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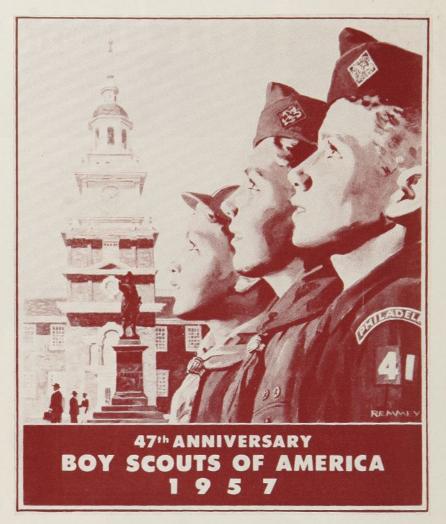
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Boy Scout Week, February 6 to 12, marks the 47th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, observed throughout the nation by more than  $4V_2$  million boys and adult leaders. Since 1910, more than 26 million boys and men have been members. Through its four-year program "Onward for God and My Country" Scouting is seeking to train more boys in patriotism and character so they will become intelligent citizens with an appreciation of the free way of life and a dedication to high spiritual ideals. Members of Alpha Phi Omega are proud of their Scouting background. Our fraternity extends congratulations to the Boy Scouts of America upon its outstanding record of service to youth for the past forty-seven years.

#### ON OUR COVER

You are the brother at left on our cover. Will you put a new member into the picture? Will you fill the vacancy? You can do it by personally contacting a few prospective pledges and then follow through to see that at least one of your prospects is pledged and is given pledge training in your chapter in this Spring term. If every member will assist in this way, what a great surge of growth we will have in our organization!

Read President Disborough's letter on the opposite page. Alpha Phi Omega is counting upon you to enlarge the manpower and program in the weeks ahead.

#### **NEW LIFE MEMBERS**

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

Arthur R. Bonvouloir, Epsilon Beta Edward R. Zall, Lambda Psi Dr. Frans A. Victorson, Omega Dan Riddle White, Zeta Omega



National Service Fraternity

National President
M. R. DISBOROUGH
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January, 1957

Dear Brother:
The little story below seems very appropriate at this time in bringing to your attention one of the needs of Alpha Phi Omega.

"When Henry Ford purchased a very large life insurance policy for himself, the Detroit newspapers blazoned the fact, since the amount was so large and Mr. Ford was so prominent.

"One of the articles was read by an old friend of Mr. Ford who happened to be in the insurance business. Completely surprised by the purchase, since he had not heard Ford surprised by the purchase, this friend went to see was in the market for insurance, this friend went to see Mr. Ford and asked him if the story was really true. Ford mr. Ford and asked him if the story was really true asked why the policy replied that it was. The friend asked why the policy replied that it was a personal friend and wasn't bought from him since he was a personal friend and had been in the insurance business for many years. Henry had been in the reply was, 'You never asked me.'"

We will lose many of our APO members through graduation at the close of the Spring term. Let's bring in new men now. Let's not be accused of not asking men to become members of our fraternity. Spring is the time to name your pledge class in honor of some local leader and at the same time pay due honor to him by having a large recruiting program, bringing in a new group of men who will carry over into your Fall service program.

program.

May we count on you to do your part in promoting the growth of Alpha Phi Omega?

Fraternally yours,
M. R. Wisborough

National President

#### Leadership Feature ...

#### THE MIGHTY I AM

#### Some Simple Hints on How to Master Self-Confidence

Based upon the book "Personal Power Through Creative Selling"

Written by Elmer G. Leterman

Many of us have visited a fun house in which various mirrors distort our images, some making us look bigger than we are and others that make us look shrunken and small. And just as these mirrors are based upon the sound principles of physics, so do our minds have a way of distorting our images based upon nothing more nor less than a lack or an overabundance of self-confidence.

Should the mirror of your mind be the type that is distorting the image to one of diminutive size, perhaps the first thing we should do is to see why that mirror presents such an image. Maybe it is because of a physical lack of grace, a difficulty in meeting people, a sense of financial embarrassment, an apologetic attitude toward our background, a rather serious demeanor which does not lend to congenialities, a lack of knowledge of current and pertinent affairs, a consciousness of educational deficiency or a mind which is not as sharp and astute as others with whom we are in con-

Whatever may be the reason for our feeling of inferiority and lack of self-esteem, the first thing is to realize that most of these doubts have come at one time or another to every successful person. It could be that the man you admire as having the breeziest ease and the most self-confident manner is the one who has to discipline himself against self doubts. The principal difference between he and you is that he mastered those doubts.

Secondly, fear often makes us feel inferior, whether on a field of mortal combat or in everyday living. Fear itself is no indication of lack of character. However, the yielding to fear indicates characterless and negative thinking. The performer on television, the public speaker, the soldier in the field or the business tycoon, if they are worth their salt, all have moments



of fear, but they learned to conquer them.

If one is to achieve real self-confidence (not an artificial aura of braggadocio or bravado) probably the first commandment would be — Forget Yourself.

A worrier has his mind on himself and being on himself he cannot give full attention to the matters at hand. Therefore, it would be perfectly obvious that the thing to do is (1) quit worrying and get your mind off of yourself; (2) focus it on the job you have to do; and (3) when the first whisper of self-doubt arises, turn your thoughts deliberately to what you are doing. Forget about your inability to do it, and concentrate on the bull's eye toward which you are shooting. Probably the surest of all ways to find yourself is to lose yourself in something bigger than yourself.

That simple maxim can be the keynote in eliminating the self-doubt which may now be possessing you.

Let's look now at the other side. Having eliminated the self-doubt, let's start to build upon that foundation a sense of self-confidence. Bear in mind that you are the only one who can do it. It must be done within you and these are only suggestions that may be of help.

1. Dare to believe in your faith! In whatever manner you choose to worship, whatever your faith might be, remember that those who dare to believe in their faith are those who are most firmly secure within themselves. A man of strong faith has an unshakable foundation of confidence.

2. Dare to believe in the future. William Faulkner said, "I believe that man will not only endure, he will prevail. He is immortal, not because he alone among creatures has an inexhaustible voice, but because he has a soul, a spirit capable of compassion and sacrifice and endurance." We are not members of the dying race. A quick look at population figures will prove the point. We are heirs of generations, who, through honor, hope and pride have given us a way of life that is only short of being miraculous. The way is now open, and an even greater asset, Man's Will, is an indomitable force, and in that will, he will go forward.

3. Dare to believe in your country. For years upon years the longnosed seers of doom have announced collapse. Certainly, by virtue of calling ourselves the United States, we do not achieve any mysterious alchemy of success or morality. However, we must bear in mind that in this thing which we glibly refer to as the American Way, we have found man's dignity in our country, we must likewise develop a consuming faith in the ideals of free economy, religious understanding, and political liberties-in fact, even as this column would indicate, a freedom to offer free and unsolicited advice. We can have faith that our heritage undergirded by economic progress and free institutions will ultimately take our country to its glorious destiny.

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#### A Feature Project ...

### KING UGLY!

Consistently one of the most popular and useful projects of Alpha Phi Omega is the Ugly Man Contest. It is an excellent way of raising money for a worthy cause, and it arouses campuswide interest.

This project is relatively simple to initiate and easy to conduct.

First, pick a good reason for conducting the contest, such as the benefit of the Community Chest or the March of Dimes. Also, the contest is often used for the Red Cross drive, the Heart drive, campus beautification, youth center, and on and on goes the list of worthy recipients.

Second, check with the officials of your college administration to request approval. Explain the purpose and

procedures of the contest.

Third, as in any project, plan it well within the chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. Determine the method of voting, the candidacy eligibility, publicity, awards, and the possibility of an assembly devoted to it (this is often acceptable to the administration if the cause is of sufficient merit). Select a capable chairman who is to see that the project goes off on schedule, ends on schedule and fulfills its purpose.

Here are some suggestions:

A. Voting

1. Select a specific time for the

polls to operate and let them be operated by  $A\Phi\Omega$  members. Set a standard charge per vote (usually one cent).

Let the polls remain open over a period of days, charging by the vote, having no limit on the number of times an individual

may vote.

If you possess an ingenious engineer he can rig an electrically operated coin vote recorder, automatically tabulating votes for a candidate as any size coin is deposited.

 Decide at the beginning the contest termination hour the results will be made known,

then stick to it.

B. Candidates

It is recommended that you allow both campus-at-large and living quarters candidates, for if exclusive to either, the danger exists of not appealing to enough varied interests on the campus.

2. It is suggested that a written application for each candidate be in your files before the contest. Only those so filed should have votes tabulated for them. A practical joker could upset a good project like this by sub-

mitting some fictitious or mythical candidate.

 Consider the faculty! If enough informality exists, maybe this group might have candidates.

 Allow sufficient time in advance of voting for the filing of candidates' applications.

C. Publicity

1. Reams could be written! Almost every project needs good publicity. Give this project plenty of publicity. Campus newspaper and radio. Convocation announcements. Bulletin board notices. Posters. Town papers and radio. Dormitory and residence notification. Talk it up.

D. Prizes

 The Ugly Man key available through the National Office, is the most popular award. Sometimes a scroll or wall plaque is used. Also an Ugly Man mug has been developed by one of the chapters.

If published, make the prize well known. If not published, let no one know in advance.

Perhaps a college or student body official would be happy to

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In picture at left, below, are shown not-so-ugly candidates in Delta Chapter's Ugly Man Contest at Alabama Polytechnic Institute. All were sponsored by sororities. Sitting, left to right, are Bob Gerson, sponsored by Kappa Alpha Theta; Peewee Howell, by Delta Zeta; Joe Blake, by Alpha Omicron Pi, and Buck Dobson, by Alpha Delta Pi. Standing are Bill Amos, sponsored by Zeta Tau Alpha; Homer Tisdale, by Alpha Lambda Delta and Mel McAllister, by Chi Omega. In the picture at right, below, are three members of Tau Chapter at the University of Florida, manning the voting area with containers ready for contributions. They are Nick Hladke, Dick Graves and Dick Luglan.





#### KING UGLY

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present the award, giving official sanction and prestige to the endeavor.

4. Who pays for the prize? Sometimes the local merchants will donate; in other instances the chapter may purchase the award.

#### E. Convocation

- 1. An all-school assembly is ideal. However, on those campuses where these are of a religious nature, perhaps something on the order of a pep rally or show should be substituted.
  - 2. Since this project is in itself whimsical, the program should be light, fast-moving, and funny.

#### F. Chairman

- 1. This is important, for the right individual performing the task of general chairmanship can make the event a howling success.
- 2. His qualifications.
  - a. A promoter. b. A planner. c. A doer, d. A he-whoer (he who can get others to work; also, get others steamed up).
- 3. Afford plenty of manpower for subcommittees, i. e., publicity, voting, filing, finance,

These are but a few specific suggestions, offered in the hope that they might help you when your chapter promotes an Ugly Man Contest.

Now, here are some further suggestions, gleaned from correspondence, chapter reports, and personal observations; all of which have proved merit:

1. Seek cooperation of girls' organizations in building enthusiasm on the campus (possibly a prize being a kiss from a campus queen to the ugliest man).

2. If, for a cause such as March of Dimes or Red Cross, it should be possible to interest the local leaders of that agency, try to bring them into the event somewhere.

3. And while we're speaking of that, let's clear with the officials of the beneficiary agency, to secure their approval.

4. As to candidates among your chapter members, this is a tick-

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#### STATISTICS CONCERNING THE CONTEST

From a survey among chapters which have conducted the Ugly Man contest, we present the following facts about the voting and the use of funds collected in this project.

#### I. Cost Per Vote.

Different voting denominations used by chapters are as follows:

One cent Five cents.

Ten cents.

Contribution of a dime for March of Dimes.

One cent equal to five votes.

One cent or 1,000 votes for a pint of blood.

One dollar admission to a dance.

Ten votes for a toy for a children's party. Five votes for each pound of paper in wastepaper drive.

#### II. Financial Returns.

Highest total: \$6,696.87 Lowest total: \$70.00.

#### III. Agencies to Which Proceeds Were Donated.

The following is a list of various agencies to which chapters have given the funds collected in Ugly Man contests. This indicates a broad field of use of the proceeds from this project.

Community Chest.

Campus Chest.

March of Dimes

World University Service.

Red Cross.

CARE.

Christmas party for orphans.

American Cancer Society.

Heart Association.

Fresh Air Camp.

Foreign Relief.

Campus Emergency Fund.

Infantile paralysis ward of hospital.
Campus projects carried out by Alpha Phi Omega.

Thanksgiving baskets for needy families.

#### IV. Coordination with Other Events.

The survey indicated that the Ugly Man contest has been coordinated with many different campus activities, as follows:

Campus-wide WUS drive.

Senior Week.

Intrafraternity Council Week.

Spring Carnival.

Campus Chest and Community Chest drive.

Talent Show.

Homecoming Week.

Pan-Hellenic Week. College Open House.

Big Game.

Nationwide March of Dimes drive.

Alpha Phi Omega Charity Ball.

Sports Night.

High School Music Festival.

Fresh Air Camp Fund drive.

Many were not coordinated with any other event.

#### V. Awards.

These various kinds of awards have been given to winners of Ugly Man contests:

Ugly Man key.

Ugly Man mug.

Plaque.

Certificate.

Trophy.

Rotating cup.

Fountain pen.

Gifts from town stores.

All-expense evening with a local celebrity.

Kiss from a campus queen.

Loving cup to organization sponsoring winner.

lish subject. We'd say only under other sponsorship. And maybe not even then.

Keep the contest honest and the enthusiasm controlled. Ill feeling will hurt future projects. And remember, though lots of fun, this is a service project sponsored by the men of Alpha Phi Omega who enjoy a national reputation for doing things well, with purpose and dignity. Keep it on a high plane.

#### **Faculty Participates**

The following article reprinted from the Columbia University newspaper is entitled "Prolicsome Faculty" and points out the fun of faculty candidates in the Ugly Man Contest.

With more than one string to its bow, the Columbia faculty plunged into a second competition during the same month that the Pulitzer prizes went to Professors Hofstadter and Hamlin. In competing for the title of 'The Ugliest Man on Campus,' eight faculty members brought their reckless ambitions directly into the open, implemented by the most shameless

Below is a reproduction of a poster distributed by the National Office for use in publicizing the Ugly Man Contest. Another poster is also available saying, "Ugly Man Is Coming." The price is 1c each.

# UGLY MAN WANTS YOUR

# VOTE

#### SALUTE TO ALPHA PHI OMEGA

This year's Ugly Man Contest, ably sponsored and operated by Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, has proved to be a record breaker in more ways than one.

The \$6,696.87 taken in is a national Ugly Man contest record; the old mark was \$4,200.00. But the record breaking occurred not only in the monetary field but in the area it reflected—in the enthusiasm generated during the contest.

Some members of Alpha Phi Omega have been profuse in their appreciation of *Daily Californian* coverage of the contest and in their insistence that we deserve a share of the credit for this year's phenomenal success. We would like to be even more profuse in our congratulations to Alpha Phi Omega for a job superbly done, and we would like to disown any credit extended our way.

We merely did our job in publicizing a worthwhile cause; the members of Alpha Phi Omega did far more than just their job. We salute them.

—Dolores Van Luocks.

The above editorial which appeared in the student newspaper of the University of California, Berkeley, is a fine compliment to the work of Gamma Gamma Chapter in achieving a new national record in the Ugly Man Contest.

political plays and gambits seen here in years.

Edward J. Malloy, assistant Columbia College dean in charge of King's Crown Activities, eventually overwhelmed his seven opponents: Nathan Edelman, associate professor of French; Julian M. Miller, assistant professor of chemistry; Irv de Koff, fencing coach; Richard Waite, wrestling coach; Edward A. Bantel, assistant in health education; Donald Moser, instructor in psychology; and last year's winner, Charles Dawson, chemistry professor.

In its second year under the sponsorship of Lambda Theta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, service fraternity, the ugliest man contest was waged without the shilly-shallying which caused it last year to be publicized outside the university as a contest to determine "the most popular teacher on campus."

"Vote Ugly!" the campaign committees shouted in the Quad all day, and messages from the contestants themselves appeared regularly in the Columbia Spectator, denigrating the assumed or so-called ugliness boasted by their opponents. In the homestretch, the day before the Pamphratria Block Party, a telegram reeking of braggadocio appeared, signed by Mrs. Waite. It read:

"Nobody knows better than us that Dick Waite is the ugliest man on campus. Five dollars to the Dean's Fund says he can't lose. Signed, his four ugly children and his ugly wife."

To this attempt to capitalize on sentiment, Dean Malloy retorted with an appeal to the intellect which many feared might be over the heads of the voters: "Ugliness," he said, "is a spiritual as well as a physical attribute."

Meanwhile, students piled up a total of \$359.00 in poll tax, paying for the right to vote for the man of their choice. According to Dean Malloy (who would not confirm it), one of the most widely deplored bits of electioneering occurred when Professor Miller mimeographed his lecture notes and sold copies for a dollar apiece to swell his cash total.

All the take went to the Columbia College Scholarship Fund, needless to say, with Dean Malloy's victory alone representing \$118.00. An interminable award ceremony was staged at the Block Party. The contest, one of the favorite local festivals, is sponsored each year on many campuses by Alpha Phi Omega chapters.

#### 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. Prices range from \$2.75 to \$28.00 plus tax.

An illustrated list is shown on the back cover of this issue. If your Chapter Treasurer does not have Balfour order blanks on hand, a supply can be obtained by writing to our National Office.



#### **Assist Cancer Drive**

KAPPA CHI CHAPTER at Creighton University assisted in the recent cancer drive by furnishing members to solicit in a residential area near the campus. Other projects have included the Lost and Found bureau, a safe-driving campaign and numerous other services, reports David J. Bath, Past President.

#### **Decorate Office Space**

Delta Nu Chapter is now decorating the office space recently made available to the Chapter by *Yale University*. This is reported by John W. Foreman, Membership Chairman.

#### **Vote Campaign**

MU GAMMA CHAPTER at Morgan State College conducted a get-out-the-vote campaign prior to the national election. Other recent projects have included a campus drive for the Red Feather campaign and a booth at the Boy Scout Exposition. This is reported by Lt. Col. Willard C. Stewart, Chairman of the Advisory Committee.

#### Refreshment Stand

ZETA ZETA CHAPTER handled the refreshment booth for Homecoming at *Graceland College*. This is reported by John R. Darling, Jr., Past President.

#### "BOOKS FOR ASIA" DRIVE



In Kappa Omicron Chapter's "Book for Asia" drive at the University of Massachusetts, Brad Bryant, chairman of the project, organized a door-to-door campaign to collect books. The members participating collected several hundred books. In addition, direct contacts with students were successful in adding to the total. More than 700 books were collected in this project. In the picture, left to right, are Lou Redfern, Hirk Fortin, Bud Johnston, Frank Putnam and James Wixon. The picture is by courtesy of Dan Foley.

#### Ride Service at Stanford

Two types of ride service are offered by ZETA CHAPTER at Stanford University. One is a commuters' file for rides to the campus and the other is an exchange for longer trips for holidays and between quarters. Other projects in the fine year-around program of Zeta Chapter include the Book Exchange which does a gross business of about \$4,000.00 annually, ushering for student productions, Time-Life subscription sales, sponsorship of the Boy Scout troop at the Stanford Convalescent Home, and numerous other activities. This is reported by Norman M. Kibbe, Past President.

#### **Big Semester**

The Treasurer of GAMMA OMI-CRON CHAPTER, E. Joseph Saxl, reports that the Fall semester has been the most active in the history of  $A\Phi\Omega$  at Queens College. The group continued its traditional service projects as well as a new ticket service which has received much favorable comment on campus. The chapter is again running the Uglv Man Contest, the proceeds of which will be donated to the multiple sclerosis drive. Coat checking, ushering, student mail service, messenger service for the Dean's office and Scouting have all been traditional activities and the chapter has been hitting them bigger and better than ever this semester.

#### Largest Directory

ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER at San Diego State College edited the student directory this past Fall (the largest directory in the college's history). The group has also participated in two charity drives, operated a lost and found, and maintained a bulletin board. The chapter is now preparing for its Ugly Man Contest. This is reported by Dr. Andrew C. Olson, Chairman of the Advisory Committee.



#### FINE SETTING FOR PLEDGE CEREMONY

Shown above is the setting at Delta Tau Chapter's Fall pledging ceremony at the University of New Mexico. Notice the neckties lined up on the table. Each pledge of Delta Tau Chapter wears a yellow necktie bearing the Greek letters of Alpha Phi Omega and the chapter Greek letters. This picture is by courtesy of John Allen, Vice President.

#### **Banquet Dedication**

At the banquet of ALPHA BETA CHAPTER at The Pennsylvania State University honoring the Fall pledges an excellent dedication booklet was presented to all in attendance. It included a roster of the past semester's officers and the newly elected officers, a fine statement about General Carlos P. Romulo to whom our nation-wide Fall pledge class is dedicated, announcement of two distinguished service awards presented to Glen Elder, President of the Chapter, and Clarence M. Sykes, Assistant Director of Intramural Athletics of the University. The booklet also contains timely statements by Professor H. Norton Cope, Chairman of the Advisory Committee; Capt. Gordon D. Brigham, a new Faculty Advisor; Wayne E. Lippman, Historian, and John Hunt, new President. It includes a photograph of the officers of the Fall semester. The booklet provides a fine souvenir which will long be prized by all who attended the banquet.

#### Songfest

The first annual songfest of the University of Houston was recently instigated and sponsored by DELTA OMEGA CHAPTER. Fourteen social fraternities and sororities entered the songfest and the panel of judges was composed of persons prominent in music circles in the Houston area. Serving as master of ceremonies was Kenneth Evans, President of Delta Omega Chapter. The songfest cochairmen were David McMillin and Johnny Ledbetter. The chairman of ushers was Philip Coleman, the chairman of trophies was Tommy Spiva and the attractive program folder was compiled by Bert Young.

#### Jam-O-Rama

Epsilon Chi Chapter at Los Angeles City College sponsored the Uni-Camp Jam-O-Rama to raise money for the Uni-Camp drive. Music was by Buddy De Franco's band and H. B. Barnum's band.

#### **LOST AND FOUND BOOTH**

Built by Hugo James (left), Historian, this booth is located in Alumni Hall of the University of Bridgeport. Lost articles are turned in at the booth in Theta Psi Chapter's lost and found service. The booth has also been used for selling senior class rings and it will probably be used for other sales work. At right is Ralph True, President.

#### Scouts Are Guests

More than 100 Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts and Explorers were guests of ALPHA CHAPTER for the Lafayette-Albright football game. They were from Easton and the surrounding area. This was reported in "The Lafayette," college newspaper, and was sent by John C. Venner, Vice President.

#### **Donation to United Funds**

ALPHA MU CHAPTER at William Jewell College conducted its Ugly Man Contest recently and donated the proceeds to the United Funds campaign. This was a fine success reports Dr. L. J. Gier, Chairman of the Advisory Committee.

#### **Bulletin Board**

In the lobby of the new Student Union Building at Kansas State College, PI CHAPTER has placed a bulletin board which announces the daily schedule of events in the union.

#### MU DELTA CHAPTER AT COLLEGE OF GREAT FALLS



Presented above are the charter members of Mu Delta Chapter recently installed at College of Great Falls, Montana. Officiating at the ceremony was National Treasurer Joseph Scanlon with the ritual conducted by a selected degree team. The "Torch and Trefoil" wishes the best of success for this fine new chapter.

#### SAFARI AT HOMECOMING



Shown here is Eta Rho Chapter's contribution to the Homecoming "Safari" at Marquette University. All of those in the picture are active members dressed as "natives" in the tiger-hunting expedition which attracted attention to Marquette's Homecoming through two miles of city streets in Milwaukee.

#### **Assist Speaker**

Upon invitation from the Campus Relations Board of *The Johns Hopkins University*, KAPPA MU CHAPTER furnished ushers for a recent talk on the campus by the Russian Ambassador. This is one of numerous projects reported in the chapter minutes.

#### Party at Orphanage

DELTA NU CHAPTER at Yale University put on a Halloween party for a New Haven orphanage. Another project was the book exchange which was more successful than ever. This is reported by Rev. Robert J. Payne, member National Executive Board.

#### **Books for Bunche Drive**

This past Fall, BETA IOTA CHAPTER conducted a book drive for the Ralph J. Bunche Grade and High School in Glasgow, Kentucky. The school has no library for the use of its students. The New York University student newspaper coined the slogan for the drive "Books for Bunche."

The drive was conducted by asking students of New York University to contribute textbooks which could be used as reference material, novels to be used as reading material for the older students, and storybooks for the younger children. The campaign was publicized by articles in the student newspaper and personal contacts with organizations by members of the chapter. This brought over 500 books. Then a dance was held with admission price as a useful book for the drive and this brought more than 100 additional books.

The New York University library has promised several hundred books for this drive and in addition Beta Iota Chapter has contacted certain publishing houses and received promises of numerous children's books. Many books are still coming in.

This project has been praised by everyone who has heard about itthe student newspaper, the faculty, the deans, and the administrative officials. The immense good which can come from this project can best be summed up by quoting the message received from the Principal of the Bunche school. "This project which you are undertaking will bring untold results since your book drive will place texts with substance and meaningful information before the eyes of eager boys and girls, and with this information they may be stimulated to continue with their education and make fine contributions to our society.'

This news was received from Martin Schnitzer, President.

#### **Blood Drive Contest**

ALPHA PI CHAPTER at the *University of Miami* conducts a contest in connection with its blood donation drive. This year's drive was by far the most successful one in the history of the chapter, reports Bob Lessne, Assistant Chairman. The contest for the largest number of donors was won this year by the Army ROTC. Blood doning for the Red Cross is sponsored by numerous chapters of  $A\Phi\Omega$  on their respective campuses.

## Newsletter Clips

#### A DEAN WRITES

Dean David L. Harris, Dean of Men of Ripon College, writes in the chapter newsletter, "During the past year Alpha Phi Omega has not only perpetuated the high ideals of Leadership, Friendship and Service, but it has lifted its example to even greater heights of prestige and respect.

"There is no doubt in my mind that the recent spectacular success of the UMOC Contest is indicative of the manner in which  $\Delta\Phi\Omega$  has woven itself into the fabric of our campus life. Support of the kind evidenced at that time comes only in situations wherein all of the other fraternities, as well as the individual students themselves, see our organization as one of great worth and value.

"To me, Alpha Phi Omega has been very successful not only because of its superb leadership and its efficient organization, but because it has exalted the idea of selfless service and has clothed in flesh and blood the age-old paradox, 'He who would save his own life must first of all give it up for the sake of others and for the sake of our own Great Scoutmaster.'"



#### Minutes Published

KAPPA MU CHAPTER at The Johns Hopkins University mimeographs its minutes after each meeting and furnishes copies to all members. The minutes include committee reports, treasury reports, old business and new business. Projects planned in recent meetings have included blood typing, sale of Christmas Seals for the tuberculosis campaign and contribution to CARE, which included packages to five countries. The minutes are prepared by Edward Mantler, Secretary.

#### **Patrol Contest Plaques**

The San Francisco Bay Area Alumni Chapter members are carving wooden plaques of the Scout badge to be used as awards for patrol contests. Good workmanship is being done by the members. This is reported in the  $A\Phi\Omega$  Bridger, chapter newsletter.

#### A President's Letter

Chapter Chatter of GAMMA XI CHAPTER at *Rockburst College* included an excellent letter by Robert Nestel, Jr., retiring President.

#### Growing

Recent projects of MU CHAPTER at Indiana University include publishing notebook separators, poll inspection at student elections, clean-up work at the new Indiana University beach and a coat hanger collection drive. The services and the membership of Mu Chapter are growing, reports James R. Kuyper, Past President.

#### THE MIGHTY I AM

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4. Dare to identify yourself with men of achievement who are the great of the earth. They have two feet, two hands and one head. They are made of the same stuff as are we all. Whatever you think of your handicap, you can always find someone who has overcome even greater obstacles to achieve success. If it is a physical deformity, then think of a Steinmetz; a speech impediment, remember Winston Churchill; a lingual difficulty, William Knudsen; a humble financial beginning, Abe Lincoln and Dwight Eisenhower; a staggering tragedy, the comeback of a Lillian Roth. So as old as the human heart and yet dramatically modern is the love of heroes and the gaining of courage through the thought of them.

5. "Mind, like streams, may be so broad that they run shallow."

"A man may fall many times, but he is not a failure until he starts saying that someone pushed him."

"The one helping hand on which you can always count is the one at the end of your own arm."

Corny? Perhaps. But they are truisms that cannot be denied. Start the day by admitting human frailties and to say—"The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want," "God is our refuge and our strength, the very present help in time of trouble." Think yourself out of ruts by thinking big. Spend some time each day with the great words of the beautiful literature of the world which has been handed to us, the dynamic and inspiring stories of great events and how they came about.

6. Dare to hold in your mind an image of yourself as being confident and successful. Gene Tunney was not content to be a run-of-the-mill pugilist and today he is one of the nation's most successful businessmen. As it has been said, "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Carry within yourself an image worth living up to. Suddenly you will begin to gather confidence and the change in your whole outlook will amaze you. As it was said in numerous classes of Naval Cadets during World War II, "You're in the Navy, Mister! Look smart, act smart, be smart." Believe greatly, think big, and act courageously and the world will move for you.

No man can tell another how he should live or what he should do. Suggestions, advice and counsel all may be of assistance, but when the final moment comes for decision, each must cast his own lot.

How about you? Will you, with confidence, keep your appointment with destiny? Why not start now in preparing for it.

#### Scholarship Fund

The proceeds from ETA CHAPTER'S latest Ugly Man Contest at Northern Illinois State College were donated toward establishment of the M. C. Hayes Scholarship. Dr. Hayes, who was a professor at the college until two years ago, is now DeKalb County Superintendent of Schools. He served for sixteen years on the National Executive Board of Alpha Phi Omega and was for many years Chairman of the Advisory Committee of Eta Chapter. The students established the scholarship in tribute to his devotion and leadership. This was reported in the campus newspaper of NISC and was furnished to us by courtesy of David M. Clark, Eta Chapter's Vice President.

## BULLETIN BOARD

#### **PROJECTS**

Here are some suggested projects for the Spring months:

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The Ugly popular Al money for a Chapter Camporee ca Campus c is another g An egg hunt for children is always an enjoyable and beneficial project at Eastertime, for children of an orphans home or other group.

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

The Ugly Man Contest is a very popular APO project for raising money for a benevolent cause.

Chapter assistance at a Scout Camporee can be very useful.

Campus clean-up and beautification is another good project for Spring.

#### NEW DIRECTORY

Our 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 be useful until Spring elections are held in the chapters.

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