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# THE ALPHABET

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## DEDICATION

To all our Chapter Presidents, past, present, and future,  
to whom the Fraternity owes much,  
this issue is appreciatively dedicated.

## EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S COLUMN

Another fraternity year (our eighth) is drawing to a close. In many ways it has been a highly successful year; the various individual Chapters have carried on diversified and active programs; Editor Bush has put out three fine issues of *The Alphabet*; Rho and Sigma Chapters were installed; and, as we go to press, plans are underway for the installation, in May, of Chapters at Northern Illinois University (DeKalb), and Shepherd College (Shepherdstown, West Virginia). But in other ways this has been a disappointing year; the two major projects which we launched so enthusiastically at the 1957 Convention have both been "flops": because of the inauguration of "National Library Week," our proposed "Be a Librarian Week," scheduled for mid-March, was so completely over-shadowed that it had to be cancelled; the Book Fairs that were to have been held by all the Chapters in March were not held—although a few Chapters expect to have fairs this summer.

But we cannot allow ourselves to be discouraged by our failures; an organization with eighteen Chapters and hundreds of alumni members is of great potential significance in the library world, and we must continue to seek for ways in which we can make our influence felt on the national level—perhaps, for one thing, we might try giving a National citation award each year to the individual who has done most to promote recruiting. But we must not abandon the Book Fairs—they are a most appropriate activity for our Fraternity; they will provide excellent publicity; and they can be excellent sources of revenue. And next March we will try to combine our "week" with National Library Week; I am in correspondence with the Chairman of NLW, and he seems very much interested.

The printing of the National Constitution, in booklet form, is in process at Terre Haute; we hope that copies will be ready for distribution soon.

The order for the new type membership certificate has been approved by the Executive Council, and has now been placed with Balfour. These certificates will be supplied to all active members and to all alumni.

Have you all seen the fine write-up that we received in the 1957 edition

of Baird's *Manual of American College Fraternities* (pp. 516-17)? We are listed in the *World Almanac* also.

The 1959 National Convention will be held on April 24-25, at Illinois State Normal University, Normal, Illinois, with Mu serving as Host Chapter.

As we go to press, May 18 has been set for the installation date for Tau Chapter, Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois.

## EDITORIAL

"The time has come," the Walrus said, "to talk of other things. . ." and with apologies to Lewis Carroll, I would like to use this to express my feelings about this last editorial. During the past three years as editor I have expostulated about various topics, urging us on to greater things, with varying degrees of success.

But I have never said, in print, at least, exactly how I feel about Alpha Beta Alpha. My membership in the Fraternity has been a very rewarding experience, for I have made new friends both in my local chapter and in other chapters across the country. Serving as editor of "The Alphabet" has brought me into contact with many reporters and sponsors whom I have met only through letters but whom I feel I know very well. And I have seen the Fraternity grow from eleven to nineteen Chapters, in just two years. I know that this growth will continue at an even greater rate, so that one day I will be able to look back on this time and wonder at the expectancy with which we thought of our first double-letter Chapter.

Yes, I am certainly proud of Alpha Beta Alpha, of its purposes and activities. And I am grateful for the opportunity which I have had to serve the Fraternity.

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## NEW MEMBERS

### Alpha Chapter

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Student Members: Loric Anderson, Columbia, Miss.; Paula Armstrong, Trinidad, Colo.; Sara Alice Cowart, Reform, Ala.; Rosemary Graham, Blue Spring, Miss.; Joyce Houston, Yazoo City, Miss.; Lynn Hughes, Warren, Ark.; Myra Irwin, Vicksburg, Miss.; Dorothy Jean Robinson, Hernando, Miss.; Lillian Seals, Batesville, Miss.; Sally Marilyn Simmons, McCall Creek, Miss.; Beverly Speck, Memphis, Tenn.; Sonia Thornhill, Crosby, Miss.; Betty Whisenant, Tupelo, Miss.; Donna Whitten, Greenville, Miss.

Professional Member: Mrs. Gredinger, Columbus, Miss.

Five-year Alumni Members: Sara Carter, Wilder Apartment 204, 963 Jackson Street, Corvallis, Oregon; and Julia Pugh, Box 1341, Emory University, Georgia.

### Gamma Chapter

Student Members: Kay Gibson, Brook, Ind.; Colleen Magnuson, Terre Haute, Ind.; Darlene Meki, Highland, Ind.; Alice Morton, West Union, Ill.; Sharon Roach, Bedford, Ind.; Anna Mary Smith, Brazil, Ind.; Frances Smith, Terre Haute, Ind.; and Kay Stephenson, Campbellsburg, Ind.

Professional Members: Mrs. Geraldine Gates, Terre Haute, Ind.; and Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, Terre Haute, Ind.

Five-year Alumni Members: Elizabeth Allen, 1301 N. Center St., Terre Haute, Ind.; Charles Hearn, Bookmobile Librarian, Terre Haute Public Library, Terre Haute, Ind.; Harriett Hicks, Librarian, Brazil Junior High School, Brazil, Ind.; and Nancy Riggle, Children's Librarian, Terre Haute Public Library, Terre Haute, Ind.

Gold Seal Alumni Member: Marie

Collings, Teacher-Librarian, Rockville Elementary School, Rockville, Ind.

#### Delta Chapter

Student Members: Mrs. Patsy Behany, Decatur, Ala.; and Talmadge Oswalt, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

#### Epsilon Chapter

Student Members: Ann Barnett, Murray, Ky.; Edna Darnall, Murray, Ky.; Jack Grishman, Murray, Ky.; Bobbye Heath, Symsonia, Ky.; Ben Helen Joyce, Golden Pond, Ky.; Evelyn Kesterton, Mayfield, Ky.; Jo Luther, Benton, Ky.; Jean Moubray, Murray, Ky.; Rose Ramsay, Hickman, Ky.; Wanda Reddish, Dawson Springs, Ky.; Joyce Roach, Symsonia, Ky.; Frances Smith, Franklin, Ky.; Mary Ellen Taylor, Wingo, Ky.; and Joyce Teague, Kuttawa, Ky.

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Student Members: Lou Ann Ahlden, Watseka, Ill.; Lenora Patricia Ellis, So. Roxana, Ill.; and Rosemarie Razim, Roselle, Ill.

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Student Members: Becky Jackson, Huntington, W. Va.; Mary McKinney, Grafton, W. Va.; Jack Moore, Huntington, W. Va.; Shirley Perine, Kenova, W. Va.; Jean Roush, West Columbia, W. Va.; Shirley Soto, Beckley, W. Va.; and Peggy Tolley, Mullens, W. Va.

#### Xi Chapter

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Five-year Alumni Member: Marjorie Huss, RR 2, Spirit Lake, Ia.

Gold Seal Alumni Member: Cecelia Strubbe, Peetz, Colorado.

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## NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS

### GAMMA CHAPTER Indiana State Teachers College Terre Haute, Indiana

Gamma Chapter had its birthday Anniversary dinner on February 22, 1958, celebrating its sixth year in Alpha Beta Alpha. Committee chairmen planning for this event were: Jane Stubbeman, general chairman; Sue Smith, program; Kay Gibson, decorations; Sarann Owen, menu; and Susan Bush and Darlene Meki, invitations. Following the banquet ten students, two alumni, and one professional member were initiated.

The speaker, Miss Georgia T. Rankin, Director of School Libraries and Teaching Materials for the State of Indiana, spoke on the "Opportunities of Librarianship through the State Department and the Armed Services."

On the March 5th meeting, Dr. Betty Foster of the ISTC Art Department showed her slides which she took on her trip around the world.

Mrs. Leah Thompson, Teaching Materials Librarian at the ISTC Library, spoke on Mexico at the meeting on April 9. She showed her slides and other articles which she had brought from there.

Gamma Chapter celebrated Foun-

Dist., Phoenixville, Pa.; Mrs. Richard S. Smith, Librarian, Annville High School, Annville, Pa.; Gloria Snyder 425 Grape St., Fullerton, Pa.; Florence C. Steigerwalt, 1320 Westlake Ave., Los Angeles 6, Calif.; Mrs. Windolyn L. Stevens, 29401 Mark Blvd., Madison Heights, Mich.; Carolyn Stewart, Schoeneck, Pa.; Josephine K. Stodart, Librarian, Jt. High School, Pine Grove, Pa.; Edwin C. Strohecker, Asst. Prof. Library Science Dept., Kent State Univ., Kent, Ohio; Anne Katherine Uses, Librarian, Bartram High School, Philadelphia, Pa.; William Watkins, Librarian, Wellsboro-Charleston High School, Wellsboro, Pa.; Daniel D. Whitaker, Librarian, East Rutherford High School, East Rutherford, N. J.; Robert White, Library Director, Bethpage High School, Bethpage, L. I., N.Y.; Mazie Ziegler, Librarian, Leighton High School, Leighton, Pa.; and Ann M. Zimmerman, Librarian, Westminster High School, Westminster, Md.

ders' Day with a tea and initiation and pledging ceremony. One person was initiated and two, David Spohr and Winona Kitaoka, were pledged. Mrs. Louise Campbell, who is on the staff at the Emeline Fairbanks Public Library, spoke on "The Long Look in Librarianship." And Mrs. Lucille Viehe Failing, the first sponsor of Bibliophile Club, gave a history of that club from the time of its founding to the time that it became Gamma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha. A special guest for the Founder's Day tea was Mrs. Jean Cazez Beavers, the first president of Bibliophile.

The annual May picnic closed the year's program for Gamma Chapter. The officers for the 1958-1959 school year were installed at that time.

Gamma Chapter enjoyed the privilege of installing Sigma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha at Western Michigan University on March 22. Those who helped with the installation were Susan Bush, Alice Morton, Kay Gibson, Sherri Roach, and Miss Nelle McCalla, sponsor of Gamma Chapter.

### DELTA CHAPTER University of Alabama University, Alabama

The Delta Chapter of ABA conducted the initiation ceremony at the February meeting. Miss Jamie Sue White presided. Six pledges were initiated as new members.

The president of Delta Chapter, Sandra Jeffcoat, graduated in January. She is now employed in the library at Howard College as Head of the Circulation Department. Machree Agee also graduated this past semester and is working at the Commerce Library at the University of Alabama.

The traditional picture of the Delta Chapter was made for the Corolla, the yearbook of the University of Alabama.

### ZETA CHAPTER Concord College Athens, West Virginia

At its regular meeting on December 10, 1957, Zeta Chapter pledged five girls and initiated them on March 11, 1958.

In November a luncheon was given to honor the alumnae. The alumnae attending were Kathryn Ann Bryson,

Mildred Moore, Joan Hurley, and Elizabeth Bailey. Kathryn Bryson, former National President, gave an interesting talk on the convention.

Martha Surface was elected to **Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, 1957-1958**. She was also honor attendant to the Homecoming Queen and was president of her social sorority.

The pecan sale held by Zeta Chapter before Christmas was successful. The proceeds will be used to pay for the group picture of Alpha Beta Alpha in the annual.

Mrs. Margaret Bengert, an instructor at Concord, recently gave an interesting review of her last summer's trip to England. A discussion period followed.

At the meeting on March 11, 1958, an informative program was given by Billie Thompson, a blind student at Concord College. She spoke on Braille books and the use of tape recordings of books for use by the blind.

Two seniors of Zeta Chapter who graduated in January have been employed in library positions. Shirley Evans is librarian at Marsh Fork High School, Montcoal, West Virginia. Naoma Workman is the librarian for the Oceana High School, Oceana, West Virginia.

#### XI CHAPTER

Iowa State Teachers College  
Cedar Falls, Iowa

The activities of Xi Chapter have been many and varied this year. The highlight of the year's program came on April 11, when the chapter sponsored Library Students Day. Library assistants from all parts of Iowa toured the college library and campus. Miss Buckingham, president of the Iowa Association of High School Librarians, explained a new state organization for school library assistants, and helped organize the year's program.

Five pledges were initiated into Xi Chapter on February 25. After initiation the members were host to Miss Ernestine Grafton, head of the Iowa State Traveling Library Service.

Other meetings during the year have included a Christmas dessert luncheon at the home of Xi's sponsor, Miss Gertrude Voelker. Mr. Everett Howell, sponsor, and other ABA members gave a program on "Mending Books," and Miss Joan England, Campus School librarian,

presented a program on the vertical file in the school library.

#### RHO CHAPTER

Kutztown State Teachers College  
Kutztown, Pennsylvania

Rho Chapter has started to expand its membership by pledging sixteen freshman and sophomore Library Science students on March 27, 1958. These students will be initiated at a Book Week dinner next November. The new pledges are Ida Buch, Phyllis Buss, Gail Erwin, Judith Foster, Geraldine Fritz, George Gough, Sue Ann Knoebel, Sharon Mang, Helen Mudry, Lois Reichard, Nancy Riegel, Mary Jo Romani, Leocadia Sponis, Dzintra Vaivars, Norma Webster, and Carol Ann Werner.

During a recent meeting a panel discussion was presented by Ronald Schafer, president of Rho Chapter; Jane Osterstock, secretary of the Chapter; Mrs. Betty Holland, treasurer; Frances Plotts; James Holland; Arthur Castellucci, and Virginia Feragame. The discussion of this group of senior Library Science students was centered around their student teaching experiences.

Kutztown Library Science Faculty and students traveled to the State Teachers College in Clarion, Pennsylvania, to attend the Pennsylvania School Librarians Annual Conference on April 18-19. As their final social event of the year the members of the chapter planned a picnic.

Two members of Rho Chapter have been elected to **Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities**. The two honored seniors are Jessie Matthews and Arthur Castellucci.

#### SIGMA CHAPTER

Western Michigan University  
Kalamazoo, Michigan

March 22 was a red-letter day for the Colophon Club of Western Michigan University, for it was the day that the club became the Sigma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha. Susan Bush, Kay Gibson, Sherri Roach, Alice Morton, and Miss Nelle McCalla had come from Gamma Chapter to install the new Sigma Chapter.

The installation began with a smorgasbord dinner, at which were present the members of the new chapter, the installing officers, representatives from the faculty and other guests.

After an introduction from President Kay Cosgrove, Dr. Russell Seibert, Vice-President of Western Michigan University, welcomed the new chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha to the campus. And Mrs. Beverly Tobey Richardson, a 1950 graduate and member of Colophon Club, recounted the history of that club until the time turned over a new leaf to become Sigma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha.

In an impressive installation and initiation ceremony twenty-nine students and three faculty members became charter members of Sigma Chapter.

#### ETA CHAPTER

Texas Woman's University  
Denton, Texas

Nine new members were initiated by Eta Chapter at the annual banquet March 20. Miss Siddle Joe Johnson, Coordinator of Children's Services, Dallas Public Library, Dallas, Texas, gave an inspirational talk on "Books I Remember." After the banquet, Miss Johnson accepted an invitation to become a member of Eta Chapter.

Mrs. Frances deCordova, sponsor of Eta Chapter, represented the faculty of the Texas Woman's University School of Library Science, and Elizabeth Benbrook, Eta Chapter president, represented the students at the Library Resources Fair held in San Antonio, Texas, March 18 and 19. Janice Gohmert made the display for the booth, showing scenes taken in the School of Library Science. The director and students of the School of Librarianship at Our Lady of the Lake College, San Antonio, were hostesses to the two representatives while in San Antonio.

During National Library Week, Eta Chapter put posters in each of the dormitories and planned special exhibits in the Library Science Building. An Open House for parents was held at the building March 22 and 23.

All seniors and graduate students in Eta Chapter attended the Texas Library Association Convention, held in Fort Worth March 26 to 29. Five members of Pi Chapter, Our Lady of the Lake College, were guests of Eta on Friday night and Saturday March 28 and 29, while they attended TLA.

Two fund-raising projects for the second semester were a doughnut sale in the dormitories February 22 and the Festival of Nations American booth April 18. Money from these will go into a scholarship fund.

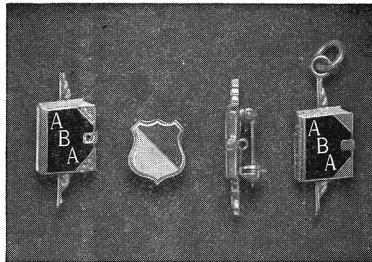
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