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FORWARD-----AND FORWARD

Fortunate indeed, is Gamma Delta Psi in its splendid membership and loyal Alumni, who working together have made this present year the most fruitful of any in our history. It is an unbeatable combination and your active officers acknowledge your splendid cooperation as an evidence of approval of the 1960-61 programme to cement us still more closely in the bonds of brotherhood and common effort so that we may attain our goal-a larger, finer fraternity with its face towards the sun and its proud place in our school and business life. We are adding to the good record thanks to all of you. With 81 years behind and the span of time ahead WE MUST AND WILL GO FORWARD!

Things For Us All To Ponder

- The best way to avoid criticism is to say nothing-do nothing-be nothing-----
- Remember this when you hear Profanity-Truth doesn't need curse words to make it stick!
- It has been tested-the fellow who can say NO-when necessary is generally a success.
- Let your kindness slop over a bit--it will do no harm.
- It is better to be over enthusiastic than to have no enthusiasm but there is always a happy meeting ground of too little and too much.
- The world measures you by a pretty stiff yard stick but your friends measure you by your character.
- Right wins-that is a positive truth-never forget it.
- When you are looking around for substitutes there is none yet discovered for Good Nature.

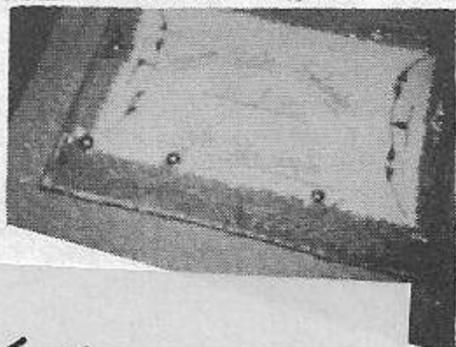
MUTUAL BENEFIT AND SOCIAL ENJOYMENT

These are two reasons for joining Gamma Delta Psi. Surely every good brother appreciates a good time and expects his chapter heads to see that a reasonable amount of time of fun is dished out through dances, outings, athletics and the playtime of our regular meetings.

BETA

DELTA'S

BIRTHDAY CAKE!



1961

FROM THE EDITORS' DESK!



"HORIZONS UNLIMITED"

It seems to this corner that we brothers who are active now are possibly in on the start of the largest amount of expansion in our history! As never before are chapters seem to be organized and acting together as a single unit. As a result we are ready for that big step in expansion which has been long awaited by so many "Delts" anxious to see our fraternity grow. In the past three months no less than five prospective chapter contacts have been investigated and proven hopefull-a crescent club in Agincourt Ont. already exists. With the surface barely scratched I am confident that our horizons certainly are "Unlimited."

On the other hand we do need the balancing influence of some educational features in our weekly programme. The conduct of our meetings on well established parliamentary procedure is good practice. Discussions of current topics under a guiding hand are also beneficial. Fraternity in its best sense teaches us to mingle with all types of people-to get along with others regardless of their status or ideas.

ALUMNI NEWS 'N' NOTES

- In the last few weeks correspondence with our alumni members has increased and as a result a small space each issue will be set aside to relate the happenings of our active passive brothers.
- An Alumnus banquet for the members of Alpha Phi is in the planning stages and will probably be held on March 18th. the date of Alpha Phi's induction into G.D.P.
- Letters received from Bros. George Bristol of Eta chapter now living in Cornwall N.Y.----- Ray Spooner of Alpha Epsilon of New York city. -E.J. Stewart past president of Gamma and a member of Nu chapter.-Herbert Ham also of Nu chapter brookline mass.-Bill Fermoile of Alpha Eta in Niagara Falls N.Y.

Of interest to us "younger " brothers is the letter received by this corner from Ray Spooner concerning his old chapter Alpha Epsilon. The following is the letter:

In 1906 a chapter of Sigma Phi was founded at De Witt Clinton High School then located at 59th. Street and 10th Ave, New York City, by the following brothers-Arthur Lessner Swift, John Thomson, John Greacen, Roy V. Wood, Arthur Hay, Larry Frank, and Louis F. Witherby. Len Swifts older brother was a member of the Montclair chapter of Sigma Phi and another chapter existed at the East Orange High School in New Jersey.All three chapters became members of Gamma in 1909. The members of the Montclair group initiated the De Witt Clinton boys. About 3 years after the founding of the De Witt Clinton chapter, the Sigma Phi fraternity petitioned G.D.P. for admission. The charter was granted in 1909 and the members of the Sigma Phi chapter at De witt Clinton be-

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CHAPTER CHATTER



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of the I. F. C.

OUR HISTORY 1906-1912

In the last issue I brought our history up to 1905 and the chartering of Omega chapter in Mercersburg Pa. Now let us continue on.....

With the chartering of Omega chapter the twenty-four letters of the greek alphabet were exhausted. So it was decided to place the greek letter "Alpha" before the regular letters of the alphabet and repeat the same--- Alpha Alpha, Alpha Beta, etc.

Three years rolled by rather unceremoniously. 1906, 1907 and 1908. About 1906 Xi chapter at Lakeview, Connecticut, disbanded due to anti fraternity legislation. Sixteen active chapters ----eight dormant ones. Five in New York State four in Conn., four in Massachusetts, two in Michigan, two in Wisconsin, two in Pennsylvania one in Maryland, one in Washington D.C., one in Missouri, one in Illinois, and one in Ohio. Ten states in all.

Around 1907 our active rolls were decreased again to fifteen active with the death of Omega only two years old! By this time our membership must have totaled about two thousand. Also about this year the fraternity adopted a travelling button for recognition when out of town.

The Fraternity's tenth annual convention was held at Buffalo, New York, under the auspices of Sigma chapter on April 20-22, 1908. Alpha Alpha chapter of the Washington and Jefferson Academy, Washington, Pennsylvania, was given her charter at this convention, bringing the actives up to sixteen chapters.

Next year Gamma chartered the largest number of chapters in her history. Six chapters were admitted to the Crescent in 1909. They were as follows: Alpha Beta chapter--Randolph Macon Military Academy, Front Royal Va. Alpha Gamma--Montclair High School, Montclair, New Jersey; Alpha Delta--East Orange, N.J.; Alpha Epsilon--DeWitt Clinton High School, New York City; Alpha Zeta--Central High School, Philadelphia, Pa. and Zeta chapter of Washington D.C. was regranted her charter. They were founded in April of that year. Alpha Gamma and Alpha Delta opened up New Jersey for us and Alpha Beta did the for Virginia.

However, as good as news was, it spoiled as we lost Tau chapter in Chicago at that time. We had however, twenty-two active chapters.

Next year, 1910, Gamma lost one of her old guard chapters. Epsilon disbanded at Bridgeport Conn. closing twenty two years of activity in the Grand Crescent. The addition of another chapter kept the actives up to Twenty-two though, as Alpha Eta chapter of Niagara Falls N.Y. was chartered that April. Walter Ellsworth Patterson, number IOI of Theta Chapter in Hartford Conn., became our second president during this year. Brother Patterson succeeded Bro. Belding.

Another important step was taken at the 1910 convention which was the publication of our second National Catalogue by Alpha chapter and it was similar to the first catalogue except it was smaller and had a blue cover instead of red. It contained a membership roll of 31 chapters--9-dormant--and recorded the names of over 1600 Brothers.

No chapters were chartered for the next three years. The fraternity was seeing banner years at this time. A goodly number of chapters, all of whom had central headquarters existed. A strong National organization, a National magazine, and National Whistle etc all gave G.D.P. a strong foundation which was to carry it through the "lean years" to come.

Rho chapter of Milwaukee, Wis., disbanded around 1912 decreasing our actives to twenty-one. This was again because of anti-fraternity legislation against high schools at that time. The thirty first member of that chapter was none other than Douglas MacArthur--initiated in 1901.

TO BE CONTINUED NEXT ISSUE-----

ZETA

Our oldest chapter has really been rolling along since last report and Bro. Chaconas has done a Yoeman job of reviving his chapter. They have in the words of Bob Chaconas "gained the respect they once held in Western High School.

They have held various dances and parties and joint meetings with the various sororities in Western. A raffle was held recently to bring in some money for the treasury. New brothers were inducted to strengthen their crescent. All in all things are swingin' in D.C.

BETA BETA

Beta Beta in Port Credit, Ontario has been fairly active since the start of the year and it is hoped that this upsurge will continue through out the rest of the year. On Hallow'een their pledges collected for UNICEF. This is the type of work we like the pledges to do and it might be a good idea for the rest of the chapters to pick it up. Stags and parties have been held.

An Alumnus banquet is in the planning stages and will be held during the Christmas Holidays, also a tobogganing party for the brothers. Hats it from Beta Beta.

ALPHA PHI

Alpha Phi of Mimico- New Toronto has recently inducted four new brothers. They held a hay ride in October which was well attended despite the rain that fell that night. Stags have been held at the cottage of Brother Ted Brown and these too and as a result the spirit in A.P. is as high as ever. Recently the chapter of Gamma Sigma in the same school where Alpha Phi is, and A.P. canvassed jointly for the United Appeal and gleaned a substantial sum for the cause. It is this type of thing between fraternities that eliminates silly bickering and pettiness. (see pic.)



"Delts" and "Sigs" work together for a common cause.

ALPHA CHI

Activity continues to flourish from Oakville Ontario. A.X. recently inducted about ten new brothers. Dances have been held and plans are now in full swing for the annual dinner and dance at the Brant Inn.

BETA DELTA

Our Best chapter for 1959-60 is living up to the standards she set last year. Eight new brothers were inducted in October and a mixed party was held for these new men the following week. Beta Delta also threw a party celebrating their third anniversary. (see pic of cake on front page.) Beta Delta has also sent out the addresses of their active and passive brothers to each chapter in order to promote correspondence on a brother to brother basis not a bad idea eh. A mixed hay ride with Gamma Sigma was held in November. Over \$200.00 worth of fraternity pins have been purchased by B.D. To top it off Beta Delta has provided the board with three contacts for new fraternity chapters----so another good year is in store for our chapter in West Hill, Ont.



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Scene at the I.B.C. Weiner Roast during rain storm.



Alpha Phi party also experiences a little rain but spirits obviously not dampened.



Snap shot taken during convention. Front L-R are Bros. Smith, Small, and Shafer, back L-R, are Bros. Fleming, Greensides, Chaconas, and Audreal.



Alpha Phi "Has a Party!"



Bro. Jamieson of I.B.C. shakes hands with pres. of Beta Beta chapter Don Watts.



Bros. Passalacqua and Muracca engulf bro. "Shorty" Lopps.



Brother Joe McKenna of Alpha Eta and pledges examine some Garnet and Silvers.



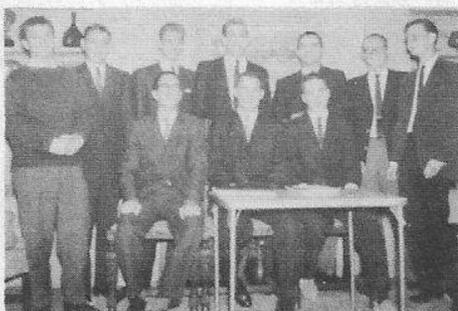
Brothers of Alpha Phi and Pledges. L-R: Bros. Smith, Cross, Alexander, Haesler, Chowns, and Shiralli.



Brothers of Alpha Eta at a recent meeting. From left to right-Len Defazio, Joe McKenna, John Bruno and Tom Muracca.



Your I.B.C. in action at the weiner roast held in Oct.



Brothers of Beta Beta chapter taken at a recent meeting in October.



Guess Who on their Hell Night in Nov. '57-----
 Hint-- D.J.&P.G.

NEWS...

SEND IN NEWS & PICS FOR NEXT ISSUE BEFORE MARCH 15th./61.



OUR OFFICIAL JEWELLER IS BALFOUR COMPANY OF ATTLEBORO MASS.



Announcing the formal to be held at Casa Loma On March the 10th. by Beta Zeta chapter of G.D.P.--\$2.50 per couple. 100's of free gifts, favours and prizes--all chapters welcome.....

ALUMNI NEWS

came the "Alpha Epsilon" chapter of Gamma Delta Psi and were initiated into gamma by the Eta chapter in Brooklyn, N.Y. The Montclair H.S. chapter became the Alpha Gamma and the East Orange H.S. chapter the Alpha Delta chapters of Gamma Delta Psi. The Alpha Epsilon chapter took an active part in the activities of De Witt Clinton, until 1913.



Another letter of interest was received from from Bro. Bill Fermoile who gave the actives some advice should they be in Niagara falls N.Y.

"Any members of Gamma Delta Psi visiting Niagara Falls N.Y. might call on Bro. P. Bataglia M.D. if their wife is going to have a baby. While waiting for the delivery a Brother might stop into see Bro. Joel Jaffe at Jaffe's Jewellery Store 195 Main St. and buy a gift for his wife or new baby. If it's triplets he might prefer to drop in on Bros. Harry and Joe Williams Manager and Owners of the Ted-Ro Club 102nd St. and Buffalo Ave. for a nice stiff drink. Now that the baby has arrived they will have to find a room at Bro. Brown's Motel, 2115 Pine Ave until they can contact Bro. Roy Olrogga the best "Delt" Real Estate Broker in town to find them a house. Now that they have a home they can see Bro. Joe Williams for life insurance."

Well thats it from Alumni-land for this issue.

CHAPTER NEWS CONTINUED

BETA ALPHA

Beta Alpha has been selling Christmas trees to raise money and held a raffle not too long ago which netted them about \$60.00. Pledging is going on at the time of this writing and it will not be too long before we gain some new "Rebel" brothers. For those of you who were at convention Bro. Eddie Jones has been claimed by Uncle Sam and is now in the Navy.

BETA ETA

Here's the lowdown from our newest chapter in Burlington Ont. Over the summer while they were still a crescent club they held a raffle which earned them \$70.00. They also attended the convention. Since their induction into Gamma Delta Psi, they have held various parties and dances, pledged new brothers, worked on a decal of our crest for car windshields, kept in good contact with the Board and the rest of the chapters. Thats not bad for a chapter that is only four months old.

V. P. of Plans & Expansion Report

Well Brothers the fraternity year is in full swing again and I am glad to see so many of you taking an active in international affairs. The best news that I can give you, I am sure, is that we will be adding several new chapters to the Grand Crescent this year before the next convention. Crescent Clubs are already in operation in Agincourt and London Ont. and I hope to have something concrete from contacts in Hamilton and East York in Ontario: Baltimore Maryland and Snyder New York before the publication of this artical.

It looks now as though we will gain at least five chapters this year. You will be given full reports on each as they become ready for induction.

In the past weeks I have been in contact with former actives of Gamma Delta Psi by letter and found several men, inducted in 1906 to 1915, who, in spite of the many experiences they have had and the years that have passed, still remember the fraternity and take time to write me about it. Surely an organization which means this much to these men must be worthy of your best-does it get it?

Yours in The Crescent,

Doug Jamieson
AΦΩ

ΓΔΨ

NOTES ON THE CONVENTION

This year as you all know the convention was held over the Labour Day weekend at Prudhommes Garden City near St. Catherines Ont. The conclave stretched over a two day period was well attended and a lot of fraternity business was cleared away. Highlight of the convention was the acceptance of the Burlington Crescent Club into the fraternity. She has since been inducted and is now known as Beta Eta.

Awards as always were presented and this years winners were the following:

-Alpha Phi trophy presented to the best chapter of the year--Beta Delta chapter--West Hill Ontario.

-Francis J. Ringleb Award presented to the outstanding chapter man---Jim Dreisinger of Alpha Phi.

- Corresponding Secretaries award donated by Bros Jamieson and Graham of Alpha Phi-- Pat Shafer Alpha Chi.

- Alpha Delta Tau award--which is an honorary fraternity for outstanding members of the fraternities which make up the Inter Fraternity Congress--Ron Fleming--President of The I.B.C.

Many reunions were held in the various rooms over those two days as Canucks, Yanks, and Rebs soaked up fraternal feeling and comradeship. Next Years convention is being looked after by Alpha Chi and Alpha Eta and promises to be a blast and a half.

AWARD!

A new award has been created by your I.B.C. in action. It will be known as the Alexander J. Wurts Memorial award and will be presented annually to the person who is deemed the best scholar in Gamma Delta Psi. This award is part of the "new look" in our fraternity. The award is in the form of a large walnut finished plaque mounted with a silver figure holding a wreath and amply spattered with decorative silver.

-Congratulations-

- to Eric Snyder who since moving to a suburb of New Haven Conn. has been working in conjunction with the Board to find out something of our past in relation with Alpha chapter. He has already sent up a picture of Hill House High and says he may be able to find our original constitution!
- to Beta Delta who has secured a Crescent Club in Agincourt Ontario.
- to Ron Fleming who typed up the stencils of the finest set of minutes produced in fifteen years.
- to Doug Jamieson who was elected Vice President of the I.F.C.
- to all the chapters who sent in news and pics and subscriptions for the Garnet & Silver.
- to Al Smith's mother who recently had a baby girl after a 17 year gap.
- to Alpha Chi who once again put on a great dinner and dance at the Brant Inn Dec 30th.

JOKE

The definition of a split second: The time between which the light changes and the guy in back of you blows his horn.



Some of our new brothers from Beta Eta chapter in Burlington Ont.