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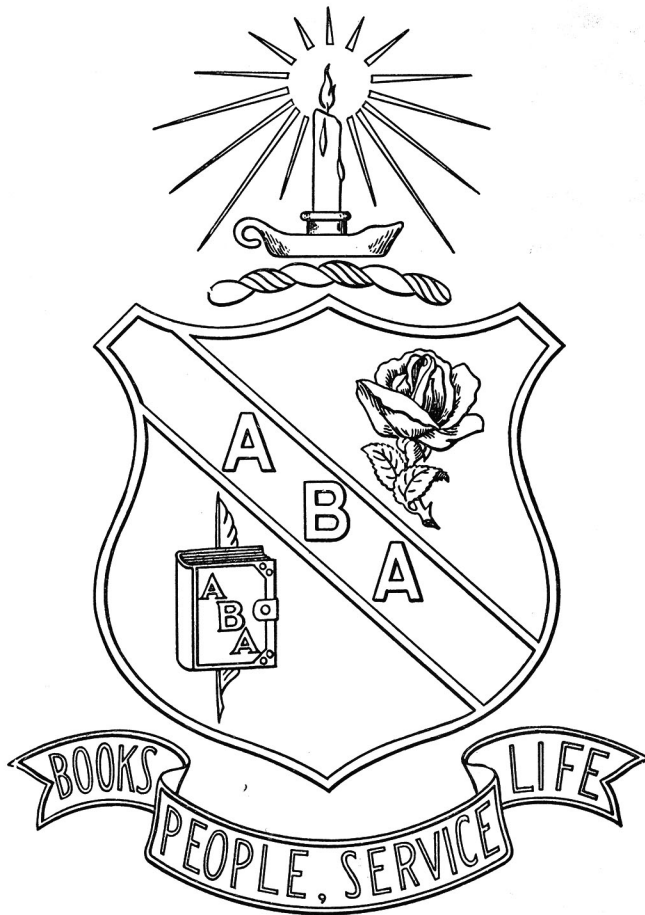
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The Alphabet

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DEDICATION

This issue is gratefully dedicated to Stephen Johnson and to all past Editors of **The Alphabet**.

Our National Officers



President
MIKEL McGEATH
(Sigma Chapter)

I have lived most of my life in the small town in which I was born, Allegan, Michigan. My younger brother and I enjoyed the small town life and found many interesting things to occupy our time — in the summer there is swimming in Lake Michigan, and in the winter there is sliding and skiing on the nearby hills.

All through junior and senior high school I planned on teaching as a career. In my senior year, I began working in the school library. There, with the encouragement of the librarian, I began to think seriously of librarianship as a career. Through investigation I found that library work interested me more than teaching. I have always enjoyed reading and books of all sorts; and I soon discovered that I liked other aspects of the work as well — meeting and helping people, learning how to care for books, processing new books, shelving the books so I could become better acquainted with the books I wished to read.

After entering Western Michigan University, I learned of Alpha Beta Alpha. Because I was interested in library work, I decided to join to learn more about my chosen profession and to have fun at the same time.

My plans for the future are a little undecided at the moment. But I would like to take a job as a high school librarian for a year or two in order to decide whether this is the right field for me or whether I should switch to elementary librarianship. After the first year, I would like to continue my education

and get my Master's Degree in Librarianship.

My present address is 242 Siedschlag Hall, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Vice-President
MARIANA STEELE
(Xi Chapter)

I was born in Algona, Iowa, in 1941. My father is Executive Secretary of the Algona Chamber of Commerce, and my mother is a homemaker and a substitute grade school teacher. I have one sister who is a junior in high school.

From kindergarten through twelfth grade I attended the Algona Community Schools. In junior high school I greatly admired my English teacher who was also the high school librarian, and I owe my first thoughts of becoming a librarian to her.

In the fall of 1959 I enrolled at State College of Iowa, in Cedar Falls. Like most freshmen I was very undecided about my major field. Finally I decided upon a double major, library science and foreign languages, French and Spanish.

During my sophomore year I joined ABA. Last year I was Xi Chapter's delegate to the regional convention at Terre Haute, Indiana. At present I am Treasurer of Xi Chapter as well as National Vice-President.

In addition to ABA, I am a member of Student-Iowa State Education Association and Purple Arrow, a woman's honorary organization, and a member and an officer of

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EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S COLUMN

Dear Fellow Members of Alpha Beta Alpha! Greetings as the new year begins. This is an important year for Alpha Beta Alpha — it is a National Convention Year! I know you are all making plans to send delegates to Cedar Falls, Iowa, where Xi Chapter is to be our host on April 26-27. Others of you are planning to accompany the delegates from your chapter to the National Convention. Let's make this a banner year Fraternally and Conventionwise!

With this issue of the ALPHABET we have a new editor and a new sponsor for the editor. Ann Matthews (Alpha) has made for us a lovely issue for the Fall of 1962. I hope many of you will write her a note of appreciation for her excellent effort. And I know how much Ann has relied upon the excellent judgment and genuine interest and enthusiasm of her sponsor, Dr. Watson (Alpha) as she brought the news together for this first issue of Volume 13.

Personally, and for the Fraternity too, I wish to thank Stephen Johnson (ex of Mu) who devoted so much time and energy last year to getting the ALPHABET back on schedule. Steve is teaching this year at the Bloomington Junior High School in Bloomington, Illinois, and I know it would please him to receive notes of appreciation from you.

A new chapter has been installed on the campus of Morehead State College, Morehead, Kentucky. Omega Chapter represented the Fraternity at the installation of our newest group. We surely do welcome our Alpha Gamma members and hope to see a number of them in Cedar Falls so that we can give them personal greetings and a warm welcome.

Three other library clubs are seeking admission to the Fraternity. We hope they can be accepted in time to be represented at the National Convention on April 26-27. In addition there seem to be stirrings at Theta which bode well that they, too, will be active again after a few years of curtailed activity. My last note from Theta Sponsor Harold Batchelor was a truly optimistic one and we are all hoping that Theta will be represented at Cedar Falls in April!

Some of you will remember that Mrs. Kathleen Stebbins was one of the speakers at our Fourth National Convention held at Mu chapter in 1959. This fall a notice of her death appeared in the LIBRARY JOURNAL. On behalf of the Fraternity I sent, through her employer Dr. Ralph Ulveling a note of

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News from the Chapters

ALPHA CHAPTER

Northwestern State College
of Louisiana

Natchitoches, Louisiana

Alpha Chapter began the year with a get-acquainted party for all members and interested students. Dr. Eugene Watson, first Executive Secretary of ABA, spoke on the merits of the Fraternity. A second party was held in October to familiarize the students with ABA, and to invite other students interested in the Fraternity to get acquainted. The program included a talk on ballet by the president of the Contemporary Dance Club at the College. Featured was a panel discussion on the types of librarianship, participants being members of the Library Administration class. On November 15, twenty-three students made an all-day field trip to three military libraries at Fort Polk and to the libraries of the Insane Asylum and of the Veterans' Hospital at Alexandria, Louisiana. Alpha Chapter was host at a special Coffee Hour for Library Science alumni as a part of the annual Homecoming Day activities of the College on November 10. An initiation was conducted on November 29, with Clyde Miller, an English instructor and novelist, speaking to the group. On December 4, a Christmas Pledge Party was held.

Fund-raising projects for the Chapter included selling Christmas cards, felt turtles made by the members, and "Acadian Cookbooks."

Recipients of Alpha's awards last year were: Clarene Prewitt, Academic Award; Linda Corley, ABA Award; John Wood, Bill Hilger, Lester Crooks, Sponsor's Award; Ann Matthews, "Member of the Year," and Benny Brady, "Pledge of the Year."

News from our graduates — Gloria Wright (1962) is librarian at the D. S. Perkins Elementary School in Sulphur, La.; Clarene Prewitt (1962) is librarian at Rostee Junior High School, in Lake Charles, La. Dixie Barker (1961), after working for a year in the Ouachita Parish Library, now has a traineeship in the Louisiana State University Library, where she works while attending the L.S.U. Library School.

BETA CHAPTER

Mississippi State College
for Women

Columbus, Mississippi

Beta Chapter started the year with initiation and pledging ceremonies on October 11 — fourteen were pledged.

A major activity, the annual Christmas Book Fair, was held on December 5-8. The books, which were selected by both the faculty and students, were displayed in the Library Science Department.

Six members of the Chapter attended the Mississippi Library Association Convention in Greenville, Mississippi; these senior girls were Carolyn Shuff, Sarah Joyce Filgo, Kathryn Kerr, Ann Street, Anne Spenser, and Barbara Lee. Sarah Joyce Filgo recounted the highlights of this Convention at a Chapter meeting.

GAMMA CHAPTER

Indiana State College

Terre Haute, Indiana

The opening event in Gamma Chapter's season of activities was a Homecoming Breakfast on October 6. Many alumni members attended. Later in the day, Gamma's officers rode in the Homecoming parade.

Sunday, October 21, a pledge tea and initiation ceremony was held; ten were pledged. Each new active member was presented with a white rose.

A special activity of the Chapter was a trip to the "Books on Exhibit" collection at the Benjamin Franklin Grade School, in Terre Haute.

DELTA CHAPTER

University of Alabama

Tuscaloosa, Alabama

The fall program of Delta Chapter got underway in September with a get-acquainted party for all library science students. The theme for the year, "Reaching Out Through Librarianship," is being presented in a series of programs in which Chapter members, foreign students, and members of the faculty are participating.

At the October meeting ten students were pledged. Dale Clifton and Glennice Hiley presented an interesting program entitled "Librarians Launched" and gave enlightening talks on their summer occupations. On November 1, Dr. O. B. Emerson, of the English Department, spoke to the Chapter on the life and works of William Faulkner. The topic for Delta's December meeting was "Christmas in My Country." Eposynne Gavaki of Greece and Knute Ek of Norway spoke on the yuletide customs practiced in their native lands.

Delta Chapter's special project for the year is the buying of books for mentally retarded children at Partlow State School. The members are selling candy to raise money to finance the project.

Plans for the spring include an initiation, a "recruitment day," and a visit to a special library.

EPSILON CHAPTER

Murray State College

Murray, Kentucky

Epsilon Chapter has planned several money-making projects to build up the treasury so that the members can attend the National Convention. Two of these projects have been a bake sale and a rummage sale.

The Chapter had a progressive dinner Christmas Party. They went successively to the home of several members living in Murray, Kentucky.

ZETA CHAPTER

Concord College

Athens, West Virginia

Zeta Chapter started its 1962-63 school year with a membership of ten active students and three professionals. The November meeting was a coke party which was attended by eleven prospective members. New members were pledged in December.

The Chapter has as a money-making project the sale of Christmas cards. These will later be replaced by other greeting cards and stationery.

At the present time Concord College is busy with an over-all curriculum revision; this means changes in the Library Science curriculum. Zeta is interested in these changes; and during a meeting in the near future, the members will discuss the library curriculum with professional staff members.

ETA CHAPTER

Texas Woman's University

Denton, Texas

Eta Chapter started the school year by holding its annual picnic on September 25. All the Library Science students were invited, including the graduate students.

On October 13, members sold donuts; this was a successful ven-

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ture, and there was a fine turnout of members.

A pledging ceremony was conducted on October 16. On that night thirty undergraduate students received their pledge pins. There were also a number of graduate students initiated before the undergraduates.

The pledges entertained at the chapter Christmas party, and the faculty provided the refreshments.

IOTA CHAPTER

San Jose State College
San Jose, California

Iota Chapter pledged twenty students on October 25.

Three field trips have been held by the Chapter. On October 12, the members went to a bookstore. When the members visited the San Jose Public Library on October 12, Miss Virginia Taylor, Children's Librarian, showed them a newly-received collection of children's books. There are about 6,000 items in the collection — one book dates back to 1763. Around Christmastime the group visited California's first library, which is at Mission Carmel; they then had dinner at a French Restaurant.

LAMBDA CHAPTER

Louisiana State University
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Activities of Lambda Chapter were opened with a business meeting on October 10. Plans for the annual fall coffee honoring undergraduate students interested in librarianship as a career were completed. Special guests of the Chapter for the coffee party were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Shaw. Mr. Shaw is a visiting professor of Library Science at LSU, who has recently retired from the staff of the Library of Congress.

The Baton Rouge Library Club invited Lambda Chapter to meet with the Club at the Louisiana State Library, on October 11. Mrs. Eugenia Tucker presented a program of "Cajun" stories. A tour of the building was arranged for those who had not previously visited the library. A reception was held in the lounge following the program.

On October 29, the Chapter honored Miss Alice Lohrer, Associate Professor of Library Science of the University of Illinois, at a luncheon. The luncheon was held at the Faculty Club. Miss Lohrer

spoke to the group on a survey which she is making on the role of the school library as an instructional materials center.

Pledging and initiation ceremonies were held by the chapter on November 6; eight were pledged. The group gathered in the Library for the informal social hour.

The Christmas Party was held the second week in December. This was a general student and faculty party. The administrative librarians of the LSU library were special guests of the chapter.

Lambda has welcomed Gloria Coffey, a transfer from Alpha Chapter.

MU CHAPTER

Illinois State Normal University
Normal, Illinois

Mu Chapter held its first meeting on September 17, at the home of one of its sponsors, Mrs. Dorothy Fagerburg; the meeting was well attended. Mrs. Elsie (Wilken) Evelsizer, Mrs. Delores Brooks, and Mr. Richard Brandolino, graduates of Illinois State Normal University with Library Science minors, returned for this meeting to give their views and experiences after their first year of working in school libraries.

On October 1, Mu held its second meeting of the year, in the faculty lounge of the administration building. Initiation and pledging were the highlights of this meeting; ten new pledges were accepted by the Chapter. Following the ceremonies, Barbara Galloway gave a book report on **The Status Seekers**.

Homecoming activities of Illinois State Normal University were held on the week-end of October 20. On that Saturday morning Mu Chapter held a coffee hour following the homecoming parade; alumni, members, and guests numbered more than thirty.

"Russia Comes to Life in Pictures" was the main feature of the November 5 meeting; Roland McCannon of the Illinois Reading Service presented the program. Other meetings planned for the future include programs dealing with "A College Bookstore," "Book Censorship," and "Church Libraries."

NU CHAPTER

Marshall University
Huntington, West Virginia

Members of Nu Chapter acted as guides for the West Virginia Student Library Assistants Conference, which was held on the Marshall

University campus last spring; they assisted at the registration, and later led the junior and senior high school library assistants on tours of Marshall's campus.

On Founder's Day the Chapter met at a park for a picnic and a recreation hour. Then they visited the Barboursville Branch of the Huntington Public Library, where Mrs. William Alexander, librarian at the branch and a member of ABA, described some of the activities of the branch.

The standing project of Nu Chapter is the Library in the new Campus Christian Center. During the summer the Chapter succeeded in preparing 300 books for circulation. This is the Chapter's biggest and most rewarding project.

Nu's Sponsor this year is Miss Josephine Fidler, a member of the Marshall University faculty and a librarian at the Marshall Laboratory School. Miss Julie Schwartz, former Sponsor, is now at the University of South Florida, Tampa.

The fall activities opened with a tea to acquaint interested students with ABA. Serving at the tea was Mrs. Margaret Bobbitt, Reference Librarian at the Marshall University Library. Pledging and initiation was conducted at a breakfast meeting. There were twenty-five persons present, including ten new pledges. The plans for the year include a visit to a bookmobile, talks by area librarians, and a square dance which is in keeping with the West Virginia centennial celebration.

XI CHAPTER

State College of Iowa
Cedar Falls, Iowa

Xi Chapter ended the 1961-62 school year with an annual picnic with the library science faculty and the library staff all participating.

During the last week in November, the Chapter made a trip to Chicago; they visited McClurg's and a publisher.

PI CHAPTER

Our Lady of the Lake College
San Antonio, Texas

On October 9, Pi Chapter held its annual Pledge Party at which fifteen pledges were received. Miss Helen Fry, Fourth Army Librarian at Fort Sam Houston, spoke on the qualities of a good librarian.

In October, the Southwestern Library Association's biennial convention was held in San Antonio.

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New Members

ALPHA CHAPTER

Five-Year Alumni: Gladys L. Britt, Castor, La.; Kathleen Little, Leesville, La.; Kay R. McFarland Shippensburg, Pa.; Mrs. Margaret R. Owen, Dry Prong, La.; Mrs. Judith F. Scott, Ruston, La.; and Jacquelyn N. Smith, Clinton, La.

BETA CHAPTER

Active Students: Minnie Ola Ammons, Columbus, Miss.; Shelah A. Bell, Selma, Ala.; Johann Cameron, Kosciusko, Miss.; Karole Farris, Morton, Miss.; Elizabeth Gulle, Columbus, Miss.; Mary Eva Hutcherson, Nashville, Tenn.; Olivia Kemp, Columbus, Miss.; Betty Lowry, Columbus, Miss.; Mary McCoy, Jackson, Miss.; Elizabeth Pollard, Greenwood, Miss.; Linda Jean Renfro, Moss Point, Miss.; Anne Street, Coahoma, Miss.; Mary Jane Turner, Booneville, Miss.; Martha Van Zant, Jackson, Miss.; Frances Weathers, West Point, Miss.; and Ruth Wood, Tupelo, Miss.

GAMMA CHAPTER

Active Student: Bonnie Johnson, Grovertown, Ind.; Barbara Keller, Elmhurst, Ill.; Donna Kendall, Kokomo, Ind.; John Sullivan, Terre Haute, Ind.

Five-Year Alumni: Mrs. Elizabeth Damon, Terre Haute, Ind.; Dorothy B. Johnson, Woodridge T.H., Ind.; Mrs. Edythe Lindsey, Farmersburg, Ind.; Mrs. Veta Lindsey, Farmersburg, Ind.

DELTA CHAPTER

Active Student: Benjamin B. Crosby, Montgomery, Ala.; Mrs. Alice M. Doughtie, Ozark, Ala.; Mrs. Dorothy Eckman, Elberta, Ala.; Mrs. Virginia Evans, Midland City, Ala.; Donald Dale Fooks, Midway, Ala.; Mrs. Helen Gibson, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Mrs. Carolyn B. Goff, Rockford, Ala.; Mamie Lora Karrh, Oakman, Ala.; Mrs. Cecile W. Leonard, Columbiana, Ala.; Mrs. Thella Mae Maddox, Decatur, Ala.; Sherry Norris, Winfield, Ala.; Priscilla O'Gwynn, Enterprise, Ala.; Mrs. Marguerite L. Rigby, Cullman, Ala.; Nan Segars, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Cumi Powell Wilson, Andalusia, Ala.

Professional: Mrs. Elizabeth P. Beamguard, Montgomery, Ala.; and Mrs. Mozelle Cummings, Montgomery, Ala.

Five-Year Alumni: Mrs. Dorothy Jean Anthony, Demopolis, Ala.;

Joyce Nan Barganier, Fort Deposit, Ala.; Mrs. Nancy Callis Burnett, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Elizabeth Carpenter, Birmingham, Ala.; Elizabeth Clark, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. James Anna Cooper, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Miriam Bowers Gerald, Clanton, Ala.; Mrs. Bebe Newman, Millport, Ala.; Felicia Revel, Elba, Alabama; Mrs. Evelyn Southwood, Columbus, Ga.

EPSILON CHAPTER

Active Student: Alice Jackson, Columbus, Ky.; Nellie Beth Johnson, Lone Oak, Ky.; Norma Elkins, Almo, Ky.; and Betty Riley, Bardwell, Ky.

ETA CHAPTER

Five-Year Alumni: Marie Hargrove Baker, Dallas, Tex.; Ruth Parker Carroll, Dallas, Tex.; Doris Mitchell Hearne, Denton, Tex.; Bess Mayes Kenne, Denton, Tex.; Judith Kuykendall, Denton, Tex.; Leona Rawlings Lacy, Dallas, Tex.; Sarah Jones Leary, Dallas, Tex.; Margaret Kingery Lentz, Dallas, Tex.; Betty Jo Rogers Mix, Dallas, Tex.; Lucile Owsley, Denton, Tex.; Josephine Metcalfe Smith, Denton, Tex.; Kay Graddy Sweet, Dallas, Tex.; Marjorie Woodberry Wheeler, Dallas, Tex.; and Francis Johnson Whitely, Denton, Tex.

LAMBDA CHAPTER

Active Student: Joseph D. Baker, Baton Rouge, La.; Serita Donahue, Port Barre, La.; Cynthia Downes, Houston, Tex.; Guyette Hodde, Erwinville, La.; Lois G. Hoffman, Iberville, La.; Carolyn Leggett, Gonzales, La.; Carolyn Ourso, Baton Rouge, La.; and Linda Stevens, Slidell, La.

MU CHAPTER

Active Student: Clara Doorn, Fossiland, Ill.; Susan Joliff, Bloomington, Ill.; Carolyn Kellogg, Normal, Ill.; Barbara L. LaBedz, Naperville, Ill.; Karen Marie Little, LaHarpe, Ill.; Sondra Ellen Preston, Gibson City, Ill.; Joy Donn Rolofson, Argenta, Ill.; and Arlita Kay Warrick, Mackinaw, Ill.

Professional: Laura Addison, Normal, Ill.; Doris Brainard, Normal, Ill.; Glenn Gritzmacher, Normal, Ill.; Jean Nelson, Normal, Ill.; Ronald Reed, Normal, Ill.; and Mary Richmond, Normal, Ill.

Life Alumni: Arlene Formberg, Chicago, Ill.; and Sharon Thomas, Bradford, Ill.

OMICRON CHAPTER

Active Student: Myrtle Brown, Quincy, Fla.; Rubia Mai Byrd, Monticello, Fla.; Barbara Ann Gainer, Hallandale, Fla.; Minerva Gibson, Deland, Fla.; Marion V. Jones, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.; Tennessee Lucky, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Alma L. McFadden, Tallahassee, Fla.; and Lois Jean Singleton, Atmore, Ala.

Professional: Azaline R. Butler, Tallahassee, Fla.; Lillian Cook, Tallahassee, Fla.; and Margaret B. Jones, Tallahassee, Fla.

PI CHAPTER

Active Student: Melita Camacho, Laredo, Tex.; Mrs. Louise Carver, San Antonio, Tex.; Janet Dellaria, Tulsa, Okla.; Mary Ann Faubian, Fredericksburg, Tex.; Jose Garcia, San Antonio, Tex.; Anna Marie Guidroz, New Orleans, La.; Marilyn Johnson, Joplin, Mo.; Rosemary Kemp, Lookout Mt., Tenn.; Karen Dale Loos, Rantoul, Ill.; Ann McCauley, Victoria, Tex.; Carol Meiser, San Antonio, Tex.; Eleanor Ruhnke, San Antonio, Tex.; and Antonette Shepherd, Galveston, Tex.

Five-Year Alumni: Ann Bethancourt, Dallas, Tex.; Anna Jane Colunga, San Antonio, Tex.; Mrs. Dorra E. Guerra, San Antonio, Tex.; and Angela Kammlah, San Antonio, Tex.

Contributing: Mrs. Teruyo Matsuo, San Antonio, Tex.; and Louise Nabors, San Antonio, Tex.

RHO CHAPTER

Active Student: Nancy Clegg, Ambler, Pa.; Janet Conroy, Reading, Pa.; Larry Deiter, Hegins, Pa.; Gayle Donahower, Reading, Pa.; Janet Fielding, Shavertown, Pa.; Rosemary Fox, Berwick, Pa.; John Geschwindt, Port Clinton, Pa.; Judy Gibson, Hazleton, Pa.; Karen Greenawalt, Kutztown, Pa.; Christine Gulko, St. Clair, Pa.; Patricia Hall, New Castle, Pa.; Carol A. Hawthorne, Pottstown, Pa.; Susan Heinbach, Philadelphia, Pa.; Ann L. Henry, Windsor, Pa.; Karen Kaiser, Kutztown, Pa.; Patricia Klein, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mary Lavan, Lumberville, Pa.; Mary Leister, Lehighton, Pa.; Romaine Loss, Penns Creek, Pa.; Lois Frantz McClinck, Doylestown, Pa.; Linda Nittle, E. Stroudsburg, Pa.; Judith Tharp, Hunterton, N. J.; Linda Woods, Fleetwood, Pa.; Lois Zellner, Topton, Pa.

Professional: Mrs. Sara R. Mack, Kutztown, Pa.

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The Pre-conference meeting on Library Education was held in the Library Science department of Our Lady of the Lake. A tea was given by the Chapter to honor the visiting members of SWLA. At the reception, Pi presented Mrs. Florri-nell Morton with a corsage of white roses with purple and gold as the most illustrious Alpha Beta Alpha member. Representatives from four ABA chapters were recognized — Eta, Chi, Lambda, and Alpha. During the Convention, Pi scheduled a luncheon for members and alumni of the Library Science Department at Our Lady of the Lake. Seventy-five people were present; among the guests were Virginia Mathews, of the National Library Week headquarters; Ruth Tarbox, of Field Enterprises; Edmon Lov, of Oklahoma State University; and Ray Janeway of Texas Technological College. President John L. MacMahon of Our Lady of the Lake College and Mrs. MacMahon were also present.

On November 3, Pi Chapter hosted the District 8, Teen-Age Library Association. On November 14, Pi Chapter sponsored an all-day coffee in connection with Book Week with exhibitions set up on the campus by members of the Chapter. On December 3, "College Day" at Our Lady of the Lake, the Chapter sponsored Dr. John Iago, a faculty member of the English Department at San Antonio College, who spoke to the school about "Books for College Students."

During the year, the Chapter plans to have speakers from different types of libraries to talk at meetings. In November, Mrs. Geraldine Le Fevri, of the San Antonio Public Library, was guest speaker.

In order to strengthen its convention fund the Chapter sponsored a movie on November 28, "Hand in Hand."

RHO CHAPTER

State College

Kutztown, Pennsylvania

Rho Chapter is just recovering from the seventeenth Annual Conference of Pennsylvania School Li-

brarians, and is now starting to plan ahead for the next conference, in 1965!

On November 8 the chapter made a trip to Washington, D. C., where members visited the Government Printing Office, the Folger Shakespeare Library, the Library of Congress, and the U. S. Office of Education.

Rho's annual Book Week Tea was held November 13; and the following night there was a Book Week Dinner, the program consisting of an illustrated lecture on the Scandinavian countries.

SIGMA CHAPTER

Western Michigan University

Kalamazoo, Michigan

Sigma Chapter has planned a very busy year. A "Let's get Acquainted" meeting was held in September. Some thirty prospective members were pledged at the October meeting; and Dr. Mary Duncan Carter Isbell, a professor of Library Science at the University of Michigan, spoke on "The Librarian — As We See Ourselves and As Others See Us." November was a busy time, with Book Week and Sigma's book fair, as well as a candy sale to help raise money. The December meeting was a Christmas Party.

Future plans include a visit to a book-exhibit, a picnic, and a banquet.

CHI CHAPTER

North Texas State College

Denton, Texas

Chi Chapter, in conjunction with Alpha Lambda Sigma Fraternity, held a Homecoming coffee on October 24; all alumni were honored.

A Constitution committee was appointed to draw up a proposed amendment to the Constitution to provide for an appointive office of "Pledge Captain" — this officer would set up pledge meetings, pledge duties, and study hours. The Chapter now has thirty-two pledges. A committee has been appointed to write a "pledge manual" for the Chapter to submit to National.

OMEGA CHAPTER

University of Tennessee

Knoxville, Tennessee

Omega's October meeting was a dinner meeting. Freshmen inter-

ested in Library science were invited to the dinner so that the members could get acquainted with them. The program included the pledging of upperclassmen and initiation of those pledged last spring.

In November, twenty active student members and some of the faculty went on an all-day trip to Kingsport Press in Kingsport, Tennessee; this is the largest company of its kind in the world — their process begins with the manuscript and ends with the finished book.

On November 10, three Omega officers and the two sponsors installed Alpha Gamma Chapter at Morehead State College, Morehead, Kentucky.

Most of the Chapter's meetings for the year will be dinner meetings. Speakers have been scheduled for a Christmas meditation, a talk on programmed instruction, a book review, and a talk on the library's public; and the final meeting will be the annual cookout.

ALPHA BETA CHAPTERFrancis T. Nicholls
State College

Thibodaux, Louisiana

Talks on the new Nicholls Library and on public libraries, a panel discussion on the LSU Library School, and a filmstrip on good literature, have all been programs for meetings of Alpha Beta Chapter.

Recently the Chapter purchased a vacuum cleaner which is to be presented to the Library; the money for this gift was raised by having a cake and candy sale which netted \$38.00. Another gift to the Library will be the sum of \$20.60 and about fourteen books. This is the combination of gifts by members in connection with a campus-wide book drive.

On November 2, pledging and initiation ceremonies were held in Beauregard Hall. A donation of a table cloth to be used at the Chapter's banquets was received from Mrs. M. L. Shaffer of Ardayne Plantation at that time.

**6th National
Convention
April 26 - 27
Cedar Falls, Iowa**

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1961-62 (Summary)

Cash Balance at Beginning of Fiscal Year ... \$1,228.96	Total Cash and Income \$2,471.46
INCOME	EXPENDITURES
Initiation Fees \$286.00	Printing 3 Charters and engrossing ... \$ 25.00
Membership Dues:	Stationery and Supplies 20.91
Active Student \$575.00	Wages 12.75
Active Professional 127.00	Certificates 204.98
Alumni and Contributing .. 142.00	Postal, Freight, Phone 133.59
Back Dues 67.00	"The Alphabet" 546.55
Total Dues 911.00	Jewelry 4.86
Over-Payment 3.00	Total Expenditures \$ 948.64
Fines 42.50	Cash Balance at Close of Fiscal Year \$1,522.82
Total Income 1,242.50	

NATIONAL OFFICERS (cont.)

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Kappa Delta Pi. Also I am a student supervisor at the circulation desk of the college library. In Campbell Hall I serve on the library committee.

I am eagerly looking forward to next semester when I will do my student teaching. Next year I hope to be a high school librarian with one class of French. My tentative plans for the future include graduate library school.

During my four years of college, Miss Eileen Noonan, sponsor of Xi Chapter and the other library science instructors have been wonderfully inspiring. I thank them.

My present address is 325 N. Campbell, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

Treasurer

WANDA FANTER
(Mu Chapter)

In the year 1941, I was born on a farm near Havana, Illinois. I had two older brothers and an older sister to welcome me. A few years later I was able to help welcome my little sister.

Although library facilities were far from adequate in the one-room country school I attended, I developed a love of books and reading. During my four years at Balyki High School in Bath, Illinois, I worked in the library and managed to be a member of the Library Club and many other meaningful organizations. In my senior year I was editor of the school newspaper, editor of the yearbook, president of the Future Homemakers of America, and secretary of the student council.

My desire to be a teacher stems back to my early days as a student; however, my interest in librarianship was not truly set afloat until my sophomore year at Illinois State Normal University. Through working in Milner Library and the Metcalf Laboratory School Library, I learned the many services of libraries and the satisfaction derived from such work. At the beginning of

my junior year I joined Alpha Beta Alpha. I am also a member of the Elementary Club, the Lutheran Club, and Gamma Delta. I am eagerly looking forward to the activities in store for me as National Treasurer of ABA.

At present, I am doing my student teaching in a fourth grade at Springfield, Illinois. Upon the close of this tremendous experience, I shall return to campus to do my library practice work in the laboratory school.

In our fast changing world one can never be too certain of what the future may hold. I am hoping to be able to do graduate work at some time, but for now I am looking forward to teaching and gaining experiences in the field of library science.

My present address is 401 N. School Street, Normal, Illinois.

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sympathy to the family. Dr. Ulveling passed the note on to her daughter and on October 28 Miss Susan de Wolfe sent the following note of appreciation to us:

"Your kindness and sympathy are deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged
Dear Miss Speer:

Thank you for your condolence letter that you wrote to the family of Mrs. Kathleen Stebbins of Detroit.

I hope you receive this note all right — I was not sure where to write you. I am her daughter and I saw her off at the airport the day she went to Bloomington to your Fourth National Convention.

Very sincerely yours,
(Miss) Susan de Wolfe"

Once again may I wish each and every one of you a banner year in 1963.

Fraternally yours,
Eunice H. Speer

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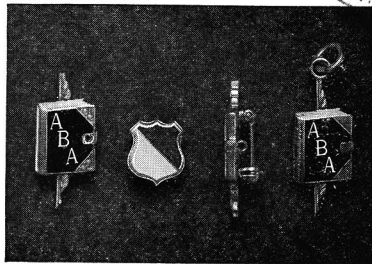


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