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#### "BOX SCORE"

Present number of chapters, including petitions approved...... 276 Total number of members since 46 343 founding ..... Number of copies of this issue....13,000

# Of Thee I Sing -

Pvt. Harvey L. Omstead, USA (Alpha Gamma and Delta Xi Chapters) gives unselfishingly of himself as Cubmaster and Scoutmaster in Goeppingen, Germany, where he is stationed. (See picture on page nine.)

Dr. Harold F. Pote, member of the National Executive Board of Alpha Phi Omega, recently received a Doctor of Humane Letters degree from Salem College, Salem, West Virginia. A fine tribute to a faithful leader in  $A\Phi\Omega$ .

Dr. H. Roe Bartle, who served for sixteen years as National President of Alpha Phi Omega, from 1931 to 1946, has entered a new field of service, having been elected Mayor of Kansas City, Missouri, at the municipal election held on March 29.



Dr. M. C. Hayes

One of the patriarchs of Alpha Phi Omega is Dr. M. C. Hayes, who was designated by the 1948 National Convention as Premier Life Member of Alpha Phi Omega. He recently retired from his post as Professor of Education at Northern Illinois State Teachers College. It was twenty-six years ago that Eta Chapter was founded through Doc's untiring work and he served constantly as Chairman of the Advisory Committee until his retirement from the faculty. He has long been active in Scouting and has served as Scoutmaster, Committeeman, Advisor and Council Member. Several years ago the Silver Beaver was awarded to him for outstanding service to boyhood. He has now embarked upon a new field of service, having been elected as Superintendent of Schools of DeKalb County, Illinois.

#### **NEW LIFE MEMBERS**

Three more brothers have subscribed for Life Membership in Alpha Phi Omega since the previous list was published in our April issue. They are: Paul M. H. Lienhardt, Alpha Psi Kenneth J. Cox, Alpha Rho Jere Norman Chait, Alpha Pi

#### ON OUR COVER

About a half century ago, Dr. William Osler, chief physician at Johns Hopkins Hospital, was preparing an address to be delivered to a graduating class. To emphasize the point that youth must perform the vital creative work of the world, Dr. Osler made passing reference to a novel by Anthony Trollope in which men of sixty retired to a colony for a year of meditation before peaceful departure by chloroform. The good doctor was greatly embarrassed when the public press dramatized the idea as a serious recommendation that all over sixty be chloroformed.

We quote an excerpt from an address by this dynamic man-and you who are about to commence—think well on his philosophy:

Take no thought for the morrow. Live neither in the past nor in the future, but let each day's work absorb your entire energies and satisfy your wildest ambition.

"To have striven, to have made an effort, to have been true to certain ideals —this alone is worth the struggle. We are here to add what we can to, not to get what we can from, life."

"That was the singular but very wise answer which Cromwell gave to Bellevire—'No one rises so high as he knows not whither he is going.' There is much truth in it. The student who is worrying about his future, anxious over his examinations, doubting his fitness for the profession, is certain not to do so well as the man who cares for nothing but the matter in hand, who knows not whither he is going."

Photograph by Harold M. Lambert.



# **OBSERVATIONS** OF OUR FOUNDER

By Frank R. Horton

We were changing trains at Chicago, en route to a National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega.

As we waited at the gate, a group of brothers appeared. "Where is your chapter located?" I asked. They replied: "We are the pie eaters of Eta Pi Chapter, University of Detroit." "Alpha Phi Omega is fun," I thought.

At the convention, the brothers from Texas appeared with cowboy hats and the Texas Flag. "Alpha Phi Omega is colorful," I decided.

During the banquet program, I heard a brother from the Philippines. "Alpha Phi Omega is international," I observed.

After the banquet, a brother gave me a wooden plaque, with carved reproduction of a covered wagon on it. He said: "Here is a present for you from Delta Beta Chapter, University of Oklahoma." "Alpha Phi Omega is thoughtful," I was sure.

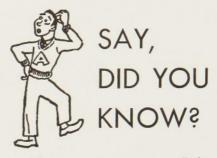
A brother from Boston University, Zeta Upsilon Chapter, said: "I earned the money to come to this convention." "Alpha Phi Omega is an investment," I reflected.

When the convention had ended a brother from Alpha Pi Chapter, University of Miami, came to me and said: "I want to thank you for giving us your way of life. I am going to try to live it. God bless you, sir." "Alpha Phi Omega can be soul stirring," I learned.

At a later date, a tape recording was made by Alpha Chapter during a Pilgrimage at Lafayette College. "Alpha Phi Omega is resourceful," I deducted.

A brother from Zeta Theta Chapter at Drexel Institute of Technology said to me: "Alpha Phi Omega gives me what I want in a college organization. I am giving all the time I can to it." "Alpha Phi Omega is challenging," it seemed to me.

Recently, I saw and heard the color and sound movie by the Philadelphia Area Alumni Chapter. "Alpha Phi Omega is life long," I concluded.



. That preparatory groups at Duke University, West Virginia University, Pan American College and LaSalle College have submitted applications to become affiliated with Alpha Phi Omega. We're growing!

. . . That thirteen Sectional Conferences will be held in the coming school year. See list of areas on page

eight of this issue.

. . A subscription for Life Membership gives opportunity for permanent contact with  $A\Phi\Omega$  even after your college years are ended.

. . . Alpha Phi Omega nationally has completed twenty-nine years of service to college campuses and communi-

. . . Our fraternity pins and keys are still available at pre-war prices except for the federal tax. See illustrated price list on back cover.

. . . The Annual Activities Report is important for national records. The form for filling out your chapter's report has been sent to your president. It should be filled out and mailed to our National Office before your Spring term ends.

. . . A flying start in your Fall program depends upon advance planning. Make plans now for your Fall activi-

#### ON TO CALIFORNIA

Shown at right is the 1956 Convention Planning Committee at a meeting held April 3. This group is making fine preparations for our next convention. Left to right are Bob Peeks, Gamma Beta; Neil Shulman, Lambda Mu; Walter Bauer, Epsilon Chi; M. R. Disborough, National President; Irwin H. Gerst, Arrangements Chairman for the Convention; C. J. Carlson, member of National Executive Board; Charles Linsey, Chi; Peter Bramwell, Alpha Kappa; and Maurice F. Clapp, Southern California Alumni.

The committee is working diligently to make this the best convention ever held in Alpha Phi Omega.

Begin early in developing your convention fund to be sure your chapter is represented at the 1956 National Convention.



## A FEATURE PROJECT ---

# Oh, You Beautiful Doll!

As a change from the customary queen contests—you know, the Queen of This and the Queen of That—Alpha Phi Omega developed, a few years ago, its own contest.

Now, from coast to coast, the Ugly Man Contest is one of our fraternity's most popular projects. Started by Gamma Zeta Chapter at Georgia Tech, it has spread to many chapters and is a unique and painless way to raise money for a worthy cause. It's fun—it lends prestige to the chapter program—it's worthwhile.

Put this project in your plans for next year. And for the benefit of those chapters which have not yet conducted an Ugly Man Contest and would like to put on this project in the near future, the following suggestions are offered as to how to plan for this event:

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 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).
- 2. Let the polls remain open over a period of days, charging by the vote, having no limit on the number of times an individual
- 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.
- 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 submitting some fictitious or mythical candidate.
- Consider the faculty! If enough informality exists, maybe this group might have a candidate.
- 4. Allow sufficient time in advance of voting for the filing of candidates' applications.

#### C. Publicity

 Reams could be written! Almost every project needs good publicity. Give this project

Shown below are two pictures from Beta Zeta Chapter's Ugly Man Contest at the University of Georgia. At left is a view of the dance which climaxed the contest. At right is the presentation of the check representing the proceeds. Left to right in that picture are Dr. J. T. Askew, Dean of Students; Dr. J. H. Robbins of the Gilbert Memorial Infirmary; Bob Chapman, President of Beta Zeta Chapter at time of the contest; and Ted Robinson, President at time of presentation. The check in the amount of \$350 was donated for the purchase of infirmary auxiliary equipment.



plenty of publicity. Campus F. Chairman newspaper and radio. Convocation announcements. Bulletin Board notices. Posters. Town papers and radio. Dormitory and residence notification. Talk it up.

#### D. Prizes

- 1. 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.
- 2. If published, make the prize well known. If not published, let no one know in advance.
- 3. Perhaps a college or student body official would be happy to 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. A take-off on a fashion or beauty show, using the candidates, grimacing their worst, might be interesting.
- 3. Since this project is in itself whimsical, the program should be light, fast moving, and funny.

- 1. This is important, for the right individual performing the task of general chairmanship can make the event a howling suc-
- 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 observation, all of which have proved merit:

- 1. Seek cooperation of girls' organizations in building enthusiasm on the campus. Even to the point of the prize being a kiss from a Queen (and every campus sooner or later elects a Queen for something) 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 ticklish subject. We'd say only under other sponsorship. And maybe not even then.

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In upper picture, John Stehr, at right, Ugly Man rules committee chairman, is shown handing Ugly Man Danny McLean the trophy for his organization. This was in Beta Psi Chapter's contest at Southeast Missouri State College. In center picture, Paul Ruane, at left, is shown receiving the Ugly Man key from

Carlton Lutz, who was then President of Delta Upsilon Chapter. This award resulted from an enthusiastic contest at East Stroudsburg State Teachers College.

In lower right, in a skit in front of Eta lota Chapter's Ugly Man display at Millersville State Teachers College, Ron Hall, left, and Glenn Dutterer are shown. The chapter contributed all proceeds from the contest to the Cancer Fund.

At the immediate right, Clyde Chapel, was voted Ugly Man at North Dakota State College and is shown receiving the recognition from Kent Sherwood (right) of Alpha Lambda Chapter.









#### Big Ugly Man Contest at Maryland

The University of Maryland's third Ugly Man contest, conducted by Epsilon Mu Chapter, saw a grand total of \$2,184.67 fall through the contest boards placed on campus and at the Sophomore Carnival the last night of fund collecting for the campus chest. Joe Sachs of Zeta Beta Tau was the winner, the prizes including an Ugly Man trophy and key, crown and a date with two campus queens. He was sponsored by the Phi Sigma Sigma Sorority and scored 50,366 votes at a penny a vote.

In all, thirty-four campus organizations sponsored candidates including fraternities, sororities, dorms, the Physics Journal Club, Independent Students Association and Men's League.

The proceeds from this contest are the largest ever collected through Maryland's UMOC, topping last year's record by more than \$400.00. This news is from Charles E. Kemp, Jr., President.

## Profits from Machines at Kirksville

ALPHA OMEGA CHAPTER owns six Coco-Cola machines which are maintained and serviced on the campus of Kirksville College of Osteopathy and Surgery by chapter members. The machines along with candy and cigarette vending machines for which the chapter has the franchise are located in the various college buildings and in waiting rooms of the hospitals. This arrangement was secured through the foresightedness of early members of the chapter. The profits are used to buy books and equipment for the college and other improvements beneficial to the entire student body and faculty.

#### Vote for Sight at Brooklyn

GAMMA IOTA CHAPTER of Brooklyn College has presented the proceeds from its 1955 Ugly Man contest to the National Council to Combat Blindness. The winner was Lester Hirsch, senior class president. It was a spirited contest, with the contestants furnishing gagged up pictures in their scrap for votes.

#### AID TO POLIO DRIVE



Some of the Spring pledges of Kappa Psi Chapter at the A & T College of North Carolina are shown with containers they used in collecting funds for the March of Dimes drive among student and townspeople. In addition to the solicitation a King of the Aggies contest was conducted, bringing a total of over \$3,000.00 raised at the college to fight polio.

#### SIGN-UP TABLE

Shown at left is the sign-up table used by Epsilon Chi Chapter at Los Angeles City College for securing names of prospective pledges. The two members in the picture are Harry Zelinka (standing) and Walter Bauer (seated). The others are prospects looking over the APO materials. The two poster boards show what Alpha Phi Omega offers the prospective pledges. The one on the left is a large U. S. map with 276 pins stuck in it pointing out the chapters of the fraternity. The one at right has pictures showing various events of the chapter. The table contains Question and Answer books, college information, etc. The trophies and plaques also attracted much attention. This sign-up table has been very effective in bringing new prospective pledges for the chapter.



#### "COFFEE DAY" AT MICHIGAN TECH FOR MARCH OF DIMES





In the left picture, Dr. Grover C. Dillman, President of Michigan College of Mining and Technology, is shown placing the first coin in the dime board. From then on it didn't take long for the big container to fill up. In the picture at right, members of Epsilon Lambda Chapter are shown counting the proceeds from Coffee Day which were given to the polio fund. They are, left to right, Harvey Branch, David Knowles, chapter president, Tom Simula, Ray Lescelius, Jim Hussin and John Stewart. The manager of the Memorial Union building donated all coffee during the day, the customers placing the regular price or more in the cannister for the fund. Results: \$313.00 for the March of Dimes.

#### **Leadership Training Course**

With Jim Miller, chapter president as Conference Chairman, LAMBDA CHAPTER of the *University of Kansas*, recently had charge of the program at a Junior Leader Conference for Kaw Council, BSA. Attending were Patrol Leaders, Assistant Patrol Leaders, Senior Patrol Leaders and Junior Assistant Scoutmasters. It was a very successful event.

#### **Donation to Campus Chest**

ALPHA GAMMA CHAPTER gave \$50.00 to the Campus Chest of *Purdue University*. It was donated in the name of the first women's campus organization which agreed to tie the knots on the pledge boards of the Spring pledge class.

February 10 was designated as "Wear 'Em and Carry 'Em Day" by Harold Hambrock, President of Alpha Gamma Chapter. All active members dug out their old pledge boards, retied the loosened knots and carried them on campus throughout the day while the pledges wore their pledge boards. This was for the purpose of publicizing Spring pledging. Members willingly answered questions about  $\Delta\Phi\Omega$  and invited interested students to attend open meetings. This is reported by Larry L. Cain, Historian.

#### **Buy Wheel Chairs at Wayne**

ZETA PI CHAPTER is using the proceeds from its Ugly Man contest to buy wheel chairs for disabled students of *Wayne University*. This is reported by Marshall Martin, Treasurer.

#### **New Chapter Office**

At the *University of Wisconsin*, BETA THETA CHAPTER has secured a permanent office on the campus. It will be used as a headquarters and anyone desiring service can contact the chapter there. Records will be kept at the office and this new space is expected to be a great asset in the continued success of the chapter. This is reported by Bill Brissee, Past President.

#### **Ugly Man at Temple**

The entire campus was aware of Alpha Phi Omega's service program as ZETA IOTA CHAPTER conducted its recent Ugly Man contest at *Temple University*. Publicity on the university radio station WRTI and in the student newspaper was very helpful in getting out the votes. This news of the first Ugly Man contest at Temple is reported by Bernath Berkowitz, Vice-President.

#### **Aid to Red Cross**

In two ways, Delta Upsilon CHAPTER of East Stroudsburg State Teachers College has recently aided the Red Cross. The members recruited donors for the visit of the blood donor unit and also contacted all business places in the community in the Red Cross drive for members and funds. Writes Mrs. Ida M. Kunkle, Executive Director of the Red Cross Chapter, "Their splendid cooperation in these worthwhile projects is greatly appreciated by the officers and members of the Monroe County Chapter American Red Cross and the community."

#### First Pledge Class at Loras College

Having been installed less than a year ago, LAMBDA KAPPA CHAPTER recently inducted its first pledge class and has proclaimed it an outstanding success. A total of twenty-five pledges were initiated into the chapter on February 27 and it was a pleasant moment for these brothers who had completed a remarkable four-month period of pledgeship. They had contributed to the success of numerous projects.

One of the pledge activities was assistance in College Day, a day designed to acquaint high school seniors with the college. There were about 300 seniors in attendance. Many of the pledges assisted last Fall with Homecoming decorations and the annual Parents Day and in the campus Community Chest drive. Two of the pledges have been rendering valuable service as Assistant Scoutmasters in local troops. Other projects such as flag raising, distribution of posters and help at the dedication of a new building were included in the pledges activities.

This class was dedicated in honor of John C. Berens, District Scout Executive of the Northeast Iowa Council, whose efforts and encouragement were invaluable in the formation and continued success of Lambda Kappa Chapter. In recognition of his service to Scouting and to the chapter, a Bible was presented to Brother Berens by Gerald J. Beauvais, President, in the name of all of the members of Lambda Kappa Chapter. This report is from Howard J. Nicholson, Publicity Chairman.

Representative

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Joe Paul Tupin

Dr. Lawrence L. Hirsch

Bill Roth and James Evans

Stanley Levingston and

Dr. R. H. Bolyard

Benjamin F. Fay

Dr. Henry Miller

Dr. Glenn R. Barr

## KNOW YOUR A.P.O. - - -

## SECTIONAL CONFERENCE AREAS

Our National President, M. R. Disborough, has designated the following areas for the 1955 Sectional Conferences of Alpha Phi Omega and has appointed the brothers indicated to represent the National Executive Board in planning and conducting these conferences.

Northwest Section Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana

Pacific Coast Section California, Utah, Arizona, Nevada

Mountain Section

New Mexico, Colorado, Wyoming

North Central Section

Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota

Midwest Section

Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas

Southwest Section Texas, Oklahoma

Central Section

Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan

Middle States Section

Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia and possibly Western Pennsylvania

Southeastern Section

Florida, Georgia, North and South Carolina

Southern Section

Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee

Eastern Section

Virginia, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Pennsylvania

Metropolitan Section

New York, New Jersey

New England Section

Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Hampshire

Rev. Robert J. Payne

Further details as to location, host chapter and date for each conference will be made available to each chapter well in advance of each conference. Plan ahead toward having your chapter strongly represented at the Sectional Conference in your area!

#### **Big Newsletter at Bowling Green**

ZETA KAPPA CHAPTER at Bowling Green State University has published a 20-page booklet—a super newsletter. It shows pictures of numerous projects including the book exchange, coat checking, clothing drive, orphan home book drive and others. Edited by Ronald Eiserling, this booklet also describes other projects such as the loan fund, Scout swimming instruction and travel bureau, providing a fine report of an outstanding chapter program. We received a copy by courtesy of Harry P. Thal, President.

#### Front Page News at Harpur

An excellent front page article about the activities of THETA KAPPA CHAPTER appeared in a recent issue of "The Colonial News" of *Harpur College*. It names seventeen new members initiated, lists newly elected officers, mentions such projects as the Ugly Man contest, travel bureau, information booths at registration, assistance with class elections, running refreshment stand at basketball games and others. This was received from Prof. Lawrence F. Pisani, Chairman of the Advisory Committee.

#### A SPIRIT OF SERVICE AT TCU

Dr. Estus C. Polk, Chairman of the Advisory Committee of GAMMA KAPPA CHAPTER at Texas Christian University reports enthusiastic progress in the chapter. Students and advisors alike have done good work throughout the year. In addition to service projects, which have been successful, the group counts as one of its greatest achievements the fact that they have aided the university in trying to exemplify on the campus the true meaning of the word service and in doing so have at the same time done much to further the spirit of brother-hood

Projects reported include participation in a Career Day Conference held at TCU, conducting a tour of the campus for HI-Y group, handling a sale of sandwiches and soft drinks on the student body trip to Houston, ushered at the Disciples of Christ State Convention, ushered and distributed programs for the Creative Writing Day on campus, decorated the goal posts for every home game during the football season, and furnished information booths and guides during homecoming, aided in registration, furnishing guides in registration areas and runners for faculty, ushered and distributed programs for chapel exercises every Tuesday throughout the year and for convocations held each Thursday, and aided the campus YMCA in selling tickets for a benefit basketball game.

#### **Dimes at Eastern Illinois**

To assist the March of Dimes fund, Delta Psi Chapter conducted a collection on February 9 and 12 by providing tubs placed on the basketball court. The crowds threw coins and bills, resulting in a total of \$70.00 which was turned over to the campaign officials. The chapter also staged several successful record dances after basketball games providing them free for the students. This is reported by Gerald L. Williams, Treasurer.

#### OH, YOU BEAUTIFUL DOLL

(Continued from page five)

One word of caution! 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, and with purpose.

#### Alumni: A New Horizon

#### By E. Ross Forman National Third Vice President

Alumni chapters were nonexistent until a few years ago, although thousands of brothers had entered into the business world. This situation existed, even though the founder of our beloved fraternity, Frank R. Horton, had said, "My original plan was to have alumni groups everywhere . . ."

Chapters were first authorized at the Chicago Convention in 1948. Since that time twelve have been established. Alumni objectives were further crystallized at our 1954 Convention into a definite program which

opens new horizons to all members.

The alumni carry the cardinal principles of Alpha Phi Omega into the business world. They are pledged to the ideal of service, specializing in community work as compared to the campus activities of the undergraduate brothers.

Varied Activities

Alumni assist in the Scouting program of their respective communities by setting up troops in orphanages or other special locations and by aiding at Scout camporees and circuses. They have aided children's hospitals, cleared timber after a hurricane and repaired a clubhouse for needy boys.

Because alumni include brothers in professional walks of life, the talent of lawyers, educators, personnel men, engineers, doctors and architects are available when they

tackle a project.

Fellowship plays a part in alumni activities. They have canoe trips, bowling, and dances. From Southern California to Milwaukee to Philadelphia you'll find no lack of friendship.

Alumni always have the interest of the undergraduates at heart. Many alumni are in positions of importance in their companies and can notify new graduates of new positions.

#### Service to Alpha Phi Omega

For our fraternity the alumni hope to serve in several ways. The honor of serving on the National Executive Board is open to alumni elected to such posts by the National Convention and many have given of their time and money in this capacity. At the 1954 Convention for the first time all of the elected officers of the board were alumni who had come up through the college chapters.

Alumni have adopted the initials of their name as their trademark. (Buffalo Area Alumni Chapter is BAAC.) And there's OAAC, HAAC, CAAC, MAAC and others. There is a possibility of WAAC—if a

group starts in Washington.

The alumni movement can attract the leader in the community as  $A\Phi\Omega$  has always done on the campus. An alumni chapter can be started in your community if you do not already have one by banding together fifteen or more former active members to meet the national requirements.

Among the many organizations brothers can find to join after graduation in none will there be found a wider circle of friends from all walks of life than in Alpha Phi Omega alumni. Everyone is aware of the enviable record of our fraternity on campuses. Your alumni are striving to follow this record in the community.

## FROM AFAR - - -





In upper picture, the second project undertaken by members and pledges of Gamma Chapter of APO in the Philippines is shown. The group concreted the driveway in front of Oriental Hall, the University's Girls Dormitory. The project was named "Operation Pavement." It was completed after three weeks of hard work. The picture is by courtesy of Nilo V. Cavales.

Numerous other fine projects carried out by chapters in the Philippines show that our brothers there have the true spirit of our fraternity. There are now five chapters of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines. The organization there has been functioning since 1950. It operates under its own national officers and has held its first national convention.

In lower picture, Pvt. Harvey L. Omstead of Huntington, Indiana, is shown presenting Webelos Badges to Cub Scouts in Goeppingen, Germany. Harvey, who serves as Scoutmaster and Cubmaster for 45 sons of military and civilian personnel stationed near Goeppingen, is a wireman with the 9th Infantry Division's 9th Signal Company. Before entering the armed forces he attended Ball State Teachers College and Purdue University, where he was active in Alpha Phi Omega.

### LEADERSHIP FEATURE - - -

# MR. FACULTY ADVISOR

#### By Professor Daniel Den Uyl

Past National President of Alpha Phi Omega Faculty Advisor of Alpha Gamma Chapter

The dictionary defines advisor as "a person who gives advice." It also states that it is a "teacher who is appointed to advise students." In Alpha Phi Omega the Faculty Advisor is chosen by the members of the chapter. He is not appointed but is selected; elected by the active chapter members to be their advisor.

Since the Faculty Advisor is chosen by the students he should feel that it is indeed an honor to be selected. Therefore he should accept the responsibilities of his office with humility and a sincere desire to serve.

Now, just what does the word faculty mean? The dictionary definition states "power of mind or body" or "teachers of a school, college or university." So there is the term Faculty Advisor—a teacher who has been elected to give advice to the members of the fraternity.

The Faculty Advisor's duties are "to give counsel and advice to the chapter, to encourage a development of high fraternal and scholastic standards, and to serve as a member of the advisory committee."

How should an advisor carry out the duties of giving counsel and advice? Perhaps the most effective way is by first knowing personally the chapter officers. That is essential because they can expect from the advisor, whom they know and respect, counsel and advice. It is also essential that the advisor attend meetings, participate in activities and assist the committees. The nominating committee is one which the advisor should help because his counsel is needed in the selection of leaders who will be qualified to serve the chapter.

One of the best rules for the Faculty Advisor to follow in dealing with the membership is this, "Do not obligate the chapter or any of its members for a project or service without consent or approval prior to your commitment." Failure to remember this can cause many difficulties but following it makes for good chapter service and for the best student and advisor relationships.

There are many times when the counsel and advice of the Faculty Ad-

visor is needed. The well-organized chapter has projects that are continuing ones, but each year new officers and members must carry out these services. So the Faculty Advisor can help acquaint them with the projects and can often suggest how the services can be improved. In some cases he can be the one through whom the project needs can best be studied because he is familiar with past service project records.

So it is really not too difficult to be a Faculty Advisor. One must accept the responsibility, give of his time and efforts, work with the members of the fraternity, especially the officers, to help carry out the program of Alpha Phi Omega.

A good Faculty Advisor is one who considers it an honor to be chosen from among the faculty members and to be given the opportunity to serve with the students of his college or university who are organized under the name of Alpha Phi Omega, National Service Fraternity.

# Newsletter Clips

# ALPHA CHI CHAPTER FINDS NEW PROJECT THROUGH TORCH AND TREFOIL

In reading the December issue of the TORCH AND TREFOIL several weeks ago, I came across the article entitled "Scouting for Handicapped Boys." After discussing the idea with the Executive Committee, we approached Cambridge Council and then the Boston Council. Mr. George Traquair of Boston Council told us of Troop 32 at Children's Medical Center. We contacted the Scoutmaster, Mr. Harold Remmes, and Ed LaMothe and I went to his home and discussed plans of the troop. Up to the present he had been using help of some Explorers from his

troop. The first meeting we attended proved to be a unique experience. Approximately ten Scouts and an equal number of leaders met in one of the wards. Most of the boys worked on the Tenderfoot requirements, since they are mainly short term patients. A few of the boys have had previous Scouting affiliations and work was commenced from their background.

The following week a St. Patrick's Day party was held. Knute Hamland and John Rozendaal provided entertainment with a guitar and voices. A crisis occurred when Knute did not

know Davy Crockett, but he quickly learned it and we proceeded merrily. After performing admirably in the Boy Scout age ward, he travelled to the younger girl's ward. Our singing troubadours went from bed to bed playing requests, mostly Davy Crockett. One little girl was taught how to play the guitar by Knute. From there we went to the polio section of the hospital. There Knute and John entertained the Girl Scout unit, a very fine one. The Girl Scouts provided ice cream and cookies. As a Santa Claus with professional standing, I think we had a very fine party.

I've just returned from our meeting tonight. Garth Ervin has added his services to the unit. Again we worked on Scouting requirements.

This past week-end George Steinberg, Pierre Cathou and I went to Camp Ted to prepare color and black and white photographs to aid in Second Class requirements. Greatly aided by Mr. Frank McGurk and Scouts in

Troop 99, we prepared some excellent slides.

There is one other activity we are working with in connection with this unit. One of the junior leaders is a former patient at the hospital and has a physical disability. He has achieved the rank of Life Scout. All he has remaining for the Eagle requirements are swimming and life saving skills. Under the careful and patient instructions of Lionel Gray, Red Cross water safety instructor, and in cooperation with the Scout's doctor, he has started on the hard, but I hope successful, road to Eagle.

To what end is all this? I thought Scouting is a game to be played in the woods? Thoughts such as these might occur to you. Here's our ideas on the subject. We are more interested in the character building part of Scouting. We all recognize this as the purpose behind the game. We've changed the rules somewhat, but the purposes are very much strengthened. Self-reliance is one big theme. Kids who are sick have had people doing things for them for a long time. Scouting helps to keep them from getting too dependent on other people. Bravery and cheerfulness are other by-products. It is hard to smile while a pin cushion or while your body has weights hanging on its limbs. Lastly, it is necessary for people with a disability to find the limits and to recognize the many things they can do. We all know the story of the sickly boy who led the Rough Riders at San Juan and later became President. Friendliness and reverence are also important; he must want to help other people, to pay back the kindness that has been shown him, and to recognize the Greatest Doctor is incumbent

It must appear that I'm forgetting the key man in this work. I can not do that as Mr. Remmes is a very faithful Scouter. We can never evaluate what he has done, but the large number of lives he has strengthened can be approached qualitatively. Along with the wonderful cooperation from the hospital, he makes the troop fun to work with.

On the night of the party, another  $A\Phi\Omega$  member and I were walking to the ward in the polio section. We passed a room in which a little girl, about eight, and very cute, lay sleeping. An iron lung aided her breathing. We stopped and he said to me, "It really makes you think!"

—Bernard S. Levy.

# Campus Editorials

#### A JOB WELL DONE

Members of the Alpha Phi Omega fraternity who recently completed the Civil Defense Auxiliary police course, which was offered by the state of Pennsylvania, should be congratulated for a job well performed.

It is certainly true, yet appalling, that all too few of us are interested in Civil Defense. These men were not only interested in preparing for the task of securing the safety of the masses of people, should any great crisis arise, they did something about it!

Civil Defense is a vital part of our country's over-all defense program and should not be treated lightly. Today, the men and women who put long and trying hours into the Civil Defense program to insure its successful operation in any given emergency are as important to the defense cause as are the uniformed armed forces personnel of our country.

It would do us all good and help to strengthen our nation as well, if the members of the student body would acquaint themselves with the functions of the Civil Defense program and take an active part in the organization. Civil Defense may save your life some day.

The above editorial, which appeared in a recent issue of "The Stroud Courier," is a fine tribute to one of the excellent projects of Delta Upsilon Chapter at East Stroudsburg State Teachers College.

#### A FUND REMINDER

A group of Columbia faculty men and administrators have struck some ludicrous poses this week in a contest for an extremely worthy cause. The good sports are Dean Cole, Professors Dawson and Ryan, Dr. Stern, and Messrs. Barr, Coleman, and Shenton; the contest is Alpha Phi Omega's "Ugly Man Contest"; and the cause to which all proceeds go is the Columbia College Fund.

There is no doubt that this year's College Fund needs all the money that APO's "Ugly Man" competition is trying to raise, for at the last report from the development office contributions from those on campus have been alarmingly small.

The candidate in whose name most money is contributed to the Fund will be declared the winner, so if you have a favorite, we urge you to dig down deep and assure his victory, at the same time helping to increase the funds available for much-needed scholarships.

From the "Columbia Daily Spectator" this editorial is indicative of the fine spirit which exists in Lambda Theta Chapter's Ugly Man Contest.

#### Blood Typing at Missouri Valley

In cooperation with Civil Defense, Epsilon Epsilon Chapter has conducted blood typing of students. Everyone on campus was given opportunity to obtain a "dog tag" with his name, address and blood type. Nearly everyone on the campus was typed.



# BULLETIN BOARD

#### SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Recommended summer activities are: Continue active or partial program in chapters which have a sufficient number of members on the campus during the Summer session.

Prepare for the Fall program, outlining objectives in all phases of  $A\Phi\Omega$  activities.

Keep up contacts by mail among officers, members and advisors to coordinate plans for the new year.

Aid Scouting in your home town this Summer.

Write to brothers who are in the Armed Forces to keep them informed about  $A\Phi\Omega$ .

#### **OUR NEXT ISSUE**

Plans have been started for next year's issues of TORCH AND TREFOIL and we hope to make them of increasing value to the entire fraternity.

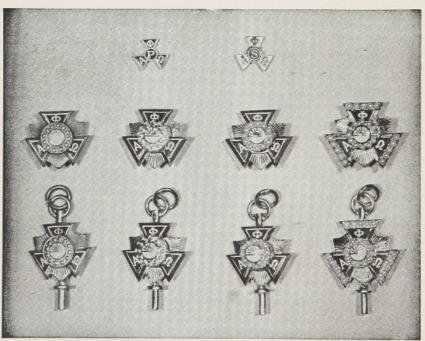
We invite all chapters to send news reports about recent service projects for use in Fall issues.

Pictures are especially desired—pictures showing members and pledges in action on service work. Those offer the best means of letting other chapters know about your projects. They will tell your story much more vividly than just words. Please send pictures whenever they can be secured in connection with your chapter projects.

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