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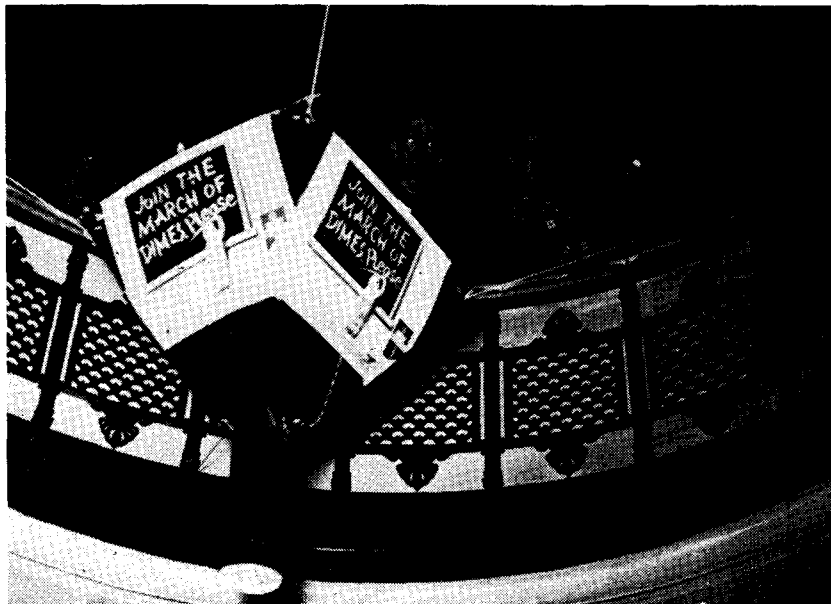
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MARCH OF DIMES AT IOWA STATE



These two pictures indicate one method of collection for the infantile paralysis fund as sponsored by Xi Chapter at Iowa State College. From a balcony, coins are tossed into the container below. These scenes are from last year's campaign.

Alpha Xi Chapter

Washington State College

Our annual Boy Scout Weekend was a great success as a result of the fireless and concentrated efforts of Brother Dick Tatham, who was then chairman of the community projects committee and has since been elected president of our chapter. In order to make next year's event even more successful, a committee has been formed to begin working on the plans immediately.

—Teruo Ishihara, *Corr. Secretary.*

Gamma Alpha Chapter

University of Washington

Two members of Gamma Alpha, who were among the first to be initiated when our chapter was reorganized last year, are now in the Professional Service of the Boy Scouts of America. Brother George R. Sainsbury is now a Field Scout Executive in Seattle, and Brother James D. Harpole is a Field Scout Executive at Medford, Oregon. Both are graduates of the 131st National Training School. —Robert J. Hilliard, *Past President.*

In Father Time's Record Book

On the cover of this issue is depicted that the achievements of Alpha Phi Omega for 1948 stand out as the biggest and best thus far in the history of our brotherhood. Drawn by the skillful hand of Brother Del Jay Kinney, Father Time tells us a graphic story. Let's take a look at the record:

1. Service. Evidence is conclusive that Alpha Phi Omega has done more in the past year to deserve its title of "National Service Fraternity" than in any previous period. Reports which have reached the national office from College Presidents, Deans, Chapter Officers and Advisors indicate that Alpha Phi Omega is making its services more effective and far-reaching on campuses throughout the nation. The magnitude of the service being rendered has leaped to new heights during 1948.

2. Leadership Opportunities. Unsolicited testimonials from chapter leaders tell of the joy and satisfaction they are receiving in their work in Alpha Phi Omega and the part which this organization has played in developing their leadership capacities. It is significant that this fraternity can render such values to its own members while promoting an extensive program of Service to Others.

3. Administration. The use of the Manual of Administration has been a real factor in improving operating methods. Specific training of new officers and advisors concerning their responsibilities has increased. The use of the Executive Committee is effective as a planning body. The use of a chapter calendar to announce activities well in advance has been a great asset in many chapters.

4. Membership. Again the record at the close of 1948 shows more men participating actively in Alpha Phi Omega than ever before. The great majority of chapters are larger now than at any previous time, and this increase is proportionately reflected in their ability to "get things done". Thirty-seven new chapters have been installed in the past year, bringing the total number of chapters to 172.

5. Faculty Advisorship. The constant increase of interest and leadership on the part of Faculty Advisors and Scouting Advisors has aided immeasurably in the progress of the chapters. With more than passing interest, many advisors are giving the utmost cooperation and service in their chapters.

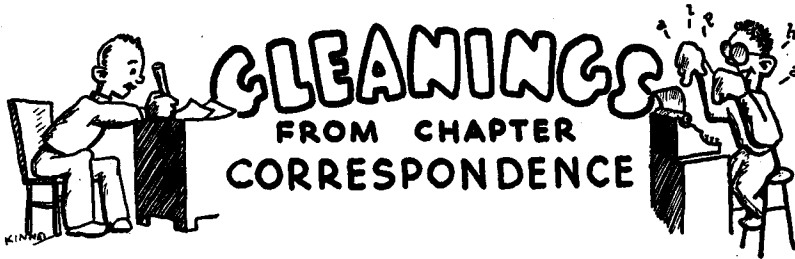
6. Personal Visitation of chapters by members of the national executive board has been increased, and these visits have aided in many ways. Although all chapters have not been visited recently, these contacts are expected to continue during 1949 and in future years.

7. National Office Service. A vastly increased amount of fraternity material has been furnished to the chapters in the past year. In addition, expansion of the office space, installation of an addressograph system and other new facilities are enabling your office to keep pace with the growing needs of the fraternity.

While last year's record does sound fine,
Let's better it in 1949!



Harmony, ideals and a warmth of good fellowship prevail in Alpha Phi Omega chapters from coast to coast.



Zeta Rho Chapter

Wittenberg College

Toys for Needy Tots (TNT), a campaign conducted by Disc Jockeys Chuck Mefford and "Symphony Sid," of Radio Station W-J-E-L, Springfield, Ohio, was given a boost by Wittenberg College (Zeta Rho) A-Phi-O's. On their regular Saturday afternoon program, December 11, the two announcers asked the people of Springfield, who were willing to donate toys for the campaign, to call the station by phone. The calls were taken right on the air. A-Phi-O members were stationed throughout the city with radios in their cars, and as the caller's name and address was given over the air, whichever A-Phi-O car was stationed in that vicinity would proceed to the caller's address and pick up the donation.

At its December 5th meeting, Zeta Rho Chapter was honored by the presence of Brother Del Jay Ginney of the Executive Board, and by several members of the Zeta Delta Chapter from Miami University.

—Wolfgang Haller, Chairman,
Publicity Committee.

Xi Chapter

Iowa State College

Big news! We have obtained office space in the Memorial Union—at last a central headquarters. It should increase chapter efficiency greatly.

—Don Anderson, Corr. Secretary.

Kappa Chapter

Carnegie Tech

Just a glance through the latest issue of Carnegie Tech's "Tartan", the college weekly, shows a great deal of what Kappa Chapter has been doing thus far in this school year.

Largest of the projects is the publication of a 5300-word "Activities Directory", which contains alphabetized lists of the officers and members of 76 organizations and activities. Phone numbers and addresses for contact purposes were also included for each group. Kappa Chapter has also offered its help in the publication of the student directory.

Recently we have been delegated full control in conducting all school elections, a job we were glad to get.

We also have been active in the Community Chest drive and handled checking at the Fall Carnival and the Military Ball. These plus our ushering service rounds out our projects to date. In addition to this we have acquired a twenty-five man pledge class.

—Joseph Weinreich, Corr. Secretary.

Epsilon Gamma Chapter

Alfred University

We of Epsilon Gamma Chapter have recently discovered that re-building bridges is a hard job. We were well overpaid however with appreciation from both town and campus for the fine job done with the project.

—G. Carl Buessow, Past President.



Ugliest Man Receives Trophy at University of Miami

In Alpha Pi Chapter's latest Ugly Man contest, a total of \$566.00 was netted for donation to War Orphans in Europe. In this picture Jack Reark, past president, is at left presenting the large trophy to Ralph Montfort, president of Kappa Sigma, the winning organization. Ed Riley, the "Ugly Man" is in the center.

Gamma Theta Chapter

University of Colorado

We held our annual all-school "Turkey Strut" in the men's gym on November 20. The dance was attended by over 350 couples. Large turkeys were awarded to the lucky number and to the organization selling the largest number of tickets. Additional entertainment was provided by the Star-Dusters, a women's choral group.

Our chapter members assisted in Freshman Orientation, conducted campus tours and were active in community Scout work.

The ASUC has decided there is to be only one relief drive on the campus this year. Our chapter will be squarely behind this one as we have been in the past. The proceeds are to be divided among various agencies.

—Ewart O'Neill, Historian.

Gamma Delta Chapter

C.C.N.Y.

Gamma Delta Chapter conducted a carnival December 16 and 17 in connection with Christmas Seals campaign. Our department of Student Life and other organizations in the school are very enthusiastic about it.

—Fred Naddle, President.

Gamma Epsilon Chapter

C.C.N.Y.

We have been requested to take charge of the Freshman Tours by the Student Life Department. We also plan to operate a used book mart next term. We intend to take charge of publishing the Beaver Handbook, a book given to the freshman to acquaint him with the history of the school, the extra curricula clubs and other information that might interest him.

—Ed Rothstein, Secretary.

TWO CHAPTERS IN MICHIGAN AID IN BEAUTIFYING CAMPUSES



Brothers of Epsilon Beta Chapter are shown displaying signs prepared to protect the grass on the campus of Central Michigan College at Mt. Pleasant last spring.



Beta Beta Chapter at Michigan State constructed signs which resulted in a very successful "Keep off the Grass" campaign. The mottoes attracted much attention.

Alpha Psi Chapter
Lehigh University

One of our members, Brother Paul Maleson, is working on a 16-millimeter movie film to record the Fall semester activities of our chapter. Early shots were taken of the Freshman Week program and the Used Book Exchange. We think this film will be valuable to the chapter.

—Byron C. Hayes, State Chairman.

Beta Psi Chapter
Southeast Missouri State

Beta Psi Chapter is finishing its first decade this year, and we are planning expansion in all fields of service. Our college holds its diamond jubilee this Fall, and Beta Psi Chapter is putting its full force into making this celebration a great success. We will be in charge of registration of alumni and will enter a float in the jubilee parade. Our Eagle Team has been very active since this term began, putting on three ceremonies within the past six days. We have written a ceremony embodying the principles of Alpha Phi Omega, which has met with fine approval.

—Harvey W. Heimann, President.

Gamma Omicron Chapter
Queens College

It might interest you to know that convention fever is running rather high here at Queens. Our chapter ran a very successful dance on October 2. Part of the proceeds of this affair will be turned over to the Dean's Fund, which helps out students in financial need.

—Richard J. Stox, Corr. Secretary.

Gamma Epsilon Chapter
City College, CCNY

We have completed running the Freshman Elections and ushering an Election Forum. In the near future we have the job of ushering at an Election Eve Dance and at a Sadie Hawkins Dance for the benefit of the World Student Service Fund. We have also started to publicize the Music Department Concerts. Gamma Ep is becoming Gamma HEP!

—Edward Rothstein, Secretary.

**Reprinted from the
DELTA KAPPA DECLARER**

A-Phi-O is **not** a campus activity for BMOC's aspiring for ODK or DVS to add to their long list of activities. I think these organizations will agree.

A-Phi-O is **not** in existence so that "Wheels" can have another key for their chain or another pin for their lapels.

A-Phi-O is **not** an honor society to which one is elected and henceforth carries the title of APO brother without making any concrete contribution to the purposes of the fraternity.

A-Phi-O is here on the Emory campus, and to **work** for the good of the community, nation, and brothers.

!NUFF SAID ! ! !

Burt Spencer.

Mu Chapter
Indiana University

Our chapter has taken on a new policy of having longer pledge training and better supervision, along with a general campus advertising of the activities of the chapter. We hope in this way to become a much greater strength in the national organization. We have about 40 pledges going through training at the present time.

—Gerald Howard, Corr. Secretary.

Gamma Zeta Chapter
Georgia Tech

We have concentrated our efforts this Fall on making a success of our Student Book Exchange. With the large influx of civilian freshmen this Fall, we were confronted for the first time with a demand equal to or greater than the supply. After the "book-store" was off to a smooth start, we conducted our Ugly Man contest and started our annual Christmas Seal campaign.

—James R. Huff, Secretary.

Gamma Omega Chapter
University Heights, NYU

Last month the "New York Star" took a poll on the NYU campus in regard to the question of pledging Negro men in the fraternities. Our chapter sent a letter to the newspaper and it was printed in the November 28 issue. Since then we have received letters from the outside praising the chapter and the fraternity. Our student directory was distributed last month to the students. It was completed a full two months in advance of the distribution date that had been set. On December 10 we ran a carnival dance on the campus for the benefit of the World Student Service Fund.

—Stan Frisch, Historian.

Delta Rho Chapter
Rutgers University

A new service we have inaugurated on campus this year is infirmery messenger service for ill students.

—Dick Benjamin, Corr. Secretary.

**Working on the Cancer
Foundation Campaign at
Purdue University**



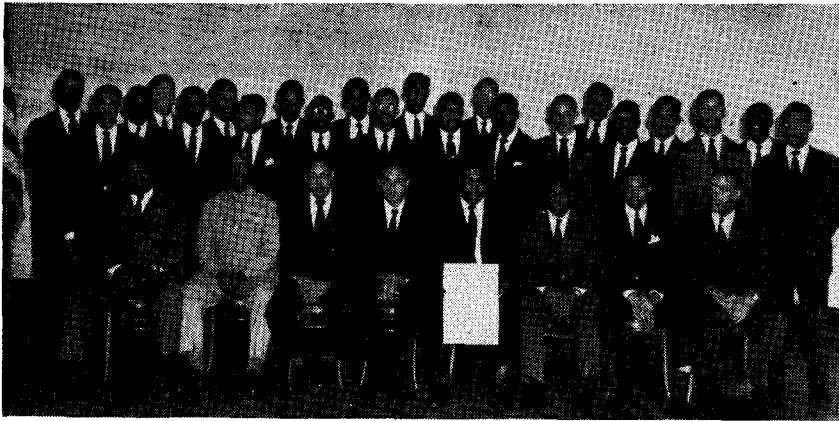
Brother Dick Newman of Alpha Gamma Chapter, shown accepting a contribution during last spring's Cancer Drive. The all-campus tag day brought \$831.00 for this worthy cause. The two smiling men in the center were not identified. (No charge for the Walgreen ad in the background.)

**EPSILON OMICRON CHAPTER AT
LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY**



This is the first picture of Epsilon Omicron Chapter, installed January 11, 1947, at Long Island University, Brooklyn, New York. The chapter has been greatly enlarged since its beginning by the addition of summer and fall pledge groups.

ZETA PHI CHAPTER INSTALLED AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY



Receiving their charter May 29, 1948, this group of men at Howard University, Washington, D. C., accepted the obligations and responsibilities of Alpha Phi Omega. Dr. Ray O. Wyland officiated on behalf of our national executive board, and the ritual was conducted by the degree team of Epsilon Mu Chapter of the University of Maryland.

MEMBERS OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA AT THE 1948 ORDER OF THE ARROW CONVENTION



Through the courtesy of Brother Sam Arnold of the University of Oklahoma, this picture is presented of members of Alpha Phi Omega who attended the Order of the Arrow Convention at Bloomington, Indiana, last September. First row, left to right, are Sam Arnold, Delta Beta; Ed Cline, Alpha Alpha; Charles Triplehorn, Alpha Iota; George Schraut, Upsilon; Glen Brolander, Alpha Alpha. Second row, left to right, Fred Widmoyer, Beta Sigma; Jim Fay, Zeta Delta; Kenneth Wilton, Alpha Phi; Billy W. Hardin, Delta Beta; Berkeley P. Duncan, Omega; and Miller Patterson, Delta Beta. Third row, left to right, Marvin Standefer, Beta Sigma; Grant E. Murray, Epsilon Beta; H. L. Gaskin, Alpha Rho; Bob Speaker, Beta Theta; Carroll Atwood, Alpha Iota, and Tom L. Burgess, Tau. Not in the picture were Norman Wood, national secretary of the Order of the Arrow; Earl Patterson, Alpha Chi, and William E. Slesnick, Delta Beta Chapter, who is now at Oxford, England, on a Rhodes scholarship.

Gamma Omicron Chapter Queens College

In the line of service, might I say that we just completed a project for Queens Council, BSA. We had 28 men waiting on tables at the annual Sea Scout "Bridge of Honor" dinner and dance. This enabled each Scout to save approximately fifty cents per ticket.

—Richard J. Stox, Corr. Secretary.

Epsilon Chapter

Northeast Missouri State Teachers College

We have ended another busy quarter of school. With the advent of a new quarter, Epsilon Chapter intends to launch a campaign for some new members and an improved chapter. So far this quarter, we can chalk up the sponsorship of a dance for the student body, aiding with the Fall Quarter registration and the sponsorship of American education Week here on the KSTC campus.

—William S. West, President.

Alpha Delta Chapter

San Diego State College

Our chapter has been extremely busy and active this semester. Our most recent projects have been organizing and conducting a Campus Chest campaign, managing a Charity Ball for the college, and putting on a benefit "Ugly Man" contest with excellent results.

—Fred Birdsall, President.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA PERFORMS SERVICE FOR COMMUNITY WITH BLOOD BANK PLAN

Contrary to the procedure followed by most honoraries, Alpha Phi Omega, the national service honorary, really serves the University.

Cleaning up after Colgate games, sponsoring the travel bureau, and manning booths for Campus Chest, are all part of the activity of this group. But their latest project, sponsoring a blood bank at the University hospital, seems to be the best job yet.

The University hospital was in dire need of blood to replenish its supply, and Alpha Phi Omega not only responded by forming the blood bank project, but seventeen of the members signed up to give a pint of blood immediately.

Since the hospital serves the University along with the community on emergency cases, those who donate know that the blood in many instances will be used for classmates.

The entire process takes but a few minutes, there are no ill effects, but the results may be worth a life to someone, your classmate or buddy.

So hear Alpha Phi Omega's plea, and stop by the University hospital. The trip will be worth it.

An editorial from the Syracuse University newspaper.

BULLETIN BOARD

EXPANSION

Since the past issue, five more new chapters have been installed upon approval by vote of the chapters and executive board members. They are Zeta Omega Chapter at Baylor University, Waco, Texas; Eta Alpha Chapter, University of Santa Clara, California; Eta Beta Chapter, Simpson College, Indianola, Iowa; Eta Gamma Chapter, Union College, Schenectady, New York; and Eta Delta Chapter, Keene Teachers College, Keene, New Hampshire. We heartily welcome these chapters into our nationwide brotherhood. Stories and pictures of these groups will appear in future issues. Four additional petitions are now in process.

PLANNING AHEAD

It is recommended that the Executive Committee (Officers and Advisors) of each chapter give particular attention to planning the chapter activities for February, March, April and May.

By outlining your objectives in advance, each chapter has an opportunity to round out this school year with top performance.

Regular meetings of the Executive Committee, outside of chapter meetings are part of the procedure of most chapters. This committee functions as a coordinating body.

Notice the duties of the Executive Committee as listed on page seven of the Manual of Administration.

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE KEY

As started last Spring, a special key is available for award purposes, to be presented by any chapter which wishes to honor a member who has given outstanding service.

The key bears the three Greek letters of Alpha Phi Omega showing through black enamel. Orders are accepted at the national office only, not direct to the jewelers.

Three qualities are obtainable, 10K at \$9.25, gold plated at \$3.25, and sterling silver at \$2.25. To all prices add 20% federal tax and any state or city sales taxes which apply in your locality.

CONVENTION

When this issue reaches the readers, the 1948 National Convention will be history. As this is written, plans are complete for the largest convention thus far held in Alpha Phi Omega. Advance reservations have been received for 537 chapter representatives. From as widely separated points as Boston, Los Angeles, Seattle and Miami, and points in between, the delegates are on their way to the Windy City.

The story of the convention will appear in our next regular issue in February, and the official report will be published in a later issue for the use of all members.



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Here's an Alpha Phi Omega calendar for 1949. Clip along the dotted line for use on your desk or wall.