

THE NUNTIUS

Official Publication of Eta Sigma Phi, Inc., National Honorary Classical Fraternity

Volume 26

May 15, 1952

Number 4

PARHAM WILLIAMS ELECTED PRESIDENT OF ETA SIGMA PHI

The new National President of Eta Sigma Phi, elected at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, April 4 and 5, 1952, is Parham Williams, of Lambda Chapter, University of Mississippi.

Other Officers

Lynn Casper, Alpha Omicron Chapter, Lawrence College, Appleton, Wisconsin, was re-elected National Vice-President for another year. The new National Secretary is Lois Rinsch, Gamma Alpha Chapter, Indiana State Teachers College, Terre Haute, Indiana. John M. Lee, Alpha Chi Chapter, Tulane University, was elected National Treasurer.

Professor Victor D. Hill, Ohio University, and Professor Lillian B. Lawler, Hunter College, were re-elected to the Board of Trustees for another three year term.

The office of Executive Secretary and Editor of The Nuntius remains unchanged. Professor Gertrude Smith of the University of Chicago remains as Honorary President and Professor William C. Korfmacher of Saint Louis University as Honorary Executive Secretary.

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

An admirable spirit of friendliness, cooperation, and quiet dignity, characterized the sessions of the 1952 National Convention, and the enthusiastic comments of those present point to the fact that the Convention was highly successful.

Our very efficient Vice-President, Lynn Casper, writes: "I had such a good time and met so many wonderful people that nothing short of a revolution could keep me away next year." Robert J. Flegl, Grammateus of Gamma Gamma Chapter, remarks, "It was a most invaluable experience and I'm sure we secured many good ideas which will make the coming year a more profitable one for our own chapter. The spirit of fellowship which pervaded the entire Convention certainly speaks well for the lessons of the clas-

NINETEEN CHAPTERS REPRESENTED AT TWENTY-FOURTH CONVENTION

Delegates from nineteen chapters of Eta Sigma Phi were present at the Twenty-fourth National Convention held at Indiana University on April 4 and 5. Total number of delegates and guests present during the course of the convention is estimated at seventy-five.

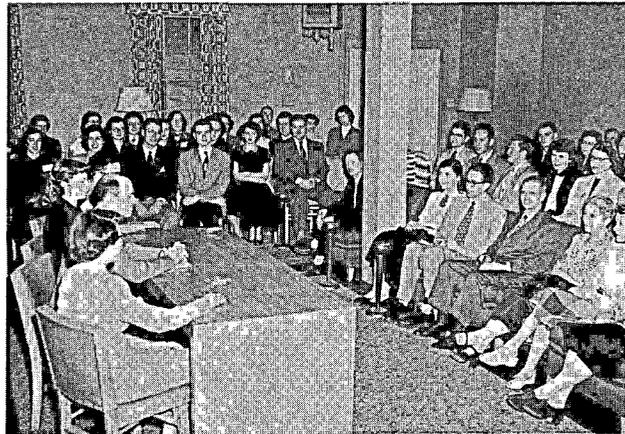
Included were all four national officers for 1951-52: President Jack Woodhouse, University of Kentucky; Vice-President Lynn Casper, Lawrence College; Secretary Jane Wright, Vanderbilt University; and Treasurer Richard H. Thompson, Indiana University. Professor William H. Willis of the University of Mississippi represented the Board of Trustees. A number of Faculty Advisers were present, including Professor Ortha L. Wilner, former Counselor of Sigma Pi Rho Fraternity, whose four groups recently united with Eta Sigma Phi.

From Theta Chapter, Richard H. Thompson, Marlene Liebttag, and Mary Ann Schrader, as members of the Local Committee on Arrangements, were largely

responsible for the smooth operation of the Convention. They had provided well for the comfort of the delegates and the excellent accommodations for the meetings. It was a source of regret that death in his family prevented Professor Verne B. Schuman from attending. Professor Norman T. Pratt, Jr., Chairman of the Department of Classical Languages, was in constant attendance at sessions and contributed greatly to the success of the meeting. It was a particular pleasure also to have present Professors Emeriti S. E. Stout and Lillian G. Berry, who were instrumental in bringing Theta Chapter to Indiana University over twenty-five years ago and whose active interest in the Fraternity has continued over the years.

...sics which all chapters must have gleaned." Miss Wilner, Faculty Adviser for the same chapter, says, "There was genuine stimulation and pleasure at the meeting, and our students have come home fired with a desire to do something constructive."

(Cont'd. pp. 26 - col. 1)



Twenty-fourth National Convention Group

CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS (Cont'd.)

Lynn Shields expresses Beta Alpha Chapter's pleasure in being able to send two delegates all the way from South Dakota to Indiana. "We wish," she adds, "that our efforts might be copied by other schools, which, being closer to the places of meeting, might work to send delegates next year. The girls had a wonderful time . . . We have heard much about the Bloomington meeting." Professor Willis, by special request of the Editor, gives on page 28 of this issue his impressions of the meeting.

New Chapters Approved

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Expansion and Reactivation, of which Lynn Casper is Chairman, approval was given at the Convention to petitions for chapters at the University of Wisconsin and at Albion College. Plans for the installation of these chapters are under way.

Next Year's Convention at Agnes Scott College

For the Committee on Time and Place of the Next National Convention, the Chairman, Parham Williams, announced that invitations had been received from the following chapters: Beta Theta, Hampden-Sydney College, Alpha Xi and Beta Zeta, Washington University and Saint Louis University; Alpha Phi, Millsaps College; Lambda, University of Mississippi; Alpha Delta, Agnes Scott College; and, tentatively, Beta Tau, Georgetown University. The Committee's recommendation that the 1953 Convention be held at Georgetown University, if the invitation should become final, otherwise at Agnes Scott College, was accepted by vote of the delegates. The Executive Secretary has since learned that Georgetown will be unable to entertain the Convention next year, and he therefore announces that the 1953 Convention will be held at Decatur, Georgia, with Alpha Delta Chapter at Agnes Scott College. The exact days will be announced in a later issue of The Nuntius.

CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION

Of the three proposed amendments to the Constitution, as published in the March issue, only the first was passed, raising the initiation fee to five dollars (\$5.00). At the same time, however, it was voted that the Constitution be further amended to discontinue the annual membership dues of one dollar and a half (\$1.50) per active member, and to reduce the subscription price of The Nuntius to one dollar (\$1.00) per year for all others. Final action on these last two proposals must, of course, wait until the 1953 Convention. It is believed that these changes in the National fees, when put into final operation, will not materially alter the financial obligations of the individual members, and will greatly facilitate the work, not only of the National Treasurer, but of the chapter treasurers as well. The new system will be put into effect for initiates at the beginning of the 1952-53 academic year. Chapter treasurers will be sent special instructions in due time.

A further proposed amendment to the Constitution to be acted upon at the 1953 Convention

RESULTS IN 1952 ETA SIGMA PHI CONTEST

A total of one hundred ninety-three entrants, representing forty-five different institutions, has been listed for the four Eta Sigma Phi Contests for 1952. Contests were conducted under the direction of William C. Korfmacher, Saint Louis University, Honorary Executive Secretary and Chairman of Contests. All contest papers were submitted with pseudonyms, and only these marks of identification were known to the several boards of judges.

In the Seventh Annual Essay Contest, an original paper on "Socrates' Ideals of Citizenship in Plato's Crito," the judges were from Mary Institute, Clayton, Missouri: Ruth F. Joedicke, Chairman, John Graham, and Harrison Hoblitzelle. There were forty-nine papers, from twenty-one different schools. First prize, \$50.00, was awarded to Ireneanne Walter, Saint Louis University; second, \$35.00, to Patricia Ann Balesano, Saint Joseph's College (West Hartford, Connecticut); third, \$25.00, to David G. Fox, Wheaton College; fourth, \$17.50, to Elmer Wolfenden, Wheaton College; fifth, \$12.50, to Ann Winter, Our Lady of Cincinnati College; sixth, \$10.00, to Howard Wells Fullweiler, Jr., University of South Dakota.

In the Second Satterfield Latin Version Contest, original translation of a passage of Latin, the judges were from West Baden College (Indiana): The Reverend Raymond V. Schoder, S.J., chairman, The Reverend William P. LeSaint, S.J., and Mr. William Nicholas A. Predovich, S.J. The single prize of \$25.00 was awarded to Martin E. Palmer of Holy Cross College. Honorable mention was accorded to: Charles F. McGrath, S.J., Saint Andrew-on-Hudson (Poughkeepsie), John R. Barth, S.J., Saint Andrew-on-Hudson, Thomas Cummins Ryan, Holy Cross College, and James Leo Fahey, Holy Cross College. There were seventy-five entrants, from twenty-two different schools.

In the Chapter Language Census, listings of foreign language courses, with point ratings, were submitted by students in colleges having chapters of Eta Sigma Phi, with prizes for the best ratings for the chapters concerned. Fourteen students responded, representing nine different institutions. First place, \$25.00, was awarded to Epsilon Chapter, State University of Iowa, for Charles R. Beye, 296 points; second, \$15.00, Alpha Delta Chapter, Agnes Scott College, for Mary Lee Hunnicutt, 245 points; third, \$10.00, Beta Psi Chapter, Southwestern at Memphis, for William Thomas Jolly, 244 points.

In the Third Annual Greek Translation Contest, original translation at sight of a passage of Greek, the judge was Christopher George Brouzas, West Virginia University. There were fifty-five entrants, from nineteen different schools. Results here are as yet unreported.

would provide that members of the Board of Trustees may be re-elected for only one additional continuous term. It is understood, however, that they may be eligible for re-election after being out of office for one or more years.

QUINTUS HORATIUS FLACCUS

His Life as Told by Himself
byCharles Christopher Mierow
(Final Installment)

Eternal vigilance the price, he knew,
Of freedom is; and likewise valor true
In craven hearts can never be restored;
Undying Faith is due our country's lord.

The ancient faith preserved the ancient state.
Neglect of worship brings regret - too late,
Unless we build once more the fallen shrines
And rear an edifice of fairer lines:
Humility and purity of life -
"Be true to God, and faithful to one wife" -
For luxury spells doom to all our pride,
Without Religion naught else can abide.

What wonder, when Augustus kept once more
The Ludi Saeculares (held of yore
Each hundred years, in solemn gratitude
For help divine), the poet laureate
Horatius Flaccus should compose the song
By choruses of boys and maidens sung -
The Carmen Saeculare. Still at Rome
We may read words clear graven on a stone:
"Horatius Flaccus carmen composuit."

The song itself, to Leto's son addressed
(Latona named by Romans), Leto's son
Apollo, and to Artemis whom they
Diana call, besought of heaven aid
For dwellers on the Seven Hills of Rome,
Who from that ancient seat now ruled the world.
A prayer it was that Peace might now return
To earth with Faith and Honor, tried and true,
And ancient Modesty and Virtue, scorned
Too long. Then Plenty, with full horn, might turn
Her beaming face upon all lands again.

To Odes, once thought complete and laid aside,
Another final book the poet adds
To sing the blessings of the Emperor's sway.
"Your rule", he says, "is like a holiday!
Long may you reign to bless us all, for now
The cattle safely roam the countryside;
Now Happiness attends our harvest-tide;
Our sailors flit across a sea at peace;
Fidelity revives and lives again;
Pariah guilt, by law and custom banned;
Young mothers bring forth sons to match their
sires;
And sin meets punishment o'er all the land."

Again the poet prophesies his fame:
"Think not", he says, "Venusia's bard shall fail
To vie with Homer in the days to come.
Stesichorus, Alcaeus and the lays
Of Pindar - yes, and light Anacreon -
Live on; so too my poetry shall live;
I have a message to the world to give.
So Aufidus shall with Pactolus vie:
For Homer's lines - and mine - shall never die!"

The fleeting years glide by and we grow old.

So Horace felt the heavy hand of time,
Grown prematurely gray, rotund and sleek,
Though slight of stature, dignified of mien,
And often in the sunshine lounging seen.
Though quick to anger, easily appeased;
A man distinguished, by approval pleased.

His latest works were Letters couched in verse.
Grown mellow now than in his stormy youth,
"Dare to be wise", he says, "and seek for truth."
Now epigrams fall from his lips like rain!
The lines he utters move men's hearts again.
Their kindly wisdom sinks into men's minds:
"Whenever kings are fools, the people pay.
Who makes a start is half way to the goal.
The man who has enough should seek no more.
Unless the jar is clean, its contents sour.
Rage a brief madness is - control yourself.
Mid hopes and fears, anxiety and spleen,
Count every day the last day to be seen;
Each unexpected hour will then become
More pleasing than a whole millenium."

And yet his Odes have made our Horace great.
In them he sings of love, of friends, of Fate,
Of home and country, and in praise of wine,
Of gods and goddesses, and Fortune's shrine.
To Horace surely all our hearts belong:
We love the singer as we love his song.

What was his summum bonum - greatest good?
What did the poet pray for, as he stood
Before Apollo's newly dedicated shrine
In solemn ceremony, pouring wine -
New wine from sacrificial libation bowl?
Not gold; not crops; not herds; not land
Where Liris, that gentle stream, consumes
the soil;
Not ships on every sea to bring him wealth.
He coveted contentment with himself.
Contentment with his lot in life: his food
Of endive, olive, mallow light and good;
With health and strength of body and of mind.
He prayed for life unstained by guilt or wrong,
And for old age made pleasanter by song.

When in his prime, one day a falling tree
Upon his Sabine farm just grazed his head,
And - thinking how he might have lain there,
dead -

His mind ranged on to Proserpina's land:
Dark Hades - Lethe - Acheron's sad strand;
"There might I now be standing to be judged
By Aeacus, just ruler o'er the shades.
There might I see the mansions of the blest,
And hear from golden lyre, in fuller strain,
Great Sappho of her countrymen complain:
'Unsympathetic maidens, jealous, proud';
There might I hear Alcaeus sing again
Of war, and exile, wandering o'er the main.
Before such mighty singers all the dead,
Close-packed in listening throng, forget
themselves
Speel-bound by what the greatest bards have
said."

(Cont'd. pp. 32 - col. 2)

THE NUNTIUS

Vol. 26 May 15, 1952 No. 4

Published four times during the academic year: November 15, January 15, March 15, and May 15. Sent without charge to all active members of Eta Sigma Phi, for each year in which dues are paid. Price to others: \$1.50 per year. All communications regarding publication or business should be addressed to *The Editor*: Graydon W. Regenos, Tulane University, New Orleans 18, Louisiana.

Official Publication of Eta Sigma Phi, National Honorary Classical Fraternity, Founded in 1914, Nationalized in 1924, Incorporated under the Laws of the State of Illinois, June 20, 1927.

OFFICERS

Parham Williams -- University of Mississippi
University, Mississippi *National President*

Lynn Casper -- Lawrence College,
Appleton, Wisconsin *National Vice-President*

Lois Rinsch -- Indiana State Teachers College,
Terre Haute, Indiana *National Secretary*

John M. Lee -- Tulane University,
New Orleans, La. *National Treasurer*

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Professor Victor D. Hill (1955), Ohio University, Athens, Ohio, *Chairman*
Professor Grace L. Beede (1953)
University of South Dakota, Vermillion, South Dakota
Professor Lillian B. Lawler (1955),
Hunter College, New York 21, New York
Professor H. Lloyd Stow (1954),
University of Oklahoma, Norman, Oklahoma
Professor William H. Willis (1953),
University of Mississippi, University, Mississippi

HONORARY PRESIDENT

Professor Gertrude Smith
University of Chicago, Chicago 37, Illinois

HONORARY EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Professor William C. Korfmacher
Saint Louis University, Saint Louis 8, Missouri

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

Professor Graydon W. Regenos,
Tulane University, New Orleans 18, Louisiana

THE AMPHICTYONIC COUNCIL

an editorial by
William H. Willis

Professor of Classics, University of Mississippi
and National Trustee of Eta Sigma Phi

The following editorial was written by special request of the Editor. Professor Willis here conveys in his inimitable way to the readers of *The Nuntius* the spirit which prevailed at Eta Sigma Phi's "Amphictyonic Council".

On some remote but bright day in ancient Greece hopeful delegates from several of the separate city-states came together to found the first Amphictyony--a league of kindred blood and mutual interest dedicated to promote the worship of some chief god and perhaps the security of his devotees. Famous especially is the Delphic Amphictyony whose delegates met in the spring of each year in solemn council at the oracular precinct of Apollo at Delphi. One may well imagine that to the delegate the occasion was one of spiritual dedication as well as of practical advantage for his city and broadening experience for him-

self. The cause of the god was promoted, the welfare of each city-state was made secure and its cultural horizon greatly extended through exchange of ideas--only through the cooperative effort of the meetings of the amphictyonic council.

In the month of April the spiritual descendants of these Greeks, the Amphictyony of Eta Sigma Phi, met in high amphictyonic council to achieve these same ends. Our temples now are colleges and universities, our city-states our chapters, our cause the promotion of classical learning--and our Delphi this year was the hospitable campus of Indiana University.

Delegates from nineteen chapters ranging from South Dakota to Georgia, from Louisiana to Maryland brought together an enthusiasm and a spirit of initiative and progress that heartened and impressed the old-timers. From the cordial and challenging welcome extended by President Wells of Indiana University to the simple and impressive closing ceremony at which our capable new national officers were installed, the program of the convention moved at a pace swift and exhilarating. The record quantity of significant business enacted by the delegates, which I think will strengthen our fraternity materially, will be reported to you officially in due course. But the fine spirit of the meeting, and the inspiration of the comradery and the top-flight addresses which we heard can be communicated to the membership of each chapter only through the personal reports of your chapter delegates.

If you have not heard from them in a chapter program already, ask your delegates to tell you of their interesting lesson in Roman geography from a charming British scholar, Professor Pounds; of the superb lecture by Professor Brendel on the psychology and spirit of the Roman world exemplified in the architecture of the Eternal City; and of encouraging news about the growth and spread of classical study so ably reported by Professor Pratt. And above all, ask your delegates for a full account of the splendid new ideas they gleaned from the reports of chapter activities and programs throughout the fraternity: the establishment of Eta Sigma Phi public lecture series, the awarding of Eta Sigma Phi medals to promising high school Latinists, field trips, public concerts, successful fund-raising drives, and many more impressive enterprises.

The delegates to the grand council of the Amphictyony of Eta Sigma Phi have now returned to their several πόλεις. Another year of opportunity and achievement lies ahead for each chapter. We have been infused with new inspiration and filled with new and vigorous ideas. Perhaps the success of our splendid convention is yet to be determined, from the renewed dedication which the delegates take home and impart to their πολιτῆται.

TOWARD ACHIEVEMENT OF ETA SIGMA PHI'S THREEFOLD PURPOSE

As the academic year, 1951-52, draws swiftly to a close, it is well for us as a classical fraternity to take inventory of our activities dur-

ing the year, and to see to what extent we have measured up to the standards set forth in our Constitution. The purpose of the Fraternity is declared to be threefold: "1) To develop and promote interest in classical study among the students of colleges and universities; 2) To promote closer fraternal relationship among students who are interested in classical study; and 3) To engage generally in an effort to stimulate interest in classical study, and in the history, art, and literature of ancient Greece and Rome."

The reports of chapter activities described in this year's issues of The Nuntius, as well as excellent reports presented at the National Convention, are in themselves eloquent proof that the year 1951-52 has been one of marked achievement. There can be no doubt that greater interest in classical study has been developed and promoted on college campuses through the medium of Eta Sigma Phi, that a closer fraternal feeling has been made to exist among students of the classics not only within the walls of each supporting institution, but between the members of the several chapters of the Fraternity, and finally that the influence of the fraternity has been extended far beyond the limits of its own membership by chapter sponsorship of public lectures, the awarding of the Eta Sigma Phi Medal to high school students for excellence in Latin, the promotion of the Eta Sigma Phi Contests, and by numerous other forms of activity.

The Editor was requested at the Convention to bring to the attention of the readers of The Nuntius the desirability of even greater emphasis on these important projects. He would therefore urge all the chapters to plan early in the fall a program of activities to include public lectures on classical subjects, and the awarding of the Eta Sigma Phi Medal to honor students in the local high schools, along with other worthy projects.

FIVE NEW CHAPTERS INSTALLED

Since the last issue of The Nuntius five new chapters of Eta Sigma Phi have been installed: Beta Omega at Ball State Teachers College, Muncie, Indiana, on March 22; Gamma Alpha at Indiana State Teachers College, Terre Haute, Ind., on March 21; Gamma Beta at Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, Ohio, on March 23; Gamma Gamma at Wisconsin State College, Milwaukee, on March 23; and Gamma Delta at Yeshiva University, New York City, on April 28.

BETA OMEGA CHAPTER

The Beta Omega Chapter was installed by Mrs. Margaret W. Powell and four other members from the Delta Chapter, Franklin College. Phyllis Harris, Prytanis of the Beta Omega Chapter, reports that the ceremony was very lovely and was followed by a dinner at the village restaurant. Six members were initiated. Professor Wallace Magoon, Head of the Department of Foreign Languages at Ball State, is Faculty Adviser.

GAMMA ALPHA CHAPTER

Members of the Beta Mu Chapter, Butler University, headed by Professor Vergil Hiatt, officiated at the initiation and installation cere-

monies at Indiana State Teachers College. The new chapter has ten active members. Professor Gertrude Ewing, who was elected an honorary member, is serving as Faculty Adviser. Lois Rinsch, recently elected National Secretary, is President of the group.

GAMMA BETA CHAPTER

The Gamma Beta Chapter was installed by Professor Eva M. Newnan of the College of Wooster. She was assisted by two Bowling Green faculty members, Miss Mabel Drennan, Associate Professor of Foreign Languages, and H. Glendon Steele, Assistant Professor of English and Assistant to the Dean. In commenting on her trip to Bowling Green Miss Newnan speaks of the enthusiasm and cordiality of the group, and of her own pleasure in having the opportunity to officiate at the installation.

Professor Steele, whose membership is in the Beta Chapter of Northwestern University, is high in his praise of Eta Sigma Phi. "I should like all of you who are still working with the Fraternity," he writes, "to know that of all the organizations to which I belonged while I was in school, I feel the greatest affection for Eta Sigma Phi. It is the one which seems to have had some lasting value. By one of those ironies we so often refer to, I have never had the pleasure of teaching the classical languages. But I am convinced that my studies of them have made me a better English teacher as well as world literature teacher."

Student officers of the new chapter are: President, David Moe; Vice-President, Sue Stamper; Secretary-Treasurer, June Ronk. Barbara Brittin is retiring President of the Ohio Alpha Chapter of Sigma Pi Rho.

GAMMA GAMMA CHAPTER

Forty or forty-five persons were present at the installation of Gamma Gamma Chapter. More than half of them, accompanied by Father Arnold and Father Ganss, were from Beta Sigma, Marquette University, while eight or ten came from Beta Omicron, at Mount Mary College, with Sister Dorothea and Sister Alice. Jude Hayes, Prytanis of Beta Sigma, and his fellow-officers presided with dignity and impressiveness, as Professor Ortha L. Wilner, of Wisconsin State College, reports.

The ceremony, as described by Professor Wilner, took place in the public rooms of one of the college's beautiful dormitories, a large old residence situated on a bluff directly over the lake, a beautiful Tudor building with paneled walls and crystal chandeliers and gracious spaciousness.

Miss Wilner speaks of a warm friendliness pervading the three Milwaukee chapters and of a healthy energy permeating the city. The three chapters have been sharing already in certain activities, and they are planning joint meetings for next fall.

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER

Professor Lillian B. Lawler of Hunter College, a member of the Board of Trustees of Eta Sigma Phi and Editor of the Classical Outlook, officiated at the installation of Gamma Delta Chapter at Yeshiva University, New York City, on April 28. At 4:30 in the afternoon the University gave a tea in honor of the officers of the new chapter, the faculty members of the various language departments, and Professor Lawler, in the office of the University's President, Dr. Samuel Belkin, a classical scholar and Professor of Hellenistic Literature. The installation ceremonies began at 5:00 p. m., with Manfred Fulda, President of Eranos, the college's classical society, presiding. After a brief address of welcome by Mr. Fulda, Abraham Kupchik, Vice-President of Eranos, led the group in the singing of "Gaudeamus igitur".

Mr. Fulda then gave a resumé of the activities of Eranos during the year, and went on to stress the unique task that Yeshiva has in disseminating the humanities, in general, and the classics, in particular. He also examined the interrelationship and interdependence of the sciences, the humanities, and religious studies, maintaining that the aim of all knowledge is to ennoble the character of man and make his life ethically purposeful.

Mrs. Moses Isaacs, representing her husband, the Dean of the College, expressed the University's happiness upon the occasion of the establishment of a chapter of Eta Sigma Phi on the campus of Yeshiva College.

Dr. Bernard Floch, Professor of Greek and Latin and Chairman of the Department of Classical Languages, spoke on the various values of classical culture and civilization, and the role of the classics as intermediary between science and religion. He further stressed the tremendous influence and impact of the classics on modern life.

There followed short talks by members of other departments, after which Professor Lawler outlined the history, organization, and the development of Eta Sigma Phi, its aims and purposes, and, in the name of the national office, officially welcomed the new chapter. Sheldon Rudoff, Vice-President of Gamma Rho Sigma (Graeco-Roman Society) responded for the students, and this concluded the public portion of the program.

The initiation ceremony and the installation of Gamma Delta Chapter which followed were presided over by Professor Lawler. Twenty students were received into active membership. Officers of the new chapter are: President, Manfred Fulda; Vice-President, Jack Goldman; Secretary, Jacob Petroff; Faculty Adviser, Professor Floch.

Gamma Delta Chapter begins its career under most favorable auspices. It is the outgrowth of a classical society which has been sponsoring a highly successful series of lectures on classical themes. The curriculum provides a rich choice of subjects in Greek, Latin, and related fields, and although no one is required to take either

Latin or Greek, an extraordinarily large number of students are taking either one or both, and this year the department has nineteen majors in the classics.

Professor Lawler, reporting her pleasure in being able to officiate at the installation, remarks that "Eta Sigma Phi is the richer for twenty fine active members plus one faculty adviser." She observed a high regard for the classics at Yeshiva, and noted the cordial attitude of other faculty members. She speaks of the high esteem which the boys have for their adviser, Dr. Floch, who has just been voted the most popular professor of the year. She predicts that the chapter will be a lively and effective one.

A hearty welcome is extended by the whole fraternity to these five new chapters, and the hope expressed that the membership of each one may be mutually beneficial both to itself and to the entire organization.

AMONG THE CHAPTERSDELTA, FRANKLIN COLLEGE

Dean Margaret W. Powell, Faculty Adviser of the Delta Chapter, and four other chapter members officiated at the installation of the Beta Omega Chapter at Ball State Teachers College on March 22, 1952. This was the Delta Chapter's third experience in installing chapters. Franklin installed the Theta Chapter at Indiana University in 1926 and the Beta Chapter at Butler University two years ago.

ALPHA PI, GETTYSBURG COLLEGE

Alpha Pi Chapter initiated four new members at the March meeting, making a total of twenty-two initiates for the year. New officers elected for the coming year are: President, Fred Segner; Vice-President, Pat Wickle; Secretary, Jo Ann Mathias; Treasurer, William Markley; Sergeant-at-arms, Donald Griesman.

The speaker for the April meeting was Professor Paul Coleman-Norton, of Princeton University, on the subject, "The Importance of Roman Law".

ALPHA RHO, MUHLENBERG COLLEGE

Three new members were initiated at a meeting held on January 16 at the home of Professor Edward B. Stevens. Professor Stevens spoke on lyric poetry, reading published works, and some of his own unpublished lyric poetry.

At the February meeting, Mrs. Alice Tallmadge, Professor of Greek and Latin at Cedar Crest College, Allentown, spoke on her summer travels in Greece and her studies at the American School at Athens.

On the morning of March 19 members of Alpha Rho Chapter attended Low Mass at St. Catharine of Siena Roman Catholic Church. The purpose was to attempt to follow a service conducted in Latin. The experience was said to have been both interesting and religiously broadening.

The final function of the year was a banquet on April 16, at which the following new officers were elected: President, Robert J. Wilde; Vice-President, Ray B. Nyce; Secretary, George W. Ziegler; Treasurer, David N. Kistler. Professor Perry F. Kendig, head of the English Department at Muhlenberg, gave an address on the topic, "The Abiding Values of a Classical Education".

ALPHA UPSILON, WOOSTER COLLEGE

Professor Eva M. Newnan, Faculty Adviser of Alpha Upsilon, writes enthusiastically of her trip to Bowling Green, Ohio, on March 23, to officiate at the installation of the Gamma Beta Chapter at Bowling Green State University.

ALPHA OMEGA, LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Will Murphy, Secretary of Alpha Omega Chapter, reports the addition of ten new members, making a total membership of fifteen.

BETA ALPHA, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH DAKOTA

Lynn Shields, reporting for Beta Alpha Chapter, says that although the school year is drawing rapidly to a close, Beta Alpha is still busy.

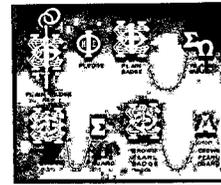
"In March we sent a letter to all the high schools in South Dakota, informing the students of an essay contest being sponsored by Beta Alpha. The subject was 'The Value of Latin Study'. We received 18 papers and are pleased at this time to report the winners of the contest. First prize, a Vergilian Latin Medal, was awarded to Solveig Lee of Aberdeen, South Dakota. Mary Jo Jay of Notre Dame Academy, Mitchell, South Dakota, and Patty Ellwein of Watertown, South Dakota, were the second and third place winners respectively. A copy of the winning essay and a letter telling the results are being sent to all the high schools in the state in hopes that this will be an impetus for participation next year."

"Lately many honors have come to our members and we are very proud of the fine showing that Eta Sigma Phi is making on the University campus. Talitha Birner, our Treasurer, and Alan Lord, one of our members, were recently elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Joan Gilchrist, our Secretary, was initiated last week into Mortar Board."

Remaining plans for the year include a lecture by Dr. Claude W. Schutter, of the School of Law, election of officers for next year, reports on the National Convention and the Essay Contest, contributions to the Semple Scholarship Fund and the University Chapel Fund, and the customary banquet to close the year's activities.

BETA THETA, HAMPDEN-SYDNEY COLLEGE

R. M. Frazer, Jr., Secretary of Beta Theta Chapter, reports that fourteen men have been received into membership this year, bringing the total membership to thirty.



OFFICIAL ETA SIGMA PHI INSIGNIA

- Plain badge, 10K gold \$5.50
- Close set pearl badge 8.50
- Crown set pearl badge 13.25
- Pledge pin 1.00
- Official plain badge key 6.50

20% Federal Tax and any State Tax in effect must be added to prices.

ORDERS must be received from Chapter Officers.

L. G. BALFOUR COMPANY
Attleboro, Massachusetts



BALFOUR SERVICE

FROM COAST TO COAST

Branch Stores are located in educational centers throughout the United States for your convenience. Balfour representatives make frequent calls on fraternity chapters to display new and attractive Balfour merchandise.

- | | | |
|--|--|---|
| ALABAMA
Birmingham | MARYLAND
Baltimore | OHIO
Columbus
Kenton |
| CALIFORNIA
Los Angeles
San Francisco | MASSACHUSETTS
Attleboro
Boston | OKLAHOMA
Oklahoma City |
| COLORADO
Boulder | MICHIGAN
Ann Arbor | PENNSYLVANIA
Bethlehem
Philadelphia
Pittsburgh |
| DENVER
Denver | MINNESOTA
Minneapolis | STATE COLLEGE |
| DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Washington | MISSOURI
Columbia
Kansas City
St. Louis | SOUTH CAROLINA
Columbia |
| GEORGIA
Atlanta | NEBRASKA
Lincoln | TENNESSEE
Knoxville |
| ILLINOIS
Champaign
Chicago | NEW HAMPSHIRE
Durham
Hanover | TEXAS
Austin
Dallas
Houston |
| INDIANA
Bloomington
Indianapolis | NEW YORK
Brooklyn
Ithaca
New York City
Waterford | UTAH
Salt Lake City |
| IOWA
Des Moines
Iowa City | NORTH CAROLINA
Durham | VIRGINIA
Lexington
Richmond
Pullman |
| KANSAS
Lawrence | OHIO
Cincinnati
Cleveland | WASHINGTON
Seattle
West Virginia
Morgantown |
| KENTUCKY
Louisville | | WISCONSIN
Madison |
| LOUISIANA
New Orleans | | |

L. G. BALFOUR COMPANY
Factories: ATTLEBORO, MASSACHUSETTS

The chapter has tried not only to build up enthusiasm within its own organization, but to extend its service to the college as a whole. It sponsored a very interesting and instructive lecture by Professor George Ryan of William and Mary College on the subject, "Burlesque Shows in Ancient Athens". At another meeting the Chapter's adviser, Professor Graves H. Thompson, spoke on "The Tapestry of Time," described as "a provocative talk which concerned itself with the similarities between our culture and that of the Romans, especially of Ovid's day, and the place of both of these cultures in the pattern of history." Semantics and the building of a vocabulary were subjects discussed at other meetings. It was planned to have Professor Laura B. Voelkel of Mary Washington College address the group at a later meeting on some phase of ancient civilization.

BETA LAMBDA, MARYMOUNT COLLEGE

Beta Lambda Chapter held its regular meeting on April 2, with Louise Barnett, Prytanis, in charge. The members and the groups present by invitation enjoyed an album of seven large double records containing Purcell's complete opera, "Dido and Aeneas," recently presented to the Latin department by Mrs. Lillian Beaszley, a Vergil student during the first semester.

The first complete recording of this opera was made in 1935 by the Decca Record Company of London, by which the present album is issued. The playing time is approximately one hour. As the chapter reporter says, "Little imagination is needed in listening to this music, for the opera comes to life before the eyes, while the music tells its story directly to the ears."

BETA MU, BUTLER UNIVERSITY

The officers for the year of Beta Mu Chapter are: President, Mary Reed; Vice-President, Hubert Williams; Secretary, Ann Allcott; Treasurer, William Clark; Faculty Advisers, Professors Vergil Hiatt and Janet McDonald.

Beta Mu Chapter officiated at the installation of Gamma Alpha Chapter at Indiana State Teachers College, Terre Haute, Indiana, on March 21, 1952.

BETA TAU, GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY

Beta Tau Chapter submits the following news items:

"During the fall semester, Beta Tau Chapter sponsored a series of lectures by prominent scholars dealing with various aspects of classical culture. Rev. W. Norris Clarke, S.J., of Woodstock College, spoke from the standpoint of the philosopher in a stimulating lecture entitled, "The Ideas of the Finite and the Infinite among the Greek Thinkers." An illustrated lecture on the Altar of Pity of ancient Athens, and its similarity to the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington, Virginia, was delivered by Professor Homer A. Thompson, who divides his time between The In-

stitute for Advanced Study at Princeton and the American excavations in the Athenian Agora, of which he is Director.

"In December, another well-known scholar and one of the most outstanding orientologists in the world, Professor William F. Albright of the Johns Hopkins University, spoke about his recent archaeological excavations at Yemen, in a lecture entitled, "The Graeco-Roman Background of South Arabia."

"These lectures are intended not only for the members of the fraternity, but also for the entire student body and their friends, the purpose being to provide the opportunity for a greater knowledge and appreciation of our debt to classical antiquity. The response thus far has been most encouraging, and we hope to continue talks throughout the spring semester. Professors Mommsen (grandson of the famous historian) and Raubitschek, popular and stimulating lecturers at Princeton, have graciously consented to speak on the meaning and significance of history, and we are at present arranging for other lectures, including one by Rev. Paul Henry, S.J., one of the most distinguished scholars of the Society of Jesus."

Beta Tau Chapter is to be congratulated for bringing such distinguished lecturers to the Georgetown University campus.

BETA PSI, SOUTHWESTERN AT MEMPHIS

Professor Laura Robinson, Faculty Adviser, and David Alexander, Chapter President, report that the initiation and installation ceremonies of Beta Psi Chapter were capably and impressively handled by representatives of the Lambda Chapter from the University of Mississippi. Following the exercises, which took place on January 8, a banquet was held in honor of the visitors, after which Professor J. Allen Cabaniss of the University of Mississippi, an alumnus of Southwestern, spoke on the importance of the classics.

The other officers of Beta Psi are: Vice-President, Jack Worthington; Secretary, John Richards; Treasurer, Mary Rush; Pyloros, Elias Kouloumbaritsis.

The new chapter has drawn up and approved by-laws, and has tapped two more members, bringing the membership to thirteen. The chapter looks forward to a successful program of activities for the future.

QUINTUS HORATIUS FLACCUS (Cont'd.)

He knew his songs, like theirs, would live;
that he

Triumphant over Envy's carping tooth,
Would leave the glorious city of his youth
To fly abroad o'er all the earth; to be
Not by the Stygian waters held below;
Alive upon men's lips to dwell alway -
No idle poet of an empty day.

Horace, the son of parents who were poor,
Horace, the friend of prince and worthy peer,
Laurel-crowned, with head among the stars,
Ever to discerning hearts most dear.