## TORCH AND TREFOIL

OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA



# President Roosevelt Calls Upon College Men and Women to Render Ever More Efficient Service

In a recent message to college personnel, the President of the United States said, "I would emphasize to you this year that America will always need men and women with college training. Government and industry alike need skilled technicians today. Later, we shall need men and women of broad understanding and special aptitudes to serve as leaders of the generation which must manage the post-war world. We must, therefore, re-double our efforts during these critical times to make our schools render ever more efficient service in support of our cherished democracy."

Alpha Phi Omega has joined hands with Uncle Sam to do our part to the best of our ability in the present emergency. Many and varied service projects are being conducted on our campuses in the interest of national defense.

Our chapters are sponsoring the sale of defense stamps and bonds to students, collecting books for men in the service, registering students for civilian defense duty. Renewed emphasis is being placed upon finger-printing, with the FBI assisting in spreading this service to many campuses. Extra importance is being placed upon blood-typing for students and the establishment of blood donors lists and blood banks. Victory Balls are being sponsored to raise funds for the Red Cross and other worthy agencies. Many other projects of equal importance are underway.

Alpha Phi Omega's emergency service program as set forth in the preceding issue of the Torch and Trefoil has received wide acclaim. Our fraternity is alert to the needs of the hour.

Be sure your chapter and your student body as a whole measure up to President Roosevelt's request to "render ever more efficient service in support of our cherished democracy."

### MAN OF THE MONTH



Oren H. Dickason, Jr.

Inducted into Alpha Phi Omega on March 23, 1941, this energetic brother has been the driving force in the onward march of Alpha Kappa Chapter at the University of Southern California. He is affectionately known as "Bud" to all his fraternity brothers.

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Bud is in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, majoring in Education. He was born in San Francisco, graduated from Banning High School, Wilmington, California, before entering USC in the fall of 1937. His academic record is above average. He is a consistent student, and finds time to take active part in the affairs of his social fraternity, Pi Kappa Alpha, and in Blue Key as well as in Alpha Phi Omega.

For outside interests, Bud goes on tuna fishing trips with his dad. He has traveled in Mexico, Panama, and in South America. He has excellent taste and a sunny, cooperative, understanding nature. Dean Francis M. Bacon, counsellor of men at USC, wrote in recommending Bud for the Naval Reserve, "He is a young man of fine character. He is dependable, honest, straightforward, sincere and gentlemanly."

Bud became president of Alpha Kappa Chapter in the late spring of 1941, in time to arrange for very successful parties for foreign students in private homes and to plan for the fall services of the chapter. In the fall, Bud found that government service and other factors had reduced the chapter membership to only six active members, so he set about immediately to rebuild his organization with freshmen. As a result thirtyone new men were pledged and the chapter is doing a very commendable job of service on the USC campus.

#### THANKS

For the cartoons in this issue, we are indebted to Artist Del Kinney, Jr., who serves as corresponding secretary of Upsilon Chapter at Milwaukee State Teachers College. He graciously burned the midnight oil to prepare and make available the timely illustrations of Alpha Phi Omega men in action on defense projects. Thanks a billion, Del.

### An Open Letter to All Members From the National President

My dear Brothers:

The pattern of history is swift-moving. We know that there are nations today in which democracy, religious freedom, education, family life, and many other sound values have been entirely wiped out.

We in America must profit by this lesson, must hold fast to the things which are good, must keep America American. This is the challenge to every American citizen. We may - yea, we must - preserve the America for which our brothers on the battle front are fighting. But in the words of Stephen Vincent Benet, "the hands of the clock are hurrying as I write."

This is a month of statesmen heroes. Their memory is timely. We need their valor, their sincerity, their consecration to the cause of mankind. Washington at Valley Forge, Lincoln at Gettysburg - what stirring

heritage is ours, what challenge to our citizenship!

We who share a common background in Scouting have particularly rejoiced this month in the splendid tributes paid to the Boy Scouts of America during their anniversary week, tributes richly deserved. Scouting is this nation's greatest force in building character and good citizenship in its youth, its scope is universal; its program vital. You and I who have shared in its joys and benefits add our good wishes and tributes. May it ever continue to be "Strong for America!"

It has been heartening indeed to see the splendid manner in which Alpha Phi Omega has geared itself into the national defense effort. Each day brings reports from campus after campus telling how the effective machinery of the chapter set-up has been thrown into immediate action in behalf of pertinent defense projects. The entire picture is amazing and bespeaks cooperation, efficiency, and patriotism of the highest order. I am confident that we will carry on in like manner throughout the difficult months ahead.

A considerable number of men are being called from our ranks for military service. We know this will continue. We must with intelligence reinforce our ranks this spring so we can carry on without faltering. Will you—and I do mean YOU—personally be responsible for securing one new pledge and training him for initiation during the spring term? Be a salesman for Alpha Phi Omega. Tell your friends about it. Be sure every eligible prospective member on your campus is given the full story of the opportunities and advantages Alpha Phi Omega offers.

We've a job to do, and we welcome it. We are grateful that we are prepared, in mind and spirit and practice, to serve our fellowmen and our nation. May we be privileged to serve well in this vital hour.

"God give us men! The time demands
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and willing hands;
Men whom the lust of office does not kill;
Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy;
Men who possess opinions and a will;
Men who have honor; men who will not lie."

Such men we strive ever to be. Let us carry on "for God, for home, for country, for fellowman."

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

National President.

### ALPHA ALPHA ANNOUNCES PRICE ADVANCE ON T SHIRTS

Due to rising costs of materials, the price of the Alpha Phi Omega T Shirts as distributed by Alpha Alpha Chapter at the University of Illinois has been raised to 60c each plus postage. Orders may be sent to Brother Cristy Broughton, 345 Newman Hall, Urbana, Illinois.

### **TORCH and TREFOIL**

Mor Back

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### NEW SUGGESTIONS FOR DEFENSE **PROJECTS**

Conservation of College Equipment

It has been suggested by the preparatory group at the University of Minnesota that all chapters cooperate with their school authorities to conserve campus equipment and supplies. At Minnesota a campaign is underway to eliminate waste of such items as paper towels, chalk, and toilet paper. Says Gene Butler, projects chairman: "This is going over big with the administration, because there is a definite need to cut university operating expenses."

Collection of Scrap Iron and Steel
At the University of Florida a campaign is underway in which students are collecting all available scrap metals including iron, steel, brass, etc., to be sold for defense purposes. There is a definite shortage of these materials, and all scrap is usable when reprocessed. Junk dealers are offering top prices for scrap, and this project offers an opportunity for chapters to earn money for their treasuries as well as render a real service.

Maintain First Aid Emergency Squad Professor A. L. Thomas, senior faculty advisor of Delta chapter and member of the national executive board, recommends that each chapter train a first aid team and secure adequate equipment, such as bandages, sutures, splints and stretchers. Transportation should be available at all times for five or six men with equipment to go to any raided or damaged zone. This preparation is valuable not only in war time but for any emergency, such as an explosion, fire, or flood.

Organize Defense Classes

Dr. H. H. Germond, faculty advisor of Tau chapter and member of the national executive board, suggests that Alpha Phi Omega take the lead in organizing defense classes to teach fire protection and other precautions. The classes should establish plans of action for various emergencies.

Sponsor Defense Forums

Prof. Kent D. Shaffer, faculty advisor of Kappa chapter and member of the national executive board, suggests that all chapters sponsor talks and discussions regarding the general defense of our country. The meetings could be held at dormitories, fraternity houses, campus organizations, to spread a more thorough knowledge of the present emergency and how college and university students can cooperate.

### SELLING DEFENSE STAMPS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO



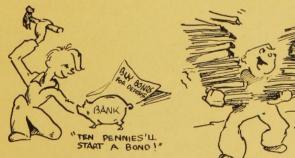
First to report the sale of defense stamps and bonds on the campus was Gamma Sigma Chapter at the University of Chicago. Shown in this picture are sales in progress. Seated at the table are Brother Don Panarese, chapter president, and Miss Rosanne Petrozz. Standing behind Don is Brother Ted Hollander, past president. The others in the picture are

Writes President Panarese about the project: "When this picture was taken we had sold about \$400 worth of stamps. In response to popular demand we are continuing this project indefinitely. The students like the idea of being able to get stamps on the campus. Shown on the table in the picture is one of the signs we had all over the campus telling of our Victory Ball. You will also notice the candles on the table. Miss Petrozz has been of great help in our drive. She arranged to have one or two girls at the booth at all times in addition to our members. She wrote several timely slogans which we are using, such as 'Buy stamps to lick the other side.' She asked each girl who came to the table to hold one of the candles as shown in the picture and repeat, 'This candle is for the light of liberty which will not die as long as we buy defense stamps."

"We have really had great success with the stamp sales and we recommend that all chapters conduct this project. Four things are especially important in making this a success: Adequate publicity, support of other organizations on the campus; the feminine appeal, and having the booth located in a popular place."

### ALPHA PHI OMEGA IN ACTION IN NATIONAL DEFENSE PROJECTS

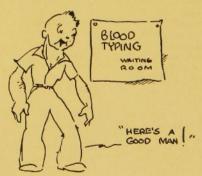
As Interpreted by the Corresponding Secretary of Upsilon Chapter, DEL KINNEY, JR. . . .



Promote Sale of Defense Stamps and Bonds



Collect Books for the Men in Service



Provide Blood-Typing for Students

### RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CHAPTER TREASURER

By S. Grady Fullerton, Jr., Treasurer, Gamma Chi Chapter, Howard College

Who said the chapter Treasurer has an easy life? Well, he hasn't. It's hard enough to earn money much less to keep account of money entrusted to him by the chapter. The treasurer has a very important part in making Alpha Phi Omega a real constructive force on the campus. Yes, I know Alpha Phi Omega's aim is not to get money, it's to serve. But it takes money to make projects successful. No chapter can be a strong, growing chapter unless it has a sound financial system. If your chapter doesn't have a good financial plan, get busy today because you've got to have something to build on.

Brother Treasurer, you've received a very high honor, you've been chosen because of your character and dependability to handle and keep account of the chapter's money. See that you do it well! You have a hard job and sometimes an unpleasant one but it's up to you to keep your chapter growing financially.

Let's review the duties as outlined in the Manual of Service

- "1. To receive all money of the chapter and to keep an accurate record thereof.
- 2. To deposit funds where possible with college comptroller or business officer or in chapter bank account.
- Upon proper authorization to make all payments of chapter accounts by check (the checks to be countersigned by one additional chapter officer as designated by the chapter).
- 4. To be diligent in the collection of initiation fees and chapter dues and assessments.
- 5. To keep an accurate written record of the payments made by each individual member of the chapter, either for the National Fraternity or for the Chapter; and to give a written receipt for all such funds.
- 6. To transmit promptly (this is important) the funds due to the National Fraternity, either for Pledge fees or Initiation fees, and to keep on file all receipts received for such payments.
- 7. To have the financial books of the chapter properly audited at the close of his term as treasurer before turning over the duties of his office to a newly elected member."

Let me add another duty. "It is the duty of the treasurer to teach the newly elected treasurer the method and system used in keeping the books."

Fellow Treasurer, do you have a good system of keeping books? If not, ask an economics or accounting professor at your school to help you set up some sort of system. He'll be glad to help you, I'm sure.

I'd like to tell you something about the set of books worked out for Gamma Chi. I suggest and use three (3) "T" accounts for cash. One "T" account is for money going to the National Office and incidenatlly this account should never have a balance for as soon as you receive any money for the National Office you should send it right away to our National Office at Kansas City, Mo. Another "T" account is for money received from and for projects and finally a third "T" account for other money such as chapter dues and etc. I believe that this will help you keep the money separated. Of course all the money will be in one account at the bank for this idea is only to keep the money separated on your books.

Each member and each project should have an account in your ledger of "T" accounts and these accounts should be credited with all money received and debited for all money paid out. You don't have to have an elaborate set of books. I purchased Gamma Chi's for less than \$2.00 and that includes binder, statements, journal paper and "T" account ledger paper. Of course I didn't go to the finest stationery store in town to buy my supplies, because I tried to be careful and pick them up cheaply in a second hand book store. The National Office is hoping to have a standard set of books for all chapters to use by the next convention.

Fellow Treasurer, get rid of all A. P. O. money as soon as possible after you get it because if you don't it will burn a hole in your pocket. Send all pledge and initiation fees P. D. O. to Brother Sid. Put all chapter and project money in the bank promptly. Pay all bills promptly upon proper authorization by another chapter officer, with check with another officer's signature on it. This protects not only yourself but also the chapter.

Brother Treasurer, use some psychology in collecting dues and assessments. Don't walk up and tap Jim on the shoulder while he's talking to "Sugar Plum" and blurt out, "Jim, you owe me two dollars back dues. When you gonna pay me?" If he doesn't sock you in the puss right then and there, it won't be because he doesn't feel like it.

A gentle reminder in the form of a statement put in his mailbox has much more effect and leaves him in a much better mood. We at Gamma Chi use printed statements and I believe it helps a lot. It's more business-like and it lets the fellows know that you mean business.

You ask, "Where is all this money coming from?" I don't know how your chapter gets its money but I'll tell you where Gamma Chi at Howard College gets some of its money. First we have dues of \$4.00 a year (about 45c a month). I prefer this rather than assessments for after the member has paid his dues he knows that he won't be called on for any more money.

We publish a Student Directory each year with all the girl's telephone numbers (woo, woo), at no cost to the student. We finance this by selling advertising space to fraternities and sororities and local merchants, and from grants from the administration and student senate. We usually come out \$15.00 to \$20.00 ahead on this project. This money is immediately invested in other projects. We are now planning to install a system of private mail boxes which the students will rent for 30c to 50c a year, payable when they pay their college fees. This we hope will net us over \$100.00 a year which we shall invest in other campus projects.

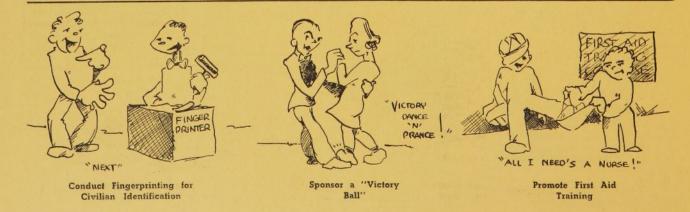
Now, a word to the other members of the chapter. Fellows, don't feel harsh toward the Treasurer. After all he is only doing what you ask him to do. Cooperate with him by paying your dues, fees, and assessments on time because his job is hard enough without any extra trouble. Help him to help your chapter to have a good financial foundation.

A parting word to all treasurers: Your job doesn't end at the close of the semester. The faculty advisors should audit your books and see that everything is correct. Your job isn't finished until you teach the newly elected treasurer your methods of keeping the books and see that he is keeping the books correctly.

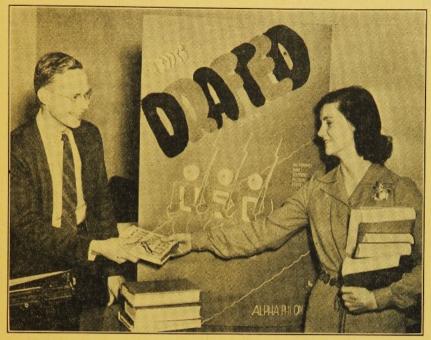
### FLORIDA

"Believe Alpha Phi Omega will have a most successful year this year, because in times like this the ideals and purposes of Alpha Phi Omega are really needed more than ever before."

-Walter B. Timberlake, Secretary



### VICTORY BOOK CAMPAIGN AT UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA



Even before the announcement of the nation-wide Victory Book Campaign, the Alpha Phi Omega petitioning group at the University of Minnesota had plans perfected for a book drive on the campus. When the national campaign was announced the group quickly cooperated and received the benefit of publicity and financial help through the USO. Collection centers were set up in the three most used buildings on the campus, with headquarters in the Union. Attendants were at all stations during day time hours. Book stores about the campus and the faculty were asked to contribute as well as students.

In addition to publicizing the campaign in the Daily, letters were written to all campus organizations including fraternities and sororities, department heads of the various colleges. Each student received an announcement in his post office box. City newspapers readily printed stories and pictures. The campus was covered with posters, and two announcements were secured on radio stations.

The goal for the campus was 5,000 books. At the time the above picture was taken over 2,500 had been collected. Each book secured was stamped as from the University of Minnesota and tabulated before being boxed.

### DEFENSE STAMP SALES AT MIAMI U. HITS \$1,000 MARK

More than \$1,000 worth of United States defense stamps and bonds have been sold on the campus the past three weeks by Alpha Pi Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. The sales were conducted from a table set up in the soda shop. Brother John Lowe has served very

effectively as chairman of the drive. Says Brother Harry Rinehart, chapter president, "Alpha Phi Omega's place here has become so established that everyone knows about our services. It is surprising the number of different departments we are being called upon to assist.'



Register Students and Faculty For Civilian Defense Duty

### WHERE SHALL WE HOLD THE 1942 NATIONAL CONVENTION?

The time has come to select the meeting place for the next National Convention, so all chapters will have an opportunity to plan in advance for their delegations. Invitations have been received from several chapters, and we now ask all chapters to vote for their preference.

The invitations are from:

DeKalb, Illinois

(Eta Chapter, Northern Illinois S.T.C.)
Austin, Texas

(Alpha Rho Chapter, University of Texas) Atlanta, Georgia

(Gamma Zeta Chapter, Georgia Tech) Chicago, Illinois

(Gamma Sigma Chapter, University of Chicago and Beta Gamma Chapter, Central Y) Milwaukee, Wisconsin

(Upsilon Chapter, Milwaukee State Teachers College)

Dallas, Texas

(Alpha Omicron Chapter, Southern Methodist University

Kansas City, Missouri

(Alpha Eta Chapter, University of Kansas City and Gamma Xi Chapter, Rockhurst College)

Each chapter is requested to consider the above list of possible convention cities at the next chapter meeting, and decide its preference. We ask then that each chapter secretary make known his chapter's choice on his next monthly report.

The majority vote will automatically decide the location for the next convention-the eighth biennial national meeting of the fraternity.

### A REQUEST From Beta Psi Chapter

Brother Richard Kuhlmann, campus projects chairman of Beta Psi Chapter at Southeast Missouri State Teachers College, writes: We are building a memorial fireplace on our campus for the general use of the student body. We would like to have a stone in it from each of our brother chapters. If possible, we would like to have each chapter's initials cut into the stone. Stones should be 3 by 6 by 12 inches in size.

Send them to Beta Psi Chapter, Alpha Phi Omega, Southeast Mo. STC, Cape Girardeau. Mo.



Send Campus Newspaper Regularly to Men in the Service



### We Salute

the Boy Scouts of America on the 32 years of valuable service rendered by the Scout Movement in this country. Scouting is now 1,500,000 strong for America, rendering invaluable service in these critical times. Collecting of aluminum, waste paper, scrap iron and steel has made the Boy Scouts a vital part of the nation's war effort. Even before hostilities, the Boy Scouts took an active part in helping America to "Be Prepared."

Scouting is a cherished heritage of the men of Alpha Phi Omega. We are proud to give our cooperation in this vast movement. We are glad to have the opportunity of putting the Scout ideals and practices into effect on our college and university campuses in the form of service projects.

Again, we salute and congratulate the Boy Scouts of America.

### FROM BROTHERS IN THE SERVICE

Bernard Browning (Epsilon)
In Finance Office of War Department
Washington, D. C.
Writer:

Writes:

"Although I will not be an active participant in Alpha Phi Omega the next year or two, I plan to keep in contact and am looking forward to working with the fraternity again when I return to college after the war. It has meant much to me."

Ensign Jack Shefrin (Beta Eta) USS Maryland Writes:

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"It was pleasing to receive the Torch
and Trefoil a few days ago and to learn
of the war service program being sponsored by our fraternity. Keep up the
good work!"

Pvt. Frederick W. Hansen (Alpha Eta) Jefferson Barracks St. Louis, Mo. Writes:

"Now in the service of our country, I can realize that the need for Alpha Phi Omega service is greater than ever before. Every chapter should join in civilian defense, promote purchases of defense bonds and stamps, and aid in every other way possible."

Pvt. Allen Alexander, II (Gamma Phi) Battery B, 32nd Bu. 8th Tug. Regt. F. A. R. T. C. Fort Sill, Oklahoma Writes:

"Hearty New Year's wishes to the men of Alpha Phi Omega."

Pvt. Harry Odell (Alpha Pi) Hg and Hq A. C. R. C. Keesler Field, Mississippi Writes:

"I am no longer in position to attend chapter meetings, but wherever I may be, I'll always try to do my bit for APO. If you will let me know the nearest chapter to Keesler Field, I'd like to make them a visit."

Lt. Eric Wadleigh (Alpha Gamma)
72nd F A
Ft. Sill, Oklahoma
Writes:
"I'm now on duty in field artillery. My

most heartfelt wishes to all men of Alpha Phi Omega as you carry on in civilian defense. The services of our fraternity are more thanever needed in these critical times."



Form a "Minute Man" Group for Emergency Service



Aid Civilian Defense Authorities in Many Capacities

### EASTERN SECTIONAL CONFER-ENCE IN NEW YORK IS GREAT SUCCESS

### Eleven Chapters Participate

Seventy - eight representatives from eleven chapters of Alpha Phi Omega met in New York City, November 29 and 30 for the eastern sectional conference. Included were brothers from Beta Iota Chapter of NYU, Gamma Delta and Gamma Epsilon Chapters of CCNY, Gamma Iota Chapter of Brooklyn College, Gamma Omicron Chapter of Queens College, Phi Chapter of Syracuse, Gamma Eta Chapter of Springfield, Alpha Psi Chapter of Lehigh, Alpha Chapter of Lafayette, Kappa Chapter of Carnegie Tech and the petitioning group of Rutgers. Brother Joe Green, district chairman, ably handled the arrangements.

The values of the conference are interestingly and forcefully expressed in a letter from Brother Curtis Heimstaedt, historian of Gamma Omicron Chapter, quoted here:

The things that transpired there were such a revelation to me and all those present that I had to write expressing my sentiments.

If one were to ask in years to come what remains as the most vivid picture in my memory of this convention, I and my brothers would undoubtedly state that it was our dynamic president, Brother Bartle, leading and guiding the convention in his inimitable fashion. His closing speech would alone have made the meeting an unforgettable source of inspiration. His theme of faith and service integrated with increased manpower was so undeniably driven home that those present were literally swept off their feet and determined to carry this program out to the nth degree in the future as evidenced by the closing remarks made by each and every one of the chapter representatives.

After enlightening talks by Brothers Pote, Wyland and Shaffer, the men turned to a symposium with one representative of each chapter "on the stand." The first topic under discussion was the executive committee and its functions. Much enlightening material was given and it gave each of the chapters a chance to evaluate their own systems. Next came a report of service projects completed by the chapters in the four major fields of endeavor. Here many valuable ideas were presented and discussed.

The financial obligations of the various chapters were brought forward and methods for collecting dues from delinquents were talked over.

On the whole, the spirit of comradeship and fellowship developed was very gratifying and the conference will be of invaluable aid in the forming of a service policy for the future. I know that I am speaking for all my brothers when I express my profound gratitude for the untiring and boundless energies which the members of the executive board give to forwarding the cause of Alpha Phi Omega.

### CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE AT SANTA BARBARA IN SESSION THE DAY OF THE PEARL HARBOR RAID



Leaders of five Alpha Phi Omega Chapters in California who gathered on the campus of Santa Barbara State College for the biennial sectional conference, December 6 and 7, 1941.

### Pacific Coast Meeting Studies Fraternity Program and Administration

The real spirit and devotion to the ideals and activities of Alpha Phi Omega permeated the sectional conference which met in Santa Barbara, California, December 6 and 7, 1941. Dean Arno Nowotny of the University of Texas, member of the national executive board, and Sidney B. North, National Secretary, represented the national fraternity at the conference. The dean presided. His thorough knowledge of the functions of the fraternity and his wholesome humor endeared him to every delegate in attendance.

Representatives participated at the meeting from Chi Chapter at U.C.L.A., Alpha Delta Chapter at San Diego State College, Alpha Kappa Chapter at Southern California, Gamma Beta Chapter at San Jose State College, and Psi Chapter at Santa Barbara State College.

The conference opened with Saturday evening dinner and closed in the mid-afternoon Sunday, with the Brothers of Psi chapter providing excellent facilities and accommodations. Indeed, the meeting was in session at the very hour word arrived of the Pearl Harbor raid.

The delegates thoroughly discussed all phases of Alpha Phi Omega's program and administrative procedures, and were consecrated to the task of increasing the effectiveness of their respective chapters.

Recommendations Presented
Ideas brought forth and ex-

changed at the meeting prompted several specific recommendations for the consideration of all chapters in the fraternity. First, that regular meetings of the executive committee be held as a means of coordinating all chapter activities. Second, that the chapters study carefully all ideas for new projects to determine the ones which should best be carried out by the fraternity. Third, that the weekly meetings be alternated with an open program meeting one week and a closed business meeting the next. Fourth, that each chapter determine the actual number of active members needed to properly conduct the fraternity program on its campus and create means of pledging and initiating a sufficient number of new men each year to maintain that standard. Fifth, that more attention be paid to keeping accurate chapter records, especially those of the secretary, treasurer, and historian. Sixth, that publicity is necessary for the continued success of a chapter, but should not be made a primary objective. Seventh, that all members wear the official insignia, use the fraternity handclasp when shaking hands with other members, use the title "Brother" to increase the fraternal spirit of the organization.

The conference was pronounced an excellent success by those who attended and has served to stimulate the growth of all chapters in the state of California

### Gleanings from Chapter Correspondence

#### UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

"Our Defense Projects Committee has been set up and is functioning very effectively under the direction of Brother Merv Lippman. On January 15, we helped with the campus drive for the Red Cross War Relief Fund. On January 19, sixteen members served as air raid wardens for the campus during Austin's first blackout. On February 16, we will conduct the third selective service registration for the campus.

"On February 26 and 27 we will conduct the biggest fingerprinting project in our history. The Victory Book Campaign on our campus is under our chapter's sponsorship, and we are also planning a Defense Day to promote the sale of bonds and stamps to students and faculty. The last of this month twenty of our members will begin a 33-hour course in First Aid and Air Raid Warden Training under the direction of the local police department.

"We are especially pleased that we were given the privilege of handling the third selective service registration. Under Dean Nowotny's direction as chief registrar, we have been given complete charge of the registration for the campus and the surrounding neighborhood. We feel honored in being selected to handle such an important job."

—Bill Clark, President

### MISSOURI MINES

"Fingerprinting of all students was conducted during second semester registration and was deemed a big success. Our chapter will be in charge of the registration for selective service, February 16."

-Ed Chernoff, Corres. Secretary

### KIRKSVILLE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHY

"In connection with defense activities, our chapter has a defense committee for working with and coordinating our activities with the local county defense unit. We have been able to assist by conducting registration for all students of Kirksville College of Osteopathy who desired to offer their services to home defense.

"In our meeting January 29, we voted and set in motion plans to conduct Red Cross first aid instruction in the fraternity. Several of the brothers here have instructor's certificates and we plan to teach the members of this chapter first, and then, through them, all other students who want training. Both the standard and advanced courses will be taught. This project has received much interest already."

-Joe Rogers, Corres. Secretary

#### WILLIAM JEWELL

"Three of our brothers in Alpha Mu Chapter have been honored in 'Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.' They are Robert Farrar, chapter president, Russell Newport, secretary, and Paul Jameson."

-Dr. L. J. Gier, Senior Faculty Advisor

### UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO

"Our chapter has contacted Captain Welch, head of the University Naval ROTC and in charge of the book collection for men in the service, as a result, the members are cooperating in collecting books this week."

—Dean Eric N. Rackham, Senior Faculty Advisor.

### TULANE UNIVERSITY

"Our Victory Book Campaign here is a great success. At present we have collection boxes placed at prominent spots on the campus, and we intend soon to canvass all fraternity houses.

"Within the next month we intend to conduct a campus-wide fingerprinting project. We have received a helpful letter from Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, director of the FBI, and all supplies are on the way."

-Addley Gladden, President

#### ST. NORBERT

"I am glad to report that Alpha Nu Chapter was the first group or organization at St. Norbert to enroll 100% for volunteer civilian defense duty. We have a plan underway to raise funds for the American Red Cross in the near future."

-Thomas Beno, Secretary

#### C.C.N.Y.

"I have just finished reading the war service issue of the TORCH AND TREFOIL, and believe that it is the finest issue that I have ever read. What we need is more Torch's of this type. More space should be given to service projects of this importance.

"Gamma Delta has been carrying on this work since the war began. I am happy to report that every brother is a member of some local civilian defense organization in his home neighborhood, in addition to his air raid precaution work at the college. Some of them are first aid assistants, some air raid wardens, some auxiliary firemen, and others are getting instruction as ambulance drivers. But every brother is doing something. Brother Aaron Aronow is chief air raid warden for the college.

"APO is helping in the sale of defense bonds and stamps at the college. Our razor blade, newspaper, and tinfoil collections are still going strong. Our USO dance will take place in the first week of March and we expect it to be a gala affair."

-Seymour Trager, Secretary

### UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

"Tau Chapter has sent out letters to all the leading civic clubs of Gainesville, the Rotary Club, Lions Club, Junior Chamber of Commerce, etc., indicating our willingness to help in any of their projects in which we are in position to participate. This includes helping them in town and acting as their representatives on the campus.

"We are also cooperating fully with the local and state defense organizations and are trying to do our part."

-Walter B. Timberlake, Secretary

### GEORGIA TECH

"During registration week two officers from the state and county with the aid of Brothers Nesbit and McMurry succeeded in fingerprinting approximately 950 students. . . .

"This year under the very capable chairmanship of Bill Kouns assisted by Sam Rubin, Gamma Zeta's blood bank was swelled by 243 new volunteer donors. In addition to this number there were approximately 100 reported who had been typed last year."

-Gamma Zeta Review

### EVANSVILLE COLLEGE

Under the excellent leadership of Earl Grabhorn, president for the first semester of 1941-42, the Gamma Mu Chapter of Evansville College has carried on an extensive program so far this school year.

At the annual banquet of the chapter on Sunday, January 18, 1942, a small gold gavel was presented to Earl by the members of

the chapter.

The service projects completed last semester are as follows: Registration of freshmen, maintenance of information booths for the first two weeks of Evening College, sponsoring of Boy Scout Day at the Evansville-Rose Poly football game, compiling, publishing and distributing the student directory, clearing an old abandoned cemetery at the request of one of the local ministers; participating in several Eagle Scout court-of-honor programs for the local council, sponsoring an all-campus tea-dance, and gathering tulip tree seeds for the Indiana Department of Conservation.

-Byron W. Engert, Secretary

### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI TEACHERS

"In connection with the defense projects suggested in the latest Torch and Trefoil, I am pleased to let you know that Beta Psi Chapter is to establish a blood bank. Red Cross officials from St. Louis have been invited to our campus for a two-day session. On February 18 more than 100 college students will donate blood; then the next day the townspeople will donate. All arrangements, publicity and registrations have been handled by Alpha Phi Omega.

-Lawrence Brown, President

### QUEENS COLLEGE

"The other evening I had the privilege of attending the Annual Meeting of the Queens College Chapter. They had a dinner at the Columbia University Faculty Club and really every member, including the pledges, except four, were present. They are a fine group of fellows. As I look over the work of Alpha Phi Omega, I become more and more enthusiastic about the values of this organization on college campuses."

-Charles M. Heistand, Regional Scout Executive, Region II, B.S.A.

### UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

"Pi Omega, local service organization which is working toward Alpha Phi Omega membership, has established a plan to aid needy students who lose their jobs due to cuts in NYA and other campus payrolls. Money to establish an emergency aid fund is being collected by salvaging articles which can be sold. The first item designated for collection is coathangers.

"The collection and distribution of the money is under the control of the university comptroller, the faculty advisors and president of the fraternity, and the university president. A plan is being worked out whereby students who can substantially claim their need for financial assistance will receive loans in small amounts on a non-interest basis."

-Bill Lieberman, Secretary