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"Science has made the world a neighborhood, but only God can make us neighbors".

-Dean Arno Nowotny

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#### ZETA KAPPA CHAPTER IN ACTION



In this interesting composite picture is shown projects sponsored by Zeta Kappa Chapter at Bowling Green State University. In the upper left is information desk operated during registration to help new students. At upper right is blood typing agency conducted in cooperation with the Pre-Med Club. Four hundred students were typed and a card file of them is maintained as a service to the university and community.

In center left, coeds are shown raking and seeding the lawn. This is part of the chapter's program of campus improvements in which work was delegated to fraternities, sororities and dorms. In the center center is shown one of the students who was burned out in recent dormitory fire. The chapter raised \$160.00 to help replace students clothing lost in the fire. In center right are two fellows putting up a "Keep Off the Grass" sign in connection with the campus improvement project.

The lower left picture finds a student voting at the Ugly Man contest, which raised \$232.99 for the Red Cross. In the lower right is a scene at coat checking service at one of the campus dances. The tips received through this service go to a scholarship fund which provides scholarships for needy and worthy students.

We are indebted to Brother Al Rosenberg, President of Zeta Kappa, for this fine layout of pictures and the interesting story of these projects.

#### ON OUR COVER

Xi Chapter was adjudged last Spring as the organization which had rendered greatest service to the student body of Iowa State College throughout the year. The Cardinal Guild Service Award was presented to the chapter in recognition of this honor. The picture shows John Edenburn (left), president of the student body, presenting the trophy to James Benner, president of Xi Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

## THE CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

By Lee A. Gilman, Alumni Secretary, and Warren Burkett, Secretary

Alpha Rho Chapter, University of Texas.

Although the chapter Executive Committee may be, in some opinions, only an excuse for a "weekly bullsession of the local wheels," its successful development in most chapter histories entitles it to far more favorable definitions. But what, in general terms, is the Executive Committee? Can it be called a planning body to study an overall picture, remove minor details, and condense problems for presentation to the chapter? Is it created for the prevention of possible hitches in chapter activities? And is it a steering unit to set some sort of policy for the chapter to follow? It is all of these things-and more, because the Executive Committee derives its strength not only from the capabilities of the individual officers but from its position in the chapter organization.

Duties, Functions

According to the Manual of Administration, the duties of the Executive Committee include advising with the president, planning projects and the calendar of events, acting as finance committee, and analyzing the problems of the chapter. Certainly this last responsibility presents the greatest challenge to the members of the Executive Committee. While most of the chapter problems lie in the work of some specific office, they frequently cannot be solved without the aid of the entire Executive Committee, and it is therefore incumbent upon each of the officers to participate at executive meetings in the interests of his co-workers. The weekly or bi-weekly meetings offer to the pledgemaster, for example, the opportunity to discuss the intricacies of the pledge training program. Perhaps the alumni secretary seeks help in lining up former chapter members for a local alumni group. Or the officer in charge of manpower may wish to secure ideas for new methods of getting the members out on projects. And it goes almost without saying that every officer will report on the progress of his particular job, labelling significant points for presentation at the following chapter meeting.

The Executive Committee coordinates matters which require the attention of more than one officer. A service project often involves several officers: the campus projects chairman being in overall charge; the second vice-president to arrange for manpower needed; the first vice president to explain the project to the pledges; the secretary to secure necessary equipment and send invitations to advisors and special guests; the reporter to write the publicity; and the historian to secure a pictorial record for the scrapbook.

In making appointments of chairmen and members to other chapter committees, the teamwork of the officers at the executive meeting again plays a vital part, for no officer should select his committees without the consideration and approval of the Executive Committee.

Another important duty of the Executive Committee is to set a regular time of meeting, at weekly or bi-weekly intervals, which will best fit the needs of the chapter and at which all of the officers can be present. With a regular membership meeting on Sunday, executive meetings held in the middle of the week will be of greater value than at any other time—developments at the regular meeting and early in the week can be followed through quickly, and last-minute plans can be laid for the remainder of the week and for the following Sunday meeting.

If the secretary maintains minutes of both chapter and executive meetings, the follow-up on subjects previously discussed but not concluded will be comparatively easy for all concerned, especially the president. Also, the beginning of each new semester causes a partial repetition of the agenda for the Executive Committee, and reference to complete files of past semesters will often be of benefit.

#### Organization

Among the keys to successful operation of the Executive Committee is the chapter organization, which has a definite relationship to the size of the committee. A few years ago, our chapter's membership on the committee included not only the eight regularly elected officers, but all the chairmen of standing and temporary committees and even the office manager, making an impressive total—fifteen to twenty in weekly attendance. While the officers and four top committee heads held the voting-power, there was no ceiling on voice-power, and important decisions could be reached only by an uninspiringly formal procedure necessary to eliminate the general confusion. A large committee obviously has an advantage over a smaller group, as it permits the idealistic situation of having as many fingers as possible in the backstage pie of chapter administration.

However, boiled down to twelve officers, our present organization has been in effect long enough to prove its value. Twelve people never meet in exactly one accord, so both sides of a question always arise; the final result is reached informally, quietly, quickly, and with careful thought. The chapter elects eight officers each semester. The president, with the approval of the seven others, then appoints three more officers who are called "Directors." Through the Executive Committee each new officer learns the duties of his particular job and how it relates to the other offices. Following is a breakdown of our Executive Committee, which is the essence of chapter operation:

- 1. PRESIDENT
- 2. FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT (Pledgemaster): Pledge Training Committee
- 3. SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT (In Charge of Manpower):
  Organization Committee (for securing manpower on projects)
  Membership Committee (for regaining inactive members on campus)
- 4. SECRETARY: Assistants (for typing, filing, etc.) Office and Equipment Manager
- 5. TREASURER:
  Bookkeeper
  (Continued on page 10.)

#### A Feature Project

## LOST & FOUND

Many chapters of Alpha Phi Omega have operated what, for want of a more poetic name, is called a Lost & Found project for the past several years on their respective campuses.

Where it operates, administration and students alike acclaim it as a great service and contribution to college life.

And to those chapters which have not yet been blessed with an office or designated room, this could certainly be a means to that end. For, the first item to be considered in connection with this project, as pointed out by Lambda of University of Kansas and Zeta Eta of University of Chattanooga was a place to conduct such a project. Of necessity, it had to be in a rather permanent location, as well as central to campus affairs. Further, its location had to be publicized, so that all students and staff members would not hesitate to use it. In several instances chapters operating this project use the Lost and Found room as a chapter

Recording, too; might be a problem. The most practical, as found in experience by Omega of Drake University operated thusly: A card file (3"x5") was set up to log the items turned in. The face of the card was to be filled in with the general name of the article, such as; book, coat, pen; the date found; the place found; who found it; and a description (i.e. pen, Parker 51, black & gold, initials S. W. F.). On the back was a brief policy explanation on the responsibility of claiming the article and a place for the claimant and APO member-in-charge to sign when the article was claimed.

Due to limited space, it may not be practical to keep articles over sixty days. Several chapters hold an auction, others donate clothing articles to worthy organizations and books, etc., to a campus fund. More about disposal later.

In order to facilitate record keeping, three card files are used; articles less than 60 days, articles more than 60 days, and articles disposed. It might be worthy to follow Alpha Eta's (U. of K. C.) suggestion of separate bins or shelves for the two classes of articles on hand.



This cartoon by Brother Del Jay Kinney was inspired by Lambda Chapter's Lost & Found headquarters at the University of Kansas.

This auction is a novel feature—fun, money, and service. At Drake (you must pardon your scribe's constant reference to Omega Chapter in this instance as this is a project which he has seen in operation first-hand on the Drake campus) the week previous to the auction, a list of items is posted as a final notice to students who might wish to make a claim. Also, students submitting lost articles might want to claim "salvage rights," which is permissable under policy. All means of notification are used—campus paper, campus radio, posters, and hand-bills.

The auction is held during hours when the greatest part of the student body is on campus and free.

And now, for service upon service the proceeds are never retained for chapter use. Altruistically, they are used for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets, WSSF, World Friendship Fund, etc.—and the use of this acquired sum is always published.

Here's a word of caution: There may be state laws in your state governing disposal of items found. It is advisable to check the existing regulations carefully in this regard.

Now, for the organization. As in any project, this, too, must be planned, and planned well in advance. However, because of its sustaining nature, this project requires an additional amount of "follow-through"—a permanent committee, or perhaps subcommittee, to formulate plans and policies and carry out their operation. It is suggested that pledges work with actives to provide continuity from year to year.

Odds and ends on the project:

1. Identify articles by number, recorded on log card.

Arrange with custodians of various buildings to provide a "pick-up" service periodically. Always maintain, however, a central publicized headquarters for this project.

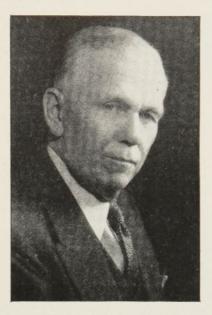
3. In instances when an article is identified by name, a post card (Continued on page 10.)

## A PORTRAIT OF CITIZENSHIP

One common strand unites all three of the outstanding citizens whose "portraits" have appeared to date . . . and it is a safe wager that it will be true of those yet to come . . . that it was said of each, "He was a dedicated man." These men may be worlds apart in their contributions to their fellow men—just as Alpha Phi Omega cuts across a great variety of interests and capabilities—but each one of them has given everything he had for a great cause (or causes) and is therefore set apart as a leader in the world.

This is a true judgment of General George C. Marshall, chosen by members of your national executive board as the citizen for the November "portrait." General Marshall's record suggests comparison with another general 170 years his senior, the general of Valley Forge and the "Father of his Country." (And, indeed, the State of Virginia proudly claims them both!) Both gave military leadership to secure and preserve the ideals of free democracy in times of grave crisis. Both responded to the demands of duty rather than ambition. General Marshall wanted earnestly to withdraw from public service on his retirement from the army and go to live at his estate in Leesburg, Virginia. But, again like Washington, he was called upon for continued significant leadership, and at the very time when it seemed that the Marshalls could at last have their deserved rest!

Earlier, when Marshall was Chief of Staff of the Army, it is reported that he remarked to someone in his family to the effect that he would like to have a job like the Secretary of State. . . "Then I could move out to our place



George C. Marshall

in Leesburg and spend just a few hours a day in Washington. That would be a nice rest." On January 7, 1947, he got the job—but he spent long days in Washington tussling with tough diplomatic tasks, not the least of which was mapping out our role in helping to rehabilitate countries whose soil, buildings, economy, and spirit were in ashes. The "nice rest" was a flying goal for the moment.

A new, strange job at 66! General Marshall summoned all the seasoned maturity, insight, and experience of his long and distinguished army career to assist him in the most important assignment of his life—being the key man in the "peace effort"—at a time

<sup>1</sup>John Hershey, "Mr. Secretary Marshall," *Colliers*, April 5, 1947.

when the world was groaning the futility of war and survival shouting the imperative of peace. Marshall, though a general, had previously been known to his nation in a rather impersonal, official way; now he carried the ball and got the interest that America accords ball-carriers! He brought the full force of his personality, with its genius for organization and efficiency, to the situation and shuffled the State Department a bit. He rolled up his sleeves and waded into the masses of detail and from them quickly extracted important issues for the "hot" file. The ability to synthesize is one of his greatest administrative assets.

Marshall knew the cost of war. He had seen it first-hand thirty years before, and now again in the '40's. His memory was refreshed in a discouraging diplomatic mission to China during 1946 and in a tour of European capitals in 1947. Speaking before the graduating class of Harvard in June, 1947, he had a keen awareness that something must be done to provide wholesome growth and recovery for destitute war victims rather than permitting continued cancerous, inhuman decay. Almost casually, he outlined a suggested plan, and the nation yawned and applauded as it would for most commencement speeches. The rest of the world was not so casual in grasping its import. Presently, Mr. Marshall stirred his own nation to a realization of its opportunity-and the Marshall Plan for European Recovery tells its own heroic story with fitting credit in its title for George Marshall-the man of the hour, the name of 1947, our citizen of the month.

-Robert J. Payne.

#### CARE's New Holiday Package

Would you like to help bring Christmas joy to persons in war-torn countries? CARE's new Holiday Package provides a delicious Christmas dinner. The cost is \$13.50, including turkey and trimmings. The packages may be sent to: Austria, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Finland, France, Germany (the American, British and French Zones, all of Berlin), Greece, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, United Kingdom, Japan Korea, Okinawa and the Phillipines.

Will your chapter send one or more Holiday packages? Address your contribution to CARE, 20 Broad Street, New York 5, N. Y.



#### Polio Show

For benefit of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, Epsilon Pi Chapter recently sponsored a Polio Show at Shurtleff College. Despite a steady downpour of rain, Shurtleff students performed before a well-filled house at the Franklin Masonic Temple. A total of \$104.00 was earned and turned over to the fund by Brother Jack Foster, President of the chapter. This is reported by Historian William J. McCarthy.

#### Soap for Europe

Epsilon Chi Chapter is sponsoring a "Soap for Europe" drive at Los Angeles City-State College. Brother Norman Johnson, Corresponding Secretary, also reports the chapter is arranging to collect and send books to European Colleges.

#### **Alumni Contacts**

GAMMA IOTA CHAPTER at Brooklyn College is endeavoring to bring about closer relationship with its alumni, as reported by Richard Zuckerman, Corresponding Secretary.

#### Hosts to Mexican Visitors

Jean Leblon, President of Epsilon Alpha Chapter, reports that the brothers were hosts to a team from El Colegio Militar de Mejico on October 22. This was Good Neighbor day on the KSTC campus at Emporia.

#### Homecoming Show

Members of Chi Chapter ushered at UCLA's Homecoming Show in which there were many guest stars including Diana Shore, George Jessel, Vaughn Monroe and Gene Kelly. Three chapter members were in the show: Ed Hummel, Cliff Hagle, and Dick Sternbach. It was swell entertainment says Kirk Countryman, Corresponding Secretary.

#### Campusology 101

The first big project in ETA SIGMA CHAPTER since its installation last May is the publishing of "Campusology 101", a new student handbook. Many hours were spent designing and collecting material for the book. At the opening of the fall term, a copy was sent to every student and faculty member of Illinois College. The material in the booklet is very attractively and cleverly prepared, is accurate and covers a range sufficiently wide to answer almost any question that a new student should want to ask about the campus. Thanks to Historian Angelo Spinazzola for this report.

#### D. P. Fund

Aid has been given to two D. P. students through efforts of ETA EPSILON CHAPTER at Millikin University. Funds for this purpose were raised through a contest to select the queen for the Sports Carnival. Thanks to Dr. Charles Leese, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, for news of this important project.

#### Trees

ALPHA CHI CHAPTER has started what is expected to be an annual tradition at *MIT* by planting a tree on the athletic field in cooperation with the senior class. This report is by President Donald F. Reis.

## AT THE 1949 MAY COMPANY SCOUT JAMBOREE IN LOS ANGELES



Brother Ed West of Epsilon Chi Chapter represented his chapter at the annual jamboree in Los Angeles. Roy Rogers tells the Scouts and Cubs all about Trigger, who also attended along with many other stars.

#### CHRISTMAS SEALS HELP STAMP OUT TUBERCULOSIS



The forty-third annual sale of Christmas Seals to fight tuberculosis is now underway throughout the nation. Through research and care made possible through the seals, tuberculosis has been lowered to seventh as a cause of death in the United States. Money from the sale of seals has helped save the lives of thousands.

The campus sales of Christmas Seals has long been a traditional project in many chapters of Alpha Phi Omega. This is a most worthy service.

#### Funds for "Boy's Village"

The Ugly Man contest at *Ohio State* will bring funds to contribute to "Boy's Village", another Boy's Town in the East. Alpha Iota Chapter is now conducting this project, as reported by Dan R. Lane, President.

#### Scout Visitation Day

"Going strong" is the description of ALPHA PSI CHAPTER at Lehigh University. A major project already conducted this fall is the Scout Visitation day which was attended by about 500 Scouts coming from a seventy-five mile radius. The chapter provided a full day's program, including tours of the campus, demonstrations and exhibits which proved both educational and enjoyable to the Scouts. After lunch in the university cafeteria, the boys heard an address by Dean Seidle who enthusiastically stated that the Scout Visitation Day, although only in its second year at Lehigh, had already become a tradition. During the afternoon the Scouts saw Lehigh trounce Case 39 to 7.

#### Aid in Organizing A New Scout Troop

GAMMA TAU CHAPTER of Louisiana Tech, recently conducted a campfire program at a Scout Troop organization picnic.

#### **Book Exchange**

ZETA BETA CHAPTER at Virginia Tech reports that its book exchange operated for ten days at the opening of this semester showed the following results: 520 books received. 368 books sold. 152 books returned to owners. There was brisk demand for the used books. Brother R. L. Scott, Treasurer, recommends that this be made a permanent project of the fraternity.

Operating a Book Exchange through the entire registration period, Alpha Psi Chapter had a cash turnover at used book prices of approximately \$1,000.00 at Lehigh.

#### Class Elections

ALPHA OMICRON CHAPTER at Southern Methodist University handled the class elections on October 5 and is now working with the Foster Parents Plan by adopting a European child for one year at a cost of \$180.00. Reported by Bill McElvaney, President.

#### **Donate Uniforms**

Members of Epsilon Omicron dusted off their old outgrown Scout equipment this Fall and donated it to Troops near the campus. A full calendar of activities is underway as reported by Edwin Katz, Publicity Chairman.

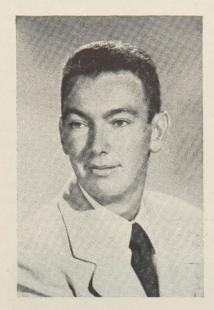
#### DISPLAYS AT TWO SCOUT EXPOSITIONS





To spread Alpha Phi Omega information, displays were maintained at the Boy Scout Expositions at Des Moines and at Milwaukee last Spring. The top picture shows the booth at Des Moines prepared and manned by brothers of Xi Chapter of Iowa State, Omega at Drake, and Eta Beta at Simpson. In the lower picture is shown the booth at Milwaukee constructed by Upsilon Chapter and the Milwaukee Area Alumni Chapter. Many thousands of visitors at the two expositions were given opportunity to learn about Alpha Phi Omega.

#### WE PAUSE TO HONOR



Robert Harper

The 25,000th Member of Alpha Phi Omega

Yep, podner, the 25,000th member registered in our national office turned out to be none other than Bob Harper, a favorite son of Talco, Texas, who entered Alpha Phi Omega at Southern Methodist University.

Since A-P-O is several weeks short of entering its 25th year, we all should derive a good deal of satisfaction from having averaged over a thousand members per year and being certain to lift that average tremendously during the decades ahead. At the same time, we know that impressive membership statistics are made possible only through vigorous and intelligent administration of each chapter. In that category, Texas has ranked high for a long time, and we're happy to tip the ten-gallon to our brethren who

proudly claim Bob Harper, "Mr. 25,000 in person."

Bob Harper is a regular fellow. Real, live Texan, sir! He began his career in Scouting as a member of Talco's Troop 205, led by Mr. Fred Blackard, who, according to Bob, did an excellent job of teaching Scoutcraft fundamentals. One that seems deeply ingrained in Brother Harper is that of whole-hearted participation in worthwhile activities. After graduation from Talco High School in 1943, where he had been a member of the band for four years, Bob attended Paris Junior College. He continued his interest in band, was a junior Rotarian, and also a member of choral and social clubs, earning his way meanwhile as a bus driver.

After Paris Junior College, Harper was greeted by Uncle Sam and served eighteen months with the army medical corps. Back to the books went Bob immediately after discharge, majoring in biology at SMU. He's a senior now at Southern Methodist, and his record of service is better than ever. Taking a quick glance, we see that he was initiated last January and has kept active in chapter projects such as the popular "Ugly Man Contest", raising funds for the March of Dimes; a Christmas Tree benefit; and college elections. Beyond this, Harper is an active member of Phi Delta Theta, social fraternity; "The Mustang Men" (service organization promoting college spirit); and the Pep Rally Committee.

No doubt about it, Bob Harper supports his alma mater with enthusiasm. Welcome aboard, "Mr. 25,000"! Alpha Phi Omega projects call for that Texas brand of pep as we make our twenty-fifth year the greatest in fraternity history!—Thomas V. Waber.

#### A Campus Editorial

This editorial is from "The Daily Collegian" of Pennsylvania State College in tribute to the work of Alpha Beta Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

Good Deeds, Inc.

The good turn every day is a reality on campus on an organized, mass production basis, conducted by Alpha Phi Omega, national service fraternity, composed of former Scouts and Scouters.

Assistance to the Student Union lost and found service was the first project taken on by APO. The groups relay lost items from building custodian to Student Union, after first attempting to identify them and locate the owner. Plans are being formulated to aid students in preventing losses and recovering goods, especially articles of clothing.

An Easter egg hunt for children of Windcrest was gleefully attended by about 200 kids, who will probably be looking forward to an annual repetition of APO'S thoughtfulness.

Good things came in bunches that time, because the service group used \$16.00 remaining from the egg hunt funds to send CARE packages of seeds to war-starved localities overseas.

A lasting tribute to the service fraternity gleams from more than 400 campus trees, where the members have placed aluminum tags giving the tree's common and botanical name.

Spring carnival found this group up and out bright and early volunteering their helping hands in laying out the booth sites, raising the banner and miscellaneous construction and handy work.

These examples are sufficient to show that Alpha Phi Omega is not afraid of work. This chapter of more than 100 men should inspire and set an example for some of the "honor" societies on campus. Surely there is more honor in service than in resting on former laurels. Congratulations and gratitude are in order for Alpha Phi Omega.

## **EDITORIAL**

How dearly do you hold security? What price could we as Americans be expected to place upon our individual or collective security? The great conflicts in our world today spring from differences in opinions concerning the price to be paid for security and the type of security to be sought.

Security at best is a relative thing. Many of us evaluate a man's security by the extent and degree of his wealth. But oddly enough the impoverished wanderer lacking both finances and means, shares equally in the world's most sought after, and America's most abundant type of security. His liberty and his freedom are guaranteed to him as they are to you by the American way of life.

There are two sides to every bargain. As the "protected" in one case we must assume the responsibility of protecting the general welfare even to the sac-

rifice of our individual immediate security and comfort if that should become necessary.

Could an American be willing to make Freedom the price of security? If we cherish our security then we must LIVE our freedom to its very fullest. If we are to *live* freedom we must practice SERVICE. How could one better serve than through ALPHA PHI OMEGA?

-George F. Cahill.

#### Spic and Span

Alpha Alpha Chapter has done a clean up job at the Scout Office of the Arrowhead Council, BSA, which is just across the street from the *University of Illinois* Campus. On Saturday, October 22, members washed the walls of the office and thus gave the entire place a new look. Cokes and potato chips were refreshments. The chapter has received a nice letter of appreciation from the Council.

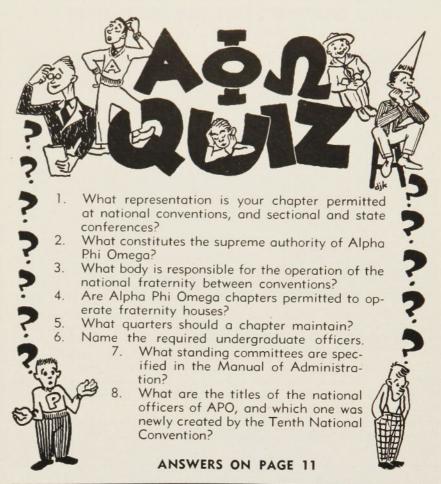
#### Movie Revival

Beta Iota Chapter at *NYU* is planning its annual Movie Revival (showing of old films on the campus), and the proceeds will go to the tuberculosis fund. Many other projects are also under way in the chapter as reported by Sanford E. Klein, Secretary.

#### THE "WINNAH"



Tom Pratt is the smiling winner of Gamma Gamma Chapter's "Ugly Man" contest held last Spring. The contest on the campus of University of California at Berkeley was to aid the World Student Service Fund drive. Each contestant was nominated by a sorority or other girls' living group. Tom was sponsored by the Delta Gamma sorority, and he is a member of Phi Gamma Delta. Votes in the contest were a penny each, and no limit was placed on the number of votes cast by anyone. Tom won with 22,370 votes. By this event, the chapter raised \$913.46 for the WSSF. Awards to the winner and the runner-ups were presented by Robert Barns, chapter president.



#### Dad's Day Hosts

Beta XI Chapter of Westminster aided the college as hosts on Dad's Day, October 22., setting up for the banquet, assisting during athletic meets, serving coffee and doughnuts. The college furnished the eats and the chapter provided the personal touch. Thanks to Prof. Homer T. Larsen, Chairman of the Advisory Committee, for this report.

#### **Employment Service**

At Shurtleff College, Epsilon Pi Chapter is sponsoring a student operated part-time employment service, with cooperation of the business and public relations offices. Expenses will be defrayed by a small fee charged for each job obtained, the fee to be determined on a percentage basis, and never to exceed one dollar. This service is available to both men and women students, as reported by William J. McCarthy, Historian.

#### Organize a Scout Troop

At Fayette, Missouri, Zeta Tau Chapter of *Central College* has instigated a new Scout Troop for Negro boys of the community. Thanks to Dan Schores, Secretary, for this news.

In conjunction with the Youth Leadership Course offered at *Utica College*, ETA MU CHAPTER is forming a Scout Troop to be headed by Henry A. Varhely, Faculty Advisor. Past President Lyle J. Howard, Jr., also reports that the chapter gave thorough service during freshman orientation.

#### Aid To Dean

GAMMA OMICRON CHAPTER keeps the Dean's bulletin board up to date at *Queens College*, as well as managing the student-mail service and messenger service. Another project has been construction of a new scoreboard. Thanks to Bert H. Gourdin, Corresponding Secretary, for this news.

#### THE CHAPTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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- 6. ALUMNI SECRETARY Alumni Relations Committee Extension Committee
- REPORTER (and Editor Chapter Newspaper): Publicity Committee
- 8. HISTORIAN:
  - Assistants (for maintaining scrapbook, photography, etc.)
    Convention Committee (when required)
- CAMPUS PROJECTS DIRECTOR:
   Campus Projects Committee (includes several standing and temporary subcommittees for campus elections, "gridgraph," student opinion surveys, ushering, etc.)
- GENERAL PROJECTS DIRECTOR: Guide Tours Committee
   Scout, Community, and National Projects Committee
- FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR:

   Social Committee
   Program Committee (for entertainment at chapter meetings and social affairs)
- 12. CHAIRMAN OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Each of the above committees is headed by a chairman who takes almost complete responsibility for the functions of the committee; the work of each committee is represented at executive meetings by the supervising "Director."

How one office touches upon another may be seen in the classification of the chapter's activities into four general fields:

- PROJECTS Second vice-president campus projects director, general projects director.
- II. PLEDGE TRAINING—first vice-president,
- III. INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION—secretary, treasurer, historian, fellow-ship director.
- IV. PUBLIC RELATIONS—alumni secretary, reporter.

#### Responsibility to the Chapter

Created in theory by the chapter constitution and in reality by the chapter membership, the Executive Committee bears relationship only to the chapter as a whole. It is, of course, the responsibility of a self-governing membership to select a competent Executive Committee and to watch its progress throughout the term. It is the right of the membership to overrule the decisions of the committee at any time

But what of the Executive Committee's responsibility to the chapter? It owes the chapter an appealing calendar of meetings, projects, and social affairs, a compound of service and fellowship. It owes the chapter careful analysis of all its problems. It owes the chapter a policy acceptable to the majority and within the bounds of APO ideals. When the Executive Committee fulfills these important obligations to the chapter, it succeeds in its basic objective of true leadership.

#### LOST AND FOUND

(Continued from page 4.)

should be sent to owner, informing him of his misplaced item. Maybe the Dean will authorize a telephone for this service. A regular "box" in the campus paper helps.

4. A "lost" file sometimes facilitates the return of property to owners. Losers register a description of lost article and as items are turned in, a cross check is made.

A good project, brothers! Time? Sure, it takes lots of time, but if you have ever had a valuable book of notes or a piece of jewelry, or anything else returned after all hope was gone, you'll know of the gratitude that such a service will inspire.

As James Langridge of Omega Chapter so aptly put it: "After two years, we have handled over 3,000 lost articles and returned the greater part, everything from texts to perfume, overcoats to stockings, fraternity pins to—yep—skirts; sometimes, it looks like a hock shop, but we feel that this project serves a real purpose on our campus".

And so will you! Give it a try. In addition to the chapters mentioned above, these chapters have all indicated in annual reports that Lost & Found is one of their projects: Alpha Beta at Pennsylvania State College; Alpha Zeta at University of Kentucky, Beta Alpha at the University of Wichita; Beta Epsilon at Iowa State Teachers College; Beta Lambda at Indiana State Teachers College; Gamma Epsilon at City College of New York; Delta Beta at the University of Oklahoma; Delta Nu at Yale University, Delta Rho at Rutgers University, Delta Sigma at the University of Connecticut; Epsilon Zeta at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute; Zeta Gamma at Valparaiso University; Zeta Mu at Catholic University of America.

-Armand G. Spizzirri.

## ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY



Carrying the traditions and services of Alpha Phi Omega to St. John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota, this fine group became Eta Nu Chapter at ceremonies conducted by Brother George H. Charno, member of the national executive board, and Dean E. H. Comstock, state chairman. The ritual was performed by brothers of Gamma Psi Chapter of University of Minnesota.

#### Answers to APO Quiz for November

- 1. Each chapter is entitled to two voting delegates at each national convention, plus as many additional representatives as desired. At sectional and state conclaves, unlimited numbers of delegates may attend.
- 2. The National Convention, held biennially, is the supreme authority of Alpha Phi Omega and establishes the policies of the fraternity.
- 3. The National Executive Board is the governing body of Alpha Phi Omega between national conventions.
- 4. No. The National Constitution prohibits the operation of fraternity houses by APO chapters.
- 5. An office on the campus, if obtainable, and a suitable room reserved for regular meetings provide adequate quarters for carrying on the APO program.
- 6. The minimum staff of chapter officers, as listed in the National Constitution, are: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, Alumni Secretary, two or more Scouting Advisors, and five or more Faculty Advisors, one of whom shall be designated as Chairman of the Advisory Committee. Each chapter may elect whatever additional officers are deemed necessary.
- 7. The standing committees are those for Program, Service Projects, Publicity, Membership Expansion, and Fellowship. The Excutive Committee and the Advisory Committee are also regularly functioning committees. Each chapter may create whatever additional committees the members deem necessary.
- 8. The titles of the national officers of APO are: National President, National First Vice President, National Second Vice President, National Third Vice President, National Treasurer, National Editor and National Secretary. The office of third vice president was created by the Tenth National Convention.

#### Safety First

At the *University of Alabama*, Epsilon Tau Chapter has just completed a program of "Campus Safety" which was highly complimented by the Administration and especially by Mr. Tom King, president of the student government association. This campaign consisted of a great amount of campus

## ETA SIGMA CHAPTER INSTALLED AT ILLINOIS COLLEGE



After an outstanding series of campus and community projects in preparation for membership in Alpha Phi Omega, this group was installed as Eta Sigma Chapter at Illinois College, Jacksonville. The ceremony was conducted by the ritual team of Alpha Alpha Chapter of University of Illinois, with Brother M. R. Disborough officiating as member of the national executive board.

#### ETA PSI CHAPTER AT CHICO STATE COLLEGE



This enthusiastic group received the charter of Eta Psi Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega last May 15, in ceremonies at Chico State College, Chico, California. Brothers of Gamma Gamma Chapter of University of California at Berkeley conducted the ritual, with Brother C. J. Carlson of the national executive board officiating.

publicity including posters, two radio programs on the university's station WABP, banners, signs on the sidewalks, safety slogans. One attraction was wheel chairs being rolled around campus with APO members all bandaged up to represent violaters of traffic rules and regulations. George E. Kizziah, Alumni Secretary, presents this interesting news.

# BULLETIN BOARD

#### CHRISTMAS SERVICE

The Christmas season offers outstanding opportunities for unselfish service

One is the sale of Christmas seals on the campus in the fight against tuberculosis.

Several chapters erect and decorate a campus Christmas tree each year and invite students and faculty to bring gifts to lay under the tree for distribution to needy families.

Other chapters prepare baskets of foodstuffs to be given to unfortunate families through the local charity agencies.

Check up concerning your opportunities for Christmas service.

#### **EXPANSION**

Since the past issue two more chapters have been installed upon approval by vote of the chapters and executive board members. They are at Centre College, Danville, Kentucky; and the University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona.

We heartily welcome these new chapters into our nationwide brother-hood, bringing the total number of chapters to 201.

Pictures of these groups will appear in future issues. Two additional petitions are now being voted upon, and several others are being studied by the National Extension Committee to be sure of their stability before submitting them for ratification.

#### NATIONAL

#### ANNIVERSARY

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December 16 will mark the twenty-fourth anniversary of the founding of Alpha Phi Omega. The week of December 10 to 16 is designated as Anniversary week. This provides occasion for a special meeting of each chapter, to include a banquet, historical review, initiation ceremony, outline of plans for the future and other features. The celebration of the national anniversary is traditional in most chapters and is a high spot in each year's program. Give full recognition to the twenty-fourth birthday in the December activities of your chapter!

#### ELECTIONS

This is the season for election of new officers in accordance with the semi-annual schedule set forth in the national constitution. Officers may be reelected once if so desired by the chapter.

Consider carefully the qualifications of all candidates and endeavor to select the most capable member for each of the responsibilities. The duties of the officers are described on pages 2 to 4 of the Manual of Administration.

It is recommended a Training Conference be conducted by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, including all old officers and all new officers.