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## A FRATERNITY CAMPUS

¶ The architect's drawing of one side of a quadrangle of new homes for the fraternities at Colby, showing unifying effect of colonnades.



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## TRANSPLANTING OLD COLBY

By JOSEPH PERRY  $\Xi$  '33

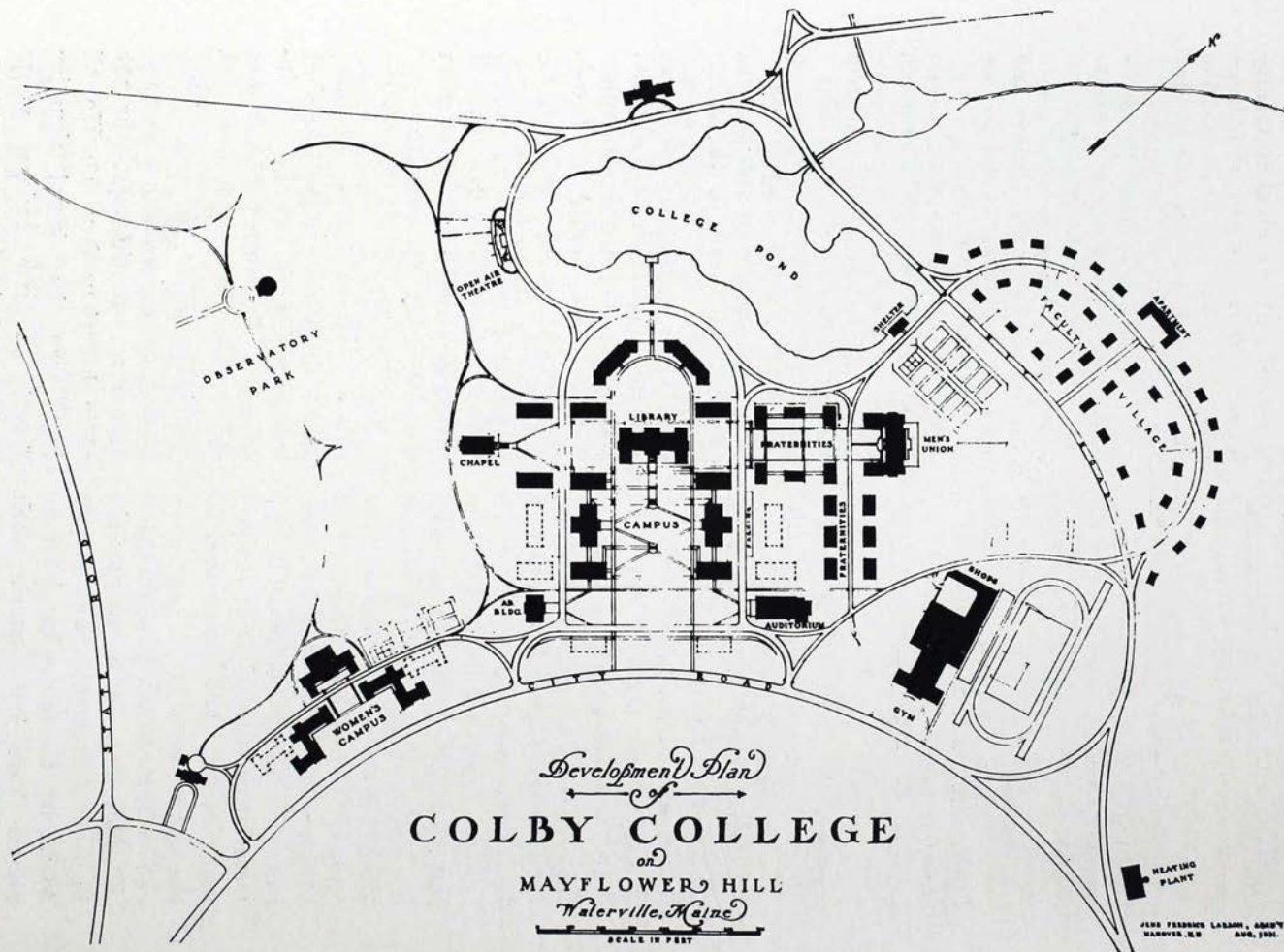
When a college is located in one place for over one hundred years, it becomes almost a fixture and any thought of moving will be mulled over to quite an extent. Colby realized that it must move to meet the demands of modern education. Its present location is not at all suitable to an institution of learning, what with a freight-yard and a railroad station as its nearest neighbors. The idea of moving was at first deemed unthinkable, but the Trustees with great courage set forth and immediately men were interviewed, plans were made and already work has started on the new campus.

The factor which holds the greatest interest to us on this new site is that of fraternities. The men to whom this phase has been assigned have done much work. They have arrived at the conclu-

sion that since fraternities have been a part of Colby for three-quarters of a century; since the fraternity system is the best social system to be found in American Colleges; and whereas fraternities are an important factor in college life and a real benefit, some system must be planned that will enable college and fraternity to do their best for each other.

The housing of the fraternities will not be haphazard, but each fraternity house will be within the college and a vital part of the institution. The first tendency that the system will endeavor to correct is that of unfair competition, of which practice fraternities avail themselves, particularly, through their luxurious houses. We all have seen the absurd situation found at some colleges where shabby and inadequate campuses







are surrounded by palatial chapter houses far in excess of the reasonable requirements of comfortable living, which exist simply because each alumni group considers it vital to surpass the rival groups by building a more costly and spectacular house. Someone will, of course, ask if it is not the fraternity's good fortune to be made the recipient of such a gift. But doesn't it inevitably lead to a superficial pride and loyalty on the part of the fraternity? This condition will be remedied in the New Colby. Each group will have physical equipment on a par with that of the others. To excel, a fraternity must lean upon its accomplishments and members, rather than a pretentious house.

Further to advance this program, the College will own all of the houses. The exteriors will conform to the Colonial architecture of the rest of the college, but the interior plans are left entirely to each fraternity. The cost of building each house is not to exceed fifty thousand dollars, and the rent paid the college each year will be proportional to the cost of building. In this manner all of the fraternities will be able to move into their new houses immediately the campus is built, and therefore none will be at any disadvantage.

This leads to the next point, the type of buildings. The "Colby Alumnus" treats this in an article by the Publicity Director, who says:

"Mr. Larson, the Colby architect, was asked to describe in detail his conception of the ideal fraternity layout. With the aid of a large campus plot plan, he explained the line of thought which has guided him in working out his scheme.

"According to this plan, the men's residential section, roughly speaking, occupies one corner of the college campus, being secluded yet in close proximity to the Library and academic buildings, as well as the playing fields and athletic plant. Most of the fraternity houses would be on either side of a green which composes the secondary axis of the campus and would run from the end of the Library to the Men's Union. The position of the Union is in itself a subtle method of fostering the democratic traditions of Colby. This should be the actual social center and would contain the dining facilities for all of the men students. This layout would make the freshmen and non-fraternity men pass through the fraternity campus on their way to every meal, while the fraternity members would constantly be passing by the other houses. The effect of this daily traffic would be to offset any tendency for each group to live entirely within its own shell.

"The fraternity houses, as tentatively planned by Mr. Larson, would form an integral part of the architectural scheme of the campus. The problem was to have individual houses which would not appear dwarfed by the other larger college buildings, and which would have harmony without monotony. The style was determined by the Colonial treatment of the rest of the college. The cost was set at \$50,000 for each house. By arranging them in groups of three, connected by colonnades the archi-

teet hoped to get away from the 'row of boxes' effect, bringing them together in spirit, as well as esthetic value.

"In the general discussion which followed Mr. Larson's exposition, one problem was uppermost—the question of dining facilities in the houses or in a central commons. On the one hand, there was a feeling that the advantages of "family life" within a fraternity could best be conserved by the group eating all meals together. Criticism was expressed of the commons idea and instances cited to show its failure in certain colleges. On the other hand, there were others that felt that this clanning tendency was to be discouraged rather than fostered. Furthermore, full dining and kitchen facilities in every house, together with quarters for the cook and help, would add considerably to the cost of each house.

"Mr. Larson was asked to explain his conception of the proper dining facilities in the Union. The problem, as he had studied it, lay in the fact that students get tired of eating in the same place every day, and also that some of them disliked simple, inexpensive fare, while others could not afford more elaborate meals. His solution, therefore, was this: The Union should have a large cafeteria which would provide most of the meals for most of the students. There should also be a dining hall where, at a slightly higher scale of prices, meals could be obtained with the amenities of service, napkins, table cloths, a quieter environment and

the like, which would be patronized by students who wanted a change of fare or who had guests, and by faculty members who wished to dine at the college. He suggested that private dining rooms be provided for fraternities who wished to have meals by themselves on certain days, or for groups of students specializing in certain subjects who could lunch together with a professor or two, if they so wished. The fraternity houses, also, could be equipped with some kitchen facilities, sufficient for 'feeds' or home-cooked breakfasts."

There are still many points to be solved, however. To accomplish this the Faculty Committee on New Campus Plans has asked that a Fraternity Committee, consisting of three alumni and two undergraduate members of each active chapter, be elected. The group from each chapter will be assigned a specific point to be discussed in a general meeting where more definite plans will be made. Among the questions to be answered are: shall the "ram-pasture" or study-bedroom suite system be adopted? What size and shape chapter hall is wanted? Is a guest-room needed and if so what are plans for it? What is the best style for social room?

This is what confronts Xi today. Have we your suggestions?



## SOME FRATERNITY PROBLEMS

**Dr. Henry Suzzallo Envisions Some of the Effects of Educational Revolution on the Fraternity System in His Address to the Interfraternity Conference.**

One of the characteristics of American education, which must be kept in mind when you think of the Fraternity problem, is that the American public school system—and I include all institutions in the public service, because an endowed institution is no more private in its service than a state-supported institution—is singularly responsive to parental and public opinion. In consequence American colleges care more about the whole man in the living process of education than do the higher educational institutions of other nations.

Of course, our fellow Anglo-Saxons have always been concerned about this, particularly under the English tradition. But if you go to the Continent of Europe, about the only question that is asked by the university authorities is, "Can you pass your examinations?" They do not care whether the student ever tries them or not. Student health and student morals are the student's own business, and there is no particular attempt made to look out for the aspects of personality, which are not intellectual.

Our American education and public opinion are in absolute contrast to those of the continent. We have begun officially to care about the physical condition of our undergraduates. We have begun to care about the emotions of our students, and the psychiatrist has become a very important addition to the personnel adminis-

tration. Deans and individual counsellors have multiplied that the man as a whole may be guided and trained.

But there is one basic need for which the earlier American institutions did not provide, but which was taken care of almost at once by the spontaneous efforts of the student body itself—the sociable life found many expressions. One of these ways took form in a permanent institution; the American Fraternity System.

The faculty paid little attention to the Fraternities at first. Its attention was occasional, negative and disciplinary. But as public opinion became more and more critical the universities were gradually forced into assuming some supervision of them.

An attempt was made to bring them into line as forces which would support the main intentions of a college education, which is intellectual. With this effort you are all familiar. We have now reached the view that the fraternity system must reinforce intellectuality, and that as an institution it is not to be esteemed highly if it is merely neutral, and not to be tolerated at all if its influence upon the intellectual life is counteractive. A critical and parental opinion will support the university or college administration in this view.

The Fraternity must not only be an influence for the fostering of intellectual interest and achievement, but it must likewise



realize more vigorously its assumption that it fosters the strengthening of character and contributes the kind of recreation and sociability which are contributive to fine personal power instead of destructive to it.

One may read the future only by projecting the angle of past development. The only way to approximate what is going to happen in the future is to go back twenty-five years and note the status of the Fraternity then as compared with its status now. Project a line between those two moments into the future and you will begin to realize what responsibilities are likely to rest upon the fraternity system twenty-five years hence.

Two things are perfectly clear to my mind. First: the Fraternity can no longer, as it once did, maintain that it is an institution quite independent of the total collegiate and university policy. I can remember when the chapter of one of the best fraternities at the University of Washington sent three of its alumni representatives to me to protest an objection to a policy laid down because fraternity affairs were none of the university's business. The Fraternity existed in absolute independence of the university authorities. Of course, they had not been reading their own history.

Nobody wants the university to dominate the Fraternity management; least of all the university. The fraternities have a management of their own, both local and national. But there is this to be said about the situation. There is no other educational system in the world which is so finally and completely responsive to public opinion as American education is,

and if a fraternity system or any other affiliated organization refuses to perform its proper function, sooner or later it is going to come under the domination of university policy and administration. No university managements want to dominate the fraternity system, provided it will voluntarily take care of its full responsibilities. Cooperation will always be more completely successful than any form of domination or supervision.

We have had confirming experiences in the body politic; when corporations, in days passed, greatly abused their power, the government stepped in and supervised them. All of us recognize that we would have had less trying interference of government in business if business had voluntarily and fully cooperated in the commonweal.

If the universities have to take over the management of fraternities through restrictions and regulations, there will be great losses. It will be a great gain to have such bodies as The Interfraternity Conference engage in a program of heightening the power of the Fraternity to contribute to the primary and secondary intentions of university life.

That is the first look into the future which I wish you to take.

The second thing that I wish to suggest comes out of my desire to have you look forward after first looking back. In viewing an institution which is strongly sentimentalized in the affections of men, it is quite impossible to consider seriously a program for the future which does not take into account the indigenous traditions of the institution under consideration.

I have had occasion to say, in such infrequent addresses as I have made before Fraternity men, that the Fraternity in the American college life is our substitute for the residential colleges which have been so marked a possession of the older English universities. The college fraternity is native to our academic soil.

Because of the inadequacies of the Fraternity System, which was a provision for the kind of intimate and sociable life which students not only craved but needed, we are giving up hope of modifying it and beginning to go back to the idea of the old English example for a substitute. First, we are putting the freshmen under the influence of residence halls, then the sophomores, and in some places the whole undergraduate student body. As fast as money can be acquired the movement to substitute the life of the residential college for the life of the fraternity house will be accelerated. It already seems possible that it may prove that it is easier to borrow a foreign idea than to reform an indigenous one.

To be sure, this trend is not highly extensive at the moment; nevertheless you must face the question as to how far in the course of a quarter century it will proceed.

The earlier you deal with a trend the more intelligently you will deal with it and the less resistance you will encounter. If I had been asked fifteen years ago how we might best get the American correlative of the English residential college system, I should have said the best promise of success would be in the reconstruction and expansion of the Fraternity System. I am far less sure than I was. Considering the rela-

tive poverty of most colleges, in particular their financial inability to set up residential colleges, the reform of the Fraternity System still offers promise of practical result. But it must be admitted that those in charge of college administration in this country are no longer looking very hopefully to the Fraternity as a possible substitute for the residential college.

Still the issue is as yet unsettled. Whether we shall develop something out of our Fraternity System to meet the human want and necessity it can serve depends largely upon what this Interfraternity Conference does and what the respective national Fraternities do in the course of the next ten years.

It means that you must give the future immediate attention, first, in terms of careful thought, and second, in terms of effective action.

How are we going to reconstruct the Fraternity System so that it will minister to all the objects of university life?

I am thoroughly convinced that we have in most cases "over-democratized" the Fraternity System by vesting too much autonomy in the local chapters of undergraduates. I firmly believe that we have underwritten a fallacy. That fallacy is that the only members of a Fraternity who are allowed to be genuinely active are those in undergraduate life. The presence of so many gray-haired men here today indicates that this assumption is not entirely true.

If a Fraternity means anything it is something which, in a high percentage of cases, should persist in the interest of the men who are graduates, in the elders of the Fraternity. And we do know



there are an extraordinary number of elders who do take a live interest in the Fraternity life. They are constantly coming back, constantly giving counsel and advice, constantly meeting in reunion. As the mature bearers of a tradition, they should be allowed a more effective voice. Vesting so much control with the undergraduates that they can balk almost every effort of the national headquarters to do something for them is an utter mistake.

After all, the mature sentiment and tradition of a Fraternity System is more largely locked up in its elders than it is in its apprentices of the undergraduate years. As a matter of fact, most men are not good Fraternity men until about their fourth year. Each of the four college years is a stage in apprenticeship. What a Fraternity is trying to do preeminently is to carry on a tradition. Tradition is largely expressed in feeling. Whatever is lodged in feeling is exceedingly tenacious, as it is likewise exceedingly contagious if it gets a chance to operate. The influence, example, counsel and authority of older men are needed if a tradition is to have a chance to operate with younger men.

We get our ideas by discussion. We get our feelings through companionship. A man is known by the company he keeps. But not if he doesn't keep it. The younger Fraternity man needs effective contact with his elders. When, in undergraduate life, the association is too exclusively with immature fellows, there is always the danger that a tradition will become tenuous.

Active life in the Fraternity is nothing but a period of apprenticeship and the journeyman-

master status resides primarily in the elder members who live long enough to get rid of the dross and to maintain the pure gold of Fraternity life. Control over the Fraternity tradition and its administration is a prime responsibility of the alumnus.

Two problems suggest themselves. I do not know how to answer the questions that I myself propound.

In the first place, how are we going to increase the active interest of the alumni, to make them an assimilating group of men?

In the second place, how are we going to change the distribution of power between alumni and undergraduates so that the local chapter cannot always veto what the elders in possession of the finest elements of Fraternity tradition desire to bring about?

These constitute two of the most difficult problems we have in the Fraternity System.

The economic aspects of the Fraternity System constitute a whole series of problems which I have not touched. But I am consoled by the fact that it is a great deal easier to straighten out the finances of these Fraternities, to cut down their costs, and to manage their accounts, than it is to deal with the spiritual and the intellectual elements of the situation. It is this side that I wish to stress.

Some remarkable work has been done by the leaders of this Interfraternity Conference in obtaining, by appeal to extrinsic interest, more application to intellectual work in the chapters. The result has saved our faces and made Fraternities more respectable in the eyes of administrative authorities. It is one thing to get good marks because you are too proud to have



low ones or because the elders and the travelling secretaries are after you all the time. It is another and a better thing to develop an intrinsic interest in intellectuality as a fine human possession. To be good because of extrinsic motives is well enough; to be intrinsically interested in goodness is infinitely better.

In spite of all the progress thus far made, we have really not begun to deal with the very heart of the problem of real college success. But I ought to be fair by admitting that the prime responsibility for the lack of intellectual interest in studies on the part of Fraternity men or other students does not rest on you. After all, your responsibility is secondary and supplemental. It is in fact the prime responsibility of the college teacher and the university administration.

When we have more college teachers with an interest in human beings as vital as their interest in academic subjects, and with the sympathetic ability to see the problems of life as the youth perceives them, then students will be interested intellectually.

The over-emphasis in the recruiting of college teachers on the highly specialized training of a doctor of philosophy is not altogether sound. Such a person is not primarily trained to be a college teacher but trained for another worthy profession, that of investigation and research. To bore youngsters to death with details that are significant only to mature scholars is one successful means of banishing vital interest from collegiate study.

I am not so impractical as to say it is not better to be studious for a second rate reason than not to be studious at all. I think you

ought to keep up your good work, but I call your attention to what your next job is, and that is to support that type of experiment in the colleges which is aiming directly at the vitalization of college instruction. Your danger is that you will come back shouting about the beloved old institution that you knew when you were an undergraduate and be inclined to oppose these reforms, for the human affection of an old alumnus twines itself about things as they once were.

The dear old alumnus of an institution just to the extent that he remembers too well what the chapter in his day was, is likely to fail to look forward to the future reforms needed to teach the youngsters of a new time. Such a Fraternity man is likely to be a handicap to the future constructive work of the Fraternity that means to survive usefully.

My injunction is to give your understanding and tolerance to every experiment and every reform which is trying to save the intellectual life of the potential American leaders now enrolled in your old colleges.

I am sorry I can't take time to tell you about all the promising experiments under way because I think there are going to be more useful reforms achieved in the American college system during the next 15 years than we have had in the previous 150 years. We are just at the turning point. You will perceive that if you study the trends within our present situation.

And so I ask the interest of this Interfraternity Conference in the whole series of educational researches and experiments under way. The professors are begin-



ning to get interested. The students have been interested for a long time. But they have been interested as consumers and not as producers of a certain vital intellectual effect. They have been interested in the problem because they have been too often bored. But youth has a marvelous capacity for escape. They immediately began to construct interesting institutions of their own outside the class room to supply the vital interests which they did not acquire in the class room.

Such has been the attitude of the undergraduate in recent years. He has glorified athletics. He has glorified the sociable life. He has glorified the management of student affairs. And he has glorified every kind of a student body activity which is somehow a creation of his own interest. He has done very little about improving the vitality of instruction, largely because he was incapable of doing it. It is outside his constructive domain. It belongs to the teacher. He now recognizes it.

The entire body of the American Assoc. of University Professors, through its chapters, is about to study the problem of the improvement of collegiate instruction. There will be held this summer, at the University of Minnesota, a research conference of the leading college professors who have been engaged in investigation of university problems. They are assembling for conference and discussion that they may find out what problems the other fellow senses, what techniques he has employed and what scientific findings are now available. Then they will go back to their respective institutions as stimulating, scientific foci for the

cooperative work of all the members of these chapters.

It means much for the future when the ablest minds of the American colleges turn their attention vigorously to the problem of educating the individual as they have to the accretion of important truth about an academic study. Experimental demonstrations of rich promise are already observed at Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and Chicago, and in many other large and small colleges. I have seen two colleges that have gone through a complete revolution in one year, once the faculty had turned its intellectual power on the problem of improved teaching.

You will often wonder what is the meaning of all this change. Is the dear old college being chopped into pieces? Perhaps you are beginning to resist it. Your business is not to resist but to try to understand. The college that fails to get into step with its time is on the way to becoming a corpse, particularly in the rapidly changing life which characterizes our time.

As alumni, you are going to have something to say about all this change. But the alumni of an institution have power. I have sat upon advisory committees in the reconstruction of six or seven institutions during the last few years and there is no body of persons connected with the college to which the administration is so sensitive and so responsive as the college's alumni body. Make up your mind to help.

Changes are going to be very numerous. What is going to become of your fraternity system? The junior college system is sweeping over the Far and the



Middle West; it is sweeping into the South and, it is beginning to appear timidly even in the Middle States and New England. In the West, we are already worried over what is going to happen to football. I wonder if you are beginning to worry over what is going to happen to the Fraternity System.

Among the endowed colleges to whom wealth for residential facilities is available, the dormitory and residential college systems are advancing. Undergraduates in increasing degree are required to give up living at the fraternity house to live in the common halls. What do these two trends mean to the fraternity system? As the system of residential colleges comes in, the old Fraternity life tends to be pushed out. Rushing is delayed as a latter event. The chapter life is delayed to the later years. In some places the chapter house ceases to amount to anything except as a place of occasional assembly.

With the coming of the junior college, is the Fraternity going to go down and become part of the junior college? If the junior college drops off the bottom of the college proper, leaving only a senior college, will the Fraternity System withdraw from the two traditional lower years? I am certain that the Fraternities cannot go up unless they make a very much higher selection of members on the basis of intellectual capacity and intellectual interest than they have in the past.

I do not know the answer. But fraternity men should now determine what kind of an institution it ought to be. If you are going to move downward you must adjust to the more immature

levels of the life of secondary school youth. If you are going to go up with a selected clientele to the true university level you must amend the nature of your institution in order to fit yourself to the higher intellectual life.

The future is not easy to anticipate. The future promises to be full of startling changes, some of which will be evanescent and some permanent. It is going to be difficult to distinguish the one from the other. But upon the successful guessing that you do, with as much fact in your possession as you can summon, the vital place of the Fraternity System is going to be determined. The ability of the institution to live has often been challenged in the past, as you know. There was a time when Legislatures everywhere were trying to wipe the Fraternity System out of existence. I am ready to say to you that Legislatures are not to be feared as much as the impending changes in the American higher school. Failure to adjust to gradual but significant educational changes would assault the Fraternity System as would a slow and creeping sickness of which one is hardly aware, whereas, a threat from a Legislature is so dramatic that you would be summoned to defense at once.

As against the dangers of the past and the dangers of the future, those of the past have been much less dreadful. This has been our defect in the past. One reason why you have not assimilated and made better Fraternity men out of the boys we have taken to membership is found in our unwillingness to face the rising standard for academic continuance in higher institutions. You have had too many one-year men. We know



well that one four-year man is better assimilated in the Fraternity than four one-year men.

I think we are not likely in any case to have a two-year senior college. As a matter of fact, our small college today is a five-year college. About eighty-five per cent. of them, if I remember correctly, are granting the master's degree. They will in all probability become three year colleges and not two year colleges. If you will watch what is happening to the master's degree you will begin to understand what I mean. That crowd that came through the elementary schools and filled up the high schools, and is now wedging its way into the colleges and going on into the graduate schools, certainly as far as the A. M., is making the first year of graduate work more closely akin to high grade work in the upper undergraduate years. In fact, the same faculties are tending more and more to control the A. B., and the A. M. The Ph. D., degree moves off by itself.

Our best colleges today are making the advanced work of the junior and senior years better than the master's degree in some of the larger universities, through the development of independent study and small group work.

If we are beginning to set up a high hurdle at the end of the sophomore year, as they are in many colleges, there is going to be a higher selection at that point. A faster intellectual pace is then going to be set in the upper college years and no Fraternity can survive unless it moves its own standards up.

Sociable as well as intellectual standards will change for the fraternity. The companionship for which the university stands is going to be of a different and higher sort. Social life will tend more and more to be cultural. You cannot admit men who will meet the new cultural and intellectual standards without changing the nature of fraternity companionship. Some of you recognize this already. You are interested in establishing chapter libraries for general culture reading, the books of which not only bear upon their studies, but about life and education and art.

This tendency is an indication of your intuitive keenness in sensing the future. More and more manifestations of this kind will conserve the fraternity system for the better usefulness which has always been potential in it.

— K Δ P —

"I venture to predict that the next 25 years will see the Fraternity making as great a contribution academically as it now does socially," declared Dean J. A. Park of Ohio State University, in his talk to the 1931 Interfraternity Conference.

To better distinguish the Interfraternity Conference from similar local organizations, this body voted to adopt the recommendation of the Resolutions Committee to change its name to the National Interfraternity Conference.

## VAUGHN AT SATHER GATE

By PAUL W. LITTLE, A '33



Although they haven't started the dole system out here yet, the depression has been noticeably stiff in California. Inability to change business

methods and to cope with current demands accounts for a large percentage of the local business failures at the present time. The depression on the other hand has in no way phased many of the business houses and it is interesting to examine some of the methods used which have led to success

through obviously stiff opposition.

James R. Vaughn, Lambda '27, of Berkeley has successfully weathered the storm and is now conducting a flourishing clothing business, which is steadily growing. Having overcome such opposition as the Ross Brothers chain system as well as a number of private concerns, Vaughn has probably the most popular campus clothing store in Berkeley, located less than a block from Sather Gate, one of the beautiful entrances to the University of California.

An economics major, Vaughn left school in the spring semester of 1927. While in school he was



*Two Views of Vaughn's Latest Establishment, One Taken Before Completion of Renovations Which Made the Attractive Shop Shown on Right.*



active in campus journalistic circles and worked his way through by running, on his own initiative, a small clothing establishment, "a hole in the wall," as he terms it. While in this "hole in the wall," Vaughn gained a world of experience in satisfying the demands of the college student. Incidentally, when Vaughn opened up a regular clothing business in the fall of 1927, with the experiences of the "hole in the wall" tucked away, he gained ground rapidly over all opposition.

Vaughn's initial store had a twelve-foot front. In one and a half years he was obliged to expand to a building with a thirty-nine foot front, and at the present time he has a front of some fifty feet. Records show that his stock

has doubled itself every year since 1927.

In commenting on his methods Vaughn stated that he attributed most of his success to his ability to buy what the college man wants. He tries to buy from the college man's point of view as far as taste is concerned.

Questioned as to the part that fraternity life had played in his success, Vaughn stated that the training he received, while in the Lambda chapter, in the meeting of people and in the forming of enduring friendships, had played a large part in his success. This should appeal to many of us active men who are looking for fraternity experience to be of value to us not only during our short college careers but during the long and arduous careers of our lives.

— K Δ P —

## LOS ANGELES ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

The annual Christmas vacation dinner dance of the Kappa Delta Rho Alumni Association of Southern California was held at the Hotel Roosevelt, in Hollywood, on the evening of December 28th. Thirty-two brothers with their wives, fiancées, and *or* girl friends attended. In addition to the alumni, active members from Sigma, Oregon State, and Lamba, University of California, were present. Honor guests of the evening were eleven men from Alpha Pi Delta,

the local we are sponsoring at University of California at Los Angeles.

Alpha Pi Delta, the organization sponsored at U. C. L. A., by the alumni association in Southern California, has a membership of fifteen with seven pledges. Altho the organization has not been granted the status of a local fraternity as yet, the boys are going right ahead building for the future and a chapter in Kappa Delta Rho. We hope to gain recognition as a local next semester.



## CHAPTERS

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### ALPHA of Middlebury, Vt.

#### *Athletic*

To date, our fraternity basketball team has won both its games in the interfraternity contest.

Two of our pledges, Lester Evans and John Nash, were awarded their freshman football numerals this Fall.



*Steve Hoyle*

Steve Hoyle has made an enviable record in varsity football this season. He was one of the team's strongest bets in the backfield, and

scored over half of Middlebury's touchdowns. In the game with Norwich, in the state series, he and Brother Anderson scored four out of the five touchdowns made, each accounting for two. He is now on the varsity basketball team, playing guard.

Other K. D. R.'s on the basketball squad are Belfanti, and Olson '34. Olson '31 is manager of the team, and Curtiss Hickey is scrubbing for the assistant managership.

#### *Activities*

Several of our members and pledges are prominent in musical organizations. Edward Doty '32 is student leader of the glee club, and is a member of the selected choir. Pledge Cushing is also in the choir and glee club. Pledge LaForce is a member of the glee club.

In the band we are represented by Brothers White, Miner, DuBois, McDermott, McLure, and Carpenter, and in the college orchestra by White, McDermott, McLure, and Carpenter.

John Rulison won first prize of \$15 in the College Campus Map Contest sponsored by the Alumni Association.

Alpha has recently seen fit to inaugurate the "big brother" system, whereby each pledge is under the tutelage and guidance

of an upperclassman. The big brother is personally responsible for the conduct and scholarship of the pledge.



On November 7, Alumni Homecoming Day, Carl Anderson '34 received the highest award presented to a

member of the Sophomore Class, the Alumni Fund Award of \$250. This is given annually to that member of the class who, on selection by members of alumni, faculty and student body, is considered as having best fulfilled the traditions of Middlebury College in curricular and extra-curricular activities. Last year Anderson won his numerals in frosh football, played on the varsity basketball team, and won his letter in baseball. Besides this he maintained one of the highest scholastic averages in his class.

#### *Social*

November 28 was a big day for Alpha chapter. We staged our annual Rodeo, celebrated far and wide. The party was informal, anyone appearing in decent clothes being outlawed. The affair started with the round-up of the coeds, accomplished by the aid of a hay-wagon, specially chartered for the purpose. The Middlebury Black Panthers furnished music for dancing. Cider was on tap at the bar,

and doughnuts and other refreshments helped to allay the pangs of hunger which necessarily follow on the heels of strenuous exercise. Over forty couples were present.

On Sunday, December 6, about twenty couples enjoyed a buffet lunch at the chapter house, during the early evening. Reports from the coeds indicated that a repetition at any time would meet with favor.

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### **BETA of Ithaca, N. Y.**

#### *Athletics*

This past fall our touch football team worked hard to become the best aggregation on the hill and nearly reached that pinnacle, having attained the semi-finals when it was humbled by Telluride. In this last game our opponents pulled a "sleeper" on their first play to score the touchdown which was the deciding factor. Throughout the remainder of the game our men outplayed them, eight first-downs to three.

Lineup as follows: ends, Silliman and Jordan; tackles, J. McEachron and Platt; guards, Seifert and Dietz; center, Stelljes; backfield, Northrup, Crary, P. McEachron and Cruickshank. The substitutes were Sweeney, Gray, Higley, Dauscher and Rogers. As but two of the above men will be lost through graduation, Stelljes, a terror in the line and Silliman, one of our fleet ends, next year's pros-



pects are bright. The work of our freshmen was stellar,—Dietz, Seiffert and P. McEachron playing fine roles. The two former will function in next spring football practice under Gloomy Gil's eye; the latter is interested in freshman crew. Edward Lipinsky was our coach, and a good one.

The next trophy we point to is basketball. Practice is well under way and our team will be picked from Crary, Northrup and Jordan, forwards; Mallett and Gray, centers; and Stelljes, P. & J. McEachron, guards. Last year we reached the semi-finals in our league and this year will do better.

### *Events*

Our initiation banquet was held immediately after the ceremonies. The initiates were welcomed into the brotherhood by Consul Higley. Through John Dietz, the ex-neophytes expressed their desire to become staunch supporters and true brothers of Kappa Delta Rho. No evening is complete without a speaker; ours was one of the best we have ever heard. J. P. Porter '17 spoke on the experiences of his brother and other men in fur trading posts in Labrador. His tales, more intense than any we had ever heard told, kept us on the edge of our chairs during the whole talk.

Some of the men engaged in extra-curricular activities are:

Lane McCarthy '32 ass't busi-

ness manager and circulation manager of the Cornell Annuals.

W. S. Bachman '32 Tau Beta Pi, Eta Kappa Nu, president of the University orchestra.

E. E. Lipinski '33 wearer of the "C," guard of the varsity basketball team.

A. A. Cruickshank '33 wearer of the "C," candidate for the varsity swimming team.

J. Kopaczynski '34 guard varsity basketball team.

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### **GAMMA of Albany, N. Y.**

Robert Rankins '32 will be the new president of the Troubadours, men's minstrel organization. Bruce Filby will be vice-president and John Grosvenor will be treasurer.

Carl Tarbox will be editor-in-chief of the State Lion, humor publication at New York State College. He is also art editor of the year book. He has just accepted a bid to Alpha Phi Gamma, national honorary journalism fraternity.

Raymond Collins '31 is now principal of the Turin High school.

Francis Griffin '27 is now a member of the rural schools division of the State Education department with headquarters in Albany.

The following brothers attended the annual meeting of the New York State Associated Academic Principals at Syracuse December 28-30: Dr. Milton G. Nelson, Dr.

Arthur K. Beik, Arnold B. Copping, Edward Burke, Horace Myers, Thomas Fallon, Roy V. Sullivan, Richard Wurth, Harry Rude, Ralph Stanley, LaVerne Carr, Joseph Herney, Francis Griffin, Frederick Crumb, Edward Thompson, Herford Smith and George P. Rice. Nearly all of these men are actively engaged in school administration as principals.

— K Δ P —

### **DELTA of Hamilton, N. Y.**

#### *Activities*

During the first semester Delta has played a prominent part in the extra-curricular activities of Colgate. We have been represented in every field of endeavor and on every publication.

Brother Olds is vice-president of the Students' Association. He is also editor of the humor magazine, in which capacity he is assisted by Brothers Bacheller, Schenkel and Carmichael. Brother Newton is an asst. editor of the college paper. Brother Walsh is active on the same publication, and is a member of the Press Bureau. Brother Jones is on the board of the Handbook. Brothers Watson, Marshall, Jones and Farquhar are associate editors of the year book.

The debating team has been enjoying a very successful season under the leadership of our consul, Kenneth Tietgen. Brother Keshaw is also on the forensic squad. Delta has several members of the "Y" cabinet, as well as the presi-

dent, Bro. Tietgen. They are Brothers Mohler, Fellows and Tietgen.

Brothers Cole, Fellows, Bacheller, Watson, Fisher and Schenkel took part in the first concert of the musical clubs. John P. Fellows placed second in the finals of the Atwater-Kent radio audition last fall. We are looking forward to a first place next year.

#### *Athletics*

The chapter may well be proud of the fact that over eighty per cent of its members participate in the intra-mural athletic program of the college. The result of this effort has been a higher position at the finish in every sport. The soccer team placed second in its league. The touch football team also barely missed first-place honors. Although the leagues are in the earlier stages we are progressing well in squash, board-track relays and underclass basketball. We are looking to these sports for some trophies.

Brothers Oliver and White will see action on probably the best swimming team the college has produced. Pledges Galbraith and Oliver are working hard on the freshman tank team. Pledges Hawkes and Cameron are preparing for that first frosh basketball contest.

#### *Events*

The first social event of the year was held on the week-end of October thirtieth. The houseparty was



attended by thirty couples, who witnessed a colorful game between Colgate and Mississippi. A dance was given that evening in honor of our thirteen pledges.

The second of Colgate's three big week-ends falls in the middle of February when the chapter will take part in the Winter Carnival. Since the committees have planned more outdoor events, we are anticipating a gay time.

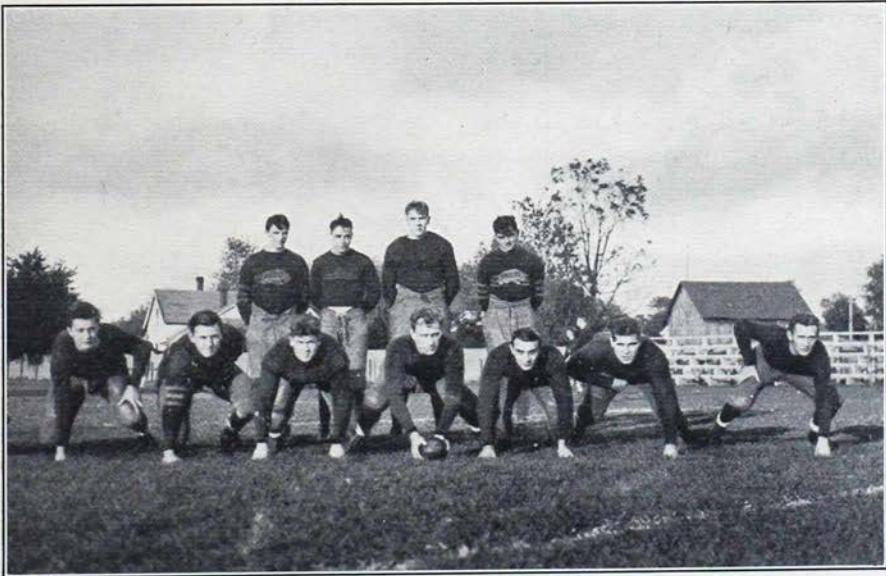
— K Δ P —

### EPSILON of Franklin, Ind.

#### *Athletics*

The chapter was well represented on the varsity gridiron squad this year, as it has been for the past three years. The Grizzlies,

as the Franklin team is familiarly called in journalistic circles, had an unusually successful season under the direction of Coach Roy E. Tillotson of Miami, winning seven of eight games. One of their victories was over Butler university, traditional rivals, for the first time since 1919, and prospects look very bright for the next season. The men from Epsilon carried away eight of the sixteen varsity sweaters and one reserve letter. Those who have won football sweaters are Brothers Downey, Burgett, Nelson, Rohrabough, and Languell, and Pledges Isselhardt, Hawkins and Rummel. Pledge Utterback received the reserve award.



*Members of Epsilon who saw service with the Grizzlies last fall: Left to right—(in the line), Hawkins, Parkhurst, Rummel, Nelson, Burgett, Isselhardt, Languell. (In the backfield) Utterback, Rohrabough, Downey and Wolfe.*

In the intra-mural athletic series, Epsilon has captured cups already this year in horseshoes and volley ball, and will make a strong bid to take the basketball championship, as there are some husky men among them who are not on the varsity. The same baseball team which has won two cups in a row for Epsilon will be on the diamond again next spring.

The Franklin basketball season is under way, the Grizzlies having broken even in the two games played. Brother Downey and Pledge Buchanan represent Epsilon on the varsity squad, and several of the men are playing with the reserves.

Blue Key, national honorary leadership organization, has six KDR men in its ranks of juniors and seniors. They are Brothers Downey, Manning, Fagan, Nelson and Languell, elected to membership last year, and Burgett, who was elected this fall. Brother Languell is secretary of that organization.

#### *Activities*

Two of Franklin college's class presidents are Kappa Delta Rhos, Robert Burgett heading the class of '33 and Lawrence Yater being president of the class of '34.

Kenneth Wantland, E '28, of Indianapolis is acting as the financial supervisor of the chapter, a new office created last spring, to which he was unanimously elected

by the chapter. This is being done in an effort to keep the chapter on a sound financial basis.

#### *Scholarship*

Reports from the registrar's office show that the scholastic standing of the chapter, which has been somewhat lower than it should have been in the past year, is greatly improved, and will probably rank much higher this year if the boys keep "on the books."

— K Δ P —

### **ETA of Champaign, Ill.**

#### *Scholarship*

With the appearance of the twelve weeks reports Eta seems well on her way toward the fine average which has in the past kept her well within the upper ten per cent of the fraternity scholarship ratings. Not only did the Freshmen show a considerable gain over the earlier period, but the upperclassmen as well cut down the number of their reports. Only those grades which are conditions or possible failures are reported in the case of the upperclassmen, so that a definite standing cannot be determined, but as every Freshman grade is sent to the house, an accurate check is kept on the pledge scholarship. Several of the pledges show promise of making the Freshmen men's honorary, Phi Eta Sigma. It is the opinion of the chapter that these grades, and increased



attention to scholarship, are due in part to the Scholarship Committee which has been functioning in the house since early fall.

### *Activities*

It seems that a number of the pledges and brothers are journalistically inclined, as a roster of the house activities indicates. Pledge John Schacht is doing sports-writing for the Daily Illini, and doing it well too, as the amount of his work which appears indicates. On the Business Staff of the paper Dalton and Vernon are working for Junior jobs, while Pledge Bordwell is on the same staff competing for the sophomore positions. J. Rosborough, another promising pledge, has just reported for basketball, and the chapter is expecting to see him on the Freshman squad.

On November fourteenth the house held its annual pledge dance, which proved a most successful function despite the fact that the weather was unfavorable. The Dads of Eta reported a very enjoyable week end spent with us featuring the Michigan game on November seventh, with the Dad's Day banquet following.

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## **IOTA of Lewisburg, Pa.**

### *Scholarship*

Iota is well represented in all of the various courses being offered here. The active chapter of twenty

men is divided as follows: for the Bachelor of Arts course there are eight men, some preparing for business, while others are preparing to enter medical schools. There are seven men taking the various engineering courses, with the greatest number, four, in the Mechanical Engineering School. Five men are following the course offered in Commerce and Finance. The year 1931 found Iota well up near the top of the fraternal scholastic standing, and we hope to be able to continue our upward drive, with first place as our goal.

### *Rushing*

Great praise and many thanks must be given Iota's Rushing Committee for the wonderful work they did at the beginning of the fall semester. Because of new rushing rules, and an epidemic of Infantile Paralysis, our rushing became somewhat of a nightmare. However, when the smoke had cleared, Iota found herself with fifteen freshman pledges and two upper class pledges. The upperclassmen, Anthony Chernefski and Gifford Ramsay, have since been initiated into the active chapter. This rushing season was one of the best ever, and we have obtained some fine men.

### *Athletics*

E. L. Patterson represents Iota on the B. U. varsity soccer team, winning his second letter in that

sport. Soccer was also a favorite sport among the fraternities this year. We were represented on the field by a team made up chiefly from the sophomore and freshman classes, and while they failed to win the cup offered, they played a fine kind of soccer.

Basketball is coming along in fine shape and we have prospects of having a good season. Besides some very good men in the active chapter, we have two or three freshmen who will undoubtedly prove an asset to the team. Basketball is due to start upon our return to school after the Xmas holidays.

#### *Social*

On Homecoming day, Nov. 14, Iota had the first dance of the year. A good crowd was present, not only from our chapter but from some of the other schools nearby. The second dance of the year was held on Dec. 12, and proved to be a huge success. Music was furnished by "Bud" Cadori and his Penna. Ramblers. The affair was slated to be a "Barn Dance," and with the importation of a real buggy—and "Benny"—the little pig from a nearby farm—it was all that was anticipated, and then some. Several interesting moments were given the dancers when "Benny," tiring of his pen built in the dining room, made dashes for the great open spaces. He was captured, however, and after the dance re-

turned to the farm to await another "Barn Dance," or the frying pan.

The last social event of the semester is the Formal Supper Dance to be held some time in January. Arrangements are not as yet completed, but we are looking forward to a most pleasant evening.

— K Δ P —

### KAPPA of Columbus, O.

#### *Social*

Kappa's third and Homecoming dance was the biggest affair of the season. A new band on the campus kept everyone in the house on the move. A good many of the Alumni were back and there were so many here from the other houses on the campus that the K. D. R.'s were hard put to find a corner to dance in. Everyone seemed very well satisfied. A light lunch was served.

The formal dinner dance next quarter will be the outstanding event of the year. Always, in the years past, this event has been a tremendous success. There is no reason why the next one cannot be an even greater success. We are all looking forward to a grand and glorious time sometime during February when this event takes place.

The winter quarter will be topped off with a house dance. This is the short quarter of the school year and so the formal and the one house dance take care of the social program very nicely.



*Intra-mural Athletics*

Active and pledge teams were entered in speedball, horseshoe, volley ball, bowling and basketball.

In speedball both teams finished well up in their respective leagues: the pledges losing their league leadership in the final game, with the cup almost in their grasp.

The horseshoe tossers had exceptional luck. Four out of the eight teams placed in the quarter finals for the University championship. Brothers Tillbrook and Ruhly survived till the finals, there to be eliminated by close scores.

Bowling teams are in full swing. The active team is tied for leadership in its league. The deciding game will be played sometime in January.

Basketball prospects are bright especially for the pledge team which is working out already. Here their speed and diminutive size make them doubly elusive. The forwards and guards are well teamed and only a tall center is yet to be developed. The actives have not gotten into action yet but talk of a championship team.

*Scholarship*

Bernard S. Keen was recently elected one of six men to become members of Beta Gamma Sigma. This is a national organization for seniors in Commerce, who have maintained an average of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0. His accumulated average for three years is 3.5.

We are proud of him and his achievement.

*Rushing*

Kappa has worked as hard since rushing season officially ended as she did during that time. To date we have a sound pledge chapter of fourteen members and at least six in the offing. Considering the depression, which has affected the size of the freshman class considerably, we feel greatly rewarded for our efforts as the pledge chapter is now larger than it has been in years.

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**MU of Ann Arbor, Mich.***Scholarship*

Kappa Delta Rho has the highest all-time general fraternity scholarship record, according to figures released by the University. Kappa Delta Rho's all-time average is 78.0075.

Year	Rank	Scholastic
		Average
1923-4	3	76.8
1924-5	4	76.8
1925-6	10	76.5
1926-7	1	79.2
1927-8	10	76.86
1928-9	3	79.1
1929-30	5	79.0
1930-31	3	79.8

Mu Chapter of Kappa Delta Rho has been well represented in the Campus Honorary Fraternity elections this fall. E. Boynton, H.

Chesebrough, G. Edmonson, A. Hanje, G. Innes and D. Renwick have been initiated recently into Tau Beta Pi. H. Chesebrough and B. Coats have received Phi Kappa Phi keys. W. Myers received a bid from Sigma Tau Alpha and K. Hackett won a Beta Gamma Sigma key.

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### XI of Waterville, Me.

#### *Athletics*

With the close of the football season, Putnam '34 and Wakefield '32 were awarded varsity letters for their work during the season. Putnam in his first season of varsity football played a sterling game at guard position all fall and should go even better next season. Wakefield was awarded a letter also. As manager of the '31 Mule eleven his work was flawless. Haight '34 and Slocum '32 were also members of the squad during the season.

A touch football league was included as part of the Colby interfraternity program this year. This was substituted for soccer. The college championship in this latter sport had been won for three successive years by Kappa Delta Rho and the boys were also successful in capturing the championship of Colby in the new touch football game. Brother Malsch '33 was captain of the team.

During the winter track season Xi was well represented by Stinch-

field '33 in the javelin throw and pole vault; Hunt '34 in the middle distance runs; Helie '33 in the dashes; Rhoades '33 in the weights and Casey '34 in the discus throw. The freshmen were also well represented on "Mike" Ryan's squad. Pledge Buyniski looms up as one of the best sprint prospects in recent years and is expected to go places on the track this spring. Pledges Turner and Ward did creditable work during the winter on the indoor track, specializing in the distance runs. Pledge Brittingham does good work in the jumps and Pledge Rhoades excels in weight throwing.

Hockey finds Putnam playing a defense position on the squad with Pledges Perrier and Fortin out for the frosh sextette.

Slocum '32, Curtis and Malsch '33 are members of the Colby hoop squad. Interfraternity basketball at Colby has been discontinued in order that all emphasis may be placed on the varsity squad which is an innovation. Pledge Weterau, who played a fine game at tackle on the frosh football team last fall, is making a good showing on the newly formed freshman basketball team and is one of the team's mainstays.

When the tennis season rolls around the house will be outstanding with Don Smith '32 as captain and Bob Finch '33 as manager. The latter has been arranging an interesting Southern trip for the racket wielders and tennis should



make great progress at Colby this spring. Silveria '33 and Pledges Ferrier and Diggle are also expected to make a name for themselves on the courts.

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## PI of Gettysburg, Pa.

### *Athletics*

Intra-murally, Kappa Delta Rho is ably holding and maintaining its good reputation. Last year in the Greek basketball league the house team went through the entire season undefeated, beating all house teams of the campus except the S. A. E.'s. The K. D. R.'s and that team met late in the spring for the deciding game, from which we emerged second best.

At present, prospects are bright for a winning quintet. Most of the pledges played prep school ball and are already practicing for the Greek games. Lately, they challenged the upper classmen of the house to a game and showed good stuff in winning by one point margin. The places of the men lost last year will be filled by equally as talented basketeters. Brothers Enders, Armento and Pledge Burkhart are expected to form the mainstay of the squad with about ten other men fighting for the remaining positions.

K. D. R. led their section of the baseball league at the end of the season last spring. The ten Greek letter fraternities formed a two division league, planning that the

winners of each division should meet and decide the championship. School ended, however, before the league was closed and the play-off never occurred. The varsity material remains about the same, except for the loss of Brother Enders who won a position as short stop on the college varsity.

### *Events*

Following a precedent established last year, Pi Chapter will hold its annual Formal Initiation Banquet about March 1. This affair together with the formal initiation of pledges earlier in the afternoon, constitutes a large evening for any brother or alumnus.

Last year, it will be remembered, several of the original founders of Theta Phi, progenitor of Kappa Delta Rho at Gettysburg, were present. Their decidedly interesting recitals about Pi in her infancy were greatly enjoyed. This year the chapter hopes that more alumni will be able to arrange a visit here about the date of the banquet and initiation. Letters will be sent out later when more definite plans have been formed by the committee in charge.

Jack Shaller and his Club Royal Orchestra of Hanover furnished the syncopation for the Christmas Formal. This dance, an annual affair, was held in the ball room of the Hotel Gettysburg, December 11. The following evening an informal hop was staged in the Gam-

ma Phi sorority house on the campus. Dancing was from nine to one; Saturday evening, from eight till twelve.

In retrospect, other social doings of the chapter have been the Pledge Dance, following the Inter-Fraternity Ball on Oct. 9; the last Spring Formal at Piney Mountain Inn, with Johnny Diehl and his Stompers performing; the Student Council Dance on Homecoming Day, Oct. 31. All were well attended by the brothers and accordingly enjoyed.

Eugene Painter '34 was awarded the Sophomore Merit Cup for the year. The cup was donated to the house by the members of the Class of 1930, and is awarded annually to that member of the sophomore class in the chapter who best fulfills the requirements, which are: must maintain an average of "B" or above during his entire sophomore year; must be active in at least one major activity; must have essential characteristics of character and leadership and be interested in the welfare of his fraternity.

The cup is awarded to the winner at the end of his sophomore year, after being voted upon by the members of the two upper classes. It remains in the house, in the care of the winner.

## RHO of Easton, Pa.

### *Intramural Sports*

After winning the coveted Intramural trophy last year, awarded each year to that organization scoring the most points in intramural competition throughout the year, Rho has already annexed one first place and has tied another first position this season.

The cross country team composed of Brothers Dyson, Pierce, Greenawalt, Cunningham and Wheeler finished first in that event crossing the line in the order named. Rho received the Cross Country cup, while each member of the team was awarded a gold medal as a result of the victory. The track team composed of Brothers Sweet, Dyson, Biehn, Reed, Pierce, and Cunningham finished in a tie with the Phi Delta Theta sprinters, each team getting possession of the trophy for one term.

Rho's football team entered the semi-final round of Intramural competition before being eliminated by Phi Delta Theta, 6-0. In their march toward a championship they won five games and lost two. Five members of the eleven were named on All-Campus selections. They were Heydecke and Wheeler, tackle and left halfback respectively, on the first team; Wells and Lathrop, tackle and end, on the second team; and Andersen, center, on the third team.



Norbert Joseph Downes '33....6439 Greenwood Ave., Chicago, Ill.  
Harvey Ebert Gibbs '33.....R. D. 2, Hebron, Ind.

*Pi Chapter, Gettysburg College*

Charles Russell Gilbert '33.....Gettysburg, Pa.  
 Frank Conrad Vanderwall '34...624 Cleveland Ave., Linden, N. J.

*Rho Chapter, Lafayette College*

William Carleton Harding '35.....Box 16, Port Morris, N. J.  
 Clifford West Heydecke '34  
   10 Glenridge Parkway, Montclair, N. J.  
 Henry Gordon Holbrook '34...627 Frederick St., Ridgewood, N. J.  
 John Charles Ludlum '35.....Chevy Chase, Maryland  
 Louis Lohr Martz '35.....333 E. Front St., Berwick, Pa.  
 Joseph Julius Rother Probst '35  
   19 Hasbrouck Place, Rutherford, N. J.  
 William Herbert Sweet '34...162 Humphrey Ave., Bayonne, N. J.  
 Erwin Robert Van Artsdalen '35...Lincoln Ave., Doylestown, Pa.  
 Arthur Anton Weinschenk Jr. '32  
   1102 Grandview St., Scranton, Pa.

*Rho Alumni*

John Alexander Barry '28.....Box 54, Gillette, N. J.  
 Paul Stauffer Lehman '25.....Shippensburg, Pa.  
 Jesse Edward Rayne Jr. '30.....116 Cherry St., Elizabeth, N. J.  
 Charles Williams Zook '30

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## A WELL-KNOWN PHILOLOGIST



DR. OTTO MUELLER, II Hon., a native of Switzerland, received his education at the University of Zu-

rich, and several years after his graduation, took his Ph.D. at the same place. Brother Mueller was made a brother in II chapter while serving on the faculty of Gettysburg College as Head of the Romance Languages Department. Last year he left Gettysburg to accept a position as professor in the Romance Languages Department at the City College of New York. He now resides at 490 West End Avenue, New York City.



## PERSONAL

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After a year and a half in business, CHARLES O. WARREN JR., B '27, is teaching at New York University and at the same time working for a Ph.D.

GEORGE AUMILLER, II '31, immediately upon graduation accepted a position as a district manager for the Alumni Cooking Utensil Company of Philadelphia. He is now located in Wilmington, Del. In the same city, WILLIAM COBLE, II '31, is serving a white collar apprenticeship with Procter & Gamble.

DR. MILTON G. NELSON, F '24, professor of education at New York State College and director of the summer session last year, is the newly elected president of the Association of Teachers' Colleges and Normal School faculties, according to elections conducted at the annual meeting in Buffalo.

Dr. Nelson contributed an article published in the December issue of New York State Education on "Measuring the Objectives of State Syllabi."

He will direct the coming summer session at the College.

At Temple Medical School in Philadelphia, RALPH TIDD, II '31, last year's Consul, is simply reveling and gloating among his corpses—and examinations.

FRED J. BOSTROM, M '30, is employed as Assistant to the Superintendent of Delivery, of R. H. Macy & Co., New York City. He resides at 356 West 34th Street.

BLEEKER MARQUETTE, B '15, of 3696 Kendall Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio, had the distinction of serving on two committees of President Hoover's Conference on Home Building and Home Ownership, December 3-5, 1931.

On Thanksgiving day MONROE T. SMARTT, S '29, Secretary of Los Angeles Alumni Assn., announced his engagement to Miss Martha Ann Sutton of Louisville, Kentucky. The wedding is to be an event of the summer. The couple will make their home in Hollywood where Brother Smartt is a member of the faculty of the Los Angeles Junior College.

DR. H. LYNN WILSON, B '24, is now located at 510 Madison Ave., New York City.

JACOB MERTENS, JR., B '20, has moved into a new home at 13 Camden Road, Scarsdale, N. Y.

H. A. BERDELMAN, © '29, is an Aeronautical Engineer associated with the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation in Buffalo, N. Y. He resides at 342 Kinsey Ave., Kenmore, N. Y.

On December 1, 1931, LORIMER W. CRIPPEN, Δ '24, terminated his work with the First Baptist Church and the Connecticut State School for Boys at Meriden, Conn., and accepted a pastorate of the First Baptist Church, Carthage, N. Y.

WILLIAM F. DAVISON, Δ '23, is now pastor of the First Baptist Church, Royal Oak, Michigan.

BYRON C. WILSON, K '29, is sports editor of the Chillicothe Scioto Gazette, Chillicothe, Ohio.

F. KENT BEECHER, O '28, is now employed by the Greyhound Management Company in Cleveland, Ohio.

Pi's '31 Phi Beta Kappa, ROBERT SEAKS, occasionally sends word that he's progressing rapidly in his legal studies down at Duke University Law School, Durham, N. C.

DR. ROGER M. BOOTHBY, Z '25, acquired the degree of Doctor of Osteopathy from the Kirksville, Mo., College of Osteopathy and Surgery on May 29, 1931. He is now located in Green City, Missouri.

In May 1931 Greenwich, Connecticut's, well-known restaurant located at 34 East Putnam Avenue was incorporated as the Park Lane Grill, Inc. The owner of the greater part of the stock is Robert P. Force, A '25.

H. GUY ERB, Z '20, has a new position as engineer for the Super-

ior Engine Co., of Springfield, O. He resides at 157 E. Harding Road in that city.

WILFRED W. WILCOX, I '25, was conferred the degree of M. D. by the University of Pennsylvania in June of 1931. He is at present on the staff of the Williamsport (Pa.) Hospital.

HAROLD WILLIAMS, E '31, captain of last year's varsity basketball team and an honor student, is now employed by the General Electric Company in Schenectady, N. Y., and is reported to be making splendid progress.

H. E. CONEY JR., B '24, is now located in Washington, D. C., where he is engaged as Managing Director of Production of the Elite Laundry Company.

HOWARD E. BLAIR, B '18, is employed as special agent for the farm department of the Home Insurance Company. He is located in Rochester, N. Y.

GLENN H. VARNER, I '31, is employed as auditor of the New England division of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company. He resides at 86 Wood St., East Milton, Mass.

RICHARD MARTIN, II '31, entered Gettysburg Seminary this year to prepare for the ministry. Perhaps II should start a Seminary Chapter. Justus Liesman and Roland Banes, of '30, are also there.





*Edwin Van Kleeck*

"Youngest School Superintendent in New York State" is the title held by EDWIN R. VANKLEECK '27, past consul of Gamma chapter, who is now superintendent of schools at Walden, N. Y., at twenty-five. He has already held the post for several years.

VAN KLEECK, who graduated from New York State College with honors, did his first work in school administration at Plattsburgh Junior High school as principal.

He was recently elected president of the Schoolmasters Council of the Highlands, a New York State professional education organization. He is also secretary of the southeastern zone of the State Teachers' Association.

His fraternities are:  $\Phi\Delta K$ , graduate education fraternity; and  $K\Phi K$ , national honorary education fraternity.

He has served as an instructor in school administration during the summer session of New York State

College. Articles he has written have appeared in New York State Education, Ohio Schools, and the English Journal.

His undergraduate activities included the editing of the College weekly, chairmanship of the debate council, membership in Myskania, senior honorary society, and consulship of  $\Gamma$  chapter.

JOHN B. BYRNE, A '24, reports a change of location. He is now supervisor of the Nantahala National Forest in Franklin, N. C.

RICHARD G. DOW,  $\Xi$  '29, is employed by the Cities Service Oil Company, Ltd., at London, Ontario. He resides at 128 Elmwood Avenue.

ROBERT H. TALBOT,  $\Theta$  '30, who was graduated from the Air Corps Advanced Flying School at Kelley Field, San Antonio, Texas, is now stationed at Selfridge Field, Michigan.

FRANK H. ANDERSON, B '28, has become one of Uncle Sam's Park Rangers and is now located at the Thorofare Ranger Station, Yellowstone Park. Brother Anderson has issued a standing offer to show any brothers, who journey through the park, the best fishing holes.

NORMAN O. COLLINS,  $\Gamma$  '31, is teaching mathematics in the high school at Scotia, N. Y.

Arthur C. Decker, II '27, is a graduate of Gettysburg College and Gettysburg Theological Seminary '30. Following his graduation from the Seminary he served as



*Arthur C. Decker, Pi '27*

Y. M. C. A. Secretary at Gettysburg College, at the same time continuing his work for his Master's degree. At present, Brother Decker is located as pastor of a Lutheran church in Mansfield, Ohio. He is a member of ΦBK.

JAMES K. BAUGHER, II '28, has completed the required work for an M. A. degree at the University of Pennsylvania. He is now completing his third year of teaching at the Abraham Clark High School, Roselle, N. J.

Cornell University conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy on LAWRENCE H. HOUTCHENS M '23. Brother Houtchens, who is a charter member of the Mu chapter, is Professor of English at Bethany College in Bloomfield, Kentucky.

RICHARD C. CAMPBELL A '27, has changed his employment and is now associated with the Continental Bank and Trust Company, New York City.

Since June 3, 1931 ROBERT A. WATERMAN M '25, has been a partner in the law firm of Mustard, Mustard & Waterman of Battle Creek, Michigan. Brother Waterman resides at 722 West Michigan Avenue in that city.

JOHN K. HAMILTON H '29, a salesman employed by American Radiator Company in Chicago, is the author of two articles—"Convenient Heat" which appeared in the March 1931 issue of Home and Garden Review and "The Manufacturer looks at Retail Sales" appearing in the October 1931 issue of the Aerologist.

On January 21, 1932 a new sign PRYOR & CO., was painted on the doors at 1414 Union Guardian Building, Detroit, Michigan. MILLARD H. PRYOR M '25, is a partner in this newly formed company which will engage in general brokerage business as members of the Detroit Stock Exchange.

DR. WILLIAM B. GROW A '26, who acquired an M.D. from Harvard in 1930, has finished his internship in the Knoxville General Hospital, Knoxville, Tenn., and has been appointed resident physician of the Beverly Hills Sanatorium in Knoxville.



## NEWS OF THE ALUMNI, CHICAGO AND VICINITY

On Friday, November 27, the Chicago Alumni Association of Kappa Delta Rho held an informal dinner dance in the Flamingo Room of the Bismark Hotel, Chicago. The dance was almost a private affair because of the fact that the Flamingo Room adjoins, but is not included in, the main ball room.

Although a greater number had been expected, there were eighteen couples present to sit around the U shaped table where the dinner was served. A slight profit was realized on the dance to the surprise of most everyone, which is just one more reason to remember this dance as one of the most pleasant and successful that has yet been given by the Chicago group.

Credit for the success of the dance goes to Brother T. B. Wiese and his able co-committeemen, Brothers Rowe, H '29; Sutton, H '29, and Winkler, H '30.

Whoever said, "It pays to advertise," surely told the truth, or such is our belief. The Chicago Alumni have met with great regularity for the past two years on the third Thursday of every month in the recreation rooms of the Stevens Hotel on S. Michigan Ave. That fact has been broadcast at every opportunity, and occasionally, it brings results. On the morn of the December meeting, William Stineford, '30,

got in touch with Ye Secretary to inform him that there would be another mouth to feed at the overburdened table.

Brother Stineford will tell you that he had a fine evening with the bunch who are anxious that they may soon have the opportunity to entertain any other of the brothers who might happen into the city for the day.

Our next meeting (January) promises to be well attended as it is the occasion of our annual election of officers. As yet there has been no public announcement of party affiliations, party platforms, etc., etc. Retiring officers are Herb Cryer Pres., Dale Castle V. P., and John Hamilton Secy. and Treas.

On Oct. 20, Mr. and Mrs. K. S. Jacobs, H '30, announced the birth of a son, Kenneth Sherman Jacobs, Jr. Ken is employed as a designer for the Electrical Engineers Equipment Co., and is already the proud parent of Jean Marie, born May 11, 1930. The family has recently moved to a new home at 334 N. York St., Elmhurst, Ill.

D. E. Sutton, H '29, has recently moved from his quarters in Oak Park to the Virginia Apartments at 127 Virginia St., Elmhurst, Ill.

Robert Locke of Glen Ellyn, formerly a member of the Chicago Association is now in school at Laramie, Wyoming where he and his wife are keeping house. Brother Locke works in the morning and

evening, and goes to school in the afternoon.

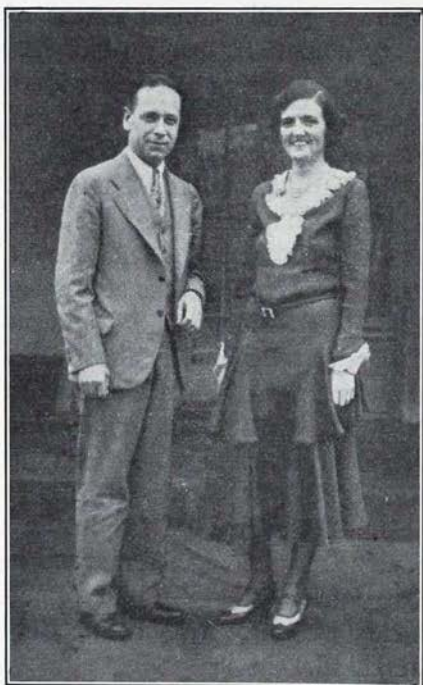
Announcement has been made of the engagement of Charlotte Weber of Chicago to Alvin R. Shabino, H '30 of Glen Ellyn. No date has been set for the wedding as yet.

JOHN K. HAMILTON, H '29 Secy.

CALVIN C. TORRANCE, Δ '25, was appointed research assistant in Bacteriology of the New York State Department of Health in March 1931. Dr. Torrance resides at 180 Homestead Avenue, Albany, N. Y. He has a daughter, Sally Knowlton, born May 20, 1931.

— K Δ P —

## GRAND CONSUL WEDS



Gentle ocean zephyrs wafting o'er the moon-lit promenade deck; soft strains of mellow music issu-

ing from the ship's orchestra, and the delightful sparkle in her smile, proved the undoing of our Grand Consul. And this "crossing romance" didn't terminate with debarkation. It continued on a journey over a considerable part of Europe, including attendance at the Rotary Congress at Vienna and the voyage back to the States. Now we are informed that this trip together has become indefinite, for on November 21, 1931, Edna Jean Manson, a graduate of Beaver College, became the bride of Neil M. Willard, in a pretty ceremony at her home in Red Bank, N. J. Carl Bolgiano, Beta '18, was the groom's attendant.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard now reside in Buffalo, N. Y. The cordial felicitations of the fraternity are extended.



## EDITORIAL COMMENT

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### Against the Stream

"Bored by the damned routine of school-teaching—trying to write the novel of the century, the poem of the age, the essay of the epoch—collecting rejection slips by the bushel—*watching with a groan the loss of the scholarship cup at (his chapter)*—waiting to vote for Norman Thomas if he runs next year—up to the neck in debt—that's the picture." Thus writes a recent graduate of one of our eastern chapters. This self-portrait is not unique. It probably represents some of the typical reactions of many young alumni to the buffets resulting from their first contacts with the world affairs.

But just as he "watches with a groan" the loss of the scholarship cup at his chapter so is it discouraging to observe the downward trend of our fraternity's national scholastic average. It would seem that with maturer age Kappa Delta Rho evidences signs of mental retrogression.

The year 1927-28 saw a record average for the fraternity at two degrees above the All-Men's average for the country. Since then it has rapidly receded from this position of honor. The following year the standing was slightly less than one degree above the All-Men's average; one year later, still

lower; and at the end of last year the position has been computed at just four-tenths of a degree above this All-Men's average. In 1927-28, but four of the then-members of the Interfraternity Conference exceeded Kappa Delta Rho's scholastic average whereas in 1930-31 it was bettered by twenty-four other fraternities. Most significant figures.

For all that may be said today of the insignificance of grades as a measure of intellectual attainment nevertheless they still present a fair means of determining the comparative quality of work of individuals or of groups. Granted this, it is obvious that the curricular work of our members is not in step with the constantly elevated scholastic standards throughout the country.

Although the founders of Kappa Delta Rho did not contemplate an organization whose members evidenced intellectual interests only; neither does it seem that they had the remotest idea that there would at some future time be numbered in the fold that sort of an individual whose indulgent parents are financing a brief sojourn in a collegiate atmosphere; whose severest labor is the avoidance of prescribed tasks; whose supreme diversion is to involve oft too-will-

ing brethren in hours of bull sessions; whose mentality is gauged by his mastery of Broadway's latest song and slang hits; and whose greatest ambition is to parade his pseudo-sophistication before the admiring eyes of the credulous.

Does he not constitute a living "flagrant violation" of the fraternity's principles? Has he grasped the full import of *Honor Super Omnia*? Does he not present the cause of our friend's "groan"?

— K Δ P —

### Dr. Suzzallo's Talk

The 1931 Interfraternity Conference held in the Hotel Pennsylvania, New York City, November 26th and 27th is now history. As is the case each year this conclave attracts the keenest students of the American College Fraternity; men whose vocations or avocations have been definitely linked with Greek-letter organizations for many years. It is at this meeting that one hears the very latest developments per-

taining to problems of Fraternities. It is also the aim of the officers of the Interfraternity Conference to get each year a man of national prominence to speak to the assembled delegates and guests at one of the sessions. This year the officers were most fortunate in securing for this purpose, Dr. Henry Suzzallo, President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and former President of the University of Washington.

No better choice of a man to address such a gathering could have been made. Dr. Suzzallo's life-work has brought him into close proximity to Fraternity which was made readily apparent to his audience as soon as he began his talk. (Printed in full in his issue.) The suggestions he made to counteract the effects of the elements menacing the continued existence of the Modern Greeks were indeed timely and well-conceived. Fraternity workers should profit much by Dr. Suzzallo's talk.

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