

# TORCH AND TREFOIL

OF ALPHA PHI OMEGA



## *Christmas Service*

Hundreds of glorious opportunities for unselfish service are available at Christmas time. Some are large, some small, yet all add to the happiness of our fellowmen. Alpha Phi Omega shines forth this Christmas as a beacon light of "goodwill toward men." Our chapters are helping enhance the Christmas spirit on our campuses and are rendering much aid to needy persons during this holiday season.

Several chapters are sponsoring all-campus Christmas basket campaigns, asking all organizations including social fraternities and sororities and honorary societies to contribute baskets of food for distribution to unfortunate families.

Aid is being extended to the Salvation Army and other welfare agencies in the services they are rendering this Christmas. Songfests are being sponsored, with students and faculty invited to assemble to sing Christmas carols.

Christmas parties are being conducted for kiddies in orphans' homes, crippled children's wards and for other special groups.

Many chapters are using and promoting the use of Christmas Seals to aid in the continuous fight against tuberculosis.

On dozens of campuses, Alpha Phi Omega has secured, erected, and decorated the campus Christmas tree and is giving students and faculty an opportunity to bring gifts of foodstuffs, toys, candy, books, and clothing for distribution to the needy.

These are just a few of the ways in which Alpha Phi Omega chapters are rendering service this Christmas. This season brings us reassurance that human kindness is its own reward, that it is more blessed to give than to receive. The spirit of Christmas brings out the best in the hearts of men. However great or humble our circumstances, let's give our best in service to others.

Let's offer a prayer of thankfulness for our opportunities to aid our fellowmen. Let's enter the New Year with an eagerness and determination to increase the service values of Alpha Phi Omega.

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### GREATER MAN POWER SIGNIFIES ONWARD MARCH OF FRATERNITY

You have seen the slogan "INCREASED SERVICE and GREATER MAN-POWER are the 'success twins' in Alpha Phi Omega" on the pages of this magazine many times. Last month we "pointed with pride" to evidences of increased service. Now let us notice the other success twin, GREATER MAN-POWER.

Looking first at the pledging records, Butler University leads the parade, holding high its banner with thirty-eight pledges this fall. Texas is next with thirty-one, then Southeast Missouri Teachers with twenty-three. Georgia Tech and Michigan State follow closely with twenty pledges and Drake only a step behind with nineteen.

Michigan has seventeen pledges, Missouri sixteen, St. Norbert fifteen, Alabama Tech fourteen, Purdue and Southwest Missouri Teachers thirteen, Kansas University twelve, Florida, Southern Methodist and Northeast Missouri Teachers eleven each, Brooklyn ten.

Some chapters have held initiation ceremonies for their fall pledges. Alabama Tech has initiated thirteen of its pledges. Missouri has initiated eleven of its sixteen pledges. Cornell has initiated thirteen and Washington State nine. Michigan State has initiated thirteen of its twenty pledges.

Several chapters have initiated pledges held over from last spring.

In each case the pledges were drawn from all corners of the campus, making the chapter a cross-section of the campus and putting it "in best position to secure the cooperation of other organizations in carrying out the major projects of Alpha Phi Omega"—a standard

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## An Open Letter to All Members From the National President

Kansas City, Missouri  
December 1, 1941

My Brothers:

Just twenty-four hours ago I stood in the closing hour of our eastern conference of Alpha Phi Omega and felt anew the meaning of our brotherhood. It has been my privilege to participate in five of our sectional conferences to date, and I am grateful for the privilege that has been mine. My faith in our brotherhood has been renewed, invigorated, and I am confident that each member who participated in these conclaves has gone back to his campus world with a "thumbs up" spirit in spite of all obstacles that may confront us.

Before this issue of the Torch and Trefoil reaches you we will be, from coast to coast, celebrating our birthday. Our sixteenth birthday—December 16, 1941! How quickly the years roll along, and what far-reaching consequence our principles of Friendship, Leadership, and Service have had! Think for a moment of the thousands of men whose lives have been touched by participation in Alpha Phi Omega, who have invested thought and time and effort on scores of campuses all over this nation in behalf of our program!

Whenever any seeming discouragement confronts us in our fraternity, I have but to bring to mind the amazing growth and success that have been ours in these few short years to realize what tremendous strength and force are ours. Our increase has been nothing short of phenomenal. Even in our short years of history we have created a far-flung pattern, we have established rich tradition, we have reached high goals. Whenever I note certain qualities in our brotherhood that are not yet firmly established to our satisfaction, I seek the facts and find that these things have come to other fraternities only after half a century of building—and yet I eagerly entreat them for our brotherhood, and quickly, and have every confidence in the light of our past history that we shall in the years immediately ahead embrace them in full measure. It is good to be a part of our brotherhood, to realize its soundness and its human worth. I like to think of all of you, of the kind of men you are making of yourselves, the kind of citizens you will be, the kind of homes you will establish in this our America. My heart is strengthened and encouraged by every contact with you, by every review of the record you are writing, by every vision of the future you will influence. I am deeply grateful for all that my membership in Alpha Phi Omega has imparted to my life, through you.

May I not take this means of wishing you the richest of Christmas joys throughout the holiday season. I hope it will be possible for you to be a part of your home environment once again, to savor the pleasure of being with choice old friends, to partake of new joys and relationships that hold promise for the future. May the spirit of genuine love for others be with you throughout the holidays, and may the new year be the most productive and successful of your life to date. Across the miles accept my fraternal handclasp, my sincere greetings, and my pledge of all possible Friendship, Leadership, and Service in the days to come.

Faithfully your brother,

National President.



## MAN OF THE MONTH



Max Norris

As the "Man of the Month" for November, who is more deserving of the honor than a man who has given his chapter such intelligent leadership in his official capacity as president that the chapter has pledged the highest number of men of all the chapters in the United States? This man is Brother Max Norris, president of Alpha Tau chapter and a senior at Butler University.

Brother Max was born in Indianapolis, January 1, 1921. He entered Butler University in September, 1938, for a pre-med course. Becoming an official member of Alpha Phi Omega December 19, 1939, he has worked tirelessly, serving his chapter in every way possible. Brother Max was elected president of Alpha Tau this fall, and since then has been giving marvelous leadership to Alpha Phi Omega on the campus of Butler University. With his vigor and energy at the fore, Alpha Tau has moved forward and taken its place in the sun as one of the leading chapters in America. He always welcomes suggestions, yet has plenty of his own as well. He made a strong contribution to the program at the sectional conference held in Chicago.

Under his leadership, Alpha Tau has completed a great many valuable service projects this fall, including a bonfire attended by seventy-five men, some of whom were the Dean of Men, Scout Executive, Field Executive, and Faculty Advisors, as well as chapter members and prospective members.

Brother Max has not contented himself with one activity at the University. As well as being president of Alpha Phi Omega, he is vice-president of Sigma Chi, president of the Equestrians Horsemanship Club . . . incidentally, he is an excellent horseman, having taught it at camp several years . . . and is a member of the Catalynic Club, the American Chemical Society, the Psychology Club, the Bulldog Staff, and in addition has taken active part in many campus committees.

His Scouting record is one to which he can point with pride. He is an Eagle Scout and has attained the highest rank in their Council camp, that of Minisino. He has been an active Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 60, Indianapolis, for two years, and has been employed in the Scout department of L. Strauss & Co., local Scout distributors, for three years. He has been on the Council camp staff for several years.

Brother Max attended one year Saint John's Military Academy. His circle of friends is wide, and we feel confident that for one who is so active and who so well upholds the standards of Leadership, Friendship, and Service, the boundaries of that circle can move no other way than outward.

## DIRECTOR OR ADVISOR?

PROFESSOR O. M. SKALBECK, ENERGETIC SENIOR FACULTY ADVISOR OF BETA PSI CHAPTER, WRITES ABOUT HIS RESPONSIBILITIES

In considering the responsibilities of the Senior Faculty Advisor one is faced with the problem of where directing ends and advising begins. Certainly the founders of our fraternity knew the dangers which lurked in this problem. Too much faculty control would certainly rob the fraternity of one of its prime objectives, Leadership; no supervision or direction might easily result in irresponsible and eventually regrettable activity on the part of misguided but enthusiastic and energetic groups. The advisor's solution to the dilemma lies in the principles of the fraternity itself, for, if he will believe and hold those principles steadfastly before the group, he will keep the fraternity's objectives simple enough for anyone to understand and in doing so he will have discharged his most important responsibility. Alpha Phi Omega's principles are tremendous in significance but simple in statement. The Senior Faculty Advisor's duty is to keep it that way.

More specifically one may consider the responsibilities of the Senior Faculty Advisor as they refer to the chapter and the college. In regard to his responsibilities to the chapter, the advisor should consider first the principle of Leadership. If Alpha Phi Omega is to justify its existence, the chapter's officers must have the responsibility for its activities. When leadership is good, the advisor can sit back; when leadership is lacking as it is bound to be at some time in some division, then it is the responsibility of the advisor to work with other members of the chapter to keep that phase of the program functioning until student leadership can again take hold. The Senior Faculty Advisor can do much to keep proper leadership in the group by counseling with the president about appointments for committee chairmen and by discussing candidates with the nominating committee. These are important matters and if well handled will eradicate most other problems, because good student leadership is much more effective than faculty domination can ever be.

The second principle, Friendship, brings to the Senior Faculty Advisor the responsibility of judging to what extent the social program can be carried on without our losing our identity as a Service Fraternity. Different chapters will have to have different policies in regard to this because of the variation of the social program on each campus. But of more importance than this general responsibility for the chapter is the very personal service the advisor can render in "ironing out" the personality clashes which are bound to appear in any group which draws its membership from all other organizations on the campus. As far as possible all the members of the chapter should consider themselves "Bothers," but when differences arise and brothers are definitely incompatible, at least a tolerant point of view can be adopted. If the advisor's ear is always available for criticisms and fault findings, personality squabbles will be avoided in meetings and a more friendly atmosphere will exist.

Since Service is our dominant principle, it is the responsibility of the advisor to keep always before the chapter the ideal of Service. Being sincerely enthusiastic about the chapter's projects will keep the service program the most vital activity of the fraternity. His enthusiasm will be sincere only in so far as he believes in the value of the work being done. Therefore, he must evaluate and help choose the chapter's projects with care. The sincerity of an advisor's belief in a project will be tested by his willingness to work with his brothers whenever he can, and he should see to it that he "can" quite often. The pleasure of working shoulder to shoulder with his brothers is one of the satisfying rewards of being an advisor because it is on such occasions that he really gets to know the members of his chapter.

The Senior Faculty Advisor is the chief bond between the chapter and the college, and, as such, has certain responsibilities involving this relationship. He must act as the good will ambassador of Alpha Phi Omega on the campus. This will not be a difficult task if the chapter

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## SECTIONAL CONFERENCE IN DALLAS



Leaders of the Texas and Oklahoma Chapters who participated in the Sectional Conference, October 25 and 26.

### SOUTHWESTERN SECTIONAL CONFERENCE EMPHASIZES USE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE IN CHAPTER ADMINISTRATION

#### Representatives of Chapters in Oklahoma and Texas Participate in Dallas Meeting

The principal theme of the sectional conference in Dallas October 25 and 26 was the establishment and use of the executive committee in each chapter. The chapter representatives pointed out that three chapters, the strongest in the area, use the executive committee plan very extensively in conducting their chapter activities. The leaders of Alpha Rho chapter of the University of Texas meet in executive session once each week at a regular time and place. It was reported that a large majority of the business of the chapter is conducted at these executive committee meetings, eliminating much discussion and debate from regular chapter meetings and leaving the chapter meeting periods open for business and entertainment of general interest.

#### Several Recommendations Presented

Ideas and opinions exchanged at the Dallas meeting brought forth several specific recommendations for the consideration of all chapters in the fraternity. In addition to a recommendation for regular meetings of the executive committee, the following ideas were submitted. **First**, that the chapters hold weekly meetings, alternating open program meetings and closed business meetings. In this plan it is important

that the program committee function properly in securing outside speakers and entertainment for the open meetings. **Second**, that the faculty advisors have monthly meetings similar to the plan used at the University of Texas. The Alpha Rho advisors meet once each month for breakfast, rotating meeting places among homes of the advisors. The chapter president is present at each advisors' session. **Third**, that each chapter secure an accurate means of taking a census of former Scouts. In many schools this is done on the regular college registration forms, whereas in other schools the chapters are required to conduct their own registration of former Scouts. **Fourth**, that each chapter determine the maximum active membership needed to properly carry out the service responsibilities on the campus and arrange to pledge and initiate that number. **Fifth**, let emphasis be placed in each chapter on maintaining accurate records. **Sixth**, that the use of the title "Brother" be increased to create greater fraternal spirit. **Seventh**, that members use the fraternity handclasp when shaking hands with brothers. **Eighth**, that each chapter use their influence to have Alpha Phi Omega always classed as a "national service fraternity."

## WHAT ABOUT THE SECRETARY?

*By Philip Lindahl, Xi Chapter,  
Iowa State College*

The Secretary's responsibility can be the most interesting of all of the offices, since in it the Secretary has probably the best opportunity for expression. The Secretary records all proceedings and attendance of the chapter. The wise Secretary will keep all records of proceedings and attendance, up to date, in a bound volume so that nothing will be lost from the records.

Keeping a permanent file of the duplicate membership applications of all members, beginning with the charter members and keeping the file up to date, is like keeping a "baby book" in which one places his first pictures and adds more pictures each year. An Old Family Album holds a great deal of interesting material in it, and so does a complete membership file. Just take a glance at the names of the past members, and one will find them now in very important positions and in unusual places.

It was great sport to be a "town crier" in the days of the Revolutionary War and before, so history reveals. So is the opportunity to issue notices or proclamations of the chapter. There are more practical means to inform the members than by "town criers"—by telephone, by bulletin boards and posters, by college papers, and by the "whispering grape-vine."

The Secretary has the opportunity to write to many important men, asking permission to do something or asking advice. Such contacts can be of immeasurable value to the chapter and to you, too. The Secretary keeps in close contact with the National Office and the National Officers with his correspondence.

How can the Secretary get more enjoyment from his "lowly" task? The Secretary has the opportunity of knowing the members better than anyone else, since the Secretary will want to know the name, address, and phone number of each member as well as their hobbies and interests. The Secretary will know whom to contact if some assistance is needed and he will be on the look-out for more contacts.

In reality the Secretary should possess "ability and willingness to carry-out the details."



## OUTSTANDING PROJECTS FEATURE DISCUSSIONS AT SECTIONAL CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO

Sixteen Chapters of Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan Represented by 115 Delegates

A strong service program, conducted by the intelligent use of the executive committee and active faculty advisorship, was cited at the Chicago conference November 8 and 9 as the basis for consistent success in all Alpha Phi Omega chapters. It was strongly emphasized that the administrative plan of every chapter should include specific assignments to all members. Every individual affiliated with the chapter as a pledge, active member or advisor should be definitely responsible for a certain part of the chapter activities—this sharing of responsibility being made possible through the six regular operating committees and through special committees appointed by the chapter president as needed.

Some of the major service projects as reported by the chapters are as follows:

**Michigan State—Freshmen Visitation.** This is a part of the freshman orientation program of Michigan State College, a project in which the men of Beta Beta chapter aid the freshmen in becoming acclimated to their campus.

**Evansville College—Directory.** The members of the chapter compiled, published, and distributed the official directory of students and faculty.

**Northern Illinois State Teachers College—Free Homecoming Dance.** Eta chapter plans, sponsors, and finances the annual homecoming dance on the De Kalb campus.

**Western Michigan—Senior Brother Movement.** In this project Gamma Phi chapter organizes and maintains a group of senior brothers who are counselors to new students.

**Milwaukee State—Ushering at College Functions.** A group of twenty trained ushers is maintained at all times by Upsilon chapter, and serves on many occasions.

**Indiana University—A Campus Map.** An illustrated map showing the buildings and points of interest on the University campus has been designed by Mu chapter for the use of new students.

**Wisconsin—Inter-Fraternity Fireplace.** Beta Theta chapter has secured the cooperation of all fra-

ternities on the Wisconsin campus in building an inter-fraternity fireplace for general use. Each fraternity has contributed a stone inscribed with its Greek letters.

**Northwestern—Scout Day.** The members of Sigma chapter assist in handling the thousands of Scouts who attend the annual Scout Day on the Northwestern campus.

**De Pauw—Campus Bridge Tournament.** Much interest has been created in this annual project of Alpha Upsilon chapter in which students are given an opportunity to compete for laurels at bridge. Eighty-eight teams entered this year's tournament.

**Central Y—Mens Stag.** Each semester Beta Gamma chapter sponsors a party for all men of the college.

**Indiana State—Blood Bank.** A new project of Beta Lambda chapter this fall is the blood typing of all members and all students for emergency transfusion purposes.

**Illinois—Annual Scout Day.** Alpha Alpha chapter gives its cooperation to the Athletic Department of the University in entertaining the several thousand Scouts and leaders who participate in this event each fall.

**Butler University—Student Activities Bureau.** Alpha Tau chapter has made a survey of all organizations on the Butler campus to acquaint the student body more fully with the purposes and activities of each organization.

**St. Norbert College—Sponsoring Parents' Day.** This past fall Alpha Nu chapter was given full responsibility for planning and conducting the Parents' Day on the campus.

**University of Chicago—Sponsors Scout Troop for Crippled Children.** Gamma Sigma chapter furnishes the

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## TRANSFERRING NATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS—WHY AND HOW?

By John Mack, Historian  
Alpha Eta Chapter

When a brother becomes a junior in college, it often appears to be in his best interest to transfer to a school which has a special curricula in his major subject. Often when a transfer brother arrives on his new campus he immediately enters many outside activities as well as taking part in the Alpha Phi Omega chapter. He attends meetings and does his part in the service program of his new chapter, but forgets to make sure that his membership is officially transferred from his old chapter to the new.

The National Office has a special procedure for transferring members, and surely it is advantageous for every member who has changed schools to have his membership transferred on the national records. What are the advantages?

First, it makes the member a real part of the new chapter. It makes him eligible to be elected to office and to have his activities recorded as a part of the history of the chapter.

Second, there are Alpha Phi Omega activities in which each member is required to show his national identification card. A member who has not been officially transferred and is still using his past chapter card may experience some difficulty.

Third, the national membership card is the individual identification to which each brother of Alpha Phi Omega is entitled. It indicates that he is a man of leadership, friendship, and service, and every member should make sure that he has his identification up to date.

Here is the simple procedure for transferring national membership:

First, the member who has transferred should secure from the na-  
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### QUOTATIONS FOR NOVEMBER

'Tis nobleness to serve . . . Emerson

You know that love will creep in service  
where it cannot go . . . Shakespeare

They serve God well who  
serve His creatures . . . Norton



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is following its basic principles. The advisor can help the work of the chapter along immeasurably by keeping the administration aware of the chapter's progress on its projects. This information should be made available to college and faculty not only through the publicity received in the campus and city newspapers but also through the personal contacts of the advisor as well. From these contacts with members of the faculty the Senior Faculty Advisor can bring back to the chapter new ideas for service projects which have been suggested by the faculty, and in bringing back these suggestions he will also be bringing back something of even greater importance, the good will of the faculty to the fraternity.

If this seems like a heavy load of responsibilities for one already overworked faculty man to bear, it must be admitted that it would be if it were not for the fact that the Senior Faculty Advisor of Alpha Phi Omega deals with a unique group on the campus. This group, because of its common background in Scouting, is both responsible and responsive to the problems as they arise. And any extra effort the Senior Faculty Advisor makes to further the program of Alpha Phi Omega is amply rewarded by the satisfaction he has in seeing what a group of men pledged to a program of Service can and will do. This manifestation of the spirit of Service in a world of greed and selfishness helps keep alive a brilliant hope for the future of America and the world. -O. M. Skalbeck.

**COMING!**

**"Responsibilities Of The Chapter President"**

by

**Emerson Plank**

**Pres., Beta Beta Chapter  
Michigan State College**

**DELAY**

This issue of the **TORCH AND TREFOIL** is late because of a labor strike which delayed the printing. Every effort is being made to arrange that any similar difficulties in the future do not affect our publication.



President H. Roe Bartle addresses the delegates at the Atlanta Conference November 22-23.

## **EXTENSION AND EXPANSION EMPHASIZED AT SOUTHEASTERN SECTIONAL CONFERENCE**

**Eight Chapters and Three Preparatory Groups Represented  
At Meeting In Atlanta, Georgia**

At the Robert Fulton Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia, seventy-six representatives of Alpha Phi Omega in the southeastern section of the United States assembled on November 22 and 23. It was the first conference ever held in the southeast and was marked by splendid participation on the part of all delegates. The members freely entered into the discussions, making this conference especially interesting and valuable for all who attended. The chapter representatives gave unmistakable evidence of strong growth since the 1940 National Convention, and the delegates recognized the importance of further expansion of membership and service in all chapters and the importance of extending Alpha Phi Omega to other schools.

**Personal Contacts Used at Auburn**

Delta chapter reported concerning its effective plan of member expansion used this fall. The pledging by which Delta chapter doubled its membership in the early weeks of the fall was fully explained. The member who discussed it told about asking each member to be personally responsible for recruiting and pledging one new man, no more than one. The system worked. Each active member accepted the responsibility of bringing in one new member. The same system is to be used again to further increase the chapter manpower.

Fundamentals which were pointed out in the matter of membership growth are as follows:

First, all social fraternities should be represented in Alpha Phi Omega, but without any social fraternity's obtaining a dominating position.

Second, each class of pledges should select a chairman and secretary and be given the opportunity of conducting some service activity under its own leadership.

Third, pledge duties should be carefully planned by each chapter and should relate wholly to the service program.

**Financial Stability Needed**

It was pointed out that each chapter should have a means of establishing and maintaining a reasonable treasury as a financial backlog and also have a means of securing sufficient funds to conduct various service activities. Several profit-making projects were reported as a means of securing funds for use on other projects. At Howard College, Gamma Chi earns about \$20.00 on the publication of the student directory each fall and has a new project under way which is expected to net about \$75.00 a year through the sponsorship of a campus post office.

Tau chapter of the University of Florida earns \$25.00 a semester operating its cooperative book exchange. At the University of Miami

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## We Point With Pride

### What Alpha Omicron Men are Doing On the SMU Campus

By Bob Claxton and Jack Harkey

At Southern Methodist University seven Alpha Phi Omega members were selected to appear in the national publication, **Who's Who**: Brothers Fred Haynes, Ben Ramey, John DeVore, Bill Crook, Bob Bryan, Bob LaPrade, and Bob Claxton.

But APO at SMU doesn't stop there! Listed among the members of Alpha Omicron are the president of the student body, the presidents of both the varsity and freshman Y's, the editors of both the yearbook and the newspaper, eight out of the ten boys on the student council, the president of the independents association, and numerous other major offices. And don't misunderstand. These boys were Alpha Phi Omega members long before they achieved the honors listed above. For example Fred Haynes, student body president, is a former chapter president, and is present state chairman. We are proud of the records of our members in leadership, scholarship and popularity - as well as in the field of service through and for Alpha Phi Omega. We thought it might be interesting to see how APO "rates" at SMU!

### An Alumnus Carries On!

Brother Esthman S. Newman, alumnus of Gamma Tau Chapter, Louisiana Tech, is carrying on in the spirit of Alpha Phi Omega in the field of journalism by editing the news of the West Carroll Gazette, in Oak Grove, La. In the recent annual state newspaper contest, sponsored jointly by the Louisiana Press Association and the L.S.U. school of journalism, the Gazette was awarded a first place for front page make-up, a tie for first in the contest for the best promotion advertisement, and a second place for the best editorial on a matter of local interest.

### Two Brothers at Indiana State in "Who's Who"

Congratulations to James Boyle and Harry McKain of Beta Lambda Chapter, who have been selected for this year's edition of "Who's Who Among Students of American Colleges and Universities."

### Two More Texas Brothers Honored

In addition to the two Alpha Rho brothers named in the October TORCH AND TREFOIL, two other members have been honored in **Who's Who**. They are Brothers Dolph Briscoe and Ed Holcomb.

convention, fourteen reported that their senior faculty advisors are giving active and valuable service in chapter affairs. The delegates pointed out the vital part which these advisors are playing in the constant growth of service and membership.

A recommendation was presented at the conference that each senior faculty advisor be given the responsibility of conducting a school of instruction for each new group of officers elected and installed. The chapters expressed unanimous favor to this plan, and recommended that it be made an official part of the national procedure.

Each of the sixteen chapters reported active use of the executive committee in carrying out the chapter functions. A thorough discussion was held of the part which the executive committee should play in the operation of each chapter. It was especially recommended that meetings of the executive committee be held regularly at a specific time and place and that the committee be given much of the responsibility of outlining the chapter program several months in advance and arranging for the next chapter meeting.

The conference has resulted in many compliments by delegates who attended as to the value of such meetings in the growth of the fraternity.

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tional office a transfer application form and fill in the portion of the blank which is designed to give the National Office a record of his new address and other information.

Second, the member should present his transfer application to the president of his new chapter for approval. There is a space especially provided on the blank for this purpose.

Third, the transfer application should then be mailed to the National Office and it will then be forwarded to the former chapter to secure the necessary approval and release from the chapter president.

As soon as the transfer application is received back in the National Office from the president of the former chapter, the transfer becomes

a part of the permanent national records and the member is henceforth recognized as an active member of his new chapter.

Members who have transferred to new schools this fall will find it to their advantage to have their membership officially transferred as soon as possible.

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leadership and program for a specialized group of boys who are confined to a hospital ward.

The wide varieties of projects reported by the chapters give strong evidence of the increasing scope of Alpha Phi Omega services.

### Senior Faculty Advisors Rendering Active Service North Central Chapters

Of the sixteen Alpha Phi Omega chapters represented at the Chicago

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set forth in the Pledge Manual.

A large number of pledges can indicate but one thing: That the chapter is a living, vital organization on the campus, and is respected and held in such high esteem that these men wanted to become a part of it, and therefore pledged themselves to uphold the ideals and standards of Alpha Phi Omega.

This should be the goal of all chapters - to make known their objectives and the fine points of their organization to those upstanding men who would be good partners in working toward the ultimate aim of Leadership, Friendship, and Service, and to give them their chance to become a part of the movement.



# Gleanings from Chapter Correspondence

## KANSAS CITY UNIVERSITY

"Our annual Turkey Hop, one of the largest service projects of the year, was just completed on our campus. This year it was again a formal program dance, given by Alpha Eta Chapter free for the students of KCU. As a novelty, a live turkey was raffled during intermission."

—John Mack, Historian.

## KANSAS

"Lambda Chapter held a reunion breakfast at the university Saturday, November 22, in keeping with the homecoming at the school."

—Fred Stultz, Corresponding Secretary.

## TEXAS

Alpha Rho Chapter will hold its Founder's Day Banquet December 16. This occasion has become traditional in the chapter, and it appears to be one that is well worth duplicating by every chapter throughout the nation. Incidentally, Alpha Rho is also doing a good many other things, as evidenced by the following quotation:

"Our big projects for the fall are completed, but Saturday we will work on Mothers' and Dads' Day. Twenty-five men will work in the morning from 9 till 12 on guide tours and information service, fifteen will work in ramps at the football game Saturday afternoon, and twenty-five will act as hat checkers and guides at the open house for parents in the library Saturday night."

—Ralph E. Frede, President.

## CITY COLLEGE

"Gamma Ep is in step. To begin with, we have pledged eleven upstanding young men. These fellows really make the future of Alpha Phi Omega very bright indeed. The following is a list of completed service projects. More will follow soon: (1) Red Cross exhibit. (2) Freshman orientation program. (3) Freshman tours and freshman information booth. (4) Enlistment of volunteer auxiliary firemen. (5) Freshmen elections. (6) Ushering at Varsity Show. (7) Enrollment of the whole chapter as Air Raid Wardens. (8) Campus Cleanup Campaign—this went over beautifully, with our pledges showing the proper Alpha Phi Omega spirit. We are now planning and working on High School Day."

—Salvatore Fusari, Historian.

## WESTERN MICHIGAN

"That convention (speaking of the Chicago conference) put the extra touch of 'Spizzierinctum' in some of our boys, and we are beginning to 'Steamboat'."

—Don M. Moody, President.

## MISSOURI MINES

"We have obtained the use of a room in the Power Plant's Laboratory building for the exclusive use of the chapter. Our meetings are now held in the new room, and the new pledges will help prepare the room for future activities."

—Ed Chernoff, Secretary.

## SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, CCNY

"As for service, we are now working on plans for a U. S. O. dance to be held some time near the end of the semester. Plans for our Handbook, which we intend issuing in February, are well advanced. We are now selling buttons for a 'Beat Brooklyn' football

rally to be held on Thursday. We also have several ushering jobs on tap . . . On the social side, we held a Monte Carlo Night last week. Over eighty brothers, alumni, and girls crowded our rooms and a swell time was had by all. Last night we held our semi-annual pledge smoker . . . Next Sunday evening we are holding our induction of new officers."

"Dean Feldman has called upon us to decorate the college for the coming Christmas holidays. Alpha Phi Omega will be in complete charge of decorations . . ."

—Sy Trager, Secretary.

## KIRKSVILLE OSTEOPATHS

"Our chapter now is in high gear ready for an intensive campaign, and if everything clicks as anticipated we shall display a proud record at the semester's end."

—David Light, Corresponding Secretary.

## WASHINGTON STATE

"The members of Alpha Xi Chapter at Washington State College have held their second annual Boy Scout Week-End. The group had approximately 500 Scouts. During the visit various departments of the college had displays for the benefit of the boys in order that they could receive ideas for prospective vocations."

"The climax for the visiting Scouts was when they were special guests at the football game between Washington State College and the University of Idaho."

"The Scouts had an opportunity to meet other Scouts from all parts of Washington. They took part in various athletic events during the week-end and attended the pep rally Friday evening preceding the game."

—Ken Royer, Historian.

## ILLINOIS

"After our very pleasant and more than helpful weekend in Chicago, we came home ready to put some new life in Alpha Alpha, and I think we will. I only wish that more men of the chapter could have attended the conference so that they could have been inspired with the enthusiasm that those of us who were there received."

—Christy Broughton, Treasurer.

## FLORIDA

"During Homecoming Tau Chapter is going to perform the following projects: 1. Erect an electric display at entrance to the school, welcoming the 'Grads and Dads.' 2. Donate \$10.00 toward prizes for the best decorated dormitory section, and also serve on the judging committee: 3. Park cars and act as ushers at our Gator Growl, a gigantic pep rally the night before the football game. 4. Erect the stage and put up all of the other props used in the Growl. 5. Tear down the stage, etc., after Growl and help clean the stadium."

"We are going to take part in quite a few more minor projects, but the five projects mentioned above consist of Tau's major participation in the Homecoming Program. Our part in Homecoming has steadily increased year after year, and this year we hope to be able to outstrip the other years in the way of service and participation. This is a good test of our pledge class, since it is their project, and so far they are doing excellent work."

—Walter B. Timberlake, Secretary.

## STANFORD

"Zeta just put over one of the best service projects a chapter could tackle. They conducted educational directed tours of the university for some 2,500 Scouts and Leaders on Sunday morning, November 2, during the Emergency Service O'Rama, and made this one of the outstanding features of the program. They probably did more selling of the university to prospective students than will ever be known. They deserve a big hand for their splendid work."

—John H. Leecing, Scout Executive.

## TEXAS TECH

"Our present group of pledges is the best organized and hardest working group Beta Sigma Chapter has ever had. APO is really alive on this campus."

—Jack Robinson, Jr., Treasurer.

## EXTENSION AND EXPANSION EMPHASIZED AT SOUTHEASTERN SECTIONAL CONFERENCE

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Alpha Pi chapter expects to secure a profit of about \$100.00 on the student directory.

At Clemson College Gamma Lambda chapter sponsors a Booby King contest with votes being sold at one cent each. A profit of about \$20.00 is made on this project.

Other profit-making projects were reported and discussed and it was emphasized that the funds secured from such projects should be used in connection with sponsoring other worthwhile activities on the campus and in the community.

The responsibilities of the various chapter officers were thoroughly discussed in order that each officer and advisor would gain a full understanding of his job and how his duty related to the other officers' duties.

## Three Preparatory Groups Represented

Men from Emory University of Atlanta, Mercer University at Macon, Georgia, and Furman of Greenville, South Carolina, attended and participated in the conference in order to carry back to their campuses a full understanding of their responsibilities as their preparations for national affiliation.

A special guest at the convention was Dr. George Albert Smith, of Salt Lake City, Utah, a member of the National Executive Board of the Boy Scouts of America, who spoke briefly to the assembled group emphasizing that "Eternal Dividends Come From The Things We Do For Others."