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Blood Drive in Nineteen Languages

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"Our days are like identical suitcases; all the same size, but some people can pack more into them than others."

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT

Dear Brother:

Re-election to a second term as National President of Alpha Phi Omega is an honor that I really appreciate. I consider it a privilege to continue in this capacity. Carrying out the ideals and objectives of our fraternity requires the help of every member and every chapter, and I would suggest the following objectives to you for this Spring term:

Be of Service. As always, our service projects are the most vital and important phase of our fraternity program. In addition to continuing your regular projects this Spring, I hope your chapter will launch new projects which will be beneficial to your campus. Let's all help increase the service accomplishments of AΦΩ this term.

Be a Leader. I urge every member to take a thoroughly active part in your chapter affairs. Give Alpha Phi Omega your best leadership and efforts. Attend a state or sectional conference when one is announced for your area. Boost your chapter program in every possible way. Your own work is highly important in the continued success of your chapter.

Be a Friend. One way to do it is to get better acquainted with your Faculty and Scouting Advisors. They are interested in your chapter and they wish to cooperate. Contact them, and use their advice and help to the fullest extent.

Also, pledging is important. Ask a former Scout to come to an open meeting. Then follow up your invitation by helping him become a pledge. Personal contacts by chapter officers, members and advisors can build a strong pledge class in your chapter this Spring.

We have excellent opportunities for advancement in our fraternity. Let's put full force into our service program and into rushing and pledging in the weeks just ahead and build our fraternity more strongly than ever before. I am counting upon you and your entire chapter.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Daniel Den Uyl

National President

ON OUR COVER

In nineteen different languages, Zeta Mu Chapter expressed the thought "Your blood may save a life" to recruit donors in its recent drive at Catholic University of America. Students at the university spent many hours in front of the twelve-foot sign pictured on our cover, trying to decipher some of the languages. Everyone on the campus learned about the drive, and as a result more donors turned out than the Red Cross could handle.

In addition to the sign, a tape recording was used carrying pep talks in fifty different languages and dialects. The sign and recording are the work of Brother Mohamad J. Meimandi, president of Zeta Mu Chapter. Brother Stan Goldberg assisted in painting the sign.

Mohamad was born in Kerman, Iran, and is at present studying for his Ph.D. in plant ecology. He not only supplied the languages for the sign but also the material, which he brought with him from Teheran. In recording the various languages, he sought help from students and professors at Catholic University, from embassies in Washington and from government employees.

Any chapter wishing to use this same theme in its blood drive may rent the sign and tape from Zeta Mu Chapter at the cost of \$1.50 for the sign and \$1.00 for the tape. Requests may be sent to Mohamad J. Meimandi, Box 884, Catholic University of America, Washington 17, D. C.

In the cover picture, left to right, are, Mike Conroy, Bob Anzelmo, Mohamad J. Meimandi and John McGonegal.

An Even Dozen

A Story of the TWELFTH NATIONAL CONVENTION

By A. G. Spizzirri**Member of National Executive Board**

A great success by every measure—that's the story of the Twelfth National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega held in Columbus, Ohio. If you were planning and didn't—or if you weren't planning and didn't—in fact, if you just didn't attend, you missed one of the highlights of the twenty-seven years' history of our fraternity.

A fine and keen spirit of fraternalism prevailed. More than five hundred brothers from all parts of the United States grasped this opportunity to get

acquainted and to personally discuss the many phases of Alpha Phi Omega's program. Some travelled thousands of miles, at personal sacrifice, to join in the circle of Friendship, Leadership and Service.

Presiding was Brother Daniel Den Uyl, National President, who conducted the convention in an excellent manner. Everyone deeply appreciated his sincere and intelligent leadership throughout the meeting.

Brother Sid North was in the back-

ground, running hither, thither and yon, helping keep the program running smoothly.

Brother Harry Barnett as arrangements chairman did a superb job. He and his host committees had the rooms ready, the meals hot and every physical accommodation necessary for this big convention.

And while we are tipping the ten-gallon hat lost by Alpha Rho Chapter,

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In this picture are shown part of the more than five hundred delegates who attended our Twelfth National Convention, held in Columbus, Ohio, December 28 to 30, 1952.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

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a big cheer goes to Brother Henry Miller, program chairman, who had the responsibility of planning the entire convention program. It was a splendid schedule, with fun, inspiration, and plenty of real values to take back to the chapters.

The host chapters of Ohio played an important role, and their services (registration, exhibits, supplies, welcome and the others) were appreciated by all.

The official report of the convention will appear in a later issue. Here we would like to mention just a few of the many highlights in the huge affair.

Brother Joseph Scanlon of Yakima, Washington, the world's No. 1 advocate of red Washington apples, key-noted the convention with a most stirring appeal at the fellowship luncheon, "If you believe in $\Lambda\Phi\Omega$, then you will extend the spirit of $\Lambda\Phi\Omega$ to others whom you meet on your campus." And the brothers assembled believed in this philosophy.

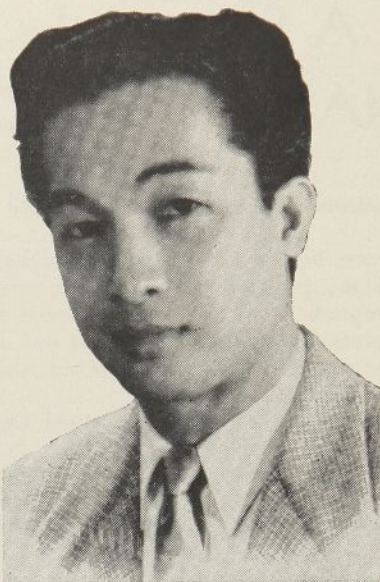
Twelve discussion groups met and gave thorough consideration to the many phases of $\Lambda\Phi\Omega$ activities and procedures. We know that much good resulted from those discussions.

Our four legislative committees worked hard and long during the entire convention and each brought its recommendations to the entire assembly for consideration and action by the delegates.

Brother Merle M. Price, Dean of Men at Stout Institute, in addressing the convention, emphasized that we must be willing to "stand up and be counted." We must stand for the right, and put full force into this program to which we are devoted.

Another high spot at this twelfth convention was the colorful banquet. Colorful perhaps is the understatement of the year. Spontaneous demonstrations to the accompaniment of "Dixie" and the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" surged through the Grand Ballroom of the Deshler-Wallick Hotel. Even here the spirit of $\Lambda\Phi\Omega$ shone through, for the brothers from below the Mason-Dixon line sang "Glory, Glory, Hallelujah" with just as much gusto as their northern brothers. And the "damnyankees"

A BROTHER FROM THE PHILIPPINES



Dr. Roy P. Villasor

He represented Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines at our Twelfth National Convention, and brought a splendid message of international brotherhood.

stomped their feet as they sang "Dixie." Suddenly, some diehard who had saved a poster from Chicago last summer appeared in the center of the room with a Stevenson placard. And so the fun went on.

Brother H. Roe Bartle, past national president and self-termed "elder-statesman" of Alpha Phi Omega, delivered the convention address. It was an oration which was the mountain peak of the convention's high spots. "To thine own self be true, then it must follow as the night the day, thou canst not then be false to any man" was the theme of Brother Bartle's very stirring and soul-lifting address.

Legislation

The convention enacted several changes in the National Constitution and By-Laws. The official wording will appear in the next printing of the constitution, but here is a summary of the legislation adopted:

A rotation plan was established to hold future National Conventions in different parts of the nation. Three areas were designated. EASTERN: All Atlantic seaboard states and the states of Vermont, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. MID-WEST-ERN: Michigan, Ohio, Kentucky, Tennes-

see, Alabama, Mississippi, Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota and North Dakota. WESTERN: All Pacific seaboard states and the states of Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Montana, Wyoming, Colorado, Arizona and New Mexico. The conventions shall be planned in such a manner that in every eight-year period the convention will be held once in the Eastern area, once in the Western area, and twice, not to be consecutive, in the Mid-Western area.

The delegates voted to hold the 1954 convention in the Mid-Western area, and this will be the beginning of the rotation plan. A committee was provided for to consider possible sites and hotel facilities to be submitted to all chapters for decision.

On the proposal for a subsidization plan to help finance convention delegations, the delegates voted that a special committee be appointed by the National President to study all phases of this, to find out what some other organizations have done along this line and try to determine a feasible plan to be submitted for consideration in Alpha Phi Omega.

In the future, all nominations of possible convention sites are to be submitted at least sixty days in advance, the same as has been true for constitutional proposals in the past.

The delegates voted that all past national presidents of Alpha Phi Omega shall be lifetime members of the National Executive Board. This insures to the fraternity the benefit of having those experienced leaders continue permanently on the board.

The title of "State Chairman" was changed to "Presidential Representative." This provides for representatives appointed by the National President to serve in designated areas regardless of state lines.

The order of business for future conventions shall be determined by a committee appointed by the National President, instead of being set forth in the National Constitution as it has been in the past.

A national alumni fee of \$2.00 annually was established, to be paid by members of alumni chapters in consideration of national service rendered to alumni chapters.

There shall be an optional life membership fee of \$25.00 as voted by the delegates. This fee is deposited in the national endowment fund to help insure financial stability in the fraternity. It is no longer required that an alumnus be a life member to be eligible for membership in an alumni chapter.

(Note: The above items do not in any way affect the present pledge fee and active initiation fee. The pledge fee remains at \$2.00 and the active fee remains at \$8.00.)

The above enactments went into effect immediately, and will be included in the next printing of the National Constitution and By-Laws in

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Twenty Projects in Fall Semester

DELTA TAU CHAPTER has reported twenty projects carried out at the *University of New Mexico* in the past Fall semester. Some of them include freshman orientation, guides and counselors, aid in registration, ushering and card stunts at football games, helping set up community chest displays downtown, providing judges for Scout camporee, selling student directories, providing grand marshals for Homecoming parade, putting up blood donor posters on campus, setting up and decorating campus Christmas tree, toy dance from which \$100.00 worth of toys were given to underprivileged children. This outstanding series of projects is reported by Roger C. Green, Past President.

"Game Warden" Lecture Night

For the benefit of the hunting and fishing enthusiasts on campus, ZETA OMICRON CHAPTER conducted a lecture night at *California State Polytechnic College*. It was for the purpose of explaining hunting and fishing regulations of the state. The chapter's first Ugly Man contest was successful, the first thing of its kind ever held on the campus, and plans are being made to conduct the same kind of campaign next year at Homecoming. This was reported by William E. Atkinson, Past President.

New Office for Chapter

ZETA ETA CHAPTER has been given use of a room at the *University of Chattanooga* in which to keep records and hold meetings. This has been granted through the courtesy of Mr. S. F. Bretske, Vice President and Comptroller of the university, who also gave the chapter a desk, typewriter and twenty chairs. This new meeting place "has put us in a much better position to render service in all directions," reports Martin Bardill, President.

AN ALPHA PHI OMEGA SERVICE TROOP BEING FORMED FOR NATIONAL JAMBOREE OF BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Alpha Phi Omega has been invited to furnish a Service Troop to be on duty at the Third National Jamboree of the Boy Scouts of America, to be held at Irvine Ranch, Santa Ana, California, July 17 to 23, 1953. (Our Service Troop at the 1950 Jamboree at Valley Forge did an excellent job and was highly complimented by national Scout officials. We believe ΑΦΩ can again turn in a real record this summer.)

Our troop will be composed of just thirty-two members, so in order that it be a truly "national" group, our recruiting for it will be limited until March 20 to not more than one member from any chapter. A folder concerning Jamboree plans has been sent to each Chapter President. Members who are interested should write promptly to our fraternity office for further details.

CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE AT CINCINNATI



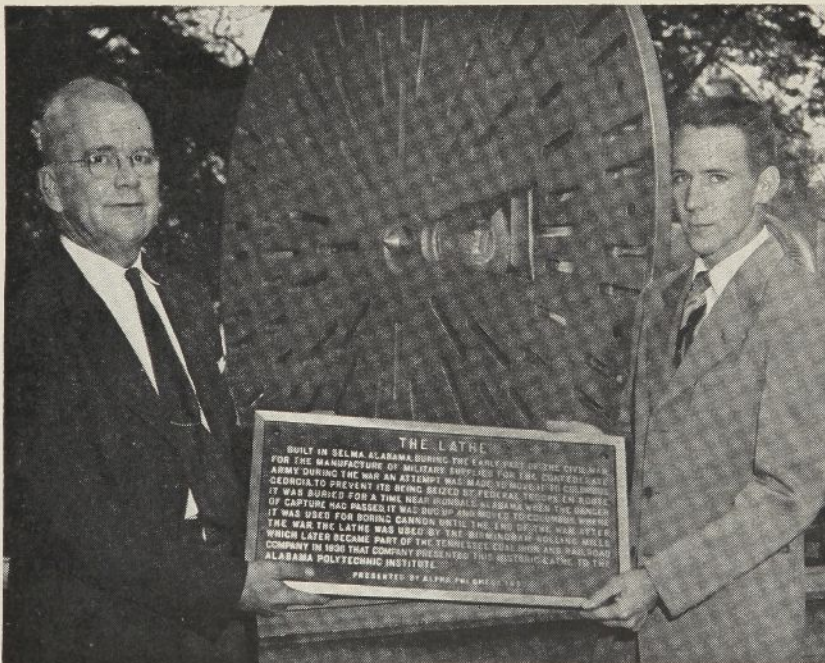
Here is shown the assembling of some of the three hundred toys collected in the Christmas toy drive at University of Cincinnati sponsored by Delta Alpha Chapter. Dr. Raymond Walters, President of the University, complimented the ΑΦΩ chapter, saying, "I am delighted about the fine service which members of Alpha Phi Omega, aided by other university students, have performed in collecting and repairing toys. This is evidence that your Scout principles remain a living reality. You have made a valuable contribution to the good name of your fraternity and to the university. Accept my hearty thanks." The toys were given to children through welfare agencies.

KAPPA GAMMA CHAPTER VISITS POLIO PATIENTS AT LACROSSE



Just before Christmas, members of Kappa Gamma Chapter at Wisconsin State College, LaCrosse, visited the polio ward at a local hospital where they entertained the patients. They led games, presented gifts and served refreshments. In the picture at left, Harold Wolfe and Arthur Selmikeit serve three happy children, and at right, Ronald Friberg guides a youngster's hand in the rudiments of fly-tying. All the members of Kappa Gamma Chapter agree that "service means useful living."

PLAQUE PRESENTED TO ALABAMA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE BY DELTA CHAPTER



Delta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega has presented a plaque to be placed on the lathe, a campus landmark. The lathe, which played an important part in the manufacture of cannon during the Civil War, is permanently located beside Samford Hall. In the above picture, Bill Parks (right), president of Delta Chapter, is shown presenting the bronze plaque to Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, president of A.P.I., who accepted it on behalf of the college. The lathe was given to the college by the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company in honor of its being Alabama's first engineering school. The funds for purchasing the plaque were secured through the chapter's Ugly Man contest.

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. This is reported by Alan F. Greenwald, Publicity Chairman.

With its usual fine success, GAMMA OMEGA CHAPTER of *University Heights, NYU*, started the Fall term with a book exchange. There was an overwhelming turnout, and the record exceeded all previous years. A blood drive was also recently conducted by the chapter, and plans made for a visitation day for high school students. This is reported by Theodore R. London, Historian.

Donation to Polio Society

The third annual Ugly Man Contest of ALPHA PHI CHAPTER at *Washington University* brought \$777.00 which was donated to the Polio Society of Greater St. Louis. The winning candidate received 19,000 votes. This is reported by Rudy Joenk, Treasurer.

Tours of New Building

A new student union building is under construction at the *University of Colorado*, and GAMMA THETA CHAPTER has been asked to help guide visitors through the building while it is still under construction. As a beginning, several members have taken tours to acquaint themselves with the new building. The chapter has also recently established a lost-and-found service on the campus, and has accepted the job of maintenance of the Scout cabin, which is a short distance from the campus. This is reported by Bryon E. Nelson, Corresponding Secretary.

Professors Compete for Ugly Man Award

Their academic dignity unperturbed, six faculty men competed in EPSILON OMICRON CHAPTER'S Ugly Man contest at *Long Island University*. "I'd be elated if I won. After all, it's a very competitive world and why enter a contest unless you stand a chance to win?" chuckled Saverio J. Picariello, physical education instructor. "When a couple of students asked me to enter, I answered: 'Why me? I'm not really that ugly.' Well now I'm it it, and I hope to win."

A mathematics instructor, John R. Hamilton, said, "I think I should win hands down. Or should I say 'faces up.' A couple of boys waylaid me one day and asked if I would agree to enter the contest. Since I'm fairly homely I thought I'd have a good chance. Of course, my wife and two daughters think I'm handsome, but quite a number of students are rooting for me."

Those comments indicate the fine spirit in which the faculty men entered into the Ugly Man contest. This is reported by Elliott Baumel, Corresponding Secretary.

Traffic Control

Many townspeople turn out each year on Homecoming week end to see the house decorations of the various organizations at *James Millikin University*, and a traffic jam usually results. This year ETA EPSILON CHAPTER volunteered to assist the local police department in directing traffic in the campus area and also downtown during the parade. The members did so well that the police have requested their aid on two other occasions. The chapter also sold about 1,600 Homecoming pins. This is reported by Rjurik Golubjatnikov, Corresponding Secretary. A picture of the chapter's float in the Homecoming parade will appear in the next issue of Torch and Trefoil.

Christmas Baskets

DELTA OMEGA CHAPTER'S Christmas basket project went over very well at the *University of Houston* and received much favorable comment on the campus. Through this effort fifteen families were aided. This is reported by Otto Glaser, Past President.

A PROJECT FOR ARBOR DAY

Delta Omega Chapter at the University of Houston recommends that each chapter of AΦΩ carry out an Arbor Day project. The objective: Plant a tree on the campus in memory of students who have given their lives in past wars . . . a living memorial.

The plan of action includes:

Contact the college administration well in advance to seek approval and set a date for the planting and ceremony.

Contact the Grounds Director of the college to determine a suitable place to plant a tree.

Determine the kind of tree and arrange to secure it.

Secure a suitable marker.

Invite civic leaders and college officials to participate in the ceremony. Be sure to invite them well in advance.

Last but not least, when the ceremony is over, send letters of appreciation to all who have participated in the project.

This is an excellent annual event. The TORCH AND TREFOIL gladly joins Delta Omega Chapter in recommending that all chapters consider this project.

HANDLING SALE OF AUTO LICENSE PLATES AT UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA



The biggest project of Gamma Psi Chapter for the past Fall quarter was its seventh annual handling of the sale of auto license plates on the University of Minnesota campus. This was conducted for two weeks in November. About 1,500 applications were handled, and the members gave 600 man-hours of work in this project.

Grass Campaign

At *Brooklyn College*, GAMMA IOTA CHAPTER recently formed the APCG (Association for the Protection of Cruelty to Grass) which immediately adopted a vigorous program.

It can be said that AΦΩ members did not let any grass grow under their feet. Signs with catchy slogans were placed at strategic spots on the campus. This was reported by Abe Halpern, President.

Student Theatre Ticket Service

By Stuart Joseph

Historian, Gamma Delta Chapter

For the past four years, Gamma Delta has been rendering a unique service to the students of the City College School of Business. This service, known as the "ΑΦΩ Student Theatre Ticket Service," is one of our most successful enterprises and is becoming increasingly more popular with the students.

We provide tickets to almost all Broadway shows, including such hits as "South Pacific" and "Guys and Dolls," at regular box office prices (plus a 5c service charge per ticket), thus enabling a student to see as many shows as his finances permit without wasting his time going from box office to box office. Being able to see a leading Broadway production without buying tickets months in advance or without paying brokerage fees is quite a remarkable feat as anyone who has wanted to see a Broadway show knows. Through careful planning, wise selection, skillful spending, this service reduces such a remarkable feat to a weekly routine.

Besides these individual sales, the service has two other features. Its "Club Division" arranges theatre parties for any student organization on campus desiring one. The "City Center" division sells tickets to all operas and ballets performed at New York's City Center.

The tickets are sold each week



The ticket service in operation by Gamma Delta Chapter at School of Business, CCNY.

during the free activity hour, the volume averaging about 120 tickets per week. The acquiring and maintaining of so large a ticket inventory, the handling of large sums of money, and fair distribution of tickets require a well-organized group in order that these functions may be properly and efficiently carried out. The requirements are more than adequately met by our chapter. The service is performed by a standing committee organized into the three aforementioned divisions (individual sales, club and City Center). Each division has its own purchasing, accounting, and sales departments. A great deal of the theory learned in our Accounting and Business Administration courses is put into practice in carrying out the committee's functions.

The committee consists of six mem-

bers plus two pledges who continue to be members when and if they become brothers. Only those pledges who are lower classmen, who have an interest in and a knowledge of the theatre, are selected, for it takes a few terms to learn thoroughly all the methods and procedures necessary in order to operate and manage a service of this nature.

Any chapter desiring to institute a similar service may secure more detailed information by writing to Irv Scher, this term's chairman, at his home address, 30-36 29th Street, Astoria, New York.

Christmas Decorations

GAMMA CHAPTER decorated a Christmas tree at *Cornell University* for the recent holiday season. This was reported by Hy Wolf, Treasurer.

VICTORY BELL AT KENT STATE



Dedication of a Victory Bell at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, by Epsilon Psi Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega took place during the 1952 annual Campus Day of the university. The bell is a realization of a long-time dream of the university administration, faculty and students, and it will be rung to signal all university athletic triumphs. In addition to the athletic significance, the bell is a memorial to all those who have given the greatest service of all, their lives for our country. The dedication of the bell is the climax of more than two years of planning and money-raising campaigns. The bell housing is constructed of long Roman brick and it is seven feet high and fourteen inches wide. Its over-all length including a flower bed is twenty feet.

The bell was a project of pledge classes. After the digging for the footing, the latest class assisted the bricklayer in the actual construction. Roger Kettering, chapter member and architecture major, designed the bell housing and working drawings were prepared by Arvid Johnson, another brother. The bell was dedicated by the Dean of Men of the University, and it was presented to the President of the University by the President of the Epsilon Psi Chapter. The center of attraction is a railroad bell which was formerly used on an Erie Railroad engine. It was donated to the fraternity for the "victory bell" purpose last year.

In the picture above are, left to right, Arvid Johnson, Roger Kettering, Wes Bergdorf, President of Epsilon Psi Chapter; Dr. George A. Bowman, President of the University; Ralph E. Stilbey of the Erie Railroad; and Dean Raymond E. Manchester, Dean of Men.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

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both the Pledge Manual and the Manual of Administration.

Brother Roy P. Villazor of Manila represented Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines at our convention. His greetings to the group at the banquet gave us a feeling of international brotherhood, and everyone appreciated his participation.

New Officers

Brother Daniel Den Uyl, Professor of Forestry at Purdue University, was re-elected National President. He received a tremendous ovation for his outstanding leadership as president for the previous two-year term. Our national officers, new and re-elected, are now:

National President—Professor Daniel Den Uyl, West Lafayette, Indiana.

National First Vice President—Dr. R. H. Bolyard, Lafayette, Louisiana.

National Second Vice President—Dr. Henry Miller, Long Island, New York.

National Third Vice President—M. R. Disborough, Louisville, Kentucky.

National Treasurer—Joseph Scanlon, Yakima, Washington.

National Secretary—Sidney B. North, Kansas City, Missouri.

By constitutional change mentioned above, our three past National Presidents were elected to the board for life. They are:

Frank R. Horton, Bangor, Pennsylvania.

Dr. H. Roe Bartle, Kansas City, Mo.

Dean Arno Nowotny, Austin, Texas.

The following brothers were elected to the board to fill expirations and vacancies:

Dr. Glenn R. Barr, Oxford, Ohio.

Joseph A. Brunton, Jr., New York, N. Y.

C. J. Carlson, Riverside, California.

James G. Evans, Tallahassee, Florida.

E. Ross Forman, Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. John J. Higgins, East St. Louis, Ill.

Prof. Kent D. Shaffer, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dr. Ray O. Wyland, Glendale, Calif.

Board members previously elected whose terms continue are:

Prof. Harry C. Barnett, East Lansing, Mich.

George F. Cahill, Cincinnati, Ohio.

George H. Charno, Kansas City, Mo.

Irwin H. Gerst, Los Angeles, Calif.

Dr. M. C. Hayes, DeKalb, Illinois.

Arthur E. Jenner, Boston, Mass.

Harold F. Pote, New York, New York.

William S. Roth, Chapel Hill, N. C.

A. G. Spizzirri, Des Moines, Iowa.

The convention closed with reports of discussion groups, a most inspiring address by Father John J. Higgins on "practical ideology," and the installation of your new officers by Brother George H. Charno.

Suffice to say, the Twelfth National

Convention marked an even dozen that our brotherhood has conducted. But for every member of the order, this convention was a "baker's dozen" of inspiration, knowledge and stimulating action for the continued growth, progress, and usefulness of our fraternity.

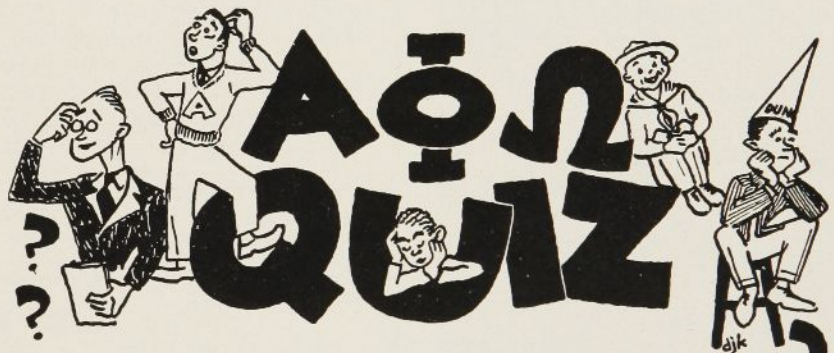
Full Page of Publicity

Recently the New Hampshire Sunday News, published in Manchester, N. H., carried a full page picture story of the service program of ETA DELTA CHAPTER at Keene Teachers College. Projects pictured include helping local police with the annual bicycle inspection for children of the community, painting the floor in the college cafeteria, aid to a polio patient, operating a coffee and refreshment room, raising and lowering the American Flag on the campus each day, and assisting in plans to raise money for a new Student Union building on the campus.

Host to University President



At the cornerstone laying for a new building at University of Wisconsin Extension in Milwaukee, Iota Nu Chapter provided ushers. At the tea which followed, this picture shows two members with Dr. Edwin B. Fred, President of the University of Wisconsin. At left is William Vining and at right is James Nichols.



By Joseph Scanlon

1. Is it necessary for each chapter of Alpha Phi Omega to file a federal income tax return?
2. What form is used for this purpose?
3. Where can the form be obtained?
4. Is the chapter required to pay tax on its income?
5. Why is the return necessary?
6. Who should prepare the return?
7. Upon what date must the return be turned in?
8. To what address should the return be sent?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 11

"Wishing Candles"

ETA LAMBDA CHAPTER collected \$35.00 through wishing candles at *Wisconsin State College, Eau Claire*, and gave this amount to a needy family for Christmas. This is reported by Robert Howard, Vice President.

Volley Ball Court

At *University of Santa Clara*, ETA ALPHA CHAPTER recently built a volleyball court for use of students. Other projects have included helping reorganize the St. Claire Parish Scout Troop, ushering at the convention of Western College Registrars and sponsoring a lecture on mineralogy. This is reported by Julius Kahn, III, Corresponding Secretary.

Helping Maintain Appalachian Trail



Alpha Chapter at Lafayette College recently accepted the responsibility of maintaining a portion of the Appalachian Trail. The foot trail, 2,021 miles in length, runs from Katahdin in the central Maine wilderness to Mount Oglethorpe in northern Georgia. The work which Alpha Chapter is carrying on includes the marking of the trail and clearance of brush and fallen trees from a section of the trail in Pennsylvania. In the picture several members and pledges are shown marking the trail in an appropriate manner on the first work trip.

Old Clothes Drive

A drive for old clothes was recently conducted by THETA THETA CHAPTER at *Centre College*. The clothes were collected by chapter members and turned over to the Danville Welfare Department which distributed them to needy families in the area. The college paper gave excellent cooperation in connection with this project, reports John Brooking, President.

Assist in Bond Vote Campaign

DELTA THETA CHAPTER of the *University of Louisville* participated in the \$9,000,000 bond issue for the city of Louisville. Of this amount \$4,000,000 is for university improvements. The bonds were passed and now the university can look forward to a new library and other expansion. This is reported by Scherrill Russman, Corresponding Secretary.

Campus Editorials

WITH DIMES, A HOPE

To help people suffering from the crippling disease of Polio, the March of Dimes makes an annual bid to the charitable natures of Americans. Each year, funds are collected to provide means for assisting victims of Polio—to care for them in sickness, and to rehabilitate them after the disease has wreaked its havoc.

Alpha Phi Omega and Delta Pi Delta will co-sponsor a campaign starting January 5, to give students and faculty an opportunity to contribute to this great cause.

We should welcome the chance to aid in this effort—an effort dedicated to the benefit of mankind.

We should enlist all the dimes we can in this crusade to provide the iron lungs, the professional technicians, the therapeutic equipment necessary to treat the Polio victim. All who can should attend the dance to be held on January 10, "... so that others may walk."

This editorial in the Varsity News of University of Detroit gave a fine boost to the work of Eta Pi Chapter in the March of Dimes campaign.

A JOB WELL DONE

Few organizations on campus can boast the fine record possessed by Alpha Phi Omega. It was largely due to the efforts of this group that relatively few mishaps occurred during last Wednesday's Student Senate elections. A member of the national service organization was stationed at every poll during the entire seven-hour voting period. After the polls closed and the ballots had been collected, many APOs stayed on to help count and tabulate the votes.

Early last semester Alpha Phi Omega began laying extensive plans for the Community Chest Carnival. An executive committee of 16 men have devoted countless hours to the many details that go into running a smooth Carnival.

Asking nothing but the satisfaction of seeing a job well done, these former Boy Scouts are holding a meeting tonight in the Beanery to acquaint other groups with some of the services they're willing to perform. Every club, fraternity, sorority and independent living unit has been invited to send two representatives to tonight's meeting.

It is the unselfish work of groups like Alpha Phi Omega that help make the University of Connecticut a fine place to live.

The above editorial appeared in the campus newspaper of the University of Connecticut in tribute to the work of Delta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

Student Directory

KAPPA KAPPA CHAPTER, installed just last Spring at *New Mexico Western College*, has published this year's student directory. The group recently conducted a dance from which the proceeds were given to Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, Inc. Another project upon which the members have been working is preparation of a recreation room in the basement of the student union building. This was reported by Gil Yocky, Jr., Secretary.

Scout Football Day

More than 800 Boy Scouts attended the annual football day sponsored by PI CHAPTER at *Kansas State College* last October. Michael J. Fabiano, Treasurer, reports that the program went over fine. The chapter also handled sale of Christmas Seals on campus and conducted a ride bureau for Christmas vacation travel.

Answers to APO Quiz for February

1. Yes, each chapter is required by law to file a federal income tax return annually.
2. The form used is 990A.
3. The form can be obtained from your local Collector of Internal Revenue or from the National Office of APO.
4. No. The chapter is not required to pay any tax on its income, so long as the chapter operations are for charitable and benevolent purposes, but the return must be filed to show a record of receipts and disbursements for the year.
5. This type of return is required by law to give the government opportunity to check upon organizations to make sure that profit-making organizations do not try to take advantage of exemption privileges.
6. Usually the chapter return is prepared by the treasurer, and he may seek advice from the faculty advisors or from the local collector's office. The return is signed by both the president and treasurer.
7. The return must be filed by the fifteenth day of the fifth month following the close of your annual accounting period. In other words, chapters closing books in May at the end of the school year need to file their return not later than October 15.
8. The return should be sent to the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue in your district.

STATUS OF MEMBERS AND PLEDGES OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA WHILE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

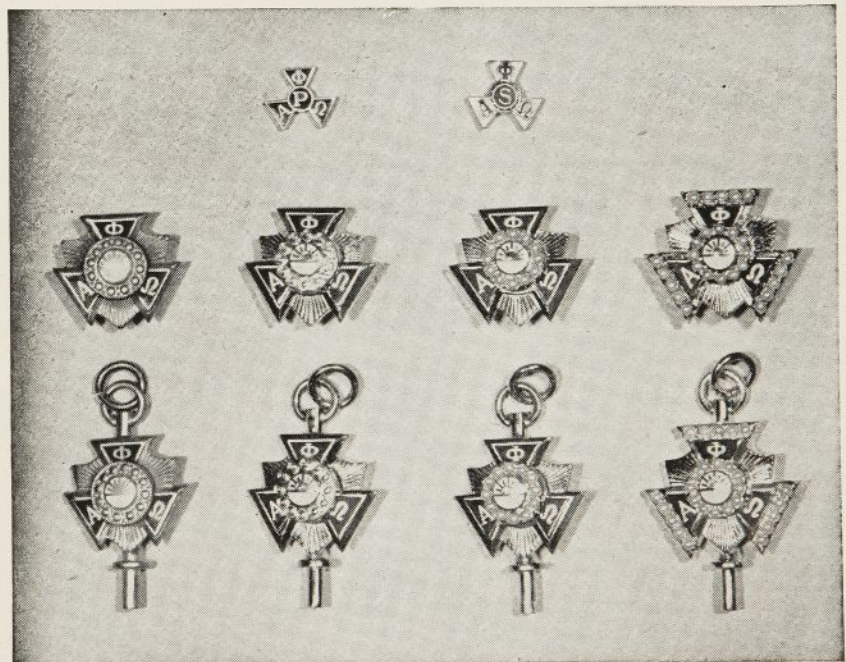
In your contacts with prospective new pledges in the Spring term, it is important to give them assurance that Alpha Phi Omega will wish to keep in contact with them if they are called into the Armed Forces. Even if their education is interrupted, they will benefit from being affiliated with AΦΩ. Our policy concerning this is as follows:

Pledge applications are kept intact in the National Office for pledges who enter the Armed Forces, if this is desired by the individuals and the chapter. Pledges who completed requirements for active membership before departure may become members in absentia, if this is desired by the individuals and chapter.

Active members who enter the Armed Forces are entitled to continue active status in the fraternity. Their addresses will be continued on the mailing list for TORCH AND TREFOIL when the National Office is notified. Those men should also receive the chapter newsletter regularly.

Upon return from the Armed Forces, those men are entitled to resume active membership on the campus as soon as they re-enroll in college.

INSIGNIA OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA



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 pearl 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

PROJECTS

An egg hunt for children is always an enjoyable and beneficial project at Eastertime, for children of an orphan's home or other group.

The sale of Easter Seals will help the National Society for Crippled Children.

The Ugly Man Contest is a very popular APO project for raising money for a benevolent cause. This is an interesting activity in which the entire campus may participate.

Campus clean-up is another useful project for Spring. Along with this, a survey of fire hazards can help save lives and property.

SPRING DEDICATION

It is recommended that again each chapter dedicate its Spring 1953 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.

NEW DIRECTORY

The National Office has just published a new Directory of Chapter Presidents and National Executive Board members. A copy has been sent to each chapter.

We hope the directory will be useful for your contacts with other chapters and with national officials.

It is always appropriate to invite neighboring chapters to send visitors to your initiation ceremonies, banquets, outings and other special events . . . also invite any nearby board member.

The addresses in the directory will also be useful for sending your newsletter to other chapters.

WORLD ALMANAC

In the 1953 Edition of the World Almanac, Alpha Phi Omega is listed on page 563.

The almanac contains an extensive section on colleges and organizations. It includes a complete list of senior colleges, teachers colleges, and junior colleges, showing enrollment figures and names of governing officials.

It also includes a roster of fraternities and sororities, professional organizations, honor societies and recognition societies.

Alpha Phi Omega is the only organization designated in the Service classification.