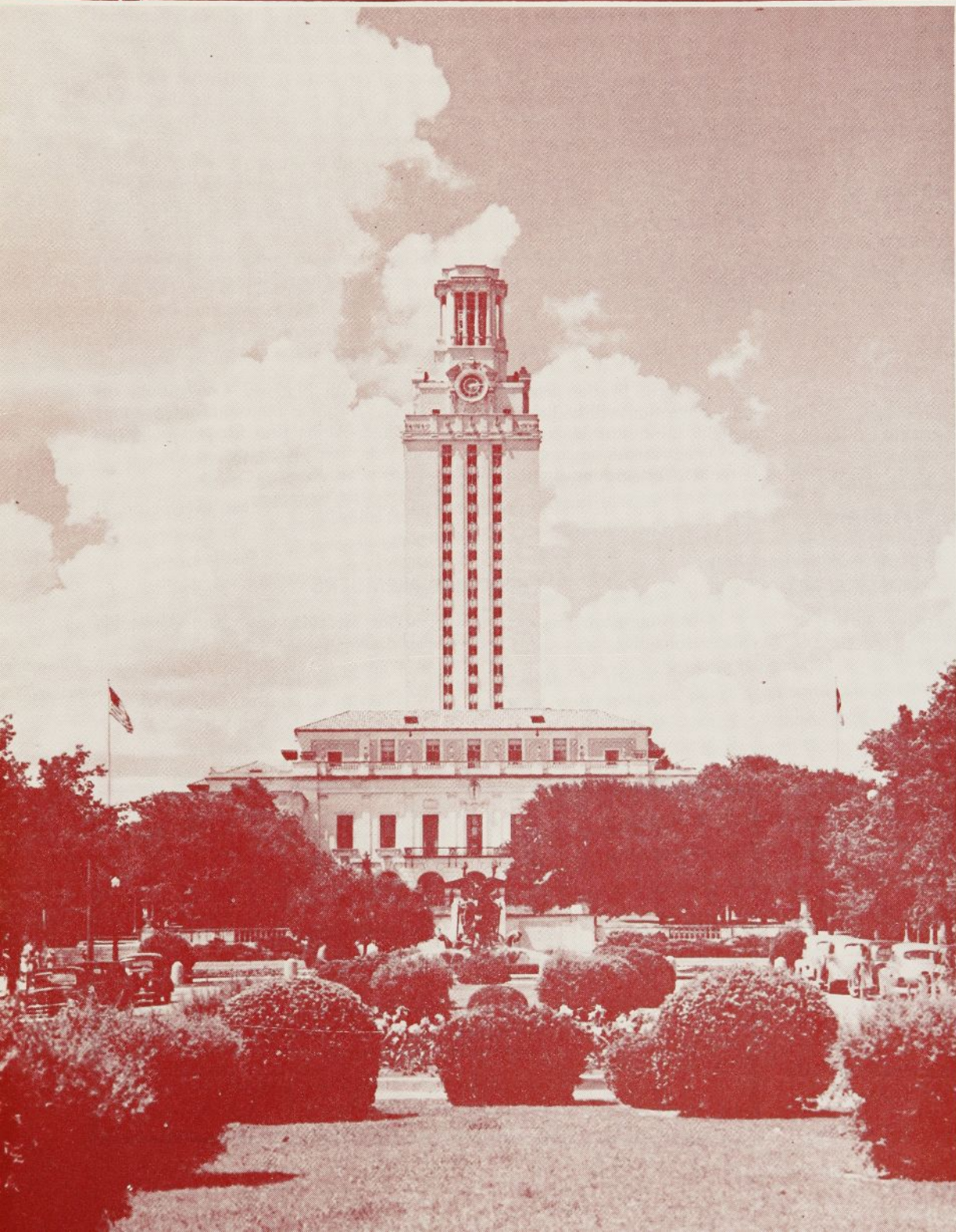




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Of Thee I Sing

Harold Bakken, active member of Gamma Psi Chapter, University of Minnesota, has recently been elected as President of the National Student Association. In this capacity he will spend much of his time throughout this year traveling throughout the nation.

Dr. Lawrence L. Hirsch has been presented the Silver Beaver Award by the Chicago Council for "distinguished service to boyhood." He serves as a member of the Executive Board of the Council and the National Executive Board of Alpha Phi Omega. Congratulations to Brother Hirsch upon this honor.

Dean Arno Nowotny, Past National President of AΦΩ and Dean of Student Life at the University of Texas, has been appointed by President Disborough to serve as Program Chairman for the 1958 National Convention. He has already started contacting prominent speakers.

C. C. "Jitter" Nolen, Past President of Alpha Rho Chapter, has been invited to serve as Arrangements Chairman for the 1958 convention. He is Director of the Texas Union and is an enthusiastic booster of Alpha Phi Omega.

Presidential Representatives are making numerous visits to chapters. We heartily salute these brothers who are representing our National President in personal contacts with chapters throughout the nation.

ON OUR COVER

As voted by the delegates at our Fourteenth National Convention, the next convention will be held in Austin, Texas. Austin is the capital of the state and the site of the University of Texas, where Alpha Rho Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega carries on an excellent program year after year. Heart of the campus is the 21-story Administration Building shown on our cover.

Early plans are under way to provide a program finer than ever before at the 1958 convention.

NEW LIFE MEMBERS

Seven more brothers have subscribed for Life Membership in Alpha Phi Omega since the previous list was published. We welcome:

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| Roy A. Harrell, Jr., <i>Alpha Rho</i> | James G. Stevenson, <i>Eta Epsilon</i> |
| Jack L. Beckner, <i>Beta Sigma</i> | James G. Heinlein, <i>Delta Epsilon</i> |
| Ronald A. Helwig, <i>Theta Beta</i> | William R. Stebbins, Jr., <i>Alpha Phi</i> |
| Robert W. Pradt, <i>Lambda Sigma</i> | |

IN MEMORIAM

Dean Francis H. Squire
Faculty Advisor, Zeta Sigma Chapter
University of Delaware

Professor Bradford MacGaw
Faculty Advisor, Zeta Eta Chapter
University of Chattanooga

Dr. T. T. Montgomery
Honorary Member, Kappa Zeta Chapter
Southeastern State College

These brothers served faithfully in Alpha Phi Omega and were deeply interested in our program. Their passing is a real loss to our brotherhood.

Announcing . . .

ALPHA PHI OMEGA SERVICE TROOP FOR NATIONAL JAMBOREE

The Boy Scouts of America has again invited our fraternity to furnish an AΦΩ Service Troop to be on duty at the Fourth National Jamboree to be held at Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, July 11 to 18, 1957. At two previous Jamborees (Valley Forge in 1950 and Irvine Ranch in 1953) AΦΩ furnished service troops which carried on their responsibilities in an excellent manner and we believe those who can participate this year will enjoy this opportunity.

Dr. Lawrence L. Hirsch, a member of our National Executive Board, will serve as Scoutmaster of our troop at this 1957 Jamboree. Two Assistant Scoutmasters will be chosen and there are openings for thirty-three students to serve as members of this troop.

So that the troop will be truly representative of our nation-wide organization, we hope to receive applicants from thirty-three different chapters throughout the United States.

The following is essential information concerning participation in the AΦΩ Service Troop:

1. *Jamboree Fee*—This will be paid by the Jamboree. There is no fee required of the students who are selected for the AΦΩ Service Troop. However, each individual must pay his own transportation expense to and from Valley Forge and his incidental expenses.

2. *Equipment and Uniform*—Tentage and cots will be provided by the Jamboree for our troop. No cooking gear is needed, as our group will eat at the headquarters area. One new Explorer summer uniform will be provided by the Jamboree for each member of our AΦΩ Service Troop, and each member is expected to provide one additional new summer uniform and also one fairly good used uniform.

3. *Dates*—The members of the AΦΩ Service Troop should plan to arrive at the Jamboree grounds at Valley Forge on July 11 and their responsibilities will be concluded on July 18 or 19.

4. *Qualifications*—Each member in the AΦΩ Service Troop must be an active member of his chapter. Previous service as an officer or committee chairman in the chapter is desirable but not essential. Other qualifications are previous camping experience, ability to work with others, willingness to follow directions and, above all, desire to serve.

5. *Applications*—An application for participation in the AΦΩ Service Troop may be obtained from our fraternity office upon request. Please ask for an application only if you can devote the time and travel necessary to participate.

6. *Typical Responsibilities of a Jamboree Service Troop*—This group will serve at the General Headquarters in such work as aid to Jamboree leaders, manning information centers, messenger service, assisting at arena shows, helping with field sports operation, assistance in flag ceremonies, reception work, transportation and traffic control, exhibits, handling of mail, and numerous other services.

This is an outstanding experience for all who can participate in it. As mentioned above, the openings are limited to thirty-three members. Everyone who wishes to apply should write for an application. Address your request to National Office, Alpha Phi Omega, 419 Columbia Bank Building, Kansas City 6, Missouri.

TRADING POST WORK

In addition to our AΦΩ Service Troop at the National Jamboree, there will also be opportunity for some members of Alpha Phi Omega to work for the Supply Service. This work at the Trading Posts is considerably different than the responsibilities of the Service Troop. It includes such work as selling over the counter, stock handling and other duties. There is an established rate of pay for this Trading Post work.

Those interested in Trading Post work should contact the local Scout Executive in home town or college town to secure details and request applications.



SAY,
DID YOU
KNOW?

—Alpha Phi Omega celebrated its 31st anniversary, December 16, 1956. Our organization was founded in 1925 at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania.

—An application for charter has been received from Albright College, Reading, Pennsylvania. Data concerning it has been sent to all chapters for voting.

—Presentation of the distinguished service key is an excellent means of honoring one in your chapter who has given outstanding service. Many chapters give one key each semester.

—Voting by chapters is now under way on the dates for the 1958 National Convention to be held in Austin, Texas.

—The TORCH AND TREFOIL offers opportunity for you to tell others about your chapter projects. You are invited to send news items and pictures.

—The Spring semester is an excellent time to pledge new men. It is recommended a strong pledging program be conducted in the next few weeks.

TWO SECTIONAL CONFERENCES SCHEDULED

Southwest Section

Texas, Oklahoma and New Mexico

The conference of the Southwest Section will be held March 23 and 24, 1957, at Baylor University, Waco, Texas.

Middle States Section

Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia

This year's conference for the Middle States Section will be held March 30 and 31, 1957, at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

Additional conference dates will be announced in future issues. Further details about your conference will also be sent to all chapter officers and advisors in the National Bulletin.

Attendance at your Sectional Conference is important. It can mean much in the future advancement of your chapter. Plan now to attend the conference in your area.

Project Feature...

WAS THERE HELP?

The Story of the Outstanding Hungarian Relief Drive at Penn State

By Wayne Lippman
Historian, Alpha Beta Chapter

On October 23, 1956, the Hungarians rebelled against their oppressors, the Russians. At first this rebellion started as a peaceful demonstration and then developed into one of the bloodiest massacres of modern times, for on November 4, after the Russians had withdrawn, the world was shocked by their return again. They brought to bear twenty armored divisions to quell the revolution. It took the Reds close to six weeks to break the resistance of the Hungarians and they only succeeded in gaining surface peace, for underneath this quiet still lies the bitter hate of Russian Communism.

As early as November 15, Alpha Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega decided that we would give economic aid, that is, clothing and whatever money we could collect from Penn State students. We didn't have much time to do any amount of planning, for Thanksgiving vacation was just a few days away. Nor did we have any idea whether the student body or townspeople would cooperate. We tried to get out a little publicity before vacation, but the major part of the actual planning had to wait until our return from the Thanksgiving holiday.

Meanwhile, a few members decided that the best way to get first-hand information of Hungarian needs and some of their experiences was to go to Camp Kilmer, where refugees were being sent. Out of the eight members who went to Camp Kilmer, only one was admitted and allowed to talk to the Hungarian refugees and members of the Red Cross. We found that money was badly needed along with good warm clothing and a desperate need for blankets. All of this would be greatly appreciated.

Our return to campus meant plenty of work. At our regular Monday night meeting we threshed out the details and decided that the drive would last from Thursday, November 29, to and including Saturday, December 1. Also, our president, Glen Elder, told us

that Titusville, over a hundred miles from State College, would be sending a truck-load of clothing to aid our Hungarian Relief Drive.

As time drew near for the opening of the drive, publicity began to appear in not only our college and town papers, but also in newspapers like the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, and *Washington Post*, and many others, not only in Pennsylvania, but out of state.

At the main entrance to the college campus a Christmas tree was erected by the borough, and this seemed to be a fitting place for the students and public to bring their clothing. As Thursday and the start of the Hungarian Relief Drive rolled around, Alpha Beta Chapter set up racks along one of State College's main streets to hang suits and overcoats on. Several of the downtown stores gave clothing, and one store gave two brand-new suits which anyone would sure like to have owned. Probably one of the most welcomed donations was that given by the University: several cartons of blankets which had never been used.

The students contributed generously. If they didn't have money they brought clothing, in fairly good condition. Many college coeds brought sweaters (some of which were cashmere) and skirts to the pile by the Christmas tree. By Saturday this pile had grown to over five feet high. Many fraternities also conducted collections among their members, and one fraternity gave \$75.00. One of the men's dormitories collected \$105.00 from its occupants plus several cartons of clothing. These were just a few of the things the students gave so the Hungarians might have a Christmas, too.

In the evenings of Thursday and Friday we had several of our pledges take phone calls from people who had clothing to give and who had no way of getting it to the pile. On Saturday afternoon members collected this clothing.

On Friday night our local radio station in State College, WMAJ, ran a 4½ hour record marathon which ended around 2:30 a.m. What made this radio marathon so unusual and such a surprising success was that students and townspeople could not pledge by phone, but instead had to send or bring in their money to the radio station before the program in order to have their music request played. This marathon program received over \$1,000.00.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, motorists were asked not to place money in the parking meters but rather to give the money they would have put in the parking meters to members of Alpha Phi Omega for the Hungarian Relief Fund. Most of the motorists cooperated and gave more than the usual penny or nickel. People shopping in town were also seen giving; some gave as much as \$5.00. By this method alone we collected close to \$400.00.

In the afternoon we went around in a sound truck urging people to bring to or call Alpha Phi Omega if they had any clothing, so it could be added to the pile. Around four o'clock all the clothing was taken to the Municipal Borough Building where members of Alpha Phi Omega, Gamma Sigma sorority, the Red Cross, the Friends and many interested townspeople came and helped sort and mend the torn clothing. Even after the pile had been removed to the Borough building many people called to find out if they could still give their clothing.

In the course of the drive an envelope was received containing \$150. This amount had been collected by a group of six-year-old boys. They had collected and returned empty soda bottles and received a refund for them and turned over the money to Alpha Phi Omega for Hungarian relief.

Several town children, who usually go to the movies, were seen on one day of the drive putting money into containers the chapter had located on

street corners. When asked by their parents why they were back so early, they told their parents they had given the money to the drive instead of going to the movies.

Probably the most interesting donation came Sunday afternoon from Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, when he was on campus to give a jazz concert to some 5,000 students. "Satchmo" gave one of his sports jackets which he had with him at the time.

The success of this drive lies not only in its organization, for which we only had a short time to plan, but also in the 100 per cent cooperation we received from the University, the press and radio, the students and the towns-

people. This drive was called by many "the biggest fund-raising drive ever experienced at Penn State." The Penn State *Daily Collegian* in one of its editorials, states: "Alpha Phi Omega cannot be given enough credit for its splendid drive for Hungarian Relief. This whole thing was carried on with the utmost efficiency, imagination and sincerity. . . .

"If anyone is looking for the way to hold an effective and successful drive of any kind on this campus they would do well to remember this one as a prime model. Alpha Phi Omega is certainly consistently living up to its name, 'service fraternity.'"

Dr. Eric A. Walker, President of The Pennsylvania State University, commended AΦΩ for its Hungarian Relief Drive. Dr. Walker stated, "It is gratifying and heart-warming to see our students contribute so much time and effort to such a worthy project, and I have been very much impressed by the whole effort. It makes you proud to be associated with Penn State."

The amount collected by AΦΩ alone amounted to over \$1,500.00, and over five tons of clothing (one trailer truck-load), which was sent to Philadelphia, to be shipped to Hungary through CARE.

Views below give indication of the tremendous success of Alpha Beta Chapter's drive for Hungarian Relief. The campaign captured the interest of the entire campus of the Pennsylvania State University and of the community. The picture at upper left shows citizens, young and old, contributing clothing. At upper right is shown a truck load of clothing from the nearby town of Titusville to be added to the stack on the sidewalk. At lower left is shown Glen Elder (left), then President of Alpha Beta Chapter, receiving a jacket contributed by Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, who was on campus for a concert at the time of the drive. And at lower right, cartons of clothing are being loaded into a trailer-truck to be hauled to Philadelphia for transport to Hungary.



Leadership Feature...

FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW!

HOW TO WRITE A CHAPTER HISTORY

Of particular interest to your Historian is this article about writing a chapter history, but all members can assist. At the outset, these questions may confront your Historian: "What kind of information should go into a chapter history?" . . . "How am I going to put these facts in writing?" . . . "How is the history to be published?" . . . "Who will read it?"

The Historian is one of the most important of the elective officers of your chapter. His job is filled with interest. To be sure it requires much work, sometimes calling for many hours of searching old records. But it's worth it. A comprehensive history of your chapter will mean much to the present members and to future members.

First Step: Analyze Your Assignment

An important point to fix in your mind is a suitable definition of the word "history." Briefly it can be stated as an accurate, factual, systematic report of events. That definition gives you a clue as to the kind of book you are asked to write.

Your history can be a public relations instrument. Whether it is to be produced in celebration of a chapter anniversary or for some other occasion, you will want to tell a story which will be interesting not only to your chapter members, but also to others on your campus and in your community. A well-prepared chapter history will be replete with case histories which are interwoven references to the many services which your chapter has rendered to the campus and community. It should bring out the four fields of Alpha Phi Omega service: To the student body and faculty, to youth and community, to members, and to the nation as citizens.

An interesting history of your chapter can be a means of attracting additional outstanding former Scouts and Scouters of your campus to become members of AΦΩ. Your history can do a selling job for Alpha Phi Omega

as well as reporting your past activities. Let your publication interpret the ideals and purposes of Alpha Phi Omega so that those reading it will have a greater appreciation for the true values of your chapter program.

Visualize your book as one that will be read by non-members as well as members. In other words, it should help gain public appreciation of your service program as well as a better understanding on the part of members themselves.

Second Step: Planning Your Message

Now that you have analyzed your assignment and considered the purposes of your chapter history, your next concern is to decide upon the message you wish to convey. Let's assume that all members of your chapter have a good general knowledge of the purpose and program of AΦΩ but that

many students and faculty men on your campus are not yet well informed about our fraternity program. Thus one of the major responsibilities will be to write a history that brings forth a thorough understanding of the ideals and purposes of Alpha Phi Omega. That means you will want your book to stress these points.

—The purpose, program, and nation-wide scope of Alpha Phi Omega.

—Methods used by your chapter to carry out the service program.

—Projects which your chapter has conducted for the benefit of the campus and community.

To explain those aspects of your chapter, the following material is essential for a clear understanding:

—An accurate description of the purpose of Alpha Phi Omega.

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MODEL OUTLINE FOR CHAPTER HISTORY

Section 1—Interpretation of Alpha Phi Omega.

- A. Concise explanation of the purpose and program of Alpha Phi Omega.
- B. Description of each of four fields of service.
- C. Thumbnail sketch of the founding of your chapter.
- D. History of the growth of Alpha Phi Omega.
- E. Emphasis on the nation-wide scope of Alpha Phi Omega.

Section 2—Summary of the chapter's outstanding achievements.

- A. Major service projects for the campus.
- B. Outstanding activities for youth and community.
- C. Benefits to the individual members.
- D. Service to the nation as citizens.

Section 3—Chronological history of the chapter.

- A. Report of chapter progress since date of founding.
 1. Activities as a preparatory group.
 2. Date the chapter was installed into National Alpha Phi Omega.
 3. Names of first chapter officers.
 4. Names of all chapter presidents.
 5. Names of current chapter officers.
 6. Names of all Faculty Advisors and Scouting Advisors who have participated since the founding.
 7. Roster of all current members of the chapter.



New Scholarship

At the *College of Great Falls*, MU DELTA CHAPTER has created a scholarship which is to be given annually on the basis of a student's need, scholastic record and participation in college activities. The first scholarship of \$150.00 was recently awarded to David McGuigan, a sophomore studying elementary education. Another major project of Mu Delta Chapter at the opening of the Fall term was the publication of a student handbook and directory, including the roster of students, and information about organizations, faculty, churches, services of the college and other general notes helpful to students.

Select Outstanding Brother

TAU CHAPTER at the *University of Florida* elected Wallace Sterling as its most outstanding brother for the school year of 1955-56. Wallace served very ably as Chapter President and has given excellent work in numerous other capacities in Tau Chapter.

NU CHAPTER CONTRIBUTES TO HOSPITAL

The top picture shows part of fifty members and pledges of Nu Chapter, *Upsala College*, who toured *Clara Maass Memorial Hospital* in New Jersey. The hospital is now in process of constructing a new building and Nu Chapter's contribution to this was a check in the amount of \$500.00, which will be used to furnish a room. During the visit, toys were given to children in the pediatrics ward. In the picture are shown Bill Lunden, Dick Bagdy, Birger Pearson, Wally Coon, Harry Barto, Jay Tichenor and John Fitton with a patient and a nurse.

The lower picture shows Eric Carlson, Past President of Nu Chapter, with John Fitton, Waldron Coon and Len Matteson viewing a model of the new hospital to which the chapter has donated furnishings for a room. This news and pictures are by courtesy of Edward Corneilson, Historian.

Hungarian Relief

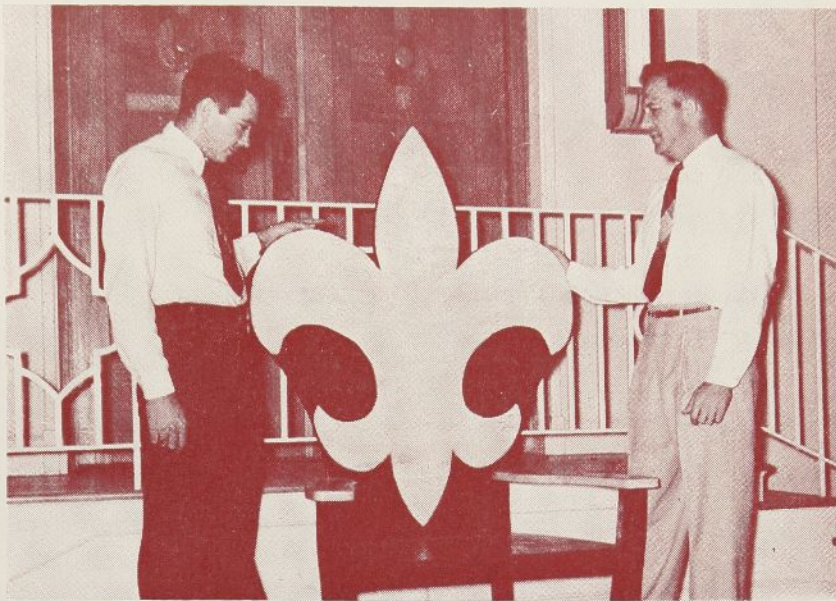
BETA ETA CHAPTER at the *University of Missouri* has participated in the city-wide and campus-wide Hungarian Student Relief Project, working with the Student Government and the YMCA. The chapter also recently assisted in Homecoming activities. This is reported by Ronald Day, Vice President.

Largest Pledge Class

ALPHA BETA CHAPTER at *The Pennsylvania State University* has pledged 120 men this Fall. A great majority of the social fraternities on the campus are represented in this pledge class as well as independent men. This is the largest pledge class in any chapter in the thirty-year history of Alpha Phi Omega.



THRONE IS PRESENTED



The Student Commission of New Mexico A & M College asked Lambda Iota Chapter to design and build an appropriate "throne" for crowning the queens of various campus dances. The finished product is shown above. In the picture, George Miller, left, President of the Chapter, is shown presenting the throne to Floyd Bennett, President of the Commission. The chair was designed by David Shore and the construction was done by members of the Woodworking Shop Course at Las Cruces High School. This news and picture are by courtesy of Jack R. Detwiler, Past President.

Magazine Subscriptions

RHO CHAPTER of the *University of North Carolina* reports that the special project for its Fall pledges was selling magazine subscriptions on the campus. The chapter has one of the franchises and selling subscriptions has been its best money-making project. The Fall pledges did an excellent job in organizing and carrying out this campaign. Other projects in which the members and pledges have recently participated include the guide service for visitors to the UNC Planetarium, helping plan United Nations Day and helping the YWCA and YMCA raise money for their activities at the university. This is reported by Bill Jones, President.

Traffic Survey

At *The Rice Institute*, THETA LAMBDA CHAPTER rendered commendable service during the registration period for the past Fall term and also gave tremendous help in the traffic survey on the campus. The chapter received a fine letter of thanks for this service from Dean Guy T. McBride, Jr., Associate Dean of Students.

Election Service

Members of IOTA SIGMA CHAPTER at *Midwestern University* furnished cars to drive local citizens to the polls for the general election on November 6. The group has also recently built a concrete sidewalk in a needed place and has made plans to furnish Boy Scout uniforms for a troop in Korea. This is reported by Dr. Arthur F. Beyer, Chairman of the Advisory Committee.

Welcome Foreign Students

The APOgraph, newsletter of LAMBDA NU CHAPTER, reports that the chapter again served as welcomers and advisors to foreign graduate students at *Duke University* at the opening of the Fall term. This was in cooperation with the Dean of the Graduate School. Several members returned to the campus during freshman week to aid in the orientation of the graduate students. This service by the chapter helped the new graduate students from other nations to become accustomed to Duke and the community and to American ways.

Success Story

KAPPA ALPHA CHAPTER reports a fine success story at *Lamar State College of Technology*. After being inactive for two years, a few interested students with the backing of Prof. W. H. Matthews III, as Faculty Advisor, started an intensive drive to interest new students in AΦΩ. The chapter was originally chartered in 1951, and after the draft took its toll the membership was depleted, but recent developments have brought reactivation. Says Robert Slaydon, Jr., Recording Secretary, "We hope that the success story of Kappa Alpha Chapter will be an inspiration to other chapters which may have become inactive. All that is necessary is a good advisor, a few interested students and the will to serve."

Registration Aid

The Registrar of the *University of Louisville*, J. M. Houchens, writes: "Again I want to tell you what a fine contribution DELTA THETA CHAPTER of Alpha Phi Omega made to the University during our last registration period. Under the capable organization of Otto Reynolds, Jr., president of the chapter, the members organized themselves into a very efficient work team. The members helped in directing students, sorting cards, arranging files, and in doing many other valuable and necessary things. This was a real contribution to the University and I assure you that we of the administration are grateful to Alpha Phi Omega as individuals and the organization as a whole. We are indeed happy to have such a fine group as a member of our University family."

Register Student Automobiles

One of the Fall projects of LAMBDA CHI CHAPTER, recently installed at *Memphis State College*, was the registering of all student automobiles. Other recent activities have included handling the coke concession at plays and school functions, aiding in repainting parking stripes and street signs, providing newspaper distribution racks, and working on charity drives. Projects for the immediate future include an Ugly Man Contest, student directory and establishment of a fire prevention program. This is reported by Darrell D. Thomas, President.

Restores "Rock of Ages"

On Saturday, November 3, at the break of dawn, six members of KAPPA IOTA CHAPTER, *Hanover's* only service organization, found themselves confronted with a cumbersome task—that of resetting Co-Ed Rock on its original foundation.

As a result of Halloween vandalism, the quarter-century-old landmark was pried from its foundation and rolled over the side of a hill, coming to rest about fifty feet below the Campus road. With the beginning of Co-Ed Week, Sunday evening, marking the deadline, Alpha Phi Omega, following true to form, went to work.

With block and tackle, lengths of rope and steel chain and a hydraulic lift, the moving process began. Within two hours, Co-Ed Rock had been pulled back up to the road, dragged to the original site and reset in place on its foundation. Thus ended another of the many projects of AΦΩ at Hanover in its service to the campus.

Kappa Iota Chapter has had a variety of other major projects during the fall semester. Among these has been the directing of traffic on Homecoming and on Dads Day, and that of aiding the bloodmobile which visits the campus twice a year from Louisville. In the future the chapter is planning an Ugly Man Contest in connection with an all-school dance early in the Spring.

Fine Election Meeting

At its Fall election meeting, GAMMA PI CHAPTER at the *University of Michigan* had 94% of the active membership present and voting in the elections. This excellent interest has continued and plans are under way for the Spring semester registration work and other projects. This is reported in the chapter newsletter.

Increased Blood Drive

A year ago the blood drive at *Colgate University* brought 130 pints. This year, under the sponsorship of MU BETA CHAPTER, recently installed new chapter of AΦΩ, the solicitation brought 375 pints of blood. To boost its treasury, the chapter has been chosen by various sponsoring agencies to operate the checking concessions at college social functions. This is reported by Lloyd K. Chanin, President.

A Party for Orphans

The week-end prior to the Christmas vacation, GAMMA THETA CHAPTER at the *University of Colorado* gave a Christmas party in the Student Union Building for twenty youngsters from a Denver orphanage. In another recent project, the chapter has accepted the responsibility of clearing the snow and flooding the ice on Varsity lake periodically to make it suitable for ice skating. This is reported by Warren Hill, Corresponding Secretary.

Christmas Decorations

ALPHA CHAPTER decorated the evergreens around the chapel of *Lafayette College* instead of a single tree on the quad. Congratulatory comments were received from many sources as to the impressiveness of this year's decorations. The chapter has been helping the College Church Deacon Board with the ushering for the choir vesper services. This is reported in the chapter newsletter.

Football Service

At *Salem College*, LAMBDA TAU CHAPTER served in three ways during the football season. Members parked cars at the games, others sold tickets and the remainder were ushers. The chapter also gave excellent service during freshman orientation week sponsoring a picnic for new students and operates the campus book exchange. The arrangements and formation of the homecoming parade this past Fall was also in charge of the chapter. This is reported by the Salem College public relations office.

Pledge Essay

One of the requirements of pledges at ZETA ZETA CHAPTER at *Graceland College* this Fall was that each pledge write a 500-word essay on what Alpha Phi Omega stands for. The pledges also planned and put on a hamburger fry for the active members. This is reported by John R. Darling, President.

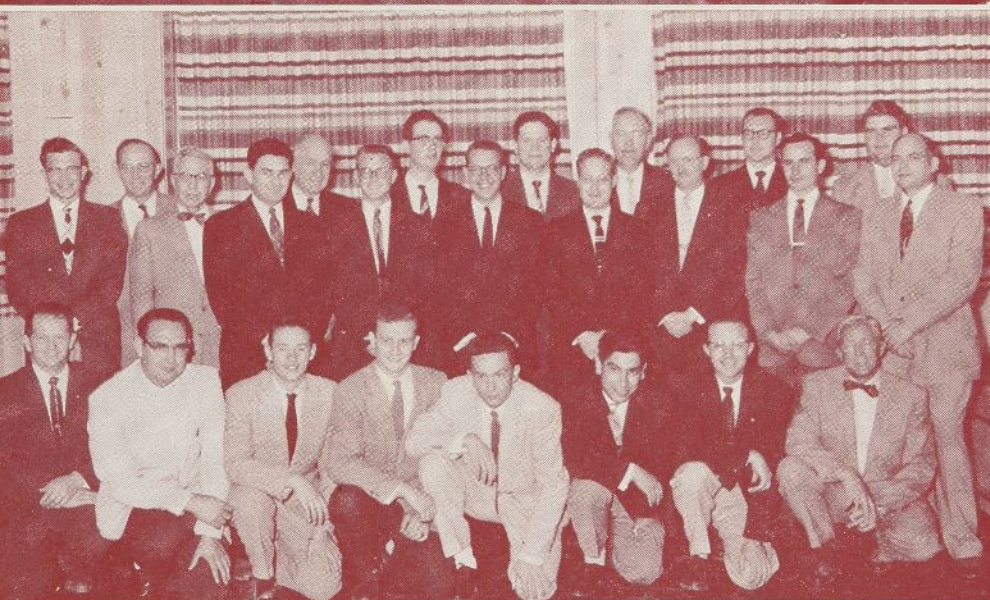
MAYOR IS INDUCTED AT QUEENS COLLEGE

On a recent visit to Queens College, Mayor Robert Wagner of New York City was presented a pledge cap by Gamma Omicron Chapter and was inducted as an honorary pledge. Later the chapter initiated him as an honorary member. In the picture, which was taken in the new Paul Klapper Library at Queens College, is shown Mike Fischer, First Vice-President of the Chapter, adjusting the pledge cap on Mayor Wagner, and between Mike and the Mayor is Dr. Joseph Cavallaro, Chairman of the Board of Higher Education of the City of New York. The others in the picture are students. This news and picture are by courtesy of Dr. Henry S. Miller, member of the National Executive Board.



Presenting . . .

TWO NEW CHAPTERS



Shown here are two of the new chapters recently installed in Alpha Phi Omega. At the top is Mu Beta Chapter at Colgate University, Hamilton, New York. Dr. Henry Miller, member of the National Executive Board, officiated at the installation ceremony, with the ritual conducted by members of Phi Chapter of Syracuse University and Iota Zeta Chapter of LeMoyne College. The chapter has continued an excellent, well-rounded program since its chartering.

In the lower picture are shown part of the members of Lambda Psi Chapter at Colorado State College of Education, Greeley, Colorado. Officiating for the National Executive Board at this ceremony was National Secretary Sidney B. North, and the ritual was conducted by Gamma Theta Chapter of the University of Colorado. The chapter is carrying on enthusiastically since its installation.

The TORCH and TREFOIL sincerely welcomes these new chapters and extends best wishes to them for the future. Additional pictures of other recent new chapters will be published in forthcoming issues.

Scholarships to Freshmen

Two \$100.00 tuition scholarships will be offered in the Spring semester by ETA RHO CHAPTER at *Marquette University*. They will be available to Marquette freshmen who are, or have been, in Scouting in the past. These will be chosen by the Committee on Scholarships. Harry Peck is in charge of the program and plans for several future grants are being discussed by the chapter.

A goal of \$1,000.00 has been set for Marquette's Ugly Man Contest, all proceeds from which will go to the building fund of the University of Korea which is operated by the Wisconsin Jesuit Province. The Campus Carnival, recently co-sponsored by Eta Rho Chapter and a sorority, had a record number of thirty-nine entries. This news is from Carl Schrank, Past President.

Charter Day Banquet

The Fourteenth Charter Day banquet of GAMMA PSI CHAPTER, *University of Minnesota*, honored Dean Elmer W. Johnson, who served for many years as Chairman of the Advisory Committee. A scholarship created by the chapter was also dedicated in the name of Dean Johnson. The principal address of the evening was given by Prof. John R. Ellingston, who spoke on the problems of juvenile delinquency. This is reported in "Gamma Psi Gab," chapter newspaper.

Summer News

A Summer issue of the *Lamzet*, the newsletter of LAMBDA ZETA CHAPTER at *Ripon College*, reported about the Summer occupation of each member. This was an excellent idea as a means of keeping the members informed, and it brought forth a wide variety of activities. The newsletter also related plans for the service projects of the Fall term.

HOW TO WRITE A CHAPTER HISTORY

(Continued from page six)

- A description of each of our four fields of service.
- A review of the founding of your chapter.
- A detailed account of the growth of your chapter and the major projects conducted since the founding.

**Third Step:
Locating Those Essential Facts**

After you have sketched the message for your chapter history you will be ready to begin the all-important research. To simplify this job, compile an outline of the kind of material you will need to gather. Briefly, you will need information that:

- Emphasizes the ideals and purposes of Alpha Phi Omega.
- Describes outstanding projects of your chapter.
- Traces the history of your chapter.
- Discloses statistics about your chapter.

For compiling data about your chapter, consult these sources:

- Chapter scrapbook of old newspaper clippings and pictures.
- Your chapter copies of the annual reports submitted to the National Office.
- Back issues of chapter newsletters.
- Copies of Secretary's minutes of meetings.
- Copies of correspondence.
- The memories of advisors who have been connected with the chapter for a period of years.

Pictures are important, particularly pictures of the service projects conducted by the chapter.

**Fourth Step:
Writing the History**

Before beginning the writing, review section two, "Planning your Message." This will refresh your mind about the major topics you wish to emphasize in the text. Then, sort your material according to subjects.

Begin your book on an interesting, enthusiastic note. But remember that you are writing a history to be read by non-members as well as members.

Omit minor details. This means that you will want to omit anything like the routine recital of chapter affairs. Non-members will not be very much interested in that information.

When writing the book, start with the familiar and then move to the unfamiliar. At the same time visualize your reader as one who knows nothing about Alpha Phi Omega. Take him by the hand and lead him through the history by fully explaining each pertinent fact contained in your text.

Dramatize your story. Give your text color and interest. Insert narrative and dialogue. Use quotes, as they enliven the text.

Here are other suggestions which you may find helpful:

- Use words which are familiar, non-technical, short, concrete, personal, exact.
- Write sentences which are average short, clear, active, inviting, natural, varied.
- Write paragraphs that contain one idea and follow each other in logical order.
- Avoid flowery or showy writing.

**Fifth Step:
Printing the Publication**

After you have completed the writing, you come face-to-face with the problem of "layout" and printing your book. Of course, the method of reproduction will be determined largely by the amount of money the chapter can apply to this project. Some chapters in the past have had their history printed on letter-press.

Still another process is planograph. Type set from a multiface typewriter would enable you to publish your book by this inexpensive offset style of printing and be able to include pictures. Planograph is primarily a photographic process which operates in this manner:

- A master copy of a book page is prepared.
- The sheet is then photographed onto a negative.
- The negative is then transplanted to a metal plate.
- During printing the image is imprinted from plate to a rubber blanket to paper.

A big advantage to planograph printing is that it allows reproduction of line drawings and, of course, pictures.

However, there are other inexpensive methods of printing which you might also wish to consider. Among these are multilith, multigraph, mimeograph, analine processes, and lithography.

In planning the layout for your publication, you will want to come up with page arrangements which attract the reader's eye, interest the reader, and make the book look easy to read.

Keep the layout simple, avoiding becoming too artistic.

If you plan to use drawings in your book, be sure they are prepared by a good artist. Don't use amateurish cartoons.

**Sixth Step:
Getting the History to the Readers**

Of course, distribution should be to all members and pledges of your chap-

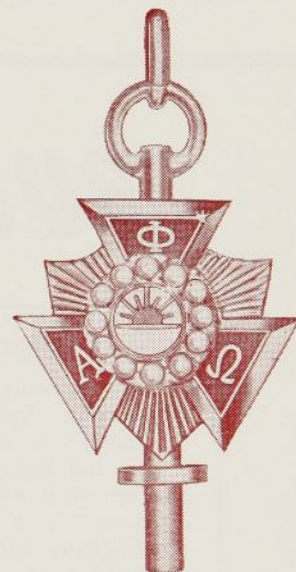
ter. It is also suggested that an extra copy be furnished to each member and pledge to be sent home to his folks. The families of your members will be interested in this publication.

Have an extra supply available to be distributed to prospective new members at open meetings. Your history will be valuable for informing those fellows about the kind of program conducted by your chapter.

Present copies of your history to the president of your college, deans, heads of departments and possibly to others in the administration and faculty. This will be a means of bringing them a full understanding of the program of Alpha Phi Omega.

Give a copy of the history to the editor of your campus newspaper and also to editors of the city newspapers in your vicinity. This may lead to a feature article in one of those publications concerning the work of your chapter.

**Do You Wear an
Alpha Phi Omega Pin or Key?**



If you have not yet purchased a pin or key, get one as soon as convenient. You will enjoy wearing APO insignia. Above is pictured the standard pearl center key which costs \$16.25, plus ten per cent federal tax and any state and city tax which applies in your locality. Other qualities of pins and keys are priced from \$2.75 to \$28.00.

An illustrated list is available upon request to our National Office. Also, if your chapter treasurer does not have Balfour order blanks on hand, a supply can be obtained by writing to our office.

Reference Book

NEW EDITION IS PUBLISHED OF "SOURCE MATERIAL ON SCOUTING FOR COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND SEMINARIES"

Produced by the School Service, Division of Relationships, Boy Scouts of America, the new edition of "Source Material on Scouting for Colleges, Universities and Seminaries" is an excellent publication.

The book points out the objectives of College Courses in Scouting, cites reasons given by many colleges for offering Scouting Courses, one of which is quoted as "to give students a broader background in working with young people," and furnishes an outline and details for such a course.

Suggested training methods and instruction helps are provided in the book, including classroom programs, studies and papers, camping trips, activity practice methods, Scout ways of teaching and reviewing, use of visual aids, and unit visitation and observation.

Reference materials are listed and a minimum Scouting Library is suggested. Visual aids are also listed. A roster is included of many of the colleges and universities which offer Scouting Courses.

Generous space is given in the book to description of the service program of Alpha Phi Omega. Our four-fold program is outlined and numerous projects are mentioned. Two pictures of service projects are included, and statements are quoted from three college administrators concerning the values of Alpha Phi Omega.

The book may be secured from the Supply Service, Boy Scouts of America, New Brunswick, New Jersey. The catalogue number is 3045, and the price is 95 cents.

BULLETIN BOARD

REGISTRATIONS

Our fraternity policy concerning membership registrations calls for the chapter to mail the active applications and fees to the National Office ten days prior to the initiation ceremony . . . and to receive the identification cards in time to be presented in the ritual. Our office is giving immediate service in issuing the cards.

This arrangement benefits every chapter. It enables you to put registrations on a business-like basis . . . and it gives new members the privilege of receiving their credentials at the very time the ceremony is held.

SPRING DEDICATION

It is recommended that again each chapter dedicate its Spring 1957 Pledge Class in honor of a local leader whom the members deem merits this recognition.

In your chapter there is undoubtedly someone whose service and leadership and devotion stands out above all others for the past year . . . some advisor, college official, Scouter, or other leader who has given particularly outstanding service in Alpha Phi Omega.

This dedication offers opportunity to say "Thanks" in a big way for exceptionally fine service.