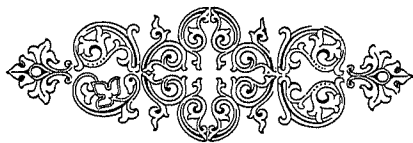


of them have family cares, they are, evidently, delighted to renew in memory some of the old experiences of their college days; and some of them can tell us of the time when they were admitted as the first "co-eds."

Those of the Thetas who have no hall have our sincere sympathy, as we know they can not appreciate the home feeling there is connected with it. It is the one place where we are free among ourselves, and where the true Theta spirit is dominant, and a place around which many plans and bright hopes for the future cluster, and the ties of friendship become closer by association.

LAMBDA.



Beta Chapter.

Beta Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta, founded May 18, 1870, at the University of Indiana in Bloomington. On that day, by the assistance of Miss Bettie Locke, of Alpha, the three H's, Lizzie Hunter (Van Nuys), Lizzie Harbinson (Dunn), and Minnie Hanneman (James), became the charter members.

We have increased at the rate of seven per year, and now our chain contains one hundred and six links. Of our chapter, forty-seven have married. The active members are thirty,—one post graduate, twenty-three collegiate, and the remaining seven resident members. Ever since our establishment we have had opposition in the shape of K K T, yet seldom have we left a conflict as other than the conqueror. Before the system of University Honors was abolished Thetas, and Thetas only, among the ladies, were found worthy of this eminent distinction. Beta has established chapters of K A Θ at Butler University, Wooster, Ohio, Hanover, Indiana, and Burlington, Vt. She also began the correspondence which resulted in the establishment of several other chapters. She entertained the Biennial Convention of 1879. Sometime during each year she has given a reception or banquet to her gentlemen friends and supporters, and on February 22d, 1884, she entertained at High Tea the K K T fraternity. During the present term some of the ladies and gentlemen of the University who are antagonistic to all Greeks and everything pertaining thereto, have formed a society among themselves, called the Independents, or in the language of the fraternities, the "Mugwumps." And although they have donned, as a badge, a barb from a barb wire fence, Beta chapter does not regard them as quite so formidable a foe as their colors might lead one to believe, but will continue unmolested in the ascendancy, where merit and good fortune have always placed her.

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