

ing force to this delegate, persons to be held in considerable esteem.

Impressions of convention! I rack my brain for it is hard to discriminate, there were so many and all are lasting. To eliminate, first impressions could not serve since I had already attended a convention (where was made the resolution never to miss another); general impressions could be dealt with only in book form, vols. I, II, III, IV, etc. However, an outstanding feature was the immediate attention of all centered on Grand council, so often placed afar as an object (do I offend? I trust not, for G. C. is an extremely animate object) of awes and worship. To narrow further, and really come to the point: most noticeable was the query "Have you seen L. Pearle?" L. Pearle the inimitable, known to every Theta, in fact to almost every Greek-letter person, to meet her was the epitome!

C. H. L.

The splendid type of girls chosen as delegates impressed me very much. They were there to represent their chapters well, and they did. I cannot picture a finer group of young women than the college delegates gathered together at Kappa Alpha Theta convention.

This impression is not quite complete without mention of the older women who were present. More than one person said to me, "Did you ever see a finer group of alumnae?" And truly, I never had, so splendid, so enthusiastic and so representative, fully prepared "to meet the higher and broader demands of mature life."

Eugenie R. Overturf

Shall we ever forget the Indian Pageant at convention? No, of course not! But perhaps we shall not remember it most frequently for its beautiful costumes and its unusual character, but because in a way it was symbolic of our great fraternity convention. The tribes of the Iroquois came from their homes to meet together; just so the tribes of Theta came from their chapter homes to meet together. As the torches of each tribe lit the great fire of the Iroquois camp, so the Thetas of the chapters brought new life and inspiration to the national fraternity. And as each Indian must have taken home with him a mind-picture of that council fire, so have we taken home with us enthusiasm, like a burning fire, for Kappa Alpha Theta.

Eleanor Stabler Clarke

CHRISTENING THE BABY

Williamsburg, Virginia, was selected for the largest house-party of Kappa Alpha Theta last spring. "Why Williamsburg," you ask? Wait and see "Why."

On the morning of April 27 the trains entering that town, supplemented by several automobiles, brought the following Thetas to the house-party: Mrs Marjorie Benton Haviland, Grand vice-president; Mrs Eleanor Stabler Clarke, deputy president District VII; Mary W. Price, Elsa Palmer, Kathryn Pflaum, Mrs Priscilla Goodwin Griffin, Alpha Beta; Clara Davis, Evelyn Ewalt, Anne Miller, Anne Simpson, Mary McClure, Effie Sharp, Elise Beck, Helene Horton, Louise L'Engles, Marita Lyon, Mary Thomas, Marion Messner, Alpha Delta; Marie Puchner, Alpha Psi; Blanche Alsop, Gamma; Grace Sand, Dorothy Cooper, Alpha Kappa; Daphne Conover, Psi; Louise Marbut, Alpha Mu; Mrs Mildred Sparg Schramm, Alpha Iota; Mrs Matilda Moldenhauer Brooks, Alpha Omega; Dorothy Hardigg, Alpha; Betty Humphries, Mildred Martin, Annetta Masland, Beta Eta; Lucy Ames, Cora Byrd Ames, Sabra Waples, Marie LaGrove, Frances Glascock, Dorothy Atkinson, Helen Schamberger, Helen Williams, Mrs S. T. Harmonson, Beta Beta. Sounds like at least a District convention, doesn't it. And all these 39 Thetas were there as the guests of Gamma Omega, fourteen strong. Surely no new chapter (ah! we are giving away the "why" of this house-party already) ever had a greater test of its social qualities than the entertaining of such a house-party.

As to how they did it we will call upon the infallible news source—the college paper—to tell.

BETA LAMBDA CHAPTER OF KAPPA ALPHA THETA IS INSTALLED AT COLLEGE

Delegates from Thirteen Colleges—Gamma Omega Local Fraternity Absorbed by National Fraternity

Gamma Omega local fraternity was absorbed by the Kappa Alpha Theta fraternity, the oldest woman's national fraternity bearing a Greek letter name. The national fraternity was founded at De Pauw university January 27, 1870. The local, which has been petitioning Kappa Alpha Theta for two years, realized their fondest hopes and desires Saturday, when Beta Lambda chapter was formally installed by Mrs Haviland, Grand vice-president, and Mrs Clark, deputy District president.

PLEDGE SERVICE ON THURSDAY

The pledging ceremony began on Thursday at eight o'clock at the home of Dr G. W. Brown. After the fourteen pledge buttons had been formally placed upon the initiates, the guests and pledges retired to Coach Driver and Professor Gwathmey's bungalow, where the Theta guests were served a light supper by the new pledges.

INITIATION OF ALUMNÆ, SENIORS, JUNIORS, FRESHMEN

Friday afternoon at two o'clock, the initiation of the alumnae, seniors, and juniors took place. At four o'clock Mrs K. J. Hoke delightfully entertained the guests and local fraternity members at tea. The initiation of the sophomores and the freshmen took place at eight o'clock, after which a buffet supper was served.

GARDEN PARTY AND BANQUET FEATURES OF SATURDAY

Saturday afternoon, the initiates gave a garden party for the faculty members and representatives of the men's social fraternities. Following the garden party, a sumptuous banquet was given in the dining hall for the forty-two delegates representing thirteen chapters, and others present on the occasion. This event was the greatest feature of the occasion, as the spirit and the ideals of the fraternity were beginning to be realized, and the realization of a great accomplishment had dawned upon the former local members of Gamma Omega.

A model meeting of the Beta Lambda chapter was held Sunday morning. This event marked the close of the exercises of the installation.—*The flat hat, May 5, 1922.*

The charter members of Beta Lambda are—Lucille Brown, Bettie Woodward, Emily Hall, Elizabeth Lee, Myree Hutchings, Margaret Tuthill, Virginia Isley, Amelia Walker, Marjorie Chappelle, Mary Ayres, Julia Dixon, Elizabeth Jackson, Peticolas Lee, Julia Waters.

Since every guest went away from the house-party a booster for William and Mary college and a life long admirer and friend of Beta Lambda of Kappa Alpha Theta, it seems needless to add—"Welcome Beta Lambda to the fellowship of Kappa Alpha Theta".

THE CATALOGUE

Subscribers: Be patient. Material not all in, but coming soon, we hope.

Thetas: Have you subscribed? Have you sent in your new name; if you have one?

Chapters: Have you sent in all initiates up to date? Changes of address? Subscriptions?

Alumnae chapters: Have you sent in your membership lists?

State chairmen: Have you sent in material I should have?

Everybody: Help—Subscribe—Let's go.

Eva Reed Hall

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

There are two things particularly that I wish for our fraternity in the next two years—

I wish that every chapter might be above its college average in scholarship. If a chapter cannot be first, it can at least be within the group made up of the first third among the list of fraternities. This is a goal which is within the reach of each chapter, without the aid or consent of alumnae or college authorities. In so far as a college chapter fails to attain this goal, it is a failure. All of our organized aspirations will have come to nothing if the college world sums us up in the phrase "just about average." *Let our scholarship be above the average.*

My second wish for this biennium is that every college chapter may be adequately housed. Unlike the first wish, this goal requires consent on the part of the college authorities and aid on the part of the alumnae. A college chapter can prove the need of a model housing center for its use in its college, but the alumnae must of necessity see that it is provided. Let us earn the gratitude of the college and increase the potentialities of our chapter life, by providing modern homes for our Theta students.

Martha Cline Huffman

CONTRASTS

1917

Being a decided "war time convention," Charlevoix in 1917 presented a striking contrast to Lake Placid in 1922! It would be beyond the scope of human power to down the indomitable spirit of Kappa Alpha Theta, and yet in 1917 our hearts were laden with the shadow of war and the spirit was sadly tried.

Bandages being rolled in the lobby—knitting needles clicking to produce sober looking garments for our "boys"—appropriations being made for the Red cross—and our lone Canadian sister, sad-eyed, yet brave, telling us of the still greater hardships of our sisters over the border.

But Lake Placid found us, on the crest of the wave—ready for business and every pleasure that was offered to us. Unfortunately the girl who could not go away from such a gathering firmly convinced that she *never* had a better time in her life, Ah yes!! there were clicking knitting needles by the million but they were producing things that were brilliant and *not* for soldiers.

Let me say, however, in defense of that same spirit previously