. Unsatisfactory Panhellenic conditions on campus further delayed their recognition when in 1929 a new dean of women entered and insisted on changing the local Panhellenic conditions. So, although founded locally in 1927, Iota Lambda Rho, the local, was not allowed to present a petition to its chosen national until the spring of 1930. Then, after the visit of Lisette Reinle had convinced her that the time had come to act, the girls worked valiantly to complete their formal petition for consideration of Delta Zeta at the 1930 convention, and were rewarded for all their efforts when on July 7, 1930, they received the coveted wire: Petition Granted. Pledging for the entire group, under the plan instituted during the office of Fannie Putcamp Smith, took place in the following September, in time for the new group to rush as Delta Zetas. The formal installation took place in September, with Myrtle Malott as chief installing officer.

From its infancy this chapter has had the benefit of an interested mothers' club. Among these none has given more

loyal service than Mary Fairchild Taylor, *Mu*, whose daughter, Harriet, was initiated into Beta Iota in 1933 and thus gave the infant chapter her first Delta Zeta daughter.

From the frequency with which the number 13 crops up in its history, Beta Iota has featured this in its traditions. Her charter was granted at the 13th Biennial Convention; she was pledged, and initiated, on the thirteenth of September and December, respectively, by 13 representatives from—no, not thirteen—just ten chapters. There is a "Lucky 13" dance each year. Three times the group has held the scholarship cup, while a number of her members have been outstanding in campus life.

There would seem to be little that could be termed jocular in the epidemic of para-typhoid which prostrated Beta Iota in the spring of 1934. A number of withdrawals for recuperation left the chapter with greatly diminished strength. At the advice of National Council the house has been given up and those girls who do return will live in dormitories while the chapter wins its way back when fortune turns again in its favor.

Beta Kappa

Beta Kappa of Delta Zeta was installed September 12, 1931, in what many people will risk calling the leading college of its type in the country. Past records of extension chairmen show frequent mention of the desirability of Iowa State College as a field for a strong chapter. However, the very circumstances which made this such an excellent place for a chapter also carried with it strict watchfulness on the part of the faculty, that their field be not overcrowded and that allowing groups to enter without due chance for growth was something they would discourage. Therefore it could easily be surmised that when a local sorority on this campus had reached a point of strength where the administration would consent for it to petition a national, it was without question a strong group, ready to carry on with national work.

This was indeed true of the local group, Sigma Delta, which became Beta Kappa Chapter. Sigma Delta was founded in November, 1923. Its first three years were years of the preliminary steps such as establishing itself in a house, increasing its representation in campus activities, branching out into attempts at sounder financing, alumnae organization, and, finally, alliance with a national organization. For some time the girls had known a member of Sigma Chapter, Katherine Day Harris, '26, and through her influence they became definitely interested in Delta Zeta. A visit later from Georgia Chandler Hornung was followed in short order by the arrival of the extremely attractive petition book which indicated Sigma Delta's choice of Delta Zeta. Pledging was held by Helen Woodruff, province director, May 2, 1931, and installation the following fall, the installing team consisting of Myrtle Graeter Malott, Margaret Huenefeld Pease, Helen Johnston, Helen Woodruff, Katherine Harris Day, *Sigma*; Bae Bassett Dana, *Kappa*; and active members from Iota Chapter. The loving cup was presented by Helen Johnston.

The complete and carefully prepared history of Sigma Delta as compiled by Marguerite Wherry, alumnae historian of Beta Kappa, is a record to be treasured. From it, as the historian truly says, "will be obtained the essence which will go to make up that larger national history. Chapter records of this type, from all over the United States, will determine to a great extent the personality tone of Delta Zeta." The reading of the Sigma Delta history has shown a richness and a depth not always possible to groups which affiliate with the national organization at a younger age than Sigma Delta's; but this spirit is one which is just as apparent in the records of Sigma Delta's first three years, as in her later; it is hers from the first, merely cumulative as time passed on. For her years of wearing the Sigma Delta, her devotion to the silver and blue, the turquoise and pearls, Sigma Delta had the following visible evidence of her achieve-

ment: two members of Mortar Board; one Phi Kappa Phi; ten Omicron Nu; six Phi Upsilon Omicron; three Iota Sigma Pi; four Theta Sigma Phi; three National Collegiate Players; eight Sigma Alpha Iota; one Pi Kappa Delta; one Delta Phi Delta; eight members of Women's Honor "I" (athletics); seventeen Jack O'Lantern (sophomore honorary); and many additional honors. As a group they had won five cups in competitive campus activities, and had two more won by members for dancing.

With a record such as this of her chapter founders before her, Beta Kappa of Delta Zeta dare do no other than carry the spirit of the old organization forward through the medium of the new.

During its eight years of life as a local group, Sigma Delta had entered every field of campus activity with great credit; and among her alumnae members were many who in their professional fields were making names of splendid distinction. The charter group naturally included first the college members of Sigma Delta, and in addition such alumnae as were at the time able to return for initiation into Delta Zeta. These were: Laura Arnold, Clara Blank, Elsie Maxson, Marie Budolfson, Mildred Boxwell, Edith Darling, Eva Darting, Mildred Deischer, Florence Forbes, Phyllis Heins, Thelma Huff, Dellora LaGrone, Ada Mae Whiteside, Leona McLaren, Altise Monroe, Evelyn Mosher, Lorraine Mundt, Lillian Nelson, Helen Oldham, Alberta Owens, Helen Penrose, Iris Perry, Louise Sailer, Elsie Shepard, Harriet MacRae, Lila Whitehouse, Marguerite Wherry, Madeline White. The first girl pledged to Beta Kappa was Florence Meyer; its first initiate was Nell Dearmont. Elsie Shephard's marriage to Max Rieke made her the first bride and her daughter, Joan Elaine, is the first Beta Kappa baby.

Beta Lambda

In the fall of 1924 a number of coeds on the University of Tennessee campus undertook the formation of a new local sorority, which in course of time they named Alpha Theta. The whole theme

of the sorority was based on the motif of the rising sun; hence this played a large part in their pledge and initiation rituals. They also formed for themselves the usual constitution, added a service for installing officers and designed a pin; a shield surrounded by pearls, on which was a rising sun and the Greek letters A Θ. They prospered and especially enjoyed the assistance and friendship of their patronesses, wives of faculty members. In their second year they branched out into preparation of a songbook, membership certificates, and the establishment of a scholarship cup to be awarded the pledge who should win it annually. As time went on the girls realized that while their local sorority gave them much, it could not furnish that feeling of confidence and establishment which was enjoyed by the national groups on their campus. So, in 1931 a correspondence was begun with Delta Zeta, and Georgia Chandler Hornung went in the spring to visit Alpha Theta. Herself a native of Tennessee and interested throughout her own régime as extension officer in watching developments for just the right opening at Tennessee, Mrs. Hornung made this visit with mingled hope and reluctance. She was much pleased with the group; found her opinion of their possibilities corroborated by Margaret Pease, then attending the Southern Mountain Workers' Conference in Knoxville, and upon their recommendation Delta Zeta allowed Alpha Theta to submit its petition. The petition was accepted in July, 1932, and installation was followed by formal pledging that fall. For the following college year the group worked earnestly, successfully, laying the foundations for strength as a new chapter, and on September 30, 1933, its dreams were crowned with realization when it was installed as Beta Lambda of Delta Zeta.

At 1933 convention Louise Hendricks, president of the group, attended the national convention, receiving there the final instructions for preparing the

group for formal initiation into Delta Zeta.

Beta Lambda had the following charter members: Louise Hendricks, Thelma Townes, Margaret McClure, Rossie Loy, Ruth Aurin, Maebelle Thomas, Sybil Adams, Elizabeth Clifton, Sara Sue Nichols, Winifred Broome, Fern Wood Deal (Mrs.), Hester Freeman, Carrie Lee Freeman, Lorene Freeman, Helen Goddard, Elfreda Mathes, Maryl Hurt, Avalyn Morris, Muriel Morgan, Barbara New, Mary D. Fogle, Blanche Onkst, Margaret Onkst, Ruth Walsh, Dorothy Wise Mabry (Mrs.), Barsha Webb, Johnnie Mae Wallace, Jessie Webb. Installation was conducted by Margaret Pease, assisted by Catherine Leyman Cowan, province director; Jane Brown, *Alpha Epsilon*; Augusta Piatt, *Alpha Pi*; Henrietta Howell, *Alpha Theta*, the latter Beta Lambda's alumna adviser.

Immediately following the installation of the new chapter, the alumnae initiates formed an alumnae club, and those whose residence did not allow them to become active members of the Nashville Club either became associate members or affiliated with the club nearest their homes. In this way the girls whose college life was over before they became Delta Zetas will not lose contact with their new-found sisterhood, but will merely continue with it in the position of alumnae. The new alumnae are energetically at work and appear to enjoy their club almost as much as the actives do the chapter in the university.

Fern Woods Deal deserves the credit for forming the alumnae association of Beta Lambda Chapter, which numbered sixteen members at its formation and has since increased in numbers. Margaret McClure is secretary of the State Federation of Home Economics Clubs; the chapter lists among its "firsts"—honor member, Rossie Loy; first pledge to Beta Lambda, Doris Burwell; first bride, Dorothy Wise (Mrs. Charlton Mabry); first chapter baby, Dorothy Evelyn Mabry.

Delta Zeta's College Homes

"Home of comrades bound by love and fealty. . ."

AMONG many other unsuspected tasks which the years would bring the fraternal organizations, that of housing the college members has presented itself; and perhaps no other problem is of greater material extent than this, or has been met with more of courage and resourcefulness on the whole. When fraternities were first formed there was no thought of a chapter living together as one family. The housing of students by colleges and universities was of two kinds: life in dormitories maintained by the institution, or life in residences of the townspeople, the students shifting for themselves for rates and accommodations. Doubtless the sparseness of home life and companionship afforded by these arrangements were a contributing factor in the popularity of the fraternal organization, and from the desire to share companionship grew the first attempts to maintain a private hall or room in which the fraternity activity might center, with occasional "spreads" or "feeds" marking times of high celebration. The next step was for all of one group to take rooms in one rooming or boarding house, thereby assuring themselves of continuous and easy fellowship and in another little while this had grown into a house rented, furnished, maintained by the group as its own, private home, where the members could luxuriate in their fraternity association to their heart's content.

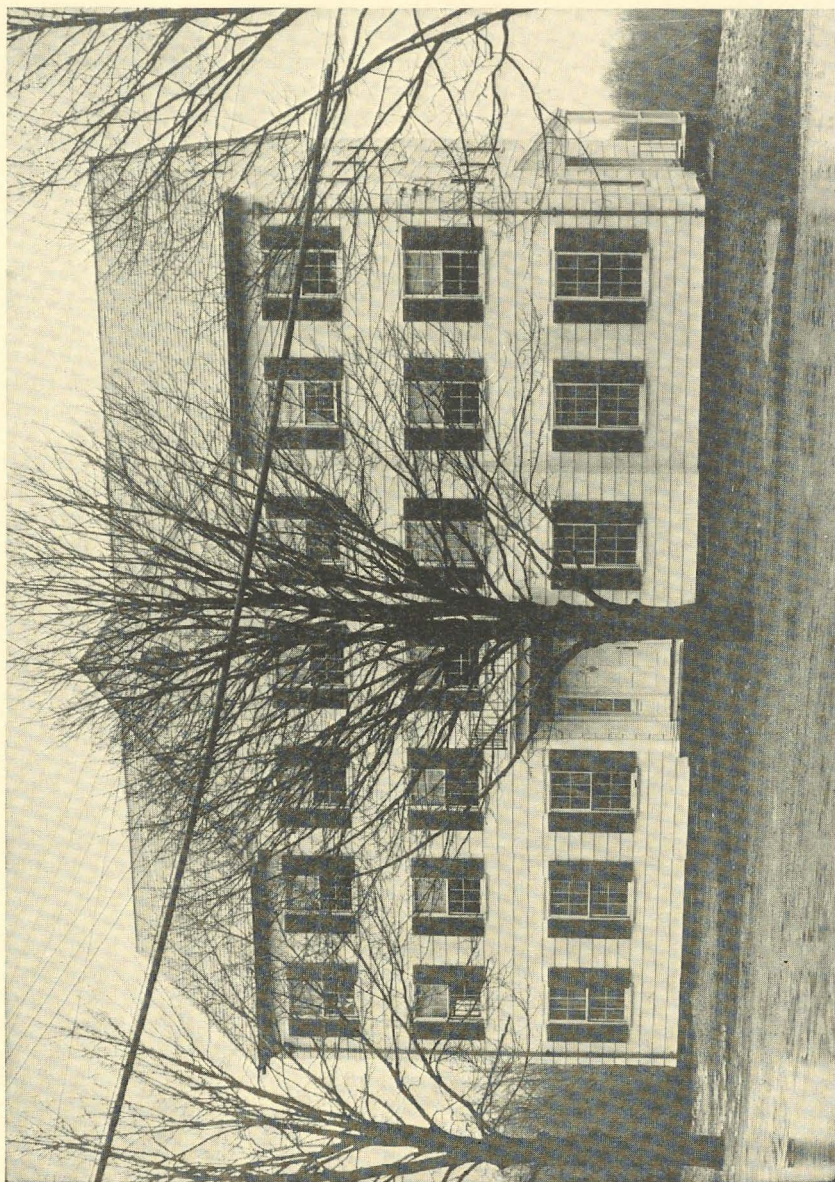
Of course the growth of chapter house life was gradual; but the later increase in college enrollment, and the consequent inability of colleges to provide anything like enough dormitory accommodations for the student body, was a very concrete factor in stimulating the fraternities to meet their housing needs for themselves.

The more liberal college heads were in sympathy with this movement, seeing in it possibility for real service to the members, and encouraging them to maintain

the best possible standards of social and living conditions, although everything was far simpler than we know it now.

Naturally women students entering colleges in large numbers met just the same problems of finding places to live, as did the men; and of course the solution for those women who belonged to sororities was the sorority house. The first chapter to maintain a house for women, was the Syracuse chapter of Alpha Phi. Now it is the general expectation to find on the majority of our larger university campi, houses for all women's organizations unless the administration is opposed. And it does happen that there are colleges which still restrict the women in this respect, although allowing the men to live in chapter houses.

Such, for instance, is the case at Miami University. From 1904 until its period of inactivity, and from its re-establishment until 1911, Alpha Chapter lived as a unit in a separate house. These were not at first rented and furnished by the chapter, but were simply private homes in which the chapter members tried all to take rooms, using one as a chapter room, and of course adding some personal possessions and touches. The feeling of intimacy and of seclusion which this plan afforded them was a cherished feature of their sorority experience. In 1910 Alpha began accumulating her own furniture, and for the next two years she managed and operated her house in very much the present-day fashion, only on a smaller scale. Then came the blow! Miami University, planning to erect a new dormitory for women, decreed the return of all women students to dormitory life. This was not entirely welcome news to Delta Zeta and Delta Delta Delta. Their real affection for their house was also mixed with the feeling that they were being discriminated against in being compelled to go back to the dormitory, for Miami University had, in 1907,



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offered to the fraternities on its campus, building sites for chapter houses. Phi Delta Theta had already built its memorial house, and the girls had cherished hopes for similar offers to be made to them in due time. The LAMP of June, 1912, carries a story of this Phi Delta Theta house, and adds a little paragraph voicing the feelings of the girls:

"Ten years ago Delta Zeta was founded at Miami. Last year a local was admitted into Tri Delta. Besides the two national liberal arts sororities there are three locals and Tri Sigma, national normal sorority. For the past two years the sororities have been allowed to have houses. The first two named sororities have carried on entire house management and own practically all their own furniture. Just when Alpha Chapter of Delta Zeta was trying to complete plans to pay for their house so as to have a permanent Alpha house, it is decreed that because of the new dormitory for women, all sororities should next year return to one of the halls. No criticism on the house life was given, merely stated that it was hoped a broader feeling of democracy would be maintained. This changing about is extremely hard on a sorority's growth. Since the university could be so generous to the men's fraternities, in giving them sites for their chapter houses, it is to be hoped that in time it may see best to at least allow the sororities to maintain their own houses." . . .

This hope, as years have passed, has proven to be but a vain one. An increased program of dormitory building at Miami has meant dormitory life for all women students; and while in former years when chapters were small, this did not in fact seem to work a hardship on the sororities, in recent times, with larger chapters, the fact of having not only no house, but not even a room as permanent headquarters for chapter life, has offered a real problem to Alpha and the other groups on the campus. A proposition for a Panhellenic house looks to the aiding of this difficulty, but financial reverses deferring its building, the sororities at Miami are at present laboring under conditions far from representative of the best and most modern.

Coming into the sorority world when chapter houses were already accepted and widely used, Delta Zeta has had with her from her earliest days, the impetus to ownership of her college homes.

Zeta at Cornell followed for some years, the prevailing Cornell custom of living in dormitories (in fact Sage Hall, the girls' dormitory was really Sage College, the real headquarters of women's educational activities). Delta, Epsilon and Zeta, from their very earliest years, maintained chapter houses, and laid plans for later ownership. Of the entire number of chapters established by the sorority, 1902-1934, there are sixteen in institutions where chapter houses, regularly occupied and operated as full living centers, are either forbidden or unnecessary; six where lodges for occasional or part-time use, are permitted; and the rest of the chapters are located in institutions where houses are fully accepted and in general use. Of these thirty-seven chapters, all have chapter houses, and twenty-five are becoming owners of their homes. The total of houses and lodges owned is thirty.

This of course is a gradual accumulation. Some chapters worked very slowly toward the ownership of their homes, but the purchase of the lot, the building up of the proper house association, and the building fund, covered some years in which hope and planning kept time from seeming too long and accumulation too slow. Other chapters have been compelled by sudden emergency, or by unexpected openings for building, to work with speed and let the inspiration of the situation serve at the stimulating force for securing the funds. A few chapters which have no actual prospect of being allowed to build houses or even lodges, are, nevertheless, building up nest eggs just in case! So, Alpha Psi has from her local days had such a fund; even though up to the present the most the university allows is the use of rented rooms for chapter and social meetings.

Chapters Not Owning or Living in Houses

In this list are: Alpha, whose girls as stated above, must all live in dormitories. This chapter has no room or hall to use as headquarters. Xi Chapter, being in a municipal university, scarcely needs a

house for living, and even for chapter purposes has not found that the use of a house or an apartment is entirely satisfactory. Omicron maintains an apartment near the university, where meetings may be held, but looks forward to some day when a Panhellenic house will solve their situation in an admirable manner. Pi Chapter is allowed the use of rooms at one end of a hall in the college dormitory, forming practically a suite for the chapter, and enjoys these very much. In Psi the college gives to each sorority a room for its own use, and these are proudly displayed by the sororities, beautifully furnished, and making a real center of chapter activities. Alpha Delta, Alpha Upsilon, and Beta Theta, use rooms in college buildings as headquarters for chapter gatherings. Alpha Zeta at old Adelphi had practically nothing; the part-time use of a room which had to be shared with two other sororities. In their new location, the college being practically a commuting one, they are temporarily making shift with the hope of a Panhellenic building. Alpha Rho, Alpha Psi, Alpha Omega, Beta Beta, all rent and use rooms in buildings off the campus, moving from time to time as taste and need decree. Alpha Pi and Sigma until recently were two others using college rooms, but lately graduating to lodges. On the contrary side, Nu Chapter which in its Lombard days had bought and furnished a delightful chapter lodge, now comes under the Knox ruling which prohibits the women from such usage, and so holds its meetings hither and yon about town. Rho, Sigma, Alpha Pi and Alpha Xi are lodge owners. Rho owns a small house near the campus, but none of the chapter lives there. Sigma and Alpha Pi are, as stated, the newest of the lodge-owning chapters. Alpha Xi's attractive lodge, located like all the others at R-M.W.C. "among the pines," is a tribute to the initiative and courage of the new chapter, for it was begun immediately following the installation of the chapter in the spring, and was ready for rushing activities the following fall. Al-

pha Omicron lives in a lodge provided for it as a private dormitory by the college; but takes its meals, as do all students, in the college dormitory. Beta Gamma rents a small house which it uses for chapter affairs but none of the chapter lives therein. Beta Zeta and Beta Epsilon for a time rented houses, but only a few members lived in them, both chapters being largely of girls living in the city. Beta Lambda has a large room in one of the dormitories. Other chapters which are still living in houses they rent are: Phi, Alpha Eta, Alpha Theta, Alpha Nu, Alpha Sigma, Beta Delta, Beta Iota and Beta Kappa. Of these, a number are purchasing lots and looking to ownership when the right time comes.

Of the twenty-five chapters which have become householders, Lambda holds the distinction of being the first to purchase her home.

Delta Chapter's beautiful Colonial home, dedicated in the fall of 1931, is not entirely new, but a skilful remodeling of their former house. This was the former home of John Ridpath, the historian, and stood among beautiful old trees. The architect skilfully planned the house so as to preserve these and they add infinitely to the loveliness of the entire picture. This chapter home illustrates the long way travelled since the girls of 1909 began their search for furniture and silverware for their first chapter house.

Epsilon Chapter was one which literally had building thrust upon her. From the time of her installation until the winter of 1922, Epsilon had maintained her own home, but in rented houses. Three moves she had made in those years. These were not only "as bad as" a fire, but actually because of fires; and when during the Christmas vacation 1922-23, a defective furnace caused the complete destruction of the house she was then occupying, the chapter was at once forced to take definite action. There had been for some years an undercurrent of interest in building or buying, and at once the alumnae of the chapter stepped into action. The chapter advisory com-

mittee, headed by Jessie Welborn, '19, began investigations of houses to purchase. None entirely suiting, a plan for building was adopted; corporation formed, lot purchased and all negotiations pressed rapidly forward. Before the house was completed, Miss Welborn took up work in a distant state, and the direction of the house building and presidency of the association became the duty of Mrs. E. R. Cumings, one of Epsilon's earliest initiates and a resident of Bloomington. Giving endlessly of her time, interest and means, Mrs. Cumings was able to tell the chapter it could carry on its rushing activities, the fall of 1923, in the new home. The house is of red brick veneer, colonial in type, with a two-story porch having the characteristic tall pillars. Its location, immediately across Jordan Field from the new Memorial Union, is advantageous not only for late risers who must dash to eight o'clocks, but for other reasons. The sight of the Union when on a spring or winter evening the colored illumination is on, is a picture of beauty of which the chapter never tires.

Zeta Chapter lived in rented houses until 1927 when she moved into a charming house of English architecture. This house and its carefully chosen furnishings, represent a splendid piece of co-operation on the part of actives and alumnae of the chapter and provide a home entirely suitable for an outstanding and ambitious chapter.

Eta Chapter, located on a smaller and less ostentatious campus, acquired for itself a spacious house which it called "The Old Homestead." Though quite modest in comparison with the new houses built elsewhere, this house had all the qualities needed to make it a real chapter home; and the closing of Eta Chapter will find in the hearts of many alumnae a grief that there will be no more joyful gatherings under this old roofree.

Theta Chapter was the second sorority on the Ohio State Campus to become the owner of her home (1915). She operates with a building board of alumnae, in-

corporated and taking charge of the financial affairs of the house. The house is of English type, with delightful trees and very homelike, although by no means of the rather more formal "hotel" type which has come into favor of recent days.

Iota Chapter's home is a new one, being dedicated in 1931. It is one of the larger and more formal houses of the sorority, and adequate for a large chapter. It is of grey stone, and completely modern in all equipment and appointments.

Kappa Chapter is another which has made a new home from the old. Owning her home since 1916, Kappa made various small alterations and additions until finally it was absolutely necessary to make changes on a large scale. Not wishing to change her location, the chapter succeeded in remodelling the house beautifully. The exterior is as successful an example of what "face lifting" can do for houses, as one could wish; and the interior is in keeping. Kappa Chapter's alumnae have been unfailing in their assistance to the house program, and enjoy the chapter home almost as much as do the actives. Perhaps they are even more proud of it; for they can remember the beginnings.

Mu Chapter has lived in a house ever since the forming of Enewah as a club in 1900. At the time of the Enewah installation into Delta Zeta the chapter was preparing for the purchase of its home; and shortly after became the owner of an ivy-clad house near the campus, the site of the present house, although facing a different street. The disastrous fire of 1923, which swept over the hills of Berkeley, took the Mu house, among others, in its wake. The chapter at once rallied for action, quickly rebuilt its home and took up life smoothly again. This house is of interesting architecture, the work of Julia Morgan, an outstanding woman architect and member of Kappa Alpha Theta. She presented the chapter with a carved coat of arms, stone, for the living room fireplace which is an effective piece of decoration there.

Tau Chapter's Georgian house, located near the shores of Lake Mendota, is loved by all the chapter. It is spacious and well arranged for the needs of a chapter large and needing formal entertaining quarters as this one does. This house was built by the chapter and first occupied in 1927, being financed partly from the sale of the house which the chapter had earlier purchased and which it had quickly outgrown.

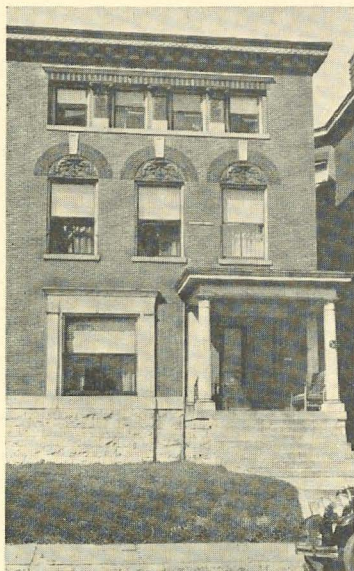
Upsilon at North Dakota worked and planned and saved for a period of years to be able to build her own house, but her results justify it all. This house is not overly large but its details are interesting and complete. The chapter room on third floor is the envy of all chapters which have to move the living room into the hall every time they want to hold a meeting or an initiation.

Chi Chapter owes her commodious new home to the faithful and practical work of her alumnae organization. This house, opened for the first time in 1930, is among the newest of Delta Zeta houses, and the source of endless pride and satisfaction to Chi girls, who have always been famed for their close ties and for their loyalty to the chapter.

Omega, Chi's nearest sister, also boasts of a new house. Built just before the peak of the depression, this house represents courage and a large burden on a chapter of Omega's youth. Its value in uniting the chapter members and in attracting the active chapter is not to be discounted when consideration of its cost is being stated in dollars alone.

Sometimes it happens that there is a wholesale building program begun on a campus at the instigation of the university administration. In such cases there are usually some standards set by the institution, which makes the chapter a little more difficulty in the matter of qualifying for building. Such a circumstance was met by two of our chapters, at about the same time, when both were so young that a building program was really a huge undertaking. The first of these, at Northwestern University, found Alpha Alpha Chapter practically

an infant. The University program of two quadrangles for women's houses, the number limited to those who could qualify with cash and assets acceptable by the deadline date, gave to Alpha Alpha the task of assuring herself and the authorities that she was capable of under-

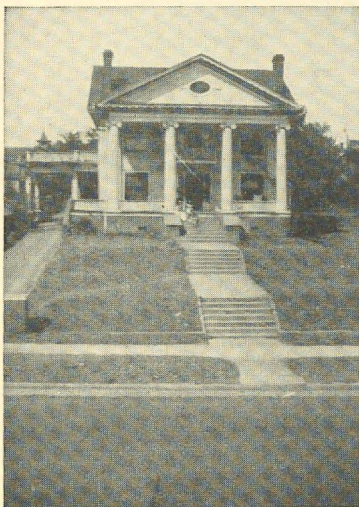


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taking this debt, the minimum for the houses being \$60,000.00 and furnishings meaning an additional number of thousands. By the unremitting labors of Vera Brown Jones and her associated committee, and the hundred per cent backing of members and their families, the chapter raised sufficient that a loan from the National Treasury could complete the required amount of cash on hand, and was among those privileged to move into the new quadrangle, in 1927. These quadrangles, of houses distinct but uniform in material and general style, are an interesting feature of the Northwestern campus and the house is used as the center of many alumnae activities of the Alpha Alpha Association and the Chicago alumnae. It is among the larger and most complete of all the sorority's homes, much admired by those

from other chapters who visit it or who live in it while taking summer courses at Northwestern.

Alpha Gamma, at Alabama, built under a university-guided plan similar to that of others, although in this case the financial consideration was quite a bit less. These houses are completely de-



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tached, but uniformly of Colonial architecture. There are two "circles" at the end of drives; and each circle contains a number of houses. The Alpha Gamma house is of white frame construction, adequate for fifteen girls and of a generous and hospitable appearance. It was the first Delta Zeta house owned by the sorority in the southern states, house living, and house ownership being less frequent there than in some other sections of the country.

Among the other chapters owning houses are a number now living in houses which will in the near future need remodelling or replacing in order to make them serve the needs of the growing chapter as they should. The remodelling done by several chapters has shown it to be entirely practicable when competently managed; an especially interesting example of this being the work

done on the house owned by Alpha Lambda at the University of Colorado.

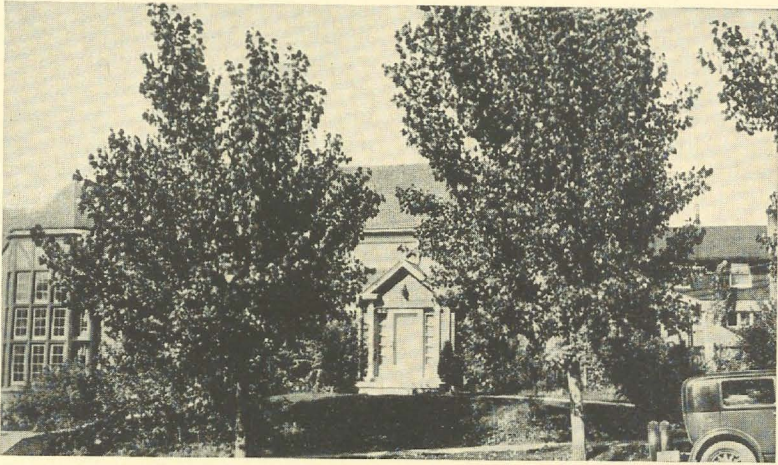
Alpha Chi Chapter at the University of California at Los Angeles, had the unusual experience of getting not only a new house, but an entire new campus, at the same time. This house, completed and entered in 1930, is of the type of architecture adopted for all the university buildings, the Mediterranean. It is a most satisfactory example of what the complete, modern chapter house can offer in the way of home and sorority facilities.

At the other end of the country, but as true to the local traditions of architecture and to the sorority aims of providing for its peculiar activities of study and work, is the new house of Beta Alpha Chapter at Rhode Island. This chapter deserves great commendation for the spirit with which they put through an extensive financial program, inasmuch as the chapter is new and the number of alumnae only few. The house is extremely livable and one of the most attractive on our entire list.

The picture section of these houses gives a better idea of them than many pages of words; except for the interiors, and these could not be adequately or permanently described at any rate. The valuation of these houses, \$850,000.00 with their furnishings in addition, represents an achievement of significance not only for the material valuation involved, but for the spiritual by-products which group action, sacrifice, careful planning, systematic financing, and, last of all, the actual occupancy of a chapter home, can give.

Opinions still vary as to the final estimate to be put on chapter house living. On the whole, however, the organizations are justified in their support of this program and many university authorities commend the plan and the results. In fact, it is evident that new and better dormitories will have many features which if not borrowed from chapter houses, are at least held by them.

The average sorority house is planned to accommodate not more than thirty



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girls. This number allows the most efficient and most economical arrangements to be made; as well as being the general ideal for the best interests of harmony, friendship and living arrangements. Now the dormitories are planning in units of from thirty to forty, rather than the mass allotment known for a time. . . . Likewise, the attention given by organizations toward making their houses seem like real homes, entirely departing from the institutional character more suitable for business or at the worst, from correctional institutions, has had its influence in promoting the same kind of attention to dormitory surroundings.

Inevitably the help of *alumnae* must be enlisted in financing these homes. This is necessary because of financial, legal and other considerations; but no less important than these, there is the result that increased chapter spirit results from the working together, on so important a task, of *alumnae* and younger members. There is thus secured a wider acquaintance, a sense of continuity and a background of the timelessness of the real fundamentals of sorority values. As they live in chapter houses during undergraduate days many girls absorb this philosophy from seeing the devotion and thought given *their* convenience and welfare by *alumnae* who possibly never

had the privilege of living in the house they so faithfully support. Although there may be room for criticism of a system which sets apart groups for housing on the basis of their fraternal affiliations, the results do not seem to prove that sorority women living in houses are actually less friendly with others of their college mates than when all are housed in dormitories. And it is undeniable that certain parts of sorority work can be done with less confusion, less useless publicity, greater satisfaction to the sorority, when the group has quarters entirely its own for residence or for chapter purposes.

The policy of the Delta Zeta sorority, and the establishment of a capable house committee, afford assistance both financially and in the greater sphere of advice, information and consultation. It is not, of course, impossible, for a house to be satisfactorily secured without the help of such committee; but the chances for mistakes and disappointments are much less when its services are enlisted, than without them. The increased size of the Loan Fund has made possible very appreciable financial assistance in house undertakings, and has allowed chapters to enjoy homes sooner than could have been possible with only local resources to secure the coveted home.

The Alumnae Influence

*"When the gracious years of youth are past,
Yet will our love be thine . . ."*

FROM the early days of Alpha and Beta Chapters each had what amounted to an informal alumnae organization, of the type we now continue in our chapter associations; for they kept in close touch with each other by reunions at commencement, by personal letters, and especially by Round Robins. Beta Chapter's first seventeen members inaugurated a Round Robin which has never ceased its flight to this day. No formal organization was at that time considered or, indeed, needed, by these chapters. Building or buying a house

was not possible for either of them; and an alumnae club or chapter would have been impossible because the homes of the members were so widely scattered.

However, the installation of Delta and Epsilon quickly produced a group of members whose homes, centering about Indianapolis, gave a ready-made nucleus for an alumnae group in a short time after the chapters were installed. Looking about them with wide awake interest, these new alumnae were spurred on to organize in order to participate in the activities of the city Panhellenic as much

ALUMNÆ CHAPTERS OF DELTA ZETA

<i>Name</i>	<i>Chartered</i>	<i>Comment</i>
INDIANAPOLIS (A)†	1913	Presented first National Scholarship Cup
CINCINNATI (B)	1913	Interesting Social Service program its early work
COLUMBUS (OHIO) (Γ)	1914	Actively associated with city's Panhellenic work
LINCOLN (Δ)	1914	Assists Zeta Chapter
NEW YORK (E)	1916	Encourages transient members participation
BERKELEY (Z)	1917	Formed from Mu charter members; house finances
LAFAYETTE, IND. (H)	1917	Formed to assist in editing songbook, 1920 edition
OMAHA (Θ)	1917	Took club status, 1925
FT. WAYNE (I)	1917	Rushes actively for all Indiana chapters
SEATTLE (K)	1917	Assisting Kappa
WASHINGTON (Α)	1919	Developed "Junior group" to handle membership Formed during war days; now able ally to Alpha Delta
DENVER (M)	1919	From Rho charter members; active in Panhellenic
PITTSBURGH (N)	1919	Almost entirely Omicron but rendezvous for this chapter which has no house
KANSAS CITY (Ξ)	1920	Helping in aiding growth of Alpha Phi Chapter
PORTLAND (O)	1920	Unites alumnae of Chi and Omega in financing promotion
EUREKA (Π)	1922	Took association status; functions as club
FRANKLIN (P)	1922	Took association status; functions as club
CHICAGO (Σ)	1922	Developed "side" meetings to handle large membership
LOS ANGELES (T)	1922	Diversified program due to membership situation and associational activities
DETROIT	1923	Concentrates on Alpha Eta Chapter
CLEVELAND	1923	Official Big Sister group to Alpha Rho
DAYTON	1925	Interested in civic and social service work
TWIN CITIES	1925	Vitally interested in financing Gamma house
BATON ROUGE	1926	Provides sorority continuation for large resident membership
BIRMINGHAM	1926	Excellent liaison group for two Alabama chapters

† Letters in parentheses indicate Greek letter names used by the alumnae chapters until 1925, when city names exclusively were adopted.

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<i>Name</i>	<i>Chartered</i>	<i>Comment</i>
ANN ARBOR	1927	Works in connection with A H chapter
AKRON	1931	Specializes in gifts to Vest center
ATLANTA	1931	Manages Georgia Founders' Day gatherings
BANGOR	1930	Rallying point for Alpha Upsilon summer reunions
BINGHAMTON	1932	Social and rushing
BLOOMINGTON, IND.	1928	Social and Epsilon activities
BOULDER	1926	Publishes newsletter to alumnæ
BUFFALO, N.Y.	1933	Rushes for Alpha Kappa. Social and general
CHAMPAIGN	1927	Assisting A B chapter
CORVALLIS	1926	Works in connection with Chi; manages annual Homecoming
DALLAS	1927	Continues interest of Alpha Psi members
DAVENPORT	1930	Specializes in social and national interests
DES MOINES	1930	Provides social and general contacts
EUGENE	1925	Special support to Omega Chapter
EUREKA	1922	Shares in all Pi Chapter activities
FLINT	1931	Social and fellowship
FRANKLIN	1922	Publishes newsletter to Psi alumnæ
GRAND FORKS	1928	Assisting and sharing in Upsilon activities
GRAND RAPIDS	1928	Rallying point for members in this area
HARRISBURG	1933	Formed from B Θ alumnæ
HOUSTON	1928	Interested in rushing and assistance for Texas groups
IDAHO	1933	Social and general
IOWA CITY	1927	Resident alumnæ assisting with Iota programs
JACKSONVILLE	1929	Social and general; rushing for Alpha Sigma
KNOXVILLE	1933	Formed at time of Beta Lambda installation
LEXINGTON	1928	Assists in A Θ activities
LOUISVILLE	1931	Rallying point for Beta Gamma alumnæ; holds state meetings
MADISON, Wis.	1930	Provides interest for increasing group of resident alumnæ
MAYSVILLE, Ky.	1933	Assists state chairman to issue newsletter
MEMPHIS	1929	Panhellenic participation; welcomes all newcomers
MIAMI	1928	Cosmopolitan groups with general program
MILWAUKEE	1931	Social and fellowship
NEW JERSEY	1932	Represents many chapters; splendid social service interests
OMAHA	1917	Largely interested in Zeta Chapter
PHILADELPHIA	1931	Continuation of interest for members of inactive groups
PROVIDENCE	1931	Splendid association for B A interests
ROCKFORD, ILL.	1929	Social and national projects
RICHMOND	1931	Social and rushing
SAVANNAH	1928	Panhellenic and state work
SCRANTON WILKES-BARRE	1932	Social and chapter assistance
SIOUX CITY	1930	Panhellenic rallying point
SPOKANE	1927	Social and general
SYRACUSE	1928	Assisting and enjoying A K programs
TACOMA	1930	Social and general
TAMPA	1929	Specializes in financial assistance to Alpha Sigma
TOLEDO	1929	Scholarship to Toledo University
TOPEKA	1928	Social and general
TUCSON	1931	Assisting B I chapter
WICHITA	1930	Member Needlework Guild

as through a desire to keep their own group interest.

It is very likely that the thought of an alumnæ organization was in the minds

of those members whose homes or activities were in Indianapolis; for the definite proposal to form alumnæ organizations in all localities where they were

possible, was presented to the 1912 convention, approved and at once followed by action. Something tangible in the way of a cause to bring the Indianapolis girls together, was readily found when Epsilon Chapter called upon them for assistance in planning the 1914 Convention, which was to be held in Indianapolis. And inasmuch as the birthdays of the two Indiana chapter were so close together, it was quite fitting that in May, 1913, there should be a gathering in Indianapolis of the resident alumnae and all other members who could attend; and that this gathering not only discussed convention plans, but also constituted the first of the annual state luncheons of Delta Zeta, as well as formally establishing the Indianapolis alumnae group as a definite organization.

Ohio was not behind Indiana in obeying the will of the 1912 Convention. The summer of 1913 saw the assembling of a number of Delta Zetas in and near Cincinnati, who laid the foundations of an alumnae chapter and worked under the tentative name of the Southern Ohio alumnae chapter. Their fundamental reason for association was the personal advantage each felt she would gain in continuing sorority friendships, but they too had a distinct cause to serve, in the field of extension. This interest was presented to them by Mabelle Minton's membership in their group and her position as extension officer of the sorority. They received their formal recognition from the grand council in September and began an active program which has showed no slacking with the passing years.

The first alumnae group to be formed in the same city with a college chapter was in Columbus, Ohio. The natural growth of Theta Chapter's membership, the fact that many of her girls lived in Columbus, and the additional difficulty found in making possible a continuing active interest and participation in chapter affairs for those girls who had completed their college work, naturally led to the banding together of the alumnae to keep in close touch with each other,

and by representation and assistance, with their active undergraduate group. This alumnae body was already actively under way when Mrs. Stephenson, en route to 1913 Convention, came to Columbus to inspect Theta Chapter.

Lincoln, Nebraska, offered a situation similar to that of Columbus and followed an identical course of action. Zeta Chapter was at that time almost entirely formed of Lincoln girls, and these under the leadership of Nettie Wills Shugart, had completed an organization of alumnae by May of 1914.

Thus it was that the 1914 Convention had the satisfaction of welcoming four strong and thriving alumnae groups; and wisely enough, the new constitution which was presented to this convention for acceptance, carried with it a section providing for the formation, chartering, and operation of official alumnae chapters. These four groups were duly chartered, and at once able to take part in the business of the convention. Following the custom at that time set up, they were named for the letters of the Greek alphabet, just as the college chapters. Thus Indianapolis became the Alpha Alumnae Chapter; Cincinnati was Beta; Columbus, Gamma, and Lincoln, Delta. This custom of naming was followed until 1923. By that time the roll of alumnae chapters had extended to Sigma, which was Chicago. It was becoming clear that there was a certain amount of confusion continually arising from this use of Greek-letter names for alumnae chapters while no actual advantage was gained and the council meeting of 1923 abolished the alphabetical names, substituting instead, those of the cities where the chapters were located, which remains the procedure today.

From the very first, alumnae chapters were placed on a par with the college chapters in all matters of participation in sorority business. The one thing which they do not do is to initiate members into Delta Zeta membership. They pay annual dues, mileage fees and receive in return for them, the expense of their delegate's mileage to convention and a vote

at convention. When the national altruistic program was adopted in 1922, there also was levied upon them the annual tax for support of this project, and since then, by vote of the alumnae chapters themselves, they have increased their annual quota for this project from the original twenty-five dollars to thirty-five.

The number of alumnae required for a chartered chapter was set at ten, and that minimum still remains. But in the development of the organization there have been added some requirements on petitioning alumnae chapters, notably the rule that the group must have a history of at least two years stable existence before it may petition for a charter. Any group of less than ten members may form an alumnae club, the general activities and purpose of such group being much like that of a chapter, but no official recognition in such matters as convention vote is provided for these informal groups, nor are they subjected to any financial levy by the national organization.

With the great increase in the number of alumnae and in the interest of the alumnae members as shown by the growth of alumnae chapters to twenty-one, there has of course come additional attention from the national organization. Through a series of trials at what is the best method of serving the interests of the alumnae members and their organized groups, there has evolved the present plan of making the special business of the National First Vice President on Council, promotion and strengthening of alumnae welfare. Working with her are the province directors, and since 1931 there have also been chairmen, one from each state, whose duty it is to serve the alumnae of each state. These state chairmen have given special attention to alumnae not belonging to alumnae chapters or clubs. Their efforts have been to promote the growth of clubs where conditions make this possible, and to keep before alumnae who have not the opportunity for club membership, the activities of the sorority at large. Issuance by the national organization of *Side-*

lights, the esoteric publication, is supplemented in a number of states by news letters prepared by the state chairmen; as well as by the letters sent by the college chapters to alumnae of their own. Thus an alumnae member even though she is not near enough her sisters to share club or chapter life, receives Delta Zeta information from these three sources: her own chapter, her state chairman and her national organization. While this entire plan is too recent of adoption to be considered as one hundred percent in operation, its beginnings promise well; and would seem to be the long-desired method of keeping every Delta Zeta actively interested.

Alumnae Organization in Delta Zeta

Quoting from *The Blue Book for Pledges*:

"There are three distinct types of alumnae organization in Delta Zeta: the Alumnae association, the Alumnae chapter, and the Alumnae club.

"The Alumnae association takes the name of the local chapter, as Alpha Alumnae association, Beta Zeta Alumnae association, and every girl belonging to a local chapter of Delta Zeta automatically belongs to that chapter association. The object of the association is to keep the college member in touch with those who are out of college and the alumnae of that chapter in touch with the new members, a reciprocal link building for a stronger Delta Zeta. A news letter issued at regular intervals is the usual and best medium of information. The association encourages the alumnae to return at the homecoming or commencement. The association is the backbone of the chapter and as a unit works for the chapter.

"An Alumnae chapter might be called a city chapter, since it takes the name of the city in which it is located, and its membership is made up of Delta Zetas from any and all chapters who live in that vicinity. An Alumnae chapter is a regularly chartered chapter of Delta Zeta, having the duties and privileges of a chartered group, such as paying

dues to the national organization and voting at conventions. The object of the Alumnæ chapter is to link together all Delta Zetas in a given community, to bind their own friendship, and to further national projects.

"The Alumnæ club is a miniature chapter. It is the nucleus from which the chapter is built. A membership of only five is sufficient to form a club, since there are no national dues. The club has no vote at conventions. The object of the club is to further interest in Delta Zeta and build up strength for a larger group.

"Every alumna of Delta Zeta automatically belongs to an association, but chapters and clubs have to be joined."

What the Alumnæ Chapters Do

Our constitution tells us, "The object of an alumnæ chapter shall be to unite members of Delta Zeta in and near a given city in order to foster the spirit and ideals of the sorority, assist the nearby college chapters and promote the interests of Delta Zeta generally."

It is one of the high spots of any Delta Zeta convention to listen in on the alumnæ sessions and hear from members just what each group does in order to carry out the meaning of this statement. Aside from setting the dues required of alumnæ chapters to continue in good (voting) standing, and providing for ten meetings a year, the national constitution is very flexible in its provisions, so that alumnæ chapters have practically unlimited freedom in the choice of what shall be their activity or the program of their interests.

Naturally those chapters located in the same towns with college chapters have a continual source of suggested activity, for there is always something to do with or for, the chapter. Many a college chapter knows with gratitude the presence and the loyal support of its resident alumnæ group.

Almost every alumnæ group goes through a cycle of subjects for chapter programs. From time to time literary, musical, or civic interests or a combina-

tion, may prevail. Once in a while there is serious study of Delta Zeta, a brushing up of sorority conditions and progress; often about the time a national or province visitor is expected! Various interests have their day but the one which is perennially successful seems to be a meeting where good fellowship, simple sociability and food more or less extensive, provide the chief entertainment. Most of the alumnæ chapters have as time goes on, become representative of several chapters; and no bit of Delta Zeta activity in which they engage is more interesting or more profitable than that of finding out and welcoming into their circle those newcomers who find their new homes made more pleasant because of sisters ready to wear away the newness a stranger meets.

Before the adoption of our national altruistic project our chapters had begun local social work and many groups have found it possible to continue with this to some extent even though they render full support to the national project of Delta Zeta. Likewise, it has been a spontaneous interest in our mountain community center which has moved one alumnæ group after the other to send in addition to their money tax, gifts of equipment for the dormitory, or for the girls, or special delicacies or luxuries for the teachers. The list of such gifts ranges through candy and dolls for all the children of Knott county, through new toothbrushes for the dormitory girls, mirrors for the bedrooms, a flag for the dormitory, a victrola with records, a piano, a kitchen range, and, actually, a bath tub! not to mention a sewing machine, and much valued clinical equipment and supplies.

Local programs of assistance with house building and financing have led to the development of some highly interesting and successful money making schemes, such as the bazaars of Seattle alumnæ and Kappa girls; the "Step-Out," jointly managed by Gamma actives and Twin City alumnæ.

Encouragement of higher standards of scholarship is managed in some chapters

by the awarding of cash scholarships, sorority insignia, or the key or badge of the honorary to which a girl may be elected. Cups for scholarship seem to have given place to these more favored tokens.

A number of alumnae chapters have assisted with or taken charge of the arrangements of national and province conventions or council meetings; the mature experience of alumnae and their comparatively greater freedom for such work making them able to handle these gatherings with much satisfaction to all concerned.

Every alumnae group holds its annual Founders' Day celebration; those who can, joining with the resident or nearest college chapter in this beloved festivity. Also, the state gatherings which are becoming increasingly frequent, popular and helpful, are almost always managed by the alumnae group in or nearest the scene of the gathering.

These are among the activities in which alumnae chapters seem to find common interest. Some details of the activities and history of each individual chapter, setting it apart from the others, will be added to this account.

INDIANAPOLIS alumnae, which celebrates its birthday on Washington's birthday, has as one of its special annual privileges, the management of the state day, luncheon and dance, to which all members in the state are invited. A similar but smaller gathering is that of Founders' Day banquet, to which are invited not only the members of the Indianapolis group, but also all the Delta Zetas who are at the time in attendance at the State Teachers' association; the time for these two practically coinciding. Indianapolis alumnae sponsor a series of bridge sections, which make it possible for almost every member no matter what her status or interests, to find some one group meeting at a time when she can join them; and they also carry on a rushing program, each summer, for all Indiana chapters. The eleven charter mem-

bers of this group were mostly fresh from their undergraduate days, vitally interested in the college chapters still, and they conceived the idea of giving to the national organization a silver cup to be awarded annually as a scholarship incentive, permanent possession to be given that chapter winning it three consecutive times. This cup they presented in 1914, and it later was won permanently by Iota Chapter. The chapter prints an annual yearbook, containing the program, directory of members, certain historical and general data. It has always taken an active part in Panhellenic in Indianapolis, assisting in the raising of funds for the Panhellenic scholarships, and other projects. In 1921 it was one of the hostess groups entertaining the National Panhellenic congress, and was proud to welcome as its own members, Arema O'Brien, Rene Sebring Smith and Gertrude McElfresh. The 1914 national convention and 1923 council meeting were guests of this group and it also assisted in entertaining the 1925 meeting of Gamma province, held in Indianapolis. The chapter roll of forty members shows representation from twelve college chapters. It is interesting to note that almost every one of its charter members had some national duty or special chapter significance. These are: Alfa Lloyd Hayes, Martha Louise Railsback, Alma Miller, Grace Alexander, Caroline Hildebrand, Leila M. Brown, Elsie Calvin, Elmira Case, Gladys Marine, Crystal Hall, Merle Maxwell Hedden.

CINCINNATI alumnae chapter had the distinction of numbering three founders among its charter members. These were: Julia Bishop Coleman, Mabelle Minton and Anna Keen Davis. In addition there were in the charter members the following: From Alpha Chapter, Lillian Minton Krebs, Lillian Lloyd, Elsa Thoma, Rose Pierce, Lilla Stanton West, Iva Stock Smith, Lucille Fitzgerald, Mary Coulter Van Sickle, Helen Coulter, Dorothy Sloane, Jessie McVey, Flora M. Easton, Lois Pierce Zimmerman and Helen Plock. The list was completed by

Eleanor Edwards of Beta, and Bess Staigers, *Delta*.

Under the director of Mabelle Minton this chapter was largely instrumental in the developing and installing of Xi Chapter. It assisted financially with the installation of Lambda at Manhattan, Kansas. For years it promoted a rotary of visiting among Alpha, Delta and Epsilon Chapters; and later promoted close friendship between Alpha and Xi and their own group. A gift of a complete set of satin initiation robes to be used jointly by the two chapters, was one of the alumnae gifts to their younger sisters.

The chapter has always been interested in local civic and philanthropic work. At first this was an annual Christmas party for unfortunate children at the American House. Out of this grew the interesting project of organizing the children from one of the poorer tenement districts into a junior town. During several years, two hundred of these children met at the American House while members of the alumnae acted as conductors, taking them on a "trip around the world," by means of stories, maps and movies. Songs and games added to the instructional value of the meetings as well as giving lots of fun. These same children were entertained each Christmas as formerly. In addition there was developed an extensive program of visiting shut-ins, taking gifts of flowers, or reading to those who wished it. More recently the chapter has established a scholarship at the University of Cincinnati of one hundred dollars to be given some girl who is especially recommended both on the score of ability, and of need. One hundred per cent membership in the Needlework guild is another achievement of this chapter.

Working in close connection with Xi Chapter since its installation, the Cincinnati alumnae have been of inestimable assistance in every way, but notably in the success of their annual rushing parties. These are marked by unusual cleverness and originality, as the entire sorority can testify. For it is the pride of Cincinnati that they always have a

large delegation at national convention, and there the stunts put on for their province are generally inspired by, or include, something from a rushing party. The fact that these are among the most popular stunts at convention testify to their value to the college chapter.

Membership in this chapter is always large, the meetings well attended, and the social functions especially popular. The chapter has in some years held an annual Christmas party to which they invite as "rushees" all seniors of Delta Zeta chapters who live in or near Cincinnati and thus insure a steady inflow of new members. The chapter entertained the 1925 council meeting socially, assisted with the management and entertainment of the 1927 Province convention of their province, and take great pride in the sorority achievements of such members as Dorothy Smith Hubert, who has given us several favorite songs; Iva Stock Smith, designer of the sorority's coat of arms and initiation robes and likewise enthusiastic collector of old glass; Margaret Huenefeld Pease for her national achievements as well as for her local prominence as former librarian of the U. C. law library and president of the U. C. alumnae; Anna Keen Davis for her outstanding activities with the W. C. T. U., and others.

COLUMBUS alumnae chapter is inseparably connected with Theta college chapter and its membership is almost entirely from Theta girls. Probably the largest single enterprise this chapter has undertaken is the financing of the Theta chapter house, which it has done with great success. It joins with Theta in observing Founders' Day and makes these gatherings occasions of distinct form and significance. Mary Collins Galbraith is a member of this chapter. From this group have come a number of fine national workers, Julia Christman and Madeline Baird registrars, Arema O'Brien Kirven, former editor of the LAMP; and among its outstanding members are Amanda Thomas, former business manager of the LAMP, well known

for her work with prison welfare organizations, as well as for her officership in the national council of Theta Sigma Phi.

LINCOLN, Nebraska alumnae chapter members were from the first principally members of Zeta active chapter. Its charter members were: Nettie Wills Shugart, Ruth Stonecypher, Ruby Knepper, Fannie Bergman Coats, Alice G. Balderson, Grace Burritt, Beth Pearl Barton, Bernice Burch, Katherine Lowry, Hedwig Jaeggi, Mollie McComb, Minnie Grace Pratt, Myra Thieroff, Rose Bergman, Marie Houska, Marie Peart, Esther M. Draney, Emma Carsten, Else Jaeggi, Mary Cameron, Janet Cameron.

Its purpose has always been to promote the welfare of Zeta Chapter. There has been a peculiarly close bond between the alumnae chapter and Zeta college chapter, from its beginning. Together they served as hostesses for the 1916 Convention, the largest to that date. The alumnae were largely instrumental in making possible the building of Zeta's new house, entered in 1927, and contributed generously in funds for the house and gifts for its furnishings. In fact, gifts for the chapter have been unceasing. In 1916 they presented to Zeta a china service of 164 pieces, Haviland, and hand decorated in gold by Mrs. Shugart. This was service for eighteen, at that time ample for the average chapter. The 1917 gift was linen and a set of silver. And so on.

Each year the alumnae entertain the chapter's rushees with one of the four largest parties allowed by Panhellenic.

Summertime activities of Lincoln alumnae are quite extensive, as the vacation brings back many Lincoln girls whose work during the year takes them away from home. Picnics, and many social gatherings welcome back these absent ones.

Sigma Chapter at Louisiana and Upsilon at North Dakota, are always considered as partly gifts of Zeta Chapter, since Mayme Dworak and Fannie Put-

camp, both Zeta girls, were so influential in developing these two petitioning groups.

Lincoln alumnae as individuals take active part in various local welfare projects, as the Mexican settlement. Among the members which the chapter delights to honor are Fannie Putcamp Smith, Jessie Glass, Ruth Odell and Naomi Buck. But it is the pride of Zeta Chapter that her girls do and always have, exemplified the "unity with diversity" ideal stressed by Mrs. Stephenson in her address at "their" convention.

NEW YORK CITY offers conditions so different from the average city, that the expectations from an alumnae group organized here must from the beginning be different from most others. Yet because it is the great mecca of the college woman, professionally, culturally, and generally, there is particular importance to having here a sorority anchorage for both the transient and the resident member. In February, 1915, five alumnae of Beta Chapter laid plans for the establishment of an alumnae chapter but it was nearly one year later when they succeeded in securing the necessary number of resident members to maintain chapter status. The charter members were: Grace Hare Snyder, Erma Lindsay, Ida Nightingale, Eleanor Edwards, Ellen McCarthy Foley, Nancy McFarland, Irene Gladding, Gertrude Young, and Mabel Hobart, all of Beta. Naturally their interests centered about Beta Chapter, but their assistance was largely by correspondence as the distance from Ithaca to New York made visits infrequent. The meetings for the first year were informal and social; then came a two-year period when the number of resident alumnae diminished to a point where meetings had to be discontinued, a Round Robin letter serving to keep members in touch with each other. It was really surprising that so few Beta alumnae were residing in the city at this time. But the news of their being in New York was gladly hailed by all girls coming into the city from

other points of the country, and it was gratifying to find that at the time of election of officers, 1920, enough Delta Zetas from other chapters, had come to town, to make a chapter not only a possibility, but a necessity. Marita Oelkers Littauer, *Beta*, '19, was elected president for the coming year, and did splendid service in invigorating the chapter; her recent contact with Beta Chapter being of value on the one hand, her personal residence and acquaintance in New York making her accessible to alumnae of other groups. The chapter at once began working vigorously with Beta in the house ownership campaign, became a member of the New York Panhellenic club then in formation, and took much of the responsibility for the 1922 Convention, from the very time of issuing the invitation to convene at Cornell, until the last of the convention lasts and founds was safely disposed of.

They also took an active interest in furthering the stabilizing and advance of the local group of Adelphi college and in sponsoring its petition at the 1922 Convention. Since the installation of this chapter the New York City alumnae chapter has of course had the constant benefit of additional members from Alpha Zeta Chapter.

The presence in New York City, in the winter of 1923, of Rene Sebring Smith and an unusually large number of girls doing graduate work at Columbia, gave an especially cosmopolitan quality to the chapter's membership, and every year since then the newcomers in the city have been urged to enjoy as many of the chapter's meetings and social events as possible.

In all the work of promoting and assisting the New York Panhellenic house, this chapter, backed by the entire national organization, has served faithfully and well, and much of the activity of the group centers about this Panhellenic oasis.

The 1927 Convention of Alpha province was held in New York City with the alumnae chapter and Alpha Zetas joint hostesses.

More recently, the increase in numbers of alumnae in New Jersey has led to the forming a distinct New Jersey club, but the New York alumnae chapter still holds their interest and their attendance for the big annual gatherings such as Founders' Day and other occasions.

SEATTLE ALUMNAE CHAPTER grew up logically, around Kappa Chapter. Its first meetings were held in the summer of 1916, when members of Kappa alumnae, felt the desire to continue their association with each other and were encouraged by Mrs. Stephenson to form a chapter. The charter members are: Mareta Havens, Ruby Long, Fanny Berglund, Esther Mitchell, Frances Ringer Lee, Esther Mohn, Rhea Haynes, Beth Tanner, Mae Basset Dana, Florence Sherman Preston, Hertha O'Neill, Lottie Kellogg, Martha Liska, Lestina Scarff McClelland, Anna Holmes, Anna Shelton.

Some of these girls lived out of town, and could only attend occasional meetings. In the early days, the chapter instituted a custom of sending to them the minutes of each meeting and found this a very helpful way to retain their interest and support until the chapter had grown to such a stage that the mailing list was overlong for this custom.

Among the activities of this chapter were, the assistance in forming the Seattle Panhellenic club; Red Cross work as a unit during the war; the encouragement of formation of a Mothers' Club, in 1917.

Two cups, for recognition of scholarship have been awarded to Kappa by the chapter; one goes to the chapter if it ranks among the three highest chapters on the campus; the other to the freshman making the highest individual marks, Frances Skagerlind being its first winner.

As part of the program of helping finance the Kappa chapter house, Seattle alumnae developed the plan of an annual bazaar. This is a really huge undertaking, and has grown to a gratifyingly successful project. Held in a leading

downtown hotel, in November and specializing in gifts, it has become a regular institution in the city. In addition to the gifts for sale, bridge is offered; the prizes something covetable; and members of Kappa give a style show or other entertainment.

This group has continued actively to assist with house financing all through the house history, from the purchase of the house, through its first and later furnishings, and now through the recent remodelling and modernizing of the chapter home.

As the chapter membership has grown so greatly since its chartering, the group has developed two plans which look to the retaining of the interest of as many girls as possible. One is the alternating of evening meetings with afternoon gatherings in order to allow for every member to attend some part of the meetings. The other idea, unique so far in Delta Zeta, is known as the Seattle Junior Alumnæ. When it became apparent that the girls of the class of 1932 were largely unemployed, due to depression conditions, they began meeting together to continue their college association, and added to their number others who had dropped out of college recently and likewise were at leisure. The aims of the group developed into somewhat educational ones as well as purely social, and they hold their meetings monthly but not at the time of the official alumnæ meeting, for they also take part in this group's program. While the purpose of the group may be only temporary it offers a suggestion for those others who find it a little difficult to bring into their alumnæ membership, the younger graduates of the sorority.

Seattle alumnæ has lost one charter member of Kappa (Lucy Shelton Smith, '17) and Kirsten Larson Newberry, '19; whose distinguished scholastic record for so young a woman made her loss seem the more grievous. Marceta Haven, a charter member, has gone from Seattle to take a professorship in the University of Santiago, Chile. The chapter follows her work with much interest,

she being the farthest south of its membership.

FT. WAYNE (Indiana) alumnæ chapter was organized in January, 1917, at the home of Myrtle Graeter. Its charter members were: Myrtle Graeter, Bertha Leach, Helen F. Schlotter, Mae McIntire Walters, Esther McNary Keller, Marie Thrush, Ruth Jones, Leora Hahn and Mildred Crull, *Delta*; Joy Shutt Goldsmith, *Epsilon*, and Helen Lane Knight and Georgia Saylor, *Alpha*.

The purpose of the group was chiefly social and meetings were held four or five times a year. Subsequent breakings of membership due to marriages and removals, caused the membership to dwindle and the chapter became officially inactive because it could not maintain the necessary ten resident members. Functioning more or less as a club, it carried on some good rushing for the college chapters and in 1924 was rewarded by finding that it could again function as a chapter. From this time on the chapter has had a prosperous and happy time. Attendance at national and province conventions has kept its spirit high and its interest in rushing continues. Among the members of this chapter there are an unusually large number of young daughters coming on. This chapter takes a very active part in the social life of its city, especially in the activities of the College Club and the city Panhellenic, thus proving especially interesting to the younger members, who are in the majority of this group. It is noted for the good times had at its meetings; and doubtless it was at one of these that the clever autobiographical sketches of members, submitted with the chapter history, were prepared.

BERKELEY, California, is the scene of the next-to-be-organized chapter (chartered March 7, 1917). This group began life as a logical outgrowth of Mu college chapter, eight of its twelve charter members being also charter members of Mu Chapter. Members of the chapter are now drawn from all the cities around the Bay, but the great increase in size of the

group, and the difficulty of gathering all together, have led to the practical formation of a San Francisco branch of the chapter, probably a branch soon to be able to live on its own resources.

This chapter has always been famous for the good fellowship engendered in it, doubtless traceable to its containing so many Mu girls who are also Enewah members, and have years of association to enjoy. They have undertaken a large and ambitious program for their own and Mu's benefit; ranging from a course of study on matters pertaining to Delta Zeta, through the issuing of the chapter newsletter, *Daffydills*, and ranging into the management of the finances of the Mu House Corporation. Two houses have been owned by the corporation, the first bought; the second built on the site of the old after the fire of 1923. Each year the alumnae chapter also makes the house some substantial gift of furniture or other needed equipment. They take charge of one rush party each year; and have established in the chapter a perpetual scholarship cup to be held annually by the girl excelling in scholarship for the year preceding.

This chapter finds that *Daffydills*, its quarterly gossip sheet, is one of the dearest of all Mu traditions with those alumnae who live far from the chapter. Many of these try to return for the annual reunion banquet of the chapter, which is held on Founders' Day and is the biggest single event of the year, serving perpetually to stimulate and renew friendships.

Each Christmas the chapter provides a dinner and tree for some family in cooperation with the Associated charities. Recently it has undertaken the making of layettes to be sent to the mountain people served by the Delta Zeta center.

Much of the outstanding success of the 1926 Convention is due the members of this chapter, also. They gave unstintingly of energy and assistance from the time Mu delegates took home the news from 1924 Convention, until the last guest had sped on her happy and complimenting way from the Fairmont in 1926.

Charter members of Berkeley Alumnae chapter are: Gladys Rogers Burum, Mary Hill Fulstone, Helen Myer Craig, Leslie Hayes Abbott, Marguerite Henrick Kellogg, Gwendolen Gaynor Roberts, Louise Sheppa Lovett, Frances Lane Frane, Hedwig Ballaseyus Wheaton, Maude Chidester Moulton, Lucile Stephens, Marie Bowes Hicks.

WASHINGTON, D.C., alumnae chapter was an outgrowth of the World War, which brought to the city a number of Delta Zetas, either for residence or for temporary work. Their occasional meetings proved so enjoyable they undertook to make them more permanent and official by securing a charter as an alumnae chapter. The charter was not actually received until 1919, and shortly after that time the membership dwindled due to the exodus of a number of its members. By the time of the installation of Alpha Delta Chapter, in 1922, there were not enough members to retain chapter standing, and the group was temporarily inactive in national participation. However, those members who were still in the city took an active interest in the new chapter, assisting with its installation and later activities; and the graduates of Alpha Delta in turn became members of the alumnae group so that chapter standing was resumed in time for 1924 Convention. Much credit for this work is due Ruth Railsback Armstrong, who not only did much to bring back interest to the alumnae, but gave the new members of Alpha Delta a splendid example of loyalty and resourcefulness before she moved her home from Washington. The alumnae chapter has been especially close to and interested in, Alpha Delta ever since their installation at George Washington University. They give scholarship recognition, assist with rushing, join in Founders' Day and other celebrations, and in general stand back of all chapter projects. The charter members of this group were: Alfa Lloyd Hayes, Dorothy Douglas Zirkle and Marguerite Decker Dixon (both of Beta); Helen

M. Schumacher, *Kappa*; Cecilia Coad, Elizabeth Blake, Dorothy Chapman, Sabina T. Murray, all *Beta*; Ruth Murray, *Theta*; Florence Sharer, *Nu*; and Emma K. Schmidt, *Epsilon*.

Of recent years the chapter has found that a certain proportion of its membership will be shifting, as people come in and go out of Washington, but a part of the chapter activity is the locating and welcoming of all newcomers to the city for the duration of their stay.

DENVER alumnae chapter was almost ready-made when the first senior class graduated from Rho, as most of the Rho girls are residents of Denver. The membership is somewhat fluctuating, however, due to the departure of many new alumnae for teaching or other positions out of Denver. The older alumnae welcome back each one who comes "home" probably after adding Mrs. to her name. Increased by several members from Alpha Lambda and by occasional "strays" from other more remote chapters, Denver alumnae participates in almost every activity of Rho Chapter, and serve as a constant support and stimulus to the younger girls. A newsletter has been irregularly issued; the need for it not being so great with this chapter as in those less compactly settled.

The Denver chapter had as its charter members, eighteen alumnae of Rho Chapter and one from Lambda, these being: Margaret Bonney Horton, Edna Peterson, Stella Stueland Willson, Ruth Sharp Parrish, Mary Sharp, Gertrude Hyland (Abbott), Lillian Gardner Higgins (Mrs. Thos.), Helen Fry, Ruth Stein, Marion Spinney, Martha Ford, Charlotte Thompson, Pearl Mayer (Street), Eleanor Lowe Woltzen.

Its monthly meetings are held generally at the homes of members, but are occasionally supplemented by a second meeting or party. From the first the chapter has been interested in local Social Service work, such as, sewing for the Needlework Guild; working one year at the Recuperation Hospital, where it had a certain ward to visit regularly, and

supplied the patients with flowers, fruit, birthday cakes and other attentions to make life pleasanter.

With Rho Chapter as the special subject of interest at the first, the chapter later also assisted Alpha Lambda at the State University. A number of members of the latter chapter have become members of the Denver Alumnae chapter, too. The chapter has a custom of having one or more girls from Rho actives to be guests at each meeting, and if possible, sends a representative once a month to each Rho Chapter business meeting. They helped finance a chapter lodge for Rho.

With the increase in chapters and numbers, it has become the custom to observe the National Founders' Day all together, alternating the place from Boulder to Denver.

Denver Alumnae chapter with the Rho actives acted as hostess for the 1920 Convention, and in 1926 they combined again to provide an interesting afternoon of sightseeing, with a tea at the chapter lodge, for the members of Delta Zeta travelling to convention on the special train.

They have also entered actively into the work of the City Panhellenic.

PITTSBURGH.—In May, 1919, six members of Omicron formed the nucleus of the Pittsburgh Alumnae chapter, which when chartered showed the following members, all Omicron alumnae: Mary B. Scanlon, Margaret Holliday, Elizabeth C. Boaz, Henrietta M. Schlegel, Margaret H. Ralston, Elsie Jane Neff, Dorothy Jean Wigman, Marion E. Clark, Pauline Scanlon, Helen Pool Rush. In the years of its existence this chapter has not received so many additions from other chapters as do most alumnae groups, and its distinct function has therefore been one of continuing the friendships and happy associations of the Omicron members as they go from the campus group.

Meetings are held monthly, and from being small, informal gatherings in the homes of members, have gradually

evolved into downtown meetings generally at luncheon, in order to make possible the attendance of many members located in the city at work. Attendance has been increased by this plan, averaging from thirty to forty, a very good record.

Naturally Omicron Chapter is always of special interest to Pittsburgh alumnae and the two groups unite for many social occasions to the benefit of each group. There is a systematic plan of keeping in close contact by means of having the chapter alumnae Advisor be a member of the alumnae cabinet, bringing regular reports of the activities and needs of Omicron to the alumnae. The alumnae give one rush party each year and entertain the graduating girls with a Senior Luncheon.

As members of the City Panhellenic the Delta Zeta alumnae have been very active, and have given excellent service also in Delta Zeta province work. From this group have come two province workers, Elizabeth Askin Meredith (1926-28) and Katherine Morrison (1926-1931).

Most of the members of this group are, so they report, school teachers, social workers, or "married." However, Venus Shakarian finds time from her teaching to be among the leading women aviators of Pittsburgh; Helen Pool Rush is widely known for her distinctive work as assistant dean of women at Pitt; and Helen Howard Downs is librarian at the Downtown Branch of the University Library, very active in other women's organizations, and a much loved person. Florence Raber Smith is active in the alumnae work and a steady assistant to her husband, Ralph H. Smith, one of Pittsburgh's foremost judges.

KANSAS CITY.—In May, 1920, eleven Delta Zetas from Kansas City and nearby towns petitioned for an alumnae charter, which was granted them under the Kansas City Chapter. The charter members were: Mary Howard Troop, *Omicron*; Pearl Parkhurst, *Lambda*; Helen Barnes Marquis, Marion Burns, Beulah Kelly, Etta Haxton Merry, Nora Geisen,

Mrs. Charles Myers, Lelia Huckleberry, Anna Clark Jillson and Jacquetta Reed Irvin, all of Eta Chapter.

From a small and sometimes uncertain membership, as there was no college chapter immediately at hand, the Kansas City group has now grown to a very gratifying size since the installation of Alpha Phi Chapter has very materially increased the membership from which it can draw. Its meetings are held monthly, and the plan may vary from year to year; perhaps a literary program, or study course, but most years there are alternating business and social meetings, held in the homes of members. The chapter writes: "*The present aims and ambitions of the Kansas City Alumnae chapter of Delta Zeta are well-stated in its original petition for a charter—'Believing that the strength of a national college sorority is increased by its alumnae, that the active chapters from which these alumnae come will be advanced in their efforts in behalf of the college women of today as well as deepening their fraternal spirit and that we, alumnae of Eta, Lambda and Zeta will receive added happiness, a deeper fraternal spirit, joy and warmer friendships and be linked more closely to our active chapters and their interests, do hereby petition for a charter from the Delta Zeta Sorority for an alumnae chapter to be located in Kansas City.'*"

PORTLAND.—Established as Omicron alumnae chapter, soon after the installation of Omega Chapter gave Oregon her second chapter, the Portland alumnae chapter always places the welfare of Chi and Omega active chapters as its first and permanent project, and manages to attract during each year seventy or more of the nearly ninety members on its mailing list to one or more of its special functions. Twice this chapter has been hostess for the Province Convention, and due to the number of interesting professions represented in its membership it presents always a lively aspect. Lawyers seem to be especially popular with this group; in one year it

boasted of Alys Sutton McCroskey, *Sigma*, as president; Gladys Everett, *Omega*, actively engaged in legal work; Doris Rae Keeler, *Iota*, as secretary, and Helen Crosby also of *Omega*. Alice Wieman, Province director, was of great assistance in keeping the chapter from feeling too keenly its comparative isolation geographically.

CHICAGO.—An alumnae chapter in Chicago is a real achievement, for here there seem to be even more obstacles in the way of successful organization than in New York. Yet so many Delta Zetas were to be found in Chicago by 1921 that a number of interested alumnae petitioned for an alumnae chapter and sent as their first delegate to a convention, Vera Brown Jones, in 1922. She returned with "the bacon," a charter for Sigma Alumnae chapter, issued to: Ruth Gaddis Jeffries, Helen Trimpe, Lois Higgins, Marcelline Roberts Snorf, all of Alpha; Sabina Murray, *Beta*, Lois Castell Browns, *Delta*; Annette Walker, *Lambda*; and Vera Brown Jones, Verdelle Richardson, Rosamund Hoyland, of Alpha Alpha.

Ruth Gaddis Jeffries was first president, serving also as President of the Chicago Panhellenic that year. The chapter made an exhaustive search for all Delta Zetas located in the city, and urged them to attend whenever possible even though not able to come to many meetings. As time has brought more and more members to the city, there has been evolved a helpful plan of holding "side" meetings, where members within a smaller district meet together, the entire membership being invited to the large downtown gatherings held at intervals during the year. A chapter newsletter, *The Chatterbox*, also serves to keep news of all the groups before members who may be able to attend only infrequently.

This chapter has from the first been keenly interested in the social work of the sorority. In its first year it was hostess to the boys from Caney Creek then touring the country; and since Vest alone has been the project, Chicago has

furnished generously of books, funds and equipment to the work. It also financed the making of the Vest movies, which brought the entire work much more clearly before the membership when presented at convention or later shown by the chapters.

Twice Chicago has been hostess for a national convention: in its infancy, in 1924; when headquarters were, strictly speaking, in Evanston; and again in 1933 at the well-known "Century of Progress" Convention. Each has been signally well managed and successful.

Chicago alumnae chapter also has the distinction of having first developed and passed on to the sorority for a tradition, the candlelighting at Founders' Day.

LOS ANGELES alumnae chapter was chartered originally as Tau Alumnae chapter, the last alumnae chapter to bear an alphabetical name. Its charter (1923) was issued to a group of alumnae from various chapters, only one of the whole group being from a California chapter; and whose migration to California to teach or live, had in time made them known to each other, so that eventually the desire for an organized group grew from their informal acquaintanceship. The charter members were: Regina Ries, *Mu*; Alma Carsten, *Zeta*; Emma Carsten Clegg, *Zeta*; Lucille Goodykoontz, *Iota*; Esther Ellinghusen, *Zeta*; Lois Litchfield, *Lambda*; Gladys Marquardt, *Tau*; Pauline Parkhurst, *Lambda*; Ruby Parkhurst, *Lambda*; Fae Tolles Stewart, *Zeta*.

Their first official and important meetings were held in the spring of 1923, especially during the time when Ruby Long, then National Parliamentarian, was in the city making an inspection visit to the local group Lambda Rho, at the University of Southern California. Later on, the Los Angeles alumnae chapter assisted these local girls, through the time of their petitioning and took much of the responsibility for the business and social events pertaining to the installation. Naturally, many girls from Alpha Iota college chapter, living in Los An-

geles and nearby towns, have in the years since then become members of the Los Angeles alumnae group.

A large number of members from this group attended convention in Evanston in 1924, and going home full of new ideas and enthusiasm, took charge of the Founders' Day banquet that fall, making of it an annual, traditional event ever since.

1925 brought much and interesting responsibility, as Alpha Iota college chapter and Los Angeles alumnae took charge of arrangements for the Province Convention held in the city in the spring, at which time the group at U.C.L.A. which had with their assistance been guided to successful petitioning for a Delta Zeta charter, was installed as Alpha Chi Chapter. In this same year the alumnae group become a group-member of the Los Angeles Panhellenic Association, in which it has remained very active ever since.

Again 1926 gave these alumnae a large but stimulating task when they took charge of the post-Convention trip, and as hostesses to all those who came down after Convention closed at San Francisco, offered a whole week of really fascinating entertainment to visiting Delta Zetas.

A second province convention, in 1927, divided responsibility between Alpha Chi and the Los Angeles alumnae, and the banquet held in connection with this convention was one of the largest gatherings Delta Zetas ever recorded, including the convention banquets and all other known assemblies.

Each year as the total number of members in Los Angeles increases both by "immigration" and by graduation from the two active chapters in the city, the problem of how to interest, and how to care for the possible members becomes one of greater proportion. A partial solution has been arrived at by natural processes, inasmuch as the alumnae of both Alpha Iota and Alpha Chi have regular meetings to transact business connected with the affairs of their respective chapters, notably house financ-

ing. Thus has grown up the plan of holding the business meetings of the Los Angeles alumnae chapter proper, on the second Saturday of every other month, allowing the intervening months to care for meetings of the local alumnae associations. Each associational group contributes to the membership and budget of the chartered chapter, and all alumnae unite in observing such traditional days as Founders' Day.

In this way the California girls are enabled to concentrate on their own chapters, yet they have the opportunity to meet and know those coming into the state from other chapters; while these alumnae, to whom the affairs of the local chapter are not the prime interest, may concentrate on general Delta Zeta friendships and affairs, and no girl coming into the city as a stranger need be discouraged from joining the chapter because she thinks it will all center around some chapter which is utterly unknown to her. As a matter of fact, the two chapters come to hold so much interest for the general alumnae, that they support the numerous moneymaking projects, rummage sales, benefits and theater parties, as staunchly as though it were their own "home chapter."

CLEVELAND alumnae, chartered in 1924, had its foundation laid in 1923, and was a strong and robust infant chapter in fact, at the time its charter was bestowed. The charter members were: Louise Davis, Dorothy Boyd Hoskins, Ruth Murray, Florence Loewell, Bernice Mincks, Edith Anderson Jones, Isobel Heath, Ruth Davis, Mildred Foureman, of Theta Chapter; Janet Cameron, *Zeta*; Dorothy Work, Edwina Stevens, Olive McCune, Edith Orrock, Florence Willey, *Alpha*; Louise Kennedy, *Omicron*; Helen Collins, *Tau*. Meetings were at first held among the homes of the members, but as the group membership has grown, part of the meetings are now held at downtown places more convenient to members employed in the city.

At the November, 1924, meeting, the

chapter transacted two pieces of business significant in their future effect on the chapter's activities. A bank account was opened in Delta Zeta's name, and a rummage sale planned to raise funds to increase said account; the second act, dependent on the success of the first, was the adoption of a definite social service policy. At this time the girls undertook a certain part of the responsibility for dressing and outfitting a daughter of the underprivileged, Thelma, as she became well and personally known to the chapter. (Chapter historian figures that at the close of the years in which they had clothed and helped her they must surely have owned at least a half interest in Thelma.)

When the petition from Kappa Gamma Delta at Ohio Wesleyan was put before the sorority, and the university accepted for a chapter, the Cleveland chapter entertained all the local girls in the local group, and has ever since been of great assistance in rushing, and otherwise helping the chapter, in 1927 making it a Christmas gift of a set of beautiful satin initiation robes, complete. Naturally there are now a number of alumnae from Alpha Rho in the Cleveland chapter, which has been of mutual benefit and pleasure.

In the first year of its existence this chapter took as its motto "Watch Us Grow" and has never forgotten that aim. Both in numbers and strength it is a sturdy example of steady, cultivated growth. Although the membership is subject to the usual changes which any large city group meets, there are almost never less than twenty-five active members in Cleveland alumnae in attendance at the meetings, a fine record indeed.

This chapter has been directed by presidents and committees of gratifying energy and ingenuity, and its money-making projects have been notably successful. It has also made a fine record as a member group in the City Panhellenic activities; and is one of the chapters always to be counted on for prompt and generous support by Delta Zeta nationally. In part this is undoubtedly due

to the fact that Cleveland always has a large delegation at conventions, and both from business sessions and from informal contacts, the members go back to the chapter intelligent, stimulated, and with the determination to make a good record.

Among the special activities credited to this chapter are, the creation of a loan fund to be annually loaned to some member of an undergraduate chapter in the province; and the development for its own use of a ritual for inducting new members. A new undertaking in the year 1933 was the entertaining by this group of other nearby organized Delta Zeta groups, beginning with the Akron Club. This was found to be both enjoyable and beneficial to both groups. All in all, this chapter is one from which one always expects to hear with pleasure and gratification, for its record constantly shows enthusiasm, achievement and an appreciable per cent of native originality, all of which have been sufficient to overcome the difficulties and problems, of which it has had not less than the usual amount and variety. Viva Cleveland!

DETROIT.—When the installation of the chapter at the University of Michigan brought to light the fact that at least two Delta Zetas had been living in Detroit, each in the lonesome feeling that she was the only one in the city, it was but natural that they should join forces to see if perchance more might be there in the same plight. Finding that few more gave just the additional incentive for securing a charter, and when their number had been augmented by three graduates from the new Alpha Eta Chapter, that June, they found the required number of members was reached. Encouraged by Georgia Chandler Hornung, they hastened to prepare a petition which they presented to the 1923 Council meeting and were granted their charter so that in the fall they began definite life as an alumnae chapter. The charter members: Alpha: H a z e l Coerper Houser, Laura Marshall, Miriam Weber Williams, and Bertha Hutchens Barclay.

Beta: Ruth Chappelle Platt. Epsilon: Georgia Chandler Hornung. Theta: Laura Jettinghoff Pringle. Sigma: Edith Barrett (Hamilton). Alpha Eta: Lyda Rideout, Helena Sooy, Margaret Fennell.

The Detroit alumnae chapter, chartered in 1923, had rapidly taken form after the installation of Alpha Eta Chapter at the University of Michigan disclosed a promising nucleus of alumnae in Detroit. Now the membership has grown until there are at least thirty taking active part in the chapter's activities, and over seventy-five on the mailing list, who attend one or more of the social events of the year. As Detroit is a city where there is much social activity among the Panhellenic groups it is not surprising that the Detroit group shows one of the busiest and most ambitious social programs of any alumnae group. It also makes a point of keeping informed on the growth and activity of Delta Zeta by a series of talks on "Know Delta Zeta," concise and interesting but also calculated to keep the members free from cobwebs of musty ideas.

Detroit alumnae chapter was very proud to have among its charter members one of the National Council, Mrs. Hornung; and the head bacteriologist of the Ford Hospital, Edith Barrett, who was a charter member of Sigma Chapter.

It has assisted Alpha Eta Chapter to finance the purchase of a house and in many other ways keeps up a close association with the new girls. A chapter bulletin, *Alpha Eta Chapter Chatter*, is an ambitious activity, and greatly appreciated by alumnae members for its news and information.

TWIN CITIES.—The incentive for an alumnae chapter in Minneapolis and St. Paul was found in the installation of Gamma Chapter at the University of Minnesota. At that time it was found that there were in this vicinity alumnae members from Alpha, Epsilon, Pi, Tau, Upsilon, Phi and Alpha Alpha. Due to the fact that some of these were not to

be in the city permanently, the actual chartering of the chapter had to be postponed until a sufficient number of Gamma girls had become alumnae, to complete the required number for a chapter. The members signing the petition in the fall of 1925 were: Mildred Love, *Phi*; Lillian Billings, *Alpha*; and Margaret Conway, *Tau*, and Lucile Bockemuehl, *Phi*, and the following from Gamma: Helen Sjoblom, Margaret Whiteley, Iva Nelson, Marian Ladner, Gertrude Johnson, Helen Woodruff, and Edith Foster.

The alumnae organization has taken great interest in the college chapter, and assisted it financially as well as in advisory capacity in the securing of its new chapter house. The chapter meets twice each month, one meeting being held at the chapter house. In 1926 a quarterly newsletter, *The Gamma-Phone*, was inaugurated and at once proved a decided success.

Traditional among the money-making plans of this group are the annual formal benefit dance held jointly with Gamma, the "Gamma Step-Out," and the Hope Chest Tea, when a beautiful filled chest goes to some lucky ticket holder. The latest chest to be thus disposed of, went most appropriately to a Gamma Bride-to-be, and the alumnae chapter realized the encouraging sum of \$300.00 from the venture.

DAYTON, Ohio, alumnae chapter was chartered in 1925, its members being drawn largely from alumnae of Alpha and Theta.

Since its establishment this chapter has continued very active in its interest for the active chapters, especially Alpha. It takes a very busy part in community activities such as P.T.A. and other projects, and while its membership is not phenomenal for growth, the group is well established and one of the standbys of the Ohio members.

Its activities stress the social and educational rather than money-making projects, due to the fact that its help, financially is not one of the outstanding needs of its nearby chapters.

BIRMINGHAM ALUMNÆ CHAPTER was chartered in 1927, although the alumnae had been well organized and busy as a club from the early days of Alpha Pi chapter. With the chartering of the group, Alpha Gamma too became part of the chapter's concern and the three groups find much to bring them together in business and social activities. The later extension of alumnae activity under the direction of Victoria Davis to drawing in the members from over the state, as culminating in a State Founders' Day gathering, was one of Birmingham's most successful attempts. This chapter also takes an active interest in the Panhellenic of Birmingham.

BATON ROUGE.—Although by reason of numerous members of Sigma being residents of Baton Rouge, there had rapidly grown up around Sigma a considerable alumnae group, they did not advance from club status to a chartered chapter until the year 1929. The alumnae, the college chapter, the patronesses and the mothers, all form such a closely associated series that it is almost like one large unbroken group. The alumnae have always been of great assistance in the social and rushing activities of the chapter, and when the project of the chapter lodge arose for consideration, were of constant assistance both financial and advisory. Among the alumnae group are a number who have become quite prominent in university officialdom: Laura Redden, Alma Dodson, Mrs. Ruth Mundinger Kean, Mrs. Theo. Jones Gates.

Four other charters have been issued to alumnae groups which have since surrendered the charter to assume club status. These charters were to groups in Lafayette, Indiana, (chartered as Eta alumnae chapter): Omaha, Nebraska, chartered as Theta alumnae; alumnae in Eureka, Illinois, to whom was given the name Pi alumnae chapter; and to alumnae of Psi at Franklin, Indiana, chartered as Rho alumnae chapter.

The Omaha group first began holding

meetings in 1916, but secured a charter in 1917. The membership was almost entirely from Zeta alumnae, and was even from the first so small that it was at times a trial to maintain good financial standing. Gradually the financial strain so told on the fellowship of the group that they wisely faced about, realized that their association together and what they could do for Zeta in particular and Delta Zeta in general, meant more than the formality of having a vote in convention and taking part in the sorority's business. Thereupon they requested permission to take the status of a club, which was granted them, and their meetings have continued since then, varying as the membership shifts, but holding for Omaha a center of Delta Zeta interest.

Much the same situation prevailed with the group at Lafayette, Indiana, which was chartered in 1917 as Eta alumnae chapter. Its members at that time were: Edna Harris, Ann Younger, Gladys Goldsberry, Adah Newhouse Bogue, Edith Fox, Lillian Perkins, Laura Peck, Ona Shindler, Hazel Hess, and Mina J. Thompson, of *Delta* and Harriet Brown and Mary Remsburg, of *Epsilon*; all in fairly close proximity to Lafayette, Indiana. A number of these girls were teachers, therefore not necessarily permanent in this vicinity, but they united in wishing to perform some definite service for Delta Zeta, to encourage LAMP support among themselves, and to keep in touch with the general work of Delta Zeta. Their first "definite service" was a very interesting one; for Ann Younger had been appointed as Songbook Chairman to fill the term of Virginia Ballaseyus, *Mu*, who had been compelled to resign her work unfinished. The meetings of the Eta alumnae chapter are faithfully recorded as sessions of working on manuscripts for the songbook, and to their work is doubtless due the fact that Miss Younger was able to complete the book as soon as she did. . . . By 1922, the chapter had been so depleted by marriages and removals, that regular meetings were for a time abandoned; but the

group retained its charter, inasmuch as Hazel Sarles Hogan, *Epsilon*, who had been elected as president for the year, was also president of the City Panhellenic and needed their backing. Social meetings held during holidays when former members were back for visits, were continued during the year, but the requirements for chapter status were definitely lacking and the group surrendered its charter to the 1923 Council meeting. After the lapse of several years there is now sufficient growth in membership around this center to form a club, which under the State Chairman plan has been promoted and is expected to become a reality when one more graduating class brings a few additional members within reach.

The two remaining charters, to Pi and Psi alumnae, were surrendered when a short time of experience had demonstrated that these groups could actually do better service for their chapters and their sorority by being unhampered by the requirements for financial and other obligations of alumnae chapters. In each case, the group was composed entirely of members of one college chapter; in each case the actual number of members living in the town, or even in the forty-mile radius, was not sufficient to provide for the minimum membership required of an alumnae chapter, nor to permit the requirement for nine monthly meetings in the year.

Each group holds regular reunions, as at Founders' Day, chapter birthday, Homecoming summer houseparty, or initiation; but these meetings must of necessity be more social than otherwise. Therefore the charters were really a mistake of judgment though not of intent. The two alumnae groups continue to give ardent and continuous assistance to their chapters, especially during the summer rushing activities. Each publishes a successful newsletter for its scattered alumnae, and now, functioning as Chapter Associations instead of alumnae chapters, they have found their proper and fitting form and in it they are making records. Each of these groups is

characterized by special good feeling between the alumnae and the mothers of local girls, the latter being treated as close associates in all Delta Zeta projects. (*See later section on Mothers' Clubs.*)

Alumnae Clubs

The organizations which we now call alumnae clubs were provided for in the constitution of 1914 under the name "subordinate alumnae chapters" and the conditions outlined for them at that time have remained largely unchanged. An alumnae club is an unchartered group of alumnae; usually too small in numbers to petition for a charter should they so desire; but actuated by the wish to enjoy Delta Zeta association in a more informal or temporary fashion than would well suit a chapter. Clubs may be and often are, of shifting membership, for they are of especial benefit in communities where this very temporary nature is part of their recommendation for being. Again, the club may be extremely interested in some college chapter, and find that all its available resources so well used with the chapter that it cannot meet the expense of holding chapter status. Or the group may be interested in companionship for reasons almost entirely of fellowship and frankly not care for chapter activity. This point of view, experience shows, is generally a passing one; for it is practically impossible to gather a group for frequent meetings without having some real wish to know more and do more in a national way, be the outcome.

However, under present rulings, no club may rush into chapter status, for it must have a record of two years of regular meetings and a satisfactory minimum of members before it is allowed to undertake the responsibilities of a chartered alumnae chapter. In the meantime or for as long as five or more members find themselves within a convenient radius, all the gain that regular companionship with sisters can afford, is open to each club member.

In view of the greatly increased in-

terest in clubs, and the rapid growth of their number, and considering that the number of alumnae enrolled in clubs will soon equal or outstrip that of the members enrolled in alumnae chapters, the indication is that a closer and more responsible recognition of club influence will be made by the national council. Only the future can tell what this will be, for it must be the logical outgrowth of the club movement and represent the wish of the alumnae represented in them. But it seems safe to say that as alumnae clubs become of more permanent character, and as they come to express themselves as interested in the affairs of the sorority, a place will be found for them to make this influence official and active.

On the whole the activities of the clubs duplicates that of the chapters, probably on a smaller scale and with more attention to the purely social, informal type of intercourse. To make a circle in which a newcomer or temporary resident of any town or city may find satisfying Delta Zeta contact for the duration of her stay is a possibility for even a small, changing club. To provide for the renewing of sorority activity by encouraging support of the altruistic program; of the magazine campaign, or merely of distributing modern information on the sorority or its undertakings; or, more interestingly to be able to know some college chapter group, possibly not her own, but just as interesting nevertheless, are some of the possibilities of club membership.

The register of clubs active at this time (1934) includes the following: Ann Arbor, whose special program is coöperation with Alpha Eta Chapter: Bangor, Me.; Binghamton, N.Y.; Bloomington, Ind., centered around Epsilon Chapter and its associational activities. Boulder, Colo.; Dallas, Tex.; Houston, Tex.; Eureka, Ill.; Flint, Mich., a newly formed club which offers residents of this section very enjoyable associations; Grand Rapids, Mich.; Madison, Wis.; Milwaukee, Wis.; Miami, Jacksonville, and Tampa, Fla., all greatly interested in the chapter-house plans of Alpha

Sigma; Omaha, Neb.; Rockford, Ill.; Sioux City, Iowa; Des Moines, Iowa; Iowa City, Iowa; Syracuse, N.Y.; Akron, Ohio; Toledo, Ohio; Elwood, Ind.; Franklin, Ind.; Champaign, Ill.; Wichita, Kan.; the New Jersey Club, centering in the northern part of the state; Providence, R.I., club; Memphis, Tenn., and Knoxville, Tenn., formed simultaneously with the installation of Beta Lambda Chapter; Scranton-Wilkes-Barre, Pa.; Harrisburg, Pa.; Topeka, Kan.; Maysville, Ky.; Louisville, Ky.; Lexington, Ky.; Atlanta, Ga.; Corvallis, Ore.; Eugene, Ore.; Richmond, Va.; Tucson, Ariz.; Spokane, Wash.; Tacoma, Wash.; Grand Forks, N.D.; Philadelphia, Pa.; Salt Lake City, Utah; St. Louis, Mo.; Oklahoma City, Okla.

A number of these clubs are the definite outgrowth of the activities of the committee of state chairman, who have been working since 1929, and in addition to the formation of new clubs, a number of states are inaugurating state gatherings. Those who have reported the beginnings of this custom, in a state or district scope, are, Alabama (Founders' Day, 1933, Kentucky; Founders' Day and during the meeting of the K.E.A.—two meetings) Arizona, State luncheon and dance, Spring 1934. Kansas, during the K.E.A. 1933; and spring, 1934.

Mothers' Clubs

A much appreciated addition to the alumnae organizations' help to college chapters, one which sometimes must bridge over the gap while an alumnae group is in the making, is the Mothers' Club.

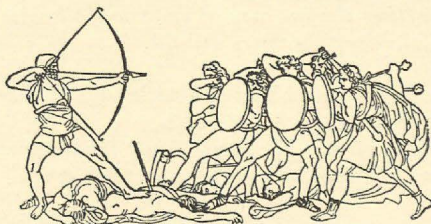
Naturally most of the mothers are not themselves Delta Zetas, therefore their participation and their assistance is rather more general than fraternal. However, no sister within the bonds could do more or stand by more loyally and effectively through rushing seasons, through chapter house financing, through progress of whatever kind, than do these mothers.

Some of the chapters, particularly Psi

and Alpha Omega, have worked out simple initiation forms which are used in receiving new mothers into membership in the club. Many mothers wear the Mothers' Pin, some having received it from the individual daughters and some from grateful chapters.

Chapters who have found their Mothers' Clubs particularly helpful include: Eta, where the mothers and the few local alumnae united in forming the Delta Zeta Circle; Theta, whose mothers have been of much help in furnishing the chapter house; Kappa, which dares not show partiality between its Mothers' Club and its Fathers' Club, so devoted and helpful has each been; Mu, whose mothers have assumed almost the aspect of fairy godmothers for their many generous and timely gifts; Nu, whose mothers open their homes for the chapter meetings, no house being allowed; Xi, whose mothers largely furnished the house which Xi for a short time maintained, and who contribute generously to Vest each year, also giving two scholarships to the University of Cincinnati; Pi, whose mothers join with alumnae in most activities; Sigma, whose mothers and patronesses join hands to entertain and assist the chapter; Psi, which always has the assistance of its mothers during fall rushing; Omega, whose mothers rallied to help finance and furnish the new chapter house; Alpha Alpha, whose mothers have one of the largest and most active groups of all, and meet at the chapter house monthly; Alpha Lambda, which received many lovely gifts for its house from the Mothers' Club; Alpha Nu, whose mothers, like Alpha Alpha, make the house their headquarters; Alpha Omega, which has a Mothers'

Club almost as old as the chapter itself; Beta Zeta, Beta Gamma, and Beta Delta, who find mothers helpful in their campaign for a chapter lodge; and Beta Iota which has had the assistance of mothers from the days of its local status. Most of these mothers' clubs find that the chapter housemother is a genuine addition to their membership, since her official capacity gives her the most accurate possible idea of what would be the most helpful contribution the mothers could make. Among the many who have given unusually long and devoted service to the chapter and to the mothers' club there must be mentioned the following: Mrs. Calhoun who for ten years mothered the Delta girls; "Mother" Horr, at Eta, who really was the mother of an Eta member, Mrs. C. J. Fischer; Mrs. Hattie Maris, who for twelve years has been at the helm of Kappa Chapter; "Mother" Bice of Lambda, who became a Delta Zeta herself before she closed her term of service, and later assisted the newly installed Alpha Lambda group in the same capacity; "Aunt Carrie," as the Mu girls lovingly called Mrs. Howard, who was their gentle house director for 17 years; Phi initiated their chaperon and made a sister of Miss Carolyn Young; Mrs. Ida Norris of Alpha Alpha is the ideal of the entire chapter, for her enchanting good looks as well as her capability and her ardent interest in all that matters to the chapters; Mrs. Myrtle Leland of Alpha Gamma came to the chapter when it entered the new house, and with her Alpha Gamma hopes to "live happy ever after"; Mrs. Mary Clough is a genuine Delta Zeta aunt, and a heartwarming "mother" to all Alpha Chi Chapter.





The Flame of the Lamp

*Flame of the Lamp, we will tend thee,
Ever faithfully, eagerly;
Gleam of the Lamp, we will follow thee
With unswerving footsteps.
Warmth of the Lamp, we will share thee,
Lighting new torches of friendship.*

*Flame of the Lamp, fire of the Lamp,
Burn in our hearts forever.
Flame of dreams, fire of deeds,
Glow in our hearts forever.
Fair flame, white fire, enkindle
Flame on the altar of life,
Fire on the hearthstone of life.*

*That me may see;
That we may be clear-visioned and worthy
Of bearing the Undying Flame.*

MIRIAM MASON SWAIN, *Epsilon*

"Goodbye"

*"So now goodbye, goodbye
May our paths ne'er grow apart
Goodbye, goodbye, deep in our hearts
A flame is burning and hopes are yearning
To keep it steadfast and burning there.
It is the flame of love and Delta Zeta friendship
That we keep sacred there, for no one else to see
And though now we must go away, we know that
We'll come back some day
For our hearts can never say
That word
Goodbye."*

XI CHAPTER

Blue Flame

*A thin, ethereal flame of blue,
Curling from lamps of gold,
Wafting the incense of friendship true,
Made dear by vows untold.*

*Keep the lamp burning with fuel of love,
Replenish the oil of faith;
Let the lamp glow with hope from above,
And the light gleam forever with truth.*

VIVIAN JANNEY, *Alpha Rho*



Ritual and Insignia

*"Oft have we bowed before thy shrine
And pledged anew our love to thee . . ."*

THE ritualistic ceremonies of the Delta Zeta Sorority parallel the development and growth of the organization in other lines. First in point of time is the service for initiating candidates into active chapter membership. This ceremony as we know it today, shows considerable deviation from the original service, although close examination discloses that most of the differences are not fundamental changes but rather additions, refinements of presentation and simplifications of performance.

When the newly formed Delta Zeta Sorority first announced itself through the columns of the Miami "Student" it was already equipped with a full initiation service for the neophytes expected shortly to be added. In fact, Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson claims that there were some details to the initiation she received which were not later on included, chiefly because the theft of the coffin, one of the important properties, made this part impossible! . . . But though adhering for this one time to campus custom of having some "rough" or "mock" elements to their service, the Delta Zeta quickly abandoned that practise and it has remained a service of beauty and dignity unmarred by buffoonery.

At the time of the coalescing of Alpha Chapter with the Phi Tau group, at Miami, the Delta Zeta girls burned their ritual and destroyed most of the secret property of the sorority. When Alpha was being revived, in 1907-08, the ritual was re-written by some of the alumnae. Although in the main quite like the old one, being written from loving memory there were a number of changes consciously made at this time. Enough, at any rate, so that when, in later years, a Delta Zeta visiting in New York was horrified to be told by a member of Tri Delta that she knew the Delta Zeta ritual and all secrets, she could be com-

forted by the assurance from those who knew both the first and the later "secrets" that the lady in question was mistaken, whatever her honest belief might have been in making the statement.

With the addition of new chapters, came the necessity for passing on the ritual and constitution. This was done by the simple, but laborious process, for the first several chapters, of copying these two documents, by hand and *in toto*, in the archives book of the new chapter. The logic of this plan is readily seen from the provision that the initiates were required to affix their signatures "to the constitution" which they literally did, page after page of these old books bearing the signatures and initiation dates of the chapter's members from year to year. But notwithstanding the fact that each new chapter did thus have a true copy of the ritual as held in Alpha's possession, there grew up minor differences in wording and presentation, so that members of one chapter, witnessing the ceremony at some sister group, saw some things not done "as we do them in our chapter." A new set of copies was made and distributed to effect a return to uniformity of usage. But where old custom has made a thing endeared, changes are difficult to secure, and out of these very differences grew requests that certain of the modifications be made official, as they found favor in the eyes of the members. A standing committee on ritual was therefore appointed, and was in activity until 1924 Convention. A number of changes, mostly incidental and pertaining to manner of presenting certain bits of the service, were the result of this committee's work. Those of the suggestions which were accepted by the Convention were ordered written into the official initiation ceremony and a committee from the Grand

Council was formed to put this service into readiness for distribution as modified. The province meetings of 1925 produced a whole flock of additional suggestions and questions and the many installations of the biennium also produced their quota of moot points to be settled. Following the 1925 Council meeting a new set of copies with all changes and detailed instructions for performance, was made and distributed to the chapters.

These instructions, together with the general use of the new robes adopted at the 1924 Convention, did much to insure that initiation would be more uniform and more effective. In 1926 and 1928 there were model initiations held at National Convention, each by a chapter especially selected for efficiency in its ritualistic work, and for a candidate of outstanding interest to the sorority.

The 1930 and 1933 Convention initiations were a departure from this, being given by the National Council with such assistance as was needed from the Province Presidents, in an attempt to give what would truly be worthy of being called a model initiation. The 1930 initiation demonstrated the loving cup service as a part of the initiation banquet; that of 1933, the newest feature of the service, the preliminary and concluding apostrophes, to be given the candidates by the chapter Alumnae Adviser, as a preparatory introduction to what they shall see exemplified in the formal service. This has been put into uniform use in the chapters and has been found highly successful and helpful. Its careful, authentic preparation is the work of Ruth Robertson, *Delta*, and Fannie Putcamp Smith, *Zeta*, the final editing being done by Margaret Huenefeld Pease.

From Delta Chapter came the simple outline for the first pledge service used by the chapters in general. This service allowed considerable freedom to the local chapter in extent of formality, and in actual usage it appeared that there were more differences than similarities in the various chapter renditions. At the time of the installation of Alpha Theta

Chapter, in 1923, a specially prepared service was used, the work of Julia Bishop Coleman and Grace Mason, installing officers. Though using the Delta outline, and retaining some of its material this was a more detailed and carefully specified service. The representatives from active chapters who were present for the installation liked the new service so much that they all wished copies to take back home for use, and urged that it be presented at the next Convention for official adoption. Such changes as would make the service suitable for use of a chapter for its own pledges, rather than designating the occasion of an installation, were accordingly made, and the ceremony demonstrated at the 1924 Convention. It was favorably received and adopted for official use, remaining the sole approved pledge service.

Feeling that there was a real place for a service to be used at the time of installing of chapter officers, the Grand Council meeting of 1917 appointed a committee for the purpose of preparing such a ritual, its chairman being Grace Alexander Duncan. The service as later submitted was adopted and is still the official one, although certain changes have been necessitated as constitutional provisions on chapter officers have gone into effect.

Initiation Service for Alumnae Members

At the 1922 Convention there was presented, more or less spontaneously and growing from informal alumnae discussions, a service to be used for the initiation of members into an alumnae chapter. Certain delegates, voicing a wish for such service, learned from the Pittsburgh delegation that their chapter, too, had felt this need, and being unable to find one ready prepared, had worked out one for themselves. To Helen Pool Rush, one of Omicron's charter members, goes the credit for this service. It is much less formal than the ceremony conferring active membership, yet it is inspirational and pleasing. The delegates liked it as presented, but Miss Rush

pleaded for a chance to finish it more to her liking. However, copies were made and distributed to the alumnae chapters during the next biennium, and although not as yet formally adopted by Convention vote, the ceremony remains in use by a numbers of chapters.

Induction-into-alumnae-membership Service

At the 1924 Convention it was proposed that while a service initiating members into the alumnae chapters had a place of its own, there would always be more alumnae whose lives did not make this association possible for them, and that for them there should be something to mark their change in status from active chapter members to parts of the alumnae body at large. As suggested, such a service would be given each chapter's seniors, at or near their Commencement time, by qualified members of their own alumnae membership. Some delay was experienced in the developing of such a service, as no chapter had worked out any form to be used as a basis for the ritual, but by 1928 a suggested service, the work of Ruth Robertson of Delta Chapter (then chairman of ritual committee), was ready for consideration. Adopted provisionally for two years, the 1930 Convention found that certain changes would be needed. These being made it was used in rather scattering fashion until the Convention of 1933. At this time further modifications were made, a clear distinction was made between this service and that for use of alumnae chapters in welcoming their new members, and the service again made provisional until the 1936 Convention. Indications are that it will be adopted permanently as it is suitable and seems to mark an important milestone in a member's progress in her sorority life.

Installation Service for National Officers

The first demonstration of a ritualistic service for the installing of a National Council was at the 1924 Convention. A tentative service was prepared by Julia

Bishop Coleman, who as chance would have it, was herself the first National President to be installed under this service. With some modifications, this service has been used at each succeeding convention. It is given as the last business of the convention, the retiring National President conducting the service and administering the oath. In the event of a president's being re-elected, the oath is administered by the last ex-president in attendance at the convention.

Founders' Day

Founders' Day, first set aside by the Convention of 1912, was observed in varying manners by the chapters for a number of years. In 1923 Nettie Wills Shugart suggested that all chapters make their festivities uniform to the extent of incorporating a candlelighting service into the banquet which was the almost uniformly favored manner of celebrating the day. She presented a simple outline for such service, and it was at once favorably received. As time went on, there grew up a feeling that something more formal, more specifically honoring the Original Six, would be appropriate to this gathering, and such a ceremony was prepared for use in 1927 by Grace Mason Lundy. Modified somewhat for the Founders' Day of 1931, due to the passing of Anne Simmons Friedline, the service is used as the prelude to the candlelighting proper, and while not strictly ritualistic, nor formally adopted, seems to be generally acceptable and useful.

Memorial Services for Deceased Members

In a number of cases there have been requests for some Delta Zeta service to be used at the funeral of a member, and it is interesting to know that this suggestion, too, was made by the 1917 Council to its ritual committee. Crystal Hall, *Epsilon*, and Nettie Wills Shugart, *Zeta*, prepared and submitted such a service, short and not too oppressively sad. Whether the service as they wrote it was ever distributed to the chapters or was ever used by any chapter, no record

shows, but it has not as yet been presented for the Convention vote, which would be necessary for its formal adoption. Some of the chapters, notably Xi, when called upon to use some such service for members of their own, have prepared simple ceremonies at the time of the occasion, and on the whole this seems the more satisfactory and sincere way.

The 1924 Convention, which seemed to be the significant date for so many things, also saw the first formal Memorial Service. This tender and poignant bit of sentiment had been a part of previous conventions, the placing of roses in a bowl as the roll call of deceased members was called, being the uniform procedure. The 1924 service was prepared by Lois Higgins, *Alpha*, who also conducted the memorial hour. It was beautiful and significant, and was repeated at the 1926 Convention, where its meaning was given a difficult sharpness by the fact that Treva McCarty, *Psi*, had died in San Francisco the day after arriving there with the Convention Special. The 1928 Service was in special honor of Dr. Guy Potter Benton, who had died the previous year, and was not exactly the service as given the two previous years. In the 1930 and 1933 Conventions given by Alfa Lloyd Hayes and Rene Sebring Smith, respectively, there was a tendency to make the memorial service shorter, and less formal, and no official action was taken to adopt the service as presented and used these former years.

Mothers' Club Initiations

A local custom which is unlikely ever to become general but which is not without interest is that found in *Psi* and *Alpha Omega*, where the active chapter has prepared a little form of initiation to be given to mothers of members as they come into membership in the Mothers' Club of the chapter. The mothers seem to enjoy this touch of secrecy and formality very much in these two instances, and the receiving of their individual Mother's Pin, at the time, makes it seem very much a real, true initiation.

There seems to be a place in our ritualistic forms yet, for a suitable service to be used in affiliating members; for an enlarged service to be used at the installing of a new college chapter, and for the installation of an alumnae chapter.

Openings and closings for chapter meetings might also be made more ritualistic. The prescribed opening of college chapter meetings, with the password, has been helpful in inducing an atmosphere of dignity and consideration to these routine services. It has been commented upon with favor by those alumnae who returning to the chapter after years of absence, find a new way in operation, and the password has endeared itself in particular. Not all members know, as do those who attended the 1926 Convention, when it was first used, that this password was devised by Marion Dittman Kasang, *Alpha Alpha*, and that it is inscribed on the reverse side of the pin which the sorority gave to Mrs. Coleman, the then retiring National President, as a symbol of its enduring love and esteem for her.

Insignia

*"'Tis an emblem that we honor
As the fairest of the fair..."*

As with the ritualistic services, so with the insignia—that pertaining to the formal initiation of a member naturally came first.

Many persons other than Delta Zetas have commented on the Delta Zeta pin as being especially artistic, effective and appropriate to a woman's use. The general ideas for the pin were worked out by the Founders, but the assembling of their suggestions into a suitable design was the work of a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, for many years associated with the jewelry company of Edwards, Haldeman & Co. At the time of the making of the first pins, however, he was with the Newman company, and they became the first official jewelers to Delta Zeta. The general design of the pin has not changed, but the first badges bore no pearls, being jeweled only with

the diamond in the flame. As there were but a few made without the pearls, and the usual losses and other catastrophes befell these early badges, all Delta Zetas will be glad to know that the national archives now contain one of the original six pins, that worn by Alfa Lloyd Hayes for many years. Mrs. Hayes presented this badge to the sorority for the sake of its historical importance, and the council in appreciation for this thoughtfulness, gave her in return a modern badge, with extra size diamond. Mrs. Hayes made her gift just a few years too late to receive one of the few "alumna badges" which were authorized in earlier days, but soon voted to be unsuitable and unofficial. These "alumna badges" were set with diamonds in the place where the regulation badge has the four pearls. Of course not every alumna would make the change, it being entirely optional; and not only was the added expense an item, but it was felt that this change would destroy the uniformity of the badge and likewise remove some of its symbolism, the four pearls having an integral part in its explanation since they were officially added. So, after but a few years in force, the "alumna badge clause" was nullified, and at present there is no badge to indicate alumna status. An interesting little anecdote hangs about the alumna badge, however. When Theta Chapter was installed, the pins of the charter members had not arrived and the installing team very generously loaned their own badges to the new sisters who of course would be most unwilling to appear on the campus without their pins. Martha Louise Railsback, who was one of the installing team, had one of these alumna badges, and Madeline Baird tells in a letter to Theta on its recent birthday banquet, how the Theta girls took turns in wearing this glittering bit of splendor. She adds, however, that the "greatest day of that whole year was the day when our own badges arrived."

Aside from the addition of the pearls as jewellery, the only other changes in the present pins from the original ones

is that they have been moved from the base of the lamp to the top of the column; and in other small refinements such as would naturally take place when jewelers are changed. Therefore, the description as given in the old local constitution is still applicable: "The pin is a Roman lamp, placed at the top of an Ionic column in which are set four pearls. Three wings extend from either side of the lamp which bears a diamond in its flame. The letters Delta Zeta appear in black enamel on the bowl of the lamp."



The exact time of adopting of the pledge pin, as well as the origin of its design, does not appear to be accurately known. The early ones were long stick-pins, but later came the use of the regular brooch clasp of today. The pledge pin does not become the property of the pledged member, but reverts to the chapter, thus avoiding any confusion by the wearing of two pins, as well as serving symbolically to indicate the temporary duration of pledge-ship. The standard pledge pin is a diamond of black enamel, on which is engraved the Roman lamp in gold. It is now used on almost every campus from the earliest moment of official pledging, replacing the pledge ribbons, which formerly were widely used.

Many members wear as guards to their Delta Zeta pin, small pins which are the letter name of their chapter. These are worn below and slightly to one side of the official pin. Other than the guard pin, no pin except that of a fiancé's or husband's fraternity is to be linked with the Delta Zeta pin, and no pin whatever is to be placed above it.

As definite tokens of membership Delta Zeta recognizes but these two badges, the pledge pin and the official membership badge conferred at initiation. None except duly elected and qualified members may possess or wear either

of these. It now causes a smile to read: in the old local constitution, that "no man except a brother, husband or fiancé may wear a Delta Zeta pin, with the exception of Dr. Guy Potter Benton, Grand Patron!" Also, that "All Delta Zeta pins now worn by men must be immediately recalled. . . ."

Recognition pins have been a more recent development in the line of fraternity insignia, and Delta Zeta has adopted as official recognition pin, the letters of our monogram, staggered, and in plain yellow gold. These being uniform, are found to be more satisfactory than the coat-of-arms pins worn rather generally as recognition pins before the monogram was made official.

From some chapters came the request that there be devised some pin or piece of jewelry which could be given to mothers, or used to honor patronesses of chapters. Lambda Chapter put before the 1922 Convention a motion, and presented at the same time a suggested pin. Their suggestion, a lantern, did not quite seem to please, so although the idea met with quick favor, action was impossible at that time. In the Beta Province Convention, April, 1925, a design was presented which at the Council meeting that summer was approved for a trial makeup by the jeweler. The sketches and samples submitted were approved by the 1926 Convention and the formal approval of the proposed pin was given. This is a simple but attractive design, being a column, the duplicate of that on the regular badge except somewhat larger in size. No lettering appears, as it in no way confers membership, but only indicates honor and appreciation of the Delta Zeta member or chapter for someone not connected by initiation, but vitally interested. The pin is considered very appropriate and has proven popular since adopted.

There is no other official Delta Zeta jewelry for members at large, though the use of the coat of arms as decoration for personal jewelry articles is quite general, and every once in a while the latest device of some jeweler necessi-

tates the explanation that this sorority has no "national sweetheart pin" or other passing example of good salesmanship. A number of chapters have developed local customs which come to be regarded by them almost as of national, official importance, such as, the giving of a jeweled guard to the highest ranking pledge, or the adopting of a seal ring to be worn by the chapter president, etc. But these are all mere local adoptions of the official symbol used and carry no national significance.

However, the sorority has adopted one additional kind of official pin or emblem, those used by the national officers to indicate the offices held. These are small charms, worn on the guard chain, or as guards themselves (when not overly numerous for one officer!) and they vary with the office, though each pin is some part of the coat of arms. They are as follows:

President	The entire coat of arms
1st Vice-President	
.	The shield without the crest
2nd Vice-President	
.	The crest without the shield
Secretary	Scroll
Treasurer	Distaff
Editor	Book

Other Insignia

Chief among the other insignia of the sorority would be placed its coat of arms. That original used by Delta Zeta belongs to the "made" group of fraternity insignia; that is, it was not set up in accordance with the rules of heraldic device. Early proposals to have it revised to conform to such rules met with the opposition to be expected in such cases; viz., the feeling that usage and sentiment had made the old device more desirable than any new one. But not only did the national officers feel it important to have this insignia corrected for the sake of consistency, there came numbers of requests from members to have it changed; some due to a knowledge that it was inadequate as it stood, others to the discovery that die-makers criticised

it both as difficult and inaccurate. Occasionally some amusing error as that of the die made for Theta Chapter, showing an unmistakable owl where no owl was intended, lent point to the insistence for the revision. Feeling that the sight of suggested designs to replace the



old one might secure action from the 1924 Convention, Miss Smith had three such composed by Burr, Patterson's heraldry expert, Miss Emily Butterfield (ΑΓΔ). No one of the three proving entirely satisfactory, Mrs. Coleman, incoming president, appointed Iva Stock Smith of Alpha Chapter, to collaborate with Miss Butterfield in continuing to work on a more acceptable design. This combination of Miss Butterfield's technical knowledge and Mrs. Smith's familiarity with the meaning which Delta Zeta wished to incorporate in her emblem, resulted happily in the preparation of a design which retained most of the composing symbols and some of the general outline of the first one, and yet violated no rules for heraldic device. The design has proven effective and also well-liked after the first sensation of change had passed.

Delta Zeta has considered many suggestions for a banner or flag, and there seems to be some real wish for such a piece of insignia. However, to date no design has been produced either by a member or a business firm, which has met with sufficient favor for adoption, and it will remain for some later historian to tell what is the fate of this proposal.

Stationery

If we have no flag, however, we have

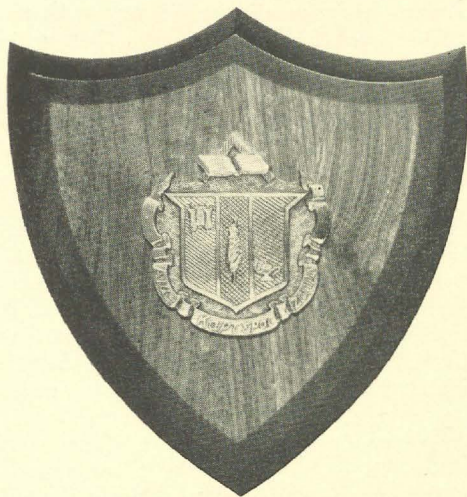
always had sorority stationery with us, and in a most amazing, rather than gratifying, variety! From the simple, hand-embossed "Delta Zeta" white on white, which is found on the correspondence of some of the earlier officers, we run the gamut to the very imposing stationery, elegantly engraved in Greek characters in black, the motto in full! Along in between come the aforementioned "crest" with the misplaced owl, the coat of arms in black, in green, in rose, in gold. A letter dated 1912 carries the pin embossed in gold on the notepaper, a design which does not at all appeal now as being attractive. Of course the most satisfactory design is the coat of arms in black, silver, or gold, and it has practically superseded every other form of device for use on stationery. Most chapters own their own die to use for their paper and other social correspondence paper, thus obtaining a more reasonable price and greater convenience.

Seal

The seal has never been changed since the founding of the sorority, remaining "our pin in a two inch circle, with the name, date and place of founding circumscribing the circle." Being purely official in usage, the seal is placed only under the authorization of council, on charters, formerly on membership shingles, and on certain of the more official communications.

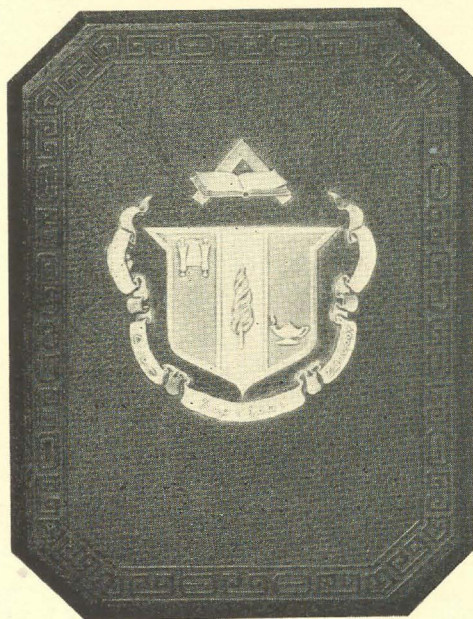
The Certificate of Membership

The minutes of the conventions and councils do not show when the first membership certificates or shingles were authorized, but they had come into use by the time of Madeline Baird's term of office as Registrar and were issued by that officer of the sorority until 1922 when Central Office took over the business formerly conducted by the sorority registrar. At that time the certificate was of stiff white board, engraved with the coat of arms, and with blanks left for the name, date and other data to be



PRESENT MEMBERSHIP PLAQUE
Presented to each initiate at time of initiation.

filled in. They were to be signed by the secretary of the chapter and the national president and secretary, and each initiate received one as part of her initiation supplies. These signatures, necessari-



GREEN LEATHER
Formerly used as Membership Plaque.

tating the passing of the shingle from one person to another, made the routine of their delivery quite cumbersome, so that in time some change was necessary. The change was quite a drastic one; for in 1925 the sorority adopted decorative plaques, with the coat of arms in proper colors, the membership certificate being a simple, business-like slip of paper sent out from the Central Office, signed by the Executive Secretary, and ready to be pasted to the back of the plaque. Third and last of the changes was that to the wood shield, with the coat of arms in bronze, bearing the membership statement on its reverse side. These shields are so much liked that the girls who were not initiated in their day are inclined to feel themselves slighted in the favor of the sorority.

Flower

The Founders established the Killarney rose as the official flower of the sorority. Though most suitable and dearly loved, this flower has in point of fact had to be abandoned for a more readily obtained rose, due to the practical extinction of real Killarneys. The colors rose and green are of a perennial freshness and beauty, and in the minds of most of our members an inseparable combination, each from the other and the sorority.

Whistle

Some years ago when a certain popular song came out, the Delta Zetas were fain to adopt and modify it for their own, so absolutely did its call approximate that of the sorority. In somewhat obscure fashion the old constitution set forth the whistle, and the answer; "The whistle is Del-ta Ze-ta, two short tones followed by two long ones; and the answer is, "I'm coming," but no indication given as to how one showed this. Time has established the following as the right tones for the whistle:



Loving Cup

Every Delta Zeta chapter owns and cherishes its chapter loving cup. In most cases these are of silver, and are distinguished from the ordinary loving cup not only for their graceful shape and their Delta Zeta engraving, but by the fact of their three handles—their Delta Zeta characteristic. The chapters installed since 1922 have in almost every case received their original cups as gifts from their sponsoring chapters, province, and national council now. Older chapters have received theirs as gifts from alumnae or more prosaically purchased them from the obliging treasury. A very few still remain of the original china cups, little, graceful three handled cups painted lovingly by hand by Nettie Wills Shugart, who introduced the loving cup ceremony to our ritual, and presented by her to several chapters: Zeta, Nu and a few others. These little china cups, decorated with hand painted roses and the sorority letters, serve quaintly to remind us of the sentiment of Mrs. Shugart, although they are neither so appropriate nor so enduring as the official silver cups.

Installations

Just as the member's personal initiation is to her an unforgettable experience of beauty and idealistic inspiration, an indescribable bit of living which remains in memory fresh with enthusiasm and tenderness forever after, so, for a chapter, is the entire experience of installation. Centering, naturally, about the initiation services, it contains as well so many other experiences, compressed for this first time into a short compass of the calendar, that both for the charter members of the new group and for those who administer the ceremonies, this epitome of sorority experience holds something distinct, memorable, attained in no other way.

In this present era, there is a definite procedure for installation, an orderly arrangement of the various steps by which the local group ascends from its

independent status to membership in the national organization. But all this has come about with the experience of years, and through many and varied installation experiences.

Although the actual details of just *how* Betty Coulter all alone, installed Beta Chapter's five charter members, are somewhat sketchy, there seems to have been nothing lacking whatever in the satisfaction of the new Delta Zetas, and indeed one is tempted to believe that if any one person could approximate an entire chapter giving an initiation service, that one is Bess Coulter Stephenson. We have it from actual report that these five did receive an initiation service and that when their pins were placed over their hearts on their Founders' birthday, their cup of happiness was full to overflowing. No formal reception could ever replace in their affections, the "spread" in the room at Sage Hall, which composed the whole of the initial social side of their installation.

The installations of Delta and Epsilon, next in order, were quite a bit more elaborate and formal. Alfa Lloyd Hayes, assisted by Ruth Gaddis and Hazel Bryan, conducted the initiation and installation of Delta Chapter, and the chapter ceremonies as well as a reception to their college friends, were held at the home of Professor and Mrs. Dobell. The next day these indefatigable workers journeyed on to Bloomington, to install Epsilon, and Martha Railsback accompanied them and assisted in the installation. She made what is probably the sorority's record for short time from neophyte to installer. Each of these charter groups was small, initiation being held for six, in each chapter, and all the preparations correspondingly simpler and less arduous than today.

We are told that Mrs. Hayes was somewhat handicapped in her installation of Zeta Chapter, being the only member able to go for this purpose, and that she simply gathered the charter members about her and read and explained the ritual to them. The new chapter was eager to try out its own

powers in initiations, however, and was sufficiently skilled at administering the ceremonies that it could take charge of the installation of Eta Chapter three months after its own establishment. Although two days were given over to this installation, it seems that the larger part of the time was consumed with social affairs, so that it must have been a gala occasion indeed. At this time, the formal initiation of members was the only service administered by installing officers, pledging being merely a routine statement, and the installation of chapter officers yet to be devised.

We do not know which charter group was the first to undergo the now commonplace sorority examination before its initiation, but this examination has been an established piece of installation routine ever since the Delta Zeta Freshman Course of Study was first published. More than one installing team can remember the feverish concentration with which it worked, in units, to grade a pile of these examination books between pledging and initiation time, along with all the other multitude of social and sorority duties facing it; for invariably, in their excitement and enthusiasm, charter members write *long* papers!

Mu's installation, in 1915, was unquestionably the most elaborate and best-organized up to that time, as well as given with the largest number of Delta Zetas attending, who had ever assembled for an installation. The excitement and enthusiasm of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, as well as the more closely allied meeting of the National Panhellenic Congress, made this installation one of distinguishing details. From the local Enewah Club which became Mu Chapter, came the most elaborate and beautiful petition book received by Delta Zeta up to that time. This book was ultimately returned to the chapter to serve as the basis for their chapter's history; but its form and make-up became the model upon which all later petitions received by the sorority were patterned.

Nu Chapter, the "gift" to the sorority of Delta Chapter, was installed by a group which contained a number of its older "sisters" and from this time on dates the custom which obtained for years, of a sponsoring chapter for each new group. These sponsors were selected in various ways; sometimes because of the interest shown by some older group in developing and assisting a new one (as Lambda sponsoring Alpha Lambda, and Tau, Alpha Phi); sometimes from some particular attachment through a member of the sponsoring chapter (as Alpha Xi was formed from a group developed by Dorothy Allen, of Xi), sometimes simply by request of the Council when there was no chapter associated by sentiment or proximity, with the new group. It was for years the custom for the sponsoring chapter to present to the new group the chapter's loving cup, and there was generally a representative from the sponsoring chapter who presented the cup and assisted in the installation and brought a special greeting from the older chapter. This touch of sentiment was much loved but was eventually abandoned because of the factors of expense, distance and other complications which were more frequently found as the chapter roll increased, and the later custom arose, of the chapters within the province acting as a combined sponsoring group to the newcomers.

Omega Chapter at the University of Oregon, was fortunate in being installed by almost the entire Chi Chapter; the two institutions being only about an hour's distance apart and Chi girls just entering their second year on campus when they had the privilege of welcoming a sister chapter. Similarly, Alpha Alpha girls in large numbers journeyed downstate to the installation of Alpha Beta Chapter, and Upsilon members to Gamma's induction.

We do not know when an especial part of installation ceremonies was first given to formal pledge service, but we do know that the old pledge service had been used a number of times before it gave place,

in 1924, to the present one. This service was first prepared and used for the installation of Alpha Theta Chapter at the University of Kentucky and the original copy was quickly passed on from group to group that year, as installations were being held for a number of chapters in anticipation of Convention in June. Alpha Kappa and Alpha Mu installations were both attended by Alfa Lloyd Hayes, who had been absent from Delta Zeta work for some years and must have felt indeed like walking into a new incarnation when she viewed the changes from the installations of 1909 and '10. These two chapters were installed in immediate succession and by the same team, Vera Brown Jones (then Editor), being in charge, and having as her assistants Mrs. Hayes, Frances Hanke-meier Ellis, *Epsilon*, Helen Rush, *Omicron*, and members of Beta and Omicron Chapters. Beta sponsored Alpha Kappa and Omicron, Alpha Mu.

Alpha Phi and Alpha Chi Chapters were installed as the central event of province conventions, this combination increasing the attendance at both events; but probably not contributing largely to the calm and ease for the officers who must take charge of both events.

Alpha Omega was privileged to hold its formal announcement reception at the governor's mansion, having for its friends and patrons Governor and Mrs. Whitfield.

Beta Alpha's installation presented a number of interesting features, among them being the fact that there were present among its guests, charter members of three other chapters, Theta, Alpha Eta and Alpha Rho, no one of whom had attended any initiation since her own; and that the latter two of these had been installed by Grace Mason who again was an assistant at Beta Alpha's installation.

For the installation of Beta Beta, the entire Alpha Omega Chapter travelled to "Ole Miss." This installation as well as that of Beta Delta at South Carolina, held the special interest of being on a campus which was reopening to organi-

zations after a long closed period, and in each case there is a strong element of romance surrounding the university.

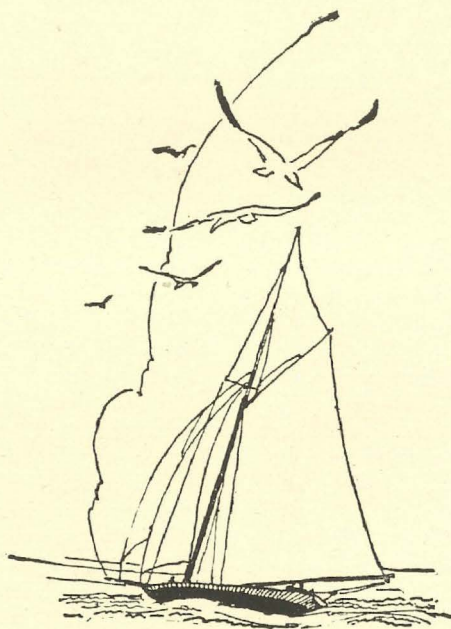
Some of the installations have held in homes or quarters graciously lent by organizations on the same campus; thus Alpha Theta's formal reception was held in the Kappa Kappa Gamma house; Alpha Nu was initiated in the Pi Beta Phi house at Butler; Alpha Pi was compelled by the generosity of the men's fraternities at Howard to hold her ceremonies variously in the Sigma Nu and Pi Kappa Phi lodges; Alpha Sigma was tendered a reception by the Florida chapter of Alpha Delta Pi; Alpha Rho's reception was held in the home of the Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity; Beta Alpha could never have had so beautiful an initiation elsewhere in Kingston as she had in the new home of the Sigma Kappa girls; and many other remembrances of courtesies from fellow Greeks come to mind in recalling installations.

Now there is less confusion and packed excitement in installations, for the sorority has instituted a new plan, one which works out to the advantage of the chartering groups though it perhaps takes from some of the almost-coveted hubbub of earlier days. The charter group having had its petition accepted, goes into a period of what amounts to pledgship just as does the individual pledge in any established chapter. The province president or some representative of the national council, conducts pledge services for the group, equips them with working guides belonging to any recognized chapter, gives some training in how to conduct their chapter affairs in accordance with Delta Zeta forms, coaches their pledge captain as to how to train the pledges of the pledged group and gives them a good practical start in their career as Delta Zeta pledges. The resident alumna adviser continues this assistance until the period of training is considered to have been satisfactorily concluded. She then conducts the sorority examinations, and grades same; and is in charge of local arrangements for the convenience of the

installing team. Thus the formal installation is less hurried and strenuous for both visitors and chapter. The routine of installation ceremonies includes the initiation of the members and the formal installation banquet following it; the ritual for installing the officers of the new chapter; the conducting of a model, formal chapter meeting and if there are alumnae initiated, the ritual for inducting alumnae into alumnae membership.

Each of these services, dignified and exactly suited to the place it was designed to fill, marks a logical step in the Delta Zeta experience of the individual

member and the chapter as a unit. The improvements in the presentation of each service, the completeness of the equipment and the ease with which installations are conducted by such veterans of experience as Julia Bishop Coleman, Rene Sebring Smith, Margaret Huenefeld Pease, Grace Mason Lundy, combine to make installations truly not only a labor, though labor it still is, of love, but beautiful pageants of affection; a delight not only in the actual living of it, but equally precious when "they flash upon that inward eye, which is the bliss of solitude."



Traditions

*"These college days will soon be past, girls
But love and loyalty will last . . ."*

SHAKESPEARE had a phrase for it: he said, "Hath not old custom made this life more sweet?" And it is the new customs, growing into old, which make the unique sentiment that holds the sorority girl to her chapter and her sisters. Each chapter builds and cherishes the detail of its traditions; each thinks its own the dearest, yet each eagerly seeks for the customs of others and borrows and adapts from those which seem inviting. Hence there grows up in the national organization a mass of tradition with both similarity and difference. Perennial interest in these is manifested at every gathering of chapters or chapter delegates. Probably not the least profitable of all the convention sessions are those when girls in informal groups exchange reports on chapter customs of both social and campus activities.

Probably no member of Delta Zeta ever felt more deeply the value of chapter traditions in molding and influencing its members, than did Nettie Wills Shugart. Deeply devoted to her sorority and her own chapter, she strove constantly to enrich the life of Zeta Chapter by encouraging it to establish firmly all that should form its chief traditions; she studied for ways in which desirable chapter traits should become fixed habits through the pleasant medium of chapter sentiment, and at every opportunity she urged and encouraged the girls to cherish and perpetuate those chapter customs which held most meaning for them. It is to her that we owe much of the ceremony and importance attached to Founders' Day; the observance of which has since 1912 developed into possibly the most universal of all Delta Zeta traditions. Though she did not develop the ceremony as now used for this celebration, Mrs. Shugart was the first one to suggest a uniform observance centering around the candle-lighting cer-

emony; and now every chapter, and every group of alumnae who join together to renew their ties of love and loyalty, on October 24 of each year, carry out her suggestion, though she is no longer with us to light her candle.

In addition to national Founders' Day, many chapters have established the custom of observing the date of the chapter's foundation. Delta, Epsilon, Pi, Upsilon, Alpha Xi, and others make much of their local anniversaries. When it chances that these dates fall near the established time for initiation, a combination of initiation and alumnae reunion for the birthday makes an occasion full of attraction and significance.

Other chapters find that the University Homecoming is the more suitable time for the chapter reunion as well, and whether this be at the time of the most exciting "Big Game" of the year, with traditional "Open House" as kept by Mu; or at Commencement time when class reunions serve to draw back many alumnae, as with Delta, Epsilon, Kappa, Upsilon, Chi, the Homecoming is one of the most valuable of the chapter customs both to the chapter each year and the alumnae who thus are kept on the pilgrim trail back to the college shrine.

Nearly all chapters make some observance for Mothers' Day. Where possible for the mothers to come often to the chapter house, this takes the form usually of a very special dinner, with corsages and a suitable program. Chapters with a large out-of-town membership sometimes make their Mothers' Day in the form of a week-end visit from the mothers who can come; and who generally are able to give the chapter a real surprise in their youthful capacity for "a lot of punishment" in the way of going places and doing things. Some chapters have the graceful custom of sending Mothers' Day greetings to their patronesses; and

to the mothers of any deceased members of the chapter.

So far as reported, Kappa is unique in its impartial attention to parents; for Kappa (not, let us hope, with any canny eye to ulterior gain) has always paid special attention to her fathers. In 1916 the chapter inaugurated the custom of a Fathers' Dinner; which proved entirely delightful to the feted and flattered fathers. So much so, indeed, that since 1924 there has been a regular Fathers' Club for this chapter, which has loyally aided and backed the chapter in its every undertaking. Alpha Beta Chapter always joins in the University observance of Dads' Day (a custom now used in many universities, but originated at Illinois) and the week-end which the Alpha Beta fathers spend in the chapter midst is one of the highlights of the year for both girls and parents.

Although Mothers' Clubs are not strictly a chapter tradition, the observances which the two groups have developed do form part of the chapter's established customs. Alpha Omega and Psi have developed simple initiation services which they use for making new mothers and patronesses a part of the Club and exchange of parties is the custom in almost every case; while to the gifts and surprises showered by the mothers on the chapters there seems to be no end. Upsilon Chapter has always been unusually fortunate in its loyal and interested patroness body, and with this chapter the activities which generally mark a Mothers' Club are largely found with the Patroness Club.

Two groups which center many chapter traditions are the Freshmen, and the Seniors. Practically every chapter has some established form of entertaining for its new pledges, in order to present the group formally to the college community. The form most favored for this seems to be a dance; doubtless due to the desire on the part of the pledges to begin experiencing the full thrill of college as soon as may be. Other commendable customs include the giving by Delta Zeta pledges of a tea or informal party for

all other pledges on campus; a custom which Psi has interestingly varied by annually giving, usually around Washington's birthday, a party to *all* Freshmen women. This is easily possible in a small, intimate college and proves excellent in building a friendly and democratic spirit among the freshman girls.

More strictly chapter affairs are the other events planned for the benefit of the pledges. Scarcely a chapter fails to include in its list some special plan for the testing and trying of its pledges; among these we find certain local names, of significance to the lowly state supposed to be occupied by pledges—from the "pup" party of Pi, to "goat day," the "goat show" (mostly southern in usage); even worse, "rat" day (U. of Alabama and Howard College); while out at Chi they are called rookesses, the freshman boy being a "rook." . . . The production of an original (?) song by each pledge or at least each pledge group, seems universal; as well as the requirement for producing a show or stunt to meet the demands of the exacting upperclassmen. Generally these conclude with some sort of festivity offered by the gratified initiates; a spread, or a picture show, or some other unbending of the stern and awful dignity essential until the pledge ordeal is properly concluded. In addition Alpha Xi gives annually a beautiful, formal pledge banquet, at formal pledging, second semester. In addition to this required contribution of wit, humor and clowning, the pledges of most chapters either entertain for their upperclass sisters, or present the chapter with a gift; even in some cases, both. Kappa Chapter's pledge party takes the form of a traditional "Blue and Silver" dance. Pledges are given a spread by Omicron Chapter, which having no house, uses college buildings or the homes of members for gathering places.

In addition, many chapters have established some form of award for pledges excelling in scholarship, in activities, in sorority attitude. Omicron gives a recognition pin, the permanent possession of the winner; Alpha Xi has

a ring which is passed on from year to year. Alpha Theta, a bracelet; the alumnae of Kappa Chapter make a scholarship award of cash to the freshman with highest standing. Epsilon gives an award or recognition, permanently held, usually taking the form of a large sized diamond in the pin. Other forms of awards used are, small loving cup (Sigma), name on a scholarship plaque, jewelled guard at initiation time; privilege of being initiated first, and so forth.

At the other end of college days, there cluster many customs of sentiment and some sorrow, for parting carries with it the suggestion of breaking up of associations that may never again be renewed. So, the chapter attempts to convey to its seniors the continuing love and pride which it feels in them and the seniors in turn generally leave as an enduring testimony of their affection, some gift of more than passing interest. Probably more frequent than any other sort of senior function is the breakfast tendered the class by the chapter. The class will, the prophecy, the miniature sheepskins found as place cards, the toasts to and from the seniors, all are found to be favored. Gifts are usually presented to the seniors at this time; for the most part some piece of jewelry, and here again recognition pins seem to be favored. Chapters in which a ring worn by the outstanding senior is a tradition, usually combine the passing on of this ring with the senior breakfast or festivity.

And while every chapter seems to hold to the favored "five pounds" which announces a member's engagement, most of them are inclined to favor having announcements of seniors' engagements to be made at the senior breakfast, when each girl who wishes to make the surprising (?) announcement must run around the table for the edification of her sisters.

Among the numerous chapters which maintain the tradition of the ring worn each year by the outstanding senior are Epsilon and Alpha Theta. Tau has developed something slightly different and

more ceremonial. This is a ring, crested, which is awarded to the senior (for the coming year) whose scholarship as well as service has been most outstanding. A formal, decorative record of these girls is kept, the new name being added each year. All former winners of the ring are invited to attend the presentation, and it is awarded by the senior who has worn it the year just ending. Engraved within the ring are the initial letters of a Greek motto significant of the symbolism involved; but this motto is never revealed to any except those who win the ring. Devised by Gwen Drake during her presidency as an incentive to individual accomplishment, the custom has proven one of value and its slight added dignity is very becoming.

Cincinnati, Columbus, Lincoln, Pittsburgh and many other alumnae groups located near a college chapter, entertain for the seniors either in the spring or during the summer, in order to give them a welcome into the activities of the alumnae group.

Chapters make much of the holidays throughout the year. In almost every chapter there is a Christmas party with a Santa, an exchange of gifts, names usually being drawn and a price limit set in order to make the whole nature informal and equitable. In a number of chapters these gifts are toys suitable for children, which, after yielding their quota of fun for the party, are passed on to the local charitable organization, or sent to Vest. Usually, too, the tree with its trimmings goes to some less fortunate family circle. Alpha Delta for some years entertained two small children selected for them by the Welfare Association, with a tree and a complete party; probably enjoyed as much by the chapter as by the guests. Omicron joins in the caroling which is an annual custom at Pitt, and different chapters report that a college tree, on campus, with electric illumination and carols sung by the students, is a favored custom.

Alpha Delta has a traditional Christmas breakfast to which all alumnae who are able, come. Joint parties with alum-

nae are found in numerous cases; and especially since the advent of the national social service program, the Christmas party is made the occasion for the packing of a box to be sent to Kentucky as a reminder of the sorority's holiday wishes to the girls there.

Theta Chapter's detailed history reports that one of their early innovations was a tea for faculty members, the first of its kind to be given on the O.S.U. campus, and as it was very successful, and they were much complimented on it, they took much pride in the achievement, making it after that an annual affair. Now faculty entertainment, generally with a tea, is a part of the social program of practically every chapter of Delta Zeta, and especially in these days when the oldtime intimacy between professor and student is rapidly dwindling to a mere tradition, these occasions serve to build up that personal contact without which college education loses much of its value. With such chapters as Alpha Xi, and others having lodges, these teas are times when the chapter may proudly "show off" its little kingdom and the care and formality with which this function is marked appeals both to the hostesses and the guests.

Similar in its aim of promoting college friendliness in a larger circle, is the plan sponsored on many college campuses, of Panhellenic exchange dinners, or song contests, or debates, or other intersorority contact. Pi entertains representatives from other groups at a "May breakfast." Delta Zeta chapters everywhere have made it a part of their policy to enter into these with as much spontaneity and interest as they put in their purely individual social life and find the return well repays them.

Beta and Alpha Beta Chapters from their establishment report that one of the chapter customs was a cake for any member's birthday, a custom which of course is quite in keeping with the very best storybook version of dormitory life. This custom is also found in numerous other chapters. Those with houses make ice cream and cake and candles and "Happy Birthday to you" a part of din-

ner; those which do not have houses seize upon these occasions for holding a spread, and making merry with songs and gifts until college rules for closing warn them to disperse. Pi Chapter calls these informal gatherings "cozies," borrowing a term much used formerly by Alpha Alpha and other groups at Northwestern. In the days when all women there must live in dormitory, the parties held by sororities were generally of this informal type and the name "cozy" was in general use to designate them. Eta uses the term "Pie Feed" to describe one of its chief annual gatherings, while Nu has always enjoyed its "Sandwich Shuffle."

Mu Chapter cherishes its Easter party. All pledges and initiates if possible, spend the night before Easter at the chapter house. Arising before dawn, they attend a sunrise Easter service together and return home for a good old-fashioned egg hunt. Likewise at Mu is the "attic" party, an annual affair with weird and wonderful costumes, supposedly resurrected from the attic as in fact they were on the occasion of the first party, and entertainment to match.

In every chapter there is the system of a sponsor or "Big Sister," "chapter mother" variously called, for each pledge. In some chapters the pledges choose, in others names are drawn. But in all chapters there prevails the custom of having frequent "dates" with each other; and the plan develops into one of helpfulness and close association continued all their college lives as well as later. In Omicron Chapter the "Big Sister" gives a toast to her pledge at initiation banquet. In Epsilon and in other chapters, the initiates receive gifts from their own Big Sisters; various chapters also give gifts of flowers, or something suitable such as their first box of crested stationery, to each initiate. Formerly it was quite in favor to give illuminated copies of the "Symphony" (to each initiate).

Practically every chapter holds at some time during the year an annual "Rose Dinner" or rose dinner dance. Many of these are in connection with

rushing time, when the significance of the rose lends itself so well to decoration schemes. Other traditional rushing schemes are: the wedding of Delta to Zeta, used by Alpha Alpha, Nu, Xi and others; the chink bridge of Omicron Chapter; the hotel party of Tau, and the Dutch breakfast established by several chapters.

Two chapters hold annual "Lucky 13" dances; these are Xi, which was established on the 13th of the month with 13 charter members; and Beta Iota, with similar significance.

Wedding gifts to chapter brides are not so frequent, for reasons easily surmised! but Upsilon Chapter for many years presented brides with a silver spoon engraved with the sorority letters; and Lambda Rho, the local chapter from which Alpha Iota was formed, presented its brides with a pair of silver candlesticks bearing the crest. Alpha Xi has also established a uniform gift for all brides whose wedding occurs within a certain time limit after graduation. . . . Among the younger chapters is a pleasant custom of remembering in some suitable way the first baby born to any of the chapter members.

Although it is assured that scrapbooks really are kept by a number of chapters, only two remembered to report them as chapter traditions, Epsilon and Kappa. They are surely worthwhile.

While the freshman and senior classes seem to command most of the emphasis in chapter festivities, class activities pertaining to the whole college find their representation and place within each sorority's number of that group. At certain of the women's colleges, as Florida, and R-M.W.C., the class activities are greatly enjoyed and within the sorority chapter the members of each class find outlet for their class spirit in connection with Odd and Even Demonstrations, or Daisy Chain Day, etc. Upsilon at North Dakota always enters with much spirit into the annual Carney Song contest, which is carried on by classes and is one of the main campus events each year. Upsilon was extremely proud when one year their girls won the prizes for

all four classes. (1929) The Junior women at Michigan stress their Junior Girls' Play as one of the outstanding features of the year; and the Juniors who are successful in assisting with the writing, costuming and acting of this play are always honored by the chapter. At California the Junior Extravaganza brings a competition for talent in the Juniors, both in writing and producing the really elaborate affair. Mu has twice had the honor of an extravaganza produced by one of its members; while the "Monon Revue" of DePauw was largely the work of Natalie Roberts, *Delta*, in 1929.

Mentioned at more length in the section on publications are the chapter news-letters or bulletins. A few still use Round Robin letters, these mostly the younger groups; but the older chapters find that their growing membership necessitates printed or at least mimeographed letters. Standing out among these as most successful or longest in point of existence are, Daffydills (Mu); Upsilon Uptodate; the Alpha Alpha News: the Chi-ogram, of Chi; Gamma's Gammaphone and Pi Pickups.

Numerous customs in which the college chapter and alumnae join forces for enjoyment, are reported; many of these mentioned in the section on alumnae influence. Among the traditions-in-information may be mentioned the administering by alumnae of the induction ceremony to seniors, each spring. This has in almost every case been the occasion for an enjoyable picnic or buffet supper in connection with the ceremony. Very fittingly this marks the transition from undergraduate days with the many happy and loved customs associated in their memory, to the enlarged sphere of interest which opens to the alumna member, not taking from her the beloved observances of her own youth, but enriching them with the opportunity which she has to assist in perpetuating and deepening those bonds, and she well may say that through these simple, but benign customs—

*"we forge strong bonds of friendship
a lasting unity."*

TO DELTA ZETA



1

Ionic Column

*The poignant notes of other lutes than mine
Have hurried in the Grecian dawn to sing
The strength and sturdy beauty of a line
That shouldered cloud and sky, unfaltering;
And other voices there, more consecrate,
With muted tone and hushed humility
Have sung of columns, tall, inviolate,
Mating the hills in durability.*

*And though I may not measure voice to voice
With Pindar, yet my heart would sanctify
Lines rising staunch and pure against the sun;
Ah, with a hallowed song I would rejoice
If I might set my lamp of living high
Upon Ionic strength that I had won.*

2

Four Pearls

*Four pearls I cup within my palm,
Jewels strung on an immortal chain,
As old as Abel mild to Cain
And brotherhood preached from a psalm.*

*Out of white beauty bringing balm
To tired hearts for some old pain,
Four pearls I cup within my palm
Jewels strung on an immortal chain.*

*Touchstones of faith to temper qualm
Where men are gathered to profane
The quiet earth, faith stones to gain
New quiet in a vaster calm,
Four pearls I cup within my palm.*

3

To Mercury: the Winged God

*Oh, I have hearkened where the shadow-beat
Of footsteps rang along the road to death
And heard, Oh, messenger of gods, the breath
Swift from your winged feet.*

*And silent there, a vision of the wise
Flamed on the dusktides of the wind for me
As once it flamed in living purity
In other days for other eyes.*



*As once it flamed, a dawn to shatter dark
Where six were met with sober hearts unlit
Questing uncertainly the infinite
For a heroic spark.*



*Oh, god of roadways and of sandaled wings,
Point thou my pilgrimage to greater dream
Where my dim lamp will kindle fire to gleam
Whitely, in newborn springs.*

4

Jewel in the Flame

*Out of the dusk a lamp was lit,
Out of the dusk a heart of flame,
Fire out of darkness infinite,
And out of the fire a white jewel came.
Cherish the flame!*

*Out of the jewel a hope is born,
White of the jewel, gold of the flame;
Deeds must be high where the lamp is worn
Lest the heat of the fire be quenched in shame.
Cherish the flame!*

*Hearts are agleam with the diamond,
Souls are forged out of the flame;
Stone out of fire hallows the bond,
Fire out of stone we may not defame.
Cherish the flame!*

5

The Lamp

*Eternal symbol of eternal mind
Burning rich essence of an alchemy
Wherein man's thoughts are purged, distilling free
The wealth of greater Indies for mankind;
Eternal symbol since man groping, blind,
Through corridors deep in obscurity
Chanced on your high, immortal mystery,
And worshipping, its radiance inshrined.*

*Eternal symbol with undying flame,
Pale chalice of white glory in the past,
With head unbared we chant your sacred fame!
The late sun sinks along the hills at last,
Leaving the age-old darkness to unveil
Your light in vision of a future grail.*

DOROTHY MUMFORD WILLIAMS
Alpha Zeta, '29





Remembrance

*Remembrance is a taper on
A tea table,
Old faces in its flame, one we
Cannot label.*

*Remembrance is a violin's
Prelude to tears;
Trembling melody heard lingers
On with the years.*

*Remembrance is a locket gold
And keepsake rare;
Jewel or coin never buys
What you have there.*

*Remembrance is a banner gay,
Exchanged for youth;
Pattern its colors and fragrance well
In truth.*

PAULINE SMEED KIHIM, *Alpha Alpha*

Sisters

*Though we were even worlds apart,
A golden Lamp, with diamond flame
Undying burns upon each heart—
Remembrance of a sacred name.*

*The vow that bound us each to each,
Hand clasping hand when we were girls,
Still keeps within its powerful reach
The tender meaning of four pearls.*

RUTH TROUTMAN, *Delta*



A Trinity of Noble Principles

*"For a purpose true that should bind anew
For the touch of a sacred fire . . ."*

TO BUILD up the character and cultivate the truest and deepest friendship among its members; to stimulate one another in the pursuits of knowledge and the attainment of a high standard of morality; to inculcate noble sentiments and noble principles, and to afford each other every possible assistance, and to incite all to the attainment of a memorable fame . . ." these are, according to the articles of incorporation, the purposes of the Delta Zeta Sorority, October, 1902.

With but such slight changes as were necessary to adapt this original statement, part of the local constitution, to use in the national constitution, 1933 revision, we retain the aims as given above. We now read that the object of this sorority is "To unite its members in the bond of a sincere and lasting friendship, to stimulate one another in the pursuit of knowledge, to promote the moral and social culture of its members, to develop plans for guidance and unity in action. . . ."

Or, as more tersely expressed elsewhere in Delta Zeta ceremonies, to promote "our trinity of noble principles, friendship, scholarship, service."

Friendship

It would perhaps matter little which of these three were named first or last; for in a college woman's organization in which one of these was fostered in the finest and truest sense, it would almost surely be impossible that the other two should remain lacking.

But we cannot overlook the fact that the very heart and core of such an organization as ours is the emotional one of friendship. Shear away from Delta Zeta the heartfelt sincerity of the friendships it has brought us as individuals, and you take from it the essence of its meaning and purpose. Let the record

of our scholarship attainment be but a mediocre one when all is said and done; the sum total of our service contribution be the most modest in the world; yet each of us is incalculably richer for the true and lasting friendships formed in our sorority. And the gift of this friendship each for the other, encircling the globe many times over, is in the end the greatest contribution of this sorority toward that greater and finer womanhood which the phrases of the constitution attempt to delineate in piecemeal and statistical fashion.

Friendship, personal and individual, was the uniting link among our six Founders. Friendship between similar small groups has been repeatedly the basis for the chapters added through the years. No account of the sorority's life and growth can fail to show countless examples of this cherished tie. And regardless of the growth of details in sorority management and direction, it is and always must be, the chief and sacred aim of the national organization to maintain this spirit of friendship, from chapter to chapter, from each part of the organization to every other part.

At the same time, the very care, jealous and loving, with which this friendship is guarded, has its dangers. Sometimes in chapters, it tends to keep out girls who by every sign and token belong to us; sometimes it acts as a brake on chapter growth, keeping a group too small for the best service to itself and its Alma Mater and its mother organization. Sometimes it holds back the gift of membership from a group on some campus, which would ally itself with us, share with us not only that which we have built up for ourselves, but that which it has wrought from its own ideals and ambitions, its willingness to serve and to strengthen.

It has become an axiom in Delta Zeta that small chapters are preferred. To a

certain extent this is a sound policy and one which need not be lightly tossed aside. It is, however, necessary to remember that all things must be judged comparatively, odious though comparisons may be. And so, size of the chapter should, for the best results, be based on the campus and general college conditions. Larger chapters inevitably come with larger college enrollments. Longer chapter rolls will surely grow from extended openings for fraternity expansion.

If it can be charged, with truth, that something of the intimacy and closeness of the tie possible in a small chapter and a small organization is lost by this more democratic policy, it may with equal truth be asserted that this is more representative of the day and conditions in which we are living; the era which we represent and are here to serve. And the fact that in a chapter of forty or fifty no girl can be the close friend of all others, as she could in a group of fifteen or twenty, does not keep her from having that same fifteen or twenty dear friends, plus an additional quota of pleasant comrades and congenial associates; while at the same time it actually increases the chances for the fifteen or twenty to be selected because of innate qualities of friendship instead of mere proximity.

True, deep and inspiring friendship is just as definitely and surely a part of the sorority today as it ever was in years previous. Chapter life with its shared responsibilities, and especially chapter *house* life with its possibilities for preserving and developing the finest and best of sorority traditions under modern conditions, are an assurance that the field for friendship is an open and fertile one. Living together in their chapter home, practicing the necessary social duties entailed in rushing, in faculty acquaintance, in being at home to college and family; taking each one her part in the responsibility for the success of her chapter as a part of the social community represented by the col-

lege, gives a training never to be lost, in no other way to be equalled, and invaluable for the development of all that is latent in a girl of charm and capacity to be and hold a friend. The absolute necessity of being tolerant, of learning to live with one's sisters, to know and appreciate weak and strong points alike, to see the small, gracious things which can be constantly done in this community life, that make for increased ease of living with a group, are when summed up just another way of spelling the growth of friendliness and friendship for the individual.

By the very elements of which it is made, membership in a sorority and life in its chapters creates a deeper and keener interest in all that makes up the interests of womankind. While compelling each young woman to regard the rights and opinions of others, it does not compel her to accept these as her own personal opinions and course of action. Rather, sorority life will encourage the girl to think things out for herself; to follow her own best light; to seek for fundamental truths and then to pattern her action after the principles thus acquired. She is constantly inspired to "hold fast that which is GOOD." In so attempting to hold *fast*, many a girl has found that her sorority membership was instrumental in bringing her back to college to complete her course, when without the sorority's encouragement, its spiritual and sometimes its very material encouragement, she would have abandoned her college course far short of completion. It is very likely that the training to complete the job, whatever it may be, is one of the very best by-products which the sorority, through its members, gives in community service.

So, regardless of the developments of the future, it seems safe to say that while friendship remains the fundamental, the sorority has a valid purpose for being; a safe guarantee for continuing, and an endless capacity for inspiring a finer, more buoyant, intrepid and vigorous womanhood.

Scholarship

The first Delta Zetas were eager friends; but they were serious students as well. Two of them were entering Miami University for advanced work; others were conscientiously preparing to be teachers, with a zeal not far short of consecration. In the early copies of the local constitution it was solemnly stated that every member must maintain a scholastic standing above the average unless she was outstandingly excellent in some form of student activity; and this policy is maintained, in even strengthened form, to the present day. No girl may be initiated into Delta Zeta who shall not have secured one semester's credit of more than average work, with no conditions and no failures, at the institution where she is to be a member. Nor are the initiated members allowed to slacken in their scholastic standing, for not only is the policy stated that the active members shall maintain an average equal to or above that maintained by the pledges, but individual members lapsing in their work are likely to be penalized by the loss of chapter and social privileges.

Scholarship reports and rankings have been presented at every convention since 1911; and an additional incentive to excellence is provided in the national Scholarship Cup, and by the province scholarship awards given the chapters ranking first for the year under consideration. The constant attention of the alumna advisers and of the province officers is devoted to encouraging fine scholarship for the sake of its personal import; and to assisting in working out any difficulties which arise in individual cases within the chapters. Each chapter has its Scholarship Chairman who collects and posts marks and who, with a committee, works constantly to insure that there is the attitude of wishing to

stand well for the good name of the chapter and her own benefit, on each member's part. While possibly not unique in any of her methods for promoting and emphasizing excellence in scholarship, it is undeniable that Delta Zeta's standards have never at any time had to be revised upward in order to make her compare with the standards of other N.P.C. organizations; and the records showing the winning for permanent possession, of local campus awards for scholastic excellence, are proof that on the whole her record is one above, not below, the college average of expectation.

Naturally, good chapter standing presupposes a considerable amount of individual excellence. This, too, the records bear out. At the installation of the chapters of Phi Beta Kappa at Alpha, Epsilon, and other college chapters, members of Delta Zeta were among the charter members. In the years since Erma Lindsay Land, Beta received in her junior year the first Phi Beta Kappa key won by any Delta Zeta, there have been many others to win this honor. Outstanding for the number of Phi Beta Kappas in their ranks must be mentioned Zeta and Upsilon, each scarcely missing a year without one or more members to attain the coveted distinction. The growth of Phi Kappa Phi along lines similar to Phi Beta Kappa, has seen the number of Delta Zetas in this organization keep pace with the fraternity itself; while not infrequently we find members initiated into that more exacting organization, so far as being a field for women is concerned, Sigma Xi. Other societies of scholarly and professional merit have conferred membership on our girls so that we have no reason to doubt that there are among our initiates many who know that divine thirst and pause at no mean spring to quench their thirst.



"They Also Serve——"

"—Pledging thee our new allegiance, yielding thee our fealty"

IN 1914, a war broke out in Europe. In the United States life went on much as usual. If diplomatic notes became more frequent and of a different tone; if munitions were manufactured in larger quantities; if financial circles kept keenly tuned to developments overseas, at least the college world, and the little fraternity world within it, went on without too much consideration of European affairs except in tiresome courses in Current Events! Delta Zeta had just installed Kappa Chapter and was busy growing. . . .

In 1917, no one could longer keep us out of war, and the college world, and the little fraternity world within it, was profoundly affected. Many boys marched away to fight or be trained to fight. Troops of other boys marched to the campus and fraternity houses became barracks overnight, while the campus rang with military music and some other less musical sounds, as the great mass of S.A.T.C. was set into being.

Girls joined the local Motor Corps, were organized into Red Cross Knitting units, into Food Conservation units; took out Liberty bonds, supported the sale of War Savings Stamps, bought posters for the Belgian Relief. Some went into service as nurses, as yeowomen, as hostesses in Recreation Houses in Training Camps, or joined other organizations giving special war service; when the flu pandemic swept the country, they were numbered among the emergency nurses; chapter houses came under the régime of "meatless, wheatless, heatless" days; service stars appeared with greater and greater frequency; companies of the college boys were overseas now; the newspapers held a more poignant interest.

False alarms of peace set off premature rejoicings; the real Armistice broke, finally, on those unprepared to receive it.

In the ranks of Delta Zeta there were not many members with the required training to do very exceptional or conspicuous things. Most of her service was that which could be rendered by the college chapter units, and by her individual members as citizens of a country at war. Still she was not without those who were mobilized for service in more official ways, and to these she rendered special honor and recognition whenever possible.

The fall of 1917 saw the Grand President, Martha Railsback, on her way to California where she became a part of the National Council for Defense at San Diego. Giving unstinted service to this her real job, she managed at the same time to carry the thread of Delta Zeta progress along, although at great personal sacrifice of energy and time. In an article in the LAMP (Volume VIII, No. 2), she states that her official title was "special worker for the National War Council of the Y.W.C.A.," but that as she was usually introduced as the "War Secretary" it didn't matter much anyway.

The LAMP carried a column listing all the members who were officially in war service, as well as the men—fathers, brothers, sweethearts and husbands—who represented them particularly. Wartime brides figured rather plentifully in the personal notes, Myrtle Graeter among them, October 1917.

The chapter letters reported on the various activities undertaken by themselves in each local college. Beta was announced as the first Red Cross knitting unit to be complete on Cornell campus, while Ida Raffloer was inspector for all finished articles produced by the campus workers. Theta subscribed \$250.00 for the Army Y.W.C.A., and raised the sum by means many and sometimes amusing. Mu Chapter similarly, purchased Liberty Bonds with the mon-

ey which would have paid for the 1917 Founders' Day Banquet. Lambda and other chapters made generous chapter gifts to war causes.

Columbus alumnae adopted a French war orphan; in fact, two, taking on a boy after their first one, a girl had become sixteen years old and was therefore no longer eligible. Beta Chapter "adopted" in the same way, a Belgian baby; and Pi Chapter adopted a French orphan.

Most of the workers were engaged in clerical duties, naturally. Among those named in the lists of the LAMP were: Helen Lane, *Alpha*, Red Cross Home Service; Ermine Felter, *Pi*, exemption board work; Helen Murray, *Theta*; Dorothy Morehouse and Kirsten Larsen, *Kappa*, in Surgeon-General's office; Louise Harvey, *Mu* and Helen Schumacher, *Kappa*, yeowomen; Helen Pearson, *Delta* with the Red Cross in St. Louis, Lucy Shelton, *Kappa*, also with the Red Cross as dietitian; Edith Fox, *Delta*; Mayme Dworak, *Zeta*; Elsie Stewart, *Kappa* in laboratory work at the base hospital in Ft. Douglas and elsewhere.

Among those doing nursing service we find Fae Tolles, *Zeta*; Ruth Murray, *Theta*; Margaret Hope, *Lambda*; Cora Higgins, *Zeta*; Celia Lorance, *Lambda* and Martha Ford, *Rho*. And also among the nurses must go Flora Margaret Ruth, *Epsilon* '15, whose term of service at Camp Pike, Arkansas, was cut short by death in October 1918. Flora had gone into service only in February. Her death brought to Delta Zeta the only gold star in her service flags; the only gold star in Indiana University's flag which represented the supreme sacrifice by a woman.

Mildred Van Dusen McKay, *Beta*, was the first Delta Zeta to see service overseas. Mildred had been in service as hostess in the Camp Upton Hostess House for several months when she was assigned to Canteen Service in France. Her experiences in each place were interestingly related in the LAMP, Vol. VIII, No. 2 and Vol. IX, No. 4.

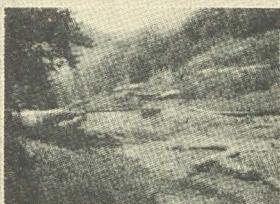
Others who served overseas were Jo Miller Gordon, *Epsilon*; Georgia Chandler Hornung, *Epsilon*, who spent several months during the Reconstruction period as assistant to the director of the Women's Reconstruction Committee of the Y.W.C.A., and whose special work was largely the managing of one of the Paris pensions; and from in 1919, Mary Dranga Campbell, *Epsilon*, who sailed with the Serbian Relief Commission, first assistant to the director. Mrs. Campbell's long experience in this country especially fitted her for this work and it was of such signal quality that she was decorated by the Serbian Government.

Zeta claimed two members with overseas records, Ruth Odell and Aimee Arnold, in nursing service.

The reconstruction period continued to claim some of the members; among them Mildred Foureman and Maple Sherman McMillan, *Theta*; Vesta Mawe, *Zeta*, who was assigned to Camp Oglethorpe; Dr. Mary Fulstone Hill, *Mu*, whose valiant service during the flu pandemic, in the Woman's and Children's hospital at San Francisco was given special recognition. Mary Polson of *Lambda*, was assigned to New York City for an extended period of service; Madge Elsinger, *Xi*, was in Battle Creek; Agnes Johnson, *Iota*, Amanda Thomas, *Theta*, and Jeannette Calvin, *Epsilon*, also continued in Reconstruction work.

Though the records are regrettably incomplete, we know that their entirety would show only a modest, and not a sensational, service. It will never be possible to make a perfect estimate of the amount of money contributed by the sorority, nor of all its members who gave official service, but there can be satisfaction in the knowledge of duty sincerely performed, and of courage showed in the experiences of the time, experiences which brought the members of Delta Zeta into companionship with many, many more than their own small sorority and which culminated in the privilege of assisting in financing the rebuilding of the Library at Louvain.

Mountain stream beds are used for roads in gaining access to ΔZ school shown to the right.



The flag plays an important part in the educational program. Below, view from school, man teacher's home.



ΔZ Goes to the Mountains

By GRACE E. MASON

Historian ΔZ Fraternity



FOUR years ago, a ΔZ journeyed up into the remote mountains of Kentucky on her two weeks' vacation. She found there a situation so interesting and fascinating that she prolonged her stay indefinitely and this inaugurated ΔZ 's great contribution in social service work.

The interest of the national organization was invoked and, affiliating in 1922 with the C. C. C. C., for the next two years actively maintained a school at Topmost, Kentucky. During this time ΔZ Chapters learned much of the opportunity that the wild fastness of the Kentucky Hills afforded in providing educational facilities for a people whom progress had passed by.

At the Convention in 1924 at Evans-ton, a larger program was launched and ΔZ set up her own center at Vest, Kentucky. The efforts of the Fraternity have met with a whole-hearted response from the mountain people. The excavation, splitting and hauling of rocks, hewing the timbers and erecting of the structures have all been done by the willing hands of the rustic fathers, and now on the mountain side has arisen the ΔZ Community Center. Though rough and primitive as this Center looks, to many of the people whom it serves it embodies a dream and hope fulfilled.

The main building adequately houses two teachers and twenty girls, but according to local custom, the kitchen and dining room are in a building separate from the living quarters. For the present, the Fraternity plans to limit its activities, ministering to the educational needs of the girls, inasmuch as they have had far less chance to attend school than have their brothers. Berea and similar institutions have

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Even the lowly flivver stalls, and from this point it is necessary to "hoof" it up the mountain.

Delta Zeta's Philanthropic Projects

"Others"

Service to others has been an integral part of the story of Delta Zeta from the very founding of the sorority, and the growth of philanthropic activity parallels the growth and activity of the organization itself.

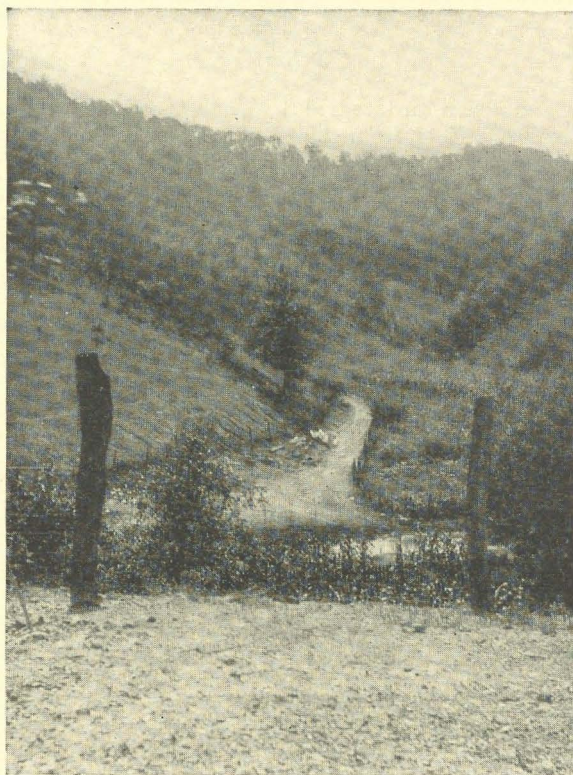
From the reports and discussions carried on through letters and the pages of *THE LAMP*, as to just what "service" is and what it entails, it is interesting to note that in the beginning opinions varied and ranged from those urging support of the Consumers League, prisoners relief, the beautifying of the college campus, the giving of Christmas parties for children, student loans, adopting orphans, teaching in missions, Y.W.C.A. work, conducting classes in homes for girls, to "strong, exquisite, personal living," each idea having its own corps of staunch defenders. All agreed, however, that before having anything to give out to others, they must have something within themselves worth giving; a real basis from which to begin to serve.

Quoting from *THE LAMP*, Vol. 5, No. 2, page 71, "... The prerequisite for this is that 'strong, exquisite, personal living.' In this one thing each of us has an individual responsibility in the social service work of Delta Zeta which we can not shift from our shoulders. Each of us influences the spirit that stamps our own chapter. This is one task we can not choose to leave or take. If our personal lives are strong and exquisite, so also will be our college chapter and it will reflect that influence in a spiritual force that shall lead in the college itself. This is the starting point of our social service work."

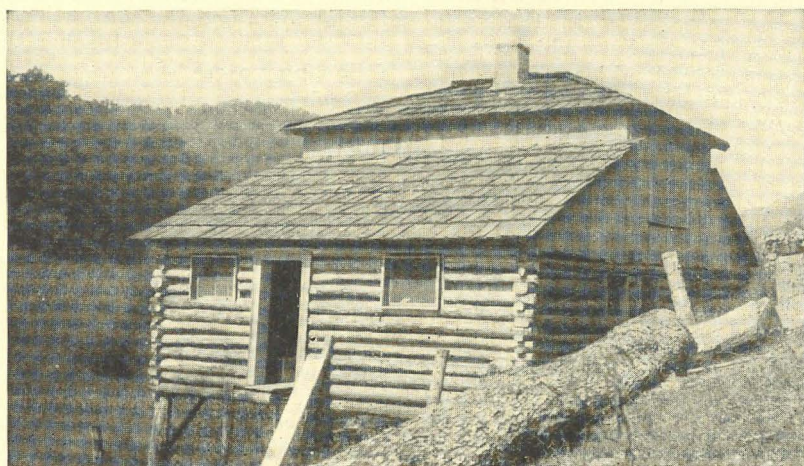
And indeed it was the starting point; years passed with a national project still undetermined yet each chapter was striving for a strong chapter unity, and doing in its own community that thing which it felt most needed to be done.

The activities were varied: some chapters adopted French orphans during the war; several assisted their own members who were serving in canteens; several "adopted" whole groups in slum sections of the larger cities; one chapter did splendid work in citizenship at an Americanization House; one assisted in a Fresh Air School; two or three worked for Childrens Wards in hospitals; one did reading to shut-ins; and of course there were the usual sewing and mending groups, the Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, club work, Scout, and Campfire Girl work. There was a growing conviction that all chapters should combine and work together on one big project, and discussions of what form this project should take took up a large part of each convention. Finally, at the 1922 convention, Esther Mooney (Mrs. Edward) Stumbo, *Delta* ex-'20, presented her idea to the assembly, and so enthusiastic was she and the then chairman of the national social service that it was but a question of hours before the convention had unanimously adopted her suggestion, work in the mountains of Kentucky. The Community Center at Caney Creek was chosen as the particular field, and the convention voted to pay the salary of one teacher there the following year.

Such was the plan, but in the two year period between conventions, Delta Zeta not only paid the salary of the teacher, but helped build two schools! The national project had taken hold. The first of these schools was the rather modest effort at Topmost, Kentucky, a little settlement about twelve miles from Caney. This was erected in a short space of time and was named "Little Lamp"; a fitting appellation. It was a little light in the wilderness. Encouraged by the immediate and overwhelming success of this venture, the social service committee received most enthusiastically the gift of



THE ROAD UP BALL

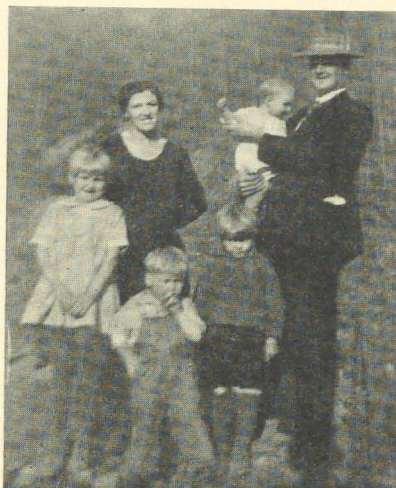


BUILDING THE TEACHERS' COTTAGE

a five acre grant of land on Ball Fork Creek in Knott County, at Vest, Kentucky, a little pocket in a tangled mass of mountains, the gift of Tom Sutton, a boy from Vest to whom Delta Zeta had made a gift and a loan to complete his education. Here in an isolated spot, twenty-three miles from the nearest railroad and town of any size, Big Lamp was built, in 1923. Five rooms, a large study hall in the center, library space on the second floor, it was the best school building in the county with the exception of those at Caney. Delta Zeta sent various school supplies, pictures, a victrola, an organ, recreation equipment, and a flag, which was raised with fitting ceremony. The 1924 convention unanimously approved the work that had been done in the two preceding years, and inspired by the work of the social service committee, recommended that the sorority build and maintain a Community Center at Vest, to be known as the Delta Zeta Community Center. The recommendation was adopted without one dissenting vote and plans were formulated at the convention for the building of a dormitory for girls on the hill beyond the school house on the property received from Tom Sutton.

The first load of lumber was hauled

September 20, 1924, for the dormitory. The building was finished in December in time for the Christmas party to be held there. The dining room and kitchen

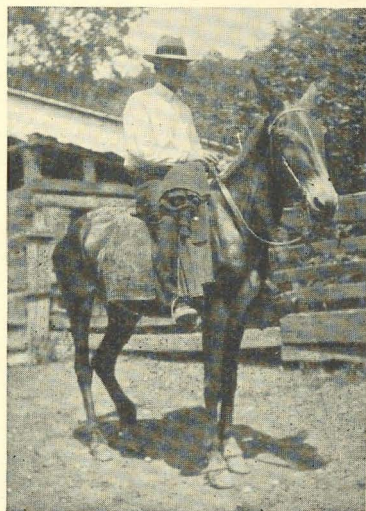


TOM SUTTON AND HIS FAMILY

building a separate one just to the rear of the dormitory was completed at the same time. Of course the summer before had been devoted to preparing for the building. The men of the community had three "workings," coming early in the morning and staying until late at night. Rocks were dug and hauled to the hill and then split for the foundation; the road to the site was dug; the drainage pits made; and the whole space leveled off; so that when the actual building was begun, it went in a hurry.

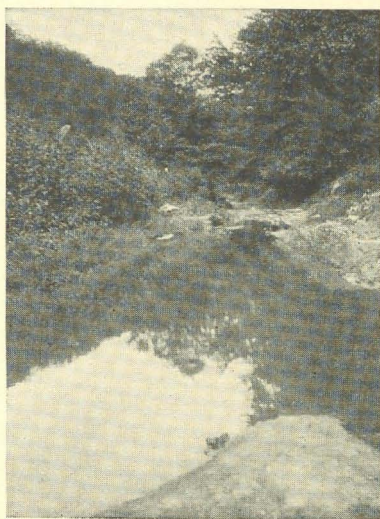
The dormitory is a story and a half building containing a large recreation room about forty-five feet long with a large double stone fireplace; six other smaller rooms leading from it; a stairs to the upper floor, which was used as sleeping quarters for the girls. It was the real nucleus of our Center. The kitchen and dining room building contains one long room used as a dining room and as a recreation room after meal hours, a large kitchen with a hotel stove, and an adequate store room and pantry.

Arema O'Brien (Mrs. Frank Kirven),



THE POSTMAN

Theta, '15, who was chairman of the national social service committee and who was instrumental in getting the dormitory built so rapidly was honored by the



THE ROAD TO VEST

community's desire to name the dormitory for her, and Kirven hall it is.

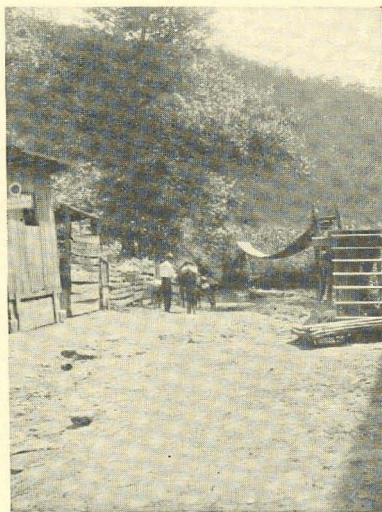
At the time the Delta Zeta Community Center was started, there was but one teacher at the Vest School, Big Lamp. Soon another teacher was added, Knott County paying the salary. It was interesting that this teacher was Tom Sutton, the boy Delta Zeta had assisted while at Caney Creek.

At this time, there were ten grades being taught at the Big Lamp, and it was the dream of the committee and the teachers, to become a fully accredited school. In 1928, with the addition of another full time teacher, the dream began to be realized, and 1930-31 saw fulfillment, with a corps of five teachers, an eight grade elementary school and a four year high school program which included cooking and sewing. During this time the dormitory was housing between thirty and thirty-five girls. 1930 saw also the beginning of the Teachers' Cottage, "Friendship Cabin," an eight room log house "raised" by the men of the com-

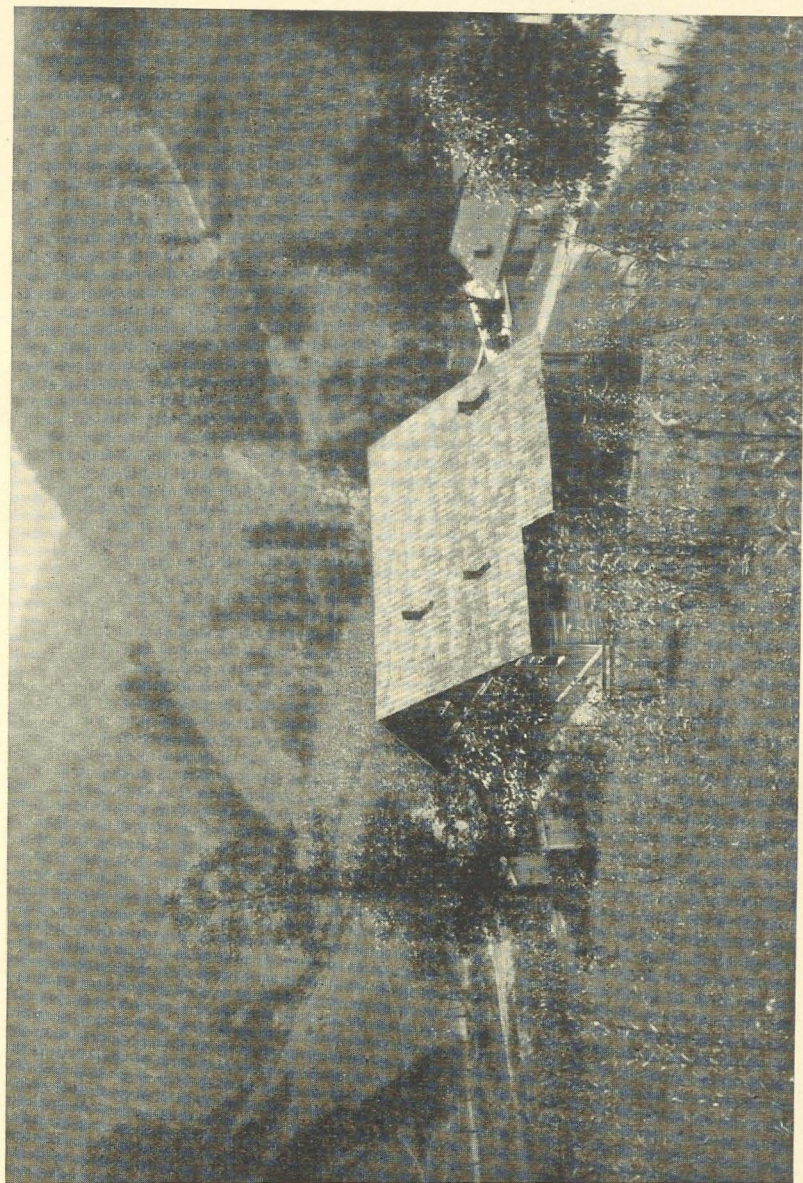
munity. This building was finished in 1933 and further improved in 1934.

Just as the physical property at Vest has grown and been improved, so has the program developed. Starting with a modest budget which included the salary of one teacher, the work has grown, and growing, has changed and developed into a real community service. The idea that the 1924 convention discussion conveyed, that of having a real Delta Zeta Community Center, was for a time overlooked in the general overdevelopment that was true of the times; and so eager were the people of the community to get book knowledge, so eager was Delta Zeta to give it to them, that the sorority drew farther and farther away from the original purpose, that of providing a community program. Money for philanthropic projects became more and more abundant; needs and desires grew apace; until with smashing crescendo there came the crashing descendo—the depression—and there was a pause to take inventory.

It was found that Delta Zeta had added to the teaching staff of the school—there were now five teachers, and there was being provided in that remote region an education easily comparable with that



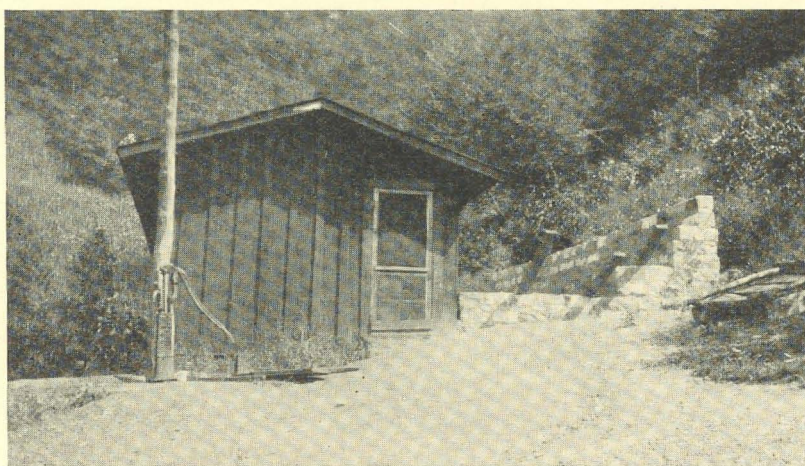
THE BRIDGE OVER BALL



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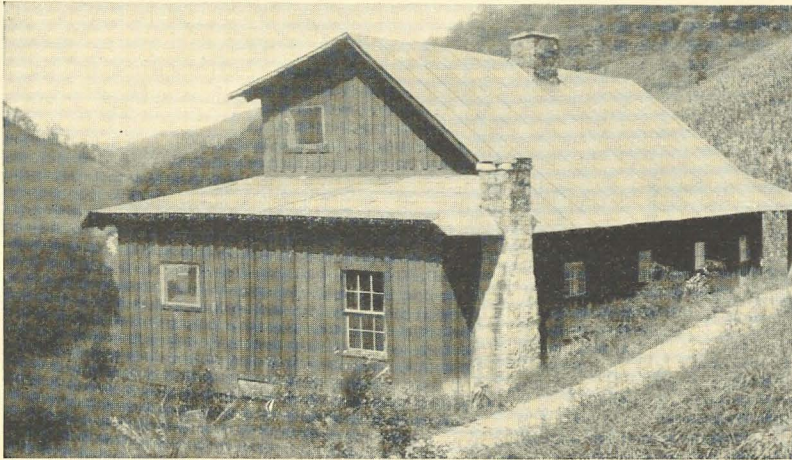
VEST, KENTUCKY



THE ORIGINAL KITCHEN

obtainable in many cities with a municipal educational system. Children of this isolated district were being taught Latin and algebra, geometry and Caesar, physics and chemistry. The true value of these so called "advantages" for children with no way to use them is a moot

Center. The program is a real community one stressing health and recreation, "social" in the larger sense of the word. There are cooking and sewing classes; agricultural experiments are being conducted; the library has been catalogued and reorganized; community meetings



THE DORMITORY—1929

question still. Knowledge for the sake of knowledge, the development of an intellectual curiosity in order to open the way to a larger life takes time, and money. The officers of the sorority had a sincere belief that Delta Zeta was getting too far afield from the real purpose in going to Vest, so, in 1932, at the request of the national council and upon recommendation of the Russel Sage Foundation, Miss Helen Dingman of Berea College was sent to Vest to make a survey of the situation. Miss Dingman presented her findings to a committee of the Southern Mountain Workers Conference, and their findings bore out the contention of the council.

Therefore, the school was turned back to the county in the fall of 1932, and a real community program was planned for the future. A full time nurse was employed. In 1933 a resident director was employed whose duty it is to organize and supervise the community program. There are now five workers at the

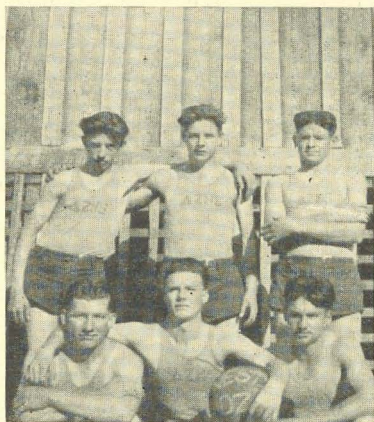
are held with definitely organized programs; movies are shown; singing meetings are held; there is a Sunday School every Sunday morning; clubs have been organized; the clinic has been improved; the Center is serving the community.

The whole program has been changed to teach the people of the community to live a larger life in that community rather than educating them to want to leave the mountains and go "out" when, in these days of economic upheaval there is nothing to go out to.

There are still some few students living in the dormitory and in the Teachers' Cottage, but the number is never large. All work for their board and room.

The list of those whose names have headed the social service committees of the past is not a long one. Mildred McKay, *Beta*, ex-'10, was the first chairman, 1915-16. Her duties consisted chiefly of acting as social service editor for *THE LAMP*, and creating ideas for group projects. It was her duty to collect

for publication reports of what chapters were actually doing, or what they would like the sorority as a whole to do. It is she who was responsible for the many interesting discussions which appeared in early issues of *THE LAMP*.



CHAMPIONS!—1929

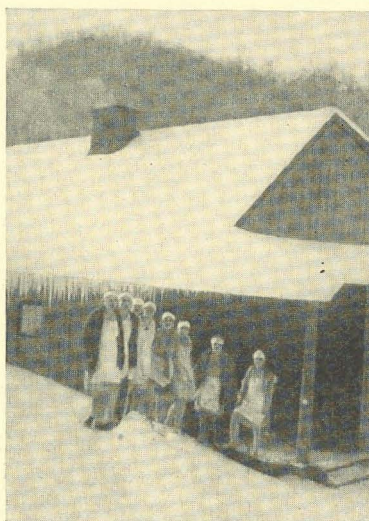
Beula Greer (Mrs. Howard Sebring Smith), *Alpha* '14, was Chairman of the Social Service Committee from 1916-20. Her work was much along the line of Mildred McKay's, and reports of many intriguing projects found their way to the pages of *THE LAMP*. Miss Greer also lead many discussions at the 1920 convention, where a full report of the capable work she had done was given.

Harriet Fisher, *Theta* '17, now deceased, was the chairman from 1920-22, and it was perhaps due to her fiery enthusiasm for a national project that the convention of 1922 adopted the work in the Kentucky mountains so eagerly.

With the acceptance of the national project, Arema O'Brien (Mrs. Frank Kirven), *Theta* '15, was chosen Chairman of the Social Service Committee, and she served most capably and with untiring effort until 1928 when she asked to be relieved of her duties. It was Mrs. Kirven who supervised the building of the schools at Topmost and at Vest, the dormitory and dining room building at our present Center, and who saw with

pride in achievement, the school grow from a one teacher affair to a fully accredited elementary and high school. Kirven Hall, the dormitory (now the community building) was so named at the request of the people of Vest, who in this way wished to show their love and respect for her.

Alene Davis (Mrs. R. W. Nebel), *Alpha Eta* '24, was the next chairman. Mrs. Nebel was, at the time of her appointment, engaged in a large piece of social work for the state of Michigan, and therefore brought to the office a wealth of knowledge of rural work. After the 1930 convention at Madison, Yvonne Wilson (Mrs. Frederick Toof), *Lambda ex*-'20, was appointed chairman and devoted three years of energetic activity to this committee. Mrs. Toof made frequent trips to Vest, spending several weeks at a time there. She supervised construction of the teachers' log cottage, and was instrumental in getting it and the clinic



COOKERY CLASS

furnished by several alumnae chapters. It was Mrs. Toof who succeeded in obtaining permission from the county to appoint all the teachers in the school, a real accomplishment.

After the 1933 convention it was de-

cided to eliminate the social service committee for the time being and make the council a committee of the whole for this work. The national headquarters now are located in Cincinnati, and much valuable time is saved, since Vest is not far from this city.

The future of the Delta Zeta Community Center is in the hands of the members of the sorority who have been most generous in the past with contributions, both as individuals and in chapter groups.

From the very beginning it was intended that the philanthropic project should represent in a concrete way the ideals of the sorority. That vision has not been lost.

The project is financed by the college and alumnae chapters who annually contribute to its support, the college chapters contributing twenty-five dollars, and the alumnae chapters thirty-five dollars each. In addition to this, the royalty on jewelry purchased from our official jew-

ters and friends of the Center send gifts.

In order that chapters, both college and alumnae, may not find the annual fee burdensome, the sorority has established a magazine agency, and each chapter



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A CORNER OF THE LIBRARY

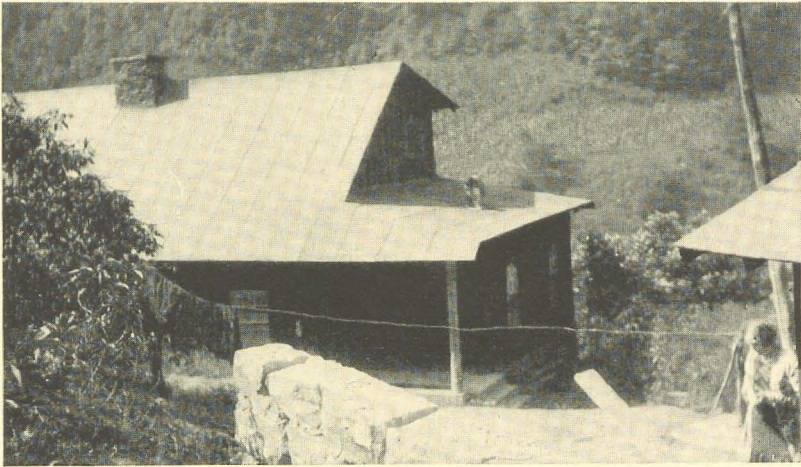
eler goes into this fund; there is an annual Birthday Drive each Founders' Day for the membership at large to contribute to this work in honor of the Founders; and each Christmas chap-

may raise its quota for Vest by commissions on sales of magazines sent through the Delta Zeta Agency.

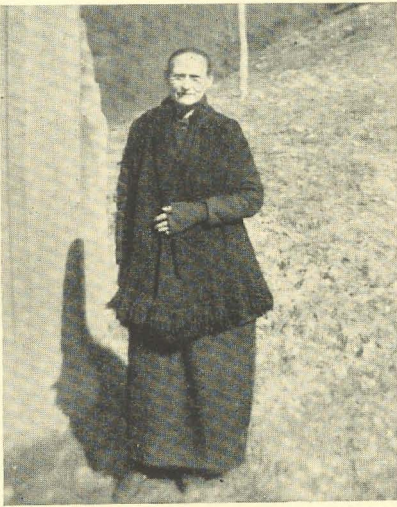
Although the Delta Zeta Magazine Agency has been established but a few years, the results have been most gratifying, and the year just closed (1934) saw the business of the preceding year trebled.

Since its beginning there have been but two Magazine Committee Chairmen. The first, Myrtle Bloemers Johnson (Mrs. Lawrence V.), *Gamma*, '28, to whom fell the arduous and thankless task of organizing, reorganizing, experimenting, and then evolving the efficient plan used today, gave most graciously of her time and experience to this labor. When, at the 1933 Convention Mrs. Johnson asked to be relieved of her duties as chairman of this committee she made many valuable suggestions regarding the future policy of the agency.

The second (and present) chairman, Emilie Rueger Princelau (Mrs. Paul),



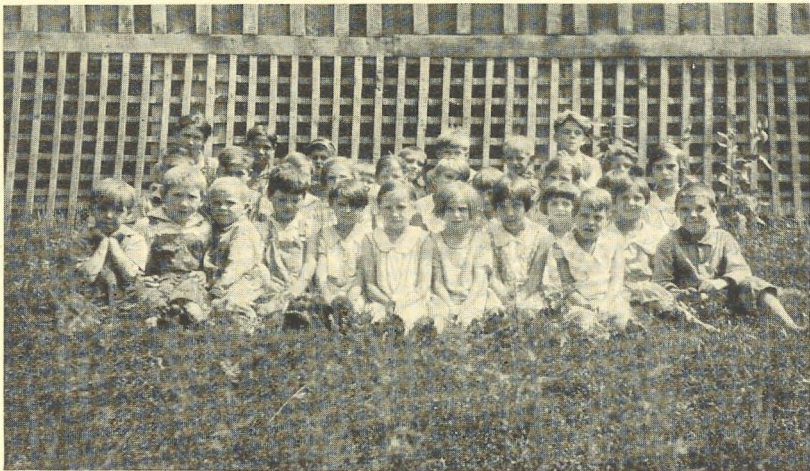
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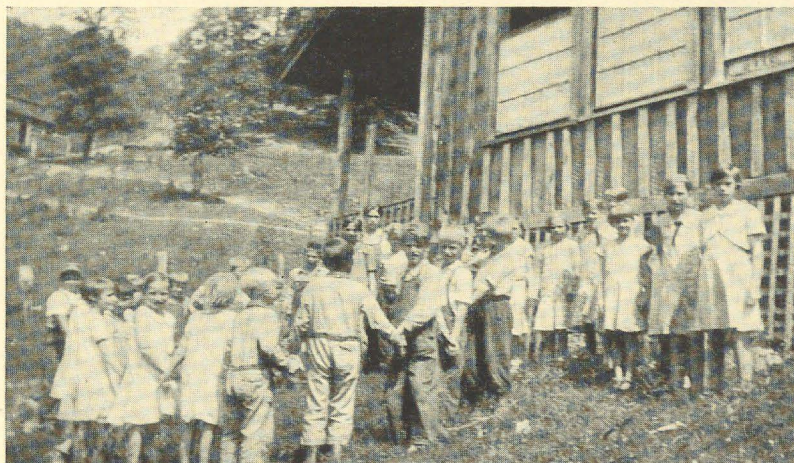
BEST BOY AND GIRL—1930



PRIMARY GRADES—1930



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, 1930



PLAY CIRCLE—PRIMARY GRADES



BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM, 1930



FIFTH, SIXTH, SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADES



DOMESTIC SCIENCE CLASS, 1931



DORMITORY GIRLS, 1931



Alpha Iota, ex-'25, has brought to the committee a boundless enthusiasm and capacity for work, and her energetic activity has awakened the chapter chairmen to a realization of their importance. With the business trebled this past year, and since quintuplets and quintuples are the order of the day, great things are expected in the future from the magazine source.

It is confidently expected that at some future time, the agency will be the whole and completely adequate support of the social service project.

The Loan Fund

The first mention of the Loan Fund in the archives of the sorority is found in the minutes of the 1917 Council Meeting when it was "Moved, seconded and carried that our Social Service Fund, started by the royalty on pins, be thrown into one general fund, to be considered as a loan fund which may be used as a scholarship fund for chapter loans or for the promotion of social service at the discretion of a committee to be appointed by the President and the Vice-President, and the latter to be Chairman of the Committee. Moved, seconded, and carried, that all alumnae chapters be asked to contribute \$25.00 to this fund during the year 1917-18." And thus was created the Loan Fund.

From that rather unprepossessing and unheralded beginning, the loan fund has grown to rather amazing proportions, and in the seventeen years of existence has assisted hundreds of Delta Zetas and many chapters. One of the most interesting facts about this fund is that since that year, 1917-18, there has never been a levy on any chapter or individual, the fund having grown to its present size through interest on loans and voluntary contributions.

Loans are made to chapters or to individuals. Preference is given personal loans to upperclass students.

At the present time there is nearly fifty thousand dollars in this fund, all but a very small portion of which is out in loans; twenty-two loans being to chapters for building purposes; and one hundred and seventy-seven personal loans. A low rate of interest is charged on all loans. Loans from this fund are considered debts of honor, and are expected to be repaid so that the fund may revolve and continue its helpful service.

Publications

*Friendship sweet, friendship strong
Whose days of youth are days of song—
Thy mystic ties have girt us 'round
'Til heart to sister heart is bound.*

SO long as there were only Alpha and Beta Chapters, it may be supposed that personal letters were quite sufficient to keep these two groups closely informed of each other's plans and welfare. Delta and Epsilon, installed one year after Beta, and within a day of each other, were also near neighbors geographically. Members of both chapters lived in Indianapolis and the two naturally formed companions for each other. The installation of Zeta, early in 1910 brought Delta Zeta to her Convention that summer, with the new dignity of membership in National Panhellenic, and with the increased problems of binding her growing chapter list into a unified whole.

Apparently the value of having an official magazine must have been recognized and even taken for granted, by the Council and the Convention delegates, for the first formal mention of such a magazine is found in the minutes of the 1910 Convention. Instead of being, as one might expect, a statement of the establishment of such a magazine, it proceeds to assume the existence or at least the authorization of the magazine, and elect the editor for the coming biennium. So we do not know from whom first came the proposition to establish the magazine, nor who suggested its name, and must just take its inception as part of the natural growth of a vigorous young sorority. Like Topsy it "jes' growed." The expressed purpose in creating an official publication was the gaining of needed contact with each other, by the (college) chapters, the providing of a means of effective communication with the general alumnae membership, and the creation of a medium for official communications to the entire sorority. Ruth Gaddis (Mrs. Robert Jeffries) of

Alpha, was elected as the first Editor of the LAMP of Delta Zeta. She had already pioneered for Delta Zeta, being one of those selected for the reviving of Alpha Chapter in 1908; she had assisted at the installation of Delta and Epsilon Chap-



RUTH GADDIS JEFFRIES
First Editor of THE LAMP

ters, and was enthusiastic and tireless. She began her work with ardor. The first issue appeared in December, 1910. An uncle of the editor was the printer of this number, and for his kindness in helping achieve its new aims, Delta Zeta surely owes him a niche in the hall of her benefactors. The subscription list at that time was so small he could scarcely have done the work without an actual loss.

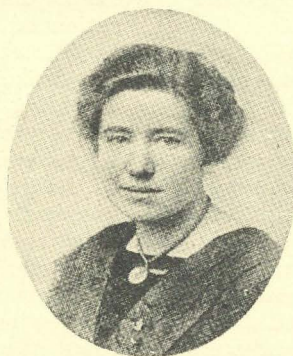
The forty-six pages of the first issue were eagerly perused by the members of Delta Zeta. Chapters expressed themselves as delighted with this new link of fraternalism, and the early chapter letters are full of enthusiasm over the increased acquaintance thus derived in



GRACE ALEXANDER DUNCAN
Editor 1912-14

all matters pertaining to Delta Zeta. However, the 1910 Convention had failed to arrange any definite plan for financing the new organ, and Miss Gaddis performed her work with the handicap of a treasury which bore too great a resemblance to Mother Hubbard's famous commissary, for her comfort. Members were urged to subscribe, and some did; but the close of the first two years proved conclusively that finances must be more adequately secured. Miss Gaddis stated emphatically that the ruling which had prohibited advertising matter from the LAMP was unwise and causing loss of legitimate income. Accordingly, when the 1912 Convention elected Grace Alexander, *Epsilon*, as Editor, it also permitted advertising, and gave her a Business Manager and quite a staff. (See statistical section.) The Convention also made subscriptions obligatory upon the college members, and as the excellence of the LAMP was bringing a fairly satisfactory subscription from alumnae too, the strain was sufficiently eased to allow a marked increase in the size of the magazine in the years 1912-14. During this time, too, Miss Alexander married Mr.

Frank Duncan, a classmate at Indiana University, and her staff of assistants kindly took over the work of the issue due just at the time of the wedding. Mrs. Duncan's sole criticism of this issue had to be that "there was too much wedding in it," a comment heard with glee by her mischievous but devoted associates. The 1914 Convention was appreciative of the value of Mrs. Duncan's work and re-elected her, although she was reluctant to accept, her health being none too good. In spite of her best care, she was forced to drop her work before finishing the first year of her term, and the Grand Council met the emergency by issuing the May, 1915, issue themselves. Finding that this was an experience they did not wish to make periodical, they named for the remainder of the term, Arema O'Brien (Kirven) of Theta Chapter. As though a veteran, she commenced her work and the LAMP appeared the scheduled four times in the year 1915-16. Convention then elected Miss Kirven for the next two years; an action which became almost a habit, inasmuch as she was returned to office at every election from then on until 1922 Convention. Her



EMMA BRUNGER KENNEDY
National Treasurer 1912-13

services during this period, covering as they did the difficult period of the war and later readjustments, deserve great commendation. Not an issue was missed; although in two instances two issues were combined to make one, for reasons logical and economical. In these years



the LAMP of Delta Zeta continued to grow in interest and in size, and was the source of much pride on the part of the sorority. Miss Kirven was also honored and the sorority distinguished, by being elected to the Chairmanship of the Editors' Conference of the National Panhellenic Congress, at the meeting in Indianapolis in 1918.

When the 1922 Convention placed Mrs. Kirven in charge of the newly created Social Service project of the sorority, it replaced her in the editorial

chair by seating there Vera Brown Jones, *Alpha Alpha*. Her work in the two terms which she served as Editor was especially distinguished by the promptness with which each issue appeared; promptness being one of this Editor's hobbies. But in addition, there was an increase in the number of pages of almost every issue; a greatly extended use of pictures, delightful to those who pore and ponder over the publication; special numbers such as a large and fascinating alumnae number, March, 1921;



AREMA O'BRIEN KIRVEN
Editor 1915-22

the History issue, in December, 1923; and during the second term, a new cover.

This cover appeared in two colors, green and black on a light tan ground. It was the work of a professional designer, and although it carried the Delta Zeta coat-of-arms and the symbolism in general was applicable, it was somewhat ornate and full of detail for perfect satisfaction. Still it was a distinct relief from the cover which had been used for some eight years previous; the coat of arms in black on a cover paper of a par-

ticularly drab and toneless brown. Just why this cover was ever adopted or persisted so long, none can state. Suffice it to say that the change was a welcome one, and a creditable transition to even better work yet to come.

During these years the finances of the LAMP had been changing, gradually taking on a more gratifying condition. The business managers of Arema O'Brien Kirven's years were from Theta Chapter; Madeline Baird first and Amanda Thomas and Dorothy Boyd Haskins



VERA BROWN JONES
Editor 1922-26



GRACE MASON LUNDY
Editor 1926-28

later. These worked tirelessly to collect subscriptions from the ever-growing alumnae body. At the rate of \$1.50 for an annual subscription, they found that subscribers were slow in taking the magazine. From time to time there would come in a full Life subscription of twenty-five dollars, as provided for in the constitution. This gave rise to the thought that more Life subscribers would mean more assurance for the mag-

azine, and more interest among the alumnae. The 1924 Convention took a forward step by making a ruling that each initiate after that date should pay as part of her initiation fee, the first five-dollar installment on her Life subscription, succeeding installments to be paid annually until the total was paid. Under this plan, whereby the chapter was responsible for collecting and forwarding the installments of all members in the

chapter each year, a girl who was initiated as a freshman would have but one installment to pay as an alumna, and many letters would be spared the hard-working business manager (or so it was hoped). Most of this money was to go into a sinking fund for the LAMP, so that it did not greatly increase the annual income, but it did increase the actual and possible number of Life subscribers. The chapter initiations for each year totalling some three hundred at that time, meant that at once the LAMP sinking fund received a substantial increase. Also, a plan for allowing Life subscriptions for a limited time at a reduced rate of fifteen dollars, in the spring of 1926, received fair response and created in the hearts of the Business Manager and the Editor a great yearning for additional support of this kind. Accordingly, the treasurer, Myrtle Graeter Malott, began to work on tables and figures pertaining to life statistics, interest rates, form of retirement and endless technicalities of this sort. The entire sorority membership was checked for members' standing as to their LAMP subscriptions. A huge sheaf of data was prepared, showing exactly how much any member had ever paid on her LAMP subscription; how much it cost the sorority to send out annual bills for subscriptions due; and the result of all this was that at the 1926 Convention the treasury report, especially that section dealing with the LAMP, was voted by many delegates to be one of the most interesting, even exciting, of all the Convention sessions. Thereupon the Convention gave the most helpful legislation which had ever been made for the magazine, to-wit: every future initiate into Delta Zeta would pay a Life LAMP subscription in full, at the time of her initiation. Allowing only what was necessary for annual expense, this sum would be placed in the Sinking Fund (henceforth known as the LAMP ENDOWMENT FUND) and would insure the member her magazine for life, be it ever so long! (Also, and marvelously, it would allow the abolition of what had formerly been put into the national

treasury as "initiation fee" and therefore this seemingly large sum did *not* mean an actual increase in the cost of initiation to the individual member.) A special offer to alumna members, giving them full credit on all previous payments to Life subscriptions, and allowing a payment of \$30.00 if made in the year



MARGARET H. PEASE
Editor 1928-34

immediately ensuing, to credit the member with full credit for Life dues and LAMP subscription (each of which had previously been \$25.00) was made. This plan was greeted with enthusiasm, strenuously pushed from Central Office by Sabina T. Murray (who became Business Manager of the LAMP upon becoming Executive Secretary) and brought in the gratifying total of 2600 alumnae Life subscribers in the year 1926-27. At the 1927 Council meeting the time was extended one additional year; and 1928 Convention report of the LAMP therefore showed a splendid report of finances.

The first Editor to benefit from the improved financial condition of the LAMP was Grace Mason Lundy, who at 1926 Convention was elected to this office. In her term as Editor she was able to give a larger magazine than had been pos-

sible before, but made no other especial changes in policy or format of the LAMP. One feature was added which has been continued up to this time, that of a whimsical department called "Wholly Smoke" and issued over the signature of "The Lampadary." This page has been quite popular with the readers of the magazine, and affords a pleasant break from the purely sensible; its nonsense being good humored and apt, and even its puns not too hopeless.

From 1928 until the present date, the LAMP of Delta Zeta has been edited by Margaret Huenefeld Pease, Xi. Under her management there have been many changes, improvements and refinements. Herself an artist, Mrs. Pease soon provided a new cover which adorned the issues of her first year. This was simple but distinctive, and a new color, green. The content of the magazine showed also her touch of wit and individuality, and the sorority received the publication with great appreciation. But the fall of 1929 gave them a surprise indeed. There came to hand a LAMP which was completely metamorphosed. Its cover of soft green in a pleasing shade; the coat of arms gone, the name alone being used for cover printing. Inside, an intriguing new format on eggshell book paper. New type, both for headlines and body of printed matter; ornamental tailpieces and initials which were largely the design of the editor. Printing in two colors, the red and black chosen and proving extremely effective. And finally, the entire magazine copyrighted — of which all approved. This general form for our magazine has been so much admired, and so gratifying to the membership, that it is certain no former editor (and probably no succeeding one) has made for the LAMP more or better history than Margaret Huenefeld Pease.

While all Delta Zetas will rejoice in the success and soundness of the LAMP financing of today, and in its qualities of distinction, probably the Banta Publishing Company will feel their measure of satisfaction, too. Expressing the in-

terest of the firm in all that evidences the increase in size and prosperity of their fraternity clients, Mr. George Banta, Jr., once related the story of his elation at securing the contract for the LAMP, this being his maiden effort in soliciting business for their company. Since all this took place in the days when the LAMP was yet to pass its second summer, it might be added that probably Mr. Banta carried with this contract more honor than honorarium! From that subscription list of 200-minus, to the present one of nearly 6000 and from that modest start to a printing bill with a thousand for each hundred dollars of expenditure then, is a growth to cause satisfaction as healthy evidence of the sound foundation on which the LAMP began. Not only for the financial return, however, does the Banta Publishing Company labor. When Mrs. Pease began outlining her new plans for our magazine, Mr. Banta showed the interest of the true craftsman in all her suggestions. Almost every one of them meant a wide departure from anything known in fraternity magazines of the day, yet Mr. Banta, catching the idea, was as excited over the possibilities as though he himself were working out this innovation. And no one has been more delighted over the success of the LAMP as remodelled than those of the Banta Publishing Company who helped work out the details. To their interest in following Mrs. Pease' plan, and their faithfulness in selecting the materials which would most exactly embody her ideals, we owe much of the perfection of our present LAMP.

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The Songbook

Probably no publication is more significant to the sorority than its magazine; but surely second in place comes the songbook. Here is preserved through song the spirit of the organization as in no other printed document.

Delta Zeta has published three songbooks; the first edition in 1912; the sec-

Its Just A Little Lamp

Crystal Hall (Epsilon)

Arr. by I. G.

Allegretto

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of four systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a single staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves (treble and bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The tempo is marked 'Allegretto'. The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords in the right hand.

It's just a lit - tle lamp, girls, to light us on our way, It's
just the flame of a sis - ter's love kept burning night and day; To
thee we pledge our faith, girls, our faith in thee is sound, For it's
just the flame of a sis - ter's love that makes the world go 'round.

ond, in 1921, and the third in 1927. A reprint of this, in 1929, carried some minor changes but is considered to be the same edition.

What songs were first sung by Delta Zetas we cannot say; but certain it is



CLARA HUFFMAN BARROWS, *Eta*
National President of Phi Beta
Who has arranged many ΔZ Songs.

that the girls began soon to sing; ergo, there must have been songs. A few of these survive when older alumnae get together. There is the pledge song of Alpha Chapter, sung to the tune of "Clementine" and once upon a time required of all pledges to learn. There is "Dee Zee's, Happy Dee Zee's," the butt of much good-natured ridicule, but nevertheless the popular song of 1914 Convention if we can believe those who attended; and there is, among the earliest songs that one which is, perhaps, most sung of any Delta Zeta song: "It's Just a Little Lamp," written by Crystal Hall (Glover) of Epsilon Chapter. . . . These and others were doubtless in high favor after the appearance of the first songbook. This book was authorised by the 1910 Convention, which named Alma Miller of Delta as chairman with Elmira Case of Epsilon as assistant. In 1911 these two submitted their work, and the

cost estimate, to Council, which authorised them to proceed with the order for three hundred books as soon as material was completely ready. In 1912 the contract as allowed, was given, and the book printed by the Keller-Coessent Company, of Cincinnati. These books were distributed in 1913, the price one dollar. In form this was an attractive small book, bound in light brown cloth, bearing the coat of arms in darker brown and tied with cord in the sorority colors. It numbered in all 39 songs, of which most were written to familiar or popular tunes; in which latter case, words only were given, due to the difficulty of securing rights to reprint copyright music. Each of these books bore its individual number. Of course it was



ALMA MILLER
First Editor of the Songbook 1912

greeted with much interest, and did not long suffice to supply the needs of a growing sorority.

There was no second edition, however, until several years had passed. Anne Younger, of Delta, was appointed by the Council of 1917 to prepare a new book,

and she with her committee at once set to work. Many and varied were the difficulties which beset these would-be song collectors, but their perseverance made it possible for them to issue the second Delta Zeta Songbook in 1921. This book was larger than the first and was bound in green cloth, on which the coat of arms, stamped in gold, produced a handsome and dignified effect. It bore the dedication, "To Our Grand Presidents," and its number was limited to two thousand. Ninety-six songs were included, under ten headings:

Our National Song ("O come ye loyal sisters": since dropped as national song).

Songs of Love and Loyalty (seven songs)

Grace Songs and Toast Songs (eight songs)

Glee and Sport Songs (four songs)

Chapter Songs (five songs)

Alumnæ Songs (two)

Twilight Songs (three songs)

Songs of Farewell (three songs)

Songs of the DZ Colleges (twenty—not all with music)

Miscellaneous DZ Songs (fifteen—several, words only)

Included for the first time in this book is the much loved Rose Song beginning "Washed by the dew," by Ruth Miller Clearwaters, of Delta; and the equally favored "Delta Zeta Lamps are Burning," with words by Carolyn Tilley, Mu and music by Helen Slagle, Delta; and "Neath Moon or Sun," the work of Dorothy Smith (Hubert) of Xi.

This book, although incomplete even from the time it reached the hands of the members, showed progress from the first edition and was well liked. In anticipation of a new book, the 1922 Convention continued the Songbook Committee as a standing committee, placing in charge Dorothy Wigman of Omicron Chapter. Within a year she was forced by pressure of work to be relieved from the committee and Evelyn Ross of Alpha Alpha became chairman. A severe accident by burning caused her to give up

the office, and no manuscript was ready for the 1924 Convention. Virginia Smith, *Kappa*, was chairman from 1924-26, and although she worked valiantly, collected much material, and did a great deal of work herself in correcting and editing the musical scores sent her, she informed the 1926 Convention the results were so far beneath her hopes and expectations, that she handed her collected material over to Convention feeling that the book was still a dream of the future. Fortunately, the influence of this Convention, its enthusiasm, the discovery that many loved and excellent songs had simply never been sent to the committee, the wholesome effect of bringing shame and a resultant activity to those chapters which had been negligent, and especially the appalling need of the book, so increased the interest and the material available, that the new chairman, Miss Miriam Landrum of Alpha Tau Chapter, found it possible to complete the work and have the book printed in time for the Province Conventions of 1927. Again a green cloth cover, slightly darker than that of 1921; the same title "Delta Zeta Songs" and the coat of arms, version of 1925, were used. The book was dedicated to the Founders, and had ninety-one songs on ninety-seven pages. A number of blank pages at the back were provided to allow for adding new songs as they were secured. Songs were again classified topically, but also by chapters contributing. Thirty-five chapters were listed as having one or more songs to their credit. The classification by topics was as follows:

To Delta Zeta

The Lamp

The Rose

Memories

Prayer

Toasts and Sport Songs

Probably the favorite of all the new songs contained in this edition is "Dream Girl of Delta Zeta" which was written by a Nu freshman, Juanita Kelly, for a stunt before the chapter. This song was an instant success; and

has since been published in sheet music form, being also frequently heard over the radio. The second printing of this book, in 1929, concludes the songbooks of Delta Zeta for the time being; but already omissions of favored and admirable songs have been pointed out and the future will doubtless see a new book and new songs though it is unlikely that the old will be displaced.

The Directory

The first edition of the LAMP under Grace Duncan's editorship contained a register, as it was then called, of Delta Zeta. The Council of 1915 authorized the printing of a new register, to be a small, simple book containing the Grand Constitution as accepted by 1914 Convention, and the register to be composed of the names of all *alumnæ* members and seniors of that year. This book appeared in due time, probably 1917 as it is headed, *Delta Zeta Alumnæ and Seniors of 1917*. It is bound in brown paper, is about 3x5 inches in size, and bears no printer's name. The letters ΔZ are stamped on the cover. Nine pages are taken up with the "Grand Constitution" and by-laws; and the remaining twenty-two pages, unnumbered, compose the list of *alumnæ* and seniors of 1917. The average number of names to the page is twenty, giving a membership of something less than 500 for that time. No class year is given for any member; and in general the whole thing is brief to the point of compression. . . In 1919 Madeline Baird, then registrar, prepared a new directory. It was uniform in size and cover with the LAMP of that date. Members were listed alphabetically only, but whenever information had been given, the occupation of the member was given as well as her chapter and class, name and address. Supplements to this edition were issued in connection with editions of the LAMP, in 1920, and 1921, three in all.

Under the hand of Myrtle Graeter Malott, registrar from 1922-24, was begun the compilation of the most ambitious directory to that time. Members

were classified alphabetically by name; by chapter; and by geographical location. With the installation of so many new chapters in the biennium 1924-26, the appearance of this directory was delayed to allow the new members to be listed. When the 1924 Convention, at Mrs. Malott's motion, dropped the office of registrar from the Council, the directory work was transferred to Central Office and later an exhaustive check was made on directory data. As finally issued, in 1927, it was a book of 186 pages, 4x6 inches in size, paper bound and stating itself to be the directory of the "Delta Zeta Fraternity." Its final preparation in the fall of 1926 had been in the hands of Sabina T. Murray, who became Executive Secretary after 1926 Convention, and although she worked fast, in order to get this book out in January 1927, she found, alas! that in the making of directories the men have all the good luck. Scarcely does a women's membership list get off the presses until a sheaf of new brides makes it stale news. The central office records forming the most accurate and up-to-date records of the sorority's members, were again drawn upon for data to prepare a new edition of the *Delta Zeta Directory*.

In March 1932 the LAMP issued a new directory of membership as the current number of the magazine. In this edition the members are again listed alphabetically, by chapters and geographically. A departure from former custom in the alphabetical list is the giving for each married member of her name both under the maiden and married name. So you will not fail to find Mary Roe whom you met once a long time ago, just because she has since married John Doe! This book is 266 pages in length, revised to January 1932. As stated in its forward, it contains the lists from fifty-seven college chapters, totalling well over seven thousand members; and further lists the names of the twenty-one *alumnæ* chapters and the twenty-one *alumnæ* clubs into which some of the *alumnæ* have found continuance of their chapter activities. The work of compiling this volume

was director by Irene Boughton, Executive Secretary, and represents an amount of work which no one who has never tried a similar task can even begin to realize. It is a book of great value to the sorority, but—even so, and so soon, a new one is in order. In fact, one person could easily spend her full time keeping up and issuing correct records of the membership of the sorority. . . .

Features contained in this latest directory not to be found in previous issues, are, a double-page map of the Delta Zeta Sorority, cleverly done in black, white and red; the work, of course, of Margaret H. Pease, Editor. Likewise by the same person, the silhouettes of the Founders and Past Presidents, reprinted from the 1930 Convention programs; and a complete list of the officers of the sorority, from its founding for each biennium, prepared from the history material. The Founders, the present council members, with addresses; the Provinces with the directors and the included chapters of each; and finally, the list of the college chapters with dates of installation and addresses, are features which make this truly a distinguished and exhaustive directory, register or tabulation of whatever sort you will, of Delta Zeta.

The book was printed by the Banta Publishing Company, who prepared for Council, Founders and a few others officially connected with the sorority, a limited edition bound in dark green cloth, and stamped with the member's name in gold letters. These were so attractive and so durable that it is hoped some future directory can be issued in similar form.

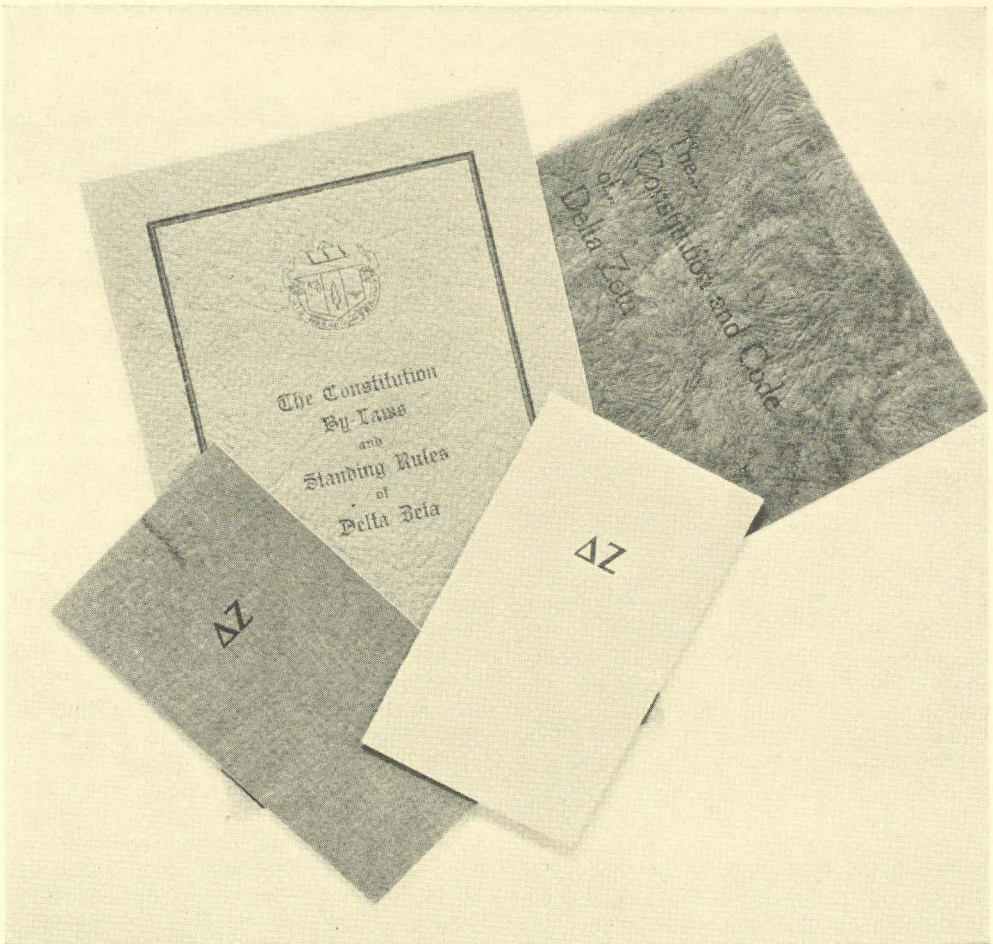
The Constitution

The earliest constitutions were handwritten copies, one for each new chapter, from the handwritten book in which Alpha Chapter's original constitution and ritual were kept. Being so largely ritualistic and secret in nature, these were not adapted to being printed, and the first copies made for general distribution to chapters were mimeographed.

The "Grand" Constitution, adopted by the 1914 Convention, from the revision and original work of Mrs. Stephenson, omitted this secret material, and was, as has been stated previously, printed in the first Register, probably in 1917. For some years, this little pocket size book remained the accepted format of the constitution. As amendments were made a new edition would be printed, and although a change in cover paper from dark brown to light gray, was finally made, the general makeup of the book was the same.

Experience and changing rulings finally making it clear that an extensive revision of the National Constitution was imperative, a constitution committee was appointed at the 1926 Convention, later submitted its work for acceptance, and in 1927 there appeared the new edition of the Delta Zeta Constitution. This was much the most extensive and complete of all the constitutional publications ever issued by the sorority. It was the first to contain both the national and local constitutions of the sorority. In addition there are included, rules governing the provinces; model constitution for alumnae chapters; required by-laws for college chapters; suggested standing rules; traditions of Delta Zeta; a description of the insignia and other important information. Prepared after a thorough searching of the previous constitutions, and an attempt to reconcile the minutes of the preceding Conventions and Councils with the accepted rules of the sorority at the time of making the revision, the book represents a vast deal of research and coordination on the part of the constitution committee: Julia Bishop Coleman, Margaret Huenefeld Pease, and Grace Mason Lundy. It was printed in Cincinnati at the Gibson-Peron Press, and is an attractive, convenient book of sixty eight pages.

Great as was the improvement of this book in complete material, clarity and general information, there were then developing within the organization certain changes which soon made inapplicable



some sections of this book of 1927. As Convention looked for better methods of acting on petitions; on simpler operation of provinces, and in other ways strove to make the organization of the sorority that which would best and most efficiently serve the needs of a changing era, so the constitution must be altered to conform. Again the Constitution committee met and meditated, and wielded the blue pencil. They struck out, and wrote in; and prepared for the acceptance of the sisterhood a new compilation of the constitution and laws: "code" as the organization had indicated it would henceforth prefer to call these laws.

This compilation, "The Constitution and Code of Delta Zeta" was issued in 1933 to all chapters, officers and new members. It is a smaller, slimmer book this time; its cover green, its twenty pages closely filled with the latest revision of the constitution and general code of the sorority; practical, convenient and complete.

The History

What matters of interest were forever lost to us when, in 1906 the girls of old Alpha destroyed with tears and flames, all the records and paraphernalia of Delta Zeta's earliest days, we shall never

know. The dates and bare facts are matters possible of ascertaining; the personal touch that the old minute-book would have given can only be approximated, and that from the memories of those who helped to make the first bits of our history.

The 1912 Convention elected as first Historian of Delta Zeta Alfa Lloyd Hayes. It was realized that time was slipping by and some fine day much valuable information would be lost forever if not saved in black and white. Actual publication was not contemplated until the organization and grown to such status as would warrant the issuance of a somewhat formal booklet.

As successor to Mrs. Hayes was elected in 1916 one most admirably fitted both by experience and natural gifts for such a task—none other than Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson. With attention to the minutest details, Mrs. Stephenson accumulated invaluable material and was able to present to the meeting of the Council, 1917, a large portion of the manuscript. Further additions were made during the remainder of her term, but due in large measure to the intervening of war years, publication was deferred.

Mrs. Stephenson's plan for the book carried out the simile used in the 1916 Convention banquet toasts; that of the Rose Garden, the chapters bore the easily understood titles of:

- The Rose Garden (Foreword)
- The Soil (Miami University)
- The Handmaidens (The Founders)
- The Cutting
- The Stem
- Thorns

and so on to the Pink Rose, the final development.

Beautiful in conception, poetic and striking in many of its passages, the work of Mrs. Stephenson was of a peculiarly intimate quality that made it essentially to and for Delta Zeta reading. Could it have been published at the time when the author closed her term of office, it would have proven of immeasurable value for its inspirational and endearing character.

Julia Bishop Coleman, who was elected in 1920 as Historian, found herself the chronicler of an intricately complex biennium. In every department was felt the readjustment necessitated by the final removal of the strain of war, and the resumption, on an enlarged scale, of all organization activities. Such readjustment takes time; assuredly it was still in process at the time of the 1922 Convention. Mrs. Coleman therefore wisely had made no attempt to complete a history; rather she simply recorded the events of the period, leaving the interpretation and the fitting of them to other events, to later days. Her recommendation to the Convention was that the preparation of the history should be continued until the logical close of the period of growth; but that inasmuch as Delta Zeta would be twenty-one years old in 1923 there might be published by that time a short account or story of the fraternity up to that time.

Convention adopted these recommendations, but deprived the sorority of Mrs. Coleman's excellent service in preparing such a book, by promoting her to the office of Vice President. The Historian elected at this time was Grace Mason, *Epsilon*.

The years following the 1922 Convention were years of great activity. The increased interest in expansion manifested at this Convention, with its attendant consideration of many petitions; the commencement of a definitely national altruistic program, the changes introduced with the establishment of a centralized executive office, and many other significant matters crowded into the next year, produced literally the effect of history being made to right and left. The preparation of the proposed story was to some extent facilitated by the fact that the Historian was also the Executive Secretary, and to paraphrase the old saying, was therefore able to write two stories with one pen. The 1923 council meeting approved the plan of issuing this story of Delta Zeta as one issue of the LAMP, and accordingly the coming of age of the organization was duly ob-

served with the first printed history, December 1923.

Relying entirely upon the work of the preceding historian Mrs. Stephenson for the story of the years to 1920, Miss Mason's work was mostly that of editing and condensing the material already prepared; and the addition of an account of the last three years. The story was dedicated to the Founders, and comprised one hundred forty seven pages, with chapters as follows:

- Pro Apologia
- The Founding of the Delta Zeta Fraternity
- Early Years
- Growth and Expansion
- Our College Chapters
- The Alumnae Chapters
- The Founders
- Our Grand Patron
- Presidents of Delta Zeta
- Our Colleges
- Publications
- Greetings from Founders

An extra large edition of this issue of the LAMP was printed in order that copies might be on hand to serve as histories for members initiated between this time and the appearance of a more formal book; or to supply orders from other members.

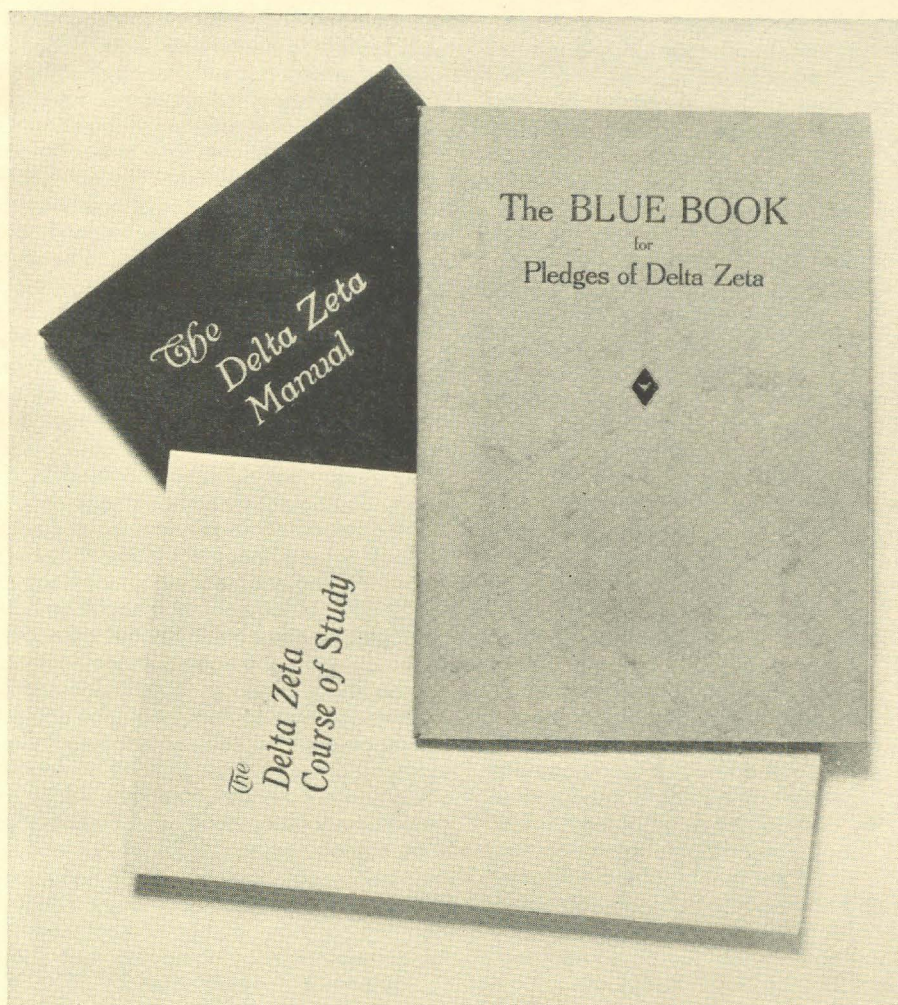
Although meeting temporarily the need for some published account of Delta Zeta History, this was but a temporary measure and the collecting and arranging of material relative to the development of the sorority was continued by Miss Mason, 1924 Convention having reelected her to her office. At 1926 Convention she was able to report that the chronology of the proposed volume was up to date, and presented the outline plan of the proposed anniversary volume, considered for publication in 1927. She also moved that the historical work of the sorority be given in charge of a standing committee whose chairman should act as compiler and editor, rather than continuing on council where the historian seemed scarcely needed. Convention accepted this suggestion, and the council elected in 1926 made Georgia Chandler Hornung chairman for the next biennium.

Although for the next year the work of revising, arranging and writing was duly carried on, the council of 1927 failed to authorize the printing of the book and by the time the work of historian was returned to the hands of Grace Mason Lundy in 1928, changes financial and otherwise were proving to be so generally drastic that a policy of waiting for more settled times was more or less unconsciously assumed. Therefore it is that years of the "depression" have slipped by one after the other and have shown their greater or less effect in what was to be written into a history of such an organization as this, and such a constituency as the college woman of 1928-34. This story which now comes to you, the account of Delta Zeta's first third of a century, attempts no fabulous chronicle of miracles performed, nor of amazing prestige reached seemingly as a gift from the gods. It is simply the honest and sincere effort of some who wear the Lamp, notably her who first received it from the very hands of our founders, to make permanent for the rest of us, the memories and ideals, the attempts and the achievements, and sometimes the mistakes, found in the rise and progress of an organization founded, as we believe, on enduring principles and working toward ends which make it in our opinion, of some worth in the American life of its day.

The Sorority's Books of Instruction

In the fall of 1929 there appeared simultaneously for the use of Delta Zeta members and pledges, three books. Two of these were new, the realization, after years of discussion and planning, of informational books designed to help and guide the chapters and members. The third was a new, modernized edition of a book which had been in use in the sorority for ten years, and had proven itself of inestimable worth, the Pledge Course of Study.

This publication, which since its 1929 edition has been known as The Blue Book for Pledges, (partly because of its



gay blue cover but mainly because it is what it says it is—a “blue book”) was the contribution of a member of Lambda Chapter, Edythe Wilson Thoesen '19. She developed the idea for use with the pledges of her own chapter, and so helpful did it prove and so much was there needed a book of the sort for the whole sorority, that she was asked to prepare it for publication by the national organization to distribute to all chapters. Accordingly this edition was made ready for use in 1919, its special purpose being the instruction of pledges in all that would prepare them for membership in

the chapter, and for their pre-initiation examinations. The book was frankly for instruction and was didactic in nature; but it proved immediately useful. Its contents in compact and tabulated form, included a brief history of the entire fraternal system; of Delta Zeta, her founders, etc.; the chapter roll; pictures of the badges of the NPC sororities and some of the men's fraternities; excerpts from the Sorority Handbook, and other similar material, were included. Space was left for each pledge to write in information of her own chapter; songs; etc. At the time when this book appeared first,

it contained the most accurate and complete statistical information pertaining to Delta Zeta at that time available, and this fact caused it to be seized upon by a number of alumnae chapters and used as the basis for the study part of their meetings. Later editions were issued, to insure having accurate and complete information in the hands of the pledges each year; these appearing in 1921, 1924 and 1926. The Blue Book, as revised in 1929 by Margaret H. Pease, while based on the original pledge course, represents the greatest departure in form and content from the first volume, but the purpose remains the same, and the book is not only attractive for the purpose which it specifically serves, but interesting reading to any member who wishes to bring herself up-to-date on the essentials of her sorority.

The value of this book to the pledge of the sorority had for some years suggested a place for a similar book to be used by the initiated members. Under Mrs. Coleman's administration Catherine Winters of Sigma Chapter prepared a suggested outline for a course of study for initiated members, to be used as a sort of syllabus in preparing for the annual sorority examinations. This outline offered much thought for consideration, though it did not prove at council meeting to be exactly what the members were seeking for their specific purpose. It was referred to a committee for study and modification, and the council of 1929 went with great care over the original outline and the suggestions for additions, and changes which had grown from the meetings of the provinces in the summer of 1927 and from the experiences of the past biennium. With Ruby Long as chairman, this committee of the whole finally evolved a very simple, workable plan for an outline of a course of study to be used by initiated members. The plan called for a period of study or report in each weekly chapter meeting, the chapter parliamentarian to be in charge. Therefore the book was grouped into topics each of which could be covered in a month's reports. References

to source material were given, but the book remained as originally intended, a syllabus, and not an informational book. It was bound in yellow, the second of the primary books in primary colors.

The third book of this trio was the largest and most extensive single publication of the sorority to date. Its cover, of red, made it the third of the primary series; and its name, *The Delta Zeta Manual* (for chapters and initiated members) indicated its nature. It was prepared for publication by Grace Mason Lundy, then visiting delegate, and represents a real labor for love of the organization. The contents of the book are as follows: Part I, *The College Chapter*, its administration and its officers. This part includes discussion of the duties of each officer and standing committee; of chapter and ritualistic meetings, records and rushing. Part II, called *The National Organization*; its relations to the chapters and members, is concerned with the more general aspect of the sorority. It contains a brief historical sketch, an outline of the Province system, the national visitation system, chapter houses, the course of study, scholastic requirements, affiliation policies, alumnae, etc. Part III, *The College Chapter and its Home Life* deals with the management, traditions, and policies of Delta Zeta life as lived in chapter houses and includes sections on patronesses, chaperones, and living conditions in general. Part IV, *The National Organization and the Individual*, takes up the arguments for and against the sorority, and contains some suggestions as to how the sorority may aid the individual in living the fullest possible life. Each chapter officer, every province and national officer receives a copy for use—the books remaining the property of the sorority.

The book appears, after some years in use, to need some revision, some breaking up into parts in order to become more readily useful to the different members and officers. In loose leaf or sectional form it would be possible to remove from the copies used by college mem-

bers, for example, those sections used by alumnae advisers, province presidents, etc. Likewise each chapters officer might well spare the sections dealing with all the other offices. But these are things learned from experience. The book has been of service and in future editions the mechanics can be improved to make it more accurately fit the place it fills.

Miscellaneous Publications

The council meeting of 1917 recommended that at the next convention there should be a convention newspaper. However, war conditions did away with convention plans for 1918; and somehow by 1920 this ruling was either forgotten or shelved. Not until 1924 did the convention newspaper become a reality; but its debut was the cause of great enthusiasm, and it was one of the outstanding features of this convention. The able editor for this first convention daily, was Izil Polson, *Lambda*, who had been that year studying in the Medill McCormick School of Journalism, while on leave of absence from K. S. A. C. where she was on the staff of the Journalism department. Her staff was composed of members from the hostess chapters, Tau, Alpha Alpha and Alpha Beta, with additions from the budding journalists of the convention attendants. This staff presented, in five newsy and interesting issues, the *Convention Lantern* and thus was established what has since been and indispensable adjunct for a Delta Zeta convention. The 1926 daily, although more prosaically called *The Convention Chronicle*, maintained the splendid standard set by the paper of 1924. It was edited by Helen Bell of Mu Chapter, reported each day's business and fun, gave announcements for later sessions, and in general helped with the smooth performance for which this convention became famous. . . . The 1928 Convention, at Bigwin Inn, presented real difficulties to the publication of a daily paper, since there was no press nearer than Huntsville, some miles away by complicated trip. Not realizing this

situation, the staff were taken quite unaware, their first edition was late and the last one barely caught the boat on which the convention partly left. However, appear it did, and daily, although the ink was sometimes a little smudgy from the papers being snatched from the presses so frantically in order to make the boat to Bigwin. This time a new title appeared: *The Conventioneer*; and the staff which actually did the work was composed mainly of Gertrude Houk, *Omega*; Florence Hood, *Alpha Beta*; Nadine Miller, *Alpha Phi*, and Margaret Pease, *Xi*. The 1928 Convention held so much that made good "news" that the daily found no complainants among its readers, smudges or none. . . . When convention met in 1930, at Madison, the editorship of the daily was in the hands of Lola Moeller, *Iota*, assisted by Mary Bennett, *Chi*, and Virginia Peyton, *Omega*. This daily took for its name that diminutive title first used by the daily of the 1926 convention special—the *Lampkin*. The *Lampkin* proved a worthy successor to its predecessors; in fact almost outdid them in some respects. Special praise is due the girls who made this such an outstandingly successful part of a signally inspiring convention.

Verda Jensen, *Alpha Alpha*, who was chosen to edit the 1933 daily, retained the title of 1930 and with her staff of assistants gave five generous and able numbers. The convention newspaper has now become so established in the minds of the sorority that it is considered as one of the essentials of a successful convention.

Convention Proceedings

Beginning with the 1910 convention, there were prepared after the convention, copies of the minutes to be distributed to all officers and chapters. At first these were carbon copies, typed; then as the chapter roll increased, they were mimeographed, and finally they arrived at the stage when the convention proceedings were summarized and with any necessary information added, printed as supplements to the *LAMP* in the



first issue of the fall, thereby reaching a larger number of members than under the previous plan. . . . This plan was followed for the minutes of 1920, 1922, 1924, 1928 conventions. By the time of the 1930 convention, it became possible to reach every member of the sorority by putting the report of proceedings into *Sidelights* and this plan was followed in 1933 as well. It has been found that the membership at large really does take an interest in the business operations of the sorority, and this summary of the national conventions and their rulings serves to keep scattered alumnae in touch with the developments taking place.

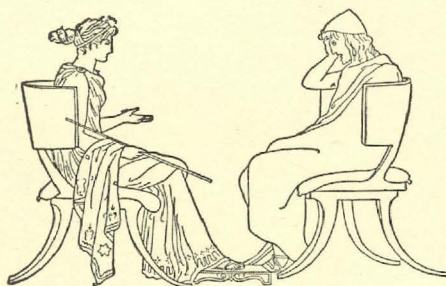
Sidelights

This latest of all the sorority publications is a small news sheet published not less than twice nor more than four times annually, and containing both business and inspirational material intended to bring news of the sorority to scattered alumnae who may not be on the LAMP list and who otherwise might quickly lose track of the progress of the sorority. *Sidelights* comes to every member of the

sorority and is free. Its first appearance was in the fall of 1928 and it has been issued at least twice each year since.

Extension Folder

Extension workers had from the beginning of their work felt a need for something simple, and concise to put into the hands of questioners to give them the essential facts about Delta Zeta. Officers and chapters also had frequent opportunity to use such material for the satisfaction of pledges, parents, college officials and others. During the council meetings of 1926, material which had been prepared by Edythe Wilson Thoesen in her term as extension secretary, was edited and revised with assistance from the entire council, and in the fall there was issued the first "Official Information Concerning Delta Zeta," a small folder giving the brief statements of the founding, chapter roll, officers, house ownership, national projects and other significant data. The bulletin proved to be very helpful until replaced by later information for the same purpose.



Outstanding Delta Zetas

A CHAPTER giving some of the records made by Delta Zetas in the varied activities and interests of women is one of great interest to the entire sorority, but such a chapter in this record will constitute rather an attempt to recount the activities of the comparative present, and not truly belong as history, since only time will place the final value on what value these activities shall receive.

However, because it is a matter of such universal interest, there may well be given some space to relating the lines of interest in which our members find outlet for their professional or avocational talents. The making of this list raises first of all the question of who shall be included. Without further discussion we begin it by giving the names and brief statement of the services of all those who have served the sorority in national capacity. This list is not an attempt to give to the loyal services rendered by those members named, any estimate of their work; it is merely an attempt to perpetuate in convenient form the list of those who helped make Delta Zeta. Many of these officers have been from time to time presented in the LAMP; but many of our younger members and chapters will never have access to those early issues of the magazine in which the personalities of the officers were set forth, and it is in the interests of those who form the younger generations of Delta Zeta, as well as of those who were the youngsters of an earlier day, to keep the names and records of their officers fresh before them.

Again, we must remember that in an organization composed of women still for the most part of less than middle age, it would be unreasonable to seek for an unduly long list of members achieving permanent, final distinction. Rather it will be found that there are among us many young women who are somewhere along the middle of the ladder leading to their final success. Therefore for

many of our alumnae, mention in this list is much in the nature of prophecy.

Finally there is that peculiarity about preparing a list of women of distinction, not found in a similar undertaking of a list for men. . . . Inequality of recognition seems to pursue the feminine sex even to the present moment. The record of a woman, outstanding for leadership, distinction or originality, may be equally as fine as that of a man; yet the chances are the woman's name will be known only in her own community, while the work of the man may have been familiar to persons many states removed from his own locality. Again, many women who seem well along to becoming distinguished if not famous, in a chosen field, will apparently drop from the public eye upon marriage; for as yet not many of us continue to wish or to attempt combining the two careers of homemaker and some other. Or still again, women continue to exhibit that flexibility of choice in their professional or avocational lines, as well as elsewhere; a number of persons have done well in some line, only to change it for another, remote perhaps in interest, because their first choice does not completely satisfy their urge.

From time to time the achievements of members have been written up for the LAMP; and yet it is quite surprising to find how completely five or ten years will change the story which must be written of the life and work of a member. A check through the magazine for the purpose of following the achievements of our alumnae showed this all too clearly to give any expectation for writing smooth, unbroken stories of the achievements of alumnae. . . .

Therefore there is no carefully prepared scheme for evaluating the records of our members and determining their right to be listed in the ranks of those named for distinction. Whatever of professional or business distinction, or meritorious public service, or unusual or



IRENE C. BOUGHTON
Executive Secretary 1928-

special interest in the line of hobby, has brought a member into public notice, has been considered for this list. It is regrettable that there seems to be so much reluctance on the part of many members to surrender the real details of their work or play; for unquestionably this record is decidedly incomplete. If it shall inspire the wish among our members to tell of themselves of their friends who should have been included in these pages, then its purpose will not have gone unrealized.

NOTE—Here are two lists of members who have special interest to us. The first lists those who have served as Province or national officers or on national committees. These people are generally listed under the name by which the member was known during her major term of service. For example, Ruth Gaddis Jeffries was Ruth Gaddis dur-

ing her service as a national officer, and is listed as Gaddis; likewise Martha Railsback Tinsley. On the other hand, Arema O'Brien Kirven continued in office as long after marriage as before and is listed under Kirven; likewise Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson. The plan may be a little uneven but should not be confusing. Appended to the statement of the member's service for Delta Zeta is also a brief statement of her vocation or her leading interest, or a reference to data given about her in the section on prominent members in case she is also listed there.

If anyone has been omitted from this list who should be on it, their forgiveness is bespoken on the ground that none are intentionally deprived of the recognition rightfully due them for service to their sorority. It would be, the author feels sure, an interesting document if we could know the occupations or interests of all our members; and if we could render appreciation for all service which has been important to Delta Zeta, the list would read more nearly like a membership catalog than this one can extend to cover.

SECTION I

NATIONAL AND PROVINCE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES

ABRAHAM, EFFIE, *Alpha*: Permanent Records Committee, 1922-24.

ALEXANDER, GRACE; *see* Duncan.

AMIDON, VIVIAN MILLAR (MRS. CHARLES): Ways and Means Committee, 1922-1924.

ASKIN, ELIZABETH, *Omicron*: President, Alpha Province, 1925-28; Mortar Board; married—Mrs. Benjamin Meredith.

ASHTON, BESS ERTLE (MRS. THOMAS), *Zeta*: Song Book Committee, 1922-24.

BAIRD, MADELINE, *Theta*: Business Manager, the LAMP, 1916-20; Registrar, 1918-20; published first Delta Zeta Directory, 1917; charter member Theta Chapter and Columbus alumnae; married—Mrs. Merton V. Porter; *see* also Section 2.

BALLASEYUS, VIRGINIA, *Mu*: Chairman, Songbook Committee, 1916-18; charter member, Mu Chapter; *see* also Section 2.

BARROW, CLARA HUFFMAN (MRS. JOHN), *Eta*: Member Social Service Committee, 1916-18; Vice-President, Delta Province, 1926-28; member song-

book Committee, 1926-28; first initiate of Eta Chapter; *see* also Section 2.

BASSETT, BERNICE C., *Delta*: Grand Treasurer, 1910-12; Custodian of the Badge, 1912-14; charter member, Delta Chapter; *see* also Section 2.

BECKER, FLORENCE, *Beta*: Alpha Province member of National Finance Committee, 1924-26; Junior Extension worker, Delaware Home Economic Department.

BLAKESLEE, MARY-FRANCES WEIGEL, *Alpha Delta*: Secretary, Alpha Province, 1926-28; owner and manager gift shop in Roanoke, Virginia.

BOHANNON, ORA DANIEL (MRS. W. E.), *Alpha Pi*: President Beta Province, 1926-30; member national magazine committee, 1930-33. Charter member, Alpha Pi Chapter; Member Modern Languages Department, Howard College; first Delta Zeta grandmother (two daughters of Frances Bohannon Gourley, Alpha Pi.) L. 16-2; 18-2.

BOOS, BESS, *Omicron*: Member national social service committee, 1916-18.

BOUGHTON, IRENE, *Iota*: Executive



MARGARET BUCHANAN
National Secretary—1930-31

secretary, Delta Zeta Sorority, 1928- ; previously chairman national House Management Committee, 1924-26; President, Delta Province, 1926-28.

BROWN, LOUELLA READER (Mrs. GEORGE A.), *Eta*: Grand Secretary, 1919-22; Member Constitution Committee, 1922-24.

BROWN, LELA, *Delta*: Member Scholarship Committee, 1918-20; charter member, Delta Chapter; Dept. of Soc. Service, Indianapolis Public Schools.

BRUNGER, EMMA LOU, *Epsilon*: Elected grand treasurer for 1912-14, resigned 1913; married—Mrs. Earl (?); city librarian, Sullivan, Indiana.

BUCHANAN, MARGARET, *Alpha Omega*: National Secretary, 1930-32; previously, Secretary-Treasurer, Beta Province (1928-30); state Chairman, alumnae work in Mississippi, 1933-; charter member Alpha Omega Chapter; M.A., Mercer University; Dean, Mississippi State College for Women; Member, D.A.R., U.D.C., Colonial Dames; L.18-2.

BULLOCK, MILDRED: *see* Keezel.

BURNS, MARION, *Eta*: Member, Committee on House Management, 1924-26; member, national extension committee, 1921-24.

BOYD, DOROTHY, *Theta*: Business Manager, the LAMP, January-June, 1922; married—Mrs. F. Glenn Haskins.

CAMERON, JANET, *Zeta*: National Registrar, elected for 1916-18 (resigned).

CAMERON, MARY, *Zeta*: Member Examination Committee, 1918-20.

CASE, ELMIRA, *Epsilon*: Member First Songbook Committee, 1910-12; married—Mrs. John Wharton.

CHRISTMAN, JULIA, *Theta*: National Registrar, 1912-16; charter member, Theta Chapter and chapter's first Phi Beta Kappa.

COLEMAN, JULIA BISHOP (Mrs. JOHN M.), *Alpha*: Founder; National Historian, 1920-22; Vice-President, 1922-24; President, 1924-26; Chairman, Constitution Committee, 1926-; member O.E.S.; member P.E.O.; state President, P.E.O. for Ohio 1926-30; member D.A.R.; daughter, Mary Permelia, Con-

vention initiate, 1933.

COLLINS, HELEN, *Tau*: Treasurer, Gamma Province, 1926-28; charter member Tau Chapter; married—Mrs. Irvin McElwee.

COLLINS, MARY, *Alpha*: Founder; National Parliamentarian, 1912-14; married—Mrs. George Galbraith.

COLWELL, LEILA, *Lambda*: Delta Province member National Finance Committee, 1924-26; Dietitian, Arnot-Ogden Hospital, Elmira, N.Y.

COOKS, LUCILLE CROWELL (Mrs. RUDOLPH), *Alpha*: National Second-Vice President, 1933-; previously, 1930-33, Province President; until her marriage, private secretary to Newton D. Baker; member, Phi Beta Kappa, Mortar Board.

COULTER, ELIZABETH: *see* Stephenson.

COULTER, MARY, *Alpha*: Grand Vice-President, 1908-10; married—Mrs. Otis Van Sickle; (sister to Elizabeth Coulter).

COWAN, CATHERINE COWAN (Mrs. GERALD), *Xi*: President, Beta Province (now province VI), 1930-.

CRAIG, HELEN MEYER (Mrs. ARTHUR), *Mu*: National Secretary, 1933-; previously, President Province XIV; Secretary-Treasurer, Zeta Province, 1926-30; Chairman, National House Committee; charter member Mu Chapter; Spanish correspondent, exporting company; L.16-2.

CRAWFORD, MARGARET HENDERSON (Mrs. KENNETH), *Alpha*: Secretary, Gamma Province, 1924-28; President, Gamma Province, 1928-30; member, Mortar Board.

DALY, BERNADETTA, *Rho*: Chairman, National Committee on Mothers' Clubs; President, Province XIII, 1931-33; member National Scholarship Committee, 1926-28.

DALZELL, MARYLOU NICKERSON (Mrs. JOHN), *Xi*: Member Vocational Guidance Committee, 1924-26; Social Service Committee, 1928-30.

DAVIS, ALENE, *Alpha Eta*: Member National Social Service Committee, 1924-28; Chairman, National Social Service Committee, 1928-30; charter



LUCILLE CROWELL COOKS
Second Vice President 1933-

member Alpha Eta Chapter; member Mortar Board; before her marriage held executive position with Michigan Board of Childrens' Guardians; married—Mrs. R. W. Nebel.

DAVIS, FAYETTE CANINE (Mrs. J. R.), *Zeta*: Member National Examinations Committee, 1916-18; chmn, 1918-20.

DENMAN, JESSIE: *see* Hecker.

DICKENS, ELIZABETH, *Lambda*: Member, National Scholarship Committee, 1926-28; *see* also Section 2.

DOUGLAS, DOROTHY*, *Beta*: Member Extension Committee, 1914-16; member Big Sister Committee, 1916-18; married—Mrs. Joseph Zirkle.

DRAKE, GWENDOLYN, *Tau*: Secretary, Gamma Province, 1928-30; member, Mortar Board; married—Mrs. Lewis Herrin.

DREW, COLLEEN BODENSON (Mrs. L. P.), *Tau*: President, Province IX, 1930-33.

DRURY, FLORENCE, *Nu*: Member, Extension Committee, 1917-18; Chairman, Extension Committee, 1920-22; charter member, Nu Chapter; teacher in Manual Training High School, Indianapolis; married—Mrs. Joseph Swegel.

DUNCAN, GRACE ALEXANDER (Mrs. FRANK), *Epsilon*: Editor, the LAMP of Delta Zeta, 1912-15.

EGAN, HAZEL, *Nu*: Secretary-Treasurer, Delta Province, 1928-30; Secretary, Insurance Company.

ELLINGHUSEN, ESTHER, *Zeta*: Member, Ritual Committee, 1922-24.

ELLIS, FRANCES HANKEMEIER (Mrs. F. E.), *Epsilon*: Member National Finance Committee, 1916-18; Extension Deputy, 1922-24; Phi Beta Kappa; member German department, Indiana University.

FRANCIS, FRANCES E., *Zeta*: Member, Advisory Board of the LAMP, 1912-14; married—Mrs. Nels E. Elkar.

FRASER, MARGARET POPE (Mrs. HAROLD), *Mu*: President, Zeta Province, 1924-28; Chairman, 1926 National Convention.

FRENCH, MILDRED, *Lambda*: Presi-

dent, Province I, 1930—; *see* also Section 2.

*FRIEDLINE, ANNE SIMMONS (Mrs. JUSTUS R.), *Alpha*: National President, 1926-28; previously Vice-President, 1912-14 and 1925-26; State Regent (Colorado), D.A.R.; Chairman, Na-



FRANCES HANKEMEIER ELLIS, *Epsilon*

tional Committee on Americanization, D.A.R.

GADDIS, RUTH, *Alpha*: First Editor, the LAMP of Delta Zeta, 1910-12; Chairman, Advisory Board, 1912-14; married—Mrs. Robert Jeffries.

GLADNEY, MARGARET, *Sigma*: Beta Province member National Finance Committee, 1924-26; Treasurer, Beta Province, 1926-28; Teacher, Beaumont (Texas) High School.

GOODALL, KATHRYN, *Alpha Kappa*: Director, Province III, 1930-33.

GOODWIN, KATHRYN, *Epsilon*: Grand Vice-President, 1910-12; charter member Epsilon Chapter; married—Mrs. John W. Taylor.

GREER, BEULAH, *Alpha*: Chairman, National Social Service Committee, 1916-20; married—Mrs. Howard Sebring Smith.

* Deceased.

HALL, LUELLA, *Upsilon*: Chairman, National Scholarship Committee, 1924-26; developed the chapter association plan as used in Delta Zeta; developed the scholarship record system as used in college chapters of Delta Zeta; charter



GEORGIA LEE HORNUNG
Chairman National Extension Committee 1920-24
Vice President 1924-25; 1934—

member Upsilon Chapter; member Phi Beta Kappa; winner Thomas scholarships; history instructor in various schools and colleges; preparing interesting thesis on Algeciras conference as part requirements for Ph.D., in course of which she has had extensive personal correspondence with former Kaiser Wilhelm, Sir Edward Grey and others.

HANDLEY, JEANNETTE BECK (MRS.), *Psi*: Director Province VII, 1930-33; previously Treasurer, Gamma Province; assistant bank cashier.

HANKEMEIER, FRANCES: *see* Ellis.

HARPER, MARIE SHOYER (MRS. FRANK), *Alpha*: Member, National Social Service Committee, 1926-28.

HAYES, ALFA LLOYD (MRS. ORISON H.), *Alpha*: Founder; first Grand President, 1908-12; sorority inspector, 1912-14; Panhellenic delegate, 1911-14; His-

torian, 1914-16; charter member Indianapolis and Washington alumnae chapters.

HAZZARD, FLORENCE ALDERDICE (MRS. R. L.), *Eta*: Western member, National Extension Committee, 1912-14.

*HECKER, JESSIE DENMAN (MRS. FRANK), *Alpha*: Grand Treasurer, 1908-10; Chairman, Extension Committee, 1912-14.

HEDDEN, MERLE MAZWEILL (MRS. IVAN), *Epsilon*: Advertising Manager, the LAMP, 1914-16; President, Beta† Province, 1920-22.

HELGESON, JEAN SPIERS (MRS. G. PHELPS), *Iota*: President, Delta Province, 1926-30; Mortar Board; Physical Education Instructor.

HIGGINS, LOIS, *Alpha*: National Vice-President, 1926-30; President, Delta Province, 1924-26; office manager, J. B. Lippincott Company.

HORNUNG, GEORGIA LEE CHANDLER (MRS. HOWARD V.), *Epsilon*: Chairman, National Extension Committee, 1920-24; Vice-President, 1924-25 (resigned); 1934—; before her marriage associated with the Rockefeller Foundation in New York City; as Y.W.C.A. worker spent eight months in reconstruction work in Europe.

HORTON, MARGARET BONNEY (MRS. BENNET), *Rho*: Vice-President, Epsilon Province, 1926-29; charter member Rho Chapter.

HOUK, GERTRUDE, *Omega*: Secretary, Eta Province, 1926-28; alumnae editor the LAMP, 1928-30; member Theta Sigma Phi; married—Mrs. C. A. Fariss.

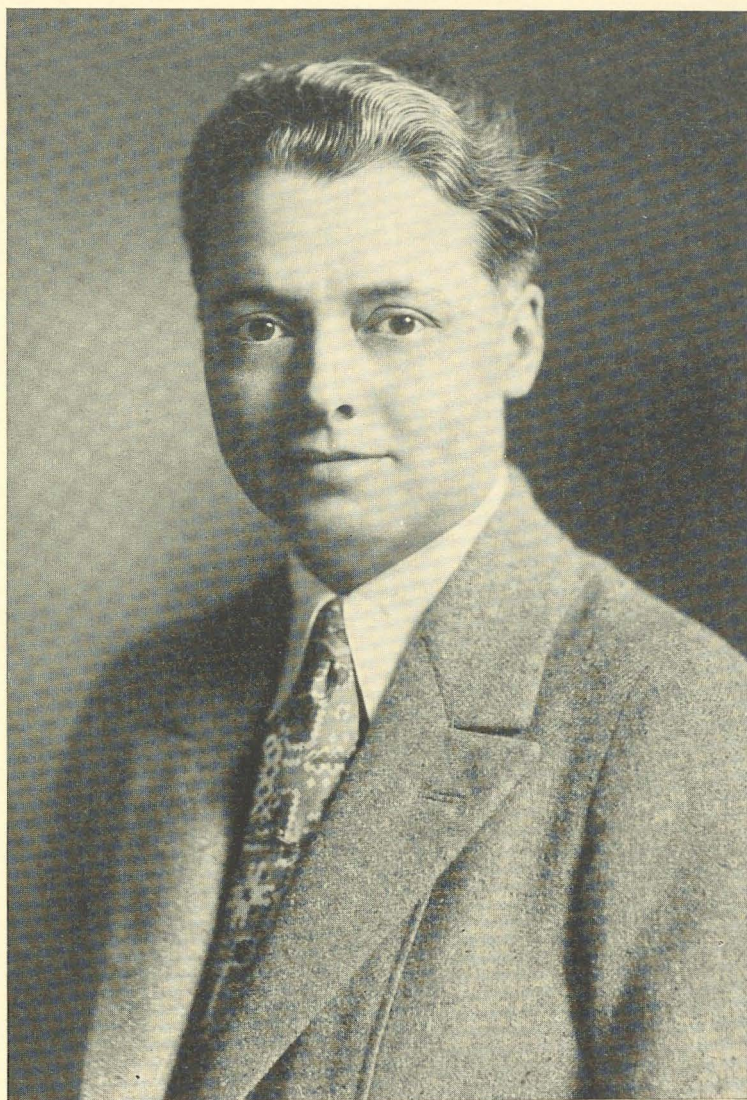
HUBERT, DOROTHY SMITH (MRS. JEROME), *Xi*: Member Songbook Committee; writer popular Delta Zeta songs: "Neath Moon and Sun," and others.

HUNT, IDA, *Delta*: Songbook Committee, 1922-24.

IRONMONGER, VIOLET, *Beta*: Chairman, Constitution Committee, 1924-26; kindergarten director, Mountain Lake, N.J.

JEFFRIES, RUTH GADDIS: *see* Gaddis.
JOHNSON, MARTHA, *Kappa*: Secre-

† Boundaries not same as later Beta; covered Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin.



DR. HELEN JOHNSTON
National Treasurer 1930-



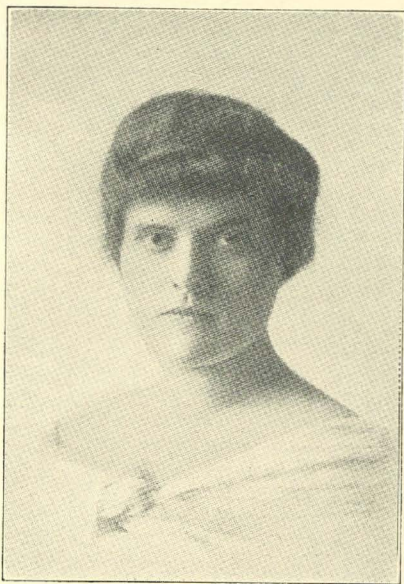
HELEN MEYER CRAIG
National Secretary 1934-
Chairman Building Committee
1930-

tary, Eta Province, 1924-26; Vice-President, Eta Province, 1926-28.

JOHNSTON, HELEN, *Iota*: National Treasurer, 1930—; previously, Chairman, National Health Committee, 1922-28; convention physician, 1928, 1930, 1933; *see also* Section 2.

JONES, HENRIETTA SCHLEGEL (Mrs. GEORGE E.), *Omicron*: National Registrar, 1920-22.

JONES, THELMA, *Tau*: Secretary, Delta Province, 1926-28; charter member



ERMA LENISAY LAND
Delta Zeta's first Phi Beta Kappa
Grand Vice President 1916-20

Tau Chapter; Teacher of Biology.

JONES, VERA BROWN (Mrs. E. E.), *Alpha Alpha*: Editor the LAMP, 1922-26; Chairman, 1924 Convention; charter member and first initiate, Alpha Alpha Chapter; employment personnel work, Marshall Field, Chicago.

JONES, WINONA E., *Mu*: National Treasurer, 1926-30; chairman, 1928 Convention; Director physical education in girls' boarding school in Honolulu.

*JOY, FLORENCE, *Iota*: First Censor of the LAMP; Ph.D. and member of English department, Oberlin College.

KEEZEL, MILDRED BULLOCK (Mrs. JAMES), *Alpha Sigma*: Director, Province V, 1930—; conducts private studio in piano instruction.

KIRVEN, AREMA O'BRIEN (Mrs. FRANK), *Theta*: Editor, the LAMP of Delta Zeta, 1915-22; Chairman, N.P.C. Editors' Conference, 1921; National Chairman, Social Service Committee, 1922-26; member, Mortar Board; May Queen (1914), O.S.U.; before her marriage, assistant dean of women, O.S.U.; member English department, Columbus Junior High Schools.

KELLEY, ANN HABEKOST (Mrs. BERT), *Alpha*: President, Gamma Province, 1926-28; Vice-President's deputy, 1925-26; before her marriage, summer school dean of women, Miami University.

KING, ETHEL, *Zeta*: Member Examination Committee, 1916-18; married—Mrs. Ford Bates.

LADD, ANNETTE STEEL (Mrs. JOHN), *Alpha Delta*: Secretary-Treasurer, Al-



MARITA OLEKERS LITTAUER
Grand Secretary 1922-25



RUBY LONG
Vice President, Secretary, Parliamentarian 1918-24, 1928-33

pha Province, 1926-28; President, Alpha Province, 1928-33; charter member Alpha Delta Chapter.

LAND, ERMA LINDSAY (MRS. GEORGE), *Beta*: Grand Recording Secretary, 1914-16; National Vice-President, 1916-19; charter member Beta Chapter; member Phi Beta Kappa.

LANDRUM, MIRIAM GORDON, *Alpha Tau*: Chairman, National Songbook Committee, 1926-30; charter member, Alpha Tau Chapter; member Music faculty, University of Texas, also maintains her own studio for piano instruction in Austin; concert pianist, pupil of Ganz and Phillip; member, Altrusa Club; Lv. 16-2.

LLOYD, ALFA, *see* Hayes.

LITCHFIELD, ESTHER CULP (MRS. ORVILLE), *Pi*: LAMP: Alumnae Editor, 1920-22; Chairman Ritual Committee, 1922-24; charter member Pi Chapter; Dean and English instructor in Junior college.

LITTAUER, MARITA OELKERS (MRS. FREDERICK), *Beta*: Chairman, 1922 Convention. National Secretary, 1922-25 (resigned); President, Alpha† Province, 1920-22.

LONG, IZIL POLSON (MRS. JAMES D.), *Lambda*: Member examination and education committee, 1922-26; chairman, national scholarship committee, 1926-28; Editor first convention daily, 1924; before her marriage, professor industrial journalism, K.S.A.C.; graduate McCormick School of Journalism; member, national Quill Club; Theta Sigma Phi; Omicron Nu; writer for periodicals and magazines.

LONG, RUBY O., *Kappa*: National parliamentarian, 1916-20, 1922-24; National Vice-President, 1920-22; President, Eta Province, 1924-28, 1930-32; National Secretary, 1928-30, 1930-33; charter member Kappa Chapter; Principal Cashmere High School; member Executive Committee, W.E.A.

LOUCKS, ESTHER CONROY (MRS. CLINTON), *Beta*: Director, Province II, 1930-34.

LOWRY, KATHRYN, *Zeta*: Member

† Alpha Province 1920-22: New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, D.C.

Ritual Committee, 1922-24; Married—Mrs. Louis Kavanagh.

LUNDY, GRACE MASON (MRS. H. M.), *Epsilon*: First Executive Secretary, Delta Zeta sorority, 1922-26; Editor, 1926-28; first visiting delegate, 1928-30; national Vice-President, 1930-33; Historian, 1922-26, 1928-33; Member $\Pi \Delta \Theta$, Altrusa.

LYNCH, ELLEN FUTTRUP, *Beta*: Chairman Extension Fund Committee, 1922-24.

McELFRESH, GERTRUDE EWING (MRS. FRED), *Beta*: Grand Treasurer, 1913-16; Panhellenic delegate, 1920-22; charter member Beta Chapter; member English faculty, Oregon Agricultural College.

McKAY, MILDRED VAN DUSEN, *Beta*: First Chairman, National Social Service Committee; LAMP staff, 1915-16; *see* also Section 2.

MALOTT, MYRTLE GRAETER (MRS. CARL G.), *Delta*: National president, 1928-33; previously, member Finance Committee, 1916-17; developed uniform bookkeeping system for DZ; Grand Treasurer, 1917-22; National Treasurer, 1924-26; member Board of Trustees, 1930—; Registrar, 1922-24.

McELWEE, HELEN COLLINS, *see* Collins.

MALSOR, SALOME BOYLE, *Mu*: Member, National Finance Committee, 1922-26; Treasurer, Zeta Province, 1926-28; state Chairman alumnae work for Montana, 1931—.

MARQUARDT, GLADYS, *Tau*: Vice-President, Zeta Province, 1926-28; charter member, Tau Chapter; Teacher, Huntington Park schools.

MATTERN, LOUISE, *Alpha Eta*: Charter member, Alpha Eta Chapter; married—Mrs. P. T. Oak.

MEREDITH, ELIZABETH ASKIN: *see* Askin.

MILLER, ALMA, *Delta*: First Chairman, Delta Zeta Songbook Committee, 1910-12; published first songbook; associated in business with her brother; also member Executive Committee Evansville Y.W.C.A. and other civic activities.

MILLER, DOROTHY PORTER (MRS.

LEFFLAR), *Mu*: Member Extension Committee, southwestern division, 1918-20.

MILLER, LUCILLE DAY (Mrs. HOWARD), *Zeta*: President, Epsilon Province, 1928-30.

*MINTON, MABELLE M., *Alpha*: Founder; Grand Recording Secretary, 1912-14; National Inspector, 1914-16; married—Mrs. Henry Hageman; until time of her death engaged in life insurance and real estate business.

MORRISON, KATHERINE, *Omicron*: Treasurer, Alpha Province, 1926-28; President, Alpha Province, 1928-30; member, Mortar Board; Teacher biology in High School.

MURRAY, BARBARA, *Zeta*: Member National Finance Committee.

MURRAY, SABINA T., *Beta*: National Executive Secretary, 1926-28; member, Hexie (Mortar Board); teacher and welfare worker, L. 18-1.

NEWSOM, SARAH, *Alpha Gamma*: Secretary, Beta Province, 1924-26; Vice-President, Beta Province, 1926-28; charter member, Alpha Gamma Chapter; member, Phi Beta Kappa; Mortar Board; before her marriage, member of faculty of Birmingham-Southern College; married—Mrs. Andrew J. Yauger.

NIGHTINGALE, IDA, *Beta*: Grand Secretary, 1910-12; eastern member Extension Committee, 1912-14; charter member Beta Chapter; member Phi Beta Kappa.

O'BRIEN, AREMA, *see* Kirven.

O'NEILL, HERTHA, *Kappa*: Member National Finance Committee, 1916-18.

PEARSON, HELEN, *Delta*: Scholarship Chairman, 1918-20; Welfare Worker, Red Cross Home Service.

PEASE, MARGARET HUENEFELD (Mrs. JOHN W.), *Xi*: National President, 1934—; Editor, 1928—; visiting delegate, 1933-34; Editor, *The Lampkin*, 1926; before her marriage, librarian of University of Cincinnati College of Law; practicing lawyer; member Phi Delta Delta; President, Association of Alumnæ, University of Cincinnati.

PENDERY, MARCELLE, *Beta*: President, Alpha Province, 1924-26 (resigned); married—Mrs. H. M. Stewart.

PENTON, VINTA HARRELL (Mrs.—), *Zeta*: Secretary, Epsilon Province, 1926-28; Teacher, Lincoln schools.

PENNEY, GLADYS WRIGHT (Mrs.), *Mu*: President, Epsilon† Province,



SABINA T. MURRAY
Executive Secretary 1926-28

1920-22; certified public accountant in San Francisco; LAMP v. 23-2.

PIERCE, ROSE, *Alpha*: Alumnae editor the LAMP, 1914-18; married—Mrs. George W. McGinnis.

PRATT, MINNIE, *Delta*: Assistant Editor of the LAMP, 1912-14; married—Mrs. Albert A. Held.

PUTNAM, HAZEL, *Iota*: National Treasurer, 1916-17 (resigned); married—Mrs. Sidney Phillips.

RAILSBACK, MARTHA LOUISE, *Delta*: National President, 1916-19 (resigned); previously, National Secretary, 1910-14; Grand Vice-President, 1914-16; Panhellenic delegate, 1911-19; charter member Delta Chapter; Y.W.C.A. war-time worker; Manager ranch resort in Black Hills; married—Mrs. Lawrence Tinsley.

REARDON, LEAH MCINTYRE (Mrs.), *Lambda*: Member Finance Committee;

* Epsilon Province 1920-22: Washington, Oregon, California.

before her marriage, hospital dietitian.

REEDER, LUELLE, *Eta*: Grand Secretary, 1919-22; charter member *Eta* at time of re-establishment, 1918; before her marriage, Secretary to President of Baker University; married—Mrs. George Brown.

REINLE, LISETTE, *Mu*: National Second Vice-President, 1930-33; previously, President *Zeta* Province, 1928-30; Marshal, 1930 Convention; Councilor in psychological work in Oakland Schools.

RENARD, ADELE, *Alpha Nu*: President, Province VII, 1933—; previously, Vice-President, *Gamma* Province, 1926-28; charter member, *Alpha Nu* Chapter; Instructor in French, Technical High School; conducts European tours each summer.

ROBERTSON, ADA, *Lambda*: Chairman, Committee on patronesses and house management, 1922-24; in charge of extension work, California Agricultural College.

ROBERTSON, RUTH, *Delta*: Chairman Ritual Committee, 1926-30; Assistant Professor of Latin, DePauw University; Phi Beta Kappa.

ROGATSKY, BERTHA, *Xi*: Chairman National Committee on Vocational Guidance, 1924-26; Industrial Secretary, Y.W.C.A. Cincinnati, 1922-24.

ROSS, EVELYN, *Alpha Alpha*: Chairman Songbook Committee, 1922— (resigned); Instructor in public school music.

RUOFF, GLADYS HARTMAN (Mrs. F. L.), *Epsilon*: President, *Gamma* Province, 1924-26; Welfare worker, Red Cross Home Service executive.

SAYLOR, GEORGIA, *Alpha*: Alumnae editor, the LAMP, 1916-20.

SHEPPA, LOUISE, *Mu*: Member, Big Sister Committee, 1916-18; charter member *Mu* Chapter; married—Mrs. Roy I. Lovett; see also Section 2.

SHOTS, MARY ARMENTROUT, *Alpha Gamma*: Vice-President, *Alpha* Province, 1926-28; charter member *Alpha Gamma* Chapter.

SCOTT, WILHELMINA, *Upsilon*: Member Health Committee, 1926-28; see also Section 2.

*SHUGART, NETTIE WILLIS, *Zeta*: Grand Secretary, 1914-16; Chairman, Big Sister Committee, 1916-20; National Big Sister, 1920-24; charter member *Zeta* Chapter; for many years maintained studio of fine arts in Lincoln; was also instructor in public schools and university in painting and ceramics work.

SIMMONS, ESTHER, *Rho*: Member National Finance Committee, 1924-26; married—Mrs. Alexis McKinney.

SLUYTER, GRACE BURNITT (Mrs. CHAS. L.), *Zeta*: Chairman, Examination Committee.

SMITH, FANNIE PUTCAMP (Mrs. FREDERICK), *Zeta*: National Second-Vice President, 1928-30; National Secretary, 1926-28; President, *Delta*, then *Epsilon* Province, 1920-26; Extension Committee, 1920-22; charter member *Zeta* Chapter; professor of Latin, Southern Methodist University.

SMITH, RENE SEBRING, *Alpha*: National President, 1920-24; acting President, 1919-20; Grand Secretary, 1916-19; Panhellenic delegate, 1916-33; Treasurer, N.P.C., 1928, secretary, 1930; Chairman, 1932; member, Mortar Board; since her graduation, Y.W.C.A. general secretary in Hamilton, Ohio; Muncie, Indiana, and since 1924, Long Beach, California.

SMITH, VIRGINIA, *Kappa*: Chairman, National Songbook Committee, 1924-26.

STEPHENSON, ELIZABETH COULTER, *Alpha*: National President, 1912-16; Historian, 1916-20; Grand Secretary, 1908-10; first pledge and initiate of *Alpha* Chapter; author of First National Constitution of *Delta Zeta*; Teacher in Portland Oregon schools; active worker with A.A.U.W. and Campfire girls activities; see also Section 2.

STEPHENS, GLADYS ROBINSON, *Epsilon*: LAMP staff, 1912-17; Phi Beta Kappa.

STEVENS, HAZEL BRYAN (Mrs. W. A.), *Alpha*: Member Social Service Committee, 1926-28; Teacher in School for deaf.

SUTTON, ALYS, *Sigma*: Parliamentarian, 1920-22; charter member *Sigma* Chapter; practising lawyer before her



LOIS HIGGINS
First Vice-President 1926-30

marriage; married—Mrs. Lyle McCroskey.

SUTTON, ELIZABETH, *Kappa*: Director, Province XV, 1930-33; Realtor, Seattle.

SWANN, URA, *Alpha Tau*: Treasurer, Epsilon Province, 1926-28; member

her marriage member faculty of Home Economics school University of Colorado.

THOMAS, AMANDA, *Theta*: Business Manager the LAMP, 1920-22 (January); member National Social Service Committee, 1924-26; state Chairman alumnae work for Ohio, 1931-33; state radio Chairman for D.A.R.; head of all Twigs of Columbus children's hospital; see also Section 2.

THOMPSON, GERALDINE KING, *Omega-Mu*: Secretary Zeta Province, 1926-28; Chairman Examinations Committee, 1926-28.

THOMPSON, ELIZABETH ENYEART, *Zeta*: President Epsilon Province, 1926-28; member, Phi Beta Kappa; Mortar Board; Secretary Extension Division, University of Nebraska.

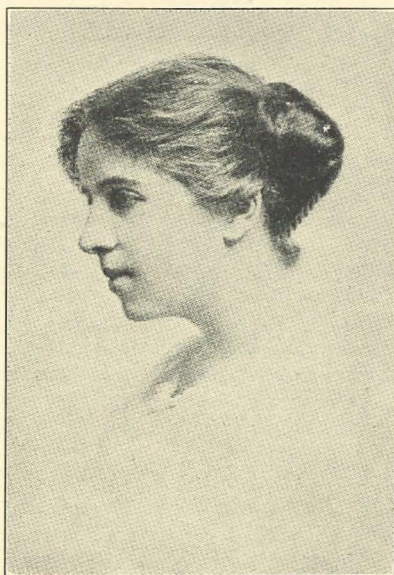


EDITH WILSON THOESEN
Former Treasurer

Songbook Committee, 1926-28; charter member, Alpha Tau Chapter; chief clerk in insurance department, state of Texas.

TAGGART, GLADYS, *Iota*: Member Health Committee, 1924-26; Treasurer, Delta Province, 1926-28; Chairman alumnae work, for Kansas, 1931—; Head of Physical education department, University of Wichita.

THOESEN, EDYTHE WILSON (Mrs. HENRY), *Lambda*: Grand Treasurer, 1922-24; National Secretary, 1925-26; member finance board, 1928-30; originator Delta Zeta course of study; chairman National Examination Committee, 1920-22; on course of study, 1924-26; before



EDITH WRAY
Who contributed greatly to early history

TOOF, YVONNE WILSON, *Lambda*: National Chairman Social Service Committee, 1930-33.

TULLY, GRETТА, *Theta*: Business Manager the LAMP, 1914-16; charter member, Theta Chapter.

WEIGEL, MARY FRANCES: see Blakeslee.

WELLS, MARGARET, *Alpha Sigma*: Secretary, Beta Province, 1926-28; before her marriage, newspaper society editor, Florida; married—Mrs. John Diller.

WHEATLEY, EDNA, *Eta*: Member Finance Committee, 1924-26; Director, Province Xi, 1930—; Instructor in English, Arkansas City Junior High Schools.

WIEMAN, ALICE FEIKE (MRS. JOHN), *Chi*: President, Eta Province, 1928-30; charter member, Chi Chapter; member Phi Kappa Phi, Omicron Nu, National Collegiate Players, Theta Sigma Phi; Secretary, Oregon State Alumni Club; President, Oregon State Home Economics Association.

WIGMAN, DOROTHY, *Omicron*: Member Songbook Committee, 1922-24; Teacher music, Public School; married—Mrs. Michael Meyers.

WILSON, AMANDA PREUSS, *Alpha Psi*: Secretary-Treasurer, Epsilon Province, 1928-30; see also Section 2.

WINTERS, CATHERINE, *Sigma*: President Beta Province, 1922-26; Chairman Course of Study for Initiated members, 1924-28; charter member Sigma Chapter; Professor of History, Louisiana State Teachers' College; formerly Vice-President, Φ A Θ , history honorary; member Sigma Sigma Sigma.

WOODRUFF, HELEN, *Gamma*: Treasurer Delta Province, 1924-26; Director, Province X, 1928-33; charter member Gamma Chapter; head of Business School, Minneapolis.

WRAY, EDITH, *Delta*: Assistant business manager the LAMP, 1914-16; charter member, Delta Chapter; Phi Beta Kappa; Ph.D. Wisconsin; English department, Ohio University.

YOUNGER, ANN, *Delta*: Chairman Songbook Committee, 1917-20; issued second edition of songbook; Teacher; former National President, Kappa Kappa Sigma, National non-collegiate sorority.

SECTION II

AMIDON, VIVIAN MILLAR, *Xi*: Physician; charter member Xi Chapter.

AUSTIN, BLANCHE, *Zeta*: Partner and manager, The Lincoln Fine Arts Shop, a fine arts and curio specialty shop; LAMP v. 14-4.

BAILEY, MARY MAUDE, *Alpha Gamma*: Director of Home Economics work for women and girls, working under Alabama State agricultural college. LAMP v. 16-3.

BAIRD, MADELINE, *Theta*: Specialist in chemical work; before her marriage connected with teaching and laboratory work in chemistry; head of Bee Chemical Company. LAMP v. 9-2 and 4; married: Mrs. Merton V. Porter.

BALLASEYUS, VIRGINIA, *Mu*: Violinist; member San Francisco Symphony Orchestra; writer of operettas and musical comedy numbers. LAMP v. 23-2.

BARNES, ELIZABETH, *Chi*: Head of dramatics work, Oregon State College; former Vice-President, National Collegiate Players; member, Zeta Phi Eta. LAMP v. 20-1.

BEASLEY, THEODOSIA, *Psi*: Registrar, Hillsdale College, 1926—; formerly Registrar of Franklin College; charter member Psi Chapter, graduated "magna cum laude," member *Alpha* honorary scholastic society. LAMP v. 16-2.

BARROW, CLARA HUFFMAN (MRS. JOHN), *Eta*: National President, Phi Beta honorary musical and speech arts fraternity; pianist and musician of considerable prominence; holding degrees from several conservatories.

BASSETT, BERNICE C., *Delta*: For ten years educational missionary in schools of Kobe, Japan; since returning to United States has written poetry and articles for numerous periodicals; married: Mrs. A. Percival Wyman.

BEDNER, JUANITA KELLY (MRS. CHARLES), *Nu*: Writer of songs and instrumental music; composer favorite Delta Zeta song, "Dream Girl of Delta Zeta."

BOYCE, ETHEL (MRS. PAUL PARSONS), *Iota*: Dean of Women, University Afloat, 1928, Columbia, Mo.



MARY DRANGA CAMPBELL
Leader in work for the blind



MRS. EDGAR CUMINGS, *Epsilon*



EDITH CUMINGS, *Epsilon*

FIRST DELTA ZETA MOTHER AND DAUGHTER

BOYCE, MYRNA, *Iota*: Dean of Women, Transylvania College, 1921—.

BILLINGSLEY, VIRGINIA EATON (MRS. A. W.), *Omicron*: Specialist in personnel guidance.

BLANDING, DOROTHY, *Upsilon*: Formerly secretary, Workmen's Compensation Bureau of North Dakota, where her work was acclaimed for brilliance in service; charter member Upsilon Chapter; winner Thomas scholarships; member Phi Beta Kappa; LAMP v. 12-3; married—Mrs. Mansell R. Richards.

BOLLER, FLORENCE GALENTINE (MRS. ARDENE), *Alpha Iota*: Attorney-at-Law, Los Angeles, Calif.

BRANDENBURG, HAZEL, *Alpha*: Violinist of concert and lyceum prominence, known on stage as Jean Le Kirke; formerly professor of violin; Woods College. LAMP v. 8.

BRAY, IRMA, *Eta*: Specialist in speech training for children.

BUCK, NAOMI, *Zeta*: Editor Northwestern Bell Telephone trade journals; Editor, *The Matrix* of Theta Sigma Phi.

BUNKER, MARY PIERSOL, *Omicron*: Missionary to Java, where she works

in association with her husband.

BROWN, ALICE, Ph.D., *Alpha Omicron*: Physicist.

BURLINGAME, FRANCES, Ph.D., *Beta Eta*: Dean of Women, Elmira College; formerly faculty member of Swarthmore College.

BURNS, MARION, *Eta*: Active in labor union and industrial work, Kansas City. LAMP v. 16-3.

CAMPBELL, MARY DRANGA, *Epsilon*: Welfare worker, Brooklyn, N.Y.; specialist in work for development of the Blind; formerly associate editor, "Outlook for the Blind"; long experience in state and institutional work in this connection; from 1919-23 was member of American Commission to Serbia, for her outstanding work in this connection received decoration of St. Sava from Serbian government. LAMP v. 9-4; 10-4; 17-4; 19-1; 22-4; W.W.A.

CASTLE, MARGARET, *Theta*: Vocational director.

COGER, KAY, *Alpha Iota*: Designer of costumes for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios.

COLE, BERNICE, *Iota*: General Secre-

tary Y.W.C.A. Rapid City, S.D.

CURTIS, MILDRED, *Alpha Kappa*: Chief social worker, New York State Psychopathic Hospital.

COOKSON, ERNESTINE, *Alpha*: Until her marriage Dean of Women, Earlham College; previously held same position Parsons College; since 1932 Clemson College, S.C. LAMP v. 16-2; 15-3; 9-4; married—Mrs. Clyde S. Milner.

COOPER, PORTIA, *Epsilon*: Dancer on Keith's and lyceum programs; married—Mrs. Rey Goffe (husband is now her partner).

COURTNEY, BERNADINE, *Gamma*: Concert pianist of growing prominence.

CUMINGS, EDITH K., *Epsilon*: Head of Modern Languages Department, Lake Erie College for Women; Ph.D. Bryn Mawr; first Delta Zeta daughter to be initiated into Delta Zeta.

CROSBY, HELEN, *Omega*: Lawyer, ranking high among women in legal work in Oregon.

DAVIS, ETHEL, *Alpha Epsilon*: Before her marriage, Professor of Household Arts; Oklahoma State College. L. married—Mrs. Fred E. Jewett.

DICKENS, ELIZABETH, *Lambda*: Steady contributor to magazines; *Household*, *Smart Set*, *American Mercury*, *The Nation*, *Hollands*; married—Mrs. Edward Shaffer—editor of *New Mexico State Tribune* and himself magazine contributor.

DONALDSON, BIRDENA, *Psi*: Dean of Women at Doane College, oldest college in Nebraska; national vice-president Alpha Lambda Delta, honor society for college freshmen; member Pi Kappa Delta; Kappa Delta Pi. LAMP v. 16-1; 17-1.

DUKE, NELL, *Alpha Gamma*: Faculty Arlington Hall, school for girls; charter member Alpha Gamma Chapter.

EDWARDS, EVANGELINE, *Kappa*: Dancer, appearing 1932 in San Francisco Symphony ballet; premiere danseuse, "The Student Prince" and other productions. L. 23-2.

EVERETT, GLADYS, *Omega*: Lawyer, Portland, Ore.; interested in politics; candidate for State Legislature.

FRENCH, MILDRED, *Lambda*: Dean of Women, Connecticut State College. L.

FULLER, EVA ALSMAN (Mrs. WALTER Pi.), *Epsilon*: President, Florida Federation of Arts Clubs; chairman of Fine Arts Department Florida Federation of Clubs; in charge of developing and promoting arts interests and competitions among Florida clubs; inaugurated and edited "Florida Book Reviews"; Florida hostess in States Building at Century of Progress Exposition; president, St. Petersburg branch of League of American Penwomen; contributor to periodicals; member Theta Sigma Phi.

FULSTONE, DR. MARY HILL, *Mu*: Physician; charter member Mu Chapter.

FINNEGAN, KATHLEEN ELLEN, *Upsilon*: Dietitian, Baltimore City Hospital; married—Mrs. Richard Hilferty.

FISK, CHARLOTTE, *Iota*: Physician.

FORBES, FLORENCE, *Beta Kappa*: Assistant State leader of Girls' 4-H Clubs for Iowa State College.

FORD, FLORENCE, *Xi*: Writer of short stories.

FRI TSCHLER, LOIS DUFFIN (Mrs. JOHN CURTIS), *Tau*: Writer of books and stories for children; author of the Thought-Idea supplementary readers.

GARDINER, MILDRED WHITE, *Theta*: Physician formerly in charge of public school work in New Brighton, Conn. L.

GARNJOBST, LAURA, *Chi*: Research specialist in home economics fields; holder of numerous fellowships and has published monographs on her experiments; charter member Chi Chapter; member Omicron Nu. LAMP v. 9-4.

GATES, THEO JONES (Mrs.), *Sigma*: Registrar, Louisiana State University.

GERRISH, GLADYS, *Mu*: Actress; married—Mrs. Roy M. Stanton. LAMP v. 10-3.

GILLEAN, LUCY, *Alpha Psi*: Faculty; National Y.M.C.A. College, Nashville.

GILMORE, SUSAN POTBURY, *Mu*: Paleo-botanist, member Washington Carnegie Institute staff.

GITTMAN, MAUDE CARSON, *Beta Delta*: Graduate nurse; conducts clinics on tuberculosis, in Columbia (S.C.) hospital.

GLASS, JESSIE, *Zeta*: Chief of circulation, University of Nebraska library.

GOODYKOONTZ, BESS, *Iota*: Assistant Commissioner of Education of United States; also national president Pi Lambda Theta, professional educational honor society; member, Phi Beta Kappa.

GRAHAM, MAUDE, *Omega*: Head of Physical Education department, University of the Pacific.

GRAVES, JOSEPHINE, *Zeta*: Professor of chemistry, "The Principia."

GRIGSBY, OLIVE JOHN, *Rho*: Specialist in psychological work with pre-school children; lecturer for A.A.U.W. on this subject; associate professor, psychology department of University of Denver.

HALL, LUELLA, *Upsilon*: Teacher and writer on modern historical subjects; Doctor's thesis on Algeciras Conference now in preparation, brought valuable personal correspondence and contributions from Sir Edward Grey, Ex-Kaiser and others; charter member Upsilon Chapter; holder Thomas scholarships; member, Phi Beta Kappa.

HALLIDAY, FRANCES, *Alpha*: Actress; married—Mrs. Boyt Cherry. LAMP v. 11-2.

HAMILTON, DONALDA, *Upsilon*: One of first graduate nurses to become airline stewardesses; connected with United Airlines. LAMP v. 23-2.

HANLON, ANN, *Alpha*: Confidential secretary to Governor of Philippines; canteen worker, seeing service in Chinese uprising of 1925. LAMP v. 16-1; married—Mrs. James Rockwell.

HARRIS, DR. MARJORIE, *Alpha Xi*: Professor of philosophy, Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

HAZEN, WINIFRED, *Chi*: Director, educational division Girl Reserves; Grand Rapids; formerly director of dormitories, Rhode Island State College; charter member Chi Chapter; member Omicron Nu. LAMP v. 9-4.

HESS, M. VIOLET, *Mu*: Teacher of social sciences, Long Beach California High Schools; 1926 Convention initiate.

HOOD, FLORENCE, *Alpha Beta*: Head of her own shop of dress designing; contributor to trade and general magazines;

member Theta Sigma Phi.

HUGHES, ELIZABETH, *Upsilon*: Head instructor of nurses, Pasadena School for Nurses.

HULL, MARJORIE, *Alpha Iota*: Former national president, now national editor, Alpha Chi Alpha, journalistic honorary sorority; married—Mrs. David Bryant.

JENSEN, VERDA, *Alpha Alpha*: Feature writer, *The American Hairdresser*, member Theta Sigma Phi; editor 1933 Convention *Lampkin*.

JOHN, MELVA, *Rho*: Graduate nurse; formerly in charge of Emergency Hospital, Washington, D.C.; and of United Fruit Company Hospital in Costa Rica.

JOHNSTON, HELEN, *Iota*: Physician; specialist in women's and children's diseases; twice president National Association Altrusa Clubs.

JONES, MARGARET, *Kappa*: Department of Home Economics, University of California at Los Angeles.

JONES, MARY HOOVER, *Pi*: Head of French Department, Eureka College; author of pageant celebrating Diamond Anniversary of the college.

JOYCE, ELIZABETH, *Theta*: Artist; married—Mrs. J. Paul Watson.

KASANG, MARIAN DITTMAN (Mrs. ELMER), *Alpha Alpha*: Writer; Editor.

KEELER, DORIS RAE (Mrs. HAROLD M.), *Iota*: Practicing Lawyer, Portland, Ore.

KELLER, CARROLL, *Iota*: Advertising specialist.

KIRLIN, FLORENCE, *Epsilon*: Congressional Secretary National League of Women Voters, Washington, D.C.

KLOSTER, PEARL, *Upsilon*: Head of art department, New Mexico State Teachers' College.

KOPS, MARGOT, *Upsilon*: Designer of sub-deb and debutante costumes; listed as among the first ten designers in this country; LAMP v. 19-2; 23-2; youngest person to be listed in North Dakota Who's Who.

LAMAR, MARY, *Alpha Psi*: Author, collaborating on "Facts and Ideas," college textbook in English; member fac-



DEAN HELEN LAUGHLIN, *Alpha Chi*
Dean of Women U.C.L.A.

ulty, Southern Methodist University.

LANDRUM, MIRIAM, *Alpha Tau*: Member music faculty, University of Texas; also conducts studio classes in piano.

LANE, MARY, *Epsilon*: Adult probation officer, Marion County (Indiana), Juvenile Court; married—Mrs. Herbert O. Hartmann.

LANGWORTHY, HELEN, *Iota*: Assistant director, University of Iowa Theatre; Master's thesis on development of plays in Mississippi valley used as textbook. LAMP v. 16-3.

LADNER, MARION, *Gamma*: Head dietitian, St. Barnabas' Hospital, St. Paul.

LARSON, CLARA, *Beta Iota*: Cataloguer, University of Arizona Library.

LaTORRA, CARMEL, *Alpha Lambda*: Concert pianist; organist and choir director; music faculty of University of Colorado. LAMP v. 16-4.

LAUGHLIN, HELEN MATHEWSON, *Alpha Chi*: Dean of Women, University of California at Los Angeles; originator Phrateres movement in large universities; member Phi Beta; prominently identified with civic and political leadership in Los Angeles. LAMP v. 23-2.

LEMING, BERTHA, *Delta*: Officer in charge of employment division, Indianapolis public schools; member (and twice president) Indianapolis Altrusa Club.

LONG, IZIL POLSON, *Lambda*: Writer for magazines and newspapers; before her marriage, professor of Industrial Journalism, Kansas State College, winning wide notice for successful work in this line; member Theta Sigma Phi, Omicron Nu and National Quill Club.

LOVE, LILABELLE, *Zeta*: Director of clinical work in sanitarium; bacteriological specialist, formerly director of state bacteriological laboratory for Mississippi. LAMP v. 14-4.

LOVETT, LOUISE SHEPPA, *Mu*: Writer of and illustrator for children's stories; creator of many puppet shows and pageant director for community programs. LAMP v. 16-3.

LIENKAEMPER, GERTRUDE, *Chi*: Faculty, Vallejo School for Girls.

LISTON, MARGARET, *Beta Kappa*: Re-

search work in Home Economics, University of Vermont.

McCROSKEY, ALYS SUTTON (Mrs. V LYLE), *Sigma*: Attorney-at-Law, Portland, Ore.

McFARLAND, NANCY, *Beta*: Professor, Nancy Baldwin College. LAMP v. 7-4.

McKAY, MILDRED VAN DUSEN, *Beta*: Social worker, New York City; overseas work, Y.W.C.A. during World War. LAMP v. 8-2; 9-4.

McVEY, JESSIE, *Alpha*: Head of Department of Home Economics, Ohio Wesleyan University.



EMMA VORIES MEYER

MEYER, EMMA DEWITT VORIES, *Psi*: Writer for magazines and journals; lecturer for D.A.R.; member history faculty Georgetown (Kentucky) College; national vice-president Chi Delta Phi; national vice-president Alpha Chi Alpha. LAMP v. 16-3; 17-2.

MILLER, MACON, *Alpha Zeta*: Associate editor, Street and Smith Corporation.

MOEN, ELLA, *Upsilon*: Artist; Lecturer and teacher, now in California.

MURRAY, HELEN, *Theta*: Welfare worker, in charge of Children's Division of Public Charities, Columbus.

MURRAY, RUTH, *Theta*: Welfare worker, head of Department of Crippled Children's Work, Ohio Department of Public Welfare.

MATTINGLY, CAROLINE, *Psi*: Member

English faculty, Redlands University.

O'DELL, RUTH, *Zeta*: Head of English department, University of Nebraska School of Agriculture.

O'HARR, EDNA, *Iota*: Realtor, Florida.

OSIKA, GLORIA PARKER, *Omega*: Head of Department of Physical Education, Monmouth Normal College.

PACKER, ELIZABETH, *Beta*: Advertising director, Cleveland.

PADDLEFORD, ARAMINTA HOLMAN, *Lambda*: Professor and head of Applied Arts Department, Kansas State College; author of texts on this field, in which she is considered a leading authority. LAMP v. 14-2; 14-4.

PARK, M. MARION, *Alpha Lambda*: Prominent worker in Colorado Education Association, and in National Education Association; head of French department University Preparatory school.

PATRICK, GAIL, *Alpha Pi*: Stage name of Margaret Fitzpatrick, actress with Paramount Pictures. LAMP v. 20-4; 22-2; 23-2. Featured player in "Wagon Wheels" and others.

PEDEN, RACHEL MASON (MRS. RICHARD), *Epsilon*: Writer. Before her marriage Associate Editor *Farm Life*.

PEASE, MARGARET H. (MRS. JOHN W.), *Xi*: Lawyer, Cincinnati, Ohio.

PERRY, LULU VIOLA, *Upsilon*: Head of English Department, Pasadena High Schools.

PIKE, RUTH, *Zeta*: Associate editor extension publications, University of Nebraska; director of courses in industrial journalism for the university.

POLSON, MARY, *Lambda*: Associate Professor, University of Missouri, before her marriage; married—Mrs. H. H. Charlton.

PORTER, EDNA, *Iota*: Head of Business and Professional Division, National Staff Y.W.C.A.

POTTER, MILDRED, *Alpha Omicron*: Radio Broadcaster, "Three College Freshmen."

ROBERTSON, KATHLEEN, *Upsilon*: In charge of trade promotion for Doubleday, Doran Company; also contributor to general periodicals; charter member, Upsilon Chapter; Phi Beta Kappa.

RODENWALD, ZELTA FEIKE, *Chi*: Home management specialist; in charge of radio activities of Oregon State College; formerly alumni secretary of Omicron Alpha Chi; contributor and formerly staff member, *Better Homes and Gardens*; member and national secretary 1926-28, Omicron Nu. LAMP v. 20-4.

*RUE, JULIA B., *Upsilon*: Formerly dean of women, State Normal School, Carbondale, Illinois; specializing in physiography, her master's thesis was given signal rating by United States government; charter member Upsilon; member both Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi. LAMP v. 11-2; 13-1.

ROBERTS, MAE MUENZENMAYER, *Eta*: Missionary, associated with her husband in educational work in schools at Nagoya, Japan.

RUSH, HELEN POOL, *Omicron*: Assistant dean of women and director of Panhellenics at University of Pittsburgh; charter member Omicron, member and founder of Cwens (sophomore honor society), Mortar Board.

ROTHENBERGER, HELEN, *Omega*: Graduate nurse; assistant organizer and first national president of Alpha Tau Delta, honorary nursing fraternity.

*RUTH, FLORA MARGARET, *Epsilon*: Army nurse; died in service, 1918.

RYAN, MARY MARGARET, *Mu*: Lecturer on painting and tapestry, San Francisco Palace of Fine Arts.

SANDER, LEOTA DEAM, *Delta*: Minister of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

SAYLOR, EDITH, *Iota*: Member faculty of Alabama Woman's College.

SCHOOLER, CLAIRE, *Theta*: Specialist in pediatrics.

SCOTT, WOLHELMINA, *Upsilon*: Specialist in pediatrics; physician in residence, Rossmere Hospital, Lancaster, Pa. LAMP v. 12-4.

SEARS, CAROLYN TILLEY, *Mu*: Associated with her husband in psychological work with retarded children in the Wains County (Michigan) Schools.

SHANK, KATHERINE, *Alpha Alpha*: Prominent in pageant direction, radio work, in Hollywood; author and director

* Deceased.

of pageant given before 50,000 delegates of World's Sunday School Convention in Hollywood Bowl; played leading part opposite Conrad Nagel; conducts music hour for Club Federation over KFI; member Phi Beta. LAMP v. 18-3; 19-2.

SIBELL, MURIEL, *Alpha Lambda*: Artist, exhibiting in New York shows and elsewhere; acting head of Art Department, University of Colorado, 1931; National Vice President Delta Phi Delta, art honorary.

SPINKS, BENNIE HOPE, *Alpha Pi*: Before her marriage, registrar of Howard College; charter member Zeta Omega, local which became Alpha Pi Chapter; married—Mrs. A. H. Mason.

SMITH, FANNIE PUTCAMP: Faculty, Southern Methodist University, Englands' Who's Who.

SMITH, RENE SEBRING, *Alpha*: General secretary Y.W.C.A., Long Beach, Calif.; member Committee Foreign Relations.

SPINKS, BENNIE HOPE, *Alpha Pi*: Before her marriage, registrar of Howard College; charter member Zeta Omega, local which became Alpha Pi Chapter; married—Mrs. A. H. Mason.

STEIN, MARGARET, *Mu*: Head of dress designing studio which specializes in costumes for moving picture use.

STEPHENS, MARY O., *Omicron*: Draughtswoman, creating practically a new field for women in this line with Westinghouse Company.

STEPHENSON, ELIZABETH COULTER, *Alpha*: Translator and commentator on Goethe's Faust; Who's Who.

STEVENSON, ERMINE, *Pi*: Graduate nurse, connected with Barnes Chest Clinic, St. Louis. LAMP v. 16-3.

STEWART, RUTH, *Iota*: Author of "Capital City"; contributor to magazines; formerly editor *Peoples' Popular Monthly*. LAMP v. 15-1.

STOUT, DAPHNE, *Alpha Sigma*: Vocalist, member of trio broadcasting over WDAE.

STOVER, HELEN, *Alpha*: Concert singer; formerly member Metropolitan Grand Opera Company; married—Mrs. Berkeley W. Henderson.

STRUVE, MARIE M., *Tau*: Commercial

artist, connected with studios in Davenport; designer of Delta Zeta bookplate, Christmas cards; member Quota; educational director, Epsilon Sigma Alpha, honorary education sorority. LAMP v. 22-2.

SWAIN, MIRIAM M., *Epsilon*: Contributor of stories and articles to juvenile periodicals; author "My Little Story House" and other supplementary reading books for young children.

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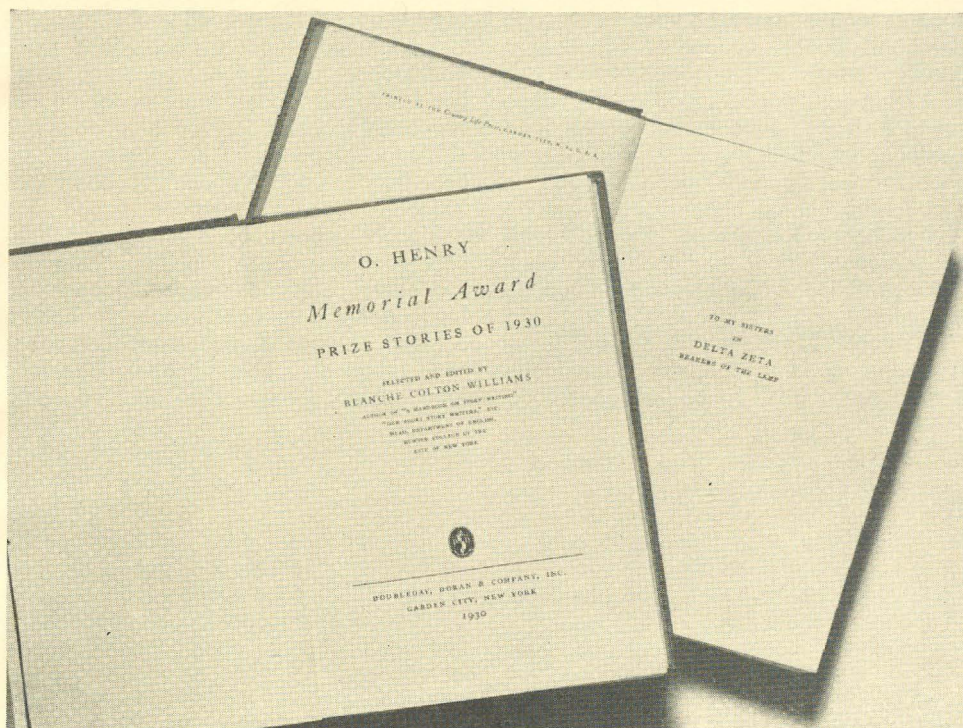


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THOREEN, EDNA, *Nu*: Professor of English, Frances Shimer School.

TRAIN, LEONA, *Gamma*: Poet, publishing works in *Contemporary Verse* and other periodicals; also published volume of collected poems, "Driftwood"; conducts studio classes in French.



TREGONING, ELEANOR, *Beta Kappa*: Specialist in institutional management; now connected with Graduate Club of the University of Chicago.

THOMAS, SIBYL, *Alpha Epsilon*: Home Economics Supervisor for South-eastern Texas District.

TRAVERS, GLENNA MAE, *Upsilon*: English instructor, Briarcliff Manor.

WALLACE, ELAINE RYAN, *Mu*: Playwright; author of "Parade" and others; writer of 1928 Convention pageant; represented in Yale book of plays by women.

WATKIN, DOROTHY PARK, *Alpha Kappa*: Librarian of Lexington College.

WEBER, ELSIE, *Phi*: Concert singer.

WHALEY, GRACE, *Beta Alpha*: Supervisor of Home Economics work for Rhode Island; director of Extension Service for the Rhode Island State College. LAMP v. 17-4.

WHITE, ERMA, *Alpha Upsilon*: Assistant librarian and curator, Vermont Historical Society.

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WILLIAMS, DR. BLANCHE COLTON, *Beta Beta*: Head of English Department, Hunter College; for ten years chairman of the O. Henry Award Committee; dedicated the 1930 collection to Delta Zeta; authority on the study and writing of the short story and author of standard texts in her line; the outstanding woman authority on short story; member Sigma Tau Delta, Theta Sigma Phi. LAMP v. 18-1.

WILLIAMS, DOROTHY MUMFORD (Mrs. WM. WALDO), *Alpha Zeta*: Poet.

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WILSON, AMANDA PREUSS, *Alpha Psi*:

Leader in civic and club work in Dallas; president Dallas League of Penwomen. LAMP v. 16-4.

WINTERS, CATHERINE, *Sigma*: Professor of history, Louisiana State Teachers' College; member Sigma Sigma Sigma, and former national vice-president of Phi Alpha Theta, history honorary.

WOLCOTT, ROSAMOND, *Beta*: Architect, New York City; formerly associate professor of architecture, Clemson College.

WHERRY, MARGUERITE, *Beta Kappa*: Assistant professor, Home Economics Department, Iowa State College; secre-

tary 1931-32 of Iowa Home Economics Clubs; member executive council Iowa Vocational Association, 1932-33; member Psi Upsilon Omicron; charter member Beta Kappa Chapter.

YANKE, EUNICE, *Alpha Alpha*: Radio broadcaster over WGN: "Lillums" in "Harold Teen" feature.

YORK, GERTRUDE, *Alpha Iota*: Faculty; Arizona State Teachers College.

YOUNG, EDITH HOWARD, *Delta Epsilon*: Welfare worker, connected with Juvenile Courts of Indianapolis.

ZIMMERMAN, DORIS, *Chi*: Teacher, Montevideo, Uruguay.

Lilac

*Lilac sits precisely
By a white painted house,
With a green roof
And prim muslin curtains
At the windows.*

*Lilac clings
To the red brick boxes
That city people live in,
And makes them bearable.*

*Lilac is in its glory
In a straggling, grass-grown yard,
With a weather beaten farmhouse
Leaning against the sky.*

LOREEN MILLER, *Alpha Phi*

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Brass and Bronze

*How could you miss the sun
 That shines in the green vale?
 It rings instantly like a golden hammer
 On brass; where there are scarlet poppies growing,
 It echoes lingeringly
 Like bronze.*

JEAN CARNINE, *Alpha Iota*

Farewell Song

Arr. by I. G. *Andante.*

Word and Music by
HELEN STOVER (Alpha)

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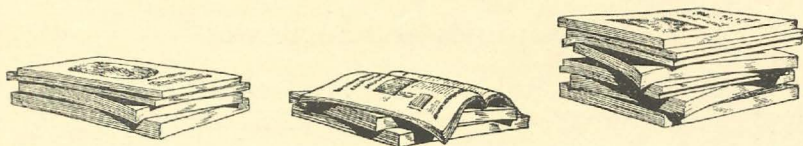
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