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Here is Your Chapter's

★Gamma Awarded National Scholarship Cup

By FRANK BRESCIA
Grand Tribune-Quæstor

THE second winner of the Camera Scholarship Cup is Gamma Chapter, having obtained a record high index of plus 42 for the year 1939-1940. This rating is higher than the plus 40 index scored by Rho Chapter in the year 1938-1939 for which it was awarded the national scholarship trophy. The index is a measure of how much better or how much worse the chapter scholastically is than the all-men average at the institution wherein the chapter is located.

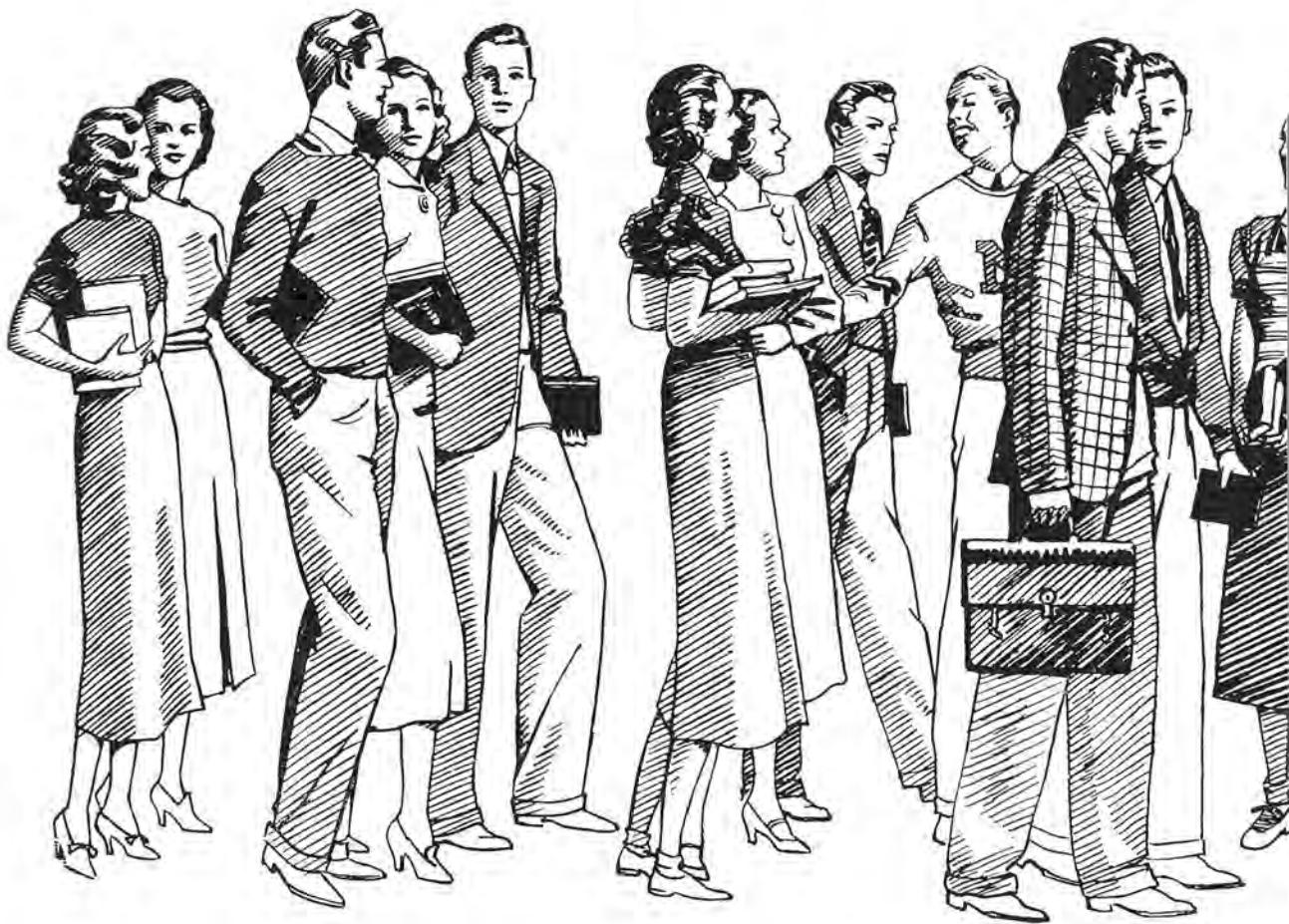
We have secured scholastic reports for all the chapters except Zeta and Tau. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Zeta) does not issue actual averages and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Tau) was reëstablished late in the last school year. The improvement for each chapter on a basis of 100 was therefore calculated

where similar information was available for 1938-1939. In the future, our reports will be complete enough to permit not only the calculation of the progress (and retrogression) of the individual chapters, but of the fraternity as a whole unit.

The scholastic standing of the chapters is given in the table on page 29. The first column contains the indices for 1939-1940, the third column for 1938-1939 and the last column gives the improvement on the basis of 100.

Ten chapters above the all-men average are located at Yale, Polytechnic Institute, Buffalo, College of the City of New York, Rensselaer, Cornell, Ohio State, Carnegie Tech, Duquesne and Manhattan. Eleven chapters below the all-men average are located at Columbia, New York University (Heights and Washington Square), Union, Western Reserve, Boston University, Penn State, Rochester, Temple, Ohio University and Brooklyn College.

Besides the record index scored by Gamma, very good scores were also made



Scholarship Rating

by Eta and Beta Beta. Eta and Mu have staged excellent recoveries from indices of minus 6 to plus 19 and plus 8. Xi has come up very nicely from minus 4 to plus 4 and Omega, although still with a negative index of 13, has shown improvement. Two more touchdowns and Omega will be in the blue column. Rho and Psi show difficulty in maintaining high indices and were thrown for some bad losses.

The fraternity average for 1939-1940 is 57.8% and 58.6% (based on incomplete reports) for 1938-1939. It is not of course possible to attach any significance to this comparison.

There are however two significant trends worthy of mention: (1) All chapters in the Metropolitan area where the New York Alumni Club annually awards its Plaque for "Improvement in Scholarship" show a positive improvement. (2) All chapters (except one) which awarded the Camera Scholarship Key show a positive improvement.

Your principal reason for attending college is to study. We realize also that your

college diploma is not a blank check on which you write in your success. Your ability to accept responsibility, to cooperate with others and to instill confidence are important aids to success that must be developed. It is equally valid, however, that better than average scholarship will not be a barrier but rather a further aid to success in any field.

I. J. Pesci, Psi, Fatal Victim of Plane Crash

Joseph J. Pesci, Psi, was one of the 25 victims of the plane crash which occurred near Lovettsville, Va., on August 31.

Brother Pesci was just recently appointed a special agent in the Federal Bureau of Investigation after having served as proctor at Duquesne University. News of his untimely death was brought to the members of the fraternity as they were convening for the last meeting of the National Convention. The convention body was shocked as it learned that he was on his way to attend the Convention.

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*Honors
Dr.
Angelo
Patri*

**National Service
Award Goes to
Celebrated
Columnist-
Principal**

HONORED. *Dr. Angelo
Patri making his speech
of acceptance of the Meri-
torious Award.*



PHOTO BY JOHN PIAZZA, THETA.

FOR the second time, Alpha Phi Delta presented a meritorious service award as an expression of gratitude to that individual, outside the ranks of the fraternity, who has accomplished most for the Italo-Americans in his community.

Dr. Angelo Patri, celebrated columnist-principal, whose syndicated newspaper column on child guidance is read and enjoyed by millions, was presented with a gold medallion at an impressive presentation dinner given in his honor by the fraternity on Saturday, November 9, at the Faculty Club of Columbia University.

Dr. Patri was selected for this honor because of his achievements and services in the field of education and child guidance. He is the force and the inspiration behind the pupils, who attend his school, P. S. 45, in New York City, to create beauty from the drab life around them.

Among the distinguished guest speakers who attended the dinner were: Professor Paul J. Salvatore, Beta, of Brooklyn College, who acted as toastmaster; Dr. A. Arbib-Costa, of City College; Dr. Leonard Covello, and Mr. Anthony Calitri.

Each speaker knew and worked with Dr. Patri for a number of years and many anecdotes in the interesting life of Dr. Patri were told. However, in order to understand the man and his work, it is interesting to quote Dorothy Canfield Fisher, the celebrated writer, whose article on Dr. Patri appeared recently in the *Christian Herald* and the *Reader's Digest* for June, 1940:

"If we could only find out what makes one human being so different from another! Consider the Italian-born American, who has made—and at 60 past is still zestfully at it—one of the finest con-

tributions to civilized life in our nation.

"Angelo Patri came to this country in the '80's with an almost uneducated father and mother. There were hundreds of thousands of aliens pouring in at that time. One—a pale, delicate, Italian boy—brought to our rough-and-ready life elements of beauty and joy and tenderness which through his newspaper column have uplifted family life in uncounted American homes; which through his work as a teacher in an ordinary big-city school have opened the doors of free creative life to thousands of American children. His love of life, his respect for human dignity, his willingness to be understood by the most bewildered parent or child—by what spiritual magic did this Italian-American boy develop traits which make his influence a benediction to hundreds of thousands of plain people?

"Most readers of his syndicated column know nothing of him personally. They have never heard of the accolade given him years ago by President Eliot of Harvard, who said, 'Whatever else Patri does, he must never stop those irreplaceable talks to teachers and parents in the newspapers.'

"And on the other side, the 2000-odd children in the big public school where he has been principal 27 years know nothing of his relation to an immensely larger world. To them he is only the white-haired principal of a school where they learn how to create beauty and interest from the life materials available to them—to anyone.

"Although Angelo Patri arrived in New York when he was five, he really did not leave Italy till he was 12, he tells you, so completely did Italian immigrants of that period reproduce here their close-knit clannish life. At 20 he graduated from the College of the City of New York. At 21 he became a teacher in the public schools. He says that he was bewildered and ill-prepared. But when the young Italian-American teacher was introduced into the educational test tube, a fusion took place like some of those astounding ones in chemical laboratories that produce something entirely new. This new product was an intuition in the young Patri's mind of lamentable mistakes made by America in treating its children.

"Perhaps the most wasteful one is the outrageous overvaluation of bookish

brains. In the early Middle Ages people overvalued physical strength. Parents were proud of the boy with broad shoulders who could best wield a sword; they injected inferiority poison into boys who had only fine brains. And with these standards, the bridges of Europe fell down because no one knew enough to repair them, schools vanished, civilization withered for lack of brains.

"Just so idiotically has our period overvalued those who can learn quickly out of books, defeat others in athletic contents or handle machinery. Just as wastefully have we darkened by contemptuous undervaluation the lives of children who have other priceless gifts. Our machine world is withering for lack of what children with gifts not now in fashion could give us, if we gave them a chance. We go on scorning children who cannot make a good showing in the kind of examinations now in favor, but who have gifts of personality which would regenerate our society if they could be developed.

"Angelo Patri has all these years been opening doors to children who have those gifts. New York's Public School No. 45 is a big plain structure in a region of monotonously similar and unlovely buildings housing people who have always been at grips with insecurity and uncertainty. The families there have for the most part taken up the New World dogma that only what you pay cash for has value, and have lost the Old Country tradition of the human hand as creator of beauty and usefulness. But their children find it again as they enter Mr. Patri's school. In it are all kinds of 'shops.' When an American says 'shop' he means a place full of cogs and wheels and cams. But in P. S. 45 only the printing shop has what a Connecticut Yankee would call machinery. The shops are full of tools for weaving, printing, carving, gardening, painting, sewing, leatherwork—all the arts of the human hand.

"The opportunity of continued effort, with no feeling of haste to finish a project and begin another, is one of the finest elements in the life of P. S. 45. For another dangerous mistake American education makes is to subject children to hurry, to judge by their ability to live and produce at speed. There are innumerable fine personalities who do not function well in haste. Unhurried, long-continued creative effort opens the door to almost

the only kind of stability we are likely to know in the kind of world we have made.

"The Italian-American teacher felt, as we all do, that the old stability of the home is gone. With his artist instinct he has steered his charges toward a surer immaterial stability, the stability of coherent, long-continued, self-directed creative effort. There is no sense of hurry, no need to get something done before the bell rings. There will be tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow—long, shining opportunities for accomplishment.

"The pupils who pass through P. S. 45 go out and take their places in the creative world. Among the prominent alumni are John Amore and John Garfield, stage and screen star. John Amore won the Prix de Rome for his sculptures two years ago. When he was 13, Garfield was sent to Angelo Patri's school for problem chil-

dren. He tried to run away, but was caught and brought to Mr. Patri. Then and there his entire future was changed.

Mr. Patri treated him kindly and advised him to become an actor. He enrolled immediately in the dramatic class. He now has several studios interested in making a picture based on the career of Patri and his school.

But such matters do not surprise Mr. Patri, nor do they interest him half as much as the day-to-day work of his pupils. For he has none of the patronizing air of the dull teacher, none of the pat-on-the-head of the condescending adult. He knows, through long and exciting years of contact with boys and girls, what they can do and that what they do can be great. He knows that if they make creativeness a habit, then good work becomes life to them."

OPPORTUNITIES

WALLACE S. SAYRE

N.Y.C. Civil Service Commission

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Due to the increase in the demand for technically trained men both in public and government service, THE KLEOS publishes its fourth in a series of "career articles," concerning the field of engineering and the Civil Service.*

THE BASIC program of the New York City civil service commission is the establishment of a public service career system. This career system, which means entrance to the service on merit, and advancement to higher posts of responsibility on the basis of merit, has made more rapid strides in the technical and professional fields than in others. It is indeed not an exaggeration to say that in the technical fields a career service has been established in New York City.

The most important avenue for technical men in the New York City career service is in the engineering service. New York City employs more than 3500 engineers. More than half of these are Assistant Engineers earning more than \$3120 per year. Traditionally, this engineering service has been composed of civil engi-



for Technically

neers, and even today approximately 90% of the total are civil engineers. There has been, however, a rapid growth in the newer engineering fields — mechanical, electrical, chemical, sanitary—and in the field of architecture, which is regarded in

New York City as part of the engineering service.

The Commission has just completed a reclassification of the engineering service, reducing the 500 titles to a rationalized career service for engineers. The new classification provides for entrance to the lower brackets of the service by highly trained technical men, and advancement by competitive promotion through the several grades to the very highest posts of engineering responsibility in the city. Young men who are thinking of the engineering service as a career in New York City can measure their opportunities by a study of the following new engineering classification:

Engineering Assistant, Architectural Assistant, Junior Engineer—to but not including \$2160*.

Junior Architect, Assistant Engineer—\$2160 to but not including \$3120.

Assistant Architect, Engineer—\$3120 to but not including \$4260.

Architect—\$4260 to but not including \$6000.



Of almost equal importance to technically trained men, seeking a public service career in New York City, is the inspection service. New York City employs more than 4500 technically trained men in in-

tors, construction inspectors, light and power inspectors, and so on through the whole gamut of inspectional activities conducted by the largest city in the world. Traditionally these inspectors have been recruited from the skilled trades, which still provide a considerable number of highly qualified men. But the increasingly difficult technical problems associated with inspection in a modern city have made it more and more desirable to recruit technically trained personnel for these inspectional posts. In fact, the civil service commission is now inclined to consider the inspectional service as one of the training areas for higher engineering posts, and the commission is encouraging the promotion of technically qualified inspectors into the engineering service. The opportunities for advancement in the inspectional service itself can be seen from the following grades and titles in the inspection service:

Grade 1—\$1200 to but not including \$1800.

Grade 2—\$1800 to but not including \$2400.

Grade 3—\$2400 to but not including \$3000.

Grade 4—\$3000 and over.

- Asst. Chief of Furniture Division
- Asst. Chief of Sanitary Division
- Assistant Superintendent
- Assistant Supt. of Parks
- Chief Inspector
- Deputy Chief Inspector
- Director Bureau of Foods & Drugs
- Examining Inspector
- Foreman of Bakers
- Foreman of Porters
- General Inspector
- Assistant Chief Inspector
- Assistant Foreman
- Assistant Supt. of Docks
- Chief Examiner of Riggers
- Chief of Furniture Division
- Deputy Chief Inspector Licenses
- Electrical Inspector

Trained Men in Civil Service

spectional fields closely related to engineering. There are, for example, large numbers of building inspectors, tenement house inspectors, fire prevention inspec-

- Foreman (except Skilled Trades)
- Foreman of Cooks
- General Foreman
- Health Inspector
- Inspector of Blasting, Boilers and Pipe Covering, Boilers, Bookbinding,

*Per annum.

Combustibles, Carpentry and Masonry, Cement Tests, Complaints, Construction, Construction and Repairs, Dam Construction, Dock and Pier Construction, Dredging, Elevators, Fire Alarm Boxes, Fire Prevention, Foods, Fuel and Supplies, Furniture, Gas, Heating and Ventilation, Hoists and Rigging, Housing, Hydrants, Stopcocks and Shop Work, Incumbrances, Iron and Steel Construction, Licenses, Light and Power, Lumber, Markets, Weights and Measures, Masonry Construction, Meters and Water Consumption, Motor Vehicle Equipment and Repairs, Painting, Pipe Laying, Pipes and Castings, Plastering, Plumbing, Printing, Regulating, Grading and Paving, Repairs, Sewer Construction, Stationery, Steel, Street Openings, Supplies and Repairs, Taps and Connections, Taxicabs, Track (railroad), Transit
 Institutional Inspector
 Master Mechanic
 Sanitary Inspector
 Supt. Baths and Comfort Stations
 Supt. of Repairs and Supplies
 Supv. Insp. of Fire Prevention
 Supv. Insp. Markets, Wts. & Meas.
 Laundry Foreman
 Sanitary Asst. to Supt.
 School Buildings
 Superintendent
 Superintendent of Docks
 Supervising Insp. of Housing
 Supv. Inspector of Licenses

There are other fields in which young men trained in technical schools can find career opportunities. The city has a growing chemical service with about 250 members at present. Approximately 80 of these are performing highly important chemical work in the 14 laboratories maintained by the city. Particularly do the chemical laboratories of the Department of Purchase and Health Department offer opportunities to young men trained in chemistry. The chemical service in the city is graded as follows:

Chemical Laboratory Asst.—to but not including \$1500. Junior Chemist—\$1500 to but not including \$2100. Assistant Chemist—\$2100 to but not including \$2700. Chemist—\$2700 to but not including \$3300. Senior Chemist—\$3300 to but not including \$3900.

Asst. Dir. of Laboratories, Principal Chemist, Director of Laboratories—\$3900 and over.

Approved specialties: (a) microscopy (b) pathology (c) physiology (d) toxicology (e) immunology (f) biochemistry (g) sanitary

The city also has a physicist service, although it is as yet very small, with but one physicist in the Police Department's technical laboratory and the remainder in the Department of Hospitals, serving primarily as radiation physicists. But it is undoubtedly a service which will grow with the expansion of technical activities by the city and may soon offer career opportunities to a considerable number of trained young men. The city's physicist service is graded as follows:

Physicist's Assistant to but not including \$1500. Junior Physicist—\$1500 to but not including \$2100. Assistant Physicist—\$2100 to but not including \$2700. Physicist—\$2700 to but not including \$3300. Senior Physicist—\$3300 to but not including \$3900. Principal Physicist—\$3900 and over.

In two of its largest departments, New York City offers unusual career opportunities to graduates of technical schools. These are the Police and Fire Departments. In the Police Department the assignment of patrolmen and other officers to technical tasks has not been applied in recent years. There is, for example, the important problem in the Police Department of the construction of police stations and other bulidings. There are the even more difficult technical problems associated with traffic control where civil and electrical engineers are in demand. There is the highly complicated problem of communications, telephone, telegraph, and radio. The staff of the crime detection laboratory associated with the detective division is continually increasing and there is the increasingly felt need for men with statistical training. This trend undoubtedly means that in the near future the technical assignments within the Police Department will number in the thousands rather than in the hundreds as at present.

In the Fire Department, there is an equal demand for technical preparation on the part of members assigned to special tasks. There is the important field of inspection and fire prevention, the complex problem of fire alarm, telegraph and other communication problems. There is the highly technical problem of fire station construction. And more important at pres-

ent, perhaps, than any of these are the problems of the apparatus division where the department feels a serious need for men whose technical training equips them for the design and improvement of fire-fighting apparatus.

The career service in New York City has come to stay. Personnel administration will be increasingly scientific and progressive. Under this new type of personnel administration, the young men of the city who have had technical preparation can look forward to honorable and distinguished careers in the service of their city.

Wendell L. Willkie, Chief Speaker at the 32nd Annual Conference Banquet

More than three thousand members of the fifty-six fraternities which belong to the National Interfraternity Conference participated in a banquet held on the night of November 29. It was the highlight of the 32nd annual session of the conference.

This was the largest inspirational and patriotic affair ever attempted by fraternities. The toastmaster was Lowell Thomas. Invocation was delivered by Rev. Paul Hickok of the Forest Hill Presbyterian Church of Newark. The proceedings were opened with a Presentation of Colors by the New York University file and drum corps followed by the rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" by Reinald Werrenrath.

The speaker of the evening was Wendell L. Willkie. The program closed with "God Bless America" sung by Kate Smith. The Conference presented Miss Smith with a platinum American flag set with diamonds, rubies, and sapphires in recognition of the song which she has made famous and which has been the theme song adopted by most fraternities during conventions this summer.

The morning and afternoon sessions on Friday, (Nov. 29) of the Conference was devoted entirely to business discussions, committee reports and discussions of the best way and means of cooperating with the Government and the War Department in this present emergency.

The Saturday morning session was de-

voted to Round Table discussions and suggestions for reorganizing and strengthening the Conference.

L. G. Balfour, Chairman of the Conference, presided at all sessions.

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to changes in residence. But when you do change your address, immediately notify the Central Office (32 Arden Street, New York City). It will assure you your fraternity mail. Your chapter and alumni club should also have your correct address.

News From Columbus, Ohio, Alumni Front

Our Grand Consul, Brother "Vic" Leanza, spent the weekend of Nov. 8 in Columbus. Xi was glad to welcome him here for the Greek Week Conference on our Ohio State Campus. Brother Leanza was accompanied by Mrs. Leanza and their daughter Norma. With blitzkrieg rapidity Mrs. Leanza and Norma won themselves a permanent place in the hearts of the boys at the house.

The Columbus Alumni Club proudly points to Dr. Albanese who, to the best of our knowledge, holds the highest military rank in Alpha Phi Delta, that of Colonel. Over a long period of years Dr. Albanese has devoted much of his time and energies to military medical service. The worried Brothers of this same club welcomed into their ranks Brother Gregory Salvatore, who recently married the former Miss Alma Cenci of Columbus.

The great Cleveland Convention laid a golden egg in the chartering of the newly organized Steubenville Alumni Club. This contingent of Xi Alumni is a real powerhouse in more ways than one. For example: Our distinct Pro-Consul, Dr. Macedonia, is now training the third Macedonian Alpha Phi Delta. If you haven't heard about his eleven-month-old "Superman" Joseph, don't give up, you will. More recently Brother DeLuca became the doubly proud father of twins! That means a double round of cigars, Doc! Add to these Brother Samuel Gaylord's marriage to the former Elvera Parrish of Steubenville. Another laurel goes to Brother DiLoreto, who gave birth personally to . . . a dairy store.



WHAT

do they think

of our

Institution

ASKS THE GRAND CONSUL

My dear brother alumnus, during those moments when you contemplate the importance and reputation of your fraternity, you will, without doubt, take into account your personal contribution. Have they enriched its reputation? Have they increased its importance? What example are you giving in your every day conduct in practicing your chosen profession or field of endeavor; in your family relation; in your community leadership; are you an inspiration to the student of tomorrow; can his parents set you as the example to emulate? The sum total of our personal characters and reputations constitutes the Alpha Phi Delta that the world knows.

To you my brother in school a greater responsibility has been entrusted. You are in daily contact with the leaders of tomorrow. Your present conduct; your every act during your school years, is crystallizing an impression upon the minds of your fellow students—your faculty. To each of them you mean Alpha Phi Delta; you are the personification of the intangible. Your fraternity is accepted to be as important, as fair, as learned, as industrious, as mannerly, as aggressive, as kind, as coöperative, as any and all of you excel, equal or are deficient in those qualities and objectives.

I trust that none of us will claim perfection, but the mark of a truly cultured modern Gentleman is the ability to know which are his less desirable habits, coupled with his stubborn determination to eliminate them from his personality.

My sincere respects to you modern Gentlemen.

VICTOR S. LEANZA,
Grand Consul





The Journey of a War Fugitive

From Paris to Lisbon Just Ahead of the
Advancing German Army

By DR. HORATIO S. KRANS

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Dr. Krans interrupted a literary life in New York to go to France in 1918 and become director of the Columbia University War Service Bureau in Paris. Following the war he became associate director of the American University Union in Paris and since 1930 has been its director. The French Government decorated him with the red ribbon of the Legion of Honor and later promoted him to the grade of officer. The Columbia University Alumni News asked him to write this account of his flight from Paris just in advance of the German occupation of the city. THE KLEOS has been given permission to reprint this article.*

IT WAS only after repeated requests from the editor of *The Alumni News* that I brought myself to give the following brief account of my hurried departure from Paris on the eve, I may say, of the German occupation, and on my journey from Paris to Lisbon. I had a strong disinclination to go over again in my mind the long series of distressing scenes and incidents I witnessed on that long journey.

On June 3 the Germans bombarded Paris for half an hour, and in that time did more damage to the city than all the bombardments of the 1914-1918 war had done. The result was an exodus of thousands of Parisians, an exodus that increased in number as the German armies closed in upon the French capital.

On June 10 I went to my office as usual. Things were getting hot and dangerous. I told my secretary, the only member of our staff who remained in Paris, to leave by the first train for a town in Normandy, where she had relatives. I then went over to the Ministry of Information for news. To my surprise, the Ministry was almost empty. I found a couple of friends there, who told me that the Ministry and its staff were leaving Paris that very day for Moulins, a town about 200 miles to the south. My friends themselves were on the point of departure, and advised me to leave, unless I were prepared to be trapped in a German-occupied Paris.

Takes Essentials

I decided to depart at the earliest possible moment, telephoned to my wife to pack up, took from my office a bundle of papers and the money from the safe, and went to my garage to get my car.

The war had put an end to the work of the American University Union, of which for years I had been the director. There was nothing to keep me in Paris and the idea of remaining there under the domination of the Nazi régime, with its atrocious methods and revolting ideals, was intolerable to me.

I arrived at my garage in the nick of time. It was on the point of closing, and everyone connected with it was about to quit the town. I drove my car to my apartment, helped my wife finish the packing, took what I thought might be a last look at our belongings of all sorts, stowed the back of my car full to the roof of luggage, tied a couple of mattresses on top, and in the early evening joined the swelling stream of refugees heading southward.

Plans Uncertain

When I went to my office on the tenth of June, the day the Government left the capital, and three or four days before the occupation, we had no intention of leaving Paris; nor when we left Paris had we any intention of leaving France. We thought the enemy would probably be held at the Loire. We had made no plans in advance. We decided to make for Moulins, whither the Ministry of Information was going, and near which town French friends of ours had a country place.

We followed the Fontainebleau road at first, and then took the road to Nemours. The broad Fontainebleau road was crowded with vehicles of every de-

scription, automobiles, military camions, busses, bicycles, farm wagons, push-carts. There were pedestrians, too, tramping wearily along with bundles on their backs and valises in their hands. All the cars were jammed full of men, women, and children, bags and baggage. Most of the cars had mattresses on top—these latter supposed to serve as a protection against bullets or as beds in case real beds were unobtainable.

A most lamentable sight were the farm wagons, driven in general by old men, and drawn by heavy, weary farm horses. Into them furniture and household articles had been thrown pell-mell, and in them women, babies, and dogs found places to lie or sit upon piles of straw. These farm wagons were to me a symbol of all the misery, dislocation, and tragedy of the war.

Our journey to Nemours was harassing. There were continual traffic jams. Cars were trying to crowd one ahead of the other. The roads here and there were barricaded, permitting the passage of only one car at a time. During long waits, when the endless line of cars was stationary, there were repeated flights of airplanes, which disquieted everyone, for fear of being sprayed, as refugees often were; by machine-gun fire—an experience which we were spared. It took us about six hours to cover the fifty miles between Paris and Nemours. We reached that town about midnight, and spent the night on the roadside in our car there. All available lodgings had been taken long before our arrival. All night the stream of refugee cars rolled past us.

At dawn, we breakfasted on bread, cheese, and apples, which we had brought with us, and then headed for Moulins, always in a line of miscellaneous vehicles, like those I have described, all hurrying southward. Arrived in Moulins, we found the town overflowing with refugees. No rooms in the hotels, and long lines of hungry folk waiting for tables in restaurants. A bakery and a fruit stall furnished us with nourishment on our arrival. We then made our way to the French friends of whom I have spoken. They put us up for the night.

Headed South

After getting our breath, and on reflection, we decided to go southwest to Angoulême, some two hundred miles away, and this because we knew Americans were

planning to establish a military hospital for French wounded there. I thought I might put myself and my car at their disposal for any sort of useful service. We were warned not to expect to find lodgings at Angoulême. None were to be had there, we were told, the refugees having more than doubled the population of that city. We got a room over a garage in a town about twenty miles from Angoulême. The proprietor of the garage there gave us a letter to a relative of his in Angoulême who kept a delicatessen shop, and we had the great good fortune to get a garret room over the shop.

Hospital Plans Abandoned

After waiting three days in Angoulême, we learned that the plan for an American hospital in that city had been abandoned. By that time, refugees in Angoulême were hurrying farther south. The Germans were or were rumored to be only a jump behind us. We left for Hendaye, a town on the French side of the French-Spanish frontier, some 250 miles distant. Shortly after our arrival there, the Germans had occupied a town a few miles to the north of us. Then we decided to leave France, and to make our way through Spain and Portugal to Lisbon, and thence home.

The formalities involved in procuring Spanish and Portuguese visas were endless, exasperating, and fatiguing. To fulfill those formalities long trips were necessary—to Bordeaux, Bayonne, Biarritz. The atmosphere of these towns was feverish. The streets were jammed, a swirl of army-wagons, ambulances, soldiers and officers, and bewildered refugees. One had the feeling that everything was disintegrating and a collapse was imminent.

The formalities fulfilled at last, our car took its place in the line of vehicles heading for the bridge across the river, the Bidassoa, which separated France from Spain. The line of cars was, we were told, five miles long. We lived three days and three nights in our car before we could cross into Spain. Those days and nights were sufficiently disagreeable—cold, torrential rains, butterless bread and milkless coffee by way of repasts, no toilet facilities, no chance to wash or shave. We had, however, no right to complain. A great company of unfortunates were worse off than we. Many of them arrived, drenched to the skin, on foot, on bicycles, or in uncovered wagons. The floor of the rail-

road station was a dormitory for as many unfortunates as could be packed into it. Our last night in France was spent on the bridge to which I have referred. During that night, all of us feared that the Germans might arrive and that the Spanish frontier might be closed.

Hardship and Misery

The scenes I witnessed during those days of waiting were painful to the last degree. It was not only the wide-spread hardship and misery that were distressing. These was a host of refugees whose lives depended upon crossing the frontier before the Germans arrived—men and women on the Nazi blacklist, sure to be victims of Nazi brutality, if caught. These people were in an agony of suspense. Some were in despair, unable to pass the frontier because their papers were not in order. Among the most harassed of the refugees were the large number of Jews, who feared falling into the blood-stained hand of Hitler. One elderly Hebrew, refused passage across the bridge, collapsed in a faint in the midst of the bags and bundles which were all his worldly goods.

The hosts of people eagerly but slowly pressing forward to cross the fateful bridge were a motley company, refugees of all kinds and classes from Germany, Austria, Czecho-Slovakia, Poland, Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Belgium, who had found sanctuary in France; Frenchmen of the upper classes in large cars, often with trailers, in which they had stored precious portable treasures; diplomats from the embassies and legations of the allied nations, etc.

The day after we crossed the Hendaye bridge into Spain, Hendaye was occupied.

Nazi Influence in Spain

Space forbids chronicling our journey through Spain and Portugal, which we made in company with American friends traveling in a huge old Cadillac car, my friend and his wife, two children, a collie dog, and baggage. We had en route all sorts of tribulations, accidents, set-backs, and complications—tire-punctures at night in darkest Spain, difficulties with civil and military authorities, a fall that laid up one of the party for four days, shortage of funds, etc.

The Nazi influence was evidently strong wherever we went in Spain. Swastika flags were flying freely along with Spanish flags. One Spanish functionary who examined our papers had in his button-

hole a swastika button and on the lapel of his coat a Spanish prefecture-of-police badge. Spain, in both town and country, seemed poor and dreary. We were glad to get into Portugal, where the atmosphere was more peaceful and friendly. The Portuguese were, however, nervous, and apprehensive of what Spanish-German projects might do their small and unarmed country.

Lisbon at last, and a passage engaged on the U. S. liner Manhattan. A disagreeable incident terminated our brief sojourn in the Portuguese capital. A Portuguese decree forbade the sale of refugee cars, and we were obliged to leave an excellent automobile in the Lisbon Custom House, confiscated by the Portuguese government, along with all the other refugee cars that rolled into Lisbon under similar conditions.

Home Trip Restful

The voyage home on the Manhattan was uneventful. The ship was full of friends and acquaintances from the Paris American Colony. The six tranquil days on the steamer were, indeed, rest for the weary.

By way of postscript, a word concerning an impression I shared with my fellow "repatriates" of the Paris American Colony after our return home. The sense of insecurity we had felt for long months abroad remained with us—with a difference, even on American soil—a sense that

even here a situation exists akin to that which sealed the fate of France and her enslaved neighbors to the north, the incapacity of a host of purblind Americans, in Congress and out of it, to realize the mortal Nazi peril—danger of war and of economic shipwreck—a lack of preparation, procrastination, divided counsels, political animosities and obstruction.

Edgar Mowrer, who knows whereof he speaks, declares that the Fifth Column here is more potent and better organized than it was in France. To us it seems that America is not relentless enough in uprooting and crushing the Fifth Column, with its encouragement of isolationism and pacifism and its opposition to aid for England. Surely, Hitler, at this very moment, contemplates with profound satisfaction our divisions and delays. In America he sees his future prey—a prey large, fat, rich, and at present soft. He himself has given us danger signals enough.

Of France André Maurois said recently: "A great civilization saw itself foredoomed, because five thousand tanks and ten thousand airplanes, which we could have built or bought without trouble, were not constructed in time."

America has recently had a terse reminder that time flies. May she wake up betimes to a realistic sense of her situation; may she aid England every way and with all haste; and may she not herself be taken disastrously unawares or unprepared.

National Honor Award

For Most Improved Chapter Goes to Beta Beta at Manhattan College

JUST about a year ago Beta Beta was on probation faced with imminent suspension. At that time Beta Beta was a straggler slowing the progress of Alpha Phi Delta; now Beta Beta is the vanguard in all the Chapters' march to a stronger ALPHA PHI DELTA! This remarkable picture of contrast and transformation is perhaps best illustrated in the annual *Report of the Grand Pro-Consul of the Third District* for the years ending 1939 and 1940. In 1939 Grand Pro-Consul Fennimore reported of Beta Beta:

"The chapter's lack of coöperation with the other chapters of the city and the Central Office has been a source of keen disappointment, particularly since it followed a year of splendid activity. It remains with the new group of officers, recently chosen, to correct these delinquencies without any further delay. The summer months should prove fruitful in laying the ground-work for a more promising and optimistic future."

Brother Fennimore's 1940 Report is as follows:

"This Chapter placed the name of Alpha Phi Delta right up in the front at the Campus. Consul Ted LaMonte raised the Chapter from a small, weak and spiritless



*Beta Beta Boys
with Their Na-
tional Chapter
Improvement
Award.*

group TO A LARGE, FLOURISHING AND ENTHUSIASTIC BODY OF FRATERNITY MEN. It is hoped that the same spirit will continue and prevail for at least another year so that the fruits of LaMonte's efforts and accomplishments will not be lost."

So much for the general aspect of Beta Beta's transformation. Below are found the salient reasons why Beta Beta deserves the National Award for the Most Improved Chapter.

Coöperation with the Central Office

Beta Beta has coöperated in *every* way possible with the Central Office. Indeed, close coöperation with the Central Office is of vital importance not only to the individual chapter but to the welfare of Alpha Phi Delta as a whole. And so it has been their policy at all times to send *all* forms and reports required by the Central Office without delay. Furthermore, all *money* due to the Central Office has been sent in promptly.

Financial Stability

At the end of last year (May 1939) Beta Beta was approximately \$75.00 In The Red! Of this amount \$62.00 was owed to the Central Office. To make matters worse, the initiation fees of two brothers initiated in December 1938 were yet unpaid! Their debt to one outside organization was creating a bad name for our chapter. The amount of dues was not clearly defined and finally a tax was imposed upon each brother to keep the chapter's nose above water. Just as money matters often cause a strain on the marital bond so was the financial instability creating a very unfraternal atmosphere in the chapter. Starting this year with

only SIX members they began rebuilding their treasury.

Rushing Spirit

Despite the fact that Beta Beta started the year with only six men (two of whom spent little time on the campus because of outside employment) the rushing spirit was remarkable. *The percentage of brothers inducted into Beta Beta this year compared to last year is SIX HUNDRED PER CENT!!!* This is even more amazing when you consider that the active group has been increased by THREE HUNDRED PER CENT.

Pledge Training

In order to make worthwhile Alpha Phi Delta men out of pledges, a strong effort was made at the very beginning to drive home the principles of the fraternity to future brothers. Accordingly, thorough training is given all pledges by the Pledge Committee. Dokimes are distributed to each pledge and he is required to learn the high lights in this book. Besides the casual, friendly questioning at the weekly Pledge Meetings, each pledge **MUST** pass the thorough examination he takes **BEFORE** initiation.

Scholarship

Data on this phase are difficult to obtain because the grades are sent to each student after the semester ends. To the best of the writer's knowledge, however, all the brothers in the chapter are in good standing scholastically. Rocco Pucci, who has been awarded the Chapter 1940 Scholarship Key, was runner-up for the Civil Engineering Medal awarded at this

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CONVENTION

Over But Memory of it Lingers On

The Cleveland convention, like the Buffalo and Pittsburgh conventions that preceded it, was a success, both financially and socially, according to Dr. Peter E. Russo, chairman.

Dr. Russo reported that, although little was overlooked to make the 24th annual gathering of the fraternity a shining star socially, the committee was able to make a profit by keeping the overhead down as much as possible by raising funds in advance through various enterprises, such as dances and parties.

The money realized was turned over to the Cleveland Alumni Club, which sponsored the convention.

The successes of the last three conventions should be an inspiration to the Boston group, which will play host next year.

The convention secretary, Joseph M. Gambatese, published a monthly bulletin that was sent to all fraternity men in Greater Cleveland every month from February to September, meeting the cost by carrying a business notice for a subscribing merchant. Gambatese also handled the program convention book, which made a profit, and was responsible for articles and pictures in all three of the Cleveland daily newspapers.

It was announced by Grand Consul Victor S. Leanza that more chapters were represented at the meetings in Hotel Statler than ever before.

The convention opened on Thursday night, August 29, with an informal reception at the hotel attended by more than 150 men and women.

Despite heavy rain, 50 couples attended the out-door day at Pine Ridge Country Club after the first business session Friday morning. The ladies had their own cocktail party on the club-house veranda.

Many thought Saturday night's cabaret party at Boiardi's Grill, where everybody really let their hair down and went to town with an old-fashion funfest, surpassed all other affairs of its type at other conventions. Seventy-five couples jammed the restaurant, which was taken over by the convention.

The Grand Ball followed a formal banquet in the air-conditioned Euclid Room of Hotel Statler, at which the national awards were announced, Sunday night.

This event, attended by 113 couples, was a smashing climax to an already profitable socially successful convention.

Dr. Russo and the members of the committee express their gratitude and thanks to all those who contributed to its success.

What the Fraternity Offers

College men have made an incalculable contribution to the public good. Fraternity men are a special group within the larger circle. . . . To those like myself, who have been privileged to enjoy the intimate comradeship and friendship, the encouragement and coöperation, of the membership of their own fraternity, not only through their college days but through all their later life, there cannot be any question of the great benefits and advantages gained within the fraternity. After all, friendships in life are the precious jewels, and friendship and scholarship are the real objectives of college life.

. . . The fraternity has offered to many a student the opportunity to live within a small group of carefully chosen, congenial fellow students, in a house owned and maintained by their own members, under a discipline imposed by mature and intelligent men and administered with high ideals and worthy practices passed on from generation to generation—a unique opportunity for close companionship and coöperation. I am entirely satisfied that fraternity life on this continent has made, within the larger sphere of the university, a substantial contribution to public and private life.—HARRY H. DAVIS, Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada and ΦΔΘ past president.

National Honor Award

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year's Commencement. This is an honor which Beta Beta did not enjoy last year. Furthermore, Beta Beta is again represented on the Dean's Honor List.

Noteworthy is the fact that this year Beta Beta awarded THREE Camera Scholarship Keys, including the years 1938 and 1939 as well as 1940.

Morale

The morale of any group is more readily observed when it is engaged in some form of activity. The deeds the group accomplishes are, however, a good indication of the morale or spirit of any organization. A list of some of Beta Beta's activities are indicative of a good morale.

1. Held their big monthly meetings at the home of a brother, alternating each month. At these meetings the host served abundant and delicious refreshments at his own expense.

2. Notified the alumni of the Chapter's main activities and invited them to the social functions.

3. Traveled on Sundays at great personal sacrifice to attend meetings which of necessity were in far corners of New York City. (We are not permitted by the college authorities to maintain a fraternity house).

4. Organized a LADIES AUXILIARY. This group helps to make the socials after the monthly meetings very enjoyable. They have been organized (the ladies) solely for the purpose of promoting the interests of Alpha Phi Delta.

5. Meets weekly on the campus, often sacrificing valuable free period time or foregoing lunch.

Extra-Curricular Activity

This year the members strove to put Beta Beta "on the map" at Manhattan by encouraging the brothers to take part in the numerous campus activities. Beta

Beta men now hold key positions in the Manhattan extra-curricular activities.

The members are pulling together for the welfare of the Chapter and Alpha Phi Delta.

Wise Chapter Treats Parents as Partners

Says GEORGE S. LASHER, of *Theta Chi*,
and Vice Chairman of N.I.C.

It is a wise chapter that treats the parents of its pledges and its members as partners in the financial conduct of its organization. After all, if it were not for the consent of parents and the finances they provide, fraternity chapters as they are now organized would soon cease to be. It is a highly sensible program, therefore, for the chapter from the very beginning to make clear to the parents the financial obligations involved in fraternity life and the necessity for cooperation in meeting those obligations. A clear, businesslike statement will go far not only in safeguarding the chapter from criticism, but in making parents feel that they too are a part of the fraternity. Once they feel that, they become definitely interested in helping the chapter function successfully. Not infrequently they have proved more helpful even than alumni.

First, as soon as a man is pledged, there should go to the parents a friendly letter expressing pleasure over the acceptance of the bid on the part of their son and inviting them to visit the chapter house when it is convenient. Along with that letter should go a clear statement as to pledge and initiation fees and the detailed expenses of membership, such as dues, board, and room, and assessments, if any. If there is a penalty for failure to pay accounts when due, that should be made clear. The parents should also be told that they will be notified immediately if the account of their son becomes overdue. That will prevent any misunderstanding and in the great majority of cases will insure the prompt payment of accounts by the pledge or the member instead of the money sent by the parents for that purpose being used for other purposes.

Men of Alpha Phi Delta

Gambatese of Kappa Wins Outstanding Alumnus Award



THE award for the alumnus who did the most for Alpha Phi Delta during the last school year went to Joseph M. Gambatese, Kappa, crime reporter for the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* and secretary of the successful Cleveland Convention.

Through publicity, organization work and general activity, Gambatese was a strong force in the stimulation of Kappa Chapter and the Cleveland Alumni Club, in which he has always held office since his graduation from Western Reserve University in 1933.

He is a member of the national expansion committee, correspondent for the *KLEOS*, and holder of the fraternity golf championship, repeating in Cleveland his victory at Pittsburgh in 1938.

Author of eight true detective yarns that have appeared under his signature in *True Detective* and *Master Detective* magazines in the past three years, Gambatese is 28 years old, married and the father of a son, Roger, 5. He has just become a home owner and is now living at 3797 Montevista Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

Outstanding Undergraduate Award Goes to Paccione of Eta Chapter

Eta Chapter placed the name of James Paccione, a member of its chapter, before the Executive Committee at the National Convention as a candidate for the "Outstanding Undergraduate Award." After reading of his activities and accomplishments the committee did not hesitate in its choice.

Brother Paccione lead his chapter through a most trying period. He has given unsparingly of his time to the Metropolitan Committee in New York, and was the first undergraduate to attend a convention in five years from the Eta Chapter.

His activities have been many. He served as a delegate to the Metropolitan Committee for three years. He was Chairman of the Athletic, Scholarship and 1940 New York District Convention and Dance Committee. He served for a



time as Editor of the *Metro News Weekly*. For activities in his chapter, Paccione
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Round the Table

Now Is the Time to Mend and Build Advises a Grand Pro-Consul

By Francis J. Paladino—Grand Pro-Consul, 3rd District.

THIS epistle is neither an apology nor a censure, but rather an invitation to you all to consider your fraternity with the renewed vigor of enthusiasm. There is no doubt but that the fraternity can use awakened interest plus the vitality that comes of new blood.

On many occasions the various departments of the fraternity have sought to enlist the aid of the undergraduate and alumni brothers. The case for Alpha Phi Delta can easily be stated; in brief, the official family is concerned with the progress and growth of the fraternity—that is a duty. To us the problems of the alumni, undergraduates, and pledge activities are an ever present challenge to the ingenuity of smooth running and successful organization.

The success of the undergraduate groups is their success; the prosperous metamorphosis of the pledges, is the successful achievement of themselves and the chapter group; the organization and prestige of the alumni club is again a tribute to the success of its personnel. However, the shortcomings or perhaps the failure of any of these groups immediately becomes the concern or responsibility of the official family. The problems touching on this theme are alike whether taken locally or in consideration of the fraternity at large.

So very little is asked of the membership in order to help promote a stronger unit, that at times the repetition of appeal takes on the color of officious impertinence.

Alpha Phi Delta in the metropolitan area holds a unique position as compared with the fraternity activities elsewhere. In New York City and its environs our fraternity has its largest concentration of membership. Here within subway riding distance live more members, and there are more chapters and alumni clubs. Including Yale Chapter and Newark Alumni the outposts of the metropolitan district, there are in all twelve units of the Alpha Phi Delta Fraternity.

Surely with this concentration of strength, there should be no end to progressive activity. For the past year or two the activities of the undergraduate chapters have been on the average meritorious. Their activity has been scholastic, social, and in the sports. The Alumni Clubs have contributed their work in advising and guiding the undergraduates. In addition, the New York Alumni Club has sponsored scholastic awards, stimulated fraternity interest, and has in general been the keynote of the Metropolitan alumni. The silent partner in many of the alumni and undergraduate undertakings is the Executive Committee of the New York Club. Last, but not least, the Metropolitan Committee—representatives of the chapters and alumni clubs, working for the express benefit of the undergraduates—may be considered the hub of the undergraduate activities.

Despite these generous exhibitions on the part of the alumni and the tireless efforts of the undergraduates, there is much that remains to be done. On the basis of membership and chapter population in the area, the percentage of active participation is proportionately low.

It is believed that the interest already demonstrated in the New York Alumni

Club has materially aided the undergraduates. As for the *esprit de corps* of the club, there is nothing that can be added; except, to its membership. The morale of every unit in metropolitan Alpha Phi Delta is extremely high. An inspection of chapter houses, and Alumni Clubs will convince one of the fine spirit and full coöperation existing therein.

It is the desire of the Grand Pro-Consul of 3rd district to congratulate all the Alpha Phi Delta units, and to welcome the continuation of their fine accomplishments. God willing, may there be con-

tinuation of the great work already done and the generous coöperation between us all. May there also be a heart felt desire on the part of the many Alpha Phi Deltans who are near to again join with us—now, as alumni members. Let us again be active in our fraternity; only the undergraduate members can tell you how much that means to them. The clock has swung around again—the play of chance has once more brought that general unified spirit to all the chapter groups. Now is the time to mend and build.



Some of the Boston Alumni Club Boys Ready for the Last Dip of the Season.

Boston Organizes an Alumni Unit Fund Association

Capital and resources have always been the main contributory element for the perpetuity of any association. Although one hates to constantly drum up financial projects, it is nevertheless possible that success should crown the efforts of an association honestly supervised by capable and reputable men.

It was with this thought in mind that some six years ago several members of the Boston Alumni started to talk about the mutual benefits that could be derived from such an association among those brethren alumni more or less economically and financially stabilized for the purpose of judicious investments. It finally took root a month ago when several initial payments of \$20.00 were contributed toward this project.

In a short space of time \$80.00 were deposited with the Franklin Savings Bank of Boston which together with future initial payments and monthly dues of \$2.00 shall be properly invested into interest bearing stocks and bonds. The fund will be temporarily supervised by Brothers Vannicola and Cantella.

Due credit is given to the Cleveland Alumni for suggesting a name to the quasi-similiar plan.

The participants so far are—Brothers DeGuglielmo, Bellizia, Cantella, Vannicola.

Proper regulations have been formulated for a systematic participation of brother members, and rules have been promulgated for a business-like procedure of financial investment which will soon be presented to participating brother members.

The Alpha Phi Delta Ladies Auxiliary of Boston Is Organized

At a meeting held on October 2, 1940, at Brother Vincent Cantella's residence, The Ladies Auxiliary of Alpha Phi Delta was formally organized. Guiding suggestions were offered by Brothers DiGiusto, DeGuglielmo, Grieco and Guarini at a meeting presided by Brother Vannicola. The ladies having been properly advised requested the brothers to leave the conference room and lost no time in electing their own officers. They are: Mrs. Cesidia A. Guarini, President; Mrs. Carlo M. Vannicola, Vice President; Mrs. Angelo Traniello, Treasurer; Miss Carmela Cantella, Secretary.

Also present at this gathering were: Mrs. Vincent Damiano, Mrs. Donato A. Grieco, Mrs. John A. Bellizia, Jr., Mrs. Joseph A. DeGuglielmo, Mrs. Amleto Di Giusto, Mrs. Americus D'Agostino, Mrs. George Catanzano.

Because of the limitation of space in meeting in a private residence, the first meeting was confined to wives of brothers, and an invitation has been extended to all other wives who failed to participate at this first meeting, to all sweethearts and sisters of brothers who may be interested, at a second meeting to be held at the Hotel Statler in Boston on Thursday, October 24. A special feature of this Auxiliary is that it will be comprised of a member representing a second generation in the person of Miss Dolly Guarini, only daughter of our brother founder, Dr. Cesidio A. Guarini.

The Ladies Auxiliary has already laid plans for a gala program of activities in order to raise sufficient funds for a reception of wives, sweethearts, and sisters who are expected to come to Boston for the 1941 Alpha Phi Delta Silver Jubilee Convention.

New York Alumni Club Gives Huge Smoker for N. Y. Chapters

The New York Alumni Club undertook its first affair by sponsoring an all Metropolitan Smoker for the chapters located in the city, on November 15th at the Hotel Albert.

All the members and pledges of the Metropolitan chapters attended and the pledges entertained by putting on humorous skits.

The Club is increasing its membership

roster every year, and plans are still being continued whereby the Club is cooperating with all the chapters in the metropolitan area in their drive for scholarship improvement. The Club will again sponsor a dinner and award to a New York chapter the New York Alumni Club Plaque for scholarship improvement. The first plaque was won by Beta Chapter in 1939.

Metropolitan Committee to Give Xmas Formal Dance at the Essex House, Dec. 28th

The Metropolitan Committee in New York entered another year of activity when it held its first meeting in Cleveland right after the close of the Convention. Frank J. Paladino, the new Grand Pro-Consul of the New York area, lost no time in getting his house in order. The Committee has been meeting regularly ever since at the various fraternity houses in New York.

Concentration has been placed upon the big social affair of the year, the annual Christmas Dance. It will again be held at the Essex House on Saturday, December 28th. The Chairman of the Dance Committee this year is James Salamone, Theta Beta.

The Metropolitan Committee continues to be the hub around which the metropolitan chapters function. A closer cooperation between chapters has steadily been increasing. This is evident in the number of members from various chapters in the city attending chapter dances.

The success of the 1939 Christmas Dance has given the chapters a great incentive to make the 1940 dance twice as successful.

Cleveland Alumni Club Subscribes for 20 Life Memberships

Officers of the Cleveland Alumni Club this year are Victor De Marco, Kappa, president; Joseph Jioia, Xi, vice president; Martin Morocco, Kappa, secretary-treasurer, and Joseph M. Gambatese, Kappa, historian.

The club has subscribed for 20 life memberships for its members. The cost is taken out of the monthly dues.

Summer weddings were those of Dr. Joseph V. Pischieri, Kappa, and Dr. Charles Dinardo, Xi. In the spring it was Dr. James J. Gaudio, Kappa.

G. A. (Gap) Corso, Xi, president last year, welcomed the addition of a daughter to his family of two boys. De Marco, president this year, is wondering what the stork will deliver on its first trip to his house, scheduled soon. There's something to this job of being president.

New York Seeks to Organize a Ladies Auxiliary of Alpha Phi Delta

During several meetings of Alumni clubs in New York City, the opinion has been voiced that the Ladies Auxiliary has not progressed as rapidly or with the desired results. It has been the interest of several of the wives and sweethearts of our brothers to organize a strong ladies' unit for one of two major reasons. First, as a social division paralleling our activities; and secondly, to sponsor from time to time teas, card parties, and other petit activities. In this manner it may become possible to aid financially the needs of certain chapter functions.

Anyone interested should communicate with the KLEOS Editor, Mrs. Brescia, or Mrs. Paladino.

Dots and Dashes

F. Anthony Gallo, *Theta Beta*, married the former Miss Ruth Reynolds of Bridgeport, Conn., in June.

Albert Da Pozza, *Theta Beta*, is receiving instruction in aviation at the Chicago School of Aeronautics.

Louis Di Prima, *Theta Beta*, has been assigned as Cargo Mate on the "S. S. Santa Lucia" of the Grace Lines.

S. A. Mauceri, *Theta Beta*, was married to Miss Josephine Mocerri in October.

Harold A. Frediani, *Theta*, until recently instructor in charge of analytical industrial chemistry at the Louisiana State University, has been appointed assistant director of the Fisher Scientific Company Development Laboratory, Pittsburgh, Pa.

The judges of the Common Pleas Court at Cleveland recently appointed Joseph Pietrafese, Xi, as an investigator for the court's domestic relations bureau. Pietrafese was graduated from Ohio State University last year and has been attending night law school.

Mike Rodak, *Kappa*, end on the Cleveland Rams professional football team, was

elected constable in his home town, Wier-ton, W. Va.

Hugo Alexander, Xi, was reelected Democratic prosecutor of Jefferson County at Steubenville, Ohio, for another four years.

Hercules Paolino, *Kappa*, Democratic candidate for prosecutor of Ashtabula County at Ashtabula, Ohio, was defeated when the Republicans swept the county offices.

Recent marriages are those of Ralph Musengo and Arthur Ciricillo, both of *Kappa*.

Vito Di Vincenzo, Chi, is now a member of the Penn State College faculty. Brother Di Vincenzo taught for some-time in Puerto Rico.

Nicholas P. R. Spinelli, Gamma, awarded General Second Year Honors, is now pursuing his Senior Year in the Sheffield Scientific School at Yale University.

Henry X. LaRaia, Xi, is the proud father of a boy born in August. Brother LaRaia is an Assistant Commander in the CCC stationed at Castile Island, N. Y. It is interesting to note that LaRaia married the former Miss Ottaviano, sister to our Grand Delegate, Felix. They met at the New York Convention in 1936.

Born to Music

Pat. Ciricillo, *Kappa*, became the proud father of a baby girl, Patricia, born in July. Incidentally, Brother Ciricillo writes that he is pursuing graduate work in musicology at Columbia University, and is also working as a member of the orchestra at the Rockefeller Center Theater for the show "It Happened On Ice," a spectacular musical "icetravaganza."

Rocco Pucci, *Beta Beta*, is now employed by the General Electric Corp. in Philadelphia, Pa.

Dom. Madri, *Theta Beta*, married the former Miss Rose Farro in June.

Grid Star's Dad Is Killed in Mine

Charles Cherundolo Sr., father of Chuck Cherundolo, Chi, former Penn State football captain and now a center on the Philadelphia National Professional League team, was instantly killed when struck by a runaway coal car in a mine he operated at near-by Hughestown.

Just Between Ourselves



Immutable

She struggled on without a word,
 She knew no pain and gave no blame,
 She was as watchful as the keeper of his
 herd,
 Virtuous since birth, she knew no shame.
 She would mutely gaze at the sun and the
 stars.
 And hold the strength of life within her
 girth,
 She was marked with lifelong battle scars,
 Her children loved her dearly, this mother
 earth.

SAL P. LA CERVA, *Iota.*

Brothers Under the Sheepskin

The men who join fraternities include the student leaders, the pick of the campus. Business and professional life is studded with men who gained their first training in leadership in the fraternity house. In a few universities which feed largely on exclusive prep schools, and in some Southern colleges, social background is an essential for membership, but most fraternities, especially the larger ones, pride themselves on their democracy.

Fraternity membership carries with it no guarantee of a job after graduation. But many young graduates are placed through fraternity influence, and Alpha Tau Omega maintains a placement bureau which annually finds jobs for many of its younger members.

A lot has been said and written at one time or another about the wretched plight of the non-fraternity man. But it is seldom pointed out that this is really a problem of the college. Nowadays many universities accept this responsibility and try to provide an adequate social life for all their students. Dormitories have stu-

dent officers of their own and have their own dances. On some campuses non-fraternity men are welcome guests at fraternity parties. Unless a boy has a martyr complex he can, in most cases, have a pretty good time at college even outside a fraternity.

Contrary to general impression, the fraternity man is not a poor student. Records show that for the last ten years fraternity men have consistently out-ranked non-fraternity men in scholarship.

The political campaign this fall has thrown an interesting sidelight on the value of national fraternity affiliation. Wendell Willkie is a member of Beta Theta Pi. Congressman Charles A. Halleck, a Beta, made the nominating speech. Congressman Bertrand Snell and Mayor Roland Marvin, leaders in the Willkie movement, are both Betas. Willkie workers at Philadelphia were quartered in the Beta House, and most of the Willkie Clubs are headed by members of his fraternity.—FLOYD W. SMITH, *In Town and Country.*

Ask any scientist or artist whether civilization can survive another war of worldwide proportions and he is pretty sure to answer in the negative. There is no denying that human progress will be set back for years, possibly for decades, by any such catastrophe.

This civilization differs from all its predecessors in that it realizes and even measures dangers to which it may be subjected at any given moment, though it may be helpless to avert some of them, among which war is the chief.

Today we find libraries packed with facts. An immense amount of statistical material has given the economist a limited



THE KLEOS EDITOR'S NIGHTMARE AS DEADLINE NEARS

(CHAPTER EDITORS PLEASE NOTE)

Thanks to the Signet of Phi Sigma Kappa

power of prediction. Medicine is so highly developed that it is hard to imagine an epidemic wiping out every man, woman and child in Europe and America. Starvation has lost much of its old terror in normal times.

The complete destruction of a culture implies that every civilized country is at war—something which has not yet occurred in any conflict of history. So long as there is one nation left with libraries, scholars and technicians and with traditions, it is hard to imagine the art and learning of the world wiped out utterly, with mankind reduced to savagery.—*The Triad*.

"Fraternities and sororities are recognized as responsible organizations having a real interest in promoting the best there is in student life." That is the official statement of Dr. Arthur Cutts Willard, president of the University of Illinois, a man who has lived long among Greek-letter organizations. Properly used, that statement will do much to counteract the libels and the bad publicity emanating from magazines, newspaper, novels, and the movies.—*The Rattle of Theta Chi*.

The Joy of Being Editor

Getting out this magazine is no picnic,

If we print jokes people say we are silly;

If we don't they say we are too serious;

If we clip things from other magazines

We are too lazy to write them ourselves;

If we don't we are too fond of our own stuff.

If we don't print contributions, we don't appreciate true genius;

If we do print them the magazine is filled with junk.

If we make a change in the other person's write-up we are too critical;

If we don't we are asleep.

Now like as not someone will say

We swiped this from some other magazine.

WE DID.—*Kappa Alpha Journal*.

A Call for Thespians

California's State Theatre, the internationally famous Pasadena Community Playhouse, welcomes the interest of those who would make the field of the theatre their life-work.

Toward a more comprehensive understanding of training, and especially as applied to collegians, the Playhouse has announced the appointment of Maudie Doyle, Wyoming '35, as student representative.

If footlights burn brightly in your future plans, it might be well to write Maudie Doyle, Pasadena Playhouse, Pasadena, California for full details.

Analysis Needed?

Perhaps your chapter needs an analysis, a thorough and purposeful planning. Spring is the time for it, but that having passed, the winter will do. Kappa Deltas at Ohio State divided their discussion into panels on Chapter Personnel, the value of offices and their meaning to the members and the group; Campus activities, their meaning to participants and their organization; Personality Development, character growth and what to look for in rushees. They agreed that properly assimilated, all phases could be invaluable to a member's mental and spiritual growth as well as to the chapter's betterment.

Award to Paccione

(Continued from Page 18)

cione served as Consul during the chapter's most trying period. During 1939-40 he was Eta's quaestor, a position he filled most diligently. He did his utmost in collecting a great many delinquent debts which then placed the chapter on a sound financial footing. As a delegate to the City College Interfraternity Council, he has placed Alpha Phi Delta in a high position on the campus. He undertook to rewrite and revise Eta's Constitution, a work of some 30 odd pages. A movement is under way to begin a Ladies Auxiliary, and Paccione is the first to institute the idea in Eta Chapter. Thus far favorable reports are heard from that organization. At City College, Paccione is a member of the College Dramatic Society. He appeared in the cast of the College production of "Idiot's Delight."

With all his activities, Paccione strives to maintain a high scholastic average. He received the 1938-39 Camera Award of Eta Chapter.

Chapters in Review



Beta Beta Determined to Win a Second Plaque

BY GEORGE ATTURA

Possibly it was the ancient Chinese, Confucius, who first uttered the truism that many "rest on their laurels after the job is done." Well, I can tell you he really wasn't thinking of Beta Beta. No sir! Last year we were honored by receiving the plaque awarded to the "Chapter Showing the Most Improved Record." This year one of the brothers commented on the advantages of having *two* such plaques. So we're raring and tearing to go through this year with such flying colors that they will just have to award the plaque to us again. Talk of ambition! Watch our smoke!

Well, apart from all quips, we're well advanced in our pledging season: thanks to the Pledge Committee of Dom Viglietta, Frank Perrotta, Billy Bisordi and John Guidotti under the excellent leadership of the chairman, John D'Angelo. This year a fine group of fellows were pledged and we're sure that these prospects will develop into worthy brothers of ALPHA PHI DELTA. The brothers and pledges attended the Metropolitan Smoker en masse on Nov. 15th, thereby familiarizing the prospective brothers right at the start with the social aspects of fraternity life. To enhance this picture the Beta Beta Entertaining Committee under Joe Conte's able direction sponsored a rollicking combination of a beer party and rug cutting session with the favorite band entertaining (on records). This gala affair took place about a week after the Metropolitan Smoker.

The officers who guide the destinies of Beta Beta for the 1940-41 school year are: consul, Theodore N. LaMonte; pro-consul, Mario V. Bisordi; tribune, George M. Attura; quæstor, Joseph Conte; historian, Frank Danna; chaplain, John D'Angelo.

Chi Setting Fast Pace on Penn State Campus

BY MAXIMILLIAN PALENA

Chi Chapter at Penn State College is setting a fast pace this year. They boast of 16 brothers and 10 pledges.

The fraternity is held in high regard on the campus because of the splendid group of men in the chapter. Chi boasts of the fact that it harbors the College's best football player, Pepper Petrella and the school's most popular wrestler, Joseph Scalzo. Pepper holds his own little spotlight on the gridiron. Scalzo, besides being vice president of the junior class is an honor student, and a runner-up for the Intercollegiate wrestling crown.

Chi Chapter is again planning a huge social function for its Founder's Day celebration. It will be held sometime this coming spring.

Beta Regains New Life to Carry On

BY FRANK S. ROMANO

This year marks one of the greatest years in the history of Beta Chapter. The members have come forth with renewed vigor and determination. For several years Beta had been without a house, all meetings were held in the Casa Italiana of Columbia University. It was difficult to carry on. However, today, under the leadership of new officers, Beta has emerged from a period of stagnation and has acquired a house on Fraternity Row.

Since winning the Camera Scholarship Plaque from the New York Alumni Club, Beta has gained a new impetus in its chapter life.

A pledge dinner was given recently, and among the prominent Beta alumni who attended were Professors Paul J. Salvatore, Peter M. Riccio, and Judge S. F. La Corte.

Beta has recently adopted a new policy whereby a social will be held at the house twice a month in order to maintain an active social life for the members.

Delta on the Upgrade

BY ANTHONY BUGLIONE

Delta Chapter at Brooklyn Poly Tech has succeeded in pledging seven young men this semester. The chapter will hold an initiation sometime during the Christmas week. There has been a marked increase in the young men at the College and Delta has had an open field from which to choose. The officers carrying out the administrative duties of Delta are: John Iaconis, consul, Pat. DeFillipo, pro-consul,

Vincent Buglione, tribune, and Carmine Carresse, quaestor.

Plans have been made in advance for Delta's annual dance sometime during the spring term.

Beta Zeta in 4th Place on Ohio U. Campus

BY ANTHONY P. PALERMO

Beta Zeta opened its 1940-41 academic year with a group of 13 actives and 13 pledges. Many things are expected of the chapter this year, which will be made possible under the leadership of the new administration which consists of: Joseph Sturrett, consul; Dan Risaliti, pro-consul; Joseph Soviero, tribune; Charles De Sio, quaestor; Thomas Colamonico, social chairman.

At the present time the scholastic record of Beta Zeta places the active group in 4th place and the pledge body in 3rd place.

Thus far the social program has been very successful. Open houses are held weekly. On Oct. 26, the pledges held their annual dance. Nov. 3 was the date for the annual Harvest dance held at the chapter house. The house was decorated with various things that go with harvest days. Our winter formal will be held sometime in February, and plans are progressing for a gala occasion.

Homecoming brought many alumni this year among those who returned were Dr. DeStefano, Varalli, Tomasalli, Caccese, Spronz, Marino, Rich.

Under the management of Brother Risaliti our intramural football team finished in second place after keen competition with other fraternity teams. Brothers Colamonico and Sberna were honored by being placed on the all-fraternity intramural football team.

Beta Zeta is also well represented in many other extra-curricular activities. Brother Frank Tirella was appointed Regimental Sergeant, and was also placed on the Military Ball Committee. The J-Club, an organization for outstanding Junior men on the campus, selected Brother Charles De Sio from our group. Many of our group belong to various other clubs connected with their scholastic work.

Beta Zeta boasts of having Brother Danny Risaliti and Pledge Jake Chicatelli on the varsity squad. Brother Risaliti was placed on the Little All-American team last fall and many things are expected of him this fall. Pledge Chicatelli is Danny's understudy. Brothers Sciano and Sberna were selected for Pawn and Bishop, an organization for outstanding fraternity men. We are also ably represented in the band by Brothers De Mart and Casanova and Baton Twiller Pledge Cocomelli.

News from our alumni tells us that Brother Spronz is teaching at Cleveland, Brother Rich is coaching semi-pro football in Canton. Brother Frank Ruzzo is doing graduate work at N.Y.U.

Beta Zeta, under the guidance of Grand Pro-Counsel Brother Dr. Macedonia, anticipate a banner year.

Four Men Carry on at Omega

BY CHARLES A. MAGGIO

The opening of the semester found Omega Chapter small in membership. Graduation lessened the ranks. Four men returned to carry on. They are: John Montione, Charles Maggio, Ralph Alpavone, and Harry Gerbasi.

These four men placed most of their labor in securing a good number of pledges. There is on the pledgee roster ten interested men.

Thanksgiving Eve marked the date of the Pledge Dance held jointly with the alumni of Rochester. Myron Cucci did much to make the affair an outstanding one.

Plans have been made for a gala Christmas Dance.

Beta Eta Excels on Campus

BY LAWRENCE D'ANTONIO

Beta Eta at Brooklyn College has been gaining prominence on the campus for its participation in the field of sports. It won the softball championship after competing and winning six straight games against all other fraternities on the campus. It also reached the semi-finals in the basketball tournament held at the College. Beta Eta is now in full possession of the Metropolitan Softball Cup when it won its games from the chapters for three successive years.

The officers at Beta Eta this year are: John Pasquariello, consul; Roy Pennise, pro-consul; Francis Paterno, quaestor; Lawrence D'Antonio, tribune; and William Spinella, scribe.

The show put on by the pledges at Beta Eta won recognition on the campus for the chapter. Socials are held every other Friday at the fraternity house.

Theta Beta Awards Gold Medals, New Officers Has Chapter on Its Toes

BY JOSEPH S. CHIMENTO



Victor Paraboschis, Winner of the Theta Beta Chapter Gold Medal Presented by N. Y. U.

Theta Beta has received that well known "shot in the arm" when it elected a new ad-

ministration to carry on for the new year. The chapter is headed by: Joseph S. Chimento, consul; Joseph Florio, pro-consul; Andrew Modica, quaestor; Victor Ruggerio, tribune; and Charles Gabriele, chaplain.

The chapter has been active throughout the summer and when the new semester began, it located itself in new quarters at 230 Wooster Street. The chapter has been located at this address once before in 1936 and 1937.

Theta Beta has been awarding two gold medals annually for the past ten years to that student of Italian extraction, who upon graduation has maintained a high scholastic average during his four years at the University. The medals are awarded to the graduate by New York University at commencement time. The medals for this year were won by Charles R. Di Prima of Washington Square College, and Victor J. Paraboschi of the School of Commerce, N.Y.U. Although the chapter has had a difficult year, it nevertheless sacrificed everything else in order to present these awards.

Two men have been initiated at the beginning of the new semester, they are: Francis Merlino and Amerigo Rossi.

The 1940-41 year started with full force. A Smoker was given on October 4. It was so successful that another Smoker which was planned for Oct. 18 was cancelled. Dr. Robert Dow, chairman of the Student Activities and Fraternities at N.Y.U., was the guest speaker. The guests were so impressed with Dr. Dow's opinion of Theta Beta that as a result of it nineteen men were pledged.

The chapter has instituted a policy of opening every meeting with a prayer. It is strange the effect it has on the group. This follows the suggestion presented at the Cleveland Convention.

On November 2, the chapter sponsored the first of its social functions. A dance was held in the Sky Gardens of the Hotel Abbey. Brother Charles Gabriele surprised the group by having one of his original waltz compositions played. This composition will again be played at the formal Metropolitan Christmas Dance.

The chapter is continually looking forward to a brighter and more successful future. It is forever looking to spring bigger and better surprises. It feels it will be Theta Beta's year to win the National Improvement Award. So . . . "LET'S GO."

Psi Chapter Proud of Its Alumni

By ALPHONSE CAPONE

Psi Chapter elected the following men for 1940-41: Ralph Papania Jr.—president; Arthur Rachiele—vice president; Carl Cicchino, treasurer; Alphonse Capone—secretary.

The annual social affair was held May 31, 1940, at Bill Green's Terrace Garden with Everett Hoagland's Orchestra furnishing the music.

Plans for initiation of new members have already been formulated and our first smoker was held Oct. 9, 1940.

We are pleased to announce the success Brother Aldo "Buff" Donelli, Head Coach and

Athletic Director at Duquesne University and Brother George Rado, Assistant Coach at Duquesne University have had with their football teams in the past year and this year.

Brother Steve Siciliano is attending the University of Pennsylvania Law School. Brother Joseph Cornetto is attending Duquesne University Law School. Brother Vincent Viscomi has become a valuable part of the U. S. Army. He is an officer stationed in Georgia with the Field Artillery. All of the aforementioned brothers were graduated from Duquesne University June, 1940.

We wish to thank Brother Bisceglia for his fine work as District Pro-Consul and wish to welcome Brother N. S. Favio as our new District Pro-Consul.

Eta Improvement Due to Coöperative Effort of Every Man

By CLAUDE SIGNORI

During the past year Eta Chapter has never failed in sedulous attention to its duties, as a consequence of which the ensuing term has revealed an improvement never before paralleled in its history. This improvement has been made possible only through the coöperative effort of each and every fraternity brother. Outstanding in his contribution to Eta has been James Paccione, whose diligence and perseverance have obtained for him the coveted national award for being the most active undergraduate brother throughout the year.

Another feat of great importance has been the smooth functioning of the Ladies' Auxiliary group—smooth in the sense that it has been functioning on its own initiative.

An additional point to marvel at is the fact that Eta now has thirteen pledges. They are: Joseph Cuminale, Benjamin Sacco, Joseph Serio, Nick DiSalvo, Matthew Giuffre, Joseph Ingardia, Henry DelVecchio, Egidio Boccione, Aldo Venturi, Frank DePace, John Lanfrit, Robert Scalone, and John Giancaspro.

Lastly but by no means the least, so that the success of the chapter will not go unnoticed, we are publishing a semi-monthly bulletin in which will be included all the activities of the alumni, brothers, and pledges; and on the last page of each issue there will always be printed a reminder to each and every reader of the 20th anniversary dinner and dance to be given sometime after Easter. The officers at the present time who are contributing so much to the success of the Eta Chapter are: Amedeo Ippolito, consul; Italo Ponterotto, pro-consul; Anthony Lufrano, quaestor; Frank Ricciardi, tribune; and Claude Signori, historian and chaplain.

Beta Delta Celebrates 10th Anniversary

By LOUIS M. PELOSI

Determination to win the National Award for the most improved chapter in the fraternity has entered the veins of the members of Beta Delta Chapter at Temple University.

Beta Delta celebrated its 10th Anniversary on November 15. A large "Alumni Homecoming" get-together met to celebrate the event.

**Xi Has Splendid Start—
Abolishes "Hell Week"**

By JOHN A. MACEDONIA

Xi reports a splendid start for the 1940-41 school year. Under the able leadership of our Consul, Nelson Lancione, we are destined to enjoy a very successful year. Coupled with his generalship is the invaluable and whole-hearted support of the very vigorous Columbus Alumni club.

Our fight has begun; our goal, the coveted scholarship cup which slipped from our grasp by a very slim margin last year. A seemingly hopeless confusion of legal, musical, anatomical, philosophical, and swing terminology permeates the atmosphere of our home as the annual tilt between student and text gets under way. Individually and collectively we look forward to a happy solution of this Babel in the successful development of these embryonic brain trusts.

Our drive for new men has been a successful one. The pledges now number ten, but this figure will presently be increased by at least half. The boys present a splendid array of brain and brawn, and both of these faculties are being developed to their fullest capacities. This group will inaugurate the new pledge

probation system which has been substituted for Hell Week. At the beginning of this year, Hell Week, as we know it, was abolished at Ohio State. There has been instituted instead an entirely new and different system, abolishing all physical hazing, and accenting constructive mental disciplinary measures.

Our social chairman, Brother Laurie, is providing us with many and diversified activities to counteract any possible academic hangovers. His masterful chairmanship promises to make this year another succession of memorable events. All his energies are now being concentrated on the approaching Homecoming festivities. The nucleus of all activity was another great Ohio State-Michigan game on November 23.

Our own grid machine is functioning splendidly. We have played four games, won three, lost one. The loss, 0-1, was sustained in an overtime playing period following a scoreless tie. We are justly confident that our powerhouse combine will drive on to victory, and secure another shining trophy for our collection.

Xi lives "Fraternity," it is working conscientiously to further it, to develop mind, body and spirit, and to continue to be a creditable branch of Alpha Phi Delta.

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Chapters	Index	1939-1940		1938-1939	
		Chapter Aver. Basis of 100%	Improvement on Basis of 100%	Index	Chapter Aver. Basis of 100%
Beta	-23	60.5	+0.3	-17	60.2
Gamma	+42	78.4	.....	.....	.....
Delta	+7	54.3	.....	.....	.....
Epsilon	+7	69.0	.....	.....	.....
Eta	+19	73.0	+8.1	-6	64.9
Zeta	+6	.....	.....	+13	.....
Theta	-4	79.8	+2.8	-19	77.0
Theta Beta	-11	81.5	+4.1	-29	77.4
Iota	-18	40.4	.....	.....	.....
Kappa	-6	41.8	-7.5	+9	49.3
Mu	+8	76.5	+3.5	-6	73.0
Xi	+4	57.8	+1.4	-4	56.4
Rho	+3	57.0	-14.4	+40	71.4
Sigma	-15	31.2	-6.9	-3	38.1
Chi	-24	30.7	-7.9	-12	38.6
Psi	+6	64.8	-17.8	+27	82.6
Omega	-13	44.7	+7.0	-22	37.7
Beta Beta	+12	60.8
Beta Delta	-1	53.0	+12	-6	51.8
Beta Zeta	-15	36.8	-5.9	-8	42.7
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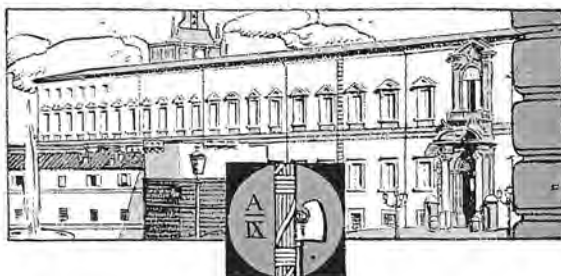
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