# THE QUILL AND SCROLL

OF KAPPA DELTA RHO



CONVENTION NUMBER

Volume 17

NOVEMBER 1926 Number 1



## The Quill and Scroll of Kappa Delta Rho

A magazine maintained in the interest of Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity and published four times a year by its members.

VOL. 17

NOVEMBER, 1926

NO. 1

### CONTENTS

Statement of Founders
Directory of National Officers
Roll of Chapters
Carlos G. Fuller
Minutes of the 1926 Convention
The 1926 Convention (By Staff Reporter)
"21 Years Old" 10
A Message from the Grand Consul
From the Grand Emptor's Office
The Proconsular System 20
The Editor's Corner
Among Ourselves
Intercollegiate Items
Greek to Greek
Haws and Heehaws 30

Published in the months of November, January, April and June by the Grand Editor. Head Office—81 Tacoma Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Entered as second class matter, January 26, 1926, at the post office at Buffalo, N. Y., under the act of March 13, 1879.

Please notify the publisher promptly of any change of address, giving both old and new addresses.

Only life subscriptions are available at ten dollars each.



The Fraternity of Kappa Delta Rho was founded at Middlebury College in the Spring of 1905. At that time no men's fraternity had been established at Middlebury since 1856. The college was growing and there was an increasing number of neutral men to many of whom the existing fraternities did not appeal. The charter members were:

George E. Kimball, Chester M. Walch, Gino A. Ratti, Irving T. Coates, John Beecher, Thomas H. Bartley, Benjamin E. Farr, Pierre W. Darrow, Gideon R. Norton and Roy D. Wood.



### DIRECTORY OF NATIONAL OFFICERS

Grand Consul-ARTHUR M. OTTMAN,

409 Lenox Road, Schenectady, N. Y.

Grand Tribune-CARLOS G. FULLER,

1350 University Avenue, New York City

Grand Practor-FRANKLIN G. WILLIAMS,

218 South Gill Street, State College, Pa.

Grand Quaestor-WELDON POWELL,

94 Phelps Road, Ridgewood, N. J.

Grand Propraetor and Editor Quill and Scroll-HERBERT R. JOHNSTON,

81 Tacoma Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Grand Emptor-NEIL M. WILLARD,

73 Forest Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.

Proconsul First Province-OTTO E. HUDDLE.

Briarcliff High School, Briarcliff Manor, N. Y.

Proconsul Second Province-LEO L. ROCKWELL,

Lewisburg, Pa.

Proconsul Third Province-LEO T. WOLFORD,

1711 Inter Southern Bldg., Louisville, Ky.

### ROLL OF CHAPTERS

ALPHA-Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vt.

PP.—BERTEL NYLEN, care Chapter House, Middlebury, Vt.

BETA-Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y.

PP.—J. W. STANLEY,

care Chapter House, 306 Highland Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.

GAMMA-New York State Teacher's College, Albany, N. Y.

PP.—EDWIN VAN KLEECK,

care Chapter House, 731 Madison Ave. Albany, N. Y.

DELTA-Colgate University, Hamilton, N. Y.

PP.-ERNEST F. STAUB, care Chapter House, Hamilton, N. Y.

EPSILON—Franklin College, Franklin, Ind.

PP.—STANLEY GAYNOR, care Chapter House, Franklin, Ind.

ZETA-Penn State College, State College, Pa.

PP.-F. T. MOYER, care Chapter House, State College, Pa.

ETA-University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

PP.—LATHROP MACK,

care Chapter House, 404 E. John St., Champaign, Ill.

THETA-Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

PP.-WAYNE CORBIN,

care Chapter House, 218 Waldron St. W. Lafayette, Ind.

IOTA—Bucknell University, Lewisburg, Pa.

PP.-R. H. FEICK, care Chapter House, Lewisburg, Pa.

KAPPA-Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.

PP.-D. G. WETTERAUER.

care Chapter House, 1988 Iuka Ave., Columbus, Ohio.

LAMBDA—University of California, Berkeley, Cal.

PP.-AVERY H. SHUEY, 2512 Russell, Street, Berkeley, Cal.

MU—University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

PP.—BENJ. DEGRAFF,

care Chapter House, 1008 Cornwell Pl., Ann Arbor, Mich.

NU-University of Indiana, Bloomington, Ind.

PP.—

XI-Colby College, Waterville, Me.

PP.—

NEW YORK CITY ALUMNI-Pres-JOS. P. SHAW, JR.,

care G. L. Ohrstrom & Co., 15 Broad Street, New York City

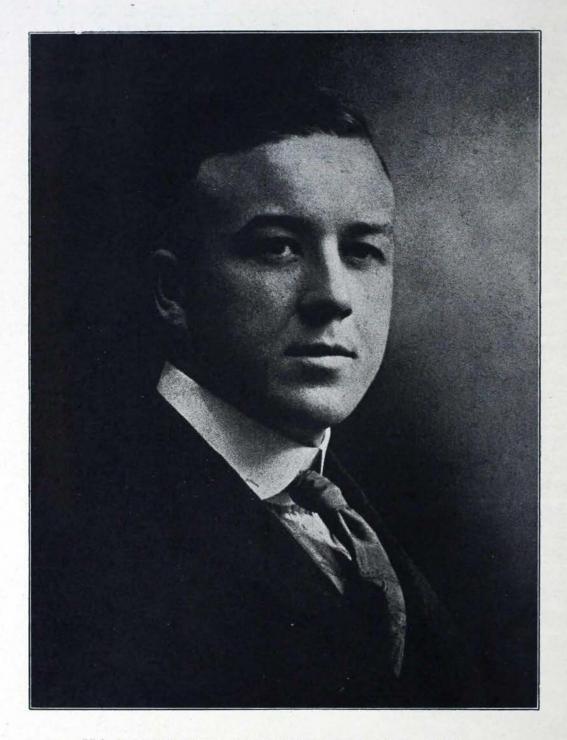
CHICAGO ALUMNI—Sec.—HORACE W. OLCOTT, JR.

1413 Farwell Ave., Chicago, Ill.

INDIANAPOLIS ALUMNI—Sec.—

SAN FRANCISCO ALUMNI—Sec.—





BRO. CARLOS G. FULLER, Delta '20, Newly Elected Grand Tribune

### CARLOS G. FULLER

(The New Grand Tribune)

It is our privilege in this issue of the Quill and Scroll to bid a hearty welcome to the incoming Grand Tribune of Kappa Delta Rho, Brother Carlos G. Fuller, of the class of 1920 of the Delta Chapter, Colgate University. Brother Fuller assumed the office of Grand Tribune at the close of the recent Convention, for a term of two years.

To those who have attended the Conventions regularly in recent years, Brother Fuller needs no introduction. To others who have not been so fortunate as to meet him personally, it is the purpose of this brief interview to make him acquainted.

Brother Fuller is a native of the Empire State, his birthplace being Central Square, Oswego County, New York. We are unable to give a very complete account of his early history, principally because his innate modesty has precluded our obtaining information as to his youthful days.

Suffice it to say that he attended Colgate University, where he became affiliated with Kappa Delta Rho. He received his A. B. degree from Colgate in 1920. He then entered Union Theological Seminary, in order to prepare for the ministry. He received his B. D. degree from Union in 1923, and remained the year following, in order to do graduate work there, as well as at Columbia University.

In the summer of 1924 he was called to the ministry of the Featherbed Lane Presbyterian Church, of New York, and is now the minister of that Church. He was married early in the summer of 1925, to Miss Margaret Stemple, a graduate of Columbia University. Following the wedding, Mr. and Mrs. Fuller made a tour of Europe, during the course of which they spent some time at Geneva surveying the League of Nations.

Brother Fuller has been active in the Fraternity ever since he became a member. While an undergraduate at Colgate he held several offices in the Delta Chapter. During his senior year he was Delta's Consul. Since his graduation he has interested himself in the national organization. He has served on a number of national committees, and for the past two years he has been Pro-Consul for the First Province.

As Grand Tribune Brother Fuller will have direct charge of all the Fraternity's activities in the way of extension. He assumes an important task. Our organization is still young, and a great amount of constructive work remains to be done.

During the past decade our record in the matter of extension has been gratifying. We have strengthened our ranks through the addition of a number of fine chapters in different sections of the country. We have grown in a conservative manner—not rapidly, but substantially. The present task is to keep up the good work; not for the sake of increasing our number merely; but in order to link up more closely our chapters in the various parts of the land, and to attain dimensions which will afford a more practicable working basis than our present size permits. Apparently, an aggressive but dignified program is in order. We wish Brother Fuller Godspeed in this work.

Brother Fuller assumes the toga of his office with the well wishes of the whole Fraternity. We know his efforts will meet with success. We assure him of our willingness to assist him whenever possible; and assistance he will need, for his is by no means a one-man job.

We welcome Brother Fuller to greater participation in directing the affairs of Kappa Delta Rho. His extreme breadth of mind, and his quiet and serious, yet genial, personality, will be a beneficial influence in the Fraternity generally.

In answering the oft asked question, "What is the trouble with our schools?" the Alpha Phi Quarterly quotes four college presidents as follows:

Livingston Farrand, president of Cornell, said that colleges were being turned into factories, where more time was given to the study of steam engines than to the study of life.

Walter Dill Scott, president of Northwestern University, said that the colleges of the country were leaving religion out of education and were teaching too many material things and not enough spiritual lessons.

Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of Leland Stanford University, said that colleges must find a new moral code to stop turning out people who find nothing to do but chase a golf ball.

Ernest M. Hopkins, president of Dartmouth, said that American colleges are not teaching their students to think, because they are too materialistic.

### MINUTES OF THE 1926 CONVENTION

The annual National Convention of The Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity was called to order by G. C., A. M. Ottman, at 9:30 A. M. with the following National Officers present: G. T., J. Mertens, Jr., G. P., F. G. Williams, G. Q., W. Powell. G. E., N. M. Willard, G. P. P., H. R. Johnston, and Proconsuls, L. L. Rockwell and C. G. Fuller.

During the formal opening, consisting of the presentation of credentials by the delegates, the taking of the grip and pass-word, the administering of the oath, prayer, the singing of the fraternity song, Bros. Johnston and Willard acted as Centurion and Bro. Fuller as Pontifex. After a brief opening address by the G. C., the roll call was heard. Then followed the reports concerning the various Chapters.

Brothers Fuller and Rockwell then reported as Proconsuls for the 1st and 2nd Districts respectively. Their reports, in condensed form, will occur elsewhere in "The Quill and Scroll."

Brother Powell announced that he would make his report as G. Q. later.

Brother Mertens reported as G. T. and as Chairman of the Grand Extension Committee mentioning the installation of two new Chapters and the consideration of several local fraternities as prospective chapters. In connection with his duties as G. T., Brother Mertens proposed the following amendment to the constitution:

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### Suspensions, Expulsions and Revocations

Section 1. Any member of the fraternity may be suspended or expelled, or the charter of any Chapter may be revoked, as hereinafter provided, for conscious and continued or flagrant violation of, or infringement upon, the principles upon which the fraternity is founded.

Section 2. An Alumni or honorary member may be expelled by a three-fourths vote of all the active members of the Chapter of which he was a member, provided such action is approved by a three-fourths vote of all the members of the Grand Executive Committee. An active member may be expelled by a three-fourths vote of all the active members of the Chapter of which he is a member, provided, however, that such action is approved in writing by the Grand Consul. Notwithstanding, and in further extension of the powers granted by the foregoing provision, the Grand Executive Committee is authorized in cases which, in its opinion, require prompt and decisive action to summarily expel either an honorary, alumni or active member for any cause or causes stated in Section 1 of this Article, provided, however, that such action shall be taken only pursuant to an unanimous vote of all the members of such Committee conveyed to the Grand Praetor in writing. In any and all of the above cases, the accused shall have been notified by the Grand Executive Committee of the accusations and a period of not less than seven days allowed within which to appear at a place named, not unduly difficult of access to the accused, or otherwise show cause why he should not be expelled.

Section 3. Either an honorary, alumni or active member may be suspended for any cause deemed sufficient by unanimous vote of the Grand Executive Committee evidenced in writing filed with the Grand Praetor. Such suspension may be summarily made without notice to the individual suspended. The suspension, however, shall not be for a period longer than one year. The person suspended shall, during the period of such suspension, be deprived of the privileges of membership.

Section 4. To revoke the charter of a Chapter, there must be an unanimous vote of the remaining Chapters and Associations in good standing. This vote shall be taken at a regular National Convention, the delegates to which shall have been previously instructed by a two-thirds majority of the active members of their respective Chapters and Associations in good standing. The active membership of each Chapter and Association shall be certified to the Grand Praetor by an appropriate officer at the time such vote is taken.

Section 5. For the purpose of enforcing Section 4 of this Article, upon a formal complaint being filed in writing by a Chapter or by a Grand officer, the Grand Consul shall forthwith appoint an Investigating Committee of three members, who shall report to him in writing within sixty days. If this report recommends a revocation of the Charter, the Grand Consul shall file with each Chapter and Alumni Association copies of the charges and of the report of the Investigating Committee at least sixty days prior to the date of the next regular annual convention. The Grand Consul shall also cause suitable notice of the contemplated action to be published in the issue of the official fraternity magazine next preceding the convention.

Section 6. To revoke the charter of an Alumni Association, there must be a unanimous vote of the remaining Chapters and Alumni Associations in good standing This vote shall be taken at a regular National Convention, the delegates of which shall have been previously instructed by a two-thirds majority of the active members of their respective Chapters and Associations in good standing. The active membership shall be certified to the Grand Praetor by an appropriate officer at the time such vote is taken.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) JACOB MERTENS, JR.
Grand Tribune

Brother Johnston reported as Grand Propraetor and as Editor of The Quill and Scroll. His report was to the effect that, in so far as was possible, the recommendations made at the last convention in regard to our publication had been carried out during the past year. These reports are on file with the Grand Praetor.

Then the Grand Consul appointed the following committees:

Scholarship-Kunkle, Davies, Sterner.

Budget—Powell, Johnston, Gray
Time and Place—Van Kleeck. Corbin, Haben, Carpenter, King
Quill and Scroll—Johnston, Huntington, Latimer
Flag—George, Swaim, Kendrick
Nominating—Willard, King, Schroeder, Foerster, Eaton
Proconsular System—Rockwell, Queenan. Jenson
Monthly Bulletin—Mertens, Fuller, Wetterauer
Constitution—Shaw, Stanley, Mertens
Song Book—Willard, Burnham, Hill
Endowment—Johnston. Wantland, Powell, Van Kleeck
History—Fuller, Peakes, Staub
Geographical Directory—Shaw, Huntington, Wantland

Comments upon the Ritual followed for the instruction of the Ritual Committee. Meeting adjourned at 11:45 A. M.

#### SECOND SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P. M., September 13th, with the same representation present.

The Grand Practor read a communication of greetings from a group of Alumni in Texas.

Brother Willard reported as Grand Emptor to the effect that the returns to the national organization from the fraternity jewelers during the past year had been about \$1.000.00

A discussion in regard to finances then followed lead by Brother Powell.

Brother Johnston then lead a discussion on publications.

Voted not to accept advertising for the Quill and Scroll this year.

At 4:00 P. M. a recess was declared until 9:30 A. M. September 14th.

#### THIRD SESSION

At the opening of this session, Brother Powell submitted his report as Grand Quaestor.

Voted to raise the installation fee to \$35.00 per initiate.

Voted to adopt the plaques as used at present with the addition of a suitable inscription on the back thereof.

Voted to impose a fine for delinquency in the payment of national dues.

Voted that the By-Laws be amended to read that all obligations to the national organization be subject to a fine of 5% per month for each month or fraction thereof of delinquency.

Voted to accept the Grand Quaestor's report.

Brother Powell reported for the Budget Committee, recommending as follows:

1. That the attached budget of estimated income and expenses for the year ending August 31, 1927, be adopted.

The budget involves an increase in annual dues from \$7.00 to \$8.00.

Included in the expenses there is an item of stenography, which is sufficiently ample to make it possible for the Grand Praetor to have a part time secretary.

2. That the recommendations made by the Grand Quaestor in his report be acted upon favorably by the Convention.

The Budget Committee recommends that the penalty for non-payment of dues and initiation fees advocated by the Grand Quaestor be incorporated in the By-Laws.

- 1. The purpose of the general endowment fund be to provide income for defraying the general expenses of the National Organization.
- 2. The principal of the fund to be available for student loans and chapter house loans.
- 3. The fund to be started by transferring thereto \$1,000.00 of the general funds
- Subsequent additions to be made to the fund out of surplus revenue, as determined by future annual conventions.
- 5. A trust indenture to be prepared giving effect to the foregoing provisions.
- 6. Pending the completion of arrangements the Grand Quaestor is to invest the \$1,000.00 referred to, in securities eligible for investment by savings banks and trust funds under the laws of the states of either or both New York and Massachusetts.

#### ESTIMATED INCOME

Chapter dues	\$2,578.00
Alumni Association Dues	40.00
Initiation Fees	2,020.00
Rebates from jewelers	700.00
Interest on Savings	200.00
Total Income	\$5,536.00

#### ESTIMATED EXPENSE

1926 Convention	\$2,500.00
Quill and Scroll	1,900.00
Pro-Consular Expense	300.00
Interfraternity Conference	40.00
Stenography, etc.	500.00
Fidelity Bond for Grand Quaestor	12.50
Banta's Greek Exchange	18.00
Total Expense	5,270.00
Excess of Estimated Income over Expense	\$265.50

Voted that the above report be accepted as read and the suggestions adopted.

The Grand Praetor read a petition from the San Francisco Alumni for a charter as an Alumni Association.

Voted to grant this petition.

Brother Van Kleeck suggested for the Time and Place Committee that the 1927 Convention be held at Beta Chapter in 3 days during Christmas Vacation.

Voted to accept the recommendation as to place.

Voted that the convention be held early in September, the exact date to be fixed by the Beta Chapter and the Grand Officers.

Brother Williams reported for the Ritual Committee recommending that the section of the Ritual which has been found objectionable to the greater number of the chapters be left out during the present year and that the constitution be amended at the next convention so as to exclude this part of the Ritual.

Voted to accept this report.

Brother Johnston reported for the Quill and Scroll Committee:

- 1. That the Literary Department be retained
- 2. That advertising be not solicited
- 3. That Chapter Notes be published in the June issue only
- 4. That Alumni Notes be published in the January issue only
- 5. That each chapter publish a local news bulletin.

Voted to accept the above report.

Brother Rockwell reported for the Proconsular Committee, to the effect that the system of Proconsuls be retained, that the Proconsuls give a chapter at least a week's notice of a prospective visit; That the duties of the Proconsuls be more clearly outlined by the National Officers and presented to the Chapters by the delegates; that the Grand Praetor make and publish an abstract of the material contained in the Proconsuls' reports; that the questionnaire be revised; that a Chapter before voting on expulsion of a member should give the Proconsul at least two weeks notice for investigation of the case.

Voted to accept the above report.

Brother Mertens recommended for the Committee on a Monthly Bulletin that the bulletin be issued by the Chairman of the Grand Extension Committee when needed.

Also that it be sent out with the Quill and Scroll when possible. That fewer copies be sent to the chapters. That it be sent to each alumnus.

The above report was accepted.

Brother Mertens recommended for the Committee on the Constitution that the clause in regard to amendments at conventions be reinserted.

The report was accepted.

The Grand Emptor was empowered to investigate the cost of fraternity flags in various forms and to report to the chapters by October 21st.

Brother Willard reported for the Song Book Committee recommending a new print. The report was accepted authorizing a new edition of 500 or 1.000 books. Brother Johnston reported for the Endowment Committee recommending as follows:

### REPORT OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND COMMITTEE

This Committee, which consisted of the following members-

Johnston-Chairman

Wantland

Powell

Beidleman

Van Kleeck

recommended that the following plan be followed in establishing the Quill and Scroll Endowment Fund.

- 1. A Central Committee be appointed by the Grand Consul to consist of three men as workers, one of them to be chairman.
- An Honorary Central Committee be appointed whose function is to lend influence and possibly advice to the Active Committee. This Committee is to consist of an honorary chairman and honorary members, and shall be appointed from among prominent alumni, prominent honorary, or prominent faculty members.
- 3. Each chapter is to appoint one man to take care of his chapter organization and to act as a connecting link between the chapter and Central Committee.
- Each chapter is to appoint one man from each class to take care of subscriptions in that class, this man to report directly to the man in charge of his chapter organization.
- Each chapter is to compile at once an accurate list of its alumni and their permanent addresses.
- 6. The Committee recommends that each chapter make a drive to get 100% subscriptions from its junior and senior classes, as all later classes now subscribe automatically to the Endowment Fund. It is recommended that this sum be divided over the entire year and collected with his dues, unless a better plan is formulated.
- The dates of the drive and other details are to be left to the Grand Consul and the Central Committee.

Brother Fuller reported for the History Committee.

Voted that the committee continue to act, that it investigate the probable cost of publication of a fraternity history, and that funds to the extent of \$100 be made available for the use of the committee in continuing the work.

Brother Shaw reported for the Committee on a Geographical Directory suggesting the publication of one.

This report was accepted.

Brother Kunkle reported for the Scholarship Committee, making the following suggestions:

- 1. Big Brother idea
- 2. Study hour for deficient freshmen and sophomores.
- 3. Restrictions on underclassmen as to absences from town Advisory committee
- 5. Athletes be required to study in the evening
- 6. Grades of incoming freshmen be obtained from the office.

This report was accepted.

Brother Mertens advised the incorporation of each chapter.

Voted that the Proconsuls be appointed by the Grand Consul.

Brother Willard reported for the Nominating Committee as follows:

Grand Tribune-Mertens, Fuller

Grand Praetor-Williams, Hudson

Grand Propraetor-Johnston

The balloting resulted in the election of Brothers Fuller, Williams, and Johnston. Brother Dowd reported that he had audited the books of the Grand Quaestor and found them correct.

A vote of appreciation and confidence was extended to Brother Powell.

Brother Mertens then presented the documentary charters to the Nu and Xi Chapters.

Voted to send the following resolution to Professor Ewart:

Resolved that Kappa Delta Rho Fraternity assembled in annual convention sends fraternal greetings and sincere good wishes to Professor Frank C. Ewart, its former Grand Consul, in recognition of his long continued interest in the fraternity.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Eta Chapter for its hospitality during the convention.

A vote of thanks was also extended to Brother Mertens for his service as Grand Tribune.

Voted to adjourn at 12:45 P. M.

FRANKLIN G. WILLIAMS,

Grand Praetor.

Beneath the moon he told his love, The color left her cheeks; But on the shoulder of his coat It showed up plain for weeks.

-Laurel of Phi Kappa Tau

### THE 1926 CONVENTION

### By a Staff Reporter

"By thy rivers gently flowing, Illinois, Illinois."

So sang the Eta boys at the convention, but we weren't able to locate the noble streams to which their song referred. We admit we didn't walk very far in quest of water. We were afraid we might get lost in the corn fields which surround the twin cities of Champaign and Urbana. But let there be no untoward comments as to the flatness of the blinois prairies. We came away from the conclave with our brake bands intact which, unfortunately, is more than we can say of our trip over the Vermont hills last year to the Middlebury fracas.

And a great institution of "Learning and labor" flourishes in the midst of these prairies. The University of Illinois expects to enroll a mere twelve thousand students this semester. The campus is beautiful and dignified. And spacious! We would easily comprehend what they told us about students frequently being late to class because some of the buildings were so far apart that it was difficult to go from one to another in the allotted ten minutes.

The new memorial stadium is one of the most artistic we have seen. Why shouldn't such a stadium, filled with sixty-seven thousand enthusiastic Illini, inspire Red Grange to do his stuff?

Here, brethren, is where K. D. R.'s from Maine to California (both were represented) came for their 1926 Convention, on September 12, 13 and 14, as guests of the Eta Chapter.

Most of the boys from the fourteen Chapters arrived on Sunday. This excludes Delta, of course. These chaps from Delta are a busy lot. Last year Orrin Judd couldn't get back from Europe in time for the start of the convention, and this year Len Allen held up the works. However, we didn't have

to wait for any Lambda delegates this time, on account of storms in the Rockies.

It was pleasant to see a number of our friends of last year and other years, including Brother Wolford, past Grand Consul, who paid us a visit. The practice followed by most of the Chapters, of selecting as one of their delegates a man who attended the previous conclave, undoubtedly is an excellent one. The Eta chapter was there enmasse. A number of visitors, actives and alumni were present. The assembled crowd was one to be proud of. We were glad to be a brother.

We welcomed the delegates from our two newest Chapters to their first convention. Charters were formally presented to Nu and Xi by Brother Mertens, the retiring Grand Tribune.

The business session started on Monday morning, called to order by our Worthy Consul, Brother Ottman; lasted throughout the day, and was concluded on Tuesday morning. A number of minor matters were discussed and settled. One paragraph was stricken from the ritual adopted at the 1925 Convention, after a number of the Chapters had reported that it was unacceptable to them. The deletion was accomplished in a quite peaceable manner, however, and Don Powell, being unable to provoke a controversy over the ritual, took out his spite by getting the by-laws amended so as to provide a fine for non-payment of dues and initiation fees on time.

An important work accomplished by the convention was the establishment of a general endowment fund, combining the features of a chapter house and student loan fund, with the principles of an income-producing fund to make it easier for our national organization to carry on. Action was taken in the matter of an official flag, and a new edition of the song book was authorized. Plans for the Quill and Scroll endowment fund were discussed.

A fourth Alumni Association came into being at the convention. A petition was presented by a group of alumni in San Francisco, asking to be recognized officially as an Alumni Association. It was granted with pleasure.

On Monday afternoon there was a round table discussion of chapter finances, led by the Grand Quaestor. Following that, the Grand Propraetor conducted a conference on the Quill and Scroll.

The Time and Place Committee recommended that the 1927 Convention be held at the Beta Chapter, and it was so decided. It must have been that the Cornell boys were so eager to play host to the Fraternity next year that they might show the poor Illinois delegates what a few hills looked like.

Our elections are always exciting. We are not aware as to what passed behind the closed doors of the meeting of the Nominating Committee. However, two names were presented for the office of Grand Tribune, with the result that the miscreant, Jack Mertens, was removed from the office which he has managed to hold for the last six years, and Carlos Fuller was elected to succeed him. However, Franklin Williams was not to be dislodged from the Grand Praetor's chair and Midge Johnston was reelected to guide the destinies of the Quill and Scroll for another two years as Grand The pro-consular system Propraetor. was retained. The Pro-Consuls are to be appointed in the future by the Grand Consul.

By no means the least important events were those on the social calendar. There was a formal dance on Monday night at the Champaign Country Club. Everybody had a good time, so far as could be ascertained. It is even reported that certain of the Grand Officers attempted to bribe the orchestra to play just one more dance. Reams might be written about the affair, the serenity of the

night, the beauty of the women, "the dancers dancing in tune"

On Tuesday night there was a formal banquet at the Inman Hotel, Champaign. The menu was excellent, and the speeches the best we have listened to in a long time. Brother H. M. Gray, '22 of Eta, was toastmaster. Thomas Arkle Clark. of Alpha Tau Omega, Dean of Men at the University of Illinois, gave one of his characteristically interesting talks. Mrs. Herman Herzog, president of the Eta Chapter Mothers' Club, described the organization. Brother R. D. Car-michael, of the Eta Chapter, Professor of Mathematics at the University of Illinois, delivered the principal address of the evening, an address such as one hears once in several blue moons. Brothers Mertens and Fuller, the retiring Grand Tribune and his successor, each spoke briefly. The meeting adjourned after we had sung with enthusiasm

"To thee we sing our song of praise; To thee our hearts and hands we raise."

The banquet was an inspiration to all of us who were fortunate enough to be there. Would that everyone of our membership could have partaken.

A considerable amount of credit is due the wives of the Eta facutly members, who arranged a delightful program for the ladies who attended the convention. At least we understand it was delightful; being a mere man, we were not permitted to attend. The ladies had tea and a bridge at the home of Mrs. H. T. Scovill, and afterwards made a tour of the campus. We welcomed them also at the banquet.

Thanks are due the Eta Chapter in general, and Ken Carpenter, '26, generalissimo of the convention committee, in particular, for our splendid entertainment. "Give three cheers and one cheer more—."

Our conventions are better and better every year. You who do not attend don't know what you miss. We are getting our organization problems settled gradually, and are able to devote more time to play and less to work. After all, aren't our conventions held for us to enjoy? This year more work was accomplished through committees than ever before. And we golfed the rest of the time, and, well, pile the family in the flivver and come to Cornell next September and find out about it.

On to Ithaca!

### ON SAFE GROUND

They inquired about his trip abroad. He began enthusiastically, but stopped short.

"Has any one here been to Europe?"

"No."

"Well, then, I can speak freely."

-Boston Transcript

#### FORCE OF HABIT

Cautiously, stealthily, the creeping footpad closed upon the unsuspecting frosh returning weary and tired to his new college home. A rough hand grasped the freshman's shoulder and spun him harshly upon his heels.

The victim's hand went matter-of-factly to his pocket. "Til sub-scribe," he sighed.

-Punch Bowl

Mistress (to new maid)—Nora, you; don't seem to know about finger bowls. Didn't they have them where you worked last?

Nora—No, mum; they mostly washed themselves afore they come to the table.

-Wall Street Journal

### "21 YEARS OLD"

Oh - very much a man!

—Cyrano de ergerac

Has it occurred to you that Kappa Delta Rho is twenty-one this year? Last spring we attained our majority, and assumed man's estate. It is fitting that we pause and ponder a little over our situation in life.

Twenty-one years ago—in 1905—Kappa Delta Rho was a local on the campus of Middlebury College, weathering its first full college year. Now—in 1926—Kappa Delta Rho is a national fraternity with fourteen chapters in nine different states. stretching from Maine to California. Some of you old grads who have not been in close touch with things fraternal for some time, turn back to the first page and read the chapter roll. A good representation, is it not? And note that the alumni are organized in four associations, from New York to San Francisco.

We believe we can say, without being immodest, that the chapter roll is indeed one to be proud of. Virtually all the institutions at these colleges, so far as can be ascertained from brief contact with them at conventions and during hurried visits to chapters, are allaround good men of the type the founders of the order desired to develop.

On the whole, the extension program has proceeded on a sound and conservative basis. Chapters have not been added faster than they could be assimilated, and the dignity of the Fraternity has not been compromised in the solicitation of new chapters. Attention has been concentrated on colleges and universities of well-recognized standing, with a view to building up a homogeneous group of chapters.

However, we are not rid of our growing pains yet. Much remains to be done in the way of extension. There are gaps between a number of the chap-

ters, which should be bridged. The task is to build up and strengthen the organization so that it may perform more effectively the legitimate functions of a national college fraternity. It is to be hoped that that may be accomplished before so many years roll by. A continuation of our program, on a more aggressive basis, for a few years, should be successful.

Financially, the Fraternity still is in somewhat the same situation as the chap in Sir Harry Lauder's well-known song: "I never had lots of money, but I'd always lots of fun." The improvement in the condition of the national treasury of late, however is remarkable. And the signs for the future are hopeful.

The 1925 Convention made provision for a permanent endowment fund to take care of the Quill and Scroll. fund is being accumulated by payments every man initiated into the Fraternity, thereto of ten dollars on the part of as a life subscription to the Quill and Scroll. The principal of the fund is to remain intact, and the income only is to be used for publication expenses. A trust fund indenture is being drawn to establish the fund absolutely. Every undergraduate initiated into the Fraternity last year contributed ten dollars to the endowment fund. A campaign is to be launched in the near future, in order to give the alumni the opportunity to become life subscribers to the Quill and Scroll on the same basis. Heed the call when it comes! It is expected that in the course of time the Quill and Scroll will be supported entirely by the income from the fund. In the meantime the cost of publication is being met out of dues and initiation fees.

The 1926 Convention authorized the creation of a second permanent endowment fund, to take care of general expenses of the national organization. At present it is contemplated that this fund will be built up by transferring thereto annual excesses of revenue over expenses. A start was made by transferring to the fund \$1000 of the general fraternity funds. It is expected that when the Quill and Scroll fund becomes sufficiently large to afford a substantial income, it will be possible to put into the general endowment fund a part of every initiation fee collected. The principal of the the general endowment fund is to be made available to chapters needing loans for the building of houses, and to worthy brothers who need assistance in getting an education. The income is to be used in defraying the general expenses of the national organization. We are looking forward to the establishment of a central office as soon as possible.

The Quill and Scroll has increased in size and importance with the years. Witness the present issue as an evidence of its growth. Time was when our official publication was by no means so much a thing of beauty and a source of information. There are plans afoot for further improvements. However, you must become regular readers of the sheet to find out all about them.

During the past few years the national feeling has grown within the organization. The work of welding the chapters together into a unified body with a strong central government is well under way.

The individual chapters have been well established at their respective institutions from the beginning. A number of them existed as locals for a considerable time before their affiliation with Kappa Delta Rho. The present standing of the Fraternity on the campuses where it is represented is a source of pride.

Until recently, however, little attention was given to the development and perfection of the national organization to the point of greatest efficiency and usefulness. It is true that until a few years ago the number of chapters was small, and that what chapters there were were busy with their own individual problems. The time at conventions had to be spent on matters of constitution, ritual, and minor organization details.

With the extension of the Fraternity there have arisen a fuller spirit of nationalism and a greater necessity for stronger central government. present grand officers are doing all in their power to bring about a fuller cognizance of and greater respect for the existence and authority of the national body. They are endeavoring to make the national organization real by lending all possible assistance to the various chapters. The pro-consular system adopted a few years ago, which provides for a visit at least once a year to each chapter by a personal representative of the Grand Consul, is one step in this direction. The Grand Quaestor announced at the last convention that he intended to exercise more close supervision in the future over chapter finances, with a view to placing them on a more sound basis. The establishment of two permanent endowment funds provides a source of increasing revenue, which will enable new services to be rendered. A central office, with assistants devoting their full time to Fraternity matters is to be established as soon as possible. These are steps in the right direction. The ultimate aim of nationalization should be to reach the point where real service can be given the chapters. In unity there is strength.

Thus we arrive at our twenty-first birthday. We may reasonably be proud of our past achievements. But we should have an eye to the future. It is full of possibilities.

### A MESSAGE FROM THE GRAND CONSUL

This edition of the Quill and Scroll gives the program and minutes of the sessions of our national convention held at Illinois. It is not a difficult task to read between the lines and realize that it was the most successful conclave ever held. Each year we attain new heights. Eta was the perfect host. Four more delegates representing the Nu and Xi chapters were welcomed to the house of delegates.

What was done last year recorded history. The new fraternity year is before us. What will it bring forth? May I not enumerate a few of the things we hope to accomplish before our convention at Cornell in 1927?

1. The Endowment Fund Campaign.

This campaign is well under way.

Important announcements are made in this issue. Every K. D. R. should acquaint himself with the details of this drive.

2. Extension

We hope to add a few new chapters from representative Colleges to our fraternity this year. Brother Fuller, the newly elected Grand Tribune will have charge of this important work.

 Development of a stronger National Organization.

A great deal was accomplished along this line during the past year. Through the splendid work of the Grand Quaestor the organization was put on a strong business basis. Through the Pro-Consuls we hope to make still greater progress.

- 4. Check up on chapter finances.

  This will be accomplished through the Pro-Consuls and the monthly reports to the Grand Quaestor.
- 5. Improvement of the Quill and Scroll.

  This is possible only through the aid of the chapters. If the propraetors of the various chapters are careless or neglectful in sending in material to the Editor naturally the publication is delayed. This can be remedied by the chapters.

I wish to thank the chapters and the individual members for their splendid cooperation during the past year. With the aid of that same cooperation much can be done this year.

The greatest institution in America, as it always has been in the world, is the home. When a young man leaves it and goes to college he is wise to be grafted on to a new home, known as the fraternity. The mother of this new home is ideals, the father is hard work, and the brotherhood is mutual trust and assistance. He is a prodigal son who wastes his substance in riotous living as a barbarian.

—The late Thomas R. Marshall (Phi Gamma Delta), former Vice President of the United States, as quoted n the Magazine of Sigma Chi.

### FROM THE GRAND EMPTOR'S OFFICE

### Neil Willard, Grand Emptor

Attention has been called at various times to the duties of the Grand Emptor but any work which may be done by this office will be of little effect without th co-operation of the brothers especially in the active chapters.

Briefly the Grand Emptor's duty is to locate sources of supply for the various articles which the chapters or members wish to purchase. Generally a very advantageous arrangement can be made with the firm supplying any article, if all the fraternity buys from that firm. Accordingly contracts are made protecting the firm and the fraternity.

The largst portion of the money spent goes to the fraternity jeweler and some of the provisions in our contract with them should be of interest.

Our fraternity jeweler is Burr, Paterson & Ault Co., of Detroit, Michigan. Their contract definitely specifies what grade of materials shall be used in badges and also the price for which they shall be sold. They agree, "to replace free of charge any stones which may have been lost except diamonds, which will be replaced at actual cost to the company, of the diamonds replaced."

A very important clause of the contract is, "that it will allow a 20% royalty on all articles herein specified." This covers, "all sales made to Chapters or members of said Fraternity, regardless of whether orders are secured by the salesmen of the company or through other sources.' In other words, it is not restricted to badges but covers also the sale of novelties such as rings, watch chains charms, etc.

This royalty is each year becoming a larger and more important item in our National Budget. The National organization must either receive its funds from dues or from royalties and every dollar lost in royalties must be made up by dues.

It is especially pertinent that these facts be brought before all of our chapters at this time. The salesmen of other jewelry firms are calling on our chapters and securing a small amount of business. This is what is generally known among fraternity jewelry men as pirating. It is taking an unfair advantage because they have no contract with the fraternity and pay no royalties. It is to every member's personal interest to refrain from buying from any salesmen except those from our official jeweler.

The financial consideration has been mentioned first because it generally has the strongest appeal. However, there are several other advantages of an official jeweler. They are also under contract to call regularly on all of our chapters which are scattered from Maine to This means better service California. and personal contact with the company. They carry a quantity of badges in stock at all times so that orders can be filled very promptly. This service is often taken for granted but some of the older members can remember that before we had an official jeweler it was not uncommon to wait two to three months for a badge.

It would be a very good thing for all the members if the officers of each chapter would take it upon themselves to see that no salesman was allowed to display his goods in a chapter house unless his company has been recognized by the National Organization. Very often these salesmen will enter a house without permission, using the house as a display room and some of the brothers who may not be properly informed will buy certain articles that strike their fancy.

### THE PROCONSULAR SYSTEM

By Leo L. Rockwell, Iota

The proconsular system as it exists at present was established at the Columbus Convention in 1924 to fill a gap in the contact between the national organization and the individual chapters. The idea was, I believe, first suggested by Brother Ewart. After a full discussion at the convention it was adopted

experimentally for the year.

The "gap in contact" referred to it the result of the small number of chapters in the fraternity and the wide geographical distribution of these chapters. These two things in combination render impossible personal contact between the national officers and the chapters. In larger fraternities this is of course taken care of by travelling secretaries who make their rounds. In a small fraternity of narrow geographical range it could conceivably be cared for by the national officers themselves.

Under the circumstances, however, it seemed that if the fraternity as a whole was divided into three provinces and an alumni member in each province appointed as proconsul, with the duty of visiting and conferring with each chapter each year, he could at least partially supply the need felt of establishing liaison between the national organization

as a whole and the chapters.

Each year at the convention it has been felt that while the system has not functioned perfectly, it is nevertheless the best susbstitute for a full-time secretary that can be devised under present conditions.

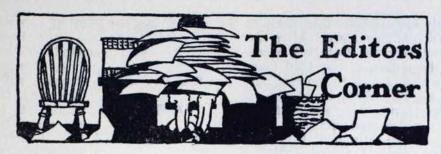
As proconsul of the second province I have felt that the effectiveness of the work has increased each year. I have not yet done what I should like to do in any year, but each year grows a

little better. Last winter I visited each chapter in the province except the Penn State chapter, and this year I hope to get all round. The revision of the proconsular questionnaire, now under way will make the information secured in that report of much greater value to the fraternity as a whole and consequently to the chapters. The acquaintance with the officers and members of the chapters in the province and their willingness to talk over problems with me led to mutual confidence and I believe in some instances to positive accomplishment.

Engrossed in their local problems and far distant from the central government, the chapters might at times fail to realize the need of keeping themselves informed of national policies and of adhering to them; an annual visit from a proconsul will be effective in reminding them that ours is not a fraternity of loosely independent locals, but a real national fraternity with a very definite purpose and program.

Some of the ideas I gathered from my trip West last spring are incorporated in the article "Proconsular Perambulations" in the June Quill and Scroll. For that reason I will not repeat them here. In general I would only say that the proconsul should be regarded by the chapters as a guide, counsellor, and friend, who is willing to serve them to the utmost of his ability in their local problems, and is happy to be called into consultation at any time. I am sure that all of us in that office will exert all the tact and wisdom which has been allotted to us in behalf of the actives whenever there is need.

It always makes me laugh. So wonderful a treat, To see an athlete run a mile And only move two feet.



# DO WELL THY WORK —John G. Whittier.

With Breadloaf Inn and the Green Mountains of Vermont as a background the 1925 convention of Kappa Delta Rho gave the 1926 Eta boys a high water-

THE 1926 mark to shoot at. And they did! And they hit the mark! Arrangements were perfect and

CONVENTION ments were perfect, and likewise ideal for the

quick dispatch of business inter-mingled with pleasure and opportunities to get acquainted. The entertainment was the best ever, tennis, golf, auto trips, country-club dancing and plenty of time for "gassing." Sounds like all superlatives—and it is. Ask the delegates and alumni who attended. Last and most impressive was the banquet, a fitting climax after a profitable two days of sessions handled by Grand Consul Ottman, ably assisted by the one hundred per cent. cooperation of the other officers and the delegates.

The minutes tell their own story.

The 1927 convention will be held in September at Ithaca, N. Y., with the Beta boys as hosts. From the plains of Illinois the march is eastward again, this time to the hills and lakes of Central New York, Plan now to join the caravan. It is worth it. The alumni are needed.

If you do nothing else be sure to carefully read the minutes of the 1926 convention published in this issue. They tell concisely the story of the convention and the achievements of the past year.

One of the real pleasures at each convention is the welcoming of new faces. Some of the chapters were represented by one delegate who attended his first Kappa Delta Rho convention, others by

NEW two who had never before attended the annual conclave. Nu and Xi chapters took their places in the roll call for the first

time. New faces mean new strength, No one attends who does not get something he did not have before; inspiration, a broader vision of the national organization, a oneness of feeling for all of the chapters rather than just for his own, and a realization that fellows from coast to coast stand and work for the same ideals.

This year but one new face appears among the national officers, Bro. Huddle, proconsul of the first province. Brothers Williams and Johnston were reelected Grand Praetor and Grand Propraetor respectively. Bro. Fuller relinquishes the reins of his office to Bro. Huddle and takes those formerly held by Jack Mertens. Bro. Wolford, after an absence of a year, is again lending his able services as proconsul of the third province, but we cannot call his a new face in spite of its youth and energy.

The 1926 convention saw the formation of a new alumni chapter, the San Francisco group. The National Organization and the entire fraternity welcome the alumni brothers of the Golden Gate, and wish them every success. This chapter will prove of great help to the Lambda boys and to the fraternity on the Pacific Coast.

The time always comes, sooner or later, when good friends must part. After six years as Grand Tribune, Brother Mertens relinquished his office at the 1926 Convention. We should like to express our appreciation of his efforts in behalf of the Fraternity during his tenure of of-

JACK
fice, and our hope that
his retirement from the
list of Grand Officers
does not mean his withdrawal from active part-

icipation in the work of the Fraternity. He has given freely of his time and counsel to Kappa Delta Rho; and his sound and well-considered judgment in vexed situations has been respected in our conclaves. A large number of the brethren have had the opportunity and privilege of knowing Jack. He has visited all the chapters except Xi; at the time Xi was installed he was detained in Washington on business, and was unable to be present at the ceremonies. Perhaps he is the only man in the Fraternity who has made the rounds so completely. All who have known him join in sincere good wishes for his continued success. We expect to see you at Ithaca next summer, Jack.

It has been said that a chapter is as strong as its alumni and the strength of the alumni is directly proportional to the interest the chapter takes in them. In other words they work hand in hand. One of the best contacts with the alumni is the chapter letter or newsie. All chapters should have them and send them out at least twice each year.

The next convention is to be held in Ithaca in September. Plan now to attend!

The January issue is to be the Alumni Number. Send in all material at once. They say the greatest captains in the army are those who have the best lieutenants. As a commander-in-chief, there-

GRAND CONSUL

fore, Brother Scotty
Ottman will be unsurpassed, for his appointments show that
he certainly knows
how to pick 'em. The

proconsuls, chosen for the first time instead of being elected by the convention are as follows:

Proconsul First Province—Otto E. Huddle, Gamma, '22
Proconsul Second Province—Leo L. Rockwell, Iota '07
Proconsul Third Province—Leo. T. Wolford, Epsilon '12

Bro. Ottman has also appointed a very able committee for preparing the campaign for the Quill and Scroll Endowment Fund, and fortunately they have all accepted. Bro. Geo. E. Shaw, Alpha '10 is chairman, assisted by Bro. H. Guy Erb, Zeta '20, secretary and Bro. Weldon Powell, Eta '22.

The Quill and Scroll Endowment Fund will soon be actively under way and definite plans will be announced in the near future, probably in the January Number.

A meeting of the National Officers was held in New York City Saturday, November 27, 1926. All the officers were present with the exception of two of the Proconsuls, Brothers Rockwell and Wolford. Much business of a minor nature was transacted as well as the solving of a few of the larger problems. Chief among the latter was the Quill and Scroll Endowment Fund and the committee to formulate plans to conduct it.

The meeting was held in conjunction with the Interfraternity Conference and enabled the officers to attend some of its sessions.

# AMONG OURSELVES

Jefferson Academy Tunghsien, Peking, China October 4, 1926

Herbert R. Johnston 81 Tacoma Avenue Buffalo, New York

Dear Midge,

The other day I was sitting here in my study with a Chinese man, Chang Ch'ung Jen, studying Chinese. I spend about 45 minutes a day, five days a week, in an attempt to learn a few helping things about this most amazing and complex language. The Chinese and I were going over the Peking sound table when the mail arrived. And the June, 1926 number of The Quill and Scroll had come! In about two minutes I had stopped the lesson, told Mr. Chang I should see him on the morrow, and was immersed in Kappa Delta Rho news. It was certainly great to read the Quill and Scroll. I am eager for the next issues.

Midge, will you please send the Quill and Scroll regularly to this address? Soon I shall send you money to cover my life subscription to the magazine. I promise, honor bright, to see that you get my life subscription before 1927 is past and a missionary's salary is nothing to write home about.

I am in no position to write an article to your magazine now, Midge, but I do promise you several of them before my three year stay here has ended. You might use this letter as article number one.

The city of Tunghsien is a small town about 15 miles east of Peking, the capital of the northern part of China, and supposedly the real capital. Canton is the southern capital, and right now there is much difficulty in this nation over which is the most important capital. The Cantonese would like to

push north and control the entire nation. China is composed of China proper which is composed of provinces such as Chihli (in which Peking is located) and Kiangsu (in which Shanghai is located), and Tibet, and Mongolia, and Chinese Turkestan, and Manchuria. But with the exception of the latter there is little cohesiveness other than that which exists between the provinces of China proper, and goodness knows there is not much there either.

In this city of Tunghsien, near Peking, in the province of Chihli, in north China, is The American Board Compound, situated just outside the city wall of Every city of any impor-Tunghsien. tance has a wall around it. These walls are 15 to 20 feet wide, and 20 to 30 feet high. I have already walked one half way around Tunghsien's wall, and it is a great sight you are able to get from there: rice fields, Chinese pagodas, mud houses, street dramatics, beggars, Chinese street hawkers, little girls in blue trousers and red waists, boys in long blue or white or grey coats, Chinese dignitaries in long grey coats and black silk jackets with the small black silk caps on their heads, these and a host of other examples of local color meet This compound is made up your eye. of many acres. We have three schools in here. One is Jefferson Academy, Lu Ho is the Chinese name, which is a middle school for Chinese boys; that is, it does 7th and 8th grade grammar school and the four years of high school work. A second school is a grade and high school for Chinese girls. A third school is an American school for the sons and daughters of missionaries, and business people and such who are Europeans. These three schools with their staffs of teachers, both Chinese and foreigners, compose this compound. And missionary compounds throughout the rest of China and the world are more or less on this

order. Most are not as fortunate as this because we have the American school for this vicinity and there are only three or four such schools in all of China. Also Lu Ho is one of the few schools of its kind in this part of China. We train men in Lu Ho for rural workers, for university students and all matters and kinds of occupations. yesterday one of my seniors came to me and asked my advice about American colleges. His father is wealthy, and next September this boy is going to the United States to enter a small college in the middle west, probably Oberlin, or Beloit, or Grinnell ,or Knox. This boy would never have received the incentive to do such a thing if he had not met the Americans he has met here in this compound.

I teach English to the last 3 high school classes. Most of it is grammar work, gerunds and participles, and nouns and pronouns, and the like. My senior class does work in literature to some extent, and I have started in to teach them to speak in English before an audience. You all would be stricken mute at the amount of English which all of China understands and speaks. It is required in all missionary schools, and even the boys in Chinese government schools, (which by the way are only open now and then because the war lords take the school money and buy ammunition), know much English. Can you imagine yourself attending bible classes in French or German, Chinese or Japanese?

When I am not teaching I am in to Peking to see the sights, or rambling around the countryside, or on the city wall, or playing tennis, or coaching basketball in the American school, or reading, or studying, or teaching a bible class, or attending Chinese church, or doing one of the thousands of multifarious attractions which abound here. We are planning a wild boar hunt in the province of Shansi to take place in Chinese New Year's vacation, from Jan-

uary 13th to about February first. Their calendar is different from that we use.

It is Sunday morning and I have just finished teaching the Sermon on the Mount to a class of 15 boys from the government school over in the village, and now I must go to Chinese church in the village; Chinese Christian church And the odd thing about this is that I enjoy it all and believe I am doing good. I hope you at Eta who remember too well some of my more unreligious moments will not laugh too loud. This whole enterprise is mightily alluring to me. I wish so fervently that you men at Eta and other chapters could spend a week here with me. This is a standing invitation to you all.

My regards to you all, and my best wishes. I shall write again, Midge.

Sincerely,
EARL NORTON LOCKARD,
Eta '26.

Bro. F. L. Foerster—Zeta delegate to 1926 convention writes as follows:

"As to the convention I can't think of any suggestions for improvement. The business sessions seemed to go off very smoothly, and as this was my first convention, I have nothing to base any comparison. I believe that the idea of having future conventions at summer resorts is a very good idea. Of course we will have to come to that sooner or later. I believe that the time will be ripe after the next convention at Beta. I also think that the report given by each chapter should be boiled down so as to contain only the important items. The idea of giving the methods of financing the individual fraternity chapter houses was helpful. I can't think of anything more at the present, except that we were entertained royally during our stay at Eta. The dance and banquet were huge successes. I won't forget our tennis match for some time to come.

As to suggestions for the coming year, my mind fails to function. I would like to see an extension campaign started that would net us four or five good chapters. I believe Brother Fuller will get on the job, and if the chapters will help him, I know that this can be accomplished."

Bro. Len Allen—Senior delegate from Delta to 1926 convention sends the following interesting observations:

"At the Kappa Delta Rho convention the four corners of the United States were assembled in one taxi cab. On the night of the formal dance a taxi was hired to convey two couples to the Inn. It was interesting and singular to note the places where these four people came from. One of the brothers was from Berkeley, California, the other from New York City; one of the girls was from Alabama somewhere, the other from Chicago. East, West, North and South meet in one taxi. The stage was all set for a revival of the Civil War or a hot discussion on the Japanese Question, but not so. Our inter-state conference proved to be a most delightful occasion."

Bro. Don Wetterauer—Kappa delegate, liked the Illinois girls (and, believe me the girls liked those two Kappa boys!!). "I would like to say that I do not believe that the average brother fully realize what it means to belong to a national fraternity until he has attended a convention.

I believe that a large part of the undoubted success of the convention was due to the Eta boys who certainly did all within their power to entertain and make us feel at home while we were there.

The good looking Illinois girls whom the Eta boys seemed to have a monopoly on, made the formal dance a marked success in my estimation."

Bros. Howard F. Evans and Eugene F. Corbin, Lambda elegates write as follows:

"One of the most interesting of the events of the Convention was the dance held at the Champaign Country club. The dates were all satisfactory; in fact we have never seen a group of blinds turn out so well. We also enjoyed the various styles of dancing from the "low-down" to the "Indiana Sock." The only part to be regretted is that we had to stop at 12 and that taxis are somewhat inconvenient at times.

We certainly like the Eta boys. They are without a doubt one of our best chapters and we hope in the future to hear of more Carpenters and Osbornes. The undergraduate material is there, all right.

The ride back home was long and tiresome. We came over the Denver and Rio Grande Scenic, and Evans met an entertaining young lady from Berkeley and proceeded to ditch his brother delegate. A stop-over at Stockton (Cal.) however, served to revive Corbin's morale.

In closing, we'd like to do it all over again and certainly would like to see everyone of the boys at the 1926 convention visit Lambda at some time or other. We enjoyed it all and can't forget it ever."

It is desired to compile a history of the fraternity publication and Jack Mertens, Beta '19, has volunteered his services. It is necessary, though that he obtain copies of all issues of the old "Scroll," and other early publications sent out by the National Organization, prior to 1919. Any brother having copies of these publications will do the fraternity a service by lending them to Jack. They will be returned in first class condition. Jack's address is 70 Willow Drive, New Rochelle, N. Y.

# INTERCOLLEGIATE ITEMS

### Why I Believe in Football

I believe in football because it fixes in every student the spirit of fight and the will to win. It is all a mistake to say that the men on the bleachers get no benefit. They receive incalculable benefit in the spirit that surges through them in the support of the team—the spirit of determinaion and irresistible attack.

I believe in football because it fuses the college into a unity. Before the first big home game each year, the college is only a mass of individuals, but with the long yell that greets the team for its first big fight, a new and living entity comes into being. In the game the soul of the college is awakened anew, and he is no man at all into whose heart the thrills of the contest do not send currents of devotion and loyalty which will flow till his heart no longer beats.

For these reasons, I believe in football—especially football led by big hearted men, hard, clean, strictly by the rules and with every ounce in the fight to the last whistle.

> DR. JOHN M. THOMAS, President of Rutgers University —Via Banta's Greek Exchange

### Education and Things

Four thousand young people are on this campus who believe they want an education. Some of them really desire it; a few will get it. Most of them will get something else. Many will get grades and a knowledge of text books. More than many will get degrees from the various schools. Nearly every one will get some knowledge of the social emenities which is as good a substitute for an education as they can carry. But only a precious few will get an education.

An education is not a lot of assorted information upon various academic subjects. An education is the blessing of the man or woman who has a mind and

a heart so trained that he can look at both sides of a proposition; can accept and digest the best available information upon the subject and so can distinguish the true from the false, the real from the sham. Unless a student graduating from college has formed a habit of facing reality ,refusing to be deceived by sentimentality and has acquired a trained nose for sensing shams, he is a boor and a dullard no matter how many Phi Beta Kappa keys he jangles; how well he can dance; or how many degrees he tacks after his name.

Books and texts will help the wise; but they only befuddle the fool. If the University of Kansas this year turns into the life of this state four hundred wise young men and women, it will have more than justified the state in its endeavors, and will have surprised delightfully its saner friends!—William Allen White, in the Daily Kansan.

### Concerning Rhodes Scholarships

Two Rhodes scholarships to the University of Oxford are assigned to each state in the Union. The scholarships are tenable for three years and have the value of £350 a year. To be eligible a candidate must be—(a) A male citizen of the United States; (b) Over 19 and not over 25 years of age; (c) Above sophomore standing in some recognized degree-granting university or college in the United States.

Selections are made on the basis of the candidate's record in school and college, supplemented by references of persons who know him and by a personal interview with the committee of selection. There is no written examination. Elections are made on the basis of—(1) Qualities of manhood, force of character and leadership; (2) Literary and scholastic ability and attainments; (3) Physical vigor, as shown by interest in outdoor sports or in other ways. No restriction

is placed on a Rhodes scholar's choice of studies.

Application blanks and further information may be obtained from the officers of any college or university in the United State or from President Frank Aydelotte, American secretary to the Rhodes trustees, Swarthmore college, Swarthmore, Pa.

Duke University has entered upon a building program which will, when completed, probably within six years, give it some sixty buildings costing in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000. The enlarged Trinity College plant, now under construction at a cost of some \$5,000,000, will be later used as the coordinate college for women only. The greater Duke will be erected a mile away from the present campus on a rise of ground about a hundred feet above the surrounding 4,000 acre wooded area. The buildings will be of Orange County stone, and of Gothic design. Dormitories and fraternity houses will be built for two thousand students.

### JUST A GENTLE REMINDER



The New York Alumni
Association of Kappa
Delta Rho holds it's
regular monthly mid-day
luncheon at Stewarts
Restaurant, 26 Park Place
New York City, the last
Tuesday of each month.

# GREEK TO GREEK

### PRESIDENTS AND DELEGATES

Some interesting comment relative to the service of chapter presidents as convention delegates was made by President Shepardson of Beta Theta Pi in his fraternity's magazine. He said in part:

"It was noted that there were some chapter presidents present as delegates. How many was not known until some one suggested a roll call to find out. The return was forty-one. In other words almost half of the convention was composed of the carefully selected men who are to have charge of the chapters during the coming year.

Just how many in the convention hall had the same thought when that astonishing poll was announced one cannot say. But it is certain that, in the minds of many, there was a swift reaction something like this: "That is as it should be! What a great thing for a fraternity to have its chapter leaders inspired by convention experiences! We ought to have a big year in 1926-27! What a convention it would be if every delegate were a chapter president. How many presidents will be there next year? What a fraternity we should have if, each year, each chapter should send its president-elect to drink at the wonderful spring of Beta enthusiasm found at the fraternity convention!"

> —The Purple, Green and Gold of Lambda Chi Alpha

Unfortunately there is usually a man or two in every fraternity chapter who receives more money from home than he should have, but who is always behind in his house bill. To let him continue is not only poor business for the house but it is unfair to the man inasmuch as this first attempt at managing his own affairs is leaving him with the wrong impression. The proper handling of the situation is an unrenting application of

"no pay no eat" uolicy. If pressure on the man himself is insufficient, the fairest thing to the man, his parents, and the house is to write a tactful letter to the parents explaining the difficulty and offering to be of assistance by handling the monthly allowance from the parents, and passing on the boy's spending money after his house bill has been deducted. At first glance it may seem a harsh measure but after a study it will be seen to be the fairest to everyone concernedthe house will be paid on time, the boy will be given better business training. and the parents will appreciate the latter fact.

-Monad of Sigma Phi Sigma

At this season of the year the attention of fraternity men generally is centered upon the subject of rushing. Rules in different institutions vary. But no matter when the actual season of "rushing" takes place the new men are objects of much discussion and speculation.

The present rigid scholarship requirements of most colleges should have, and we believe are having, a wholesome effect upon the selection of men who are to be rushed. Little thought used to be given to whether a freshman would amount to anything in college, or for that matter after he got out in the world. It seemed of more importance to have him "fit in" to the particular group and be a congenial spirit.

It has been discovered that many of these congenial spirits can no longer make the grade. They drag the chapter scholarship down and oftentimes leave with unpaid bills and records of general worthlessness. So the selection of men cannot be too carefully made; not on a basis of appearance and good fellowship but upon a basis of record and substantiality.

Phi Delta Theta must maintain its position among the leaders in the college world and it can only do so by choosing the proper personnel to carry on in the active chapters.

-The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta.

### BUILDING FROM THE GROUND UP

Chapters that do not take advantage of the intervals between the pledging and the initiation of neophytes to build up the right kind of fraternity attitude and personal character fail to realize their best opportunity. The most fundamental foundation of fraternity loyalty is knowledge of the inception, development, and ideals of the organization. A pledge is eager to learn. Essential to harmony within an organization is conformity of the individual to the ordinary social amenities, recognition of the rights of others, and willingness to do one's share in whatever activity is under way. pledge is susceptible to suggestion and instruction; he has a real desire to please his future brothers. Whether or not a man will become that most desirable fraternity member, a graduate, depends largely upon the study habits and attitude toward classroom responsibilities gained during the first year of residence. A pledge is grateful for direction and supervision in regard to study. In this entire situation lies the real opportunity of the chapter to determine its own future.

The best results can be secured through definite, conscious effort on the part of the chapter. Pledges should have regular meetings at which concrete instruction should be given in fraternity history, both of their particular fraternity and of fraternity development in general. There should be clear-cut discussion of the specific aims of the fraternity and the relation of the fraternity members to each other and to unorganized students. There should be straightfrom-the-shoulder consideration of matters of social courtesy and a definite understanding reached as to correct form at the table, in the living room, and on There should be emphasis the street. placed on meeting classroom obligations not only thoroughly, but honestly. leave all these matters to chance instruction is to shirk the greatest obligation a fraternity chapter has-that of starting its pledges on the way of making their college life the most desirable from every standpoint.

Today between three and four hundred young men are wearing Theta Chi pledge pins. Some will wear them for a month, some for three or four months, some for a year, dependent upon the initiation regulations. As a result of this interven ing period, will the pledges of your chapter be prepared to wear the Theta Chi badge in a way that will be satisfaction to them and a gratification to all who wear it? The responsibility rests upon you.

-The Rattle of Theta Chi.

Thinking is an adventure in fact-handling.

Father Fox suggests that we have five separate and salutary duties to perform in handling the facts of any problem or situation with which we have to deal. He resorts to "apt alliteration's artful aid" in stating

these five duties, viz:

Find the facts.
Focus the facts.
Filter the facts.
Face the facts.
Follow the facts.



#### SPEAKING OF HELPMATES

Eliza—"Ah hear you-all's left yo' husband, Mandy. Is dat true?" Mandy—"It sure is, 'Liza. Dat nigger was so shiftless he couldn't find enough washin' to keep me busy."

-Life

#### SHOCKING FORM

Young Knut—"I say, waitah, nevah bring me a steak like that again." Waiter—"Why not, sir?"
Young Knut—"It simply isn't done, old thing!"

-London Opinion

#### ON ITS LAST LEGS

Landlady—"Isn't this a good chicken?"

Boarder—"It may have been morally, but physicially it's a wreck."

—Panther

Money made the mare go, but it's credit that runs a lot of motor cars.

—Wall Street Journal

November is the month of the axe. First the politician gets it, then the turkey.

—Whichita Eagle

Q. E. D.

"And how have you been getting on, 'Mrs. Mumble?"

"Ah, Miss, not too well. My poor 'usband 'ad a parrallel stroke, and we've 'ad a 'ard time to make both ends meet."

—Christian Register

Rod—"What was her name before she married?" Tod—"Before she married whom?"

-Life

The first real touch of winter is the coal dealer's.

—Norfolk Virginian Pilot

A dazzle-light for tigers is a part of the equipment of a Rajah's new hunting-car. The same devise has, of course, been used successfully against pedestrians.

-Punch

There are no statues erected to men who stopped to explain their mistakes.

-Wichita Falls Record-News

"When the boys got home from their trip last weight I suppose they divided the fish  $\rho$ "

"They did-and multiplied 'em too!"

-The Auto Trimmer & Painter

