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Born at New Castle, Pa., on the 27th of May (the anniversary of Julia Ward Howe's birth, as it happens), 1859, until years of age Tade Hartsuff attended the public schools at that place. Her record in scholarship during her childhood was not remarkable, although her general standing was high, and her popularity with her teachers marked. One of her principals and always a warm friend was Mr. J. N. L. Hunt, one of the founders of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, now with the Appletons of New York.

A branch of an Ohio college pursuing the One Study System was located in New Castle, and in the fall of 1874 the young student entered this school. The citizens were aiming to maintain a school of a higher grade in the town, and Mr. Hartsuff, being one of the directors, his daughter remained here three years. It was at this time that Miss Hartsuff found the advantage of good musical instruction, so that at the age of seventeen she was an excellent pianoforte player. The year 1876 was spent under the direction of a private tutor in Latin, and in the fall of '77 college life was begun at Union College, Chambersburg, Pa. It was during her two years' stay at this place that Miss Hartsuff made the acquaintance and friendship of the lady principal, Abby F. Goodsell, now Principal of Vassar college. In the fall of 1879 a change was made to Butler University. The family belonged to the Society of Christian Disciples. Mr. Hartsuff favored strongly the system of co-education, believing that it is essential to a breath of education and the varying fortunes of American life. Butler is a co-educational institution of the Disciple denomination, and President Burgess was a family friend. Thus it was that this institution was chosen. It was in the November of this year that Mu Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma initiated this woman, who was always an honor to



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It seems quite probable that the chapters of women's  
fraternities will continue to increase in number and size  
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J. V. P.

### THE PARTITION

ONCE upon a time we heard a certain professor say that fra-  
ternities haven't a rational basis; by which we think he  
intended us to understand that it isn't rational to feel a  
deeper interest in some individual whom you meet for the  
first time, because he happens to wear  
a badge like your own, than if he were  
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to be interested in any fellow-being, with or without a  
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it, or rather in some of its implications. We can't think  
there is anything particularly irrational in feeling a way-  
ward sympathy with those who have the same aims and purposes  
as ourselves, then with others whose aims we don't understand  
as well; neither can we think that fraternities are without  
a rational basis. But the element of truth, and the fact  
which probably caused the sage man's remark, is this, that  
good things and the trees have grown along with the wheat.  
The good that is in fraternity we all know; it is well to  
recognize also the danger of evil.



Fraternity life, besides ~~giving~~ giving the connection with interests outside one's own particular college, provides for closer friendships than are otherwise possible in the crowded life of college duties. It permits intimate expression of thought and feeling, and represses to a degree the disposition to judge harshly. But this last effect stops too often within the chapter circle. Zeal in the interest of one's own fraternity seems to lead to a disparagement of other fraternities that is a far remove from "rational." There is a lamentable tendency to look upon the action of individuals as prompted by deep motives of fraternity policy; a tendency to distrust and suspect people in other fraternities, rather than to credit them with good intentions. This sounds very unpleasant when one says it straight out, but the straight way is the best when one has such matters to deal with.

Sometimes it happens that girls who belong to rival societies, and yet are on sufficiently intimate terms to warrant such confidence, will frankly acknowledge to each other that this unhappy state of things exists, and that it goes far toward destroying the real benefits of fraternity life. They will honestly deplore their own partisan feeling, and agree that there is nothing in the least edifying in a spirit that looks with suspicion upon the acts of its neighbors if they chance to wear the other line. Such confidences are well made, if they lead to a search for the remedy.

The remedy, for we aren't prepared to settle at once into despair of finding one, is probably a matter for the individual conscience, in this as in other cases of needed reform. Of course it is a help if we know that the whole chapter is united against the partisan spirit; only the chapter, being made up of individual members, can't very well be so united until each member has for herself renounced the wicked work. If every one who condemns partisanship should resist with all her might her own partisan tendencies, the aspect of college life would suffer a wonderful change. Take the case of election. Naturally we know our own friends best, but, unless entirely blinded by affection, we ought to believe that qualifications for college office may very likely be found in greater degree, then; only take pains to know enough about people to "vote intelligently." Far be it from us to counsel any one always to vote for some person outside her own fraternity, for the sake of avoiding partisan action.

No doubt there is the greatest temptation to judge too hastily in the excitement of the "campaign season," when it is hard to look dispassionately upon everything that happens, and when the lurking tendency to distrust comes up to the surface and parades itself under the disguise of shrewdness, that it may deceive us to our own undoing. But when the time of excitement is over, the victims of this disguised enemy are often obliged to own to themselves, if not openly, that what they mistook for sagacity on their own part, brought them into serious misinterpretation of the behavior of others.

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A Quarry.

Why should there be one week in the year from which every girl shrinks and gives a sigh of relief when it is over? There can be but two answers to this question. Either our theories of fraternity life are wrong or we fail when we come to put those theories into practice. The fault certainly does not lie in the theory, which is one of mutual help toward a higher and nobler plane of womanhood. If we fail in our practice, where is the failure and what is the remedy?

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The chapters of the various fraternities having bound themselves not to issue any invitations until a certain date, and not to do any "rushing" until after that time; are expected in all honor to keep this pledge. Nevertheless there is a constant round of small parties and large parties; there is the burden of making innumerable calls; there is the practice of attending this girl to church, and that girl to concert, to drive, etc. The letter of the law is not broken, but spirit vanishes away and leaves the whole pledge a mockery. These duties, while pleasant, become a burden which no student can carry in addition to her studies. The question to be



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olved is, how shall we persuade a certain girl to accept our invitation instead of that of another fraternity. This may be done by introducing to this young lady every member of our chapter; by showing her that we are pleased with her and that we desire her company; by sending her an invitation and after its receipt, by laying before her the merits of our fraternity, its principles and aims; by showing her the good qualities of our own chapter, and presenting the reasons why she should join hand and heart with us in our struggle to make life better and nobler. When this is done we may leave the young lady to make her own decision. If she comes to us we welcome her, if not we wish her joy in the fraternity relations she has chosen.

Is this the right of "rushing," is this the view of Alpha Kappa Gamma? Further, shall we adhere to this plan when we have to contend with fraternities who use other methods; and shall we adhere to it even if we lose young ladies whom we greatly desire, and whom we might win if we stooped to use some methods?

Among the devices which are known to be practiced in "rushing," one specialty is to say all the small, insinuating things possible about other fraternities and their individual members; to be careful to conceal all the virtues and bring to light--to broad sunlight--the weaknesses and follies. When the expiration of fraternity matters, then the set surround the young lady, and beg, plead, beseech, and weep over her until the distracted maiden says the fatal yes.

What then--she is captured, the other girls are beaten, and she sinks into the ordinary fraternity girl. She feels she has fallen from the mountain of popularity.

The fraternity which receives the regrets instead of the acceptance is humiliated, and dislikes the young lady as the cause of its humiliation.

It is these petty rivalries and deceptions which cause the sigh of relief when the ordeal is over; which make the cheek blush for the uprightness and spotless of womanhood.

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First of all, I believe that the alumnae ought to give hearty and generous support to their own chapters and to the general fraternity. The need for this in connection with chapterhouses was urged in an open letter of the last issue, and I can only second the appeal made there. I would see the alumnae all over the country opening their purses---usually not so slim as that of the college girl proverbially is--and giving liberally of their means. I would have them do this without waiting to be asked-- do it because they wish to do it. The unsolicited gift will carry with it a double blessing. Can you not plan a little surprise, now and then, for the chapter in which you once labored so lovingly? A picture or a chair, or something that your own hands have fashioned for the chapter room that you perhaps have never seen, will be something more than a beautiful article of furniture; it will be a forcible illustration of what we so often say--that our love for Kappa is so much a part of us that we can never lose it.

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Beta Mu.

Equal in importance to the relation of Greek to Greek, stands the relation of the Greek to the Barbarian. It is as essential to the success of a fraternity, that its individual members recognize the claims of other than Greeks upon them, as that they respect the ties binding them to those of their class. And the rights of the world at large, which we are bound by honor to respect, are by no means inconsiderable. It is impossible for any individual, or class of individuals, to exist independently, and so long as Greek fraternities maintain their places as recognized social institutions they must sustain some definite relation to society.

We, who have assumed the name of the Greek who was the acknowledged aristos of his time, by this act are thought to claim some of the virtues which distinguished those of ancient times. We have no right to adopt it simply for the sake of a name, but only when we are at least striving to possess those virtues which the mention of the name would suggest.

In striving to resemble the Greeks in their excellence, we must remember that to recognize the virtues of another is not necessary for him who would excel in them. As soon as we feel that we are unquestionably superior, we present our rivals the possibility of surpassing us. And to truly surpass is to show a surplus of good deeds. When we are able to do the world more good than we receive from it, we surpass it. He



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The greatest claim of fraternities is that they promote greater brotherly feeling. But no love to be cherished which does not enlarge the heart and increase the capability of loving. While this relation strengthens the feeling of Greek for Greek, it ought at the same time to bind us closer to the Barbarian; otherwise it is but a narrowing of the soul, bringing us no nearer to our standard of Christian character. Love for only one's kindred is a sort of selfishness. Magnanimity of soul is shown only by a love for all truth, and beauty. Great love for all humanity indicates strong devotion to one's own fraternity.

The relation I would have the Greek hold to the Barbarian is that of a benefactor, whose good deeds have elevated him, and a friend whose love has returned and fostered love in him.

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#### IN MEMORIAM.

FOR the first time in the history of the chapter, Lambda is called upon to pay the last sad tribute to the memory of those who have been called to enter upon a higher life. Hitherto an unbroken circle, we now mourn the loss of two sisters, knowing that nevermore on earth will our hearts be saddened by the dear companionship and cheerful presence of those who so recently were with us.

The peculiarly sad circumstances of this bereavement are probably known to all. On the evening of December 13, 1890, in the midst of a scene of joyousness and mirth, death came and bore away two of the brightest and best beloved of our number.

MAY E. STEVES became a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma in the fall of 1888, when she entered the freshman class at Buchtel College. Previous to that time she had been a student at Hahu Seminary. She early won the regard of professors and students alike, by her earnestness and faithfulness in her college work, and her ready interests in all the activities of student life.

But it was in the relationship of friend sister that the true beauty of her character was revealed. Of a gentle and affectionate disposition, she was ever ready to sympathize in the joys and sorrows of those around her. Ever kind and courteous, she won the love of all.

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does not enlarge the heart and increase the capability of  
loving. While this relation strengthens the feeling of Greek  
or Greek, it ought at the same time to bind us closer to  
the Barbarian; otherwise it is but a narrowing of the soul,  
bringing us no nearer to our standard of Christian character  
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### MEMORIAL

FOR the first time in the history of the chapter, Lambda is  
called upon to pay the last and tribute to the memory of  
those who have been called to enter upon a higher life.  
Hither to an unbroken circle, we now mourn the loss of two  
sisters, knowing that nevermore on earth will our hearts be  
gladdened by the dear companionship and cheerful presence  
of those who so recently were with us.  
The peculiarly sad circumstances of this bereavement  
are probably known to all. On the evening of December 13,  
1890, in the midst of a scene of joyousness and mirth, death  
came and bore away two of the brightest and best beloved of  
our number.  
MAY E. STEVENS became a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma in  
the fall of 1888, when she entered the freshman class at  
Burlington College. Previous to that time she had been a stu-  
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and students alike, by her earnestness and faithfulness in  
her college work, and her ready interests in all the active  
lines of student life.  
But it was in the relationship of friend sister that the  
true beauty of her character was revealed. Of a gentle and  
effectionate disposition, she was ever ready to sympathize  
in the joys and sorrows of those around her. Ever kind and  
courteous, she won the love of all.  
What she was in her fraternal life, only those who



privilege it has been to enjoy the intimate association of that relationship for nearly three years can fully appreciate. Kappa bonds were never more sweet than those which clung to each member of her chapter. She was a loyal and devoted sister, the joy of the chapter life, and at the time she was called away was busily engaged in plans for furthering the interests of the fraternity so dear to her heart. In her death, Kappa Kappa Gamma loses one whose life is full of brightest promise for the future.

Though but twenty years of age her brief life has given us a noble example of true womanhood. Will we ever forget her fortitude in that trying hour, when in answer to the questions concerning her condition, her physician hesitated to tell her what he feared. But she insisted upon knowing the truth, saying, "Tell me all; I can bear it." Surely we need not look further for an example of brave womanhood. To her fraternity sisters she has left the legacy of a life nobly lived and nobly ended, which shall ever be to us an inspiration to higher and truer living. Memorial services were held in the college chapel on Monday, December 15, after which the remains were taken to the home at Clifton Springs, N. Y. Besides the sorely afflicted relatives, they were accompanied thither by Miss Helen Typer of Lambda Chapter and also by representatives of the class of '92, of which Miss Steves was a member.

The love and sympathy of all Kappas will go out to the widowed mother, whose every hope was centered in this, her only child, and who is now left alone in her sorrow.

"To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die," and while today we miss her sunny presence, her ready smile of sympathy, her sweet companionship, still in our hearts she lives enshrined, and the memories cherished so sacredly can never die.

"She passed beyond us in life's long procession,  
For years it may be, but we cannot tell;  
We know that death is but the soul's progression,"  
And it is well.

She did not die. She was too near an angel.  
She changed one evening at the close of day,  
And hand in hand with some unseen evangel  
She went away.

The gates of silence closed unseen behind her,  
We breathed a prayer with an immortal trust,  
And to the hopes that light the heart resign her,  
And dust to dust.

We closed the the casket o'er her bed of roses,  
"God knows the rest," was all that we could say.  
And then we laid her where His dead reposes,  
And went away.

Jennie L. Sisler.







Leaves have their time to fall,  
And flowers to wither at the North wind's breath,  
And stars to set; but all--  
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The occasion of this memorial is a peculiarly sad one. Death under any circumstances may occasion sadness. The old may die; the young may die. When the old are taken from us we are not shocked, perhaps not surprised. When the young who have lingered long with disease that had baffled the skill of the physicians, are transported from the shores of life, in the full possession of strength and vigor, in the glad time of her rapidly developed womanhood, is suddenly stricken down, with scarcely a moment's warning, we are indeed shocked. But for the hope we have of a resurrection from the dead, the hope of immortality and eternal life--this blow of falling upon us would be unendurable; it would be a perpetual shock.

LULU MYRTE STEIGMEYER was one of the unfortunate victims in the late Buchtel College disaster. After lingering through the night until Sunday morning, December 14, 1890, she passes on to a higher life.

Lulu's home was at Attica, Ohio, where she was born November 10, 1870. Her life, though of short duration, was one of purity and usefulness. She was graduated with highest honors from the Attica High School. After teaching a year she entered the Freshman Class of Buchtel College the fall of '90. As a student she was highly esteemed by her professors, her work being marked by thoroughness.

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Hers was one of those simple, lovely souls that seem always in the sunlight of God's smile, and must needs reflect it. Her sunny disposition, her winning and affable manners, made her a favorite not only with her Kappa sisters and teachers, but with the entire student community.

Lulu has taught us that purity of thought and goodness of heart are the essentials of a beautiful life.

As we go to Kappa Hall the faces of our beloved sisters will not be there. That Hall which they cherished so much is silent with sadness. They have left the Fraternity which they loved and honored on earth, to join the Fraternity of the Saints in Glory. They have used the "goldenkey" to unlock the mysteries in the realm of Eternal Love.

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ALICE MARIA BERRY.

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September 1, 1866. 1886.

December 17, 1890.

ALICE MARIA BERRY is called upon to mourn the loss of a beloved member, and as a token of her sympathy sends this tribute to Mrs. Berry and her family; and sends it also to The Key, knowing the interest that all Kappas feel for each other.

During ALICE BERRY'S long illness she showed her Christian character by her patient endurance of pain; bearing up under the loss of her sister, for her mother's sake. She was not asked to do it long, soon she was called to be with her dear ones--to go where there is no more sorrow or pain.

After graduating at Judson Institute, she attended the University of Minnesota for a short time, where she was admitted to the rank of Kappa and endeared herself to all.

So young to die, her mission seems unfinished; but the Father who knows all things hath called her to a greater work on high.

"There is no death--the thing that we call death  
Is but another, sadder name for life."

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COLLEGE AND FRATERNITY NOTES.

Barnard is active. The students and instructors at Barnard College, Columbia's annex for women, enjoyed a pleasant afternoon tea last Saturday at the home of Mrs. Almon Woodwin. Before tea General Armstrong gave an interesting talk on the Indian school at Hampton, Va. The Barnard girls are an enterprising set. They have their representatives on the different Columbia College publications, and it is rumored that next year Barnard will demand the right to have an editor on the '93 Columbian, the junior annual of the college. It is said that only two of the girls who are now attending college at Barnard would have been in college at all if Barnard had not been established. The students are those who could not have gone elsewhere. The object of the college, therefore, is not to attract students from other institutions for women in the country, but it is for New York girls who appreciate the advantages of a thorough college education. The courses of study are identical with those of Columbia, and Columbia College professors do the teaching.--N. Y. Tribune



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We, in Knos College, ahve one rival society, the Delta Alpha Delta, recently organized in Boston. Tehir chapter here is a good one, and in consequence our chapter work is made exciting and interesting.--Knox Correspondent of Phi Beta Phi Arrow.

Beta Theta Pi has recently made another one of large gains for which she has become so famous. Zeta Phi, a fraternity which has existed at the University of Missouri since 1870, is the object hauled. Its total membership was one hundred and twenty-four. This, together with the active and alumni members of the Mystic Seven and Sigma Delta Pi, makes about eight hundred men to be initiated into Beta Theta Pi.--Kappa Alpha Journal.

The statistics of the attendance of the German universities for the winter term just closed are as follows: Berlin, 5,527; Leipsic, 3,458; Munich, 3,382; Würtzburg, 1,544; Tübingen, 1,250; Breslau, 1,246; Bonn, 1,219; Erlangen, 1,054; Heidelberg, 970; Strassburg, 947; Freiburg, 931; Göttingen, 890; Marburg, 855; Griefswald, 773; Königsberg, 782; Jena, 640; Giessen, 549; Kiel 489; Münster, 385; Rostock, 371. The total number of students today is 28,711.

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One of Ann Arbor's students has been appointed to a professorship in Heidelberg University. This is the first instance on record in which an American has been appointed to a chair in a German University.--Exchange.

Walter Travers Daniel, of Pan-Hellenic fame, handed in his resignation as editor of the Palm, and no one has as yet been appointed to succeed him.--Kappa Alpha Journal.

The chapter of Sigma Phi at Williams owns the most costly chapter-house in existence. It is said to have cost over \$60,000.

At Colby and Adelbert, independent college for women have been established in connection with the men's college proper.

The parent chapters of Chi Psi, Theta Delta Chi, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, and Alpha Tau Omega are dead.--Kappa Alpha Journal.

We have been pleased to welcome Kappa Kappa Gamma into our circle of Greeks. Early in the year we were informed that a new society was likely to appear soon, and so were on the qui-vive to know what it would prove to be. In a short time the key appeared on a number of girls and Kappa Kappa Gamma was in our midst. They seem to have been fortunate in their







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University of Michigan Correspondence of Delta Gamma Anchora

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The members of Beta Theta Pi entertained Beta Beta very pleasantly at an informal dance in their chapter-house November 28.

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We are enjoying our afternoon meetings very much,--they are an innovation to us; for, from time immemorial Delta's meetings were held at night.

We send a hearty greeting to all sister chapters and The Y, with best wishes for success and prosperity.

#### BETA DELTA---UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Beta Delta gladly embraces the opportunity to tell you that she is big enough to walk alone, and rejoices to give a cradle to her sisters of Columbia College. We sincerely wish them a happy babyhood.

Since our last letter we have pledged Miss Jessie McIntyre, Knoxville, Tenn. We hope that the new semester about to begin will bring with it some more girls for the Kappas.

Ann Arbor is improving her time before Lent by parties and examinations. Beta Delta cancelled some of her social events by a dancing party at the home of Miss Jessica Penny, Friday evening, January 30.

On the following evening the Pi Beta Phi's gave a brilliant reception at the residence of Professor D'Ooge.

We were delighted with a visit in December from our President and Treasurer, who remained with us several days.

The Glee and Banjo Club leave soon for the South and West, on their annual concert tour. They have adopted the top and gown.

All interest is centred in our gymnasium. Since the donation of \$20,000, the University of Michigan is doing its share in raising the amount required to complete it.

#### EPSILON--ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.

Epsilon sends cheerful New Year's greeting to her sister chapters.

We have added two new members to our ranks this year. November 20 was the day upon which invitations could be issued, we planned to have a gathering of the girls at the home of Susie Foreman, on the evening of the nineteenth, so that the young ladies might be invited early in the morning. The evening passed away pleasantly. About eleven, refreshments were served; and as the clock tolled the midnight hour, our senior, Carrie Cole, extended to them an invitation to link their lives with ours. The impression and beauty of the



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BETA DELTA--UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Beta Delta gladly embraces the opportunity to tell you  
that she is big enough to walk alone, and rejoices to give  
her cradle to her sisters of Columbia College. We sincerely  
wish them a happy babyhood.  
Since our last letter we have pledged Miss Jessica Penny  
to Knoxville, Tenn. We hope that the new semester about to  
begin will bring with it some more girls for the Kappas.  
Ann Arbor is improving her time before Lent by parties  
and examinations. Beta Delta cancelled some of her social  
events by a dancing party at the home of Miss Jessica Penny,  
Friday evening, January 30.

On the following evening the Pi Beta Phi's gave a bril-  
liant reception at the residence of Professor D'Ooge.  
We were delighted with a visit in December from our  
Grand Treasurer, who remained with us several days.  
The Glee and Glee Club leave soon for the South and  
eat, on their annual concert tour. They have adopted the  
... and gown.  
All interest is centered in our gymnasium. Since the  
donation of \$20,000, the University of Michigan is doing its  
share in raising the amount required to complete it.

EPSILON--ILLINOIS WESTERN UNIVERSITY

Epilaton sends cheerful New Year's greeting to her sister  
chapters.  
We have added two new members to our ranks this year.  
On November 30 was the day upon which invitations could be  
issued, we planned to have a gathering of the girls at the  
home of Quate Foreman, on the evening of the nineteenth, so  
that the young ladies might be invited early in the morning.  
The evening passed away pleasantly. About eleven, refresh-  
ments were served; and as the clock tolled the midnight hour,  
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an were apparent, so much so, indeed, that both girls made happy with a "yes." Initiation services were held three days later, at the home of Belle Mrash.

November 24 being Epsilon's birthday, she celebrated it in true Grecian style, and called the affair a "Greek banquet." The girls appeared in Grecian robes, transforming Miss Cole's home into a Grecian banquet hall. The tables were arranged in the form of an L, and were beautifully decorated with peacock feathers. Perfumed water and napkins were passed, as a preparation for the feast, which was as Grecian as possible. Grace Loudon acted as mistress of the feast, having been chosen as such at the beginning. Toasts were responded to in a delightful manner by six of the girls, after which Kappa songs and "yells" were given until the house fairly rang. Our guests pronounced it the finest party of the season.

Through the kindness of Grace Loudon, we now boast of steam-heating in our hall, which has been deserted thus far on account of the cold.

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But a history of our doings in these first months cannot prove very interesting to chapters are that running smoothly on in well-worn grooves, as much of our time has, of course, been spent in organization and business details; so I will pass to a subject that no true daughter of Barnard can doubt will prove interesting--Barnard herself. The position of the college with respect to Columbia is not always understood. It is not an annex, it is not part of a co-educational institution, and it is not exactly a college separate and complete in itself. It has, to a large degree, the same corps of instructors and entirely the same course of study and degree with Columbia. The building is, however, entirely separate, and all lectures are attended there.

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So far as the weather is concerned, we have had nothing to complain of this winter. Up to this time the winter has been such as the "oldest inhabitant" remembereth not; and not once has the clerk of the weather even attempted to interfere with our plans. During last term, however, we were all busy with school work that we could not snatch very much time either for work or fun in the fraternity. But this term we have resolved to turn over a new leaf, and, as one member forcibly, if not elegantly expressed it, have determined to "boom our grab."

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if numbers were our only object. We think ourselves very happy several alumnae in town who are able to be present, and added to the enjoyment of our good times.

Shortly before the close of last term the Phi Delta's delightfully entertained the Kappa's with a party at their halls.

Bertha Nichols spent a few days with us just before the holidays.

Corine Ingham has been confined to the house by sickness for two or three weeks.

Fraternity life in general has been quite active so far this term. There have been several fraternity parties already. The Phi Delta's gave one a short time ago, at which the Kappas were well represented.

## ETA--WISCONSIN UNIVERSITY.

All hail the Pan-Hellenic!

How proud we are to see women--and they are Kappa women too--coming to the front as prime movers in such an undertaking. The fraternity magazines all unite in praise of Kappa, and heartily applaud the progressive spirit that prompted the thought of the Pan-Hellenic Convention.

Eta received a letter from Edith Clark, one of the Northwestern University girls early in the term, which was followed by a cordial invitation to her to visit the chapter. Miss Clark spent two days with us, and we trust she enjoyed them as much as we did. While she was here we had the jolliest kind of a masquerade at Bessie Palmer's, where the Freshman failed to recognize the awful dignity of a base-ball boy, although he was a senior.

In addition to the lecture courses, which are offered down town this season, we have two University courses which attract a large body of students. Both are in charge of committees appointed from the Faculty. One is a course of popular lectures by noted scientists and literary men; but the lectures of the Saturday morning course are given by members of the University Faculty. The sentiment to be unanimous that these Saturday morning lectures are more instructive than the majority that are delivered by public men; while the element of student appreciation for the great men of its own Faculty is surprisingly increased. We cannot too heartily recommend this system to other colleges and universities.

Professor Adams, of Johns Hopkins, in his lecture on "Higher Education" before the State Historical Society, took occasion to praise in the highest terms the spirit of "University Extension," which is growing here so rapidly. The system, as here developed, consists of a coördination of agricultural experimentation and farmers' institutes. An effort of a similar nature is made in the form of a series of educational lectures in connection with teachers' institutes; and during the year a movement in the direction of establishing mechanics' institutes has been inaugurated, and met with very good success. His system is the same as that known also in England as "University Extension," the salient feature of which lies in carrying







birth to the people the instruction of the university by means of lectures and local organizations. It is an effort to render available to the masses certain elements of the higher education.

Kitty Hill, who was a member of the Evanston chapter last term, has been here for several days, dividing her time between friends in the city and the girls of the chapters.

Although we disapprove of proselyting, we are trying our best to persuade her to come here next year and exchange her Epsilon "attachment" for one of Eta.

Miss Hill attended one of our meetings, and was surprised to find so short a time given to a literary programme. We explained to her that our girls were almost all of them members of one of the university literary societies which meet Friday evening, and that the duties imposed upon them there were enough to preclude any attempt at long literary programmes in our meetings. It has always been the policy of the chapter that healthy intellectual activity is in no way better maintained than by regular conscientious work in a good literary society.

We wish to introduce to the fraternity world a new Freshman, Miss Katherine Post; and as she makes her bow, Eta regrets, having contributed her share of university and chapter gossip.

#### KAPPA--HILLSDALE COLLEGE.

Again Kappa sends greeting to her sisters.

Though our chapter has not increased in number since our last report, we expect soon to have three more earnest, active Kappas. We have pledged Miss Lena Seley, Alice Dewey, and Anna Mitchell.

And again death's angel has come among us, and taken the little daughter of Mrs. Wincenreid Davis. In expression of our heartfelt sympathy for our sister, we sent flowers and attended the funeral, which occurred on the afternoon of February 3.

February 27, occurs the oratorical contest of the Ladies' Literary Union Society. Of the seven speakers, three were chosen from Kappa's ranks, and we hope that she will not be neglected in the giving of the prize.

Mabel Dancey, who was with us the first of the year, did not return this term, but her place is filled by Nora Masters, who is again with us.

#### LAMBDA--BUCHTEL COLLEGE.

With the hope that with each of her sister chapters, the old year left happiness and prosperity for the new year to carry on unchecked, Lambda, through The Key, wishes to express gratitude for all kind words and help from our own and other fraternities during our late bereavement.







Of the eight girls burned, six are living and convalescent; but a long time must elapse before they can resume studies. Myrtle Barker, Aurelia Wirick, Diantha Haynes, and Edie Buchtel, have recently been removed to their homes. Dean and Mary Baker are with us yet. We are glad to announce that Mary Baker, whose condition was the most precarious, will all recover, owing in a large measure to the skilful nursing of our beloved sister, Mary B. Jewett.

By this catastrophe, our active membership is reduced half its number, but we are trying to struggle bravely. From the language of one of our Kappa sisters, one may learn of what metal Kappa's are made. "And then there are the cruel scars; but we are so glad their lives are saved. They are cheerful, patient, and brave. Their worst pain is when the burns are dressed. But they are noble Kappas, every one of them; and while the fraternity has suffered a great loss at the death of two, it has also received a strong argument in favor of its merit. It has members who have risked their lives for their sisters, and who have suffered with the greatest fortitude and without complaint. It has been a hard time for us all, but we have all learned lessons of heroism and endurance."

#### MU--BUTLER UNIVERSITY.

The second term of college opened January 2, under favorable auspices. And Kappa, with new strength and enthusiasm, stands forth again triumphant.

We initiated on November 24, Emma Engle, '93; Letta Newcomb, '92; and Mary Brouse, '91,--making six initiates this year.

We are grateful to visiting Kappas for their inspiring presence. Others have written us charming letters full of sisterly love and interest in our welfare. They almost sadden us as they refer to the well remembered days when they participated in our meetings, shared our pleasures, and little sorrows too. For we wish our sisters here again. We enjoy being remembered, and to know that they are with us in spirit.

Miss Martha Murry, '87, who was often with us, is spending the winter in Riverside, Cal.

Several of the Kappas are wearing handsome new pins.

This year the four fraternities--Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Chi, Phi Delta Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma--will publish a college annual, devoted to the interests of Butler University.

We have not many festivities to chronicle; but take pleasure in saying that the students are applying themselves assiduously to their studies. Phi Delta Theta has given a delightful reception to friends.

Mu will receive friends on the evening of February 7, at the pleasant home of Miss Grace Murry. The occasion will be graced with the presence of Mrs. Dill, Miss Kate Hadley, and Miss Maus Huntington, all Kappas of Mu, out of college, but not lacking in fraternity spirit.

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Again we girls of Beta Nu are wearing our blue ribbons, and this time for four girls; Charlotte Claypoole, Mary Hull, Teresa Lentz, and Nellie Roney. The initiation was held at the home of Mrs. Cless, and to her we were all indebted for a very pleasant evening. Her doors were thrown open to us and two former members of Lambda, as well--Janette Vail and Olive Glade. It brings us nearer together to see our other Kappa sisters, and shows us more clearly what Kappa bonds mean.

Very little has happened to our chapter since our last letter. One very pleasant event, however, we must mention--the one to which we had been looking forward--the visit from Miss Dodge. Cora Rigby entertained her during her very short stay, and the Kappa girls were all invited there to an informal reception to Miss Dodge.

In life there is constant change--sorrow turns to joy, and bright smiles to weeping. It is our sad duty to sympathize with our much loved sister, Carrie Wright, in the death of her father. He was all in all to her, and we can but feel that what weak sympathy we are able to give can in no measure lessen her sorrow. How insignificant are mere words in such a double, and yet what love they may express!

The local chapter of Beta Theta Pi held its anniversary on the evening of January 31, and our chapter was very well presented.

#### GAMMA RHO--ALLEGHENY COLLEGE.

Gamma Rho is looking forward with great delight to the 14th of February, her birthday. She will be just three years old, and has decided to celebrate it by giving a reception. This is to be given in the Rho's club, rooms, and about two hundred invitations are out.

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At different times we have been pleased to receive the Cornell Kappas, and believe, through their influence, we have grown broader in our views of fraternity management, while, on the contrary, some customs, which through long standing have become a part of the life of Beta Tau, seemed to be entirely new and pleasing to them.

On January 21, our chapter was informally entertained at Miss Packard's home on Crouse avenue. Impromptu charades were the pleasant feature of the evening, and every Kappa entered into the fun with a will.

Lastly, a word for Syracuse University. This institution has recently established a new honor system, to the satisfaction of every ambitious student.

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## PERSONALS.

Miss Laura Roberts is with us again after spending over a year in Berlin, studying German literature. She expects to depart for France before the end of the year.

Mr. Bariis, our new brother-in-law, adds one more to the long list. We are very proud to introduce him to our friends. He is a man in every way worthy of a nice Kappa Kappa Gamma, and that is saying a great deal. He is a rising contractor and we would not be surprised if he offered to build us a chapter-house.

While Miss Julia Taskett, now Mrs. Lieut. Webb, was not a member of our chapter, many of our girls knew her very well, and we are all glad to have her once more in Lincoln. Lieut. Webb, Phi Kappa Psi, has charge of the military department at the Nebraska Wesleyan University.

Miss Nellie White, Kappa Kappa Gamma, is entertaining Miss Carrie Wasmur of Grand Island, Nebraska.

Miss Ida Bonnell, who will graduate with '91, removes to Chicago, Illinois, in June. She will probably take post-graduate work at the Northwestern.

Miss Rachel Manley, who graduated in '90, left for New York City shortly after the holidays. She goes to study at the Art Museum. We miss her from the chapter.

Miss Mary Jones, '87, who has been in the city teaching since September, has gone, to Albany, N. Y., where she is preparing to be a librarian.

## UPSILON--NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Another new term finds without our two Kappa sisters-- Nellie Knapp, '93, and Kittie Hill, '94, both of whom will pursue the study of music at home.

We gladly welcomed another into our active chapter-- Josephine Young, '92, and Lilian Avann, '97, wears the light and dark blue as a token of her pledge to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Our "fledgings" now number eleven.

Harriet Caughran, '93, who represented Kappa in the Horton declamation contest in December, made us all happy by being awarded first prize.

Thursday, the 19th, will witness the inaugural of our president, Dr. Rogers. Nothing can exceed our pleasure in the new administration, and the changes which will be made will be beneficial ones, we trust.

February 20 is the date fixed upon for our annual party at the Avenue House. Like all the preceding ones, it will undoubtedly be a success.

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Miss Nellie White, Kappa Kappa Gamma, is entertaining Miss Carrie Warner of Grand Island, Nebraska.

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Miss Mary Jones, '87, who has been in the city teaching since September, has gone, to Albany, N. Y., where she is preparing to be a librarian.

UPSILON--NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Another new term finds without our two Kappa sisters-- Nellie Knapp, '93, and Kittie Hill, '94, both of whom will pursue the study of music at home.

We gladly welcomed another into our active chapter-- Josephine Young, '93, and Lillian Avann, '97, wears the light and dark blue as a token of her pledge to Kappa Kappa Gamma. Our "findings" now number eleven.

Harriet Goughran, '93, who represented Kappa in the London declamation contest in December, made us all happy by being awarded first prize.

Thursday, the 12th, will witness the inaugural of our president, Dr. Rogers. Nothing can exceed our pleasure in the new administration, and the changes which will be made will be beneficial ones, we trust.

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Our business meetings are held in the afternoon, and every other week we spend an evening together. After a literary programme, arranged by the committee, the rest of the evening is devoted to a general goodtime. We hope that the other chapters find their meetings as pleasant as does Chi.

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Kappa Alpha Theta will send representatives from their Grand Chapter, (Wooster, Ohio); Nettie P. Skinner of the University of Vermont will also be a delegate.

Delta Gamma may be unable to send officers on account of their spring convention at Ann Arbor, but the fraternity will be represented, as great interest is taken in this movement.

Pi Beta Phi will be represented by President Turner, the vice-president, and probably one other member.

Delta Delta Delta has entered heartily into the plan. This fraternity will send a large number of representatives and has kindly offered to share the expenses of the Convention.

Kappas, come one and all to Boston for the Pan-Hellenic. Sister Greeks of every name, come to Boston for the Pan-Hellenic. You will find a warm welcome. Bring credentials with you. Send your names and addresses to chairman of Central Committee, in order to receive an early reply in regard to place of entertainment, method of recognition, etc. Immediate communications from all convention visitors, official and unofficial, will greatly facilitate the work of the committees. COME ONE, COME ALL!

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## EDITORIAL.

### BETA EPSILON.

THE KEY extends greeting to Beta Epsilon, our new chapter at Barnard College, Columbia's annex.

It was on the 16th of January that the rites of establishment and initiation took place. Grand President Wight, assisted by Lucia Heaton, of the New York Woman's Medical College, and Mary Kingsbury, authorized Historian, conducted the ceremonies.

Although the college is small as yet, it ought to become in a short time a powerful institution, situated as it is in the great metropolis and having the advantage of the most scholarly instruction. Prominent educators are watching carefully the progress and condition of the college, and it is a mark of its importance that three of the women's







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And the one unassailable fact in this case is that the majority of women wage-earners work not because they choose, but because they must. For them it is not a question of the home of the world, the fireside or the office, as the Kappa Alpha remonstrant implies. It is a choice between this life or none at all; or, at best, one too cramped and embittered to deserve the name.

Nor does marriage offer more than a partial solution of the difficulty. To some of these women the alternative of marriage has not yet presented itself; to others it has appeared, indeed, but in the form of a loveless or unhappy union. Death, disease, dissipation, duty to dependent relatives--all these have had their share in reducing the number of possible marriages. Besides this we must remember that not all of these women wage-workers are single. Indeed, statistics show that a large minority are already married and have taken up gainful occupations in order to sustain home for invalid husbands or orphaned children.

A certain per cent. of women wage-workers, to be sure, are not dependent upon their earnings for subsistence; but this per cent. is so small as to in nowise invalidate the statement made at the start that the majority of women wage-workers seek gainful occupations not from choice but from necessity. This necessarily being admitted, the question of the nature of these occupations remained to be considered. Upon this subject our Kappa Alpha remonstrant is astonishingly explicit. He does not believe in women typewriters, factory operators, stenographers, doctors, lawyers, or preachers.

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This is no fanciful picture. Today in the lives of our sewing women we find conditions scarcely less deplorable than those suggested. The cruel oppression of employers, the starvation wages, the grinding competition of women with women--more cruel and hardening even than that of women with men--all these are found among the victims of the "sweating system." Only under present conditions these from but one part of the large body of working women, and even for these there is the possibility of advancement to higher spheres of activity.

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But what of the woman who has no such support? What of the woman, widowed or orphaned, who must fight her own battles? What of the woman who must herself turn knight and serve an invalid or incompetent husband? To these the mention of chivalry is little less than an insult.

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No; chivalry is all very charming and poetic in theory. As a matter of fact, since the days of Quixote it has been too much occupied with tilting at windmills to render any aid in clearing paths or building bridges.

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ger universities. It is time that we fraternity women be gaining more satisfactory information of the condition of life and work at those institutions in which we are represented, than the meagre details of chapter letters will supply, and that this article be supplemented by others concerning Life at Cornell, Syracuse, and a dozen additional colleges, not forgetting Barnard, the home of our youngest chapter, Beta Epsilon.

### EXCHANGES.

The Palm of Alpha Tau Omega for November discusses subjects of general interest to fraternities, including the ever interesting topic of Pan-Hellenism. We quote what the editor says about consolidation:

"Consolidation would reduce all the existing fraternities to one, whose only appropriate designation would be "Alpha-Omega," swinging the whole alphabet. Its inwardness and outwardness would be uniform, with chapters everywhere alike, and a single vehicle of publication. This would truly be centralization under one head. Even if practicable, we do not think this system would work well or long. It would be a knock-out blow on individualism and localism--the sources of our efforts and strength--and the Greek world could scarcely survive it. Some ambitious pretender would immediately step forth to play the king and the deuce with the combined force, and it might voluntarily start out on the broad and straight road to destruction."

Federation is advocated rather than consolidation, and the following reasons are given:

"Because Greeks have, virtually, identity of aims and organizations, because this is not a world or age for hermits, because it is requisite that they should know each other in a brotherly way, because they should mutually exchange their helpful sympathies and influences to bring about united, common action whenever this would tend to any good purpose common to all, because the benefits derivable from their organizations so perfected would necessarily extend outside of their own immediate lines and fortifications. Then, each fraternity would be placed under more favorable conditions for the development of its separate life (including all its pleasant, intimate, local features), precisely on account of the added intercourse with others, and a consciousness of general, all-round backing up, in the smaller as in the larger arena."

Here is a common-sense view as to fraternity rivalry:

"Jealousy is a close perception, a keen watchfulness; rivalry is a striving for equality and excellence. When both (







means of progress."

The Balm believes that it is "fraternities' salvation" expel members who do not pay dues, and quotes from Phi Upsilon Psi Shield and Theta Delta Chi Shield articles which show that both these fraternities hold and act upon this principle. A member who has nor loyalty and interest enough pay the necessary dues is not true member.

The Scroll of Phi Delta Theta opens with "The Chapter reside," which offers some excellent suggestions in regard to the cooperation of active chapters with the alumni on alumni day.

Some one gives good advice to Freshman in "We Spike, Are Liked." The writer speaks of the disadvantages of careless haste in deciding such important matters as the giving and accepting of chapter invitations:

"There is no need of haste. Beware of it. In this the sororities excel the fraternities. By a carefully preserved agreement the ladies refrain from offering propositions to new students until at least six weeks after the opening of the new year, a custom that thus far has proven a great success. Six weeks spent in association, investigation, and good work will allow but few mistakes on the part of the fraternities, and the new student, learning what brotherhood to him is most congenial; what policy best promotes his ambition; what society best fulfils his ideal will virtually drift into that fraternity with which he can best affiliate."

We wish that all chapter reporters of all fraternity magazines would read the following:

"In our communications to chapter reporters we have endeavored to impress upon them that the Scroll is not the medium through which local prejudices are to be conveyed to the college and fraternity world."

The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi contains a symposium--"Fraternity as an Educator." One of the contributors speaks as follows:

"That the fraternity influence be good intellectually and morally, should be the aim of every chapter. Each member should feel himself individually responsible for the highest possible realization of that ideal--should feel that with him rests the welfare of the chapter, and in a broader way that of the whole fraternity.

"In that way a chapter carries out its aims for advancement and growth must be left to its own judgment. It is thought sometimes that being a college organization it must necessarily follow that the fraternity be a literary organization. I know that in some fraternities in some chapters this held to be the main aim. But it seems to me that the







any fact that a fraternity is a college organization should forbid that literary work be an end of its existence, at least that it be a principal end.

"In my opinion the fraternity should be more for social relaxation than for literary study, for there is plenty of the latter in the regular routine of school work. It should inasmuch as possible supply the place of the home-life that has to be given up by students when they go away to study. The fraternity meetings should be made as attractive as possible, and the members be made to feel that they are indeed part of a home circle."

We are of the opinion, however, that there is not so much danger probable from too much literary study as there is from too great relaxation from work.

The Arrow points with some disapproval to Pan-Hellenism:

"Pan-Hellenism seems lacking in vitality. It appears to be a movement in which those who are meant to be interested have no heart. This fact is a weighty argument in favor of fraternity households as they now exist. We want our own little circle that we can see and know, and feel that it is ours. We want homes, firesides, penates, not communities, for hiding places. To be sure, we might be members of one great chapter, but how? Who can even dream of congeniality under such circumstances as compared with that we so much enjoy at it is?"

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The editor says further:

"Certainly this process of development can be better carried out in small circles of friends who personally know and love each other than in large organizations where individuals cannot become well acquainted, and where there will be a corresponding lack of interest."

We did not know before that Pan-Hellenism would break these "small circles," and even now are not convinced of its destructive tendency in this line.

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"I wonder if you are all as happy as X. We have had a pleasant and profitable term. We have had but--initiations. November--th we initiated Y and Z. We are pleased to introduce them to you. Next week we expect to add one more to our number. We like the new initiation ceremonies very much. We are quite impatient to see our new ritual."



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"The Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly contains an account of the forty-fourth convention at New York City. This account is interesting to others than Dekes, and others than Dekes. I, we are sure, read it with pleasure; but the editor has the prudence to take the following preventive measure against caustic criticism:

"The Delta Kappa Epsilon Fraternity is by reputation, policy and general practice, conservative; but it believes that conservatism means not opposition to progress, but a wise consideration of precedent and well-established usage; it believes that if any of its usages are to be modified it is for him who asks the modification to show why it should be made. No fraternity has had a better defined policy of extension than Delta Kappa Epsilon. It has been chary in granting charters, and has granted them only after probation and thorough examination, but the policy of extension, as it is now understood, seems to be that the Fraternity gives favorable consideration to institutions and to men who can demonstrate, the one that they are leaders in the educational life of the country, and the other that they are leaders in the institutions to which they belong. If we understand the policy of the Fraternity correctly, it is that there should be chapters in many institutions (only in leading ones), and that each chapter should be made select as to number in its particular institution.

"The recently established chapter, Sigma Tau, at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in Boston, is the best recent example of the principles above stated. Frequent applications had been made from students at this institution for several years past, but not till the last Convention did the time seem right for the institution of a chapter there. The Fraternity threw upon the petitioners the whole burden of proving the institution a worthy one for Delta Kappa Epsilon, and themselves worthy to represent the fraternity there. The energy, perseverance and courage which they showed in the face of severe requirements demonstrated more than satisfactorily that they were of such stuff as true Delta Kappa Epsilon were made."

The Kappa Alpha Journal is a pretty, "lady-like" magazine with a delicate, easthetic cover of white and gold. One of the correspondents writes that Kappa Alpha has always emphasized personal fineness. The Journal has, however, a warm, heart spirit which is quite cheering.

The chapter-house question is discussed in the January number, and a good scheme is suggested whereby each active member of the fraternity shall be taxed three dollars per annum. In two years, more than two thousand dollars would be raised. The chapter needing it most, would have the first house. Various modifications of this plan are proposed.

The editor is evidently annoyed with the sometimes naive, sometimes bombastic, sometimes facetious, style of the chapter letters. No wonder that the poor editor loses patience, and says: "Of all things under the control of men, words are the most wonderful. To use them properly and in good taste is a great talent." No wonder that he expostulates, upon reading such words as these:







"O Kappa Alpha, beloved fraternity, will may it be said at rainbows of hope, kissed by the eternal sunlight of prosperity, illumine thy pathway, and glittering stars of glory point thee to still greater attainments!"

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secured a good sum toward the prospective home. This showing  
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other than the prosperity of a chapter than a good house."

The editor speaks a word for Pan-Hellenism:

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added in this issue by the Pan-Hellenic Supplement. Pan-Hellen-  
ism is at least assuming a practical shape, and we are glad  
to do what little we can to help along the movement. The ra-  
pid development in the Greek letter fraternities, in the last  
few years, has brought them to the point where their interests  
are largely identical, and cooperation, and cooperation, under circum-  
stances, will tend to strengthen all without detracting from  
any. We hope to see, soon, a conference of the editors of  
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The Kappa Alpha Theta Journal appears in new cover, in  
a fraternity colors, black and gold, presenting a tasteful  
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Considering the Journal's previous reputation to publish  
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ed," we are somewhat surprised that the January number opens  
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The Journal contains about two and a half pages of editorial matter, and about ten and a half pages of exchange matter.

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"Any chapter that lives for itself, and by itself alone, will grow narrow and intolerant."

The Sigma Chi Quarterly comes next, and the first sentence that our eyes rest upon is this:

"Our new catalogue is a miracle of the bookmaker's art. Never did a lovelier river run between lovelier banks, than does this river of ink between the broad, beautiful margins of the pages."

Never have we met with a more original and ingenious bit of rhetoric. It is marvellous indeed!

The Quarterly contains a most interesting account of the establishment of the new chapter, "Alpha Phi," at Cornell University. We wish we might give the whole of the excellent address of Dr. Ziegenfuss on this occasion, but must be content with quoting from it:

"Our secrecy is not sinister. The grip and those words that have never yet been written or printed, are but of the nature of tests and safeguards. They tell us who are they that belong to us, and whether they are worthy of our utmost confidence. Secrecy itself is not evil. The abuse of it, like the wrong use of everything else, may truly be harmful.

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The Quarterly copies from daily papers florid descriptions of marriages of two of the brethren. These accounts are of great interest and benefit, but we must merely state that they contain the usual floral bells, satin gowns, and "elegant and costly presents."

The Anchora contains one sentence which all can ponder with profit:

"Not many chapters of any society can point with pride to all their methods, and not many individuals can look back on their "rushing" record without seeing some insincere speeches, pretend admiration and affection, delicate insinuation against rivals or clever devices for exaggerating the glory of their own fraternity, even if they find no absolute falsehood staring them in the face."

The Delta, of Sigma Nu, quotes an article on "Rushing" from the University of the South Magazine. We make one extract which must be suggestive to all:

"How to combine the two elements of zeal and energy on the one hand, with the fairness and courtesy due to her rivals on the other, is the delicate question which each chapter must decide for herself. Of course justice and frankness must be carefully and scrupulously observed, and will be so observed by every chapter composed of honorable men. Therefore it is not so hard to decide upon that point."

Of the exchanges at hand, the Palm, the Delta Kappa Epsilon Quarterly, and the Delta Upsilon Quarterly, contain in the Pan-Hellenic Supplement, a symposium of opinion on the all-absorbing topic of Pan-Hellenism. The opinions vary from the extreme to the other. The readers of The Key may be interested in some of these:

#### PAN-HELLENIC PLATFORM ENDORSED.

By Clay W. Holmes, editor of the Theta Delta Chi Shield.

WHAT IS PAN-HELLENISM?--Christ taught unselfishness, charity, patience, forbearance, virtue, truth, love. Fraternity men believe in these teachings and strive for them as far as human nature admits, but they draw the line when it comes to being smitten on both cheeks, or even on one cheek; and they readily fight rather than submit to persecution in any form. Practical fraternity does not require them to sell all they have and give to the poor, and as to forgiving one's brother seventy-times seven, it depends largely upon circumstances and the character of the sin. These ideas are wonderful







s in helping men to control their passions; but as practical men of the day demand and secure their rights; contend for every-day justice between man and man; vigilantly and jealously guard their political liberties and prerogatives; in other words, they believe in that practical Pan-Hellenism which is merely a studious comprehension of the civilization of the age and a knowledge of their relative position and part in its advancement, controlling and influencing it as far as possible in the right direction for ultimate benefit.

Applied first to college life and college ethics, Pan-Hellenism involves the proper selection of our associates in and out of Greek fraternities; the establishment and maintenance by and among college men of a collegiate code of honor; regulation of rivalries among Greeks as far as practical; promotion of a healthy competition in collegiate contests, State and Inter-State; prompt recognition of achievements; expulsion from fraternities and colleges for improper and demoralizing conduct. Secondly, it involves organization or the ascertainment of fields of usefulness for the enlistment of the activities of young alumni according to qualification.

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To the editor of Alpha Chi Omega.

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