

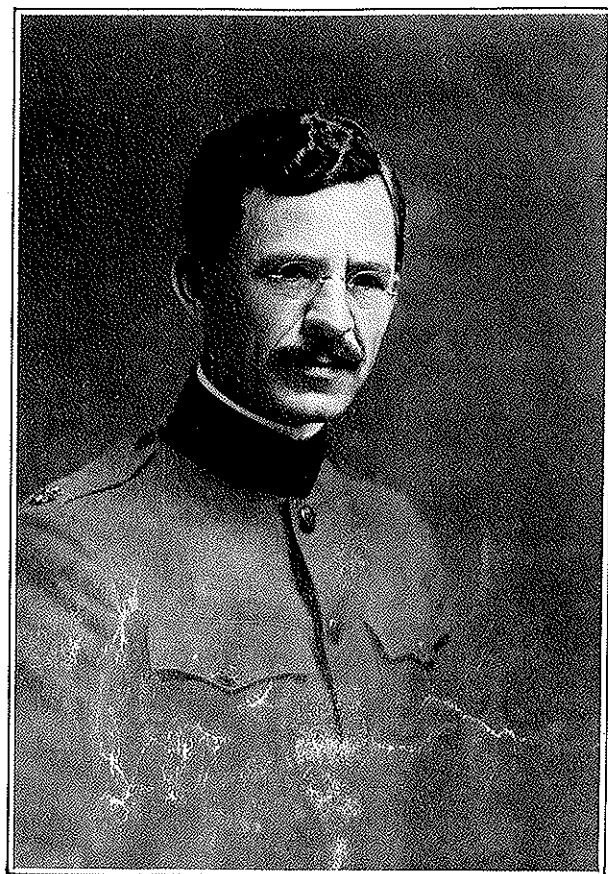
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OF

ALPHA KAPPA

LAMBDA

Ἀλήθεια καὶ Λόγος



WILLIAM PRODBECK HERMS

To Professor William B. Herms:

First Grand President of Alpha Kappa Lambda, by whose interest and personal effort the progress and success of our Fraternity has been assured,

To "Billy":

Our friend and "Big Brother," in whose sight no service is too small, no task too large, to enlist his consideration and support,

The "Logos," the symbol of our striving toward a bigger and better Fraternity, is affectionately dedicated.

Be strong! We are not here
To play, to dream, to drift,
We have hard work to do,
And loads to lift.
Shun not the struggle,
Face it, 'tis God's gift.
Be strong, be strong!

Be strong! Say not the days
Are evil—who's to blame?
And fold the hands
And acquiesce—O shame!
Stand up, speak out,
And bravely, in God's name,
Be strong, be strong!

Be strong! It matters not
How deep intrenched the wrong,
How hard the battle goes,
The day, how long;
Faint not, fight on!
Tomorrow comes the song.
Be strong, be strong!

—Maltbie D. Babcock.

THE GRAND CONCLAVE

IT was with a feeling of great expectation that the men of Alpha Kappa Lambda listened for word of the opening session of that great event in the lives of the separate chapters, the meeting of the Grand Conclave. And with that feeling of expectation there was mingled a deep-felt confidence that there would be realized in the coming conference some of the hopes and prayers of the men who in those early days of its foundation pointed out the way that should be followed.

What a privilege it was for the members of the Alpha chapter to meet and learn to love and cherish those representatives of the other two chapters! But a few moments had elapsed before someone was heard to remark that it seemed as though we must have known these men always, so readily did they seem to fit into the scheme of our lives, and so real did that ideal of unity that had existed prove to be.

Very soon after the arrival of the delegates the first session of the Grand Conclave opened. Tribute was paid the officers who have served so well in the past year under the leadership of Brother "Billy" Herms. The formalities of calling the meeting to order being soon over the business of the Conclave was immediately brought to consideration. Committees had been appointed in order to make detailed consideration of the problems in open meeting unnecessary. These committees were called upon to report their findings.

The committee on "Publications" was the first to be called upon. It was suggested by the chairman of that committee that it become the policy of the National Fraternity to publish the national book of the fraternity semi-annually. The matter brought up very little discussion to the contrary and passed favorably on a vote by the different chapters.

This committee then suggested that the name "Logos" be given that publication. Some discussion followed this idea and it seemed wise to the president to postpone any final action until the second session, at which time the matter was again taken up and received favorable consideration.

But this was not all that the "Publications Committee" had up its sleeve. The fact was noted by the chairman that at the present time there was in existence no directory of the entire membership of the Fraternity. The Grand Secretary was authorized to prepare such a directory, including all alumnae and active members, their occupations and addresses.

It was the turn of another of the committees to hold the floor. In the report of the Finance Committee a method for the accumulation of some funds for the use of the Grand Treasurer was proposed. To cover the cost of the publication of the "Logos" it was decided that a fee of two dollars be levied upon each member.

Feeling that it would be unfair for the honorary and alumnae members of organizations being granted charters in the Fraternity to be made to pay the initiation fee upon the change of status, it was moved by suggestion of the Finance Committee that these be exempt from that obligation. Upon vote by the different chapters this step received official sanction.

In connection with the expense incurred by the delegates in attendance at the Grand Conclave, a motion was made and seconded that the total amount be pro-rated among the different chapters and the Grand Treasury. A precedent was established in this regard by the vote of the chapters.

To look into the matter of those things pertaining to the ritual of the Fraternity a committee on Documents and Archives met and presented their findings to the Conclave. It was thought that there should be in the documents of the Fraternity a group of all those records that would

make up what might be known as the "Archives," these to be kept in a safety deposit box in the charge of the Grand Secretary. More urgent than this was the need for the completion of the Grand Seal of the Fraternity, an instrument for placing the official stamp upon the charters of the various chapters called for by our Constitution. A drawing of the proposed seal was submitted for approval. It was adopted and the committee instructed to have it made up as soon as possible.

But this was not all. A committee on Membership made its report. It was thought by these men that it would be only just for the chapter being installed in the future to pay the travelling expenses of the installation team that might come to serve them. This plan met the approval of the members present in the Conclave.

For some time past there has been difficulty in preventing irregularities from creeping into the Fraternity jewelry. The committee appointed to look into the matter and make recommendations brought up the matter of the different types of pins that might be desirable: the engagement pin, the recognition pin, the sister pin, and the matter of any other form of fraternity jewelry. It seemed the pleasure of the Conclave to do away with the engagement pin and sister pin, and the suggestion was further made that there be selected a "fraternity jeweler" to whom descriptions be sent of the "recognition pin," the regulation "fraternity pin," and any other jewelry that might be used with the seal or crest worked upon it; and that provision be made that all orders for supplies of this nature be placed with this recognized person or firm, in order that there be no further trouble in the matter of irregularities.

By this time the Grand Conclave was long past its bed time. There were signs of weakening upon the faces of several of the "assembled brethren." The good president saw the signals of distress flying and the first session of the meeting of the Second Grand Conclave came to a close.

The time that intervened between the sessions of the Conclave was put to good use by the delegates. The men of Illinois had heard of that place in the city across the bay that goes by the name of "China Town" and thought that it might be well to give it the "once over" before leaving for parts unknown. A couple of the prominent men of Alpha Chapter condescended to go along as the guiding spirit of the expedition.

Of course these men from the "Middle West" had never seen that which the "Wild West" could produce in the line of buildings. Accordingly they were piloted up Market Street to that large department store that adorns the south side of the street known as the "Emporium." Their curiosity having been satisfied in this direction a brief pause in the journey was made while each member laid in a supply of the special bargain peanuts that Mr. Woolworth was selling on that day for the reasonable sum of thirty cents per pound. Each man came away with a half-pound bag in his pocket.

The party then boarded a street car that dropped them in that region of San Francisco that makes it possible for the blind men of the city to find their way so readily from one part of the city to the next. "Your nose knows."

By this time the store of peanuts that each man had laid in had appreciably diminished. Russ Pollit had a rather pained look on his face. Howdy Englebrecht had ceased to make those frequent dives into his pocket that had characterized the early portion of the car ride. Tommy Wilson thought that his supply of the nourishing article might have run low and offered to share with him. Imagine his surprise when the aforesaid gentleman from the Middle West scorned his proffer, with a face that might have looked proper on a dying man. Evidently the New York millionaire's goods were not being appreciated.

But evidently too, this condition of mind and body was temporarily forgotten in the presence of the unknown as represented by the Chinese candy and "lichee nuts" in the

store of Sing Fat. For Howdy acquired quite a liking for this bit of food. For Russ the chief attraction, outside the rather cute little Chinese girls that wanted to sell him a Mandarin Robe in this store, lay in those articles of smoked diet, fish, snails, and other unknown articles. It was unanimously decided by the members of the party that we had here found what might be said to be the chief attraction to China Town, or at least the origin of its most striking characteristic. It was time to go back across the bay.

The chief topic of conversation in the second session of the Grand Conclave was the matter of expansion. This most important subject brought up a number of interesting thoughts and suggestions, but it was finally agreed that there could not well be laid down any definite plans or provisions to be followed in this respect, but that it be the policy of the Fraternity to leave such matters to the discretion of the Grand Council. Emphasis was put upon the thought, however, that any growth of the Fraternity, the admission of new chapters into the National Fraternity, should be made upon a basis of the actual quality of the men asking to be admitted, not upon the size of the organization or of the college which it represented. The rate of growth, then, would be determined by the wisdom and pleasure of the Grand Council, action being taken to suit the conditions that seemed to prevail.

Time was then taken for the election of the new officers of the National Fraternity.

At this time the Secretary read a communication from the Gamma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda, inviting the Third Annual Conclave to meet at their chapter house at the University of Illinois. It was with a feeling of great pleasure that the Conclave moved that the invitation of the Gamma chapter be accepted. With what hopes we shall look forward to that event!

The work of the Grand Conclave was drawing to a close. It might be truthfully said that there had been

much accomplished. How fitting it was that the representative of the Illinois chapter should rise with the suggestion that the meeting be closed with a prayer of thanks for what it had been possible to accomplish and a request for blessing and guidance in the year that was before us, and further that this act of closing prayer be set as a precedent as the procedure to be followed at the completion of all such gatherings in the days to come! And who better to carry out this act of closing than good old Brother Frank Bloomer, he who is so ready with word and deed wherever needed in the affairs of the Fraternity.

The Second Session of the Second Grand Conclave was closed with a prayer. The meeting had adjourned.

Theodore Matthew, '22.



WOULDS'T describe for you some of the doings and undoings of the Second National Conclave of Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity. The Conclave was held February 4-5-6-7-8 and 9, 1922 in the state of snows, oranges, Fatty Arbuckle and other such versatile natives, but more specifically at the Alpha Chapter House, Berkeley, California.

President "Billy" Herms (Note: the president of A. K. L. does not receive a salary—which information is for such pledges who may have cause to read this article as punishment for sundry misdemeanors) sent out the formal call for the Conclave several weeks prior to the time for the first meeting and the politicians of the various chapters began their subtle work—each unselfishly electioneering for himself as delegate to the Conclave. "Bill" West came out victorious at Beta, but "Toppy" Becker not to be outdone, had himself appointed as advisor to Bro. Bill. At Alpha the fight was one for proxies only, as each brother present could offer his own vote, but nevertheless Tommy Wilson cornered the proxies and became the ballot caster for Alpha. At Gamma Chapter, Russ Pollitt and Howdy

Englebrecht pulled the strings most efficiently and became the delegates sentenced to the pleasure of the long trip across the continent.

The President announced the first meeting for 7:30 Tuesday evening, February 7. Our Gamma brothers, however, closed shop on the last day of semester exams, February 1, flung themselves into the upper berth of an Overland Limited and presented themselves in Berkeley, Saturday afternoon, February 4—fully three days before the first meeting of the Conclave. They were considerably travel-stained but eager to extend a hearty A. K. L. handshake to their brothers of the West, and to receive the fellowship offered in such splendid fashion by Alpha Chapter.

A bit disappointed at the lack of "wicked hardware" (a la Bill Hart) on the persons of their brothers of the West—the men from Illinois began to acclimatize themselves—viewing the snow in Berkeley hills as evidence of treachery along the line somewhere—but reveling in the Spring weather on the Campus. Saturday afternoon was a get acquainted period, not so much of personalities as of names, for A. K. L. fellowship stood forth in her true light at all times and made the delegates feel at home. It was learned that somewhere in Nevada is a place called Reno and that Los Angeles is far superior to San Francisco so far as climate, etc. are concerned.

Saturday night occurred one of the fine things of the Conclave—an informal House Dance. Programs, girls, music, floor, punch, all had a great "kick" in them. Here the "Easterners" learned a lot from the "Western" women. Naturally backward and bashful, the Gamma brothers were often noticed saying the wrong thing at the wrong time but these breaks were graciously overlooked. Here again, the geography of California from Chico to San Diego was discussed.

Sunday was devoted to breakfast (almost unanimous), Chapel led in a very effective and inspirational manner,

Sunday School and Church (unanimous), dinner, music, photography, a trip to the Big C, up the Campanile, through the Library and over the campus generally. Beta delegates, Brother West and Brother Becker arrived Sunday afternoon and Brother Herms met with the delegates in the evening to consider Conclave Committee Appointments.

Monday, the men from Gamma visited with the brothers at Beta Chapter, Leland Stanford University. Here again A. K. L. fellowship came to the front and the men were made to feel at home. Beta is composed of real, fighting, Christian men, and their most hearty welcome was an inspiration to the Gamma brothers. The inspection of the Campus at Palo Alto was a revelation to the Illinois men and they carried away a vividly beautiful picture of the institution which ties with California as being second only to the University of Illinois as the best of them all. (Advertising rate from the business manager).

Monday night Alpha initiated two men and one Beta man—the work all being done by brothers of Alpha Chapter. This was a really effective piece of work and the new men were welcomed most heartily. Following the initiation Brother Speed Hagen officiated at a singularly fine banquet. The menu was one of those unintelligible things, but by carefully following the lead of Tommy Wilson no bad breaks were made. The program was one which opened the Conclave in a fitting manner.

As Brother Billy Herms arose to speak a great wave of applause swept around the table and continued for several minutes as a token of the highly reverent respect which all A. K. L. men have for him—a real brother and father to each of us. Gamma brothers accepted Billy as one of the great values of the trip. He is now in the hearts of Gamma Chapter even as he has always been dear to Alpha and Beta.

Tuesday and Wednesday were a round of Committee and Conclave meetings interspersed with a lot of royal

entertainment of the delegates by the Alpha brothers. Automobile trips through Berkeley and Oakland, the skyline drive, a trip through Chinatown, to the Presidio, Golden Gate Park, and many other interesting places evidenced Alpha's hospitality. Tuesday evening, Alpha and Beta clashed in a hot game of basketball. Alpha won but until the last few minutes of play it was anybody's game. Wednesday noon, the delegates to the Conclave lunched with A. K. L. Alumni Association of San Francisco at the Hotel Stewart. These brothers have a real live organization and are of great positive aid to the active chapters. At this luncheon a Freshman Inter Chapter Scholarship Cup was awarded to a Freshman of Beta Chapter. This cup is offered annually by the association to the freshman of either Alpha or Beta Chapter who makes the best scholastic showing.

The Conclave business was concluded Wednesday evening with a prayer. Much had been done—many things that will probably influence the destiny of the organization during the immediate years. A spirit of earnestness and co-operation pervaded the whole Conclave, and with such spirit prevalent, nothing careless or objectionable could creep in. The minutes of the Conclave as published herein may not indicate these things but surely the precedent of the careful, studied action together with splendid co-operation will be passed on to future Conclaves.

Many suggestions were offered to the New Grand Council and Brother President "Harry" Dobbs will probably find it necessary to use up a lot of postage in whipping things through but he has the co-operation of every man in the fraternity. The business of the Conclave, however, need not be reported here in detail.

It seems most fitting that the closing paragraphs of this informal report should be devoted to high praises for the splendid manner in which Alpha Chapter entertained the National Conclave. Their hospitality and hearty A. K. L. fellowship were evident at all times. Individually the

brothers exerted themselves always to insure the greatest value of the Conclave. The delegates to future Conclaves will never be more royally entertained perhaps, than were those to the Second Conclave, although Gamma is even now making plans and anticipating the pleasure of entertaining the Third Grand Conclave of Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity.

"Russ" Pollitt, '23.

ANNUAL REPORT OF GRAND PRESIDENT

Berkeley, California.

February 6, 1922.

To the Members of Alpha Kappa Lambda, Greetings:

Before advancing to a forward position, it is wise to carefully estimate the strength of your support, and in erecting a great edifice the foundation is of prime importance. Alpha Kappa Lambda is advancing to a forward position and is building an edifice which we trust may lift itself far into the upper reaches of brotherhood. Fifteen years ago, January, 1907, the Los Amigos Club was formed at the University of California. I knew most of the members of Los Amigos well and out of that group there came a remarkably large percentage of practical men of affairs quite contrary to the expectation of those who could see nothing but weakness in a group of fellows who would rally to a standard of ideals in scholarship and Christian brotherhood. The foundation upon which the next story of the edifice was built had been tried and tested, an advance could be safely made, and in April, 1914, seven years later the Spanish name, Los Amigos, gave way to a Greek name, Alpha Kappa Lambda, and the one chapter National came into being. Again Christian ideals stood the test of practical affairs as evidenced by the activities of those who in 1914 ranked as active members.

In August of 1916, Alpha Chapter moved into the new home, close up to the campus and within a few paces of Founders' Rock. Then came the days of planning as the circle of brothers gathered about their own fireside, dreaming of expansion. At the Reunion Banquet held November 21, 1919 definite plans for this step were adopted, viz.:

Pres. Herms of the Board of Directors outlined a plan for expansion which had been developed by the Directors in co-operation with the active Chapter, as follows:

1. At the earliest possible moment an active chapter is to be established at Stanford University.

2. At least two active members of Alpha Chapter will be selected to transfer to Stanford in order to look over the field and take steps to organize a Beta Chapter: either by taking over some already existing club, or by bringing together a group of men as a nucleus for the new chapter.

3. In order that these men may devote the necessary time to the work of expansion it is desirable that a portion of their expenses be paid by the other members of the Fraternity. This is made particularly necessary because of the recent establishment of a large tuition fee at Stanford.

April 26, 1920 closed the work of the writer as President of the Board of Directors of Alpha Kappa Lambda, Inc., organized for the purpose of building a chapter house for Alpha. On this date the first official National Conclave of the "one chapter national" was held at the Alpha Chapter house and the present writer was elected first Grand President of Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity, and the drive for expansion was on in earnest.

The plan above outlined was closely adhered to and Brothers Hugo Becker and J. B. Matthew transferred to Stanford University, and as the fruits of their labor Beta Chapter was organized and duly installed in San Francisco on the evening of October 23, 1920. During these months, also, negotiations were opened with Bushnell Guild Fraternity, which had chapters at the University of Nebraska

and the University of Illinois. These negotiations resulted in the separation of the Illinois chapter from Bushnell Guild and its affiliation with A. K. L., the installation of Gamma Chapter taking place in Champaign, Illinois, March 19, 1921. The installing officer, representing the Grand President, was Brother Harry Dobbs. The following letter from the Nebraska chapter is self-explanatory:

BUSHNELL GUILD FRATERNITY

President

114 South Forty-Second Street

Omaha, Nebraska.

March 10, 1921.

Professor W. B. Herms,
President Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity,
University of California,
Berkeley, California.

Dear Sir:

It is with sincere appreciation that I wish to express our thanks for the interest you have shown in us, although thus lately extended.

While the severing of relations between the Illinois group and ourselves was the least thing to be desired, it was not entirely unfortunate. Our feelings remain sincerely cordial and friendly. In their affiliation with Alpha Kappa Lambda, I hope that the practical possibility of a strong National Christian Fraternity may yet present that same vision to those of our number, who could not conscientiously vote to take the step last fall. Surely the matter of a name should not permanently separate organizations so similar in experience, purposes and ideals.

We as the Bushnell Guild of Nebraska sincerely and cheerfully congratulate you in your acquisition of a group of Christian fellows such as you will find in the Illinois group.

Fraternally Yours,
Frank H. Paustian.

ALPHA KAPPA LAMBDA

University of California

Berkeley, California,

March 18, 1921.

Mr. Frank H. Paustian,
President Bushnell Guild Fraternity,
114 South Forty-second Street,
Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 10th inst., concerning the affiliation of the Illinois chapter of Bushnell Guild with Alpha Kappa Lambda was read with deepest appreciation. I know I voice the sentiment of all our members when I say that we were much concerned and grieved when it became known that only a part of your splendid organization was going to join hands with us in making, as you have suggested, a strong National Christian Fraternity. Surely as you have so splendidly put it the matter of name should not permanently separate organizations so similar in experience, purposes and ideals.

We are truly proud of our Gamma chapter and are expecting big things from them.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,
W. B. Herms, Grand President.

WBH/B

Thus endeth another seven year period.

A most encouraging interest has always been manifested by our alumni and as further evidence of this an application for an alumni chapter was received from a group of our brothers whose business is centered in San Francisco. The Grand Council on September 10, 1921 was highly pleased to grant a charter to the San Francisco Alumni Chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda, the pioneer and forerunner we trust of many more. Los Angeles, Chicago and New York should soon follow.

The past year has been largely one of adjustment, introspection, and reflection for the active chapters. Alpha, Beta and Gamma have been examining themselves in the light of their new relationships. Alpha finds herself no longer the whole fraternity, Beta finds herself a part of a larger brotherhood and consequently a part of a wider responsibility, and Gamma finds herself a part of a new brotherhood. In each case I have purposely used the word "finds," for I sincerely believe that the challenge of these new relationships has been answered and that we now stand not as three separate organizations, but as one fraternity, a real brotherhood, and as such we stand on the threshold of further expansion and look hopefully into the future thanking God for the foundations laid by our brothers during the past two periods of seven years each.

Although the Grand Council has had a number of meetings both formal and informal and an attempt has been made to systematize the effort of this body, my feeling is that this should receive first attention when the new officers are elected. In order to give continuity to the effort already put forth I desire to make the following suggestions:

1. The name of our National Publication as given in the Constitution must be changed owing to its use by another organization. I trust that some plan may be devised whereby this change of name can be accomplished without a semblance of tampering with our constitution.
2. Our constitution as revised April 26, 1920 is the result of much earnest and prayerful effort and is the instrument upon which we have built the present structure. We expect no less of those who would amend the same.
3. No pains should be spared in accumulating all data that pertains to the history of our fraternity. Matters that may now seem of small importance, may, in the years to come, be of prime interest. All written and published

matter pertaining to the Fraternity should be carefully preserved in our archives.

4. In the formative period of our national affairs there will no doubt be some hesitancy about undertaking some things for fear of establishing precedents. There was no hesitancy on the part of the Grand Council in agreeing to defray on this occasion one half of the traveling expenses of two councillors (or delegates) from Gamma. Each Grand Council must use its own judgment in this matter until Conclave action is taken.

5. The Grand President wishes to record his wish that the fraternity of Alpha Kappa Lambda and all its parts may ever exercise economy, conservatism, and rigid care in all its financial dealings, and that each chapter may strive to make its chapter house a place that will be cherished by each member—a real fraternal hearth where the spirit of brotherhood ever shall be present.

Fraternally Yours,
W. B. Herms, Grand President.

Every now and then each fraternity man should take a personal inventory of his worth in the organization. Is the chapter better or worse because of my association with it? In Alpha Kappa Lambda, organized as we are on constructive Christian standards, we must take care that our efforts are positive, not negative in nature. As in life, so here, our keynote should be service, not narrow personal service, but a broad altruistic spirit of doing something for the other fellow. Whether we are asked to serve as a national director or to serve on a menial committee of some chapter, our motive should always be the same—the good of the order. It is more of the self-sacrificing spirit our fraternity is demanding. The man who says "I haven't the time," and the man who says "I haven't the ability" are only too often those men who should say "I haven't the love of my fraternity deep in my heart." (Diamond, 1915.)

A SHORT HISTORY OF ALPHA KAPPA LAMBDA



THE Vision of Alpha Kappa Lambda—The inspiration to found a Western fraternity at the University of California developed rapidly with our brothers in Los Amigos when they were casting about in fraternal directions, and President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California, when asked for advice, expressed the desire that sometime he wanted to see a strong, virile fraternity originate at the University of California and spread to Eastern institutions.

Pre-fraternity Days—A house club with high standards was considered in 1905, but this club did not actually materialize until 1907, as its organization was delayed, because of the earthquake and fire in April, 1906. But in January 1907 the club was definitely established, and the members took the name of "Los Amigos" or "The Friends." The charter members of "Los Amigos" were: Charles Booth, H. R. Bergh, Gail Cleland, W. F. Barnum, Joe Taylor, Allen Kimball, Ludwig Rehfuess, H. A. Savage, Leonard Day, Harry Osborne and Oscar Perrine.

For seven years this club grew. The pathway was not all strewn with roses, for there were many difficulties to overcome. The firm establishment of any organization necessitates much travail—many "ups and downs," but with the true spirit the lofty goal can be attained. Los Amigos grew and waxed strong, until it was decided that a greater work could be accomplished in the capacity of a national fraternity.

The Founding—April 22, 1914—The members of Los Amigos after much thought, study, work and advice decided on the important step of founding a Western fraternity based on the highest Christian standards, the attainment of high scholarship, and the development of all-round men. The formal notice to the world was given at a banquet at Hotel Shattuck, on April 22, 1914.

There were many misgivings about starting a fraternity—it seemed like working against fearful odds when competing against so many older and well established organizations, but discouragement was a word unknown. Alpha Kappa Lambda had started on its way; the ritual was begun; a new chapter constitution adopted; our colors, purple and gold, chosen; pins worn. We are all greatly indebted to Prof. Charles Mills Gayley and Brother Professor James T. Allen for the choice of the words in our name "Alpha Kappa Lambda."

Locations—Los Amigos was originally housed at 2232 Barrows Street. In 1908 the club moved to 2247 Bancroft Way, and in 1911 to 2428 College Avenue. While located at this latter place the club became a fraternity. In 1916 it was decided that a Chapter House was needed for our fraternity. The enthusiasm of those days will never be forgotten by those present. To look back it hardly seems possible, but the spirit of "it can be done" prevailed, and in June 1916, the House Project was started and the Chapter House located at 2701 Hearst Avenue, just opposite "Founder's Rock," was occupied in August of that year.

Having our own chapter house gave us much more permanence and stability than we formerly had.

The Inner Fraternity Growth—Our fraternity ideals were ever kept before us, initiations have varied but not changed fundamentally. Pledging has become more earnest and vital. The ritual has been perfected. The constitution was revised and adapted for national growth. Fraternity meetings have become a vital part of every brother's fraternal life. Policies have been determined and if possible our aims have become higher. All these things have required real energy and effort. Each new brother should get this fire and enthusiasm that goes to make a better fraternity.

Extension—The desire that Alpha Kappa Lambda should really become national was always foremost in the minds of many of the brothers. In 1917 actual steps were

taken to reach out to wider fields. These extension activities were then brought to a close by the entrance of the U. S. into the World War. During the war our fraternity was in a transition period. Immediately after the war it set to work to recover its old time vigor. As soon as Alpha Chapter was back to firm ground, the question of expansion again came to the front. The most natural place to begin was of course with our friendly rival university, Stanford.

Through the system of colonization a fine group of young men was brought together, and their petition to our Grand Council for a Charter was granted. This Chapter, Beta, was installed on October 23, 1920 at the Commercial Club rooms, San Francisco, Calif.

By the system of annexation our third chapter was brought into the fold of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Our name and reputation had thus spread to eastern universities, through the work of our alumni and the good will of our friends. A group at Champaign, the University of Illinois, known as Bushnell Guild, had been founded on ideals and aims very similar to those of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Realizing that they could do better work as a Greek letter fraternity they investigated our record, and then joined hands with us, as Gamma Chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Gamma Chapter was installed on March 18 and 19, 1921, thus closing another seven year period in the existence of our organization.

The Second Grand Conclave—Although we had formerly had grand gatherings of the members of Alpha Kappa Lambda, and had held the First Grand Conclave, which was more of an organization gathering to separate Alpha from the national element, the Second Grand Conclave might well be known as the First **Real** Grand Conclave.

In February 1922, our worthy Grand President, Brother Wm. B. Herms, opened the second conclave at the home of Alpha Chapter. Delegates from both Beta and Gamma Chapters were present, and the Conclave was the busiest place imaginable—no time was wasted. Many

questions were threshed out, and other questions crystallized. All delegates went back to their respective chapters fired with enthusiasm for our fraternity.

Alumni Chapters—The formation of the San Francisco Alumni Chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda marks another mile-stone in the onward march of events in our history. The alumni of our beloved Fraternity must not neglect our ideals after graduation. More alumni chapters are expected in the near future.

National Officers—At the Grand Conclave the following officers were elected:

Grand President, Harrison A. Dobbs, Alpha Chapter.

Grand Vice President, William West, Beta Chapter.

Grand Secretary, Henry Krammer, Gamma Chapter.

Grand Treasurer, Roy Hagen, Alpha Chapter.

Under their guidance Alpha Kappa Lambda will continue on its march of progress.

Chronicler, Milton V. Johns, '17.

The official history of our fraternity is now being compiled, this being one of the tangible results of our Second Grand Conclave. The need for this history has been felt for some time but it took the organized effort of our customs and traditions committee to begin the actual work. Below is a letter from one of our brothers who had a most active part in the early development of Alpha Kappa Lambda. The letter is self-explanatory, and is especially interesting in conjunction with the above history.

Trinitarian Congregational Church

Concord, Massachusetts

Rev. Gail Cleland, Pastor

24 Walden Street, Feb. 3rd, 1922.

My dear Brothers of A. K. L.:

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I have decided to take a little time now, however, not to write up the history, but to outline a few of the factors

which went into the making of our early history. Some day, if I can find the time, I'll try to give a more comprehensive account, but here are a few facts, at least.

In the fall of 1905 when the Class of 1909 entered U. C., the College Y. M. C. A. Secretary, Gus White, organized the Freshmen of the Y for a series of "Freshie Prayer Meetings." About thirty fellows participated. The net result of that series of meetings was the growth of some lasting friendships and the discovery of some sterling qualities of character. I was fortunate enough to be a member of that group. Among these fellows was a young fellow in the College of Natural Science by the name of A. K. MacFarlane. I think it was this fellow, Arthur MacFarlane, who first conceived the idea of a House Club for Christian men of the University. He and L. S. Hanna and I did some planning together, but nothing definite was crystallized until the following year. The principal difficulty was to secure proper quarters.

Meanwhile, some of the Medical Students had organized a club for pre-med's, calling it the "Calimedico Club." It is now one of the Greek letter fraternities. I'm not sure about the present name. This Club took in that splendid fellow, MacFarlane. He became president of the class in my Sophomore year, he and I being opposing candidates in a purely friendly election. He came to his death in 1911 through accidental electrocution from a high tension power line.

After the organization of the Calimedico Club, L. S. Hanna and I rented a room by ourselves and maintained bachelor's quarters for one semester. Then his people moved to Berkeley, and it fell to the lot of Charles J. Booth ('08) and myself to carry out the original plan of organizing a Christian House Club. In this plan, we were joined by Harry Osborne, then a Freshman, and Leonard Day, who had been a member of the Freshie Prayer Meeting group mentioned above. Harry Osborne was a "Prince," and it was through him that we finally secured a house at

2232 Barrow Street, just opposite the present football field (if I am not mistaken).

The earthquake and fire of April, 1906, had rendered the housing situation especially difficult in Berkeley, and we were fortunate to secure this house on Barrow Street, though it soon proved entirely inadequate for our needs. We began housekeeping in January, 1907, with C. J. Booth, Harry Osborne, H. R. Bergh, Len Day and myself as the original nucleus. We were joined almost immediately by W. F. Barnum, Jos. L. Taylor, H. R. Savage, and Oscar Perrine. Our housekeeper was a noble lady named Mrs. N. L. Bennett, who came with her little daughter to serve as our matron. We had a Chinese cook named Lim Goon. Harry Osborne was Manager, and I was Treasurer. We had no other officers. Harry Osborne was affectionately called "Daddy."

During that semester, we struck our pace, defined our aims and purposes and finally perfected our first regular organization, electing C. J. Booth as President. I presume that the rest of the regular action is a matter of record in the minutes of old Los Amigos Club. Before we left Barrow Street the following year, we took into membership, Frank Bloomer, who from the very first was one of our staunchest and most helpful members. We also were strengthened by the accession of Ludwig Rehfuess—a royal soul, if God ever made one—and Allen Kimball. If my memory is correct, all of these came into the membership before the close of that first semester (January to May) in 1907.

This meant that until the beginning of the term of 1907-08, we had no Seniors in the house. This was a handicap, but our Juniors, Booth and Bloomer were wonderful, and we were also greatly strengthened by the membership of Ben Moses, a fellow quite mature in his thought and dependable in his judgment. We secured a Faculty Loan, purchased our furniture, and had a good year. But what a humble beginning it all was! As I look today upon

this Fraternity Letter and read of the National Conclave, and look over three long pages of printed names, I am forcefully impressed with the wide stretch of territory which has been traveled since those unpretentious yet momentous days, fifteen years ago.

When it came time for Booth and Bloomer to graduate, I was the sole Junior in the house. (Both Day and Moses had been obliged to drop out of active membership at the house.) I counted it my prerogative and my duty to "set them up" at the Sign of the Bear. This was the beginning of what became, I believe, an annual custom on the part of the Juniors. It was up to them after that to treat the Seniors just before graduation.

I think I was the first man also to announce my engagement with a treat for the house. In my case, it was not done with a box of candy, but with a cake which had been baked by the young lady.

I shall never forget the incident which gave rise to the Senior tubbing custom. In the fall of 1907, Dick Bergh and I had been scuffling one night after 10:00 p. m. thereby breaking the "Ten o'clock Rule" which we had established at the very beginning by common consent. A mock trial was enacted a few nights later, a visiting law student named Brown acting as Judge. We were found guilty and sentenced to be tubbed! It sounds simple enough as I write it, but it was tragic at that time. For you see, I was an upper classman (wondrous state!) and I had never been tubbed. More than that, I believed that an upper-classman should not be subjected to the indignity of being tubbed. So I declined to accept my sentence. Of course, I was foolish, but remember, I was only a youngster in those days, and the dignity of the "upper classman" sat heavily upon my shoulders. I think the fellows would have tubbed me in spite of my protest, had it not been for Pete Barnum, my room mate, who opposed any fight over the matter, and so it was left in abeyance.

Well, the thing simmered along for several days. And then one day when I came home, the fellows informed me that they were resolved it had to be done. They could not tub anyone else until they had carried out the sentence of tubbing on Dick Bergh and myself; and discipline was critically at stake. Not even then did I see the wisdom of submitting myself to the tubbing; and so it came to a final tussle. The Sophomores were commissioned to execute the job. I fought to the last. And I am bound to say that I believed I was acting from principle, even though I can now see clearly that I was wrong. When a fellow joins an organization, he should abide by the rulings of the organization or else get out. That's the only proper course.

Well, I didn't take the proper course, as I confess, but I could not realize it then. The fellows had to teach me my lesson, and they did it. I went under until I said "Blub!" And the supposed principle of the inviolability of the upper classman was shattered forever. After they had tubbed me, they made ready to tub Dick Bergh, but Dick jumped in of his own accord, and took it as a great joke.

That was the beginning, I am very sure, of the senior tubbing tradition. I was not a senior at that time; I was a junior. But so deeply determined were the fellows that the upper classmen must thereafter yield themselves to the discipline of the House that they made it a principle that no one should ever graduate until he had been tubbed, at least once. Consequently, they applied the proposition to the seniors; and I believe they tubbed both Booth and Bloomer before they graduated—not for misbehavior, but on principles. At any rate, they tubbed all Seniors thereafter.

You can see, of course, why I should feel reluctant to tell about this incident, for in those days, it was a very tender experience; but from this perspective of nearly fifteen years, I can smile at the whole affair, and in my wisdom counsel you fellows to remember always to be good

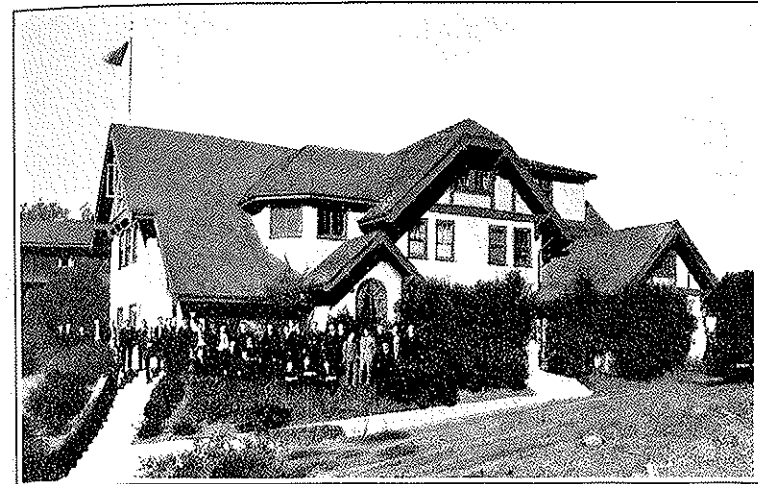
sports, even though it causes you sometimes to suffer a little, along with your pride and your principle. If your principle looms so big that you cannot yield a point and obey the will of the Fraternity, there is but one proper course open, and that is to withdraw from the membership. But as a general proposition, when sixteen right minded Christian fellows take a vote on a thing, and all but one of them vote for a tubbing, I submit to you that it is just possible the sixteenth man may be wrong in his opposition, even though he be the man to go in the tub.

There. I've given you a more complete account of the early history and traditions than I had contemplated. I hope I have not wearied you with detail. It is just a story for you fellows; but it was the real life for us. When you come to Massachusetts, come and see me. I love you every one.

Fraternally and affectionately,
Gail Cleland.

Before the altar of our dear desires,
We place our candles, light them one by one;
Devout, from dawning day to setting sun,
Our hopes glow ever with these sacred fires.
O tell me not, in vain the soul aspires!
Yet e'er the night of doubt its course has run,
In tearless agony—all prayers foredone—
We watch: each candle flickers, and expires.
We ask, and ask amiss. O gentle Light,
Illume the path we fellow-travellers go!
Help us to aid our brother on his way.
Of earth and time, dispel th' erroneous night;
Alethia kai Logos, hail! We know
We shall some morning greet th' Eternal Day.

—Larry Seymour, '17.



ALPHA CHAPTER

A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT

THE past year has been a very momentous year in the history of Alpha Kappa Lambda. It has been the period in which Alpha Chapter has had to change its line of thinking. Previously we considered ourselves as Alpha Kappa Lambda; we can now consider ourselves only as Alpha of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Now we are a part of a great national movement.

It has been with great joy and pleasure that we have welcomed these new brother chapters to the task before us—that of establishing a Christian fraternity for college men. Those who have gone before have given us a good start. It is now up to us. We must continue to serve our university, our country and humanity.

Alpha Chapter has extended her energies into nearly every field of activity on the campus. The new men we have taken in have helped and strengthened us. In an-

other place will be seen the honors that have come to us, and the activities of each of the brothers. It is a good list but we shall ever strive for improvement. At times the going has been hard but always we find the result has been worth the effort.

Alpha has rejoiced in the great privilege of entertaining the brothers from the other chapters. In the meeting of the Grand Conclave here at California, in the pleasures attending that conference, we have been bound closer together in our common aim.

Let us thank our ever watchful Guide and Guardian for His mercies and blessings of the past. Let us go forward in the great race with the knowledge that we have a big task to perform, and that it is inspired by only noble aims and lofty aspirations.

Thomas R. Wilson, '22.

The year 1921-1922 will soon be but a memory in our lives, another milestone in the history of A. K. L. It will be a happy memory; it will go down in the history as a successful year. Alpha Kappa Lambda's fame has spread and her name has become better known.

Not the least of our successes was the Grand Conclave. The spirit of brotherhood manifested between the members of the chapters there represented was an inspiration. Alpha cherishes the memory of the conclave. Our hope is that it may only be a beginning for future conclaves. That the honor of entertaining the conclave was given to Alpha Chapter makes the memory dearer.

The past year has given us the pleasure of seeing new organizations start out at California in the footsteps of A. K. L. In the spring semester of 1921 Alpha acknowledged defeat in the scholarship race to a new organization founded on ideals and principles similar to our own. This was the first time in seven years that Alpha Kappa Lambda failed to lead the scholarship list. In the fall semester

this new organization in turn took second place to a similar one founded last semester. It may appear that the pupil is beating the teacher but we have declared war on them with no truce until victory is achieved by A. K. L.

The first five houses on the scholarship standings for the two semesters of 1921 are as follows:

Spring Semester

1. Delphic	2.0470
2. Alpha Kappa Lambda.....	2.1621
3. Kappa Alpha.....	2.2258
4. Achaeon	2.2384
5. Al Ikhwan.....	2.2970

Fall Semester

1. Timbran	B.0990
2. Delphic	B.4236
3. Alpha Kappa Lambda	B.4782
4. Achaeon	B.6128
5. Psi Upsilon	B.6184

The social program of the house has been quite conservative this year. Two dances each semester, a ladies' day, a parents' day, a faculty day, a few hikes and our list of social events is about completed.

Special mention might be made of the Candle Dance held on the eve of the California-Stanford Football Game. Decorations consisted of gold candles on wall brackets of purple. These decorations were simple but proved very effective.

The annual spring dance was held on March 22nd. Decorations were Chinese, consisting of everything from a huge Chinese dragon in one corner to the Chinese lanterns and wall panels bearing inscriptions in Chinese characters. Incense burning in different parts of the house completed the Chinese effect. The various presents Brother Frank Lenz has sent us from China supplied most of the needs for these decorations.



Top Row—R. H. Miles, G. R. Graeser, George Moore, Herbert Moore, C. A. Moore, Philip Savage, Robert Darter.
 Row Two—Hazen Shower, Norm Plummer, Harry Faxton, Ken Saunders, John Newby, Nat Newby, Ralph Wentz.
 Row Three—Rolly Ure, Art Smith, Arnold Ure, F. Waring, A. Maxwell, Guy Baker, Mandy Kistler, H. Youngstrum.
 Row Four—Art Jensen, Art Legg, Hanford B. Sackett, Jim Graeser, Rudy Beard, Phil Webster, John L. Barber.
 Row Five—

Sunday morning chapel services have been very successful this semester. The chaplain decided that if the men could be enticed downstairs for breakfast the chapel would be much better attended, so he prevailed on the manager to serve ham and eggs on Sunday morning. The system works. The thought of ham and eggs wakes even the sleepest from their slumbers, resulting in nearly 100% attendance at chapel. Our chaplains, Ted Matthew for the fall semester and Phil Webster for the spring, are to be commended for the snappy helpful meetings they have put over.

The officers who have so ably brought us through the year are:

Fall Semester

Tom Wilson
 Floyd Wilkins
 Frank Waring
 Les Young
 Norm Plummer

President
 Vice-president
 Secretary
 Registrar
 Manager

Spring Semester

Tom Wilson
 Ted Matthew
 Guy Baker
 Jim Graeser
 Norm Plummer

Some of the major improvements and acquisitions of the year include the Steinway "Baby Grand" piano, the set of engraved silverware and the new coat of paint on the house. Minor improvements, such as the various class gifts to the house, the new curtains, tinting, etc., are too numerous to mention.

Last fall we welcomed into the brotherhood six new members. The new brothers are: Hazen Shower, '23, Jack Newby, '24, Art Smith, '25, Lowell Hambric, '25, George Graeser, '25, and Art Jensen, '25. The spring semester saw two more men added to our active membership, Hal Dreiske, '24 and Herb Moore, '25. We feel proud of these new brothers. We are fortunate in getting men of such high calibre.

The past year has seen two of the brothers plunge into the sea of matrimony. Brothers Van Rensselaer and Shower are the two who have braved these uncharted

waters. To the surprise of the uninitiated brothers they seem to retain their sweet dispositions and prosperous ways. Our best wishes go with them.

The house has been well represented in the various interfraternity athletics. In the baseball league held last fall a house tradition was broken when we went through to the third round with flying colors, only losing out in a close game featured by several errors. Our errors were attributed to sleepiness caused by Capt. Matthew's 6:00 a. m. practices. The defeat ended these early morning practices, so proved a blessing in disguise.

The interfraternity track meet gave us a chance to show our real worth. Capt. Wes Kitts led his cohorts into second place. A. K. L. showed up particularly well in the middle and long distance events, gathered a couple of points in the sprints and field events, and captured the medley relay.

In the spring semester basketball occupied the lime-light. The team easily won their games in the first three rounds of play but the fourth round proved disastrous. Minus the services of Monte Evans, our star forward, the boys lost a close and exciting game by a 21 to 16 score. A rally in the last 5 minutes by the opposing team spelled defeat for us.

When we come to the activities of the individual members of the house the list looks quite formidable. Space permits only the listing of them.

HONOR SOCIETIES

Big "C" Society—Bub Pressley, '22, Kenny Saunders, '22, Wes Kitts, '23.

Winged Helmet—Wes Kitts, '23.

Beta Gamma Sigma (Commerce)—Tom Wilson, '22, Bob King, '23.

Phi Chi (Medical)—Norm Plummer, '22.

Omicron Delta Gamma (Economics)—Jerry Barter, '22.

Phi Alpha Delta (Legal)—Bob Darter, '21, Socs Schofield, '22.

Alpha Pi Zeta (Political Science)—Nat Newby, '23.

Eta Kappa Nu (Electrical Engineering)—Rudy Beard, '23.

Pi Delta Phi (French)—Socs Schofield, '22.

Tau Beta Pi (Engineering)—Rudy Beard, '23.

Delta Sigma Pi (Commerce Professional)—Tom Wilson, '22, Bob King, '23.

Circle "C" Society—Ted Matthew, '22, Mandy Kistler, '22, Rolie Ure, '22, Tom Wilson, '22, Nat Newby, '23; Wes Kitts, '23.

Alpha Zeta (Agricultural)—Bub Pressley, '22.

GENERAL CAMPUS ACTIVITIES

Tom Wilson, '22—Students Welfare Comm.; Chairman, Senior A. S. U. C. Election Comm.; Chairman, Membership Comm., Commerce Association; Y. M. C. A. Executive Board; Chairman, Roy Service Campaign.

Mandy Kistler, '22—Manager, Varsity Soccer; Varsity Glee Club; Vice-Pres., Circle "C" Society; Chairman, Circle "C" Dance.

Socs Schofield, '22—Marshal of Phi Alpha Delta.

Harry Paxton, '22—U. C. Dairy Products Judging Team at Portland International Livestock Show.

Phil Webster, '22—High Man, U. C. Livestock Judging Team at Portland International Livestock Show; Editorial Staff, Agricultural Journal; President of U. C. Students at Davis; Gen. Chairman, U. C. Dance at Davis; Chairman, Agriculture Club Membership Committee.

Nat Newby, '23—Chairman, Deputation Comm., Y. M. C. A.

Wes Kitts, '23—Stadium Committee.

Ed Morris, '23—Treas., Rifle Club; Chairman, Y. M. C. A. Foreign Students' Comm.

Les Young, '23—President, Air Service Club; part in Junior Farce; Treas., Slavic Society.

Ed Alling, '23—Dormitory Committee.

Kenny Forsman, '23—Chairman, Junior Memorial Chair Comm.; part in Junior Farce.

Earl Truscott, '23—Circulation Manager, "Commercial"; Chairman, Men's Membership Comm., Commerce Assn.

Ralph Wentz, '24—University Band.

Frank Waring, '24—Students Welfare Comm.; Stadium Comm.; Chairman Reception Comm., Soph. Hop.

Hal Child, '24—Class president; Students Welfare Comm.; Varsity Glee Club.

Hal Dreiske, '24—Varsity Tennis; University Band.

Arnold Ure, '24—Soph. Vigilance Comm.; Chairman, Boys' Work Comm., Y. M. C. A.
 Herbert Moore, '25—Vice-pres., Freshman Glee Club; University Band.
 Lowell Hambric, '25—"Daily Californian" staff.

ATHLETICS

Kenny Saunders, '22—Varsity track team—participated in I. C. A. A. A. meet at Boston last spring when California won intercollegiate championship.
 Wes Kitts, '23—Varsity track team, Capt., A. K. L. track team which placed second in interfraternity meet.
 Norm Plummer, '22—Varsity track team.
 Tom Wilson, '22—Varsity cross-country (2d place in Stanford race); Varsity track team.
 Harry Paxton, '22—Varsity boxing; winner Interclass boxing.
 Ted Matthew, '22—Varsity soccer team; Capt., A. K. L. baseball team.
 Mandy Kistler, '22—Varsity soccer team.
 Camp Wilkins, '22—Varsity track team.
 Rolie Ure, '22—Interclass basketball; Capt., A. K. L. basketball team.
 Nat Newby, '23—Varsity wrestling team.
 Ed Morris, '23—Varsity rifle team.
 Bevo Sackett, '25—Freshman swimming team (2d place in Stanford meet).
 Art Smith, '25—130 lb. basketball team.
 Art Jensen, '25—Freshman track team.
 Herb Moore, '25—Freshman track team.
 George Graeser, '25—Freshman soccer team.

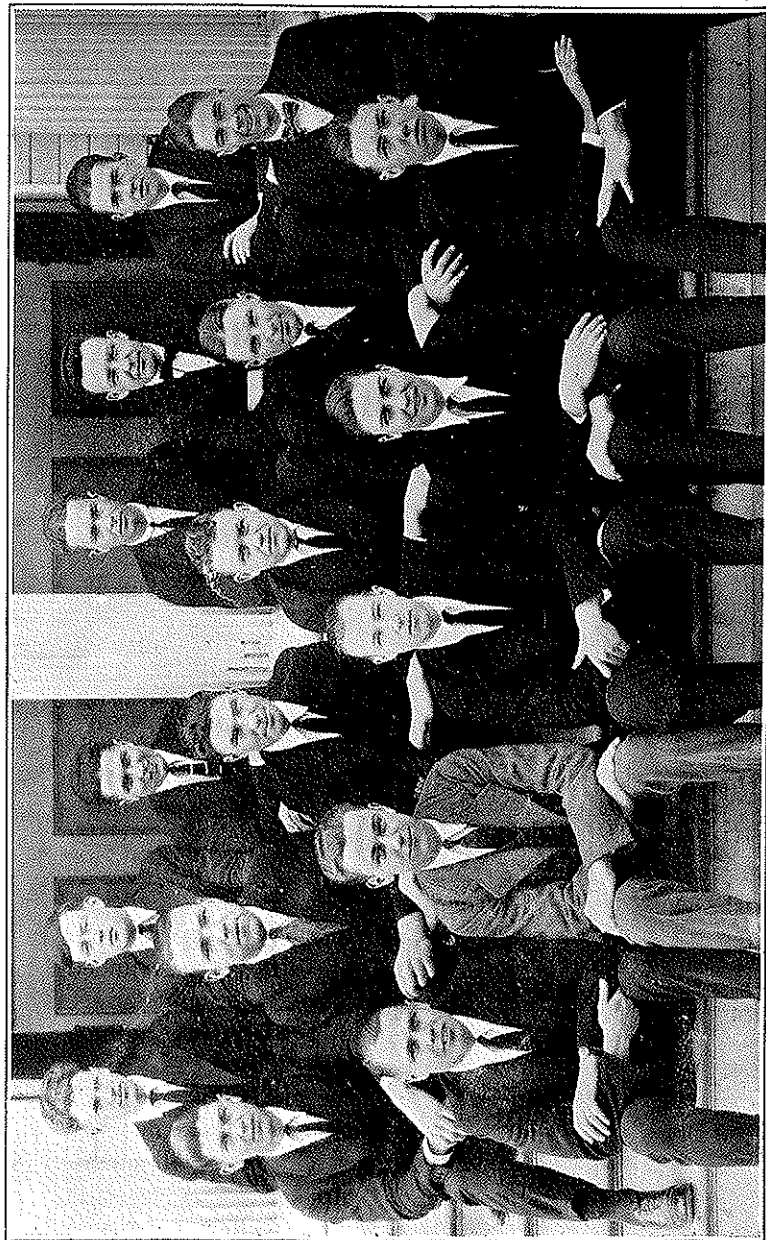
A large number of our men are taking part in the many church and Y. M. C. A. activities. Among those most active in the various churches about the campus are: Tom Wilson, '22, Rolie Ure, '22, Jim Graeser, '23, Nat Newby, '23, Kenny Forsman, '23, Ed Morris, '23, Arnold Ure, '24, Frank Waring, '24, Jack Newby, '24, Art Smith, '25 and Herb Moore, '25. Among the more active in the Y. M. C. A. are Tom Wilson, '22, Rolie Ure, '22, Norm Plummer, '22, Nat Newby, '23, Ed Morris, '23, Frank Waring, '24, Arnold Ure, '24, Art Legg, '24, Art Smith, '25 and Art Jensen, '25.



BETA CHAPTER

ONE of the greatest events in the history of the fraternity, we of Beta hope, has been the establishment of our Chapter at Stanford. Owing to the difficulties of starting, which many of you men have been through in Alpha and Gamma Chapters, we were kept busy within the Chapter House organizing, building our solid foundations, and trying to promote a new and better fraternity at Stanford. In the last few months we were fairly well satisfied with the conditions within the Chapter, and set out to enter activities on the campus.

We have won in scholarship and we find this one of our big assets, both with other men on the campus and with the faculty. We have the most hearty encouragement from the University Administration to carry on with our fine standards. In church and other religious activities we have men working both on the campus and in Palo Alto helping wherever the opportunity opens. In athletics we have been successful in putting on the field a fine representative team.



Top Row—Glen McIntyre, Donald Miller, Brooks Hindes, Ralph Howe, Aubrey Rawlins, Norris James.
Middle Row—Thomas Sloan, Harold Relph, Hugo Becker, William West, Arthur W. Becker, Leslie Peter.
Lower Row—Hammond Ashley, Elton Cornell, Alvin Van Beber, Wentworth Barnett, Kenneth Hardwicke.

Beta intends fully to carry out to the last word the entire program of the Fraternity and we believe that such an organization as ours has a place on any university campus and when established there can do a great deal in making the school both socially and academically a better institution for the training of college men.

We of Beta wish to extend to all, our sincere greetings, and we also wish to say that we are out to make Alpha Kappa Lambda a bigger, stronger, and a finer Fraternity.

Fraternally,

Bill West, President.

HISTORY

The founding of Beta of Alpha Kappa Lambda was a very eventful undertaking in the history of the fraternity. Matthew and Becker encountered a great deal of adverse sentiment in so far as fraternities were concerned for they arrived at the time when the President of the University had made definite statements about the possible elimination of fraternities at Stanford University. The first bit of encouragement came when President Wilbur announced to Becker and Matthew that he was not only in favor of a fraternity of the type of our chapter at the University of California, but also that, if such a fraternity could be established here, he would be very much pleased. The work of organization progressed, and, by the spring of 1920, ten men petitioned for a charter for a new chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda. The petition was granted during the summer vacation and the date of installation was announced as October 23, 1920. In the meantime more men were taken in, and a temporary organization called Los Amigos Club was established on the campus.

The installation held in the Commercial Club rooms in San Francisco was a very impressive affair, and those of Beta who were fortunate enough to be there will never forget the occasion. The charter members of Beta were: Lee Emerson Bassett, Faculty member; Hugo E. Becker,

'21, Aubrey G. Rawlins, '21, Ray G. Grounds, '21, William V. West, '22, Jean J. Delpech, '22, Robert E. Adams, '22, Alvin Van Bebber, '23, Elton F. Cornell, '23, Albert M. Jongeneel, '23, Darrell Townes, '23, Lyall C. Vanderburg, '23, Hammond Ashley, '24 and Norris E. James, '24.

The first officers elected in the fraternity were: president, Hugo Becker; vice-president, Aubrey Rawlins; secretary, Jean Delpech; manager, Darrell Townes; registrar, William West; Inter-Fraternity Conference representative, Robert Adams; and chaplain, William West. Immediately after the installation, the chapter was admitted into the Inter-Fraternity Conference of Stanford University.

During the summer of 1920, Hugo Becker looked around for a house which would be suitable for the fraternity. However, as faculty members had been given preference over student organizations, a house was not obtained until Christmas. Funds were then raised, and the furniture was purchased, and, by the latter part of January, ten of the fifteen members and pledges were able to move into the house.

During the winter quarter the following were initiated into the fraternity: Samuel S. Kistler, Kenneth C. Hardwicke, Hammond Ashley, Thomas K. Sloan, Arthur Becker and Norris E. James.

Beta immediately took part in college activities. Ken Hardwicke made the freshman debating and baseball teams. Unfortunately, however, he contracted the mumps, which broke up all of his chances of staying on either team. Aubrey Rawlins made the varsity baseball squad. He also stood second highest in scholarship in the medical department. Hugo Becker was on the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, was a discussion group leader in the Memorial Church, and was made vice-president of the A. I. E. E. Will West and Jean Delpech played in the University Orchestra, while Jean took part in a French play also. Norris James wrote several articles for the university periodicals and made his numerals in soccer. Some of the brothers became members

in other organizations. Will West was elected to the A. I. E. E. Jean Delpech was elected to the Economics Club; Tom Sloan to Alpha Chi Sigma; Aubrey Rawlins to Phi Chi; and Wentworth Barnett, a pledge, to Phi Lambda Upsilon.

In intramural sports the house was quite successful. Under the leadership of Aub Rawlins, the basketball team almost succeeded in gaining the league championship. Elton Cornell was captain of the house baseball team, which put up a good fight although it was not as successful as the basketball team.

Derry Townes and Ray Grounds left the university in order to try their hands in more practical fields.

The new officers elected for the coming year were: president, Will West; vice-president, Tom Sloan; secretary, Ken Hardwicke; manager, Jean Delpech; recorder, Ham Ashley; chaplain, Aub Rawlins; and Inter-Fraternity Conference representative, Alvin Van Bebber.

1921-1922

On October 1st, Beta of Alpha Kappa Lambda gathered to start another successful year. All those who had left in the spring quarter returned, with the exception of Swede Jongeneel. The first good news was the announcement of the fact that Beta had won the fraternity scholarship bowl for the previous school year of 1920-21. The four following men were initiated in the fall quarter: Ralph Howe, Leslie Peter, Wentworth Barnett and Eugene Lockton. In the spring quarter Glen H. McIntyre joined the fold.

The Beta chapter took a prominent part in university activities. Hugo Becker was made president of A. I. E. E., and did good work in the Y. M. C. A. Elton Cornell made the 145—b, basketball team and was elected to Alpha Chi Sigma and Phi Lambda Upsilon. Nutty James took the leading part in the Sophomore Play 'You Never Can Tell'; and he was also made publicity manager of the Dramatic Council. Les Peter made the freshman swimming; he also won the scholarship cup which is awarded by the San Francisco Alumni of Alpha Kappa Lambda to the freshmen

of Alpha and Beta chapters. Rap Howe made the varsity baseball squad and has the distinction of being the only "south-paw" hurler on the squad. The intramural basketball team composed of Cornell, Aub Rawlins, T. K. Sloan, Rap Howe, Les Peter and Toppy Becker won the league championship. The team lost in the finals for the university championship and lost to the Berkeley boys in a game during the Conclave.

Beta made her social debut on the campus on the evening of February 24th by giving a formal representative dance. One or two members of each fraternity attended. The Women's Club House was transformed into a colorful garden with palms, lattice work, and bright colored flowers, and the complete effect caused much favorable comment on the campus, and the brothers may well feel that our first social function was more than successful. We were glad to have three of the members of Alpha chapter enjoy the dance with us.

Little Gene was forced to be away from the campus during the winter quarter on account of his father's illness, but he is back again this spring. Big Jean has been taking a vacation in the hospital, but is now able to stay in the house and carry some work in school. Les Peter is away this spring working in Oakland, and Brooks Hindes is working at Camp Curry in the Yosemite this spring and summer. Aub Rawlins took his two quarters of graduate work in the medical department and left for the Stanford Medical School in San Francisco. Sam Kistler has been doing graduate work since receiving his A. B. last year and is instructing part time at the College of the Pacific. A couple of the boys have announced their fall from grace this year. They must have their eye upon the gold spoon that the Beta boys have offered to the first child of any of the members of that chapter. Ham Ashley announced his engagement the last of the fall quarter and Swede Jongeneel announced his during the winter quarter. Swede is to be married in July.

GAMMA CHAPTER

Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity,
University of Illinois.



DEAR BROTHERS:

I am very thankful to have the privilege of communicating with you through this the first issue of the "Logos." I ask your pardon while I center my little contribution about that most significant term "Logos"—The Word.

I love to think of our fraternity as being an organization founded upon and guided by The Word. The Word is our most faithful friend in directing us in those paths which lead to the only real successes in life. If our fraternity in its national and local organization is to continue to meet with success, it must continue to hold true to those great principles to which it is pledged.

The Word is omnipresent. Thus the fields of endeavor for a Christian organization are unlimited in extent. In order for us to enter these fields, however, we must also consider another word—that which brings to new areas the knowledge of our dearly beloved fraternity. This word has its basis in the local chapters where every effort should be made to not only maintain our high standards, but to achieve the greatest success in every phase of college activity. Unegotistically I may say that Gamma chapter has met with much success in this direction. One of her men is Manager of Intra-Mural sports, another originated the greatest move for better student government ever contemplated at Illinois, another ranks high among officers in the military, others are with the "higher-ups" in the student newspaper, and in fact, every man in the house is engaged in at least one campus activity. With every chapter maintaining a prominent position on their respective campus, we will not have to sell our fraternity—it will sell itself.

Alumni members should be carriers of The Word. They, too, must be livers of The Word, and should strive for and secure prominent positions in their respective endeavors. Brothers, let's tighten up a bit—let's pledge ourselves anew to those ideals we hold so sacred, and let us tackle with renewed vigor the problems we face. By doing so, we may feel more secure in the future of Alpha Kappa Lambda. In closing, I wish to extend to you, for Gamma chapter, sincere wishes for health and happiness.

Fraternally yours,

Irving F. Pearson,
President.

Under the guidance of Brother Walt Wessman, who has a world's record as a committee manager besides being manager of Intra Mural athletics for 6,000 men, every member of Gamma chapter is engaged in some activity other than house work.

These activities are scattered over all the recognized activities at the University and we have Juniors who will compete for Senior Honor jobs at the head of each activity. The freshmen are lined up for outside work and encouraged in their endeavors.

For the third successive semester, Gamma chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda led all national social fraternities with chapters at the University of Illinois with an average of 3.55. This average was .17 under the average made last semester of the 1920-21 term but an unusual slump was prevalent all over the campus both in house averages and in individual grades.

A scholarship committee headed by Brother Dick Browne kept an eye on the weaker brothers during the semester, and at exam time supplied advice, and question sheets from former years and kept things on the go. Only one other fraternity at the University has equalled our record for successive semester leads in the scholarship competition. We lost two straight A men last year but

a general increase among the great middle classes, more than compensated for the loss of the stars.

Gamma chapter secured a grand slam in the second semester election of Philomathean literary society. Brother Wessman was elected President, Brother Pearson Vice-President and Brother Pollitt, Treasurer. Brothers Decker and Tascher only lost out for offices because they were too modest to vote for themselves and lost by narrow margins.

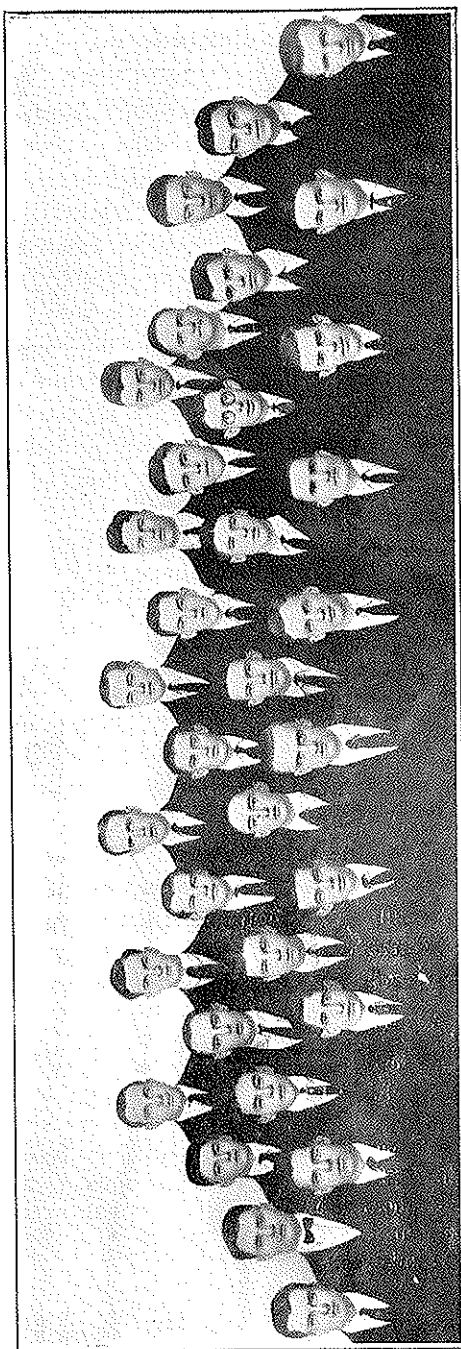
When the chairman of the Sophomore Mixer committee for mooted reasons, was given his walking papers from the University, Brother Jerry Wallace took charge of the remainder of the tickets and put on a dance that was pronounced the best of its kind ever given. He came through with a surplus of \$1.21. Since he rooms with the editor, there is nothing more necessary to be said on the financial angle of the mixer.

HOMEcoming DANCE

Everybody and his dog attended the Homecoming dance. We made a special order of programs and after we had passed out the last pair, we trembled and hoped that no more of the brothers would show up and they didn't. All of them were already on hand.

The decorations on the inside were equalled only by those on the outside planned and executed (get this right) by Brothers Englebrecht, Knight and Shopen. A feature dance with cute baby dollies broke up the monotonous trading of dances between roommates and allowed a chance for graft. More than fifty couples were engaged in tripping the light fantastic as my esteemed rival Milton would say.

Cupid, the diminutive archer who lugs around a market basket full of arrows destined to puncture the pumping stations of those who pine for the beauties of nature, bagged six of the brethren during the last open season and for awhile the Freshmen were required to take a pin census three times a day.



Top Row—Gabrielson, Yackel, Englebrecht, Beem, Routh, Goodell.
 Second Row—Bandy, W. Tascher, Thiel, Pollitt, Preston, Wallace, W. Myers, Shopen.
 Third Row—H. Tascher, Koenig, Felts, Clark, Tombaugh, Winn, Stearns, Decker, Eliff.
 Front Row—Hoffman, R. G. Browne, Gilmore, G. A. Browne, Pearson, Dux, K. Myers, Wessman, Knight, Barcume.

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The rest of the brothers were saved. The victims have confessed and shamefacedly admit their guilt, the lucky brutes. Here they are, congratulate them: Dwight Bracken '21, Verne Darnell '21, Ken Myers '22, Clarence (Jack) Jaspersen '21, Sidney F. Townsend '21 and Rex Routh '23.

Curtain, while the choir chants, "Who'll be the next one?"

SPRING DANCE—1921

The right gang of fellows, the corresponding girls, and wonderful music naturally infers a wonderful time but when you have added to that, a Spring night, moonlight and plenty of nice green lawn to stroll over, one can hardly wonder why the brothers wouldn't get up until Sunday afternoon after the spring dance at the Champaign Country club.

Incidentally we have the Country club engaged for our Spring formal, May 19, when we shall don our funny coats, striped pants and torturous collars and rehearse scenes for Pompeian Massage Cream advertisements.

ANNIVERSARY

Gamma chapter celebrated its first anniversary as a chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda with a house dance and carnival, March 18, at the chapter house. Decorations carried out the spirit of the fighting Irish combined with carnival booths and scenery. Besides the festive part of the celebration, the chapter observed the first anniversary of installation with services and a banquet.

ACTIVITIES

JACK BANDY, '25—Y Publicity committee, Intra-Mural Track.

LYLE N. BARCUME, '22—Architectural club, Business staff Arch Year Book.

EARL BEEM, '24—Supt. Intermediate State Christian Endeavor.

WILLIAM D. BOUTWELL, '22—The Daily Illini Advisory Editorial board, Star Course board, Y. M. C. A. cabinet, Sigma Delta Chi, Pi Delta Epsilon, Chairman All University service, Manager Journalism Jamboree.

- GEORGE ARTHUR BROWNE, '22—University Concert band, Quartermaster, Executive council, University Symphony orchestra, Ag Glee club, librarian, Student Friendship drive solicitor, Y Discussion group leader, Vice-Pres. Egyptian Normal club.
- RICHARD GIBBS BROWNE, '22—Y Fraternity Discussion groups, Intra-Mural Tennis, President C. E. McKinley Memorial church, Disarmament speaker, Bryce club, Y Finance campaign, Treasurer Egyptian Normal club.
- RONALD W. CLARK, '24—Y recruiting committee, Choral society, A Capella choir.
- JOHN E. DECKER, '23—Philomathean literary society, Pierrot, Y. M. C. A. cabinet, University Symphony orchestra, librarian, Accountancy club, Foreign Trade club, Business manager Wesleyan Players, Assistant manager Student Friendship Fund drive.
- HERBERT E. DUX, '22—President American Association of Engineers (student branch), American Society of Civil Engineers, Intra-mural Track, Y Discussion group leader.
- JOHN ELIFF, '25—Freshman Varsity football.
- HOWARD F. ENGLEBRECHT, '23—Chairman Shan Kive program committee, Cast "Sari" operetta, Adelphic literary society, Cast 1922 Student Opera.
- DAVID V. FELTS, '23—News Editor The Daily Illini.
- FRANCIS A. GABRIELSON, '23—Major Infantry Brigade, Scabbard and Blade, First sergeant.
- WILLIAM E. GILLMORE, '22—Phi Delta Phi, Law club.
- HORACE H. GOODELL, '23—President Congregational students' association, Y Discussion group leader.
- HARRY HOFFMAN, '22—Agriculture club, Y recruiting committee, Business staff Illinois Agriculturist, Agronomy club.
- HUBERT W. KNIGHT, '22—Electrical Engineering society.
- KARL KOENIG, '23—Gamma Pi Upsilon, Chemistry club.
- KENNETH MYERS, '22—Agriculture club.
- WILFRED H. MYERS, '25—Intra-Mural track.
- IRVING F. PEARSON, '22—Philomathean literary society, secretary first semester, vice-president second semester; Phi Delta Kappa, Kappa Delta Pi, First regiment band, Disarmament speaker, Y deputation group leader.
- RUSSELL L. POLLITT, '23—Y cabinet, Secretary Philomathean society, Ag club, Dairy club, Editorial staff, Illinois Agriculturist, Disarmament speaker.

- WILLIAM T. PRESTON, '25—Freshman smoker committee, Treasurer Freshman class.
- REX ROUTH, '23—Varsity track.
- KENNETH G. SHOPEN, '25—Illio Art staff, Daubers, honorary campus artists, Y Publicity committee.
- HAROLD TASCHER, '24—Philomathean literary society, chairman program committee, Y Publicity committee, Y Discussion group leader, Student Friendship Drive.
- WENDELL TASCHER, '23—Agriculture club, Student Friendship Drive.
- REED TOMBAUGH, '25—Class Football team, Illinois Agriculturist staff, Agriculture club, Student Friendship Fund Drive.
- EMERY G. THIEL, '23—Enterpriser staff, Cast "Sari" operetta, Junior Director Illini Chamber of Commerce, Accountancy club, Campus Motion Pictures committee.
- GERALD L. WALLACE, '24—Chairman Sophomore Mixer committee, Sophomore Informal committee, Shan Kive Program committee, University Symphony Orchestra, Staff The Daily Illini.
- TORREY B. STEARNS, '24—Staff, The Daily Illini.
- WALTER J. WESSMAN, '22—Varsity manager Inter-Mural athletics, Athletic Board of Control, Homecoming Scrap committee, Senior Smoker committee, President Philomathean literary society, Commerce club, Captain Y Freshman finance drive, Y cabinet.
- WALTER C. YACKEL, '24—Intra-Mural Tennis.

ILLINOIS IDEALS

A fraternity is as successful as it lives up to its ideals. Our chapter at Illinois, as must have been true of the rest, was founded upon ideals. It is a little hard to define them. In fact, with the growth and maturity of the organization, they are found to pass through a somewhat similar evolutionary process.

Fundamentally our aims have never changed:

1. Our ideal member is a Christian gentleman in every sense of the word. He is true to God, true to himself, and true to his fraternity. He seeks personal success and to this end develops a strong mind and body, efficiency, responsibility, initiative and broadminded knowledge. Above all he is a **Goodfellow** in the finest sense.

2. Our ideal chapter furnishes proper surroundings for the ideal member. Its strength lies in the strength of its personnel, especially its officers. It encourages the practice of our ideals by others by assuming appropriate leadership in outside activities. The scope of its work is unlimited.

3. Our ideal national fraternity combines the work of the chapters, strengthening our ideals through this union. It promotes the general welfare of the chapters and of the members. It extends the organization into new fields, always building around the fundamental ideals as a nucleus. Finally, it acts as the balance wheel of the organization.

A fraternity is organized primarily for the benefit of the individual. The individual must fulfill certain requirements to become a member. Many of the new members may be considered simply as rough timber from which it is hoped to make **Men** to carry on the organization. It is up to this new member to prove he is sound, of the stuff to develop and prove worthy of the trust of his brothers. In time he in turn assumes responsibility and carries on the active work of the house. Bye and bye he gets out into the world wondering if these ideals will stand the test. He is now away from the direct brotherly influence, he hears but little of the beautiful sentiments he has heard so much. His surroundings are different.

Once again it is up to him as a man.—Has his timber become seasoned or has he merely assumed a thin veneer which will soon wear off? The test of his character will last through life.

I believe our fraternity has turned the corner. Now it is up to each and every one of us to get behind it and push. Our new Grand President has accepted the challenge thrown down to him. The hardest job of our fraternity is before us. We must tackle the work as it deserves. Expansion and finance and their problems demand the earnest thought and efforts of all of us.

As a definite program, before the beginning of next school year we should add at least two more active chapters to our membership. For the present our safest and most practical plan is to bring in existing organizations which are properly qualified. We must work through personal acquaintances which in some cases must be developed. With every new chapter these acquaintances will multiply and the work of expansion correspondingly lessened.

In the work of Alpha Kappa Lambda there is an excellent opportunity for service for all of us. If we each seize the opportunity and do our share whole-heartedly there will be a burden for none.

We, alumni, want to keep our ideals. We will never outgrow them and one of the best ways of keeping them before us is by keeping in close touch with each other and with the men back in school. In the work of expansion there is an ever broadening field for our interest.

The active members have been doing great work. They are making good the vision which first made old "B. G." possible. Mistakes and experiences of the past should serve only to strengthen our position in the future. By consistent forethought we can apply the same principles in all of our work as a fraternity and as individuals.

Let us all demonstrate our sincere belief in our ideals and "Never swerve in conduct from our honest convictions."

C. H. Kramer.

To many non-organization men a fraternity pin is but a key, which opens mysteriously the many doors of social and political advancement in college circles. It is unfortunate that these men see only this shallow reason for our membership in a Greek-letter society. However, it is indeed more serious that we have allowed the ideal of the fraternity to degenerate, in the minds of some, from organizations of friendship and service, symbolized by the emblems which we wear, to mere cliques based upon past and potential personal achievement. (Diamond, 1915.)

OUR NEIGHBOR CHINA

AN administrative scandal in Peking is cabled to every Occidental capital while the erection of a new factory at Wuhu or the establishment of a girls' school in Nanking is described in an inconspicuous paragraph, but we all know that the building of a school or a factory in the provinces is a much more significant omen of the tendencies of the Chinese people than a squabble within the Mandarin ranks." I quote the above from the North China Herald to indicate that most of us get our information about China in the wrong way. We hear too much about her foibles and scandals and weaknesses and not enough about her efforts to make herself a modern nation.

Never before in her history has China held the attention of the world as she holds it today. Formerly, Westerners were simply not interested. China was too remote. She was not a part of their mental environment. But these days have passed and Occidentals are now interested financially, politically and religiously.

China has a tremendous population of good natured, democratic and industrious people. They possess all the physical and mental potentialities of the best races of the human family. Their civilization extends back over 4000 years and is the only one that has survived from ancient times.

Americans in China today enjoy privileges accorded to no other peoples. Throughout the length and breadth of the land they are hailed and trusted as friends. Merchants, missionaries, teachers and officials are cordially welcomed. The reason for this friendship is not far to seek.

America and China are both republics, and China looks to the United States for support in her fight for constitutionalism and liberalism. America does not own a foot of territory in China nor has she a single treaty port. The character of her treaties has been fair; the spirit of her

diplomats and business men has been friendly; the contributions of her missionaries, teachers and visitors have been great; and the friendships made by Chinese students in America have proven a great international bond. The return of the surplus of the Boxer indemnity; the maintenance of the Open Door policy; the invitation to China to attend the Washington Conference as an equal, and the splendid voluntary offerings made to the famine sufferers in 1907, 1910 and 1921 have all proven to China that the American policy is not one of aggression.

To plant a Christian organization in a non-Christian land, to make it indigenous as soon as possible, and to have it backed morally and financially by the people—that was the challenge with which I was faced five years ago in Nanchang, the capital city of Kiangsi province in interior China.

When we entered this great walled city we were unknown—the Y. M. C. A. was unheard of, and the people were simply not interested in the project. We had the additional difficulty of not being able to speak the language. Speech came after long months of strenuous effort. We faced the dangers of disease—trachoma, dysentery, small-pox, cholera and typhoid. We started with no members, no students, no influence, no staff, no games, no budget, no activities. And the town put a question mark behind everything we did.

When we left Nanchang the other day we had nearly a thousand in our Association membership, 375 in our schools, 276 in Bible Classes, a staff of nine Chinese secretaries, a budget of \$10,000, scores of activities and the confidence of the people. At our service last Christmas 97 young men and boys made decisions to cut with the past and live Christian lives.

The governor gave Mrs. Lenz and myself a farewell reception in his own yamen (private dwelling) a week before we left. He presented us with some beautiful porcelain cups and vases and in addition wrote the following:

"I count it a great privilege to commit to writing what I consider to be your real contribution to China as Y. M. C. A. secretary in Nanchang at this time when you are about to return home in response to an urgent call. You have done much to promote the activities of the Association and are never tired of introducing new knowledge to our people. Even on the eve of your departure your mind is still actively engaged in the question of promoting cordial relations between China and America. What I write will largely represent the mind of a good percentage of the Chinese people.

In China the Y. M. C. A. has an ample field in which to exercise its influence as the Chinese mind is very susceptible to religious teachings. The Association finds it easy in carrying out its activities because its principles are in accord with the teachings of the Chinese Classics. You have been in China a long time and have a good understanding of the nature and customs of our people. My sincere hope is that you will do your utmost to promote mutual help in politics, industry, and commerce and to establish the bonds of Brotherhood between the two peoples, which all of us value so much."

I have been trying to translate ideals into action—our ideals—out there on the frontier and I want to feel that you are back of me. Blessed is the man who has an international mind. In my contact with the East I have learned that these Oriental peoples have great contributions to make to American civilization. China merits your interest. An investment in Christian work out there is one of increasing returns. The friendship of the Chinese people is America's biggest asset. Let's keep it. The Chinese believe in the Y. M. C. A. They see in it an organization that will save their country from ruination. If I had two lives to live and two millions to invest I would live those lives and invest those millions in China.

Frank B. Lenz, '14.

International Secretary Y. M. C. A.

A FOOTNOTE ON MEMBERSHIP

If a fraternity were a matter of but one or two generations of college students, Alpha Kappa Lambda would, so far, have justified its organization. It was founded with the avowed purpose of seeking the best things the university represents, that is, scholarship and character. From the first it has maintained a high scholarship record, its members are men of high ideals and Christian character, and, so long as it lives up to its principles, it may claim, and naturally will have, the respect of members of university faculties. The presence of a group of earnest men pledged to maintain the best traditions of university life, men who do not think it necessary to apologize for being studious, who do not confuse vulgarity and roughness with strength, who can have a good time in a clean way and without breaking the law, who, in short, are manly, self-respecting Christian gentlemen, should help to solve rather than to make more complicated the "fraternity problem" in the universities. The fraternity has demonstrated that its ideals are the sort real men can live by. It has lived true to its professed aims. Will it continue to do so?

If Alpha Kappa Lambda is to hold the place it may claim among the organizations and in the esteem of universities, it must look carefully and conscientiously to the calibre and character of the men who are invited to join the brotherhood. This is the great responsibility resting upon the fraternity, not now only, but to the end. Only through the fidelity of each new generation of students to the ideals of the fraternity can the integrity of Alpha Kappa Lambda be preserved.

Alpha Kappa Lambda is not the only fraternity actuated in the beginning by noble sentiments and high motives. It is likely that most, if not all, fraternities in our colleges and universities today were founded upon principles consistent with the best traditions of university life. But the personnel of resident membership of all student organiza-

tions is subject to constant change and with each new generation new influences come in to modify the character of the group. Solemn vows, impressive ritual and ceremony, and a sturdy "goat," grown old and formidable in the service, do not make a fraternity. Pledges and ideals are like food. They amount to little until they are turned to account in human action. It is impossible to tell what use a beefsteak will be put to until you know the character of the man who eats it. And the character of a fraternity depends on the character of the men who accept its pledge and share its fellowship.

It takes strong men to live up to high standards of thought and conduct. No mere consideration of "filling the house," or of keeping up the full quota of membership, or of financial need, or of rivalry, or of possible prestige in athletics or other activities, should be permitted to overshadow in a single instance the essential qualifications of mental capacity, diligence, earnestness, self reliance, manliness, and consistent Christian character. Nor should the fraternity offer membership to the well meaning but weak, irresolute student in the expectation of making a strong man of him. The fraternity might be able to exert, for a time, a wholesome influence over such individuals, but Alpha Kappa Lambda is not a home missionary society. The fraternity would suffer from the weakness of its dependent men. The large service that Alpha Kappa Lambda may render to its members, to the student body as a whole, and to the university, can be assured only by a firm, wise adherence to the highest qualifications for membership. If a hundred years from now members of Alpha Kappa Lambda shall qualify under the high exactions which the fraternity now maintains, it will be because each generation of members in all chapters was faithful to the trust and passed on the responsibility only to those capable of understanding and holding true to the spiritual vision of the founders.

Professor Lee Emerson Bassett.

ALUMNI CHAPTERS

THERE may be some who think that the fraternity is only for the undergraduate and that the alumni forget the organization or lose their interest in it after graduation from college.

It is quite impossible, however, to think of any member of Alpha Kappa Lambda holding or entertaining such an idea. The ideals and standards upon which the fraternity is founded are too fundamentally a part of every member for him to ever lose one speck of enthusiasm for them. On the contrary he will fight to preserve and maintain them. Ideals worth while in college are worth while in the business world after graduation. And the alumnus is jealous that high ideals shall be maintained in the "Chapter House" at his Alma Mater. He is jealous for the growth and spreading of those ideals. No,—once an AKL man, always an AKL man, and once the standard is set he will fight for it.

So it is a perfectly natural thing that the alumni should want to hold that old, familiar, long-established, weekly meeting. "The business part of the Chapter meeting will be dispensed with and the talk will be for the good of the order." With such ideas in mind the San Francisco Alumni Chapter was formed about August 15, 1921. Not only did some ten or twelve alumni living in the San Francisco Bay district, wish to continue the friendships began in college, but they wanted to talk about the fraternity, not about Alpha or Beta alone, but about all the chapters, and to dream and plan for their future. Then again these alumni wanted to plan some way of making it possible to meet and chat for a few moments in a busy day with alumni who might be in town from some far distant point. An alumni chapter seemed to meet the situation, and each Wednesday noon finds the San Francisco Alumni Chapter in session with five or ten members lunching together in the Stewart Hotel.



Top Row—Milton M. Smith, Edwin S. Leonard, Keith W. Coplin,
Bottom—Prof. William B. Herms, Roy M. Hagen, Milton V. Johns, Frank Bloomer.

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Has it been a success? Well, just drop in and see for yourself. Without fail there has been a group on hand every Wednesday noon; each meeting seems to be better than the one before.

The brothers living at distant points like it too. If they happen to be in the city on a Wednesday they know that they can visit with a group of alumni, probably including some of their classmates. Then the talk-fest and gossip begins. Ralph Taylor, '13, dropped in to surprise the boys the other day. San Francisco is nearly four hundred miles away from home for him, but he felt right "at home" with the bunch that greeted him. Professor Bassett of Beta came in with good news from his chapter about 12:30 one day, and while everybody is usually very anxious to be headed back to the office by one o'clock—yet everybody stayed and listened and talked and planned about Beta until after 1:30. Many letters have come to us to be read at the luncheon hour. Letters from China, Chicago, New York, and wherever our members may be. Just a few days ago Fank Lenz, who has been with the "Y" in China for six years, came to lunch with us. Frank didn't say how he enjoyed it, but I don't think any of us got back to work before two o'clock, so "nuf" said for us and how we enjoyed it.

Another activity of the chapter has been to establish a scholarship trophy for the best freshman record in Alpha or Beta chapter. The cup went to Beta chapter for the fall semester of 1921 and both freshmen groups are now hard at work to win it for the second semester.

The San Francisco Alumni Chapter stands ready to help any chapter in any way it can. Furthermore, any alumnus or member is more than welcome to join us any Wednesday noon. Don't forget, when in San Francisco on any Wednesday go to the Stewart Hotel at 12:10 and you'll find "the gang's all here."

E. M. Hagen, '15, President.

THE CHALLENGE TO THE COLLEGE FRATERNITY

THE future of the Greek letter Fraternity as an institution is not as secure as it was ten years ago, and if the present tendencies obtain ten years from now, that security will have completely vanished. For, in the place of the antiquated, job-lot objections against fraternities, based on sheer ignorance of the facts, and a bias against anything secretive, there stands now an array of objections which not only are well-grounded, but which will inevitably bring about the destruction of the fraternity system if the causes which give rise to these objections are not removed, or at least ameliorated.

Foremost among the arguments against the fraternity are the following: It hinders scholarship, as evidenced by the scholarship standing of the organizations, which are in a very small numerical minority, and hence should stand higher than the unorganized groups, but which have, however, an increasing tendency to stand lower in the scale of scholarship. In the second place, the system is economically inferior, since dormitories can provide cheaper accommodations, and in addition, do not encourage social extravagances common in the fraternities. Then, too, the old accusation of undemocratic snobbery, of social inequality between organized and unorganized students, though on the wane, still retains its force as an argument against the system.

By far the most potent argument against the fraternity, however, is the accusation that it throws undue emphasis on the relatively non-important aspects of college life. As long as the University remains an educational institution, the paramount object of its activity must be the education of the individual. The curriculum is not in reality subsidiary to athletics and campus activities and social life, as it undoubtedly is in the mind of the average

student; each of the factors is in fact merely incidental to the main issue of the education of the individual. That education is the extension of his powers until he is the most capable and intelligent constituent of his political, social and intellectual universe that it is within his power to become.

This concept of education—and it certainly is a reasonable concept—is constantly warped out of recognition by the wrong emphasis placed on aspects of college life. They would grow out of a meeting of young people for the purpose of kite-flying, if that sport were a national institution affording the same leisure and freedom, and the same mechanical conditions of intercourse as the university affords. And yet these aspects are universally thrown into undue prominence in the University; are, in fact much more important in the individual consciousness than the main purpose which they are supposed to subserve.

Even the purely academic aspects of the University are warped out of their true nature in the life of the individual. Instead of being considered a very incidental warning or encouragement, for instance, the mark becomes in itself the all-important thing, to be acquired by any means, questionable or otherwise, irrespective of the individual development for which it stands as a very inadequate symbol.

These faults are of course not peculiarly the property of the fraternity. They are the fault of the University which does not clearly see its own mission, and of the individual who loses sight of his aims as soon as he has formulated them. But they do become peculiarly the fraternity's problem by virtue of the fact that they are thrown into most prominence in the fraternal organization, and that they are recognized as characteristics particularly of the organization man. And because they are thus fastened to the fraternity by common consent, they must be destroyed by the fraternity, or they will destroy it.

The first duty of the ideal fraternity will be to en-

courage discussion of politics, of art, of religion, of ethics, of sociology—of anything and everything that goes to round out the mature consciousness of the alert citizen. Next to thought itself, the means of the expression of that thought is our foremost achievement as human beings. No thought is your own until you have expressed it; no problem is your own until you have discussed it in some manner. The university throws open a vast new field of ideas to be discussed, and thus made a part of the individual consciousness. One might reasonably expect the conversational plane of the college student to be higher than that of others who have not the same access to new ideas. As a matter of fact, however, the campus conversation consists of personalities and of trivialities, just as the conversation of any other group of average people does.

The ideal fraternity will strive by every means in its power to set up for its members a correct standard of education, and of the proper constitution of education, giving the various avenues of activity on the campus their true value as means toward the end of individual development.

The fraternity, after all, is not in the house, or the individuals constituting the fraternity at a particular moment, but is the sum total of the influences, good or bad, exercised upon the individual and the university by the living and working together of a number of men of like ideals. If the fraternal spirit breeds snobbery and disloyalty to the university, non-cooperation, destruction of scholastic ideals, and the discouragement of scholastic attainment; if it means the "good fellow" idea pushed to its limit, the fraternity will die. But if it means the development of better manhood, of cooperation and good citizenship, if it inculcates a new freedom and breadth of outlook through the stimulation of thought and discussion on world and individual problems, the fraternity as an institution will prosper.

Edwin S. Leonard, '20.

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EDITORIAL

Fifteen years ago our fraternity was a mere plan, an idea in the minds of several ambitious students. It was a successful plan as the tangible results now show. But it is still far from completion. We have seen the Second Grand Conclave take place, but this has passed into history. Then comes this first issue of the Logos, Our Record, the publication of a national fraternity. The novelty of this will soon wear off, and in its place will be expectancy for the next issue. Thus we progress, step by step. Let us not stop with our present accomplishments, for they are merely milestones on a long and toilsome way. WE BUILD on the successes of the past.

We regret to note that no word from our Grand President, Harry A. Dobbs, is included in this issue. For unavoidable reasons we must forego this pleasure until a more fitting time. Nevertheless, Brother President, we congratulate you and extend you our best wishes and hopes for our united success. We back you in every move, and you may always rely upon the wholehearted support of every brother.

References to our Ideals seem to occur very frequently in our daily lives. We often mention the principles of Christian character and scholarship, upon which our Fraternity was founded and for which it stands today, as though some of the brothers were unacquainted with them; and some one who hears and is not a brother may read into such words a note of exultation and condemnation and falsely infer a supposed implication that he is without such principles. It is not a thing to be boasted of that we still cherish and endeavor to maintain our high Ideals while others less fortunate than we have relaxed somewhat. We should not be glorified in the performance of an apparent Christian duty; neither should they who failed in the duty be shamed. It is not for us to judge.

A learned Professor stated: "One cannot put a disagreeable thought away by saying repeatedly, 'I won't think about it, I won't think about it.'" Neither can Ideals be attained by repeatedly saying: "I have high Ideals, I have high Ideals." Such words, often stated and left unsupported, soon rightfully evoke the charge of Hypocrisy.

Ideals are beautiful and essential, but let us not strive for them with idle talk; rather let us take them deep into our hearts and let them guide our actions. Words are then superfluous and futile.

H. A. D. '24.

A wonderful privilege is given to the men of Alpha Kappa Lambda. We have become the builders of a fraternity. The plans, the mechanics, the spirit, the future are all dependent on our efforts. As we build, we must build well and permanently. But let us remember that the building of a fraternity should serve only for the building of men. Constructive traditions, fraternity spirit, college democracy, are indispensable means in this development; yet many college men lapse into the error of mistaking them for ends. We must not let the facts of every-day campus life obscure our vision of the essential truth upon which a genuine fraternity is built. (Diamond, 1916).

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