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Theta officers, (l.) Jane Chadwell Delony; center, back to camera, Eleanor Conly Hunt; (r.) Ellen Bowers Hofstead, did not have to guess whether they were welcome or not at Tennessee. They knew by the way they were greeted at the doorway of the Panhellenic Building, where Theta, the 18th sorority to come on campus, has a suite. Tennessee charter collegiates greeting the VIP's were, l. to r., Margaret Hewitt, Nelda Northern, Marsha Herschel. All photos are by Rebecca Broyles.



◆ "We've got sisters all around us and alums from far and near, / We've got Theta's light to guide us and twin stars we hold so dear, / We've got Sherri as our leader and four actives as our friends. . . ."

These first lines of the pledge song of Delta Pi colony echoed from the new Theta Suite in the Panhellenic Building on the University of Tennessee campus. Spontaneous singing accompanied the informal reception that followed the Loyalty Service conducted by Grand President Norma Anderson Jorgensen on Friday evening, February 28, 1969, as the installation weekend began. Fraternity officers who attended were Ellen Bowers Hofstead, NPC delegate; Melissa Luton Bradford, CDP; Jane Chadwell Delony, Tennessee state chairman; Dorothy Schulze Vaaler, executive secretary-treasurer. Lucile Moore Garrett, membership selection chairman, and Wilma Burkart Metzger, Grand Council installation chairman, who colonized this chapter five months ago, and Gale Hays, traveling secretary, who assisted them, were happy to see these days arrive.

The University of Tennessee traces its origin to 1794, when a charter was granted to Blount College. In 1879, this college was chosen by the state legislature to be the University of Tennessee. Last year's enrollment was estimated at 23,000 plus students including approximately 5,000 women with 17 sororities.

The Second Presbyterian Church was the scene for the initiation of the 22 charter initiates on Saturday, March 1, 1969 and on Sunday morning they attended services as honored guests of the church. Eleanor Conly Hunt, grand vice-president, college committee, Marge Stocker Stallings, former Grand Council member, and Jean Melnick Buckmaster, ADP, joined other Theta officers for the initiation service.

The Alpha Eta chapter at Vanderbilt served as the assisting chapter for the colonization and installation. This was a special initiation for them since a former Alpha Eta pledge, who had transferred to Tennessee, re-pledged with this colony, and a sister of an Alpha Eta was also an initiate.

We were particularly honored to have the dean of women from Vanderbilt University, Miss Margaret Cuninggim, Theta from Beta Rho, Duke, participate in the installation. Miss Cuninggim had been dean of women at the University of Tennessee during the early stages of extension consideration with the Tennessee campus.

At the installation banquet on Saturday night, Dr. Lawrence Silverman, Tennessee vice chancellor for Academic Affairs, welcomed and challenged the new chapter with the words, "I expect great things of you." Miss Jane McCormick, dean of women, presented these words for the chapter's application to their campus life, "Be relevant, be flexible and be articulate."

A surprise at the banquet was the presentation by the new initiates of a scholarship pin for the highest scholarship average each quarter in honor of their colonizer, Sherri Parker, Gamma Psi, Texas Christian. The president of Panhellenic, Vicki Justice, presented the new chapter with a welcome gift from Panhellenic.

The newly installed chapter happily affiliated four of the transfers who worked so untiringly for the colony. They are: Brenda Alexander, Alpha Eta, Vanderbilt; Diane Bruener, Beta Omega, Colorado College; Whitney Harrison,

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ABOVE: March 1 will always be Tennessee's birthday—and for a birthday, there are always presents! Sarah Drozak (r.), a new initiate, views the installation gifts with pleasure as Panhellenic Dean Susan Mears takes a closer look.



Opening his heart to the Thetas at the banquet—and literally extending the right hand of welcome was Dr. Lawrence Silverman, Tennessee's vice chancellor of Academic Affairs.

Beta Zeta, Oklahoma State; Suzanne Jackson, Delta Omicron, Alabama.

The Sunday afternoon tea was a lovely finale to an eventful and memorable weekend for the 94th chapter of Theta. Knoxville alumnae Elizabeth Blanchard Anderson, Gamma Delta, Georgia, local installation chairman, and Grace Ellen Glasgow Watkins, Alpha Eta, Vanderbilt, Ina Thompson, Delta Zeta, Emory, Judy Wertz McMurry, Alpha Eta, Mary Charles Stacy Bentley, Gamma Iota, Kentucky, and Mary E. Rivero Morgan, Beta Nu, Florida State, enjoyed the fruits of their labors as the weekend closed on a wonderful time!



Now dean of women at Vanderbilt, Theta Margaret Cuninggim, facing camera, right, was delighted to return to Tennessee, where she formerly was dean, to welcome Theta on campus. Jane McCormick (l.) is current dean, Tennessee.

Charter initiates of Delta Pi are Deborah Bisbie, Seaford, Delaware; Sarah Drozak, San Francisco, Calif.; Deborah Dyer, Mahassas, and Deborah Durbeck, Alexandria, Va.; Bonnie Murray, Taunton, Mass.; Nelda Northern, Russellville, Ky.; Vicki Sexton, Raleigh, N.C.; Margaret McGill, Jacksonville, Fla.; and the following from Tennessee, Jane Ellen Espy, Martha Herschel, Lucile Norman, Glenda Ruby, Nancy Wey, Chattanooga; Martha Griffin, Kingsport; Margaret Hewitt, New Johnsville; Elizabeth Hise, Nancy King, Debra Wendolkowski, Oak Ridge; Polly Hunt, Deborah Travis, Memphis; Suzanne McDaniel, Lebanon; Marilyn Moses, Knoxville.—WILMA BURKART METZGER, MARY E. RIVERO MORGAN.



The magic number for Kappa Alpha Theta at the University of Tennessee is 22—the number of initiates at Delta Pi. L. to r., front: Deborah Bisbie, Sarah Drozak, Deborah Durbeck, Deborah Dyer, Ellen Espy, Martha Griffin, Martha Herschel, Margaret Hewitt, Elizabeth Hise. Back: Nancy Wey, Debra Wendolkowski, Deborah Travis, Vicki Sexton, Glenda Rudy, Nelda Northern, Lucile Norman, Bonnie Murray, Marilyn Moses, Margaret McGill, Suzanne McDaniel, Nancy King, Polly Hunt.