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Our chapter is also well represented upon the board of managers of *The Pleiad*, our college monthly, two of our girls filling the only editorial position open to ladies this year. A Commencement reception and banquet are already being discussed by our girls, concerning which—you will doubtless have an account later.

Although our chapter is small in numbers, it is our intention to make haste slowly, in the direction of new members. Owing to the relations existing among the fraternities here, "spiking," "bidding" and "rushing" are deemed necessary, although the practice is a deplorable one and has never been favored by our girls.

Before another year rolls around it is hoped that Albion College will have been metamorphosed into "Asbury University," and then a broader scope and an additional impetus will be afforded our fraternity world. May Kappa Alpha Theta lead all others.

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It gives us great pleasure to at last greet all Thetas as such. In this, our first letter, it is our desire to give you a little of our history. At the beginning of the year two of our girls were invited to join the Kappa Kappa Gammas, but owing to a previous suggestion by the late Mr. Frank Wheeler, a Sigma Chi, that there was material enough for another ladies' fraternity here, they hesitated. For a long time we faithfully studied Baird, and at last decided on the Kappa Alpha Thetas. But our battle had only just begun. For seven months we waited with only an occasional letter to keep up our spirits. Very cheerful ones came from De Pauw, Worcester, Burlington and Cornell, but the most frequent and encouraging were those received from Kappa chapter.

After having petitioned Kappa chapter to work in our behalf we received a letter from them saying, that one of their number, who was in Omaha, was coming to visit us. In Miss Pratt we found a much needed friend, and with her visit the turning point in our career. Owing to her encouraging letters, and to the untiring efforts of Kappa chapter, through Miss Kate Wilder, we are now in existence as Rho chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. It was with great rejoicing and enthusiasm that we heard Miss Wilder was coming to initiate us on the seventh of April. The Sigma Chis magnanimously offered us their hall in order that our initiation might be held with proper mystery and terror. Promptly at eight o'clock six girls might have been seen wending their way in a solemn and mysterious manner towards the hall. It was with an imposing show of courage and heroism, which was only equalled by our inner trembling, that we went through the beautiful but solemn rites of the Kappa Alpha Theta initiation.

Now we are in working order, and have laid out work in \sim Emerson. It is too soon to speak of our prospects now, but we hope to compete with the Kappas successfully.

One of the most pleasant of fraternity receptions given this season, was given in our honor April 8th by the Kappas, at the pleasant home of Miss Rae Manley. It is needless to add that we need the best wishes of all our sister chapters.

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