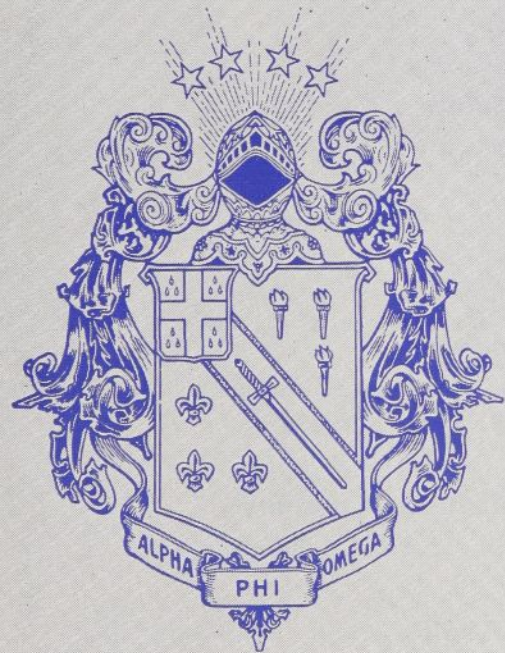


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On Our Cover—

STANFORD UNIVERSITY'S President Dr. J. Wallace Sterling (right) reviews Zeta Chapter's service record with Dr. L. R. Steig (left), National Vice President in charge of the Western Zone and Chapter President Donald Saunders. Zeta is now in its 35th year at Stanford. Dr. Sterling is an Honorary chapter member. Dr. Steig has been one of Zeta's advisors since 1946.

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OUR CHALLENGE IN 1962



JOSEPH A. BRUNTON, JR.
Chief Scout Executive

We are now well into the year 1962 with all the opportunities and challenge that the new year brings.

We in Scouting, both professionally and as volunteers, are delighted with the increasing spread and effectiveness of Alpha Phi Omega.

Your concept of service, patriotism and good citizenship mark you as outstanding on more than 300 campuses.

Through you the "Good Turn" goes to college. Your example is a challenge to the oncoming multitude of young men headed for college and university. My contacts across America with young people, both on and off college campuses, give me great hope for the future of America. Certainly your record is unmatched and unsurpassed in the field of service.

I know you won't rest with past performance. The really important value of a record of fine past accomplishment is reflected in the momentum, confidence, and skill with which we go forward to tackle with judgment and enthusiasm any problem that comes our way.

Along with your program of action for the year ahead, I would like to suggest two things: First, recognize that more of you are needed in local chapters and then take appropriate action. Secondly, adopt a campus that has no chapter and work toward the end that Alpha Phi Omega will be an effective force in the new community.

Your greetings and best wishes to Scouting are appreciated and reciprocated. My fervent wish for you in 1962 is that you Build your membership, Serve more campuses, Achieve new heights of responsible leadership, as you move into the fascinating new world opening up before us.

J. A. Brunton, Jr.
Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America
National Executive Board, A-Phi-O, 1952-56

Feature Chapter . . . Zeta

By **JOE S. TENN**, Publicity Chairman

The new Stanford student has his first contact with Zeta chapter of A-Phi-O even before he arrives on campus. Soon after his acceptance to the University, he receives a "Frosh Interest Card" on which he may indicate the campus activities which interest him. From these cards the chapter compiles lists of freshmen interested in the newspaper, band, yearbook, and other organizations including, of course, A-Phi-O. These lists are turned over to the interested groups, thus aiding them in their recruiting of freshmen.

The new student really becomes aware of A-Phi-O when he arrives for Stanford's Pre-Registration Week. Those arriving by train are met at the station, where their baggage is picked up and delivered to the dorms. This begins our most popular service project. Each fall, at the request of the University, thirty-five stalwart A-Phi-O men return a week early to help with the many Pre-Reg activities. Our favorite, of course, is carrying the freshman girls' luggage up to their rooms. In a school where the guys outnumber the girls three to one, this gives us a valuable head start in meeting the newcomers. We also usher at placement tests and serve and clean up at the frosh picnic.

Also at this time we are busy with two of our regular quarterly projects, ushering at registration and setting up and conducting the Used Book Exchange. This exchange, in operation every quarter since 1951, currently handles about 2,000 books per year. For a ten cent handling charge, a student may leave a book with A-Phi-O, set his own price, and later pick up a check if the book was sold, or his book if not.

Early in the fall quarter, the freshman is invited to an open meeting of the chapter where he may learn about joining the fraternity. If he is accepted as a pledge, he must do twelve hours of work on service projects, learn the history of Alpha Phi Omega, and get to know most of the activities before he can become a member. At Stanford, A-Phi-O includes members of the social fraternities, eating club members, and independents. Twice each year the pledges are initiated at a banquet and dance at which the new officers are installed. Current president is Don Saunders, one of two delegates to the last national convention in Philadelphia.

Zeta chapter was founded in September, 1928, as the sixth chapter of the new national service fraternity. After the wartime shutdown, the chapter was reactivated in 1948 and has been busy ever since. Representative service projects of the postwar period included a "Save Power" campaign and a commuter sign-up to form car pools in 1948, sorting and classifying of documents in Stan-

ZETA ALUMNUS



Dr. W. Walter Menninger

Dr. W. Walter Menninger, Chief Medical Officer and Psychiatrist at the United States Federal Reformatory, El Reno, Oklahoma, Leland Stanford University '53, is Zeta Chapter's nominee for Distinguished Alumnus.

Dr. Menninger is the son of one of America's most eminent psychiatrists, Dr. William C. Menninger of Topeka, Kansas, and Mrs. Menninger.

He entered Alpha Phi Omega at Stanford in 1949 and was active in Zeta Chapter throughout his four years on campus. He served as Chapter President and as a delegate to the 1950 National Convention in Des Moines, Iowa. The book exchange project at Stanford developed during his chapter days. In 1953 he graduated with an A.B. degree in Psychology, "with great distinction."

He secured his M.D. at Cornell University Medical School in 1957 followed by an internship at Boston City Hospital under the supervision of Harvard, 1957-58. He completed residency training in the Menninger School of Psychiatry at Topeka, Kansas, in July, 1961. He holds the rank of Surgeon in the United States Public Health Service, which is comparable to that of Major or Lieutenant Commander.

The El Reno Reformatory houses more than 1,000 men between the ages



The A-Phi-O Book Exchange finds Brother Gary Ewell anxious to be of service.

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Leland Stanford University

STANFORD UNIVERSITY
STANFORD, CALIFORNIA

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 22, 1962

Mr. Joe Scanlon
Executive Secretary
Alpha Phi Omega

Dear Mr. Scanlon:

The Stanford Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega has been engaged energetically in numerous activities which have benefited the University and the student body for many years. Annually Zeta Chapter sponsors and conducts a council-wide court of honor for the Boy Scouts of America. This project has afforded a welcome opportunity to hundreds of parents and friends of scouting to see these young men display the high level of citizenship inspired by the scouting movement.

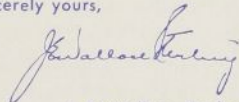
Stanford's Alpha Phi Omega members have been active in other endeavors. They have, for instance, spent hundreds of hours with a children's scout troop at the Stanford Convalescent Home. These children, though handicapped in a manner to prevent them from experiencing outdoor scouting activities, are provided with a scouting program and are taught various skills which give them a sense of participating in the world-wide scouting movement. This program has been responsible for creating interests that help to enliven the thoughts of these handicapped youngsters during otherwise dreary hours.

Fund raising efforts of local Alpha Phi Omega members have made it possible to provide scholarships for qualified students. Other chapter projects include the operation of a book exchange service for Stanford students and a "share-your-ride" booth for the convenience of fellow students who desire a ride home during vacations. Members usher at various University programs, assist the Registrar on registration days, maintain the University's bulletin boards and furnish a variety of occasional services as the need arises.

We are proud of Alpha Phi Omega's Stanford Chapter and are grateful for the dedication of its members to useful service.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,



J. E. Wallace Sterling

ford's famed Hoover Institution on War, Revolution, and Peace, and several blood drives.

More recent services to the University have included the building and maintenance of boxes for the distribution of the *Stanford Daily*, and assistance with Parents Day. For several years, A-Phi-O has provided ushers for all on-campus theatrical productions.

In 1957 the chapter initiated a half-tuition scholarship given annually to a male student who has shown leadership on campus. Funds for the award, now \$630, are earned by selling magazines at student rates. This sale also supports chapter service projects and enables the chapter to make regular contributions to CARE and other charities.

Service to Scouting has always been a strong part of the Zeta Chapter program. Twice in the last two years, the chapter has won the Region 12 Service Award for outstanding service in this field. The first was won for the council-wide Court of Honor which we have sponsored each fall since 1958. This affair is planned and run by the chapter for the local Scout council and is for the presentation of Star, Life, and Eagle awards. The second award was for the sponsorship and maintenance of a Boy Scout troop in the Stanford Convalescent Home, a charity-supported institution for children recovering from serious illnesses. Members of the chapter visit regularly, introducing Scouting to the boys there.

All in all, Zeta chapter carries on a strong, varied program of leadership, brotherhood, and service. With 47 members we are large enough to get things done and yet small enough to allow almost every member the opportunity of heading some project. Two of our sophomore members recently led a successful week-long "Clean the Campus" campaign. We are now making plans for spring, when we will host a sectional convention.

Zeta chapter will host the Pacific Coast training sectional meeting in the fall of 1962 and will share in the May 5-6, 1962, Sectional Conference to be held at San Jose.

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of 18 and 26 years. During his spare time Dr. Menninger is a visiting lecturer for the Department of Psychiatry, Neurology and Behavioral Services at the University of Oklahoma Medical School, Oklahoma City. Last November he spoke on "Sentencing" at the First National Convention of Municipal Judges held in Houston, Texas.

He is a Presbyterian by faith, an ardent Scouter and Explorer Advisor, holds Eagle Scout rank and delights to remember his World Jamboree experience in 1947 in France, but is proudest of all of his wife, the former Constance Libbey, whom he met at Stanford when he was Managing Editor of the *Stanford Daily* and she was its Business Manager. Their children are Fritz, who will be five years old May 4; John, who will be three this Washington's Birthday and Eliza, born September 13, 1960.

Speaking of Alpha Phi Omega and his own action-packed life (he will be 31 years old October 23, 1962), he says, "As I reflect on those things I have accomplished in my life, I would have to credit the association with Alpha Phi Omega as among the most satisfactory."

EXTRA



Alpha Rho, University of Texas, is the first chapter in the country to register for the 1962 Convention — 10 registrations at \$2.00 each are now on file. Who's next?



Alabama and Tennessee chapters in Section 17 will meet at Auburn University, Auburn, Alabama, March 30, 31, and April 1. R. L. Brittain is the Sectional chairman.

TENT PLATFORMS FOR SCOUT CAMP

By

**Richard S. Naylor, Past President
Alpha Chi Chapter
Massachusetts Institute of Technology**

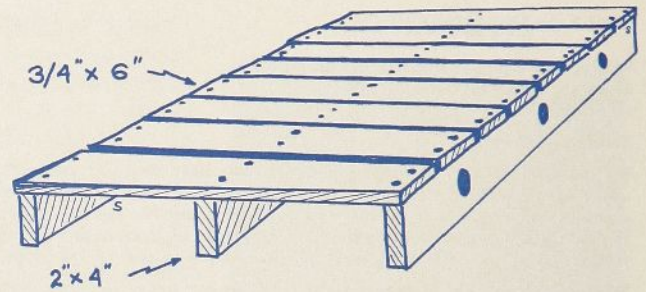
MIT's Alpha Chi Chapter would like to pass along a word about one of its most successful service projects, one which could be just right for your chapter—building tent platforms for a local Boy Scout Council. In our case the council was setting up a new camp, but even councils with established camps seem to have a constant need for new tent platforms. How about yours?

There are some particularly enticing aspects to such a project: it's a one-shot affair and requires few special skills or equipment; it can be conducted either on campus or at the campsite, whichever is preferred; it provides a chance to gather the entire chapter together to work on a common project; and it proved to be one of our chapter's best member and pledge get-togethers of the term.

The preliminary plans were handled by a two-man committee. As soon as the Scout council had designed the platforms, they made an estimate of costs which the committee submitted to the chapter for approval. The chapter gave the project the green light, selected a date, and left the remainder of the arrangements to the committee.

The committee arranged with the school authorities for a place to do the work on campus. An outdoor site was chosen, but they were careful to make alternate arrangements in case of rain. Work schedules were drawn up. The Scout council agreed to purchase the materials at minimum cost through their supplier and helped the committee locate a power saw, power drill, and the necessary auxiliary generator. Hand tools were no problem. Some came from the school, others were borrowed from campus activities, and still others were provided by the brothers as they came. All this was planned in advance so that no one had to stand idle for lack of a hammer. The Social Vice President and his group planned refreshments for the big day.

A jig is the secret of most mass production operations, and this was no exception. The tent platform building jig was built and tested about a week in advance. Arrangements were made to have the materials assembled at the con-



View of a half tent platform. A complete platform consists of two of these lying side by side with their adjacent braces bolted together. Spaces between floor boards allow rain water to run off (money drops through, too, and can be retrieved by the council at the end of the season). Flooring must not extend beyond edge of brace into which holes have been drilled, otherwise the platform halves would not fit snugly together.

struction site, and the project was intensively publicized so all the brothers would know what lay in the offing.

Came the morning of the big day and all this planning paid off. An advance crew moved onto the site. One man started measuring boards while two others assembled the power equipment and started sawing. Another man erected a sign—but more of him later. Two more men brought out the jig and christened it by building the first platform frame. Since the frames can be built almost as fast as the wood is sawed, a large surplus of frames began to pile up. Just before the stockpile began to get disastrously big, the rest of the chapter arrived and the work of pounding on the flooring—which is the man-hour consuming part of the project—began in earnest.

The platforms were soon coming off the assembly line so fast that the council's truck would have been completely swamped if it weren't for the occasional welcome refreshment breaks.

Do you remember the man we left building the sign? Did you ever see a big construction project without a sign?

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PHOTOGRAPH by Knutson and Evans. Three Alpha Chi brothers, Ed Shibata, John Freeman, and Po Mar, cut platform floor boards to length. The truck in the background was used to transport the platforms to a local Scout camp.

As the Camera Sees Us

Milwaukee Alumni Get-together



Milwaukee area alumni of Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, gathered for a social evening recently and heard a talk by former Milwaukee Mayor Frank P. Zeidler. Among the 75 members who attended the get-together were, left to right, Morris L. Selensky, treasurer; Joseph R. Smith, membership chairman; Mr. Zeidler; C. James Riester, Secretary; and H. Jack Mayr, president of the group.

Conference At Pittsburgh



Past National President H. Roe Bartle addresses delegates to the Sectional Conference assembled at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Shown to his left, front row, partially obscured, is Professor Kent D. Shaffer, member National Executive Board and Sectional Chairman for Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Kappa Chapter, Carnegie Tech, was host.



Professor Harry C. Barnett, National Field Representative, is visiting chapters and advisors in the Southwest. From there he will journey to the Pacific Coast, going as far north as Seattle. Despite snow in the south, Brother Barnett is on his way. We urge chapters to take advantage of this 25 years of experience as a Faculty Advisor and member of the National Executive Board. He is one of the less than a dozen men on whom the National Convention has bestowed the National Distinguished Service Award.

Receives \$100 Check

President George A. Bowman of Kent State University (left) receives a \$100 check from James McEwen, Treasurer of Epsilon Psi Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, national men's service fraternity. Looking on are Benjamin McGinnis, director of Student Financial Aids at Kent (second from left), and David Lytle, Chapter President (right). The grant-in-aid will go to a deserving junior or senior man annually.

Dr. Lester G. Brailey, Director of Orientation, is Chairman of the Faculty Advisory Committee and Alpha Phi Omega Sectional Chairman for the State of Ohio. Dr. Glen T. Nygreen, Dean of Student Life at Kent State, a member of Alpha Phi Omega's National Executive Board, is one of Epsilon Psi's boosters.



SIXTH BIENNIAL PILGRIMAGE



Founder Frank R. Horton and some of the participants in the Sixth Biennial Pilgrimage, December 16, 1961, at Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania, where the Fraternity was founded December 16, 1925. Brother Horton stands in the front row two places to the left of the brother with folded hands leaning on cane.

Founder Horton and Vice President Forman Lead Founder's Day Pilgrimage

By Reed Brundage, President Alpha Chapter, Lafayette College, Easton, Pennsylvania

Editor's Note—The stirring description of the Founders Day Pilgrimage, and the accompanying Founders Day Rededication Ceremony, should be suggestive of ceremonies suitable to chapters observing Anniversaries in 1962. National Eastern Vice President E. Ross Forman aided in starting the first biennial Pilgrimage, held December 16, 1952.

On the evening of December 16, 1961, brothers of Alpha Phi Omega gathered for a commemorative banquet in Marquis Hall of Lafayette College. The occasion was the Sixth Biennial Pilgrimage to Alpha Chapter and the thirty-sixth birthday of the fraternity. Frank Horton, much honored founder of Alpha Phi Omega, spoke about the early history of the fraternity, the conception of his idea, the formation of a nucleus of students, the organization and development to a national scope. Immediately after the banquet, a reception was held at which the brothers had the opportunity to meet Frank Horton as well as the other guests and delegates.

Following the reception, all joined in a solemn ceremony of rededication to the principles of Alpha Phi Omega. The ceremony was conducted in Hogg Hall where the charter members had formally begun thirty-six years before. Reverend Peter Wendell, Presidential Representative to Alpha, led the rededication impressively. As the brothers joined in the oath of rededication and the symbolic lighting of candles from the flame of a candle held by Founder Horton, the deep fraternal spirit of the fraternity could be felt, binding each one with the historic beginning in Hogg Hall and with all brothers of Alpha Phi Omega. The evening was brought to a close with light entertainment and refreshments.

On Sunday, after a chapel service at which William Sloane Coffin, Chaplain of Yale University, spoke, the brothers convened for the closing dinner of the Pilgrimage.

It was unfortunate that due to a sleet storm on Saturday, National President William Roth was unable to be present and address the brothers. At the dinner, a large Man-Mile Award plaque was presented to Alpha Chapter by the Philadelphia Area Alumni Council. On it will be engraved the name of the chapter coming furthest with the most men to each Pilgrimage. The Penn State chapter won the award for the Sixth Pilgrimage. After the dinner a discussion was held on fraternity fellowship. For those who were able to remain, there was a presentation of the annual Christmas Vesper Service by the Lafayette College Choir.

In spite of the weather problem hindering attendance, the brothers were pleased to have as guests Ross Forman, National Vice President; Ronald Turgeon, member of the National Board; Paul Leinhart, National Treasurer of the Alumni Association; Richard Barth, member of the National Board of the Alumni Association; William Marsh, Sectional Chairman of Section 24; and J. Franklin S. McMullan, Section 24 Extension Chairman. Brothers were present from Gettysburg College, Penn State University, Utica College of Syracuse University, Temple University, Drexel Institute, Millersville State College, Newark College of Engineering, LaSalle College and Lafayette College.

REDEDICATION CEREMONY

INVOCATION:

Our God, we humbly ask Thy presence in this fellowship tonight as we rededicate ourselves to Alpha Phi Omega, its principles and purpose. It is our prayer that this renewal is and always shall be to good and right ends in Thy sight. As it is, wilt thou strengthen our dedication and guide us in its fulfillment. Amen.

Brothers, it began here. On December 16, 1925, thirty-six years ago this evening, Alpha Phi Omega came into

The Founder's Day Rededication Ceremony

being in this building. There were just fourteen students there. At the center of the group was Frank Reed Horton. You have heard Brother Horton speak of the background which stimulated the idea and ideals for the fraternity, of his experiences in World War I and his belief that the bond of the Scout Oath and Law could be the center for a group of College men dedicated to service.

Those who Frank Horton first stimulated with his ideas and who stand as charter members of Alpha Chapter were: Everett W. Probst, Thane S. Cooley, William T. Wood, Ephraim M. Detwiler, Lewis B. Blair, Gordon M. Looney, William W. Highberger, Donald L. Terwilliger, Donald H. Fritts, George A. Olson, Robert J. Green, Ellsworth S. Dobson and Herbert Heinrich.

These students were assisted and encouraged by the first faculty advisors, John H. McCracken, the President of the college; Donald B. Prentice, the dean; Professor "Danny" Arthur Hatch, and Professor Harry T. Spengler. The original Scouting advisors were Herbert G. Horton and Dr. Ray O. Wyland.

Of these founders, the following are deceased: Thane S. Cooley, William W. Highberger, Robert J. Green, Harry T. Spengler, John H. McCracken, "Danny" Arthur Hatch, and Ephraim Detwiler. In memory of them and their contribution and dedication to Alpha Phi Omega, let us, their benefactors, pause in silent prayer. Amen.

The first brothers developed the organization, Brother Horton leading in the formation of the Constitution and By-laws. They petitioned the Lafayette faculty and Student Council for recognition. With this received, the fraternity moved ahead. The various symbolic items of Alpha Phi Omega were developed by the members. The pin and coat-of-arms were designed by Everett Probst. The coat-of-arms was somewhat revised later, but the pin has remained unchanged. Thane S. Cooley created the fraternity's handclasp. The ritual was drawn up under the direction of Brother Horton.

A national organization was created in 1927 with the formation of Beta chapter at the University of Pittsburgh, and chapters at Cornell, Alabama Polytechnic Institute and Northeastern Missouri State College in the same year. Frank Horton was the first National President, serving until 1931. The first National Vice President was Everett Probst. The National Secretary was William T. Wood and the Treasurer Thane S. Cooley. In 1927, President Horton edited the first fraternity publication, the "Lightbearer," later to become the *Torch and Trefoil*.

As the fraternity began its expansion nationally, its program also expanded. It is to the maintenance and furtherance of this program and its binding ideals that we rededicate ourselves this evening as brothers of Alpha Phi Omega.

PART II

The founders established our fraternity with the belief that the principles of Scouting, as expressed in the Scout Oath and Law, were valid and valuable as an orientation for Alpha Phi Omega and its members. An association with Scouting and an acceptance of its principles has since remained a meaningful prerequisite for membership. Realizing this, we, as men of Alpha Phi Omega, shall now stand to remind and rededicate ourselves in those principles by repeating the Scout Oath and Law.

From this Scouting spirit the program centered on leadership, friendship and service has been developed.

As active members of chapters, we are constantly involved

in fulfilling our purposes. In the area of service, about which leadership and fellowship center, the fraternity has carried out a variety of projects reaching into the thousands. In the daily activity of the fraternity we can, however, forget the basic reasons for our program; we can become limited in our view of how that program can be implemented. The value of training in leadership beyond the chapter can be lost, the training limited to a few. The fellowship can deteriorate into a value for the fraternity only within itself. It can even become the sole value. Service can become a frozen list of projects. Any service program is weak if it does not grow.

We must constantly remind ourselves of the basic aim of the fraternity to spread the values of its program. Leadership means training for those in the fraternity, guidance for those outside. Fellowship must also extend beyond the brotherhood. It must be an attitude expressed in all the activities and associations of the chapter with those beyond the fraternity. Service in the four areas of chapter, campus, community, and nation must be the key spirit and aim. It, and fellowship and leadership are bound together in attitude as well as action. The attitude of a desire to serve is the core of Alpha Phi Omega. This fraternity never has and never will exist for itself. It is a fraternity dedicated to action beyond itself and its members.

It is to this meaning of the fraternity's existence that we now rise and rededicate ourselves as brothers of Alpha Phi Omega.

(STAND—SCOUT SIGN)

(THE OATH OF REDEDICATION—read through fully once; then repeat, pausing at the break signs for the response of the brothers.)

I do reaffirm and rededicate myself/to the principles and purposes of this, my fraternity/Alpha Phi Omega./I shall ever strive to live those principles/as embodiments in the Scout Oath and Law./I shall ever give of my abilities and time/for the fulfilling of those purposes/of leadership, friendship and service./I shall work for the strengthening/of my chapter, fellow chapters and the national fraternity/that Alpha Phi Omega/may ever give more of itself/to the campus, community, and nation./To my brothers I will offer what I am able/of assistance, guidance, and encouragement./To my fellow man/I will offer my fraternity/and its spirit./I shall confirm these ideals/by maintaining them beyond active association/with Alpha Phi Omega./I do swear this before my brothers/present and absent/past and future.

In the bond of the fraternal principles and purposes to which we are dedicated as men of Alpha Phi Omega, let us form our fellowship circle, and singing the fraternity toast song, watch the symbolic spread of the bright spirit of Alpha Phi Omega from its source (Brother Frank Horton), here, where thirty-six years ago, twenty dedicated men began what is now cherished by thousands.

BENEDICTION

Our Lord God, we thank thee for this hour and this brotherhood. Be with us and strengthen us that the commitments we have renewed this evening may be fulfilled. We ask thy blessing upon our founders, our leaders, and all of our brothers. May we go forth in this great fellowship to success in the causes for which we hold good and firm belief.

Amen.



CHAPTER ANNIVERSARIES IN 1962

Congratulations and fraternal best wishes for growth in Leadership, expansion in Friendship, and increased Service to chapters whose anniversaries are listed below. Certificates of Recognition have been or will be presented to each chapter. Congratulations from other chapters are in order. Let's keep our Friendship in repair. When your neighboring chapter has an anniversary it's good to visit them and add to the festivities.

THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARIES

Beta, University of Pittsburgh, January 11
Gamma, Cornell University, February 17
Delta, Auburn University, November 8
Epsilon, Northeast Missouri State College, December 13

SILVER ANNIVERSARIES

Alpha Alpha, University of Illinois, March 31
Auhpa Beta, The Pennsylvania State University, May 26
Alpha Gamma, Purdue University, May 20
Alpha Delta, San Diego State College, June 14
Alpha Epsilon, Louisiana State University, June 3

TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARIES

Beta Alpha, University of Wichita, January 31
Beta Beta, Michigan State University, April 24
Beta Delta, East Texas State College, November 7
Gamma Psi, University of Minnesota, April 14
Gamma Omega, University Heights, NYU, May 9
Delta Beta, University of Oklahoma, May 24
Delta Gamma, Ohio University, December 1

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARIES

Delta Xi, Ball State Teachers College, January 19
Delta Omicron, Wabash College, March 9
Delta Pi, Trinity University, February 8
Delta Rho, Rutgers, the State University, April 21
Delta Sigma, University of Connecticut, January 12
Delta Tau, University of New Mexico, February 22
Delta Upsilon, Pennsylvania State College,
East Stroudsburg, February 2
Delta Chi, Texas College of Arts and Industries, March 21

Delta Psi, Eastern Illinois University, March 30
Delta Omega, University of Houston, April 13
Epsilon Alpha, Kansas State Teachers College,
Emporia, April 20
Epsilon Beta, Central Michigan University, May 16
Epsilon Gamma, Alfred University, May 18
Epsilon Delta, Central Connecticut State College, May 18
Epsilon Epsilon, Missouri Valley College, May 25
Epsilon Zeta, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, May 11
Epsilon Theta, University of North Dakota, May 25
Epsilon Iota, Mississippi State University, May 17
Epsilon Lambda, Michigan College of Mining and
Technology, December 12
Epsilon Mu, University of Maryland, May 25
Epsilon Xi, Colorado State University, December 13

TENTH ANNIVERSARIES

Kappa Gamma, Wisconsin State College, May 4 at LaCrosse
Kappa Delta, The Florida A & M University, May 10
Kappa Epsilon, Wagner College, May 10
Kappa Theta, Wake Forest College, May 14
Kappa Iota, Hanover College, May 15
Kappa Lambda, Southern University, May 17
Kappa Mu, The Johns Hopkins University, May 18
Kappa Xi, Xavier University of Louisiana, May 18
Kappa Omicron, University of Massachusetts, May 18
Kappa Pi, Wiley College, May 18
Kappa Rho, Seattle University, May 24
Kappa Sigma, Sacramento State College, June 7

FIFTH ANNIVERSARIES

Mu Eta, Albright College, May 19
Mu Theta, Luther College, May 19
Mu Iota, Lynchburg College, May 19

All that we could express here would be inadequate with regard to these chapters. Hope, diligence, far sighted planning and endless hours of hard work, have moulded these proud chapters into the bulwark of A.P.O. They stand as goals for those chapters of lesser age and the proud memory of thousands of fine men who now serve country, industry, and A.P.O. in fullness of their energy!

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Ours was simply a nine-foot board, appropriately inscribed, and held aloft by a tripod arrangement. It was fixed so that a little notch could be sawed in one side every time a platform was finished. This gave us a nice souvenir of the project for our office, as well as for our booth at the National Convention.

Some Details of Construction

Project sound interesting? Here are a few additional tips which we learned from our experience.

The exact details of the platform design will vary depending on such factors as climate, type of tent, etc., but the basic features of the design described may be modified to meet almost any requirements. The platforms are built in half-platform units for ease of construction and of handling at the campsite. When they are assembled at the tent site, two halves are joined by passing bolts through holes drilled in one side of the frame. If the holes are spaced symmetrically with respect to the center of the brace, only one outside brace need have holes. The frame for each half consists of three parallel 2x4 boards held together by $\frac{3}{4}$ "x6' cross flooring. This parallel arrangement of the boards and the absence of cross braces underneath facilitates transportation by allowing the platforms to be stacked with the tops facing in alternate directions, thus conserving space. A small gap for water run-off is left between each of the floor boards, and if the halves are to be bolted together it is essential that none of the flooring extend beyond the brace into which the holes have been drilled, so that the two frames may be securely bolted with the braces in direct contact.

Expenses will be minimized if the design allows the wood to be cut from standard lumber sizes without waste. A power saw is essential if much wood is to be cut. Some concentration and a bit of practice is necessary to handle the saw efficiently, although almost anyone can quickly develop the required skill. For this reason as well as for general safety, the sawing should be done by a small crew working in a restricted area.

The secret of mass producing the platforms lies in the use of a jig for holding the three frames in position while a piece of flooring is attached at each end of the upper side. The same jig may also be used for positioning the tool for drilling the holes. After this has been done, the embryonic tent platform can be carried to an assembly area where groups of one or two people nail down the rest of the flooring using two nails in each board at each brace. This requires almost no skill since the spacing of the boards is not critical. The only precautions to be observed are that no nails be driven into the bolt holes and that the boards be mounted flush with the side of the platform into which the holes have been drilled. Most of the man-hours expended on the project will be devoted to this phase of the operation. All that remains is to load the platforms onto a truck and deliver them to the camp site. The platforms should be stained with preservative, but this is a messy job, which can be handled better after the finished platforms have been delivered to the site.

Of course there is still work remaining—tools must be returned, thank-you notes must be written, and the construction site cleaned up, but all this can be done very easily if it is planned in advance.

With the equipment and plans described, Alpha Chi Chapter found that a crew of about 30 to 35 men could turn out between 45 and 50 finished half-platforms in a good day's work.



Zeta Upsilon, Boston University, Brothers Stuart FRANKEL (left) and Robert LEVY, service the UNESCO registration and information desk during the 8th National Conference of the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY CHAPTER ASSISTS UNESCO

By Robert Levy, Zeta Upsilon, Vice President

More than 2,000 persons representing a cross-section of the country's educational, cultural, and scientific life met in Boston October 22-26, 1961, for the 8th National Conference of the U. S. National Commission for UNESCO.

Zeta Upsilon chapter had the honor of being chosen to act as "Redcoats" for the conference. All brothers wore red Boston University blazers and APO armbands. They acted as guides, desk attendants, recorders, and did various other services throughout the entire conference.

One of the main highlights of the conference for the APO brothers in attendance was the unique opportunity of meeting the many African delegates in attendance. The conference had as its theme "Africa and the United States; Images and Realities."

The major objectives of the conference were to broaden and deepen American understanding of the achievements and aspirations of African's people and to develop ideas which may be useful to the U. S. National Commission in advising the U. S. Government on educational, scientific, and cultural aspects of American policies with respect to Africa.

Zeta Upsilon feels quite proud of the many letters it has received from various delegates and officials commending the brothers on their tremendous cooperation and willingness to serve in the true Alpha Phi Omega sense. Mrs. Rubie C. Schuster of the National Conference Staff stated to the brothers, "In all the years I have helped in UNESCO planning this is the first time that I have seen so many extremely well-educated helpers. You all seem to have a diversified knowledge of UNESCO and the problems we face in Africa today." The major topics of the conference dealt with Education, Science, Culture, and Communication.

Participating in the program were more than 40 invited African leaders and educators. There were many prominent Americans in attendance also. Some of these were: Mr. G. Mennen Williams, Undersecretary of State for African Affairs; Mr. Irwin D. Canham, Editor of the Christian Science Monitor and Conference Chairman; Mr. Edward "Ted" Kennedy, newly elected Trustee of Boston University; Dr. Harold C. Case, President of Boston University, and many more.

The keynote speaker for the conference was Mr. Jaja Wachuko, Prime Minister of Nigeria. He spoke on "The Image of the United States in Africa." The program was also highlighted by special African Art Exhibits and films shown at Boston University.



CHAPTER NEWS



- * * * ETA OMICRON, Brigham Young University, Provo, Utah, has established a blood bank of eight units to be available at any time to the student body at Utah Valley Hospital. This chapter's recent Ugly Man contest netted nearly \$300 for the University's Campus Chest drive. Its "Cougar Yell Book" is a campus sensation. Dean Clay is Chapter President.
- * * * LAMBDA PI, La Salle College, Philadelphia, published in December the initial edition of "Contact": its chapter paper. Congratulations to James D. Nilon, Editor in Chief, and Julian A. Meisner, Chapter President. The chapter's Ugly Man Faculty Contest, a popularity contest centered around the teaching staff, raised nearly \$200 for charity.
- * * * ZETA LAMBDA, University of Toledo, publishes "Fleur De Lis". The chapter recently donated a Verifax copying machine to the University Library. The chapter reports a successful Book Exchange was one of its principal Fall projects.
- * * * KAPPA LAMBDA, Southern University, Baton Rouge, recently initiated 16 new pledges. Their service projects include an annual clothes drive for the needy and the collection and repair of toys for underprivileged children.
- * * * NU, Upsala College, East Orange, New Jersey, boasts an A-Phi-O Octet. Their singing at the recent New Jersey-Metropolitan New York joint sectional conference brought demands for "more, more" from the delegates. Al Crossett directs the Octet. Has your chapter a Quartet or Octet? The chapter's projects include a blood drive and a Christmas toy drive.
- * * * EPSILON, Northeast Missouri State College, Kirksville, Missouri, prepared and published a twelve-page souvenir "Homecoming 1961" booklet for the campus and study body. Chapter President Jim Henry and Editor Brandt D. Crocker merited a "Well Done" for this outstanding service. Epsilon Chapter was chartered in 1927.
- * * * ALPHA RHO, the University of Texas, boasts an improved new format for its chapter "Arapout News, the New York Times of Alpha Rho". Recent projects featured included work at Austin's Cerebral Palsy Center and supplying 54 escorts for mothers of Eagle Scouts at an Eagle Scout ceremonial, and management of the Date Ticket line. Ellwood Jones is the Chapter President.

SECTIONAL CONFERENCE DATES

Dates	Place	Chapters from	Dates	Place	Chapters from
February 9-10-11	Raleigh, North Carolina	North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia	March 23-24	Cambridge, Massachusetts	New England
February 23-24-25	Syracuse, New York	Upper and Western New York State	April 6-7-8	Waco, Texas	Texas and Oklahoma
			May 4-5-6	San Jose, California	California, Utah

The respective host chapters are:
Rho—University of North Carolina

Phi—Syracuse University
Alpha Chi—M. I. T.

Zeta Omega—Baylor University
Gamma Beta—San Jose State College

Attend your Sectional Conference. Help Alpha Phi Omega grow and expand in 1962.