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ON OUR COVER

At the eighth annual Honors Day Convocation of Brooklyn College, Gamma Iota Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega was one of two organizations which received recognition from the faculty and administration. Below is a replica of the certificate presented to the chapter.

Alpha Phi Omega Gamma Iota Chapter

In recognition of its unselfish devotion
to the ideal of service, its cheerful
willingness to undertake essential
tasks, and its ability to carry them
to a successful conclusion,

the Faculty of
Brooklyn College
confers upon

Gamma Iota Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega
this
Award of Honor

Harry D. Gideonse

President of Brooklyn College

Dated at the City of New York
this fourteenth day of November 1951

On the cover of this issue is a photograph of the presentation showing Dr. Harry D. Gideonse, President of Brooklyn College, awarding the Honors Day certificate to Seymour Katz, President of Gamma Iota Chapter. The picture was taken by Brother Bob Goldberg.

The purpose of Honors Day is "to signify outstanding honors and distinctions which have been achieved by students, graduates and organizations of Brooklyn College."

The other organization in addition to Gamma Iota Chapter which received recognition is the Varsity Players. Receiving the award for that group was Brother Harry Carlson, a member of AΦΩ who is president of Varsity Players.

Dr. Ray O. Wyland of our National Executive Board attended the ceremonies and complimented the fine distinction received by Alpha Phi Omega at this presentation which took place November 14, 1951.

The speaker at the convocation was Peter Viereck, Pulitzer prize poet and faculty member of Mt. Holyoke College. He urged the audience to cast aside the "anti-idealistic sophistry" and to install in its place a genuine striving for what he termed "the most shocking four letter word: 'good'." He called for "long-range ideals aimed towards the attainment of good in the world."

The TORCH AND TREFOIL extends hearty congratulations to Gamma Iota Chapter upon its record of service which has brought this Honors Day Award.

THE CHALLENGE OF SERVICE IN 1952

By Professor Daniel Den Uyl

National President of Alpha Phi Omega
Faculty Advisor of Alpha Gamma Chapter, Purdue University

Throughout the year 1951, Alpha Phi Omega has progressed and advanced through the medium of its service projects. These projects have kept our fraternity on the upward trail. Useful and helpful ideas for service are all around us but in order to discover and develop them we must cultivate an alertness for them.

The year 1951 has ended; it has faded and is now recorded in the annals of the past. A new year starts for us and each day that we live will be a new beginning. As Edmund Fuller writes, "This is the beginning. What is there that is not possible—in the beginning? You were born in the beginning and have lived in the beginning. You will live tomorrow and next year in the beginning. You will reach the end of your life, still in the beginning. Our posterity will live in the beginning. How can there be negation or defeat—how can there be anything but triumph and affirmation and faith lived in such a frame?"

Alpha Phi Omega had its beginning 26 years ago when Frank Horton and his associates got together and founded our service fraternity. They, too, were living in times similar to those of today. They, too, had their problems, their uncertainties, their disturbances. Some of them had served in World War I and they had visions of peace in a troubled world. Nevertheless, they thought out a way and worked out a program of carrying the spirit of Scouting to their college campus. Their idea of a good turn was transformed into a service project, that of doing a good turn as a group. Today, throughout our nation, over 200 chapters of our fraternity are carrying out the spirit of the Scout Oath, Scout Law and the good turn through our



program of *Leadership, Friendship, and Service*.

In these days, many words are printed, many words are spoken, which focus our attention upon our relationships with other people and our responsibilities in the field of world leadership and world brotherhood. Many of us on the campus find it difficult to visualize or understand some of these relationships. Much is also being done to impress us with the desirability to maintain our American way of life, to preserve our democracy, through might. Military power plus a desire for world peace without the use of force is being set up as our goal.

With all these conflicting ideas and ideals, I think it is well for us to think about our part in these great crusades as being centered temporarily on a college or university campus, where we now enjoy a certain measure of freedom. On the campus, we do have an opportunity to carry out the high

ideals of our fraternity which are waiting for our action. Let us examine ourselves, our chapters, our groups, to see how we can in our own way build up a stronger force for good. Just think about this question for a moment—how can nations work together if we in our small groups do not work together? That is a simple statement of a complex problem.

It should be clear to all of us that unless we work in harmony with our fellowman on the campus, we can scarcely expect to have friendly relationships with him in world affairs. Just as we ask elected or appointed officials to represent us at the conference table where the welfare of all of us is at stake and expect them to reach a friendly agreement—to work and live together in a peaceful world—we in our small groups should work together and each of us do his part.

In Alpha Phi Omega, we, through our service projects have a real opportunity to demonstrate our willingness to serve in the spirit of the Scout Oath and Law. If we don't do it or will not do it in our brotherhood, then how can we expect those in more responsible positions to carry out the ideals of a free country or a world brotherhood. That is our challenge as well as our opportunity, to demonstrate on our campuses that we will live and serve together. Each active member, advisor and pledge should do his best to give of his time and efforts so that the chapter can carry out its program of service to the fullest extent. All of us are busy with our school work but if we have devoted interest in Alpha Phi Omega, we will find the time to participate in its activities. Time is all you can have and no one can have more of it than you. Use it effectively—use some of it for service to others.

Objectives for 1952: Greater Service, Finer Fellowship and Adequate Manpower

ACROSS THE PACIFIC

Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines Is Growing Steadily In Colleges and Universities of the Islands

The question is frequently asked, "Is Alpha Phi Omega international?". The answer is "Yes," by reason of the fact that $\text{A}\Phi\Omega$ is now functioning in the Philippine Islands. This is our first expansion to another nation and it is believed to be the beginning of spreading the program of our fraternity among college men around the globe.

Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines came into being in 1950 with the establishment of Alpha Chapter at Far Eastern University in Manila. Beta Chapter was chartered at National University, Manila, on September 8, 1951.

The plan of organization of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines is quite similar to that of our own $\text{A}\Phi\Omega$ here in the United States, yet it is a separate national body. Our fraternity has given the Philippines men the full benefit of our experience, background and traditions. We have granted them the use of all of our program materials, constitution and ritual to assist them in formulating their own activities and policies.

The National Board of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines was chosen soon after the first chapter was established, and the board accepted the responsibility of promoting the program of $\text{A}\Phi\Omega$ in all colleges and universities in the Islands. Members of the Board are:

National President—Librado I. Ureta.
National First Vice President — Col. Ignacio Sevilla.

National Second Vice-President — Dr. Romeo Y. Atienza.

National Third Vice-president—Guillermo R. Padolina.

National Treasurer—Moises P. Rulloda.

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Board Member—Lamberto T. Dominguez.

Board Member—Dr. Bonifacio Lazcano.
Board Member—Sancho R. Varias.

Brother Guillermo R. Padolina was

one of the featured speakers at our 1950 National Convention in Des Moines, Iowa. At that time he was a

graduate student at the University of Texas. He was pledged in Alpha Rho Chapter and was initiated at the con-



This group of students and advisors established Alpha Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines in 1950. They thoroughly carried out preparatory activities and created an efficient national structure leading to the establishment of additional chapters.



This is Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines. The group was chartered September 8, 1951, at National University, Manila. Several officers who conducted the installation are standing behind the table (see another picture of officers on opposite page.) The fourth brother from left in back row is Ismael Buyco, President of the chapter. This enthusiastic organization is the second chapter of APO in the Philippines.

vention as a member of our nation-wide Founders' Class. He made a big hit with the convention delegates, stressing international brotherhood.

Since his return to the Philippines last summer, Brother Padolina has given a big boost to the expansion of AΦΩ in his native land. He has traveled to many of the islands and plans are underway for the installation of additional chapters. Definite preparatory groups are in process at Silliman University, Dumaguete City; University of the Philippines, Manila; and West Negros College, Bacolod City.

Brother Librado Ureta is now at the University of Buffalo and Brother Sancho R. Varias is at Yale University.

The Philippines is composed of 7,000 islands, with an area of 115,000 square miles. From North to South it is 1,150 miles and from East to West it is 660 miles. The population is about 19,000,000. There are eighty-five different dialects, but it is said that the Philippines is the third largest English-speaking nation in the world.

At the present time there are about 120,000 Scouts in the Philippines, and there is room for great expansion of Scouting among more boys. There are about 19,000 Scout leaders in the Philippines.

As we all know, the Philippines was literally torn to pieces during World War II, and also there was the aftermath of enemy occupation, hate, stealing, looting and deceit, marking what was probably the darkest period in its history. So Scouting has an important mission to perform and is making a big contribution in a great nation.

Alpha Phi Omega likewise has a mission to perform in the Philippines, building the spirit of service among college and university men.

The students, faculty men and Scouters who have established AΦΩ in the Philippines have the true spirit of our fraternity. They have adopted the same objectives of Leadership, Friendship and Service as have been the bulwark of our Alpha Phi Omega here in the United States throughout our twenty-six years history. The service program has been firmly established by the Philippines chapters. The first project was blood donating for use of armed forces and civilian needs, and

all members have been very cooperative in this. Other services followed and the activities are growing.

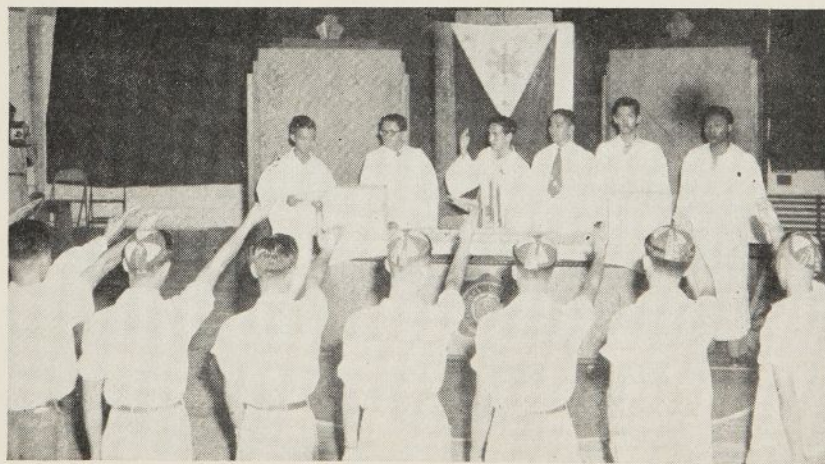
A national convention of Philippines chapters is being planned for 1952. This will be another big step in the development of their organization.

Today, there are forty-two Scouting nations around the globe. Let's continue to spread our international friendships by extending our service program to additional countries and make Alpha Phi Omega an international fraternity in the fullest sense.



This picture was taken at the first meeting of the National Board of Alpha Phi Omega of the Philippines. Members of the national body (clockwise around the table), starting at extreme left, are Ralph Hawkins, National Editor; Col. Ignacio Sevilla, National First Vice-President (now acting president); Lamberto T. Dominguez, board member; Dr. Romeo Y. Atienza, National Second Vice-President; Librado I. Ureta, National President (now studying at the University of Buffalo); Godofredo P. Neric, National Secretary; Max M. Velasco, Assistant National Secretary. Standing at the rear is Alfredo de los Reyes, National Public Relations Officer. The inset is of Guillermo R. Padolina, National Third Vice-President.

Not in the picture are Dr. Bonifacio Lazcano, Board Member, Sancho R. Varias, board member (now at Yale University), and Moises P. Rulloda, National Treasurer.



Shown taking the oath of membership in Alpha Phi Omega are the men of Beta Chapter at National University, Manila, Philippine Islands.

THE SPIRIT OF GRATITUDE

By George F. Cahill

Member of National Executive Board
Past National Editor of Alpha Phi Omega

It has been said of the American people: "Never have so many benefited so much from so few." It could well be said that seldom have so many beneficiaries expressed so little gratitude for such great benefits.

The spirit of gratitude is perhaps one of the least costly of human sentiments yet also the one least common in its expression. The spirit of gratitude is one of the most personally useful and beneficial traits in human character yet also it is one of the most easily neglected components of character.

If you would know true gratitude, then know that felt by the pilgrim receiving a bountiful harvest. Know that of the soldier being spared his life and returning to home and loved ones. Know that of the persecuted, finding equality; and that of the oppressed, finding liberty's torch held high and prominent. If you would feel the spirit of gratitude then know that of the unjustly accused being justly acquitted. Know the feeling of those who for freedom and justice sake become imprisoned and are granted their liberation dearly purchased by their fellow men at arms. Sense the gratitude of those whose efforts and energies resulted in the establishment of a new way of life and the creation of a new, great, and meaningful organization.

If you would be one carrying an unpaid debt of gratitude, then simply be one of the 151 million who daily benefit from the individual greatness of former generations. Be one who enjoys the right of liberty, freedom



and individual enterprise granted you by God but preserved for you by the courage, foresight and work of those who preceded you. Be one of the 151 million who freely live under the protection of the greatest document ever evolved from the minds of men. If you would carry a debt of gratitude, be one of those who freely worship and engage in chosen activities because other men have died that you might so live.

If you would, to all these benefactors, an endless debt of gratitude pay, be one who daily lives so that his fellow man may better live. Be one who exemplifies the golden rule and one who forthrightly and courageously defends that stand which he believes to

be the just and equitable stand. Be one who by every action makes meaningful the principles of the Scout Oath and the Scout Law. Be one who through example leads others to the acceptance of the pledge of membership in our fraternity. If you would a debt of gratitude pay, be one who injects the spark of purpose and genius into the lives of those with whom you daily come in contact.

Gratitude possesses rare physical characteristics, for unlike most things the more often gratitude is sincerely expressed, the more often it becomes genuinely indicated. This simple fact can become of great importance in the execution of our debt. Never hesitate to approach any man in a cause which will benefit your fellow man. A worthy cause or good purpose merits any man's attention. When you succeed in gaining another man's assistance in a worthy cause, see to it that his efforts meet with success and then, in behalf of that cause, express that gratitude which his efforts have merited him.

Nothing makes a man feel more indebted to a cause or to another man than the receipt of a well-deserved and thoughtful expression of gratitude. The next approach is more easily effected and the next job performed with a greater degree of proficiency. And so it goes, the spirit of Leadership, Friendship and Service moving constantly forward accomplishing greater ends in the service of mankind, stimulated by well-earned expressions of gratitude.

"There is as much greatness of mind in acknowledging a good turn, as in doing it."

Large Pledge Class

Brother John E. Gunsten, Secretary of ZETA OMICRON CHAPTER, writes that the chapter has an unexpectedly large pledge class this quarter at California State Polytechnic College. The service program is moving along at a correspondingly fine pace in the chapter.

Aid at Parking Lot

ETA XI CHAPTER is handling parking at the administration building lot at Central Washington College. Effort is made to prevent ineligible parking. Violations are presented to the student honor committee. This news is from the "Campus Crier," student newspaper.

Growing

Dick Niemann, President of GAMMA PSI CHAPTER at the University of Minnesota points out that the chapter is growing even while the university has a continually decreasing enrollment. The chapter is steadily increasing its membership and maintaining a very effective program.



Three Elections Handled

DELTA KAPPA CHAPTER of *Emory University* has recently handled two elections for Student Council positions and an election for Emory Christian Association positions. The chapter's Ugly Man contest netted twice last year's amount and a blood drive for the Red Cross has been sponsored. The chapter has undertaken the big job of publishing the new Student Directory. This is reported by George Eubanks, President.

Toys for Needy Children

Instigated by Brother Arthur C. Breyer, faculty advisor of NU CHAPTER of *Upsala College*, toys were collected for needy children. They were repaired and painted by members and pledges of the chapter and were distributed as Christmas presents. Members and pledges are also giving assistance at the East Orange General Hospital. A new scholarship fund has been established (which will be fully reported in the next issue of *TORCH AND TREFOIL*). This news is from Herbert A. Van Demark, President.

Visits Petitioning Group

GAMMA KAPPA CHAPTER of *Texas Christian University* sent a representative in December to visit the new petitioning group at Wiley College, Marshall, Texas. Brother Martin A. Turner, Historian, was chosen to make the trip. He reports that several good campus projects have been carried out by the group and there is excellent faculty support for continuing a strong program. The administration is behind them all the way because of the constructive influence they have already shown on the campus. We appreciate this news from a personal visit to the petitioning group, and anticipate that arrangements will soon be complete for the installation ceremony.

Aid to An Orphanage

One of the projects of the pledges of ALPHA NU CHAPTER of *St. Norbert College* was a drive for funds to give Christmas presents to children of the St. Joseph's Orphanage in Green Bay. This is reported by Tom Krembs, President.

Air Raid Instruction

GAMMA CHAPTER of *Cornell University* is providing members for air raid defense instruction for the benefit of the university in the event of a raid. This is reported by Melvin Green, Secretary.

\$1,000 to Scout Camp Fund

Sales of refreshments by Alpha Phi Omega at the Scout-o-rama in Pittsburgh last Spring brought a profit of nearly \$1,000.00. This money went into the building fund for the new Tionesta Scout Camp. This is reported by Jack Walters, Corresponding Secretary of BETA CHAPTER.

Book Exchange

EPSILON OMICRON CHAPTER used a very attractive poster on bulletin boards of *Long Island University* to advertise its book exchange.

HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR GRAMMAR SCHOOL CHILDREN BY DELTA SIGMA CHAPTER



Ummm, good. Pupils of the Storrs grammar school line up for cider and doughnuts at the Halloween party put on for them by the University of Connecticut chapter of Alpha Phi Omega. A parade through South Campus by about seventy costumed youngsters preceded the party. Prizes were awarded for the best costumes. Harold Law was chairman of the project, and several committees worked with him in planning and conducting the party. The photograph is by Bruce Hendricks, president-elect, and the news was received from David Bell, Historian.

NATIONAL PRESIDENT ADDRESSES INDIANA CONCLAVE



Professor Daniel Den Uyl, National President, is shown as he addressed the banquet session of the Indiana State Conclave of Alpha Phi Omega, held October 7, 1951, at DePauw University. Seated at the table (left to right) are Dr. Donald R. Mallett, State Chairman; Douglas Trout, President of Alpha Upsilon Chapter; Doyle Pickett, President of Delta Omicron Chapter; and Dr. Russell Humbert, President of DePauw University. The meeting was attended by delegates from nine chapters in Indiana. (Photograph by courtesy of Alan J. Stolz.)

To Buy Panther Mascots

BETA CHAPTER has started a fund-raising campaign to buy a pair of live panthers as mascots for the *University of Pittsburgh*. Brothers Jim Henry and Jim Bragg, past and present chapter presidents, respectively, together with Brother Lester Brailey, assistant to the dean of men, contacted sources of wild animals and arrangements for the purchase from the zoo in Albuquerque were completed. The panthers will be donated to the Highland Park Zoo, and will be housed there at no cost to the university. They will be available for all sports occasions. This is reported in the Pitt News, campus newspaper.

Drive for Tuberculosis Association

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER of *City College* of New York is running a drive for the American Tuberculosis Association, working for the Library for the Blind, serving as the school's civil defense wardens, counts ballots in all school elections and carries on many other important projects throughout the year.

Student-Faculty Talent Show

Christmas baskets for needy families in Commerce, Texas, were provided by the more than \$200.00 profit from BETA DELTA CHAPTER's student-faculty talent show at *East Texas State College*. All of the brothers enjoyed delivering the baskets around town, reports Bob Grove, Corresponding Secretary.

Campus Chest

ETA EPSILON CHAPTER at *Millikin University* started and put into operation a plan for a campus chest, which went over its \$1,700.00 quota by more than \$500.00. Also, recently the chapter has inaugurated a weekly radio program over a Decatur station for informing the public about the Alpha Phi Omega activities. This is reported by William Winberg, Corresponding Secretary.

Homecoming Aid

ETA ZETA CHAPTER built the queen's float for homecoming at *Montana State College*, and "did a good job of it" reports George N. York, Secretary.

Offers of Service

BETA EPSILON CHAPTER has sent letters to all faculty members of *Iowa State Teachers College* to inform them of the purposes of Alpha Phi Omega and offer to aid them in any projects they may have. The newest pledge project of the chapter was assistance to the Industrial Arts Department in the repairing of old toys for poor children. This is reported by Norman Pease, Corresponding Secretary.

Aid to Exceptional Children's Home

The proceeds from EPSILON CHI CHAPTER's "Beauty and the Beast" contest has been contributed to the Exceptional Children's Home in Los Angeles, and the chapter gives a party for the underprivileged children each semester. This is just one of many campus projects. One of the off-campus projects is helping with the Hollywood Boys' Club on week ends. This is reported by Robert Hohenstein, Corresponding Secretary.

Orders for Class Rings

DELTA SIGMA CHAPTER at the *University of Connecticut* is doing the work of taking orders for class rings, and J. Anton Jungherr, Treasurer, reports that this has been going along smoothly, with about 300 orders taken thus far. Many other projects are also being conducted by the chapter, and the biggest one coming up in the near future is the annual Community Chest Carnival.

Visitors from Iceland

IOTA RHO CHAPTER recently escorted two Iceland students around the campus of *Florida State University* and city of Tallahassee. Other recent projects have been the construction of a wooden flower box for the Dean of Men's office, handling the book exchange, and assisting in the blood campaign. This is reported by James Turvaville, Corresponding Secretary.

Swimming Instruction

Eighty Scouts completed first class swimming instruction in the past year under instruction of ETA EPSILON CHAPTER at *Marshall College*. Several hundred Scouts and college men have benefited from the life saving and swimming course provided by the chapter in the college pool.

Veterans Book Drive

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER is now in full swing in a very important service started last term at *City College of New York*. It's the veterans book drive, and is expected to be very successful. The chapter is also doing an outstanding job in its association with the Library for the Blind. Great satisfaction is received by the group from helping the blind, reports Dan Lowe, Secretary.

Visits Annual Banquet

Dean Richard C. Burts of Mercer University, State Chairman of AΦΩ for Georgia, visited the annual banquet of BETA ZETA CHAPTER at the *University of Georgia* on December 6. He reported good attendance and progressive spirit in the chapter. Dean William C. Tate, Dean of Men of the *University of Georgia*, was speaker of the occasion.

A YEAR OF STUDY IN ENGLAND



Philip D. Palmer

A past president of the student body of the *University of Washington*, Philip D. Palmer of Gamma Alpha Chapter, has recently returned from a year of graduate study at the *Imperial Institute of Technology* in London. His wife was with him and was employed at the *American Embassy* in London. His scholarship in England was through the *Rotary Foundation*.

Weekly Radio Program

ETA EPSILON CHAPTER of *Millikin University* now has a weekly radio program on the local station, for publicizing Alpha Phi Omega, giving its history and reporting about what the chapter is doing in service of the school and community. Proceeds from an Ugly Man contest were donated toward a score board for the university, and the chapter has put into operation a campus chest fund. This is reported by Bill Winberg, Corresponding Secretary.

Victory Bell

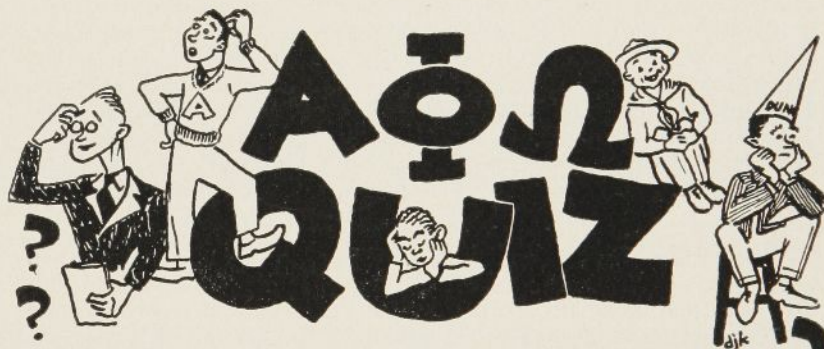
EPSILON PSI CHAPTER of *Kent State University* has obtained a bell from the Erie Railroad and has raised funds toward a good foundation and mounting. Two projects conducted for securing money for the bell were an Ugly Man contest and a barber shop quartet contest. This is reported by George Chapman, Corresponding Secretary.

Sales of License Plates

As a convenience to students, GAMMA PSI CHAPTER has again handled the sale of auto license plates on the campus of the *University of Minnesota*. This is the sixth year of the project, and the chapter received \$338.00 for the work, then used this to fill Thanksgiving baskets which were distributed to needy families. This is reported by Robert Seabloom, Publicity Chairman.

Exceeds Quota in Blood Drive

DELTA CHAPTER was given the responsibility of soliciting 75 pints of blood for the Red Cross among students of *Alabama Polytechnic Institute*. The results far exceeded the quota, with the Fall pledges giving a fine example of service. Other projects of the chapter, including its first Ugly Man contest, and bookstore have been going along excellently, reports William H. Tillery, President.



By Joseph Scanlon

1. Does Alpha Phi Omega have honorary members?
2. What section of the National Constitution provides for honorary members?
3. What is the purpose of honorary membership?
4. How are honorary members selected?
5. Should the number be limited?
6. How are honorary members initiated?
7. May a student become an honorary member?
8. May alumni chapters grant honorary membership?

ANSWERS ON PAGE 11

CAMPUS EDITORIALS

MEN WORKING

You may not find Alpha Phi Omega men with a pick and shovel in their hands working on the new engineering building to speed things up, but you can bet your bottom dollar they're in there pitching when it comes to working on all-campus projects. Epsilon Theta Chapter of APO is a relative newcomer to the campus of UND but already it has helped in many fine service projects.

The history of APO goes back to the year 1925, when it was founded at Lafayette College as a national service fraternity. The organization spread so rapidly that now 242 chapters cover the campuses of the United States.

The purpose of APO is to enable Scouts to continue their work at the University. The only requirement for membership is that you be a former Scout. The only reward is the satisfaction of a job well done.

The above information about Alpha Phi Omega, relating to the work of Epsilon Theta Chapter, appeared in a recent issue of the student newspaper of the University of North Dakota.

BATTLES AND BOOKS

It's a strange story that comes to the College from Korea. It's about a fellow who walked the College campus two years ago as an education major, and who now spends his time on the battlefield of Korea. Yet this fellow has found some time to apply certain educational principles he learned in his undergraduate days—to a group of orphaned Korean children. He is attempting to teach them to read, write, and understand the English language, and through this mental stimulation to introduce some brightness and purpose to their otherwise dark and disillusioned lives.

The task he has set for himself is a difficult one, and it is immensely complicated by the fact that the literature at his disposal is limited to a few magazines, bulletins, and propaganda sheets. He has appealed to the students of the College to come to his aid. All he asks is a few old elementary textbooks—any kind.

Alpha Phi Omega will have a collection station set up at its Lost and Found office next Wednesday and Thursday. Let's fill it with books!

Appearing in the campus newspaper of City College of New York, this editorial gives a fine boost to a new project of Gamma Epsilon Chapter.

A Chemistry Show

ALPHA CHAPTER put on a chemistry show of startling chemical demonstrations for Scouts of the local area, and a swim meet is scheduled for January. A Christmas tree was erected and decorated in the quadrangle of the Lafayette College campus and was appreciated by all. The running of the Lost and Found on campus has been taken over by the chapter as a new activity. A new record for blood don-

ing was set recently when the chapter sponsored the Red Cross bloodmobile. This is reported by Frank E. Overbey, President.

Very Successful Blood Drive

BETA XI CHAPTER went over its quota by securing 538 pints of blood when the Red Cross bloodmobile visited the campus of Westminster College. An excellent rush period has greatly enlarged the chapter, reports Dave Hart, President.

Ugly Man Winner

Benton Musslewhite, a Phi Delta Theta entry, was the 1951 "Ugly Man" at Southern Methodist University. In a four-day contest sponsored by ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER a total of \$1,073 was secured for the March of Dimes. The winner received 52,155 votes at a penny each. Jim Bentz, who was then chapter president, presented a trophy to Benton at the Piker's Day dance in the Student Union. Whitey Holm, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, was runner-up with 17,880 votes, and C. R. Anderson, Beta Theta Pi, was third with 16,248. This was reported in the campus newspaper of SMU.

Donate Blood on Founders' Day

As a patriotic project, members of ALPHA PHI CHAPTER of Washington University donated blood on Founders' Day, December 16, 1951. Other recent projects of the chapter have included aiding the foreign students on campus, and placing university directories at all phone booths on the campus. Coming up early in 1952 will be the Ugly Man contest, inter-school barbershop quartet sing, participation in Brotherhood Week, and the WSSF drive. This is reported by William Maeda, Secretary.

Work on a Scout Hut

THETA PHI CHAPTER of Millsaps College has received a fine letter of appreciation from the Civitan Club of Jackson, Mississippi, for its work at the Boy Scout Hut of Troop 11 in Jackson. The letter concluded by saying, "So long as there are men of your caliber performing good citizenship acts such as this, our efforts to build Good Citizenship will continue to bear fruit." This news was received from Prof. D. C. Trexler, Faculty Advisor.

Pledge Consultation

In the plans for a bigger and better winter quarter, ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER at Ohio State University has set up a pledge consultation committee to discuss and help the present pledges and interview new candidates for pledging. The committee will carefully observe the fellows who are really interested in service and in aiding the fraternity. This is reported by Richard V. Baker, President.

Bindex to All Students

Again this year ETA ALPHA CHAPTER has presented a bindex to each student of *University of Santa Clara*. These were given free by selling advertising space on its pages. The printed materials on the pages also included a brief statement of the history of Alpha Phi Omega, news of various activities afforded on campus for the freshmen, a schedule of athletic events, and other timely material. The chapter also recently hosted and acted as guides during the meeting of the Western Educators' Conference on the campus, from which much praise was received from the faculty and administration, reports Paul Bernadicou, Corresponding Secretary.

Answers to APO Quiz For December

1. Yes, our National Constitution permits chapters to induct honorary members.
2. This is in Article III, Section 3, which reads, "Chapter honorary membership without voting power may be conferred, by unanimous vote of the active membership of the chapter, upon educators, Scouters or others whom the chapter deems to have merited such an honor."
3. The purpose of honorary membership is to give recognition to outstanding men who have rendered exceptional service to youth through the educational field and through Scouting.
4. Honorary members are selected by nomination and vote of active members.
5. Yes. It is intended that a chapter elect only a very limited number of honorary members possibly not more than one a year.
6. New honorary members should be asked to attend an initiation ceremony, and either pass through the ritual with pledges or just be in the room to witness the ritual and subscribe to the principles of Alpha Phi Omega.
7. No. It is intended that honorary membership not be granted to any student, either undergraduate or graduate.
8. No. The constitution provides that only active chapters may grant honorary membership.

Six Weeks' Pledge Duties

The ZETA GAMMA CHAPTER Newsletter lists nine projects being carried out by the pledges in six weeks at Valparaiso. They are: Take down "keep off the grass" signs and clean them for use next spring; paint the chapter office and lay tile flooring; clean furniture in office and lounge; paint the lounge; paint the APO

window; make a sign to put above window; take down and repair screen door to lounge; paint the door to lounge; make signs for the main bulletin board to divide it into sections for putting up notices. Projects to be done by the pledge class along with the actives include: Make cement butt boxes; make cement benches; finish Scout cabin.

HOMECOMING FLOATS BY TWO CHAPTERS



Among thirty floats prepared by organizations at the University of Detroit for the homecoming parade is this one by Eta Pi Chapter of APO with the theme of "Stop 'em Cold." It won third prize in the judging.



For the queen and her court at homecoming, this float was prepared by Eta Epsilon Chapter at Millikin University.

BULLETIN BOARD

BROTHERS IN ARMED FORCES

Members of AΦΩ who are serving in the armed forces enjoy every contact with home, and this includes keeping in touch with Alpha Phi Omega. Does your chapter have a regular plan of contacts with your fellow-members who are in the armed forces?

We should keep those members informed regularly of AΦΩ activities while they are away in the service of our nation. Let's all assist in this vital phase of fraternity fellowship.

CHAPTER CALENDAR

With the approach of the Spring semester, it is appropriate to give attention to your chapter calendar for February, March, April and May. Advance planning is important.

It is recommended that your Executive Committee outline the calendar for the Spring months and submit it for approval at a chapter meeting. Then publish the calendar in your chapter newsletter so all members will have a handy copy of it. Include service projects, regular meetings, rush meetings, social events, outings, pledging ceremony, banquet, initiation and other events.

INSIGNIA

Alpha Phi Omega pins and keys are still available at no increase in price. Our manufacturer, the L. G. Balfour Company, has maintained top quality and steady prices through the years of rising costs, and the only addition to the sales prices of our insignia is the tax.

We are fortunate that there is no inflation in the prices of AΦΩ insignia.

An illustrated price list of our fraternity pins and keys appears in the Pledge Manual, page thirteen. Order blanks are available from your Chapter Treasurer or from the National Office.

INTERCHAPTER VISITS

Have you recently invited a nearby chapter to send representatives to one of your special occasions, initiation, banquet or other event? Interchapter visits are interesting and helpful.

The Directory of Chapter Presidents issued this past Fall is still useful for contacting other chapters (and where new elections have been held we are confident the past president will bring your invitation to the attention of the new president).

The opportunity for interchapter fellowship will benefit both the hosts and the guests. Try it!