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THE PAPER.

Phi Alpha Delta, official publication of the fraternity, comes into existence again with this issue after an elapse of nearly a year. The appearance is apropos, chronicling an era doubtless the most important in the history of the fraternity, embracing the installation of a number of strong chapters, the gaining of a foothold on the far Pacific coast and evidencing increasing strength in the East and the South, as well as through the central and middle western states. The adoption of a new and more flexible constitution has been a noteworthy accomplishment. Initiative on the part of the supreme officers has afforded commendable encouragement, and resulted in establishing Phi Alpha Delta, foremost among professional fraternities in America.

Further growth is imminent, and it shall be the purpose of the paper to keep in touch with this progress. It shall serve as the connecting links between chapter, active fraters, the alumni and honorary members. Phi Alpha Delta will be for Phi Alpha Deltas, its success is in the hands of the members, and chapter correspondents are urged to respond promptly with news letters.

Other issues will appear under date of March 15 and May 1, after which the

paper will be published regularly at intervals of four months. Articles on any related subject will be welcomed, as will ideas, criticisms and "knocks."

THE CHICAGO ALUMNI.

There are only two classes of people who never make mistakes—they are the dead and unborn. Mistakes are the inevitable accompaniment of the greatest gift given to man—freedom of action. If he were only a pawn in the fingers of Omnipotence, with no self moving power, man would never make a mistake. An oyster never makes a mistake—it has not the mind.

The Chicago Alumni has been wandering in the cemetery of its past errors, the resulting remorse has corroded purpose, and deadened energy—a meeting has not been held in approximately a year, despite the existence of an association, having a president, secretary and other officers. Realizing mistakes is good; realizing on them is better.

Opportunity is a stimulus to life—an opportunity exists at Chicago. The birthplace of the fraternity, honored with approximately three hundred resident alumni members, two chapter houses and five strong, active chapters, yet how many Phi Alpha Deltas can re-

peat the statement with a feeling of pride? Energy and effort are needed to do things. The Chicago Alumni should be the nucleus for a strong national organization. Alumni associations should exist, and in existing live up to their requisite purposes—the advancement of Phi Alpha Delta, the exemplification of fraternal spirit after college life, and a closer relation between alumni members and active fraters.

A NEW DIRECTORY.

The Fraternity at large doubtless will be interested in the announcement the Supreme Executive Board has under course of preparation, a Phi Alpha Delta directory and catalog. This important work is under the immediate charge of Brother Samuel H. Roberts, Supreme Recorder, who will compile the necessary

data, arranging the names of the members alphabetically as well as geographically.

The importance of a successful conclusion of this undertaking is many fold, as it not only will make it possible to ascertain "Who is Who," but will be of practical and especial benefit to the Alumni in the interchange of business. However, the accuracy and completeness of the new directory is largely in the hands of the membership of the fraternity at large, and accordingly all Phi Alpha Delta cannot be urged too strongly to respond promptly when a request is received for data to be used in the publication. The undertaking is an arduous one, and Brother Robert should have hearty co-operation, as the compilation is a tremendous task along with the other duties pertaining to the office of Supreme Recorder.



SUBSCRIBE.

This issue is sent gratis to all honorary, alumni and active members. Future issues will be sent to active fraters in accordance with the provision in the new constitution, and to honorary members. However, in order to receive copies regularly it will be necessary for the office of each chapter to send in the names and addresses of all active members.

Alumni members will be required to subscribe, annual subscriptions being seventy-five cents, which should be remitted to the office of publication. The list of alumni members is not very complete, and the editor would be grateful for the receipt of the name and address of any alumnus which the reader may be able to supply.

AN ELUCIDATION.

BY THE EDITOR.

Man is broadened by travel and intercourse with other men and affairs of the world, so likewise is the law student and alumnus benefited by an observance of the basic principles of Phi Alpha Delta—true brotherhood and a banding together for mutual help and improvement concurrent with a furtherance of the legal profession.

Phi Alpha Delta is not founded on religious precepts, it is not an organization for political effort nor a scheme for aid to the unfortunate or a substitute for life insurance. It advocates no special creeds or obligates the members to support the families of deceased brothers, neither is P. A. D. a social organization in the accepted sense of that term, but rather is it a body of elites of a common interest and purpose—brotherhood and a furtherance of legal ethics.

Comparatively recent years have witnessed a reversal of public opinion as to the evil of fraternities in student life. Concurrent with the advent of the first fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa at the College of William and Mary in 1776, arose strong opposition on the part of the different members of the faculty because of the alleged aloofness of its members and the supposed secrecy and mystery which accompanied the acts of the fraters. As a result the early days of fraternities were perilous ones and the growth of such organizations for many years, from the time they were first conceived, was slow and uncertain because of their supposedly dampening influence on the true spirit of democracy so requisite to student life. That this conclusion was an erroneous one and that this feeling has been entirely eradicated, is evidenced by the fact that the faculties permit the "frats" to exist, which in itself affords strong presumption that they are now favorably regarded. So unobtrusively and systematically has the brotherhood idea advanced that today there are but few colleges or universities of reputation and size, with the exception of Princeton, which are not benefited and influenced to varying degrees by fraternal bodies.

Arguments have been put forth against fraternities by the uninitiated that the fraters neglect their studies, develop habits of extravagant expenditures, inculcate false social standards and tend to a supercilious contempt of non-fraternity men, as well as contending that the membership in such organizations involves heavy expense. Most of these contentions are too ridiculous in themselves to be deemed worthy of further comment, as it is an undeniable fact that fraters have ever distinguished themselves for their scholarship and for having won eminence in statesmanship, diplomacy, jurisprudence and in other walks of life which they have pursued. While Phi Alpha Delta is comparatively a new recruit to the ranks of prominent fraternities, many of its members already have gained prominence in the beloved profession which they have chosen to devote their life's work. The spirit of *esprit de corps* among the active fraters has exerted an excellent influence, tending to arouse a pride in scholarship, and it has helped the students to complete their studies creditably

if for no other reason than for the sake of the "frat's" reputation and standing.

In Phi Alpha Delta will be found an organization of earnest young men, each of whom is pledged heart and hand to aid each other in making the most of themselves, to gain the most from their college course, and in graduate life to continue to exert the best influence towards their fellow fraters. Its members are the elite of the student body, banded together for intellectual, moral and social improvement, and for the attainment of the highest ideals of the legal profession. Efforts are being put forth by the various chapters towards devoting time, aside from the college courses, for legal research work and study of subjects frequently not included in the respective curriculums. Doubtless every Phi Alpha Delta is of the opinion that as soon as the organization degenerates into a mere social club the right to the classification of fraternity will have been forfeited.

Under efficient national officers Phi Alpha Delta has experienced a remarkable growth from a purely local organization only a few years ago to one of the strongest and most prominent of professional fraternities. May good work continue until a chapter is installed in every recognized legal institution of learning from sea to sea and from the lakes to the gulf, but in a greater P. A. D. let each remember, to paraphrase Moore:

Go where Glory waits thee;
But while fame elates thee,
Oh still remember P. A. D.
When the praise thou meetest
To thine ear is sweetest,
Oh then remember P. A. D.

Other memories may press thee,
Once so loved by thee—
All the joys that bless thee
Sweeter far may be;
But where friends are nearest,
And when joys are dearest
Oh then remember P. A. D.

CHICAGO ALUMNI.

BY ARTHUR M. KRACKE.

The pages of Phi Alpha Delta have for some time been lacking of information concerning the Chicago Alumni of this fraternity, and, at the request of the editor of this paper, your humble servant has consented to contribute what is contained in this paragraph.



The Chicago Alumni should be, in the eyes of every member of the fraternity residing in Chicago, an immense opportunity to further his professional and social welfare, as well as to assist the fraternity at large in its advancement among the legal fraternities of this country. There is no doubt what if all who are now eligible to membership in this organization were to become members thereof, a legal organization second to none would be the result.

Brother alumni in Chicago should be impressed that it will be to their advantage to become members and thereby acquaint themselves with the older members of the bar. The Chicago Alumni chapter will soon hold a meeting and all alumni members are strongly urged to attend. For three years the association has been constantly growing and every brother who has become an alumnus in that time is invited to become a member. The establishment of a bar association of our own is desired and if concerted action is had it can be accomplished. Let every alumnus to whom notice is brought of this take a hand and boost the Chicago Alumni of Phi Alpha Delta.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS.

By George E. Fink.



The present size and continued growth of the fraternity makes the organization and maintenance of active alumni associations highly desirable wherever there are found a sufficient number of graduate members at a local bar to warrant the formation of an association, and this is true where there are comparatively few. The importance of such associations to the members thereof and to the entire fraternity cannot be too highly emphasized.

As fraternity brothers leave college to take their respective places in the profession, it is fitting that the fraternal spirit be exemplified toward them by those of the fraternity who have preceded them at the local bar and who can extend to them the right hand of fellowship and helpfulness embodying all those aids and courtesies which we were once glad to receive.

Phi Alpha Delta should mean as much or more to graduates as to its active members.

I hope the time is not far distant when every city in the land will have an alumni association, with which new graduate members may immediately affiliate and where they may be sure of a hearty fraternal welcome, but be the recipients of those aids and courtesies which all beginners stand in need. And as they are treated so they in turn will treat those who come after them.

In this is seen one of the most important offices of the Alumni association—that of keeping the older alumni in closer touch with the younger. Every member of the fraternity should know every other member in his city, and, especially, should graduates or alumni members be acquainted and know one another as members of the same fraternity.

Another important office of an alumni association is to keep alive among the older fraternity members the true spirit of fraternity, fellowship and loyalty to one another.

The fraternity and all it stands for must not be permitted to gradually

become a mere recollection of the past or a hazy dream of college days. It is not sufficient that a few of the older alumni occasionally get together at college banquets or gatherings, but the alumni association itself, as a separate and distinct organization should give dinners and smokers at regular intervals, throughout the year. These gatherings should be often enough for the old members themselves to keep well acquainted and in addition to become acquainted with the newer recruits to the alumni body, say, an informal dinner, every three months, followed by a smoker and the singing of the fraternity and college songs, etc.

At such meetings any items of business requiring the vote of the general body could be disposed of in a few minutes without tiring the members with business routine, because of the business incident to such an association could be handled through committees. There should annually be held a dinner or banquet of a more elaborate nature, at which all resident honorary members should be invited and where new honorary members could be taken in. Where the association is large enough to warrant it an annual outing for the members and families, given at some nearby "watering place" during the summer might be made a feature, as it has been in Chicago for several years.

It is unnecessary to enumerate all the advantages which will accrue from a well organized, active alumni association, headed by officers who appreciate the importance of such an organization to themselves and to the fraternity at large and who will give the necessary time to the proper conduct of their offices.

A word as to our local Alumni Association. Chicago as the birthplace of the fraternity, a city with five active chapters, with its chapter houses, and close to three hundred resident alumni members, would naturally be expected to have a live and active alumni organization. Such, it is to be regretted, is not the case. It may be that the officers of the alumni association believe that because the individual alumni has so many opportunities for meeting one another in the courts, in the streets, in restaurants and public places, at joint initiations, etc., etc., no special effort should be put forth to gather together the members in closed affairs. It is probable that inasmuch as two of the most important officers of the association at present happen to be Supreme Officers and are devoting all their energies to the acquisition of new chapters for the fraternity and the performance of the regular duties of their national offices, they have not the available time to give to the alumni association. The unfortunate fact remains, however, that many of our alumni are unacquainted right here in Chicago, and will just as unfortunately remain so, unless and until our local alumni association takes up its work and resumes its activities. Efforts must be put forth to induce every alumni member to join the organization and some plan devised whereby the attention of members of the fraternity as they leave college will be brought to the advisability of affiliating with the local alumni organization, if they locate in the city. Let us hope that something will soon be "stirring" in our Chicago Alumni Association.

ANNUAL GREETINGS OF THE SUPREME JUSTICE.

Lawrence W. Ledvina, Two Rivers, Wis.

For the second time I am privileged to address the general body of the fraternity through the medium of an annual letter in the official magazine. The suggestions made in my first annual letter—a year ago—were in the main carried out and as a result substantial progress has been made.

The last year has been an eventful one for our fraternity. A new constitution was adopted; several new chapters were added; a successful outing was held and steps taken to stimulate interest among the five chapters in Chicago.

The new constitution was adopted by the last national convention without materially changing the labors of the constitutional committee. The work was under the direction of Brother Harry P. Dolan, whom I appointed chairman of national committee, and he was assisted by representative men from each chapter. It is hoped that the new constitution will adequately provide for the needs of a growing organization such as Phi Alpha Delta.

The last convention by vote of its delegates granted a charter to Williams Chapter, located at the University of Oregon. This chapter was installed on December 20-21, 1908, under the direction of Brother G. G. Schmitt, of Portland, Ore., who was commissioned to perform this duty. Brother Schmitt was largely instrumental in securing this western chapter and the fraternity is deeply obligated to him.

Since my last letter chapters were also installed at Illinois Wesleyan University—Charles L. Capen Chapter—named after one of its professors; and at the Cincinnati University—Salmon P. Chase Chapter; the University of Iowa—the William G. Hammond Chapter, and the University of Missouri—the John D. Lawson Chapter.

On December 4 and 5, 1908, the William J. Hammond Chapter was installed at the University of Iowa. Brother Raley, of Hay Chapter, is entitled to credit for the chapter at Iowa. The installing officers were Brothers Ledvina, supreme justice; William Prentiss, vice supreme justice, and Harry P. Dolan, supreme treasurer.

A petition is now pending from the University of New York and this will in all probability be favorably acted upon. Other surprises will soon be in store—all this proving that our organization is active and energetic.

I am pleased to note that justices of the Chicago chapters, have in view an organization for the promotion of a joint interest in fraternity matters. Joint initiations, meetings and social functions cannot help but foster a healthy fraternity and professional spirit.

I am pleased to announce the acceptance by Brother Fox of the Editorship in Chief of the magazine. Under the system of support provided by the new

constitution the finances will be ample, and the magazine, which up to now has had somewhat of an unsteady career, will be an established publication.

Brother Fox has had large experience in journalistic pursuits and much is expected under his management. It is to be earnestly hoped that local chapters will assist materially in promptly furnishing news concerning their chapters. The supreme board has taken the matter actively in hand and is working with might and main for Phi Alpha Delta.

I shall be pleased to hear from each and every member upon any matter which may be of benefit to our fraternity, and for the purpose of securing a better and stronger Phi Alpha Delta, I urge upon every loyal member his individual duty to coöperate actively with the supreme officers and with each other.



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Chicago Headquarters of Phi Alpha Delta

Phi Alpha Delta in Annual Session

**Ninth Convention at Chicago—Reports of Officers—
New Constitution Adopted—Important Matters
Discussed—Elaborate Banquet.**

The ninth annual convention of Phi Alpha Delta, held at the Sherman House, Chicago, May 15 and 16, 1908, elected Lawrence W. Ledvina, of Ryan Chapter, to suc-

ceed into the city from all directions. A reception committee headed by Edward J. Thelin met every incoming train that might bear a visitor. Many of the men were entertained at the fraternity house in La Salle avenue, some went to the hotels, while others went to the homes of friends and brother Phi Alpha Delts residing in the city.



L. W. LEDVINA, TWO RIVERS, WIS.,
Supreme Justice.

ceed himself as National Chief Justice. The other officers elected were:

Recorder, Samuel H. Roberts, Campbell Chapter; Financial Secretary, Edward J. Thelin, Webster Chapter; Treasurer, Harry P. Dolan, Blackstone Chapter; Marshal, H. C. Moran, Magruder Chapter; Tribunes, Sidney J. Meyer, Fuller Chapter; Joseph I. Eagelson, Hay Chapter; Douglas Heard, Garland Chapter.

Besides the delegates many Phi Alpha Delts from Chicago and other cities were in attendance.

Delegates Arrive Early.

Two or three days before the convention delegates and fraternity men were pouring

An Informal Opening.

Thursday evening, May 14, while Webster Chapter was holding a regular meeting at the Union restaurant, the visiting men, national officers and local members by a preconcerted arrangement entered the Webster meeting in a body. The regular business was quickly dispensed with and the meeting transformed into a hurry-up banquet. Many toasts were responded to



WM. PRENTISS, CHICAGO,
Vice Supreme Justice.

and all present were replete with good stories, the meeting continuing until late in the night. A most enjoyable evening was spent and the consensus of opinion was that

the gathering was a most appropriate curtain raiser for the convention.

First Session.

The convention convened at 8:15 p. m., at the fraternity house, Chief Justice Ledvina presiding, and Recorder Finnegan acting as secretary.

Delegates Recognized.

Organization was the first thing in order.



HARRY P. DOLAN, CHICAGO,
Supreme Treasurer.

Brother Edward J. Thelin was appointed marshal and Brother Sidnev J. Meyer, sergeant-at-arms. Upon motion of Garland Chapter, which found a prompt second, a committee upon credentials, composed of Brothers Lindskog, of Fuller, Halley, of Blackstone, and Heard, of Garland Chapter, was appointed, which committee reported shortly, accrediting all delegates and proxies. The report was approved.

An Important Work.

The adoption of a new convention was conceded by all to be the most important work before the convention, and upon motion by Blackstone Chapter, which was duly seconded and unanimously carried, the convention was ordered to proceed upon the work of the constitution. After considerable wrangling, as to the manner in which the work should be taken up, the constitution was ordered read in full, after which it was voted to consider each section sep-

arately and then a vote was taken on it as a whole. The urgent need of a more flexible constitution was recognized by all and the greater number of the sections was adopted with very little opposition. Some discussion, however, was engaged in, more to acquire information than to create opposition.

Shall Honorary Members Vote?

Brother Cook interposed a vigorous objection to the clause allowing honorary members the privilege of voting on new candidates, his reason being that they were unfamiliar with the inner workings of the fraternity, which might at times create considerable friction. Brother Finnegan favored the section, saying he did not know of a single instance of an honorary member being out of harmony with the active men. After some little discussion by others, the motion was voted upon and carried.

Brother Fink suggested that honorary members ought not be required to take as



SAMUEL H. ROBERTS, CHICAGO,
Supreme Recorder.

binding an oath as the active members. Brother Halley spoke in opposition, and eventually the matter was tabled.

Question as to Eligibility.

Brother Fawcett, of Ryan, objected to the clause forbidding members of other law fraternities from becoming members of Phi Alpha Delta, stating as his reason that

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there were a number of professors at "Wisconsin" who were admitted to other fraternities before the inception of Phi Alpha Delta, but whom he thought would be willing to become members of Phi Alpha Delta and that their admittance would be beneficial to the whole organization.

Brother Halley suggested that the word "active" be eliminated, so that the section would read, "Any member of Phi Alpha Delta who becomes a member of any other law fraternity shall ipso facto forfeit his membership." This was put in the form of a motion, seconded by Brother Cartwright, of Hay, and subsequently carried.

Initiation Fees.

The clause proposing an increase in the amount to be remitted to the National body from \$5 to \$10 met with vigorous opposition from many of the chapters. After much discussion, Brother Heard entered motion to the effect that instead of requiring \$10 to be sent to the National body at the time of initiation that the old provision stand, and that each chapter on January 1 of each year be required to forward to the National body \$2 for each active member enrolled at that time.

Reports of Officers.

The reports of the officers was the next order of business, and accordingly Chief Justice Ledvina and Vice Chief Justice Wilbur submitted able papers, covering their respective offices, which were subsequently approved as presented.

Secretary's Report.

Chief Justice Ledvina then called for the annual report of Recorder Finnegan, which follows:

During the year just closing three new chapters have been installed at the following schools, to-wit: Kansas City Law School, Wesleyan University and Cincinnati Law School. The Kansas City Chapter came in with twenty-five men; the Wesleyan with eleven, and the Cincinnati with nine. A fourth group of law students, attending the University of Oregon, has petitioned for membership in the fraternity. I submit herewith the correspondence relating to this petition. The National officers already have approved of the petition, and I recommend that the chapter be formally voted into the fraternity by this convention, instead of delaying further action by referring it to the different chapters.

New Members.

I regret to say that I am unable to submit

to this convention a detailed report of the actual growth of the fraternity in individual members during the past year. A rough estimate of the number of men taken in, outside of those in new chapters, is between 80 and 110. I have endeavored to collect this information, and several of the chapters have responded to requests for it. The returns have not come from all chapters, however. I consider this matter one of the most important which this convention can consider. The office of the National recorder should be possessed of the name of every member of this fraternity, active, graduate and honorary. No such complete record exists, and I have found it a difficult matter to get from chapters even the names of members of current admittance. A system should be enforced by which no man can be admitted before his name has been forwarded to the National officers, together with the necessary initiation fee. I believe the National officers should receive the names of men about to be accepted into established chapters, as well as those of new petitioners. Only the adoption of some such rigid system will make it possible for the recorder, who is the proper official, to keep such a record, to compile and maintain a directory of all Phi Alpha Delta members. It will not be necessary for the National officers to vote on the acceptance of candidates proposed by the different chapters, but I believe acknowledgment by the treasurer or financial secretary of the receipt of the candidate's name, as well as his initiation fee, should be required before new men can be taken in. The treasurer or financial secretary can then notify the recorder of the acquisition. It should be obligatory on chapter officials to forward to the recorder as soon as a man is taken in, his name, age, address and a short biography, for preservation in the permanent records. The forwarding of names to the recorder in this manner will only come with a wider extension of more enthusiastic fraternity spirit and the building up of a closer bond among the chapters, and between the chapters and the National officers.

Official Fraternity Publication.

I submit to this convention that the greatest medium for the encouragement and growth of such a spirit is the publication of a properly edited fraternity organ. A start on such an organ has already been made. By no means is the paper satisfactory, but it has been a start from which there should be a praiseworthy and invaluable growth. The fraternity is now assuming such proportions that only a vigorous publication which will appeal to all members, whether young or old in the brotherhood, and wherever they may be located, will sustain the permanent interest that will be necessary to make the fraternity effective in its propaganda of justice and brotherly love. My experience of a year in the recorder's office has proved to me that the interest in the active work of the fraternity

cannot be confined to the acting National officers and the acting officers of individual chapters, as it must be when there is no publication of general circulation among the members to keep them all informed of progress and activity. To the incoming National officers I commend this idea: The greatest need of the fraternity today is a potential periodic publication; it is even more necessary than the acquirement of new chapters.

The Old Constitution.

As a National officer, I have found the present constitution incomplete and perplexing. I recommend the adoption by the convention of the revised constitution drawn up by a special committee appointed for the purpose, and submitted by the National officers to this convention. I would suggest that the convention insert in this revised constitution a section covering a method by which National or chapter officers may be removed or impeached for good and sufficient cause.

During the year the chief justice appointed a committee to audit the finances of the fraternity for a year preceding the time when the present officers took office. I transmit herewith a copy of the auditing committee's report. Each chapter has received that part of the report which relates to itself, as well as the general findings of the committee.

Appreciation for Co-operation.

In retiring from office, I commend to the delegates assembled, the thoughtful consideration of the qualifications of men entrusted with official duty. The fraternity is now at an important point in its career. Ability should not be the sole qualification of a brother entrusted with the duties of an important post. It should be inquired if the brother to be honored with office has the time to devote to the duties it will impose on him. Past accomplishments in the service of the fraternity should also be considered. I believe it important that the fraternity should preserve its standing as a purely law fraternity and that at least the most important offices should be filled by men in the actual practice of the law, or about to enter thereon.

For the courtesy they have shown me, I desire to take this opportunity to thank Brothers Lawrence W. Ledvina, George E. Fink, Charles H. Wilber and Douglas Head, who have served the fraternity well during the year just closing. Whatever advance the fraternity has made under the outgoing administration has been accomplished because the utmost confidence, cordiality and cooperation has existed among the National officers and between them and the officers of the different chapters. I believe this convention can do the fraternity no better service than to re-elect to office any or all of the above-mentioned brothers. I regard past experience on the national body as a particular advantage, both for the fraternity and the individual, to the chief justice, and believe a custom

should be established of rewarding a brother who has served with distinction on the National board with the highest office within the gift of the annual convention.

I recommend that the incoming National officers be installed as soon as possible after this convention shall adjourn.

Upon a motion, duly seconded, Recorder Finnegan's report was approved, and ordered placed on file.

Report of Financial Secretary.

The report of Douglas Heard, financial secretary, was next read, substantially as follows:

There has been collected and accounted for to the National treasurer the sum of \$760 during my incumbency in office. Of this sum I have collected and paid over to the National treasurer the sum of \$310. There has been remitted to the National treasurer direct by the different chapters the sum of \$450 which has received the proper credit on the books of the National financial secretary.

The following chapters have paid as follows: Blackstone, \$55.00; Benton, \$90.00; Campbell, \$55.00; Chase, \$70.00; Capen, \$100.00; Fuller, \$45.00; Garland, \$25.00; Hay, \$40.00; MacGruder, \$40.00; Marshall, \$20.00; Ryan, \$100.00; Story, \$45.00 and Webster, \$75.00 making a total of \$760.00.

Blackstone chapter has a credit of \$10, having paid the per capita tax in advance for the year 1908. I regret to report that Fuller up to date has failed to pay the annual per capita tax for the year of 1907, being the only chapter indebted to the National organization at this time. There is now due from Fuller chapter the sum of \$10.

I have the pleasure to report the admission of Capen chapter of the Wesleyan Law School, of Bloomington, Ill., and Chase chapter of the Cincinnati Law School of Cincinnati, O., during the last year and too much credit cannot be given Brothers Ledvina, Wilber, Fink and Finnegan for their good services in this connection for it was due to their efforts alone, without any assistance whatever from myself, that the two estimable schools were admitted and installed.

New Chapters.

We would have been able to report the admission of the University of Mississippi and Louisiana had it not been for the panic that has prevailed throughout that section of the country for the past several months which precluded me from visiting them and getting things into proper shape for petitioning. But I predict for the next administration the admission of these two schools and also a school from Oregon, whose petition has been granted, and the Georgetown University of Washington, D. C., who have also applied for a charter. And I now tender to the officers who will be elected by this convention my

services as an individual member of the fraternity, to accompany them or go alone to investigate the schools in both Mississippi and Louisiana at my own expense when the time comes for this work to be done. The University of Tennessee, Vanderbilt University, and the Lebanon Law School are excellent prospects and with the proper efforts at least two could be secured within the next year.

There are a number of suggestions for the betterment of the system in the conduct of the business of the National Body which have been fully covered by the proposed constitution to be submitted for the consideration of the convention and which if adopted will in a great degree better facilitate the work and result in great good to our fraternity.

Efforts of Officers.

The executive officers have worked in perfect harmony striving in every official act to accomplish something for the good of the fraternity as a whole, and as to how well they have succeeded I leave those of discriminating judgment to decide. I have never had a more pleasant year's work and have tried to discharge the duties of my office honestly, faithfully and fairly, at all times observing the rules that apply to the conduct of a successful business, believing that the business of the fraternity should be conducted in a business-like manner.

I do not feel that my report would be complete without calling the attention of the members of the convention to the faithful service rendered by our retiring treasurer, George E. Fink, to whose untiring efforts is due, in great measure, the success of the administration.

In conclusion on behalf of Garland chapter and for myself I want to thank the members of Phi Alpha Delta for the great honor conferred upon me and my chapter and for courtesies shown me by the other National officers and I stand with my chapter ever willing and ready to do any thing at any time for the advancement of our noble fraternity.

Treasurer Fink's Report.

The treasurer's report, covering the receipts and disbursements of that office for the year, was next submitted.

Total receipts from all sources were given as \$856.03, with disbursements of \$559.53, leaving a cash balance on hand of \$296.50.

The balance of the treasurer's report follows:

A Violation.

I would add that I have observed a tendency on the part of one or two chapters to defer making remittances for men they initiate until they have made collection of the local initiation fees from the men initiated. This is, of course, a positive violation of our constitution and should be stopped.

I desire to take this opportunity to thank

my fellow National officers of the closing administration for the assistance they have given me in the discharge of the duties of my office, and particularly my fellow financial officer the National financial secretary, Douglas Heard. To the diligent performance of his duties, prompt attention to correspondence and general co-operation is due the fact that we have on hand at this date a substantial cash balance.

I would recommend that the convention relieve the National body of the debt of the expenses of delegates to the last convention if delegates are prepared to state what is due their respective chapters. We have endeavored to learn the amounts of their bills by correspondence, but only a few have turned them in.

In closing I desire also to express appreciation for those officers in subordinate chapters, who have corresponded with me on the subject of new chapters, local fraternities with whom we could form alliances, etc., as this has resulted in the accumulation of data which will be useful to the new Board.

The chair appointed an auditing committee to examine the treasurer's records; this, however, at the request of the treasurer himself. The committee, finding no errors, so reported, and the report was accepted.

Brother Kendall, growing hungry and fatigued, moved that the convention adjourn until the next morning, which motion was heartily supported by Brother Morley, and the meeting was adjourned.

Last Day's Session.

The convention reconvened at nine o'clock Saturday morning, May 16. In the absence of the recorder, Brother Fawcett, of Ryan Chapter, was appointed secretary pro tem. Very little was accomplished during this session, most of the time being consumed with a general discussion of the constitution, after which it was unanimously adopted. A vote of thanks was tendered the members of the constitutional committee.

Brother Kendall, again growing hungry, presented a motion to adjourn, which was supported by his codelegate, Brother Lindskog, of Fuller. A recess of two hours was voted.

Closing Session.

The convention was called to order at three o'clock, the recorder being again present and acting as secretary.

Old Expenses.

The matter of expenses incurred at Madi-

son was next taken up. After some discussion, it was moved by Brother Heard, of Garland, that the matter be left for final disposition with the national officers, with full power to act and to allow all reasonable hotel and traveling expenses.

The matter of expenses incurred at the ninth annual convention was assessed equally among the chapters represented.

Place for Next Annual.

Brother Crutcher of Benton brought out a motion that the tenth annual convention be held at Little Rock, Arkansas. Brother Halley, of Blackstone, supported this motion. The motion was not acted upon, the power of selecting the meeting place being left with the national body.

Election of Officers.

After some little discussion with reference to the maintenance of the official publication, it was moved by Brother Cartwright, and duly seconded, that the convention proceed to the election of national officers for the next year, under the new constitution.

The chief justice, being a party in interest, vacated the chair in favor of Brother Cartwright, of Hay.

Election of Supreme Justice.

Brother Halley, of Blackstone, nominated Brother Ledvina, of Ryan, for chief justice, the motion being seconded by both Brother Wilbur, of Marshall, and Brother Fawcett, of Ryan. Brother Prentiss, holding a proxy for Garland Chapter, placed the name of Brother Heard before the convention; motion seconded. Brother Fink, of Story, nominated Brother Roberts, of Campbell, Brother Heard, of Garland, providing the second. The nominations were moved closed. The balloting resulted in the election of Brother Ledvina to succeed himself. Brother Long, of Campbell, moved that the election of Brother Ledvina be made unanimous, which motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

Recorder.

Brother Halley nominated Brother Roberts, of Campbell for recorder; there were seconds by Brothers Fink, Prentiss and Fawcett. There were no other nominations and the recorder was instructed to cast one ballot for Brother Roberts, who was declared elected.

Brother Prentiss Honored.

Brother Murphy, of Blackstone, nomi-

nated Brother Prentiss, of Story, for vice chief justice, which motion was seconded by Brother Heard, of Garland. Brother Wilbur, of Marshall, nominated Brother Eagleson, of Hay, which motion was duly seconded and the nominations moved closed. The voting resulted in the election of Brother Prentiss.

Financial Secretary.

Brother Heard, of Garland, nominated Brother Crutcher, of Benton, for financial secretary, but the name was withdrawn. Brother Cambridge, of Webster, nominated Brother Thelin, of Webster, the motion was supported by Brother Walker, of Story. The name of Brother Moran, of Magruder, was presented by Brother Halley, but Brother Moran requested that his name be withdrawn, and nominations were closed. The recorder was instructed to cast one ballot for Brother Thelin, who was declared elected.

Treasurer.

Brother Moran, of Magruder, and Brother Dolan, of Blackstone, were nominated for treasurer, both nominations duly seconded. The voting resulted in the election of Brother Dolan.

Marshal.

Brother Moran was nominated for marshal. Nominations were closed and he was declared elected.

Historian.

Brother Paul Meyer, of Story, was elected supreme historian.

Tribunes.

Brothers Eagleson, of Hay; Meyer, of Fuller, and Heard, of Garland, were elected as members of the board of tribunes.

Retiring Officers Thanked.

After the election of officers a rising vote of thanks was extended to the outgoing officers. Upon motion of Brother Heard, a vote of thanks was also extended to the Chicago chapters for their most excellent entertainment of the visiting delegates, after which the convention adjourned sine die.

Banquet.

The banquet at the Grand Pacific Hotel in the evening was a gala affair, much

credit being due to the committee on arrangement, headed by Brother Wilbur, for the excellent program rendered and a very memorable evening.

Two hundred men were in attendance. The various chapters were assigned tables, in order that their active, alumni and honorary members might be together. Songs and yells of the various colleges and universities represented reverberated through the spacious banquet room of the Grand Pacific Hotel, while a most enjoyable repast was being served.

John A. Brown acted as toastmaster, and toasts were responded to by honorary members, national officers and visiting del-

egates. It was in the early hours of the next morning before the banqueters departed, some for their homes, while others to parts unknown.

The Menu.

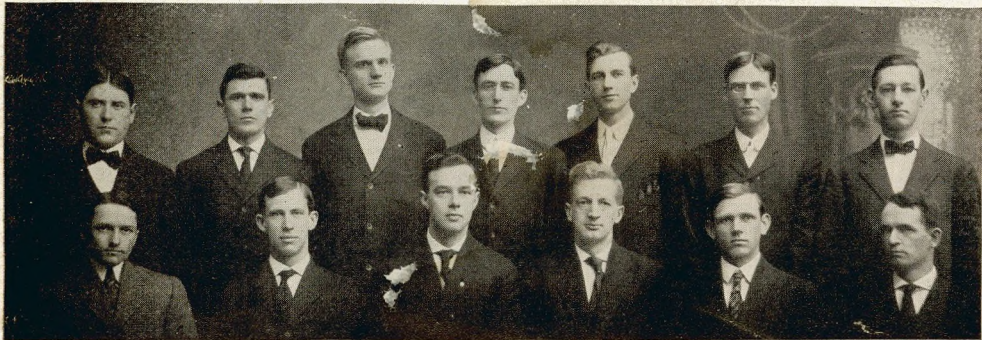
	Consomme Printanier	
Celery	Olives	Radishes
	Canadian Turbot	Jean Bart
	Parsley	Potatoes
Chicken Croquettes	Supreme Sauce	
	Green Peas	
	Creme de Menthe	Punch
	Small Tenderloin	Steak
	Julienne	Potatoes
	Combination Salad	
	Fancy Ice Cream	
	Cakes	
Cheese	Crackers	Coffee

CHASE CHAPTER INSTALLED.

A chapter was installed in the Cincinnati Law School, Cincinnati, Ohio, Saturday evening, April 11, 1908, with nine charter members. The initiatory ceremonies were conducted under the guidance of Supreme Justice Lédvina, Ex Supreme Treasurer Wilbur, Brother Lippincott, of Lima, Ohio, and Brother Eagleson, of Cleveland, Ohio. The boys were put through the various "degrees" in rooms at the Gibson house, where later a very enjoyable banquet was served.

The first initiates of Chase Chapter comprised Charles Edgar Weber, Howard Landis Bevis, Orin Clark Clement, Frank Hurd Cux, Michael John Dosch, Frank Anderson Ralston, Harry Lester Risinger, William Hughes Shepard and Charles F. W. Tatgenhorst.

Brother Ralston acted as toastmaster, and called upon the visiting members as well as upon several of the guests, and the men who were initiated. Brother Shepard spoke on behalf of the new chapter.



CHASE CHAPTER INSTALLED AT CINCINNATI, APRIL 11, 1908.

INSTALLATION OF CAPEN CHAPTER.

The installation of Charles L. Capen Chapter at the Illinois Wesleyan University Law School, Bloomington, Illinois, took place on March 21, 1908, the committee in charge comprising four of the National officers, Brothers Ledvina, Wilbur, Fink and Finnegan, assisted by the following named brothers from Magruder Chapter, University of Illinois: H. C. Moran (Justice), Adolph Gore, R. Tygett, O. M. Barnes, C. I. Edelstein and Walter C. Barnes. Brother Joseph B. Fleming, of Fuller Chapter, an Illinois Wesleyan alumnus, also went down from Chicago with the National officers and assisted them throughout.

The initiatory exercises and ritualistic

Charles L. Capen (after whom the Chapter was named), and Professor John J. Morrissey, members of the law faculty; Hon. Colostin D. Myers, of the Appellate bench and Circuit bench of McLean county, Illinois, a former member of the law faculty, and Louis FitzHenry, city attorney of Bloomington.

After justice had been done to an excellent dinner the following program of toasts was offered, Maury D. Powell, Justice elect of the new Chapter, acting as Toastmaster: Lawrence W. Ledvina, Chief Justice, "Phi Alpha Delta"; Hon. Charles L. Capen, "The Illinois Wesleyan Law School"; Prof. John J. Morrissey, "The Relation of the Illinois Wesleyan University to the Bloomington



CHARLES L. CHAPEN CHAPTER, OF THE ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY.
Installed March 22, 1908.

work was first given in the Knights of Columbus lodge hall, after which the party adjourned to the Hills hotel where it enjoyed an elaborate banquet and where were completed the more formal ceremonies of installation.

The following named accepted the Honorary degree of the fraternity: Hon.

Bar"; George E. Fink, National Treasurer, "What is Expected of Capen Chapter"; Richard J. Finnegan, National Recorder, "Present Prosperity of the Fraternity"; Joseph B. Fleming, Fuller Chapter, "The Chicago Alumni"; H. C. Moran, Justice Magruder Chapter, "Magruder Chapter, Nearest

Neighbor, and J. D. Veatch, charter member, "The Initiates."

Brother Ledvina, during the course of his remarks, presented the chapter gavel to Brother Powell and also the charter on behalf of the new chapter, as well as shingles to the honorary and charter members.

The banquet table was very tastily decorated with the fraternity colors and nothing had been left undone by the candidates to make the affair both pleasurable and appropriate to the occasion. The evening's festivities were closed by the rendering of fraternity songs by the old members and the "yells" of the different varsities represented by the alumni present. The following day a picture was taken of the new Chapter members, the installing committee and visiting brothers.

Within a few weeks of the date of installation, the new Chapter rented a suite of rooms at 401 Main street, but early last fall moved into its present commodious chapter house at 913 Prairie street. In acquiring a house so soon after installation this chapter has set an example to some of the older Chapters, which are very backward in this regard and which it is hoped they will soon emulate, as the maintenance of chapter houses is one of the features of the fraternity in which especial pride is taken.

The writer had the pleasure of visiting Capen Chapter in its new house the first of the month where he was royally received and entertained during his stay.

George E. Fink.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA INSTALLATION.

Thirteen charter members were admitted at the installation of the William G. Ham-

mond Chapter, at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Ia., December 6, 1908. The ceremonies were held in the rooms which the applicants had already secured as permanent quarters, and following the initiatory "exercises," a delightful banquet was served at the Burkley Imperial hotel.

Milton J. Remley, attorney-general for the state, who was admitted as an honorary member, acted as toastmaster. Those who responded to toasts were R. G. Glass, "The William G. Hammond Chapter;" Paul M. Payne, "Plans and Prospects;" Harry P. Dolan, "In After Years;" Dean Charles Noble Gregory, "The Place of a Law Fraternity," and Supreme Justice Ledvina, "Phi Alpha Delta."

Supreme Justice Ledvina, Supreme Treasurer Dolan, Brother Jordan of Fuller Chapter; Brother R. C. Leggett, of Fairfield, Iowa, and W. G. Bouch, of Blackstone Chapter, were in charge of the installation. The new members admitted were: Lake M. Bechtell, Oliver H. De Groote, M. L. Donovan, Remley J. Glass, John C. Higgins, Francis P. Keane, Sidney C. Kerberg, Daniel C. McCully, Frank F. Messer, Forrest B. Olsen, Paul M. Payne, T. S. Risser, Ray H. Wise.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI CEREMONIES.

Another chapter was added to the fraternity January 9, when the John D. Lawson Chapter was launched at the University of Missouri at Columbia, Mo. The initiation was under the jurisdiction of Supreme Justice Ledvina, Supreme Vice-Justice, Prentiss, Supreme Treasurer Dolan,



BROTHERS: MESSERS, LEDVINA, RISSER, BAUCH AND BECHTELL.

Brother Glass, of the recently installed chapter at the University of Iowa, and Brother Brodus, Benton Chapter, of the Kansas City Law School.

The installation took place in the Elvira building, and at the Powers hotel, where a sumptuous repast was served in the evening. G. H. Boehm, one of the new members, presided as toastmaster, and addresses were made by the national officers present, and the visiting brothers. Several members of the law faculty also made brief but interesting and instructive addresses.

Those initiated were: G. H. Boehm, R. S. Cole, Charles Dickey, Shannon Douglas, P. J. Doyle, Edmund Haenssler, D. M. Hunt, F. F. Lieuallen, H. T. Lincoln, J. A. McCollum, C. L. Restine, H. E. Sheppard, C. J. Sloop, D. F. Warren and Orville Zimmerman.

FOOTHOLD GAINED ON PACIFIC COAST.

Initiation Ceremonies at University of Oregon—Honors Conferred on Eleven Charter Members—Representative Men Accept Honorary Degree.

On Saturday evening, November 21, the following students of the University of Oregon were formatively examined as to their character, legal ability and general fitness to become brother Phi Alpha Delta: John Wilkinson, John Joyce, R. F. Peters, H. R. Saltmarsh, M. H. Clark, E. A. Snodgrass, N. R. Landis, R. H. Down, J. W. Briscoe, C. J. Mahony and J. A. Bennett.

Alumni Well Represented.

Shortly before the initiation which took place Friday evening, November 28, Brothers, F. G. B. Kemp, of Wenatchee, Washington, N. R. Anderson, Howard H. Serviss, both of Seattle, Wash., and Fred M. DeNeffe of Eugene, Ore., arrived in Portland to assist Brothers G. G. Schmitt and James L. Conley, with the initiation.

From seven o'clock until midnight the candidates endured the pleasant comforts of the initiation conducted with all the science, art and solemnity due the occasion.

Honorary Degree Conferred.

On Saturday evening following, Honor-

able George H. Williams, at one time Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Oregon, the only surviving member of President Grant's cabinet and Attorney-General of the United States, Judge Robert G. Morrow of the State Circuit Court, Alfred C. Schmitt, Dr. Ph., authority on international law, banker (brother of G. G. Schmitt), A. E. Clark, a prominent attorney and legislator, and Judge Charles E. Wolverton, of the United States Circuit Court, were initiated as honorary members. Governor George E. Chamberlain, was elected as an honorary member, but owing to the governors' convention held at Washington, D. C., where he was selected by the governors of the various states to respond on their behalf to President Roosevelt's address to the governors assembled, was unable to be present at the time of the initiation and banquet which followed immediately after the ceremonies held at the Portland hotel.

Banquet Memorable Occasion.

The initiation as well as the banquet will long be remembered by all who were present on account of its extraordinary superiority. The banquet closed many hours past midnight, but not a sleepy eye was visible, no doubt due to the fact that the feast was a presumptuous one. James L. Conley, acted as toastmaster, and able and witty addresses were responded to as follows: "Phi Alpha Delta," by G. G. Schmitt; "Fraternalities and the Profession," Fred M. DeNeffe; "Fellowship," N. R. Anderson; "The Prosecutor," F. G. B. Kemp; "The Young Lawyer," Howard H. Serviss; "Williams Chapter," M. H. Clark; "Reminiscences," Judge George H. Williams; "The Bar," A. E. Clark; "Lawyers Young and Old," Judge Robert G. Morrow; "International Law," Alfred C. Schmitt, and "The Bench," by Judge Charles E. Wolverton.

Appropriate credit is due to Brother Gustav George Schmitt, Ph. B., Marshall Chapter, University of Chicago, whose efforts were instrumental in the establishment of the first chapter on the Pacific Coast. Brother Schmitt is evidencing emboldening faith in the fraternity, not resting on his laurels, but is putting forth creditable energy towards the further growth of Phi Alpha Delta in the far west.

The editor is also indebted to Brother Schmidt for the foregoing efficient report of the Oregon installation.

CAMPBELL CHAPTER.

University of Michigan.

Ann Arbor Brothers Prominent in Maize and Blue Life—Chapter Numbers**Twenty-one—Personal****Paragraphs.**

The class of 1908 has scattered to the uttermost parts of the earth. Thomas Gould, jr., is in the seed business at Ventura, Cal. However, he has not abandoned the profession entirely.

What the Boys Are Doing.

Howard H. Servis and Nelson R. Anderson compose the law firm of Anderson & Servis, with offices at room 443 New York building, Seattle, Wash.

Francis B. Keeney is in an office at Providence, Rhode Island. His address is 203 Benefit street.

W. Gage Hoag is with Means & Buenting at suite 519-521 State Life building, Indianapolis, Ind.

Irvin W. Long is with Luman Goodenough, in the Hammond Building, Detroit, Mich.

Harlow A. Clark, after an extensive tour of Uncle Sam's domain, has opened an office in his native burg of Marquette, Mich. Willard T. Barber is a student of the law at Oriel College, Oxford, England, as a Rhodes Scholarship man. His epistles contain many revelations of English college life, together with the peculiar English humor.

Brothers E. A. Macdonald, D. B. Symons, E. B. Carter are Phi Alpha Delta representatives on the Michigan Law Review; the former two are also Barristers, the Senior law honorary society.

Harry P. Ladd '08, '10 Law, is not with us this year. He is teaching mathematics in the Webster City, Iowa, high school.

Brothers Frank Ayres, C. R. Moon, C. B. Kidd and H. S. Walker are members of the Woolsack, the Junior law honorary society.

Brothers Fink, of Story, Walker, of Blackstone, together with Samuel H. Roberts '07, and Harry Hamlin '06 Yale, of our own Chapter, were here for the "Pennsy" game.

Initiates.

The Chapter now numbers twenty-one.

There are eight new members, as follows: Henry S. Walker, Carthage, Ill.; Frank B. Mitchell, Baker City, Ore.; Clarence L. Whealdon, Eugene, Ore.; J. L. Lewis, Portland, Ore.; Raymond C. Vaughn, Franklinville, N. Y.; J. Clyde Murry, Vallejo, Cal.; Ralph E. Case, Franklinville, N. Y., and Benjamin Dewey, Clyde, Ohio.

Recognized as an Orator.

Brother E. A. Macdonald has recently joined the Michigan Toastmasters' club. There is nothing like being an after dinner speaker, and we all know "Mac" can deliver the goods upon such an occasion.

New Officers.

At a recent election Brother Symons was chosen Justice, and Brother Walker, Clerk. "Heinie" is well qualified for the clerical work as he had some experience while at Carthage College.

The first semester examinations are but a few days distant as one may judge by the deal of midnight gas that is being consumed. However, it is not all work, for the "J" Hop house party will convene ere the ink is dry on the last blue book. The chapter is to have a booth in Waterman "gym," where the great social event of the year will be held on the night of February 5.

RYAN CHAPTER.

University of Wisconsin.

Record of Alumni Suggested—Graduates Successful—Members Prominent in Politics.

Each year Ryan Chapter is confronted with the problem of keeping in touch with its alumni members. No doubt the same difficulty is experienced in other chapters, and some plan of providing a permanent roster of chapter members, with space reserved for a record of every member in respect to both change of location and progress, would solve this important problem. For the chapter itself the quarterly letter to the national magazine serves the purpose for which it was established, but for the alumni members the reports should be more complete in details, since it is the

only practical method of supplying news from the various graduate members.

Faith in Badger State Evidenced.

Wisconsin's graduates of Phi Alpha Delta have thus far without exception been very successful. A large percentage of them have located in Wisconsin, and reports of their success are coming in constantly. While Supreme Court cases are rather an exception for the young lawyer, still the chapter is favored with an occasional visit from some member who is in Madison before that judicial body. Of the recent graduates, Brothers Geisse and Hirschberg are reported as a successful firm in San Antonio, Texas; Brothers Randall and Drury are located at Kenosha; Brother Graham at Des Moines, Iowa; Brother Kelm at Portage, where he acted as chairman of the Republican county committee during the last year; Brothers Scheetz, Fawcett, Neucomb, and Bullock are located in Madison; Brother Walters is at Sheboygan, and Brother Gorman at Wausau. Brother Fred Esch recently returned from Germany after a year's study at the University of Berlin.

Recognition Won in Politics.

In the ranks of the politicians Phi Alpha Delta is still a leader. Brother Peter H. Schram is acting in the capacity of alderman in the Madison Council; Brother J. E. Thomas, secretary of the Republican state central committee, is serving as a member of the legislature; Brother Julius Frank, of Appleton, is District Attorney of Outagamie county, and Brother L. W. Ledvina, Supreme Justice of the fraternity, has been prominently mentioned as a candidate for speaker of the Assembly during the coming session of the legislature. Brother Ledvina is serving his third term in the legislature. At present he enjoys the distinction of being one of the foremost leaders of the Assembly, and is chairman of the judiciary committee.

Fraternity House Popular.

Twenty-five men now answer to the roll call of Ryan Chapter, fourteen of the members occupying rooms at fraternity home on Gilman street. All of the rooms continue to be occupied, in fact the house has proved too small to accommodate all the members who desire to live at the frater-

nity home. The house is still a popular center for fraternity gatherings, and abundant opportunity is provided for the members to become thoroughly acquainted.

Active Men Lead in School Life.

A conservative policy has been followed in securing pledges for the chapter, and of the seven initiates not a man has been below standard in any respect. Brothers Grady and Buchen were the first to pass muster, and Brothers Michelson, Starke, Pulse, Ramp and Emmett followed them into the fraternity shortly after. Four of the men are in their first year, and are among the strongest members of their class. Brother Grady was business manager of the Badger, the annual publication of the Junior class, and Brother Buchen has an established reputation as an orator and debater. Last year he represented Wisconsin in debate against Illinois, he has won numerous oratorical honors, and this year was on the team, as was also Brother Blanchard, which defeated Nebraska at Madison, December 11. By graduation this year we lose nine as active workers as this chapter has ever had, but it is safe to predict that when the chapter is turned over to the new men who have shown their qualifications for Phi Alpha Delta, it will be as successfully handled as in the past.

STORY CHAPTER.

Illinois College of Law.

Outlook Promising—What the Boys are Doing.

Recently seven new members have been initiated, two "pledges" are ready to qualify, and the outlook in general is indeed promising.

The Initiates.

The recent initiates are Perry C. Shepard, 125 Pearson street, Geary V. Stibgen, 267 E. Erie street, Rex G. Hardy, 1543 Wilson avenue, Ford Riemin, 306 E. Erie street, John R. Linden, 6951 Lowe avenue, L. C. Mullen, 887 N. Clark street, and William E. Loundgren.

Brother Loundgren is one of the Assistant State's Attorneys of Cook county. Rex Hardy, a graduate of Staunton Military Academy in Virginia, is a son of Carlos Hardy, Professor of Insurance Law in

the Illinois College of Law. Brother Rie-min is a Stetsland University man, and Brother Shepard, who is a son of former Judge Shepard of the Supreme Court of Illinois, hails from Williams College. Brother Stibgen is a senior and in the employ of a prominent law firm of Chicago. Brother Mullen comes from Troy, N. Y.

The Smoker.

Shortly before the Xmas holidays the chapter gave a smoker at the school Phi Alpha Delta rooms, at which a generous supply of cider—(not hard)—contributed to the enjoyment of the evening.

Jerry Simpson is touring the south and southwest looking after the legal interests of Rothschild & Co. in those sections and visited the Chicago about January 20. George Stewart has been hiking around enjoying the southern climate with Jerry.

Harvey Strayer, of last year's class, has bought an interest in a real estate and abstract business in Portland, Ore., and is doing well.

Harvey O. Rodes, one of the founders of this chapter, will begin the practice of law at Gary, Ind., about February 1.

Shelley Neltner, our genial brother and professor, starts on a tour of the southwest February 2, expecting to locate in that country. Brother Skelley has been teaching the law of contracts here for several years and in the last year has written several books on the various subjects comprising contract law, and in fact is an authority on all kinds of contract law, except a contract to marry.

Guy M. Walker has opened a law office at 160 Washington street, Chicago.

Conditions Favorable.

The chapter is in a flourishing condition in every respect, and has eighteen active members. Chapter meetings are held at the fraternity room, 301 East Erie street, every Friday evening. Alumni members and brothers from other chapters are invited to drop in any time.

Officers.

The present chapter officers are: Murray Morford, justice; Admer D. Miller, vice-justice; F. C. King, clerk; R. G. Hardy, assistant clerk; T. C. Smith, treasurer, and Sidney Cornell, sergeant at arms.

JOHN MARSHALL CHAPTER.

University of Chicago.

Increased Interest Shown on the Midway —Pledges of Recognized Standing— Chapter Home Opened.

The coming year promises to be the banner year for the John Marshall Chapter. Greater interest in the fraternity is being shown than ever before in the chapter's history. As a result the chapter has forged ahead with rapid strides. It is hoped that the John Marshall Chapter will soon become, if not the strongest, one of the strongest chapters of Phi Alpha Delta.

New Men.

The men taken in this year are of the very finest type. They are all good students, pleasant companions, good fraternity men in every respect, and are considered among the most valuable members of the chapter.

In a Social Way.

In a social way our chapter has been active at all times. Several dances, dinners, smokers, etc., to which were invited men considered as prospective members, have been given. In this way it has been possible to find out exactly what kind of timber is in any man before an invitation of any sort is extended to him. These affairs also tend to better the fellowship among the members of the chapter.

Chapter House Established.

By far the greatest move which the chapter has made this year has been the establishment of a fraternity home. The members have worked hard with this end in view for several years and finally their efforts have been crowned with success. Headquarters are now located at 6154 Ellis avenue in what is really a cozy little home. The house is rather small, but it will serve very well to get a start, as it has ten rooms which will very comfortably accommodate a dozen men. All of the boys are proud of the home and a cordial invitation is extended to all fraternity brothers to pay a visit and make it their home when convenient.

Cooperation in Promoting Growth.

Of course, these local activities are but elements of a greater interest—to make Phi Alpha Delta the greatest of legal fra-

ternities. It is this that inspires all possible betterment and improvement in local chapters, for it is impossible to have a strong national fraternity without having strong individual chapters. The part of the present year which has passed has been especially gratifying nationally, and it is the most ardent desire of the John Marshall Chapter that this progress be not only continued but that the good work may go on where the growth of the fraternity is deemed expedient.

BLACKSTONE CHAPTER.

Chicago—Kent College of Law.

Emerald Chapter Strong—New Officers Elected—Committee of Chicago Justices to Promote Fraternity Matters.

Despite the fact that graduation last year took nine of the old members, Blackstone Chapter opened the year under favorable circumstances, with seven new men, and this number was increased by two at the joint initiation held by the Chicago chapters in November last. Nearly a dozen pledges are chronicled, and the outlook for the chapter is a roseate one.

New Governing Body Selected.

The annual election of officers last fall resulted as follows: Thomas F. Molyneaux, justice; George T. Preschern, clerk; Ambrose McLaughlin, treasurer; William C. McKenna, marshal; Frank Posvic, trustee to the fraternity house.

Old Members Show Interest.

The old standbys Brothers Foley, Bauch, Knauer, Hoagland, McCarthy, Zajicek and Anderson are now among the Alumni, but their active interest continues to advance the cause of Blackstone.

Welcome Extended to New Chapters.

Blackstone welcomes the sister chapters at Oregon, Iowa and Missouri, and it hopes to have the pleasure of meeting some of the new brothers at the annual convention next May.

Committee of Chicago Justices Formed.

The formation of the "Committee of Chicago Justices," the purpose of which is to have all Chicago chapters work in unity

on all fraternity matters, is a commendable undertaking. Phi Alpha Delta is growing rapidly in Chicago, and the five chapters, the Alumni Association and the Fraternity House Trustees, seven units, are all working for the advancement of the cause, but there has been more or less lost motion. "Cooperation" is the watchword of the day, and with all Phi Alpha Delta in Chicago working unitedly great things will be accomplished. A big banquet is on the "tapis" and a "wireless" has been received to the effect that an innovation will be sprung. It is reported the affair will be graced by the presence of the gentler sex. Good luck to you fellows. It is also understood that a dance, to be given jointly by the Chicago Chapters, is scheduled for February.

Anxious to Meet Iowa Brothers.

Brother Bauch, who accompanied the National officers to the University of Iowa to install the new chapter, has nothing but a broad smile in answer to the question as to what happened in Iowa and what sort of a time the boys had. The other members hope to meet some of the Iowa boys soon and learn why Bauch is so anxious to return to Iowa.

Will Brother Dolan Explain?

It is important to make record of the fact that our beloved member, the National treasurer, recently called on the official jeweler and had his fraternity tie pin changed for the regulation coat pin. Of course, it is only a coincidence that the coat pin is the only one that can be worn by a fellow's "sister."

"Obituary."

All the brothers of Blackstone extend their most hearty congratulations to Brother Henry Schlytter who recently joined the rapidly increasing ranks of Phi Alpha Delta benedicts. A long and happy married life to you, Henry. Here's hoping your example will shortly be followed by other brothers who are eligible for the degree—"Knight of the Benedicts." Without desiring to be personal, the names of Brothers Mal Foley, Chris Whalen, James Power and Sam Moran are suggested.

While it is a little early to talk of the

summer outing of the Chicago chapters, record a vote for Delevan, Wis., for this summer.

Efforts of National Officers Praised.

Copies of the new constitution, which was adopted at the last convention, have been received, and the opportunity is taken to extend thanks to the supreme officers, particularly to the worthy Recorder, for their labors in getting out the book. Those who only see the results of the work of the supreme officers sometimes overlook the many weary hours they spend in taking care of the affairs of the Fraternity. So here is a thanks to them, and an assurance that their work is appreciated, even though it does not always appear so.

Informal Gatherings.

Since the beginning of the school year, Blackstone has had several informal gatherings around the festive board, which were enjoyed. On several occasions the Chapter has been honored by the presence of Brothers from other Chicago chapters, who aided in making things interesting and lively.

Marshall Chapter Congratulated.

Blackstone congratulates Marshall Chapter on the opening of its house. The boys hope to pay the Brothers at the Chicago "U" a visit in the near future. Phi Alpha Delta is, at present, ahead of other like fraternities in the number of houses, and every little added to what we have keeps Phi Alpha Delta the leading law fraternity. Success to you, Marshall, and may you thoroughly enjoy your new home—and, confidentially, here's hoping you will give us an "invite" now and then to come out and become better acquainted.

To the Old Boys.

Recent functions were honored by the attendance of some of the "old war horses," notably James J. Murphy, Smileu Davis, Larry Jacobs, Jim Power and Charley Wall.

Has any one forgotten the enjoyable smoker given by Brother McDonough of Blackstone last year? Inquiry reveals that it is not distinctly remembered by anybody present who made the last speech or told the last story.

WEBSTER CHAPTER.

Chicago Law School.

Charles F. Tym of '08 fame is practicing law at Mitchell, S. D.

Michael C. Zacharias, familiarly known as "Zack," or the "Hegewisch Giant," is very much alive in local affairs.

Those on the inside think Brother Henry L. Bluim is guilty of a "case." Also that the "case" is "trespassing" on the hours intended for sleep and study. Will anyone volunteer to offer Henry any advice in the premises?

The report is around that Brother Edgar A. Jonas intends joining one of the foremost minstrel troupes in the country, but not much credit is given the rumor, although he unquestionably has the qualifications. But talking about minstrels, you should see Frank Teed imitate the actors of the bar. He is almost eligible for the stage. His affection (?) for school work, and his great desire to be punctual, however, will probably defer his taking up the new line for a few months to come.

Simons and Ferran, recent initiates, are well qualified as house cleaners, and 353 LaSalle avenue cheerfully recommends them to anyone who may be in need of such services.

One can hardly step in the Phi Alpha Delta house but that he hears mysterious remarks about the "Webster" boys there, and try as you will you cannot find what it is about—it seems some are connected with a "nursery." It will always be hard to believe this of Brothers Morley and Cambridge, but in respect to Brothers Fox, Haag, Shearer and Jonas, it seems more a plausible story.

At last, it has been definitely settled that Webster has among its members a great lawyer. This has been established by Brother Brady's great closing arguments to juries in default divorce cases.

FULLER CHAPTER.

Northwestern University.

Wanted a Correspondent.

MAGRUDER CHAPTER.

University of Illinois.

Bright Aspect at Champaign—Three Initiations Chronicled—In a Personal Way.

The school year opened with an enrollment of nine old men, and it looks as if 1908-1909 will be a successful era in the history of the chapter. So far three initiations have been held, and the following active members have been admitted: G. E. Etherton, Carbondale, Ill.; B. F. Baum, Phoenix, Ariz.; Paul Daily, Chillicothe, Ill.; Leo Daily, Chillicothe, Ill.; Jesse L. Darden, Memphis, Tenn.; Fred L. Schaefer, Chicago; Louis Fayart, Springfield, Ill.; Roy Benjamin Rich, Springfield, Ill.; Bushnell Fullerton, Ottawa, Ill.; C. M. Walters, Savannah, Ill.; John L. Barkman, Danville, Ill., and William Williamson, Canton, Ill.

Out of Town Brothers Invited.

An informal dance was given November 21, another is contemplated for March 7, but the crowning event of the year will be a formal affair to be held during the first week in May, to which all out of town brothers are cordially invited.

Personal Mention.

Stoy Maxwell '06, is city attorney of Robinson, Ill.

George Clendenan '05, is practicing law at Springfield, Ill.

T. R. Kershaw is president of a bank in Okmulgee, Okla.

W. P. Holliday '06, was elected last November to the General Assembly from the twenty-second district.

James Boyle '06, is assistant state's attorney of Vermilion county, Illinois.

A. B. Cessna is practicing law at Danville, Ill.

Adolph Gore is professor of mathematics in the academy of the University of Illinois.

Glenn J. Caneron is practicing law, with his father, at Peoria, Ill.

"Black" Carr "has his shingle" out at Trenton, Ill.

Noah Gullett '09, is state's attorney of Hardin county, Illinois.

H. C. Moran '08, Grand Marshal, is practicing law at Canton, Ill.

A. E. Tracy is practicing law at Toluca, Ill.

C. E. Cunningham is practicing law at Jonesboro, Ill.

Frank Thompson is stenographer for the United States district court at St. Louis, Mo.

Earle J. Daily is completing his law course at Yale. He will graduate this spring.

B. F. Baum '10, has been elected captain of the varsity football team for 1909. In the Northwestern game Brother Baum, or "Bennie," made a 105-yard run from the kick off through the entire opposing team for a touch down.

Fred L. Wham '09, of football fame, was chosen by many critics for the "all-western" tackle this year. Fred became famous for his ability to block kicks. It is also well to mention that he had the highest average of any of the football men, and was initiated into Theta Kappa Nu, the honorary law fraternity.

Roscoe D. Wyatt, or "Dad," and Roscoe Tygett, or "Squat," both of the '09 class, are finishing their law courses this year, assisted by Mrs. Wyatt and Mrs. Tygett.

O. M. Banes '10, and Robert Lowe '10, deserve special mention for the work they have done and the sacrifices they made in building up the chapter this year.

Walter Cherry Banes '11, won fame among his classmates for the generalship which he displayed in leading a squad in the color-rush.

CHASE CHAPTER.

Cincinnati Law School.

Title of Baby Chapter "Forfeited"—Merit and Quality the Goal—Gaining Prestige Over Rivals.

Less than a year ago the National officers of the Fraternity christened what they termed "the baby chapter" with the name of "Chase." Since that time several other babies have come into the great national family, depriving us of our right to bear the name. The condition of the chapter no longer calls for the name of the "baby chapter." Although merit and quality, rather than numbers, has been the goal set by our men, our numbers have already increased from the original nine to the lucky thirteen, with one more man pledged, and three others under consideration.

Fraternity Spirit Fostered.

Beside our regular meetings, our boys

give an occasional "feed," varying in style from a "Dutch lunch" to a banquet at one of the principal hotels. At irregular intervals an informal luncheon or supper is given in some quiet cafe, where a private room is available and where the fellows are able to meet on a much more friendly and confidential basis than they do in the school rooms. In the absence of a regular chapter house where the boys can get together just "as good fellows," these little "feeds" go a long way toward developing the loyalty and good fellowship necessary to a live chapter.

Chapter Gaining Prestige.

Considering the conditions that the rival fraternity has held undisputed sway here for a long while and the fact that the Cincinnati Law School lacks those elements conducive to fraternal life found in the college town, Chase Chapter has made good, and that the seeds of a prosperous organization in years to come are planted in good soil.

THOMAS H. BENTON CHAPTER.

Kansas City Law School.

Value of Magazine in Nationalizing the Fraternity—Resume of the Happenings—New Constitution Acceptable.

Benton Chapter greets with pleasure the revival of the fraternity magazine. It is now on a permanent basis and has come to stay. The peculiar benefits to be derived from an official publication are such as cannot be supplied by any other means. It seems impossible to overestimate its usefulness in nationalizing a fraternity, in bringing about that community of interest and spirit not to be accomplished by a mere use of the same constitution and name. It permits the individual member to be in constant touch with the national phases of the fraternity and acquaints him with the happenings in various chapters. The chapter herewith pledges its hearty cooperation.

A Strong Alumni.

Thomas H. Benton Chapter is now about eighteen months old. It now has over thirty alumni in the city, of whom we are justly proud. They are all making splendid progress and are adding glory to the fraternity. Brother Crutcher, delegate at the last convention and a charter member

of this chapter, though yet a Bachelor of Laws, is no longer a bachelor in any other respect. He was initiated into the Society of Matrimony a few weeks ago. Brothers Jaudon, Lombard, Jones, Orear and Rankin likewise have joined the ranks of benedicts.

The present active chapter numbers thirteen, as follows: Brothers Betts, Brady, Broaddus, Burns, Davis, Dew, Driscoll, Ford, Gage, Neef, Seaton, Small and Yale. Preparations are being made to initiate five or six men from the school at large, whom we have carefully considered, and of whose fraternity qualifications there is no doubt. Reasonable conservatism has been the policy in the selection of new men. The incoming classes are furnishing more good material every year, and it is hoped that in the near future a large, active chapter of the very best material can be maintained.

A Southern Installation Praised.

This chapter is enthusiastic about the installation of a chapter at the University of Missouri. It will strengthen us, and we believe we shall strengthen it.

New Constitution Meets Approval.

The new constitution is a great improvement over the old one. It has strengthened where strength was needed, and has relaxed where flexibility was advantageous. Much more can be accomplished under its provisions than formerly, although there are a number of other needed changes in the fraternity which time and careful consideration will no doubt bring about. Such, for example, is a new and practicable ritual, fraternity song (or songs), and several other things that go with complete fraternity life which should more properly be mentioned at convention than in an open letter.

Growing Greatness Elucidized.

Though ever mindful of defects and desired improvements in Phi Alpha Delta, let us not be less mindful of her many, many virtues and her ever growing greatness; let us note the great strides with which she is extending her territory and influence; let us point with pride at the quality of her new acquisitions, and realize, if we can, the broad field and brilliant future of which she has assured herself.

CHARLES LABAN CAPEN CHAPTER.

Illinois Wesleyan University.

Fraternity Spirit Fostered in New Chapter House—Namesake of Chapter Takes Active Interest—Visiting Brothers Entertained.

At the beginning of the school year in September, Capen Chapter had just five of the old men back. The lack of a chapter house was a handicap, and all rushing parties were held at the Hills hotel. The first initiation was held the last of September, five men being initiated as follows: John T. Kincaid, of Ashmore, Ill., R. A. Koonce, Greenville, Ill.; Walker R. Flint, Bellflower, Ill., Frank G. Adams, Bloomington, Ill., and Vane C. Bosworth, El Paso, Ill. Shortly after this initiation a new chapter house at 913 N. Prairie street was secured. The house is fitted up in true "frat" style and the members congratulate themselves on having the best house in Bloomington.

At the first initiation held in the house, W. Merle Fisher, of Bloomington, Ill., A. E. Lawrence, McLean, Ill., E. A. Schroeder, Grayville, Ill., L. W. Meredith, Springfield, Ill., Karl B. Muker, Delevan, Ill., Frederick B. Grant, Bloomington, and Harry A. Inn-gerich, Rantoul, Ill., were initiated.

Social Events.

During the present school year several receptions have been given to the various sororities and fraternities in the school. The chapter is planning its annual banquet and dance, which will be given early in March and which will be the social event of the year.

The Father of the Chapter.

Hon. Charles Laban Capen, for whom the chapter is named, has taken a great interest in the "fraters." He is a father to the "bunch" and the boys appreciate the help he has given.

Out of Town Visitors.

A short time ago Brother Fink, of Michigan, paid a short visit. The boys hope that they made as big a hit with Brother Fink as he did with them. He is truly a prince—"long may he wave." On January

11, Brothers Ledvina and Prentiss were visitors, and the members were mighty glad to see them, besides feeling that Capen Chapter had indeed been honored by a visit from the Supreme officers. While Brothers Ledvina and Prentiss were here two men, Ernest J. Henderson, of Colfax, Ill., and Clarence A. Reardon, of Delevan, Ill., were initiated.

Honored in Athletics.

Five Phi Alpha Delta boys are on the football team, and Brother Thompson is captain. In the spring a chapter baseball team doubtless will be organized, which will include Wesleyan veterans and seven men who have had wide experience.

Education Balances Athletics.

The chapter is not alone strong in athletics, but Brother Bosworth leads in class scholarship this term, making the highest grade so far recorded in the law school.

Chapter Mascot.

With an active chapter of twenty-one members, all hustlers for Phi Alpha Delta, a mascot is requisite, and Capen boys have their good luck under the guidance of a coach dog, of much renown, called "Pad."

A standing cordial invitation is extended to all fraternity brothers who have an occasion to visit Bloomington.

Smoker For Visitors.

The Phi Alpha Delta law fraternity at the Wesleyan were honored January 11 by the visit of two of the leading fraters to this city. The Supreme Justice, George W. Ledvina, and the Vice Justice, William Prentiss, jr., were visitors of the Capen Chapter. These gentlemen had been to Columbia, Mo., where they installed a chapter of the Phi Alpha Delta fraternity. In honor of the visit the chapter gave a smoker and banquet at its home on North Prairie street. Each of the officers made a short talk to the chapter and told of the work the fraternity at large was doing in other universities. Mr. Ledvina is a member of the Wisconsin legislature and Mr. Prentiss is in the bond business in Chicago.