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bers together again, busy talking over the pleasures of the summer and the prospects for the new year.

The vacation days passed very quickly and happily to us all. Again this summer we spent a week together in a farmhouse,—not the one where we had such a merry time last year, for we had explored every nook and corner of the ''Racket Lodge'' of '95, but a new ''Racket Lodge,'' (we still found that name very appropriate), a charming country home on the Brandywine.

From the 19th until the 26th of August, many of Alpha Beta's active and alumnæ members were together here at dear old Swarthmore. Some of you have no doubt read or heard of the Friends' Conference which met here at that time, and of the inspiring meetings and gatherings which were held in that large tent on our campus. It was a week never to be forgotten by any who were fortunate enough to be present, and we will surely look back with the keenest pleasure to the happy times together in our little Theta tent by the meeting-house woods.

Last May two of our active members went to Baltimore to attend the initiation of Alpha Delta; they were both very much pleased with the girls, and we feel sure our newest chapter will attain a high standing among the other fraternities at the Woman's College.

Alpha Beta sends greetings to all her sister chapters, and hopes they may have a most happy and prosperous year.

## ALPHA DELTA-WOMAN'S COLLEGE OF BALTIMORE.

From Alpha Delta of Kappa Alpha Theta, greetings: Although we are but young, yet it is with the true Theta spirit that we address you.

Last May, at the beautiful home of Edith Lamb of Alpha Beta chapter, we were initiated into the sisterhood of Kappa Alpha Theta. There were present May Brown, President of Alpha District; Mrs. Geo. Brownell, of Chi chapter, and Mary Talbot Clark, Mary Williams, and Edith Lamb, of Alpha Beta chapter. The initiated were: Mary Maude Kingman, '98, of Des Moines, Iowa; Eva May Blake, '97, of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Emma Fowler Wecks, '97, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Cora Lee Gardner, '97, of Peoria, Ill.; Elizabeth Fielder Sooy, '99, of Des Moines, Iowa; Mary Elizabeth Sears, '99, of Lockport, N. Y.; Phœbe Jane Appleyard, '99, of Jamestown, N. Y.; Mary Onnolee Countryman, '99, of Akron, N. Y.

Since entering fraternity life we have tried to cultivate a truly fraternal spirit, and have been proud to wear Kappa Alpha Theta's pin over our hearts, and to be loyal to the black and gold. At this beginning of the new college year, we look forward with great expectations and fully intend to be one of Theta's strongest and most active chapters.

We have had one severe disappointment in the loss through ill-health of our dear sister Elizabeth Sooy. But we hope to welcome her back among us next year.

We feel that great possibilities lie within our reach, and our aim shall be to grow into such womanhood as Kappa Alpha Theta shall be proud to own.

"There's pansies; they're for thoughts," loving, charitable thoughts. To the dear black and gold pansy, and to the high ideals of Kappa Alpha Theta, we strive to be true.

Very much love to all Theta sisters.

## Beta District.

## ALPHA-DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

Alpha sends greeting to the other chapters and best wishes for the year.

De Pauw has opened the first term with a marked increase in attendance. Enthusiasm is high and her prospects for the future are very bright. There is such a great number of very desirable students that each fraternity can be satisfied without any of that hard feeling which occasionally exists.

We girls are giving a very quiet spike this fall on account of the death of our dear sister, Winona Smythe, which oc-