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Kappa Alpha Theta in Kentucky

"Did you ever see a dream walking"? Yes, I, too, used to think it was only the name of a popular tune, but since October 27, 1945, I know it is more than a haunting melody. The house at 166 East Maxwell street and twenty-two girls each wearing a Kappa Alpha Theta badge are visible, actual realities of a dream come true.

No chapter ever had a more auspicious beginning: the approval of the college administration; the wise and sincere counselling of Deans Holmes and Hazeldon; the marvelous work of Dorothea Sulzer, chairman of the Colonization committee; the persistent and constant labors of members of the House corporation who were determined to have the house ready for occupancy when rushing started; the loyal support of Lexington alumnæ at all times and for all manner of jobs; the splendid cooperation of Alpha Eta and Alpha Tau; a perfect housemother and even an inheritance—Phi's flat silver and a silver tea service from a devoted father.

So Gamma Iota was born with responsibili-



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ties to the campus and to the community; with traditions to live by; with ideals to uphold; with standards in scholarship and everyday living to maintain. To me each girl is the exemplification of true Thetahood. May their future be as bright and sunny as the weather that glorious week-end when I installed the sixty-seventh college chapter of our fraternity!

PEARL VAN SICLEN HIGBIE

Alumnæ Work and Rejoice

The work is done, Gamma Iota chapter is launched, and Lexington alumnæ are bursting with pride over the accomplishments of the newest Theta chapter. The first time we called number 9889, and a voice answered, "Theta house," we felt fully rewarded for any effort we might have made!

With the fifteen pledges of last May and four transfers, Edith Davis of Alpha Eta, Mary Minton Cregor of Beta Lambda, Louise Wilson of Beta Beta, and Gerry Young Winebrenner of Beta Iota, Gamma Iota chapter entered into rush week with zest and enthusiasm, and emerged a few days later weary, but triumphant. Our pledge class ranks high on the campus, and we feel that Gamma Iota has taken its place right up with the leaders in its very first rushing effort. It was amazing to us that fifteen girls who had never rushed before,

could step in like veterans, and make a wonderful impression on everyone. Our seniors have many activities to their credit, and have added new laurels this fall. We just wish they didn't have to graduate so soon.

Installation week-end was an occasion long to be remembered. We enjoyed having Mrs Higbie back in Lexington again; also, our capable executive secretary, Helen Sackett, who gave us invaluable aid in the financial set-up. A number of college chapter delegates enlivened the scene, and quite a few Theta alumnæ from throughout Kentucky showed their interest by attending the ceremonies. One of the many pleasures of this colonization work has been the fine letters that I, as colonization chairman, have received from alumnæ over the state, all saying how happy they were that we were to have a Theta chapter at the University



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To all who aided in the work of colonization, Lexington alumnæ want to express their grateful thanks. For many years we have hoped for this chapter, not just to have another chapter, but because we sincerely believed that Theta should have a chapter in the state of Kentucky; we also felt that the University of Kentucky was a splendid college with the type of girls that we would want for Theta. We predict that it will work out to be a happy combination, and that Kappa Alpha Theta will indeed be proud of Gamma Iota chapter.

DOROTHA KENT SULZER State chairman, Kentucky

The University

Rolling bluegrass hills, sleek thoroughbreds grazing in the fields, tobacco, beautiful women—these are Kentucky tradition. And fast becoming a part of Kentucky tradition too, is Kappa Alpha Theta at the university.

Alumnæ all over the state now look forward

to sending their daughters to Lexington's university where Gamma Iota chapter represents the culmination of years of hope and hard work by Kentucky Thetas who felt something missing during those years.

But Theta's youngest chapter is not the sole attraction at Lexington. The college environment is the solid foundation upon which Gamma Iota, like any chapter of any fraternity, rests.

Since this bluegrass region of Kentucky is an agricultural center, the university was established first as a school for men who wanted to learn scientific farming. And then engineering courses were added back in the seventies. Coeds came later and with them things more artistic. Today, Kentucky has colleges of Law, Arts and Sciences, Commerce, Education, in addition to Engineering and Agriculture and Home Economics, and a Graduate School.

Statistically speaking, the university has forty-eight major buildings situated on a 100-acre campus. Half are new red brick structures, and the other half are older, giving the campus a classicism and a modernism that are co-existent and actually complementary. Miles of smooth concrete walks stretch across the slightly rolling ground, and well-planned trees shade them.

Faculty has numerous names of distinction,



University Library

among them Dr Amry Vandenbosch, expert on the low countries and a member of the United Nations peace conference in San Francisco. Traditions are coming back after a four-year war absence: Honors Night, the Kentuckian dance, May Day, Li'l Abner week, snake dances, and pep rallies.



CHRISTMAS RECITAL OF UNIVERSITY CHORISTERS

Athletically speaking, Kentucky has a powerful Women's Athletic association, hockey and basketball undisputed champs among Kentucky colleges. Big-time too is the Wildcat basketball squad, always Southeastern Conference champs, and always among the top two or three at the end of a season. Football is slated to move from the realm of the less-known, since an expanded coaching staff is being planned under the newly-incorporated Athletic association.

But these are all statistics. Naturally the University of Kentucky is fully-accredited. It belongs to chapter rolls of eleven national women's fraternities and at least 10 fraternities for men with more men returning quarterly to renew their Greek groups.

In the realm of the social and cultural, Kentucky is an undisputed leader. A half-million dollar Student Union building supplies every recreational whim. A Carnegie music room is open every day in the week; the library sponsors invitation to reading series and cultural foyer exhibitions; the Union board offers a weekly Koffee Klub for discussions; the YMCA and YWCA have forceful timely programs.

Guignol, University's quaint little theater

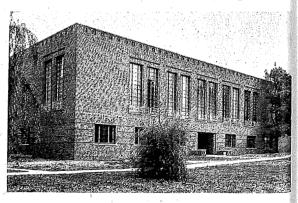
produces top-flight plays under the able direction of Wally Briggs. Students act, direct, paint scenery, arrange lighting for productions. Choristers, a Glee club, and a marching band called "The Best in Dixie," give musicians an opportunity for achievement. Sunday afternoon concerts have featured Maxine Spellman, Robert Weede, Lily Pons. Radio station WBKY in McVey hall offers announcing, script, and play writing, engineering fields for students. The Kernel, college newspaper is the exact replica of a community weekly—and journalism department head Dr Niel Plummer promises a daily within two years. The yearbook, Kentuckian, is another field for makeup, writing, and managing editorship.

The art department boasts numerous exhibitions of student and outside work. Training in all media and spacious new quarters for the department are other features.

To a myriad honor, leadership, professional and service clubs the university belongs. Prominent among them are Cwens, Order of the Coif, Mortar board, Phi Beta Kappa, Omicron Delta Kappa, Tau Sigma (modern dance) and other specialized professional societies. Art and foreign language clubs are open to freshmen as part of the university's equality of opportunity.

A majority of the university's students are Kentuckians, but fourteen foreign countries and almost every other state in the Union are represented. Cosmopolitan club brings foreign and American students into close understanding.

Kentucky, as a state, is planning great things in the post-war world. And so too is its great state university. Enrollment will jump to 5,000, president H. L. Donovan predicts. Appropria-



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tions from the state legislature will be increased. A million-dollar field house, and two new dormitories are scheduled for immediate construction. Addition of 75 to 100 new faculty men is another point on the university's post-war agenda.

Traditional state of chivalry and tradition, Kentucky is nonetheless practical and farsighted. Set in the rolling Bluegrass of the state, the university looks ahead to brighter and brighter horizons.

That Theta can play a part in the University of Kentucky's future is indeed a compliment.

BETTY TEVIS

Installation Viewed from Central Office

Receipt of the affirmative vote approving an installation of a college chapter is the "go signal" for Central office. We snap into action placing orders for paraphernalia, pledge pins, badges, links, and chapter supplies. There are banquet programs and announcements to be printed, charter to be engrossed, invitations with installation schedule of events and reservation sheet to be mailed to chapters in the district and to neighboring Thetas. From this end of the line installation means voluminous correspondence with individuals who are just names, a mass of detail, and racing to meet dead lines.

Installation Viewed on the Scene

On my arrival in Lexington I was greeted warmly by alumnæ, the women who for months had been working to have the chapter house ready for this big event. In spite of fatigue, and the thought of the big job still ahead of them, they smile and enthuse over having a college chapter in their midst. We drive over to the house and are welcomed by the girls. The Thetas we have been corresponding with about installation plans, the neophytes who were just names on badges, links, and the charter, are now all vivid personalities. One hasn't had time to give thought to whether Mary Jane would be a slim blond or a ravishing brunette, but now one is struck with the thought that individually and collectively the girls are most attractive.

Details, plans—they have been mentioned before but up they pop again. With helping

hands we set up the initiation scene. Hammered fingers, torn hose from mounting ladders, and the mad rush to get things needed to meet unexpected emergencies are soon forgotten as we accomplish what at first seemed insurmountable difficulties. Thanks to the splendid cooperation of visiting delegates initiation goes off as planned. Then the hour for banquet arrives. From afar it has meant only the work of getting an attractive program printed, but now we are surrounded by smiling, starry-eyed initiates who keep glancing admiringly at their newly acquired emblem of the fraternity. We listen to inspired speeches and dream a bit of years ago when we were new initiates.

The charter which was only an engraved piece of paper now becomes, as it is presented to the president of the chapter, a most important document. Only by looking into the faces of the girls before us can we possibly imagine just how much that piece of paper means in their lives. The tea at the house, the Dean's luncheon, and the Panhellenic tea, are all part of the scheduled program, but only by being a participant in these affairs can one begin to know what a broadening experience it can be to meet the members of the administrative body and faculty of the university and the representatives of men's and women's fraternities on the campus.

The first chapter meeting is a revelation, the girls are so eager and inspired. Then there are conferences, the newly appointed officers gaze at the tools of their offices with perplexed expressions, anxious to know what is expected of them, but almost too fatigued, with a happy weariness, to be able to absorb instructions.

Being on the scene has given the behind-thescene work new meaning. To have had a part in the installation of Gamma Iota chapter was a happy and inspiring experience.

HELEN E. SACKETT

The most exciting thing about attending an installation is meeting Thetas who come from other chapters. Each Theta realizes the value of her chapter on her own campus, but it is not until she attends an installation or some other Theta gathering that she realizes how wonderful Kappa Alpha Theta is throughout the nation.

Lois Hardy, Gamma Gamma



Three Alumnæ Whose Dream Came True—Mistresses Evans, Sulzer, Bell Col. Wilson, Janet Sulzer, Patti Perrone, Helen Sackett, and the Colonel's Daughter, Louise Wilson, Beta Beta Dean of Women, Mrs Holmes, at the Tea Table, Surrounded by Thetas

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If only I could introduce each one of you personally to all of our Gamma Iota girls! They are just the girls you would want for Thetas, and their enthusiasm and pride in Kappa Alpha Theta along with the inspiration of initiation and installation made that October week-end the most thrilling of my Theta experience.

An added thrill to the girls and certainly to me was the presence of many girls from other chapters, alumnæ from Lexington and the vicinity, and last but far from least Pearl Higbie, Helen Sackett, and Willie D. Johnson. The interest of these Thetas in Gamma Iota chapter manifested by their presence gave each of us that certain feeling of love and pride that comes from the realization that we are a part of so great an international organization.

Each one of these charter members of Theta's newest chapter seems fully aware of the great honor and responsibility that has come to her, and I feel very sure that each will remain true to the trust that Kappa Alpha Theta is placing in her.

ELLEN BOWERS HOFSTAD President, District XI

Gamma Iota's Reactions

"Theta's Founders would have been happy today," alumna Betty Brewer told Gamma Iota's initiates at their banquet the night of November 28.

They would have been happy because three of Theta's four Founders had strong ties in the Bluegrass state, one even having been born only twenty-five miles from Lexington in Mt Sterling, Kentucky.

That was only another reason for November 28 being an occasion in Kappa Alpha Theta's history. For attending the banquet were Grand president Mrs Higbie and Executive secretary Miss Sackett. Not to mention Lexington alumnæ who saw their fifteen-year-old dream realized that night.

And eighteen new initiates who had worn their badges only a few hours, sat at the banquet table in Lexington's Phoenix hotel Fireside room with a dozen Thetas from chapters in Georgia and Tennessee, in Pennsylvania, Florida, and Ohio.

The banquet over, they rushed back to the chapter house and talked until four, beaming with excitement, and singing Theta songs from the special repertoire of each chapter represented that night.

The week-end's climax came the next noon when Mrs Higbie presented a Theta charter to the baby chapter. Following the presentation, Gamma Iota welcomed over three hundred friends and parents at the chapter house.

Conferences with Mrs Higbie and Miss Sackett, a first formal chapter meeting Sunday night, the excitement of wearing the wonderful kite, shoved studying far out of mind. Ninetynine percent of Gamma Iota's membership slept until noon Monday, completely oblivious to alarm clocks. The week-end had been a whirling, exciting, inspiring one. Classes could wait until Tuesday.

And on the topic of classes: Gamma Iota's goal is to place highest on the University of Kentucky's scholarship list for its first quarter. With two Mortar boards, three Phi Beta Kappa potentials, and five or six three-stand pledges, we think chances are good.

We have goals innumerable. We're young, and with the ambition of the young we're working to establish ourselves firmly in the campus world. Every other group has accepted us with real pleasure, entertained us with gusto, wished us every success. Dean of women, Mrs Sarah B. Holmes, told us at installation she wanted Theta more than any other Greek group to colonize this fall.

To state chairman Mrs Elmer Sulzer of Lexington and her never-tiring colleagues Mrs Alvin E. Evans and Mrs Arthur Bell we owe a huge bouquet. Their work through the summer transformed 166 East Maxwell street into a modern, beautifully-furnished haven for twelve Thetas. Almost weekly they present us with something: a picture for our dining room, a book for our shelves, amber ashtrays for our rooms.

To Mrs Higbie and Miss Sackett we owe

another bouquet. For their charm and inspiration that launched our chapter into a bright future.

BETTY TEVIS

Pledges

From Georgia—Patricia Blackwell, Canton; Eleanor Fort, Americus; from Tennessee—Ann Chandler, Johnson city; from Michigan—Nancy M. Bird, Detroit; from Kentucky—Mary Hillary Bryant, Louisville; Annette Stimson, Owensboro; Sara Leegan, Bowling Green; Frances Holleman, Mayfield; Katherine Hogan, Frankfort; Louise Jewett, Cynthiana; Ann Keaton, Beverly Brown, Janet Sulzer, Margaret

McDowell, Ann Creach, Mary Jane Agnew, Betty Jane Leet, Patti Perrone, Sylvia Mayer, all 9 from Lexington.

Charter Members

Gamma Iota charter members initiated October 27, 1945 were: seniors, Jean Crabb, Mary Jane Dorsey, Helen Davis, Wanda Shupert, Janet Wallingford, Betty Tevis, Mary Frances Helmick, Mildred Long, Ann Garst, and Louise Jewett; sophomores, Jean Spicer, Margie Mattmiller, Marilyn Mitchell, Marjorie Sulzer, Charlotte Knapp, Kathleen Poor, Betty Leet, Margaret McDowell.









JEAN CRABB-HELEN DAVIS-MILDRED LONG-BETTY TEVIS

Who's Who in Gamma Iota

A quick introduction to Gamma Iota Who's Who.

First: Jean Shirley Crabb from Rowletts, Kentucky, who is majoring in physical education and plans to go into Red Cross work after graduation. Jean is business manager of the yearbook, and of Tau Sigma; dance group. Mortar board member, she was secretary of Cwens, member of YWCA Cabinet, on Athletic Advisory Board, secretary of Women's Athletic association council, and treasurer of Dormitory council.

Helen Davis from Paris, Kentucky, a home economics major, is a member of WAA council, Student government association, SuKy student pep club, home economics club, YWCA, and

former president of both freshman and senior dormitories.

Mildred Long from Georgetown, Kentucky, is majoring in journalism and is editor of Kentucky Kernel. Transferring from Georgetown college her sophomore year she became a member of Theta Sigma Phi, of Chi Delta Phi, and of the Board of Student publications. She served as Kernel news editor before assuming the editorship this year.

Betty Tevis from Richmond is majoring in journalism and is news editor of *Kernel*. Its former sports editor she also held that post on the yearbook last year. She is a member of Mortar board, of Theta Sigma Phi, of Chi Delta Phi, of Cwens, of Alpha Lambda Delta and of Student government association.





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Col. Wilson & Daughter



Almost a godfather to Gamma Iota is Colonel Ralph W. Wilson. At installation he presented the chapter a gift scholarship badge, with guard attached, to be worn each year by the Theta having the highest cumulative university standing.

Ann Garst won the badge for this year with Jean Crabb and Janet Wallingford only a few tenths of a point behind her. Last year when Colonel Wilson's daughter Louise, now affiliated with Gamma Iota, attended Randolph-Macon, the colonel presented a scholarship badge to Beta Beta chapter.

To Kentucky's Thetas he has given, besides the badge, a beautiful silver tea set. Many hours in time and energy too have been Colonel Wilson's gift—in the frantic pre-rush days when tables had to be moved, and pictures hung and Thetas transported all over Lexington. Certainly he feels a warmth toward Theta because his daughter, a sophomore journalist at Kentucky, is a Theta. And too, because as educational director for Sigma Chi fraternity he understands college organizations. But whatever has prompted his efforts, Colonel Ralph Wilson is the godfather of Theta at Kentucky.

Retired in 1944 after over thirty years in the Army Coast artillery, the colonel has served in France, at Ft. Hancock, New Jersey, and in military departments at Washington university, Virginia Polytechnic institute, and the University of Pittsburgh.

Surprise, pleasure, and pride are the emotions which overran each other during the exciting week-end which I spent in Lexington, taking part in Gamma Iota's installation.

The lovely Theta house with its kite shining over the door was a welcome sight after a long day's drive, and the marvelous hospitality of the girls made me feel at home right away. Meeting all the attractive pledges was truly a thrill—their excitement at becoming Thetas was quite catching, the atmosphere was pervaded with anticipation.

And the darling girls from other chapters! They weren't strangers for more than five minutes. All worked so hard and so willingly with initiation, that my pride in Theta grew.

MARGARET BACON, Alpha Eta

"The post-war era needs for its leadership the best minds in every nation to cope with the tremendous issues that will arise. Real statesmanship, then as in the past, will call for a knowledge of the meanings and responsibilities of such fundamental concepts as justice and injustice, friendship and hatred, truth and non-truth, beauty and ugliness, virtue and non-virtue. Whoever attempts to manage society in the latter half of the twentieth century is bound to fail without the broadest understanding of what the great thinkers of the past have reflected and written on the state, the church, and family, and man himself.

"The great mission of the liberal arts studies lies ahead. The vital need will be for broadly educated men and women for the years to come. The question therefore is not 'Can the liberal arts tradition survive' but rather 'Can this whirling twentieth century world long survive without the liberal arts?'"

COL. H. F. HARDING, A X P, Garnet & White

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