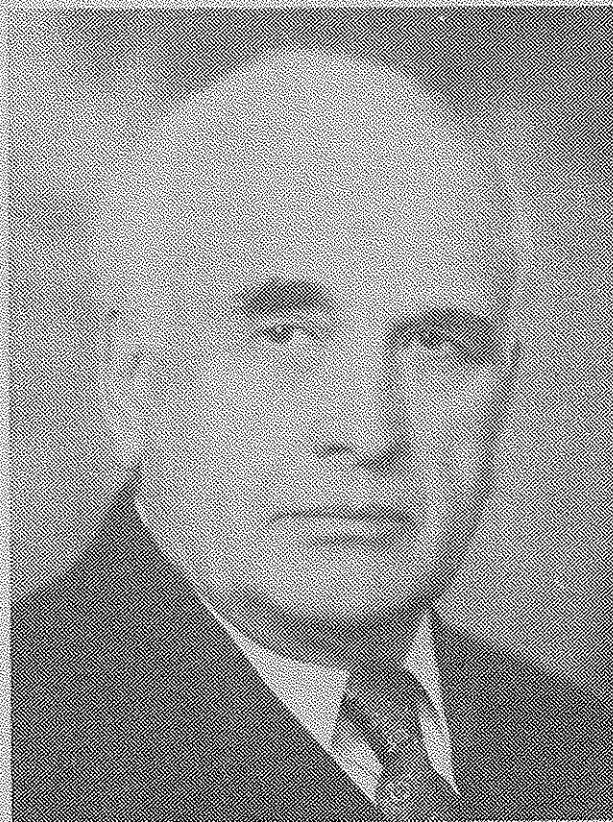


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## To All Members Of The Fraternity:

During the Twelfth Conclave held in Champaign on June 19 - 22 the following resolution was adopted:

"Be it resolved that The Logos be sent to all members of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Be it further resolved that non-life members shall be expected to pay a yearly subscription fee of one dollar."

In accordance with this resolution, starting with this issue, The Logos is being mailed to every member of the fraternity. If you will note, the resolution states that non-life members shall be expected to pay one dollar per year for a subscription to The Logos. However, any non-life members desiring to do so may secure a life subscription to The Logos on payment of his Life Membership Fee of \$15. All checks should be made payable to Alpha Kappa Lambda Fraternity and mailed to your National Treasurer, Neil C. O. Brogger, 1922 18th Ave., San Francisco, California. The above action was deemed wise as it was felt that additional unity of purpose and closer contact thus could be achieved during these critical times.

HORACE C. BAKER,  
Editor of The Logos.

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# Greetings

## From J. C. Blair

### National President

I welcome this opportunity to extend to the members, and prospective members, of Alpha Kappa Lambda, my sincere and best wishes for a profitable and pleasant future.

I realize that the school years ahead are full of difficulties which you must meet, each in his own way. Whatever you do, do not be swept away by the disturbing thought growing out of the present social, economic and industrial upheavals which beset us on every hand. These are years that will require unbounded courage on our part, both as individuals and as chapters.

Because you are superior students, selected by your associates for your excellent scholarship and high moral qualities, we expect you to furnish that enlightened leadership which society so sorely needs today. Your fraternity gives you the opportunity not only to develop leadership in your local organization but also to help the University of which you are an important part, to fully realize the importance of truth and the many needs of humanity today, tomorrow, and for the future.

You must have faith not only for yourselves, but in order to assist in developing within your chapter that degree of courage, stability, and faith which will be needed for the important days ahead; not only throughout the school days but in the world's work for which you are now preparing.

I pledge my support in assisting the Alpha Kappa Lambda chapters, wherever they are located, in carrying out their program of progressive development.

Remember that AKL is not simply another fraternity. It is a way of assisting one to attain to those high ideals for which we all aspire.

Fraternally yours,  
J. C. BLAIR.

## New Alpha Kappa Lambda President Is An Inspiring Personality

By WILLIAM N. CASSELLA, Jr., '42  
Past President, Gamma Chapter

● Joseph Cullen Blair, Dean Emeritus at the University of Illinois,  
Past 70 Years Of Age, Yet Young In Mind And Spirit

Alpha Kappa Lambda at its June Conclave in Champaign, Illinois, chose as its new National President, Prof. Joseph Cullen Blair, Dean Emeritus of the College of Agriculture of the University of Illinois. It is not only an honor for AKL but for the entire Greek World to have as great a personality as Prof. Blair accept the responsibilities of a National Fraternity Executive after he has retired from a long and illustrious professional career.

The record of Prof. Blair's career is an inspiration in itself to the college man of today. He has just passed his seventieth birthday but is as young in mind and spirit as any college student. He loves youth and clings to it with the enthusiasm which but few of the younger set ever discover.

Professor Blair was born in Colchester County, Nova Scotia, April 26, 1871. His boyhood was that of a farm boy. He studied at the Provincial College of Agriculture at Truro, Nova Scotia, from 1888-1890 and from 1890-1892 was instructor in chemistry and botany at the same institution.

From 1892 to 1896 he was a special student in chemistry at Cornell University. While there he also made extensive studies in entomology and horticulture.

In 1896 Professor Blair went to the University of Illinois as an instructor in horticulture. Being early advanced to the full professorial rank, he became head of the Department of Horticulture at the turn of the century.

It was the development of this department as a teaching and research institution for which Professor Blair is chiefly noted. In the field of research this department is known the world over for the high character of publications growing out of experiments in the field of pomology, vegetable crops, and floriculture.

Professor Blair is the author of many popular and scientific articles on a wide range of horticultural subjects. From June 1, 1938 to August 31, 1939, Professor Blair was not only Head of the Department of Horticulture, but also served the University of Illinois as Dean of the College of Agriculture and Director of the Agricultural

Experiment Station and of the Extension Service in Agriculture and in Home Economics. He was retired from these positions September 1, 1940. It was under his guidance that the landscape work at the University of Illinois developed over a thirty-five year period to be the most complete and best four-year course in landscape architecture in the United States. He was granted the honorary M.S.A. degree from Iowa State College in 1906 and the D.Sc. degree from the College of Wooster (Ohio) in 1920.

Professor Blair organized the Urbana Park District 38 years ago and has been a member of the Urbana Park Board ever since, and President of the Board for the last seventeen years. On October 9, 1936, Joseph Cullen Blair was elected an honorary member of the Illinois Association of Park Districts, at the Ninth Annual Convention held in Peoria, Illinois. The Association then had two Honorary Members, the late Lorado Taft and Joseph Cullen Blair. Professor Blair was one of the motivating forces in the organization of the Illinois Association of Park Districts and he was its first president.

He is a member of the following organizations: Illinois State Horticultural Society, American Pomological Society (President 1929-1931), American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Genetic Society, American Civic Association, American Society for Horticultural Science (President 1922), National Insti-

tute of Social Sciences, University Landscape Architects' Society, Alpha Kappa Lambda, Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Zeta, Sigma Xi, Gamma Sigma Delta, Alpha Tau Alpha, the University Club, and Rotary International.

In addition to his professional, instructional and research work at the University, he has had time to give considerable constructive help to religious activities on the campus. He was instrumental in launching the project for the development of Wesley Foundation, the Methodist religious center at the University of Illinois. For forty-one years he has been a member of the Y.M.C.A. Board of Directors at the University, and was chairman of this organization in 1933-34.

Alpha Kappa Lambda was organized on the Illinois campus long after Prof. Blair had passed his student days. He was one of the closest friends, however, of the original advisor of the Illinois Chapter, the late Dean Kendric C. Babcock, who just before his death requested that Prof. Blair continue in his stead to advise the chapter and help it maintain the true AKL standards. Long a close friend of the active chapter, Prof. Blair became an initiated member in 1932. Since his initiation he has served several terms as Chapter Counsellor and has been a real "fraternity man" in the truest sense of the word. He has, along with other alumni and honorary members of Gamma of AKL, kept

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## Alpha Kappa Lambda Ranks No. 1 Again In National Scholarship Survey

● Active Chapters Climb From Sixth Place Up To Top Spot For 1940-41 and Nose Out Previous Year's Leader

They did it again! Those active chapter fellows of Alpha Kappa Lambda once more have regained first place in scholarship among all national and local social fraternities. From sixth place last year, Alpha Kappa Lambda climbed up to top rank and topped last year's leader, according to the national interfraternity conference scholarship survey for the school year 1940-41.

This survey is based on the scholastic record of more than 75,000 undergraduate members of 59 national and local fraternities of the country, in 2,389 chapters located at 180 colleges and universities.

For the last school year, Alpha Kappa Lambda's scholarship was 17.2% above the all men's average of other fraternities and 2.1% above the nearest competitor. Seven of the eight active chapters were included in the survey. In these seven chapters, 158 members were rated, or an average of 23 per chapter.

In 1936, Alpha Kappa Lambda hit an all-time-high in scholarship, ranking 23.2 per cent above the combined all men's average, first in the Greek field, and head and shoulders above the nearest competitor.

This is how the individual AKL chapters ranked last year among the listed fraternities at their respective educational institutions and the approximate percentage by which the chapter's average is above or below the all men's average of the school:

	Rank	Average Rating
Alpha	3	12%
Beta	2	12%
Gamma	3	22%
Epsilon	11	2%
Zeta	7	12%
Eta	1	30%
Iota	2	(Essential data not supplied by the school)
Kappa	9	8%

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### TABULATION OF FRATERNITY SCHOLARSHIP LEADERS

Rank	Chapters Rated	Members Rated	Comparative Rating
Alpha Kappa Lambda	7	158	17.2
(First Place)			
Second Place	4	48	15.1
Third Place	9	209	12.5
Fourth Place	25	809	12.5
Fifth Place	29	1,081	10.5





The Guatemala Indians (80 per cent of the people are Indian) make gorgeous fabrics on crude home-made looms.

## Come Along With John Strohm, '35 Down South America Way

● A 25,000 Mile Plane Trip For Prairie Farmer Magazine Really Gives This AKL Something To Write About

If you go to Latin America, learn the language first — it can be most embarrassing when you just think you know it.

Two weeks after I left Chicago one January night at 5 degrees below zero, I was in Rio de Janeiro with the thermometer sweating at 105 above, attempting to talk Portuguese and Spanish. "Attempting" describes it perfectly. When I saw one of those beautiful señoritas sitting near me in the hotel lobby, I decided to open a conversation, about the weather.

"Muy caliente, si?" I said to her.

"No, no, no, no, señor!" she remonstrated, wagging her finger as she did so.

Gosh, I knew something must be wrong, because it was hot. Another Americano laughed uproariously. It seems that instead of pleasantly saying, "It is very warm, isn't it?" I had really said the equivalent of "You're a very hot baby, yes?"

My first introduction to the continent of South America was the Amazon jungle carpet I saw from the plane. The plane steward tapped me on the shoulder. "See down there — Indians live in those jungles. They use blow guns with poisoned arrows. Pretty mean, they say."

I looked again, gulped, and asked — quite casually for a farm boy who's never faced anything wilder than a skunk — "Say,

where would we land if these motors were to fail?"

"These motors never fail," was the answer. And they didn't. But the next day in Belem, I saw a Brazilian border expedition which had just come down the mighty Amazon. Two members of the party were all shot up — poisoned darts from blow guns.

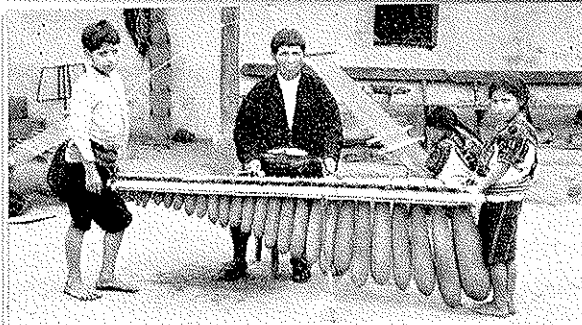
These rubber tire-less days remind me of a visit I made into this Amazon jungle with a rubber-gatherer. The rubber trees grow wild and the seringueiro had already tracked down 100 trees or so, and hacked a path from tree to tree with his machete, a wicked-looking but handy knife which he used for

everything from picking his teeth to cutting down trees.

We made the rounds, stopping at each tree to make a catty-cornered cut through the bark, and attaching a cup to catch the white liquid latex as it oozed down the groove we'd made. In the afternoon, we gathered the sap and smoked it over a fire of palm nuts. I dipped a flat paddle into the pan of liquid, held it over the smoke to thicken it. It's a matter of dipping and smoking, revolving the paddle like you were barbecuing a ham. And when the liquid latex was all used up we had a small ham-like ball of crude rubber on a paddle. That's the way all rubber is produced in the Amazon today.

Here is a typical Guatemala family going to village market.





## THE LOGOS

This is a marimba — the sounding boxes are made from different sized gourds. (Guatemala)

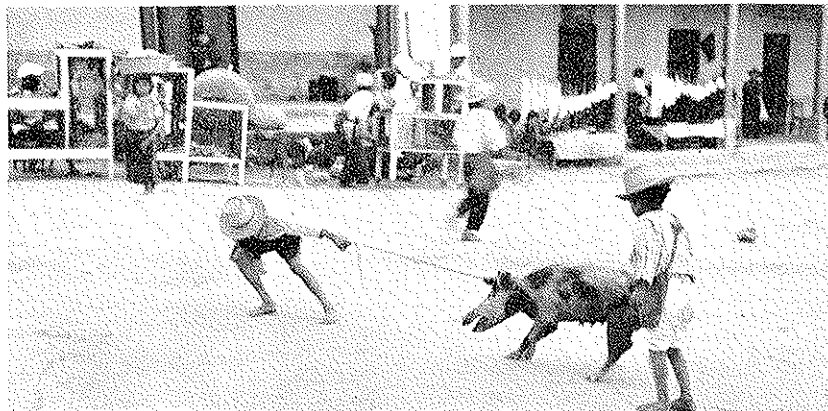
A jungle hut is no mansion. I visited a typical one thatched with palm leaves, with walls made of woven branches plastered with mud — the "log cabin" of the Amazon. The senora cooks over an open fire, the floor is of dirt, and cracks in the walls are big enough for a sparrow to fly through.

Another word about language: My English is fair, in French I can get by, and Spanish I was learning — but Portuguese? I had to talk it mostly on my hands. And that got me into trouble again when I dropped in to this jungle hut for a visit. For fully five minutes, the head man tried to ask me something and I tried just as hard to understand.

Finally, because I didn't want to flunk in a language which his naked five-year-old daughter, Maria, was obviously speaking quite fluently, I let my face light up comprehendingly, and said, "Ah, Sim! Sim! Sim!" (Thrice yes) and slapped my leg approvingly. Two minutes later I was ready to take it all back.

For in came his wife with some kind of a drink in a coconut shell — and I found I'd said I'd very much like a drink. Well, really I didn't — I'd been warned about water, amoebic dysentery, typhoid, and lots of things which sounded worse. So I tried to stall. But that didn't work because I'd said "Yes." So I finally screwed up my face like I had bitten into

These Guatemala boys are having a time getting that old sow to market



This Chilean housewife is crushing wheat to make flour inside her house. She cooks over an open fire, lives on a dirt floor.

a puckery persimmon. Too sour? Again, they proved too hospitable for me. The senora brought in another dirty coconut shell — this time full of sugar to sweeten my drink, I drank — but only in the interest of better International Relations!

I had only two complaints of Brazil, that gigantic country which some day may be the greatest on earth — the bread and the custom of coat wearing. Because Brazil raises little wheat, the law says every loaf of bread must contain a little rice flour, a little mandioca flour, and a little corn. The bread is the only weak spot in a six-course, 30-cent meal with music.

Then the coat wearing custom: When the thermometer stands at 104 degrees, a farm boy has only

one course of action. He must take off his coat. I did and rolled up my sleeves for good measure. All went well until I got on a street car. The conductor tapped me on the shoulder and began talking and waving his arms. I thought that was the Latin way of asking for the fare, so I offered him his choice of the change in my pocket.

"No! No! No!" again. And he escorted me off the street car. That's how I found out about the Rio rule that those who would ride first-class street cars must wear a coat — and shoes. I had on shoes.

"For \$100 I'll give you 50 acres of land — it's good land too." It was the Paraguayan Minister of Agriculture speaking to this Illinois farm boy. And he wasn't kid-

ding. He told me of a soil so fertile it would sprout a hoe handle yet only one per cent of which was under cultivation. He said the country needed colonists who would adopt scientific farming methods and get rid of the wooden plow. And he painted such a bright picture of opportunity that the "Go West, Young Man" advice of Grandpa's day paled before the Minister's "Come to Paraguay!" call.

All of that on my second day in Paraguay! I thanked the Minister but decided not to take out citizenship papers or start planting bananas until I had seen a bit more of the country. That was a jolting job — donkey and ox cart are the main modes of transportation. In the entire country there is but one highway, and 2,000 autos which burn 36-cent gas. (36 cents is a week's wages on a cattle ranch). Whenever you see the ruts of an ox cart, that is a road. But then transportation isn't hopeless, for a dollar you can always get a donkey — for keeps. Paraguay is primitive but picturesque. The girls are pretty, the women smoke cigars, and the minister of agriculture has a farm waiting for me.

In Uruguay, a friend wanted me to get the feel of his country by the "When-in-Rome-do . . ." method. "Wine," he asserted, "is the national drink. You must have some." Half an hour later we saw a group of gauchos with their yerba mate, the South American tea which is sipped with a tube from a gourd. "Ah,

mate! It makes men of 70 young enough to chase the beautiful girls. It is the national drink. You must have some." And that same evening as we were returning to Montevideo, we saw a group having a nip of cana. "Ah, senior. Cana, it is also our national drink — you must have some." But cana is firewater, so I declined and stuck to National Drinks No. 1 and 2.

When I arrived at the airport in San Jose, Costa Rica, the undersecretary of agriculture came to the airport to meet me. I got off the plane but saw no one who looked as if they wanted to say hello, so I got in a taxi and went to a hotel. Half an hour later the official showed up with profuse apologies.

"But senior," he protested, "I expect this Senor Strohman to be an old man — with a big belly."

## Scholarship . . .

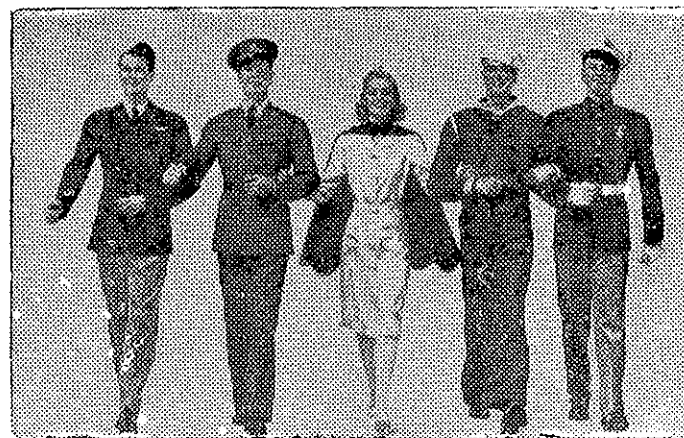
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It will be noticed from the tabulation on page 5 that all Alpha Kappa Lambda chapters rank above the all men's averages for their schools.

The average rating for all fraternities throughout the country, for the academic year 1940-41, is .036% above the composite all men's average of their institutions, and therefore proportionally higher than the average of all nonfraternity men. While this rating is still better than the nonfraternity rating, it is so by the narrowest margin since 1929, the last year that fraternity men were below the average of all men.

## Answering The Call To Duty With Uncle Sam's Armed Forces

List Compiled By WILLIAM E. MORRIS, Jr.  
National Secretary of Alpha Kappa Lambda



Both prior to and following the Pearl Harbor incident which brought the full impact of war to the United States, many members of Alpha Kappa Lambda were to be found serving with the armed forces of the United States in a variety of useful capacities.

Through the efforts of National Secretary William E. Morris, Jr., a list of these men has been compiled.

Each day more AKLs enter the services so this list will be incomplete by the time it reaches you. Won't you send us the names and addresses of any of the brothers not listed here?

Wartime conditions and censorship prevent our publishing the addresses of men in service. We

suggest that you address these brothers at their home addresses, as given in the last directory.

Alphabetically arranged these are AKL's soldiers, sailors, marines and airmen:

Alaux, Roger Louis, Alpha '33.  
Bafus, Adrian, Eta '40.  
Becker, Leonard Albert, Dr., Gamma '36.  
Bello, Robert Stanley, Alpha '42.  
Bennett, Jackson Kirby, Beta '33.  
Boyd, George William, Gamma '39.  
Brumbaugh, George, Alpha '39.  
Bradley, Lawrence Forsyth, Alpha '40.  
Bristow, George Louis, Gamma '40.  
Burdick, Donald Lee, Alpha '36.  
Burton, William Wagner, Alpha '37.

Carroll, James Gordon, Epsilon '40.  
 Cleland, Gail, Alpha '09.  
 Cooke, Frederick James, Beta '29.  
 Coulter, John Wesley, Alpha '16.  
 Davis, David Homer, Dr., Delta '30.  
 Dietz, Richard, Alpha '36.  
 Eunson, Edward Silsbee, Gamma '41.  
 Ferris, Cal, Alpha '41.  
 Forsman, Hugh Kenneth, Alpha '23.  
 Freeman, Ralph William, Iota '30.  
 Fratis, Anthony Morris, Jr., Dr., Alpha '29.  
 Bivens, Arthur L., Alpha '33.  
 Brayton, Donald Frederick, Alpha '40.  
 George, John Andrew, Gamma '38.  
 Gilland, James Wesley, Alpha '43.  
 Gordon, George Goodman, Alpha '39.  
 Graeser, James Bernard, Dr., Alpha '23.  
 Harter, Harlan Dayton, Iota '42.  
 Haun, Edmond Eugene, Iota '41.  
 Haworth, Harold Lorenz, Gamma '31.  
 Hester, John Kenton, Gamma '38.  
 Hickman, Cleveland D., Alpha '43.  
 Hoffman, Robert Nicholas, Eta '42.  
 Hook, Frederick Stearns, Epsilon '30.  
 Jaeger, Harold Rolland, Iota '41.  
 James, Leo Elbert, Gamma '37.  
 Johnson, Charles Huntington, Alpha '38.  
 Karr, Horace Mitchel, Alpha '38.  
 Kellogg, Frederick Floyd, Dr., Beta '37.

Kessler, Morris Sylvanus, Jr., Gamma '41.  
 King, Robert Morris, Alpha '37.  
 Knapp, Elton Lewis, Zeta '36.  
 Koeller, Harold Leroy, Gamma '39.  
 Koepke, Reimers Doran, Beta '30.  
 Kriegsman, John Caleb, Gamma '35.  
 Lake, Lloyd Jacobus, Beta '38.  
 Latham, James Richard, Alpha '37.  
 Legge, Robert Faycon, Dr., Alpha '26.  
 Lemmon, Warren McDonald, Beta '35.  
 Lind, Herbert Elmer, Gamma '39.  
 Little, Clabern Oakley, Iota '30.  
 Magee, Robert Collins, Zeta '37.  
 Mainland, Charles Marcks, Kappa '34.  
 Matthew, Theodore, Alpha '22.  
 McCain, Edward Jackson, Eta '41.  
 McGirk, Donald Dea, Alpha '39.  
 McLaughlin, Arthur Richard, Alpha '38.  
 Meier, Hix Wright, Kappa '38.  
 Miller, Donald Dietrich, Epsilon '39.  
 Moore, Robert Marshall, Gamma '38.  
 Neal, Robert William, Theta '33.  
 Ortman, Philip Frederick, Gamma '37.  
 Paddock, Robert H., Epsilon '26.  
 Page, Clarence Winslow, Jr., Beta '42.  
 Palmer, Frederick Heileman, Alpha '38.  
 Prater, Lowell Charles, Eta '38.  
 Probst, Charles Olive, Zeta '39.

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## "Stubby" Meier Loses Life While Attempting To Rescue Drowning Girl

By HARRY H. HOLLIS, Jr.,  
 Kappa '35

### ● A Tribute To Popular Purdue Graduate, Kappa's First Member To Join Omega Chapter

C. Sterling Meier of Indianapolis, Indiana, 1939 Public Service Engineer graduate of Purdue, is Kappa's first member in the Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda. "Stubby", as he was known to his friends, lost his life July 5 while trying to rescue Betty Crandall, ten-year-old Indianapolis girl, from drowning, when a boat overturned in the east fork of White River near Shoals.

"Stubby" was graduated from Arsenal Technical High School, Indianapolis, in 1934 and from Purdue University in 1939, and had completed his first year at Harvard University School of Business. He had been employed in the oil fields in Illinois and Mississippi the year following his graduation from Purdue, and had spent one summer working in coal mines in West Virginia.

"Stubby" and some friends were at his father's camp for the holiday week-end. The Crandall family were returning home from spending the fourth at Louisville, Kentucky, and stopped for a short time to allow the three Crandall children to go wading. Accepting an invitation for a boat ride with Meier, six occupants of the boat were thrown into the water when an outboard motor, after stalling,

started up with a jerk that upset the boat. All were swimming to shore except Betty Crandall, who in fright grabbed her rescuer around the neck, and dragged both of them down to their deaths.

"Stubby's" hobby was outdoor life. He had taken several trips with his father, one of the most recent being to Sun Valley, Idaho, where he learned to ski. He had traveled from coast to coast twice and had friends throughout the United States.

A distinguished student at Purdue, he was a member of Alpha Phi Omega fraternity, was a member of Cary, Gimlet, "P" Men, and Skull and Crescent Clubs, was manager of the Debate Team and a member of the Cotillion committee his sophomore year, a member of the Junior Prom committee, and the Gala Week committee his senior year. He was also active in Intramural sports, Union Show, and Wesley Players.

"Stubby" was one of the most popular varsity yell leaders Purdue has ever known. His acrobatic stunts thrilled thousands at the Purdue football and basketball games. After leading a yell he would take his place on the side-lines by purposely stumbling

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## Fraternity Policies Are Shaped At Conclave To Meet War Conditions

● Delegates Appeal to Chapters to Realign Themselves  
With the Ideals of the Founders of Alpha Kappa Lambda

Even as delegates to the twelfth National Conclave of Alpha Kappa Lambda met last June 19 to 22 at Champaign, Illinois, weeks before war was actually declared by the United States, cognizance of the turbulent world situation was taken in the shaping of future plans and policies of the fraternity.

It was resolved by the delegates that the chapters be cautioned to make every effort to cut out unnecessary expenditures, pledge the year round and take whatever other measures they might deem necessary to meet the crisis war would bring. Individual chapters were asked to open their houses to men in the United States service as recreation centers and it was recommended that the news letters of the local chapters be used to keep the various other chapters informed of the whereabouts of its drafted men and to adapt the news letters especially for men in the service.

### Aid To Refugee Students

Favorable endorsement was given to the idea of local chapters providing whatever facilities they can, either alone or in cooperation with other groups, to aid the refugee students.

The chapters of Alpha Kappa Lambda were asked to further the

use of cooperative methods in an effort to reduce costs.

But the threat of war and its many complications did not command all of the attention at the National Conclave. As an antidote in a measure for the war fever, delegates appealed to each chapter to attempt to realign itself with the ideals as expressed by the founders of the fraternity and as stated in the preamble.

### Merger Plans

On the question of a possible merger with another fraternity, the conclave went on record as favoring combining with some other group, provided Alpha Kappa Lambda can retain its ideals and name while gaining a full-time national officer as a result. It was felt by the delegates that the National Executive Council should make every effort to secure a desirable proposal for merger before the next conclave and that the plan be submitted to the individual chapters for referendum.

Action was taken to continue the practice of chapter visitations by National Officers. Regional meetings of the Executive Council were also authorized. The National Executive Council was requested to make every effort to gain the full support of various alumni chapters in sponsoring awards for

achievement by all the active chapters in the fields in which Alpha Kappa Lambda strives to excel.

An "all-out-blitz" to affiliate local fraternities and to colonize new chapters for Alpha Kappa Lambda was urged for the Expansion Committee.

It was voted that the National Council prepare a referendum measure eliminating the American Association of Universities requirement for schools in which it is desired to place chapters.

### Approve Regional Conferences

Regional conferences, formerly known as Chapter Officers' Training Schools, will be continued at regular intervals as a result of conclave action. Matters of importance will be recommended for consideration to the next National Conclave by those in attendance at the Regional Conferences.

In considering fraternity publications and chapter publicity, it was voted that The Logos be sent to all members of Alpha Kappa Lambda and that non-life members be expected to pay a yearly subscription fee of one dollar.

To aid in gathering news items and reports for The Logos, appointment of a man for this purpose by each active and alumni chapter was advised.

### Logos Advertising

It was voted to pay a 10% commission to active and alumni chapter members who secured advertising for the Logos. The Editor of the Logos was instructed to ascer-

tain more closely the number of copies of the magazine required for each chapter and then to send no copies in excess of this number.

The National Secretary was authorized to issue a publication containing such personal chapter problems as are not of interest to the general public, this publication to be sent to all active and alumni chapters, all officers of the Board of Trustees of active chapters and any individual alumnus who may be recommended by those Boards of Trustees.

The conclave recommended that at least three news letters be issued by each collegiate chapter during the school year. It was suggested that each chapter create a Publicity Chairman, whose duty it would be to publicize chapter activities in news publications, on the radio and by personal appearances.

### Musical Notes

Musical interests of the fraternity came in for some consideration when it was voted that the Music Committee supervise an exchange of songs between chapters which were thought might be used by the other groups. It was also requested that the Music Committee investigate and take any necessary action in respect to copyrighting the "Sweetheart Song" and other fraternity songs.

To further uniformity of procedure among active chapters, it was urged that manuals be more closely adhered to in chapter administration, that chapters install and

maintain adequate filing systems for records and correspondence and that each Chapter President appoint an individual to be responsible for the filing and handling of form reports required by the national organization. Delegates voted that membership be checked each biennium.

Reports of Scholarship Chairmen and Chaplains were adopted as permanent procedure. The revised personality rating tests as tried by Eta Chapter were accepted and recommended by the conclave. It was also suggested that the new officers' installation procedure, as originated at Eta Chapter, be adopted by all chapters.

#### Pledge Examinations

Written pledge examinations, such as designed by Gamma Chapter, to determine pledge knowledge of fraternity and school affairs, were thought advisable, completed tests to be forwarded to the national officer in charge of ideals. In connection with the initiations of new members, a resolution was passed that hereafter the ritual and music as given in the manual be used in its entirety.

Delegates did not forget to consider the importance to the fraternity of various campus inter-relationships. It was deemed wise to make a special effort to cultivate faculty relationships, with an eye to securing more honorary members. Increased emphasis on interfraternity council relations was urged, too. Projecting outside campus spheres, a special invitation was extended by the conclave

delegates to all alumni members to further their contacts with active chapters.

The National Secretary was authorized to purchase such office equipment as he feels necessary.

#### Adopt Budget

A budget of \$3,025 for 1941-1942, as proposed by the National Treasurer, was adopted.

Delegates from the collegiate chapters were: Alpha, Frank H. Brown, William S. Noel; Beta, Clarence W. Page, Jr.; Gamma, William N. Cassella, Jr., William J. Drake; Epsilon, H. John Bossard; Eta, Grant R. Gaines, Howard A. Strobel; Kappa, William E. Taylor. There were no representatives from Zeta or Iota Chapters.

Chicago Alumni Chapter was represented by Walter J. Wessman, East Bay by William E. Morris, Jr., San Francisco by Clarence W. Page, Jr., and St. Louis by Irving Dilliard.

#### Officers Present

National officers present were: Harry H. Hollis, President; Joseph B. Rogers, Vice-President; William E. Morris, Jr., Secretary.

Reports of national officers and committees, constituting a summary of the activity of the fraternity for the past two years together with recommendations for the future were read during the conclave sessions.

National officers elected for the ensuing biennium were:

President, Joseph Cullen Blair, Gamma Honorary.

Vice-President, Joseph B. Rogers, Eta '37.

Treasurer, Neil C. O. Brogger, Beta '32.

Secretary, William E. Morris, Jr., Alpha '37.

Expansion Secretary, Harry H. Hollis, Jr., Kappa '35.

Editor of Logos, Horace C. Baker, Gamma '29.

#### Discuss Membership Chairman

The inclusion in the Nominating Committee's slate of officers of a nominee for the office of Second Vice President and National Membership Chairman necessitated a vote to change a section of the national constitution. It was decided instead that the appointment of the Membership Chairman for the ensuing two years be left to the National Executive Council.

The following amendment was proposed by the Conclave Legislation Committee as a referendum measure:

"Proposed Amendment Article II, Section 5 National Constitution of AKL be amended to read as follows: **National Executive Council** — The National Executive Council shall be the executive body of the fraternity. It shall consist of the National President, National Vice-President, National Treasurer, National Secretary and Na-

tional Expansion Secretary. The National Vice-President shall be the National Chaplain of the fraternity. The Editor of the National Publication shall not be a member of the Executive Council.

"Meetings of the National Executive Council may be called by the National President or by two other members of the Executive body."

#### Voice Appreciation

Expressions of appreciation for their efforts during the past two years were extended by the conclave to Harry H. Hollis, Jr., who had served as National President; Joseph B. Rogers as National Vice-President and Chaplain; Howard Engelbrecht, the retiring National Treasurer; John B. White, Editor of the Logos; Fred H. Palmer, National Expansion Secretary, and William E. Morris, Jr., National Secretary. For the excellent planning and administration of the twelfth National Conclave, there was also a vote of thanks to Gamma Chapter.

#### Curtail Social Program

The social program for the conclave was reduced to a minimum at the request of the National Council so that the group might transact all of the business deemed necessary to consider during the four days. A picnic supper was held on the second evening of the conclave at the cabin of Robert D. Mitchell, Gamma '43, and the conclave banquet and installation was held on Sunday, the final day, at the Illinois Memorial Union.

## With Armed Forces . .

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Pevey, Claud Vester, Eta '32.  
 Reinhart, Charles Orville, Gamma '34.  
 Richardson, Daniel Gaches, Beta '31.  
 Richardson, Robert Lyle, Kappa '39.  
 Rifenburgh, Arthur Woodrow, Kappa '40.  
 Robertson, Robert Carlyle, Alpha '37.  
 Scoonover, Frank Miller, Alpha '34.  
 Scott, Hugh Allen, Theta '34.  
 Sheldon, Milton Jerome, Alpha '39.  
 Small, James Robert, Zeta '38.  
 Smith, Edwin Major, Zeta '33.  
 Smith, James Emory, Alpha '38.  
 Smith, Oliver Prince, Alpha '16.  
 Stephens, Roy Woodrow, Alpha '34.  
 Stewart, James Albert, Gamma '36.  
 Thompson, Austin Paul, Epsilon '40.  
 Thomson, Malcolm Pogue, Theta '34.  
 Todd, Harold George, Iota '39.  
 Urie, Robert Kenneth, Eta '29.  
 Varland, Arthur Zenus, Jr., Gamma '39.  
 Walters, William Theodore, Iota '35.  
 Warren, William Victor, Iota '36.  
 Webster, Hilton Bayley, Alpha '42.  
 Webster, Ralph Alberto, Kappa '35.  
 White, Stanley Edwin, Eta '34.

Willis, Arthur Charles, Iota '39.  
 Young, Leslie Furness, Alpha '23.  
 Zerwick, Otto Smythe, Epsilon '32.

## "Stubby" Meier . . .

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on taking a high dive, coming down flat on his stomach. He would light with such force that everyone would hold their breath, thinking all the wind had been knocked out of him, several bones broken, and his assistants would have to carry him away on stretchers, probably unconscious. However, "Stubby" would turn over, sit up, smile, and be ready to lead another yell at the first opportunity.

In the death of "Stubby," Kappa Chapter and Alpha Kappa Lambda have lost one of their most promising and distinguished members. He was an extraordinary example of clean living, a young man of unusual vitality, and full of high ambitions and ideas about what could be done for humanity. Seldom did he encounter a subject or a situation which he could not quickly master. In 22 years he had found the answer to that question which many of us seek for a lifetime — the way to a successful and happy life.

The untimely death came as a shock to "Stubby's" many, many friends. His death has opened a gap in the ranks of AKL, which can never be refilled. I know I speak for every AKL when I express my deepest sympathy and regret to the bereaved parents on their and our great loss.

## PENCIL DUST

By Hod

You've probably been asking, "What's the matter with The Logos and that Logos editor, anyway?" If I could say it in song instead of having to scribble out an explanation, a tune which was popular some time ago — "If I Knew Then What I Know Now" — would be a most appropriate ditty.

In the first place, no small town newspaper publisher should ever attempt to edit up a magazine "in his spare time" — there's no such thing around most newspapers. But the whole situation would have been much less perplexing had not the Naval Reserve and the draft caused a number of staff changes on this newspaper. Latest problem has been to find an editor-manager to operate my business for me who is draft-exempt. Reason for the latter qualification: the owner ISN'T. In fact, I'm expecting a call from Uncle Sam almost any day now.

— pd —

"Here's at least one answer to the question, 'What do retired professors do?'" comments the Illinois Alumni News. "Dean-Emeritus J. C. Blair of the College of Agriculture was named national president of Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity."

— pd —

I liked this thought contained in Allen Roberts' President's Message found in Epsilon Chapter's April news letter: "In times like these with war destroying and changing the familiar things of life and democracy itself fighting

for its life, I believe there is a constructive place for fraternities and in particular for Alpha Kappa Lambda. We have a chance here to see what we can do with democracy in a practical way and to show that we can really make it work."

— pd —

That's a timely idea right now for all of us, whether we are "actives" or have graduated and now find ourselves living and working in various community and civic groups. If we can't make democracy work where we live, we will never be able to make it work nationally or internationally.

— pd —

Whenever members of various chapters get together for a discussion of mutual problems as they do at the National Conclave and at regional meetings, there is always the danger of singling out a chapter and putting it "up on a pedestal" when repeated reference is made to the fact that at such-and-such chapter, the matter being discussed is handled thus-and-so. Chapters which have attained some success in one or more phases of the well-rounded AKL program can best exemplify the real spirit of the fraternity by tempering pride with an attitude of helpfulness and understanding of the other chapters' problems. It's the exchange of ideas at these meetings that really counts, and a "strong" chapter should be on the alert to make their group stronger just as much as a "weak" chapter is striving to make their's better.

—Horace C. Baker, Gamma '29.

## "Let George Do It?" NOT THESE BROTHERS

When copies of the last National Directory of Alpha Kappa Lambda were mailed out last summer, a suggestion was made that \$1.00 contributions from members would aid to make possible its more frequent publication. A number of the brothers who find the directory of value in locating and keeping in touch with other members and, realizing that such a book is an expensive project to be financed entirely by the national organization, have generously responded with their contributions.

Listed below are the brothers who already have decided not to let the whole burden rest on national AKL, or to "let George do it," either:

### Two Dollar Contributors

Lloyd Morey, Gamma Honorary  
Wallace L. Farrar, Alpha '30  
Lloyd G. Hall, Alpha '14

### One Dollar Contributors

Irving Dilliard, Gamma '27  
H. F. Engelbrecht, Gamma '24  
James A. Erskine, Kappa '35  
Alexander Marble, M. D., Delta '22  
Donald E. Wick, Iota '38  
Robert K. Urie, Eta '29  
Robert L. Wahlborg, Theta '32  
Charles O. Probst, Zeta '39  
David H. Blee, Beta '38  
Milton M. Smith, Alpha '22  
Charles J. Booth, Alpha '08  
Harry S. Clark, Alpha '13

Edwin H. Morris, Jr., Alpha '23  
Clifford E. London, Beta '31  
Harold L. Lautz, Epsilon '33  
Carleton W. Meyer, Epsilon '24  
A. B. Matthieson, Gamma '30  
Reinhold J. Jungerman, Alpha '11  
Robert K. Neel, Beta '40  
Roy F. Weston, Epsilon '33  
Allen B. Lemmon, III, Beta '30  
Joe E. Wolff, Eta '37  
John W. Rogers, Epsilon '30  
Neil C. O. Brogger, Beta '32  
John B. Matthew, Alpha '21  
Hazen E. Shower, Alpha '23  
Preston Greene, Beta '30  
Andrew J. Swilich, Beta '36  
Leonard H. Day, Alpha '09  
Alfred D. Coons, Alpha '30  
William E. Morris, Jr., Alpha '37  
Joseph B. Rogers, Eta '37  
Wallace H. Miller, Alpha '21  
Charles A. Gustafson, Zeta '28  
Robert Carlyle Robertson, Alpha '37

Additional contributions may be mailed to either National Treasurer Neil C. O. Brogger, 1922 18th avenue, San Francisco, Calif., or National Secretary William E. Morris, Jr., 1915 Hearst avenue, Berkeley, Calif.

## New President

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the chapter aware of the obligations of a real Christian.

Prof. Blair's scope of influence in his fraternity has now been broadened to the national organization which will receive the same high type of leadership and counsel which he has long given his own chapter.

## Here, There and Everywhere . . .

# WITH AKL ALUMNI

Billy, eight-year-old son of **Harold E. Wessman**, Gamma '24, and Mrs. Wessman, Mt. Vernon, N. Y., was killed June 20 when hit by a car. His father is head of civil engineering at New York University.

Among new AKL home owners is **George Setters**, Eta '28, who writes that he has purchased a new residence in Spokane Valley, address Route 5, Spokane, Wash. He is still associated with the sales department of the Washington Water Power Co., at Spokane.

With representatives of old California Spanish families in attendance, Elena Wolfskill, dark-eyed queen of Los Angeles' 160th birthday celebration last fall, and **William D. Thornton, II**, Beta '27, stage and radio star, were married on the afternoon of Sept. 7 in the Santa Barbara Mission.

An enthusiastic note comes from **Harold L. Lautz**, Epsilon '33, who is now located at Rhinelander, Wis., as district sanitary engineer for the Wisconsin State Board of Health. In connection with this job, he covers eight counties in the vicinity. His permanent forwarding address is now P. O. Box 269, Rhinelander, Wis.

**Donald DeNoyer**, Epsilon '33, has returned east from California and is now employed by Fairbanks Morse and Company in the old home town, Beloit, Wis.

**Jean Paul Probst**, Zeta '39,

better known as Jack or "Prosy", has a new job with Bohn Aluminum and Brass Corp., doing plant layout work at their aircraft bearing plant in Detroit.

**John Stuart Elsner**, '38, remembered by Zetas as "Scoop", is living in Cleveland, Lake Shore Country Club, Bratenahl, Ohio. He is in the Marine Lubricant Division of Socony-Vacuum Oil Co., as a sales engineer.

**Charles Gustafson**, Zeta '28, who has been with American States Insurance Co., Indianapolis, Ind., since October 1940 as manager of the Casualty Insurance Department, has recently been elected an assistant secretary of the company. Brother Gustafson also has an additional member in his family — a second girl, Sharon Marie, born July 1, 1941.

**Dick Allyn**, Gamma '35, is now a physician connected with the great Mayo clinic at Rochester, Minn. Dick was married on Sept. 20th to Ruth M. Lefferts, who attended St. Lukes School of Nursing in New York. The couple is living in Rochester at 225 Fourth Avenue, S.W.

**Allen S. Drury**, Beta '39, has been given the award for distinguished editorial writing by Sigma Delta Chi, national professional journalism fraternity. He is the editor of the Tulare Bee at Tulare, California.

**Roland A. Way**, Alpha '30, is a chief interpreter for the U. S. Government in Washington, D. C.

**Bob Herwig**, Alpha '37, All American football player, has been promoted to the position of University of California line coach.

**Frank Waring**, Alpha '24, is an Executive Officer of the U. S. Government Commission to India.

In its March issue, "Readers Digest" honored **Dr. Norman Plummer**, Alpha '22, for his fine work with the American Heart Association.

**Gerald (Jerry) Wallace**, Gamma '24, is head attorney with the Tax Division of the U. S. Department of Justice, Room 4131, Dept. of Justice, Washington, D. C. The Wallace home is in nearby Chevy Chase, at 115 W. Underwood St. He has three sons, Bob, 13; Milt, 6, and Bill, 4 years old.

**W. Gordon Smith**, Eta '35, is an orthopaedic surgeon at Santa Barbara, Calif.

**Alfred Butler**, Eta '38, and **Charles Robert Zimmerman**, Eta '41, are both teaching in Spokane and **Herbert Carlson**, Eta '40, is with the soil conservation service there.

**Reese W. Norton**, Alpha '35, is an engineer with the Standard Oil Co. of British Columbia in Canada. His address is Brooks, Alberta, Canada.

**Ray Morrison**, Iota '41, who has been a teacher of vocational agriculture at Alma, Kan., this year will teach at Clay Center, Kan.,

next year. The Morrisons have a daughter, Nancy Raye, born on March 8. Mrs. Morrison is the former Norma Simmons.

One of Iota's graduates last year, **E. Hugh Shade**, is working with the DuPont Co., corner of Fourth and Pine streets, Seaford, Del.

Parsons, Kansas, is the home of **Donald Kinkaid**, Iota '41, who is a county agent in Labette County.

With a Master's Degree at Kansas State last spring, **Lawrence Berg**, Eta '39, now has a position as instructor and assistant poultry husbandman of the University of Idaho.

A position as assistant manager of the northwest department of the Hardware Mutual Casualty Co. took **Elmer H. Mortensen**, Epsilon '27, to Minneapolis last fall. His residence address is 4728 Harriet Ave. S.

**Dr. David Bassett**, Beta '34, long a member of the Board of Trustees of Beta of AKL, has been appointed to a research fellowship at Harvard University.

**Tarley T. Wiley**, Gamma '30, is helping the City of Detroit solve its problems caused by transportation of war industry workers in his capacity as assistant traffic engineer for Detroit. He makes his home there at 5797 E. Outer Drive, and has a daughter, Carolyn Joyce, two years old. Tarley is keeping up with his singing and is President of St. Mark's Methodist Church Choir.

## Over the Thresholds . . .

# AT ACTIVE CHAPTERS

## • ALPHA

University of California  
Don Sexton, Chapter Editor

### House Officers

At the spring election of house officers, these men were chosen: President, Bill Mardon '43; Vice-President, Dave Way '43; Recording Secretary, Abney Dana '44; Corresponding Secretary, Don Sexton '44; House Manager, Frank Brown '43; Chaplain, John Peri '44; Pledge Master, Lee Johnson '42; Air-Raid Warden, Art Holmes '44.

### New Actives, Pledges

Alpha is having an extremely successful year, continuing to build upon the impetus gained last year.

New actives, initiated September 14, are Bob Bello '42, Bill Mardon '43, and Gay Orr '43. Wallace H. Miller, Alpha '21, presented an outstanding speech at the initiation banquet.

The week-end of February first was a busy one for pledges, actives, and alumni alike, when ten ex-neophytes took the vows of the fraternity.

Those who were made "actives" are: Jack Belsher '43, Jim Buckwalter '43, Bob Galindo '43, Bill Goldsborough '43, Art Holmes '44, Vic Jones '43, John Peri '44, George Raab '44, Lynn Schloss '45, Frank Timmers '44.

Dr. Legge '99 was speaker of

the evening at the banquet and his topic, "The University Student and the War," was enjoyed by all.

Our pledge list this semester includes: Jim Whitaker, President, '43, Visalia; Neil Campion '44, Stockton; Bert Corona '43, Modesto; Jack Danielson '43, Berkeley; Sid Hickman '46, Albany; Hal Johnson '44, Santa Paula; John Jungerman '43, Modesto; Jim Lee '43, Daytona Beach, Fla.; Bill Skinner '43, Riverside; "Wes" Westaby '44, Orland; Ed Young '43, Turlock; Vic Young '43, Turlock; Dennis Bryant '45, New Orleans.

Howard Fiedler, Zeta '41, who is taking graduate work in Forestry, is living at the house this year.

A phonograph record cabinet and other improvements have been purchased by the Mothers' Club of Alpha, who gave a benefit bridge party at the house in October.

### Socially Speaking

The Fall Pledge Dance was held October 4 at the house, with circus decorations and costumes helping to make it a gay affair.

Joining Alpha in an exchange function with Kappa Delta Sorority on November 12, were members of Delta Phi Epsilon, Foreign Service Fraternity. Lower classmen and pledges dined at the house and joined the others at the Sorority for dancing afterwards.

Alpha members held a very suc-



cessful radio dance on Friday night, the 23rd of January.

For the second time in two years the pledge dance was not held at the house, and everyone agreed that a more enjoyable time could not be had. Thirty couples gathered around two large tables on the terrace of the Hotel Claremont, in celebration of our 10 new pledges and of St. Valentine's Day, Feb. 14.

On Sunday night, Feb. 22, Alpha Chapter house was the scene of a Washington's day radio dance, another enjoyable affair.

Our Formal proved to be the outstanding dance of the year. It was held at the Brazilian Hut, directly transplanted from the S. F. World's Fair.

Second of the 41 Fraternities at Berkeley was Alpha's scholarship record for the spring semester last year. We are striving to maintain this high average.

#### Active On Campus

Many Alpha members are active on campus this semester. In the Cal band are Frank Brown and Hilton Webster. Dave Way, Abney Dana and Walt Hall work on publications. Athletic men are Howard Holmes, varsity crew; Vic Jones, fencing; and Lynn Schloss, freshman water polo. Gay Orr, Doug House, Bill Mardon, and John Young give their time to managing athletics.

#### Intramural Parade

As has been the case in past years, Alpha again was hampered by a lack of athletic men.

However, we did make a fine showing in the softball league.

advancing to the quarter-finals before being eliminated.

## • BETA

Stanford University

Donald Ayers, Chapter Editor

#### Initiation

On last October 25, Beta held its initiation of pledges. The impressive ceremony was directed by Cal Page and conducted by Dave Calfee, Bill Thomas, and Jack Harriman. The following boys became members of Alpha Kappa Lambda: Ross Evans, Class of '44, from Santa Cruz; Bill Clague, '44, from Hong Kong; Harvard Lomax, '44, from Broken Bow, Nebraska; Ray Alden, '44, from Palo Alto; Norman Wintemute, '44, from San Francisco; John Harter, '44 from Sacramento; and Carr Neel, '42, from Palo Alto.

Alumni members of AKL who attended the initiation were Rheinhold Jungermann, Dr. Lee Bassett, and Dr. David Bassett.

After the ceremony a banquet was held in honor of the new members, after which Cal Page delivered the charge to our new brothers, and Dr. Lee Bassett spoke about the fraternity. Ray Alden, representing the initiates, returned the charge.

#### Scholarship

Beta is rather proud of its scholarship record for last year. Out of twenty-four fraternities on the Stanford campus we were next to the highest. Last June our graduating class included three members of Phi Beta Kap-

pa: Bob Williams, Ted Moreno, and Don Reynolds.

#### Rushing

Through the efforts of the Rushing Committee, Beta has been making numerous contacts with transfer men. The prospects of several moving into the house are very good. With the coming of the Winter Quarter, freshman rushing began. Many recommendations of good men have come to us from alumni as a result of President Calfee's rushing letter sent out early in the fall. Various rushing functions were planned by the committee, which was headed by Harry Strick, with Ray Alden and John Harter assisting.

Nine men were pledged during the rushing period. The following are now AKL pledges: Bill Alfonte, '45, Sonoma; Dix Brow, '45, Coronado; Reuben Moeckli, '45, Phoenix, Ariz.; Jay Reeve, '45, Winton; Don Sharp, '45, Martinez; Charles Sword, '45, Whittier; Bill Taylor, '45, San Francisco; Cort Van Rensselaer, '45, Santa Barbara; Bruce Howard, '43, Kirkland, Washington.

#### Annual Meeting Of Beta

At the annual meeting of the alumni and active members of the fraternity a new alumni board was elected, the members being Walter Radius, Dr. David Bassett, Dwight Strong, and Ted Moreno. At the first meeting of the new board Walter Radius was elected its president, Dwight Strong, vice president, Dr. David Bassett, treasurer, and Ted Moreno, secretary.

#### Page Drafted

Likeable and always-fixing-something Cal Page is now fixing things for the Navy. Cal's draft number came up, so he joined the Navy. The house is sorry to lose a good man. Cal was, by the way, our vice president, so we elected Harry Strick to fill his office.

#### Social Events

Social activities got under way early this year, when the house played host to the entire group of men transfers on the day before general registration. We have had date dinners on numerous occasions this quarter; the latest and best attended was the one before the Big Game Gaities on November 28. The decorations were put up by the Mothers' Club. The next day, Big Game Day, the mothers put on a buffet for some hundred and fifty guests, consisting of alumni, their families and friends, and the boys from Alpha chapter across the Bay. The brothers concluded Big Game Week-end by trekking off to the ASSU dance, Brookdale, and Del Monte.

Our homecoming game with UCLA also brought back a number of alumni who were welcomed with a buffet lunch immediately preceding the game.

At the conclusion of the fraternity conference held at Stanford last November, we held another date dinner preceding the inter-fraternity dance. On that occasion we enjoyed a visit by Bill Morris, National Secretary, and his wife.

On Sunday, Jan. 25, a very en-

joyable tea dance took place. This year, because of "world conditions" and other things, the usual Pledge Prom for Stanford fraternity members as a whole was not held; however, it was left to each house to celebrate pledging individually. On Feb. 6 AKL held a dinner dance. For economy's sake we supplied our music from records instead of from an orchestra. On Friday, March 7, Beta held a "blackout" dance. The guests came in costumes, "what they were wearing when the air raid alarm sounded." Everyone had a good time in the "AKL Bomb Shelter."

Thursday evening dinners with speakers have included two very fine guests at our house, Dr. Lee Emerson Bassett, formerly head of the Speech and Drama Department, who talked on public speaking, and Dr. David Bassett, better known as "Dave," who spoke to the transfers about the various aspects of fraternity life. Both of the Bassetts are Beta alumni.

For the Big Game Parade, Ray Alden, our tireless committeeman, made use of his artistic talents and fixed us up a good float on Mr. Pratt's truck. The float represented a carnival wheel on which our Stanford Indian (John Harter) couldn't possibly lose.

P. S.: He did.

#### Intramural Sports

This year we have taken an active part in intramural sports. Under the management of Bill Clague, teams were entered in football, volley ball, and basketball.

#### Visits

The house has been honored by visits from Bill Morris, National Secretary, Joseph Rogers, National Vice-President, and Frank Howlett, long time member of our board. Some of the recent graduates also returned for football games and we are also pleased that a good many of the older alumni have visited us on various occasions.

#### House Officers

New officers recently elected are: President, Harry Strick; Vice-President, Bill Thomas; House Manager, Carroll Bradberry; Recording Secretary, Tom Fox; Corresponding Secretary, Donald Ayers; Work Boss, Merlin Taber.

## • GAMMA

#### University of Illinois

Robert Plagge, Chapter Editor

#### Successful Rush Week

Launching the Fall semester of 1941 with a successful rush week, Gamma continued its Fall program with chapter events and participation in University activities.

Social activities during the year included a number of exchange dinners and house dances. The initial dance of the year, a radio dance, was held Oct. 4 at the chapter house. One week later the chapter attended the annual fueding dance with the Acacia Fraternity at their chapter house. The pledge dance was on Oct. 25, and the Christmas formal was on Dec. 13.

#### Activity Leaders

Activity leaders in Gamma this year are working in publications, the Illini Theater Guild, Glee

#### SPRING, 1942

Club, band, athletics, and advanced ROTC. Bill Cassella, '42, past chapter president, holds the senior job as Editor of the Illio and Leo Hendrickson is Cadet Lt. Colonel, the ranking officer of the ROTC cavalry unit.

This year Gamma's addition of a fine basement game room, not only helped greatly to make rush week a success but also has given the chapter a more adequate set-up for recreation and athletic spirit. The room is used for ping-pong, chess, cards, weight lifting, and general "rough-house" activities. It is decorated in knotty pine. Gamma wishes to express its thanks to the alumni who helped make the room a reality.

#### Second in Scholarship

In the 1941 Spring Semester, Gamma was nosed out of first place in scholarship ranking to rank second among social fraternities on the Illinois campus. The semester's scholarship average was 3.6908.

#### Initiation

These pledges were initiated on November 14, 1941 along with Clarence E. Sawhill, director of the University Men's Glee Club and assistant director of the University Bands: Jack Adams, '44, L.A.S., Oak Park; Bob Solinsky, '43, L.A.S., Oak Park; Mick Shuman, '43, Journalism, Chicago.

Gamma Chapter held its regular spring initiation on March 15, at which time eight pledges were initiated into the fraternity.

The pledges who were initiated are: John S. Cassella '42, Alton;

William E. Huber '45, Peoria; Robert A. Jaeger '45, Oak Park; Richard S. McLaughlin '45, Alsey; George H. Perbix '45, Chapin; William H. Severns '45, Urbana; Charles E. Spaeth '45, Urbana; Arthur B. Sweney '45, Champaign.

Following the initiation, the annual founders' day banquet was held at the chapter house marking the 21st anniversary of Gamma Chapter.

#### 1941 Homecoming A Success

At a banquet on Saturday, Nov. 1, following the Michigan-Illinois football game, Gamma chapter served nearly 150 persons, including about 30 wives of alumni. This was the most successful and largest Gamma Homecoming on record; nearly all the classes back to the founding of Bushnell Guild were represented.

At the annual business meeting, the board of trustees was increased to nine members and those newly elected are Henry Kramer '20, Howard Engelbrecht '24, and Lester Van Tress '32. Dean Joseph Cullen Blair, our new national president, gave a most inspiring talk, and John Strohm '35 showed fascinating pictures of his 25,000 mile South American trip.

The chapter was pleased to include the wives of members in the Homecoming program and will continue the policy in future years.

#### Election of Officers

Gamma held its annual election of officers on Feb. 10. The brothers elected to the various positions are: President, Gil Hennegar

'43; vice president, Jack Train '43; corresponding secretary, Jack Adams '44; recording secretary, Robert Solinsky '43. Merle Parry '44 was elected treasurer by the board of trustees and all the officers were inducted into their positions at a ceremony on February 15.

#### Pledges

Just recently pledged to Gamma chapter are R. Loren Park '45 from Mt. Pulaski; Bruce Blanset '45 of Winchester, and Philip Zimmerly '45 from Olney.

#### Dad's Day

At the Iowa-Illinois Dad's Day celebration on November 8, Gamma entertained about 30 Dads of members and pledges.

### • EPSILON

University of Wisconsin

Donald Jelinek, Chapter Editor

#### First In Scholarship

Figures announced recently by the Dean's office put Alpha Kappa Lambda back on top in scholarship leading all social fraternities with a 2.051 average for last semester. The pledges, 14 of them now actives, landed in third place with a 1.538 average.

#### Ten New Men

We'll tell you the last chapter first — then let you in on the first part of Book I in the new series about Alpha Kappa Lambda at Wisconsin.

On Sunday, Dec. 14, at 4 p. m., at a formal initiation ceremony in the chapter house ten men became members of Alpha Kappa Lambda. These men were Harvey

Buntrock '43, Art Jackson '43, Don Jelinek '43, Don Kennedy '43, Jim Kocho '43, Jack Meyer '42, Al Roberts '42, George Savinske '44, Lee Stowasser '42, and John Wilson '43. This significant ceremony was followed by the formal banquet at the house. This was an unusual initiation in that some of our national officers participated and also because, with these men as brothers, Alpha Kappa Lambda began a new era of achievement.

At the March 22 ceremonies Gordon Barrington '45, Manawa; La Verne Blank '45, Neenah; Otto Muelker '43, Grafton; Harold Noreng '44, Bayfield, and Roy Wiberg '45, Neenah, became active members of Alpha Kappa Lambda. Dr. J. H. Matthews, Honorary member of Epsilon and Director of the Course in Chemistry, spoke on the timely subject of sabotage illustrating its detection by examples from cases in his files.

#### Summer Meeting

Now to bring you up to date. Membership last September was at a low of four actives and three pledges. At the meeting held in Madison during the summer, the national fraternity and the alumni Board of Trustees formulated plans for extensive rebuilding to again make Epsilon a strong chapter. To alleviate the economic situation, a cooperative group of selected high quality students was allowed the use of the house with the remaining Epsilon members living with this group. During the summer 72 boys throughout the state were contacted by

John Bosshard, active in campus affairs and a senior member of Epsilon. Money for Bosshard's travels was furnished by the Board of Trustees so that Bosshard could personally meet and individually let prospects know about the fraternity. Additional help was supplied by the national fraternity which paid the out-of-state tuition for an alumnus of Alpha chapter, Herb Herms, to work with alumni in rebuilding and to serve as resident counselor.

#### Cooperative Plan

Progress to date has been very encouraging in both the number and the quality of fellows pledged. The cooperative plan, in which all work, with the exception of cooking, is done by the members of the co-op, will become a definite part of the future program of the fraternity. It is for this reason that additional characteristics must be considered in choosing new pledges to the fraternity. As it has been put into effect here, the cooperative plan seems to be successful and not only puts the fraternity on an equal or even better plane with the dormitories, which are definitely competition at Wisconsin, but also tends to develop a strong group spirit and pride in the fraternity as a living place. It is a relatively new idea, particularly for fraternities, but as it becomes perfected, it will undoubtedly play a major part in developing a strong chapter at Wisconsin.

The four actives with which we

opened the semester were: Fritz Puls, Corbyn Hamby, Ben Tollefson, and John Bosshard, the latter acting as a resident fellow at one of the dormitories. Ray Richards, Harold Noreng, and Lee Stowasser comprised the pledge class, but through the very able and constant efforts of the alumni Board of Trustees — Russ Dymond, Bob Dudley, Fred Meyer, and Elmer Mau, together with John White — we added 17 pledges. For several weeks we conducted weekly pledge classes to prepare for initiation. We have also continued extensive rushing which we hope will add more pledges.

#### Several Rushing Affairs

During the year we have held several rush dinners, at one of which Dr. Sevringhaus introduced to the members of the cooperative group the fraternity in general, and the ideals of AKL in particular. Prof. Matthews spoke at a later dinner, showing outstanding pictures of his own. Several smokers as rushing affairs were held on Monday nights. Several dances were held on nights after football games. We were particularly glad to see so many alumni at our Homecoming dance, including Roy Weston, Phil Morgan, Les Janett, Jim Dow, and Art Raffill, as well as several local men.

Ed Schendel, now in the army, Dale Shlenfeldt, and Rollo Handrich have often come here on week-ends and have enjoyed themselves at the dances. George Cook, now at Baton Rouge, Louisi-

siana, stayed at the house one night. Elmer Mau dropped in for one Saturday noon meal. In the not too distant future we hope to see more of you alumni. We believe we are on our way toward a strong chapter and one that will be second to none on the campus.

## • ETA

Washington State College  
George Ryan, Chapter Editor

### Newly Elected Officers

At recent elections the following officers were chosen: George Ryan, President; Burton Davis, Vice-President; Warren Langdon, House Manager; Bob Lagergren, Assistant House Manager; Kenneth Wood, Recording Secretary; Reinhold Leitz, Corresponding Secretary.

Three new members initiated at a ceremony last May are Robert Lagergren, sophomore in physics; George Ryan, junior in horticulture; and Charles L. Barker of the Department of Civil Engineering, made an honorary member.

In the scramble between semesters, we lost two good men from our active list. Ira Daniel, our former vice-president, is on the farm, and George Rogers is with the 2nd Army Air Force. Art Williams also moved out in March to go to work on the farm.

We gained back one active member between semesters. Dean Juday, from Oroville, came back to continue his studies in pharmacy.

New men in our pledge class

since last fall are John Humphrey, an electrical engineer from Clinton; Don Mustard, a vet from Montesano; Jim Scott, a music major from Oakville; Quentin Jones, a geology major from Montesano; and Ronald and Bill Johnson . . . not brothers, but both from Clarkston and both engineers, Ronald an E.E., and Bill a C.E.

The following men were made members at the initiation in December. Orval Krueger, a sophomore in agriculture from Colfax; Dick Andres, sophomore in agriculture from Omak; Reinhold Leitz, sophomore in civil engineering from Spring Valley; Kenneth Wood, freshman in mechanical engineering from Bremerton; and Weston Niemela, who was made an honorary member. Alumni brothers Larry Berg, Palmer Trimble and Vic Aumann were present for the initiation ceremony and breakfast which followed.

Brother Niemela was at the time Assistant Dean of Men here at the State College. We were sorry to see him leave in February when he went to take a position with the government at Washington, D. C.

### House Management

Our new cook, Mrs. Kirkwood, has done a very commendable job of taking over in the kitchen and is serving good meals at a very reasonable cost.

There was no work of any importance done on the house during the summer, but the installation of some showers was planned after the start of the fall semester.

## Clean-Up Day

Saturday, November 1, was general clean-up day at the house. A good number of the fellows turned out for a day of hard work — trimming vines and shrubs, making repairs, scrubbing walls and in many other ways improving the looks of the house and yard.

## Social Functions

At the head of the list of social affairs during the winter months is the Pledge Dance, a function that was much enjoyed by both members and pledges. Under the direction of their president, Reinhold Leitz, the pledge class put in a lot of hard work to make the dance the success that it was.

Several enjoyable firesides have completed the list of social affairs in recent months. Since no formal is being planned, the big event of the spring will be the annual picnic in May.

We know of at least three members who have this year promised to "love, honor, and obey." Brother Bob Zimmerman married Miss Janice Day; Brother George Bowler, Miss Jean Myers and Brother Grant Valentine, Miss Frances Nelson.

## Music

With Brother Gerald Mohr as director, the house glee club is looking toward the repeating of last year's accomplishment in winning the gold cup in the men's division of the campus Song Fest. It took hard work by every member of the chorus and the expert directorship of Brother Zimmerman to win last year. We miss Bob now although he has been

ably replaced by Brother Mohr.

Since we feel there is no better way to advertise the fraternity than by song, that is what AKL quartet has tried to do. From campus appearance, such as vespers, to a more difficult radio program over Spokane stations, the four have been doing a good job of spreading the name of AKL.

## Tops In Scholarship

That cup is here to stay this time! With a grade average of 85.31, Eta led in scholarship among the men's groups on the campus for the third successive time, to gain permanent possession of the gold scholarship cup.

The scholastic standing of Eta has risen to top position among men's groups on the W.S.C. campus. The scholarship cup was awarded us both semesters of the year 1940-41 with the grade averages of 85.28 and 85.77 respectively.

A plaque from the Interfraternity Council was recently awarded to our 1941 pledge class for highest scholarship in the spring semester. It has not yet been awarded for last semester, but judging from the record of the pledgees who are eligible, it looks as if they had a good chance of receiving the award again.

The scholarship cup within the house is now awarded to the room showing the most improvement in grade average rather than to the room with the highest average.

## Campus Recognition

As usual, individual AKLs

have been receiving recognition for activities on the campus. Two of our members, Grant Gaines and Burton Davis, recently were pledged to Phi Mu Alpha, men's national music honorary. At class elections, Gerald Mohr was elected a member of the executive council of the Junior class. Grant Valentine and Howard Strobel have been elected to Phi Beta Kappa and Charles Coffey was pledged to Delta Sigma Rho, national debate honorary.

#### Christian Activity

Christian activities are continuing to be important to members of AKL. In addition to those who are singing in church choirs, we have several fellows participating in other church work and in campus Christian organizations such as the Christian Student Council, the Y.M.C.A., and the Collegiate Christian Fellowship. Two or three of the new pledges are leaders in church young people's groups.

#### National Conclave

At the National Conclave in Champaign, Illinois, last summer, Eta was the best represented of all the chapters and our fellows had the greatest distance to go. Brothers Howard Strobel, Grant Gaines, John Rockie, and Ira Daniel made the trip. They all enjoyed the trip and felt that they profited much from attending the conclave.

#### Corporation Meeting

Perhaps the most important subject under discussion at our annual corporation meeting this fall was the recurrent problem of a new house.

Dr. McElderry's excellent report of the Board's financial condition clarified our present situation and provided a basis for work.

Everyone agreed that this is the opportune time for financial aid for the construction program, for the reason that more money is in circulation. In order to secure an acceptable plan for that purpose it was decided that a committee from the Spokane alumni and the actives would meet later.

Rad Kuykendall was elected president for the ensuing year. Others to serve are Brother Ellis, vice-president, and the chapter president at the time of the next meeting; secretary. Joe Rogers and Joe Wolff were replaced on the board by Professor Barker and Vic Aumann.

## • IOTA

#### Kansas State College

Gordon West, Chapter Editor

Members of Iota have progressed rapidly towards the achieving of the five points of emphasis of our fraternity.

Officers who presided this year are Howard Anderson, president, agriculture, '42; Lloyd Smith, vice president, mechanical engineering, '44; Donald Berthoff, secretary, agriculture, '42; Rodney Beaver, treasurer, electrical engineering, '43; Alvin Acker, Steward, mechanical engineering, '42; Robert Anderson, social chairman and mens' interfraternity council representative, business, '44.

Initiation for four new members

was conducted on October 26. They were Adell Brecheisen, veterinary medicine sophomore; Audwin Martin, civil engineering senior; Warren Nelson, agriculture senior; Gordon West, industrial journalism senior. Present at the initiation besides the active members were a group of alumni and honorary members of AKL, who, after the ceremony, entertained the newly initiated members with a breakfast at the chapter house.

#### Better Rushing Results

Rushing activities of Iota have been more concentrated this year with much better results realized. Nine of the 13 fall pledges are freshmen, are out of the reach of the national draft program, and so we feel assured that our program here will be efficiently upheld.

#### Scholastic Standing

Scholastically, a list released last fall for grades for the previous spring semester, showed that Iota ranked fourth. The top two in the list were professional fraternities.

Along with quiet hours after 7:30 p. m. each evening, a study hall for pledges from 8 until 10 is aiding maintenance of high scholastic standing.

#### Campus Leadership

Our part in campus leadership is illustrated by the election of several members to various clubs, honorary societies, or honors. We have representatives in Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering fraternity; Montar and Ball, honorary society for advanced R.O.T.C. students; Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic fra-

ternity; Pax, junior mens' honorary political organization; Collegiate 4-H club; Agricultural Economics club; Block and Bridle club; Engineers' Association; church societies; Pi Epsilon Pi, mens' pep club; the Board of Publications; literary societies. We have a 100% membership in the college YMCA.

Our social program has been most successful during the year. A Steak Fry and a Spanish house party were highly enjoyed. At the latter party, the chapter living rooms were decorated similar to a Spanish cafe, with lights, flowers, furniture and a realistic "bar," all in keeping with the general theme. The annual Christmas party was held on December 19 at the chapter house and was a semi-formal dance. Clovia sorority held an exchange pledge dinner and open house for Iota chapter on November 25. Our quartette has sung at our chapter parties and an instrumental ensemble was developed by the chapter.

## • KAPPA

#### Purdue University

Jack Stark, Chapter Editor

#### New Officers

When new officers were selected this spring, these men were chosen: President, Jim Meyer; vice president, Les Robinson; recording secretary, Jack Stark; corresponding secretary, Wally Parker; rush chairman, Bob Sherman.

President Jim Meyer appointed the following: Athletic manager, Bill Woodward; chaplain, Dean Wilbur; table critic, Chuck Mit-



chell; social chairman, Bob Hass; head of files, Bob Parker; historian, Neal Mulvihill; scholarship chairmen, Doyle Kilty, Dick Parkison; librarian, Gordon Durnbaugh; sergeant-at-arms, Bob Sherman.

### Intensive Rushing

To climax the intensive summer rushing and the one week's review of freshmen, Kappa chapter of Alpha Kappa Lambda gave a large steak fry at which the freshmen were guests of the actives, faculty honoraries and alumni. Attending the picnic was Harry Hollis, past national president of Alpha Kappa Lambda, who gave a very impressive talk to our guests about the ideals of our fraternity. As a result of our endeavors, we have high expectations of the immediate future.

This year we have added to our roster the following pledges: Neal Mulvihill, Gordon Durnbaugh, Bill Woodward, Dean Wilbur, Bob Parker, Bill Servaas, Russell Devore, and Roger Weatherston.

### New Member

Likewise we are proud of the fact that Les Robinson has been initiated and is now a member. Les is a senior mechanical engineer and is very active about the house. We are glad to have him with us.

This chapter is passing from what appeared to be adolescence into maturity for now we seem to be treading upon more stable ground. If we keep up at the present rate of acquiring first rate fellows, we will have a full house possibly before school closes and undoubtedly by next year. We must

keep in mind that only ten fellows returned to school last fall and our house capacity doubles that figure. But with the full cooperation of everyone, we feel that the housing situation will be well in hand.

Realizing that the rush system is the true foundation of any house, we are now improving our new-born rush system. Each fellow is contacting his high school principal and obtaining from him a list of names of men that should make good AKL material. All principals will also be sent a letter of explanation of AKL's ideals along with a request for the names of good prospective rushees. We hope to have several high school seniors down for a week-end before the close of the second semester.

Our summer rush booklet will be published again and summer rush will be done as last year, but more extensively.

### Show Fine Spirit

One outstanding feature of this group of boys is their spirit. This was shown very well on Homecoming week-end when AKL won high praise for its football decoration. Because of the clever artistic efforts of Jim Meyer and the mechanical achievements from the rest of the fellows, a bill-board poster was built which was well liked by the returning alumni. In the evening of the football game, we gave a pledge dance where the pledges were introduced to the alumni, faculty honoraries and visitors. The dance was given at the chapter house where Halloween atmosphere prevailed.

Kappa followed her usual custom of having a Christmas party for the under-privileged children. We had the guests in for dinner and played games afterwards. One of the girls sang for us. In general, we had more fun than the guests. The children were very pleased with their gifts.

### Win Cross Country Race

Although last year we won the cross country race held for interfraternity competition, we are sorry to say that this year we felt the loss of both Don Kemp and Glen Pickeral. Because Don is on the Purdue track team and Glen could not return to school this fall, our boys placed third; however we are looking forward to capturing our original standings next year.

Continuing our campus standings, we go on to one of the basic doctrines of AKL; namely that all important one — scholarship. Of the thirty-five fraternities at Purdue University, AKL placed seventh scholastically. We hope that with the aid of the "brains" in our pledge class and those who were initiated last semester, we will be able to improve even more and return to the top where AKL has always been known.

### Attend Church Together

Along with our scholastic endeavors, we are again attending church each Sunday in a group. Likewise we are intending to have various faculty men visit the house at different intervals so as to acquaint them with our group of boys. It is only through our continued high spirit and morale along with the tireless efforts of

Harry Hollis that we are succeeding in filling our house quota with first rate fellows and retaining our leadership on the campus.

### Kappa Briefs

Due to defense work, Dr. Hass was unable to continue as an active faculty advisor. We are happy to announce that Dr. DeKay has consented to act in this capacity. . . . We have had visits this semester from two of our alumni in the service, namely LeRoy Smith and Bob Duncan. We would like to take this opportunity to invite all our other alumni to come back when they can to visit the chapter house and the fellows. . . . To Fred Elley goes the honor of being the first graduate to have his name placed upon the alumni trophy for outstanding work for AKL; and to Mal Ross the same for having his name on the activity award.

### Killed In Plane Crash . . .

Leroy W. Smith, Kappa '40 was killed early in January in making a forced landing on a beach in Panama. A faulty motor forced him to attempt landing on the beach and in so doing he struck a soft spot in the sand, overturning the ship. An hour and a half later the gunner of the plane regained consciousness but was unable to free Smith from the wreckage. He went for help but on his return the tide had covered the plane and the body could not be recovered for another twelve hours. His father was the former pastor of the First Baptist Church of West Lafayette, Ind.

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