



TORCH AND TREFOIL

OFFICIAL CALL

Twelfth National Convention Alpha Phi Omega

Greetings to all officers, advisors, active members, life members, alumni, and pledges of Alpha Phi Omega:

Pursuant to the action of the Eleventh National Convention, and in accordance with Article IX, Section 4 of the National Constitution, I hereby call the Twelfth National Convention of Alpha Phi Omega to be convened in the city of Columbus, state of Ohio, on December 28, 29 and 30, 1952.

All chapters are asked to comply with Article IX, Section 1 of the Constitution in electing official delegates to vote on behalf of the chapter.

This convention, which is the supreme authority of the fraternity, is composed of two delegates from each chapter and the members of the national executive board. Each chapter represented will have the power to cast two votes on every legislative question. Each member of the national executive board present will have the power to cast one vote. A quorum to do business shall consist of two-thirds of the delegates registered, and an affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates constituting a quorum shall be necessary to pass a measure. There shall be no voting by proxy.

All members of Alpha Phi Omega are invited to attend this convention and shall be extended all rights and benefits of the meeting, except that only the official delegates shall have the privilege of voting and of speaking from the floor during a legislative session. Visitors are also welcomed.

The names of the official delegates of the chapters should be reported to the national office in advance for purposes of committee and program assignments. It is recommended that election of official delegates be held early in the Fall term.

This convention shall officially open at 9 a. m., December 28, and will close at 12 noon, December 30, 1952.

Daniel Dew Uyl

National President.

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THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA CELEBRATE 42nd ANNIVERSARY

Alpha Phi Omega salutes the Boy Scouts of America on the occasion of its forty-second anniversary and extends congratulations upon the program of character building and citizenship training which has been so very effective and useful.

This year's Scout birthday brought the launching of a new three-year program known as "Forward on Liberty's Team" to even more effectively serve the nation through its youth. Among many activities, a major one will be to help get out the vote in the national elections next Fall.

Scouting will re-emphasize clean living, outdoor activities and preparedness for daily living. It will strengthen its use of the Patrol system which gives boys the experience of living cooperatively with each other, which is seen as training for citizenship in a larger democracy.

Sensing a need for more citizens who can stand on their own feet and think for themselves, more rugged outdoor experiences are planned, which it is found develop initiative and self-reliance. As Scouts have always been trained to "be prepared" to render service in critical situations, the Emergency Service program will be broadened in the next three years. Coupled with this is the training in Civil Defense.

The Boy Scouts of America reached its 42nd milestone with its membership at its highest peak. Today, there are 2,900,000 boys and leaders enrolled. Since 1910, more than 19,000,000 Americans have been affiliated with the Boy Scouts of America.

"BOX SCORE"

Present number of chapters,
including petitions approved.. 242
Total number of members since
founding35,593
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Life is like a grindstone;
whether it grinds a man
down, or polishes him up,
depends on the metal he is.

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NATIONAL PRESIDENT DANIEL DEN UYL SUGGESTS:

If your chapter does not have a full Advisory Committee of at least five Faculty Advisors and two Scouting Advisors, now is a good time to add new men to the committee. See the information in the Quiz section of this issue (page nine) and arrange to invite some additional men, if needed, to be initiated as advisors along with your Spring pledge class. A strong Advisory Committee is a real asset in Alpha Phi Omega.

WSSF AND THE WORLD STRUGGLE

By W. J. Kitchen

Director, World Student Service Fund

The real crisis of our day is emphasized by the growing determination of millions of people to secure for themselves and for their children a better way of life. They have lost faith in the patterns of society which have supported colonialism and special privileges. This has led to a breakdown in established social patterns and is a part of the increasing and sometimes confused demands for more freedom and greater justice. Millions of people in Asia, Africa and elsewhere live under conditions of hunger, disease, ignorance and oppression. These conditions are not good enough in a world where science and productivity have made possible health and plenty for all.

In some parts of the world we are in danger of being maneuvered into a position where Communism is presented as the champion of the people, and those who do not accept Communism as the answer may easily find themselves accused of resisting the social changes necessary to bring a greater degree of freedom and justice. The United States and all the peoples who care about freedom and justice must make it clear to the Asiatic peoples especially that we share their aspirations and are prepared to collaborate with them in the attainment of their goals.

"But to fight against universal Communism, weapons are not enough. What is needed is a body of doctrine without mythology, a sense of dedication to a simple purpose—the social purpose which is most clearly expressed in the words: 'No one must starve, because all men are brothers.' "*"

It is at this point that World Student Service Fund, because of its history and connections, can and does offer a unique program for direct and concrete constructive action. WSSF is a living symbol of the desire of university students and professors around the world to collaborate in meeting the real needs of the university commu-



Editor's Note—For many years, Alpha Phi Omega Chapters have assisted in raising money for the World Student Service Fund on campuses from coast to coast. This is an excellent service contributed to a most worthy cause. We take pleasure in presenting this article about the WSSF.

nity. In America we need awareness, more information, greater contact and a fuller understanding of the problems and aspirations of our fellows in other lands. In many other parts of the world, to the need for understanding must be added stark material destitution. We in America are not content to remain insensitive and inactive when fellow students are victims of disaster, poverty and disease due to circumstances entirely beyond their own control. Mankind's chief weapon for survival is hope and the will to build for the future. WSSF binds together the world student community in a crusade against poverty, disease, ignorance and despair. It offers a demonstration of this might, this will to survive and to help.

WAYS WSSF CAN HELP

There are still many DP students in camps in Germany and Austria who are eligible for study in American colleges and universities. Their opportunity to continue their delayed education depends on the continuing generosity of American students. Full scholarships have already been given to 400 DP students. WSSF will continue to act as the operating agency for the Na-

tional Coordinating Council for DP students as long as campus sponsors are interested in opening a door to the future for worthy DP students.

In addition to this special DP classification of refugee students, there are tens of thousands of other refugee students who are not permitted to come here to study. In West Germany there are refugees from East Germany, with no means of subsistence whatever. There are Volkdeutsche expelled from their homes into Germany. There are masses of refugees in the Middle East, and thousands in India, still uprooted as a result of communal riots at the time of the division of India and Pakistan. American students through WSSF can and do help great numbers of these hapless and homeless victims.

Tuberculosis continues to take its deadly toll among student victims of bad housing, poor diet, lack of the drugs and the healing ministries of health known to modern science. For these sufferers, funds through WSSF have supplied X-ray equipment, hospitalization and preventive measures of a far-reaching character.

Through WSSF the university community is ready to act in emergency situations which overwhelm students in stricken areas. The present situation in Korea deepens the tragedy there. We must build up a fund to be used at the first opportunity to enter Korea. The universities have been command headquarters. As military objectives they have suffered extreme devastation. Students are mingled with the millions of refugees who now are homeless and destitute.

In Assam, India, one of the most destructive earthquakes in history has leveled all three of their universities and created great dislocation and suffering. In the midst of all the needs of India this group in Assam is marked as the most in need. We are asked for \$100,000 as an emergency fund.

COLLABORATION WITH UNESCO

In addition to these emergency needs which we must try to meet, there is the crying need for educational re-

*Robert Payne; "How Close Is Peking to Moscow?" *The New York Times Magazine Section*, Vol. C., No. 33,972, p. 25, January 28, 1951.

construction in countries like Yugoslavia, Greece and the whole of Southeast Asia. The low level of material equipment hampers the training of university men and women for the task of social leadership in these struggling countries. Let us make no mistake—their future is our future! There is no isolation in our interrelated world! Without trained doctors and teachers and engineers there, we can hope for no peace and security here.

WSSF represents UNESCO in American colleges in a program for supplying through sale of coupons, necessary scientific and educational equipment and books for countries where study is seriously handicapped by lack of these essentials.

STUDENT DOLLARS

These things are essential and can be measured in terms of dollars. In all, more than three quarters of a million dollars was given last year by more than 800 American institutions. This is a goodly sum for which we are deeply grateful; but it must be more. One dollar from every student now in college would triple this figure. Is this an unreasonable goal?

We are a favored nation—wealthy and powerful beyond our understanding. Our standard of living is 100 times better than that in parts of Asia and 10 times better than that in parts of Europe.

Because we are rich and powerful we are in danger of being misunderstood and feared, and in many places we are hated. We must understand this tragic fact and act with responsibility, justice and generosity in full recognition of our favored position. Are we doing what our position demands of us? WSSF is one way of doing something concrete toward this end. We have joined with the students of other nations in a world enterprise established as a great magnanimous act.

VALUES MONEY CANNOT BUY

I have stressed the need for material emergency relief and educational equipment. But there is an additional value in our inadequate efforts to meet these staggering needs. It is a value which cannot be reckoned in dollars. It is the fabric of friendship and understanding which more than a decade of generous concern has woven among the students of the world. I choose to

believe that these attitudes remain in the hearts of students even when the circumstances of political history may seem to deny it.

I have seen it in the gratitude of hundreds of Chinese students. I have felt it among the refugees of India. I have received the appreciation, intended for our students, from students in Greece, Yugoslavia, Germany and Austria, yes, and Poland.

Some months ago I saw a lovely Polish girl in Leysin, Switzerland, a great center of T.B. hospitalization.

She was very sick and hardly able to make the trip from Warsaw to Leysin. She was in a little white hospital bed with fresh linen, good food and the best medical care in the world. In Warsaw death awaited her. In Leysin she was getting well. In her eyes was expressed her gratitude to American students for the gift of life. The Polish border is now closed—but she has not forgotten. Of such experiences is woven the fabric of human relations and of world peace.

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HOW WSSF DOLLARS ARE USED

\$5



will pay for a technical or scientific periodical for a university library in Greece

\$15



will pay for a bed for a TB student for one month in Assam

\$6

will provide the food required for one week by a refugee student in France



\$20

(or 2 UNESCO Gift Coupons)

will pay for a set of Pyrex flasks for a scientific laboratory in Yugoslavia



\$8



will maintain a student for one month at Dacca, Pakistan

\$100



will provide supplies for the self-help mimeographing projects operated by the WUS Committee of Indonesia

\$10

will buy CARE books, through WSSF, for the library of the University of Rangoon in Burma.



\$3500

will build a Student Hostel and Rest Center at Cairo, Egypt



"THIS IS THEIR STORY"

A documentary film entitled "This Is Their Story" is available in both 16mm. and 35mm. sizes for interested groups. Be sure to specify size required when ordering the film.

University and college groups may order the film without charge from the nearest World Student Service Fund office. WSSF offices are:

New England—WSSF, 97 Lincoln Avenue, Amherst, Massachusetts.

Middle Atlantic—WSSF, 2 East Chestnut Hill Ave., Philadelphia 18, Pa.

Southeast—WSSF, 63 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta 3, Georgia.

Southwest—WSSF, 19 South LaSalle Street, Chicago 3, Illinois.

Central—WSSF, 19 South La Salle Street, Chicago 3, Illinois.

Pacific Northwest—WSSF, 831 S.W. Sixth Avenue, Portland 14, Oregon.

Pacific Southwest—WSSF, 715 South Hope Street, Los Angeles 14, Calif.

WE PAUSE TO HONOR

By Irwin H. Gerst

Member of the National Executive Board

On the list of members of the National Executive Board you will find the name of C. J. Carlson. Possibly to many men in Alpha Phi Omega, Brother Carlson is just another board member. But to the chapters in the Far West — California, Arizona, and Utah—he is a 72-year-young brother who has an outstanding record of building boys and young men. As a Regional Scout Executive for twenty-two years and a member of Alpha Phi Omega for twenty-four years, his influence and leadership have been keenly felt in the Scout movement.

Brother C. J., as he is affectionately known, was born in Sweden in 1879, the first of nine children. His parents brought the family to the United States in 1881 and settled in Massachusetts. It was there that C. J. went to elementary school. At the age of 13 years he went to work and received his high school education by going to night school. He finished his formal education by taking correspondence and extension courses in English, Law and Advertising. It was in Massachusetts that C. J.'s interest in boys' work began.

Mr. Carlson moved to Riverside, California, in 1910 and went to work on a local newspaper. In 1915, he became Chief of Police in Riverside. Here he worked in Y.M.C.A. classes and with boys' clubs in less-chance areas. And so it was rather natural that he soon became a Scoutmaster. In 1917, as leader of a Troop, C. J. started a long record of Scout leadership. He served in various capacities and became president of the Riverside County Council. His splendid guidance and direction was a great factor in the development of the council.

In 1920, he became a professional Scouter, being commissioned as Scout Executive of the Riverside Council. From there he became Deputy Regional Executive for Region XII, with headquarters in Los Angeles. Continuing his career, he became Scout Executive of the Long Beach Council in



C. J. Carlson

1922, which post he held until 1926, when he was appointed Regional Scout Executive of Region XII, which comprises California, Utah, Arizona, Nevada and the Hawaiian Islands.

In 1937, Mr. Carlson was transferred to the Regional Executiveship of Region VII, with headquarters in Chicago, including the states of Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana. Then in 1945 he returned to Region XII, where he served as Regional Executive until September 1, 1948, at which time he retired from the Scouting profession.

Brother C. J. has been active in Alpha Phi Omega since 1927. He helped organize the first chapters west of the Rockies, and he was elected to the National Executive Board by the delegates at the 1946 National Convention. He has officiated for the national fraternity at the installation of ten active chapters. Two of these are in Utah, Eta Omicron Chapter of Brigham Young University, Provo; and Iota Psi Chapter of University of Utah, Salt Lake City. Six of the instal-

lations were in California, including Epsilon Chi Chapter of Los Angeles City-State College, Zeta Omicron Chapter of California State Polytechnic College, San Luis Obispo; Eta Alpha Chapter of University of Santa Clara, Santa Clara; Eta Psi Chapter at Chico State College, Iota Pi Chapter of City College of San Francisco, and Iota Phi Chapter of University of California, at Davis. At installations in Arizona, Brother Carlson officiated at Eta Eta Chapter of Arizona State College, Tempe, and collaborated with Dean Arno Nowotny, who was then National President, in the ceremony of Theta Iota Chapter at the University of Arizona, Tucson.

Brother Carlson also officiated at the charter presentation of one alumni chapter, this being the Southern California Area Alumni Chapter.

His personal services in organization and in advising chapters in California, Utah and Arizona, have been extremely valuable and today the Far West boasts eighteen AΦΩ chapters, and still more to come.

While located in Chicago, Brother Carlson was active in the promotion of Alpha Phi Omega in the Midwest and was a speaker at the 1940 National Convention in Indianapolis.

In his "retirement," Brother Carlson has kept as busy as ever. He carries on a continuous schedule of AΦΩ contacts, is active on several BSA local committees, is a member of four church committees, is Business Manager of the First Methodist Church in Riverside; Chief Warden in the Civil Defense Program in the City of Riverside, and takes care of his acre of ground, with its 56 trees. He attends chapter functions throughout four states.

Brother C. J. is married and lives with his wife in Riverside. They have two children and seven grandchildren.

It has taken unselfish men like Brother Carlson, throughout the United

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Books for GI's

THETA PSI CHAPTER of the *University of Bridgeport*, has launched a book and magazine drive for the GI's in Korea. Another recent project was the solicitation of funds for the Salvation Army and the giving of blood to the Red Cross. This is reported by Harold S. Austern, Historian.

Scout Troop for Handicapped Boys

For the second year ETA PI CHAPTER at the *University of Detroit*, is sponsoring a Scout Troop for handicapped boys. For this specialized troop, Brother Sam Maniaci serves as Scoutmaster. Brother Harry Nazarkewicz, who serves as one of the Assistant Scoutmasters, reported concerning the troop and also says that the chapter is swamped with projects for the Spring semester.

Aid to Chabot Ranch

Fall pledges of GAMMA GAMMA CHAPTER at the *University of California*, continued a project started last year, that of assisting with the boys at Chabot Ranch, the place to which delinquent boys of Alameda County, California, are sent for rehabilitation to community life. This news is from the Gamma Gamma Gab.

Chapter's First Book Exchange

KAPPA BETA CHAPTER recently conducted its first used book exchange at *Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn*. About 700 books were sold. Dr. Robert Ullman, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, also reports that the chapter has sponsored the blood drive on the campus, a clothes for Koreans drive, collection of books for hospitalized veterans, maintenance of school bulletin boards and other worthy projects.

SCHOLARSHIP ESTABLISHED BY NU CHAPTER AT UPSALA COLLEGE



The presentation of a \$2,000.00 scholarship fund is shown in the above picture. Those appearing in the picture are, left to right: Roy Peterson, Treasurer; Herbert A. Van Demark, President; Dean Frans A. Ericsson, Dean Nils A. Nilson, and Harvey Nicholson and Richard Werner, alumni.

The idea of starting a scholarship fund was first suggested in 1948 and each year the fund has increased by efforts of Nu Chapter. It recently reached \$2,000.00 and the name of "Dean Frans A. Ericsson Scholarship" was adopted.

The first scholarship will be awarded this Spring. The chapter has decided that the applicant must fulfill the following requirements:

1. The applicant must have been a Boy Scout and been a member in good standing.
2. The applicant must pass a college entrance examination as shall be agreed upon by the trustees of the APO scholarship fund.
3. The applicant upon acceptance must maintain a point average of at least 1.5.
4. The amount of the scholarship shall be determined by the trustees based upon the conditions of the fund, at least six months prior to the beginning of each semester.
5. No applicant shall be denied the privileges of this scholarship because of race, creed or color.
6. The order of predominance of requirements for receiving the scholarship is (a) financial need, (b) academic standing, (c) observations of the board at the personal interviews with the applicants.

It has been decided that a sum of \$100.00 be awarded this Spring. A scholarship committee has been set up and will consider the candidates upon the requirements which have been established.

Any chapter wishing further information about this scholarship project may secure it by writing to Herbert A. Van Demark, 75 Perry Street, Belleville, New Jersey.

Entertain Orphans

Twenty-five orphan children went to a *San Jose State* football game last fall as guests of GAMMA BETA CHAPTER. Other recent projects of the chapter have included operating the book exchange, helping paint the student union, participation in homecoming activities. The chapter will soon plant trees at Camp Asilomar, a camp used by college groups, and has agreed to supply books for DP students. The annual Turkey Trot, sponsored by the chapter, brought a fine field of entries and was won by Bob McMullen. Delta Upsilon won the organization awards in the contest. This is reported by Jack Fry, Historian.

Interchapter Sports

Chapters in the Bay Area of California recently gathered at City College of San Francisco for a volleyball tournament. ZETA CHAPTER of *Stanford University* took home the trophy, and plans were made for a spring basketball contest among the bay chapters. This news is from the "GAMMA GAMMA GAB," chapter newsletter.

Alpha Phi Omega Band Wagon

ALPHA ALPHA CHAPTER'S radio committee presents the "Alpha Phi Omega Band Wagon," a program of AΦΩ news and recorded music every Saturday morning at 11:30 on WKID, and the "Scouting Bulletin Board," which is news of the local Scout activities, on the second Sunday on each month at 1:30 over station WDWS. The chapter has received numerous compliments from the radio stations on the quality of programs and the ability of the members to do a professional job. The brothers working on the committee this year are Ira Boyer, Chairman; Max Beschloss, George Florman, Art O'Leary, Dave Kaplan, Harry Parmenter, Gordon Stewart and Milo Illich. This report is from "APO News," published at the *University of Illinois*.

Aid in Scout Drive

EPSILON OMEGA CHAPTER of *University of Mississippi*, has recently assisted the local Scout Council in a financial campaign. Coat check has been handled at several dances and other projects conducted. Brother Robert L. Berman, President, reports that AΦΩ is becoming more widely known on the campus.

CAMPUS EDITORIAL

ALPHA PHI OMEGA RESPONSIBLE FOR MANY SERVICE PROJECTS

Service—first, last and always—that's the guiding principle of Alpha Phi Omega. Several thousand man-hours have been contributed to service projects on the Syracuse campus since the founding of the local chapter twenty years ago.

Perhaps the best known of the projects which APO carries on at Syracuse is the Colgate week-end clean-up.

On the Sunday morning after the big game brothers and pledges can be seen pushing brooms and picking up paper on the Oval and the other spots on the campus which have been given a going over by the celebrating crowds.

The idea of making the campus spick-and-span after a big week end is one APO project which is unique to the Syracuse chapter.

The student book mart which APO runs in conjunction with AOPhi has enabled hundreds of students to buy and sell books directly among themselves without having to pay a middleman's profit.

This year the mart handled a total of \$4,000 in cash and made 1,500 separate transactions.

To many a student short of funds the APO travel bureau has meant the difference between being able to go home for a week end or staying on campus. The bureau which is located in the Student Union arranges rides during all times of the year but is especially active around holidays and vacation periods.

"Respect Your Lawn" signs which are posted at strategic points around the campus are also the work of APO. Two years ago the fraternity conducted an intensive program for the improvement of the lawns on campus. At that time the Hill was decorated with "Leave It Grow, Joe" placards.

Not all the APO projects are as conspicuous and well known as the book mart and the travel bureau. Just as important from the service angle, however, are the visits which the APO's make to the infirmary and their practice of serving as ushers at University dances.

Although APO has a great number of traditional projects which it carries on from year to year, it is always ready to step in when emergencies arise. Last spring, after 34 Syracuse students were arrested in connection with a water fight which caused several thousand dollars damage, APO began to collect money to pay for the damages.

Another service which the fraternity performs is to act as a co-ordinating agency for major campus projects. If APO comes across an undertaking which it cannot handle itself it refers the project to some organization which can do the job.

This semester the APO's will make a special project the renovating of the Ram's Gulch Scout camp. The camp, which is located near Brewerton, is designed to give Scouts from the city a chance to enjoy outdoor surroundings.

The boys will repair fireplaces, paint the cabins with creosote, and remove wind-blown branches. In addition the parking lot and the roads inside the camp will be put in shape.

Next semester's big project of APO will be the staging of an Ugly Man contest with the proceeds going to the Community Chest.

This article in the "Syracuse Daily Orange," is a fine tribute to Phi Chapter on the occasion of its twentieth anniversary. The Torch and Trefoil extends hearty congratulations to Phi Chapter upon its splendid record of service throughout two decades.

TWO WAR ORPHANS ADOPTED BY DELTA SIGMA CHAPTER

Reprinted from the "Connecticut Campus"

Two 12-year-old boys in Europe, Norbert Goupil of France, and Efthymios Melissaropoulos of Greece, have been made happier by the activities of their foster parents, Alpha Phi Omega at the University of Connecticut.

Jack Ebbott is in charge of the plan and corresponds regularly with the children. He has found it difficult to have contact with the children, but packages are sent to the Red Cross for distribution.

Greek Lad Sends Letter

No too much is known about Efthymios Melissaropoulos, since Greece is partly covered by the iron curtain, but one letter from him in June, 1951, reads: "Dear Foster Parents: I am sending you many fond kisses. How are you? Thank you heartily for the lovely presents you send me every month. May God give you health and happiness. I have taken exams and I am through with this grade. I have just received my report card with mark C. Here in our village the weather is very hot now. I wish I could see you some day in Greece. Will you please send me your picture? My people send you their best regards." It is signed "With all my love, your foster son."

Grenade Explodes

Norbert Goupil's mother earns the equivalent of 14 dollars a month working on a farm, but through the efforts of his foster parents, she is able to keep Norbert with her. His left arm is mutilated due to a grenade which exploded when several boys curiously opened a box of explosives containing the grenade. Four splinters remaining in his left arm cause him constant pain. Miss Jane C. Rogers, educational director of the Foster Parents' Plan for War Children, wrote to Ebbott that the boy needs the plan very much.

The university and the student senate contribute financially toward the sponsorship, and Delta Sigma Chapter sends food and clothes and magazines, corresponds with their foster children.

Personal Interest

Ebbott had a great personal interest in the foster children and immediately volunteered to help after hear-

ing that the University intended to join the plan for war children. Ebbott, who is in his junior year, is a veteran who served in the American Combat Medical Corps and was attached to the American Red Cross, American Field Service, and French Marquis during the war.

Captured in Belgium, he was sent to Buchenwald and Dachau, both infamous concentration camps. It was

there he came to know the children of Europe for he was situated near the children's section of it. He was finally liberated by the Russians and was interned in Russia for a month. Ebbott received the Silver Star, the Purple Heart with two clusters, and the Croix de Guerre.

Unable to forget the treatment dealt to these war children and the condition they were in, Ebbott was eager to participate in the foster child program. He states, "It means too much to me personally to consider it just another job to perform."

NORTHWEST SECTIONAL CONFERENCE HELD AT MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY



This enthusiastic group of delegates from chapters in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and Montana met October 26, 27 and 28, 1951, at Missoula, Montana, with Eta Omega Chapter serving ably as host. The conference opened Friday evening with an informal smoker, which gave opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make new ones. The opening business session Saturday morning was addressed by Dean Herbert J. Wunderlich, Dean of Men of Montana State University. This was followed by group meetings where discussions were held of the program and problems of the chapters and new ideas were brought forth for the advancement of the fraternity.

One group meeting was on the subject of "Administration and Parliamentary Procedure." Another was on "Program and Ceremony" and a third on the subject of "Membership and Extension."

At the fellowship luncheon the theme related to the service fields of Alpha Phi Omega. Three addresses included "Service to the Campus" by A. C. Cogswell, Director of Public Relations of MSU; "Service to the Community" by Dr. Gordon Reynolds, Past President of the Missoula Chamber of Commerce; and "Service to Scouting" by Russell Neal, Principal of the Lowell School of Missoula.

At the conference banquet, Dr. Robert C. Line, Professor, School of Business, MSU, spoke on "Attitude of Europe to World Conditions," and Brother Joseph Scanlon, National Third Vice-President of Alpha Phi Omega, addressed the group on "Service to the World."

Brother Herbert E. Waltermire of Eta Omega Chapter served as Conference Chairman, with Brother Robert G. Nicholson collaborating as Arrangements Chairman.

This was a highly successful conference, enjoyed very much by all who attended.

A Founder's Son Active

Highest in service in his pledge class in DELTA TAU CHAPTER at *University of New Mexico* last spring was Roger Green, credited with eighty hours of work on projects. His father, Robert J. Green, was one of the original founders of ALPHA PHI OMEGA at *Lafayette College* in 1925 and passed away last year. Says James C. Walker, Corresponding Secretary, "Roger is very active and alive in APO and we are glad to have him with us."

Greased Pig Contest

PHI CHAPTER, in conjunction with the 4-H Club, ran a greased pig contest at the *Syracuse University* Campus Chest Carnival, reports Leonard Slatkes, Recording Secretary.

Tug of War

New York University's traditional rope pull recently converted the academic quiet of Washington Square East into a bedlam. From each school 150 students strained at each end of a fifty-yard rope, with the School of Commerce winning. The contest is conducted under the auspices of BETA IOTA CHAPTER of Alpha Phi Omega. This was reported in the *New York Times*.

Sale of Grade Blanks

GAMMA DELTA CHAPTER of CCNY sells postal cards to students at the close of each term. At CCNY the marks for the term are not posted on bulletin boards, but the students furnish their instructors with postal cards which are used to send grades to the students. The sale of cards has proved beneficial to the students, reports Martin Hellinger.

"Name the Panther" Contest

Presentation of the Pitt Panthers by BETA CHAPTER took place on January 19, at the Penn State basketball game. After purchasing the pair as mascots for *University of Pittsburgh* athletic teams, a contest was conducted for naming the Panthers. This was reported in "Beta Bits," chapter newsletter.

Bookmobile

The Milwaukee Area Alumni Chapter is assisting toward securing a bookmobile for the city library, reports Emil Symonik, President.

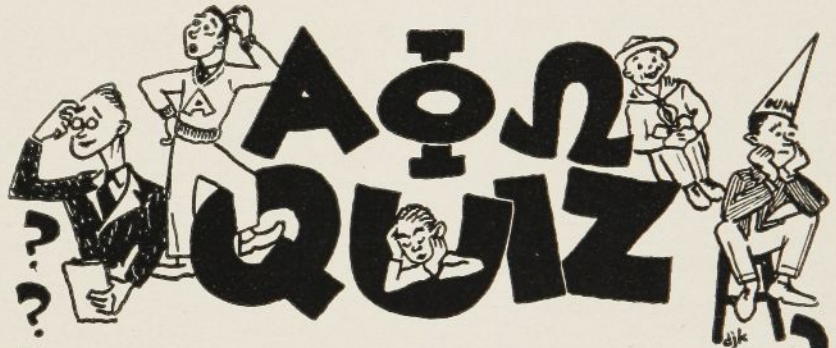
STATUS OF MEMBERS AND PLEDGES OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA WHILE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

In your contacts with prospective new pledges in the Spring term, it is important to give them assurance that Alpha Phi Omega will wish to keep in contact with them if they are called into the Armed Forces. Even if their education is interrupted, they will benefit from being affiliated with APO. Our policy concerning this is as follows:

Pledge applications are kept intact in the National Office for pledges who enter the Armed Forces, if this is desired by the individuals and the chapter. Pledges who completed requirements for active membership before departure may become members in absentia, if this is desired by the individuals and chapter.

Active members who enter the Armed Forces are entitled to continue active status in the fraternity. Their addresses will be continued on the mailing list for TORCH AND TREFOIL when the National Office is notified. Those men should also receive the chapter newsletter regularly.

Upon return from the Armed Forces, those men are entitled to resume active membership on the campus as soon as they re-enroll in college.



By Joseph Scanlon

1. How many men should be on the Advisory Committee of your chapter?
2. What is the procedure for selecting additional Faculty Advisors and Scouting Advisors?
3. Is there a fee for advisory membership?
4. Do your advisors function as a committee?
5. How is the Chairman of the Advisory Committee selected?
6. Is it required that the Chairman be a faculty member?
7. Is it necessary that Faculty Advisors have previous or current Scouting affiliations?

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NAMING OF A CHAPTER NEWSPAPER

From the second issue of Delta Beta Chapter's newsletter at the University of Oklahoma

Why is this called the DeBee? It all happened when three of us were out on the Canadian river bridge looking at the part that had washed out during the last rain. We had been down in the river bed that has been dry since that rain, and looked at the pilings. Then we went back on top of the bridge and looked at the planking. The span was gone for sure. We were just about to leave when one of the boys noticed a peculiar looking insect on the very end of the bridge.

It was a tall, slender bug, perhaps two inches long. It looked something like a praying mantis except that its forelegs were folded in back instead of before (a backslider, maybe). He was pacing around in circles with his two bulging brown eyes set in a fixed gaze. He must have been a child's pet because on one wing was the initial "D" and on the other wing was the initial "B."

Looking closer, we found that "DB" wasn't pacing in a circle on purpose. One foot was large with some sort of growth and it was all dirty with caked mud. He couldn't move that foot at all, it was so heavy. He paced around and around twisting it underneath him. When he would get around two and one-half times his leg

was twisted so that he could go no further. If he were an intelligent bug he would have started around the other way and untwist his leg but . . . he went on. It was slow and painful . . . then his free foot lost hold . . . and he unwound . . . head and forelegs and wings beating the planking on either side . . . clattering like an anxious window shade. What a stupid bug.

But what could the poor bug do? A condition had grown on him that prevented him from doing anything but go in circles and it takes more than that to keep even a bug alive. "DB" was unfortunate that one member of his body was so important that its inactivity meant the destruction of the whole creature. There were several other members left, each as strong as before, but they couldn't bear the functions of the inactive member. The poor fellow was being literally beaten to death, like a window shade, by his club foot. "DB" was pretty well gone when we got there and it was just a matter of minutes until he fell limp on the planking.

The people in the South put up a statue to the Boll Weevil. Likewise, this is dedicated to a bug in the hopes that we may never be threatened by our Achilles heel, the "CLUB FOOT."

"Best Citizen" Awards

Two chapters, OMICRON CHAPTER at the *University of Iowa* and BETA EPSILON CHAPTER at *Iowa State Teachers College*, annually present an award to the "Best Citizen" of their respective communities.

The past year's award at Iowa City was presented to Mr. O. A. Kelley, a businessman who was deemed most active in civic affairs. His outstanding work in youth activities was cited. At Cedar Falls, the past year's winner of the award was Mrs. Aksel Holst, who was honored for her devoted service in many community enterprises.

In each instance, the selection was made by a committee of Alpha Phi Omega from recommendations and nominations received from various sources. Each chapter presented the award at its annual banquet. This is a worthy service to the community.

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HUMAN ATTITUDES CAN CHANGE

"The ideal of a world in which people would 'practice tolerance and live together as good neighbors' is far from realization today only because of the state of mind of mankind. Without great changes in human attitudes, without massive strides toward human understanding, the most perfect machinery will fail. No mechanical device, no international charters or pacts, no ingenious diplomacy can save society if, in his relations with others, man is 'mean and brutish.'" These are the words of Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, who insists that each individual has it in his power to help make these conditions of peace.

The relief of human need is one way for American students to make an immediate contribution which will have permanent significance in the lives of fellow students who will live and study because there was provided, when it was needed most, food or a place in a hostel, a textbook or a scholarship.

There is too much suffering in the world—too many wounded and dead, too much hatred and chaos. Hostilities can only increase this intolerable burden. No time could be better for strengthening the humanitarian efforts of the students and professors around the world to join in mutual self-help and increase of understanding. The more excellent way is open to us for participation in a ministry of healing and more abundant life in our universities through the services of WSSF.

WE PAUSE TO HONOR

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States, to make Scouting and Alpha Phi Omega what it is today.

Whenever you ask Brother Carlson how he is doing, he always answers: "Feeling fine and doing my best to be ageless." He is a tireless brother of our fraternity.

We should all be proud of C. J., who has helped build one of the greatest service organizations in the United States. (Flash! Just before going to press, we have learned that the Silver Beaver award has been presented to Brother C. J. Carlson "for distinguished service to boyhood"—another well-deserved tribute to an outstanding member of AΦΩ.)

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Henry G. Bennett

*Honorary Member, Theta Sigma Chapter
Oklahoma A. & M. College*

Leonard Thomas Watson

*Active Member, Delta Chi Chapter
Texas College of Arts and Industries*

James Oliver Phillips

*Alumnus, Alpha Beta Chapter
The Pennsylvania State College*

Reno R. Reeve

*Scouting Advisor,
Beta Epsilon Chapter
Iowa State Teachers College*

William A. Turner

*Life Member,
Epsilon Phi Chapter
Youngstown College*

SCENES FROM THE SECTIONAL CONFERENCE OF MINNESOTA AND NORTH DAKOTA CHAPTERS



Helpful discussions, inspirational addresses and fine fellowship marked the Sectional Conference held at North Dakota Agricultural College, Fargo, December 1 and 2, 1951. In this picture at left above are shown leaders of chapter delegations. Left to right are Lee Martyn, Past President of Theta Nu Chapter at Hamline University; Ray Thomes, Past President of Eta Nu Chapter of St. John's University; Dick Niemann, President of Gamma Psi Chapter of the University of Minnesota; Charles Akre, President of Iota Tau Chapter of St. Olaf College; Doug Williams, President of Alpha Lambda Chapter of North Dakota Agricultural College; and George Hayashi, Past Vice-President of Epsilon Theta Chapter of University of North Dakota.

In center is a get-together of officials at the conference. Left to right are Armond G. Spizzirri, member of the National Executive Board, who represented the national fraternity at the meeting and gave the closing address; Prof. A. Glenn Hill, State Chairman for North Dakota; Robert Runice, alumnus and Past President of Alpha Lambda Chapter, and George Hoenck, banquet speaker. At right is shown one of the discussion groups.

Answers to APO Quiz for February

1. The Advisory Committee of each chapter of Alpha Phi Omega should be composed of at least five Faculty Advisors and two Scouting Advisors.
2. New advisors are chosen upon nomination and election by the chapter. Suggestions may be invited at any chapter meeting, giving members opportunity to recommend faculty men or Scouters whom they feel would serve effectively as advisors. Personal interview with each prospective advisor by a committee of chapter officers is recommended as a means of discussing the responsibilities and issuing an invitation.
3. There is no fee for advisory membership.
4. You can answer this question from your own chapter experience. If your advisors do not function as a committee, it is recommended that they be organized as such. (See the responsibilities of the chairman and advisors on page 5 of the Manual of Administration.)
5. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee is an elective officer and should be elected or re-elected semi-annually when chapter officers are chosen.
6. Yes. The Chairman of the Advisory Committee must be a Faculty Advisor and be a member of the faculty or administrative staff of the college.
7. No. It is not required that Faculty Advisors have previous or current Scouting affiliation, but they should be definitely interested in Scouting principles and in the service program of our fraternity.

INSIGNIA OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA



Pledge button (shown above at top left).....	.35
Service button (top right).....	.35
Standard badge, gold plated (extreme left, middle row).....	2.50
Standard badge, 10K (second from left, middle row).....	6.50
Standard badge, crown set pearl center plain arms (third from left, middle row).....	13.25
Standard badge, crown set pearl center and arms (extreme right, middle row).....	24.50
Standard key, gold plated (extreme left, bottom row).....	3.25
Standard key, 10K (second from left, bottom row).....	8.50
Standard key, crown set pearl center plain arms (third from left, bottom row).....	15.00
Standard key, crown set pearl center and arms (extreme right, bottom row).....	26.00

(To all prices add 20 per cent federal tax, and state sales tax.)

Official order blanks are available from your Chapter Treasurer or from the National Office.

BULLETIN BOARD

SPRING DEDICATION

It is recommended that again each chapter dedicate its Spring 1952 Pledge Class in honor of a local leader whom the members deem merits this recognition.

In your chapter there is undoubtedly someone whose service and leadership and devotion stands out above all others for the past year . . . some advisor, college official, Scouter, or other leader who has given particularly outstanding service in Alpha Phi Omega.

This dedication offers opportunity to say "Thanks" in a big way for exceptionally fine service.

PROJECTS

An egg hunt for children is always an enjoyable and beneficial project at Eastertime, for children of an orphan's home or other group.

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

The Ugly Man Contest is a very popular APO project for raising money for a benevolent cause. This is an interesting activity in which the entire campus may participate.

Campus clean-up is another useful project for Spring. Along with this, a survey of fire hazards can help save lives and property.

NEW DIRECTORY

The National Office has just published a new Directory of Chapter Presidents and National Executive Board members. A copy has been sent to each chapter.

We hope the directory will be useful for your contacts with other chapters and with national officials.

It is always appropriate to invite neighboring chapters to send visitors to your initiation ceremonies, banquets, outings and other special events . . . also invite any nearby board member.

The addresses in the directory will also be useful for sending your newsletter to other chapters.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

A summary of scholarships and fellowships available at colleges and universities has been published by the U. S. Office of Education. Including 1,198 schools on the list, the summary reports 141,554 scholarships available, valued at \$31,056,754.86, and 15,369 fellowships available, worth \$10,642,324.70.

The book which lists these scholarships and fellowships is available through the Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., at a cost of 55c.