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## INSTALLATION OF ALPHA MU

As the thoughts of Kappa Alpha Theta turned toward the installation of Alpha Mu chapter on February 12, we who were at Columbia thought of our whole fraternity, wishing that you were all sharing the happiness and inspiration which the installation brought.

Thursday and Friday were busy days of preparation. There were ten enthusiastic workers: Edna Mertz, Iota, from Sedalia, Missouri; Clara Nipher, Winono Petrine, Patty Clayton and Elizabeth Evans, active members of Alpha Iota; Mary Clark, Kappa, from St. Joseph, Missouri; Alice Wilhelmi and Hazel Allison, from the active Kappa chapter, and Miss Hall and myself. Miss Hall's management of the preliminary arrangements had been most complete, and with the chapter house at our disposal, all was in readiness by five o'clock on Friday afternoon, when the initiates were allowed to return, and the installation was held.

Then the banquet! As we started to the carriages, an Alpha Mu enthusiast called, "Let the *real* Thetas go first!" What joy it was to go to the Hotel Gordon, realizing that we were *all* real Thetas—thirty-five wonderfully happy Thetas. The banquet room was a beautiful sight. The table was decorated with great masses of jonquils, with southern smilax, and with yellow and black candle-shades, and on each toast program was painted a black and gold ship. The ship was called "Alpha Mu," and it held high the black and gold flag of Kappa Alpha Theta. Miss Hall

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made a most gracious and charming toastmistress, introducing Christine Dick, who told of "The Crew," Alice Wilhelmi, whose talk was on the "Sailing," Minnie Lee Noe, with "The Kite and the Columns," Clara Nipher, who told of the beginning of Alpha Iota, as "Another Launching," Ellen Koken, who gave "Memories of Delta Psi," and Anna Harrison, who spoke of "The Flag Under Which We Sail." There were songs, of course, and letters and telegrams of greeting. The whole scene inspired Convention enthusiasm, and everyone who was at Alpha Mu's banquet table hopes to share the coming Convention.

Alpha Mu's reception into the Greek world was delightful. Among the charming courtesies shown was the reception by the Missouri University chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma, Saturday morning. Saturday afternoon, Alpha Mu entertained the university faculty, the fraternity men and women, and Columbia friends.

In the evening came the first chapter meeting. Sunday and Monday were delightfully informal days, with long Theta talks before the open fire in the living room of the chapter house. Monday night there was another chapter meeting, with added determination on the part of all to know the fraternity intimately.

There was one sad touch among the happy hours, when Fannie Baker, of Carthage, Missouri, received the news of the serious illness of her mother. She started home with the sympathy and cheering wishes of all, and she sent back a hopeful report to the chapter.

Alpha Mu is thoroughly launched, happy and proud to have the long-desired place on Kappa Alpha Theta's chapter roll, eager to prove worthy of the trust the fraternity has shown, and already typically Theta in policy and ideals.

ANNA HARRISON.

## UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI

The University of Missouri was established on Feb. 11, 1839, and its courses of instruction were begun on April 14, 1841. Since that time it has been in continuous operation except for a few months during the Civil War, when its buildings and grounds were occupied by troops.

On January 9, 1892, the main building of the university was destroyed by fire, leaving the old columns, which now stand at the center of the quadrangle, surrounded by the principal university buildings. This disaster brought the state actively to the support of the university, and marked the beginning of a very rapid growth.

The university at present comprises the following departments:

I. Academic Department—A College of Liberal Arts was established in 1839 and now grants the degrees of A.B., A.M., and Ph.D.

II. Teacher's College—Established in 1867 as a Normal Department, and reorganized in 1904 with full university courses. It grants degrees of B.S., A.M., and Ph.D.

III. College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts—Comprising the School of Agriculture, established in 1870, and the Agricultural Experiment Station, established in 1888. It grants the degrees of B.S. and M.S. The Home Economics Department, established in 1907, grants the degree of B.S. in Home Economics. The legislature has appropriated \$100,000 for a new agricultural building, which is being erected on the Horticultural grounds.

IV. Missouri School of Mines—Established in 1870 and located at Rolla, Missouri.

V. Department of Law—Established in 1872, grants degree of LL.B.

VI. Department of Medicine—Established in 1873, grants degree of M.D.

VII. School of Engineering—Established in 1877, grants degrees of B.S., C.E., E.E., M.E., and Ch.E.

VIII. Missouri State Military School—Established in 1890.