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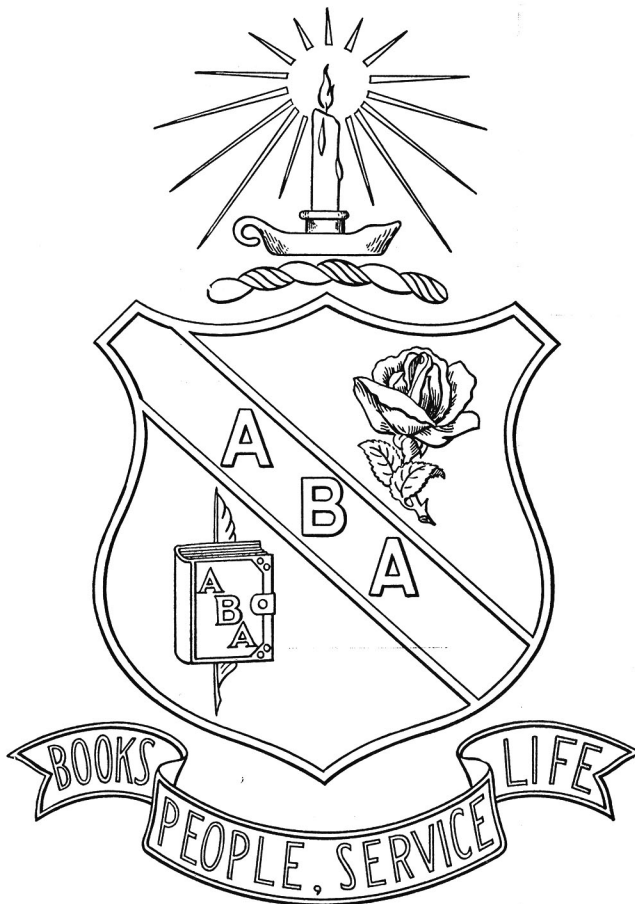
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DEDICATION

This issue is gratefully dedicated to all
Chapter Reporters, who helped make "The Alphabet" possible

OUR PRESIDENT



MIKEL McGEATH

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S
COLUMN

Fraternity history has just been made. The Sixth Biennial Convention brought together ABA members from the far reaches of the United States. From Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Florida, from Louisiana, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Texas and from the several chapters representing the Middle West, chapter delegates convened at Cedar Falls. Although we were given a "rainy" welcome, the hospitality and warm friendly welcome of our hosts and hostesses more than compensated for the inclement weather.

As a result of the work at Cedar Falls, four committees have been appointed to make reports to the Fraternity in 1963-64. President McGeath has appointed the following chapters to serve on these committees: 1. Committee to study the frequency of publication and form of our periodical, **The Alphabet** — Xi, chairman, Alpha, Mu, and Nu. 2. Committee to study and make recommendations on redistricting the chapters of the Fraternity — Rho, chairman, Gamma, Sigma and Phi. 3. Committee on constitutional change—Chi, chairman, Kappa, Eta and Pi. 4. Committee to study the method of selecting national officers — Theta, chairman, Iota, Epsilon, Psi and Alpha Alpha.

One committee acted at the Convention to set up criteria for the selection of members to receive Merit Award Certificates, Ballots

EDITORIAL

It seems that in the past year a lot of attention has been given to the problem of recruitment. At the National Convention, I noticed from talks with the various delegates and from some of the meetings that most of the Chapters give some attention to this subject. In fact, a few of the Chapters have very active recruitment programs. Also, I noticed that one Chapter does not consider it important. They feel that bettering their professional standards is more important. I, too, feel that we should work to better the professional standards of our members, but this need not take all our time and energy. There definitely should be a program of recruitment in each Chapter.

What do I mean by a program of recruitment? Just that each Chapter should have a definite program of recruitment activities. It need not be an elaborate program. One or two big activities during the year and a good public relations program throughout the year would be sufficient.

By public relations I do not mean just publicity. This is only one phase of PR and it should enter into your program. Each Chapter should have a Reporter as an officer, and a committee of members to work with him. The Reporter's main duty would be to publicize the Fraternity in every way possible. Almost every college has a student newspaper or some similar publication — some are daily and some weekly. These publications usually welcome News

for the acceptance of these criteria have been distributed along with the ballot for officers. As soon as all chapters have responded to these criteria, you will be notified and request sheets will be distributed to you all.

As the year draws to a close, it is time for us to look back upon our past accomplishments, to evaluate the work of our chapters, to continue those activities which have strengthened the chapters during the past and to dedicate ourselves anew to the task of making our chapters, and in that way our Fraternity, an ever vital influence in recruiting interested, talented young people into the field of library science.

Best wishes to all of you for a restful and satisfying vacation.

Fraternally
Eunice H. Speer
Executive Secretary

from the various campus organizations. How do they get this News? In most cases it is supplied by the organizations. You may have noticed that I have been capitalizing the word "News." I did this for a reason — make your news News and not just a reproduction of the minutes of your meeting. The average student on campus is not interested in learning that the meeting was called to order by the President at 6:34 P. M., and that Beverly gave a report on the picnic, and Susan gave one on the field trip. What was the most important part of your meeting? Was it the program, the fact that you are going on a field trip, or that you will have a picnic next week? Let's say that the most important thing was the program. It consisted of a speech by a faculty member on "Contemporary Adolescent Fiction." Don't just state that Dr. Blank gave a talk on adolescent literature, but write a report on the talk, — including suitable quotes. This is good publicity and good public relations because others on campus can see what you are doing.

The other Chapter members can play a part in the drive for good public relations — their day to day activities are evaluated by others. The actions of your Chapter and your members can help a lot in changing that stereotyped image of the librarian. Did you know that just wearing your ABA pin is good PR?

So far I have been talking about how good public relations can help in recruiting. But what are some of these big recruiting activities?

Many of the Chapters take part in a high school recruitment day. This day is usually called by different names in the various places, but they all usually consist of talks and discussion groups on careers in Library Science and on ABA. Many of the Chapters conduct tours of the campus during the day. Some of these "Career Days" are devoted solely to Library Science, and some are part of a campus-wide program.

Some of the Chapters have displays and exhibits on Librarianship as a Career and on ABA. These displays and exhibits are usually in the College or University Library.

Inviting interested students on field trips and to program meetings is another way to recruit. It is surprising how many students in other fields — English, math, social sciences, elementary education, etc. — have decided to minor in Library

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THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

"Focus on the Profession" was the theme of the sixth national, biennial convention of Alpha Beta Alpha, which was held on April 26-27, at State College of Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa.

On Friday morning there was registration and an informal reception in the Faculty Room of Gilchrist Hall. While these activities were in progress, the Executive Council was meeting elsewhere.

At 11:30 A. M., Mikel McGeath (Sigma) President, opened the first general session in the Faculty Room of Gilchrist Hall. President McGeath extended a welcome to the group and introduced the National Officers. The Official Delegates and their Alternates from the various Chapters were then recognized and seated. The Executive Secretary, Miss Eunice Speer (Mu), gave a brief report. She read a letter from Dr. Eugene P. Watson, Past Executive Secretary, who was unable to attend the convention, Miss Speer told the group that two chapters are to be installed in the near future — University of Oklahoma and Florence State College of Alabama — and that another one has been approved by the Executive Council. Another announcement was that Theta Chapter is to become active again in the fall. Miss Speer reminded the delegates that some Chapters have still not paid their dues for the year. The first general session closed with announcements from David Green, President of Xi Chapter.

The second general session, a luncheon meeting, was held in the dining room of the SCI Commons; Mariana Steele (Xi), Vice President, presided. After the meal, the delegates heard a talk on "Education for the Profession" by Miss Rachel Schenk, Director of the Library School, University of Wisconsin. Miss Schenk said, in part, "When you go on for your year in a graduate library school to earn the Master's degree, I hope you will find it the most challenging, profitable and thoroughly pleasant year of your life. Most of you have had a very happy introduction to the field of librarianship; if this were not true, you would not be here today. Because you have found your field of work let us examine what the graduate library school expects of you." She then told about the requirements of most library schools and the steps to take in applying

for admittance to these schools. Miss Schenk mentioned several available scholarships and sources of information about others. She then talked about the life of a library school student. The last part of her talk was about finding a position. She said, "I do not know of a field which you could enter and be so wanted as you will be in library work." And she ended her talk — "Come, for all things are prepared" — we welcome you into the profession."

The remainder of the afternoon was taken up with the "circles of information." Three simultaneous workshops were conducted. Each of the delegates attended one of these sessions. The topics were "Pledge Manuals," "Criteria for Award Certificates," and "Constitutional Changes."

A banquet, the third general session, was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Waterloo, Iowa. After a delicious meal, the group was welcomed by Mr. Donald O. Rod, Head of the Library and Library Science Department, State College of Iowa. The response was given by Vice-President Mariana Steele (Xi). Mikel McGeath, President, introduced the guests at the head table and the musical entertainment for the night. Miss Barbara Gordon, a soprano, gave a beautiful rendition of "I Feel Pretty," from West Side Story and "Til There Was You," from Music Man.

The main address of the evening, "Opportunities in College and University Librarianship," was delivered by Dr. Leslie Dunlap, Director of Libraries at the University of Iowa. A synopsis of his speech appears elsewhere in this issue. The evening ended with a picture-taking session.

The final day of the Convention began with a breakfast for the Chapter Sponsors given by Miss Noonan, Xi Sponsor, at the local airport, and with an informal meeting of the student delegates in the Georgian Lounge of the Commons.

The fourth general session was held in the Faculty Room of Gilchrist Hall. Wanda Fanter (Mu), National Treasurer, presided. At this meeting, the leaders of the "circles of information" gave reports on the work done by their groups.

The next session was a luncheon meeting held in the Commons. Wanda Fanter presided. It was announced

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CONVENTION BUSINESS

Treasurer Wanda Fanter presented her report, and it was accepted.

A report of the nominating committee was given and accepted. The following were nominated to serve as the National Officers during 1963-64: President, Patsy McElroy (Epsilon); Vice-President, Margie Wilson (Alpha); Treasurer, Arleta Warrwick (Mu); Executive Secretary, Eunice Speer (Mu); Councilmen: one member each from Omicron, Sigma, Psi, Nu, and Eta.

An official "Pledge Manual" was adopted as set up by the group.

Criteria for a Merit Award Certificate were approved as set up by the group.

The following committees are to be set up:

A special committee to make improvements in the process of electing national officers.

A committee to work on redistricting.

A committee to consider making **The Alphabet** a monthly publication.

A committee to work on revising and clarifying the Constitution.

OFFICIAL DELEGATES

Alpha	Ann Matthews
Beta	Elizabeth Gulley
Gamma	Ann Groves
Delta	Nancy Carole Segars
Epsilon	Barbara Collier
Eta	Linda Ralton
Kappa	Barbara Stehman
Mu	Paula Kesner
Nu	Jean Meadows
Xi	Judy Spain
Omicron	Rubia Mai Byrd
Pi	Cecile Normand
Rho	Morell D. Boone
Sigma	Mary Simmons
Upsilon	Phyllis A. Miller
Phi	Linda DeJongh
Chi	Bessie Weaver
Psi	Mary Miner
Omega ..	Robert William LaFarge

EDITORIAL

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Science just through the influence of an ABA member.

There are many other activities that a Chapter can participate in to recruit new members and future librarians. I am sure that each of you can add to this list.

One thing to remember always is that to be recruitment minded is to be public relations minded. The two go hand in hand.

—Ann Matthews

OPPORTUNITIES IN COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY LIBRARIANSHIP (Abridged)

LESLIE W. DUNLAP

As a confirmed librarian, I am pleased to have a part in the Sixth National Conference of Alpha Beta Alpha, the stated aims of which are: (1) to further the professional knowledge of its members; (2) to promote fellowship, and (3) to serve as a recruiting agency for librarians. Each of these objectives is important, and your organization should give due attention to all three . . .

The topic assigned to me is "Opportunities for young people in college and university librarianship," which points at the very heart of the recruiting problem. Our profession has failed to communicate the basic attractions of our work, but there are signs of improvements in this direction. The acute shortage of librarians has brought us attention in quarters, popular magazines, for example, where we would not have been mentioned a few years ago . . .

Between the reality of the dedicated person who works for little or nothing in small libraries, and the erratic efforts of Hollywood and Madison Avenue lies the challenge of librarianship which we must communicate to promising young people. We have failed in this for two reasons: (1) the principal appeal of librarianship lies in working with books and people — which is exceedingly difficult to dramatize — and (2) too often we talk to the wrong prospects. For years, the literature describing librarianship has been designed to appeal to high school students although few librarians — except those precocious souls who "just always wanted to be librarians" — were challenged by librarianship until they were in or even out of college. Our most promising hunting ground should be the strong liberal arts colleges, because a higher proportion of their students expect to pursue advanced work in graduate or professional schools . . .

The displacement of men by machines is but one of many vast social changes which affect employment in our country. Others which aggravate unemployment among the unskilled and contribute to the shortage of the highly skilled are our expanding population, the continuing trend toward urbanization, and a persistent raising of the educational level of our citizens . . .

Against this background of a citizenry which is growing rapidly and spending more years in school, let us observe the conditions which contribute to the present and future shortage of librarians. The number produced annually by accredited library schools fell in the early 1940's to less than 1,000. And today we have a difficult time attracting enough good students to produce each year 2,400 librarians, more than two-thirds of whom come from accredited library schools. According to careful estimates, about 4,000 librarians will be trained in 1969-70, a year in which we will need about 7,000 new librarians.

The shortage of librarians, as you have heard many times during this Conference, is found in all types of libraries; and a quick review of the shortages elsewhere will help us to better understand the problem in the college and university field. For, in this country, librarians in one type of library, public for example, move readily to another; so, as with water, the level is likely to be uniform unless a place is protected by a dike or a dam, be it the qualifications required of medical librarians or the teaching certificate required of school librarians. The most pervasive factor contributing to the shortage of librarians is the three-to-one ratio of women to men among library school graduates. Many women enter librarianship, as they do nursing and teaching, in the expectation of working a few years before marriage; and, if their plans mature, they leave to rear families and may not return. This is not an evil to be corrected — indeed, librarianship is an excellent field for a young woman because she may re-enter after her family is grown, but this is a factor hardly realized by our colleagues engaged in training engineers, dentists, and attorneys.

Another dominant factor contributing to the shortage of librarians is our increasing dependence on records, most of which are kept on paper. In simple societies, the printed page has a small place, or, indeed, among savages, none at all; but our civilization could not survive without paper and print.

Our need for ready access to information is so important in business and in industry that many firms hire librarians to conserve the

time of their scientific and administrative personnel. . . .

And the future of our public libraries had its brightest glow in January of this year when President Kennedy sent his Message on Education to the Congress. Here for the first time a President mentioned libraries in a message on education, and I quote, without trace of a Boston accent: "Education is the keystone to the arch of freedom and progress . . . for the individual, the doors to the school house, to the library, and to the college, lead to the richest treasure of our open society." . . .

But no true college or university librarian would consider for a moment becoming a school librarian, because our field has attractions unmatched by any other. And first among these, and I expect you to smile at my lack of sophistication, is the fact that a college or a university is one big family — and usually a happy one. . . .

And, while I am speaking from the heart, let me tell you of another romantic advantage of becoming a college or university librarian: attractive young women behind reference desks, particularly in our scientific libraries, enjoy exceptional marital opportunities. . . .

But for those of you who ask for more than ivy and romance, let's review the circumstances which will create a demand for your services as librarians in colleges and universities. The first of these is the traditional American faith in education. Since the time of Jefferson, Americans have held that education is essential in a democracy and that the more education one has the better for both the individual and for society. We do not ask in academic circles whether Lincoln would have been a better man if he had gone to college, and the notion of private study — with or without tutors — is foreign to us. For Americans, an education is to be obtained through courses for credit which lead to a degree, and this formal approach to learning necessitates college and university librarians. . . .

In addition to the increased demands in our college and university libraries which will result from more students, more research, and comparatively fewer teachers, librarians as well as space must be found to cope with expanding collections. No library in this century had a million volumes at the beginning of this century, but now there are twenty-nine university libraries

above the one million mark and by 1980 there will be more than forty. As most of you know, the collections in our university and research libraries have doubled in size in less than twenty years, and this growth factor supports a continuing need for larger and larger staffs. New fields such as atomic energy and space science and the emergence of new nations in Asia and Africa have broadened the scope of our collecting, and now most large libraries can boast with Francis Bacon that they have taken all knowledge to be their province. Persons unfamiliar with research libraries expect that we should reduce the bulk of our collections through weeding, micro-reproductions, and machine storage, but not much relief is likely in these directions. . . . The enthusiasts who predicted that microfilm, microprint, microcards, and microfiche would replace paper now are silent, because microforms have augmented rather than displaced book collections. We are happy to have microreproductions of rarities and bulky newspapers, but no true reader would want to peruse **Tom Jones** or a recent issue of the **New Yorker** with his head in a box. Moreover, if all of our books were on microfilm, the reels would have to be used in our libraries until a satisfactory portable reader becomes available, and no such device has been developed for any of the several microforms commonly in use.

Microphotography no longer is a topic for spirited discussion among librarians; the Wonder Drugs of today are automation, data processing, and information retrieval. . . .

Even the most realistic approach to the utility of microreproduction and computers in our research libraries would not belittle the need for librarians competent in these areas . . .

Our genius for building bigger articles and institutions, including libraries, cannot be questioned, but will our bigger libraries be better? From the standpoint of a reader, a library is a place to obtain a book and information or a place to study; and if these things can be accomplished in gracious, congenial surroundings, the library is a success — otherwise it isn't. Whether a library meets the needs of a reader at a particular moment often depends on the care exercised years before in selecting and in describing a book, and there seldom is time today for the analysis and attention

necessary to do these tasks with proper care. Whether the library of tomorrow will be better as well as bigger will depend on whether we have better librarians — in short, on you and on others like you . . .

The opportunities for satisfying careers in college and university librarianship are promising indeed, but what you will derive from your work will depend largely on what you contribute to it. A profound Spanish proverb observes, "He, who would bring back the wealth of the Indies, must carry the wealth of the Indies with him." . . . If you intend to devote many years of your lives to college and university librarianship you should aspire to be students all of your days. When you offer yourself for employment as librarians, you in effect claim that you can do two things: (1) describe graphic materials (cataloging) and (2) find materials on specific subjects (reference). Consequently, if you desire to work in a college or university library, you should not avoid advanced courses in cataloging and reference work in library school because these form the real substance of the curriculum in a library school. Also, you should learn all you can about the history and the utilization of the book; because, despite the impact made by Audio-visual paraphernalia, microprint, and computers, librarians, at least college and university librarians, are essentially bookmen.

There are three general educational qualifications which I hope you will strive to achieve. These I expect will seem obvious to some and absurd to others, yet they are so basic that I shall risk appearing foolish through their reiteration.

The first is the effective use of your mother tongue. . . . Students in science and technology often belittle the study of English — it is traditionally referred to as "bull" at West Point — but don't make the mistake of thinking that first-class scientists deprecate the importance of effective writing and speaking. Indeed, they often are more keenly aware of the shortcomings in this direction than are many of us who have backgrounds in the humanities. . . .

My second general educational requirement is that you become proficient in at least one foreign language. Every university librarian must be able to find his way through catalogs and bibliographies in German and in several Romance languages. . . .

My third general educational requirement is that you become a specialist in a subject field. Unless you have had some experience with scholarship, you will be unable to appreciate the requirements of many of your patrons. . . .

Truly, college and university librarianship is a wonderful field, and I hope you won't be able to resist it. There are approximately 9,000 professional librarians employed in our college and university libraries, and an estimated 900 vacancies. Moreover, we shall need in our colleges and universities during the next decade 900 more librarians each year. . . .

Those of us who earn our living in college and university libraries would not exchange places with other librarians, and we do welcome qualified newcomers. And, if you don't think I am sincere, please write me when you are ready to enter into our profession.

(Address delivered at National Convention, April 26, 1963)

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

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ed that between eighty and ninety people attended this, the 6th National Convention of Alpha Beta Alpha. There were nineteen Chapters with nine Sponsors represented. Miss Sara Fenwick, Assistant Professor, Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, was the guest speaker. During her talk, entitled "Public and School Librarianship," Miss Fenwick told of the work of librarians with children.

President Mikel McCreath presided over the business session, which was the sixth and last formal session of the convention. Many suggestions were made for strengthening and improving the Fraternity and a number of spirited discussions were held. A report of the actions of the Delegates and their recommendations to the incoming Executive Council appears elsewhere in this issue.

Closing the day and the convention was a supper for the National Officers, the Official Delegates, and The Chapter Sponsors, held in the private dining room of the Commons. Meanwhile, in the larger dining room, Xi Chapter was host for a supper for all others attending the Convention.

All those who attended this, the Sixth National Convention of Alpha Beta Alpha, will long remember the stimulating discussions and the friends made.

News from the Chapters

ALPHA CHAPTER

Northwestern State College
Natchitoches, Louisiana

Attendance by members at two conventions were major activities of Alpha Chapter this spring. In March, Alpha Chapter sent six student members to the Louisiana Library Association Convention in Baton Rouge. Ann Matthews and Judy Bell were the official delegates. Others attending were Mary Purcell, Ann Johnson, Earline Doiron, and Peggy Sibley. Ann Matthews and Ann Johnson were Alpha's delegates to the ABA National Convention.

Six persons were pledged on February 25. On May 3, Alpha celebrated the thirteenth anniversary of ABA with the annual Founders' Day Picnic; a charter member of ABA, Gladys Britt attended.

Again this year Alpha participated in the annual Northwestern State College Library Career Day for high school students. Members of the Chapter participated by giving talks and by acting as guides for a tour of the campus.

Awards given by Alpha Chapter during the year were as follows: Library Science Academic Award to Glynn Peninger; Library Science Senior Award to Ann Matthews; Best Pledge Award to Theresa Hodnett and Rachel Barnhill; Best Member award to Judy Bell; and Sponsor's Cups to Ann Matthews, Mary Purcell, Ann Johnson, and Georgia Chaplin.

Activities of the Chapter ended with installation of officers on May 13.

Two members of Alpha, Carole Chance and Benny Brady, graduated in January. At the end of the spring semester, six other members graduated: Mary Ann Bordelon, Ann Matthews, Anne Morgan, Glynn Peninger, Mary Purcell and Carolyn Roberts. Judy Bell and Charlotte Beebe will graduate at the end of the summer term.

RHO CHAPTER

State College
Kutztown, Pennsylvania

Sixty Rho Chapter members and four library staff members attended the Pennsylvania State Library Conference at Millersville State College, in April.

At the April meeting officers were elected for next year; and twenty-seven students were pledged at the May meeting.

GAMMA CHAPTER

Indiana State College
Terre Haute Indiana

The pledges of Gamma Chapter sponsored a coke party on January 22.

Gamma's Anniversary Banquet was held at the Terre Haute House on February 23. At this banquet, the Chapter welcomed back Miss Nelle McCalla who returned after teaching in Malaya for the past year.

At a campus High School Day on April 6, members of the Chapter told prospective students of Indiana State College about the library science curriculum, Alpha Beta Alpha, and the opportunities in the field of librarianship.

The Founders' Day tea honored the seniors, each being presented with a white rose. Also at this time new officers were installed.

A picnic with the library staff members on May 16 and a tea on May 29 closed Gamma Chapter's activities for the year. Gamma Chapter members were honored guests at the tea given by the Vigo County School Librarian's Association.

ZETA CHAPTER

Concord College
Athens, West Virginia

During the campus Religious Emphasis Week, March 17-23, Zeta Chapter displayed religious books in the college library. The Chapter also participated in the celebration of the West Virginia Centennial by putting up bulletin board displays on various phases of the Centennial celebration.

Zeta celebrated its tenth anniversary on April 11 with an informal social hour in the library staff room. Refreshments were served, and a brief history of the Chapter was given.

KAPPA CHAPTER

Millersville State College
Millersville, Pennsylvania

In May, Kappa spent an afternoon touring local libraries. On the itinerary were the Lancaster County Historical Society Library, a hospital library, the RCA Industrial Library, and the Armstrong Industrial Library.

Kappa presented this year's Alpha Beta Alpha Award to Myra Jean Bechtel, a January graduate. She was chosen for her service to both Kappa and the school.

MU CHAPTER

Illinois State Normal University
Normal, Illinois

En route to the National Convention, Gamma's Delegation stopped at the State University of Iowa Library, at Iowa City, and at the Herbert Hoover Library, at West Branch, Iowa. On the return trip they visited the Knox Library, at Galesburg, Illinois.

On April 22-24, Mu Chapter helped to promote National Library Week by sponsoring a paperback book sale, the first of its kind on the ISNU campus. All of the books were selected by chapter members. Over 900 books were sold in the three day venture.

Mu Chapter's annual Founder's Day Banquet was held on May 18, at the Rogers Hotel in Bloomington. New officers were installed for the year 1963-64. Jennie Whitten, former faculty member at ISNU was the guest speaker.

ETA CHAPTER

Texas Woman's University
Denton, Texas

Members of Eta Chapter helped to select and prepare about thirty books for the Denton State School. Money for the books was raised by the members at their Christmas party.

By selling donuts and by having a booth at the school's Festival of Nations, Eta helped defray the expenses of its delegates to the National Convention.

The installation of officers was held on April 30, and on this same occasion the delegates reported on the National Convention.

The Chapter's activities for the school year ended on May 7 with a party.

XI CHAPTER

State College of Iowa
Cedar Falls, Iowa

The climax to Xi Chapter's year was hosting the Sixth National Convention of ABA in April.

A trip to Chicago in November and a Christmas party were other highlights of the year.

OMICRON CHAPTER

Florida A&M University
Tallahassee, Florida

At the beginning of the winter program, Omicron Chapter members gave a party for the library science students. They discussed the highlights of the library world and the desirability of becoming a member of Alpha Beta Alpha.

PI CHAPTER

Our Lady of the Lake College
San Antonio, Texas

On December 17, Pi Chapter held its sixth annual Christmas Story Hour, with Mrs. Louise Carver of the Children's Department of the San Antonio Public Library as guest storyteller.

At the February 21 meeting, the Chapter had its guest speaker Brother Arthur Goerd, past-president of the Texas Library Association. His topic was "Books, You, and a Catholic Book Week."

Pi Chapter sent a scrapbook to the Texas Library Association Convention in Dallas as its part in the professional exhibit. The book presented a brief history of the Library Science Department at Our Lady of the Lake College. At the Convention in March, Sister Jane Marie, C. D. P., sponsor of Pi Chapter, was elected President of TLA.

Cecile Normand, President of Pi Chapter, was elected by the Chapter as Miss Librarianship of 1963.

Pi Chapter's annual Covered Dish Supper on May 8 honored the senior members. Annual reports were given, awards were presented, and new officers were installed, at this supper.

Three Pi Chapter members received special honors during the year. Karen Dale Loos was a finalist in the San Antonio Miss Fiesta Contest. Two senior Library Science students were elected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities," they were Laura Gutierrez and Mary Kaye Donahue.

CHI CHAPTER

North Texas State University
Denton, Texas

Chi Chapter held its initiation banquet on February 27. Guest speaker was Miss Siddle Joe Johnson, co-ordinator of Children's work at the Dallas Public Library and a noted Texas author. An award was given to the outstanding pledge, Leonard Joe McCown.

Travis Tyer, co-ordinator of the Young Adults Services at the Dallas Public Library was the guest speaker at the March meeting.

The Texas Library Association held its annual meeting in Dallas during March; Chi Chapter sent several delegates to the convention.

ALPHA BETA CHAPTER

Francis T. Nicholls State College
Tribodaux, Louisiana
The Alpha Beta Chapter of Nich-

New Members

ALPHA CHAPTER

New Student Members: Rachel Barnhill, Noble, La.; Sharon F. Corbell, Springhill, La.; Mary Earline Doiron, Alexandria, La.; Mary Frances Dow, Natchitoches, La.; Carrie Elizabeth Dykes, Dry Prong, La.; Lynda Alyne Edwards, Vivian, La.; Jackie Sue Hodges, Kelly, La.;

olls State College held its first meeting of the Spring semester on February 20. The Chapter contributed thirty six books and \$30 to the campus-wide book drive which has been in progress at Nicholls.

On April 5, the Chapter had a pledging and initiation ceremony.

Dr. Charles C. Elkins, retiring President of Nicholls State College, was presented with a life membership in the Alpha Beta Chapter at its spring pledging and initiation ceremonies.

A money-making project of the chapter is the sale of light bulbs.

UPSILON CHAPTER

Shepherd College
Shepherdstown, W. Va.

Upsilon Chapter closed the year with two events. On May 2, the Chapter traveled to Baltimore, Maryland, to tour the Ruzicka Bindery. On May 19, the Chapter held its annual banquet, with Miss Virginia Doher, Supervisor of School Libraries for the State of West Virginia, as speaker.

ALPHA GAMMA CHAPTER

Morehead State College
Morehead, Kentucky

The Morehead State College Library Club was installed as the Alpha Gamma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha.

Nineteen undergraduate students, who plan to minor in Library Science, and Miss Clarica Williams were initiated as charter members of the Alpha Gamma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha.

PHI CHAPTER

Central Michigan University
Mount Pleasant, Michigan

About 210 juniors and seniors from 24 high schools in the surrounding area attended a Recruitment for Librarianship Day sponsored by Phi Chapter on May 3; the group toured the library and campus and heard speeches by library and administration officials.

A picnic closed the year's activities for Phi.

Thresa Ann Hodnett, Colfax, La.; Anne Virginia Morgan, Pollack, La.; Carolyn Ruth Roberts, Alexandria, La.; Ronald Ryan, Effie, La.; Mildred Sebrén, Zwolle, La.; Margie F. Wilson, Pollock, La.

Five-Year Alumni: Oral Ryland Griffin, Colfax, La.; Peggy Elame Sibley, (Plain Alumni) Natchitoches, La.

GAMMA CHAPTER

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