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## THE CONVENTION IN PICTURES



This enthusiastic group of Alpha Phi Omega members from all parts of the nation attended the Ninth National Convention, held in Kansas City, Missouri, December 28 and 29, 1946.



The convention banquet was held in the colorful Grand Ball Room of the President Hotel. Old Glory stood as a symbol of freedom and democracy as this group gathered in fraternal fellowship.

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## OFFICIAL REPORT

of

The Ninth National Convention of  
ALPHA PHI OMEGA

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The ninth national convention of Alpha Phi Omega was called to order at 9:20 a. m. December 28, 1946. The National President, Dr. H. Roe Bartle (Iota), presided. The call to the convention was read by the National Secretary, Sidney B. North (Pi) as follows:

"Honorable President, and Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega: By authority of Article IX of the National Constitution, I hereby call to order this, the ninth national convention of the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity. This convention, which is the supreme authority of Alpha Phi Omega, is composed of two delegates from each chapter and the members of the national executive board. Each chapter represented has the power to cast two votes on every legislative question. In case a chapter has but one delegate present, that delegate has power to cast both votes. Each member of the national executive board present has power to cast one vote. A quorum to do business shall consist of two-thirds of the delegates assembled, and an affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates constituting a quorum shall be necessary to pass a measure. Proceed with the business of the Fraternity."

The invocation was pronounced by Rev. J. J. Higgins, S. J., Dean of Rockhurst College and Senior Faculty Advisor of Gamma Xi Chapter.

The roll was called by the National Secretary. (The roster of attendance begins on page 25 of this report.)

President Bartle then called upon Brother Ray O. Davies, (Omega), Convention Program Chairman, to outline the program to be followed in the meeting. Brother Davies emphasized the procedure and the principal parts of the two-day program.

Brother Richard L. Coleman, president of Alpha Eta Chapter of the University of Kansas City, then addressed the convention, welcoming all visiting delegates. He represented the six host chapters in expressing their desire to provide all comforts and conveniences for the delegates toward making their stay in Kansas City fully enjoyable and beneficial.

The response was made by Brother Frank M. Watenpaugh of Alpha Delta Chapter, San Diego State College. He expressed appreciation for the preparations carried out by the host chapters.

President Bartle outlined the objectives of the convention, being three-fold: First, to bring together brothers from many campuses in a common bond of fellowship; second, to provide an exchange of ideas and experiences in service projects, and third, to conduct such legislation as the delegates desire for the welfare of the fraternity.

The presentation of new petitions was conducted by Dr. M. C. Hayes (Eta) National Vice President. Dr. Hayes presented the petitions received from University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, New Mexico, East Stroudsburg (Pennsylvania) State Teachers College, and Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey.

Dr. Hayes forcefully emphasized the importance of careful consideration of each petition to be sure each new group is fully qualified and has proved its interest in service by actual service projects on its campus. On the basis of the facts presented, the petitions were unanimously approved by vote of the convention delegates.

## REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY

By Sidney B. North (Pi)

Honorable President, Brothers of Alpha Phi Omega:

Our best means of judging the future is by the past. This report is intended to give you a thorough knowledge of the national activities of Alpha Phi Omega for the past six years, and I trust this information will serve in some measure as a guide for our deliberations in this convention and for the growth of the fraternity in the years ahead.

The past six years have been a "testing time" in our organization. We were challenged and not found wanting. Those six years brought the greatest upheaval of manpower in the history of American colleges, yet Alpha Phi Omega has steadily advanced. Let us pause to realize that sixteen of Alpha Phi Omega's twenty-

one years have been filled with depression, recession and war. Yet through it all, our organization has proved its worth and value, and men have rallied to this program in increasing numbers.

In the Spring of 1943, 72% of our active members left their campuses for war service. Yet at the beginning of the Fall semester we found courage and faith on the part of our Faculty Advisors, Scouting Advisors and those few remaining active members. They were determined that Alpha Phi Omega should continue to serve in the national emergency as an active organization on each campus. And so the large majority of our chapters proceeded throughout the war years with a continuous record of service. A few chapters in the smaller colleges were forced to terminate until more men were available.

The most outstanding achievement of Alpha Phi Omega is the development of our service program. Last year more than 178 different kinds of service projects were conducted by the chapters. Evidence is conclusive both from written reports and personal reports that Alpha Phi Omega is constantly doing more and more to deserve its special title of National Service Fraternity. Ours has truly been a "growth in service," and you gentlemen have reason to be proud of your part in building our services in four major fields.

Fellowship in Alpha Phi Omega is constantly increasing. One of the most important assets which Alpha Phi Omega has is the satisfaction which you get from your activities in this fraternity and from your associations with Scout-trained men. Ours is a "fellowship of service," the finest relationship men can possibly have.

In membership expansion, I am pleased to report that 5,554 new members have entered Alpha Phi Omega since the last convention. Since the founding of the fraternity 13,520 members have been initiated. Our chapters have visualized the need of larger membership this Fall in line with the increased manpower on each campus. There is strength in numbers, and this year of 1946-47 is truly a year of growth, in which chapters are reaching their desired standards on campuses from coast to coast.

Since the 1940 Convention, 19 new chapters have been installed. They are:

Gamma Tau, Louisiana Polytechnic Institute.  
Gamma Upsilon, Tulane University.  
Gamma Phi, Western Michigan College.  
Gamma Chi, Howard College.  
Gamma Psi, University of Minnesota.  
Gamma Omega, University Heights College, NYU.  
Delta Alpha, University of Cincinnati.  
Delta Beta, University of Oklahoma.  
Delta Gamma, Ohio University.  
Delta Delta, St. Louis University.  
Delta Epsilon, Illinois Institute of Technology.  
Delta Zeta, University of Pennsylvania.  
Delta Eta, Oregon State College.  
Delta Theta, University of Louisville.  
Delta Iota, Mercer University.  
Delta Kappa, Emory University.  
Delta Lambda, Coe College.  
Delta Mu, Kansas State Teachers College.  
Delta Nu, Yale University.

In addition petitions have been received and approved from Ball State Teachers College, Muncie Indiana, Wabash College, Crawfordsville, Indiana, Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut.

Two petitions have been received to be voted upon at this convention, and the processes of establishing new chapters are under way in more than 30 other colleges.

All of this extension has taken place because of the interest of the students, faculty and Scouters. We have not used a professional organizer. I believe you have reason to feel a sense of pride in this growth. However, let's not become complacent. Let's

keep constantly on the alert to extend Alpha Phi Omega to all colleges and universities in the nation.

It has been the policy in your National Office to give immediate service to all chapters at all times, both in correspondence and in the registration of new pledges and members. We have endeavored to maintain a standard of answering all letters the same day received, and sending all materials the same day the requests are received. We have considered the National Office to be "your service station" and have endeavored to give every possible aid in the program development and administration of the chapters.

The volume of communications is great, giving close contact by correspondence between the chapters and the national office. Our office records have continued the same as agreed upon at previous conventions, including a chronological personnel record of all members of the fraternity, a numerical file of all members, an alphabetical card index file of all members and a current active membership record for the present year.

The chapter officers and advisors have shown their appreciation of this service by excellent cooperation in all relationships with the office. Your loyalty has been 100% and I want to here express gratitude for all pay tribute to the consecration of our chapter leaders. Your unselfish service has been largely responsible for the continuous growth of Alpha Phi Omega.

During the time many of you were in the armed forces, we endeavored to continue delivering the fraternity magazine to you at your military addresses. Overseas copies were sent by first class mail, and many letters arrived telling of receiving the TORCH AND TREFOIL at remote outposts around the world. For any copies that did not reach you personally, we are sorry.

We did not skip a single issue of the magazine during the war years, nor were any issues combined. We did our part in paper conservation by using a lighter weight paper and by cutting the number of sample copies of each issue normally used for promotional purposes.

During these hectic years, other developments have taken place:

The Question and Answer pamphlet was compiled and published and has become a handy information piece used by all chapters.

The Ritual pamphlet was published in printed form, including all ceremonies used in Alpha Phi Omega.

The Campus Scout Census card was developed as a means of locating the Scout-trained men on each campus.

The Pledge Bid card was developed as a formal means of inviting eligible men to appear for pledgship.

And now, in your hands today there is a proof copy of the new "Manual of Administration." The findings of this convention will be incorporated in the manual and copies then will be available to all chapter officers and advisors.

In the face of constant increases in the costs of operation, your initiation fee has remained the same. Not a single appeal was sent to any member or non-member for any special contribution to help finance the national organization during the wartime emergency. One friend of mine told me of receiving three requests from another organization while overseas, for emergency funds. Yet by economical procedures, we stand here today free of debt, as compared to a \$6500 national indebtedness which faced us when we convened in Indianapolis six years ago. Our fraternity is self-supporting and will continue to be.

Special thanks is hereby extended to the Bureau of Personnel of the United States Navy, which cooperated fully with Alpha Phi Omega during the years of the V-12 program on campuses. By specific permission from Washington, our chapters were allowed to survey the men in the V-12 units to locate eligible men for membership, and by the services of those men a considerable number of chapters were able to conduct an increasingly strong program.

Commendation is also expressed to our jewelers, The L. G. Balfour Company, which has continued to give us pre-war prices for full quality pins and keys, and to our printer, the Zion's Publishing Company, which has given us thorough service throughout the period of shortages of materials and labor.

Above all, tribute is paid to the vision and leadership of our National President and the National Executive Board. Through times when many other college organizations were curtailing, our board said "Full speed ahead." These national leaders realized the wartime needs for the kind of program which Alpha Phi Omega conducts. Consequently, our full office services were continued, visitation of chapters was continued, new chapters were constantly added, a full schedule of publications was continued, and thus the foundation was

laid for the growth which we are experiencing in Alpha Phi Omega during this year of 1946-47.

I salute you gentlemen of the national executive body. I salute all of you chapter leaders of Alpha Phi Omega. May God give you strength to carry on for many years to come as we continue this program of Leadership, Friendship and Service.

## KEYNOTE ADDRESS

By Armand Spizziri

Past President, Alpha Mu Chapter

You are looking at a keynoter, without a keynote. Chief, I am one of those characters who really enjoys conventions. There is to every convention. I like them. Particularly nice when there is a lovely lady beside you. I don't feel really I am the logical man to give this address. I feel the keynote of this convention should be given by those who know the fraternity better. I am a great member of the Sid North fan club today and really it should be Sid's address. I will try to give you some things I feel about APO, some thoughts I am sure you have shared. This ninth national convention of APO is meeting now at the conclusion of a great war. We are all aware of the fact that we were in a war. I wonder how many are aware of the fact that this convention marks the turning point in the career and the life of APO. This year and the next few years to follow are going to make this fraternity. They are going to decide whether this fraternity shall go onward and upward and become a real force on our college campus or whether it is going to recede and become merely another campus organization. It is going to be up to the men who are in this convention to see that this fraternity proceeds to gain in membership, to gain in service, to gain in prestige and dignity on the campuses of America. The men here are going to decide what this fraternity shall do in the next few years. We need not feel noble. I know that many of us are here on our own expense accounts. Many of us are paying our own way. All of us have sacrificed to be here, but I think the fraternity itself needs a little of that praise for the nobility of the structure of the organization because there is something that drew the men to Kansas City. And more will be here later today. Why? Apparently because this fraternity means something to them and they know it means enough to their campus, community, and to their country that they are willing to sacrifice of themselves their time and their finances to be here and participate in this program.

APO is a fraternity dedicated to service. It is a fraternity composed of men who have at one time or another had contact with the ideals of Scouting. If there are any in this room who say ideals are outmoded, a thing belonging to the Victorian age, I say we shouldn't be in the same room. Our present economy is all the more reason why men of APO should maintain and retain within themselves the ideals which they learned. We didn't know it at the time we became Tenderfoot Scouts, but the fact remains we started then a program that eventually led to membership in this fraternity, based upon the ideals of the Boy Scouts of America. I am lucky to be a Boy Scout. To me that is an honor because I know that in that organization I have gained things that have made me bigger and better and now through my affiliations with APO I can gain other things that make me even better as a man than they did as a boy. APO is not a Scouting fraternity, not a Boy Scout troop for college. It is a service fraternity on campuses whose primary objective is to serve those individual campuses. We must serve the administration actually and more important the student body of each campus. Later on will come our opportunity to serve the Boy Scout program as an adult leader, but right now our challenge and our program is to serve on the campus on which we are located and we must do it. The keynote of this whole convention, the theme of this convention, gentlemen, is our contribution to a peaceful world, and this group in this room is going to decide just exactly what that contribution will be. There are untold opportunities right now for service in American colleges and universities. In the first place the colleges and universities are overcrowded. They have larger student bodies than they have ever had in history. On my own campus there were over 800, a school that was originally built to accommodate 400. Just about double the enrollment. That presents a challenge to the individual chapter of APO. There on the campus we have a different type of student. Today, we have men who are now engaged in education as an investment, serious minded on the whole, not without fun but they are there to prepare themselves to pull out of this mess the world is now in. Thousands of us who served in the armed

forces, while we can't feel very noble either because we did the only thing we should do, however, I am sure all of us have returned to our schools with the idea of increasing those ideals for which we fought during the war. We want to make those ideals living examples on the campus and if we make such life on our campuses then we are going to make them in our community, and if they live in the community we know they will live in the country. Our contribution to a peaceful world is going to be a contribution to a world that is now at peace but in pretty much of a state of chaos and turmoil. There are men on the campus who are eager to serve. We must develop ourselves and program in our chapters so these men who want to serve will be given an opportunity to serve. I would say that these men are right now in a serious frame of mind wherein they feel that through service and service alone can they help create a peaceful world. We are basing our activities upon the principle of Scouting, and what are those principles of Scouting. The three keynote principles of this program are leadership, friendship, and service. In leadership the men in this room are the leaders. The men who work their chapters are the leaders of their campus. It must be so because if it were not they would not be here. The leaders believe in what they are doing and the men likewise. APO is an organization for the development of leadership. Give these men who want to take a hold of the reins, give them a chance to develop themselves and their abilities. Let them develop into leaders. Don't be afraid to stick your neck out. Introduce yourself and ask if you may be of service. Go to the administration and tell your college president that APO has such and such to do, may we have the permission of the administration to do so. If you are afraid, then you don't belong in APO for in our program there is no place for a man who is afraid of his convictions or a man who is willing to take personal aggrandizement out of this organization. The whole world today is looking for leaders and they are looking to the colleges of the world for those leaders. Today, wherever you go, wherever you may be, the multitude look upon you with favor and they look upon you with anticipation for they know in your hands they are placing great problems and they are asking for your wise and serious devotion in order that you may safely see them through any period that may be approaching. I am a great believer in friends. I wonder what life would be like without friends. Friendship is the one thing in this world that never dies, and when a man has friends he has that most powerful instrument the Lord can place at his disposal because with friendship any man can do anything, but without friends we are empty, merely existing on the globe that is called the earth.

I wonder how many times I have heard Brother George Charno and Chief Bartle say that our services are the rent we pay for the space we occupy. I don't know who originated that, but it sums up the old idea right in a nut shell.

When we return to our campus after this convention and school starts again, that is the time when we can show the campus that APO is an organization that is devoted to serving. It is not a Boy Scout organization for helping old ladies across the street, but a group of men who are instilled with the high ideals, the ideals of a good wholesome life. That is service, giving of ourselves and our personality, giving to those who are younger, and perhaps a little more confused than we are, giving unto them some of the things we have taken from life and from APO, and from Scouting. There is a definite need in the world for service, unselfish and unrelenting service. Service is a good word.

You know from your campus during the war many men were killed in the war. To me our chapter conducted one of the nicest services that I think any chapter has conducted. I would like to tell you about it. The chapter took it upon themselves to have prepared a picture of the flag and an inscription reading "He died that Old Glory may live forever." The picture was not great but the men of APO took that picture, went to the man's home, introduced themselves as friends and presented the picture to the family of the boy who had just lost his life. We received a letter from a family who lived in Liberty, and this letter is a cherished piece of our chapter archives. In this letter this father wrote and he said to me that the loss of his son was greatly lessened because he knew his friends who carry on in his name. Well, that service is genuine. That giving of your personality, that giving of your heart and your soul. Be sentimental if you like, but give, give everything you've got. Give to those who are younger, give to those who are weaker. APO is not a social fraternity but APO can serve by presenting to those campuses on which no social

fraternities exist a good social life. That's service. There is no place in APO for selfish interests, none whatsoever.

As a keynote address maybe this has lacked many points, but I want to say to you all here and now in APO through the college men of American colleges and universities are we going to find the answer to many of our problems. Men who believe in God, men who believe in themselves, men who believe in their community and their fellowman, that is what APO means. Leadership, friendship, and service; leading is enjoying friendship and serving one another. That is our mission. May this convention do everything that it is supposed to do in the next two days. I know it will, and I know from this convention the men of this organization are going to return to their individual campuses and take back with them something of the spirit of Roe Bartle and Sid North, this gentleman who is from Kansas, the man who still loves his home state. Let's take it all back. Let's take it back and make our chapter bigger and better and make this the turning point of APO, not let it recede into just another campus organization of which they are already too many, but let's make APO the dominant force on our campuses, and present to the whole student body a program to better themselves and their campus, their community and their country.

### FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

December 28

Dean Arno Nowotny, Dean of Student Life of the University of Texas and advisor of Alpha Rho Chapter, presided. The invocation was delivered by Dr. J. W. Jones, President of Northwest Missouri State College and member of Beta Upsilon Chapter.

After a delightful meal, songs were led by Brother Joseph E. Macy, past president of Mu Chapter, with Louis Chandler of Alpha Eta Chapter as accompanist.

The chairman called upon four brothers to speak to the assembly, and their addresses follow:

#### Why Veterans Appreciate Alpha Phi Omega

By Julius Wallock (Beta Iota)

Mr. Chairman: More since the war than in the past, the country has found an old word and used it anew. The word is "veteran". This word gets around and is in more papers and on more tongues than Kilroy. It is "veterans' housing, rights, bonus, league, committee, legion," and, I dare say, with Gilbert and Sullivan there would be veterans' "cousins, sisters, and aunts!" I don't recall that Gilbert and Sullivan ever mentioned "brothers," and that is where the difference comes in.

Alpha Phi Omega has many thousands of brothers, and among these we are proud to have so many veterans. Whence they came, we know well, but many more of them will come now, and why they are interested in APO is of interest to us here.

It is this question that I will attempt to answer. The veteran, having been through the rigors of war and met diversified people and elements, has naturally attained more seriousness which makes him a good student. He also, because of this, makes a good brother and because he is interested in those things for which we stand—leadership, friendship, and service. He looks upon such things as hazing as being childish and foolish, and he realizes that an organization such as ours is a serious one and above such things. He is a grown man and expects to be treated that way. To him, a pledge period is as it should be: an opportunity to inculcate the aforementioned ideals of leadership, friendship, and service. Our organization, as we can see by this great convention, is one in which democracy works from the bottom all the way up to the top. Our constitution presents to him a picture of democratic administration, and our chapters offer him an equal chance and opportunity for advancement and participation.

Many veterans going to school desire more than just book knowledge. They seek development of better-than-average capacity. They are not content to remain in a rut worn deep and wide. They are looking for new opportunities, new developments and new fields to conquer. Herein can be found the reason why so many student veterans are such zealous workers when it comes to service for the student body and faculty. He realizes that service of this kind is of such large scope that it cannot be accomplished independently. He naturally seeks to gain his goal and ambition through organized efforts in APO. APO is unique in its field. No other fraternity can boast of rendering service to the student body and faculty as we can. All veterans here, I am sure, have at one time or another resolved that their children will not go through a future war because they believe that world government can work. They have taken

diligently and willingly to training of our nation's youth. These are strong foundations of character and citizenship for the democratic community of the future. We are building a strong community of future Americans as exemplified by our Scout Oath and Law.

Student veterans have ideas and initiative, it is not surprising, therefore, that one of the things attracting them to APO is service to the fraternity. It is as a training camp was not so long ago, a finishing school for the great task ahead. APO is now that finishing school, and the preparation is for service, now and in later life. The finishing school is accomplished by active participation and leadership in carrying through the service projects in which the chapter and the fraternity as a whole may embark. Another thing the student veteran is looking for is fraternalism. This the fraternity gives him through greater bonds of friendship and brotherhood accomplished by service to fellow students.

The veteran has been many places and done many things which he ordinarily would not have done. When we hear the word "student veteran," we know it is used referring to a more mature, industrious, and sympathetic man. His outlook on life is more serious than ever before. He knows what he wants and what he is looking for. He is fighting to attain what he wants. His road is paved with service to his country and mankind. Gratification and satisfaction have been voiced many times over, and are familiar to all. It is the result of service to the nation as its greatest cog in the government wheel: a participating citizen. We have our ideals well in mind. It is through these ideals that we have our greatest force of attraction; it is these ideals that we offer to the student veteran. These many of them have and many more will accept because leadership, friendship, and service, are just what they are looking for.

### A Greek Looks at Alpha Phi Omega

By Howard Downs (Alpha Upsilon)

How does a fraternity man look at APO? In the first place, DePauw is an excellent school to provide background on this subject. Before the war, 80% of the men were organized. There isn't a large block between independents and Greeks, but it is just a question of which fraternity to join. At first glance, it might seem that they are in conflict. For example, most social fraternities are out for three things: brotherhood and service to the members and to develop individuality with the ideals of Christian living. Since the ideals and aims are so close together, it seems there might be a conflict between the two kinds of fraternities, but upon closer analysis, we find this is not true.

Brotherhood. You will probably never equal the brotherhood you find in a social fraternity. This isn't enough, these men need a broader contact with other members of the campus. The danger is that the fraternity will possess the loyalty of its members so much that they will not meet other people and develop their personalities. But APO enters in and provides a proper balance because it provides not only the fellowship of the social fraternity but allows its members to go to the outer bounds of the campus and develop the individual's personality. A social fraternity man makes a good APO member, but more important, a good APO makes a good fraternity man. It is to the betterment of those interested in the social fraternity system.

The main service of the social fraternity is to its own members. Each fraternity believes it is the best. Develops a strong loyalty of its members. In APO we have the key to success of service on the DePauw campus. The recent community chest drive was sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega and was turned over to each individual fraternity house—then they competed with each other.

Leadership works the same way. The fraternity provides a man with leadership and definitely gives him a strong background and makes him very valuable to this fraternal organization. At the same time, it broadens his horizons and makes him an even greater contributor to the social fraternity. Thus, we might say there is no conflict between APO and social fraternities but rather that they work hand-in-hand. I want to close by reading from the preamble to the constitution of Delta Chi:

"... believing that great advantages are to be derived from a brotherhood of college men, appreciating that close association may promote friendship, develop character, advance justice, and assist in the acquisition of a sound education...."

### An Independent Looks at Alpha Phi Omega

By Richard Strong (Gamma Rho)

How an independent thinks about APO. In my estimation that is awfully hard to determine. That opinion is constantly changing. When the chapter at Denton first started, the charter members had

a hard time getting the ball rolling. The outlook then among independents was that it was just another social fraternity and that was all it would ever amount to. On December 7, 1941, that opinion was still that way.

During the war that opinion has changed. The chapter did everything it could, helped with the Red Cross, blood donations, etc. It would be hard to list all the things that the chapter did during that time. From that time on, the independents' attitude toward APO was changed. Social fraternities have a bad outlook toward APO on our campus. It was hard to quiet it down. When the social fraternities threw a party, it was for the members of the fraternity itself. When APO threw a party, it invited all college students. That might have something to do with why the independents think as they do of APO. Independents now think that APO is tops at our college. The war is over, but our chapter is not slowing down on its work. We're still going. We are going to see what we can do at our veterans' hospitals around Denton. There are so many projects on the campus that will keep us busy for a good while and will keep independents' outlook toward Alpha Phi Omega very high.

### Alpha Phi Omega in the World Brotherhood of Scouting

By Dr. Ray O. Wyland (Alpha)

It means something for a fraternity to have spread across a nation in twenty-one years and then a college like Yale wakes up and gets in on it!

An old man in Texas who liked his liquor had been drinking too much. His wife and his doctor ganged up on him. The doctor said if he didn't stop drinking he would be going stone deaf. The next day the doctor was walking down the street and Tom was stumbling down the street. The doctor stopped him, and the man said, "What I have been drinking is so much better than what I have been hearing that I have just kept on drinking."

I feel very favorably inclined to Alpha Phi Omega. When I came to this convention and listened to the stimulating keynote address, I decided APO was on its way. When I was assigned the subject of world brotherhood in APO, I thought it was a little bit high sounding, and yet I don't know of any phase of APO more important than its contribution to world brotherhood. Our brothers lie buried in various theaters of World War II. When I heard Willkie's address on "One World" and heard his talk about the reservoir of good will we had established in Russia and China on the basis of service rendered, it seems to me there is no better basis on which you can build good will than on the basis of service. If there is any fraternity in existence today dedicated to the ideals of service that fraternity is Alpha Phi Omega.

I was enthused by the book *One World*. Then later I read a book called *One Nation*. It brought me up with a jerk! It is the story of a Filipino who came to California and was looked on as a Jap and was not treated right. Then it told the story of other groups that came to live among us. Other stories of people who came to cast their lot with American people and were disillusioned because they were not accepted.

So the thesis was that we need one nation—a common brotherhood that binds all men together as one nation. No nation has ever had the opportunity we have of demonstrating brotherhood because every land and clime have contributed to our population. People of every land and religion have contributed their blood and culture into this new American race that is something new under the sun. As we come along, we find we are facing a future that has more possibilities for human life and good than any age has ever faced. I would rather live now than in any other age in the past. If I had my choice, I would rather live in the year 3,000 or 5,000.

If we preserve those institutions which men of light and leading have given us, there is no reason in God's world why our children's children should not enjoy more than we enjoy. I am not thinking just of the power of destruction of the atomic bomb. There has been a great deal of fear that it would burn up our whole world. Scientists have proved that impossible and that there is nothing to fear. Then they tell us of the power of the bomb to destroy the world. I am not so much concerned about that as I am about the power of atomic energy to create for human life and well being—to produce necessities of life, to add to the refinements of mass production so that men may have shorter hours and have more time for the enjoyment and enrichment and understanding and improvement of life. If in an atomic age we can imbue the hearts of men with the spirit of brotherhood and good will so that all the human family realize that we are here in one world to serve each other and help each other

and build brotherhood, there is no need for us to go out and make war, there will not be scarcities, there will be enough for all because we are trying to help each other. If all the wealth put into destruction in World War II had been put into constructive purposes, today we would have living conditions throughout this world that would be a century ahead of anything we have known up to this time.

I have been active in Pan American Boy Scout work. We have delegates coming to this country from Pan American countries. I met scouts from that field last June, and they have made more reference to the philosophy of Scouting than I have ever heard here in the 25 years. They were imbued with the idea of having our Scouts in the Western hemisphere to feel that we all belong to one, the same, brotherhood. Next August, some of our Scouts will go to France for a couple weeks of camping with Scouts from other countries. A world brotherhood of men who have been scouts, who have been guided by APO, who have become the leaven of campus life in all of our great institutions of learning—with that power of brotherhood of APO reaching into campus life, can you see how it contributes to this world-understanding? I would like to see APO chapters in some of the Canadian and Mexican universities, and at the University of Bogota.

College men think bigger and further and more constructively than other men, and if our college men imbued with the ideals of APO can plant that spirit into campus life throughout our nation, and if our nation, under God, can carry out those ideals to the brotherhood of the world—if APO chapters can be started in the universities of the western hemisphere, let's do it now. We can teach the world that the atomic energy is not just a power to destroy human lives but that it is a power to create and provide comforts and necessities of life, to release human energy, mind and soul to constructive purposes. Then when we have that larger leisure and release it in constructive activities of service—that, I believe, is the spirit of our age. It is our opportunity to educate all our citizens, and to do it immediately, to live in the atomic age. President Hutchins of the University of Chicago, says we have to do it now because in five years all the other nations will have their atomic bombs. And so I say to you men going back to your campuses: let us be the missionaries, the light upon the hill, the men of courage and conviction who set the standard of what world brotherhood should be in the campus life of this nation and reaching out from this nation to colleges throughout the world.

## AFTERNOON SESSION

December 28

The afternoon session was called to order by President Bartle at 2:40 p. m. A series of five-minute talks was introduced as follows:

### The Satisfaction of Serving on the Campus

By Donn Haglund (Delta Zeta)

Why do men bother to take part in Alpha Phi Omega? I asked several different men what their opinions were. I am going to give you the list and maybe you can think of some reason in your own mind as to why you serve in APO. These were some of the reasons:

First, inner satisfaction—social conscience, more or less, is satisfied by serving APO.

Second, for fraternity spirit.

Third, friendship—because one's friends are taking part, one feels he should be doing so, too—because of his friendships.

Fourth, it reflects on the credit of the school and anything you can do to make your school look a little better, so much the better.

Fifth, one way one could leave his mark on the campus, in other words, people would remember that he had attended that school if he could do something personally through APO.

Sixth, social development—means social contact, meeting people of many kinds.

Seventh, politics—why shouldn't APO do things and get credit for it instead of letting other organizations?

Eighth, have something to do while in college. APO is a good outlet for ambition to do something.

Most men said it was for a larger aspect—idealistic—anything they could do for the fraternity—just an ideal they had taken into their systems. Whatever anyone's opinion is on service projects, we should look at it honestly. If we are not doing it to be idealistic, we should not tell others that we are. Nevertheless, we should all do it and we should all take part.

## The Value of Faculty Advisors to My Chapter

By Harold Tunnell (Beta Sigma)

During the war, faculty advisors were the life of our chapter. At that time on our campus men were very scarce. The women ranked about 5 to 1. Most of the men left were very young men or disabled men. These men, what few were in APO, were willing to work. But they lacked sufficient number to make a successful chapter. We had three of our original faculty advisors. These men were (1) dean of men, (2) an administrator, and (3) a dean. That was their main function then. At the beginning of each semester and year, they got what few men there were on campus together and started out again. This semester, we have eight faculty advisors, five of them new. We contacted them individually. We have a full representation—one from each school in our college. Not one of these men backed down. We merely asked them if they would be interested in helping us with our program of service. Now we have 65 active members and this is the order more or less that we are running on now. We believe that in APO's program of service and training of young men, each man must depend on his own clear thinking for his leadership and part in the activities.

Our advisors do not try to run the show, they merely serve as advisors. Each detail of the projects and activities is planned by the students. The advisory committee stands by for all aid they can give. They advise only when the advice is needed.

## Our Chapter Headquarters is a Real Asset

By Jack Parker (Gamma Psi)

We have had a fraternity home since our formation in 1941. During the war, we were one of the few organizations on the Minnesota campus active enough to maintain an active status. In appreciation of that fact, the University has given us a Union office. This office has been ours. We shared it with another organization until just a short time ago. During this post-war period we had quite an expansion and felt the need for a larger office. We sent two of our members to attend a housing meeting and they told of our needs. On November 30, we moved into a new and better office in the Union building. There are five values to be found in a permanent chapter office:

1. We are able to develop that friendship which our fraternity stands for. What better place is there for fellows to gather, sit around, chat, and relax than in a chapter office? Meetings and social events must be to some extent formal, but with an office, we can come in and really get to know our brothers.

2. We find the fraternity office gives our chapter an importance on the campus that we would not have if we did not have such an office. We have a place where other organizations and people can contact us. So we are on a par with any other organization on the campus.

3. Our office is a medium for informing members of activities. We can use mail or telephone, but through the use of a bulletin board in the office we can best inform our members of our activities. Members drop in daily for a few minutes to find out what is going on and to read letters from former members.

4. It is of help as a place for alumni members to meet. They have no place to look for chapter members unless there is such an office as we have.

5. It gives us a chance to maintain a continuity of our records. If you entrust the records to an officer, when a change of office takes place, the records are still intact, keeping them in the office as we do.

## Why We Are Building a Large Chapter

By Clifford Kraft (Gamma Mu)

I bring you greetings from the Gamma Mu chapter. We hope each one of you men will have a successful program of service during 1947. Last September, when we held our initial APO meeting on campus, we counted 16 men returning from the war years. At this first meeting, election committees were formed and various important problems discussed pertaining to our chapter year. An important problem was that of membership. Consequently, a membership committee was appointed. It was the decision of this committee that our chapter would attempt to pledge as many men as possible with the hopes that we would pledge at least 100 men. Reasons for pledging are apparent, but I would like to list them:

1. We felt a duty to those on the campus who had a Scouting background. First we took a census of the male population on the campus. Next step was that of putting out a form letter inviting these men to an open meeting. With these letters in their hands

it was surprising the number of men who took us up on the open meeting. We discussed APO as it pertains to our campus, the national and international situation and the community around Evansville. We pledged 59 men out of this group. They are at present very active in the organization.

2. Another reason for desiring a large chapter is a tribute to those veterans who have returned to our campus and are taking part in school there at Evansville. We particularly stressed the veteran in our drive. Friendships that have been derived from these men have been very heartening.

3. Another reason is the growth of our campus. Evansville in pre-war days was a campus of 500 male and female students. Today, we have something like 1,500, and the President anticipates over 2,000 by the fall of 1947. It takes men to work out these service projects. For that reason, we believe there is a great deal of safety in numbers. With our 75 members at the present time, we are endeavoring to keep each man active.

4. Another reason is the need for all campuses to create in men the feeling of college and campus life and spirit. We have tried to instill in these men the feeling that they are a part of our campus. We have successfully done it thus far.

5. Another reason is the committee system which is utilized in APO. We touch every man in APO through the committee system. It has worked swell in our chapter.

### The Executive Committee and Its Value in My Chapter

By Wilson Dyer (Alpha Rho)

I regret that I am given only five minutes. Because of my Texas drawl, it takes a bit longer to get over my ideas.

I should like to begin by defining the executive committee. It is also called the "Executive Council," "Board," "Collection of Wheels," etc. Article VI of the By-Laws, Section I, states that the executive committee shall consist of the president, vice president(s), secretary, treasurer, alumni secretary, historian, Senior Faculty Advisors, etc., and all regular committee chairmen. "The President shall serve as chairman," the article continues. "The other Faculty and Scouting Advisors may be invited to the meetings of the Executive Committee and be given opportunity to participate in the discussions, but shall not have voting privileges."

Section 2: "The Executive Committee shall meet monthly during the curricular year. Special meetings of the Executive Committee may be held subject to the call of the President, or upon the written request of the majority of the membership of the Executive Committee."

Much can be said for the use of the Executive Committee. How, then, does it function? In the first place, the Executive Committee is a logical organization. The President of the United States cannot sell stamps at your local post office. Nor can the Chief of Staff of the United States Army be expected to participate as squad leader in the front lines. He has a much larger job. He is holding the reins of a much greater team. By using his executive committee, the chapter president can share his responsibility in the formation and administration of policy. Thus the total lot does not fall on his back. Besides this, it brings all the officers together in one place at your meetings instead of the president individually having to contact all of his officers. He can bring them all together in one place and give them their assignments there. It saves a lot of time. It is of definite value to the chapter—does away with the one-man show idea. Minority groups have an opportunity to express their desires through representation on the executive committee. Elected officers, too, represent a pretty good cross section of the chapter and of the campus. Get a good exchange of ideas and the president is continually amazed at how many angles can come up.

The time-saving element in chapter meetings is very important. By having details threshed out before hand, you can present to the chapter logical, definite information on the thing and you don't have to waste time threshing them out during the meetings.

To forge a better program through advanced planning. How long do executive committee meetings last? 15 minutes to 15 hours. It is the best thing in the world because it gives you a chance to air your views and find out exactly what every man has on his mind.

### How to Help Establish a New Chapter

By George Cahill (Alpha Gamma)

It is an astounding fact—a lamentable fact—that today in these United States our organization is only 10% efficient. That statement is easily substantiated by a look at the figures. There are 112 chapters of APO. There are well over 1,000 schools which ought and could have chapters of APO. I say "should have" because

there is not a campus or community within the United States that does not have a definite need of a chapter of APO. That holds true particularly in these trying times. The other fact is, "It is easy and simple to establish a chapter of APO." It was my privilege to take part in a small degree in the establishment of the chapter at Wabash College, in Indiana. We made one very significant discovery in this work: that 50% of the job is selling the faculty members and representatives on the idea that you are trying to create an organization similar to which they have none on their campus. If you can imbue them with the idea that the organization has one primary purpose—service—they do the rest of the work for you. That is 90% of the job. We had that experience and were fortunate enough to run into some very appreciative gentlemen. Once they saw how the organization would function, they did the job. We made a weekly trip down to give a few minor suggestions and answer a few questions. Establishing a chapter is easy.

There is one other important fact we must look at. We must compare the job that you and I can do in comparison to the job that a national executive or representative can do. With due respect to his personality and sincerity, he cannot do the job you can do for one reason: the second a paid man walks into the office to try to establish a chapter, he cannot help creating a particular response—he is a paid man, and there is a possibility that he has an axe to grind. That cannot happen when you are giving freely of your own time to give them something beneficial. You will leave an impression when they become aware that you are gaining nothing from this work. All you have to do is attend and help. There is no chapter within the states that does not have the opportunity to expand and form new chapters. Find the school, impress the faculty members, and make the trips and give the little bit of required guidance. It is for you the best way that you can possibly serve not only Scouting but the additional system of the American nation as a whole. We have only recently passed from a very hectic state of war. We thought we would be free of all this turmoil with the cessation of hostilities. Yet it appears that we may be in even more a disastrous state. We may reach a point where our cherished democracy will look for sturdy footholds. A great number of those footholds will be Scouting and APO. Therefore, it is your responsibility and mine to see to it that these footholds are sturdy and numerous. We must expand! Thank you.

### The Cooperation of Our Scouting Advisor

By Louis McCreight (Alpha Alpha)

The cooperation of our Scouting Advisors can be discussed from two standpoints:

First, to keep their abilities to cooperate with us further, and second, to find means of cooperating better with them. The latter is very important. Our task in cooperating with Scouting Advisors is somewhat lightened by the fact that 60% of our chapters are located in the same cities as Scouting Executives of those Councils. Their job should be to provide projects for us. They should help us to build larger chapters, greater membership, expand ideals, etc. I think that there is a lot of truth in what some of our previous brothers have said this afternoon that we should have bigger and better chapters.

Maybe you have heard the story of a little-known composer who wanted to get a concerto published which he had just written. It was written for six pianos and four typewriters. He was told that someone had outdone him, since a composer had had a piece written for ten pianos and six typewriters and an air hammer. During the concert of the pianos, a fellow in the front row waved his handkerchief and said, "I surrender."

Our chapters are cooperating and doing a fine job with the local Scouts. The thing the college man learns best is to use a telephone, it has been said. Really, that is all we need to initiate projects. The mechanics of initiating and operating service projects are rather basic and well-known to all of us here. We are here not only because we are brothers in APO but because we are brothers in Scouting. We owe that distinction and privilege to the Scout leaders and advisors who have made Scouting their profession or avocation. They are doing so because of their temperament and character. Men of wisdom, knowledge, vision, skill, and a sense of ideals make up this group. If there is any man needed by your campus, community, and nation, it is that type. Further, they must possess the faculty of adding a reservoir to each of those.

"Knowledge dwells in heads replete with thoughts of other men, wisdom in minds attentive to their own." Knowledge is proud that he has learned so much, wisdom is humble—he knows no more. Cooperation with Scouting advisors can be the kind of using him

as a contact man in organizing projects, or it can be that plus his wisdom and knowledge and ideals. Let us keep it on the up-grade by complete cooperation and utilization of our Scouting Advisors.

### 100% Attendance at Our Chapter Meetings

By Royal B. McCreery (Alpha Iota)

It seems to me that the only thing that is really a true measure of how well our program is going over is how well the brothers attend.

The important thing is that Scouting has what we want. In the December issue of *Scouting*, former Scouts were questioned as to what points they thought were strongest in Scouting. Most of the boys said their activities were what they remembered the most. Planned programs with definite aims, instructions, and purposes. We find that if we in Scouting give the boys what they want, they go ahead and keep up interest. It is much the same in a chapter.

We at Ohio State don't think we have the only recipe for putting together the things the fellows want in APO, but we did have one that worked. We initiated a counseling program—an informal affair at which the pledges were asked what they thought was the most important principle of APO. Of course, we got the answer, "All three principles are important." But we asked which one was most important to them. Then they put down some of their experiences. Then we asked the boys why they wanted to join APO. It seemed like a little repetition to some of the fellows and had more than one discussion of it among the officers. But we accomplished two things from it: First of all, the pledge himself got a realization of purpose. He had to explain to us what he thought was important and therefore he realized it himself. Secondly, we got a record of just exactly what these fellows expected when they came into our chapter. From that record, we can put into effect a program that is in accord with what they want.

That brings us to the attitude we have developed quite informally at Ohio State. That is, that the officers of the chapter are only to provide the materials necessary for the over-all guidance of a program for the men of what they expect to get by joining our fraternity. That is why I think we had 100% attendance, and I hope we maintain it. We will easily. No matter how you put it together, if you put into it the ingredients that the fellows want and say they want, you will have all that counts.

### Fellowship and Fraternalism in My Chapter

By Robert Landau (Gamma Delta)

We have a peculiar problem in New York, we have no campus. The majority of our students are spread over about 300 square miles. For the undergraduate work, we have to keep a fairly strong social program in a school which has no social fraternities. Therefore, I will stress the alumni association which has done a tremendous job and is continuing to do so. We will be right behind the new Chicago Alumni chapter.

The alumni association kept everyone closer in touch with everyone else through the use of a newspaper—*The Gazette*. Now that the war is over, the alumni are finding themselves with a greatly increased problem because of the G. I. Bill of Rights, which is enabling most of our fellows to travel far west and north to attend schools spread all over the country. Alumni association has managed to keep the fellows close together through meetings and social events—those left on campus. During the war, the big thing was the personal list that was written to each man away at least twice a month. As far as the active boys go, we have been working with other chapters in the city through the New York Council. In local affairs, the New York chapters have kept in contact with each other.

### What Alumni Life Membership Means to Me

By Del Jay Kinney (Upsilon)

I think you are to be pitied and congratulated! You have been sweating out 28 speeches. I intend to hold my speech to a minimum. So that you will be comfortable and stay awake and listen to me, take off your coats, stretch, smoke, open the windows, etc. (Stretch ensued.)

You are not going to hear too much. Brother Erdman from Milwaukee rode down with me. He had trouble going to sleep, so he suggested that I practice my speech on him. I put him to sleep in record time!

In college, as loyal, active members of our brotherhood, we learn and we practice our three cardinal principles—leadership, friendship, and service. For those of us who are sincerely interested

in and devoted to those ideals, life membership is a splendid opportunity to remain associated with an organization that proffers that sort of a pattern. I believe in the spirit of APO. I have found that it is not something to practice in one's free hours on the campus. It is not a juvenile formula for one's growing years. The spirit of Alpha Phi Omega becomes a part of your philosophy. Once you find out what it is, you live it.

Brother Robert Payne of Omicron chapter recently wrote an article in which he examined the toast song of our Order, and he found one line to be stimulating especially: "Evermore to be men of Alpha Phi Omega." He feels that it isn't enough to just talk about cooperative spirit. You have to burn it into your spirit and mind and then begin living it. He says something else—"let every man ask himself, 'will my every thought and deed be worthy of the name Alpha Phi Omega?'" There is a real question for you. There is something that will put you on your toes every morning of your life. And then someone says, "Do I have to become a life member in order to remember these things?" No—but is there any better way to let everyone else know that you are solidly behind what you have supported while you are on the campus? It is one thing for them to put it out, it is another thing for you fellows to put it back. When I think that for ten paltry dollars I can be identified for life with an organization national in scope—with over 15,000 wide-awake young men who believe in everything that I believe in, I say that is a good deal! I told myself three years ago, "That is something to get in on." I am glad to get in on it. I am confident that the price is still only ten dollars. Taxes are higher, the price of butter is up, school fees have reflected inflation fever, but you can still show your support of our organization for \$10.

Brother North remarked to me shortly after my return from khaki last year that he wished that everyone who joined our Order could be included in life membership. I think, though, that if you have to take this step, individually, life membership is going to mean more to you. If there is any hope for a chapter sliding downhill, the life members have it. That chapter, if it is going to come back uphill, will find its answer from the life members. It would be nice if every man who joined our Order could become a life member, but since they don't choose to, let's make sure that every man who becomes a life member does so only because he wants to. To the brother who hesitates before entering upon life membership, I have one thing to say earnestly, without malice—"Put it aside for a year, and think it over—and then decide if you have measured up to the responsibilities you agreed to when you pledged the Order."

When you have left your last class at college, when you have signed the last annual, and when you have turned in your locker and said goodbye to most of those things that mean so much now, and when you look at the campus and your alma mater for the last time, you are going to think it is a mighty cozy feeling that you have life membership—a permanent link with those friendships that you made in Alpha Phi Omega. It is going to thrill you, and you are going to have a real reason for being thrilled—to know that you are a charter member of a chapter that does not die when you leave the campus but goes on until your kid is ready to take over for you."

### Expansion of Alpha Phi Omega

By M. R. Disborough (Alpha Tau)

When Sid asked me several weeks ago about this—it says on here that this is an address and the others are talks—I said, "What qualifications do I have to talk about expansion?" He said, "You have gone a long way since Indianapolis six years ago." Although I may be No. 30 on the program today and the last to speak this afternoon, I think this is the most important topic to talk about, even including the election of officers.

This morning, Brother North brought out that there is strength in numbers. Brother Bartle in his objectives of the convention said that we should give service in building a strong national organization. We have been talking up until now about why I appreciate Alpha Phi Omega—as Greeks, Independents, and so on. But there are a lot of men who do not have an opportunity to appreciate it, and that is our fault. We need expansion by two methods—by already existing chapters and by new chapters. You have heard about Evansville College. I am happy to talk about Evansville—59 new members have been initiated since school began. There is something behind that. The institution itself called in the officers of Alpha Phi Omega. The President of the University said, "You should have 100 men in the chapter if you are going to serve on this campus." The University of Kansas has 63 members since the first of the school

year. There is an example of extension of the organization on the campus.

Sitting in on the executive meeting last night and hearing talks today, when we talked about a membership of 25 at our college before the war, we have to be talking about 75-150 members now because the manpower is there. You have heard about a lot of the ways to get new members, you're going to hear about a lot more. The good man from Purdue took half of my speech, I don't know where he got his figures. According to my figures, there are 900-plus colleges, and striking out girls' schools, etc., we still have in the neighborhood of 700 colleges with room for chapters. I am glad to see this map up here—I don't know where they put Pittsburgh. You can see that up until this morning, one-third of the United States—16 states—did not have one chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. This morning, you changed that by approving a charter from New Mexico, which lowers it to 15 states. Texas—the great commonwealth of Texas—has five chapters and two petitioning groups. There are 27 institutions in the state of Texas. Going to Ohio, where there are three chapters out of 43 institutions with over 150 male students in their enrollment. One out of 11 in Arkansas. Brother Roe told me last night that in the files of the national office there are communications from over 300 universities and colleges asking how they could organize an APO chapter. As one of our brothers brought out this morning, Sid North can't do it; it is we men in this room that can do that job. I think that Indiana under the leadership of Skipper Wilson as state chairman has done an outstanding job in the formation of APO. Butler organized Ball State, Purdue organized Wabash, and so on. One group takes the responsibility of organizing another chapter. I have been talking that all morning and last evening with some of the delegates. Why don't some of you fellows do something about it? Here are 700 institutions—300 of them with definite communications that they want chapters. Purdue made I don't know how many weekly trips to Wabash College to help them get started. Another group that can help is the alumni groups and individual alumni members. Last night, the National Executive Board talked about 30 chapters for next year, and I told them they were a bunch of pikers because I was going to talk about 50 chapters for next year. (At this point, many chapters volunteered to assist toward forming new chapters.) Gentlemen, there is strength in numbers!

### Memorial Tribute

**PRESIDENT BARTLE:** Undoubtedly everyone of you in this vast convention can reflect for a moment upon World War II men you knew who gave their lives. I see faculty men who can reflect on many that they knew who paid that great price as they spilled their blood in World War II. Shall we not pause for a moment—yea, even in a heated session of a convention—that we might bow our hearts and heads together and pray as we know how to pray to the great, common God and Father of us all, and shall we not in this moment of silence thank God for the privilege that has been ours in having known those who have passed on. Shall we not also ask for strength and health and guidance that we might carry our load fully and just a little heavier load, a portion of that which might have been carried by those who are our brothers and who have now answered the call of the Great, Eternal Scoutmaster. (Silent tribute to World War II dead.)

### Appointments of Committees

**President Bartle:** It is my responsibility to appoint a committee on nomination. It is the responsibility of this nominating committee to bring before the convention at the final legislative session on the morrow their recommendations in the form of nominations for national president, national vice president, national second vice president, and national treasurer. The national secretary is appointed, as is the national legal advisor. Those appointments are made by the incoming national president, subject to the confirmation on the basis of the majority of the national executive committee.

In view of the fact that there has been no convention since 1940, it becomes necessary to nominate the entire national executive board, which must be done on the basis of five men for a period of two years, five for a period of four years, and five for a period of six years. Normally with a biennial convention, we elect five members of the national executive board, those five men serving for a period of six years. Thus, you do not have all of your board having terms expiring at the same moment. This convention is extra-legal; it becomes the responsibility of this convention to elect all of the national officers and all of the members of the national executive board. Now the committee on nominations, after you

have made your report, there shall be a call from the chair for any and all other nominations from the floor. We propose that democracy shall be in action insofar as APO is concerned. We want to make sure that this nominating committee is in no fashion packed. The members named for this committee have not been approached by anyone. These names have been written since this session convened. There shall be a chairman and vice chairman named by the national president. (Other delegates were included on the committee in accordance with their preference as indicated at time of registration.)

**Nominating Committee:** Dean A. C. Zumbrunnen (Alpha Omicron), Chairman; J. Edward Minister (Kappa), Vice Chairman; Professor A. L. Thomas (Delta), John Wells (Gamma Psi), George Green (Eta), Warren Darrow (Upsilon), Harry L. Burruss (Alpha Alpha), William H. Walker (Beta Eta), William L. Swihart (Alpha Gamma), Marlin E. Remley (Beta Psi), Frank M. Watenpugh (Alpha Delta), Charles G. Shepherd, Jr. (Beta Zeta), John B. Westfall (Delta Mu), Milo C. Brandt (Omicron), Gordon O. Cook (Xi), Charles C. Davis (Beta Beta), Bernard Turoff (Gamma Iota), Bernard W. Munford (Delta Nu), Nelson Varon (Gamma Omicron).

Following were committee appointments next made by President Bartle:

**Extension Committee:** M. R. Disborough (Delta Mu) chairman, Jack Parker (Gamma Psi), George Henry (Delta Lambda), N. Brewster Broder (Beta Beta), J. Rollin Watson (Alpha Delta), Harold Tunnell (Beta Sigma), Richard W. Strong (Gamma Rho) Don C. Anderson (Xi), Wheeler L. Young (Alpha Iota), Royal McCreery (Alpha Iota), Gordon Craig, Jr. (Alpha Pi), John D. Glass (Alpha Tau), Robert W. Berry (Beta Eta), Walter F. Mahony (Delta Beta), Ken C. Maddux (Lambda).

**Constitution and By-Laws Committee:** Frank Wood (Gamma Zeta) chairman, Tom Neenan (Omicron), Robert Ehn (Upsilon), Willis Snow (Alpha Alpha), Bill Newby (Alpha Eta), Bill Kent (Alpha Omicron), Wilson Dyer (Alpha Rho), Esper Chandler (Alpha Epsilon), Edward L. Allred (Beta Chi), Lawrence Baker (Beta Iota), Dean R. Cook (Beta Kappa), Dean H. Langer (Delta Delta), Don Haglund (Omega), Robert Landau (Gamma Delta), Murray Cohen (Gamma Iota).

**Alumni Organization Committee:** George Schaeffer (Chicago Alumni Chapter), chairman; Dr. M. C. Hays (Eta), E. P. Truex (Delta Beta), John Seeger (Delta Epsilon), John A. Tweed (Pi), Michael Cramer (Alpha Phi), Lloyd Ressler (Gamma Mu), Ollie S. Moye (Gamma Rho), James B. Kring (Gamma Xi), Don Leahy (Gamma Xi), George Carl Green (Eta), T. J. McNamara (Iota), Buford Casebolt (Alpha Mu).

**Standard Chapter Constitution Committee:** Prof. Kent D. Shaffer (Kappa), chairman; George Cahill (Alpha Gamma), Don H. Ong (Lambda), Darrell Fields (Delta Eta), Leslie Parker (Beta Upsilon), Alfred L. Rogers (Beta Omicron), Newton Condray (Beta Mu), Warren Jaeger (Gamma Omicron), Julius Wallock (Beta Iota), Bill Kilgore (Eta).

**Resolutions Committee:** James P. Fitch (Alpha Omicron), chairman; Gilbert Kyrias (Delta Mu), Peter C. Bertelson (Kappa), Arthur Greiner (Alpha Phi), Robert Bartlett (Beta Psi), Quentin Ringenberg (Delta Delta), H. Frank Gay (Delta Kappa), Reginald Brodman (Gamma Mu), Robert C. Stapleton (Phi).

**Publications Committee:** C. M. Finnell (Alpha Alpha), chairman; Percy Carter (Delta), Bill Faxon (Alpha Omega), Howard Downs (Alpha Upsilon), R. E. Smith (Beta Kappa), Hoyt Simpkins (Beta Zeta), Professor Daniel DenUyl (Alpha Gamma), Richard Klinck (Delta Lambda), Dwight Brainard (Beta Chi), Leonard Alvin Pfaff (Beta Mu).

### BANQUET SESSION

George H. Charno (Alpha Eta)

Toastmaster

The invocation was given by Dean A. C. Zumbrunnen (Alpha Omicron) of Southern Methodist University.

Dinner music and singing marked a happy and enthusiastic gathering of delegates and friends throughout the meal served in the Grand Ball Room of the President Hotel. This was one of the high spots in the convention program at which recognitions were presented to Dr. H. Roe Bartle in tribute to his sixteen years' service as National President. A volume of letters of appreciation was presented on behalf of all chapters by Darrell Fields of Delta Eta (Oregon State), the delegate who traveled the greatest distance to attend the convention. "The H. Roe Bartle Class" of 1023 new active members was presented by Donald Pomeroy of Lambda (Kansas University), his chapter being the one which initiated the

largest number of members in the class. And a diamond-studded Alpha Phi Omega pin was presented by Dr. Ray O. Wyland (Alpha, Lafayette College), on behalf of the National Executive Board. In acceptance, Dr. Bartle gave a challenging address to the assembly, calling upon Alpha Phi Omega to take an increasingly active part in promoting world peace and brotherhood and unselfish service.

A tribute to Sidney B. North, National Secretary, signed by every member in attendance at the convention, was presented by the author, Del Jay Kinney (Upsilon, Milwaukee State).

### ADDRESS TO THE FRATERNITY

By President H. Roe Bartle (Iota)

Brothers and other friends here assembled: I want to do three things tonight if I may: First of all, I should not be true to the innermost thoughts of my heart and mind if I did not express my deep and profound appreciation for the overwhelming gifts I have received on this very interesting and challenging occasion.

To you, Brother Fields of Oregon State: I know not what may be contained in these letters, but to see the signatures of men with whom I have corresponded will bring back memories of yester-year, to see signatures of men I have known and worked with will give me courage to fight the battles of life in days to come. To you I offer my sincerest appreciation.

To you, Brother Don: for 1,023 men who have taken the obligation of Alpha Phi Omega, I shall ever be truly grateful. They have the opportunity to live more richly and fully the idealism that was in their hearts. Such a gift gives me added incentive to go forward and play my role in the days to come.

To you, Brother Ray: (if you don't think I wasn't overwhelmed tonight! I thought I knew what was going on—this fraternity has produced the greatest number of liars I ever saw!), this pin naturally overwhelms me. As I shall wear it in the days to come with great pride—pride of all that is represented in that pin and the idealism of our brotherhood, it shall again bring back the record of yester-year when 21 of us assembled in St. Louis and we had the faith that was being discussed here tonight. We had faith to believe that we had a mission under the banner of Alpha Phi Omega. If I remember correctly, you and I are the only two that have participated in every national convention. This will be a source of pride and satisfaction to me. I assure you that it is going to be adequately covered by insurance. (My father was not a Scotch-Presbyterian minister for nothing!) I am truly grateful.

And there is a second thing I want to do—to address myself to the toastmaster of this hour. As your national president, I publicly apologize for having subjected you to George H. Charno. It proves conclusively that my administration is at an end. But there are two other Charnos here tonight—George, a real, honest-to-goodness lawyer in this community, a barrister, not a common, ordinary mine-run lawyer—and Dave, a nephew of the toastmaster who came out of the war a captain in the Marines, a past president of Alpha Eta chapter. The younger generation of Charnos have brains and have followed other leadership besides that of the national legal advisor.

But now we are going to forget all these facetious things. Tonight I had a fingle when Del Kinney stood before this vast audience and paid due honor to Sid North. All the honor heaped on me tonight has been unmerited because we all know who it is who has given his life to the growth and development of Alpha Phi Omega. He is the brains; I am the brawn. (Charno is neither the brains nor the brawn. To you, Brother George, I hope you live to be 100, and then I want to be a pallbearer at your funeral.)

I know that Brother North's humility is genuine. The place where you measure men is behind closed doors, on the basis of intimate association. Tonight I have no mental reservations whatsoever when I proclaim that Sid North has been the heart and soul of Alpha Phi Omega since 1933. This whole group of men should see the little lady who stays at home and is the mother of Sid's three fine children. (Introduced Mrs. North). The only way in which North and Charno have anything in common is that both of them outmarried themselves 100%! These lines express the working philosophy of Sid:

"If you work upon marble, it will perish, if you build temples, some day they will crumble into dust, but if you work on the immortal souls of men, giving them a just fear of God and causing them to love their fellow men, you engrave on those tablets something that will last into all eternity." (Webster.)

His working philosophy is based on a faith in Almighty God, to serve Almighty God as he walks upon this earth. Twice today

we have paused to pay tribute to those who did not return from the war. As Joe Macy sang so richly and beautifully "The Lord's Prayer" tonight, I kept thinking—I saw some fine brothers of mine of Alpha Phi Omega. They are red-blooded, but thank God they are human. They were taking tears out of their eyes, I know they were thinking of some fellows who went out with them who did not return. They died that we might live. They suffered untold pain. We united keep the faith, or have they died in vain? This convention will chart the course of greater and finer and nobler service for our brotherhood in the days to come. What did we win out of World War II? Nothing except the right to be the international quarterback insofar as our cherished democracy is concerned. We invested 285 billion dollars. It cost us 300,000 plus in the precious youth of America. We have had over 1,000,000 casualties, and all of us, as long as we live, will see evidence of war around and about us. We know full well that those who will never see again paid a great price, those who shall never walk again, what a price! Yet as I analyze today, still no formal peace has been made. The chart, insofar as our future peace is concerned, has not yet been drafted. All the world looks to America for leadership—I heard Harry Truman say, "America is on the threshold of the greatest day America has ever known—or—America is doomed, and if America is doomed, civilization is lost." A few days later, I met Dr. Arthur Compton, the scientist of the atomic bomb. He said already we have developed a bomb 100 times as destructive as the one we used on the Japanese. Unless you and I as leaders in America and the world can work out a formula for living in one great human symphony, civilization and the things we cherish are doomed and lost forever. Why do I say it? Because the hope for the world is America, and the hope for America is an educated citizenry. America has a high percentage of educated people. If we are going to blaze a trail, we need the spirit of sacrifice. As you men sit in the classrooms, you will hear PhD's proclaim you are living in a changing world. But, gentlemen, the fundamentals of life do not change.

I could go on and cover many fields wherein you and I have refinements and enjoy them. But people lived richly and fully before scientific genius was made a reality. The fundamental realities I am talking about tonight are faith, love, fundamental honesty, industry on the part of individuals that they might apply themselves fully to the tasks which are at hand—and to those fundamentals we must return if we hope to build the world that has been talked about so much today. We need courageous living and I am convinced that APO will give to men an opportunity to live courageously. If we are going to live courageously, we must have open minds and open hearts. The trouble with men today is that their hearts and minds are only open to the things to which they already subscribe! We need to have open minds politically. We need to have minds open insofar as religion is concerned, for following every war has been the spirit of persecution of minorities. I can speak as a member of a majority—I am a Presbyterian, and I hope that every one of you men can be as proud of your faith as I am of mine. I hope by my actions and deeds that I can so live that all of my friends and neighbors can know that I want them to have the same privileges I crave for myself: the privilege of worshipping God according to the dictates of my conscience. We have developed in America a group of men who insist on branding people not by what they are for, but what they are against. We catalogue men on the campus by what they are against, not what they are for! We must have open minds and hearts insofar as politics and religion are concerned.

What a thrill I have had hearing men say, "I am this" and "I am that" with such sincere pride. In America, today, unfortunately, there has been developed a spirit on the part of young Americans—God forbid that it should ever creep into APO of "we want more for less." This shall be my swan song tonight: I say to you tonight there is still no substitute for hard work and industry and application. Today we find men who toil to earn an honest dollar to support their families. But also today wherever we go, men are saying, "We want more money for less work, we want more honors and less industry, we want a greater return for a smaller investment." And one of the fundamental laws of old Mother Nature is a decent return on a proper investment. You cannot have a great chapter of Alpha Phi Omega on your campus unless men are willing to work. You cannot build a strong national organization of Alpha Phi Omega unless men are willing to invest their time and talent and energy and consecrate themselves fully to the building of a great national brotherhood.

Two other things I touch upon. We need in America the real spirit of brotherhood. We cannot hope to give leadership to the world unless America is strong. It cannot be strong if it is divided against itself. I am idealistic enough to believe that the brotherhood of man can become a reality in America. Then we must make it a working part of APO on our campus—on every campus in America. We are going to see organized groups that are constantly clashing. I say to you tonight that if APO is to justify her existence on a long range program, we must prove to the world that the brotherhood of man can become a reality under the banner of Alpha Phi Omega. With all the sincerity of my heart and soul, I say to you men that if America is to lead the world and if America is to become strong and if America is to have the true spirit of brotherhood, then men must return to Almighty God and be faithful in the performance of their religious duties. I am talking about practical Christianity, workable Judaism—I am talking about religion! When the religious motive dominates the thinking and doing of a man, that man cannot help reflect friendship and service and in all probability he will be a leader, no matter how few talents may be his.

Tonight I crave a spirit of fair play. I hope every man will be true to his own faith and then be fair to those of other beliefs, that we can prove on the college campus of today in America that men of every social and economic and religious status can harmonize into one great working brotherhood. Every man knows what is wrong with the world tonight. You men on campuses today are also students of the international picture. You can write me a formula for the betterment of the world, but would you be involved in that formula? My friends and brethren, America needs to be revitalized as never before. APO needs to be revitalized on the basis of a great post-war program that will give APO a basis for service to God and fellow-men. Tonight I would have every man of APO, with faith in Almighty God—with a childlike faith in God—bow down and throw his head Heaven-ward and say, "Oh God, revitalize my America, but, Oh God, please start with me." If every one of us does that, then that hymn will become a reality in America. I have faith in your character, in your capacity, in your idealism, and in the banner of APO and everything it represents. You and I together, if we stand united with courage, faith, love, and industry, can make that hymn a reality: "America, America, God shed His grace on Thee, And crown Thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea."

### MEETINGS OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES

The meetings of the committees followed the banquet program and extended into the small hours of the morning. (The reports of the committees are presented in later pages of this issue.)

#### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

Worship services were held for the convention delegates. The morning session was called to order by President Bartle at 9:35. The roll was called by the National Secretary.

#### Report of the National Treasurer

In the absence of Dr. Edwin C. Johnson (Omicron), Dr. Bartle presented and read the financial statement. The report on examination of the fraternity records was prepared by the Lunsford, Barnes and Company, Certified Public Accountants. The report covered the six year period from December 1, 1940 to November 30, 1946 (the entire time since the preceding convention). The report was reviewed and endorsed by the official delegates.

Wilson L. Dyer (Alpha Rho) moved the report be accepted. George Henry (Delta Lambda) seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the motion carried.

(The auditor's report is available at the national office for inspection at any time by any member.)

#### Legislative Session

PRESIDENT BARTLE: The first item is a request that junior colleges be permitted to enjoy the rights and benefits of APO. I am proposing the following procedure insofar as our legislative session is concerned—that no delegate speak more than twice to any question, the first time, for a period of not to exceed five minutes; the second, not to exceed two minutes. Only official delegates speak.

BILL KENT (Alpha Omicron): Move we adopt this policy.

JACK PARKER (Gamma Psi): Second.

Vote taken. Motion carried.

DON ANDERSON (Xi): The extension committee had a resolution to this effect.

M. R. DISBOROUGH: This committee goes on record unanimously recommending and encouraging the organization of APO on campuses of duly accredited junior colleges of America.

HORACE ANDERSON (Alpha Iota): I move that the resolution as presented by Mr. Disborough be accepted by the convention.

MARLIN REMLEY (Beta Psi): Second.

C. M. FINNELL (N. E. B.): Please read the resolution again.

M. R. DISBOROUGH: This committee goes on record unanimously recommending and encouraging the organization of APO on campuses of duly accredited junior colleges of America.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: The constitution and by-laws committee, if this resolution is accepted, must retire immediately to incorporate this in the laws of the fraternity. From this day forward, we shall, according to this particular resolution, vigorously promote the program of APO in junior colleges. It does not say we shall accept petitions but that we shall vigorously promote.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): Can this be referred to the constitution committee without the necessary 60 days?

(General stir in search of the legal advisor.)

WILSON DYER: I move this matter be tabled pending legal counsel.

UNIDENTIFIED: Second.

Motion carried.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni Chapter): I move we continue to consider legislative matters. I propose to begin the afternoon agenda—whichever reports the committees are ready to give. Let us receive reports from the various committees instead of following the order of the day.

DON ANDERSON (Xi): Second.

BILL KENT (Alpha Omicron): Could we not wait until the legal counselor arrives?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Question that we shift agenda of the day and proceed with reports of the committees.

Vote taken; motion carried.

At this point, Dr. Meredith and Bruce Edwards, representing Emporia (Kansas) State Teachers College, were introduced to the convention.

### Report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws

Frank D. Wood (Gamma Zeta), Chairman

FRANK D. WOOD (Gamma Zeta): This committee was given a group of items that, by the provisions of our constitution, had to be submitted in writing 60 days before this convention was assembled and those said articles distributed in writing to the various chapter officers for their consideration and comments. We were forced to turn down some ideas that were suggested by individuals to our committee simply on those grounds, and I wanted to make that statement so as to have no misunderstanding on that point. We also had a resolution or two thrown over to us by other committees, and these we had to lay aside and not consider at all because they had not met this provision of our constitution. Since I represent in a business way a national organization that goes strictly by the rule of the law, I had to be rather strict on these things. There were seven items we finally reached a conclusion on, five of which we submit to you for such action as you desire to take.

I. Article III, Section I. Change this article to read, "Alpha Phi Omega shall be an honorary fraternity with the official designation of 'national service fraternity.'"

PRESIDENT BARTLE: The motion must come from the floor. What is your pleasure?

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): I move that the convention adopt this resolution.

PERCY CARTER (Delta): Second.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): The members of Alpha Rho feel that this designation of "honorary" fraternity is unnecessary, and furthermore, it would be ambiguous in that it would link us with other honorary organizations that are honorary on a scholastic basis. It is stated in the reason, "It is desired because of its attending prestige." We feel the prestige comes not from its name but from its work. In the argument in the committee, it came up that this would not be used in the actual terminology of the fraternity. It was stated that it would be called an honorary in the constitution but not necessarily in publications and publicity. If that is true, then I see no necessity for changing the constitution. Therefore, we go on record as opposing this change.

KENT SHAFER (Kappa): As a point of information, how do we stand on the national interfraternity council?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: They have us classified as an honorary. We have insisted we are a service fraternity. The national interfraternity council says there is no such classification. I personally have had considerable experience with honorary fraternities. Some have my profoundest respect, others have my utter contempt. As far as the

interfraternity council is concerned, we haven't changed their minds. Whether we like it or not, we are an honorary fraternity as far as they are concerned.

Question called. 4 in favor. Opposing vote carried. Motion defeated.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: The chair rules we are still a national service fraternity!

FRANK WOOD: The second item we desire to present to you is relative to Article IV, Section 1 of the constitution—following the third sentence, “. . . to serve for a period of six years.” Add, “five of these members shall have been or shall be at the time of their election active members of an APO chapter.”

LAWRENCE BAKER (Beta Iota): Move we accept this resolution.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): Second.

Motion unanimously carried.

FRANK WOOD: In Article VI of the Constitution, it is suggested that two new sections be added to create a national service committee and a national membership committee. In Article VII, immediately following, designate the duties of these two new committees. They did not specify what they want these two committees to do, but left it up to us. This came up about 1:30 a. m., so we decided that inasmuch as no duties were submitted, and not being sufficiently conversant with the items noted, we decided to submit to the National Executive Board for such action as they desire to take. Mr. President, we so move.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Is there a motion that the action be accepted by the convention with the power of the National Executive Board to act? Judge Charno says if you are willing to accept this, it empowers the National Executive Board to write into the constitution for the convention the National Service Committee and National Membership Committee, prescribing what their duties shall be if they so desire.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): Would that cover membership qualifications?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: No. National Service Committee would be charged with the responsibility of creating within the chapters an earnest desire to serve more fully. National Membership Committee, for the stimulation of chapter leadership to expand membership within the unit and to carry the torch to other campuses.

LAWRENCE BAKER (Beta Iota): I should think the convention would have to voice limitations. Some of us are wary of “membership” and we would like to limit the Board's powers in that respect.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Then someone should make a motion of exactly what you are referring to the National Executive Board. The national legal advisor has had at least one ray of hope to offer for us—that some one move that this be accepted with the provision that there be a mail referendum vote after terms of both committees have been established—thus giving democratic action back to the chapters.

MURRAY COHEN (Gamma Iota): I move that this be done with the stipulation that after the mail vote is taken, a published list of the chapters' votes be sent out to the chapters.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Shall we have the motion with the results of the referendum published in the *Torch and Trefoil*?

MURRAY COHEN: That is my motion.

GEORGE HENRY (Delta Lambda): Second.

LAWRENCE BAKER (Beta Iota): Would all chapter members or just delegates vote?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Majority vote in the chapters records the vote—yes or no—for each chapter. For a referendum vote, it takes 2/3 of the chapters to carry it. If a chapter does not vote within 30 days of the time the proposal is submitted, then the vote of that chapter is not recorded either way.

KENT D. SHAFER (Kappa): Should not the chapter have to prove that they have a quorum present?

GEORGE H. CHARNO (N. E. B.): It is assumed that each chapter is of the greatest integrity.

Question. Vote taken—unanimously carried.

FRANK WOOD: Article III of the National Constitution—we recommend that a local chapter may add to this article, the following section: “It shall be the policy of Alpha Phi Omega to include in its membership men of social fraternities and non-members, men of all races, creeds and colors, and men of all departments of the college, upon being so elected by the respective chapters and upon fulfilling membership preparations prescribed by the national fraternity and by the local chapter.”

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Is there a motion?

ROYAL McCREERY (Alpha Iota): I so move.

ROBERT EHN (Upsilon, Milwaukee): Second.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): I believe our committee requested that that be put down as a national by-law.

CHM. WOODS OF COMMITTEE: No, it did not.

BILL NEWBY (Alpha Eta): But that is the way I made the motion in the committee meeting.

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): Are we amending the Constitution or are we referring it to the committee on the standard chapter constitution and by-laws? If you accept this, then it goes to the Committee on Chapter Constitution and By-Laws who will bring their report to us for consideration a little later.

KENT SHAFER (N. E. B.): I propose a substitute motion that this item be approved as an amendment to the constitution as originally suggested.

MURRAY COHEN (Gamma Iota): I think the convention should have a clarification: it was suggested that any chapters could inject this into their constitution.

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): I would like to second Brother Shaffer's motion.

KENT SHAFER: Having been chairman of the local Constitution and By-Laws Committee, we discussed this last night. We concluded that we did not need to be told the same thing twice. Will someone tell me where this is not covered? Why does this need to be added?

LAWRENCE BAKER (Beta Iota): For the same reason the bill of rights is necessary, it guarantees something that we don't like to assume. Brother Kinney did not have in his original motion the words “in proportion to the population.” We don't know how that got in. We just noticed it this morning.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni): Unless this policy is explicitly stated in the Constitution, there are some campuses in the country that will not accept chapters of Alpha Phi Omega. Roosevelt College in Chicago is a case in point.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): I think this resolution as it now stands represents a compromise between the two opposing factions on this question which was reached last night after considerable controversy. If we have to go through it again, we are wasting a lot of time. At the time we finally voted on it last night, people were more or less of peaceful mind. Now it appears to me that some factions are not satisfied with what they did last night but want to put something over on the group that was opposing them. Since we have reached a conclusion acceptable to both sides of a controversial matter, I move the original question.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Substitute motion takes precedence.

KENT D. SHAFER: Deleting the words “in proportion to the population of those groups on each campus.”

CHAIRMAN WOODS: That is not before us and is not included in the resolution which we have presented.

GEORGE H. CHARNO (N. E. B.): You asked for a recommendation from the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws: They have made a report with recommendation eliminating these words about “proportion.” That is all right.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Motion is that this particular wording shall be included in the national constitution.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): I would like to call for a roll-call vote.

RAY O. WYLAND (N. E. B.): Why not try it the other way first? Maybe you won't need it.

ROBERT LANDAU: I withdraw it.

DWIGHT BRAINARD (Beta Chi): As I see it, we are trying to bring the race question before us in this motion, and I think that it should not be a part of the National Constitution whether or not to have all races, creeds, and colors in this thing, and I would like to see that they be permitted to join APO provided that it is the same as in Scouting—it is a sectional deal. It is handled locally.

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): We are a democratic society, the Constitution of the United States says we are not supposed to draw such lines. I think if we do not meet the question squarely, we are missing the boat.

BILL NEWBY (Alpha Eta): I would like to ask the chief: If a chapter petitions to become a chapter, are they given the national constitution or the standard chapter constitution?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: They are given both. They are given the national constitution and we ask them to adopt the standard local constitution and by-laws.

GEORGE H. CHARNO: Any chapter can do anything it desires as long as it does not violate the national constitution and by-laws.

BILL NEWBY: Some have felt that people would not want to join

if something were not said specifically about this in the Constitution. I would like to see the question voted down.

UNIDENTIFIED: I think that as former Scouts, we don't even need to bring up this question of color, race, or creed. I don't even see any need for the amendment.

OLLIE S. MORE (Gamma Rho): If a colored brother of the fraternity were to come down South and visit the fraternity, it is the duties of any of his brothers in the South to find dates for him, etc.

HORACE ANDERSON (Alpha Iota): There is just as much segregation in some of our Northern cities as there is in some of our Southern cities. I was raised (and born) under the American flag and live under American standards, colored or white. I expect equal opportunities to enjoy the standards in which I was raised. I don't expect to go to the South and date white women. So that is something that education will take care of, and you can't solve it in a group like this. If we are educated and will accept a democracy, I think we must accept basic facts. If Ohio State University has chosen to accept me as a brother, I recognize that when I come to a state with laws restricting me, I must abide by those laws. I have spoken with delegates from Southern states, and we are still able to call each other brothers. I don't think these social implications are a matter of question, it is not just color, it is certain religious tolerance we have to worry about, etc. When you are turning down something like this, you are not turning me down but you are turning down people from all over the world and from different religions, too. In Scouting, I think we can find a place for all of them.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: I have heard the statement and am happy to see it included in the records. That is as fine a statement as we have had in the convention. We would not have all this turmoil and strife if both of the sides of the question had as much character and insight as the man whom we have just heard.

The question as now stated: The motion plus the fact that the section be made a part of the national constitution. It shall be the policy of APO to include in its membership men of social fraternities and men of all races, creeds, and colors, being elected by respective chapters, etc.

Vote taken. 79 votes in favor, 5 opposed.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Motion carried. All of us here want to congratulate most heartily these men who have labored hard into the night on these resolutions. We want them to stay in close proximity so we can refer quickly to them.

TOM NEENAN (Omicron): Minority report of the Committee: Article III, Section VII of the Constitution: Add to the portion there: "and upon the official sanction of the chapter in which the person applying was or is a member." This would insure the fraternity of getting men as life members who have shown themselves worthy in their local chapters.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): It lost by 8 to 5 vote and not just by one as Mr. Neenan stated.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): Second.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: I think we should have a statement from both sides of the committee. Will somebody speak for the other side of the motion?

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): In the first place, I would like to ask Judge Charno if this can be done. It wasn't lost on a single vote. If you adopt this amendment, it presumes that each chapter hold a file of every member who has been in that chapter since its inception. Somebody is going to have to write in the file whether or not he was a bad or good man, someone will have to judge this man's character. On what basis are you going to judge this man's character if you don't know him? Then you have to vote on him anyway. It looks to me as if each chapter is going to have some very fine files on all of their members. Speaking for Alpha Rho, we couldn't produce it. Maybe we could in ten years but we can't now.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Let's hear the other.

TOM NEENAN: As to that last point, I don't see why he thinks it would exclude him from membership. It doesn't stipulate that. It only says you would have to be voted by the chapter. It doesn't say how. I would suggest that records be kept. If keeping records is bad or wrong or will hurt the chapters, I would like to know how. Keeping records should always be done. This proposal Friday night received the approval of the National Executive Board. That is another reason why I am bringing it up.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: I am calling for an oral vote.

TOM NEENAN: The gentleman said Alpha Rho couldn't do it

in 10 years, but Omicron did it in one month by establishing a personal relations committee.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: I think we have both sides of this picture. Are you ready to vote?

LAWRENCE BAKER (Beta Iota): How can a defunct chapter vote in anybody?

GEORGE H. CHARNO: That is up to God—how can a dead man vote?

PERCY CARTER (Delta): Has there been a second?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Yes. We are voting either for the proposal or against it.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni): If the motion carries, how can any member of Beta Gamma chapter, which is inactive because of the college being discontinued, how can a member of that chapter ever become a life member?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: How many are in favor of this motion?

Vote taken. Motion defeated.

Our legal counsel is ready to rule on a matter that was tabled in his absence.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): I move to take from the table the motion regarding junior colleges.

BILL KENT (Alpha Omicron): Second.

GEORGE H. CHARNO (N. E. B.): The question of junior colleges is not open for consideration because a junior college could come in if the chapters of America and the National Executive Board so decided. "Charters shall be granted only on a petition of 25 undergraduate students, (from constitution.) who are enrolled in an accredited college or university." That covers the entire field of colleges, including junior colleges. If a junior college is an accredited college and it is your desire that it receive a chapter in APO, the Constitution permits that chapter to be formed.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): Does "accredited" have anything to do with junior colleges?

GEORGE H. CHARNO: Yes, it applies to junior colleges.

DEAN ZUMBRUNNEN (Alpha Omicron): (Not audible at first.) When you talk about junior colleges, you always say "junior colleges," in distinction from "colleges."

PRESIDENT BARTLE: I would say that the Dean of Men always has the right to speak—thank you, dean, for your interpretation. Are you ready to vote on the question?

UNIDENTIFIED (Beta Chi): "College" means a four-year school. The constitution does not say whether it is college or high school, it just says "undergraduates."

THE MOB: Yes it does. . . .

PRESIDENT BARTLE: (Read from Constitution.)

Question. Vote taken. Motion carried.

FRANK WOOD: Article VIII, Section 1. We recommend that the title of "Senior Faculty Advisor" be changed to "Chairman of the Advisory Committee." Then add, "The chairman must be a member of the administrative staff or faculty of the college."

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): I move that this resolution be made a matter of legislation.

DON ANDERSON (Xi): Second.

UNIDENTIFIED (Beta Mu): Why this proposal?

TOM NEENAN (Omicron): I would like to read the reason given on the sheet. "The title of the senior faculty advisor is sometimes misleading. This official is frequently an administrator rather than a faculty member of the college. Also, the "senior" advisor is often in actuality "junior" to other members of the committee. This change would more clearly indicate the job of the chief advisor. Motion unanimously carried.

FRANK WOOD: Article IX, Section 1. We are proposing that "shall" be changed to "should," so that the phrase shall read: "One of whom should be an undergraduate and the other an advisor."

LAWRENCE BAKER (Beta Iota): Move acceptance.

DON ANDERSON (Xi): Second.

BILL NEWBY (Alpha Eta): In the event no advisor is able to attend the convention the voting of the chapter would then rest with two active members instead of just the one.

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): Would a chapter with one delegate then be entitled to two votes or would they have to have two delegates to have two votes?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: It would be up to the convention if not specifically stated.

DAVID STEWART (Beta Kappa): Article IX, Section 2 takes care of that: "Each chapter represented at the national convention shall have two votes. In case a chapter has but one delegate present,

that delegate shall have power to cast both votes. Each member of the National Executive Board present at a convention shall have one vote."

Motion carried unanimously.

#### By-Laws

FRANK WOOD: Article III, Section 3 last sentence. We think we ought to raise the price on alumni life membership. We move that this fee be changed to \$15.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni): Is the income from our present endowment fund sufficient to serve the present number of life members?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: It is not on the basis of which it is being administered at this time. Careful analysis on the part of the national executive board indicates it shall cost a minimum of 50 cents per year per man to serve him properly. As it now stands, we are getting about 2½% on our money, but it is safe-invested in Uncle Sam. The fraternity must necessarily supplement. We need to decide whether or not this should be raised at this time or later or whether we want it to be reduced, or what.

JACK PARKER (Gamma Psi): Has someone figured that that is enough raise to cover the cost?

GEORGE SCHAEFFER: We would still lose 4c a year per man. I move we accept the item as read.

JAMES KRING (Gamma Xi): Second. Vote taken-unanimously carried.

ROBERT LANDAU (Gamma Delta): How about the deadline?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Unless it is implemented, it takes effect now.

#### Report of Alumni Organization Committee

George W. Schaeffer (Chicago Alumni), Chairman

CHAIRMAN SCHAEFFER: The alumni organization committee submits the following constitutional amendments for your consideration or for reference to the constitutional committee as would be the desire of the convention.

In Article XIV of the National Constitution, Section I, that a second clause be added to read that a charter shall be granted to an alumni chapter on formal petition of 15 or more life members. Such charter shall be granted by geographical area.

An Amendment to Section II of the same article: petitions for alumni chapters shall be referred to the National Executive Board for action.

An Amendment to Section III in the same article: charters for alumni chapters shall be granted upon a ¾ vote of the National Executive Board.

An Amendment to the By-Laws-Article III Section I, the addition of a second clause, "Charter fee of \$15 shall be paid by each new alumni chapter at the time its petition is presented to the national fraternity.

Those are the amendments to be submitted now. We have another one coming up later.

FRANK D. WOOD (Gamma Zeta): Do I understand that we will not follow out the idea of institutional sponsorship when you say "geographical area?" As I understand it, all the alumni in and around Atlanta can form themselves into an Atlanta alumni chapter, and even if some "damnyankee" from the North is there and has been an active, he can belong, too.

ROYAL McCREERY (Alpha Iota): I move that we accept these amendments which have been presented to us.

GEORGE H. CHARNO: Why should an alumni chapter be permitted to pay a lesser charter fee than a chapter on a college campus? The setting up of the chapter structure and the servicing of that chapter in the beginning costs way over \$25.

CHAIRMAN SCHAEFFER: I would be perfectly agreeable if that suggested amendment be dropped for the present moment and the others be voted on and we can consider that separately.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): Maybe you ought to let us go out and take a look at it.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: I order this matter to be referred to its proper source-the Constitutional and By-Laws Committee. The alumni committee and constitution and by-laws committee will both retire.

CHAIRMAN SCHAEFFER: It is the duty of the Constitution and By-Laws Committee to see that these articles are not in conflict with other articles in the Constitution.

#### Report of Committee on Extension

M. R. Disborough (Delta Mu), Chairman

CHM. DISBOROUGH: We have no constitutional amendments, we have already taken care of ours in junior colleges.

This committee recommends the following membership standards for chapters: Schools of less than 500 men, 25 to 50 active members; 500 to 2000 men, 50 to 100 active members; 2000 and over, 100 to 150 active members.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Is there a motion?

RICHARD KLINCK (Delta Lambda): I move we accept those recommendations.

DON ANDERSON (Xi): Second.

CHAIRMAN DISBOROUGH: This puts all chapter leadership in institutions on the alert so they can measure up to minimum standards. Where chapters do not adhere, the national office shall inform them that such is the will of this convention.

ROYAL McCREERY (Alpha Iota): Would that mean that if any university dropped below that requirement, their chapter would be inactivated?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: No-there are no penalties. Until you men had this number, it would be the duty of the national office to stimulate your leadership to work for that many members.

JULIUS WALLOCK (Beta Iota): I don't believe that the national office or the national constitution should make any regulation as to the number of men to be in a chapter. I think that should be at the discretion of the chapter. For instance, at New York University we have over 40,000 students and yet I can't see a chapter in New York going over 100, let alone going over 200, because it is not the type of university you have in other situations. We have an urban university. We haven't got that many service projects to perform. I would like to reiterate further by saying that when you get something like that, you are applying it to all your schools. You can't do that; every school is different.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: This does not relate to the national constitution or the national office, which was the premise on which you based your statement.

JULIUS WALLOCK: It is still a regulatory provision, and I don't believe any such regulation can be laid down.

ROBERT W. BERRY (Beta Eta): This is merely an expression of the will of this convention that each chapter shall attain this goal. I move this question.

GEORGE HENRY (Delta Lambda): The reason for that proposal is the larger the campus, the more men are needed to carry out projects. In smaller colleges, not as many men are needed.

JOHN GLASS (Alpha Tau): We debated this question for about two hours. We set this up more or less as a basis to measure up to during this next year. I call for the question.

ROBERT W. BERRY: There is a motion before the house, I moved the previous question.

Vote was taken. Recommendation carried.

BERNARD TUROFF (Gamma Iota): I call for a roll call vote.

Vote: 51 to 18.

CHAIRMAN DISBOROUGH: We recommend that each chapter strive to attain this standard membership in 1947 by (1) Scout Census at the next registration; (2) Personal contact with former Scouts; (3) A survey definitely on every campus.

ROBERT BARTLETT (Beta Psi): Move acceptance.

ROBERT W. BERRY (Beta Eta): Second.

Question unanimously carried.

CHAIRMAN DISBOROUGH: Recommendation that every chapter of Alpha Phi Omega be urged to be responsible for at least one new chapter of APO before the next convention. Method was started yesterday on the floor of the convention, and recommendation is made that this be followed by mail and personal contact.

CHARLES E. GOLDSMITH (Delta Beta): Move acceptance.

N. B. BRODER (Beta Beta): Second. Question carried.

UNIDENTIFIED (Lambda): I think we should do something about extension to vacant areas in the Rocky Mountains. Would it not be possible under this situation to have a chapter sponsor a new chapter in that area?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: The retiring national executive board has made a proposal to the board which is to be elected today that in every state of the Union there be a state chairman whether or not we have chapters of the fraternity. We can find an alumnus of APO even in Wyoming and Nevada, and we shall name that brother as state chairman and charge him with responsibility of working diligently. It is interesting to know that we have a chapter coming in at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

### Report of Publications Committee

C. M. Finnell (Alpha Alpha), Chairman

We recommend retention of present name of **TORCH AND TREFOIL**. The committee was unanimous in voting to retain the same number of issues per year as at present. Use of crest and insignia of the pin on the masthead of the magazine is encouraged. Removal of the list of chapters appearing in every issue and instead, publish such lists in September and February. The space thus saved could be used for pictures of the various chapter projects.

The Committee wishes to commend the editor of the **TORCH AND TREFOIL** for his fine job.

**QUESTION AND ANSWER PAMPHLET**: Removal of pictures of the men pages 7 to 12 and instead, publish comments of the men with immediate stimulus to the members. To the summary in the beginning of the pamphlet, add list of purposes of APO, flanked with crest and pin, which will replace the "Greeting of the President" which now appears.

The next recommendations deal with the **PLEDGE MANUAL**. On page 11, should be changed after the portion on chapter membership. The responsibility of the member to aid and finance the chapter according to local constitution and by-laws with examples of how some chapters finance their programs.

One point on the **MANUAL OF ADMINISTRATION**. Recommendation that it be printed subject to revision by action of the legislative body. Enlargement of the **RITUAL MANUAL** and print therein to facilitate easy reading and present contents subject to revision.

New material recommended:

Application forms for members of new alumni chapters.

Pictorial pamphlets of chapter projects for prospective members.

That the national fraternity secure suitable sets of 35 mm. color slides depicting chapter activities when available to show to groups interested in APO.

That the Campus Scout Census card be changed to read "Are you interested in taking part in service projects for the benefit of the student body and faculty, local community and nation as a member of a national service fraternity?"

That a card similar to the card invitation to the pledging ceremony be printed as an invitation to the initiation ceremony.

Use of two lines on invitation cards for time and place of meeting instead of the present one line.

UNIDENTIFIED (Gamma): Move resolutions be accepted.

WILLIAM H. WALKER (Beta Iota): Second. Resolutions unanimously carried.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: The printer of **TORCH AND TREFOIL** sacrificed right and left during the paper shortage to see that APO had paper. The printer, Zion Printing Company, went all-out for us. I think it is in order for this convention to charge the resolutions committee to bring in a resolution expressing profound appreciation for that service.

DON ANDERSON (Xi): I so move.

GEORGE HENRY (Delta Lambda): Second.

Unanimously carried.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Standard Constitution and By-Laws Committee shall report.

UNIDENTIFIED (Beta Beta): Michigan State moves that this committee wait until after lunch, rather than interrupt it at lunchtime.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Chairman says it will be short and to the point.

### Report of Standard Chapter Constitution and By-Laws Committee

Kent D. Shaffer (Kappa), Chairman

KENT D. SHAFFER (Kappa): We met last night until about 12:45. We argued a lot, it is rather surprising that we can come in with the report that we have with all the discussion that we had. Will the Secretary read it, please?

After due discussion, the committee arrived at the following recommendations in the form of motions:

(1) Moved by JULIUS WALLOCK (Beta Iota): That the standard chapter constitution and by-laws as submitted in the proof copy of the Manual of Administration be adopted. Seconded by DON ONG (Lambda). Unanimously accepted by the committee.

(2) Moved by JULIUS WALLOCK: That this same Standard Chapter Constitution and By-Laws should be adopted by the chapters of APO. Seconded by DON ONG again. Motion carried with one dissenting vote.

CHAIRMAN SHAFFER: We were told that we had a number of chapters that are operating without any local constitution. We

don't feel that is just right. We felt maybe we were sticking our necks out a little, but we felt that we should recommend that all chapters should be forced, by pressure or otherwise, to adopt this constitution. Remember, even in adopting this constitution, you can still add anything.

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): I move we accept the report as given.

NELSON VARON (Gamma Omicron): Second. Motion carried.

CHAIRMAN SHAFFER: There is one other item on which we may be sticking our necks out. In the past, we have had other subcommittees. There is no ritual committee this time, and it was brought to our attention by some of our groups that there are certain things in that ritual that are not just quite "Cricket" today. We do not know the answer, but we do say this: inasmuch as we are admitting subjects of other countries, we do not feel part of the allegiance to the American flag is appropriate. We suggest that the National Executive Board study this with a view to revision.

LESLIE PARKER (Beta Upsilon): There are foreign students in our midst; they are Scouters from other countries. Certainly if we went into a foreign country, we would not want to pledge allegiance to their flag.

WILLIAM H. WALKER (Beta Eta): Move acceptance of this proposal.

BEN T. WELCH (Alpha Rho): Second.

Vote taken, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT VOTED AT 12:25 P. M.

### LUNCHEON SESSION

December 29

Brother James P. Fitch (Alpha Omicron) was toastmaster. The invocation was pronounced by Rev. J. J. Higgins, Dean of Rockhurst College.

*A Series of Five Minute Talks on*

### The Outstanding Project of Alpha Phi Omega on My Campus

BILL KENT (Alpha Omicron): It is hard to figure out what is outstanding. We like to think everything we do at Southern Methodist University is outstanding. This year we had our annual Christmas Tree—includes three classes of people: pledges, members, and the student body itself. Pledges cut down the Christmas tree (which towered three stories) and placed it in the rotunda of the main building. Members decorated it; then it was the student body's job to pitch pennies into buckets under the tree. The members bought toys and food, etc., and made boxes for people not so fortunate as we were. Sent money to various children's hospitals in Dallas for medicine. In doing this, we did service. We accomplished the three cardinal principles of our fraternity. This Christmas we got to know each other better and to work with each other.

ARTHUR GREINER (Alpha Phi): The theme of this convention is "Service." One thing I have gotten is this: if we want to live the full life, they say we should and can serve our best interests by serving others. We say we can serve the best interests of our nation by serving other nations. I can illustrate that by telling about one of our service projects last spring. We were looking around for service projects for our own campus. The director of the Campus YMCA said we were being near-sighted. Students on our campus were not in a desperate situation, but that students overseas were. We resolved to do something about that. Started correspondence with law students at the University of Amsterdam. They had no textbooks available at all so we went around to the organizations on campus soliciting for old textbooks they might have available. We got quite a pile of books—then a committee picked out the 200 ones they thought would be the best for the students overseas. The chapter members crated them and sent them to the University of Amsterdam. It gave us and the students at the University of Amsterdam a better feeling of the mutual friendship which is supposed to exist between our countries.

WILLIAM H. WALKER (Beta Eta): The most important project of Beta Eta is the annual President's Birthday Ball. It was originated in 1944. The first outstanding event came about more or less by accident when we stumbled onto the idea—trying to find something different from the usual run of parties. Ticket sales were conducted by students from other organizations as well as our own, the Commanding Officers of the ASTP and Air Corps approved our activities. We enjoyed preliminary selection of the young lady to be known as the "First Lady" of the ball. Each women's house of

50 or more women (also the dorms at Stephens and Christian College) were allowed candidates. Final selections were made at the ball by each person writing his vote on the back of the program.

We experienced a few difficulties, such as having the musicians arrive late. Also, the city fire inspector eliminated some of our most beautiful decorations because it was felt they were fire hazards. Funds obtained from the ticket sale went to crippled children who are making a valiant fight to regain their health. We have made our plans and are looking forward eagerly to the March of Dimes Ball of 1947.

**C. C. ("Jitter") NOLEN (Alpha Rho):** As most of you probably know, the University of Texas is a large university. . . one of the largest in the South. Alpha Rho has always maintained one of the largest chapters in APO. We have several outstanding projects on the campus each year. We provided manpower and leadership for distributing ration books, handled selective service registration, made quite an impression on the people of the community. The dean's office thinks we are outstanding for handling the orientation at the beginning of each semester. We handle guide service and do services for the dean's office. Probably the outstanding thing we have made our name in and the one we are most famous for is handling the campus elections. They get mighty hot and APO is treading the middle! We are one of the few organizations on the campus that have an honest name, and an honest name on the University of Texas campus is something that is hard to get! Since that time, APO has handled them in such a way that it is a conceded fact that the elections are APO's. This last time, in the fall election, we elected 27 assemblymen. When it got down to the final count in the Arts and Science election, there was one vote difference, and there was no re-count asked for. The staff is made up of members of Alpha Rho. The organization is such that the whole election is run off without a hitch. Last time, there were over 1,000 man-hours put in on the election. We are proud of our name and record.

### Twenty Years as Senior Faculty Advisor

By Professor A. L. Thomas (Delta)

I have been watching these conventions some 15 years and the battle between Brother Roe and George Charno, and I have been waiting to see that event when they finally would clash! Twenty years is a long time, have seen ups and downs in development and growth of the chapter. Every advisor has had the problem of scraping the chairs getting ready for the meetings, of getting ousted from a room which the chapter is told it can't have any more, etc. Men can't come to the meetings sometimes, and we have to overlook their excuses. Our campus has over 100 organizations all in these fighting for this and that all the time. Yet APO cuts right across the whole with a program of service that no other organization has been able to do. We do not have any grand way of making money—have no concessions. Everything like that seems to be controlled or already taken, yet APO has been on the campus 20 years, and we manage to work through. Now I don't know what I could tell you to help to encourage you. After this series of speeches and the wonderful inspiration given us, if that isn't sufficient to keep you going back yonder, then it is time for you to call in a priest.

We continually have the problem of selling APO to each administration. I have lived through seven of those administrations in my experience. We come up, hot and cold, find appreciation and rebuffs—but APO still has a particular job to do and a special appreciation on the campus at Auburn because those fellows in that group are hard at work and are earnest fellows, and they struggle with their problems until they have worked out a solution. When they show the faculty and the administration that they have something behind them, then we are really ready to uphold their efforts. As a teacher, to me the student life is a very sacred thing. We must learn how to make the contact between a boy and different causes. Too many of our boys are dropping out of these institutions. Too many give up too soon. Too many become discouraged, and there is no one to pat them on the back and say, "Brother, the world wasn't made in a day. Get up and try again. It still can be done." And we must spread the influence of our chapters to take in your buddy and give him encouragement. When you are able to do that, just to see the light of appreciation in one fellow's eyes pays for all the service over all the years. Perhaps if you get the spirit and carry it back, these lines may help you. . . "The event stands clear in history. . . originality not in trees but in this tree, and every fruit is a first fruit, shapely and absolute. Beauty comes clean. . . time is a machine that clocks the centuries. What we have seen—what

no clock has recorded. . . beginning newness and the old refuse to die, taking hold.

### Why I Believe in Alpha Phi Omega

By Prof. Daniel DenUyl (Alpha Gamma)

I would sum it up in one word: "service." I would like to define briefly what I think service represents. There is a type of service pretty well illustrated by what we learn in "King Lear." The old King is finally deserted by all of his friends, including his family, and he has left only his servant. He turns to his servant in a grumbling way and bemoans the fact that all his servants have deserted him. This does not represent what we believe in. Better illustrated by quotation from a special poem I love to read, "Grave Digger," by Emerson Brook. The part that appeals to me most and that really tells in a very convincing way why I believe in APO is this:

A kind thought is more than half a prayer,  
Each smile begets another smile for you,  
A kiss will oft a breaking heart repair—  
Erase a wrinkle from the brow of care,—  
Or plant a rose where roses are but few.

To plant those roses is my answer to "Why I believe in Alpha Phi Omega."

### The Relationship of Scouting Advisors in APO

By Harold F. Pote (Beta Iota)

I am the 41st person to try to make a speech to you. However, you are gluttons for punishment. At the University of Minnesota, a few years ago they had a man who loved to be a toastmaster, started on a program one evening and had seven speakers. By the time he gave them each a very flowery introduction and they all had special talks to give, the hour was very late. Finally, they came to a very learned man from the University of Edinburgh, Sir Henry Myer, and the toastmaster still introduced him and hoped for the best. The man stood up and said, "Homer is dead, Dante is dead, Shakespeare is dead, and I am not feeling so well myself." Well I feel the same way.

But you are expecting me to give you a picture of what a Scouting Advisor sees when he looks at APO.

There are 2,200 members of our professional family at the present time. Those men are all potential Scouting Advisors. The latest registration on volunteer Scouting in the country is 476,000. . . perhaps I can represent a few of these men, at least a few of the Scout Executives. First of all, Scouting advisors look for leadership. A few men will be inclined to misuse this leadership in terms of Local Council Scouting. But a great majority will look for leadership that can be geared to the specialized projects—the worthwhile activities—the filling in of a gap. The leader is best when people barely know he exists. But of a good leader, who talks little, when his work is done, his aim is fulfilled, they will all say, "We did this ourselves." That is the proper approach for the Scouting Advisor as he deals with you men, and I believe you will find that is the way he wants to approach you.

Scouting Advisors need understanding. Some men think they are thinking when they are merely re-arranging their prejudices. Remember that, as you realize that the Scouting Advisor is anxious to reach an understanding with you in your projects and is anxious to be helpful. A few will place service to the local council first above everything else, but a good many will place service to you and your chapter as their first obligation and will help you meet those obligations.

Scouting Advisors are strong men; they expect successes, but they can also live through failures. A man who can be of great help to you under circumstances of discouragement is a Scouting Advisor. Look what he has to contend with: ups and downs of leadership, failure of staff members, non-cooperation of institutions, etc. Count on their help even when you are at the lowest point.

The Scouting Advisor believes in a great future for APO. I have never been so happy in all my experience in 17 years where I have had the primary responsibility of recruiting men as at this convention. I have talked to 26 young men of this group anxious to make Scouting their life work. At least 21 or 22 of those men will find their way into the profession. But what about APO? APO is right in the center of that. A carry-over of the leadership from the professional angle, from volunteer positions back in the local council, etc. I won't take any longer on that.

I found among my notes two paragraphs from an editorial written by David Lawrence in the U. S. News right after the atomic bomb over Hiroshima. "There must be peace on earth and good will

between factions inside nations as well as between nations themselves. Conflicts between religious sects and races must be ended so that our spiritual energies can be concentrated on a real purpose—the brotherhood of man. For at last it has been demonstrated to us that only by following His guidance in conduct as individuals and nations can we hope to fulfill our total mission as the children of God on earth. It is the only road left now. The road of mutual forbearance is the way to survival and human happiness." Yes, APO—a great future—the greatest years are yet to be.

Your part in your country's upbuilding can be very small, and your claim for distinction and honor may rest on no basis at all, but the future is of your own choosing, from your action the judgment must come. The need of your country is greater than all you have previously done.

"When the drama is finally ended and the curtain is lowered at last, You must rest on the things you've accomplished and not on the dreams of the past,

But your name will go down through the ages and be repeated again and again,

If your epitaph's truly chiseled, "Here lies a builder of men."

May the God of all the nations crown our brotherhood with peace.

### AFTERNOON SESSION

#### The Outstanding Project of APO on My Campus

**JOHN SEEGER (Delta Epsilon):** It is somewhat of an ordeal to pick out one outstanding project that Delta Epsilon put on our campus. Just a little over a year ago, we were able to establish the 101st chapter of APO. We haven't really had a chance to do a lot like some of the larger chapters. We are still an infant. We will get there. Our top project in our opinion is our "Rod of Dimes" campaign. Since larger cities are asked to set their goal as a "Mile of Dimes," we decided to make ours a "Rod of Dimes." Did a little square rule computations—found out it would take 3,168 dimes to total a rod—\$316.80. We set up 2 by 4's with grooves about the size of a dime. The general goal was to reach the rod. I am happy to say that in our campaign, we were able to exceed our quota by 200 per cent in a period of about three days. It seemed that everyone was willing to contribute. Due to the novelty we were able to have a little luck. Have a little idea for revenue—Christmas card sales. We sold them at a dollar a box. We paid 60c a box, giving us a profit of 40c. In about a week and a half or two weeks we were able to collect about \$25.00. With the aid of a little super-salesmanship and a little ambition from the boys of the fraternity, we were able to make our projects good.

**TOM NEENAN (Omicron):** It is truly difficult to choose the outstanding project of Omicron Chapter. This has been brought home to me even more since I have been here at this convention. Several members of Omicron have been approached since their arrival here, concerning at least three of our projects at the University of Iowa. Several of you wanted to know more about our Senior Scout Ball which we have sponsored for our Scouting area for the last few years. Quite a few of you asked questions about our campus map which you saw displayed in the other room. Others among you wanted to know more about our recently held state convention in Iowa City. Those of you who have not had the opportunity to inquire, but are interested, please do not hesitate to ask one of the members of the Omicron delegation or to write us when we get back home.

The Chapter chose the project which I am going to tell you about today. It is the project that has been with us the longest; it is not only an annual affair but it is carried on every day of the school year.

This project will work best at the larger schools. . . . but not because it requires a large membership, for it doesn't. This project I am speaking of is our daily hospital visitation. One member spends three-quarters of an hour to an hour a day visiting the students who are patients, he takes a Daily Iowan. . . that's our Student newspaper. . . . with him, each copy having been appropriately stamped "Courtesy of Alpha Phi Omega", and spends just as much time with each patient as he feels the patient desires. . . or in case the patient is a pretty blonde or redhead. . . just how much he thinks she can stand.

Besides bringing this newspaper, the A-Phi-O representative offers to run errands (and is often given them too). The member who visits the hospital the next day makes the delivery of the requested article or articles.

If you plan to undertake this project on your campus, be sure to instruct the members who will take their turn visiting the

hospital, not to ask too many questions. Sometimes I think the patients have nothing better to do than spend their free moments planning new tricks to play on us. In answer to the question, "What have they got you in here for?", a member received the answer, "Clothing sickness". "Clothing sickness?", our brother repeated. "Yes", said the patient, "my tongue has a coat and my breath is in short pants."

One other member of our Chapter was puzzled to find a patient who constantly kept his eyes focused upon his own abdominal region. This Omicron member knew better than to ask the patient questions but the hospitalized student was ready for this too. Seeing the puzzled look on the face of his visitor the bedridden male informed him, "the doctor told me to watch my stomach."

Seriously though, this project is truly a worthwhile one. Mr. Ballantyne, who has become so interested in Alpha Phi Omega that he is now the Chairman of our Advisory Committee and is present at this convention today, had his first real contact with the fraternity when he spent some time in the hospital. He calls this our outstanding project. Even if this project had done no more than hold Mr. Ballantyne's interest (and it certainly has done more) then we would consider it the outstanding project of Omicron Chapter, too.

**OLLIE S. MOYE (Gamma Rho):** Since the founding of Gamma Rho chapter at North Texas State in 1942 our chapter which has been under the careful guidance of our Senior Faculty Advisor, Mr. W. A. Cooper, has gone out in our own way to bring leadership, friendship, and service to our campus and community.

As service is the main objective of our fraternity I will never forget the service that was rendered last spring by Gamma Rho chapter. This service was to me the most outstanding on our campus because it was service to our campus, our community, our nation.

This service was the drive for financial need for the Red Cross. Our chapter at North Texas State had built a little red wagon, not for little Red Hot Riding Hood but for the annual campaign of the Red Cross.

This wagon was made by a pledge on our campus and every day one pledge or more would pull it everywhere he ventured. He visited every store at the "corner", which is a center of relaxation between classes. He also pulled the wagon to every classroom he attended. The pledges had also taken the Red Cross contributions at our weekly Saturday night stage show and also operated booths about the campus for the collection.

During the week of this service project that little red wagon had traveled a distance of a hundred red miles and had collected from our war-time college for the Red Cross \$104.88.

A service project that tied in with this that I considered part of it as it did service to our campus and community was the selling of car tags of North Texas State to students and faculty.

The tags brought in \$30.00 and this was donated to the North Texas Athletic Fund.

The pledge that sold the largest number which was 16 of the 30 tags contributed his success in sales to the chances of prospective customers. He also said that faculty members were the best buyers since most had cars. At last but not least he said that several bought the tags when they were sent in the mail to ex-students.

This outstanding project on my campus brought to my mind and satisfaction that our chapter is very definitely service minded and I'm sure that it will stay that way.

**GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi):** On our campus I can't say we have one outstanding project, we have many outstanding projects. As APO is founded on the basic thing and what our convention is following out today is service. That is our project on the University of Miami campus. We are a growing university. Five years ago we had between 800 and 1,000 students. Today we have about 7,800 and are in a process of moving our campus about two miles south of where we have been meeting into a brand new campus, brand new buildings, brand new everything. In this moving APO has had a lot to do. We helped in the guiding of students into the new classes. Some of the brothers have helped build the university, some of us have done many other jobs assigned it in the set up, set up the bookstore, registering of students.

We publish the student handbook. It has in it a map of the university campus and also for about all the different things at the new campus. The handbook is nothing new on our campus and I presume you have put out one on your own campus. Also we have started another project on our campus. Many of you are veterans. Many of you have experienced one thing. We are not quite up to college. When we get behind in math or english or language or

some subject, we have set up a tutoring bureau in which the fellows help not only APO brothers but anybody in the university who needs help.

We have a unique project in Miami. We have a number of invalid students who attend the university and it is rather difficult for a boy in a wheel chair to get to class and maybe a fellow who is blind and we have a number of fellows who assist others from class to class and see that they get out of their cars and see that they get to class. In conclusion I want to say that on the University of Miami campus APO goes in for one thing—service to the student body and to the administration in the helping of building a greater university.

CHARLES E. GOLDSMITH (Delta Beta): Due to anticipation of the growth of APO during the next few years and due to some of the difficulties run into, I have two motions to make:

(1) That the national fraternity buy one set of initiation gowns to be worn for formal initiations for each fifty chapters of the fraternity. BERNARD MUNFORD (Delta Nu): Second.

Motion unanimously carried.

CHARLES E. GOLDSMITH: I move that instead of carrying the torch this next year to new chapters over the nation so much, we take it to the weaker and dormant chapters.

President Bartle announced that someone stole Brother Goldsmith's 1942 automobile last night and complimented his magnificent spirit in the convention despite this anxiety and loss.

CHARLES E. GOLDSMITH: Service starts right while we are at the convention. The host chapter today has made arrangements for me to stay in Kansas City and send my wife back by train, and I will be able to stay in Kansas City for the next two days hoping that the police locate my automobile.

UNIDENTIFIED (Gamma Omicron): Second the motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: By your action, you have provided for a national alumni advisor which shall be elected by the national convention who shall serve as ex-officio member of the national executive board. In view of the fact that the nominating committee is ready to report and furthermore, in the light of the importance of alumni developments, the right man must be selected this first time. And in view of the fact that the nominating committee in all probability lacks knowledge as to who might be a prominent alumni personality for this job, I am suggesting to the convention that they delegate the selection of the national alumni advisor to the new, incoming national executive board and that he shall be elected by this Board today at their 6:00 o'clock meeting.

GEORGE H. SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni): I so move.

MARLIN REMLEY (Beta Psi): Second.

Motion carried unanimously.

WILSON DYER (Alpha Rho): I have been informed by members of our chapter that there is a lack in our ritual of provision for including pledge of allegiance to the flag of foreign nations, which will be necessary in our international expansion.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: When you were out working diligently this morning, the report was made to the convention by the Committee on Standard Constitution and By-Laws. Such provision has been made.

UNIDENTIFIED (Lambda): I think it would be a good idea if undergraduate chapters will go around to the new national executive board and also forward information to them as to who will make a good national alumni advisor.

DONALD POMEROY (Lambda): I move that the \$15 life membership fee take effect September 1, 1947.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni): Second.

Motion unanimously carried.

WARREN JAEGER (Gamma Omicron): I think each chapter should contribute a set amount to a national convention fund each month to help bring two delegates from each chapter to the convention. Total probably would be \$10 a semester from each chapter.

UNIDENTIFIED: Second. Some of us are working on a quartet system. Also, it seems to me that any pooling together of funds and distributing them nationally is going to take financial and political consideration. I think we ought to give it a lot of thought before deciding on any amount. I would like to have that motion handled by referendum.

MARLIN REMLEY (Beta Psi): So much per chapter or so much per head?

HORACE ANDERSON (Alpha Iota): We expect the national convention to be at Columbus, Ohio.

UNIDENTIFIED: That suggestion overlooks the fundamental purpose

of this measure. The idea is that the convention has always been held in a centrally located place. Some chapters continually have to travel long distances. The fair thing would be to move the convention around.

DONALD POMEROY (Lambda): I move we amend the original motion making it \$20 a year with the whole fund to be liquidated after each convention in proportional mileage to each delegate.

UNIDENTIFIED: Second.

BILL BERRY (Beta Eta): I move that we refer this motion to the National Executive Board for due consideration.

LOTHAR SCHMIDT (Phi): Second.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: That motion is out of order, you can table a motion but you can't move to refer it until after it is passed.

ESPER CHANDLER (Alpha Epsilon): What happens to a chapter that cannot afford to pay this money in? Who will take care of this money? Where will his salary come from?

PRESIDENT BARTLE: (1) No one knows. If this legislation is enacted, then there must be supplemental legislation to implement this action. (2) In many fraternities, they will appoint a special committee who will allocate the funds at the convention.

DARRELL FIELDS (Delta Eta): I would like to favor such a motion as this.

ROBERT BARTLETT (Beta Psi): I move we postpone this until the next convention.

Chairman: Out of order.

HOWARD DOWNS (Alpha Upsilon): I move we table the motion.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: No second necessary, no discussion allowed.

Motion carried.

HOWARD DOWNS (Alpha Upsilon): I move the matter under consideration be referred by referendum to individual chapters.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: It cannot be referred unless you have something definite to "refer".

NELSON VARON (Gamma Omicron): I think this matter is of immediate importance. I think that the matter is of special importance to smaller colleges.

GEORGE H. CHARNO: I move that the matter be referred to the National Executive Board for response to the field.

UNIDENTIFIED: Second.

WARREN JAEGER (Gamma Omicron): I think it is foolish to put a thing off to a referendum when this is the supreme ruling body of APO.

MOB: Opposition by common groan.

HOWARD DOWNS (Alpha Upsilon): Call for question.

Motion carried.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER (Chicago Alumni): According to instructions from my chapter, I propose there be created an insignia consisting of design identical with recognition button, suspended from a blue and gold ribbon to be worn on the pocket of the Scout uniform for those who are active in Scouting.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: If you present the motion, it should take this form: "That this convention respectfully petition the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America to consider such a plan." We can't create anything for the uniform of the Boy Scouts of America.

GEORGE SCHAEFFER: Then I so move. (A design acceptable to the National Council of BSA and the National Executive Board of APO.)

HARRY BURRUSS (Alpha Alpha): Second.

C. M. FINNELL: This was in the question box. In addition to the ribbon, it was also suggested that a bar be created.

Question. Unanimously carried.

GORDON CRAIG (Alpha Pi): If there is no further legislation business, I call for the report of the nominating committee.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: Unfortunately there is.

UNIDENTIFIED (Chicago Alumni): I put the question in the box. It was my understanding that it would not be a pin but that it would be a ribbon. I would just as soon have the idea of the bar be withdrawn.

FRANK D. WOOD: No bars can be worn since January 1 except those bars that have been worn by World War I and II veterans.

PRESIDENT BARTLE: What invitations do we have for the biennial convention two years hence?

Response from, Minneapolis, New York City, Chicago and Miami.

Motion to entertain other invitations later and have them submitted to the national office. Carried, 58-38.

TOM NEENAN (Omicron): I move that this convention go on record as favoring more publicity of APO through the various magazines and publications of Scouting.

DONN HAGLUND (Delta Zeta): Second.

Question: That we ask all Scouting publications, etc., to give APO every possible publicity, and that the national headquarters be instructed by this body to make available to the editorial staffs of such publications timely information.

Carried.

### Report of Resolutions Committee

James P. Fitch (Alpha Omicron), Chairman

**BROTHER FITCH:** The Resolutions committee met last night and first gave consideration to those suggested resolutions that had been handed in. In order to dispose of them, it was found that the resolutions having to do with the alumni chapters had been covered by another section. Unnecessary for resolution there.

Be it resolved that all APO chapters encourage formation of Girl Scout groups and that Alpha Phi Delta serve as the nucleus for such groups as a national organization. Resolutions committee submits this without recommendation but with the thought that the University of Illinois can help anyone they see fit. It does not recommend that this convention promote development of anything of this kind.

**RAY O. WYLAND:** Move to table the resolution.

**DELEGATE FROM ALPHA ALPHA:** A group of Girl Scouts is trying to attain same principles on the campus as we are; they cooperate with us. They carry on service work for the soldiers at Chanute Field, and we carry on that as well as other activities with them. (General roar from the crowd.) We suggest you work with them only if such a group is present on your campus for the combination of ideals with a group in accord with ours.

Motion to table passed.

Whereas, the Ninth National Convention of the Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity, having convened in Kansas City, Missouri, on December 28 and 29, 1946, and whereas, 334 delegates, being reported in attendance, and whereas, the delegates and others in attendance at said convention, having been the recipients of many benefits as a result of the hospitality, friendship and inspiration which has prevailed throughout the entire convention, therefore be it hereby resolved:

That this convention extend its hearty thanks and appreciation to those individuals and groups responsible for the preparation of and the leadership in, the program of this convention, namely:

The President Hotel, for its special efforts in providing adequate facilities,

The Program Committee, Ray O. Davies, Chairman, for a well-balanced program of information, interest, and inspiration.

The Host Chapters, Alpha Eta, Beta Kappa, Gamma Xi, Lambda, Alpha Mu and Iota, for their commendable work in the arrangements for this convention.

Brother Joseph C. Macy for his fine service as song leader and Brother Louis Chandler, his accompanist.

Be it further resolved that this convention express its deep gratitude to:

Dr. Ray O. Wyland, for his participation in this convention, and especially for his splendid address.

To Brother Harold F. Pote, for his presence and contributions to the program.

To Dean Arno Nowotny and to Brother James P. Fitch for leadership at the fellowship luncheons

To George H. Charno, legal advisor for the fraternity, for his genial and effective service as toastmaster at the banquet.

And to all the various speakers who have enlightened the convention.

Whereas Dr. H. Roe Bartle, having served with distinction as National President of Alpha Phi Omega for the past sixteen years with great personal effort, expense, and sacrifice, be it here firmly resolved that this convention express its heartfelt thanks and appreciation for his dynamic and inspiring leadership, and whereas

Brother Sidney B. North and his staff, having served Alpha Phi Omega for the past thirteen years with untiring service, be it resolved that this convention express its deep thanks for these many services.

Be it further resolved that the National Office direct letter to the following:

All chapters not represented at this convention, expressing the regret of the convention at the absence of delegates from their chapters.

Dean James G. Allen, of Texas Tech, expressing regret that sickness in his family interrupted his trip to the convention.

Dr. Elbert K. Fretwell, expressing appreciation for his leadership in Scouting and especially for his approval of national officers taking part in this convention.

Mr. Amory Houghton, President of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, commending his interest in Alpha Phi Omega.

Mr. Walter W. Head, expressing appreciation for his personal interest in Alpha Phi Omega while serving for many years as President of the National Council, Boy Scouts of America.

The Order of the Arrow and the Knights of Dunamus, national Scouting organizations, expressing the greetings and good wishes of Alpha Phi Omega.

Be it further resolved that all chapters of Alpha Phi Omega be encouraged to point out and to stress to their membership the advantages and the humanitarian opportunities offered by the Professional Service of the Boy Scouts of America, to the end that annually at least one member of each chapter might wish to enter the Professional Service.

The Committee on Resolutions proposes that a record of the deliberations and findings of this convention be prepared and made available to all members of Alpha Phi Omega through their respective chapters.

This record should contain:

A transcript of the inspiring address of Dr. H. Roe Bartle, the report of the National Secretary, the report of the National Treasurer, the reports of the various discussion groups, the reports of all committees, and a report of these resolutions as adopted by this convention.

Be it further resolved that this convention express its sincere gratitude to the Zion's Printing and Publishing Company for its whole-hearted cooperation during the wartime paper shortage.

Be it also resolved that this convention extend its appreciation to Beta Phi Chapter of Southwestern Louisiana Institute for the beautiful symbol of America which they prepared and displayed here.

Secretary read rest of report, as follows:

**HOWARD DOWNS (Alpha Upsilon):** Move to accept. Also suggest recognition be given to Robert J. Payne (Omicron) for his untiring work as Convention Secretary, and to Miss Wilma Olson, stenotypist.

Passed.

President Bartle gave recognition also to Betty Campfield, Office Secretary, for her faithful work for the fraternity.

**LOTHAR SCHMIDT (Phi):** I move that the reports of the discussion groups be handed to the national secretary to be included in the convention report.

**GEORGE HENRY (Delta Lambda):** Second.

Carried.

### A Series of Three-Minute Talks on Financing the Chapter Program

**PERCY CARTER (Delta):** For a few minutes I would like to bring out three ideas. The first thing is that chapter financing is not an easy job for most chapters. Unless your chapter has a concession or some vending machines you will probably have to work hard to keep comfortably in the black.

Since Mercer University in Georgia isn't represented here, I would like to mention some of their arrangements. When Delta Chapter went over to initiate them, they were receiving income from all the "Coke" machines, gum machines and peanut machines on the campus. Of course they are spending this money on equipment and other aids for the school.

Next, I would like to tell about a project we recently completed on the Auburn campus. Some month or so before the Christmas vacation, posters covered the campus advertising a raffle of a Lord Elgin wrist watch or a three-diamond dinner ring. Here was an opportunity for a person to win either of these gifts for himself or friend at only 25c a chance. Needless to say, the chances went like wild-fire and on December 14, Miss Auburn picked the lucky winner and A-Phi-O took a nice profit. To avoid any scandal, no member of the fraternity was allowed to hold a ticket. Maybe this idea can be useful on your campus. (Editor's Note: State laws about raffles should be checked carefully before a project of this kind is undertaken.)

The last section of this talk, I would like to label "consolations and considerations". To those chapters whose financial status is not too good, I would like to say that money is not all-important. Although many good things may be accomplished with money, many times it may lead to the idea "When we give our money,

we have done our part." Consequently, chapters might be tempted to reduce their deeds of service.

If your chapter has considerable money, use it wisely. But if your income is not so large, don't despair, you can still work.

**LESLIE R. PARKER (Beta Upsilon):** The first thing to be taken into consideration in planning the financing of your chapter program is, what do you want it to do for your chapter. You may choose a variety of plans, a few of which I will list: First, you may want to pay for all expenses including socials, and general chapter expenses, secondly, you may want each member to pay expenses for socials as they occur and only handle chapter finances through your dues.

The manner in which you handle these above items will determine the amount of dues needed.

Our chapter, Beta Upsilon, upon reorganization in September of 1946 decided to handle all expenses through our monthly dues. The chapter voted to set the dues at \$1.50 per month, payable by the 15th of the month. As most of the members are veterans this is an ideal way to handle the program, for each member can plan ahead just what his expenses for the month will be.

In return for these dues the members planned either two or three social events a Quarter. During the past three quarters, dances were held with dinner served before, a hayride was held in the fall, and each time a group of pledges became members, the chapter held a banquet in their honor at one of the local hotels. The first thing to remember in setting dues in this amount is, you must give the members their moneys' worth.

Outside of the national fees, our only fee charges in connection with membership is a \$2.00 pledge fee to handle expenses for the period of pledgship of one Quarter.

During the past three quarters there was no attempt made to raise money for the chapter through the school, and the chapter was self-sufficient. In the coming year of 1947-48 there will be an attempt made to raise monies for purposes of charity at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

It is the policy of the Beta Upsilon Chapter of Northwest Missouri State Teachers College, to finance the Chapter, as nearly as possible, entirely through the members. We believe this will eliminate any possibility of the various school organizations and administration from saying to themselves, "all this gang wants to do is raise money for a good time," let's not have this if we can avoid it.

**WILLIAM B. FAXON (Alpha Omega):** We have only one way of continually raising money at KCOS and that is through "coke" machines. We have recently purchased two new machines of the latest design for the hospital and clinic and at the present time we are consuming all that the Coca-Cola company will let us have. As soon as our new hospital is built we plan to have enough consumption that it will be necessary to hire a man, at least part time, to look after the soft drink business of Alpha Omega.

We have no chapter dues except as pledge and initiation fees. Our raising money depends almost entirely upon our ability to talk sympathizing friends into a donation. At present we are raising money to provide a very necessary blood-bank for our community, the nearest being 200 miles distant. We started the drive with a dance April 19, which we advertised by giving away free tickets and covering the surrounding towns with handbills. The weather was against us that night and we didn't do as well as we planned. However, we are trying again the first of June. We are contacting all A-Phi-O alumni whom we expect to contribute a considerable portion to the cause.

We are at present trying to get a franchise for a candy machine concession from the county but since that is not concrete as yet, it would not be advisable to mention it as yet to the public. So you see Alpha Omega depends on sympathetic friends and the ability of members to work.

**ROBERT L. BARTLETT (Beta Psi):** Adequate finances is the backbone of the chapter. Without it the chapter is weak. Here is how Beta Psi finances it's program:

The only payment that a member of Beta Psi ever pays is his national initiation fee. It is not necessary, in our chapter, for him to pay dues or use any of his own personal funds. This is because of the three concession rights which Beta Psi is fortunate to have.

The first of these is the annual Southeast Missouri Council Boy Scout circus.

By directing traffic and ushering we also hold the concession rights to the Golden Gloves boxing tournaments in our city.

The third, and most important, is the concession rights to all football games, and other activities, held in the college stadium.

This was given to Alpha Phi Omega on our campus, in appreciation for the service we render the college. At the beginning of each school year a concession committee is appointed. This committee is headed by two chairmen who handle the business end and see to it that all food and merchandise is on hand at the proper time. Working under these two chairmen are four committee-men. These four men to see to it that there is sufficient manual labor, drawn from the chapter, to handle the expected trade. This past football season, of nine college and high school games, was our most prosperous. From the profits of this concession alone, we expect to have enough finances for the whole year. The expenses of all our twenty-one delegates to this convention, the cost of a half a dozen "smokers", our annual scholarship award, and our annual banquet and dance are just a few of the things to be paid from these profits.

We of Beta Psi realize we are more fortunate, financially, than many of your chapters and sincerely hope that by your knowing how we finance our chapter program, you can better finance yours.

## REPORTS OF DISCUSSION GROUPS

### Report of the SERVICE PROJECTS DISCUSSION GROUP J. Rollin Watson (Alpha Delta), Chairman Dr. Hal P. Bybee (Alpha Rho), Advisor

This group recommended that each chapter carry out the following:

- (1). Study the prescribed duties of the service projects committee as listed in the Manual of Administration, and make a list of additions or alterations in the projects committee's duties as set forth in the manual.
- (2). Study the list of service projects in the Question and Answer pamphlet.
- (3). Study projects as carried out by pledges as part of their preparation for membership.
- (4). Discuss how the service projects committee should cooperate with other committees and officers of the chapter for a smooth functioning of the entire chapter program.

It was further recommended that a greater use be made of identifications such as armbands.

This group requested that each chapter send its recommendations on the above listed items to the national office for the benefit of the entire fraternity.

### Report of the MEMBERSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP William L. Swihart (Alpha Gamma), Chairman C. M. Finnell (Alpha Alpha), Advisor

Maintaining adequate membership is the objective of this committee. Membership extension depends upon contacting eligible men by:

- (a) Cards with more direct questions and with indication of cards purpose.
- (b) Distributing cards at registration (administration permitting), or at booth in Student Union, or through college post office boxes.
- (c) Organizing open meetings.
- (d) Help in starting chapters in neighboring colleges.

This group recommended that somewhere in the Manual of Administration should be included the extension of A-Phi-O to other campuses.

### Report of the FELLOWSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP Edwin Condray (Beta Mu), Chairman Robert D. Martin (Omicron), Secretary

The discussion group on fellowship of the Ninth National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega set forth the following definition:

Fellowship is a convening of fellows with a sharing of their ideals. Therefore, in the light of this definition and the strong feeling on the part of all as to the necessity of more emphasis on fellowship, it was decided that a committee on fellowship within the fraternity should exist and formulate specific plans for the betterment of opportunities to express this spirit of fellowship not only within the fraternity but throughout the campus.

Due to the great variance in the sizes of schools represented in the group, no specific methods or action was outlined for the chapters in general but the following was decided upon as being worthwhile action of a more general nature:

Individual chapters should strive for a representation of a cross-section of the student life on campus within the chapter.

A-Phi-O should cooperate fully with other organized groups on campus in service projects, even if A-Phi-O must take the first step in such action. [Projects on the campus of the University of Texas

and Queens College, are being very successfully carried out in this manner.)

A-Phi-O should constantly be aware of its opportunity and strive to promote good will on the campus.

Individual chapters should insure that the rush of general activity at chapter meeting does not crowd out a time for fellowship in the meeting.

The question of the fraternity house as an aid to fellowship was also discussed by the group with the main consensus of opinion against any such arrangement such as that common to social fraternities on campus.

**Report of the  
PUBLICITY DISCUSSION GROUP  
Thomas V. Waber (Beta Beta), Chairman  
Kent D. Shaffer (Kappa), Advisor**

Adequately presenting the publicity picture in a single page is to expect a second Fred Astaire from six lessons by Mme. LaZonga. But, to tell the truth, a dozen pages would help only a trifle more. The discussion group was forced to conclude that the precise manner in which publicity is carried out depends, like projects, themselves, on the individual campus situation. However, the following generalizations should be kept in mind.

Never minimize the importance of this chapter committee. Consider projects as bricks and publicity as mortar that binds them together to give shape and meaning to the over-all chapter program. Selection of a chairman with definite talent in the newspaper or advertising field is fundamental to the success not only of the committee but also of the entire chapter's work.

A talented man will bring to his job enthusiasm and "know-how" that can accomplish this fundamental: a continuous flow of publicity directed toward definite goals, which we shall discuss briefly below. To assist in this regard, the chapter executive committee should arm their publicist with an editorial policy. By this we mean he should be told just how far to "plug" the chapter's participation in projects when preparing news releases. With a policy of this type enunciated, it is possible for the chapter to keep matters under control while at the same time relieving the publicity chairman of all uncertainty. He has, in short, the green light.

Committee activity, it was found, should be all-encompassing. This means that every bit of advertising matter, stunts, and appropriate paraphernalia—as well as the news report—are within their domain. Only in such a manner can the chapter be certain that its over-all appearance to the public is what it intends. A set of poorly-prepared posters may, for example, badly damage an otherwise excellent impression on campus.

It cannot be emphasized too strongly that the publicity committee must be the best-informed single group within the chapter. It must be thoroughly acquainted with every project, every social event, every important administrative action so that it may anticipate future needs as well as those current. It must also be thoroughly acquainted with all publicity releases from national headquarters so that it may assist in interpreting trends. Here we wish to imply also that—in reverse—the committee must keep national headquarters completely posted on all important projects with as much illustrative material as possible. In many cases they will be rewarded with a goodly amount of space in the TORCH AND TREFOIL, which in turn is excellent propaganda for the potential pledge. To know that the chapter in question is recognized nationally certainly adds a great deal to prestige.

To briefly state intra-committee divisions of work that must be considered basic, we have routine publicity (meeting announcements, squibs on important business accomplished, announcement of election results, etc.). Then there is build-up publicity, tailor made for each project requiring it. We have in addition follow-up publicity for the benefit of national headquarters and local outlets in those cases where special promotion was not indicated. A general term of "static" publicity was assigned to such material as posters, pennants, book matches, armbands, identification pins, and so on.

As for publicity outlets, we feel that none of the following should be overlooked: campus newspapers, local newspapers, members' home-town newspapers, college yearbooks, magazines, and catalogues; college alumni publications, and, where available, radio stations. The exact manner in which you enlist their aid depends entirely upon the local situation and personalities involved, but infiltration, to use a vicious expression, is the most effective. You need chapter members or their friends in strategic positions!

Not the least important observation concerns turnover of personnel

on the committee. Although basic policy stems from the executive committee, this in itself will not insure a smooth, continuous flow of publicity if membership assignments are completely reshuffled with each election. Every attempt should be made to build a group of well qualified men with a flair for "putting it across" and when this team functions smoothly only then do you have the insurance mentioned above. What's more, loss of its chairman will cause a minimum of disruption since you may choose his successor from a number of ready-trained men.

**Report of the  
MEETING PROGRAMS DISCUSSION GROUP  
E. K. Chandler (Alpha Epsilon) Chairman  
James P. Fitch (Alpha Omicron) Advisor  
Sidney P. Chandler, Jr. (Alpha Rho) Secretary**

In the discussion yesterday we found that many chapters have put the responsibility of program planning on the shoulders of the Presidents of their organization. The programs have varied from music to moving pictures on the birds of Minnesota (plug, that is) but these programs could have been done in a better fashion if they had been prepared months in advance and with more preparation and thought.

The introduction of using an outline on paper with columns labeled indoor, outdoor, service and entertaining or social was suggested. These programs could be held inside or outside according to the type of program which is to be presented. If the program is to be sports with a speaker from an athletic group or a short game between the pledges and the members, it would naturally be held outside to break the monotony of the coupé-up atmosphere and create an informal business session which will develop interest and brotherhood within the chapter.

From the place of meeting we came to the text of our programs and their preparation. A simple but adequate formula was given by the chairman—N. P. R. A. Need for a program, the Program to fill the need, the Responsibility for carrying out the program must rest upon someone, Acceptance by the persons involved.

Having read the proof copy of the "Manual of Administration" we would like to suggest the insertion of a paragraph: under the title program on page 6 to wit: "the program committee should have a minimum of three men consisting of a cross section of interests and personalities. (The number of members can vary from one man up at the discretion of the president but three men on the committee is suggested for a small chapter.)

Many of the chapters find it difficult to secure a wide range of interesting subject matter for their programs. A suggestion of correspondence between chapters on their programs in detail should be added to the program committees duties.

The TORCH AND TREFOIL can be an adequate means of the exchange of ideas of the program committees if a detailed report of the outstanding programs were written in and printed in a separate section. There are two drawbacks to this suggestion: one was the added expense on our national budget and the other is the putting of more work on Brother Sid North's shoulder.

A summary of our discussion on programs can be put in five phases:

- (1) The correspondence between chapters by the program committees.
- (2) A detailed definition in the Manual of Administration on the functions of the committee.
- (3) The program committees setting up of programs from a month to a semester or a year in advance subject to changes with great care put upon balancing the program.
- (4) Emphasis on program material by the National office.
- (5) The use of the TORCH AND TREFOIL in suggesting how to plan programs.

**Report of the  
ALUMNI ACTIVITIES DISCUSSION GROUP  
Carmen Carsello (Chicago Alumni), Chairman  
Dr. Lester I. Tavel (Mu), Advisor  
James J. Seyer (Beta Psi), Secretary**

Dr. Tavel opened the discussion stating that there were ninety-eight active chapters of Alpha Phi Omega and twenty-six inactive groups. He said that strong alumni groups could help reorganize these inactive chapters and establish new ones.

The first item on the agenda was the prescribed duties of the alumni secretary. It was recommended that the duties of the alumni secretary should be stressed to a much greater extent than they are at the present time. We recommend that there be an alumni advisor added to the list of chapter advisors and that he shall help the alumni secretary in fulfilling his prescribed duties.

We also recommend that if any alumni of any chapter moves to

a district where there is an alumni chapter that the alumni secretary shall notify both the chapter and the brother.

The second item on the agenda was the responsibility to plan at least one project annually in which the alumni will have a prominent part. This should by all means be done, but because of the varying conditions in the chapters, we feel that it is up to the discretion of the individual chapters as to the type of project carried out.

The item on alumni chapters was not discussed and was referred to the alumni organizations committee.

The records to be kept by the alumni secretary should be those prescribed in the Manual of Administration.

The alumni secretary should train his successor and turn over all alumni records to him. The alumni advisor should be of excellent service in keeping continuity in the records.

Alumni aid in establishing new chapters and leadership of alumni in the Boy Scout movement were then discussed. The alumni should use discretion in working with the Boy Scout movement and make sure that he is working in close cooperation with the Scout Executive of the district.

There was some discussion for a special insignia for Life Members but it was finally decided that the present pin was better than a separate one for the Life Members. Once an Alpha Phi Omega man always an Alpha Phi Omega man.

There was also the topics of a national alumni executive and alumni delegates to the convention but these were referred to the alumni organization committee.

#### Report of the PRESIDENTIAL DISCUSSIONS GROUP

Robert C. Stapleton (Phi), Chairman  
Dr. M. C. Hayes (Eta), Advisor

It was decided by the group that the duties of the Chapter President are sufficiently defined and enumerated as they now exist and additions to them are unnecessary. The next matter discussed was that of the use of the Executive Committee. This committee was used by all men present. Alpha Rho implied the chief values of this system are it divides the burden of work and responsibility which often falls on the shoulders of the president alone. Another salient feature is the time saving element in the regular chapter meetings.

At the University of Minnesota the president coordinates the activities of the Executive Committee and the Advisory Committee which in this have equal authority. In this chapter three vice-presidents are used, one for projects, one for pledging and one for program. In this manner the burden on the shoulder of the president is considerably lightened. The president in this case has more time to be used in coordinating the overall policies of the chapter and has to devote less time to details.

The next matter of discussion was that of giving each member a specific responsibility. Phi Chapter pointed out that there are bound to be some members who even when given specific responsibilities in the chapter fail to perform them. Kansas State Teachers College emphasized that quality is preferable to quantity. Delta Lambda also pointed out that the man's ability and desire to work are of more importance than his outward personality. It was also brought out that Alpha Phi Omega could help many men who needed the experience in activities and do not ordinarily gain this experience. General opinion was that if the individual is interested in service and the ideal of the organization and has successfully completed a pledge project, he should be initiated.

Building Prestige. Concerning the problem of publicity, the general opinion of the group was that actions speak louder than words. Alpha Rho found that the campus publications automatically gave them adequate publicity because of their activity program and their significance on the campus. Phi Chapter pointed out that due to the nature of many campus newspapers and due to their lack in some cases of an adequate staff, news has to be presented to the newspaper by the chapter in order to secure publicity.

It was also pointed out that there is danger in being considered a "Boy Scout" organization, and was pointed out that the name of National Service Fraternity should be stressed, despite the danger of being confused with veterans organizations. Many college men resent being called Boy Scouts other than Scouts.

Registration of new members. Alpha Rho Chapter pointed out the fact that at the University of Texas, APO service questionnaires are placed at a special table and all interested men are asked to sign up. From this group the pledge class is selected by means of open meetings. Another procedure is that of taking in friends

of the members as something is known about them and are more apt to make good brothers.

Responsibility of Past Presidents. They should co-operate with successor, and serve on Executive Committee if not elected to another office. An effort should be made to combat the tendency many presidents have of becoming inactive after serving as President.

#### Report of the VICE-PRESIDENTS DISCUSSION GROUP

Peter C. Bertelson (Kappa), Chairman

It is strongly recommended that more chapters take advantage of the constitutional provision that there may be more than one vice-president. Several larger chapters have had good results by putting their first vice-president in charge of rushing and pledge training and one or more additional vice-presidents in charge of service projects, social functions and publicity.

Next, it was found that a closely cooperating executive council, in which the vice-presidents take an active part, was almost indispensable to an efficient chapter. Meetings of this committee vary anywhere from once a week all the way to once a month.

In pledge training, much of the burden on the pledgemaster can be relieved by the use of pledge officers. Some chapters have only a pledge president to do all executive work for the pledges, while other chapters have a full slate of pledge officers working with and under the regular chapter officers.

While this report does not attempt to completely cover the assigned topic, the group feels that there is much to be gained from a discussion of the vice-president's job, and regrets that there was not more time in which to work. It does suggest that this would be one of the most profitable items on the agenda for the next convention.

#### Report of the SECRETARIES DISCUSSION GROUP

C. E. Goldsmith (Delta Beta), Chairman  
Dr. George Schaeffer (Chicago Alumni), Advisor  
Ollie S. Moye (Gamma Rho), Secretary

The secretaries discussion group recommended that two secretaries be elected in each chapter, one Recording and the other Corresponding. The group suggested that the duties of Secretary as listed in the Manual of Administration be divided as follows: Numbers 1, 2 and 3 to the recording secretary, and numbers 4, 5 and 6 to the corresponding secretary, and to change number 7 to read: To the office of recording or corresponding secretary as prescribed by the chapter.

The group also formed a duty to be listed as No. 8: The recording secretary will be responsible for the minutes of the executive committee meetings.

#### Report of the TREASURERS DISCUSSION GROUP

Murray Cohen (Gamma Iota), Chairman  
Frank D. Wood (Gamma Zeta), Advisor

The treasurers responsibilities discussion group shall go on record as believing that in the discussion of Duties of the Treasurer on page 4, duty 6 of the new Manual of Administration, it was the consensus of our group that the time of remitting the national pledge and initiation fees should be left to the individual chapters. And also that we believe the chapter treasurer should work hand-in-hand with the secretary in registrations of new members and in other work which relates to both offices. We believe there should be a budget committee in each chapter and that it should make use of past experiences as a basis for funds needed.

We believe each chapter should have a checking account in a local bank or in college business office.

We recommend keeping initiation fees for national office separate from operating funds of the chapter.

We believe in the auditing of books at the close of each treasurer's term.

We wish to emphasize a strong financial policy as a vital part of the success of every chapter.

#### Report of the HISTORIANS DISCUSSION GROUP

Gordon O. Cook (Xi), Chairman  
Professor H. C. Barnett (Beta Beta), Advisor

After due discussion the group decided that the historian should at all times have ready a brief, interesting up-to-date story of the chapter. The group felt this would be highly valuable in rush meetings and other sessions.

Much time was also spent discussing the scrapbook. It was expressed that clippings and pictures and supplementary notes

should be added which would help the chapter in the future or add interest to the story. These additions as well as the rest of the book should not contain unnecessary figures and details. The volume should contain as many pictures as possible of all chapter activities. Duplicate clippings were also mentioned as being an asset. The scrapbook is of great value it has been found, in planning chapter activities and meetings, in interesting new men, recalling old times and in many other ways. It is believed that if historians scrapbooks were brought to the next convention, future historians would be greatly aided.

The placing of letters of appreciation and thanks in the scrapbook or project file should depend on the situation. We concluded that the historian should have a large part in the preparation of the chapters space in the school annual and in the regular news letter to national headquarters.

#### Report of the FACULTY ADVISORSHIP DISCUSSION GROUP

Arno Nowotny (Alpha Rho), Chairman

F. G. Kettelkamp (Alpha Phi), Secretary

The morning session of the discussion group was called to order by Dean Nowotny at 11:45 a. m. The scholastic standards maintained by the various chapters were discussed and it was found that several chapters have minimum grade averages which must be maintained by the members, both actives and pledges.

The role of the faculty advisors was next considered. At the University of Texas the advisory committee meets with the chapter officers once a month to plan the programs for the next month. The faculty advisors should act as a sounding board in these meetings and not instigate the plans themselves.

Considerable discussion was had concerning the acquisition of new members, both undergraduate and faculty. It was brought out that the chapters all have tables at registration, literature campaigns, smokers, etc., to interest prospective members, but that obtaining new advisors is more difficult and no general plan is used by the various chapters. One source is APO alumni who have returned to the campus, while another is faculty men who are known by the Local Council to be interested in Scouting.

During the afternoon session this problem was discussed at greater length. It was found that at the University of Illinois advisors are obtained from men on the staff who are not actually teaching, while at Cape Girardeau men who do not have too many other activities are selected. It was felt that these men should be alumni if at all possible.

The meeting closed with a discussion of the role the advisors play in assisting the nominating committee. At the University of Illinois the executive committee also acts as the nominating committee, and although this plan seems to work very well, the effect upon the chapter of the committee nominating some of its own members was considered. At other chapters the president appoints the committee which then meets with the advisors.

Stress was placed throughout the discussion on the importance of having several advisors and of obtaining men who are not only leaders in their individual fields but who are also anxious and capable of furthering the cause of Alpha Phi Omega.

#### Report of the SCOUTING ADVISORS DISCUSSION GROUP

John C. Wells (Gamma Psi), Chairman

H. F. Pote (Beta Iota), Advisor

This group carefully studied the responsibilities of the Scouting Advisor as written in the proof copy of the new Manual of Administration. It was felt that the list of duties well covers the work of this office.

The group wished to emphasize that the career men of Scouting should lend cooperation to Alpha Phi Omega as a carry-over force from boy activities into later leadership and as an instrument of putting into practice the ideal of the good turn in adult life.

The group recommended that all Scouting Advisors study the duties outlined in the Manual and also read the entire contents of the Manual as a source of knowledge for relationship to the entire chapter program.

#### REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Dean A. C. Zumbrunnen (Alpha Omicron), Chairman  
J. Edward Minister (Kappa) Vice-Chairman

The nominations submitted by the committee, as a result of its long and careful consideration, were as follows:

For National President: Dean Arno Nowotny (Alpha Rho).

For National First Vice President: Dr. M. C. Hayes (Eta).

For National Second Vice President: Frank D. Wood (Gamma Zeta).

For National Treasurer: Delmer H. Wilson (Alpha Tau).

For a two-year term on the Executive Board:

Dean E. H. Comstock (Gamma Psi).

Armand Spizzirri (Alpha Mu).

Dean John F. White (Delta Epsilon).

Professor Daniel DenUyl (Alpha Gamma).

C. M. Finnell (Alpha Alpha).

For a four-year term on the Executive Board:

Marion R. Disborough (Delta Mu).

Del Jay Kinney (Upsilon).

Thomas Vedder Waber (Beta Beta).

Harold F. Pote (Beta Iota).

Joseph Scanlon (Alpha Eta).

For a six-year term on the Executive Board:

C. J. Carlson (Chi).

Kent D. Shaffer (Kappa).

A. L. Thomas (Delta).

H. Roe Bartle (Iota).

A. C. Zumbrunnen (Alpha Omicron).

The committee recommended that Dr. Ray O. Wyland (Alpha) be continued as an ex-officio member of the Board.

The customary process of floor nominations and voting followed. As a result of this, all nominees of the committee were elected except one. Dr. George W. Schaeffer (Chicago Alumni Chapter) replaced C. M. Finnell in the two-year group. (Later, in the Executive Board Meeting, Brother Finnell was elected to the Board as alumni advisor in accordance with provisions previously enacted by the convention.)

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

The installation was conducted by Dr. Ray O. Wyland (Alpha). Each of the elected officers accepted the obligations and responsibilities of the position to which elected.

### National President's Acceptance Address

By Dean Arno Nowotny

I hope you haven't made a mistake. I hope you will not regret. I would be ungrateful and immodest if I didn't say to you, I take this gavel and what it symbolizes with mixed emotion, a feeling of pride, a feeling of gratitude, and a feeling of humility, proud because I would rather be a leader of this gang of young men than any other group of college men in the world, and I shall cherish always and covet your friendship, your respect, and your cooperation. I feel humble because of the man whom I am supposed to follow. May I say in all sincerity as far as the men of Alpha Phi Omega are concerned there will never be but one President, Brother H. Roe Bartle.

I first met H. Roe Bartle in a little Scout room in Austin, Texas. I don't think the good Lord himself knows what he has given in time, energy, and money in his sixteen years as president.

Well, I have been on a lot of college campuses in America in every section of this country and I probably have known, including seven presidents of my own school, fifty college presidents and there are some great men in that field today. This fall I have been at Iowa and Purdue and at Chicago and I know a few men both north and south of the Mason-Dixon line, and I know a few men in industry, but in my humble opinion I have never met a man nor expect to meet a man all my life who has meant as much to America, to young men, and young women as the man whom I am trying to succeed as the National President of APO. To me and men of APO who may know him and who know what he has done, he will always be a tradition, a legend, but a living, dynamic, pulsating legend. I have been proud to have touched the hem of his garment because only God in the centuries can measure the value of his influence and long after you and I are gone and forgotten this fraternity and men in it will be moving to the measure of his thought and to the measure of that influence. It is with a feeling of humility that I try to take over for a man who I believe in like that and in my opinion has inspired Rotarians, business men, educators from coast to coast and so I will only take this job because I found out in talking to him he honestly wanted to resign. I would do anything that man asked me to do, and carry on for him. Just a word: We have heard such fine, splendid addresses and the matter of world citizenship has been mentioned over and over again. I expect to live long enough some day to attend a convention of APO, either here, in Toronto, Canada, or Mexico City. And I expect to

meet many of you there with me. Again, I expect it won't be very long before we have some chapters in other nations. I think it will be a reality in your lifetime and mine if we take everything we have learned and all of the inspiration we have gained from this meeting and put it into action, but before you can have world citizenship there must be groups that have good citizenship, small groups. It took us about 30 hours to get up here in a bus from way down in Texas. Now, airplanes have made of the world a neighborhood but only men who live in APO can make us neighbors and I pray that I will be big enough to be a good neighbor not only to you but to all men who want to come under our flag and banner and so you and I all a part of a stream of history, the past of APO, its present, and its future belong to us and I hope you can write a glorious chapter in that history because history is made by men who know our history and I hope you will know and study the history of the personalities and the history of this organization and write a glorious chapter whether it be at Minnesota, San Diego, Florida or wherever it is that you will convene.

There are a few things I want to say about this fraternity and that have been always the most outstanding to me. One is that there can come into this fraternity an awkward, young country boy with a very few dollars and very few manners and clothes and he can meet many APO's. I hope we will always keep this organization a place where any boy who has been a Scout can become a brother. George Charno, Jr. as many know was in the Navy Air Corps and had to know a lot about ceilings and visibility, and in the closing thoughts I would like to leave that with you as we leave this convention and we leave the home town of H. Roe Bartle, ceiling and visibility unlimited for APO. We are proud of our past, but let's tip our hats to our past and take off our coats to our future. We have seen demonstrated in this convention that men do have the ability to have visibility and to remove passions and prejudices. I think you and I will always be big enough to have APO men of altitude, men of vision who can see beyond this room, beyond this convention, and in everything we do in the future will reflect what is best for the future of our brotherhood. So in closing may I thank you from the bottom of my heart and with your help and this splendid Executive Board you have elected we will try to do a good job so may we all join hands and dedicate ourselves to be men of altitude and men of visibility, and build a greater tomorrow for APO. Our tomorrow is today.

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned, and thus was concluded the ninth national convention of Alpha Phi Omega.

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