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"Time wasted is existence;
used, it is life."

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Beta Chapter at the University of Pittsburgh assisted in preparing Camp Twin Echo for the past summer season. The work was done for the East Boroughs Council, BSA. The above pictures show members working on the camp swimming pool.

FIFTH BIRTHDAY PARTY OF DELTA PSI CHAPTER



At Eastern Illinois State College, Delta Psi Chapter celebrated its fifth anniversary with a birthday dance. This picture shows the cake being cut. The Ugly Man contest winner was announced at intermission.

ON OUR COVER

Twenty-seven years ago this month, Alpha Phi Omega was founded at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania. In the picture on our cover, a bronze plaque is shown on the wall of Hogg Hall where the first meeting was held. It commemorates the founding and bears the names of the students and advisors who organized the first chapter.

Alpha Chapter continues to conduct a fine program at Lafayette. Brother Douglas Harris, president of the chapter (at right) is shown greeting a pledge, John Stuhlmann. Scenes of this kind have been duplicated on campuses throughout the United States this Fall as chapters have welcomed new students into our brotherhood.

Our national service fraternity, which was started December 16, 1925, has spread to 258 colleges and universities and has become increasingly useful in campus life.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA AND THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

By DR. A. C. ZUMBRUNNEN

Epsilon Epsilon Chapter, Missouri Valley College

Alpha Phi Omega and the spirit of Christmas. Let's think about that for a moment. First, a few questions. What is the spirit of Christmas. What was its origin? Where and who started it? What is the spirit of ΑΦΩ? What have the two in common?

The spirit of Christmas originated nearly two thousand years ago by the birth of a baby in the little village of Bethlehem, in Palestine. The birth was heralded by a host of angels singing "Glory to God in the highest, peace on earth, good will among men." That song enunciates the spirit of Christmas—peace on earth, good will among men. There you have it.

Yet today, there is war in several places around the globe. War with its blood, sweat and tears; with its destruction of materials God created for man's welfare; with men slogging in mud, hungry, cold, wounded and suffering untold pain; war with its swords, machine guns, battleships, jet planes, bombs, bringing death to many and maiming many others.

War is always destructive. It destroys ideals. It destroys needed materials. It destroys human life.

How valuable is a human life? How much is your life worth to you? To your mother and father? How much is every American soldier's life worth who is in Korea today to the mother who gave life to him, to his sisters, his brothers, his wife, or his children? What about the sons of other peoples across the world. Are they not likewise as dear to them?

The spirit of Christmas is "good will among men" . . . for all men to exemplify good will to all other men. It is the will to prevent pain, suffering and destruction, and to supply help to all men toward attaining the "abundant life," through service to each other. Such is the spirit of Christmas, the spirit of Him whose birth Christmas symbolizes, the spirit of Him who went about, a living example of good will among men . . . talking

about and personally illustrating the way and the life of the kingdom of God.

I believe that Alpha Phi Omega has the same basic objectives and purpose as He whose birth we observe at Christmas. Its driving motive is service to fellowman.

Alpha Phi Omega has a marvelous opportunity to serve . . . to promote the spirit of Christmas.

All ΑΦΩ men would agree to the above, but agreeing is not enough. Can't we do something about these objectives, purposes and motives? Can't we activate them, put them into operation, make them live? Let's show good will this Christmas while we are at home, in our community. How? Here's a suggestion or two:

Begin in your home. Show good will to mother and dad. They will show it to you by their welcome home and the many things they'll do to make

your Christmas merry. Your spirit of good will will make their Christmas happy.

And don't stop with home. Remember your church. Join in its Christmas activities, especially those of the young people. Join in the carol singing and the parties.

Remember, too, the community. Look around for opportunities to spread Christmas joy . . . maybe give some toys to kiddies who will not have any unless you provide them, or give assistance to a needy family. That will cheer and make merry their hearts.

We can find many ways to practice the spirit of Christmas and the ideals of Alpha Phi Omega. Doing something about it will add immensely to your own joy.

I hope every member of our beloved fraternity will capture the spirit of Christmas and live it to the fullest in this season and in the years ahead.

AIDING TOY-FOR-JOY FUND



The city-wide Toy-for-Joy fund of Springfield, Massachusetts, was given a boost last year by students of American International College. Iota Eta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega conducted the campus drive. In the above picture are Dick Cooper, Paul Chmiel (Santa Claus) and Roy Collins. The chapter's chairman for the project was Harold Edmonds.

MARCH OF DIMES

In this year of 1952, when control of polio was a more positive hope for the future than at any previous time in history, the disease again struck this nation a severe blow.

To battle this disease is a unique organization supported entirely by the voluntary contributions of all Americans to the annual March of Dimes. The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is the only voluntary health agency in America which gives financial aid on a national basis to patients who need help.

This means that no one has to fight polio alone. Every county in the United States is protected by one of the 3,094 local National Foundation chapters that offer friendly help and financial aid wherever families cannot alone meet the high costs of polio treatment and care. It is estimated that four out of every five polio patients receive direct March of Dimes aid from their local chapters. The others also benefit from the greater facilities and services, made more abundantly available as a result of the National Foundation's unceasing efforts to assure better care for all victims of this disease.

There are many polio services which an individual's money alone cannot buy: modern treatment techniques developed through March of Dimes research; greater knowledge of physicians in diagnosis and treatment, increased by National Foundation information and professional training programs; skills of nurses and physical therapists, many of them trained through March of Dimes scholarships and fellowships; availability of emergency equipment through the National Foundation's seven supply depots located strategically across the country; and the readiness of community health facilities, alerted by the National Foundation to the all-embracing needs of polio patients.

The key to all these services is the volunteer, working through a local National Foundation chapter. Hundreds of thousands of volunteer workers participate and help make possible the chapter's service program that steadies the families of a community in time of polio trouble. They partici-

Editor's Note: For many years, chapters of Alpha Phi Omega have assisted in the March of Dimes campaign which is conducted throughout the nation each January. In various ways, APO has raised money on college campuses to be turned over to the local or county committee. Some chapters conduct the Ugly Man Contest for this purpose, others place containers around the campus as shown in the picture below, others conduct a dance from which the proceeds go to the drive. This is an excellent opportunity to render a real service to polio patients. Will your chapter assist in the 1953 March of Dimes campaign?

pate also in the annual March of Dimes, knowing from their own close observations and experience how great is the need. Increased funds will be required in 1953 to assure continuation of patient care, professional training and research programs through which we are moving steadily closer to the goal of victory over polio.

Until that final day of conquest, however, full-scale help must be con-

tinued in every area of service to patients, their families and communities. The cost in March of Dimes funds has been, and will be, tremendous. But in terms of human life and community welfare, it cannot be measured.

Here is a story which could be titled "Polio at Anderson's."

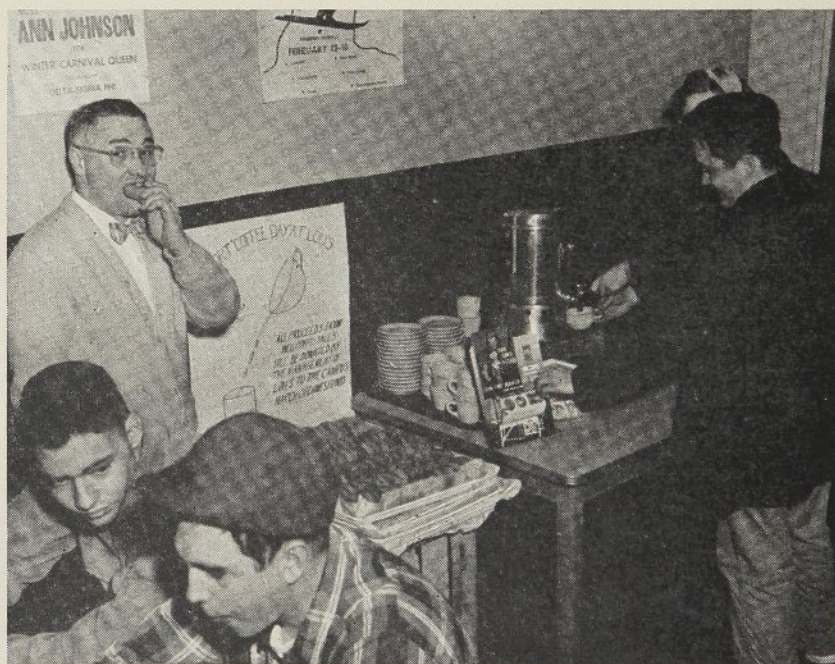
Mr. Anderson had turned his cows out to pasture and was starting unhappily to town.

"Don't be so glum," his wife said. "If we have to get a new mortgage, we can pay it off; we've done it before. Nothing else matters if John gets over the polio and can walk once more."

Mr. Anderson smiled at his wife's effort to cheer him up but by the time he reached the bank in the small town some miles away his troubles made him frown again.

"I'm afraid I'll have to take out another mortgage on the farm" he said

CONTRIBUTING TO INFANTILE PARALYSIS FUND AT MICHIGAN TECH



Miniature iron lung containers were used by Epsilon Lambda Chapter in its March of Dimes drive at Michigan Tech. Focal point was Lou's Grill where this picture was taken. The proprietor donated all proceeds from one day's sale of coffee and doughnuts to the campaign, and that amounted to over twenty pounds of coffee and a thousand doughnuts. The students and faculty gave generously in this important drive last year.

to Mr. Brown, president of the bank. "About fifteen hundred dollars."

"But you just paid off your mortgage recently! Are you making some improvements?"

"I was going to but not now. I had saved about \$1,000 to buy a tractor and put in electricity. Now my boy, John, has polio and may be in the hospital for months. I'm afraid his hospital and doctor bills will take all my savings, and more. But he's getting better, and when he can walk again, it'll be worth it. So that's why I need the mortgage—"

"You don't need a mortgage!" Mr. Brown interrupted, suddenly.

"You mean I can't have it?"

"What you need is to talk with the chairman of the local chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. The chapter can help you with your boy's expenses."

"I don't take charity," Mr. Anderson replied, looking offended.

"This isn't charity. The National Foundation and its chapters are supported by the American people, who give each year to the March of Dimes. This fund provides needed aid for all polio patients, regardless of age, race, creed or color."

"Does it mean that I tell about my affairs so that they will know how much help I need?" Mr. Anderson asked.

"Yes, some information is needed," Mr. Brown said. "Why, look here. Very few families can afford to pay the bills for caring for a polio patient. They can easily reach from \$1,000 to \$2,500 or more."

"It would take years to pay that out of my income," Mr. Anderson said.

"Most folks, if they don't have help, may do as you planned; mortgage the home place. They use all their savings, take children out of school, and have nothing left for another rainy day. It isn't good for the community when families lose their security like that. When our chapter helps with the cost of treatment, the community is better off, because the polio patient gets the best of care with a better chance of getting well without a handicap. He can return to normal life as a useful member of society, while his family is not buried in debt."

"Our local chapter is working now with other health organizations around here to prepare our community in case

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HERE ARE EXAMPLES OF HOW MARCH OF DIMES MONEY AIDS POLIO PATIENTS



Typical of thousands of youngsters aided by the March of Dimes, young Bonnie Marie Pomeroy receives careful attention from physical therapist Joseph A. Corn at Tampa Municipal Hospital, Florida.



This polio patient is Mary Lou Honse, using a wooden walker with aid of physical therapist Mary Hile at the Watson School of Physiatrics, Leetsdale, Pennsylvania. The walker is an important help to this girl.



At the Robert Green Hospital, San Antonio, Texas, James Paynter, a 3-year-old victim of infantile paralysis, is shown receiving treatment administered by Marion Popp, physical therapist. This disease is costly, and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, through its chapters in all states, helps pay this cost with March of Dimes funds, wherever necessary.

Congratulations to Members of
"THE DEAN ARNO NOWOTNY PLEDGE CLASS"



**IN HONOR OF THIS OUTSTANDING BROTHER OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA,
 OUR 1952 FALL PLEDGE CLASS IS DEDICATED**

Throughout the United States, pledge classes in Alpha Phi Omega are being initiated this Fall and Winter in the nationwide group named "The Dean Arno Nowotny Class" in honor of this distinguished past National President of our fraternity. When this dedication was announced, one member wrote "No honor Alpha Phi Omega can bestow is too great for Brother Nowotny nor can it ever match his sincere devotion to our fraternity." This feeling has been echoed across the land.

In past issues of TORCH AND TREFOIL, the story has been told of Dean Nowotny's leadership and service in Alpha Phi Omega, but we review it here because of its particular interest to the men in *his* class.

Dean Nowotny first became interested in Alpha Phi Omega in 1937, when he visited a meeting which was being addressed by H. Roe Bartle, our

National President at that time. Dr. Bartle's inspiring address so captured the Dean's interest that he became an enthusiastic faculty sponsor of Alpha Rho Chapter at the University of Texas. He has been active in AΦΩ ever since and has attended every national convention since that time.

In 1940 the national convention elected Dean Nowotny to serve on the National Executive Board. Then in 1946 he was elected as National President. He served two terms in this top office in AΦΩ and under his able leadership more than one hundred new chapters entered our fraternity and excellent growth was made in our service program.

Brother Nowotny is Dean of Student Life at the University of Texas. He has served as president of the National Association of Deans and Advisors of Men, national executive sec-

tary of the National Independent Students' Association, member of the educational advisory committee of the National Interfraternity Conference. He is a past president of the Austin Rotary Club and member of the Austin Chamber of Commerce. It just comes naturally that his name appears in "Who's Who in America."

In Scouting, Brother Nowotny has served as a Scoutmaster, troop committeeman, and council member; and he is holder of the Silver Beaver and Silver Antelope awards for distinguished service to boyhood.

Our entire fraternity is honored to have Dean Nowotny as a brother and national leader.

The TORCH AND TREFOIL extends hearty congratulations to every new member in this Fall's pledge class. You have a fine distinction in being a part of "The Dean Arno Nowotny Class."

An Interesting Comparison of National Conventions

On this page are pictures of the first National Convention of $\text{A}\Phi\Omega$ held in 1931 and the eleventh convention held in 1950. They are indicative of the vast growth which has been made in our fraternity.

A larger attendance than ever before is expected to attend our twelfth National Convention, in Columbus, Ohio, December 28, 29 and 30, 1952. Will you be among them?

This convention offers you an opportunity to meet men of Alpha Phi Omega from all parts of the nation and help plan the future activities of our fraternity.

Treat yourself to this interesting experience if you possibly can. Imagine the thrill of this big occasion and the inspiration of talking over with other delegates your projects and methods used in your own chapter. Carry back to your campus the values which come from this important national meeting!



This group attended the first National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega in St. Louis in 1931. They numbered twenty-three delegates, representing seven chapters.



In Des Moines in 1950, more than 500 delegates from throughout the United States participated in our eleventh National Convention commemorating the twenty-fifth anniversary of Alpha Phi Omega.



Leadership School

DELTA KAPPA CHAPTER at *Emory University* has collaborated with Omicron Delta Kappa in conducting a leadership school for high school seniors. Some of the other projects of the chapter include the Ugly Man Contest, handling publicity for Religious Emphasis Week, conducting the blood drive, and operating a soft drink lounge during all school dances. This is reported by Dick Grossman, President.

Student Directory

Members of ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER recently completed the work of putting out this year's student directory of *Southern Methodist University*. Other projects this Fall have included a work day at the Lions Club camp for underprivileged children, a student restaurant inspection service, providing guided tours for visitors, and building a calliope in keeping with the circus theme of homecoming. This is reported by Henry Yeager, Past President.

Busy Schedule

The Fall quarter has been a busy one for the members of ZETA BETA CHAPTER at *Virginia Polytechnic Institute*. A few of the many projects successfully conducted were the book exchange; publication of "The Zeta Beta News," the chapter news letter; conducting of the annual cabaret style dance; and collection of money for new records to be played in the dining hall. During Homecoming weekend the fraternity registered the returning alumni. The ΑΦΩ float, contrasting the "Ole Corps" with the "New Corps," won second prize of \$50 in the pregame parade. Projects planned for the remainder of this quarter consist of the Campus Aid Drive; a Boy Scout Leaders Conference; and a clothing drive to collect clothes for poor families. This is reported by Carl W. Smith, Publicity Manager.

Big Gift to Campus Chest

From its Ugly Man Contest, ALPHA RHO CHAPTER gave \$2,098 to the Campus Chest of the *University of Texas* this Fall. This is the largest total ever reported in an Ugly Man Contest. We appreciate this news from Don Bishop, Secretary.

New Chapter Room

Through the helpfulness of the Dean of Student Welfare, IOTA RHO CHAPTER of *Florida State University* has been given a chapter room and office space. This is a big asset to the chapter, reports James G. Evans, President.

Homecoming Barbeque

At the beginning of this semester, ETA OMEGA CHAPTER and the Forestry Club at *Montana State University* collaborated in serving the homecoming barbeque to 800 alumni. The chapter recently aided the Red Cross in setting up and dismantling the mobile blood donor center downtown, and the pledges are making signs for the campus buildings giving the name and subject taught in each building. Next quarter the chapter will have charge of free dances every Friday and Saturday night. This is reported by George W. Swords, II, President.

AIDING UNI-CAMP DRIVE AT UCLA



Chi Chapter, in cooperation with UCLA's University Recreation Association, conducted a King Contest at one cent a vote to select the most popular professor on campus. Under the chairmanship of Maury Potkin, the chapter collected \$1,600.00 in the project and contributed it to the Uni-Camp Drive, a fund for sending underprivileged children to summer camp. This was reported by Stanley Winard, Past Secretary.

Work at Camp

During last Spring's recess at the *University of California*, ten members and friends of GAMMA GAMMA CHAPTER worked at putting the Dimond-O camp of the Oakland Area Scout Council in running order for the summer camping period. The work done ran the gamut of skills, from moving mattresses around to blasting stumps, felling trees, and clearing fire-breaks. This last was especially important, as the camp is in the heart of the rugged and heavily timbered Sierra Nevadas. The brothers were accompanied to the camp, and aided in their work, by two executives from the Oakland Council. "Andy" Andersen, the Council's Special Services Director, supervised the work, and proved to be an expert in every field of labor. Together with "Colonel" Earl Hinden, Executive for the Castle District of the Council, they waged an incessant battle of wits which kept everyone in stitches for the entire period. With the laughs which these two provided, and the really fine food prepared by two chapter brothers, the work period turned out to be a real vacation for everyone concerned. It is hoped that the event might be repeated next year. This was reported by William D. Loughman.

Conducts Mixers

ETA RHO CHAPTER at *Marquette University* conducted mixers for the university this semester. In other projects recently the chapter had charge of the annual homecoming parade as marshals, and sold homecoming buttons to the students. The membership is growing, too, reports James Riester, Recording Secretary.

Traffic Zones

KAPPA KAPPA CHAPTER recently painted traffic zones and stripes on the campus as a service to *New Mexico Western College*. The chapter plans to repaint all the traffic direction signs in the near future. This is reported by Gilbert Yocky, Secretary.

Ugly Man Contest

In its latest Ugly Man Contest, BETA THETA CHAPTER at the *University of Wisconsin* cleared \$418.74 and contributed this amount to the Campus Chest. This was reported by William Pivar, Vice President.

Successful Book Exchange

A news article in the "Kingsman" of *Brooklyn College* relates that GAMMA IOTA CHAPTER's used book exchange at the beginning of this semester was the most successful since the project was started on the campus. Approximately 5,000 books were sold with a total of over \$10,000.00 worth of business transacted. In past semesters profit from the book exchange has been given to the Damon Runyon Cancer Fund, the General Palsy Societies, the Brooklyn College library, and to purchase athletic equipment for a Settlement House. This was reported by Abe Halpern, Corresponding Secretary.

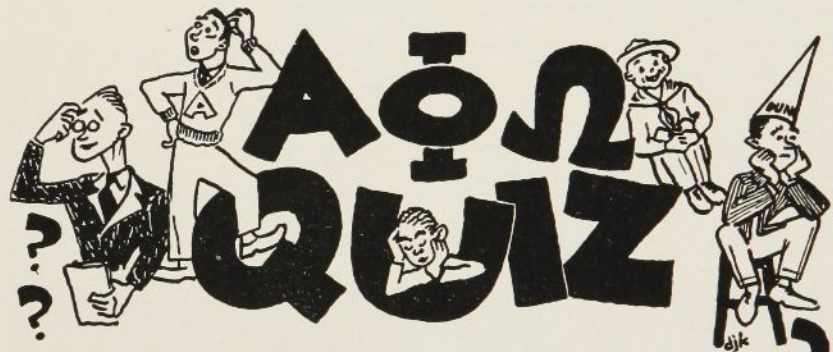
"Going Great"

Brother Ralph D. Cooper, President of ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER, reports that things are going great in AΦΩ this Fall at *Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery*.

Book Exchange

The ALPHA PI CHAPTER of the *University of Miami, Florida*, has completed another successful semester in the AΦΩ Used Book Store which they operate on campus. Students' books are accepted on consignment and sold for two-thirds the original price. Ten percent of the selling price is deducted as AΦΩ's commission, the proceeds going to charity. This semester the store sold \$5,700 worth of books.

Other projects include an annual Rick Gomez Memorial Scholarship award, distribution of the yearbook, an Ugly Man Dance, leadership in various campus projects, providing leaders and assistance to the local scouting movement, and rendering aid to various charitable institutions. The chapter is "going strong." This is reported by Alan F. Greenwald, Publicity Chairman.



By Joseph Scanlon

1. Is it necessary to rehearse the initiation ceremony before conducting the initiation for new members?
2. Is it advisable for members of the ritual team to memorize their parts?
3. Are any special properties needed?
4. In whose custody should the ritual pamphlets be kept?
5. Is it important that all active members attend each initiation ceremony?
6. How often should the ritual be conducted?
7. May nonmembers be permitted to be in attendance at the initiation ceremony?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 11



THE AMERICAN NATIONAL RED CROSS

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
WASHINGTON 18, D. C.

November 26, 1952

Mr. Sidney B. North
National Secretary
Alpha Phi Omega
419 Columbia Bank Building
Kansas City 6, Missouri

Dear Mr. North:

We are delighted with the article on the Red Cross Blood Program appearing in the October issue of *TORCH AND TREFOIL*, and to see such fine picture evidence of the work of Alpha Phi Omega members in promoting the blood recruitment program on college campuses.

Reports reaching our office the last few weeks indicate that college students are once again contributing blood in enthusiastic numbers. There is continued need for blood donors, not only to provide blood for military needs overseas and civilian hospitals here at home, but for preparation of plasma reserves for national defense.

The response of your fraternity is evidence that we can count heavily on the young people of the country helping materially with this important program.

Thank you for your continued support.

Cordially yours,

Carl F. Belliston
Administrative Director
Blood Program

IT DOESN'T HURT



These students of Bowling Green State University are "all smiles" after giving blood in the Red Cross procurement program sponsored on the campus by Zeta Kappa Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

Blood Drive

In the semi-annual *Queens College* blood drive, 235 pints were donated by students. GAMMA OMICRON CHAPTER, sponsor of the drive, was deeply gratified by the generous response. The chapter was commended for its fine work in an editorial in the campus newspaper. This is reported by Joseph Brady, Historian.

The blood bank registration conducted by GAMMA EPSILON CHAPTER at CCNY in October brought over 900 donors, reports Al Wilner, President.

MARCH OF DIMES

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another epidemic of poliomyelitis strikes. Under this cooperative plan, better services for patients can be provided. Chapter funds will be used to subsidize hospitals for additional hospital personnel, when needed. The chapter may also take care of transportation of patients to hospitals, clinics and doctors' offices.

"Everyone in this area should know that if there is polio in his family, he can get needed help for the patient through our county chapter," Mr. Brown continued. "This service is for everyone.

"You see, we look on the money raised by the March of Dimes as a trust fund, to bring back health, strength and usefulness to those stricken by polio."

"You make it sound all right," Mr. Anderson said. "I would do a better job if I could electrify my farm and get that tractor."

The chapter agreed to pay for John's expenses which amounted to \$1,500. Now he gets about easily with only a slight limp, and with his doctor's approval helps his father with the milking and is learning to ride a new bicycle. He reports to his doctor regularly for check-ups.

His interest in the National Foundation aroused, Mr. Anderson began to look into its activities in earnest. He discovered that the physical therapist who had cared for John at the hospital had taken special training at the National Foundation's expense. By her skill, she had helped John regain the use of his weakened muscles through

exercises which trained him to use them correctly.

Mr. Anderson found that Dr. Stevens, John's doctor, had also taken special training in the modern treatment of polio, at the expense of the county chapter of the National Foundation.

"Hundreds of health workers have had such training in the past few years," Dr. Stevens told Mr. Anderson.

That's the story of how one child stricken with polio was given direct aid by funds raised in the March of Dimes campaign. Thousands of others are helped each year. We urge every chapter of Alpha Phi Omega to assist in the 1953 campaign. If your chapter has not already made plans for this, we suggest you contact your local or county chairman of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and offer your services in the campus phase of the drive.

Campus Editorial

APO IS BUSY

Many active fraternities were evident on the University campus this week. But one which has been especially busy during Homecoming activities is Alpha Phi Omega.

The group worked for three weeks to have the bonfire ready for lighting Thursday night. The members spent a week finding 18,000 wooden boxes to burn.

The group was responsible for the Homecoming dance and the proceeds from the dance were given to SABUH.

Donations totaling \$250.00 were recently given from the Ugly Man Contest held during Frontier Fiesta. APO sponsored this contest.

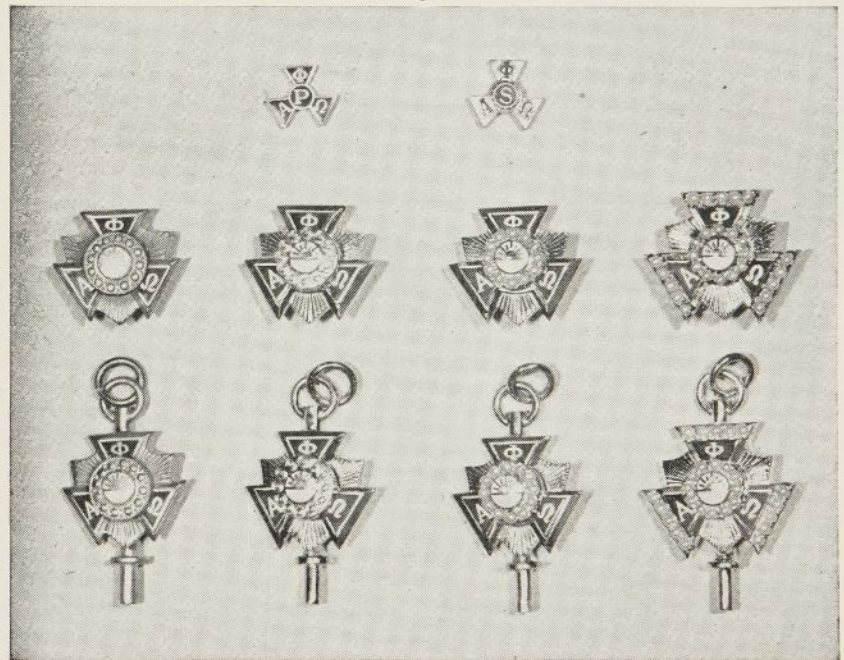
A final gesture made by APO this week was to donate \$797 to the Loans and Scholarship department of the university.

This editorial in a recent issue of the "Cougar" is a fine tribute to the services of Delta Omega Chapter at the University of Houston.

INSIGNIA OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Answers to APO Quiz For December

1. Yes. Rehearsal is advisable before the ceremony. Usually some of the officers conducting the ceremony have not been on the ritual team before, so it is helpful to them to have a rehearsal to insure a smooth presentation.
2. Yes. When the members of the ritual team memorize their parts, this increases the impressiveness of the ceremony.
3. Properties for conducting the ceremony are listed on pages 9 and 10 of the ritual pamphlet.
4. The ritual pamphlets used by each chapter should be kept in possession of the Chapter President except when being used by other officers in preparation for and conducting the ceremony.
5. Yes. All active members and advisors should attend the initiation ceremony each time it is conducted. New inspiration for the program of Alpha Phi Omega can be gained each time we participate in the ritual.
6. Most chapters conduct the initiation ceremony two times yearly, once for Fall pledges and once for Spring pledges. In addition, special ceremonies are sometimes conducted when need arises, such as for a pledge who has been called into the armed forces and should be initiated before leaving.
7. It is not customary to admit any nonmembers to the meeting in which the ritual is conducted.



Pledge button (shown above at top left).....	.35
Service button (top right).....	.35
Standard badge, gold plated (extreme left, middle row).....	2.50
Standard badge, 10K (second from left, middle row).....	6.50
Standard badge, crown set pearl plain arms (third from left, middle row).....	13.25
Standard badge, crown set pearl center and arms (extreme right, middle row).....	24.50
Standard key, gold plated (extreme left, bottom row).....	3.25
Standard key, 10K (second from left, bottom row).....	8.50
Standard key, crown set pearl center plain arms (third from left, bottom row).....	15.00
Standard key, crown set searl center and arms (extreme right, bottom row).....	26.00

(To all prices add 20 per cent federal tax, and state sales tax.)

Official order blanks are available from your Chapter Treasurer or from the National Office.

BULLETIN BOARD

CHAPTER CALENDAR

With the approach of the Spring semester, it is appropriate to give attention to your chapter calendar for February, March, April and May. Advance planning is important.

It is recommended that your Executive Committee outline the calendar for the Spring months and submit it for approval at a chapter meeting. Then publish the calendar in your chapter newsletter so all members will have a handy copy of it. Include service projects, regular meetings, rush meetings, social events, outings, pledging ceremony, banquet, initiation and other events.

REGISTRATIONS

Certificates and cards for new members are issued immediately when the applications arrive at our National Office. We urge the chapter officers to give careful attention to sending in the applications promptly when each initiation ceremony is held.

By sending the registrations *before* the ceremony, you can obtain the pocket cards in time to be presented as part of the ritual, and thus add to the impressiveness of the ceremony.

When new members are inducted for this semester, give them the joy of receiving their official credentials at the earliest possible time!

INTERCHAPTER VISITS

Have you recently invited a nearby chapter to send representatives to one of your special occasions, initiation, banquet or other event? Interchapter visits are interesting and helpful.

The Directory of Chapter Presidents issued this past Fall is still useful for contacting other chapters (and where new elections have been held we are confident the past president will bring your invitation to the attention of the new president).

The opportunity for interchapter fellowship will benefit both the hosts and the guests. Try it!

INSIGNIA

Alpha Phi Omega pins and keys are still available at no increase in price. Our manufacturer, the L. G. Balfour Company, has maintained top quality and steady prices through the years of rising costs, and the only addition to the sales prices of our insignia is the tax.

We are fortunate that there is no inflation in the prices of AΦΩ insignia.

An illustrated price list of our fraternity pins and keys appears on page eleven of this issue. Order blanks are available from your Chapter Treasurer or from the National Office.