# THE CAYUGAN

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## Thirty-Four Pledges Taken

The brotherhood of the Cornell Chapter has been enlarged by thirty-four fine gentlemen as a result of the finest job of rushing done in many years, a rushing season which began, informally, before summer vacation began last year. We are proud to present the new class. The diversity of backgrounds, interests, and goals represented by the pledge class is truly a credit to the spirit of our fraternity. The class of 1967 is an integrated group of interested and active members of the Cornell community, and the most envied pledge class on the hill.

Members of the new class represent every school at Cornell in which men are enrolled. The class has established itself academically by attaining a group average for the fall term almost identical to the fine pace set by the brotherhood, which has kept the house among the top scholastically for the past three terms.

Of special note are the seven architects in the class. Two of them, Jon Lyttle and Steve Packard, are new members of the Sherwoods, a campus singing group. Jon was also elected captain of the pledge class. The rest of the architects are not without honor, though: leaders of their class in design and other activities as well, they typify the attitude of the "new" Cornell man and the type of person that makes Alpha Delt the best on the hill. This is the type of attitude that leads people such as Sam Glasser, Arts, to make Phi Eta Sigma, frosh men's honorary, or Jim Mueller to be on Cornell's Undergraduate Secondary School Committee.

The following are members of the pledge class:

#### CLASS OF 1966

John William Mackie, Ill, Pittsburg, Kansas; Walter Douglas Bond, Colorado Springs, Colo.

### **CLASS OF 1967**

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Alpha Delta Phi has another fairly recent addition, John William Mackie III, engineering '66. Jack, a sophomore, pledged in the fall, and has since taken an active role in the house, keeping the brotherhood in shape as athletic chairman.

### **NEW ADVISOR**

The Chapter's new Resident Advisor is Dr. Allen Brown. Dr. Brown graduated from Cornell in 1950. As an undergraduate, Dr. Brown was active in many different areas of campus life. He was President of Alpha Delta Phi his senior year and also Editorin-Chief of the Cornell Widow. He was also a member of various honoraries including Quill and Dagger, Aleph Semach, and Mummy. After graduation Dr. Brown took a position with an advertising agency and rose to be an accountant executive before he decided that the gray flannel suit routine wasn't for him. In 1953, Dr. Brown entered the University of Rochester Medical School and graduated in 1957. He continued his study of medicine with some graduate studies in internal medicine at Stanford University and practiced in Carmel, California. In 1962, Dr. Brown, his charming wife Nancy, and their four children forsook the California sunshine and moved back to Ithaca, where he is currently Medical Director of the Tompkins County Hospital.

Dr. Brown is very interested in the active Chapter. He occasionally stops by for dinners, house meetings, and parties and reciprocates by inviting brothers out to his house. The Chapter feels itself to be indeed fortunate to have so dedicated an advisor as Dr. Brown.

Dr. Brown replaces Walter Schnickenberger, who was forced to resign as Resident Advisor due to his increased duties as Cornell's Director of Admissions. The Chapter thanks Brother Schnickenberger for the very fine job he did as Resident Advisor and wishes him the best of luck in his new position.



The fall term average at Alpha Delt was 78.82, which placed the house 7th among the fraternities on campus. The house was 6th last fall, and 3rd for the academic year 1963-1964.

The pledge class of thirty-six had an average on entering the house of 78.74, somewhat below the brothers' average, but still very respectable. Hopefully the pledges will be able to maintain or even raise this average, and not go the way of most pledge classes by suffering a drop after pledging a fraternity. Samuel M. Glasser, Arts '67, set a fine example by making Phi Eta Sigma, Frosh Men's Honorary.

Phillip C. Burnham III, a senior, made Dean's List for the fall term, as did Paul R. Woodward, a freshman, also in Arts. In the School of Agriculture John S. Dyson made the Dean's List and was named to HoNun-De-Kah, an Agricultural Honorary. John E. Conklin was named to Omicron Delta Epsilon, the Economics Honorary.



New Pledge Class poses on House Porch



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### FROM THE PRESIDENT

During recent years a strict reappraisal of educational and moral principles has led many of the nation's colleges and universities to greatly weaken or to abolish their fraternity systems. It is believed by many who favor such a course of action that a fraternity's "social club" atmosphere not only is detrimental to a student's academic progress, but also breeds discriminatory attitudes among its members. That such criticisms are often overstated goes without saying; but they represent a challenge which must be met by any fraternity which wishes to survive.

The fraternity system at Cornell has long been one of the strongest in the country and as such it is greatly concerned with its future. During the past year the areas of discrimination and scholastic achievement have become the two most pressing problems facing our Inter-Fraternity Council and proposals for dealing with them spent many hours on the floor of our house meetings. While no piece of legislation can hope to solve the problems of personal attitude and discipline, we feel that through our discussions of such legislation we have achieved a better understanding of these problems and an idea of what each of us must do to solve them. The spirit of our fraternity this past year, then, has been one of introspection and one of change. This year the freshman has been forced to be far more intellectually oriented by the ever increasing pressures of his academic curriculum. He demands much more than a fine social life from his fraternity. It is in this light that I would like to talk to you, for a moment, about Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell.

It is my opinion, and that of many university leaders, that Alpha Delta Phi is presently the most outstanding fraternity at Cornell. The past year has combined a social program known for its excellence and good taste with an academic average which placed us third on the hill for the year 1962-63 and seventh for the 1963-64 semister, and a number of outstanding individual achievements in extra curricular activities.

This year's social program has included a variety of fine events—the post football game cocktail parties and dances, home coming weekend, the faculty egg-nog party, the formal banquets and dances and the rock and roll parties of I.F.C. Weekend, and the Club 777 party. We are looking forward to Spring Weekend and Parents Weekend which are the final events of the year.

The number of Alpha Delts currently in position of leadership in extracurricular activities has given the house a political prominence which it has not had in many years. Dyle Henning '65 was recently elected president of the Executive Board of Cornell Student Government. Steve Hurwitz '65, this year's representative to the IFC steering committee, has been elected senior representative for next year. Donald Keare '64 is currently the President of the Cornell Campus Chest and Eliot Wigginton '65, the president of the Cornell Red Cross Chapter. Many other brothers are active as directors, area chairmen, and committeemen on the Undergraduate Secondary Schools Committee, which helps in the recruitment of freshmen. Alpha Delts also appear in many honoraries and other areas of student activity.

This year has, I think, been highlighted by a most successful rushing season. Our large pledge class is known as the "best on the hill." The quality of this class makes me feel very optimistic about the future of the house during the next four years. Alpha Delt should continue to show the diversity, spirit, and excellence which have made it take the lead in adapting to the new demands which have been placed upon fraternities at Cornell.

Last year the McVoy estate was finally settled with the result that the house is no longer mortgaged. Our primary problem, then, is one of maintenance and repair. Due to the fact that no major repairs have been made on the house since its completion in 1931, this problem must be faced in the near future. We are also studying the building of two four-man sites in the attic to expand the capacity of the house to fit the enlarged active brotherhood, which now numbers 94.

In the past, the active chapter has relied heavily on the support and counsel of our alumni. It will be the growth of such interest and support which will ensure the continuation of the excellence of Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell.

Orin F. Pearson, '64

### DYLE HENNING '65 ELECTED STUDENT GOV'T. HEAD

At 9:17 on March 25, in the cafeteria of Willard Straight Hall it was officially announced that an Alpha Delt, Dyle G. Henning, had been elected President of the Cornell Undergraduate Student Body. Dyle had nearly a 100 vote plurality.

Dyle started his campaign nearly two months earlier when he secured a brother Alpha Delt as his campaign manager. The ideas of starting early, getting well organized, and approaching each problem situation with several possible alternatives were the keynotes of Dyle's campaign. But the greatest single contributing factor to his success was the large number of personal friends that Dyle had. This made the job of campaigning easier and it was definitely an important factor on election day.

First came the difficult task of defining the house's position as a political unit. It was clearly stated to the pledges that Alpha Delt at Cornell had never been and should never become a "political machine." During the campaign a few of the pledges and some of the brothers would be asked to do some minor work projects when extra personal was needed. But the main task of the Alpha Delts was to influence the voting of their close friends. It was intended that none of them would be mass media electioneers spreading propaganda. They would be most effective influencing the people that they knew the best. speaking sincerely rather than loudly. The enthusiastic and willing support of a small group of people influencing their friends was the winning combination as a campaign organization.

Once the groundwork had been laid, only the actual day to day busy work of campaigning remained. First, 475 posters were silk screened and prepared for distribution. A phone committee was set up to contact several hundred students the day before the election. Appointments were made for speaking during dinner at most of the important fraternities on the hill. A time table was organized for visiting all the sororities on the night of their house meetings. A survey was taken to see how a sample of the students felt about the issues.

The successful culmination of all these efforts came on Tuesday the 25th, when the polls opened at 8:00. Many brothers and pledges are to be commended for the fine jobs that they did in getting other students out to vote that day. But the person who will remember that day the most is that brother who spoke at dinner the next evening to say thank you to Alpha Delta Phi for helping to elect him as the new student government President.

Ross L. Trimby '66



Brothers Henning and Hurwitz discuss the Student's role in government

# What Would President Perkins Do Without Us?

The academic year 1963-1964 was an eventful one for Cornell and for Alpha Delta Phi—mainly due to the heralded selection of a new leader for the bureaucracy at Day Hall. Indeed, as with most new Presidents, everyone was most anxious to observe him, especially us, for he was rumored to be quite against the fraternity system. At the outset, however, it seemed that he did not have too much respect for our services. The inauguaration turned out to be a very private affair. No college students allowed at all!

After this rather ignominious greeting, the activities of the year got off to a rapid start. Discrimination—a concept that had taken on special meaning for us all after the events of the summer—was again called to our attention by the IFC. Prolonged debates from last spring were immediately recalled, and under the able leadership of Brother Steve Hurwitz, who was serving a term as Junior Representative of IFC and Brother Dyle Henning, who at that time was the power, the fury, and the glory behind Freshman Rotation, discussions again arose at our meetings. All were quite amazed, I think, at the general level of consensus that had been attained even after such a short period as a summer. With the process of revising an anti-discrimination pledge becoming more complex than Senatorial methods of lawmaking, tempers grew a bit short as everyone seemed to want to add his own amendment. Finally an acceptable pledge was obtained, a credit indeed to those responsible for its passage.

### Perkins (Cont'd.)

The IFC wishes also to keep one step ahead of everybody on the scholastic problem that fraternities have. The emphasis in the Presidential campaign this year was certainly centered on the IFC's role in scholastics if Brother Hurwitz's senior representative campaign talks were indicative of the general mood.

In a quite rare showing of complete consensus and unanimity we all backed Dyle, and some of our numbers can be proud of the work done in helping Dyle get elected-Brother Ross Trimby, his campaign manager, not the least of these. An issue to be settled along with this Presidential election of the Student Government has the infamous Fayette County issue. This had steamed all spring, and some of us were rather passionate in our protestations of the so-called "usurpation" of individual rights by a government (the Student Government, that is). Reminiscent of the Anti-New Deal days, many of us questioned the right of the government to appropriate money for a civil rights project without consulting the taxpayers. The referendum reviewing Student Government's right to appropriate this money failed to pass, and I would guess that the issue has passed us by. I believe that most of us are anxiously awaiting the outcome whether Cornell's delegates can conduct themselves properly in Fayette County — and the handling of the problem by Brother Henning's administration next Fall.

One of the most valuable services the University offers is the Undergraduate Secondary Schools' Committee, which sends Cornellians home during vacations to quiz poor prospective freshmen with the psychology department's "souped-up" interview techniques. One almost has to classify these prospects on Adorno's Authoritarian Personality Scale, Semantic Differential Scales, and a functional analysis of sex roles simultaneously. Anyway, our Tim Richards ran most of the show, while a goodly number of us had supporting roles.

As we had no losses due to failure to achieve academic excellence (in fact, we achieved an excellence in studies so outstanding as to apall the numbers of us who adhere to the philosophy of fraternity life of the 1920s.), and as we were favored in not having anyone get thrown out of Cornell, I would say that the year was good to the Alpha Delts while we were equally good to the year. And I ask, what would President Perkins do without us?

### SOCIAL PROGRAM

Rushing had ended Friday night. The next morning the brothers waited tensely to see how many of the 41 Freshmen they had given bids to would choose to pledge Alpha Delt. They hoped for 25. At noon came the news, and all watched as the list of new pledges was posted. That night a rock and roll party was held in honor of the new class that initiated the Spring social term with a bang it had rarely experienced. There was good cause for celebration, for the list of pledges numbered 36.

Spirits running at a new high, the next weekend saw another rock and roll party at Alpha Delt, with music provided by the Rachets. Two houses were invited to participate, but a cursory count confirmed that at least fourteen houses were represented. Statistics as to how mnay were turned away at the door are not available . . .

Then came IFC Weekend. A Friday night party with the Hot Nuts, and three guest houses packed the main floor of Alpha Delt. The banquet Saturday evening was attended by so many couples that dinner had to be served in both the dining room and Solarium simultaneously. The traditional formal party that night at Theta Delt provided a fleeting glimpse of social grace before yet another rock and roll party in the Alpha Delt basement that lasted until after three a.m.

By now the phone of our able social chairman, Vince Aragon, was ringing continually with requests for our participation in parties from sororities, fraternities, and girls' colleges for miles around. One request was honored immediately—that for an exchange with the sorority Sigma Delta Tau. Its theme was costumes portraying "hidden desires," and guests came in costumes that ranged from those of big game hunters to Roaring 20's gangsters to French strippers. Punch was inconspicuously served from a grey plastic garbage can.

The list of coming parties, thanks to the South American ingenuity and social prowess of Vince, reads like a manual of "parties to have" for fraternity social chairmen. For example, two weeks from now the banks of Cayuga Lake will host a hoard of Alpha Delts out for a day at the races and a head start at the taps. On returning to the house that evening another band—another party—deliciously unpredictable at this point.

Spring Weekend will see the Alpha Delts at at least five parties, and probably six. Planned entertainment includes the Hot Nuts, the Thornton Sisters, a picnic in the woods, the traditional formal banquet and dance, and a party Sunday (?) the outcome of which only time will tell.

Also coming soon is our parent's Weekend with more parental acceptances arriving every day.

In short, the spirit of the house could hardly be more conducive for a social season to be remembered. Next year? Well, we'll cross that bridge when we come to it, but prospects couldn't look better!

B. Eliot Wigginton, '65

# MANFRED KOLB IS ALPHA DELT'S FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT FOR 1963-1964

It is evident that one of the most beneficial features of Alpha Delta Phi is our foreign student program. Not only do we help the foreign student to adjust to the strange American way of life, but some of the much-envied European characteristics rub off on us.

Manfred Kolb, this year's foreign student, lives in Reutte, Austria, which is in the Tyrolean Alps. He studied architecture at the Technische Hochschule in Graz, and was one of five from his class to receive a Fulbright Scholarship.

At Cornell, he is working toward a Master's Degree in Urban Design, a field closely related to architecture. Fred has found the Urban Design program to be a widening experience, as is fraternity life, and his activities.

It is in his activities that Fred has shown those talents which make us envious. First of all, he is the best skier at Cornell. We have several racing skiers at school, but Fred skis in circles around them. His practice on the slopes around Innsbruck and Reutte and his job as an instructor at Sugarbush have paid big dividends. Fred also has mastered the American fraternity party "technique", and has added his own "twist" to the American variety, which he found hard to believe. His continental style has made a hit with the coeds and he has had to fend off now and then in order to apply himself to his serious academic efforts. As an integral part of the Brotherhood in attitude and sentiment, he was initiated into the fraternity at the chapter's initiation ceremonies this spring.

Fred plans to spend a year working in the United States before returning to Europe to become Austria's leading architect.

Jon Perry '63



### A Note From Fred Kolb

First of all, I am glad to get the opportunity in this paper to show you my appreciation for having the chance to stay in your house and to become a part of it. My thanks go to all of the brothers.

Last year, when I got one of the forty Austrian Fulbright Scholarships for study in the United States, I recognized that I would be the only one going to live in a fraternity house. At this time I did not know what to think about it, as we do not have any kind of this student brotherhood in Austria. But when I arrived here and saw the campus, the picturesque house, and the brothers, who started from the first day to help to manage all my difficulties arising from being in a new country with different customs-I began to appreciate my position in comparison to all the other Austrians, who were depending only on their own resources. This was the best start I ever could have had being in a new country. Very soon I grew into the community and could feel that I was a part of it. Obviously, this is also the best way for a foreign student to get acquainted more closely with the country and its young people.

Although the brothers enjoy the time of their youth to the fullest, they do not lack eagerness and responsibility. It was and is very surprising for me to see how responsibly they are taking care of the house, how seriously they discuss and manage their problems in the weekly housemeetings, and how readily they help each other. I think for young people being away from their homes this is a preferable and safe environment where they can grow up and develop as they should. If there were more examples of friendship and brotherhood on the campuses, America, and the free world would not have to be afraid at all about the future.

### Parent's Weekend, 1964

On May 22nd, 23rd and 24th Alpha Delta Phi will hold its annual Parents' Weekend. The parents of many of the brothers will be traveling to Ithaca from as far away as Colombia to partake of the weekend festivities.

The events of the weekend will include cocktails and informal socializing on Friday night; a picnic and games at Taughannock State Park followed by cocktails, a buffet dinner and dancing to the music of a piano player on Saturday; and a brunch on Sunday.

All parents are welcome to Alpha Delt, with reservations being made by the house for all who desire to attend.

John Conklin '65

# SOPHOMORES CONSTRUCT STAINED GLASS WINDOW IN ANNUAL CHRISTMAS DECORATION

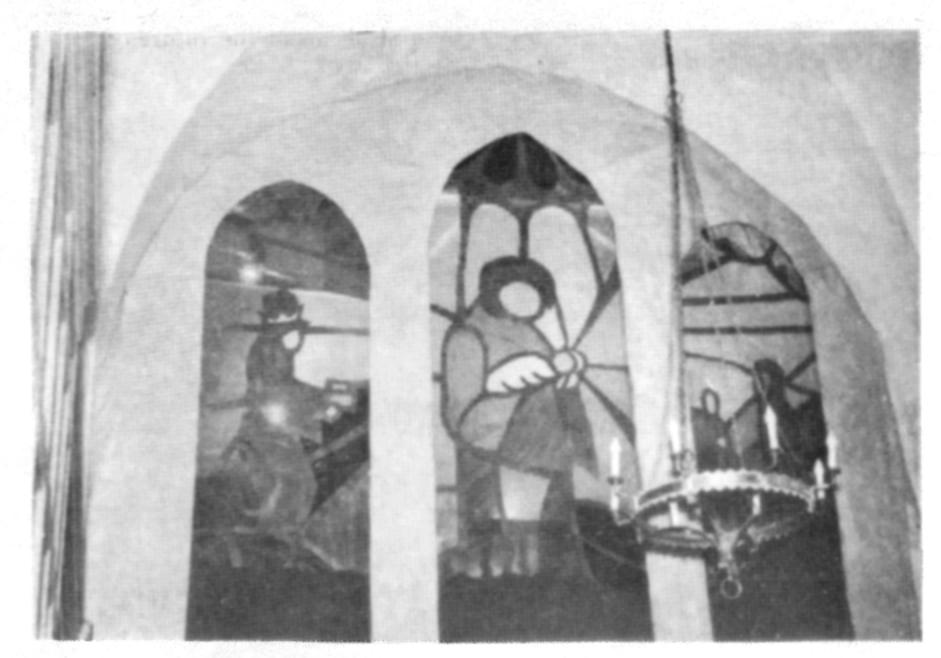
It is the tradition here at the Cornell chapter that each year the sophomore class should decorate the interior of the house for the faculty egg nog party, held the week before Christmas vacation. Each year the class is told that it cannot possibly match the opulent decor of the year before, and the resulting competition makes for spectacular results. The two most recent decorations, before this year, were a huge hymn book suspended in the Great Hall, surrounded by twenty-foot organ pipes; and a red brick fireplace that went from the floor to the ceiling, straddling the entrance to the living room. When this year's sophomores got together, every idea we came up with seemed to have been done alreadyso we decided that the best thing to do was do them all. Organ pipes, wierd lighting, the traditional tree, and as the main attraction, a threepaneled stained glass window running the entire length of the Great Hall balcony, some thirty feet, and to the ceiling, another thirty feet.

From brainstorm session to completion was not such an easy matter. The organ pipes were done simply enough, with rolled brown paper and spray paint. But how do you make a stained glass window on a budget that won't buy even four pairs of Tau Delt pants? There was a great deal of talk about the hundreds of ways it could easily be done; but little action, until the usual two days before the date of the party, at which

point the rest of the brotherhood became so skeptical that we were shamed into action. The outlines of the window were traced out on brown paper spread out in the solarium. Then the brown paper was cut along the outlines of what was to be our leading, and used as a pattern to make a framework of several thicknesses of black construction paper. We were in a bind for stained glass until friendly brother Engle snuck into the dramatics club workshop and stole what must have been a years supply of theater spotlight gels. The sky behind Mary's head wound up an assortment of colors, but at least our stained glass window was stained. This paper and gel structure was backed with a wood framework, raised to the balcony, and attached minutes before the first guests arrived. Lit from behind, the window looked positively churchy, accompanied by organ music and enough eggnog.

The party itself went very smoothly, and this year only one faculty member was observed trying to climb the forty-foot christmas tree in the great Hall. It was pointed out, by a member of the CURW who happened to be passing through, that HE thought the place looked like a cross between a Franciscan monastary and a cat house he used to know in Cincinatti. I guess you can fool some of the people all of the time, and. . . .

Michael L. Kinney '66



Class of '66's contribution to the spirit of the season



### STEWARD'S REPORT

When asked to produce a steward's report, this year's steward graciously assented, his boyish good humor easily overcoming the tribulations involved. His typing, however, was somewhat affected by the two brothers sitting on him as he composed it; therefore we cannot be entirely responsible for anything printed below.

The kitchen at Alpha Delt this year had as its main goal the weaning away of the brotherhood from peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, an extra expense which last year threatened the whole house with financial ruin. Aside from one or two minor outbreaks, this was accomplished. Other than that, the steward counts as progress the institution of the candle light dinner (when those boorish waiters remember to light the candles), the introduction of grits into the weekly menu, and two days when Bill Carlisle managed to persuade an Alpha Phi to wait dinners.

Seriously, (if such a thing is possible), this year has been a pretty successful one for the kitchen, primarily through the efforts of our fine cook, Mrs. Marsh, and the first fall with no back debts, thanks to last year's steward Bill Carlisle. We therefore were able to start off the year with a full month's income to work with, and had enough left over to keep the brothers in shrimp for the freshman tea and the faculty egg nog party. Rushing week we had roast duck, roast lamb, roast beef, sirloin, and Broiled Lobster tails. It worked, too-we got thirty-six pledges with disgusting appetites. That meant more chairs, more dishes, and, sad to say, more work. We pulled out of the red last month again, however, in spite of one hundred and eighty hungry mouths clammoring for steak for IFC weekend. I therefore forsee the rest of the term as a gastronomical delight, unending but perhaps interrupted now and again with cabbage rolls just to remind the boys that they are getting, as Milton once said (never before published) "Such a good deal!"

Michael L. Kinney '66

## The Green Wave Ripples On

This year marked the continuance of Alpha Delt's resurgence on the fields of athletic honor. Last year, Alpha Delt took a step back from near total physical oblivion on the hill, astounding all other fraternities by fielding a basketball team which was undefeated and which won two points for the Green Wave in the intramural trophy race. To be sure, this prodigious effort still left us nearly forty points away from winning the all-sports trophy, but by present-day Alpha Delt standards, it -was a feat worthy of celebration with

wine, women and song.

The Green Wave began this year with unbridled enthusiasm for the first offering on the intramural menu -football. The entire team which had lost only one game the previous year was back and rarin' to go. Sad to say, the athletic chairman merely neglected to turn in a roster, and consequently the Green Wave found themselves unable to play. There were indeed two inter-house games, with the Senior class demonstrating their clear superiority against a larger number of underclassmen by winning one of the two games played and tying the other. Still, this was nothing to compare with actual cutthroat competition, and it seemed that Alpha Delt was reverting to its old staid athletic indifference. When the basketball team proceeded to lose its first five games, it appeared that Alpha Delt had again reached its old level of gross sub-mediocrity in sports.

Despair not, though, for this sad story has a happy ending. The basketball team diametrically reversed form and won its last three games of the season. This turned to be an omen of good things to come, for the volleyball team became the one bright light in an uncommonly dark year. The Green Wave roared over all opposition to end the campaign as the undefeated champion of their league —thus garnering two points for Alpha Delt for the second consecutive year, a feat unprecedented in modern Al-



# **BROOKS WIGGINTON** WINS NATIONALS LITERARY COMPETITION

Brooks Eliot Wigginton—a Junior, an English major, and a very talented fellow. A great organizer, he is Alpha Delt's rushing chairman for next year, chairman of the Cornell Red Cross unit, area chairman for the USSC (Cornell's committee for arousing the interest of high school students in Cornell), and he was last year's literary chairman for the fraternity. While serving as lit. chairman, he won first prize in the nonfiction division of the national Alpha Delta Phi literary competition. His winning entry was a book with seventy-five pages of text and fifty pages of hand-drawn illustrations, certainly a credit to his organizing ability, but perhaps better attributed to his vocational interests. "Wig" is planning to write novels and to illustrate books. He is particularly interested in medical illustrating. Before beginning this work he hopes to go to Europe to study its art and literature.

There were three prizes awarded in each of the three divisions of the contest (fiction nonfiction and poetry) and Wig got the \$50 first prize. Thus Alpha Delt was able to give him a tangible reward for all the work he did in preparing the book (which was begun during his senior year of high school).

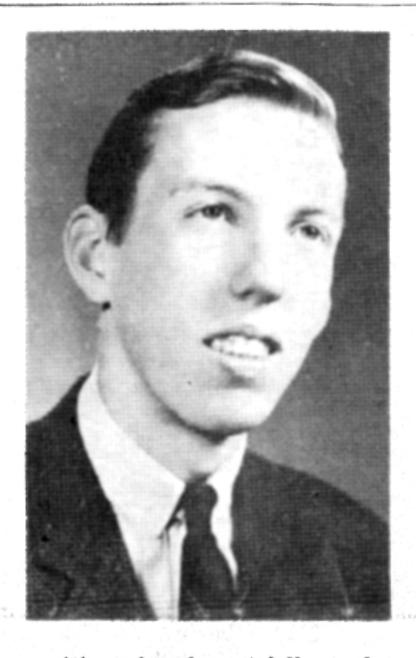
The work is entitled Symmetry and Proportion in Nature and Design. It deals basically with showing how systems exist in nature which exhibit proportional parts diminishing along a spiral where the proportional size

pha Delt history. Interest in the house rose to a fever pitch as two screaming brothers turned out to watch the quarter-final playoff game against DU. The ensuing loss was a great disappointment to the assembled hordes, but nonetheless the two points were already indelibly on the board.

As if this miraculous showing by itself wouldn't suffice as a Green Wave milestone, there is still more. At this writing, the Green Wave baseball team is undefeated and unscored upon after three weeks of league play. (A relatively unimpressive feat when it is taken into consideration that we were rained out twice and had one bye, and have yet to take the field.)

You may ask, in the wake of all this opulance, what can be expected from the Green Wave next year? To answer that question without being overly optimistic, I can truthfully say, "Not Much."

Donald S. Keare '64



or position of each part follows almost exactly a well-known mathematical sequence. It is called the "Fibonacci sequence" and consists of numbers such as 1 1 2 3 5 8 13 21 34 . . . The initial two numbers of this sequence may be chosen at random. Each subsequent member of the sequence is obtained by adding the two numbers preceding it.

The interesting thing about this sequence is that the fraction obtained by dividing a number in the sequence by the number following it rapidly approaches  $\frac{1}{2}(\sqrt{5}-1)$  or approximately .618. This number has the property that 1/1+.618=.618. Thus it is the perfect mean and has been called the aurea sectio, the "golden section."

It has been found that such diversified things as the relative size of bones in the human body, the geometrically diminishing size of the chambered nautilus and other shells and the position of leaves around a plant's stem all can be measured by numbers in the Fibonacci sequence or by the Golden section (.618) derived from it.

Wig describes many of these natural phenomena in his book aided by his careful drawings. He then goes on to tell of ways that this sequence may be applied in architectural design. He recalls that the Greeks used the golden section to determine the dimensions of most of the rectangles they used in their design. Most Greek rectangles are proportional to a rectangle that is 1 unit by .618 of a unit.

He tells more about the history of the Fibonacci sequence in design and then goes on to suggest other possible ways that it might be used in future design. Because this intriguing sequence is so prevalent in nature itself, Wig feels it should have a place in modern design ideas where the trend seems to be towards making the building blend into its natural surroundings.

Peter V. Culbert '66

# Alumni News

# W. BIRNY MASON, JR., NAMED CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF UNION CARBIDE

Since the last issues of the Cayugan was published, a prominent Cornell



Alpha Delt has made still another advance in the business world. Birny Mason, former Board Member of the chapter's Alumni Association and active participant in House Guidance has been named chief ex-

ecutive of Union Carbide Corporation, as of last May. After joining the company in 1932 following his graduation from Cornell, he held various positions in research in the Chemicals Company, a division of Union Carbide, and became manager of the corporation's industrial relations staff in 1952. In 1955, Mr. Mason advanced to secretary of the corporation, and the following year was named president of the Union Carbide Development Company. In 1957, he became a vice president of Union Carbide Corporation, and a member of that company's appropriations committee. In 1958, he was named executive vice president and a director; in 1960, president; in 1962, chairman of the appropriations committee; and chief executive officer last May.

Mr. Mason has been the recipient of many awards, one of the most recent being a distinguished membership in the American Society of Metals, for outstanding contributions to the progress of metals and materials industry. The award was presented October 22, 1963.

# ALUMNI ELECTIONS HELD

# Easter, Ballard Head Slate

At the spring 1964 meeting of the Alpha Delta Phi at Cornell Alumni Corporation, held on April 26, 1964, James M. Easter, II, '41, of Owings Mills, Maryland, was elected to the presidency of the corporation. As an enthusaistic member of the board and its former vice president, Mr. Easter has demonstrated a continuing interest in the welfare and progress of the active chapter. Elected at the same time was another Marylander, Mr. Wilson T. Ballard, Jr., '46 to the vice presidency. Mr. Ballard has been a frequent and regular visitor to Ithaca for some time now, especially since his election to the board of trustees last April. The other officers elected were: Mr. Billy Joe Bowling, '63, to treasurer, an office he has filled well since his first term began last year; and Mr. James Rice, '30 of Ithaca, to the office of secretary. Members of the board of trustees elected at this

#### Necrology

Malcolm W. Clephane, '93, died at his home in Englewood, New Jersey, on February 29, 1964. He was an attorney.

Lawrence H. Smith, '40, died on November 11, 1963 as the result of an automobile accident. A member of a prominent Milwaukee hotel family, he was for many years the Vice President of Smith Hotel Enterprises. He held several managerial posts in the organizations, and had been the general manager of the Hotel Pfister for the past twenty years. Surviving Mr. Smith is his brother, Raymond, Cornell '32.

Alfred Millard, Jr., class of 1915, passed away on November 7, 1963, at Santa Barbara, California, leaving a brother, Hugh, Cornell '15.

#### News

Prederick M. Gillies, '18, of 1308 Dartmouth Road, Floosmoor, Illinois, has been named the Major Gifts Chairman of the Chicago area Centennial fund drive. In a recent conference in Ithaca, Mr. Gillies and other fund drive leaders met with University President James A. Perkins to publicize and discuss the drive's progress.

Wesley Dixon, '18, now living at 38 S. Dearborn St. Chicago 3, Illinois, has found a way to utilize the time left available since his retirement as president and board chairman of the Container Corporation of America. Mr. Dixon now holds a position as a member of the board of trustees of Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

# Elections (Cont'd.)

time were Eugene W. Goodville, '27, of New York; Orin F. Pearson III, '64, of Birmingham, Michigan; Jack M. Cudlip, '46, of Grosse Pointe, Michigan; and George D. Beck, '34, of Philadelphia. Our good wishes to the new officers accompany our grateful thanks to the retiring ones.

Held in conjunction with the Corporation Meeting was the initiation of the pledges into the fraternity, which can only be described as a complete success. Largely due to the tremendous efforts of Brother John Dyson '65 and his hardworking assistants, thirty-four pledges and two upperclassmen were smoothly initiated. In addition to the pledge class, Robert A. Engle '62, a junior in the College of Agriculture, from Highland, New York, and Manfred Kolb, a graduate student in architecture from Reutte, Austria, were initiated.

Richard F. Pietsch, '26, has experienced the joy that can come only once in a lifetime: his first grand-child was born to his daughter and son-in-law last July.

Bruce Hewitt never seems to cease traveling. This time, it was with Cornell's Sherwoods to their spring concert at the Dorado Beach Hotel, in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Bruce, '61, enjoyed traveling with the several active Alpha Delts who are members of the group.

William L. Cressman, who was active in athletics in his undergraduate days at Cornell, and a member of the chapter's alumni Board of Trustees, has been named President of the Stainless and Strip Division, Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Cressman, '27, began his career in the industry with Armco Steel in 1928. He currently resides at 8162 East Jefferson, Detroit 14, Michigan.

Richard H. Sampson, '32, of 111 W. Washington Road, Chicago, is his class correspondent to the Cornell Alumni News, which comes under the direction of Hunt Bradley, '26, in his Day Hall Alumni Office.

Speaking of alums, Rudolph H. "Rudy" Deetjen, '19, is eagerly and busily waiting and preparing for his class's 45th reunion, to be held at Ithaca, June 17, 18, 19, and 20. Mr. Deetjen is a life member of the chapter's Board of Trustees.

Bill Luke, Jr. '38, formerly with International Paper, has formed his own paper company in Hartford, Connecticut. He finds the new firm and his new home at Ayer's Point, Old Saybrook, Connecticut, quite agreeable.

Seward Baldin, of Whitemarsh, Pa., has a daughter, Candace, enrolled in Cornell's College of Arts and Sciences. Mr. Baldwin in class of '16.

J. D. "Dick" Edson, '20, is actively occupied these days in working to enlarge the New York Cornell Alumni Association. His efforts as Regional Class Vice President are to increase participation in the area with the highest concentration of Cornell alumni. Mr. Edson has also served as regional Fund Drive Vice President.

Pedro A. J. Sanchez, '62, expects to leave the United States in the fall to complete work towards his Doctoral degree in the Phillipine Islands. A graduate of the Agricultural School, he received his Masters in February of this year, and has done considerable research into the production of sugar beets in upstate New York.

Otto C. Doering, '62, continues to absorb the atmosphere and the education in London, where he is studying International Law and Government at the London School of Economics.



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