

The week preceding that most important day of July sixteenth was a very busy one in the small town of Missoula. The Flathead Indian Reservation was just being opened to homesteaders and as Missoula was the headquarters for the "run" great excitement, much prosperity and hordes of men were everywhere in evidence. But even in the midst of all this the coming of a chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta to their university was welcomed with the kindest interest and the most gracious hospitality by the people of Missoula.

Mrs. J. B. Bonner's large comfortable house as well as her carriage and her daughter's machine, were entirely at our disposal and Mrs. Knowles was equally kind—even eager to foresee our needs. Our gratitude and appreciation were great and must be thus publicly expressed.

The days were spent together in joyful preparation, interspersed with the numerous drives and parties with which a guest in Missoula is always so overwhelmingly honored and which culminated in a delightful afternoon at the home of Mrs. Spottswood where all the members of Theta Phi, their patronesses and immediate friends met as a sort of farewell to their local organization.

The next day was spent by a few of us in the hard work of final preparations and the installation began at seven o'clock. Afterwards seventeen happy Thetas drove in a big carry-all across the river into town where at "Ye Old Inn" a banquet was waiting for us in a narrow mirror-lined room. Smilax and pansies were everywhere and in the center of the table the immense basket of candy tied with black and gold ribbons which had come from Spokane with the congratulations of Sigma Chi.

Other congratulations, notes and telegrams were read and finally we came to the "speech-making." After Annabelle Robertson's charming response to the welcome, Stella Duncan told of the beginnings of "Theta Phi" and was followed by Frances Nuckolls Kelly in an interesting account "From Theta Phi to Theta" and then by Jessie Macfarland on "Kappa Alpha

Theta." Minta McCall Bonner spoke on "Days Past," Marie Freeser on "Days Present" and Fay Wright on "Days to Come." These toasts, with songs and much informal talking carried us far into the early morning hours.

Early the next day, the first chapter meeting was held, for our time was somewhat limited. In the afternoon the Montana chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma welcomed us into the Greek world of the university with a tea at the delightful home of Mrs. Tole.

That same evening we met again at Mrs. Bonner's, for a long talk in the twilight before the departure of the old Thetas who came to make new Thetas and who went away confident that this new chapter will ever justify the trust Kappa Alpha Theta has thus shown.

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ALPHA XI INSTALLATION

It is somehow hard to think of Alpha Xi as a very new chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta. Oregon itself has such an air of stability and conservatism, the university has been so long established and for so long this group of girls has seemed to live according to the actual aims and policies of Theta itself, that there is nothing really new about them. The installation was merely a growth from their former status.

And when in Portland on the morning of July nineteenth, sixteen Thetas met to perfect plans and to talk over the new chapter that they were to install, it seemed that the girls of Beta Epsilon ought to be there planning with us—we felt so strongly that they were already Thetas in spirit. For this reason the installation was particularly inspiring and gratifying, to us all.

These sixteen enthusiastic workers were Maude Cleveland, Frances Gill, Dorothy Moore and Bernice Bronson of Omega; Mrs. Cross and Miss Anna Cross of Kappa; Marjorie Holcomb of Phi; Vera Jones, Dorothy Dean, Claire Dean, Helen Higbee, Robin McKinley and Roxy Lucas, all of Alpha Lambda; Mrs.

Ruth Elliott Crooks of Epsilon and Mrs. Steele of Alpha, besides myself. At six o'clock on July 21, Alpha Xi chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta was installed with an active membership of fourteen and ten graduates.

Later in the evening—very much later—in the banquet room of the Hotel Oregon Grill forty happy Thetas sat down to a feast of good things, followed by toasts and songs which lasted so late that the last suburban car had gone before we knew it and the festive "taxi" reaped a generous reward thereby.

Toast list:

Welcome.....	Frances Gill, Omega
Response.....	Frances Oberteuffer, Alpha Xi
Days Past.....	Lela Goddard, Alpha Xi
Days Present.....	Frances Nelson, Alpha Xi
Days to Come.....	Mary DeBar, Alpha Xi
Kappa Alpha Theta.....	Anna Cross, Kappa
Active Thetahood.....	Marjorie Holcomb, Phi
Graduate Thetahood.....	Mrs. Crooks, Epsilon

The next day was a busy one, full of chapter meetings and final arrangements of many important matters. When six o'clock came around again the forty Thetas were scattering by train and trolley in all directions, all of them full of hopes and plans and faith in this strong young branch of our fraternity.

Chapters of Kappa Sigma and Sigma Chi have been established at the University of Oregon for a number of years, and among the women are recently established chapters of Gamma Phi Beta and Chi Omega, besides a number of locals.

Beta Epsilon was the first group organized in the university. In 1902 a club of seven girls was formed which in 1904 took its Greek name and became a strong factor in the life of the university.

Since 1906 they have had a chapter house, have maintained a strong membership, an enviable position in college activities and an unusually good scholarship average. They have worked loyally and long to make their chapter worthy of a charter from Kappa Alpha Theta and how well they have succeeded they will prove to us as the years go by and they develop more

and more into the type and standards we have set for ourselves.

I should like to tell you something of them personally. Lela Goddard who graduated in 1907 was one of the original members of the group and one of its most influential leaders. She lives in Portland and was just recently married.

Jessie Chase and Helene Robinson both live in Portland, graduated in 1908 and have been teaching. Winifred Hadley of that same class lives in Eugene. Last spring six of Beta Epsilon's most tried and proved members graduated. Some of you know Frances Nelson by her hand-writing, but Sue Hays, Kate Fullerton, Adele Goff, Gladys MacKenzie and Winifred Cockerline equally deserve your interest. To these girls much of the past success of Beta Epsilon is due and their graduation leaves a marked vacancy in the chapter roll.

But we need have no fears for the future when we look over the fourteen who are left.

Frances Oberteuffer of Portland and Eva Allan of Eugene are seniors; Hazel McNair, Cecile Wilcox, now juniors, were freshmen when I first met the group—one always remembers the freshmen—and Hazel Brown too. Mary DeBar was not then a known quantity—she rightfully should be a sophomore I'm sure—but somehow she has managed to become a most earnest junior and even corresponding secretary of the chapter. Then the sophomores who were of last year's strong freshman class, Lucia Campbell of Eugene; Jessie Bibee, Merle McKelvey and Ione Lambert of Portland; Fielda McClaine of Tacoma; Aline Thomson of Salem; Jane Knox and Mildred Bagley.

But names alone mean very little. Let us hope that at the convention of 1911, whether it be in California or not, you may see and know for yourselves this "Oregon" of which you have heard so much.

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ALPHA OMICRON INSTALLATION

Soon after the granting of the charter came the question as to the time of installation, and in spite of dire prophecies as to