

*Alpha Phi Omega's*

# TORCH AND TREFOIL



**A Pledge Plaque As Used in Alpha Gamma Chapter at  
Purdue University**

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significance of this emblem.)

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### BOOK MATCHES

Alpha Eta Chapter now has available book matches with the insignia and Greek letters of Alpha Phi Omega in gold on a royal blue background. They are popular with the members and are good publicity when used at service and social functions. Orders may be sent by chapters to the National Office.

## TORCH and TREFOIL

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## TEN NEW CHAPTERS INSTALLED IN ONE MONTH

These bring the total roster to 132 Chapters, 28 of which were established since last September.

Across the nation, from Connecticut to Oregon, ten new chapters entered Alpha Phi Omega in the final four weeks of last Spring's term. As a result of many months of preparation, charters were issued under the direction of the national executive board. Eight members of the board officiated at the several ceremonies, including Dr. Ray O. Wyland, Professor Kent D. Shaffer, Dr. H. Roe Bartle, C. M. Finnell, Frank D. Wood, Professor A. L. Thomas, Joseph Scanlon and Sidney B. North. Degree teams from ten nearby chapters conducted the ritual, each very impressively.

The ten new chapters have made excellent preparations for 1947-48 to enlarge the activities started last year. We take pleasure in presenting below statements from officers of the new chapters. We salute these chapters and extend best wishes to them.

### CENTRAL MICHIGAN COLLEGE

We are proud of our new chapter. Epsilon Beta Chapter which was installed May 16 had more than a year of preparatory work and has become firmly established on the campus.

—Harold Woodin, President.

### WILLAMETTE UNIVERSITY

Epsilon Kappa Chapter has laid plans for a big year on the campus. Our installation ceremonies last May 25 went off like clockwork under the direction of Brother Joseph Scanlon and the degree team of Delta Eta Chapter.

—James W. Brennan, President.

### WEST GEORGIA COLLEGE

Our members are reporting back to the campus early to assist with new student week, and to help select the fall pledge class. We plan to have an APO student advisor to work with each faculty advisor—serving as a counsellor for campus procedure, student activities etc. We'll also have members assisting new students with their luggage, manning an information booth, and conducting tours of the campus.

—Paul M. Petersen,

Chairman of Advisory Committee.

### RENNSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

We have devoted considerable time to studying the new Manual of Administration and will make use of the material offered by the national office for the first complete active term as a chapter.

—Russell T. Olsen, President.

### ALFRED UNIVERSITY

Epsilon Gamma Chapter looks great! There are so many available service projects at Alfred University that I think you will be hearing a great deal from this new chapter as the years roll by.

—W. R. Cumerford, Scouting Advisor.

### TEACHERS COLLEGE OF CONNECTICUT

This chapter is still quite new but already its influence is being felt on the campus. We should have no trouble in obtaining our goal of 50-100 members. I believe that our growth is limited only by the number of men attending the college and male enrollment is now at its all-time peak.

—James A. Walsh, President.

### UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

Our chapter has just been organized and with enthusiasm this fall I am sure the chapter will grow rapidly and become very active on the campus.

—Milton Munkeby, President.

### MISSISSIPPI STATE COLLEGE

The Epsilon Iota Chapter was installed May 17, 1947. We have 44 members and 4 pledges. We are ready for the Fall semester.

—George P. Hendrick, President.

### UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND

Since we are a new chapter in a large university our possibilities for growth are great. We hope we can spread Alpha Phi Omega to some of the nearby colleges and universities. On our campus and in our community the scope of our projects is unlimited and with cooperation such as we have had so far we hope to make a name for ourselves.

—Myron Weston, President.

### MISSOURI VALLEY COLLEGE

Having just received our charter at the end of this year we have not yet made definite plans for the new year. The officers are making plans through the summer for activities next year. Prospects are bright for increased activities and membership. Every attempt will be made to uphold and fulfill all the duties and traditions of Alpha Phi Omega on our campus.

—Thomas J. Cannon, Jr., Treasurer.

Pictures of these chapters will appear in later issues of the Torch and Trefoil.

Other news of plans for this new year appear on pages five to eight of this issue. Read the plans of the many chapters and glean from them such ideas as may be useful in your chapter this fall!



# A Successful Pledge Training Program

By Alpha Gamma Chapter  
Purdue University

The pledge system of Alpha Gamma Chapter at Purdue is the outgrowth of several years' accumulation of activities and ideas. Credit is due, most largely, to Professor Daniel Den Uyl, our advisory chairman, and to our past officers, who directed the efforts to a practical end.

The entire program is planned and carried out by a committee made up of the chairman of the advisory committee, the chapter president, both ex officio, the pledgemaster, and one active member for each four or five anticipated pledges. These actives are carefully chosen in view of the fact that they, representing the committee, will personally interview each prospective pledge.

The list of prospective pledges is obtained by two methods: from personal recommendations of the active members, and from expression of interest at an open meeting. (This meeting is preceded by a census and issuing of invitations to eligible men.)

We begin the meeting with a welcome by the president, after which both members and guests introduce themselves. The preliminary speeches consist of: an address by a representative of the university administration, who explains the attitude of the faculty toward Alpha Phi Omega; another by our advisory chairman, listing the general ideals and principles upon which APO is founded; a third by the vice-president or secretary, telling of the services and activities of the organization; a fourth by the treasurer, who discusses the financial arrangements both with the chapter and national organization. These four speeches must necessarily be short and to the point.

The main speech is given by either the president or the pledgemaster. He brings out the fact that

*In this timely article, the members of Alpha Gamma Chapter give us the story of the very effective pledge training program used in Alpha Phi Omega at Purdue. This material has been compiled under direction of Brother George F. Cahill, Past Pledgemaster and now President of the chapter, upon special request from the national office. We are indebted to him and to the entire chapter for this important message. In the past five years, under this plan, 292 new members have been trained and initiated in Alpha Gamma Chapter. The Editors believe herein are methods which may well be studied and adapted in other chapters.*

our entire pledge system serves the single purpose of determining the sincerity of the pledges' ambitions to contribute service in our four fields. He emphasizes the point that Scouting and hazing do not mix and, since that is true, that we do not tolerate hazing our pledges.

He then outlines the requirements of the pledge for active membership and distributes application blanks to those who are interested in having an interview with one of the pledging committee members. These applications, however, are not dated nor signed until the ceremony of formal pledging.

During the next week, each man who has submitted an application is interviewed by one of the committee members, particularly assigned to him. Each candidate is then discussed before a meeting of the entire committee, who approve or disapprove the applications on the basis of the outcome of the interviews and discussion. The approved list is then given over to the secretary who issues invitations to the men accepted for formal pledging.

The ritual of formal pledging follows exactly that in the national ritual book, but in a preliminary speech by the president, we again take the opportunity to stress that they shall be expected to work and demonstrate their willingness to give freely of their time and

energy to further the principles of Alpha Phi Omega. Immediately following the ritual we hold our first pledge meeting, which consists of the listing specifically the requirements of each pledge necessary to initiation. The complete schedule of all pledge activities, together with the dates therefore is announced. This practice places a responsibility on the pledges and gives Alpha Phi Omega priority in cases of subsequent conflicting dates.

The pledges are instructed to:

- I. Complete a pledge plaque in the shape of the APO key (supplied by the chapter at a cost of about 40c each);
  - A. It must be sandpapered and finished in the colors of the fraternity key or in the school colors;
  - B. Alpha Gamma (or the name of the particular chapter) should appear on the horizontal bar part of the front of the board;
  - C. The Greek letters, Alpha, Phi, and Omega, are oriented as on the key and may be made of decal material or painted;
  - D. The pledge's name and school in the university should appear on the back of the board at the top;
  - E. The back side should be finished and then sanded down so that the ink (from the signatures of the actives) will go on smoothly. (Clear nail polish is suggested as a good coating over these signatures.)
- II. Attach to the board a rope of clothes line or similar line having nine (9) knots tied in it. Suggested knots are:
 

Square	Fisherman's knot
Bowline	Figure eight
Masthead	Carrick bend
Clove hitch	Sheepshank



Hangman's noose (13 loops in coil.)

- III. Secure a special APO cap made like a sailor's white hat of blue and gold felt, having on the outside a gold crown and blue rim and on the inside a blue crown and gold rim. These caps are worn inside out by the pledges and rightside out by the actives.

The foregoing three items are carried by the pledge during his pledge period. The chief purpose of these accoutrements is to make the APO pledges distinctive among those of other honorary fraternities on campus. The board furnishes a place whereon the pledges obtain the signatures of the actives and faculty members, a procedure which brings the pledges into personal contact with the members and serves to introduce the candidates individually to the active chapter.

- IV. Complete satisfactorily the educational program of tests and examinations arranged by the chapter.
- V. Fulfill a minimum suitable number of hours of supervised work in the direction of one or more of our four service fields.

Subsequent pledge meetings, five in all, comprise an educational program of assignments for study, lectures, and examinations. Topics for these assignments include a study of the university history and tradition, the names and offices of important campus executives, the constitution, organization, and history both of the local chapter and of the national structure of Alpha Phi Omega. The Pledge Manual is of great assistance to the proper instruction of the fraternity material. There are four tests and one final examination, which are not, as is often the case in honorary groups, mere matters of form. They should be made out with the intention of impressing the most important material on the pledges' minds, as well as that of affording a basis for selection of the best candidates for initiation.

The Saturday following the final

examination is devoted to a seventeen mile hike (a real hike), which is led by the pledgemaster and other active members of the chapter. The hikers leave the campus about noon and take a predetermined, but unannounced, route to the nearby Scout camp, where other actives have prepared a meal for them. On arrival, it is traditional that the pledges throw their pledgemaster into the river. After dinner there is a campfire at which the pledges, previously divided into groups of convenient size, present stunts and skits for the entertainment of the company. This entertainment is followed by similar acts presented by the actives. Here, in a speech by the pledgemaster, final plans for the initiation and banquet on the following day are announced. The activities of this Saturday serve the invaluable purpose of allowing the pledges and actives to come into informal contact with each other and of cementing together the pledges as a class and as a part of the chapter.

Plans for the initiation and banquet are carried out by two committees, one for each of the two functions, under joint chairmanship; the chairman works at all times in immediate association with the president and the pledgemaster. It goes without saying that the more care taken in setting up the initiation paraphernalia, the more impressive background the ceremony will have. It is essential also that the spoken parts of the service be memorized and delivered by men with impressive manners of speech. The officers are used insofar as possible; however, we have sometimes sacrificed letter-bound ritual, for the sake of impressiveness.

The banquet committee members and the actives as well must keep in mind that the banquet is given primarily for the new members. In addition, this banquet provides the best opportunity the organization has to introduce its individual members to campus dignitaries who come there in the role of speakers. As in any banquet pro-

gram the speeches should be minimized, both in length and number. Decorations are usually within the themes of Scouting and Alpha Phi Omega.

We here also have a tradition which comes to light at the banquet each year: the outstanding pledge, as chosen by the pledging committee, is presented with an award, handed down annually from pledge class to pledge class. The names and dates of initiation of the winners of the award are inscribed thereon.

The primary basis for judging the pledges for this award, as well as for initiation, is a grading point system.

It is apparent that the pledgemaster is responsible for the execution of the entire program. He is the representative of the pledging committee and thereby of the entire chapter and is responsible to them for carrying out their ideas. On him, perhaps more than on any other one person, rests the chances for success of the plan. The most significant lesson we have learned, however, is that the administration of the pledge program is not a one man job; it is the obligation of every member to take an active interest in it and to see that it is brought to the best possible conclusion.

We, of course, realize that this program is, perhaps, most applicable to Alpha Gamma alone; nevertheless, we sincerely hope that parts of it, if not all of it, may be worked advantageously into the pledge period schedules of other chapters. We have found that, using this plan of activities, we are better able to select the best men for active membership in our chapter, to instruct them in the ideas and ideals of the fraternity, and to direct their ambitions into the channels of willing service. In return, we can see ourselves building a better and stronger chapter and thus contributing in the best possible way to the nationwide accomplishments of Alpha Phi Omega.



# PLANS FOR 1947-48

## WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE

We have a great year ahead of us this year as in the past year we have really established ourselves, we aren't just a name in the directory, but a Service Group which gets things done and known to all here on the campus. This means also that potential members are now looking us up to join as we really mean something here at WSC.

The Boy Scout Weekend of October 25 with the half time entertainment for the Dad's Day game that week-end has been turned over to us to do, this will be our big project this fall.

—Wallace Hoffman, Past President.

## UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

Beta Chapter is now prepared to advance to it's rightful position in school affairs after devoting all 1946-47 in getting re-instated after having been inactive during the war.

—James B. Say, Treasurer.

## CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Gamma Chapter was reorganized in the early part of this year and has initiated a class of eighteen neophytes, but our manpower is still low and membership expansion will be our first project. This fall's class will be contacted at every meeting during the orientation program, and our membership committee will direct the chapter in an intensive expansion program until we have reached a good working strength.

—Albert L. Thomas, Jr.  
Past President.

## NORTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

Epsilon Chapter plans to start off this fall with a large rushing program. We want to start off big so we will be able to take our usual part in the homecoming activities in November. We are looking forward to a much larger and fuller program for this year.

—William A. Deskin, President.

## NORTHERN ILLINOIS STATE

With the growth of the college and without a corresponding growth in student groups, we expect Alpha Phi Omega to take up much of the slack necessary to keep full activities going at NI.

—Bill Kilgore, President.

## PARK COLLEGE

The chapter is to help in freshman orientation week—campus cards are to be filled out at registration and Iota Chapter looks to a good year.

—Tom McNamara, Past President.

## U. C. L. A.

Chi Chapter is planning to participate in the following activities: Homecoming, orientation of new students, continue grass campaign and help various charitable funds.

—George R. Lamb, President.

## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

Next year we hope to procure an office for meetings and project headquarters in the barracks being built on campus. We have some plans laid for contacting and rushing as well as much enthusiasm for good pledge training. While increasing our membership we will be expanding our projects to meet needs which we have seen on the campus. Through our projects and program (meetings and socials and outings) we will expand our fellowship to be a significant part of each fellow's A-Phi-O experience.

—Conrad R. Wurtz, President.

## KANSAS STATE COLLEGE

Pi Chapter predicts a 100% growth during the fall term.

The chapter proposes the following activities: Freshman Orientation guide service and program, rush picnic, Christmas Seal drive, March of Dimes campaign and dance, Scout field day.

—Robert A. House, President.

## UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

Only men with good scholastic standing and at least ten hours service will be initiated in Tau Chapter. This requirement was met by our last group. We intend to have a full chapter but only if we can get the right men. A campus clean-up project, co-operation with the pep club for better school spirit, Homecoming decorations, conducting student elections, campus polls, guide service, and a tentative benefit dance in addition to a Handsome Harry and Ugly Man contest will keep us busy this year.

—Stanley Poole, President.

## MILWAUKEE STATE TEACHERS

It's been grand hearing MSTC fellows and girls point to our little office cubicle and say, "That's Alpha Phi Omega—they're the top outfit in school. They do a lot." We can look proudly upon a collection of appreciative letters from our college president, our deans, other faculty members, and our student organizations for services rendered. However, we won't get much chance to swell with pride because we'll be kept pretty trim handling the coming projects that have been requested. But with 60 members and pledges "going like sixty," we will get the job done.

—Warren Darkow, President.

## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

This fall, Phi Chapter's most important project will be the sponsoring of the central lost and found for the campus. We are making plans now for securing office space and equipment for this. Full cooperation with the University chapter of Red Cross and Campus Chest is also planned. For increasing membership a registration booth is being planned.

—Robert Stapleton, Past President.

## UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

The past year we endeavored to overcome our wartime inactivity, we undertook numerous projects and increased our membership by over 30 men. We intend to double our present membership by June 1948 and with the enlargement of the university we are taking on an even greater role of service.

—Frank C. Stokes, President.

## UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

Alpha Rho will grow as never before and APO will grow in Texas with increased vigor. The spirit of APO will spread over the whole campus and we're going to strive to inculcate the spirit of service in every student. Alpha Rho is headed for the greatest year ever.

—C. C. Nolen, President.

## UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Alpha Sigma Chapter intends to increase its membership to full strength of at least one hundred members through the use of a campus survey of Scouts and former Scouts, cooperation of the organized houses, and an extensive membership drive. The campus beautification project and the registration project will be resumed and an information booth and guided campus tours will be established.

—Rodney Franklin, Secretary.

## DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

Plan will be to renew interest of student body in action of APO. All charity drives will be held on campus by us. The annual bridge tournament will be conducted by APO. We plan an advertisement in conduct of Old Gold Day.

—Jerrold L. Colten, President.

## WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Alpha Phi is very proud of its past record and plans to even better that record this coming year. Besides continuing our annual service projects to the community and Scouting with our Easter Egg Hunt and work day in preparation for camp opening, we are planning on becoming even more of a force on campus by continuing to be the "Minute Men" on the campus of Washington U.

—Theodore P. Schott, President.

## LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

We expect to expand our membership in the fall to about sixty. We are also planning several projects on the campus and in the community.

—Stuart Helthall, President.

## KIRKSVILLE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHY

We look forward to the year of 1947-48 to be brighter than it has been in the past. Enrollments at the college have been steadily increasing and should be felt in good force by our organization at this time. A larger and more active organization should result in greater service.

—Everett W. Jones, Past Secretary.



**MICHIGAN STATE COLLEGE**

Due to increased college enrollment and diversified projects of an appealing nature, the membership is at present on the upswing. The enthusiasm of the members who are taking an active part in the chapter program calls for an even larger increase in not only the size of the chapter but the scope of its activities.

—Elliott L. Fritz, *President*.

**SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY**

Our chapter is planning to launch a large campaign for membership and publicity for Alpha Omicron Chapter. We are planning new services to the student body and faculty of SMU, such as, aid to the homecoming preparation, in addition to the continuation of our past projects which we intend to enlarge upon during the coming year. We want to get the most outstanding men on the campus into APO, this is our immediate objective.

—James N. Pickard, *President*.

**U. OF C. SANTA BARBARA**

We hope to add about ten to fifteen more men to our chapter. We are going to have bids this year instead of complete open induction. We hope again to conduct Howdy Dances and the May Dance.

—Henry Use, Jr., *Secretary*.

**PURDUE UNIVERSITY**

For the coming year Alpha Gamma Chapter is planning two pledge classes of approximately twenty-five pledges. Besides our banquets, we are planning eight social functions. Six special interest programs are planned for the general public to attend. We expect to continue our present projects and to expand our program with many more projects. (We predict that the National Headquarters will be moved to Purdue.)

—John E. Clark, *Recording Secretary*.

**UNIVERSITY OF OMAHA**

Now that we are an active chapter again and have our officers and committees set up, we really expect to accomplish things next fall. We have made plans for a scout census, and one "beeg" pledge class.

—William M. Haun, *Past President*.

**WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE**

This year we again will help with information facilities and hope again to put out a Student Directory as we have in the past. Also we plan to conduct a blood type stand and also hope to again fingerprint the student body. The putting up of the flag will also be taken care of and we will help robe on Achievement and Commencement Days.

—Eugene Troop, *Secretary*.

**ST. NORBERT COLLEGE**

The past year saw us building from a few old members to an active and energetic group by the end of the term. I have confidence in the men who will take their places this coming semester. I predict a membership growth to equal and surpass the past term, with a subsequent increase and expansion of activities to outstrip all in the past.

—Robert J. Devereux, *Secretary*.

**CARNEGIE TECH**

This fall when the freshman class registers, we plan to be fully prepared. One of our big problems, at present, seems to be in finding service projects which fit our campus, and we have been doing some thinking along this line during the summer.

—Milton M. Hobbs, *Secretary*.

**UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS**

The fall emphasis will be placed on leadership and all men will be given opportunity for leadership. This will call for more projects in the four fields of service and will make Lambda Chapter more valuable to the members and to the university.

—Robert L. Wehe, *President*.

**IOWA STATE COLLEGE**

With the advent of fall Xi Chapter plans for re-launching its membership campaign with a minimum membership of 100 as the immediate goal. Finding service projects to perform will be no trouble. We have plans for a successful year.

—Donald C. Anderson, *Past President*.

**LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY**

Here at Louisiana State University an organization of this type has a lot of competition but I am sure that one with a foundation as firm as this will come out on top and in the process will require plenty of time and effort of all the present members. So, in predicting the growth of this chapter, I say that with a group of men as splendid as these, the chapter cannot fail to be the leading campus organization, for every member is firmly emplaced with the three basic principles of Alpha Phi Omega. The credit in the past as it will be in the future will be due to the individual members working as a group.

—Esper K. Chandler, *President*.

**UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY**

Our plans for the quarter in September include organizing under a prepared constitution and by-laws, increasing the service projects and increasing our membership as much as possible. We intend to do everything possible to have the chapter fully organized and active in the next year.

—Robert Unterreiner, *President*.

**UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS CITY**

Alpha Eta will not only strive to maintain its present status on the campus, but will endeavor to enlarge its membership, and its scope of activities.

—John F. Puterbaugh, *Vice-President*.

**SAN DIEGO STATE COLLEGE**

We anticipate a bigger and better Alpha Delta Chapter with which to take on larger and more extensive service projects. We want in the future to be able to offer even more than now complete possibilities in all fields for our members.

—Walter A. Ross, *Past President*.

**NORTH DAKOTA AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE**

We are a small organization now but have men well posted on fall rushing to bring membership to between 50 and 100.

—James O. Kyser, *Past President*.

**NEW YORK UNIVERSITY**

Beta Iota Chapter, for the coming semester, will have a membership drive to help fulfill a well planned and greatly enlarged program of service. This will also bring us closer to the desired goals set by the convention.

—Julius Walloch, *Past President*.

**INDIANA STATE TEACHERS**

We hope to build up our chapter to the standard and we may go over it.

—S. Charles Rodgers, Jr., *President*.

**SOUTHWEST MISSOURI STATE**

The outlook for Beta Mu Chapter is very bright. We have a number of excellent prospective pledges for the summer term. We have definite plans for two projects, and \$301.95 in the treasury to use on projects and summer outings.

—Elvis E. Johnson, *President*.

**WESTMINSTER COLLEGE**

During the next academic year, Beta Xi Chapter has plans for doubling the present enrollment, a well-organized group will efficiently carry out these plans and make this possible. Of course, the regular campus service activities will also be carried out to the benefit of all students.

—Charles Layland, *President*.

**MISSOURI SCHOOL OF MINES**

In the period from now until June 1948, we hope to see Beta Omicron Chapter rise to the suggested national membership standard. We hope to see the acceptance of our chapter room-lounge by the student body, and expect to complete our barbeque pit for the school. Also we expect to traditionalize the "Beauty and the Beast" dance which first came into being here this spring.

—Eugene Mueller, *Secretary*.

**UNIVERSITY OF TULSA**

Beta Pi Chapter will launch an extensive service program beginning in September with such activities as: Information booth for freshmen and new students, assist with fall registration, publication of Frosh Handbook, conducting Scout Census, survey for blood types for emergency donors, and will enlarge the membership to fifty before 1947-48 year is over.

—Alfred G. Bordwell, *President*.

**UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS**

Beta Rho Chapter has officially been re-activated only since March 9, 1947, but the group which first met shortly before Christmas 1946 has been working together to overcome organization problems, build our membership around men who are sincerely interested in the aims and program of Alpha Phi Omega, increase our membership, and firmly establish our position on this campus as a service fraternity. Unfortunately we have been unable to continue activities during the summer school session as only a very few of us will be in school, but we feel we are ready to begin the Fall semester with over 30 sincere members and an already established reputation on the campus—which we feel is a firm foundation upon which to build an interesting, active and worthwhile program for 1947-48.

—W. B. Riley, *President*.



**TEXAS TECH**

Beta Sigma Chapter is rapidly growing and progressing in its program of service to become one of the outstanding organizations in leadership on the Texas Tech campus. With the continued cooperation that it receives from the student body and faculty, next year will be another record year. Many of our members are already leaders on the campus. There will be many more this year and believe that the year's program will be a great success.

—H. A. Tunnell, Past President.

**NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE**

We plan on getting new men this Fall. Our main objective is to arouse Scouting interest among the younger boys in the surrounding towns. We are planning on building a refreshment stand for the football games, put out programs for the games and publish a student directory.

—Gordon Bixler, President.

**SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE**

The year 1947-48 promises to be a bigger and better year for Beta Psi Chapter. With many of the present members returning there will undoubtedly be sufficient manpower to carry on the functions of the chapter. A very capable group of brothers have been elected as officers to carry out a service program during the coming year.

—Freeman O. Lewis, Past President.

**SAN JOSE STATE COLLEGE**

We are enlarging the student book exchange, planning a period clean-up of Student Union, pledging possibly 15 new members, will conduct a drive for toys and parcels for the needy for the community welfare board, and cooperate with the Scouting movement locally.

—Thomas Harold Riddle, Past President.

**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA  
AT BERKELEY**

Gamma Gamma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega at the University of California at Berkeley has just been reactivated under the leadership of Frank Brown. Thirty-five members have formed the nucleus of what promises to be a very active APO chapter. The chapter was formally initiated on May 16, 1947 by the brothers from the chapter at San Jose State College. We sincerely hope that in the coming year our chapter will continue to grow and serve our university and community in the true spirit of Alpha Phi Omega.

—Charles D. Hargreaves, Past Secretary.

**UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI**

Since April 1948 will mark our tenth year on the Missouri campus Beta Eta is planning to make the coming school year the most outstanding in our decade of existence. Plans are under way for extensive pledge drive to begin soon after the opening of the Fall semester. We have also begun work on several projects for next year, the first of which is to be setting up and manning information booths to aid new students at the first of school. We have recently adopted a chapter constitution which, with the approval of the National Office, will go into effect this fall.

—William E. Dye, Past Secretary.

**UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN**

Having gained a working membership this past year we are looking forward to building a well-rounded program of service. Committees and plans are being set up over the summer to put our chapter members at work to make Beta Theta Chapter better than ever before.

—George Shonat, President.

**UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA**

The chapter expects to enlarge its program during the next year. We also hope to have a larger pledge class than the last one. We have some new ideas for activities which will be used at the beginning of the fall term.

—W. G. Blasingame, Secretary.

**C. C. N. Y.**

Gamma Epsilon Chapter has grown, both in prestige and membership, in the past year. During this time, the City College has been celebrating its Centennial Year and Gamma Epsilon has been one of the leading figures in the planning of the celebration and various events. One of the main events was the burying of the Centennial Time Capsule, sponsored by Gamma Epsilon, which is to be opened at the bicentennial in 2047.

We are now planning to have a coordinated "Purple Heart" drive in every college that has a chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. Gamma Epsilon held such a drive last year and it met with great success, both on the campus and in the Veteran's Hospitals, which were served by the drive. Further details will be forthcoming. Gamma Epsilon, triumphant and invigorated, is looking for new fields to conquer.

—Leonard D. Goodstein, Past President.

**SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE**

Under the chairmanship of Freeman Moore, Gamma Eta Chapter expects to be over and above the membership standard. The Student Directory will be published early in the fall and will be of wider information than this year's edition. Possibility of holding a winter dance is being considered, extension in Scout ceremonial team work in community, more inter-fraternity activities, extension of work in community Scouting, and a Scouting library for the use of all interested students.

—Charles Swart, Jr., President.

**UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO**

Spirit and enthusiasm run high at the present in Gamma Theta Chapter. Never before have I witnessed such a willingness for cooperation and membership expansion. The new "life blood" which we have received from new members has been an inspiration to the older members. Eager for more and new activities, we predict a year of full time work and the attainment of our membership goal (100-150) by Spring of 1948. We are now the outstanding service fraternity on the campus, and the members intend to maintain that position. We see new horizons in Leadership, Friendship and Service.

—Jack C. Randle, President.

**LOUISIANA TECH**

We are small now but we'll click this year.

—James W. Donnell, Vice-President.

**JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY**

There is much that can and needs to be done by the brothers of Delta Phi Chapter, to foster a more wholesome school and community life for those around us. With the present brothers and ones we hope to acquire in the ensuing year, we feel that with the spirit of APO in our blood, all our goals will be accomplished.

—Thomas A. Lassiter, Secretary.

**TEXAS COLLEGE OF A & I**

We hope to raise our active membership to fifty and carry on a full program of service activities. We will continue our Hat and Coat Check Service at all college dances and at the same time increase the number of campus projects. We hope to render more service to the local Scout district and to Scouting in general. Our regular meetings will be more frequent and our socials will be monthly, either indoor or outdoor.

—J. Vern Herring, President.

**RUTGERS UNIVERSITY**

Our first year was largely a matter of trying our wings. We decided to do little, but do things right. We had to get to know each other and organize for our service projects. Now we can consider and will act to increase our size and services. I fully expect that by this time next year we will have from 75 to 100 members, and one of the most active service programs in APO. Our advisor, Prof. Owen, is an ardent brother, forceful in backing an active program.

—Phil Nadler, Past President.

**EASTERN ILLINOIS STATE TEACHERS  
COLLEGE**

The college expects a huge enrollment this fall and as the college grows, so we of APO will grow. We have just passed through our initiation and have come a long way. All the members are sincere in believing that the coming year will offer us great success in all aspects of the organization.

—Jack W. Ulery, President.

**UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON**

We should have a very active year. We expect to double our membership and carry out a number of new projects, while at the same time continuing all the ones already established. Our reputation as "the outfit to call on when you get into trouble" has grown considerable in the past year and we expect to cultivate that growth in the coming year.

—M. Paul Hargrave, Secretary.

**KANSAS STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE**

We are planning to better our setup here this summer by panning a complete program for the Fall term. We plan to pledge approximately 50 fellows. We have a tentative schedule of projects drawn up for the coming year.

—Walter T. Crouch, President.

**IOWA STATE TEACHERS**

Beta Epsilon Chapter expects to reach the goal set by the national convention of between 50 and 100 members.

—John F. Grubb, Secretary.



**OHIO UNIVERSITY**

With reactivation out of the way Delta Gamma Chapter is gathering momentum. The year 1947-48 will see us ever increasing in the fields of fellowship, leadership, service, and last but not least membership.

—James R. Gill, President.

**ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY**

Although Delta Delta Chapter lost most of its members by graduation in 1946, the 1946-47 year under leadership of Quentin Ringenburg was a successful one. Our membership has again been built up and we are now looking forward to more success 1947-48. Guest speakers, to which all students are invited, will appear bi-monthly. We expect to take an active part and represent St. Louis U. in our community drives.

—Julius Hollander, President.

**ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY**

Delta Epsilon Chapter at IIT is planning several major projects for the coming year, in addition to putting on all the drives and collections, ushering and registration service, and being on hand to help out on all odd jobs that may come up on the campus. Over one week-end this summer, we are planning to go to the Wisconsin Dells, taking canvas along to sleep out and rough it as we did when we first entered Scouting. In the fall when classes are resumed, we plan to compile the names of all of the students into a handy Student Directory, and hand this out free to all of the students. In addition to the above we hope to start a Scout troop in the neighborhood surrounding the school. Since there has never been a troop in that area, and since there isn't one located within a radius of several miles, since the children of this neighborhood are underprivileged, we feel that this will be quite a worthwhile project. Though all the above will take a great deal of good hard work, we are looking forward to it and feel sure that we will receive a lot of fellowship and pleasure from every undertaking.

—Edward F. Koncel, Jr., Past President.

**OREGON STATE COLLEGE**

We will continue check room and Scout swimming instruction, operate foods booth at football games, publish an activities paper or general news letter, and continue helping the local Scouting movement.

—Darrell Fields, President.

**YALE UNIVERSITY**

We hope that now that our organizational program is completed we can reach our desired quota of members and have more service activities.

—Robert R. Wehner, President.

**UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA**

I predict Delta Zeta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega will grow in membership and popularity next fall as it has in the past. Our new unique system of contacting ex-Scouters will greatly aid us in this respect. The chapter will become one of the foremost of fraternities on the University of Pennsylvania campus in the years to come.

—James E. Manis, Past President.

**UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE**

My prediction for Delta Theta Chapter, since we are becoming well known on the campus of University of Louisville, is that after a few more months of better activities we will have more interested fellow students in our fraternity.

—Donald Holmes, President.

**MERCER UNIVERSITY**

Delta Iota Chapter fully plans to continue its active service program. To aid this we are planning one or more extra ways of making money. We will reach our full strength in numbers this new year, and we expect to rise still higher in the eyes of the student body.

—Broadus C. Willoughby, President.

**EMORY UNIVERSITY**

Delta Kappa Chapter obtained a permanent office and meeting room, which should prove very effective in centralizing records, meetings, and those functions and information necessary to weld the fraternity and sponsors in a more complete operation. We hope to expand membership to 75 and undertake a greater number and variety of projects and functions.

—Clyde Carter, President.

**COE COLLEGE**

We are looking forward to a big year, both in projects and in growth of the chapter. We have already planned to assist the student council in the events of Freshman Week. Several of our projects of this year are on their way to becoming annual affairs.

—James M. Tisdale, Past Secretary.

**WABASH COLLEGE**

Delta Omicron really began operations on March 9, 1947, when it was installed. When school ended, June 3, we felt that we had accomplished a great deal. We firmly believe that 1947-48 will bring our chapter up to the suggested 50 to 100 members, and activities will run much better. A more useful and a fuller part will be played by APO at Wabash this year.

—William B. Spilman, President.

**KANSAS STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE**

The first day of the Fall term we are planning a carnival to be held on the oval and a freshman acquaintance the same day. We have been given full charge of the March of Dimes drive for next year and also the WSSF drive. APO will also have a part in the elections. We are of course subject to other projects that may turn up during the year. We will be helping the Scouts as much as possible and anything else that may come our way.

—Gilbert Kyrias, President.

**UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO**

Delta Tau Chapter plans to go to different high schools throughout the state of New Mexico and give talks concerning the University under the direction of the registrar. Delta Tau also intends to sponsor lawn concerts, help at football games, help usher at university concert series, send an underprivileged troop to camp, and also help in the March of Dimes.

—Andrew F. Mitchell, President.

**HOWARD COLLEGE**

We are planning to enlarge our activities and get more people interested in A-Phi-O.

—W. T. Edwards, Jr.

**UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA**

The prospects for 1947-48 are good. New fields are appearing in which APO can play a part and Gamma Psi is taking advantage of them. Two are homecoming in which Gamma Psi will play an enlarged part, and the formation of an Air Scout unit in co-operation with the University. Our membership has grown steadily and there is every indication that the growth will continue.

—Lloyd Telschow, Corresponding Secretary.

**UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, NYU**

From all indications, 1947-48 should be a banner year in the growth of Gamma Omega Chapter. A-Phi-O is gaining increased recognition and popularity on the University Heights campus of NYU. Plans are now being made for an expanded service program, and an effective expansion program for next year.

—Howard Skolnick, President.

**UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI**

We expect a big year next year as we have a lot of projects and social events planned. We should quickly secure new members as we are gaining recognition for service rendered on campus.

—Alfred Isaac, President.

**UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA**

Our chapter will forge ahead next year. We will reach our membership quota of 100-150 men, and our work will be more and more noticeable on the campus. We see a great APO year at hand.

—C. E. Goldsmith, Past Secretary.

**UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT**

We have an excellent group of advisors. We plan to have more events that will tie our group together more. The incoming freshmen group is going to be extremely small but we will assist at orientation and make as many contacts as possible. A census of the larger group of transfer students will be taken at their first mass meeting.

—Ernest Schwam, Jr., Secretary.

**BALL STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE**

We hope that the chapter will be in full swing again when the fall term starts and we get some new members.

—R. N. Thomas, President.

**TRINITY UNIVERSITY**

We expect to increase enrollment from 50 to 75, and also plan to have our annual activities such as election, guide tours, freshman orientation, and making of a school float.

—Richard A. Mills, President.

**EAST STROUDSBURG STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE**

The men of the college are very much interested in Alpha Phi Omega, and we hope to have a chapter of at least 40 members before the end of the Fall term.

—George T. Rowland, Jr., President.