

TORCH AND TREFOIL

OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA



Battle of the Campus

Awards for distinguished service might well be presented to thousands of college and university students all over the nation as this spring term draws to a close. America's college men and women have come forth this year with an amazing amount of activities contributing directly to the war effort. Thousands of pints of blood have been donated. Millions of dollars worth of war bonds have been purchased. Thousands of dollars have been contributed to the Red Cross, the USO and other worthy agencies. Thousands of garments of clothing have been given to relieve suffering in war-torn countries. Thousands of books have been contributed for men in the armed forces and millions of letters have been written to men at training camps and battle fronts. Many tons of scrap metal, rubber, tinfoil, silk and other vital commodities have been collected for war use.

These are but a few of the ways in which America's college students have gone all-out for Uncle Sam this year . . . and the work continues day by day.

On nearly a hundred campuses, Alpha Phi Omega has been taking a leading part in war service, a job for which Alpha Phi Omega was prepared through years of peacetime service. Sponsoring projects, cooperating with the student war councils, serving on campus-wide committees, promoting worthwhile activities, coordinating the war work among students and faculties . . . these have been the work of Alpha Phi Omega during 1942-43.

And these functions are continuing. Despite losses of manpower to the armed forces, our chapters in all parts of the nation are forging ahead, replacing older members with new, promptly filling officer vacancies, quickly taking on new projects which arise.

In a big majority of chapters, activity will proceed continuously through the summer term just ahead as part of the accelerated college schedule. New opportunities for unselfish service are in the offing. New freshmen entering college at the beginning of the summer term, though limited in number, offer a field for new manpower. Navy V-12 men who will arrive on many campuses about July 1 offer an additional field for manpower. Likewise Army A-12 men are eligible.

While some organizations and activities on many campuses are ceasing operations for the duration, Alpha Phi Omega as a service fraternity is forging ahead with a determination to render effective service at all times.

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MAN OF THE MONTH



George Betterley

Having joined Alpha Chapter in his freshman year at Lafayette College, George has rendered exceptional service and leadership in all the years that have followed. As chairman of various committees, vice president, acting president and during his senior year as president, his services have been the most outstanding in the recent history of his chapter. His leadership and devotion have been the strongest factor in building the service program of our mother chapter to top efficiency. And his leadership has resulted in a big increase in the membership of his chapter during this college year despite decreased enrollment and many uncertainties.

In other campus activities, Brother George has also taken a leading part. He has been active in the student branch of the ASME and served as president. He has also been president of Tau Beta Pi, member of the soccer team, Ski Club and active in intramural sports. He advanced to the rank of second lieutenant in the ROTC.

In the Chi Phi Fraternity, George's leadership has been a strong influence, serving successively as secretary, house manager and president. He also served as an active member of the YMCA cabinet and as chairman of the boys' work committee.

Dean Robert G. Croson says: "George is one of those individuals who can be depended upon to do a constructive job in whatever responsibility he undertakes. I have observed his work with much interest not only in connection with Alpha Phi Omega but in other campus organizations, and I am sure that Lafayette College and Alpha Phi Omega can be proud of George Betterley right now and will recall him with increasing interest as the years go by."

Congratulations, George, upon the effective leadership and service you have rendered throughout your years at Lafayette!

Promote the sale of War Bonds and Stamps on your campus. Back our brothers with bullets.

An Open Letter to All Members
from the National President

My Brothers All:

It is impossible to share with you the volume of correspondence which comes to my desk from brothers all over the world; but the inspiration which comes from them is indeed a magnificent thing and I do want to share with you my sense of pride and satisfaction in what our fraternity has meant to them—their keen joy in realizing the true worth of our program, our ideals, our contribution to the American pattern, and above all the fellowship of the finest of young American manhood.

Men of Alpha Phi Omega in the service are in a position to take excellent measure of themselves as they associate with other men—and it is plenty keen to hear their reactions. They are grateful for the sound thinking which has been a part of their minds. They are proud of the fact that their time and efforts in civilian life have contributed constructively to the things which today are recognized as truly worthwhile. They have a keen realization of the choice company they have been keeping in Alpha Phi Omega, the calibre of fellow they have been privileged to associate with in the ranks of our brotherhood. Times such as these strip us of non-essentials and we recognize with clarity the qualities to be most valued.

Those of us yet on the home front can know a sense of thrill and satisfaction in reading the earnest testimonials by our brothers in service. We are humbly thankful that we are a part of such a brotherhood. And we are all the more determined to carry on in like measure.

Certain things need to be done at this time in every chapter in order to insure continued progress in the months ahead. Plans must be made for the forthcoming term for proper carry-over of administration strengths, of all programs and services rendered, of all chapter effort (and wherein possible, tradition). True it is that we are all busier than we have ever before been—we would be ashamed of ourselves if we weren't. But on the fighting front or on the campus front there are essentials without which no victory may be assured. Alpha Phi Omega, stalwart for America, must continue to serve unfalteringly.

I salute you, my brothers, as men tried and true, men willing to carry on in the spirit of service, men of valiant endeavor. Keep up your good work!

Faithfully your brother,

National President.

You Help Someone You Know

When You Give to the U S O

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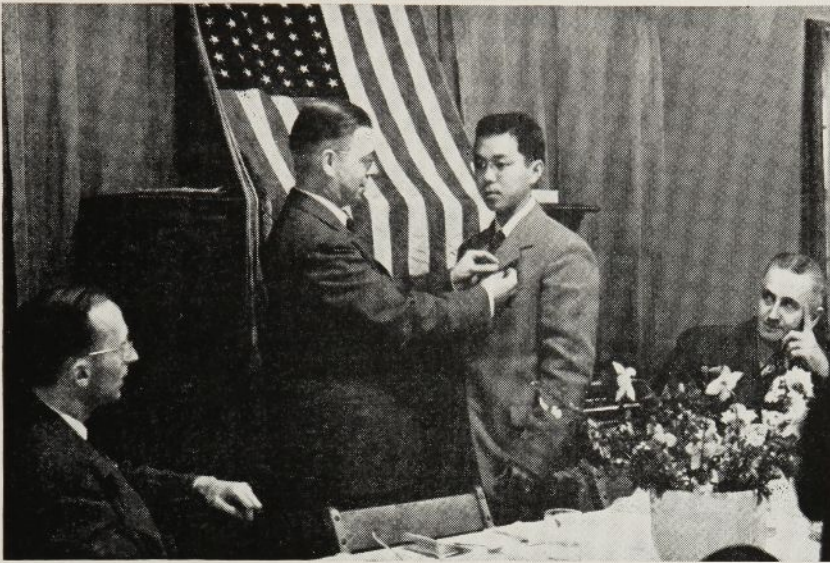
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A JAPANESE RELOCATION STUDENT BECOMES MEMBER OF BETA OMICRON CHAPTER



Dean Curtis L. Wilson, head of Missouri School of Mines, places the APO service button on the lapel of Brother Kay Ikeuye, Japanese relocation student, who was initiated into Beta Omicron Chapter along with twelve other new brothers on April 16. Looking on (at left) is Sidney B. North, national secretary, and (at right) is Dr. Joseph Beasley, national alumni chairman, who was principal speaker at the initiation banquet.

THE SPIRIT OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA TODAY

By Prof. Gurth Whipple

*Veteran Senior Faculty Advisor of Phi Chapter
Syracuse University*

"We have just begun to fight!" These old words are victory words. They sizzle with the spirit of progress. They connote the will to never say die. They indicate the firm purpose to surmount obstacles wherever encountered, to do the difficult things immediately and the impossible thing eventually. This is the spirit of Phi Chapter.

Our chapter is maintaining an active membership, although many members have joined the armed forces. Effort will continue through the summer, through the fall and throughout the year to keep our membership at adequate standard. When the call came for blood donations, Phi Chapter was the first organization on the campus to volunteer and every member became a donor. Our chapter has been continuing its fingerprinting campaign and at Christmas time erected a fine evergreen tree in the center of the campus grounds. A service flag was erected recently in front of the chapel. The occasion was distinguished by the presence of the vice chancellor who spoke of the high regard in which Alpha Phi Omega is held by the university administration at Syracuse.

We have assurance from our past president, Carl Gardner, and our new president, Arthur Heidgerd, there will be a chapter of Alpha Phi Omega on the campus at Syracuse until the last man has joined the fighting forces, and then the faculty members will carry on.

As the war brings new responsibilities to APO members they tighten their belts and step forward willingly and are always going forward in the spirit of service and more service.

WE POINT WITH PRIDE

Brothers Robert Jesness and Brice Farwell were cited this month at the University of Minnesota for distinguished service to campus war efforts, for contributing time, energy, and leadership far in excess of minimum war-time duty. They are among eight students honored, three of whom are men. At the same time Gamma Psi Chapter was given special recognition in the "Minnesota Daily" for taking the sole or leading part in five major war efforts projects in the past year.

Brother Leonard Brettschneider is president of the student council of University Heights College, NYU, Brother Dan Staub is head of the student war council and Brother Dan Farb is president of the college chapter of AICE.

Brother Jay Hershkowitz of Gamma Iota Chapter was the highest in his class in Army radio repair with a grade of 99.4.

YOU'RE WELCOME TO VISIT THE NATIONAL OFFICE

Frequent visitors drop in at our National Office. The staff cordially invites YOU to stop in if business or pleasure or military responsibility brings you to Kansas City. The location is easy to find, at 15 West 10th Street.

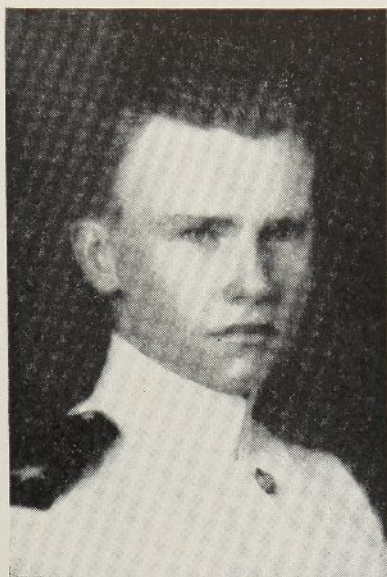
We have been happy to see the following brothers recently:

Walter Dow (Michigan State)
Stewart Clelen (Idaho)
Jay Hershkowitz (Brooklyn)
Edward Chernoff (Missouri Mines)
Raymond Schmidt (Kansas City University)
Paul Ireland (Central Y)
Armand Spizzirri (William Jewell)
Roland Bierley (Kansas City University)
Ray O. Davies (Drake)
Glen Wengert (Iowa)

A UNIQUE SERVICE

The medical unit of Iota Chapter at the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery has recently furnished free physical examinations for 125 boys for attendance at summer camp. The brothers will continue this service through the summer for boys enrolling in swimming classes at the Kansas City Boys' Club.

BETA MU CHAPTER BROTHER KILLED IN ACTION



Lieut. Ernest I. Dehoney

This loyal brother of Alpha Phi Omega has made the supreme sacrifice in the World War II. He was killed in action while on active sea duty in the Navy in the Atlantic on March 4. He was a charter member of Beta Mu Chapter at Southwest Missouri State Teachers College.

The senior faculty advisor of Beta Mu Chapter, Dr. James W. Shannon, presents the following tribute to the memory of Brother Dehoney:

"Ernest Dehoney represented the highest type of American young manhood. He was clean, wholesome, intelligent, industrious, dependable. His life was dominated by the highest ideals of service. He practiced what he preached. He set up goals and reached them. He had dreams and made them come true. He wanted to be a real top-notch among the Boy Scouts of Springfield, Missouri and he attained that goal. He was an Eagle Scout who had earned a Bronze Palm, a Gold Palm, a Silver Palm, and was a leader in his troop and an active camper.

"He was a quiet, unassuming fellow, yet we have never had a more faithful, loyal and enthusiastic worker. We could always count upon him to render abundant, unselfish service in Alpha Phi Omega. New pledges, new projects, new ideas for the fraternity were his hobbies.

"When the European war clouds began to darken the skies, Ernest felt that his country needed him. He wanted to render the same type of service to his country as a soldier that he rendered as a civilian in the ranks of the Boy Scouts and Alpha Phi Omega. Again he succeeded. On June 24, 1940 he enlisted in the Navy as a gob. His industry, his intelligence, his dependability, soon won recognition and he received his wings and was commissioned as an Ensign in the United States Navy. Later he was advanced to Lieutenant, junior grade. He served faithfully.

What a heritage of goodness, of cleanness, of real wholehearted service, he passes on!"

THE COLLEGE TRAINING PROGRAM AND ALPHA PHI OMEGA

By Lt. Veldon O. Long, USN (Ret)

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University of Colorado*

As all active Alpha Phi Omega men are aware, within a few weeks the College Training Programs of the Army and Navy will be in full swing on campuses throughout the nation. If there is any question in your mind as to the place of our fraternity in the military education system, the following facts may help clarify the objectives for the future in your chapter.

The College Training Program is not designed to interfere appreciably with the normal college life of any campus. Students enlisted in the Army or Navy and sent to the several universities and colleges may participate in extra-curricular activities without interference, according to instructions contained in administrative orders recently received from the War and Navy Departments.

An A-12 (Army) or a V-12 (Navy) student may join any democratic organization authorized by the institution concerned. Surely Alpha Phi Omega will be included on this list. The purpose of our fraternity to be of service to the student body and faculty, to youth and community, to the members, and to the nation as participating citizens should warrant the wholehearted cooperation of the officials administering the College Training Program. In my opinion these democratic principles of APO stand at the peak among campus organizations.

Suffice it to say that the purpose of the College Training Program is to discover, develop and train officers for our Armed forces, while at the same time they are being prepared for responsible peacetime positions. Army and Navy officers will not blindly measure these students by their academic marks alone when it comes to recommending them for commissions. A student's progress will also be measured by his extra-curricular activities. What positions did he hold, how was he liked by his associates, what sports did he participate in. These activities develop character and leadership, while studies develop the mind. The armed forces want men with these qualities, all employers want men with these qualities. The criterion for a commission is not what you know, but what you can do. Men who "can do" must have leadership, character, intelligence, not merely book learning.

You may rest assured that the officer in charge of the College Training Program will give you wholehearted cooperation. If you want a survey of men in the military training units who were formerly Scouts, or a notice published that these men are eligible for Alpha Phi Omega membership, do not hesitate to ask the commanding officer for the necessary permission and assistance. Utilize this field of new manpower in your chapter and you can keep your service work progressing.

QUOTATION FOR MAY

*Contributed by Herbert C. Lazarus
Treasurer, Tau Chapter, University of Florida*

They all said it couldn't be done, but he with a chuckle replied
That he would be one who wouldn't say no 'till he'd tried.
So he buckled right in, with a trace of a grin, if he worried he hid it;
And he tackled the thing that couldn't be done, and HE DID IT!

—Edgar A. Guest.

SECOND VICTORY BOOK CAMPAIGN AT MINNESOTA



Nearly a thousand books termed "highly acceptable" were collected in the second victory book campaign sponsored by Gamma Psi Chapter at Minnesota. A scene during the campaign is shown above. Brother Bob Smith, chairman of the project pointed out that the campaign took on added significance this year because all books collected will go into a special library for the use of servicemen who receive technical training on the campus. The university administration has expressed high regard for Gamma Psi Chapter after seeing the successful manner in which the fraternity has carried out this and other drives of similar magnitude in connection with the war effort.

A TANK NAMED "APO" GIVES BIG ACCOUNT

(The letter below was sent by Brother Aaron Aronow, past treasurer of Gamma Delta Chapter, CCNY, to PM, New York magazine-newspaper and was published in the issue of May 7, 1943.)

I am all patched up now and all set. Unfortunately, I must leave again soon, so a furlough is out of question. I passed my physical and am awaiting transportation. Undoubtedly I will be gone before you receive this letter.

Remember when I promised to name a tank after A.P.O.? Well, I couldn't do it because the letters allotted to my company didn't include A or G. I got one of the Free French in another company to name his Gamma Delta. Neither he nor G.D. exist any longer, but he had one plane, two armored cars, one tank, and a whole platoon of Italians to his credit and G.D.'s credit before he went.

But that's nothing—wait till you hear about Tommy. He's one of my British buddies. He named the tank A.P.O. It was a huge American monster, and he was as reckless as hell, as well as ruthless. He didn't believe in taking prisoners. He and I were in the same combat command, and whatever I am writing, I saw with my own eyes, so it's more than a mere matter of record. Up to the time I was knocked out he destroyed eight tanks, and killed a minimum of 200 men, including an Italian general and a German colonel. This is only what I saw him do. Half the time he wasn't with me, and God only knows what that 6 foot 3 inch of murder did then. As far as I know, he is still alive and so is A.P.O.

GAMMA EP IS HEP!

By Charles A. Licht

Treasurer, Gamma Epsilon Chapter, CCNY

Gamma Epsilon Chapter is doing its part in every way. We started off this term by sponsoring and practically running the Frosh Orientation program, including aiding the Hygiene Department in handling the physical examinations.

During National Scout Week, Brother Sam Berger, with the aid of the brothers, created one of the most effective and interesting exhibits that has ever been shown in Lincoln Corridor, our school's exhibition center. Also during Scout Week, Brother Elliot Ira Joseph dramatically presented the case of Scouting and Alpha Phi Omega in the war effort at a rally attended by a large group of Scouts and former Scouts.

In service to the campus, Brothers Sol Sokolsky and Ira Levy made full arrangements for the running of the blood campaign at CCNY main center in cooperation with the Red Cross.

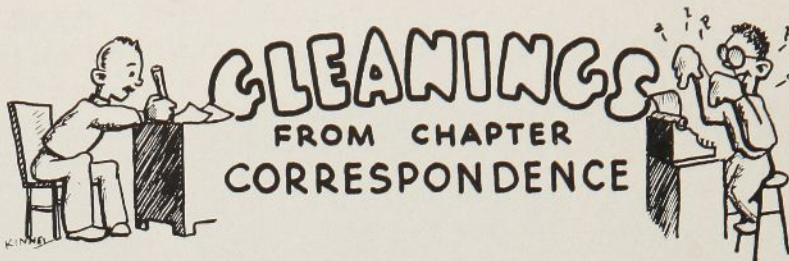
Although APO does not believe that politics and service mix, several of our brothers are in the student council and are doing great work there, too. Brother Berny Berkowitz and I are two of three student members of the faculty-student lunchroom committee. Brother Bob Klein is a member of the SC rules committee. Brother Donny Ostrower is a member of the class council '46 and member of the student council. Brother Herb Pinues is on the intramural board and is doing a lion's share of the work on the "Beaverette," intramural paper.

Brother Sy Gottlieb, vice president, recently got his pledges to carry on the Lost and Found project. They're doing a swell job.

Also recently we successfully managed the Frosh election. The student council was gratefully surprised when at three o'clock, just about an hour and a half after starting the count we had the final tabulated figures in the hands of Dean John Bergstresser, dean of men.

The dean has repeatedly called upon Alpha Phi Omega to aid his office and to carry out worthwhile projects on the campus.

Our slogan has long been and still is, "Gamma Ep is hep!"



WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

"Just as most other chapters, Alpha Phi is planning to continue to expand during the summer term. We have several advisors working closely with us, and our recent activities have increased the value of our chapter on the campus. We wish good fortune for all chapters. The younger men now enrolling in colleges spell 'opportunity' for our chapters if we will give them the chance to affiliate and serve."

—Tom Cresswell, Past President.

QUEENS COLLEGE

"We have adopted the plan of continual pledging instead of the old twice-a-year method, and it's working."

—Jerome Fisher, Treasurer.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

"Beta Eta plans to stay active this summer. We're in there pitchin'."

—Gene Wall, Secretary.

TULANE UNIVERSITY

"We have arranged a very intensive program for the session beginning July 1. With the Navy in charge of our school we feel sure that Gamma Upsilon can reach new heights. Some other groups on campus have ceased operations, leaving the path wide open for Alpha Phi Omega because our purpose is service and not glory and glamor for ourselves."

—Ralph L. Shiver, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

"Our banquet May 9 was the biggest in Beta Theta's history, and we are looking forward to continued growth in the future. We have established an annual service award for the brother who has been the most outstanding in the principles of APO, Leadership, Friendship and Service. The first award was presented to Brother Jay Josephs."

—Don Manthe, President.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

"Gamma Psi Chapter has recently undertaken our most far reaching project to date, the campus War Bond and Stamp drive. To be sure we have conducted many other campaigns but none of such magnitude. Over \$11,000 was collected in the first two days. One interesting sidelight on this drive is that when the county war loan committee requested the university to solicit bond subscriptions, the Dean of Students' office immediately called upon APO to do the job."

—Robert Jesness, Past President.

DE PAUW UNIVERSITY

"Despite an accelerated scholastic program, we have just completed another successful year. We've conducted our spring initiation and although many of our actives have gone into the service we have elected new officers to carry on."

—Lew Hutchison, President.

MILWAUKEE STC

"A recent visit by our national secretary, Brother Sid North, has given us courage and determination to carry on despite our ever thinning ranks. The student war council is running smoothly under the able leadership of Brother Emil Symonik."

—Art Dick, Historian.

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

"Alpha Rho is glad to report that twenty men were initiated on May 8 at our spring ceremony."

—C. A. Schutze, Jr., President.

OHIO UNIVERSITY

"We are continuing to add to our loan fund for the use of veterans of this war who return to the university."

—Carl F. Thompson, Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS TECH

"Our blood donor drive is continuing successfully."

—Charles J. Hooker, Secretary.

WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE

"Alpha Mu Chapter is glad to report that our annual spring breakfast and initiation ceremony was held Sunday morning, May 16, with National President H. Roe Bartle as our principal speaker. His inspiring address challenges us to carry on."

—Bob Rusk, President.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

"Our fingerprinting of students for the FBI is getting under way."

—Gilbert Smith, Secretary.

WASHINGTON STATE

"The brothers now in Alpha Xi Chapter are all taking a very active interest. Seven new men were initiated on April 18. We put on an Ugly Man contest and thus have a fund started toward purchasing a memorial to WSC men who give their lives in the war. We are now looking forward to our annual picnic."

—Warren Smith, Past President.

QUEENS COLLEGE

"Our pledging program is now in full swing. The outlook for the future is brighter because our remaining old members are inculcating the traditions of APO into the younger men and we are developing a 'duration' chapter."

—Jim Kelly, Secretary.

LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

"Alpha Chapter is getting along well in spite of the call of those in the ERC. We are keeping in close touch with all activities on our campus in an effort to aid all worthy causes. We expect to have a joint meeting with the Lehigh chapter in the near future."

—H. Warren Ragot, Past Secretary.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

"The last event of the year in which Phi Chapter participated was Moving Up Day, May 2. Past President Carl Gardner made the presentation of our service flag to the university. This service flag is 6 x 18 feet in size and is a tribute to the men who have left the university for military services. It has four stars plus numerals representing the number of men who have gone. The flag was made possible through donations from several fraternities and organizations. It now flies in front of the College of Liberal Arts on the highest flag pole on campus, just under the flag of the United States, and is really a striking sight."

—Roger L. Black, Past Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

"Our spring initiation in Gamma Nu Chapter was held Sunday morning May 16, followed by breakfast and attendance at church. We have come through this uncertain year in grand style and are looking forward to the next term."

—David R. Seaberg, Secretary.

ROCKHURST COLLEGE

"Gamma Xi Chapter is arranging a smoker for the Air Corps cadets stationed on our campus."

—Hobart Michael, Secretary.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

"Recent projects in Alpha Phi Chapter include providing an obstacle course for Scouts and sponsoring a Victory Ball. Eight new members were initiated on April 27 and we are looking forward to continued activity during the summer."

—Sanford Silverstein, Secretary.

NORTH TEXAS STATE

"An interesting project which is new in Gamma Rho Chapter is assistance at the community boys' club in supervising games and activities."

—Melvin Fenoglio, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

"One of our pledge projects is ushering at the Burrell Bible Class each Sunday morning."

—Gene Wall, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF MIAMI

"Our campaign to secure used clothing for Russian War Relief has proved very successful."

—Martin Greenberg, Secretary.

TEXAS TECH

"The most impressive ceremony in the history of Beta Sigma Chapter was held April 29 with five new men becoming brothers in the fraternity. We are planning to remain active on the campus this summer."

—William Thorpe, Secretary.

BROOKLYN COLLEGE

"Fifteen new men were pledged in Gamma Iota Chapter last month and eleven were initiated into active membership and we are continuing with a strong series of projects including blood donating, aid to Red Cross ambulance fund, and a use-the-walks campaign."

—Isidore Koenig, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

"Collecting old rags for use at Truax Field (Army Air Corps), fingerprinting and use-the-walks campaign are among the most recent projects in Beta Theta Chapter. Seven new members were initiated May 9 at which time we had Brother A. N. Ekstrand, first Scouting advisor of our chapter, as our guest and principal speaker. New officers have been elected for the summer term and we are forging ahead."

—John Blumenfeld, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

"Letters to our brothers in service telling campus and APO news is one of our important projects at the present time. Also our bi-weekly radio program is continuing having been recently changed from Sunday to Saturday."

—J. R. Graham, Secretary.

IOWA STATE COLLEGE

"Traditionally, Xi Chapter has conducted the information booth at the spring festival on campus, and we are also continuing our scrap drive in affiliation with the student war council."

—William Dormandy, Secretary.

MICHIGAN STATE

"Beta Beta is planning an entertainment for the Air Corps cadets stationed on campus."

—John F. Samuelson, Secretary.

BROOKLYN COLLEGE

"Gamma Iota Chapter is taking part in a considerable number of activities including running the Red Cross blood drive on campus and the victory book campaign. We aided the physical education department with X-ray examinations for incoming freshmen. We are aiding the war activities board with the collection of funds for the Red Cross. Our chapter has had a part in almost every worthwhile project conducted on our campus and we expect to continue with this expanded program of service in the future."

—Albert Feldstein, Publicity Chairman.

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA

"In Scouting service Tau Chapter has recently conducted a patrol leaders' training group and officiated at a field meet. Five new brothers have been initiated."

—Jack Holland, Secretary.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STC

"Our recent projects in Beta Psi Chapter include the Red Cross membership drive, continuation of war stamp and bond sales and plans for a scholarship fund."

—Marvin Strunk, Secretary.

SAN DIEGO STATE

"Alpha Delta is carrying on a news letter to men in service."

—Jack Self, Secretary.

MR. McNUTT SAYS:**Stay in School Until You Are Called**

The chairman of the War Manpower Commission, Paul V. McNutt, has advised students:

"The country needs your abilities trained to the highest point of usefulness. Stay in school until you are called, get physically fit, work hard, and try to develop at least one skill critical to your country's needs."

"If the armed forces need you, they will let you know. If you are capable of professional or technical training, your school can tell you of your abilities and help you plan the next step."

LEHIGH UNIVERSITY

"Fifteen new members were initiated into Alpha Psi Chapter the last week of April."

—Keith W. Amish, Past Secretary.

LOUISIANA TECH

"Our Victory Ball was a success and the proceeds have been turned over to the Student Center Fund Committee to be used toward construction of a new student center after the war. We were glad to have Brother Paul Hood of the SLI chapter as our guest at the ball. We recently initiated three new members and are now preparing to contact students with Scouting experience who plan to return to school next semester."

—John A. Ford, President.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

"An Eagle Scout Conference is among the projects to be carried out in Phi Chapter in the near future."

—Roger Williams, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

"Four new members were initiated into Gamma Nu Chapter on May 16 and we are looking ahead with determination."

—Harold Brevick, President.

SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA

"Our fourth Victory Ball was conducted on May 8 with real success with proceeds being added to our veterans scholarship fund. We are also emphasizing correspondence with brothers in service. Our spring initiation is being held on May 20. Our pledges are the cream of the crop."

—Elmo Laborde, Secretary.

SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STC

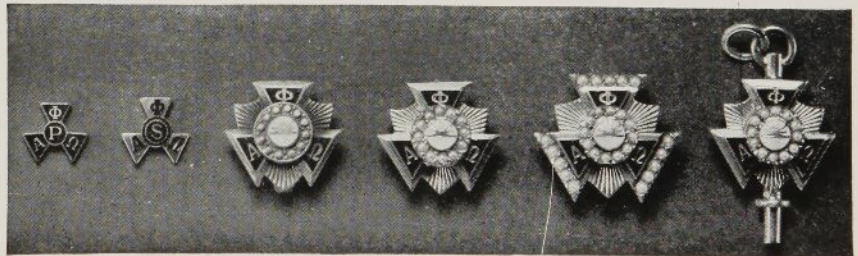
"Five new pledges are soon to be initiated in Beta Psi Chapter, all of whom we believe will be splendid APO men. These pledges have undertaken two projects, first a cleaning and organizing of the stage and scenery belonging to the college, and the second a use-the-walks campaign which we greatly needed."

—J. J. Russell, President.

BROOKLYN COLLEGE

"We are having our pledge induction dinner May 16 at which we will bring in ten undergraduates and a new faculty advisor as chapter brothers. We are now in the midst of our spring grass campaign at the college. The trampled corners are beginning to show signs of green."

—Bernard S. Turoff, President.

Alpha Phi Omega Insignia

Pledge button (shown above at extreme left).....	\$.25
Service button (second from left above).....	.25
Standard badge, gold plated (third from left above).....	2.50
Standard badge, 10K.....	6.50
Standard badge, crown set pearl center plain arms (fourth from left above).....	13.25
Standard badge, crown set pearl center and arms (fifth from left above).....	24.25
Standard key, gold plated.....	3.25
Standard key, 10K.....	8.50
Standard key, crown set pearl center plain arms (extreme right above).....	15.00
Standard key, crown set pearl center and arms.....	26.00

(To all prices add 10% federal tax, and state sales tax.)

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From Brothers in the Service

Pvt. Del. J. Kinney (Upsilon)
Army Air Forces
St. Petersburg, Florida
Writes:

"I'm now enjoying a \$15-a-day room at the Princess Martha. Who said the army is tough, huh! I won't mention the 17-hour stretches of KP, 24-hour stretches of guard duty. We do a lot of things in a day that starts at 5:15 and can end at 9:00 but probably doesn't. It's all fun and a great experience. I'm not as rushed as I was in civilian life. Feel better than ever. The army's great, and nothing tops the air forces."

Pvt. Ralph L. Wells (Gamma Phi)
Camp Hood, Texas
Writes:

"I am proud to be in the Tank Destroyers. Would like to receive the Torch and Trefoil here. I miss college and Alpha Phi Omega. We are all in the biggest project ever undertaken. It will be a huge success I'm sure with the APO's in there giving their best."

Pfc. Charles L. Zachry (Beta Zeta)
Army Technical School
Sioux Falls, South Dakota
Writes:

"This is hard work but I like it. Am missing my work with the brothers in Alpha Phi Omega at the University of Georgia."

Lt. Simon Hoffman (Gamma Iota)
AAFTS, Pawling, N. Y.
Writes:

"After nine long months of training, it's swell to be stationed here near home. Recently visited the fraters on the Brooklyn campus. Gamma Iota is still on the upward trail with as many and as active a bunch of pledges as ever. The warm welcome of the brothers made me ever more aware of the Friendship ideal of APO."

Pvt. Seymour Trager (Gamma Delta)
Atlantic City, New Jersey
Writes:

"It's really swell to get my copy of the Torch and Trefoil. After reading the paper it makes me feel as though I were still an active brother in the fraternity."

Stanley Gilman (Beta Iota)
Syracuse Army Air Base
Writes:

"I received the recent Torch and Trefoil and it sure was swell getting that old fraternity spirit once again. One of the brothers of Phi Chapter looked me up here and invited me to meetings, and our squadron is seeking permission from the commanding officer to see if we can donate blood in the chapter's campaign."

Ensign Jack B. Lowenbein (Gamma Epsilon)
U. S. Naval Academy
Writes:

"It sure is swell to receive the Torch and Trefoil every month. It really helps keep me in touch with what's going on in the fraternity."

Pvt. George H. Jones (Alpha Eta)
Oshkosh, Wisconsin
Writes:

"We are really getting the works now. Classes from eight till six with only two hours to study. Tell the chapter to be sure to write to all fellows in the service. We like to know what's going on in an organization that we are fighting for and cherishing. We all love APO and want to see it continue to progress."

A/S Alfred E. Isaac (Delta Alpha)
AAF College Training Detachment
St. Louis, Missouri
Writes:

"Would appreciate getting the Torch and Trefoil here. Am hoping for continued progress in APO."

Major William R. Peterson (Pi)
316th Service Group
Writes:

"Here is wishing the best of luck to Alpha Phi Omegas for the duration of this war and the years of not too distant peace to follow. I'm glad to subscribe for life membership."

Pvt. Marvin Feurstein (Gamma Epsilon)
Robins Field, Georgia
Writes:

"Torch and Trefoil is certainly a welcome interlude. I've already met a dozen or more APO men at places I've been stationed."

Cpl. Jay Hershkowitz (Gamma Iota)
Camp Murphy, Florida
Writes:

"It was gratifying on a recent furlough to visit the chapter and notice that the boys are keeping up the spirit which we charter members started at Brooklyn College. They're still going strong. Brother George Roth was also in. I found that out when I ran into him on Times Square. Small world."

Pvt. Robert M. White (Beta Psi)
AAF Bombardier School
San Angelo, Texas
Writes:

"I am eager to secure life membership in the fraternity which has already done so much for me as far as character, enjoyment, usefulness, service and friendship are concerned. I surely miss the old gang at Cape Girardeau. The new fellows in the chapter are doing wonderfully even though most of the older ones are gone."

Lt. J. A. Shefrin, USN (Beta Eta)
USS Maryland
Writes:

"Glad to get the Torch and Trefoil. Not much to write—censorship stops all that as it necessarily must. I'll have to keep the tall tales and spin the yarns some other day. They'll make some weird listening, to say the least."

Lt. Eric Wadleigh (Alpha Gamma)
Somewhere in Pacific
Writes:

"Have heard from several of the brothers. The Japs are hearing from them too, including yours truly. They called 'Uncle' on February 9, so since then we have been 'resting' for what comes next. We are on a new island now and seeing a bit of civilization for a change."

Sgt. Marshall R. Lovett (Alpha Eta)
Somewhere in Alaska
Writes:

"I'm with the Army Engineers in Alaska, corny but true. The country has its advantages and disadvantages—beautiful scenery but terrific rainfall year around. If I'm not careful, I'll be web-footed. We're working hard and enjoying ourselves in sorta back-to-nature stuff. Getting plenty to eat, plenty of sleep and feeling fine." I enjoy the TORCH AND TREFOIL very much and I trust all chapters are keeping the standards high."

Pvt. George Roth (Gamma Iota)
Camp Campbell, Kentucky
Writes:

"It's been some time since I stepped from the secretaryship of Gamma Iota into GI shoes. From comments in TORCH AND TREFOIL by other men in service, I gather that you already know how I feel about APO's training in the past and how much the fraternity has helped me to understand the scope and magnitude of unselfish service."

"First, I want to say thanks for the thing near to being a college student again—receiving and reading the TORCH AND TREFOIL regularly. It certainly sheds light about APO activities on the home front. Second, when I was home for a few days just recently, I felt APO's bond of brotherhood more than ever when I was accorded the welcome I received by the members and pledges of Gamma Iota Chapter. They all seemed to have a healthy spirit and are really carrying on APO tradition on the Brooklyn campus in a fine manner. It means so much to those of us far away from carefree college days to learn that there are others imbued with zest for a free world working toward total victory."

My membership card goes with me as a reminder to serve—and serve well. Keep up the good work!"

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