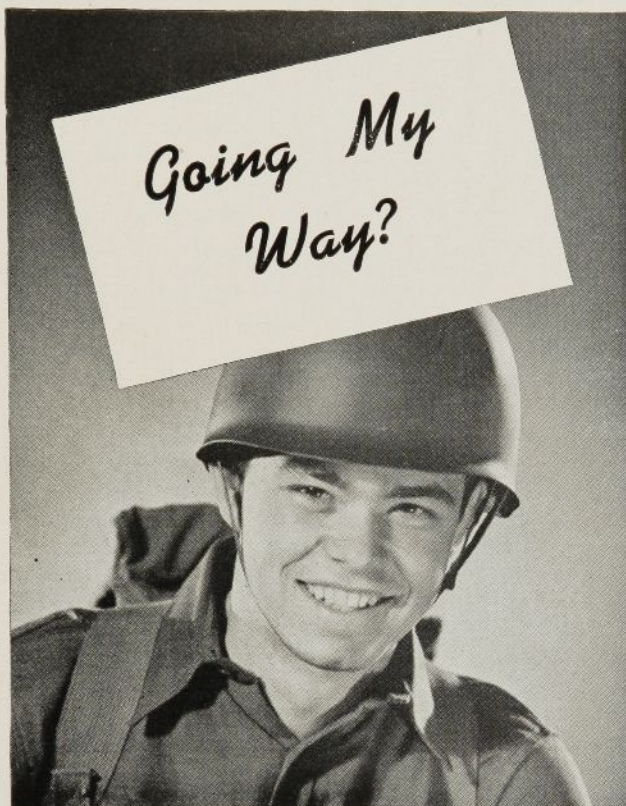


# Alpha Phi Omega's TORCH AND TREFOIL



Yes, soldier, all men of Alpha Phi Omega are going your way . . . toward victory, freedom and unselfishness around the globe. In addition to the thousands of brothers on active duty in the armed forces and working in war industries, our members in the chapters throughout the nation are endeavoring to render full service on the "campus front." Here's a most significant fact: The amount of real service being done by Alpha Phi Omega chapters is steadily increasing despite the rapid turnover of manpower. In the past twelve months, our activities have hit a new high. Page five of this issue presents an interesting list of the many different projects conducted by the chapters in the past school year. A real record, yet a challenge to do even more in the future!

As we now focus attention on fall activities, Alpha Phi Omega's No. 1 job is still to help win the war and build a lasting peace. We must intensify

our present services, find ways of doing them better, and at the same time accept new tasks as they arise.

We must be alert to pledge new men this fall to maintain adequate strength for continued and increased service and fellowship. And let's be sure to use wisely the time and talents of each member and pledge, giving every man a specific part toward the success of the organization.

Ten big factors will make for full accomplishment in every chapter this fall. They are (1) a strong service program, (2) fun for the members, (3) strong student leadership, (4) cooperative advisors, (5) active committees, (6) interesting meetings, (7) adequate publicity, (8) accurate chapter records, (9) a workable chapter constitution, (10) adequate membership. Now is a good time to check over these ten prerequisites of a thriving chapter, make notes of the strong and weak points in your chapter and determine how to increase your chapter's effectiveness in the year ahead.

Yes, Alpha Phi Omega has grown steadily in the past year. We have become increasingly prominent as a service organization. The new college year offers new challenges and opportunities. Let's continue to expand the good work of our brotherhood throughout 1944-45!

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# ALPHA ETA CHAPTER BROTHER EARNS DISTINGUISHED FLYING CROSS



**Lt. George H. Charno, Jr.**

Meritorious action against the enemy on February 6, 1944, brought the Distinguished Flying Cross to this loyal brother of our fraternity. The citation from the President of the United States says in part:

"For extraordinary achievement in the line of his profession while participating in an aerial flight as pilot of a United States Navy bombing plane. Lt. (then J.G.) Charno was on a night patrol when two enemy surface vessels opened fire. He reported the vessels to base and attacked the larger vessel with depth charges in the face of severe anti-aircraft fire from both vessels. Lt. Charno's action in the face of intense fire is in keeping with the highest traditions of the U.S. Naval Service."

Lt. Charno is the son of Brother George H. Charno, national legal counselor and veteran member of the national executive board of Alpha Phi Omega. He was active in Alpha Eta Chapter during his years at the University of Kansas City.

Alpha Phi Omega extends sincere congratulations to Lt. Charno upon the outstanding service he is rendering to our nation's cause.

## IN MEMORIAM Dr. W. B. Bizzell

President Emeritus, University of  
Oklahoma  
Charter Faculty Advisor of Delta  
Beta Chapter

## Prof. Hubert Garrett

Faculty Advisor, Beta Upsilon  
Chapter  
Northwest Missouri State Teachers  
College

# DEDICATORY GREETINGS RECEIVED FROM ADMIRAL KING

COMINCH FILE

UNITED STATES FLEET  
HEADQUARTERS OF THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF  
NAVY DEPARTMENT  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.



6 August 1944

Mr. H. Roe Bartle, National President  
Alpha Phi Omega, National College Fraternity,  
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Bartle:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to extend greetings and best wishes to the Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity. The extension of your former scout training and experience into your present studies and curricula is indicative of your eagerness to equip yourselves for worthwhile careers.

I am gratified that the 1944 Summer Pledge Class is to be dedicated to me, and that a pledge group will be known as "The Admiral Ernest J. King Class."

I feel confident that the Alpha Phi Omega Fraternity will do well in preparing its members to meet the demands of the future with full confidence.

Very truly yours,

*E. J. King*  
Admiral, U.S. Navy

The letter reproduced above is the welcome tribute sent by the Commander in Chief of the United States Fleet in connection with the dedication of our nationwide 1944 summer pledge class as "The Admiral Ernest J. King Class." It is a stimulating expression of the worthwhileness of Alpha Phi Omega. We say "Thanks" to Admiral King for his interest in our brotherhood.

# A MESSAGE FROM OUR NATIONAL PRESIDENT

My dear Brothers everywhere:

The past school year has proved once again the values and the stability of our Alpha Phi Omega program. While many college organizations have been dormant because of the shortage of men on campuses, Alpha Phi Omega has continued to grow in service, in fellowship and in membership.

Our continuous progress reflects the loyalty and effective leadership on the part of our chapter officers, advisors and committee chairmen. To those leaders and to the faithful work of all members and pledges go the credit for keeping Alpha Phi Omega growing throughout these fast-moving war days. To all who participated in last year's successes in our brotherhood I extend hearty congratulations. To our brothers in the fighting forces, I can give definite assurance that Alpha Phi Omega will still be on the job when you return and will eagerly welcome you back into the active work of the fraternity.

As we begin our program for the fall of 1944, let's keep strongly in mind the three fundamental principles of our brotherhood, Leadership, Friendship and Service. It is for these three high purposes that Alpha Phi Omega lives. Let's strive to make our work increasingly effective during this new school year.

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

*H. R. Bartle*

National President.



# The Real Values of Alpha Phi Omega in Wartime

By Dean James G. Allen

Dean of Men at Texas Technological College  
Senior Faculty Advisor, Beta Sigma Chapter

We are being told constantly, and we know it is true, that these are days in which all values are being tested. In a time of national and international crisis it is to be expected that systems, ideas, and organizations be subjected to careful scrutiny and be made to answer for their existence. This is the process by which growth is assured.

It is especially important in our colleges and universities that there be periods in which these re-evaluations take place. This constant refinement lies at the very heart and soul of true education. The capacity to readjust itself to new conditions at the same time it preserves its essential purpose is the lifeblood of our educational institutions.

During the past three years the organizations on the American college campuses have passed through their most trying experiences of the last generation. Those that were built on purely selfish motives or that had as their purpose personal aggrandizement have suffered most. Those whose purpose was not entirely consistent with the educational process have suffered much. Only those that have satisfied an essential need are now able to hold their heads up with dignity as organizations deserving the time and energy of their membership.

The growth and increased effectiveness of Alpha Phi Omega during the past three years has not been accidental. It is the inescapable result of those fine qualities which have characterized this fraternity from the first. At a time when other organizations on our college campus are finding their membership greatly reduced and consequently their activities considerably curtailed, Beta Sigma Chapter of Alpha Phi Omega finds itself with the largest membership in its history. Its service projects



*The author, Dean James G. Allen, is one of Alpha Phi Omega's strongest boosters. His chapter, one of our top-notch chapters, reflects the sincere devotion and service given by Dean Allen as senior faculty advisor. The dean's timely facts in this article are presented from real experience.*

are more varied and effective, and its social activities are more numerous and successful. At a time when in college and out we find procedure handicapped and interrupted by all kinds of irregularities, APO leadership is functioning on our campus more effectively than at any other period since our charter was granted.

Assuming Beta Sigma to be a representative APO chapter, and granting that there will be some variation among individual chapters, I should like to give my explanation of why Alpha Phi Omega is standing so well the test of wartime conditions on our college campuses.

The effectiveness of APO today may be attributed largely to its emphasis upon leadership, its encouragement of constructive citizenship,

and its insistence upon a balanced program of service and socials. At the present time leadership is being recognized and honored everywhere, in all levels of our civilian life as well as in the various branches of our armed forces. It is not surprising that the very young men in college these days should respond to the encouragement which APO gives to the development of true leadership. At a time when the individual conscience prohibits easy indulgence of selfish interests, the college young man of today responds to the challenge of worthwhile leadership. It is a part of the idealism which of course characterizes college thinking at all times, but which becomes one of its most significant qualities in times like these. The emphasis which APO makes upon responsible leadership is a timely emphasis. No young man who falls under the influence of APO can help feeling the fundamental challenge which our fraternity offers him to exert the full strength of his personality constructively.

In its program of service, a fundamental value in true citizenship, APO holds a unique place in our college life today. With our ears ringing with the calls for the unselfish giving of time, money, energy, and talent, the program of service which APO carries out is in step with our time. At no time has APO been offered more opportunity for unselfish and constructive service than the last few years. It is in the training which our fraternity offers in this finest aspect of citizenship, off or on the college campus, that it takes on its identity both with those who are a part of it and with those who watch it work its way in our college life.

The vitality of APO on a college campus depends today, as always,

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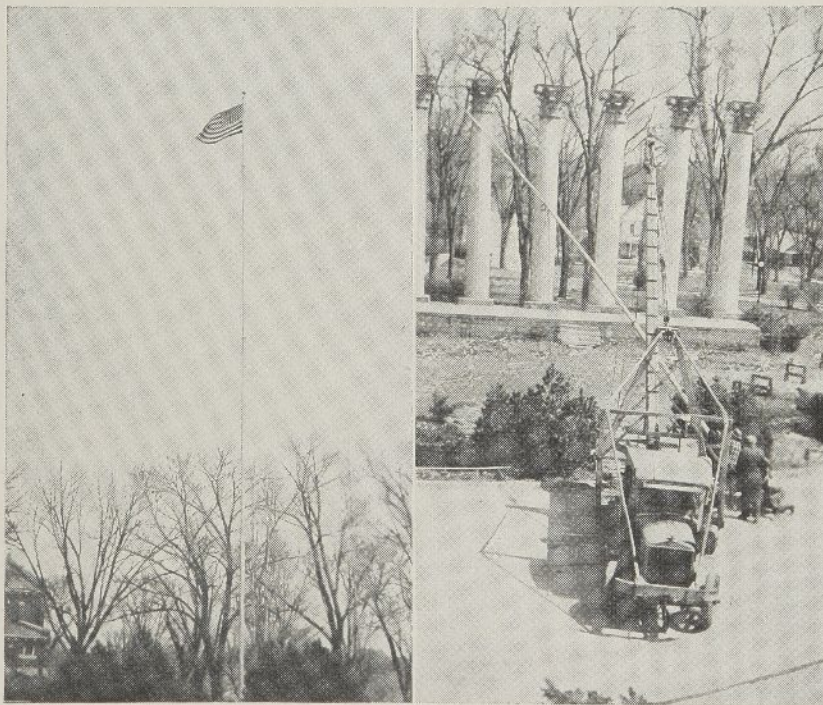


## FINGERPRINTING AT TEXAS



Brother Grover Kenyan, USNR, then secretary of Alpha Rho Chapter, is shown here recording the fingerprints of Brother Roy Nunnally, first vice president, as several other members of the chapter look on. This picture was taken at an instruction period prior to the campus-wide fingerprinting project conducted by APO at the University of Texas last spring.

## NEW FLAG POLE PURCHASED AND ERECTED AT WESTMINSTER BY BETA XI CHAPTER



On March 27 the entire Navy unit and Ships Company at Westminster College were mustered together with faculty and civilian students for the dedication of the new flag pole purchased and erected by Beta Xi Chapter of APO. Following presentation and acceptance speeches, the band played the National Anthem as the colors were hoisted for the first time. Before this pole was secured, there was no flag pole on the Westminster campus. The chapter earned money for the gift by selling tickets for a movie, and purchased the material through Navy priority. The pictures above show (at right) the pole being put into place, and (at left) Old Glory flying proudly above the campus.

## The Real Value of Alpha Phi Omega in Wartime.

(Continued from Page 3.)

on its well-balanced program. No other college organization asks as much of its members, nor gives them more in return. It asks of them time and energy, talent and ability, work of mind and body. It gives them sound training in responsible leadership and encourages in them unselfish support of worthwhile projects. It capitalizes upon the pleasure of cooperative participation and in the finest way teaches that he who would lead must also follow. On the background of such training and experience is built a social life of dances, banquets, barbecues, hayrides and other socials which are themselves rich in pleasure because of the fundamental brotherhood inherent in a real service fraternity.

The real values of Alpha Phi Omega shine forth today, and in the period of reconstruction after the war we may be sure that with our program of leadership, friendship and service our fraternity will continue to hold the place which during this wartime period it has justified itself in holding.

### WE POINT WITH PRIDE

Brothers M. B. Ward and Frank C. Spencer, now in the Navy, were selected for "Who's Who Among Students" at North Texas State Teachers College last year.

Brother Sid Govshewitz, president of Gamma Iota Chapter, is chancellor of inter-fraternity council of Brooklyn College.

Brother Bob Leder, vice president of Gamma Iota Chapter, is president of the Brooklyn College athletic association, captain of the basketball team and member of the track team—a two letter man.

Brother Jack Block of Gamma Iota chapter has won letters in swimming and wrestling.

Brother Richard Renfrow of Beta Psi Chapter is now a cadet at the United States Military Academy at West Point.

## TORCH and TREFOIL

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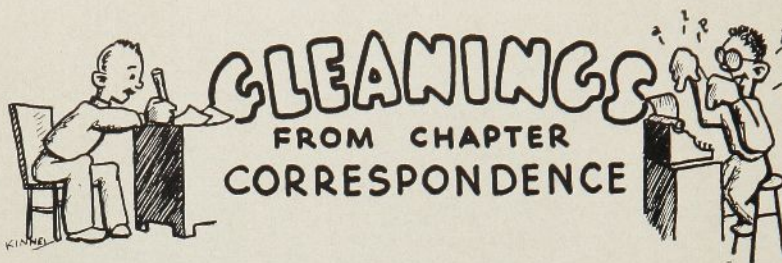
# Service Activities of Alpha Phi Omega

## Hit New High

Here's a record: The greatest series of service projects in our fraternity's history was carried out during the school year of 1943-44. Despite the rapid turnover of manpower, our activities have proceeded with full speed, a real tribute to the effective leadership of chapter officers and advisors throughout the nation. On this page is presented a list of the past year's projects. Look over this list for suggestions for enlarging the service work on your campus this fall. Let's achieve an even better record for 1944-45!

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| Sell war bonds and stamps.                                     | Make annual award for highest grades in comprehensive exams. | Aid Military Day committee.                           | hands for plays.                                  | Clean" campaign.  | Annual canoe trip for brothers and dates.                   |
| Fingerprint students.  | Supervise Frosh-Soph tug-of-war.                             | Send school paper to men in military service.         | Shine victory bell.                               | Serve on student war council.                                       | Work on landscaping of campus.                              |
| Donate blood to Red Cross.                                     | Assist at Easter religious services.                         | Coordinate war effort on campus.                      | Put up Christmas tree on campus.                  | Sponsor Christmas gift mixer.                                       | Give special lectures and demonstrations at Scout meetings. |
| Sponsor victory book campaign.                                 | Sponsor "Ugly Man" contest.                                  | Serve as volunteer firemen.                           | Volunteer aid to farmers.                         | Conduct knothole club.  | Sell Tuberculosis stamps.                                   |
| Provide information service and guide service.                 | Sell Christmas Seals.  | Sponsor Senior Scout conference.                      | Plant trees on Arbor Day.                         | Maintain blood bank.  | Conduct Scout visitation day on campus.                     |
| Usher at assemblies and special functions.                     | Man campus first aid stations.                               | Conduct daily raising and lowering of flag on campus. | Conduct annual hobby show.                        | Show educational films to grade school groups.                      | Hold annual dance for members and guests.                   |
| Conduct student elections.                                     | Purchase war bonds with surplus chapter funds.               | Promote intramural athletics.                         | Sponsor kite flying contest for boys.             | Distribute programs at assemblies.                                  | Build bicycle trail from campus to nearby resort.           |
| Distribute campus maps.  | Collect old silk for war use.                                | Sponsor crippled children's clinic.                   | Conduct campus bridge tournament.                 | Plan landscaping of campus grounds.                                 | Handle Traditions Test for freshmen.                        |
| Aid in freshman orientation.                                   | Send chapter news to brothers in the service.                | Publish freshman handbook.                            | Care for campus shelterhouse.                     | Sponsor conservation, of resources, electricity, paper towels, etc. | Conduct regular radio program for Scout council.            |
| Clean up the campus.   | Make containers for Red Cross surgical dressings.            | Operate "lost and found" booth.                       | Sponsor ping pong tournament.                     | Aid county fair officials.  | Sponsor Prisoner-of-War book campaign.                      |
| Sponsor pep rallies.   | Conduct patrol leaders' training course.                     | Furnish baskets of food for poor families.            | Conduct housing for Farmers Week guests.          | Sponsor Scout troop for handicapped boys.                           | Put on watermelon feed for actives and rushees.             |
| Promote March of Dimes.  | Sponsor Scout field meet and camporee.                       | Handle publicity for student council.                 | Survey campus for fire hazards.                   | Clean fish pool and rock garden.                                    | Collect knives for war use.                                 |
| Conduct book exchange.   | Sponsor state high school wrestling meet.                    | Counsel freshmen at registration.                     | Give parties for underprivileged children.        | Aid student church work.  | Handle drink concession at all campus dances.               |
| Maintain outdoor fireplace.                                    | Conduct Scout window display contest.                        | Refinish benches in Quadrangle.                       | Establish student loan fund.                      | Sponsor all-college jaunt day.                                      | Conduct annual barbecue for members.                        |
| Award scholarships.  | Give swimming lessons to Scouts.                             | Conduct Parents Day program.                          | Sponsor scrap metal campaign.                     | Serve as short term leaders of Scout Troops and Cub Packs.          | Conduct "Write the Servicemen" campaign.                    |
| Give blood transfusions.                                       | Sponsor radio programs for college.                          | Promote traffic safety on campus.                     | Aid at commencement.                              | Observe Scout Anniversary Week.                                     | Aid university ration board.                                |
| Conduct Red Cross roll call.                                   | Direct traffic on special occasions.                         | Register alumni and visitors on special occasions.    | Sponsor student convocations.                     | Distribute war bond posters on campus.                              | Manage intramural night.                                    |
| Serve on air raid duty.  | Conduct war carnival and dance.                              | Furnish hat-checking for college functions.           | Promote Red Cross first aid training.             | Erect historical markers for college.                               | Handle housing during Farmers' Week.                        |
| Campaign for "Use the Walks."                                  | Give demonstrations for Scout troops.                        | Conduct campus tours for visiting groups.             | Aid the Y M C A.                                  | Solicit in nationwide War Fund drive.                               | Conduct poll of favorite student activities.                |
| Aid Homecoming.  | Aid in Religious Emphasis Week.                              | Conduct annual scholarship bridge party.              | Sponsor water carnival.                           | Usher at War Bond rally.  | Sponsor President's Birthday Ball.                          |
| Sponsor first aid meet.  | Conduct freshman tours.                                      | Build sign for campus gate.                           | Donate radio to hospital.                         | Sponsor Christmas sing.   | Purchase and erect new flagpole for campus.                 |
| Care for bulletin boards.                                      | Conduct waste paper drive.                                   | Sponsor high school senior night.                     | Aid in faculty departmental exhibits.             | Place pads and pencils at telephone booths on campus.               | Sponsor fite-nite.  |
| Sponsor study clinic.  | Provide blood typing for students.                           | Build new scoreboard for stadium.                     | Sponsor campus outdoor day.                       | Construct and maintain Gold Star Honor Roll.                        | Conduct polls of opinion on campus.                         |
| Sponsor Victory Ball.  | Conduct housing survey.                                      | Collect magazines for hospital.                       | Sponsor interfraternity sing.                     | Assist at Scoutmasters' training courses.                           | Handle China War Relief drive.                              |
| Operate campus postoffice.                                     | Solicit war bond pledges.                                    | Sell Easter seals.                                    | Sponsor marble contest for boys.                  | Label all portraits on campus.                                      | Provide new student recreation room.                        |
| Give first aid demonstrations.                                 | Sponsor homecoming decorations contest.                      | Conduct snow sculpturing contest.                     | Provide car-parking at faculty functions.         | Give party for fur-loughed service brothers.                        | Conduct Scout game night.                                   |
| Aid Senior Day committee.                                      | Publish student directory.                                   | Aid blind student.                                    | Give farewell ball for seniors.                   |   |   |
| Collect used clothing for Russian War Relief.                  | Solicit for USO.   | Secure street flag display for community.             | Visit sick students in hospitals.                 |   |   |
| Coordinate car pools among students.                           |  | Sponsor homecoming dance.                             | Serve at presidents' Christmas tea.               |   |   |
| Construct Honor Roll plaque in tribute to men lost in service. |  | Volunteer stage                                       | Aid in health examination.                        |   |   |
| Conduct Scouting courses for Latin-American students.          |  |   | Put up decorations for special college functions. |   |   |
| Aid the World Student Service Fund.                            |  |   | Sponsor "Keep Halls                               |   |   |
| Collect surgical instruments for overseas use.                 |  |   |   |   |   |





#### SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

"From reading the TORCH AND TREFOIL I am more than ever convinced that Alpha Phi Omega has an excellent objective and does good work in the different colleges where chapters have been established."

—Dean S. N. Spring, New York State College of Forestry.

#### BROOKLYN COLLEGE

"Gamma Iota Chapter is conducting a drive to send the college newspaper to servicemen, and at the same time we are arranging to publish a chapter newspaper to be sent to our brothers in the service."

—Edward J. Kliegman, Treasurer.

#### OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

"Alpha Iota Chapter handled the May Queen election on the campus the past spring quarter."

—James L. Vance, President.

#### KIRKSVILLE COLLEGE OF OSTEOPATHY

"Everything is going fine in Alpha Omega Chapter. We have things rolling and expect to keep it that way."

R. K. Widney, President.

#### UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

"Of the new officers in Gamma Psi Chapter three are Andersons and two are Johnsons including George Anderson, President, Douglas Johnson, Vice President, Gordon Anderson, Secretary, Jack Anderson, Treasurer, Don Johnson, Historian. Also elected are Bill Melander, Alumni Secretary, and Dr. Shirley Miller, Senior Faculty Advisor. It is plain to see that the Andersons and Johnsons have it sewed up!"

Al Kurzeck, Past President.

#### UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS

"Our chapter was busy during the first few days of the summer term assisting with the orientation of freshmen. We took care of distributing the various kinds of literature published by the registrar as well as preparing an information booth for aiding new students. The fellows turned in a good record of service on this service on this project and all enjoyed assisting at the freshman orientation dance."

—John Westkaemper, President.

#### CCNY

"A little less than one year ago Gamma Delta Chapter was faced with the sad prospect of being forced to become inactive. Today, instead of the three or four active brothers we had last September, we have thirty-one active men. This is an indication of the strong growth made in our chapter in the past year."

—Joseph Landau, Treasurer.

#### PURDUE UNIVERSITY

"Alpha Gamma Chapter is now working on a student phone book. We have pledged 33 new men to be initiated early in September."

—Gerald Ulrich, President.

#### GEORGIA TECH

"Our chapter is preparing a Gold Star Honor Roll for the men of Georgia Tech who give their lives in the war."

—John F. Cheney, AS, USNR, President.

#### BROOKLYN COLLEGE

"The GI (Gamma Iota) Joes are 'raring to go,' and judging by the spirit the fellows are showing, we're all set to maintain and increase APO's position of leadership on the Brooklyn campus—in spite of the manpower turnover. The GI Joes of APO are on the beam."

—Sid Goushewitz, President.

#### LAFAYETTE COLLEGE

"The main project in Alpha Chapter this summer is our drive for blood donors for the Red Cross."

—Fred A. Magley, President.

#### MICHIGAN STATE

"The summer initiation of Beta Beta Chapter was held August 15."

—Norman Aurand, President.

#### GEORGIA TECH

"As the result of a recent survey of prospective pledges, we have 45 candidates for pledgeship and we are to hold an open meeting soon to explain the fraternity to these men."

—Fred W. Culpepper, Jr., Secretary.

#### ALABAMA TECH

"This summer Delta Chapter has helped on another scrap paper drive, and one of our members, John Wegener, has been conducting a life saving and swimming course at a nearby lake."

—Ara Nigosian, President.

#### CCNY

"Gamma Epsilon Chapter is functioning during the summer session although with a limited number of brothers. Some of our members who are working in summer camps will be back in the fall and those of us who are here now are managing to keep up a quite active program. We are running the lost-and-found booth regularly and have completed plans for a book exchange. Our recent waste paper drive was a success, and last month we managed the student elections. Our newsletter is sent each month to the brothers in the service as well as to our active members. Our summer pledge campaign is now being arranged."

—Irving Kamil, Secretary.

#### UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS COLLEGE, NYU

"Our service projects are going ahead steadily. We have just completed a successful book drive on which we received the wholehearted cooperation of the entire campus. Ten new men were pledged on July 28 and we anticipate that our increased membership will bring forth bigger and better services for the university this fall. We are now meeting in rooms generously donated to us by the university."

—David Cooperman, Acting Secretary.

#### WILLIAM JEWELL

"Alpha Mu Chapter has recently prepared a new map of the William Jewell College campus and the surrounding community to be distributed to new students entering the college this fall."

—Dr. L. J. Gier, Senior Faculty Advisor.

#### IOWA STATE COLLEGE

"At the end of the past spring term, Xi Chapter found itself with only one member remaining on the Iowa State campus. But by starting some personal contacts, new men were attracted quickly. We held an initiation ceremony on August 9 for two new members and we have six more pledges ready to initiate on August 22. We will continue our membership drive at the beginning of the fall term and expect to build up the chapter to a sizable number."

—Ted Striggles, President.

#### UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

"Although Omicron Chapter has not been active this summer, we are all set for real action this fall. 'Forward in '44' is our motto."

—Ray Huffer, President.

#### INDIANA UNIVERSITY

"Five new members were initiated into Mu Chapter August 13 as a start toward reorganizing this chapter which was wiped out by the draft. Three more men have been pledged and we have arrangements made for strong rushing at the beginning of the fall term."

—Walter T. Smith, Jr., President.

#### WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

"Our chapter plans to put in a sizeable campus walk for the college. It is now in the stage of planning and financing."

—George H. Stewart, AS, USNR, President.

#### INDIANA STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

"Our new pledges have plans underway which include ushering for the Battalion Show and the sponsoring of a Navy benefit dance in September. On Sunday, August 20, our chapter will spend the day at Turkey Run State Park on what promises to be a very enjoyable outing."

—James P. Andrews, AS, USNR, President.



## ANOTHER ALPHA PHI OMEGA SONG

THE A. P. O. TREFOIL

By Ray C. Huffer

President, Omicron Chapter  
University of Iowa

Tune "The Bells of St. Mary's" with Soloist  
and Chorus

Solo: THE A. P. O. TREFOIL;

Chorus: (Mmmmm . . . . .)

AH, SEE WHO IS WEARING

THE TWELVE PEARLS, THE GOLD SUN:

THOSE SYMBOLS OF TRUTH.

(mmm.)

THEY'RE YOURS NOW, DEAR SWEETHEART;

(They're yours now, dear sweetheart;

MY TREFOIL YOU'RE WEARING.

My Trefoil you're wearing.

AN ALPHA PHI OMEGA'S QUEEN

An Alpha Phi Omega's Queen

FOREVER MORE!

Forever more

AND LOVE BELLS SHALL RING OUT,  
RING OUT!

. . . bells, bells, bells, bells, bells, bells,  
bells,

FOR YOU AND ME!

bells, bells, bell—ll—ll—lls.

("Bells" are to be sung very staccato.)

### WASHINGTON STATE

"A large percentage of our last year's members have gone into the armed forces, but we expect to keep Alpha Xi Chapter functioning actively during the coming school year."

—Larry Loving, President.

### SOUTHWESTERN LOUISIANA INSTITUTE

"Our fall session of the famous Victory Ball is to be held September 2 and we expect to have a week-end outing for the chapter in the near future."

—Irwin Hardcastle, President.

### NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

"Although Beta Iota Chapter is not active in a service way this summer, we have had several social gatherings of the members who are in the city and are planning a huge rush smoker for the incoming freshmen in September."

—Arthur K. Fuhrer, Historian.

### DRAKE UNIVERSITY

"Omega Chapter has been reorganized this past summer and is ready for a full-scale program this fall. Eight new members have been initiated, including one Japanese-American. Our first project was to help sponsor a school picnic and we plan to conduct finger-printing of students for the FBI this fall."

—Donn K. Haglund, President.

### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE TEACHERS COLLEGE

"Our next project in Beta Psi Chapter will be the handling of the all-school election to be held on September 19, and we are now arranging another survey of the men of our campus to locate prospective new members."

—James J. Seyer, AS, USNR, Secretary.

## TWO BROTHERS KILLED SERVING IN THE AIR FORCES OF OUR NATION



Lt. George W. Diemer, Jr., USMCR

Brother Diemer, who was a charter member and strong leader in Beta Kappa Chapter at Central Missouri State Teachers College, was killed in an airplane crash in the South Pacific Area, May 26, 1944, while serving in the Marine air forces. He enlisted in the fall of 1942 and had served in the South Pacific nine months. In Scouting, he advanced to the Eagle rank and was a camp counselor. Music played a major role in his life. He organized and directed a choir of twenty-five men at his Pacific base and played organ in the base chapel. We are honored to have had Lt. Diemer as a brother. His death is a huge loss to our fraternity.



Captain William E. Friend, Jr.

Brother Friend was an active member of Alpha Upsilon Chapter at DePauw University throughout his college years. He was commissioned in the Army Air Corps in February 1942, and upon arrival in England was promoted to the rank of captain. He was awarded the Air Medal and the Oak Leaf Cluster for meritorious service on combat missions over Europe. His colorful life came to a close in his 25th year when as senior pilot and flight commander his Flying Fortress was shot down by enemy action off Texel Island, Holland, on March 4, 1943. Alpha Phi Omega mourns the loss of this good brother.

## BETA BETA CHAPTER SPONSORS POINCIANA PROM AT MICHIGAN STATE



The 1944 Flower Queen of Michigan State College was chosen at the annual Poinciana Prom sponsored by Beta Beta Chapter of APO. Pictures above show (at left) Brothers Reid Pierce and John Samuelson working at the voting booth during the student selection of the queen, and (at right) Colonel D. R. Rodney, military commandant at the college, crowning Miss Constance Helmer as the flower queen. Brother Samuelson, vice president of the chapter, was general chairman. Col. Rodney is a new faculty advisor. This was an all-college affair at which war stamp corsages were sold.





Bill Mayer-Oakes (Gamma Sigma)  
U.S. Army Air Forces

Writes:

"My brief college career and my present tour of duty in the Army have brought me into close proximity with many people—living 80 men in a barracks one finds out a lot about other lives. In all my relations with my fellowmen, I believe that the convictions of tolerance, brotherhood and service learned through Scouting, APO and an 'aware' attitude of living, have enriched my existence. To the new men entering Gamma Sigma Chapter, I say, 'The future of the country is in your hands.' The seeds of the kind of men you will be in later years begin to grow while you are in the university. And for my part I'd like a world with more APO-type men in it."

AS Frank M. Butcher (Beta Phi)  
Great Lakes Naval Training Station

Writes:

"I expect to leave here in a few days to ship overseas, and I'll always be fighting to carry on the principles of APO."

Pvt. F. C. Board (Gamma Omega)  
In England

Writes:

"The splendid work Alpha Phi Omega is doing in the colleges and universities is enough to warm the heart of every brother. The excellent manner in which the chapters have managed to keep going is a fitting tribute to the principles of our fraternity."

Ken Rabb (Beta Phi)  
In Northern Ireland

Writes:

"I have been seeing Ireland the hard way, on foot. It really is a lovely and picturesque country. Had an opportunity to see Belfast, a lovely old European city, full of double deck street cars. The only safe place is on one watching the other people scurry to get out of the way."

Pvt. Hugh D. Pruitt (Delta)  
In Italy

Writes:

"I enjoy getting the TORCH AND TREFOIL. I've been in the hospital three months and now look forward to returning to my outfit."

Joe W. McDade, AS, USNR (Beta Phi)  
New Orleans, La.

Writes:

"One cannot realize what good is obtained from Alpha Phi Omega until he is required to leave it. I surely do miss Beta Phi Chapter at SLI, and am eager to receive the TORCH AND TREFOIL to keep track of what is going on."

Captain Carl S. Bauman (National Executive Board)

In North Africa

Writes:

"I was delighted to hear that a new chapter is soon to be chartered at St. Louis University and I sincerely hope it will become one of the strongest units of our brotherhood. A few weeks ago I was a guest of a group of Scouters in a nearby North African city. These men were French, English and American Scouters and Rovers that are meeting regularly to promote Scouting and friendship among themselves and in the local French Scout Troops. Have been very busy here for the past eleven months."

T-S Robert Jesness (Gamma Psi)

In England

Writes:

"Being overseas now, I wish to report that I have more recollections of Alpha Phi Omega than I did back in the States. Memories mean more the farther one gets from his old haunts. I have been getting the TORCH AND TREFOIL regularly and appreciate all news about our fraternity and the brothers."

Henry M. Shine, Jr. (Chi)

Navy V-12 Unit

Harvard University

Writes:

"I have recently discussed with Mr. George Disbrow, Cambridge Scout Executive, details concerning formation of a new Alpha Phi Omega Chapter here at Harvard and we decided to make final and definite plans in September. It is a pleasure to report that I have recently been elected to the Harvard student council and have served as secretary-treasurer of the V-12 welfare committee."

AJC Robert S. Motika (Beta Eta)

Harlingen Army Air Field

Harlingen, Texas

Writes:

"I trust Beta Eta Chapter will continue with a strong program this coming school year. It certainly gave me a boost to have an organization to work with while I was stationed in the college training detachment at Missouri University."

Cpl. A. K. Prater (Alpha Eta)

On Duty in England

Writes:

"Brother Ray Schmidt is here in England too and we have been writing quite regularly. There are words about APO and what it stands for in our letters. We both agree that if the world had been built upon APO principles we would all be back in the states right now. It takes a war to wake some people up."

Pvt. Marshall H. Smulson (Beta Gamma)  
Camp Rucker, Alabama

Writes:

"Speaking for many brothers as well as myself I can say that while being away from school and friends and family we look forward to getting the TORCH AND TREFOIL and read it from cover to cover. Reading it brings back memories and keeps alive that feeling of fraternalism. I am certainly proud to be affiliated with Alpha Phi Omega. Brother Wally Wassman is a tail gunner on a Martin Marauder and the last I heard from him from England he had ten missions to his credit. Brother Dave Rotter is also in England in the Infantry, Brother Herb Appel is on his way overseas and Brother Ray Freeman is in India in the Signal Corps."

A / C Bert A. Kessler (Gamma Iota)

Tyndall Field, Florida

Writes:

"Just a few lines to let you know Gamma Iota Chapter is still going all-out to bring home the bacon. Special hellos to all brothers from Si Hoffman in Sardinia, Chuck Unger in England, and Iz Koenig in the Hawaiians."

Lt. Robert Klang (Beta Theta)

In the Pacific

Writes:

"I have been out here considerably over a year now and hope to see that mythical paradise, CLUS (Continental Limits of United States) before this year is over."

Pfc. Louis J. Torres (Beta Gamma)

Fort Meade, Md.

Writes:

"Two weeks after the invasion some German prisoners were sent to this PW camp direct from France. These new Germans are quite different from the ones we received from the Afrika Korps, as they are not so arrogant, but they are all alike in many respects. That same military bearing of a professional soldier is still present. I have heard from several of the brothers and am glad to keep in touch with them. Here's wishing all the luck in the world to APO."

Pfc. A. H. Gladden (Gamma Upsilon)

In New Guinea

Writes:

"This weather here is quite a different thing from living in New Orleans. This week we had a drouth, three full days with no rain but a bright sun. It was quite a treat but since then it has been pouring almost every day and night. This is a great experience and each day I find that scouting helps."