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Seek Rush Recommendations Earlier

Thirteen Initiates Taken This Year

RANSOM MILLER '13 SENDS FROSH SON TO CHAPTER: SEES RITES

A fine, good-sized class of thirteen men were initiated new members of the Cornell chapter, March 16th. Alumni are cordially urged to make an early visit to the house that the new members may become acquainted.

Following the ceremonies, the traditional formal banquet was observed with a number of alumni guests. The chapter sophomores furnished beer for the informal get-together later in the evening.

Have Alpha Delt Ties

Among the new initiates were: Ransom Miller III of Cleveland, son of Ransom Miller, Jr. '13, a cousin of W. J. Crawford '36 and a nephew of W. J. Crawford '07. Another new member: Harris Stanton of Springfield, Mass. is a cousin of the late R. B. Stanton '09.

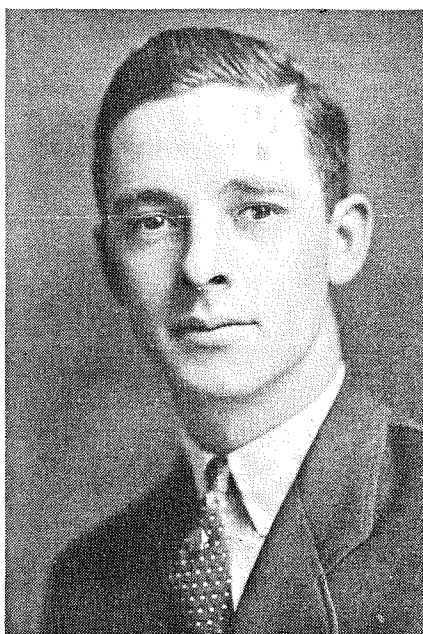
The other new men are: William Arnold, Cleveland; Wilson Foster, Norfolk, Va.; Daniel Higgins, New York City; William Knight and Ralph Donohue, Ithaca; Joslyn Smith, Montreal, Canada; William Rockwell, Scarsdale, N. Y.; Harold Sawyer, Jackson Heights, N. Y.; Larned Whitney, Fiskdale, Mass.; Arthur Hoffman, Syracuse, and Thomas Modine, Racine, Wis.

Banquet Enjoyed

W. J. Crawford '07 of Cleveland, secretary of the alumni building committee, served ably as toastmaster at the banquet. The Rev. Franklin Lambert (Trinity) of Ithaca, alumni counsellor to the chapter; George H. Young '00 of Binghamton, Ransom Miller '13 of Cleveland and Leonard Gard '13 of Rochester made short talks. The latter two were enjoying their first visit to the chapter since graduation; the former to see the initiation of his son.

Henry Lowe, who left school at the end of the first term, has a fine new job in New York City, in the training department of the R. H. Macy Company. He is living in New York's Alpha Delta Phi Club.

HAD GOOD TERM



MORRIS A. BRADLEY of Cleveland, son of Alva Bradley '07, has just retired as president of the active chapter, a post in which he served most ably.

Jack Owens Chosen New Chapter Leader

Jack Owens of Utica, former chapter steward, has been elected new president of the chapter, to serve throughout the next winter term. He succeeds in this office, Morris Bradley, son of Alva Bradley '07 of Cleveland.

Reinald Werrenrath, Jr., of New York City, son of the well-known singer, is the new vice president of the chapter. Alexander Reed of Dayton has been re-elected treasurer.

Robert Stevenson of Pittsburgh succeeds Jack Owens as the new Steward; Jack Conway, Albany, and Harold Sawyer, Jackson Heights, N. Y., are the corresponding and recording secretaries.

Of the sixteen men chosen by Majura club as new members this year, the chapter was proud to have three members selected: Perkins, Wattles and Neff.

Chapter Planning Summer Contacts

SEND INFORMATION TO US EARLY TO AID EFFICIENCY IN RUSHING

A special appeal is being made to alumni members this year, requesting that they take particular pains to send rushing recommendations for next fall as early as possible. All names which can be sent now, or early in the summer, will be appreciated.

A convenient recommendation blank is enclosed with this issue of *THE ALPHA DELT* Communications should be directed to Erbin Wattles '37 of Buffalo, rushing chairman, who will be enrolled in summer school.

More Time Needed

The request for earlier cooperation is made in line with the chapter's desire to handle the rushing preparations most efficiently the coming summer. Heretofore, it was too often the case that a prospect's name was not known until just before school's opening, and there have been inefficiencies in contacting him for the first time and interesting him in Alpha Delta Phi all in the short space of the official University Rushing Week.

Rushing regulations require that after a freshman arrives at Ithaca, he may not be contacted by word or writing by any fraternity member until the Monday which precedes Registration. On that day begins a schedule of entertainment dates which extend until Thursday of that week, when pledging may begin.

Avoids Disadvantage

If recommendations are not received until school's opening, the chapter must wait until the particular Monday to see the candidate, to get dates with him, and has limited time, at best, before the pledging date to get acquainted. Most of the fraternities have been waiting until this particular time to contact the prospects which has resulted in a mad scramble and difficulty for the organizations which do not reach the particular man first to get satisfactory dates for his entertainment before pledging.

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Morris Bradley '35

Editor

News contributions and communications to the editor are solicited at all times. Direct correspondence to the editor, Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity, 777 Stewart Avenue, Ithaca, N. Y.

For Your Pleasure

The active chapter begins a new chapter institution with the appearance of this first issue of *THE ALPHA DELT* which should reach you henceforth five times during each school year.

Frankly, the new type of publication is initiated with the plan of keeping alumni members in closer touch with each other and the active chapter, and better-informed regarding the health and wealth of the chapter, with the expectation that it will contribute to that "health and wealth."

This should be a publication such as we've never enjoyed before. Its frequent appearance will bring you timely news and serve to remind alumni more frequently of Alpha Delta Phi loyalty. Its newspaper style should provide a maximum of news in most readable set-up. Its avowed purpose shall be to give increased emphasis to actual news of alumni members.

Return the Yellow Sheet

Every alumnus is sincerely urged to fill out and return to the editor very promptly the yellow biographical sheet which is enclosed with this issue. In line with our new publication policy, it is expedient that better and more complete biographical and address records be maintained regarding each member. The receipt of your sheet not only verifies the accuracy of your present address, but furnishes the data about you that should be in the possession of the chapter's biographical records. Please send your sheet to us today.

Bailey's Overcoat Awaits Him

Chet Bailey '21, in the banking business in Pittsburgh, told chapter members on the occasion of his last visit a year or so ago that he has a record for leaving overcoats behind when he visited the chapter, cautioned them of the weakness and asked cooperation. Sure enough, after he left, his sheepskin coat had been left behind. Chapter members, on this occasion, are saving it for him, so he can pick it up on his next visit. We hope he does not wait too long.

1929 HOUSE PARTY GUESTS' GIFT A SURPRISE

Chapter members were surprised and pleased to receive a check for \$60 very shortly ago from Joseph Pursglove, Jr. '30 of Cleveland with the explanation that it represented the \$49, plus accumulated interest, which the girls who attended the 1929 Junior Week house party had collected to make a gift to the chapter, two days previous to the fire which demolished the old chapter house.

The collection had been turned over to the girl who has subsequently become Mrs. Pursglove. When the fire occurred, there seemed no reason to go ahead with the presentation of a gift and in the meantime Mrs. Pursglove has been saving the money, carefully, knowing the chapter would have needs for such a gift after installation in its new house.

Thanks of the chapter go to Mrs. Pursglove for her appropriate guardianship and the happily received check. Are there any suggestions as to how the money should be used?

Help Us Locate Missing Members

Aid of the chapter is requested by Alpha Delta Phi's catalogue committee in locating a surprising number of alumni brothers whose mail has been returned to the national secretary's office.

In order to be of maximum aid, we list here the names of members whose present addresses need verification for the forthcoming national catalogue, with the request that loyal alumni send us any information immediately that may be recorded in our chapter files and then passed on.

The brothers unlocated by the national secretary include:

Rhodes C. Bromley '23, Melville G. Brown '09, Andrew B. Cauldwell '73, Frank L. Gregg, Jr. '23, Eugene B. Harter '22, Albert Korber, Jr. '13, Lowell Mason '14, Thomas E. Miller '23.

George H. Orahood '09, Howard L. Simons, Jr. '25, Leonard V. Spanburg '20, James B. Taylor '28, Joseph H. Taylor '27, John Teagle '29, Henry T. Thurber '15, Major John N. Wright '92, L. W. Smith '12.

Frederick R. Wheeler '87, Jabez M. Woodward '89, Harry C. Baldwin '97, James A. Cameron '13, Lynde Palmer '78, Seward Baldwin, Jr. '28, Joseph H. Millard '18, Harold S. Hawkins '11 and E. D. Sullivan '14.

Spring Reunions Should Attract Most of Alumni

CHAPTER ALUMNI CORPORATION
HOLD ANNUAL MEETING
JUNE 16TH

The active chapter joins with Paul Deming '94 of Detroit, president of the chapter's board of trustees, in cordially urging all alumni to return to the campus for the annual Spring Reunion.

Reunion Week will open June 13th and come to a climax, Commencement Day, Monday, June 17th. The house will be headquarters for all visiting alumni at that time.

Good Time to Visit

Many alumni have not yet inspected the chapter's fine new home and this will be an excellent occasion on which to do so. At no other time in the year is Ithaca quite as attractive. Plenty of old friends will be on hand to aid in making a visit most enjoyable, and the University has many entertainment plans.

On Sunday morning, June 16th, will occur the regular, annual meeting of the chapter's building corporation. That they may keep informed as to the chapter's good condition, it is hoped that many alumni will be on hand to hear the various annual reports.

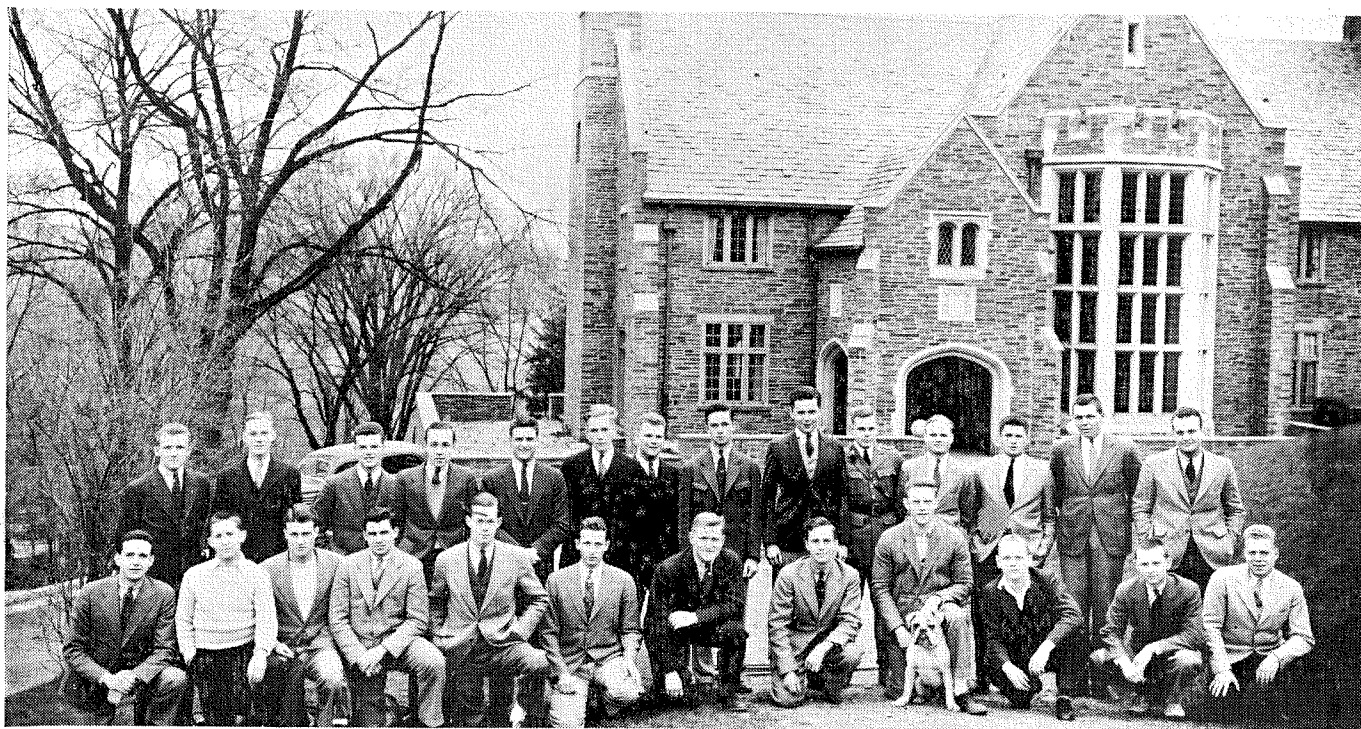
Something New Planned

The classes of 1885 and 1910 will celebrate their golden and silver anniversaries, respectively, this June, with very elaborate ceremonies. Most of the other University classes are to have special get-togethers. Reunion Week will be replete with all varieties of entertainment for almost every taste.

Of interest to many alumni and their friends will be the Alumni Institute being inaugurated by the University this year, a week of lectures by well-known professors on a wide variety of current topics. This will take place immediately after Commencement Day and is open not only to alumni but their friends and families. It is planned as a "short course" in adult education for the benefit of those alumni who will appreciate aid in keeping up-to-date as educated men.

Room accommodations at the house will be available for those alumni who request the hospitality. It will be appreciated if such reservations will be made in advance.

This Year's Active Chapter Sends You Greetings



A VIEW OF THE NEW CHAPTER HOUSE EXTERIOR is shown in this fine picture of the present active chapter. Reading left to right, in the back row you see: Riggs, Sawyer, Stanton, Donohue, Hoffman, Cobb, Bradley, Conway, Tubbs, Rockwell, Higgins, Foster and Knight. In the front row are: McNamara, Neff, Whittlesey, Owens, Reed, Perkins, Wattles, Stead, Shick, Miller, Whitney and Stevenson.

Scholarship Gets Greater Attention

When local faculty members of Alpha Delta Phi, Chi Psi, Psi Upsilon and Kappa Alpha got together early this spring to discuss possibilities of aiding their respective fraternities to improve their scholastic standings, a number of suggestions were made that with their adoption next school year should result in the better scholarship of each organization's members.

Discussing the situation, the chapter has voted to experiment next fall with the use of a faculty advisor (not yet selected) who will eat all of his meals at the house and whose duties will be to work with members in a scholastic capacity.

The steps are being taken with the realization by chapter members that in line with its leadership on the campus that it can afford to make a greater scholastic showing.

REPAYS LOAN HANDSOMELY

W. Roy Manny '13, of Brooklyn, possibly like Henry Ford, can frequently be caught going around without much money

USE THE ENCLOSURES

Two blanks are enclosed with this issue of THE ALPHA DELT. We hope you can fill out both and return to the chapter house today.

If you know of no rushing candidates at this particular time, may we urge that you make any necessary inquiries in your neighborhood and among business associates and your friends to get information before too much time elapses. The reasons for this request are explained elsewhere in this issue.

If you have no candidates in mind, save the blank for your convenience in letting the chapter hear from you as soon as any report reaches you?

on his person. On the occasion of his visit to the chapter for the Dartmouth football game last fall, he found himself without funds to leave for home and was embarrassed to have to borrow \$5 from active chapter members. It was a good loan, however, as he returned the \$5 promptly with \$10 added for "any worthy house fund."

Sub-Freshmen Visit House, Cornell Day

Eleven sub-freshmen who will probably enter Cornell next fall were entertained at the chapter house, the week-end of May 11th, for the annual Cornell Day, a new event on the University's calendar which bids well to become a traditional occasion.

The purpose of the day is to acquaint prospective Cornell students with the facilities and attractions on the Hill. Alumni are cooperating in rounding-up best prospects to bring them to Ithaca for the event, and the fraternities are cooperating for the benefit of the University and because most of the guests will become future rushing candidates.

This year's Cornell Day was the second staged. Nearly 600 freshman attended and were shown University departments, the campus, and entertained at week-end sport events, most of them being the guests of the different fraternities.

Reports are that a new national catalogue of Alpha Delta Phi, the first since 1928, will come from the presses sometime this summer.

Mead '77 Regrets Missing Initiation; Writes a Tribute

**BOTANIST SAYS HIS INITIATION
WAS HIGHLIGHT OF HIS
BUSY CAREER**

Teddy Mead '77, well-loved older member of the chapter, was remembered again this year at initiation time, when all active members autographed an initiation program that was sent to him at his home in Oviedo, Florida.

In answer to our invitation to the ceremonies this year, he wrote: "With the infirmities of age (he is now 83) coming upon me, I can hardly hope for the happiness of another initiation ceremony, . . . I'd be glad to trade the few remaining years, if I had them, for such a privilege.

"Recently the Florida Amaryllis Society made me an honorary fellow of that society and asked me for a short autobiography including personal experiences as well as an account of my scientific work in plants and insects. I told them of the violent disruption and split when six of the boys resigned and were received into other fraternities, and went on to say that my new fraternity, The Alpha Delta Phi, and my initiation seemed to me the most wonderful and happiest things that had ever come to me . . . the very ideal of brotherhood and fraternal love.

"As I wrote to the boys nearly fifty years later, the day of my initiation stands out in memory as one of the three wonder days of my life . . . with my wedding day and the day of my confirmation (though formerly an agnostic) in the Episcopal church."

CHAPTER APPRECIATES ITS ALUMNI VISITORS

The active chapter has been happy to have had a great many alumni visitors through the past school year. It would be impossible to list all of them, and we hope we may be pardoned for any omissions, but among some that the editor recalls meeting while here were: Teed Rockwell '09, Chicago; Walter Distler '12, Washington, D. C.; Fred White '95, Cleveland; Hunt Bradley '26, Providence, R. I.; Frank J. Tone '24, Detroit; Red Kelly '31, Binghampton; Chuck McGavern '31, Olean; Birny Mason '31, Niagara Falls.

Benjamin Wickham ex '35, who since dropping out of Cornell at the close of his freshman year has been enrolled at Western Reserve University in Cleveland, is graduating from that institution this June.

PIN GIVEN MRS. CORNELL RETURNED TO CHAPTER

A valued new possession of the chapter is the Alpha Delta Phi pin presented by the chapter many years ago to Mrs. Ezra Cornell, wife of the founder of the University. The pin has just been returned to the chapter by Mrs. Franklin Cornell, widow of the late Brother Franklin Cornell '89.

It is explained that the pin was given upon Mrs. Cornell's death to her daughter, Mrs. Blair, who subsequently returned it to the safe-keeping of the chapter which turned around and presented it to the next Mrs. Ezra Cornell, wife of a grandson of the University's founder, the late Ezra Cornell II '02, who is now Mrs. E. L. Williams.

Mrs. Williams recently decided it would be appropriate that the chapter have the pin and had Mrs. Franklin Cornell send it to us. Plans call for preservation of the pin, possibly in a frame, as a chapter historical piece.

Chapter Has Men In Many Activities

A number of the active members are keeping busy in campus activities this year.

John William Cobb, senior whose home is in Ithaca, competes as a heavyweight on the varsity wrestling team and is treasurer of Red Key, senior honorary society. Charles Neff, sophomore from New York City, goes over the high hurdles handily as a member of the varsity track team. Erbin Wattles, sophomore from Buffalo, is a member of the varsity hockey team and Reinald Werrenrath, a junior, is rowing on the varsity crew. He was stroke in his freshman year.

Ransom Miller, new initiate from Cleveland, has proven himself one of the best divers on the varsity swimming team. Larned Whitney, another new initiate, of Fiskedale, Mass., is coxie on the freshman 150 lb. crew, on which his classmate, Harris Stanton, of Springfield, Mass. also rides. Art Hoffman, of Syracuse, made such a good showing in freshman football last fall, that it is anticipated that he is excellent varsity material. Sawyer, Rockwell, and Miller are members of the freshman soccer team. Joselyn Smith is a member of the Ski Club.

Clinton Carpenter, sophomore from Yonkers, is a member of the Widow board.

Chapter Suffers Through Deaths of Strong Alumni

**BRO. FRANKLIN CORNELL '89 HAD
DONE MUCH AS LOCAL
MEMBER**

The chapter is grieved to report the deaths of three well-known alumni members: Franklin Cornell '89 of Ithaca, Charles L. Inslee '95, Newton, N. J., and Joseph H. Swan III '26, Middletown, Ohio.

Brother Cornell was long a loyal and most helpful local alumnus who served as both a trustee of the chapter and the University. He passed away early the past spring in Ithaca, and is survived by his wife and daughter. Ben Gale '29 of Cleveland has been named to fill his place on the chapter's board of trustees.

The death of Brother Inslee, nearly a year ago, was reported to us by Russell Chase '22. Brother Inslee was a civil engineer who formerly headed the Guaranty Construction Company of New York City. Two years before his death he had been elected vice president of the Sussex and Merchants National Bank in Newton, N. J., where his death occurred at the age of 60 years.

A tragic death came to Joe Swan who was killed when a glider he was flying at the Cincinnati airport crashed, October 14th. His death ended a most promising business career with the Gardner-Richardson company of Middletown, Ohio, where he was a junior executive.

THREE YOUNGER ALUMNI ARE RECENTLY MARRIED

Reports on the marriages of three younger alumni have been received at the chapter.

Nelson Cheney, Jr. ex '35 of Eden, N. Y., son of State Senator Cheney, was married January 5th to the former Marion Brady of Buffalo. They are living in Eden where Nelson is engaged in fruit farming.

Joseph K. Bole, Jr. '28 was married June first at St. Paul's in Cleveland Heights to the former Emily Henry King.

Edward Stansbury ex '35, now on the staff of the Washington, D. C. Times, was married last fall to a Baltimore girl.

George Beck, graduate from the University in February and former president of the chapter, is now associated with his father in the Beck Engraving Company in Philadelphia.