

profitable and inspiring. The most that we can say is that in each has been most thoroughly manifest the true Theta spirit. Theta spirit! what a world of meaning lies therein! To every sister it is a synonym for all that actuates to the noblest and best. It inspires, ennobles and consecrates anew each year the older members. Subtle and indefinable, it enters the soul of every new girl, fills her with strength, enthusiasm and a growing desire to develop to the highest every potentiality in her nature, to broaden and deepen her influence for good upon her college associates, in short to be all that a girl of to-day should be in purity, strength and nobility of character. She realizes more fully what possibilities her college life holds to the girl who would fill a woman's place in the world, and with the realization comes the sense of added responsibility. All the petty things which fill the lives of so many appear in their true light, and all that makes toward the highest self-realization stands forth in all its significance.

Thetas! our fraternity life means so much to us. Its influence will remain potent long after we number our college days with the past. How dare we fail to make that influence which reacts each upon each in our association, other than the sweetest, purest, noblest, that the impetus gained thereby may carry us forward in the years to come.

There remain but a few weeks in this college year. Whatever may have been our power in the past months, let us make the remaining time we sisters have together pregnant with high purpose and noble aim, so that when we part for the vacation, each may carry with her in its greatest force the true Theta spirit.

Yours in Kappa Alpha Theta,

ALPHA.

NU.

HANOVER, IND.

*Dear Thetas:*

We see and hear so little of each other that we count it a privilege to "talk" through the JOURNAL. Our desire is that our fraternity life might be a closer tie between the chapters and that we could know each other.

It was a pleasure to learn that the sister chapters were looking forward to a prosperous year. We can rejoice with you, not only in the sympathy that "rejoices with those that do rejoice," but because we too were never more hopeful and harmonious. A true Theta spirit makes our hall the brightest, most pleasant retreat; and our meetings a source of benefit as well as entertainment.

Dora and Margaret McCoy, who spent last year in Chicago, have returned to swell our ranks. We find their enthusiasm has only been increased by their long absence and they come back more active and helpful than ever.

The latest event of interest and importance was the initiation of Jessie Young of '98. The affair was one of the most enjoyable we have ever had; the zeal and spirit with which the mysteries were unveiled, the dignity and appreciation of the new sister, and last, but not least, the "spread."

College life is unusually interesting this year, and never did Hanover have a better opening in number and quality of students.

The unusually beautiful autumn made the Point, the hills covered with red and gold, and the grand old Ohio, running between, a picture which we wish every one of you could see. All enjoyed the Indian summer and the athletic park was a scene of constant life and gayety. The girls have added another tennis court to the field.

We are anticipating a pleasant vacation and are determined to make the coming term even better than this. To all, we extend wishes for a happiness and prosperity through '95.

NU.

TAU.

EVANSTON, March 7.

*My Dear Theta Sisters:*

Tau takes great pleasure in greeting you all again through the JOURNAL. Time passes so rapidly and we are all so busy that we hardly have a chance to become acquainted, yet the JOURNAL is becoming to us a great source of enjoyment; for through it and the chapter reports we are learning more of our sisters in other chapters than we have ever known before. When we are Freshmen I am afraid we are rather inclined to believe that *we* are the sorority, but as we grow older and more experienced we realize that we are only a part of a great whole.

We are just finishing a very busy term and think with joy, and perhaps relief, of the vacation which awaits us. Since the last issue of the JOURNAL, Kappa Alpha Theta has attained her twenty-fifth birthday. We decided not to celebrate it by holding our annual reception on that day, but instead held a banquet in our "fraternity" rooms. Of course only initiated members were present and we had a very jolly time. Two alumnae members were with us and told us about the founding of the chapter, and of its early history, which is not so far away either. Then we had toasts and *K. A. Θ.* songs, and Dixy Bagshawe, who is only a Sophomore, composed a very rollicking song, mentioning individually every one present.

Of course we have had the usual number of spreads this term, one of the most enjoyable being a "hard-times supper," given by

one of our pledglings, Ella Moore. We have also given a very informal party this term.

We have just been enjoying a visit from Eva Hall '91, and at the supper which the Freshmen served at the last "frat-meeting" of the term we had Lina Kennedy '90, Eva Hall '91, Mae Gloss '92, and Henriette Jennings Oates '93, with us. Mae Gloss and Mrs. Oates now reside in Evanston, and are with us nearly every Monday evening. We are busy thinking on questions to be discussed at the convention and are trying to prepare ourselves for it. We shall send one delegate besides the one sent by the general sorority, and very probably many of the other girls will also attend.

I suppose many of you have heard of the great commotion which the discussion of "cribbing" has made in Evanston. The faculty has finally decided to try the plan of the "Honor System in Examinations," and "Students' Court" for the remainder of the current year; and although many are not in favor of it, the trial will be made, and we shall see.

The University has created a new and very popular department here, that of Sociology; as this study is fast becoming the leading one of the age, we are very glad to be thus enabled to keep abreast with the times.

Skating has been splendid in Evanston this season. The athletic grounds made a fine rink, the best in town, and, while the cold weather lasted, no spot in Evanston was as popular.

The second annual Pan-Hellenic promenade was held February the twenty-first at the Avenue house, and was "the event" of the season in the student world. The booths were all so pretty that one could hardly judge which was the prettiest.

The local chapter of Pi Beta Phi recently gave a very pleasant reception, to which members from all the other sororities and fraternities were invited.

agement, and hope great things from its board of control, rumors of whose capabilities have reached us long before this.

With loving greetings to all,

EPSILON.

ALPHA.

GREENCASTLE, IND., Oct. 14, 1895.

*Dear Thetas :*

At this, the beginning of another year, Alpha again sends greetings. De Pauw opens with her usual number of enthusiastic students, and the new ones are taken care of in a manner characteristic of the fraternities.

Theta has not been slow, but with her customary selfishness took nine of the very best girls. These were initiated last week at the home of Mrs. Bettie Locke Hamilton, one of the founders of our fraternity, and the Alpha girls had the honor of initiating her.

We are glad to welcome the return of our delegate from the convention. From her report, our views are broadened and Kappa Alpha Theta means more to us than ever before.

Three weeks ago sad news came to us, and we mourn the loss of our sister, Ina Johnson Fulkerson of the class of '91.

And again do we grieve over the loss of Mrs. Weaver, daughter of Bishop Simpson. Although not a sister, her Theta spirit was equal to that of her daughters, whom we claim and with whom we sympathize.

So Alpha has been quiet and in our sorrow have we been drawn more closely together in the bonds of true sisterhood. And we feel that this year will be most beneficial because of the unity and loyalty felt in our Chapter life.

With best wishes for the success of Theta everywhere,

ALPHA.

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INDIANA UNIVERSITY,  
BLOOMINGTON, IND., Oct. 10, 1895. }

*My Dear Sisters :*

There are only eleven of us this year but we are looking forward with pleasure to the fifteenth of this month, when we shall ask others to join us. For the last two years we have had a contract with Kappa Kappa Gamma to give no propositions to new girls before the fourth week of college; and next Tuesday is the eventful day.

Beta has no Chapter house this year, but we have rented very pleasant parlors and hope to have a satisfactory Chapter house in the near future.

The twenty-eighth of September we gave our usual reception for the ladies of the faculty, and all the college girls.

Our delegate has returned from Syracuse, and we have been very interested in hearing about the convention.

Wishing our sister chapters as much success as we hope to have, we are

Yours in Kappa Alpha Theta,  
BETA.

NU.

HANOVER, IND., Oct. 10, 1895.

*Dear Theta Sisters :*

We are somewhat at a loss to know what we ought to write about since the return of our delegate from the convention. She tells of so many things we must not tell of, that there seems to be nothing left.

We had a very interesting lecture course last year. Among the lecturers present, were George R. Wendling and Joseph Cook. The latter says Hanover has the finest scenery of any college in

the world, with the exception of Roberts College at Constantinople.

One of our professors fell heir to a large estate, and as it required his care, he was forced to resign his professorship. We all regretted to lose Prof. Hunter, as he was a great favorite among the students and a good professor. Prof. Lowes, who is a graduate of Jefferson College, has given the greatest satisfaction in the short time he has been here, and promises to become one of the finest instructors in the faculty.

Our girls never lose interest in their Chapter, even after they have been out of college for years, and we always have a number of them to visit us during the year.

We only lost one member this year, Louise Burcham, who graduated last June. We miss Louise very much this year; but she came back at the opening of college to see that we got well started.

We were so glad to hear about the other girls and chapters, through our delegate, and we only wish that we might have an opportunity to hear of and see them more often.

With best wishes for success to all Thetas,

NU.

TAU.

*Sisters in Theta:*

Never since 1885, when Tau was founded, has the opening of the college year found us without a goodly number. This year has proved no exception, and at the first college chapel the Thetas filled the usual "two rows," thus proving true the old theory, "the survival of the fittest."

Rushing commenced almost immediately and in due time we found ourselves successful in winning five, the acknowledged best of the Freshman class, Nellie Spies, Edna Earl Fleshiem, Jessie

Lewis, Isabelle Wells and Jessie Fahr; we were also most happy to welcome into our Chapter Mabel Fuller, of Alpha.

It was a great pleasure to initiate our Freshmen in a new hall. This hall was once used as a studio, but now is transformed into an ideal fraternity hall.

The University has never had so large an enrollment, and the corps of instructors has been increased accordingly, and with many other favoring circumstances, we have no reason to expect anything but the best of good years.

Yours in Theta,

TAU.

ETA.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Eta's contribution to this number of the JOURNAL must necessarily be very short for the reason that this University does not open until the first of October. Things are not quite settled as yet, and we find that we have our hands just about full in getting our work arranged, as there is a very large increase of students this year.

Already we feel the effects of the enthusiasm of the convention, and can say that we feel as we never did before, what the term "general fraternity" means. With a fuller understanding of this term, comes an added responsibility. We feel the necessity of doing all we can to bring ourselves into closer touch with all the chapters, and of keeping up and increasing a true Kappa Alpha Theta spirit instead of allowing ourselves to be too much absorbed by our own Chapter interests. This spirit it is which binds us all together and makes us glad to welcome any and all who wear our pin.

We are glad to say that we will have with us, for the coming year, Miss Warren of Wooster, Ohio, and Miss Swope of Bloom-



## PERSONALS.

### Alpha Beta.

Lucy B. Price '96 and Mary T. Clark '97 are unable to return to college on account of illness.

Mary T. Clark '97 has been visiting in Media, at the home of Elizabeth B. Miller.

June 27th took place the marriage of Sarah Ellen Williams '93, to Benj. F. Battin '92.

The engagement of Hannah Hallowell Clothier '91, to James S. Coale '90, has been announced.

Jane C. Shaw '95 is traveling with her father in the West.

Jane Atkinson '93 is in Albany, studying to prepare herself for the position of librarian.

### Alpha.

Daisy Simms '95 has been elected College Secretary of the Y. W. C. A.

Lillian Brownfield '95 is teaching Latin and Greek in the South Bend High school.

Florence Line '94 an enthusiastic Theta, was married this summer to Rev. William Wise, of Lafayette.

Mabel Tuller has been transferred to Tau chapter.

Lillian Bovard of Omicron made us a visit on her way to the convention.

Lelia Means spent a few days with us on her way home, and the Alpha girls hope to assist in initiating the girls of our new Delta Chapter.

Edna Hamilton, daughter of Mrs. Bettie Locke Hamilton, is one of Alpha's new girls.

Grace Crowder '98 will not be with us this year, but made us a short visit during the spike.

### Nu.

Miss Louise Burcham took the degree of A. B. at Commencement.

Julia McKee graduated at Lake Forest last June.

Jeanette Culbertson '94 was with us at the opening.

Glendora Ramsey '93 is teaching in Milton, Ky.

Jessie Young '98 took the prize (\$10) for oratory.

Mrs. Buttarff '86 was with us during Commencement.

Mrs. D. W. Moffat '90, Elouise Daugherty '92, Iona Rebuck '92, Bertye Swope '93, made the resident members short visits during vacation.

### Tau.

Mary Elgin Gloss '92 is spending the winter with her sister in St. Louis.

Margaret Mulvane spent a few days with the girls.

Mrs. Mary Evans Mason, Psi '92, is now living in Evanston.

Eta welcomes the new editors, and hopes they may have few difficulties to contend with, and many successes to report them.

#### KAPPA—UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS.

If this letter should have a slight tinge of melancholy throughout, we beg you to remember that the "exams" are almost upon us, consequently there are reasons.

Kappa has been very conservative this year, doing little rushing and sending out very few invitations. However, the three whom we have to present to you are more than worth all the others, and we feel sure that they are all real Thetas in spirit and will be a credit to us.

Did somebody say that a chapter is always proud of new girls? Well, we are, and we wish to announce it and impress the fact upon you.

We had the great pleasure toward the first of the year meeting Miss Sims, of Alpha chapter, who was at Kansas University upon Y. W. C. A. work. She immediately took a very warm place in our hearts and we wished that we might have the opportunity of giving her the grip every day. We also enjoy having with us Mrs. Paul Leonard, of Lambda chapter. She is one for whom it is very easy to feel a sister's affection and we are all very proud and fond of her, so assure you.

It has helped us so much having these other chapters represented among us, as it drew us nearer to them and made us feel that they are not merely names or "voices crying in the wilderness," but real and living friends and sisters. Then being charmed as we were with their representatives we feel so proud of "our frat" that we can only express ourselves by saying, as did one of our enthusiastic new girls, who exclaimed in a burst of confidence, "We the Thetas are the nicest girls in the world and there's no doubt about it!"

One of our girls has been married this year to a Phi Gamma and we are also sad over another who has been obliged

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leave school because of the failure of her parents' health. But we hope to have her back next year, so we are not as doleful as we might be.

We send you best wishes for a happy new year and much growth in Kappa Alpha Theta.

#### MU—HANOVER COLLEGE.

Our girls all returned after their vacation, with renewed enthusiasm and many plans for both work and pleasure. But this week one of our number, Agnes Giboney, has been compelled to leave college for the year owing to serious sickness in her family, yet as Agnes is one of our resident members we hope to have her often present at our meetings.

Just before the holidays we initiated Mary Brewer, a member of the sophomore class. We take great pride in our new member and are sure she will be an honor to Theta.

I think that we look forward to the weekly meetings at our hall with even more pleasure than ever before. The five seniors feel that their active fraternity life is fast drawing to a close and that each meeting is very precious and not one can be missed.

The new gymnasium, which is said to be the largest college gymnasium in the state, will be completed next week. The students of Hanover are jubilant over the prospect of our Science Hall. By a donation from Senator Brice, of Ohio, the full amount necessary for its erection was raised and the work of building will begin in the spring.

#### PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

A new year has come to us with its unwritten pages and good resolutions. That these resolutions may be kept and that the pages may be filled with a glorious history is the wish of Pi for all her sister chapters.

This school year opened auspiciously for us. Eleven active, loyal members returning at the beginning of the fall term, six of whom were members of the senior class and ac-

and on the "Farewell" program, Margaret Platter to give the Junior response to the Senior address.

Also in the Shakespearian plays, "Romeo and Juliet" and Henry the Eighth," given by Prof. Bennett, Epsilon girls have taken many of the principal parts.

But we fear Epsilon is sending entirely too long a letter, and is encroaching on another's room, so, once more, we bid farewell to all Theta's fair daughters.

#### ETA—UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN.

Our second semester is well begun and our spring vacation will be here in two days. In the meantime we are groaning over reviews and examinations.

Since our last letter to the Journal we have initiated two girls, Edna Paddock, of Coldwater, Mich., and Matilda A. Harrington, of Dubuque, Iowa. They are, of course, fine girls and we are very proud to introduce them to the fraternity. Miss Post was the only one of our alumnae members who could come to the initiation. Many of the others sent sweet remembrances of themselves in form of flowers and letters.

We had quite a nice visit from Harriette C. Waller, of Saginaw, but she could not stay for initiation. Last week we were surprised by a visit from Martha Chadbourne and Mamah Borthwick, who are teaching in Port Huron. You can all imagine how we enjoyed their stay.

We have had one great disappointment this year—May Swope, who was a Theta at Bloomington, Ind., but who came into our chapter as if she had always been a member of Eta, found that her health would not permit her to continue her work, so she left college. We feel that we have lost one of our strongest members.

Mrs. Walker, one of Eta's patronesses, gives a little reception Wednesday the 8th, to introduce the girls to some of the newer faculty ladies.

I cannot close without saying a few words about the

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Women's building, which all the college girls have worked so hard to obtain. It is to contain a gymnasium, office for the Dean of the Women's Department, and rooms for the Women's League. It is really being commenced now, so the enthusiasm is greater than ever. All kinds of schemes are on foot for raising money for it. One which I thought quite novel is to sell tickets which entitle the buyer to a glass of soda water at a certain drug store, the druggist giving the girls a large percentage on the number they sell.

Eta wishes to express the pleasure which the last issue of the Journal gave her. It is a fine publication.

With love to all Thetas.

#### NU—HANOVER COLLEGE.

The second term in Hanover College has passed very quickly and quietly with us, perhaps because we have been kept so busy. However, we had the pleasure of initiating into the fraternity Mary Moffat, a bright and enthusiastic Freshman, from whom we expect much in every way as a loyal Theta and as a student.

The principal social events of the term have been a tea given by the President's daughter to a number of the young ladies of the college; a reception at the house of the President, given to the members of the four literary societies; a reception and banquet given by the Φ. K. Γ. fraternity to their friends, at which all our girls were present; a musicale, a dance and several other events of less consequence.

Our five senior girls reported a delightful time enjoyed by them at a party given to the senior class by Professor and Mrs. McComb.

The K. A. Θ. girls have issued invitations to their friends for a leap year party to be given by them at the home of Professor Young, on the evening of April 11.

Last week our chapter was much pleased by a visit from one of the charter members, Mrs. Moffat, of Fort Wayne, and also by the visit of Miss Bertye Swope, class of '94.

Preparations for the building of the new Science Hall are being rapidly carried forward. The intention is to have it ready for occupancy next September. The furnishings are being placed in the new gymnasium. We expect to have an unusually large number of our alumnæ with us at commencement.

With best wishes for all true Thetas.

#### PI—ALBION COLLEGE.

Our Easter vacation is past and Pi is hard at work again. The past three months have been very pleasant and profitable with us, our chapter all the time becoming more united. We have added one to our number, Susie Dean, a very strong girl of the Junior class who is now no longer a stranger but very dear to each of us.

Miss Sims, of Alpha, was with us in February being called here on Y. W. C. A. work. We enjoyed her visit very much and found her a charming girl as well as an enthusiastic Theta.

We are planning for a royal time during Commencement week when we want all of Pi's former members to meet with us for a banquet and a jolly time. We do not want to be exclusive and so invite you all to come and help us sing the praise of K. A. ©.

Pi hopes before another school year opens to have upon the campus, a new lodge, all her own.

Blanche Selway, whose home is in Dillon, Mont., will attend Leland Stanford, Jr., University next year. We are very sorry to lose Blanche from our number and are sure that Phi will find her a most lovable and loyal girl.

Professor Smith Burnham has been granted a leave of absence to study at Chicago University. This takes from us one of our resident members, Mrs. Burnham, whom we shall miss greatly.

We welcome to Albion a recently organized chapter of the Sigma Nu fraternity and wish them much success.

#### RHO—NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY.

Rho comes to you again after an absence of several years, bringing with her six new members. We new Thetas were introduced into the mysteries of the sisterhood by the old members of Rho and a member of Upsilon, who is among us. A number of alumnæ sisters were present and lent a hand in sealing the bonds which made us Thetas.

A reception was tendered us by the members of the alumnæ, at the home of one of their number, and the pleasure was ours to take our stand before our Greek brothers and sisters as loyal Thetas wearing the black and gold. Although many of the old members of Rho are no longer active in the University work, their interest in Kappa Alpha Theta does not fade; and we are being reared in a genuine Olympic atmosphere watched over by our guardian goddesses. We introduce to all our sister chapters Lida Millar, Nelle Randall, Jessica Morgan, Jean Tuttle, Emily Weeks and Leola Vancil, who, striving to live up to the Theta ideal, send greetings to all.

#### TAU—NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY.

Again the time has come for Tau to send greetings to her sister chapters, and she must confess that she feels as if there was very little news to send with them.

The spring term is well under way, and our campus is beginning to appear as we are proud to have it appear when we show it to our admiring friends. The Seniors are all trying to make their ideas of the work they have done agree with the registrar's idea, and all together we are beginning to feel that the end of another year is nearly here, and that our ranks will soon be weaker by five.

We are at present making preparations for our annual party, which we hope to make a shining success, and to sustain Theta's honor in that line. Miss Annette Butler, one of our loyal town girls, gave us a spread at her home the