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# THE GARNET AND SILVER



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## EDITORIAL

No pleasure could be greater than that of announcing to the fraternity that Everett Elijah Belding has consented to become editor-in-chief of the Garnet and Silver. No brother in the fraternity has a better conception of the workings of Gamma Delta Psi or possesses more enthusiasm than he, who was first given the honor of presiding in the highest office the fraternity has with which to honor one of its members.

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The following have been re-elected to the National Board: Walker of Alpha; Hurst of Delta; Smith of Epsilon; Batterson of Theta; Bidwell of Kappa; Townsend of Omicron; Bigelow of Rho; Stickney of Phi; Kemp of Chi; Finley of Zeta and Grimm of Alpha Alpha.

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Perhaps one of the most important changes caused by the Convention of 1909 was that of electing Edward R. Roehm, 16 John R. Street, Detroit, Mich., as the official jeweler to the Fraternity. His selection to that office was mainly due to the manufacture of constitutionally forbidden jewelry by Van Sise and Chapter of New York City.

In the election of Arthur R. Hurst of Delta to the Presidency of the Fraternity, the Convention of 1909 is to be congratulated. Brother Hurst achieved a training, at the hands of former president Palmer, which stands him in excellent stead and the manner in which he presided over the deliberations of the Convention shows that he possesses the stamina so vitally essential in the welding together of this brotherhood.

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It was with great reluctance the Editor was forced to announce, to the Convention of 1909, assembled in New Haven, Conn., that his resignation would be in effect following the publication of the present issue. Additional duties, civic and professional, are the causes and not feeling able to cope with the demands of the fraternity he desires to disassociate himself with the office ere a "slump" occurs. At present the paper is established more firmly than ever and after two years of existence it has a record achieved that is enviable. Results have been attained through the co-operation of the more enthusiastic brethren and in future it is recommended that more ardent assistance be tendered the succeeding editors. To those who have arisen in the hour of need the editor wishes to return thanks. Conventions from year to year serve to show that such an instrument is necessary, during the interim existing, to voice the sentiment of the brotherhood from clime to clime and bind the fraternity together into closer bonds of good fellowship.

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## **THE CONVENTION OF 1909**

The eleventh annual convention of Gamma Delta Psi will go down in the annals of the Fraternity history as a record unexcelled by any predecessors. Then, too, it was under the auspices of the Mother Chapter of the Fraternity, which lent a certain mysticism that served to enhance the every

movement of Alpha men and crown their efforts with marked success. As hosts, the members of the first chapter on the roll, proved themselves captains and the wheels of the entire chapter were so thoroughly greased and graphited that they operated without variance.

On Sunday evening, April 4th, the bulk of the delegates and those in regular attendance at the convention landed in New Haven preparatory to having a night's rest ere the sessions of the convention commenced. Everywhere about the station stood men with eager eyes awaiting the arrival of the "unknowns" and extending hearty welcomes. From the station to the Chapter rooms on Chapel Street the Alpha men "done themselves proud" with hospitality, for truth to say, this was the first time in eleven years that the Founding Chapter had the privilege of entertaining the Convention.

An informal reception took place immediately in the rooms and everyone was made to feel in a "come-right-in-and-sit-right-down-Sir" manner. By the following noon it was seen that the attendance at the Convention, which could only be estimated beforehand by conjecture, surpassed even the wildest hopes of an enthusiastic committee and when the hour came for depicting a miniature parody on bacchanalianism in the Yale University Club a roll call would have shown that every chapter was represented from one to one hundred strong.

Of the social side of the Convention it must be said, with credit to the Alphans, that there was nothing wanting. The Smoker, the Banquet, the Reception, the Dance. Ah, what a world of pleasure they represent. The first of these was held in the University Club, a most attractive place. Two hundred and twenty-five men were in attendance and the pool and billiard balls from the top floor to the twanging of the banjos and "Befo' de Wa'" refrain from the lips of the modernized Africans downward to Floor Number One,

set up a constant jingle that made the old forget they had ever grown old and the young forget everything else. The Smoker was not without its scenes of political machinations and had "Joe" Cannon or even the sunny-faced Nebraskan Boy Orator of the Platte popped in for a moment he would have declared that lobbyists were busily engaged at dicker-ing destructive details for the day following.

A pleasant feature of the banquet, which was held in Warner Hall on Chapel Street the following night, was the fact that Alpha Chapter had combined the function with their thirtieth annual dinner. That served to have a double meaning to the laddies from the Nutmeg State and they flocked home from the four corners of the earth to join in the festivities. Keenan's Harp orchestra discoursed a splendid musical program throughout the evening and they were not indisposed to conform to the wishes of the diners by occasionally leading the Fraternity songs, accompanied by the clinking of silverware and tumblers. As at the Smoker, a thing which added materially to the success of the dinner, was the presence of over a score of grey-headed men, including Walter Rowling Dann and Arthur Henry Jackson, Number One and Two respectively of Alpha. Aside from these two distinguished brethren there were seated at the speaker's table the following: John L. Gilson, Toastmaster; Arthur R. Hurst, President of the National Board; Howard C. Townsend, Editor of the *Garnet and Silver*; Everett E. Belding, Ex-President of the National Board; Charles P. Walker, Alpha National Board Representative; Oliver W. S. Smith, Epsilon National Board Representative; Walter E. Batterson, Theta National Board Representative; E. R. Embree, Alpha; James D. Fleming, Tau; and Dwight W. Blakeslee, Alpha.

The following toast program was interspersed with witty remarks from Toastmaster Gilson:

"The Sunshine Days"—Charles L. Kirschner.

“The Whitmore Trust”—Charles Pittman Walker.

“Gamma Delta Psi”—Everett E. Belding, Kappa.

“The National Board”—Arthur R. Hurst, Delta

“Alpha Chapter”—Edwin Rogers Embree, Alpha.

“Wise and Otherwise”—Howard C. Townsend, Omicron.

“The Crescent”—Dwight W. Blakeslee, Alpha.

“Systematizing Hello’s”—Ellis B. Baker, Jr., Alpha.

As at the Smoker each chapter was again represented and during the midst of the gaiety Toastmaster Gilson called upon the representatives of the several chapters to arise. Not one of the Active chapters failed to respond and each delegation was greeted with a generous handclap. This was an evening when Warner Hall belonged to Gamma Delta Psi, all traditions to the contrary notwithstanding. It was an enthusiastic gathering, thanks to Chairman Gilson and his able corps of assistants, and every whit of the evening’s program passed along like the daily schedule of a man on piece-work. The prevailing spirit was infectious and old and young alike joined in the song and cheer, waxing warm indeed. The evening concluded with a playlet entitled, “An Affair of the Heart,” written by Innis Gardner Osborn of Alpha Chapter, expressly for the occasion. The dramatis personae consisted of seven characters. Space and time forbid proper commendation of the efforts of those who participated in the highly entertaining farce-comedy.

On the afternoon of the third day the members were tendered a reception at “Lucerne,” the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Grave in Whitneyville. Those assisting Mrs. Grave were Mrs. John L. Gilson, Mrs. James E. Wheeler, Mrs. Samuel A. York, Mrs. Theodore Sucher, Mrs. Edwin R. Embree, Mrs. Herman P. Hessler and Mrs. Charles F. Messinger.

The crowning event of the three-day session was the ball held in Harmonie Hall when a program of twenty dances and numerous “extras” was afforded those desirous of trip-

ping the light fantastic. The patronesses were Mrs. Samuel Held York, Mrs. James Wheeler, Mrs. John L. Gilson, Mrs. Theodore Sucher and Mrs. Edwin E. Embree. Music was furnished by Williams' seven-piece orchestra.

The joint committee consisted of Edwin R. Embree, Frederick D. Grave, Jr., Howard Bird, Roger T. Bacon, William A. McAfee, Raymond E. Hackett, John L. Gilson, Innis G. Osborn, Clifford F. Messinger, George A. Stetson, Wallace Stiles and Dwight Blakeslee.



The official opening of the convention was called at 9:30 o'clock, Monday morning and over one hundred were crowded into the Alpha Chapter rooms—an attendance unprecedented. John L. Gilson, chairman of the Convention Committee, welcomed the delegates and visiting brethren and strengthening the attitude of the hospitality of Alpha, Edwin R. Embree, Secretary of the Convention Committee expressed the pleasure of his chapter acting as host for the convention of 1909. Of the eleven conventions held the last was perhaps entitled to the banner for accomplishing the most results. The transaction of business was done speedily and with excellent judgment.

The Convention was organized as follows: A. R. Hurst, chairman; J. E. Burton, secretary; D. E. Bray, Alpha; S. F. Parmenter, Delta; J. E. Meeker, Epsilon; A. S. Gouldon, Eta; H. L. O'Connor, Theta; J. F. Whitehead, Iota; F. E. Brigham, Kappa; H. F. Dunbar, Nu; J. S. Woodward, Omicron; K. Lindsay, Rho; L. N. Hopkins, Sigma; J. P. Dunbar, Phi; G. G. Hoyme, Chi; F. Gordon, Psi; H. W. Hodgkins, Zeta.

Some of the business transacted was as follows:

A universal pledge button was adapted on recommendation of Rho Chapter.

A report was read showing the "dead" condition of Tau Chapter.

Three chapters of Sigma Phi Fraternity, one chapter of Kappa Beta and one chapter of Alpha Kappa Sigma were duly admitted and installed, making a roll at present of twenty-one active chapters.

A report was made on a National Ritual and steps taken toward the establishment of same at the 1910 convention.

Zeta's charter was extended to cover several schools in Washington.

The National Jeweler was changed to Detroit.

The office of Garnet and Silver Correspondent was created. Additional officers for the staff, elective by the chapter in which the editor-in-chief holds membership, were recommended and constitutionalized.

Chi received vote of praise for correspondence.

Chair appointed Eta Chapter to select and present a gift to Wilbur Jenkins Downey, the first editor of the Garnet and Silver.

A new constitution will be published by Iota Chapter.

Unanimous negative action was had relative to allowing those outside the fraternity to wear any of the pins.

A National banquet will be held in New York City late this year.

One feature of the Convention, which must not escape attention, was the delightfully interesting trip on Wednesday afternoon about the campus and through the many buildings at Yale. The party was "chaperoned" by "Jim" Donnelly, the big, good-natured 'Varsity cop and he instructed as well as amused the fifty people who anxiously trailed behind him.

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## THAT CONFERENCE AT ROCHESTER

The first annual meeting of the Grand Inter-Fraternity Council of the High and Preparatory School Fraternities of the United States was held in the Chamber of Commerce at Rochester on April 30 and May 1.

Whether this organization, which is still in a remarkable state of infancy, will conserve the best interests of the High and Preparatory School fraternities of the country remains to be revealed.

An unified movement toward the end of bettering conditions, as now existing, would be welcomed by every scholastic fraternity, but as upon the foundation stone of the temple rests its future so likewise progression or retrogression of assailed secret bodies is held in sway by the founders of a movement to perfect a state of amelioration.

At the first session the members and representatives of fraternities having a chapter roll of three, providing they were in good standing, were permitted to occupy seats in the council. E. A. Bates, 300 Snow Building, Syracuse, N. Y., a member of Phi Delta Sigma, was elected president and R. F. Yates, 152 Brandywine Avenue, Schnectady, N. Y., was chosen secretary-treasurer. The fraternities represented in the meeting were: Gamma Delta Psi, Gamma Sigma, Sigma Phi Upsilon, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Delta Sigma, Phi Delta Sigma, Sigma Kappa Delta, Beta Kappa Gamma, Mu Delta Sigma, Delta Sigma Nu, Amin Ra, Omega Eta Tau, Theta Phi, Pi Phi, Omega Gamma Delta. A representative of each one of these chapters was named as a member of the executive committee.

A portion of the recommendations made was as follows:

That public and abusive initiations be abolished; that pupils be compelled to obtain parents' or guardian's permission to enter a fraternity; that none be allowed initiation until they have completed the Freshman year in the High or Preparatory School; that the school standing of each member be read at the regular meetings of his fraternity; that public literary exercises be held at least once per year; that school officers shall be permitted to enter the fraternity rooms at all times except during chapter meetings; that a Board of Arbitrators shall be formed by the fraternities in

each school for the express purpose of adjusting any difficulties that might arise therein so far as the fraternity members are concerned; that members having a low scholastic standing be denied the right of holding offices either in the school or fraternity; that any fraternity not complying with the requirements of the constitution shall, by a two-thirds vote of the Grand Council be expelled and not allowed to re-enter until said chapter complies with the regulations and receives a reinstatement by a similar vote of the Grand Council.

One of the initial things to be accomplished by the Grand Council was the adoption of a button for the purpose of distinguishing those who are identified with the Grand Council.

The next annual convention will be held in Detroit, Mich., during the month of May, in 1910.

The preamble to the constitution, which was adopted and put into force at the session held May First, sets forth the fact that it is the intention of those in sympathy with the movement to place before the public the objects of the fraternities and to create a body for the purpose of adjusting all grievances between the fraternities and school or civil authorities.



If the sessions held in Rochester are a criterion to follow in future it is a serious question whether it would be advisable for Gamma Delta Psi to become further connected with the movement.

The meeting was held in a decidedly "open" manner, our representative was not asked to present credentials showing his official connection with the fraternity and took a seat unquestioned. Newspaper men were allowed within the confines of the meetings, men of no fraternal affiliation whatsoever were consulted as to their opinions on certain propositions and allowed to be heard. At the close of the

session the Gamma Delta Psi representative was able to gain access to the minutes and the constitution and copied sections therefrom.

It would seem that there is too little secrecy at present and also that those in sympathy with the movement to extirpate the grounds for public criticism should exercise a more extensive degree of caution until the organization is placed upon a working basis, so that things may be done in a more systematic manner than at present.

Outside the Editor of the *Garnet and Silver* there has been no disposition on the part of those who are furthering the interests of the movement to communicate with the official representatives of Gamma Delta Psi. Every step that the Grand Council has advanced thus far has become public property and the activities of that body are tongued by ordinary laymen and presented to the public generally, with the press as a mouth-piece.

There is no question but that there is a necessitous demand for an organization of scholastic fraternities in order that there may be equal rights to all and special privileges to none. The antagonistic sentiment has increased wonderfully within the past year and has reached such proportions that unless resented or met face to face such organizations will be wiped out of existence. A spirit of exhortation could advantageously be promulgated among the rank and file of the respective fraternities of the country. The public should not in any sense be intimidated into believing that fraternities are established for the purpose of banding attacking cliques, but on the contrary, the educators as well as the public, must be brought to realize that fraternities are founded for the characterization and enactment of things worth while. They must be shown, and it is not necessary to display rituals, constitutions and the like, that, rather than to evidence or inculcate an antagonistic relationship between the school and fraternity, such bodies are

continued for the purpose of effecting a warmer and keener regard for the institutions of learning throughout the country. In doing this it devolves upon the individual fraternity member as a loyal duty to himself, his fraternity and civic righteousness, that he refrain from placing his fraternity ahead of home or school.

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## OMICRON WINS THE CONTEST

Below appears the names of the subscribers from Omicron Chapter who won the subscription contest planned in the December issue: Rollin O. Baker, M. D., Robert J. Bamber, Walter E. Blackman, Harold A. Brown, G. Walter Brown, Alexander Campbell, Egbert D. Corson, Klare F. Covert, Ralph L. Darrison, J. Stanwood Davis, William H. Earl, Kenneth Furgason, M. Glenn Folger, Wayne H. Folger, Benjamin F. Foote, Seneca J. Foote, Daniel D. Hayward, Howard A. Hopkins, Norman J. Keck, Robert J. Leake, Roger E. Lewis, George E. Martin, Howard W. McComb, J. Alden Michael, Ralph R. Oliver, Howard Outwater, J. Dudley Peterson, O. Neil Prudden, Frederick T. Ransom, Philip A. Richmond, Lester Robinson, Frank H. Shaeffer, Harry A. Shaeffer, Jesse T. Shaeffer, W. Mason C. Shimer, Harold P. Smith, Joseph C. Strong, W. Harrison Upson, Eric J. Williams and J. Seldon Woodward.

Omicron Chapter has 40 subscribers. Kappa is next with 39. Alpha and Iota each have 35; Sigma has 24, Phi 23, Eta 22, Theta 21, Epsilon 16, Zeta 15, Nu 13, Delta 11, Rho 8, Chi 5, Alpha Epsilon 5, Psi 4, Tau 4, Upsilon 2, Omega 1, Alpha Alpha 1 and Alpha Gamma 1.

The total number of subscribers is 325, composed of Active and Alumni members. There are over 275 on the list, who have not renewed their subscriptions this year, together with thousands that have never subscribed.

**DELTA AND THE FRATERNITY**

GLENN W. HOLMES, Delta No. 1

It is with pardonable pride that the writer turns to view the grandeur of the superstructure. It is with no small degree of satisfaction to him that he was one of those who, nearly a quarter of a century ago aided in the primary construction of the fourth arch on which the superstructure rests.

The growth and development of the fraternity has been marvelous. A membership of a few more than one hundred school boys belonging to four chapters in widely separated parts of the country, has grown to some twenty-five hundred men prominent in every line of business and in every profession belonging to twenty-five active chapters. This growth has made possible catalogues, publications and reunions that were not to be enjoyed in those days.

The growth of Chapter Delta from its inception has been continual and steady. It has successfully passed through the vicissitudes which befall all chapters of all fraternities, and a prediction for the future is hardly necessary. The organization which later became Delta Chapter of Gamma Delta Psi was perfected at the opening of the fall term of 1886. A number of meetings were held by those who later became charter members of the chapter and two or three others who entered other schools before the charter was finally granted. A petition for a charter for the local high school was formally presented to Chapter Alpha in the fall of the year 1886 and soon thereafter instructions were received to proceed with the institution of the chapter. The early part of the year of 1887 found the chapter in running order. The charter, the ritualistic and secret work were destined to come later.

Chapter Beta at Deveau College has fallen into a state of "innocuous desuetude" due to the graduation of all but one of its members. Chapter Gamma had passed out of

existence owing to the fact that the Maryland Military and Naval Academy had suspended operations and never resumed. Because of these two misfortunes Delta's charter was not received until the following June. Chapter Gamma was made up of men from all parts of the country and the last officers of the chapter were located with considerable difficulty.

In October, 1888, Brothers Frank B. and William I. Tibbals, Chapter Alpha and Frank Sidney Henry, one of the founders of Chapter Gamma, matriculated at the University of Michigan, where Brother Adnah C. Newell and the writer were students, and it was not until then that Delta became acquainted with the history and workings of the Fraternity, and the secret and ritualistic work. Several meetings were held at Ann Arbor attended by the above mentioned and Brothers W. Hubert Wood, then of Grand Rapids.

Brother Frank Sidney Henry of Gamma graduated in dental surgery and died soon after graduation. No more loyal or ardent member of the Fraternity than he, was ever initiated. He was continually planning for the advancement of the Fraternity and it was largely through his instrumentality that Chapter Gamma built up a chapter of such strength and proportion in so short a period of time. Even at the time of his death, he was planning a reunion of the members of the Fraternity, who could be induced to gather in Detroit, and through his efforts, had his life been spared, would have been due, the first convocation of the members of the several chapters of the Fraternity.

Contemporaneous with the advent of Chapter Delta in the High School, which up to that time had no fraternity, either local nor national; there came class spirit, base ball and foot ball teams, athletic field days, monthly and annual publications and all of those adjuncts that are almost as essential and attractive in the ideal high school or academy as a good curriculum. All of these with the exception of a

lone debating club had hitherto been conspicuous by their absence.

In these days of trials and tribulations when the high school fraternity has been so severely arraigned by the "powers that be" and an ever ready press most of whom are unwilling to attribute to fraternities even good motives, but have condemned them as bad "ab initio." These conditions exemplified by the local situation speak loudly in favor of high school fraternities to those who are open to conviction.

The long list of loyal alumni of Chapter Delta and their prominence in the business, professional, political and social world, bespeak for the chapter a continuation of the growth and prosperity that has attended her in the past.

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**PAULL OF SIGMA A WINNER.**

Wilton Paull of Sigma Chapter is developing into one of the greatest athletes of the day. The Press of the State is lauding his work on the track, especially in connection with his inter-collegiate racing. "Billy" won the hearts of the University of Pennsylvania students by saving the day for them in the meet this year, when Michigan was prevented from winning the four-mile relay honors. Seven straight years the Wolverines had captured the title and it remained for a Gamma Delt' to turn the trick. Paull opened his running career in Masten Park High School, Buffalo, and from there he went to Mercersberg, where on several occasions he wrested laurels from the heads of those who had repeatedly trimmed the sails of the shrine in which the members of Omega Chapter have pursued their "prep" courses.

# In Memoriam

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Died December 21, 1908

in Bridgeport, Conn.

Seldon Connor Waldo

Epsilon No. 51,

Born 1875. Initiated October 28, 1892

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Died December 23, 1908

in New York City

Han Dwight Sheldon

Omicron No. 23.

Born 1884. Initiated March 15, 1901

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# CORRESPONDENCE

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## ALPHA—HIGH SCHOOL

New Haven, Conn.

HAROLD D. KENNEDY, Correspondent

Filled with joy, owing to the fact that Alpha was able to hold the Eleventh Annual Convention of the Fraternity, and meet such a loyal gathering of Gamma men as Alpha has never seen gathered together before, we continue to strive for the best interests of the Fraternity with renewed vigor and strength. Alpha regrets sincerely that the round of good fellowship which existed could not have lasted longer.

In school the chapter has been very active. Bros. Bird and Osborn represented the chapter on the football team, with Bro. Kennedy manager and Bro. Stiles assistant. Hockey came soon after and besides having J. Burton captain and R. Burton manager Bros. Bromley, Bray, and Wheeler were members of the team.

In Base Ball we hold only one office and that Bro. Wheeler holds as assistant manager, but was forced to resign, owing to his leaving school.

Next year Alpha looks forward to brighter prospects as Bro. Stiles is Football manager and a pledge man whom we are thinking seriously of initiating in the fall is Bro. Stiles' assistant. R. Burton was recently elected Hockey captain and will be ably supported by the chapter as only two men are lost by graduation.

During the Christmas vacation we gave our second annual subscription dance under the management of Bro. Messinger and it was one of the greatest social successes of the Chapter although a very slight financial loss was incurred.

With our dance closes the social festivities of the Chapter

this year and our work is nearly over. Bro. Deming is working laboriously on the Crescent Annual and entertains hopes of bringing the publication out about the middle of May. This is the Chapter's largest undertaking in the way of subscriptions and from the present it looks as if Bro. Deming would be well repaid with the fruits of his labors.

As this is our last chance to meet the Fraternity as a whole in the sense of the word Alpha extends to all the heartiest wishes for a prosperous ensuing year.

E. R. Embree, Yale '06, was recently elected secretary and treasurer of the Yale Alumni Association of New Haven.

Bro. Fowler, Yale '06, former Business Manager of the Yale Alumni Weekly, is on the staff of Sales Agent of Colgate & Company and at present is acting manager of the Tennessee Sales Department.

Frederick Burgess, Yale '96, has lately attained great honor in the city. Bro. Burgess was assistant rector at Christ Church and owing to the recent death of the former rector he has been elected to the office by the parishioners.

Innis Osborn, '01, had a poem published in the April number of the Bohemian entitled "A Maiden in Calico." He has also sold a poem to Everybody's Magazine and stories to Munsey's and to the Atlantic Monthly all of which are yet to appear.

E. R. Embree, Yale '06, has a story under a *nomme de plume* in the May Bohemian entitled "Familiar Yarns of the Yale Faculty."

Robert R. Chamberlain, Yale 1910, has returned to college and was recently elected to the board of the Yale Record.

Clifford Messinger, '08, Frederick Grave, '08, Sydney Sargent, '08, recently made the Chi Psi Fraternity, York Hall in Yale.

Roger T. Bacon, '08, recently made Delta Phi Fraternity, St. Elmo in Yale.

William McAfee, Yale 1911, recently made Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Irving Beebe, Sheffield School '12, was soloist on the Yale Varsity Glee Club.

On the Freshmen Football team of Yale University were Bros. Messinger and Bacon of Alpha; Bro. Potter of Iota, and Bro. Savage of Epsilon.

C. R. Messinger, Yale '06, recently resigned from the Harbrison-Walker Company of Pittsburg, to accept the office of secretary of the Sivyer Steel Casting Company of Milwaukee, Wis. He is residing at the University Club of that city.

Lee C. Wilson, Yale '07, has been promoted to succeed Bro. Messinger as Sales Agent of the Middle West of the Harbrison-Walker Company.

Albert D. Blakeslee, '03, was recently married to Miss Martha Green of Nashville, Tenn., and is now residing at the home of his parents, Senator and Mrs. D. A. Blakeslee, on George Street.

Raymond Doty, Yale '07, was recently married to Miss Sadie Parmelee of this city and is now residing in New York State.

M. Grant Blakeslee has made the track team at Phillips Andover Academy and ran a dead heat with another member of the academy, breaking all former records for the distance.

Algernon B. Corbin, Yale '08, is now engaged as a chemist for the Winchester Repeating Arms Company of this city.

Sydney Sargent, Yale 1911, was forced to leave college on account of his health. His present address is Calaveras County, Murphy's, California, care Table Mountain Ranch.

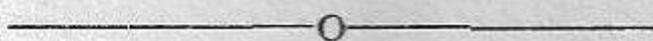
Clifford Messinger, Yale 1911, is singing on the Yale Freshman Glee Club.

Lawrence J. Blinn, Yale 1908, is engaged in business in Philadelphia, Pa., as a civil engineer.

Walter Hemingway, '05, Harold Thompson, '06, Benjamin Booth, '06, and Elihu Dickerman, '06, graduate from Sheffield School of Yale University this spring.

Paul Thompson, Yale '08, is now studying artistic decorating at Pratt Institute of Brooklyn, preparatory to entering business with his father.

Frederick Barnes, '07, is now engaged in the hotel business with his uncle, who is proprietor of the Longacre Hotel of New York City.



### **DELTA—CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL**

**Grand Rapids, Mich.**

**ROBERT GOODMAN, Correspondent**

For some time has the attention of Delta, as has that of all the other chapters, centered about the one word "Convention." Our delegate has nothing but praise for the hospitality and excellent management of Alpha Chapter and that of all the other chapters who entertained him. The recent Convention has meant a great deal to Delta as it turns our thoughts to plans for the 1910 conclave which will be held here. It is already the paramount topic for discussion among us. Money has been laid away and active work will soon begin. We are assured of a very large active chapter and of a host of loyal alumni, and feel no hesitancy in announcing now that the Convention of 1910 will be a winner from start to finish. Our large chapter will undoubtedly be able to take care of a record-breaking crowd, and our sincere hope is that every Gamma man who can possibly attend will be here.

The past few months have worked wonders for Delta. Of four national fraternities Gamma Delta Psi is the

acknowledged victor in the fight for supremacy in G. R. H. S. Our school is a large one, and, although we elect to membership only the cream of the incoming classes, we now have a pledge chapter of twenty-one embryo brothers.

Our policy of fostering all school activities has done much to silence the cry of "undemocratic." Another policy which we have taken up lately is that of "improvement." In many ways, large and small, has our chapter been moulded into a well organized unit, each brother working for the immediate good of his brothers and the ultimate good of Gamma Delta Psi.

The inter-fraternity agreement, which we had taken such pains to perfect, was dissolved some time ago and some hard feeling ensued. However, largely through the untiring efforts and diplomacy of our agreement committee, a new constitution was drawn up and the other fraternities drawn back into the fold.

Delta was exceedingly gratified at the election of Brother Hurst to the presidency of the National Board, and we take this opportunity to thank the delegates for this great honor.

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Park McMullen has been married to Miss Hazel Grady. The engagement of Abbot Widdicomb to Miss Leona Wurzburg has been announced.

Louis Grover has arrived home from the West.

Bro. McNabb and Wolf have made the Freshman track team at Michigan Agricultural College.

Joe Horner is a star member of the University of Michigan track team.

Gilbert White has been married in New York to Miss Mary R. Geary.

Otto Brower, formerly with Robert Mantell, is playing here in stock company.

Philip Stanton has left the U. of M. and is with the Judson Grocery Co.

Stephen A. Goodman is with the Bell Telephone Co.

Charles Stowe has been married to Miss Marion Cook of Portland, Oregon.

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### EPSILON—HIGH AND UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS

Bridgeport, Conn.

REGINALD MEEKER, Correspondent

Beginning the new year Epsilon took in Rolland Miller of the University School. The next month, February, the chapter invited the principal of the High School, Mr. Simonds, together with several of the faculty to attend an entertainment at the chapter rooms. The Faculty were favorably impressed and declared the Fraternity was no harm, whatsoever, to its members.

In the latter part of February we gave another entertainment to our pledgemen and the fathers of the members of the Active chapter. The principal features of this entertainment were the speaking of Dr. Sprang upon his trip to Porto Rico together with the singing of popular songs by our quartette. About the same time, the High School Assembly Hall, Harry Poctee, the champion high jumper of the world, and a graduate of Bridgeport High, spoke about his jumping and showed by stereopticon views the great Marathon race and contests.

About the middle of March we took in another fine fellow, Mr. Buckingham, formerly of B. H. S., but now at the University School. On April 2nd, Kappa Phi, our sister sorority gave their annual dance at the Stratfield, at which a great number of Gamma Deltas attended.

J. Edward Meeker was elected delegate to the annual convention with Bro. Hughes as alternate. Every fellow in the Active Chapter attended the convention at least one of the three days and J. E. Meeker and R. Meeker went to

Hartford at Theta's banquet the next night. Epsilon extends her best wishes to the new chapters that were admitted at the convention and hopes that they will be successful and helpful as chapters in Gamma Delta Psi Fraternity.

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William Whitcomb, B. H. S., '08, Yale '12, is on the Freshman Baseball squad.

Bro Stein B. H. S. '10, who had two operations on his leg is very nearly well.

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## ZETA—HIGH AND PREPARATORY SCHOOLS

Washington, D. C.

HOWARD W. HODGKINS, Correspondent

Zeta now has fourteen actives and since our charter has been extended we will probably take in several men shortly.

Gordon Slarrow, G. W. Hodgkins and H. W. Hodgkins are on the debating teams which has won all of its debates so far and promises to be a championship team.

Brother Hospital has been elected captain of the rifle team and is quite probable that Brothers Morrison, Couch and H. W. Hodgkins will also be on the team.

Brothers Harrah and Armstrong represent us on the baseball team together with two of our pledge men.

H. W. Hodgkins was elected editor of the school year book "The Brecky" and he will be assisted by several brothers on the staff.

Wilson Townsend was elected Speaker of the school House of Representatives and several of the brothers are members.

We have given two dances since the last issue of the Garnet and Silver and also a smoker at which we were glad to have present Brother Michael of Omicron and Brothers McNulty and Brosseau of Tau.

Ray C. Tower of Omicron visited us while on his honeymoon.

We expect to give a minstrel show some time in May.  
James N. Peale is a cadet at West Point.

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**ETA—BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL**

**Brooklyn, N. Y.**

**HENRY H. TAYLOR, Correspondent**

The four months since the last issue of the Garnet and Silver has been very eventful ones for Eta and have greatly helped to bind the chapter more closely to the National Fraternity.

On the twenty-eighth of December, Eta gave her annual banquet at the St. Mark's Hotel, Brooklyn. With an attendance of over fifty actives and alumni the gathering proved to be a great success. Alec G. McAllister, a former principal of High School, assumed the role of toastmaster. Toasts were given by William P. Allen, Percy M. Gilbert, Howard C. G. Barnaby, Charles C. Scofield and Walter H. Bass, the latter of the active chapter. Brother Goulden managed the affair splendidly.

Four days after the banquet, on New Year's night, Eta held her annual dance at the Pouch Mansion. Twenty-four couples enjoyed themselves to their utmost and the dance was a great social success.

The indoor track season closed recently and High School's team stands well among the leaders. Several meets have been won although we have had to be content with a few second places. Prominent among the point winners is Brother Major, who has added at least ten points to High School's score at every meet.

Brother Townsend, editor of the Garnet and Silver, made us a brief visit following the New Haven convention.

The lacrosse team started its season with an 8-0 victory over Townsend Harris School of New York. Five brothers are on the squad, nearly all of whom are sure of positions on the team.

For several weeks the actives, assisted by several alumnis, have been working upon a minstrel show. Our efforts met with success when the eighth annual entertainment was given at Memorial Hall, April 16th. Under the most able direction of Daniel A. Boyle, a show was presented that has been pronounced the best ever given by Eta Chapter. Moreover, it not only helped bind the brothers more closely together, but also made them feel strong in the sense of being able to "do things."

With an active chapter of eighteen and a pledge list of about eight, Eta hopes to finish the year successfully.

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**THETA—HIGH SCHOOL**

**Hartford, Conn.**

**W. CHENEY BROWN, JR., Correspondent**

Another three months have passed successfully for Theta, and now the close of her fifteenth year is near at hand.

First of all we wish to congratulate Alpha chapter on the fine success of the recent convention which was managed so well by them. Many of our brothers were present and they report that it was the best affair that they ever visited. We also wish a like success to the managers of next year's convention. The day following the convention Theta gave her fifteenth anniversary banquet which was largely attended by Gamma Delta Psi brothers from far and near. Several were present from the west, including Bro. Hurst; while many visited us from nearer chapters. The dinner was followed by pool, bowling and card tournaments.

This year's play is *The Bachelors' Banquet* and it took place April 23rd at Foot Guard Armory.

The thing of most importance which Theta has accomplished since the last issue of the *Garnet and Silver* is the bringing about of an inter-fraternity agreement with reference to pledges. It prohibits the pledging of freshmen until a certain date, their initiation until about a month

after that date, and the pledging of grammar school men. The agreement is what we have tried for a long time and is very favorable to Gamma Delta Psi.

Brother Batterson, our National Board Delegate, was the prime mover in securing it and he was aided by Bro. Connor of the active chapter. If any of the fraternity chapters who are trying to make agreements would like a copy of ours we would be very glad to forward it to them at their request.

Bro. Walter E. Batterson has been re-elected our National Board Delegate.

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### IOTA—CENTRAL HIGH AND UNIVERSITY SCHOOLS

**Detroit, Mich.**

PAUL M. BOWEN, Correspondent

Iota is at present in a very prosperous condition. The actives now number twenty-three, about evenly divided between the Detroit University School and the Detroit Central High.

The work on our annual, "The Helicon," is progressing favorably and the book went to press last month. The advertisements came in very well although there is a considerable slack compared with the number that were collected at the beginning of the work.

Anti-fraternity agitation has started in Michigan. A bill was introduced into the state legislature recently which declared that all high-school fraternities and sororities should be abolished. The cause for the bill was not the fraternities in the larger cities of the state but those in small towns in the northern part of the state. The fraternities of these towns maliciously abused their privileges and consequently have jeopardized the existence of the fraternities. There is not much chance at present for the bill to pass because of a number of fraternity men who are in the legis-

lature, who are doing all in their power to kill this measure. Mr. David Mackenzie, the principal of the Detroit Central High School, has agreed to write if necessary to the legislature which will be favorable in every respect to High School fraternities.

After spending a little over \$100 on our last year's rooms and having a grand opening with an initiation and feed, October 1st, we were burned out the day following and practically every thing was destroyed by smoke, fire and water. This made it necessary for us to find new rooms which we now occupy and which are much more spacious and fine than the old ones together with a larger rent. Now we are enjoying janitor service.

The following brothers are distinguishing themselves in the schools:

George Chaney, president of Senior Class, D. V. S.

Phillip Fletcher, vice-president of Senior Class, D. V. S.

P. Fletcher, P. Brush and E. Locke, Hockey team, D. V. S.

P. Fletcher, mgr. of track team.

"The Helicon" officials: Geo. Chaney, Editor; G. Stroh, Assistant Editor; T. Thurber, Assistant Editor; K. Moore, Business Manager; F. Stephens, Assistant Manager; Guy Rondot, Assistant Manager; B. Duffield, Illustrator.

Brothers of distinction at Central High are: F. Whitehead, Foot Ball, Track Manager; T. Whitehead, 9th grade representative for Athletic Association; B. Duffield, Assistant Base Ball Manager; F. Gilkenon, Board of Control.

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**KAPPA—HIGH SCHOOL**

**Springfield, Mass.**

EDWARD M. PORTER, Correspondent

The most important news Kappa has to contribute to this issue is the change in the location of the rooms. Our old rooms were unsuitable, both on account of the great size of

one, and the poor condition of them. As the expense of improvements was to be so great, and as we could not secure a lease to protect ourselves and to warrant the expenditure of a considerable sum of money, we have moved to 427 Main Street, in the Five Cents Saving Bank Building. These rooms are well furnished and of more convenient size, one being used as a poolroom, another as a meeting room, and the small entrance hall having space for a number of lockers which are rented at cost to the brothers. In these more homelike apartments Kappa men cannot but take more of an active part in the chapter life. We cordially welcome visiting brothers to these rooms.

On January 8th, the Kapparappers gave their 3rd annual benefit theatrical performance in the Court Square Theater. The play chosen was William Collier's "Caught in the Rain" and an audience that filled the theater listened with appreciation to the ably-handled performance. The Ferry Street Settlement, a local charity benefited by the performance to the extent of two-thirds of the \$600 net profits. The career of the Kapparappers, a theatrical society of Kappa Alumni, which draws on the active chapter in some measure, for material, is quite a source of pride to the chapter. Their first performance, "The Man from Mexico," was given March 1, 1907, was warmly received, but was far surpassed by the second production, "Christopher, Jr.," given Jan. 17, 1908. "Caught in the Rain" was the crowning effort of Kappa's amateur actors and its success was well deserved. This success is due in no small measure to Robert F. Day, who coached the last two productions, at the same time filling successfully a leading role, and to David Burbank who handled the finances of the last two performances so creditably and advantageously. The achievements of the Kapparappers reflected not only upon the Kappa Chapter but also upon all Gamma Delta Psi.

Spring with its many activities finds the brothers busy on

school and fraternity enterprises. Among our number are athletic managers and members of teams; the editor of the senior annual is a Gamma man as is the manager of the school monthly paper. We are represented in the musical and literary organizations of the school.

On Friday, April 16th, we held our annual spring dramatics and dance. The farce "Poison" was given.

In closing, the twenty-six brothers in our active chapter wish all the fraternity success.

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### NU—HIGH SCHOOL

**Brookline, Mass.**

HENRY F. DUNBAR, Correspondent

Four new members have been enrolled since the last issue of the *Garnet and Silver* and now Nu has the largest roll it has seen in years—sixteen active members, and one, whom we hope presently to welcome with open arms.

Early in the year a chapter of the national fraternity Sigma Delta Psi was introduced into the High School. Having already had some little trouble with the chapter of Sigma Psi Upsilon as regards to pledging men and, anticipating new trouble with the new fraternity, we requested a meeting with the other two to form a compact concerning pledging men. Each fraternity was represented by two actives and one honorary and a compact was drawn up to this effect, "No pupil shall be pledged until March 1st of his first year in the High School."

This compact was to be copied three times and each copy signed by one member of each fraternity and one copy to be kept by each fraternity.

The feeling between the three fraternities is most friendly. The only ill feeling that has been shown was between the fraternity and non-fraternity element and this was but slight.

On the evening of February 22nd, we gave a small dance at Riverdale Casino, Brookline. The school and town

papers both pronounced it a great success. There were about seventy-five couples present everyone of whom had a fine time. The feature was the "Moon Dance" when the hall was lighted by a big crescent alone which hung high on the walls and had the fraternity letters upon it and "Nu" between the horns.

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**OMICRON—HIGH SCHOOL**

**Lockport, N. Y.**

PHILIP A. RICHMOND, Correspondent

Since December we have increased our roll of active members two men. They are Carl Flinchbaugh and Edward Lewis. This makes our chapter number sixteen.

Our annual dance in December proved a success, and sometime later we had a sleighride party to Swormsville, several miles from the city, where we enjoyed a dinner and dance.

In January, Lambert Hickey was elected president of the Senior Class.

A short time previous to the convention several brothers from our chapter, together with a number from Sigma, went to Niagara Falls for the purpose of investigating a local fraternity, which contemplated petitioning Gamma Delta Psi. Omicron is very favorably impressed with the organization and we believe that by another year they will make a strong acquisition to our fraternity.

Omicron is well represented in athletics this year. At the 42nd Armory meet, held at Niagara Falls, in January, Flinchbaugh captured first prize in the 250-yard handicap and third place in the 65-yard dash. At the next meet, held on March 4th, Covert got third place in the 250-yard handicap and Shaeffer took third place in the three-mile. Covert is also manager of the High School basketball team and plays on the team. Ferguson plays center field on the baseball team. Lewis plays first base and is captain of the

team. Strong has been elected manager of the football team.

On March 17th, an entertainment was given in the school. The committee in charge, which was appointed by the principal, was composed entirely of our men.

Arrangements are being made to celebrate our tenth anniversary next month. We will hold a banquet and dance, in all probability, at Olcott Beach. Every brother of Gamma Delta Psi is cordially invited to attend. We expect to have President Hurst and several of the older brothers present.

Several brothers attended the annual banquet of Sigma chapter on December 26th and on March 22d Brothers Townsend and Standish attended a dinner given by Sigma chapter in honor of Wylie Brantley Jones, No. 3, Alpha.

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On Tuesday, April 13th, O. Neil Prudden was united in marriage to Miss Evelyn Oesterle of Muncie, Indiana. They will reside in this city.

F. Allen Tovell was married to Miss Mildred E. Huston, of this city, on the afternoon of March 20th. They left immediately for British Columbia where they will make their home. Brother Tovell has a position as irrigation inspector.

In December Glenn A. Stockwell was united in marriage to Miss Adelaide Nerber. They are residing at Niagara Falls, where Brother Stockwell opened a law office.

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Roy D. Van Valkenburgh to Miss Louise M. Hurd, of this city. The wedding will take place in the near future.

J. Alden Michael passed inauguration week in Washington and visited Zeta chapter.

Alden Jewell of Delta passed a brief time with us while in the city with the Peer Gynt Company in March.

Charles Whitmore has entered the garage business with his brother Thomas C. Whitmore.

Harold A. Brown is with the Covert Motor Vehicle Company in this city.

Frank A. Mac Master is in Cleveland, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas C. Whitmore announce the birth of a daughter, Ruth Hoover Whitmore, on May 14th.

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**RHO—ACADEMY AND HIGH SCHOOL**

**Milwaukee, Wis.**

LEWIS G. CASTLE, Correspondent

“Resolved, That no pupil of any high school of any of the Milwaukee public schools shall be permitted to retain or acquire membership in any manner or form in any secret society, such as a fraternity, or a sorority and the like. A violation of this section shall be cause for suspension or expulsion of the offending pupil.”

The above resolution was read to delegates from all the Milwaukee secret societies some time ago and the head masters of the high schools requested the fraternity representatives to notify their chapters to return their charters at once and comply with this decision of the school board.

Rho Chapter consulted several lawyers on this resolution and the general opinion was, that the school board had exercised their authority past the limit according to the “Powers of Educational Institutions” in the Wisconsin state statutes. Therefore, Rho has stopped the use of pledge buttons so as to create less publicity among school authorities and also will not publish the “’09” Crescent for the same reason. The storm will probably pass over by next Fall. If however, the school board insists upon a signed pledge from each student we will have to lay down our arms.

Brother Kenneth Lindsay was elected delegate to the ’09 convention.

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Brother Jewell of Delta passed through Milwaukee with the Louis James Comapny in “Peer Gynt.” Several members of the Rho met him.

Brother Messinger of Alpha is now permanently located in Milwaukee. Address, care University Club.

Brother Itsworth has returned to Milwaukee and is working with the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co.

Brother Bigelow has left the McGeoh estate and is now in the Bond Department of The Fidelity Trust Co.

Brother Patter is in the Real Estate Department of The Durand Co.

Brother McLeod is located at the plant of Milwaukee Solvay Coke Co.

Brother Lindsay was elected Editor in Chief of "The Mercury."

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**SIGMA—PREPARATORY SCHOOLS**

**Buffalo, N. Y.**

ERNEST MONCRIEFF, Correspondent

On March 22nd we had a dinner at the Statler Hotel in honor of Wylie B. Jones, Alpha No. 3. which was well attended.

Our annual Easter dance was held April 16th, in the new Auditorium hall and was a very pleasant affair.

Dunbar Sullivan has been elected captain of the track team at Nichol's School and Bro. Frazer Sullivan and Moncrieff are also on the team.

From the glowing accounts given by our delegate, Leo. Hopkins, Alpha Chapter is to be greatly complimented on the convention.

Sigma extends to Bro. Hurst her hearty thanks, congratulations and best wishes for his work.

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We have just received a letter from Bro. Sutfin who is with the Vacuum Oil Co. in London, England.

Fred Hopkins has returned to Buffalo to stay and will not go West as he intended.

The engagement of George Mackey to Miss Bertha Newin of this city is announced.

Wilton Paull is doing great work on the University of Pennsylvania track team.

On February 26th, in Richmond, Va., Harry M. Root was married to Miss Joan S. Adair of that city.

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**TAU—LAKEVIEW HIGH SCHOOL**

**Chicago, Ill.**

LEWIS T. GREGORY, Correspondent

Since the last issue of the Garnet and Silver Tau has had a number of notable events, even though we are now considered as a "dead" chapter. On December 29th, we gave a "rip-snorting" good dance, at which there were about ninety couple present, including about thirty Gamma Deltas. Financially the dance was a success, and it was not of the subscription variety.

On February 27th, Brother Crittenden was given a Farewell Smoker, on the eve of his departure for the Far West. There were about twenty-five present and a more jolly crowd was never seen. This also proved a financial success. Unique programs were distributed among the brethren, which contained a line of up-to-date comedy and included the entire chapter in nom' de guerre.'

We held another smoker on April 17th at the Sherman House, at which twenty-five passed an enjoyable evening. Although we are oft styled as "dead," yet we feel that at times we represent an exceptionally "live" corpse. This fact will be fortified more strongly when it is considered that we are to hold two more smokers and an annual entertainment before the close of school. The entertainment is to be given under the auspices of the "Crescent Club" this time.

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Brother Griffith has just returned from a six week's trip in the West.

Brothers Austin of Wisconsin, Danforth of Illinois, Dunne of Ann Arbor and McNulty of Georgetown, were in Chicago during Easter vacation.

Brother Coen has just returned from Canada, where he has been employed for the past two months.

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**PHI—HIGH SCHOOL**

**Lowell, Mass.**

**GEORGE O. ROBERTSON, Correspondent**

Phi having opened the year with eight actives has now fourteen active members.

Our annual fraternity party which was given at Colonial Hall January 1st, was in every way a great success.

Brothers Donahue and Mahoney are two very prominent men in the base ball team, the former being our representative at the convention.

The Theatricals given by the Phi Eta Club of Harvard, April 27th, under the auspices of Gamma Delta Psi were a great success.

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**PSI—KISKIMINETAS SCHOOL**

**Saltsburg, Pa.**

**GEORGE S. HOWELL, Correspondent**

Psi started the year with twelve active members, having lost six through graduation. These were: Bro. Andrews, who entered Amherst; Bro. Smith entered Pennsylvania; Bros. Henderson and McGraw entered Cornell and Bros. Crothers and McKenzie are in business.

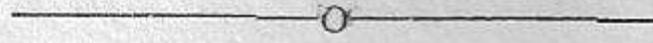
We have done fairly well this year in athletics, having had five men on the football team, with Bro. Fanker as captain. Bro. Gordon has been elected captain of next year's team.

In basketball Psi was well represented, having three men on the team with Bro. Gordon as captain.

The baseball season looks very prosperous for Kiski as well as for Psi. Bro. Fancher is captain of the track team and expects to have an unusually good team this year.

A few of Psi's men attended a banquet given by Alpha Alpha on March 27 in Pittsburg. All had an enjoyable evening.

Thus far this year we have taken in seven men, which brings our active chapter membership to nineteen.



### **ALPHA ALPHA—WASHINGTON AND JEFFERSON ACADEMY**

**Washington, Pa.**

**PAUL H. GEORGE, Correspondent**

Since the last issue of the Garnet and Silver, Alpha Alpha has been prosperous.

A Student Senate has been established in the Academy which has to do with the welfare of the students. Brother Carson is president. Brother Gates senator from third year and Brother Gribble from second year.

In our combined musical clubs we have eight men. Brother Carson is president, Brother Montgomery, vice-president, Brother Stewart leader, Brother Gribble secretary and Brother Gates treasurer. A number of good entertainments have been given and more will follow.

On the afternoon of March 27th, we gave a theater party at the Nixon Theatre, Pittsburg. Later at 7:30 p. m., we sat down to a banquet at the Fort Pitt Hotel in the same city. About thirty-five brothers were present among whom were brothers from Psi and Omega. A large number of excellent toasts were given and the songs were very appropriate.

Brother Davis has made the relay team which was entered in the track meet of the Pittsburg A. A. at Duquesne Garden, Pittsburg, April 17th, 1909.

A number of our brothers are making a good showing on the base ball and track teams.

Brother Montgomery returned with a very good report from the convention, having enjoyed himself immensely.

**ALPHA BETA—RANDOLPH-MACON ACADEMY****Front Royal, Va.****BRACKEN C. TODD, Correspondent**

Alpha Beta sends her best Spring wishes to all her sister chapters.

Our base ball season opened on April 7th and we were well represented on the team, having five men on it, including the captaincy. We also won the first game.

We are very glad that we were granted a chapter in Gamma Delta Psi, and will do our best to uphold its good standing.

**ALPHA GAMMA—HIGH SCHOOL****Montclair, N. J.****IRWIN TRACEY, Correspondent**

On Friday evening, April 9th, sixteen active and honorary members of the Eta Chapter journeyed to Montclair, and under the leadership of Brother Bass, eleven active and eight honorary members of the Mother Chapter of the Sigma Phi Fraternity were made members of Gamma Delta Psi. Our first business was the election of officers. D. W. Wallace was elected president, and Alfred Williams of South Mountain Avenue, Montclair, N. J., was elected corresponding secretary. We were all very much impressed with the Gamma methods and our new constitution, and all felt that we could honestly strive for the good of the Brotherhood enrolled under the gold Crescent.

Our membership in the Montclair High School consists of thirteen, of whom five are in the Senior class and as we have been working together (some of us since 1902), we are rather well organized. Since our initiation we have enjoyed the hospitality of Alpha Delta Chapter at their annual Easter dance, which was held on the 16th of April. Twelve of our pledges, actives and alumni members enjoyed the affair. During the evening Brother Baldwin announced to the assembled members and guests, that the Sigma Phi

Fraternity was no more, but that Gamma Delta Psi would from now on hold our allegiance. This announcement was made in Montclair to the Council of the Fraternities in the school—an organization, by the way, which was launched at our instigation.

Our members who will graduate this year will all go to college; Wright and Tracy to Princeton, Wallace to Cornell, McGhie to Yale, E. Williams probably to Wisconsin and Kilpatrick to Wooster University.

Among the events which we are planning for is the Annual Chapter Banquet to be held in June.

Brother Wallace was extended hearty congratulations upon his management of the mandolin club, which concluded its season April 16th, with a very successful concert. A. Williams and E. Williams made the quartet of the Glee Club. Tracy also sang. Other musicians include Brothers McGhie, piano; Simms, mandolin. A Williams has been elected captain of the hockey team for next season. Allan Johnson has been elected president of the class of 1910 for the third consecutive year. Brother Wallace was manager of basketball this season. Brothers Wight and Williams are captain and manager of the newly inaugurated swimming team, which has a record of three victories and no defeats. Brother McGhie is leading the baseball team this Spring, while E. Williams will pitch. Five of our men were on the Football Team, which won the Championship of Northern, New Jersey last season, they were Wight, Kilpatrick, Wallace, E. Williams and A. Johnson. Johnson is basketball captain for next year. Kilpatrick has finished his second year on the debating team.

The school authorities in Montclair have seemed rather favorably inclined toward fraternities for about three years. Our policy has always been one of co-operation and we do not feel the anxiety which I notice many of our sister chapters have in this matter. Toward the other fraternities in

the school feeling is gradually becoming a friendly one. The relative rank of our competitors is: Sigma Sigma (local), first; Alpha Iota Epsilon, second; Sigma Delta Psi, third and Delta Theta, fourth. There is also an unrecognized chapter of Alpha Kappa Gamma here.

Alfred Williams and Edward Slocum, our envoys to the New Haven Convention, haven't finished (up to date) telling us of the splendid welcome and "corking good time" during their stay.

The honorary members so far initiated are Brothers: C. Haldane Johnson, who is with the Morgan Advertising Agency in New York City; Andrew G. Osborne, Chi Psi Lodge, Wesleyan; James Sanders and Samuel Board, Yale, 1911; Vincent E. Gorman with Best & Company, Vessey Street, New York City; Edgar Wheeler, Princeton, 1911; Fritz Bryant, Cheschire School, and Walter Crane, Columbia University, 1912.

In conclusion let us extend our heartiest fraternal greetings to our new brothers, and to urge each and every one of them to look up Alpha Gamma when in Montclair. We have no rooms this year but our regular meeting occurs every Friday evening at the home of some member, and we all have 'phones, so visiting brothers need have no difficulty in locating us.

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**ALPHA DELTA—HIGH SCHOOL**

**East Orange, N. J.**

**JOHN S. BLAIR, Correspondent**

On April 16th, we gave a most successful dance at which time the announcement of our change in fraternity identification was made and cordially and heartily received. There were a number of brethren present from Alpha Gamma.

On the present baseball team we have the manager, captain, pitcher and right fielder.

**ALPHA EPSILON—DE WITT CLINTON HIGH SCHOOL****New York, N. Y.****ARTHUR W. HAY, Correspondent**

We have at the present time fourteen active members, of whom we will lose half this coming June.

The football team of last fall had two of our men on it, L. J. Witherby as captain and Bro. Van de Water. Bro. Thomson was assistant manager. Next fall Bro. Thomson will be manager and Bro. Spooner assistant manager.

Brothers L. J. Witherby and Wood will probably represent us on the crew.

The swimming team has Brothers L. F. Witherby, Spooner, Van de Water and O'Neall manager from our chapter.

Brothers Swift and O'Neale are manager and captain of the tennis team.

Brother Wood was manager of the Soccer football team.

In the Atlantic Association L. J. Witherby is president and Bro. Wood secretary.

Our annual, the Clintonian, has two of our members on its board. Bro. Woodward and Bro. L. F. Witherby.

Bro. Hubbard was on the rifle team that won the city championship.

Alpha Epsilon held their dance on April 2nd and it was a success socially.

**ALPHA ZETA—CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL****Philadelphia, Pa.****WILLIAM W. BRYANS, Correspondent**

Although very young in the Fraternity, Alpha Zeta Chapter is nevertheless prospering and every member is striving to make this a chapter of which the members of Gamma Delta Psi may well be proud.

John J. Springer is pole vaulting for the track team and great things are expected from him.

Herbert E. Doerr is rowing on the crew and James H. Stevenson is a candidate for the baseball team.

Ralph C. Hobson has been elected assistant manager of the track team and he was also appointed on the Sophomore banquet committee.

William W. Bryans is secretary of the Senior Class and a member of the Class Day committee. Ralph D. Keller is on the Promenade Committee.

Samuel W. Marshall is a promising candidate for the baseball team.

Richard F. Randall, Jr., has left school to enter business with his father.

Roscoe C. Schmidt, '08, is a member of the "Merely a Monarch" cast in the Mask and Wig production that is meeting with such a tremendous success.

William Warner, '08, is playing left field on the Pennsylvania Freshmen Baseball team.

We extend to the members of all chapters a hearty invitation to visit us. Any brother contemplating a visit to Philadelphia should communicate with W. W. Bryans, 37 Saunders Ave., West Philadelphia, Pa., who will see that they are made to feel "perfectly at home."

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### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

1309 Cherokee Street, Denver, Colo., March 16, 1909.  
H. C. Townsend, Editor:

Dear Brother:—Enclosed herewith you will find check for \$1.00 to cover annual subscription to the *Garnet and Silver* for 1909. The writer has derived much pleasure from reading the different copies of the Fraternity publication as they have been received. It is well gotten up and each issue is snappy and contains a lot of valuable Fraternity news. There is much strife in Denver at present regarding High School fraternities, in fact the conflict has become so great that the question has been taken before the General

Assembly and argued with much force pro and con. The fraternity boys have employed excellent counsel and will fight the question to the end. In my mind it is only a matter of time when all High School fraternities will be forced out of existence with the exception of a few of the stronger ones, and they will remain through the co-operation of their Alumni. For this reason, if for no other, every Alumnus of Gamma Delta Psi should strive in every way possible to protect our Fraternity both by word and deeds, and there is no better way to begin than by subscribing to the Garnet and Silver, reading each number carefully, and following the suggestions contained therein.

With very best wishes for a successful National Banquet in 1909, and trusting you will extend to all present my kindest regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

J. I. GARDNER, Alpha 213.

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Grand Rapids, Mich., Feb. 17, 1909.

Howard Cole Townsend, Lockport, New York:

Dear Brother Gamma Delta Psi:—I am enclosing my personal check for \$1.00 for the Garnet and Silver. On account of my being away from home so long, it has happened that I have been without the Fraternity paper, except for two excellent numbers. With this is my Chicago address, where you will always reach me. I consider you and those who are so well aiding you in the successful management of the "Garnet and Silver" are deserving of the heartiest congratulations. The effort is a wholesome addition to the good Gamma Delta Psi does everyone of us, and is bound to greatly strengthen the already strong ties which bind us all.

I certainly wish you and your associates the greatest possible success and sincerely hope every member may give the Garnet and Silver the loyal support it so richly deserves.

Most sincerely yours,

J. RUSSELL THOMSON.

51 West Washington St., Chicago, Ill.

**PRESS CRITICISMS**

"Fraternities must be abolished in my school. I will not tolerate them. They are too exclusive, and I want my girls to be democratic," said Dr. William L. Felter, principal of the Girls' High School, Brooklyn, yesterday afternoon to representatives of the school sororities.

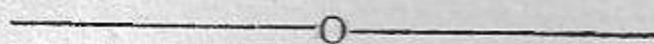
The fraternities which have chapters in the school are: Kappa Phi, Gamma Sigma Phi, Phi Beta Sigma, Delta Sigma, Pi Chi, Theta Sigma, Alpha Tau Phi and Zeta Pi.

The doctor issued a mandate last November that the fraternities should not enroll any new members in the school, and that all sororities should expire by limitation on June 30, 1909.

Zeta Pi refused to obey and consequently Dr. Felter called the meeting.

"I told the girls," Dr. Felter said last night, "that they must hand me in a list of all pledges by tomorrow morning. I will then send for the parents of all these girls, and I think that after I finish telling them my views on fraternal life in the high school, they will forbid their daughters to join them, and, of course, with the co-operation of the parents, the frats will soon be abolished.

"The spirit shown by the girls is bad. It is disloyal, and my girls must be democratic. It is not a sign of scholarship. If a student has dramatic ability she may join the dramatic club; art ability, the art club; literary ability, the debating society; but no matter how good or how bright the girl, if she is not exclusive she will not be admitted by the frats, and I will not stand for that in a public school.—New York World.

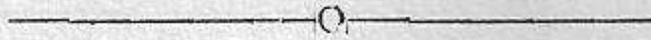


Auburn, March 5.—Today is being observed as "good" Friday by the majority of students who are members of secret societies in the Auburn High School, for at the time of closing school this afternoon nearly all such members had sent in their resignations as members of the societies to

Principal Floyd C. Bartlett. The four secret societies in the school are the Eta Pi, the Pi Phi, the Lambda Beta and the Rho Delta, having in all about fifty students.

The initiation of candidates occasioned so much talk about the city that the Board of Education put a ban on the societies in issuing an order that the societies must go or the students leave the school. Considerable rebellion was manifested, but when it was a choice of leaving school or leaving the societies today nearly all the students took the latter course.

Those students who refuse to resign from the societies will not be admitted to school Monday morning. It is thought that secret societies will die out in Auburn from today.



Buffalo, March 16.—Superintendent of Education Henry P. Emerson has been devoting some time of late to consideration of matters relating to the existence of fraternal societies in the high schools of the city, and yesterday, according to statements he made to a Commercial reporter, he about reached the conclusion to curtail the fraternities somewhat.

“I haven’t decided definitely what I will do about the matter,” said the superintendent, “but I’ve made up my mind to do something, and I intend to do it before the opening of the fall term following the summer vacation. I have given this matter considerable attention, and I believe that the general public will approve of what I do.”

“Will you state what you intend to do?”

“When I said a moment ago, that I hadn’t decided definitely what I intend to do about this matter, I didn’t mean that exactly. What I meant was that I hadn’t decided how far I would go. I have decided upon one thing to do. I am going to get out a circular letter signed by myself and the four high school principals of this city and addressed to

all parents whose children are to enter the high schools of the city next fall. In this letter the school principals and myself will appeal to the parents to forbid their children from entering any of the high school fraternities."

"Then you believe that the high school fraternities are not good for the school children?" Mr. Emerson was asked.

"No, I don't say that," was the reply. "I put it this way: the fraternities are not necessary for the welfare of the school. I do not care to discuss this matter in the newspapers or to hurt the feelings of anyone unnecessarily, but it is my conviction that the high school pupils would be just as well off if they didn't have these fraternities."

"You mean all kinds of fraternities?"

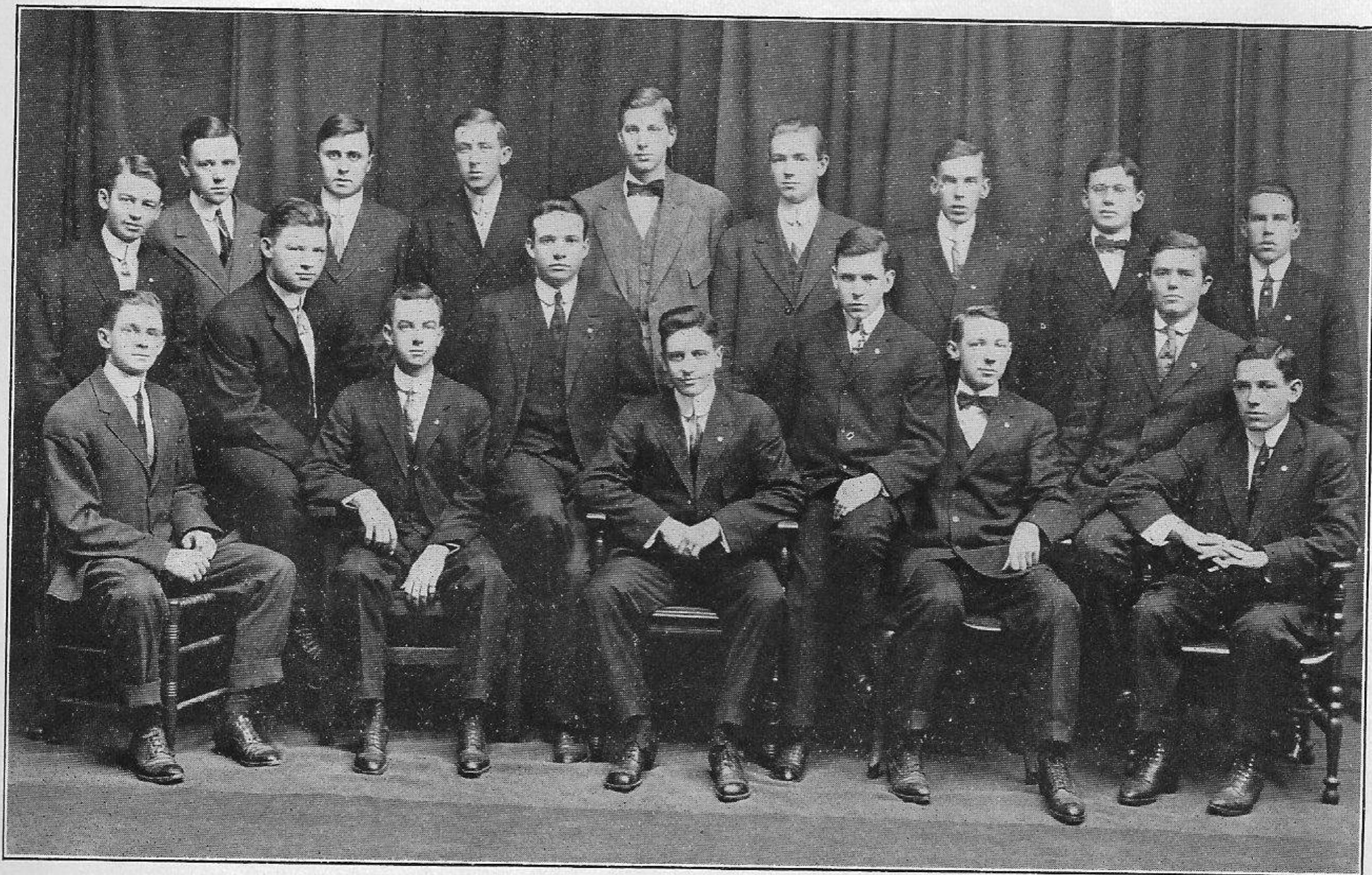
"I mean the kinds of fraternities that maintain so-called frat houses where the pupils meet on stated occasions, where they have regular initiations and do other things such as are done in college fraternities. My personal belief is that social organizations where the pupils meet at the homes of different pupils are apt to have good influence on the children and are apt to benefit them, but I do not believe that the imitating of college fraternities is essential to the welfare of children in the high schools." *Buffalo Commercial* March 16, 1909.



Dunkirk, March 15.—Complaint was filed today with George Richmond, president of the Board of Education, of alleged cruelties inflicted upon three candidates for membership in a high school secret society Saturday night.

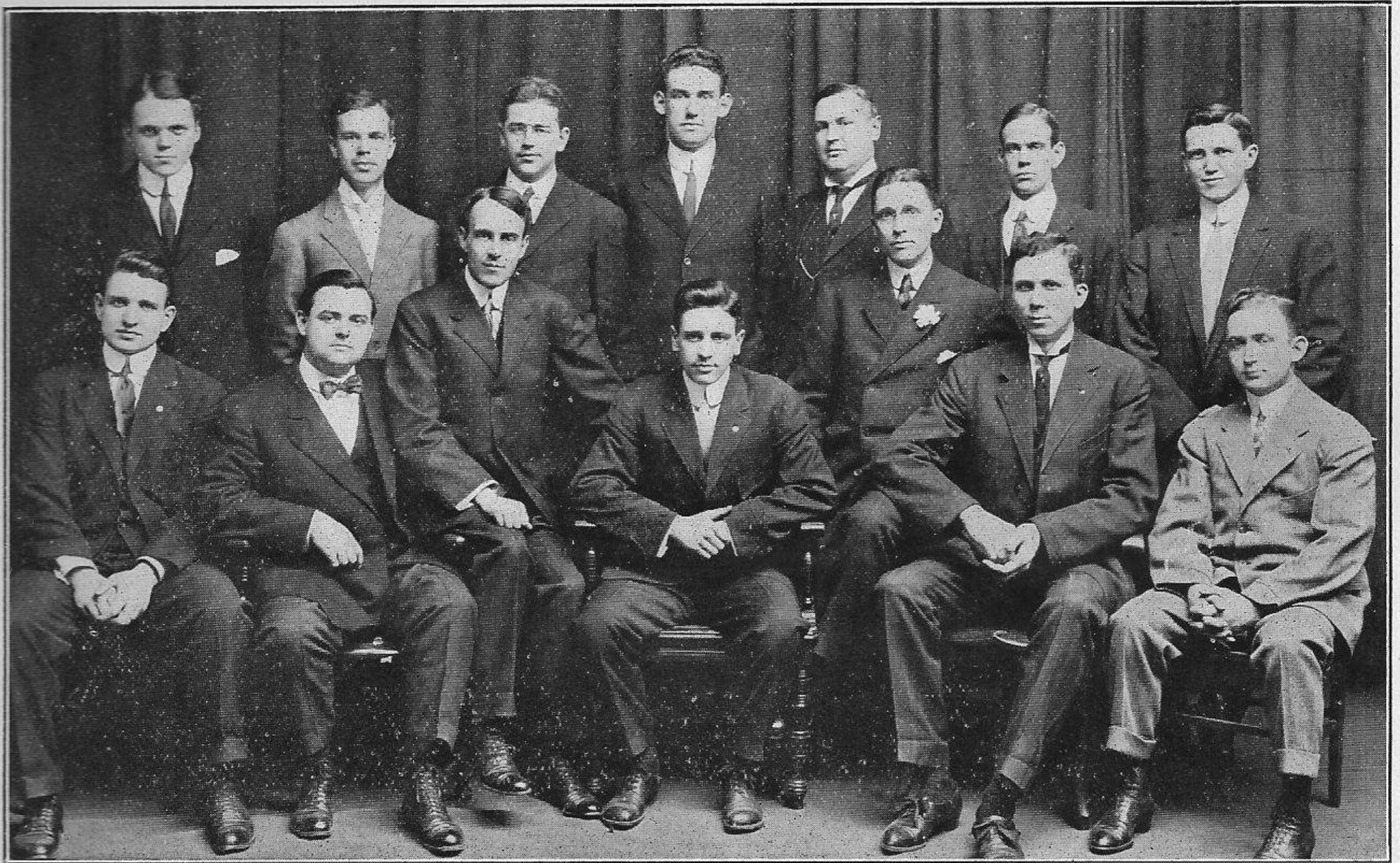
The initials of the society were branded, it is alleged, on the cheeks of three young men with acid. They are Neil Ellis, Frank J. Murphy and Ferdinand Vandervoort. The marks on the faces of the latter two are scarcely visible, but Ellis' cheeks may be disfigured permanently, it is charged.

THE CONVENTION OF 1909



Woodward, Omicron; Meeker, Epsilon; Montgomery, Alpha Alpha; Donahue, Phi; Goulden, Eta; Hodgkins, Zeta;  
Hoyme, Chi; Linsay, Rho; Parmenter, Delta.  
Hopkins, Sigma; Gourdon, Psi; Bray, Alpha; O'Connor, Theta; President Hurst, Delta; Brigham, Kappa; Burton,  
Secretary; Dunbar, Nu; Whitehead, Iota.

CONVENTION COMMITTEE AND PROMINENT MEMBERS PRESENT



Roger T. Bacon, Alpha; Edwin R. Embree, Alpha; Innis G. Osborn, Alpha; Howard Bird, Alpha; John L. Gilson, Alpha, (Chairman); Roy C. Cram, Epsilon; James D. Fleming, Tau.

Clifford F. Messinger, Alpha; Oliver W. S. Smith, National Board, Epsilon; Everett E. Belding, ex-president National Board, Kappa; Arthur R. Hurst, president National Board, Delta; Charles P. Walker, National Board, Alpha; Howard C. Townsend, Omicron; Frederick D. Graves, Jr., Alpha.