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Beta Psi Installed

Quebec Fourth Canadian Province to Win a Kappa Alpha Theta Charter

Welcome

B ACK in the days when I was in college, Kappa Alpha Theta was carrying out its extension policy by granting charters to chapters largely in the West. We in District IV, at that time, earnestly wished for some new chapters of our own, and the desire has never lessened. When one realizes that our college chapters are among the first seventeen in the list of extant chapters and that Chi, our baby is forty-two years old, although Sigma, founded in 1887, was lost to us a while and then reestablished in 1905, it is easily understood what rejoicing there was when we learned that Beta Psi was being colonized at McGill university in Montreal. The installation was, therefore, a great event for us all and those who were fortunate and privileged to attend were delighted with their experiences. With initiation, installation, banquet, the tea and model chapter meeting, we welcomed ten charming young women into Kappa Alpha Theta. To know them is to love them and we greet them heartily as sisters. Under the guidance of Mrs Kircher, our Grand alumnæ secretary, who lives in Montreal, and the rather new but thriving Montreal club, and with Lambda less than one hundred miles away, Beta Psi cannot help but thrive and prosper and we wish for it a glorious future.

RACHEL S. POOLE

Program

Late Saturday afternoon, February 27, 1932, a group of Thetas from different chanters gathered to initiate ten new members into Kappa Alpha Theta. What a beautiful ceremony it was, with Mrs Banta and Mrs Kircher presiding, will be known only to those who were actually present. It was a great thrill to add ten such charming girls to our fraternity with the realization that they will do their best to uphold the new ideals placed before them—the ideals of Kappa Alpha Theta.

After the initiation we had installation. which was the real adding of Beta Psi as a chapter of Theta.

From installation we all went to banquet in a private dining room of the Mount Royal hotel. There were about one hundred fifty Thetas there, with college and alumnæ members from many different chapters. We had a wonderful dinner with many toasts and

Sunday morning some of the guests speeded on their way, others did some "sightseeing," while Beta Psi had its first chapter meeting and conferences.

As a fitting close to a wonderful weekend a Panhellenic tea was given at the Theta apartment with our new sisters as hostesses. There were representatives from all the women's groups at McGill university, and we had a chance to become acquainted with other girls of the Panhellenic world.

And so, during the week-end of February 27, our sixty-second chapter has been added, and Beta Psi is now putting more "inter inter international" of Kappa Alpha Theta.

CHARLOTTE JOHNSTON, Chi

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Beta Psi Personality

A Canadian Viewpoint

O ye lords of ladies intellectual, Come tell us truly, have they not henpeck'd you all?

The hardships of the colonized must have been bitter indeed, if, as Helen O'Reilly of Toronto alumnæ chapter said as she proposed the toast to McGill university at the installation banquet of Beta Psi, the colonizers both "hen-pecked them all" and, to pervert Byron's chaste phrase, "hand-picked them all." But Beta Psi showed every indication not only of the tender care with which the latter had been accomplished, but of every ability to withstand any too assiduous admonition: it gave the impression of entering Kappa Alpha Theta not unfledged and unorganized, but mature and united.

McGill Thetas, as individuals and as a group, have character and they have personality. One of them wears a monocle and another is an artist, but Beta Psi does not consist of ten co-ed artists wearing monocles. It does consist of ten individuals alike only in their congeniality and in a poise and humor which promise capability for what has been defined as the essence of civilization: the capacity for cooperation. Moreover, it is led by Marguerite Bieler, a president whose unique charm and dignity can but add prestige to Kappa Alpha Theta.

Sigma is particularly delighted with the installation of Beta Psi, not only because it brings a Canadian chapter within a negligible three hundred miles, but because it promises to maintain and extend Sigma's own tradition—individuality, the exclusion of any chapter type, above all the search for the tempered intelligence worthy of a university of high standing and distinction. This aim could receive no better formulation than in the reply of Rose Stuart to the toast to Mc-Gill-her assertion of the identification of Beta Psi's interest and purpose with the highest ideals of McGill university in its achievement and effort—an assertion made in words of a clarity and dignity which only direct

quotation could reproduce. Kappa Alpha Theta is fittingly represented at McGill. HASEL HAMMOND, Sigma

An American Viewpoint

Beta Psi has brought to Theta ten new international sisters. We of Lambda, who have met these new sisters, are only too glad to welcome them into our midst. We like them, every one, and we know that with such spirit and enthusiasm as was shown at the initiation banquet, Theta will hold its own at McGill university. We know that in their hands, the ideals of Kappa Alpha Theta will be guarded loyally.

Thetas everywhere, we just must tell you what a wonderful group these new sisters are.

"Oh yes, raather!"

BETTY EGGLESTON, Lambda

The Future of Beta Psi

Arriving in Montreal just before initiation, I did not see the pledges until they came to take their final vows. As I looked into each face, the future of the McGill chapter was perfectly evident to me.

True, the group is small, but each girl will tell you that "there must be no discord!" —and she means it! The present chapter contains a variety of types with such a diversity of interests that its members cannot help but be refreshing to one another—as well as to those outside who come in contact with them.

The colonization itself has been a splendid piece of work. Montreal and Toronto Thetas have veritably waved a magic wand as far as the eye can see—but to those of us who have worked throughout such a project the waving of this wand is not a light, fairylike gesture! We also know that the pledges themselves have had a big part in the success of the present Beta Psi. We know that the interest and zeal which they have displayed thus far will make them carry on throughout the years.

The crowning glory of the installation was the banquet held at the Mount Royal hotel. There, Vermont, Syracuse, Toronto,

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A goo distinction Plowman, Bell Plow and Montreal were as one. The spirit was indescribable! There was the dignity of the lighting of the candles for our Founders, the brilliance of the toasts, the fun of listening to and participating in the songs and yells of the various universities, and the endless snake dance after the toast to the fraternity.

The future of McGill? The mere consideration of it brings a warmth of assurance and a real happiness in the addition of our fourth Canadian chapter.

MARGARET K. BANTA

McGill as a Fraternity Field

The main gate of McGill university faces the broad, interesting, old Sherbrooke street, which extends almost the length of the city of Montreal. To the east lies the French section, to the west the English section, while within two blocks to the south the shopping district is located. The north end of the campus climbs the abrupt slope of Mount Royal.

The mountain is loveliest as a background for the many grey-stone university buildings in the brilliant autumn. Beautiful old trees on the campus add distinction and charm to the winding paths and drives.

Women's fraternities are recent at Mc-Gill. Alpha Gamma Delta, the first, colonized, in the spring of 1930. Kappa Kappa Gamma and Delta Gamma gave charters to local societies in the winter of 1931. Gamma Phi Beta colonized last spring, Kappa Alpha Theta began colonization in the fall of 1931.

McGill university attracts a splendid type of student. A century of high scholarship standard has brought world fame and many foreign students to its campus. While McGill is most widely known for its schools of medicine and engineering it can boast one of the finest staffs of professors of any university.

CATHERINE PLANCK KIRCHER

The Panhellenic Reserves Minimum Rate Rooms for Younger Fraternity Members

The Panhellenic, the fraternity woman's hotel in New York, is reserving, beginning March 1, two floors or their equivalent, for young fraternity women who have been out of college no longer than two years. These rooms will all be at the minimum rate of \$10.00 for a single room and \$9.00 per person for a double room. The purpose is to give the young woman who is taking extra educational courses in New York, or who is just starting her business career, an opportunity to live in the proper environment at

a low cost of living for New York City.

Hitherto, The Panhellenic has maintained a few \$10.00 rooms, but these have been so much in demand that many fraternity women who were much in need of them were not able to obtain them. By this new plan, the Panhellenic is making provision for about fifty fraternity women at the minimum rates. The rooms will be held for fraternity women, only. At the expiration of the two year limit, rooms will be provided at the minimum rate then available in the house.



A GOOD friend of Theta, a man of great distinction in his profession, George Taylor Plowman, etcher, the husband of Maude Bell Plowman, known and loved by many Thetas, died in Cambridge, Massachusetts, March 26. Theta friends extend sympathy to Mrs Plowman.