

Letter from the President of Alpha District.

DEAR SISTERS :—

All members of Kappa Alpha Theta will gladly note the addition of Barnard College to our chapter roll, and it is with much pleasure, therefore, that our district letter reports the installment of our Alpha Zeta chapter in an institution so widely and favorably known as is the Woman's Department of Columbia College.

For some time past, a petition from a local organization of young women in Barnard, has been under the consideration of the members of the Grand Council. Our Committee composed of members of Gamma Alumnae chapter, reported so favorably concerning both the institution and the petitioners for membership in Kappa Alpha Theta, that it seemed wise to grant the charter.

It then became our great pleasure to arrange for the initiation of the ten young women whose names and classes are as follows: Katherine S. Hawkins, Ada Watterson, seniors; Aurélie M. Reynaud, Ruth C. Overton, and Elizabeth H. Maplesden, juniors; Ida M. Demarest, Florence Lippincott, sophomores, and Elsa G. Bergen, Florence M. Sill and Adelaide C. Hoffman, freshmen.

The date of initiation was placed for March nineteenth, and delegates from Syracuse University, Woman's College of Baltimore, Swarthmore and Brown University arrived in the city Saturday, and were delightfully entertained at a luncheon given by Mrs. Maplesden at the Montauk Club in Brooklyn. Immediately after the luncheon the company proceeded to the home of Mrs. Alice Cone Best, whose gracious and kindly hospitality will be pleasantly remembered by all who were present. The installation was conducted by the Grand President, and the President of Alpha District, assisted by the members of Gamma Alumnae.

After the initiation, refreshments were served, messages of congratulation were read, and a general good time under the auspices of Kappa Alpha Theta was enjoyed by all.

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At this point confession must be made, that we could not resist the cordial invitation given by Mrs. Walter to visit Wallingford and Swarthmore, so saying "Auf Wiedersehn" to our new, but already well-loved sisters in New York, Saturday night found us en route for Philadelphia, and the restful quiet of a Sunday among the Friends.

It will certainly be one of our most happy reminiscences to look back upon our first Quaker meeting, our personal acquaintance with the members of Alpha Beta, our visit with the dean, whose womanly influence and kindly ways cannot fail to be an inspiration to the young women of the college, —in short, happy environments made the day one of "rest and gladness" that will long be remembered. Monday, after lunch with Miss Clothier at her beautiful home in Wynwood, we were driven about Haverford and Bryn Mawr College grounds. At the latter institution we had an enjoyable visit with Miss Berry, a member of Iota, who is taking post graduate work there.

Wednesday found us home again, but we feel assured that we left in Barnard College a faithful and enthusiastic company of young women who will maintain the high standard and noble ideals of true American womanhood for which our fraternity stands.

With cordial good wishes for all sisters in Kappa Alpha Theta.

MAY ESTELLE BROWN.

23; Alpha Beta (local), —; Delta Sigma (local) —. Men's fraternities: Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Phi, Psi Upsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Delta Kappa Epsilon, Zeta Psi, Theta Delta Chi, Delta Upsilon, Chi Phi, Phi Delta Theta, Alpha Tau Omega, Delta Tau Delta, Kappa Sigma, Phi Beta Kappa.

CHAPTER LETTER.

Since our last letter, Alpha Epsilon has been enriched by six new members. Not new now; they seem to have belonged to us always, they are already so thoroughly Theta. I want to introduce them to all our far-away sisters. Mabel Ingraham Cobb and Helena Russell Stewart, 1900, and Ruth Appleton, Mabel Jennie Bowe, Adelaide Kimball Burton, and Saida Newton Hallett, 1901.

Our reception, given February 22, was among the most important affairs of this year in the woman's college at Brown, and the men who, of course, are the best judges of such things, pronounced it and Kappa Alpha Theta, to be "all right."

Just now we are rejoicing over the new chapter at Barnard College, because we are near enough to be neighbors. Two of our girls, Martha Briggs and Ida Waite, assisted at the initiation and brought home a most pleasant account of their visit and of the girls.

We have been trying this winter a new arrangement concerning our meetings and we find it so successful that perhaps you might like know about it. Every week the kind of a meeting is changed, so that each month we have one business meeting, one evening social, one devoted to current literature and discussion of current topics, and lastly, a spread at which business and frolic are usually combined. Thus the fraternity life of Alpha Epsilon has had a most active, happy, and profitable winter.

ALPHA ZETA—BARNARD COLLEGE.

CHAPTER REPORT.

Number of resident alumnæ, 0; number of active members, 11; seniors, 2; juniors, 5; sophomores, 2; freshmen 2.

May 1898

Names and addresses of this year's initiates:

Ruth C. Overton 281 Clermont Av., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Elizabeth Hoffman Maplesden 881 Union St., Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Ida May Demarest 70 Monticello Av., Jersey City, N. J.
 Katharine Stockton Hawkins . 52 Lafayette Av., New Brighton, S. I.
 Florence Lippincott . 65 West Eighty-third St., New York City, N. Y.
 Adelaide C. Hoffman 354 Henry St., Brooklyn N. Y.
 Florence M. Sill 232 West Forty-fifth St., New York City, N. Y.
 Ada Watterson 153 West Eighty-fourth St., New York City, N. Y.
 Elsa G. Bergen 135 Garfield Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.
 Annie L. Seward 48 Hawthorne Av., East Orange, N. J.
 Aurélie M. Reynaud "Fleetwood," Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Number of faculty in the university, 311; number of students, 248. Women's fraternities and number in chapter: Kappa Kappa Gamma, 16; Kappa Alpha Theta, 11; Alpha Omicron Pi, 11. Men's fraternities: Delta Kappa Epsilon, Phi Kappa Psi, Psi Upsilon, Alpha Delta Phi, Delta Phi, Delta Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Zeta Psi, Theta Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Phi Beta Kappa.

CHAPTER LETTER.

Alpha Zeta sends greetings to all her sister chapters. To publicly express her appreciation of the true-hearted welcome she has received on all sides, is her greatest pleasure. So long as Alpha Zeta remembers her experience of the past ten days she cannot feel any of the old-fashioned terror of telegrams. A host of yellow missives has brought congratulations and good wishes from all parts of our broad land. The special recognition from Iota, Alpha Delta, Tau, Upsilon, and Alpha Alumnæ, was very delightful to us. Again Alpha Zeta feels keenly the honor that was done her by the presence of so many Thetas, on the day of her installation.

The history of our chapter is so short and uneventful that we will try to give it in full. Monday, March 21, saw the first appearance of a band of Thetas in the halls of Barnard. You may be sure that our black and gold badges did not fail to attract due attention. Indeed, it was quite amusing to pass a group of uninitiated in the hall and hear a whispered "she has one of the new pins, too." In fact, Thetas with due consideration for the feelings of classmates, were led to

assume, during college hours, an absorbed, dreamy look so as to appear quite unconscious of the numerous pairs of eyes critically examining the kite. The novelty has, however, now worn off and Alpha Zeta has taken her place among the recognized forces in the college life.

The chapter is still very busy getting things in running order. Of course, little could be done in the way of fun anent organization before our formal recognition as a chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta had taken place. Since the momentous day of our initiation we have been very busy. The room we have been occupying this year in Milbank Hall is in a fair way to become a cosy little corner. How long we shall retain it, however, what permanent arrangements we shall make, has not yet been decided. In fact, the question of a home is one of our problems. We have received within the last few days several delightful visits here at college, which have enabled us to become better acquainted with some of the Thetas we met on the fateful day in March. Indeed, our whole history thus far has been an attempt to become acquainted with people and things that you know all about, and that we find most desirable to know.

Beta District.

ALPHA—DE PAUW UNIVERSITY.

CHAPTER REPORT.

Number of resident alumnæ, 21; number of active members, 26; seniors, 5; juniors, 6; sophomores, 8; freshmen, 7.

Names and addresses of this year's initiates:

Nora Servingshans	318 Vine St., Evansville, Ind.
Grace Mikels	Kentland, Ind.
Florence Newby	Knightstown, Ind.
Mary Stewart	4519 Page Av., St. Louis, Mo.
Mary Lane	Greencastle, Ind.
Celia E. Neal	LaGrange, Ind.
Luella S. McWhirter	2312 College Av., Indianapolis, Ind.
Dorothy Howe	53 Manchester Av., Wabash, Ind.
Elizabeth Town	Greencastle, Ind.

Number of faculty in the university, 35; number of students, 700. Women's fraternities and number in chapter: Kappa Alpha Theta, 26; Kappa Kappa Gamma, 18; Alpha Phi, 25; Alpha Chi Omega (music), Phi Mu Epsilon (music), 18. Men's fraternities: Delta Kappa Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Delta Theta, Phi Gamma Delta, Delta Upsilon, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Delta Tau Delta, Theta Nu Epsilon.

CHAPTER LETTER.

With the first hint of spring, the first crocus or dainty leaf of the willow branch, come the first thoughts of the home-going in June; and with the pleasure of the anticipation comes the feeling, almost of fear, when we realize that home going means separation. We will be back next year, perhaps, but what of this year? Have we made the most of our fraternity life, held our ideals constantly before us, and enjoyed fully the association with our sisters? Alpha already looks forward to the coming year with the expectancy of one who has done well in the past, but never for one moment stops in her advancement. It has been a helpful, instructive year and though we're "aye to learn sae lang as we live," we believe that Theta is forever a part of our lives. Since our last Journal, the life of our chapter has been very quiet. We have since that time received from several members of Indiana Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi, a beautiful mahogany music cabinet for our home, with the monogram of Kappa Alpha Theta on its polished door, evidence of the thoughtfulness of the donors.

During the year our entertainment at fraternity meetings has been furnished either by individuals or by some specially appointed committee. Just now it is in charge of the different classes and the little friendly rivalry brings out most unexpected talent.

There is in DePauw an old institution of which past letters may have spoken, called the Panthygaterian. At a stated time all girls in the University, robed in costumes representing characters of the past and present, of reality and imagination, meet on one common ground and enjoy "eats" pro-