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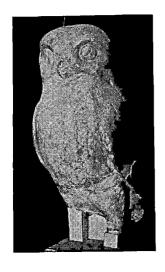
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The Twelfth Annual Convention

NOT since 1932 when the National Convention met in Nashville, Tennessee, has so large a throng of delegates and visitors assembled at a convention as met in Chicago for the Twelfth Annual Convention held on the University campus on April 24 and 25. In all, twenty-three chapters were represented, and the gathering numbered active, alumni, and honorary members.

Alpha Chapter was host to delegates and visitors first on Thursday evening, April 23, when members of the chapter greeted their guests at the International House at an informal reception. Everyone took advantage of the opportunity of meeting members of other chapters, and went away with the feeling of being acquainted with numerous delegates and visitors.

Always the first item on the slate at a Convention is



Front row: Professor Smith, Barbara Starbuck, Caroline Zimmerly, Harriett Brynteson, Mary Brokaw.

Back row: James Naiden, H. Lloyd Stow, Stuart Garver, Howard B. Freed.

a meeting of the Executive Council; such a meeting was scheduled for eight o'clock Friday morning, and there assembled at that hour Mr. Howard B. Freed, Megas Prytanis; Miss Evelyn Walton, Megas Protohyparchos; Mr. Stuart Garver, Meg a s Deuterohyparchos; Miss Caroline Zimmerly, Megas Epistolographos; Miss Barbara Star-

buck, Megas Grammateus; Miss Harriett Brynteson, Megas Chrysophylax; and Mr. Henderson Adams, Megas Pyloros. Present at the meeting also were Mr. H. Lloyd Stow, Executive Secretary; Professor Gertrude Smith, of Alpha Chapter; Miss Mary K. Brokaw, editor of the Nuntius; and Mr. James R. Naiden, former Megas Chrysophylax.

The first business session of the Convention was formally opened shortly after nine o'clock in Ida Noyes Hall by Megas Prytanis Howard B. Freed. Roll was called by Miss Barbara Starbuck, Megas Grammateus. Not all the delegates had arrived in time to answer to roll call, and a later count revealed the presence of thirty-five delegates and national officers and seventeen visitors, in addition to active and honorary members of Alpha chapter. The minutes of last year's Convention were then read.

Reports of national officers of Eta Sigma Phi were

next in order. Miss Brynteson, Megas Chrysophylax, presented a brief statement concerning the status of the checking account and mentioned that to date a total of

\$406 was in the bank at Iowa City. The amount of the savings account, reckoned on January 1, 1936, was stated to be \$1596.83. For various reasons certain of the reports were deferred to later sessions of the Convention, and the next item concerned the Nuntius. Miss Mary K. Brokaw outlined the work



Frances Protheroe and Hilde-GARD Breihan, Alpha; Florence Campbell, Lambda; Ellis Finger, Jr., Alpha Phi.

done during the year, the largest single item, in addition to the publication of the issues, being the establishing of contacts with alumni members. This work of publicity was sponsored by the national organization, and gratifying results were obtained. Mr. Henderson Adams, Treasurer of the Nuntius presented a statement of the financial status of the publication (page 13). Miss Evelyn Walton, Megas Protohyparchos, was next heard from. Miss Walton outlined the work of her office and mentioned that a petition had been received from Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana. The Executive Council had earlier taken favorable action on the petition, and the following day, the Convention favored the admission of Tulane University to the national organization. Miss Dorothy Beckemeyer, local president of the petitioning group, was present

and spoke in behalf of the Classical Club which she represented. Another petition was subject for action, that of the Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College at Baton Rouge, Louisiana. At the business session on Saturday this petition was accepted with the pro-



After a Business Session.

Norma Coe, Omega, and Dorothy
Beckemeyer in foreground.



CATHERINE GEIMER AND JOHN COPELAND. Beta.

vision that final action should be taken by the Executive Council upon the acquisition of further information about the petitioning group.

Mr. Stuart Garver, Megas Deuterohyparchos, outlined the work of his office and told of the progress made on the project of a

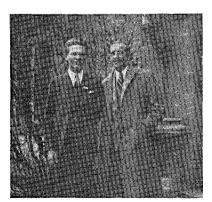
nationwide contest for high school students. An account of Mr. Garver's work and his recommendations for next year may be found elsewhere in this issue (page 9).

The Megas Epistolographos, Miss Caroline Zimmerly, reported on the work of her office, the compilation of records of the membership of Eta Sigma Phi.

Discussion concerning the matter of obtaining membership shingles arose, and in the same connection certain matters pertaining to jewelry were announced. In addition to the membership shingles which were secured this year, Wright and Street have added to the usual emblems of the organization rings and bracelets containing the seal. They are also equipped now to furnish social as well as official stationery of the organization.

As Registrar of the Eta Sigma Phi Med DOROTHY
al, Mr. H. Lloyd Stow spoke briefly about
medal sales. Since the majority of sales are made later in

the spring, Mr. Stow was unable to cite figures of the numbers sold. The fact that the bank account contained a total of \$1066, however, was very gratifying and an obvious indication of the popularity of the emblem.

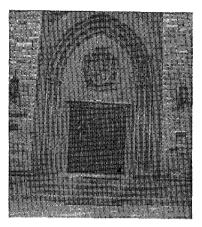


E. Clarendon Hyde, Alpha Mu and Stuart Garver, Alpha Pi.

In the course of the morning the Convention had the pleasure of hearing Professor H. W. Prescott speak entertainingly on "Wit and Humor in Greek Epigram." Professor Prescott is chairman of the Latin department at the University of Chicago and an honor-

ary member of Alpha Chapter.

After Professor Prescott's paper, the Convention had another brief business session. The discussion of memberships hingles continued and revolved about the point as to who were eligible for shingles this year. It was agreed then that to the initiates of the current school year (begin-



LAVERE MEMORIAL TEMPLE, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

ning October, 1935) such shingles would be furnished without cost. For all others a nominal fee of ten cents was affixed to cover the cost involved.

Further consideration was given to the matter of the work of the Megas Deuterohyparchos and out of the discussion suggestions were made which are incorporated in the article which appears elsewhere.

Delegates and visitors then enjoyed luncheon in Ida Noyes Hall at 12:30. Miss Caroline Zimmerly, prytanis of Alpha Chapter, presided and welcomed the guests on behalf of the chapter.

As the first item of business at the afternoon session Mr. Freed announced the appointment of committees to work on special problems that confronted the organization.

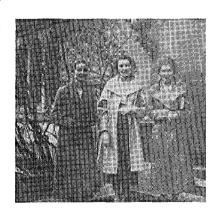
Discussion ensued on the amendment concerning the status of graduate students in the local chapter, an amendment which was proposed on the floor of the Convention

last year and so was to come up for action this year. The matter was referred to the Committee on Amendments for discussion and recommendations.

FLORENCE RUMSCH AND

Dorothy Johnson, Nu.

The business session closed with discussion on the question of the admittance of teachers' colleges into Eta Sigma Phi, and the general sentiment



Professor Newnan, Ruth Rifenberick, Margaret Dilley, Alpha Upsilon.

expressed was that the society, as in the past, should adhere to its criterion of admitting only those schools and colleges on the approved list of the American Association of Colleges and Universities.

The business session adjourned, and the delegates and visitors re-assembled in Classics Building where an illustrated lecture, "Potsherds," was given by Professor F. P. Johnson, of the Art department of the University of Chicago. After the lecture, which was thoroughly enjoyed, the members were entertained at tea by the Graduate Classical Club in Classics Building. Mrs. C. H. Beeson and Mrs. R. J. Bonner presided at the tea tables.

Members of Eta Sigma Phi gathered for six o'clock dinner at Ida Noyes Hall where they had the privilege of hearing Thornton Wilder, lecturer in English at the University of Chicago, speak briefly but most effectively on the classics. Professor Gertrude Smith, acting chairman of the department of Greek at the University of Chicago, presided.

After dinner was over, there was a general exodus to the Oriental Institute, located nearby, where, under the guidance of Professor John A. Wilson, acting director of the Institute, a tour was conducted for the benefit of members of Eta Sigma Phi. There was time only for the most notable objects in the collection of antiquities, interest in which was enhanced by the enthusiasm of the guide.

Saturday, the second day of the Convention, arrived, filled with activity. A tour of the campus and an Executive Council meeting were the first items on the list of things to be done.

One of the first items to be considered was the question of restoration of national dues to the amount of one dollar, a fee that had been reduced recently. The Executive Council had asked chapters earlier to bring the matter to the attention of their members. The amendment by which the fee was to be restored was defeated by one negative vote, and action on the amendment, as recommended by the Committee on Amendments, must be postponed until the Thirteenth Annual Convention.

The resignation of Miss Mary K. Brokaw as editor of the NUNTIUS was announced and the appointment of her successor made. The new editor is Mr. Robert C. Mc-Clelland, alumnus of Phi Chapter and member of the classical faculty of the College of William and Mary.



First Row: Evelyn Walton, Stuart Garver, Caroline Zimmerly, Howard Freed, Barbara Starbuck, Harriett Brynteson, Henderson Adams.

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Sixth Row: Alyce Lockard, Hester Gruber, Josephine McVay, Catherine Geimer, Robert Gotch, Professor R. J. Bonner. Seventh Row: Frances Hill, Evelewt Groene, James Naiden, Marie Edwards, John Copeland, Paul Barrus, John Giese.

A suspension of formal business was declared by the Megas Prytanis in order that the various committees might meet and report their recommendations to the Convention.

The first of these committees to report was that on credentials. Miss Ida May Siegal gave the report, citing the numbers of delegates and visitors to the Convention.

The Committee on Resolutions, under the direction of Mr. Stuart Garver, expressed in fitting manner the thanks of members of Eta Sigma Phi to all those who were responsible for the success of the meeting. Mr. Garver also reported as chairman of the Committee on High School Expansion.

The Committee on College Expansion, of which Miss Evelyn Walton was chairman, advocated adherence to the policy which Eta Sigma Phi has been following for a number of years and which had gained the approval of members of the organization in general.

Miss Caroline Zimmerly, chairman of the Committee on Recommendations, gave the report of her committee. Invitations for the Thirteenth Annual Convention were received from Omega Chapter (College of William and Mary), from Alpha Tau Chapter (Ohio State University), and from Pi Chapter (Birmingham-Southern College). The committee recommended that the invitation of Pi Chapter be accepted; the Convention approved the report, and Birmingham, Alabama, became the site selected for the next Convention.

The Committee on Amendments, under the leadership of Miss Harriett Brynteson, gave its report next. The report will be found in "Pro Bono Publico," on page 10.

The last committee to be heard from was that on Nominations. Mr. Freed read the following slate of officers:

Megas Prytanis......Ellis Finger, Jr., Alpha Phi Megas Protohyparchos.....Helen Burton, Chi Megas Deuterohyparchos...Elizabeth Giedeman, Sigma Megas Epistolographos....Hildegard Breihan, Alpha Megas Grammateus...Ruth Rifenberick, Alpha Upsilon Megas Chrysophylax...E. Clarendon Hyde, Alpha Mu Megas Pyloros.....Margaret Covert, Theta

The acceptance of this report closed the business of the Convention.

Saturday afternoon, for the business of the Convention was concluded by noon, was filled with pleasant entertainment.

A luncheon at Ida Noyes Hall followed, at which Miss Mary K. Brokaw presided. By the time the luncheon was over it was time to depart for a drive to Northwestern University where members of Beta Chapter entertained at tea. The reception was held in Lavere Memorial Temple, and Professor A. P. Dorjahn welcomed the visitors in behalf of Beta Chapter.

After a pleasant time spent with members of the Beta group, delegates were obliged to return to their quarters in order to attend the festivities of the evening. At 6:30 a model initiation was conducted in an impressive manner in Ida Noyes Hall, and Miss Dorothy Beckemeyer, representative of the petitioning group of Tulane University, became a member of Eta Sigma Phi. The formal banquet with which the Convention closed followed the initiation ceremonies. Mr. Howard B. Freed, Megas Prytanis, presided, and Professor R. J. Bonner, of the Greek department of the University of Chicago, and Professor Clyde Murley, of the department of Classics at Northwestern University, spoke briefly.

With the installation of the new officers the work of the year came officially to a close and another chapter in the history of Eta Sigma Phi was ended.

Official Delegates to the Convention

ALPHA (University of Chicago):

Hildegard Breihan, Frances Protheroe, Caroline Zimmerly (Megas Epistolographos), H. Lloyd Stow (Executive Secretary).

BETA (Northwestern University):

John S. Copeland, Catherine Geimer.

GAMMA (Ohio University):

Alyce Lockard, Frances Hill, Henderson Adams (Megas Pyloros).

Delta (Franklin College):

Elsie Giddings.

Epsilon (The State University of Iowa):

Helen Boegel, Kathleen Galey, Harriett Brynteson (Megas Chrysophylax).

ZETA (Denison University):

Martha Jump.

THETA (Indiana University):

Margaret Covert, Marie Edwards.

Lambda (University of Mississippi):

Florence Campbell.

Nu (Morningside College):

Dorothy Johnson, Florence Rumsch.

PI (Birmingham-Southern College):

Evelyn Walton (Megas Protohyparchos).

SIGMA (Miami University):

Edith Faust, Elizabeth Giedeman.

Сні (Coe College):

Helen Burton.

OMEGA (College of William and Mary):

Norma Coe.

ALPHA EPSILON (Lehigh University):

Howard B. Freed (Megas Prytanis).

ALPHA XI (Washington University):

Robert Gotch, Evelewt Groene.

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The Work of the Megas Deuterohyparchos

READERS of the Nuntius have doubtless been aware this year of the unusual amount of activity in the office of the Megas Deuterohyparchos, Mr. Stuart Garver. In the January issue of the journal Mr. Garver made a preliminary report of the work which he had done, and at the Convention presented the data in more complete form than was possible at the earlier date.

The society as a whole has long been cognizant of the importance of the work in high school expansion; it is invaluable, not only for the sake of the organization's continued existence but also for the purpose of the stimulation which it may afford to students in the high schools in the country. Heretofore the office of Megas Deuterohyparchos carried with it the duty of ascertaining the amount of high school expansion work each chapter fostered on its own campus or in nearby towns. This year, however, the duties of the office were somewhat different, and Mr. Garver, following the suggestion made at the Eleventh Annual Convention, made a study of all the various types of contests either offered by the chapters on their own initiative or sponsored by them under the auspices of other classical associations. The study was made with the hope in view that Eta Sigma Phi might be able to conduct a nation-wide contest. Before taking steps in that direction, however, it was felt that a survey should be made of existing practices.

While it would not be pertinent here to list the chapters which have, as part of their regular activities, the conducting of contests of various kinds, it should be said, for the sake of clarity, that it is not the intent of the Megas Deuterohyparchos and members who work with him on the committee to supplant the contests that are being given in the different areas, but rather to offer to high school students throughout the land the additional opportunity of competing in an examination sponsored solely by Eta Sigma Phi.

Questions naturally arise in one's mind as to the nature of such an examination and as to the method of its administration. Matters of that sort can now be settled by a survey of the work which Mr. Garver has done this year, and in the hands of Miss Elizabeth Giedeman, the new Megas Deuterohyparchos, lies the responsibility of the future direction of the work.

During the discussion which took place on the floor of the Convention concerning this endeavor, the suggestion was made that a permanent faculty committee should be appointed which would serve in an advisory capacity to guide the Megas Deuterohyparchos in the work. The general feeling was that such a committee would give a continuity and a permanency to it, now impossible with officers shifting each year as they do. With so much accomplished already by the splendid work of Mr. Garver, the matter is now in a position to be carried on very satisfactorily next year, and the committee and Miss Giedeman working together next year should insure continued effort and success in this vital phase of Eta Sigma Phi's program.

In connection with the work of high school expansion in general, the committee, working under the direction of Mr. Garver, made the following suggestions for the use of chapters by way of establishing and maintaining contacts with high school students:

- 1. The contacting of teachers in the local high schools.
 - (a) Let practice teachers interest students in the classics.
 - (b) Invite regular teachers to become honorary members of the local chapter.
- 2. Encourage the formation of Latin clubs in the high school.
 - (a) By inviting high school students to attend special events sponsored by the local chapter of Eta Sigma Phi.
 - (b) By supplying information to clubs and teachers regarding the availability of novel programs and social events.
- 3. By visiting high schools for the purpose of
 - (a) Conducting forums under Eta Sigma Phi leadership.
 - (b) Conducting Latin skits in the regular assembly periods of the high school.
- 4. By competitive events such as examinations, essays, or translations.
- 5. The local chapters are urged to report to the Megas Deuterohyparchos in this field.
- 6. The Megas Deuterohyparchos should keep a record of this work and report any outstanding accomplishment at the coming Convention.
- 7. The committee urges a study by both the Megas Deuterohyparchos and the faculty committee of these records and reports to ascertain the advisability of Eta Sigma Phi's conducting a nation-wide contest in the classics.

EDITORIALS

It is always difficult to express in fitting fashion one's thanks for such an enjoyable occasion as National Con-

ventions invariably are: The Twelfth
A Word of
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the rule, and thanks in large measure
are due Alpha Chapter for its kindly

hospitality. In particular, thanks are due the active and alumni members of the chapter and Professor Gertrude Smith for their efforts in executing their plans for a successful meeting. To the speakers who participated on the program on different occasions, Professor H. W. Prescott, Professor F. P. Johnson, Thornton Wilder, Professor John A. Wilson, Professor R. J. Bonner, and Professor Clyde Murley expressions of gratitude are due. To the Graduate Classical Club of the University of Chicago and to Beta Chapter for their delightful teas the appreciation of delegates and visitors is owed. And, finally, to all those who participated in lesser measure in making the Twelfth Annual Convention so successful, the national organization extends merited thanks.

Always at the end of a school year there comes the opportunity of reviewing the work of the year and of making plans for the succeeding one. When one considers the progress of the organization this year, the acquisition of new chapters and new members, he is impressed with

the growth of the society and the realization that classical influence is making itself strongly felt. With

this thought comes also a feeling of pride in the accomplishments of Eta Sigma Phi members as they have been set forth this year in the pages of the NUNTIUS.

With particular pride does one view the progress made this year by way of establishing contacts with high school students and so carrying forward the ideals of the organization. The work of the Megas Deuterohyparchos has been outstanding, and the chances of increased endeavor in this field must not be neglected. The individual chapters should feel that this is a very real opportunity not only for increasing the effectiveness of Eta Sigma Phi but especially for furthering the standards of culture in which we all believe. May next year witness further advancement in this direction.

As editor of the Nuntius since the fall of 1931, a position which I am relinquishing with this issue, I should like to take this opportunity publicly to thank all those on whose cooperation I have relied so extensively during this

period. It was this aid and helpful assistance, manifested

Farewell from the Editor

in so many ways, that have made possible the publication of the journal during these years and the compilation of data about alumni members

of the organization. To active members of the chapters who have so willingly furnished material for publication, to alumni members who have so kindly sent information about themselves and other alumni members, and to honorary members who have so ably assisted both by way of contributions to the journal and by way of advice on editorial policies I should like to extend my thanks and appreciation.

At the same time I should like to be peak for my successor, Mr. Robert C. McClelland, the same willing cooperation and friendly and encouraging assistance which have been afforded me.

—MARY K. BROKAW

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Amendments to the Constitution

At the Convention two amendments were presented for the approval of the delegates. Of these the first was presented on the floor of the Convention last year and approved. Final action was taken this year, and it secured the approval of the Convention. This amendment, which appears below, should be added to those already in the Constitution.

Graduate students majoring or minoring in the classics who are in residence during the regular academic year and who are otherwise qualified for active membership may be elected to active membership. Such members shall have the right to hold office in the local chapter and shall be responsible only for local dues, fees, and other obligations of active members. They shall not have the right to hold national office or to vote at the National Convention.

The following amendment secured the approval of the delegates, but final action can not be taken until the Thirteenth Annual Convention:

Membership dues of one dollar per year shall be paid for the use of the national society by each undergraduate active member, beginning the school year of his initiation. All members initiated after April 1 shall not be required to pay membership dues for that school year.

This amendment would propose to amend Amendment VI.

MINERVA

Now and Forever

By George K. Bowers, Alpha Pi

SOMEHOW I feel as though I should like to be straying out of the Valley of Ustica tonight, at my back the little country town of Varia, before me the rolling hills of the Sabine farm, my mind a blank save for the sparkling memories of antiquity. An afternoon spent among the treasured oases of Horace's odes makes me hesitate to turn my tired consciousness back to a desert waste of too much civiliaztion. The world moves on, and they call it progress,—nerves jangled by the unnatural sounds of city life, competition, rushing hither and yon for nothing in particular, jealousy, hatred, strife. Then one suddenly awakes to find that he has grown old, that many things no longer matter so much, that much has been missed in life.

I am not fed up on the world. But I have realized before it is too late that many of our adventures must take place only in our hearts. We all feel at times as did Odysseus, that first great rover and dreamer, that we can no longer stay at home with our humdrum affairs, that we should like to unfurl our imagination and let the shadowy winds of vision fill the sails and waft us gently beyond the horizon of desire.

And so, I'm going to stack the deck on Fate and turn back the pages of time. I'm going to steal away from sweating men and grasping hands and hungry mouths, away from a world where events flow in a whirling stream over mud and rocks. Down that country road I move to the tempo of my own lazy thoughts, caring only to sip of plain Sabine wine from a homely cup, to sit not beneath ceilings wrought of ivory or fretted gold, but 'neath the shade of the oak or holly, dressed not in Laconian purple but in "honour and the kindly vein of a true poet."

Pausing as I near the gateway, I catch the fresh odour of newly-turned earth coming from the nearby meadow. Here is life, fresh and vibrant,—not the dull lethargy of city and town. Everything is fresh and green. In the growing darkness I turn my footsteps toward the Bandusian spring. Perhaps there I shall find Horace walking unarmed and singing of his Lalage. As I near the brown oak-tree, I catch the tinkling murmur of those cold streams rippling forth with spotless clearness. Oh no, cold historian and scholar, although you set forth literature and maps as proof that Bandusia was not located here, my dreams have placed it so, and here it is—for me—tonight.

There drowsing on the grass beside the stream the old Venusian poet himself welcomes me, thinking I come from

Rome and perhaps bear news of a great court battle, or a stirring oration in the Forum, or perchance Maecenas has sent a message. And then I tell him that it is to get away from all this that I have come, to be free from the call to arms, the dunning of creditors, the bustle of the Forum, and the necessity of business and social visits. I want to get away from clients and bores, forget about the latest news of the great city, and lose myself in a realm where concern about the affairs of the world is unknown. I want to follow the heifers as they stray, turn a clod or two with the hoe, work amid the fruitful vines, draw new honey; I want to stretch my limbs beneath some holm-oak or on the thick grass beside some tumbling stream, listening to birds sing, bees hum, sounds that "shall sooth to sleep and dreams." Then his interest, too, in news from Rome is lost at once in his enthusiasm for the life that had always been his hope, and dreamily he drawls those words that have sounded among men ever since:

"This used to be my wish: a bit of land, A house and garden with a spring at hand, And just a little wood. The gods have crowned My humble vows; I prosper and abound; Nor ask I more, kind Mercury, save that thou Wouldst give me still the goods thou giv'st me now."

Rising, he leads me up the winding lane to his comfortable little villa, not elaborate, but satis superque for him. Outside we seat ourselves beneath a vine-clad elm, and, calling his servant Davus, Horace bids him bring wine that we may drink. (Perhaps as for Corvinus, so for me, he shall call for a jar of "mellower wine.") As we drink, the charming speech of that Latin master sets before me in beautifully painted word-pictures the glories of his little country home. His bees are not of the Calabrian breed, but honey they give him in abundance. Perhaps his flocks are not unnumbered, but the sparseness of his fleecy droves, if anything, leaves him free from care. Not Caecuban or Campanian wines fill his storehouse, yet happier is he with his cheaper brand. He does have health, leisure, time to reflect and pursue the phantom of poesy.

Then his thoughts stray to adventures on his country estates, the time the tree all but sent him down to Hades, the occasion when the wolf slunk away as he strolled through the forests singing. The recollection of narrow escapes leads him to tell again of his escape from Philippi and the time he was shipwrecked off Palinurus. And then, lest the jealous gods destroy him for his presumption, he

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vows that through their grace he has escaped and that he merely relates the tale to show not his own luck but their power.

From the commonplace, he moves into the realm of the philosophical, and then it is I realize that this after all was what I had been waiting for. Silent I hang on his words and lose myself in the quintessence of practical philosophy expounded by one who lived deeply and fully. Neguid nimis rings in my ears, and I think of the thousands ruining their lives because they cannot master the simple disciplinary principle embodied in those two short words. Do not spend your life miserly, gathering wealth for your successors to enjoy. You struggle for fame and glory, and all leads but to the grave. The great Leveller waits on the doorstep of the rich and poor alike, and though your state in life is high, you are classed with yon starving beggar on Acheron's bank in death. Be not downcast in misfortune, nor haughty and proud in prosperity. Fortune is fickle. Today she smiles-tomorrow? Keep stern restraint over your passions and "enjoy wisely, for then only do you enjoy thoroughly. Live each day as though it were your last."

My reverie is broken by the sudden realization that I must snatch a few hours of sleep and be up in the morning in time to pursue the many petty tasks that confront me every day. So I must leave you, my dear old Sabine friend, and I must leave that little home that is satis superque. Enough and more it has been for me, too, to have spent one night amidst those silent old oaks, breathing through my soul the clean air of the untainted countryside and weaving into my heart the glories of the simple, unaffected life.

As I gather in my sails of fancy and prepare to retrace my steps back to the Twentieth century, my heart cries as did old Philoctetes when he left Lemnos:

"Ye fountains and thou Lycian water sweet,— I never thought to leave you, yet my feet Are turning from your paths,—we part for aye."

Yet do we part for aye? The petty demands of this world and the flesh may carry me far from that pathway leading to philosophical perfection and the art of living. The world demands that I live in the way of the world. We have been deprived of the opportunity, even the possibility, of living a life free from care, treading the ways of chaste and wholesome reflection. The world has taken from us the splendour of your Sabine villa,—you, too, it has taken. Yet the influence of one who "saw life fully and saw it whole" remains. The privilege of visionary visits to the scenes of our poet's lays, the vigour and life of those vibrant lines that time cannot erase, the possession

of a philosophical example pointing to where the best lies in life,—these we still possess The world can have the rest.

Classical Themes Today

By Josephine Burrell Miller, '35, Epsilon

THE Classical period does not merely provide material for the Cambridge Ancient History; it may become a living part of contemporary literature. One day while studying a drugstore window display of a rental library, I saw in between the Red Rose of Love and How to Sell Life Insurance, I, Claudius. The next day the book was gone and the druggist told me that it was in almost constant circulation.

It was traditional in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries to weave into literature a brocade of classical allusion; the twentieth century ignores such literary traditions, but it does not ignore the Classical period. The modern imagination is caught by the humanity and the reality of the Greeks and Romans themselves while the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries were interested in Greek and Roman mythology. Keats, for whom such lore was a fertile source of imagery, says in Hyperion,

"Sat gray-hair'd Saturn, quiet as a stone, Still as the silence round about his lair; Forest on forest hung about his head Like cloud on cloud."

But the modern writer, Babette Deutsch, using a classical theme, gives us this realistic human portrayal in the Mask of Silenus, a novel about Socrates:

"Crito looked shrunken into the image of a bruised and battered age, and Plato's strained face was that of another man. Critobolus whispered nervously to Antisthenes, who was glaring like a wild animal. Aristippus had given himself up to the luxury of tears. The quietest person in court was Socrates, his bulging eyes, now turned with with reassuring tenderness on Crito, now fixed in thought. The only sign he gave of being troubled was sometimes to twist one of his short gray curls between his fingers."

Deutsch states as his purpose in the introduction, "That it (the life of Socrates) deserves a more general audience than Plato commands " Alan Lake Chidsey has written a biography of Romulus. He says that his goal is to " . . . interpret faithfully the age of Romulus as nearly as it can be interpreted." He uses the

technique of fiction supplementing his material, which is largely legendary, with insight and imagination.

The uninitiated, if when they speak of a dead language imply a dead literature, must be surprised at the interest they feel in a realistic portrayal of the period and personalities of that literature. The whole truth is no more apparent to one age than it is to one man and likewise the whole significance of antiquity cannot be understood in a single period. By the Elizabethan poet, by the eighteenth century romanticist, and by the modern realist it has been given a variant, but no less true interpretation.

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FREEDOM FAREWELL! — PHYLLIS BENTLEY

MACMILLAN (\$2.50)

By LEONA PENN, Gamma

 $R_{\mathrm{will}}^{\mathrm{EAD}}$ Freedom Farewell! by Phyllis Bentley and you will have read more Roman history in one week than most people read in a lifetime and in a much more palatable dose. That is the strength as well as the weakness of the book. All within one rather short novel are the potential characters and materials for a score or more of novels as well as innumerable dramas and poems. In creating an impression of the many noted people of the last forty years of the Roman republic, the author detracts from her portrait of Caesar who is not the powerful figure that he might be. Through the first part of the book he is intensely interesting but too flippant and dissolute to impress anyone with his greatness. At the last he is disillusioned and fatalistic. His mental fibre seems to have weakened and his power of retributive justice after death, the central theme of Shakespeare's Julius Caesar, is touched upon but not rendered very forceful by the author's pen.

Miss Bentley succeeds very well in giving her characters the human touch; that is, a touch of the petty weaknesses that affect even the great, but the humanizing process of necessity detracts from the dignity that those characters have acquired through the ages. Pompey, Caesar, Brutus, Cicero, Cato, and Octavianus descend from their high places among the gods and demi-gods and become mere men with the spotlight turned upon their weaknesses rather than their strength. And yet the pictures of these men are fairly consistent with what was probably their actual life. Caesar is the sort of Caesar who might have had (and does have in the book) that intense love affair with Servilia, the mother of Brutus, which Plutarch tells about and which throws interesting light upon Caesar's relationship with Brutus and affection for him as portrayed in Shakespeare's play.

Cicero veers and tacks with the political wind in a fashion that reveals his lack of the courage of his convictions, but at last brings down the bitter wrath of Anthony upon his head by his fierce attacks against him.

Octavius, who later becomes the great Augustus, is a mere slip of a youth who always takes a bad cold at the crucial moment, especially in a fight, but uses his appearance of weakness to conceal his actual steel.

In the total picture the author creates a vivid impression of the reasons for the collapse of the Republic, or of any republic, and that is her chief point in *Freedom Farewell!* Bribery, selfishness, corruption, greed, lasciviousness, thirst for power, and even idealism when mingled — all have a part in undermining a people's liberties and lead to dictatorships which frequently and subsequently fail for the same reason.

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HENDERSON ADAMS, Treasurer, Gamma

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THE MUSES

Adaptations from Horace

By Donald H. Pastor, Omicron

ODE IX, BOOK I

Deep snows are on Soracte's height; The weighted forest groans; behold The river from its flight Stayed by the bitter cold.

Now let the well-heaped faggots burn, Let winter flee our festive board, And, from the Sabine urn, Let mellow wine be poured.

Trust in the gods, who still the lash
Of winds that war upon the sea,
The tremulous mountain ash
And the blown cypress tree.

To-day's thy gift; seek not to learn What fate to-morrow holds for thee, Nor in youth's season spurn Sweet love and revelry.

While crabbed age yet spares thy flower, But seek the Field of Mars ere night; Whisper at trysting hour The vows that lovers plight;

And see, within some hiding-place By a sweet, girlish laugh betrayed, The pledge snatched from th' embrace Of a half-yielding maid.

ODE XIV, BOOK II

Hastening upon their way,
Oh, Postumus, the years have slipped behind thee!
Even thy piety shall not delay
The stern advance of age, the wrinkle and decay;
Soon mighty Death shall find thee!

Friend, though thou immolate,

Each day thou livest, bullocks by the score,

To win cold Pluto to avert thy fate,

'Tis vain; all we who share earth's gift must soon or late

Pass to his gloomy shore.

Upon the sombre tide
That triple bodied Geryon doth keep,
And marks the bourne where Tityos must abide,
There king and peasant board the ferry, and are plied
Across that fatal deep.

Vainly do we abhor
The call of bloody Mars; vainly we flee
The wrath of Adria bursting on the shore,
And fear the autumnal sickness, when the south
wind's roar
Threatens us injury.

Where dark Cocytos turns

Its sluggish wanderings, there must thou behold

The infamous brood of Danaus with their urns,

And toiling Sisyphus, who evermore returns

Unto his labor old.

Thy lands, thy home, thy wife
Who pleaseth thee, must thou forsake forever,
And of the trees thou own'st awhile in life
None but the hated cypress round thee shall be rife
When thou hast crossed the river.

Then shall a worthier heir
Unlock the precious store that thou hast wasted;
Caecuban wine shall be his daily fare;
His pavement shall be spotted with a juice more rare
Than pontiff ever tasted.

Translation from Archilochus

By Jocelyn Schneider, Alpha Theta

Some Saian back there Is up in the air With delight at finding my shield,

Which I left in the brush Fleeing death in a rush; I wanted my poor blameless shield.

Oh, let it go, There's another I know, Which will do just as well on the field.

The Dying Emperor Hadrian To His Soul

By JAMES R. NAIDEN, Epsilon, '35

O trifling wand'ring, beloved bit of life, Guest and fellow of my clay, Where now, so naked, pale, and stark, Thy jesting ended, wilt thou go, I pray?

Translation of Catullus V

By JAMES R. NAIDEN, Epsilon, '35

O Lesbia, may we live and love,
And set at naught the value of
The talk of old, censorious men.
The suns can set, and rise again:
When once our hour is gone, then we
Must sleep through dark eternity.
Oh give your kisses thousand-fold;
Then let a hundred more be told.
A thousand, and a hundred more,
And still another fifty score.
When many thousands have been made,
We'll count amiss, and be afraid
To know, lest any evil come
From evil souls who know their sum.

Translations from Horace

By Norma Remsen, Omicron

O FONS BANDUSIAE

Bandusian spring, more clear than glass, And praised with wine and garlands now, Tomorrow will a kid be given, Whose first horns still swell out his brow.

That brow foretells of age and war In vain, for, lo, with ruby blood From this young kid, the proud flock's prize, Will soon be tinged your cooling flood.

The glowing Dog Star's fateful hour Does not know how to injure you; You bring sweet cool to vagrant flock And bulls tired from the harsh yoke, too. You're named among the famous springs Because I praise the oak that grows Upon the rocky cave from which Your gaily chattering water flows.

ODE XXXVIII, BOOK I

My slave, I hate a proud display, And I disdain heads linden-crowned; So cease to search the place where still The latest lingering rose is found.

Take care you add not to the grace Of myrtle's sweet simplicity, Which ill befits you, my slave, Nor me, who drink beneath this tree.

NOTA BENE

Wright and Street are publishing a circular describing the new Eta Sigma Phi jewelry which they are prepared to distribute. In addition to the official pins and keys they are making rings and bracelets. Both official and social stationery may be obtained too at the same place. The pamphlet gives descriptions and prices of the different articles.

Initiates of Eta Sigma Phi this year may obtain membership shingles without cost; to all others a fee of ten cents is assessed to cover the cost involved in their preparation and mailing.

HERE AND THERE

Miss Katheryn Marriott, mid-year graduate of the State University of Iowa and alumna of Epsilon Chapter, is now teaching Latin and English in the high school at Winfield, Iowa.

Mr. James R. Naiden, graduate student at the State University of Iowa this year and Megas Chrysophylax of Eta Sigma Phi last year, has been awarded a Lydia E. Roberts Graduate Fellowship at Columbia University for next year. Another Fellowship of the same kind has been given to Mr. Paul Barrus, prytanis of Rho Chapter this year. Mr. Barrus will do graduate work in Latin next year.

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Official Delegates to the Convention

(Continued from page 8)

Alpha Mu (University of Missouri):

E. Clarendon Hyde.

ALPHA OMICRON (Lawrence College):

Bonnie Bonthron.

ALPHA PI (Gettysburg College):

Stuart Garver (Megas Deuterohyparchos).

ALPHA TAU (The Ohio State University):

Evalyn Beery, Barbara Starbuck (Megas Gramma-

ALPHA UPSILON (Wooster College):

Margaret Dilley, Ruth Rifenberick.

Alpha Phi (Millsaps College): Ellis Finger, Jr.

Visitors to the Convention

BETA: Adelaide Peterson.

GAMMA: Josephine McVay, Mary K. Brokaw.

Epsilon: James R. Naiden.

THETA: Professor Lillian G. Berry, Hester Gruber,

Thomas A. Miller. Iota: Anita Weir.

Nu: Helen Corkhill, Virginia Frum, Miss E. R. Murray.

Rно: Paul Barrus.

Alpha Epsilon: Miss L. E. Brobst, Mrs. C. W. Freed. Alpha Upsilon: Professor Eva May Newman.

LARES AND PENATES

ALPHA TO ENTERTAIN HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

University of Chicago By Helen Campbell

On May 7 immediately after having tea in the Women's Common room in Classics, Alpha Chapter initiated Mr. Arnold Nelson. Following the ceremony a short business meeting was held at which the chapter decided to entertain Latin students from the various high schools in the city at tea on May 21.

BETA HOLDS INITIATION AND PLEDGING

Northwestern University By John Copeland

The two months just completed provided for the members of Beta Chapter a fitting climax to a year of most interesting activity and fellowship. On Thursday, April 2, a formal initiation ceremony was conducted in Harris Social Room for the purpose of initiating those persons pledged during the first semester. Those initiated at that time were the Misses Betty Dempsey, Doris Hitchcock, Phyllis Hitchcock, Mary Jane McMeans, and Maxine Roehl. Following the ceremony a group picture

was taken of the organization for the Syllabus, the university yearbook.

On April 14, Beta entertained at tea a group of outstanding undergraduate classical students who had been recommended for membership in the chapter by members of the faculty. On April 23, the regular monthly meeting of the organization was held, and at this time twelve new pledges received ribbons. At this time too plans were drawn up regarding Beta's participation in the National Convention, and Mr. John Copeland and Miss Catherine Geimer were selected to represent the chapter.

Saturday afternoon, April 25, several of the delegates from the National Convention visited Northwestern University campus, and Beta had the pleasure of entertaining them at a tea, held in the Panhellenic Room of the Levere Memorial Temple. Professor Dorjahn, assistant professor of Greek and Beta's faculty adviser, welcomed the guests to Northwestern on behalf of the chapter. Members and pledges of Beta assisting at the tea included Mrs. Alma Anderson, Miss Grace Crawford, Miss Marjorie Dreyer, Miss Bettie Dempsey, Miss Barbara Garfitt, Miss Louise Gourley, Miss Hazel Lunsford, and Miss Helen Collins.

During the early part of May Beta Chapter, following its usual custom, presented medals to the outstanding boy and girl students of the classics in Evanston Township and New Trier High Schools. The presentations were made by Beta's protohyparchos, Miss Margaret Ostler, under whose direction all high school promotional work has been carried on during the past year.

The final event of the year was the chapter's annual formal initiation and banquet held Thursday, May 14, at the Georgian Hotel, which was attended by many alumni and active members. Talks were given by several of the officers, by a representative of the newly initiated pledge class, and by members of the faculty. Officers for the coming year were then elected and inducted into office. In charge of arrangements was Miss Eleanor Surge, Beta's social chairman, assisted by Miss Margaret Ostler, Mr. Robert Wernle, and Mr. Harold Alwart.

Mr. Jack Broad, past prytanis of Beta Chapter, was recently honored by election to Phi Beta Kappa.

GAMMA INITIATES

Ohio University

By Susan Patterson

Gamma Chapter held its regular meeting March 26. After the business meeting Miss Ruth Drake finished her account of the Horatian Cruise which had been begun at a former meeting. After this, the program was turned over to the pledges whose duty it was to entertain the active members. This they did very well, presenting "Pyramus and Thisbe" and some scenes from the "Phormio" of Terence, which the audience received very enthusiastically.

On May 7 the annual formal initiation and banquet were held. Twelve active members and one associate member were initiated at this time. The associate member is Miss Lilian Colley who teaches in the high school at Portsmouth, Ohio. After the initiation ceremony which was held at the home of Professor and Mrs. Hill, the members adjourned to The Eastwood where a delicious banquet was waiting for them. At this time reports of the National Convention were made by those who had attended, and several other talks of an informal — and often hilarious — nature were given. After the banquet the new officers were installed by the retiring prytanis, Miss Eleanor Martin.

The last thing on Gamma's calendar each year is the annual picnic held at Professor Hill's camp on the Hocking River. This is always a very delightful occasion, and this year was no exception. Classical Club always enjoys this outing along with members of Eta Sigma Phi.

Four members of Gamma Chapter were recently initiated into Kappa Delta Pi, national honorary society for students of education. They are Miss Louise Beck, Miss Margie Brown, Miss Leona Penn, and Mr. Charles Gibbons. Miss Susan Patterson has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

DELTA HEARS INTERESTING TALKS Franklin College

By Edith Jackson

On April 30 Delta held its convention meeting. Delta's delegate, Miss Elsie Giddings, gave a complete and interesting report of the Convention. Plans for making Eta Sigma Phi better known on the campus were discussed. The last meeting of the year was held at the home of one of the new initiates, Miss Doris Halliday. The two outgoing seniors gave interesting talks. Miss Elizabeth Frisinger's subject was "Chemistry During the Greek and Roman Periods," and Miss Hannah Hood spoke on "Horace."

EPSILON CHAPTER

The State University of Iowa By Colleen Kilbreth

Epsilon Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi met during the month of April. At a short meeting of April 2, plans were made to send Miss Harriett Brynteson, prytanis, and Miss Helen Boegel, prytanis-elect, as delegates to the National Convention. After several matters of local interest had been discussed, the meeting was adjourned.

Professor Phillips Thygeson gave an illustrated lecture on "Excavations at Carthage" at a social meeting on April 21.

The final meeting of Epsilon Chapter was held Thursday, May 7, at which time installation of officers took place and a report on the events of the National Convention was given by members who had attended.

ETA CHAPTER PLANS EXHIBIT Florida State College for Women By Mary Etta Thistlethwaite

On April 21 Eta Chapter enjoyed a program presented by one of its alumnae members, Miss Helenmary Fritsch. Miss Fritsch gave an illustrated lecture on "Greek Vase Painting," discussing the various periods and styles of vase painting among the Greeks.

At a short business meeting on May 2 the officers were elected for the coming year. They were installed at a ceremony held May 7.

Eta Chapter plans to buy coins, figurines, vases, and other articles to begin a collection for display in the Classics department. This plan has been made possible by small gifts of money left by the outgoing seniors of the chapter for the past few years.

THETA INITIATES
NEW MEMBERS
Indiana University

By Isabel Hogue

Initiation services, in charge of Miss Eleanor Wilkins, prytanis, were held April 2, 1936. They were followed by a banquet in the Colonial Tea Room. Miss Mary Eleanor Schell was at that time awarded An Oxford Humanist, the life of William Warde Fowler, for her outstanding scholarship in Latin. The award of this book which was written by the late Professor R. H. Coon of the Latin department of Indiana University was first instituted this year as a memorial in honor of its author. Professor S. E. Stout, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and head of the Latin department, gave a short address, urging each student to select as his favorite one classical author for intensive study later in life.

Members of Theta Chapter assisted on committees for the thirteenth annual State Latin Contest of Indiana, held in Bloomington April 17, under the supervision of the Extension Division of Indiana University. In the afternoon the contestants were entertained at a tea in the home of President William Lowe Bryan.

At the banquet that evening the awards were presented by Mrs. Adela Bittner following a short program of music and speeches. Miss Margaret Covert, prytanis-elect, welcomed the seventy-three contestants and their teachers, who attended the Latin Conference held in connection with the Contest, in a jingle "Sing a Song of

Contests," modelled upon the well-known Mother Goose rhyme.

IOTA CHAPTER University of Vermont

By Sylvia A. Jarvis

Iota Chapter of Eta Sigma Phi met at the Theta house April 28 at seventhirty o'clock. The meeting opened with the usual ritual after which Miss Gracelyn Drew, Miss Mary Rasines, and Miss Maolyn Osgood were initiated into the chapter. A business meeting was then held.

Miss Evelyn Eaton was in charge of the social part of the meeting, and she introduced Professor Pooley who spoke on Horace and his life. After his talk Miss Maolyn Osgood and Miss Marguerite Harvey read translations of some of Horace's odes. Refreshments were then served, and the meeting was brought to a close.

LAMBDA CHAPTER University of Mississippi

By Albert Russell

Lambda Chapter held its regular meeting on April 21 in the reception room of the Campus Activities Building. It was decided at the meeting that Miss Florence Campbell should represent the local chapter at the National Convention.

Initiation of Mr. William Johnson was held on the following Thursday evening with Miss Onita Aldridge presiding. Other candidates for initiation will be received in May.

NU CLOSES YEAR Morningside College

By Florence Rumsch

Nu Chapter held its concluding meeting of the year on May 11.

Following a business session and installation of officers for the year 1936-37, Miss Dorothy Johnson gave a very fine report on the 1936 National Convention.

Interesting informal observations of the Convention were also presented by Miss Ethel R. Murray, honorary member, and the Misses Virginia Frum, Helen Corkhill, and Florence Rumsch.

OMICRON HOLDS BANQUET

University of Pennsylvania

By EDWIN A. WILLARD, III

On April 29, Omicron held its last meeting for the year, giving a banquet, at which seventy members and alumni were present. There were three guest speakers, all of whom were elected to honorary membership: Professor George W. Mc-Clelland, Vice President of the University of Pennsylvania; Professor John Harrison Minnick, Dean of the School of Education; and Professor John F. Gummere, Latin instructor at the William Penn Charter School of Germantown. The entire Latin faculty was present as well as many outside guests and alumni.

Omicron considers that it has had the most successful year of its career, having elected twenty-six new members and having carried on a successful program.

RHO HOLDS BANQUET Drake University

By Paul Barrus

Rho Chapter held its April meeting at the suburban home of Mrs. Marjorie Eisenbeis Schlenker, alumna member. At that time Mr. Jack Sansom presented a paper on the works of Livy, and Miss Frances Ely, a pledge of the chapter, read a very interesting paper on the Aeneid.

The annual spring banquet of Rho Chapter was held on Tuesday, May 19. Professor Luther W. Stalnaker, head of the Philosophy department at Drake University, was the guest speaker. His subject was Epicureanism. Professor Stalnaker and Professor Ritchy, head of the department of History, have been elected to honorary membership, and also at this time the Misses LaVerne DeLong, Louise Bedford, Winnie Lou Wallace, Mary

Brammer, Frances Ely, Frances Carrell, and Lola Stephens, and Mr. Harrold Shiffler were initiated into the society.

Miss Kathryn Dye, a senior and chrysophylax of Rho Chapter, has been elected to membership in Phi Beta Kappa.

During the latter part of May the Eta Sigma Phi medal was awarded to that student in the Des Moines high schools who had submitted the best paper on some phase of the life and works of either Horace or Vergil.

Election of officers was held late in May.

SIGMA TO ATTEND PICNIC Miami University

By JEANNE LONG

Sigma Chapter sent two delegates to the National Convention in Chicago, Miss Edith Faust and Miss Elizabeth Giedeman, who reported that they had a very enjoyable time.

The initiation ceremony and banquet were held Thursday, May 7, with Professor W. R. McConnell as the guest speaker.

The Classical Club which has been functioning in cooperation with Eta Sigma Phi all year is to hold its May meeting (its final one) in the form of a picnic at the Botanical Gardens. A Greek play is to be presented out-of-doors by members of the Greek history class. The main feature of the program will be the reports of the delegates to the Convention.

CHI HONORS SENIORS Coe College

By Helen V. Burton

On the evening of May 5, Chi Chapter met at the home of Professor and Mrs. George W. Bryant. After an important business meeting which included election of 1937 officers and a report of the National Convention, Miss Alice Thompson, an honor student in the Latin department and protohyparchos of Chi Chapter, presented a splendid paper on "Cato, the El-

der and His Influences on Roman Morals." Refreshments were served by Mrs. Bryant later in the evening.

On the evening of May 19, members of Chi Chapter met to observe the traditional senior banquet. The seniors, guests of honor, reclined, toga-clad, at the festive board and were served by tunic-clad underclassmen as "servi." Before the banquet three new members were initiated. After the banquet the new officers were installed. Seniors honored at the banquet were Misses Bernice Curran, Ilda Mikulas, Mary Catherine Jennings, Marjory Wright, and Messrs. Cleo Misil, Ralph McLead, Darrell Martin, Raymond Hurst, Dale Etka, Elmer Keith, and Charles Quinn.

PSI INITIATES Vanderbilt University By Virginia Pafford

On February 26, in connection with the initiation of new members of Psi Chapter, a Roman banquet was held. The table was in the shape of a U and was decorated with ivory candles and red flowers attractively arranged. The menus were red and white and were written in Latin. Roman food was provided and the guests attended in Roman costume. A program of appropriate music and dancing was presented and the guests sang Latin songs. The Roman atmosphere was kept throughout the entire banquet. The initiation followed the banquet.

Psi Chapter held an informal social meeting on April 15 in connection with the initiation of the following new members: Miss Lucille Cate, Mr. Ovid Collins, Jr., Miss Jane Ellen Mankin, Mr. Jack Patty, Miss Frances Rucks, Mr. Landis Shaw, and Miss Charlotte Williams, bringing the total number of initiates for the year to eighteen. The initiation ceremony was followed by a short business session presided over by the prytanis, Miss Frances Shaver. Later a musical

program was given and refreshments were served.

Psi Chapter is following its usual practice of presenting medals to out standing Senior Latin students in the preparatory and high schools of Nashville, for the dual purpose of rewarding merit and encouraging interest in the classics. The standard of work thus recognized has been very high.

ALPHA BETA ENTERTAINS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

University of Denver

By Allen DuPont Breck

The annual high school tea of Alpha Beta Chapter was held in the American Renaissance Room of the Mary Reed Library on Sunday, April 26, at four in the afternoon. The color scheme of gold and blue was carried out in the gowns of the hostesses and the decorations of the tea table, which was set in the midst of the beautiful foyer of the reception room. Hostesses who presided at the gathering were the Misses Frances Parisi, Dorothy Roberts, Alene Elliott, Anne Turner, and Elizabeth Turner. During the afternoon members of the chapter entertained the guests with a series of classical readings, among them Horatian poems translated by Mr. Gus Profit, and selections from Plato and J. G. Saxe which were presented by Miss Frances Parisi. Guests invited for this gathering included senior Latin students from the five high schools of Denver, together with local Latin teachers, alumni of the chapter, and administration and faculty members of the university.

A unanimous invitation was extended by the chapter to the national organization to hold the next general assembly of Eta Sigma Phi in Denver, an evidence of the warm regard and personal devotion with which the fraternity is held by its members in this region. The chapter will have lost by that time five of its senior members through the June graduation of 1936. They are the Misses Ruth Armeling,

Frances Parisi, Anne Turner, and Pauline Turner, and the Messrs. Allen duPont Breck and James Pace Clark.

At the Honors Convocation of the University of Denver, May 1, 1936, all five of the graduating seniors received membership in Sigma Phi Alpha, scholastic society composed of those students in the upper ten percent of the senior class.

ALPHA DELTA HEARS LECTURE Agnes Scott College By June Matthews

At the regular March meeting of Alpha Delta Chapter, Professor Catherine Torrance, of the Greek department at Agnes Scott and honorary member of Eta Sigma Phi, gave an interesting lecture based on her tour last summer with the Horatian party. The lecture was illustrated with attractive slides, many of them colored.

The regular April meeting was held with the chapter at Emory University. At the next meeting, which will be the final one of the year, the general topic for the year, archaeology, will be concluded with a paper on "Roman Remains in Great Britain," which will be read by Miss Gertrude Lozier.

The officers for the coming year have been elected and installed.

ALPHA ZETA SPONSORS CONTEST

Washington Square College By Florence M. Cromien

Boys and girls from 330 high schools in New York City and vicinity competed this year in the annual Henry Mortyn Baird Memorial Contest sponsored by Alpha Zeta. The Latin contest was held at Washington Square College, New York University, on April 4.

Bronze trophies are awarded the teams scoring highest in each of the two groups. Individual winners are presented with gold, silver, and

bronze medals. The school which shall have entered the best team three times will get permanent possession of a silver cup.

Dr. Henry Martyn Baird, in whose memory the contest is held, was professor of classics at this university. He died in 1906.

Professor Catherine Smith managed the event this year. Mr. Paul Culley, also of the Classics department, and members of the chapter assisted her.

Sixteen new members have been received into the chapter. After the formal ceremony of induction, Professor C. J. Kraemer, head of the department, welcomed them. Professor Floyd A. Spencer, author of Beyond Damascus: A Biography of Paul of Tarsus, delivered the main address. Witty anecdotes from his personal experience as author and research collaborator enlivened his story of how books are made. He concluded with a defense of classical study.

"Certainly no one looking from the hard-bitten face of Caesar to the fat face of Pompey would doubt the inevitability of the final triumph of the former," Miss Dorothy Latta remarked at a lecture-meeting on Roman portraiture. Lantern slides of Roman heads, prefaced by a brief showing of Etruscan and Greek examples, revealed a trend of ancient portrait sculptors from idealization to realism and back again to simplification. As Miss Latta pointed out, not only the personal qualities of the subject are stamped on the more realistic portraits, but also racial characteristics. The lecturer touched briefly on the outstanding changes in artistic technique, and on what can be learned of a civilization from such details as hairdressing.

"Roman portraiture was one of the most vital divisions of Roman art," Miss Latta asserted.

The farewell party which annually closes the season took place May 7. At this time the new members, ac-

cording to custom, entertained the old with skits and "take-offs."

Three members of Alpha Zeta were recently elected into Phi Beta Kappa. They are the Misses Harriet Josephs, prytanis; Annette Mushcart, grammateus; and Eleanor Dumey.

Miss Dumey was also one of sixteen from this college to be elected to Pi Mu Epsilon, national mathematics honor society. Miss Mushcart also won the German scholarship.

Miss Dorothy Grimmelmann, a new member, was one of seven junior women elected to Eclectic, the college women's honor society. Qualifications for membership in Eclectic include service to the college in extra-curricular activities and personal character, equally with scholarship. The retiring president and vice-president of Eclectic are, respectively, the Misses Anne Lewis, protohyparchos of Alpha Zeta; and Harriet Josephs, prytanis.

ALPHA THETA FINDS MEDICINE INTERESTING

Hunter College

By Frances Reich

This semester Alpha Theta has selected the following students as members: Misses Helen Christopher and Sylvia Schwartz. The initiation ceremony was held May 15 and was followed by a dinner to which all the alumnae were invited.

Alpha Theta Chapter was recently requested to give a performance of a shadow play on Horace before a meeting of the New York Classical Club. The sketch was written and directed by Professor Adelaide Hahn. It was a light, humorous rendition and heartily received.

At the regular meetings the members have continued with reports on "Medicine in the Ancient World." A vast field has been opened to them, since they have not limited themselves to the Greek and Roman. Their investigation has extended to the development of medicine in Egypt, China,

Hindustan, Greece, Rome, and also to that mentioned in the Bible.

ALPHA KAPPA CHAPTER

University of Illinois

By LaVerne Sammons

Alpha Kappa Chapter held its initiation services followed by the annual dinner on April 19. The speaker of the evening was Mr. Leslie Johnston, who used as his subject, "The Origins of Christmas." This was followed by stunts given by the initiates and group singing of Latin songs. A large attendance showed the strong interest of alumni members.

The chapter is looking forward to an active year.

ALPHA LAMBDA ELECTS OFFICERS

University of Oklahoma

By KATHERINE RADER

On Thursday, April 30, Alpha Lambda Chapter held a picnic attended by the members and several guests who are interested in Latin and Greek study.

Shortly before this, the chapter held a meeting at which the officers for the following year were elected. These are Walleah Jones, prytanis; Mr. Albert Brent, hyparchos; and Mr. Harris Russell, grammateus-chrysophylax. Installation of these officers was held at a meeting on May 6. This installation closed the work of the group for the year.

A committee was appointed to check on prospective members for next year.

ALPHA MU CHAPTER

University of Missouri

By E. Clarendon Hyde

Alpha Mu Chapter held an initiation at its meeting May 6. Three new members were taken in at this time. After initiation officers for the coming year were elected. A report of the National Convention was given by the delegate, Mr. E. Clarendon Hyde,

who is Megas Chrysophylax-elect. This meeting was held at the Acacia fraternity house, and Mr. Hyde was host.

The chapter's annual spring banquet was given on May 13. As has been the custom, the new officers were installed at this meeting. All of the honorary members and friends on the faculty joined with the active members to make this a truly enjoyable occasion. The adjournment from the banquet constituted adjournment for the year.

ALPHA NU INITIATES

Davidson College By Robert B. Stewart

On April 27 Alpha Nu Chapter held its initiation ceremony. After a brief business meeting the eleven men who had accepted the bids of the fraternity were duly inducted into membership. The men who have become new members of Eta Sigma Phi are well qualified both in interest and proficiency in classical studies and in those qualities of personality which will make them welcome additions to the chapter.

For their final meeting of the year the members of Eta Sigma Phi cast their seeking for classical knowledge to the winds and met for a meeting devoted almost entirely to impromptu performances by some of its more talented members and to fellowship in general.

The election of officers was held in connection with this last meeting. After the officers were duly elected and installed, the meeting was adjourned and the chapter enjoyed a "feed" and an hour of fun and fellowship.

This meeting brings to a close the work of Alpha Nu Chapter for this school year.

ALPHA XI SPONSORS CONTEST

Washington University
By RUTH JACOBS
Alpha Xi Chapter held its business

meeting on Friday, April 17. The main discussions were regarding the Eta Sigma Phi Convention. Miss Evelewt Groene and Mr. Robert Gotch were elected as the chapter's delegates.

The chapter met again on May 1 for initiation and election of officers.

On May 6 the chapter gave its annual spring banquet, at which time the new officers were installed. Miss Groene and Mr. Gotch gave reports on the Convention, and the new members entertained with two short comedies.

At this time, too, the prizes were awarded to the two winners in the chapter's High School Latin Contest, Mr. Ernest Schlaretki and Mr. Edward Scullet. The examination, held every year for students in high schools in St. Louis and vicinity, was given April 18. There were two divisions. The test for the one consisted of translations of Caesar and Vergil, and an account of their lives; the other included translations of Caesar and an account of his life and works.

The chapter will end the year's activities with a picnic, the date of which is yet to be announced.

ALPHA OMICRON ENTERTAINS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Lawrence College

By LAVERNE WETZEL

Alpha Omicron Chapter held a combination social and business meeting April 15. After a candle-light supper, Miss Violet Rusch, prytanis, called the business meeting to order. Miss Bonnie Bonthron was unanimously chosen to represent the chapter at the National Convention. Plans for the annual tea given in honor of Appleton High School advanced Latin students were discussed, and the date was set for Thursday, May 7. After all the old and new business had been duly discussed and settled, the officers for the coming year were installed.

The May meeting of Alpha Omicron Chapter was in the form of a tea given in honor of the Appleton High School advanced Latin students. The guests were entertained in the Latin Library of Main Hall where, through the cooperation of faculty members, an attractive display of Roman and Greek articles was arranged. Punch and cookies were served.

ALPHA PI CHAPTER

Gettysburg College By Carl E. Yost

Alpha Pi Chapter had the pleasure of initiating Mrs. Lester Johnson as an honorary member in their April meeting. Mrs. Johnson is the wife of one of the Gettysburg College professors who is himself an honorary member of Alpha Pi. Mrs. Johnson when a student at Gettysburg College played many prominent rôles in plays produced by the campus dramatic club and has helped Alpha Pi Chapter several times this year in the dramatization of selections from one or another of the Greek dramatists listed under the year's program theme of classic drama.

The officers for the next school year were installed at this meeting. They are prytanis, Mr. George K. Bowers; hyparchos, Mr. Eugene Umberger; grammateus, Miss Miriam Eichner; chrysophylax, Mr. Paul Mumford; and pyloros, Miss Charlotte Waltemyer. The Misses Miriam Eichner and Charlotte Waltemyer have the distinction of being the first women to become active members of Alpha Pi and the first women ever to hold office in this chapter.

At the program Mr. Stuart Garver, the delegate to the National Convention, who was also Megas Deuterohyparchos of the national organization, gave an interesting and extensive account of the Convention: its conferences, speakers, sights, and results. Mr. Garver spoke very highly of the fine speakers, the interesting sessions, and the splendid work of Alpha Chapter as host to the other chapters.

A committee on High School Expansion Work reported at this meeting that invitations had been sent out to high schools in this region inviting Latin students to participate in a contest to be given May 23 in Gettysburg College. First, second, and third prizes of ten dollars, five dollars, and two dollars and fifty cents will be awarded. The hyparchos, with Professor J. G. Glenn, head of the Latin department, and Professor W. F. Shaffer, acting head of the Greek department of the college, makes up this committee.

MEMBERS OF ALPHA SIGMA ENTERTAINED Emory University By C. H. White

Closing its year's schedule with a formal initiation meeting, Alpha Sigma added three new names to its roster.

The final meeting was held on Monday, May 4, at the home of an honorary member, Mr. Fitzhugh Knox, Sr. After the ceremonies in which Mr. Marvin Adams and Mr. Wayne Potter were made active members, and Mrs. T. G. Little was made an honorary member, the program was added to by talks given by Mr. Pete Lamas and Mr. Knox, both the talks bearing directly on classical enterprises.

Following these talks, the election of officers for the next academic year was made.

After the formal portion of the meeting, Mr. and Mrs. Knox entertained informally with refreshments.

It was a pleasure for Alpha Sigma to have as its guests at this meeting nine of the members of Alpha Delta Chapter from Agnes Scott College, and two of their faculty members.

With the chapter roll larger now than at any time in its history, plans for the new year will go forward with efficiency in the fall; meantime the members temporarily adjourn for the summer.

ALPHA TAU CLOSES SUCCESSFUL YEAR

Ohio State University By BARBARA STARBUCK

The first meeting of Alpha Tau Chapter for the spring quarter was the initiation and installation of new officers which was held in Pomerene Hall, May 2. This was followed by the initiation banquet at the Hotel Fort Hayes. At this banquet Miss Evalyn Berry, the new prytanis, was toast-mistress and Professor Kenneth Abbott was the speaker. His topic was "The Renaissance Under Charlemagne."

The next meeting was a business meeting at which plans for the annual picnic were discussed. There was also a special initiation for one pledge, Mr. Donald Allen, who was unable to be initiated on May 2.

The final meeting was a picnic on the Scioto River near O'Shaunessey Dam. The chief entertainment was a scavenger hunt which proved very amusing owing to the dangers involved in bringing treasures from the near-by zoo.

Alpha Tau Chapter feels that it has had a very successful year.

ALPHA UPSILON PRESENTS MENAECHMI

College of Wooster

By Helen Brenneman oha Upsilon Chapter held it.

Alpha Upsilon Chapter held its annual alumni dinner at which several new members were taken into the chapter.

In collaboration with the Classical Club the chapter sponsored a production of *Menaechmi* of Plautus. The play was given in an outdoor setting with Kauke Hall serving as a background.

Members of Eta Sigma Phi and the Classical Club attended the annual Roman banquet which has become a traditional feature of the spring program. Guests came in costume and impersonated Greek and Roman characters. The dinner followed as closely as possible the Roman model.

ALPHA PHI HAS PICNIC

Millsaps College By Fagan Scott

A monthly business meeting of Alpha Phi Chapter was held on April 4 in the home of Miss Dorothy Chichester. At that meeting several interesting papers were read and discussed, and Mr. Ellis Finger, prytanis, was chosen to represent the chapter at the National Convention in Chicago.

When the business was concluded, refreshments were served by Miss Chichester.

A special meeting was called by the president on April 28 for the purpose of voting on new members. It was decided that four students of high scholastic standing would be extended bids. The names of the pledges will be announced after the initiation.

Casting a side all business and thoughts of oncoming examinations, members of the chapter enjoyed a delightful picnic given Saturday afternoon, May 9. After dark many games were played around a huge bonfire. The picnic was enjoyed by all present.

With a meeting on May 16, Alpha Phi Chapter closed its business activities for the year.

NO REPORTS

Zeta, Denison University. Mu, University of Cincinnati.

Xi, University of Kansas.

Pi, Birmingham-Southern College.

Tau, University of Kentucky.

Upsilon, Mississippi State College for Women.

Phi, West Virginia University.

Omega, College of William and Mary.

Alpha Alpha, Winthrop College. Alpha Gamma, Southern Methodist University.

Alpha Epsilon, Lehigh University. Alpha Iota, University of South Carolina.

Alpha Rho, Muhlenberg College.

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