

New College Chapters

"Watch later issues for a continuation of the story of colonization." That was the sentence with which the story in the November issue ended. So here is the news at hand when the last possible day arrived for copy to go to press.

At George Washington University

"KAPPA ALPHA THETA announces the establishment of Gamma Kappa chapter at George Washington university, Washington, District of Columbia, November 10, 1946." So reads the widely distributed installation card.

Some way, some how, neither pictures nor copy on the installaton, or of the new chapter's present activities succeeded in making the air or train trip between Washington and Ithaca. So, what follows is just random notes picked up from personal letters, other chapters' letters, and an incidental contact with "one who was there."

The advance program read: November 9: 1 P.M.—Initiation of charter members at Gamma Kappa apartment, 2121 G. street, N.W. 7 P.M.—Banquet and charter service, Sapphire room, Mayflower hotel. November 10: 11 A.M.—First Gamma Kappa chapter meeting, followed by buffet luncheon for its members and the installing officers. 4 P.M.—Reception and tea at Washington club house.

"This program was carried out successfully and in Grand style by the installing officers," so it is reported. Those officers were—Mrs Grimm, Grand president, Mrs Wilson, president of District VII, and Mrs Higbie, former Grand president. They were ably assisted by members of Washington alumnae chapter, delegates from every college chapter in District VII, and by two delegates, Gloria Harrington and Iris Cooper, from District IV's newest chapter, Gamma Eta at Massachusetts State college.

Since installation, Gamma Kappa has one additional pledge, Janet Glissen, president of the campus dramatic club, Cue and curtain. It has also had a dessert party honoring the Theta alumnae who helped it during rush; and has entertained Thetas from Beta Lambda chapter who were in the city for a football week-end.

Furnishings (on order since last summer) didn't arrive before installation, so Washington Thetas graciously loaned furnishings from their

own homes to make the apartment attractive and usable for installation events. One by one as the chapter's purchases arrive, the alumnae loans are being returned.

A great many Thetas from neighboring chapters and states attended, and enjoyed installation events. Many student, faculty, and city friends were present at the installation tea.

And here ends the grape-vine routed news. Maybe by the next issue the magazine can at least announce the names of Gamma Kappa charter members.

At the University of Maryland

The latest news is that the temporary chapter house is still "under construction." But pledge training is well advanced. A third Theta on campus, Barbara Hudson, Alpha Chi, is cooperating with coorganizers, Jean Ford, Beta Phi and Sally Reed, Alpha Rho, in directing the group of fourteen pledges. The girls are happily finding their place in campus activities. Everyone is studying diligently, so every pledge may become a charter member February 15.

Yes, February 15, is the date of their installation and the place is—District VII's convention at Haddon Hall, Atlantic city, New Jersey.

So far as this reporter knows, this will be the first time a District convention has had the privilege and opportunity to be in the installing team for a new chapter. Lucky District VII! And lucky Maryland group to have its fraternity introduction include a convention experience!

And Now to Beloit College

Rush was about to begin in the November issue report. Rush was most successful.

Rockford alumnae club planned and steered events, aided by alumnae from other towns near the college. The Grand president, Mrs Grimm, was at some of the parties. Psi and Tau undergraduates went to help with every party, and Alpha Psi, though farther away helped at some of the events.

