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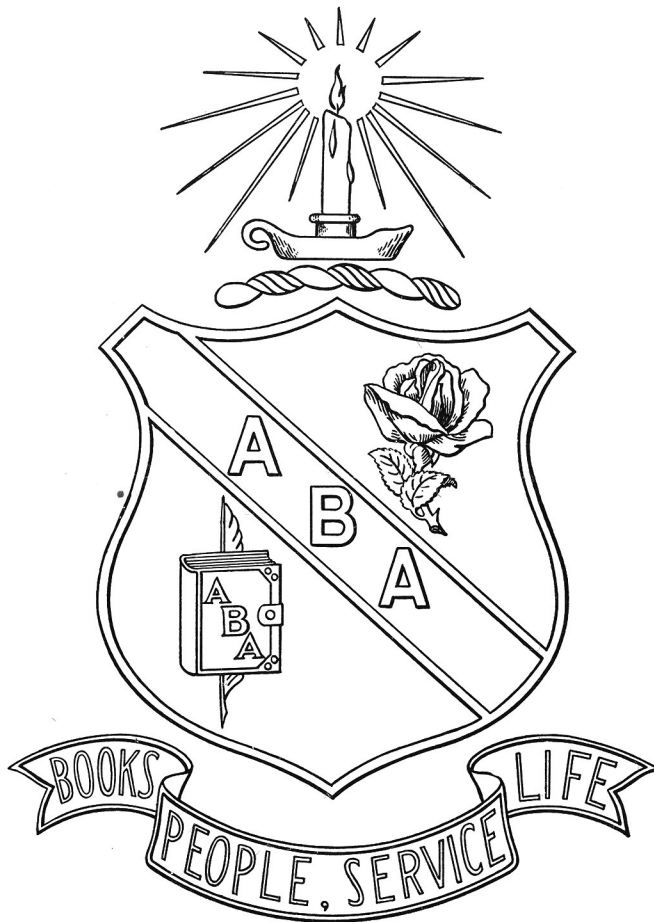
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The Alphabet

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OUR NATIONAL OFFICERS

JAMES R. HAMILTON
(Gamma Chapter)
National President

Hello, everyone! I am Jim Hamilton, your National President. I am a first semester senior from Worthington, Indiana. My major is English education, and I have a minor in library science.

This is my third year to be in Alpha Beta Alpha. I have served as pledge class president, pledge trainer, Vice-President of Gamma Chapter, and I am now serving as President of Gamma Chapter as well as being your National President.

My other college activities include resident hall council secretary and librarian for the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

I have been a member of the Hoosier Student Librarian's Association for five years and was treasurer of that organization. I worked for six years as a student assistant at the Worthington High School Library and am now working in the Library Science Department of Indiana State University.

What are my plans for the future? Well, there are many of them — marriage in 1970 to a librarian and alumni member of Alpha Beta Alpha, receiving my masters degree in Library Science, being a high school librarian, working on my doctorate degree, teaching Library Science, and collecting old books.

My future plans for Alpha Beta Alpha include seeing at least two chapters of ABA founded in each state before the end of my term of office and to see each chapter serving the library profession better, serving their school better, and serving their community better.

PATRICIA ANN ROBBINS
(Eta Chapter)
National Vice-President

I am a senior library science, history, and English major at Texas Women's University. Upon graduation on June 1, I am getting married and hope to be employed as an elementary school librarian in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

I am vice-president of Eta Chapter at Texas Women's University and was named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. I am a member of the National Council of Teachers of English Junior Affiliate and National

Council of Social Studies Teachers. In the past I was secretary of Round Table, the coordinating body of all clubs and organizations on campus. I have worked with the Campus Government Association as a freshman sponsor for the past three years. I am also a member of Philomathia Literary Social Club. On every Sunday morning I teach a Sunday School class of 2½ and 3 year olds at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Denton.

I am from Luling, Texas. It is there I got my interest to be a librarian. I was a member of our library club and corresponding secretary of District VIII TALA.

CAROL ANNE NOLAND
(Upsilon Chapter)
National Treasurer

I was born in scenic Harpers Ferry, West Virginia in 1947. I have spent most of my life in this historic eastern Panhandle of West Virginia. Most people know about Harpers Ferry through their history books because of John Brown's Raid in 1859 and the recently established National Park and National Park Training Center located there.

I am in my senior year at Shepherd College majoring in secondary education with teaching fields in business education and library science. I will do my student teaching and library practice work next semester.

I joined Alpha Beta Alpha in my junior year and at present I am Vice President of Upsilon Chapter along with being National Treasurer.

In addition to Alpha Beta Alpha, I am a member of Alpha Sigma Tau Sorority and served as their chaplain last year.

My hobbies are listening to music and playing the piano.

Upon my graduation in June, I plan to become a school librarian.

JEAN A. ELLIOTT
(Upsilon Chapter)
Executive Secretary

With my return to Shepherd College in 1961 as Assistant Librarian, I became a member of Alpha Beta Alpha and sponsor of the Upsilon Chapter. I had trained to be a public school teacher at Shepherd College but became interested

in the profession of librarianship soon after graduating from college. I received my graduate degree in Library Science at Syracuse University and returned to my native West Virginia for my first position as a librarian. My special interests in librarianship has been reference work and the history of libraries and publishing.

While at Shepherd I have taught library science classes along with being the Cataloger, reference librarian and now public service librarian.

This interest in the profession has kept me very busy the past two years as I have been involved in several state, local and tri-state organizations and held offices in them.

For my leisure time I enjoy reading about people and places, knitting and traveling. My hopes for the far off future is a leisurely tour around the world.

National Presidential Comments

I cannot tell you how much I am enjoying serving as your National President. I certainly feel honored to have been elected as your leader.

I have been keeping myself busy signing charters, membership certificates, and membership cards and corresponding with Miss Elliott. Even though we were a little late in getting the year started, things seem to be well under way now.

As I said in my last letter to each Chapter, "Each Chapter must work diligently this year to publicize and strengthen the image of Alpha Beta Alpha. I find that so many people ask: "What is ABA — American Basketweaving Association?" Let's get busy and live up to our goals and purposes. Let's let everyone know what our organization is; let them know that we are the only national undergraduate library science honorary. We also need to show them that we are not just "book worms" but that we are just as interested in education and community affairs and just as modern as they are."

I hope that each of you is planning to attend a Regional Alpha Beta Alpha meeting this spring. I want to see Chapters working together for the betterment of Alpha Beta Alpha.

Fraternally,
James R. Hamilton

In this, the first issue of **The Alphabet** to be published since Fall 1965, I express my pleasure of being your new Executive Secretary.

Alpha Beta Alpha has been active this past year with the installation of two chapters, one at Glassboro State College and the other at Central State College. We had a very successful convention at Mu Chapter in April. We applaud Mu for their great work.

Alpha Beta Alpha is growing in number of chapters. We have twenty-five active, six inactive, three delinquent chapters, ten library clubs with chaptership status and four clubs petitioning National.

The three delinquent chapters are: Lambda, Phi, and Xi. The six inactive chapters are: Theta, Iota, Pi, Tau, Omega, and Alpha Zeta. The ten library clubs granted chaptership status are: Austin Peay State University, Edinboro State College, Eastern Illinois University, Mansfield State College, Northwestern Missouri State College, Radford College, State College of Arkansas and University of North Dakota. The four petitioning chapters are West Virginia Wesleyan, Sam Houston State College, Wisconsin State University, and Slippery Rock State College.

National is very pleased with the response from the chapters in payment of their dues, returning their reports and materials.

As National plans for the rest of the year we remind the chapters of our Founder's Day on May Third. Also National hopes all the petitioning and new Chapters can be installed this year, maybe even this spring.

Fraternally, Jean A. Elliott

From the Editor's Desk

The delay has ended and once again communication has been restored to Alpha Beta Alpha. I am delighted with my newly appointed position as editor of **The Alphabet**. However the position involves a good deal of hard work, cooperative effort from the member chapters and a comparable amount of responsibility on my part.

I sincerely appreciate the cooperation I received from the few chapters interested enough in the reappearance of **The Alphabet** to respond with their chapter reports. As for the other silent chapters, I only hope they will reconsider and make the spring issue even better than the winter issue.

Let us each one, in the words of James Hamilton, National President: "Work diligently to publicize and strengthen the image of Alpha Beta Alpha."

On April 26th and 27th, Mu Chapter hosted the eighth national ABA Convention on the campus of Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. Fifteen chapters were represented among the fifty officially registered student and faculty members. All delegations were housed at the Holiday Inn, and meals were served in the University Union.

The National Organization, under the direction of Miss Coral Melson, former National Executive Secretary, planned the five general sessions around the general theme, "Unity Through Action." Speakers included: Dr. Donald A. Bourgeois of St. Louis, Missouri; Dr. Jack Frymier of Ohio State University; and Miss Mary Ann Swanson, head librarian at Evanston Township High School.

Although Mu Chapter members discovered that hosting a National Convention requires more work than we had anticipated, it was our privilege to host the Alpha Beta Alpha Convention in 1968.

ALPHA BETA ALPHA Chapter Letter 1968-69 No. 4 January 1969

Dear Alpha Beta Alpha Members:

1968 has passed into history and a new year has dawned bringing with it many new hopes, desires and successes to be fulfilled before it comes to a close in December.

There is some old business to be cleared up this new year:

1. 1967-68 annual reports. The following chapters have not filed their reports at National: Alpha, Beta, Lambda, Nu, Omicron, Sigma, Phi, Alpha Delta, Alpha Eta, Alpha Theta.
2. 1966-67 annual reports. The following chapters have not filed their reports at National: Alpha, Beta, Delta, Zeta, Eta, Omicron, Alpha Delta, Alpha Epsilon, Alpha Theta.
3. 1965-66 annual reports. The following chapters have not filed their reports at National: Alpha, Beta, Nu, Xi, Omicron, Alpha Delta.
4. Dues for 1968-69. The following chapters have not sent their dues to National: Lambda, Xi, Omicron, Sigma, Phi, Chi.

The required number of yes votes have been received to grant chaptership status to the library science clubs at:

Austin Peay State University, Clarksville, Tennessee
Edinboro State College, Edinboro, Pennsylvania
Mansfield State College, Mansfield, Pennsylvania
Northwestern Missouri State College, Maryville, Missouri
State College of Arkansas, Conway, Arkansas
University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, North Dakota

Constitutions have been received from two chapters-to-be and the National Executive Council will be giving their final approval to Eastern Illinois University and Radford College soon. Notification will be sent to you when these chapters are to be installed.

With the Executive Council and many of the chapters of Alpha Beta Alpha being scattered across this vast United States the National office has to rely on the postal system to carry on most of its business. We all realize mail service has become slower the last few years, as the volume of mail has increased. National would appreciate it if each chapter and Executive Council members had as their new years resolutions to judge and answer all correspondence in the fastest possible time. National has had to wait for many months for the return of ballots. Be careful when your chapter marks its ballot that it includes all signatures and the pleasure of the group (for approval or disapproval).
Spring Regional Conferences

Miss Speer gave us good advice on "how to proceed to plan for such a meeting" in one of her chapter letter's in 1963. I am repeating it now for those chapters giving the idea serious consideration.

1. Select a Saturday in the spring which is most satisfactory for your chapter to serve as host.
2. Plan a program in which a number of persons can participate.
3. Write chapters in your area inviting them to join you for a day of meeting.
4. Ask them to be responsible for some part of the program.
5. Send a reservation blank for them to fill out for meals.

National hopes that there will be a regional conference in each of the five districts this spring.

Fraternally yours,
Jean A. Elliott
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Dr. E. P. Watson Memorial Scholarship Fund

Dr. Eugene Payne Watson, founder of Alpha Beta Alpha, died February 29, 1964. There is no way to measure the great loss suffered by Alpha Beta Alpha, but it is safe to say that had it not been for Dr. Watson there probably would be no Alpha Beta Alpha.

Following his death, the scholarship fund was started in his memory. At our 1965 Convention in Denton, a committee was set up to assume responsibility for the fund. The committee includes the president and the executive secretary of Alpha Beta Alpha, the president of the institution where the money is deposited, a member of the Watson family, the librarian at Northwestern State College, and a member of Alpha chapter. The membership of the present committee is:

Mr. James R. Hamilton, Gamma, president of Alpha Beta Alpha.

Miss Jean Elliott, Upsilon, executive secretary of Alpha Beta Alpha.

Mr. J. Edgerton Pierson, president of First Federal Savings and Loan Association, Natchitoches, La.

Mr. Arthur Watson, attorney at law and brother of the late Dr. Watson, Natchitoches, La.

Mr. Donald MacKenzie, Alpha, librarian, Northwestern State College.

Mrs. Lucille T. Carnahan, Alpha, retired professor of library education, Chairman of the committee.

The fund is still too small to consider any type of scholarship. We now have in the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, \$855.79 drawing 4% interest which is credited to the account every six months.

If we hope to give any kind of scholarship in the near future, we must put forth greater effort. Some chapters send an annual contribution and that should be a policy adopted by all chapters. An annual check, no matter how small, will soon build up a worthy sum.

Checks should be made out to: Alpha Beta Alpha, E. P. Watson Memorial Scholarship Fund, and mailed to:

Mrs. Lucille T. Carnahan, Chairman, E. P. Watson Memorial Scholarship Fund, Cloutiersville, Louisiana, 71416.

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

ALPHA CHAPTER Northwestern State College Natchitoches, Louisiana

The following new officers of Alpha Chapter plan its monthly meetings in the executive council meetings. The new officers are: Victoria Caponi, president; Mary Ellzey, Vice-President; Diane Evans, Secretary; Linda Cunningham, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Mae Covillion, Treasurer; Joyce Wade, Reporter; Sally Wells, Parliamentarian; Betty Bostick, Historian; and sponsors Mrs. Dorothy Hanks and Mrs. Fern Christensen. This Fall Semester's plans have included a recruiting party, initiating, pledging, delightful Christmas party. In addition, Alpha Chapter members hosted the First Annual Regional Conference for School Librarians held at Northwestern State College on November 1, 1968. All of us really felt a part of the profession during this conference.

Talented members enrich Alpha Chapter activities now as in the past. Pledge Gail Dooley is editor of the Northwestern State College Annual, the *Potpourri*. Several members as President Vicky Caponi will be student teaching off campus. Alumni Mrs. Mary Gandy Royston is supervisor of a multi-media center at Terrebonne Parish and President-Elect of Louisiana Association of School Librarians. Recent graduates as Barbara Wallace and Sherry Creighton finished graduate library school at Louisiana State University and are now serving respectively as elementary librarian in Rock Springs, Wyoming, and assistant librarian at Queensborough Public Library, New York.

Alpha Chapter thanks Sara Porter and her staff for their efforts and time given to the Alpha Beta Alpha.

EPSILON CHAPTER Murray State College Murray, Kentucky

Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha has nine pledges for the fall semester:

Ann Walker
Carol Schmitt
Cindy Pritchard
Connie Turner
Lilas Whitford
Renee Logston
Cherry Paschall
Barbara Milburn

Traditional activities included in the fall semester are:

A chili supper for prospective pledges

is held at the home of one of the sponsors.

A Christmas party at the home of one of the sponsors, Mrs. Darnell, is given for all members of Alpha Beta Alpha, Epsilon Chapter.

Epsilon Chapter hosted a tea for the Library Science department and the library personnel in November.

A Christmas tree was provided for the department by Epsilon Chapter.

Epsilon president, Bonita Chrisman, and chapter sponsors attended the Kentucky Librarians Association in Lexington on November 7th-9th. Richard Cruse and Danny Steeley, alumni members of Epsilon Chapter, were active in preparing the tables for exhibit at this meeting.

Officers for 1968-69 are:

President Bonita Chrisman
Vice President Jacquelin Swanson
Recording Sect. Elizabeth Woods
Corresponding Sect. Karen White
Treasurer Kay Adams
Parliamentarian Paul Berschied
Reporter Bonnie Goodman
Pledge Mistresses were: Cecile White
and Linda Brown

News of the Alumni:

Several of the alumni of Epsilon Chapter are employed at Murray State University. Richard Cruse is presently employed as assistant acquisitions librarian at the university library. Danny Steeley, who will receive his Master's Degree from Indiana State University in February, is employed as a cataloger in the university library. Jetta Culpepper is working as a graduate assistant in Murray's Library Science Department.

Mrs. Edna Darnell, Mrs. Marilyn Barrett, Valorie Umbach, Darlena Swannell, Jetta Culpepper, and Bonita Chrisman attended the national convention at Normal, Illinois last spring.

Mr. Thomas Sholar, instructor of library science at Murray State University, and Richard Cruse, alumni member of Epsilon Chapter, attended a conference on library networks, computers, communications, and photography in Lexington at the University of Kentucky on December 10, 1968.

During the months of June and July, Epsilon Chapter provided a story hour for several children of the ages five to ten. At the eight meetings, the children were entertained by films and readings of folk tales, poetry, and adventure stories. Involved in the project were:

Paul Berschied
Bonnie Chrisman
Charlie Lewis
Lynn Nagel
Jetta Culpepper
Kay Adams

Advice was given by Mrs. Darnell, an Epsilon Chapter sponsor, and Mr. Thomas Sholar, instructor in Murray State's Library Science department.

Miss Rezina Senter, sponsor of Epsilon Chapter, joined a group of librarians studying children's literature in Europe this summer. The trip was sponsored by Study Abroad, directed by the University of Oklahoma.

MU CHAPTER Illinois State University Normal, Illinois

The new officers for 1968-1969 are: President, Mary Manz; Vice-President, Tina Natale; Secretary-Treasurer, Nina Mott; Historian, Kathy Novotny.

The money-making project for this semester was an apple sale held Homecoming weekend. Members sold apples at the Homecoming parade. Mu Chapter also entered a car in the parade.

A former sponsor of Mu Chapter, Miss Hazelle Anderson, will tour in the Orient and search for children's books for our library collection.

Miss Edna Booze, a former member of Mu Chapter, is one of eight reviewers whose annotations are published twice monthly in the *Booklist*. Her first reviews were published in the January 1st issue.

XI CHAPTER University of Northern Iowa Cedar Falls, Iowa

Xi Chapter has existed on the University of Northern Iowa campus since 1956. The chapter has certain traditional activities such as the annual Christmas party, the Initiation Banquet, and the Founder's Day picnic.

This year Xi Chapter initiated a new project. In November, the chapter sponsored a trip to the Chicago area for forty library science students. The purpose of the trip was to visit different school libraries. The two day bus excursion required a bit of advance planning and some hard work. Early in the year Xi Chapter sponsored a bake sale as a money making project for the trip. On the trip, the chapter visited Elk Grove Township schools, Evanston Township schools,

and Ridgewood High School in Norridge, Illinois. The trip was very informative and beneficial to all. One sponsor took colored slides of the libraries so that a follow up program could be used. This project is one that was valuable and enjoyable.

SIGMA CHAPTER Western Michigan University Kalamazoo, Michigan

Sigma Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha meets once a month in executive committee and once a month in regular membership meeting.

The executive committee includes President, Louise Furber; Vice-President, Judy Thompson; Treasurer, Bruce Daniels; Recording Secretary, Colleen Archer; Corresponding Secretary, Margaret Zielger; Senior Advisor, Marilyn Miller; and Junior Advisor Donald Lehnus. The committee discusses Chapter problems and makes plans for the future.

Regular membership meetings consist of a business meeting, an activity as a speaker or a field trip, and refreshments. At the first meeting in September, non-members came and expressed their desire to pledge in the Fall pledging season. Mrs. Ous of the Sturgis, Michigan Public Library spoke to the group on her experiences on "Knowing the Public and Knowledge of the Profession." In our October meeting twenty pledges were installed in the pledging ceremony. Miss Alberta Brown, former president of the Special Libraries Association, and presently a Lobbyist for the Michigan Library Association, spoke to the Sigma Chapter on being a Lobbyist. A field trip was taken in November to the David Metzger Library at Nazareth College, a new model library for small colleges. In December the Chapter planned the annual Christmas Party for its members, faculty, and graduate students. The party consisted of a mixer, a library crossword puzzle game, the movie "Paddle to the Sea", and concluded with refreshments and carol singing. The January meeting will be the initiation of the pledges. This new semester will include new activities and a new pledge season. The spring is election time and the Annual Founder's Day Banquet.

The Fall Semester of the Sigma Chapter included an updating of the Constitution, donation of our Christmas tree and handmade ornaments to the Children's Ward of the Kalamazoo State Hospital, and a painted snowflake window at the Student Union in Western's Christmas Festivities.

UPSILON CHAPTER

Shepherd College

Shepherdstown, West Virginia

The Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Beta Theta began its school year of 1968-69 with the induction of an active, hard-working pledge class. Guided by our pledge chairman, Pamela Chambers, the following pledges are now awaiting initiation in February: Cheryl Carter, Judy Bietzel, Susan Cushaw, James Breinig, Elizabeth Rittenour, Donna Teare, and Tamara Vetter.

The pledge class has sponsored two projects. The first project consisted of a creative Christmas book display in the college library display case. On the Wednesday before Christmas the pledges had a bake sale in the women's dormitories. Since college students are always hungry, the bake sale was a great success.

The officers for Upsilon Chapter for this year are: Ann L. Wilson, President; Carol A. Noland, Vice-President; Terry Sager, Secretary-Treasurer.

Sunday, December 15th, was the day of the annual Alpha Beta Alpha Christmas Tea, a time when the Upsilon Chapter entertains the Shepherd College Library staff and Chapter alumni. This year it was held in the Shepherd Room of the Student Center. Linda McBee and Terry Sager arranged the table decorations and provided the refreshments. The pledge class presented a skit, "An Hour at the Library," for the entertainment of those present.

The members of the Upsilon Chapter are planning a trip in January to the Mid-Winter Meeting of the American Library Association to be held in Washington, D. C. Everyone is looking forward to viewing the library exhibits and to the opportunities of meeting with the distinguished members of the American Library Association.

Last year Ann Wilson was selected as a Joseph McMurrin Scholar, the highest academic honor awarded students at Shepherd College. Ann is the fifth library science student in the forty students named since the award began in 1961.

CHI CHAPTER

North Texas State University
Denton, Texas

The Chi chapter has 21 pledges this semester. They are Frances Benham, Bill Faulkner, Ken Gorman, Margaret Harris, Kay Hicks, Mary Johnson, Les-

lie Latham, Mary Kottkamp, Karen A. McSorley, Ellen Massengill, Susan Mathews, Sally Miller, Jenny Nettes, Betty Tanzy, Karen Treeling, Ed Walker, Diane Warren, Kathy Wilcox, Sally Wiant, and Anita Zatopek. The new officers are Zelle Priddy, president; Pat Bonds, vice president; Arlene Peyson, secretary; Mary Pat McLaughlin, treasurer; Joan Sanderson, pledge captain; and Nancy Irwin, historian-reporter. The chapter's annual project included buying books for the Denton City-County Day Nursery School. At the Christmas meeting pledges put on their pledge skit for the members. Pledges also helped serve at a reception of library students, teachers and exes at Homecoming in November. Chi chapter is pleased to have Mr. Martin, music librarian back again this year as their sponsor.

PSI CHAPTER

Southeast Missouri State College
Cape Girardeau, Missouri

Psi Chapter of Alpha Beta Alpha here in Cape Girardeau has been busy with its newyear's activities. Twelve new pledges have joined us. They are: LaDonna Bell, Sally Bierbaum, Linda Chapin, Linda Covert, Judy Dilthey, Yvonne Duncan, Joan Emmendorfer, Linda Grob, Pat Haas, Barbara Howard, Joann Jacob, and Liz Ward. We welcomed them as new members at their pledge initiation in November. The ceremonies were presided over by this year's officers: president, Sally Wright; vice-president, Leora Bentley; secretary, Dianne Berry; treasurer, Jo Albers; and reporter, Mary Anne Meier. Our year began with Homecoming in which we participated with a car decorated with a book sporting the title **Book Power**. In December, we held our annual dinner meeting at a local restaurant with almost complete attendance. The meal was delicious and the talk afterwards, delivered by Mrs. Robert Archer, a local children's librarian, was very educational. Now underway in the club are plans for our annual "Old and New" Books Sale. It will be held on February 6 and 7 in our new campus library.

ALPHA BETA CHAPTER
Nicholls State College
Thibodaux, Louisiana

Alpha Beta Chapter has had many problems this year. For one thing, we had to change the time of our meeting. Too, we are deprived of the services of our oldest and most experienced members because they are doing student teaching off campus.

We held our Fall Pledging and Initiation in October at which time Mrs. Sara Buckmaster, who is the new instructor in Library Science at Francis T. Nicholls State College, and Marian English, a student were initiated. Those pledged were Carol Scallon, Shirley Cannon, Nell Templet, Mary Taulli, and Marie Theriot.

Our officers are:

Cecelia Theriot - President
Cathy Dantin - Vice President
Mary Catherine Politz - Treasurer
Carol Ellender-Secretary and Reporter

At our College Career Day, we helped by publicizing the Library Science part of the event and by providing information for those who needed it. We provided refreshments for the featured speakers.

December 16, we had a cake and candy sale to provide funds for use for materials in the Library Science Department. Too, on this same date, we had a Christmas Party. Although the main theme was Christmas, we had games which included book titles as well.

Our programs for the rest of the year will be built around book talks which will be given by Library Science students.

Our biggest event is our annual banquet. We invite an outstanding speaker to talk to us. We invite librarians, library club members, and other interested persons to come. This event takes place in March and is usually held at the same time as our pledging and initiation.

ALPHA GAMMA CHAPTER
Morehead State University
Morehead, Kentucky

The officers of the Alpha Gamma Chapter for 1968-69 are:

President - Pam Russell
Vice-President - Mary Kemper
Recording Secretary - Karen Rose
Corresponding Secretary-Donna Smith
Treasurer - Georgejana Reed
Sponsor - Clarica Williams

Alpha Gamma Chapter was represented at the National Convention last spring by Miss Pam Russell, Chapter President, and Miss Sherrill Smart. These members reported to the Chapter at the May meeting. The reports were on the problems of membership, programs, and activities of other chapters.

Miss Pam Russell, President of Alpha Gamma Chapter, is the District #2 Councilman and is, therefore a member of

the National Executive Council. Miss Russell is a junior with a major in history and a minor in library science.

The programs for this year will include a talk on "Instructional Media" by the Director of the University Library, a Christmas party which is planned by the pledges, a film on library service, and a spring program which is being planned by the new members. A banquet is to be in April and the highlight of this will be the installation of the officers.

The sponsors of the Epsilon Chapter at Murray State University have expressed an interest in a Regional meeting at the University. Several members of the Alpha Gamma Chapter are making plans to attend.

Miss Jean Elliott, the new Executive Secretary of Alpha Beta Alpha, has sent several letters and news items to the Chapter to keep the officers informed on the activities of the fraternity. The officers are pleased to receive this helpful information.

ALPHA DELTA CHAPTER
Oklahoma State University
Stillwater, Oklahoma

Alpha Delta Chapter is pleased to have Mrs. Nancy Ruth Amis as the sponsor again this year. She is the coordinator of Library Education at Oklahoma State University so she is a great advantage to the club.

Alpha Delta Chapter recently completed the Christmas Book Sale which is an annual project. Each year during the Christmas season the club sells paperbacks. Subject areas covered the range from adult non-fiction to children's books, with a special emphasis on recom-

mended children's literature. The local radio station and the newspaper helped considerably with publicity. The Chapter was very pleased with the successful outcome of the sale. The returns from the sale are used to finance the \$450 scholarship offered each year to an incoming freshman in library science. The recipient this year was Babetta Jimpie, who is presently an active pledge in the Chapter. Another pledge, Alberta Husman, is the recipient of the annual Robert T. Motter Scholarship for library science majors.

Alpha Delta Chapter will initiate twenty-one new pledges at the initiation ceremony and banquet February 6, 1969. The pledges this year are quite enthusiastic and show promise for an active chapter next year.

The Chapter's general emphasis is on recruitment and promoting general interest in the field of library science. For this reason our programs have centered on the current happenings in library work. For example some of the subjects for programs have been: computer installation in the Oklahoma State Library; graduate school experiences; librarian internship in schools; European tours by librarians with the armed forces. Aside from the emphasis on the library field itself, at the December meeting the Chapter had an informal Christmas party plus a surprise birthday cake for Mrs. Amis, the sponsor.

Alpha Delta Chapter feels it has had a successful year and is looking forward to the new year.

ALPHA EPSILON CHAPTER
Florence State University
Florence, Alabama

Alpha Epsilon Chapter has a meeting

each month with a program centered on an area in library science. The club started the year off with a "get-acquainted" party for the new and former students who plan to minor in library science. In December, the club had a Christmas party with Mrs. Mann, an instructor in library science, telling a Christmas story, **The Littlest Angel**. Last summer, the club held a tea to honor prospective library science students. In April, the club holds its annual banquet during National Library Week with a special guest speaker.

Alpha Epsilon has two main projects. One is the yearbook which is prepared by the vice-president of the club. The second project which was begun last year, is the organization of a pediatrics library at a local hospital. A book truck is being purchased and the members gave eighty-five books at the Christmas party to the project. The books will be processed by the members.

Alpha Epsilon officers for 1968-1969 are:

- President — Judy Stott
- Vice-president — Sherry Bergin
- Secretary — Donna Rush
- Treasurer — Sue Johnsey

The club's faculty sponsor is Miss Fannie Schmitt.

Alpha Epsilon's members are active on the campus as shown by the following three members. Barbara Nagle was selected to **Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities**. She is the president of the Collegiate Civinettes and vice-president of the Student Alabama Education Association. Drucilla Sharp is president of the American Chemical Society and a former secretary of Alpha Epsilon. Sherry Bergin is vice-president of Kappa Mu Epsilon.

ALPHA BETA ALPHA
FINANCIAL REPORT
January 1966 - October 1968

Summary

Balance at beginning of January 1966 ..	\$2,554.25
Total Income	6,263.28
Total Credit	8,817.53
Total Expenditures	4,236.52
Balance at end of October 1968	\$4,581.01

ALPHA BETA ALPHA
FINANCIAL REPORT
November 1968 - January 23, 1969

Summary

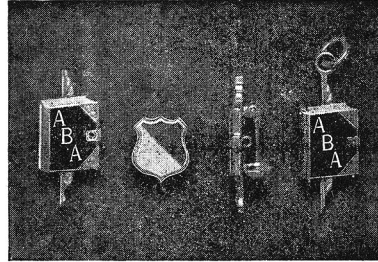
Balance at beginning of November 1968 ..	\$4,581.01
Total Income	1,390.75
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