RECORDS OF THE CONVENTION OF THE Psi Upsilon Fraternity HELD WITH THE BETA BETA CHAPTER TRINITY COLLEGE HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT May 3 and 4, 1906 No. XXXV. of the Printed Series PUBLISHED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL The Seventy-third Year of the Fraternity 1906
THURSDAY, MAY 3, 1906

The meeting was called to order at 10:40 A. M. in Jewell Hall of the Y. M. C. A. Building, Hartford, Connecticut, by George S. Coleman (Xi '76), of the Executive Council.

Bro. Hill Burgwin (Beta Beta '06) was appointed Temporary President, and Bro. Charles V. Ferguson (Beta Beta '07) Temporary Recorder.

The Temporary President appointed the following Committees:

ON CREDENTIALS—Bro. Chapman (Theta), Chairman; Bro. Toll (Lambda), Bro. Sewall (Kappa).

ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION—Bro. Curtiss (Beta Beta), Chairman; Bro. Allington (Phi), Bro. Burns (Chi).

At 10:45 A. M. recess was taken while waiting for reports of Committees.

The Convention re-assembled at 11:25 A. M. The Committee on Permanent Organization reported the following nominations:

President
Shiras Morris (Beta Beta '96)

Vice Presidents
John V. Irwin (Delta '94)
J. H. K. Davis (Beta Beta '99)
George A. Graves (Xi '65)

Recorder
Charles V. Ferguson (Beta Beta '07)

Assistant Recorders
James Brewster (Beta Beta '08)
J. Oliver Morris (Beta Beta '08)
Report was accepted and Brother Morris took the Chair.

The Committee on Credentials reported the Epsilon Chapter as not presenting credentials, but an explanatory letter was received from them and was accepted.*

Credentials of other delegates were presented as follows:

**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**—Herbert Lawrence Bridgman (*Gamma* '66); George Silas Coleman (*Xi* '76) alternate.

**THETA**—Arnold Goodwin Chapman, '06.

**DELTA**—Jasper Spruce Connell, '06; William Zschwetzke Blake, '07.

**BETA**—Frederick Clifford Ford, '07; Joshua Boone Waterworth, '08.

**SIGMA**—Richard Hogan Miller, '07; Victor Arthur Schwartz, '07.

**GAMMA**—Albert Henry Mellen, '06; John Montgomery Hunter, '07.

**ZETA**—Clarence Tebbets Gray, '06; Elon Graham Pratt, '06; Curtis Plummer, '07.

**LAMMA**—Roger Wolcott Toll, '06; James Lewis Parks, Jr., '07; George Welling Giddings, '92; Frederick Paul Keppel, '98.

**KAPPA**—James Wingate Sewall, '06; Robie Reed Stevens, '06.

**PSI**—Perry Anson Miller, '06; Robert Bartlett Jerome, '07.

**XI**—Guy Wright Rogers, '06; George Imlay Bodine, Jr., '06; Hiland Garfield Batcheller, '07; Earle Linus Rich, '07.

**UPSILON**—Albert Bowen, '06.

**IOTA**—Reginald Whitney Crosby, '06; Frank Austin McElroy, '09; Stanley Woodruff Allen, '09.

**PHI**—Courtenay Derby Allington, '06; John Collier Mechem, '07.

**PI**—Charles Eugene Miller, '06; Le Roy Masters Pharis, '07.

**CHI**—George Scott Whiting, '06; Robert Burns, '07.

**BETA**—Philip Everett Curtiss, '06; Garrett Denise Bowne, Jr., '06; William Sydney Walker Fiske, '06; Hill Burgwin, '06; Charles Vaughan Ferguson, '07.

**ETA**—Jonathan Harry Price, '06.

**TAU**—Robert Grant Torrey, '06; John Arthur Brown, '08; Wilbur Baird Topping, '07.

**MU**—Charles Arthur Lang, '06.

**RHO**—Cudworth Beye, '06.

**OMEGA**—Howard Levansallaer Willett, '06.

The report was accepted.

Convention Rules of 1892 were adopted.

*See Appendix F.*
The Annual Communication of the Executive Council was read by the Secretary, Bro. Coleman.

In the absence of Bro. Giddings the Treasurer’s Report was read by Bro. Coleman.

The President then appointed the following standing Committees:

To Nominate an Executive Council—Bros. Torrey (\(\text{Tau}\)), Chairman, Willett (\(\text{Omega}\)), Mellen (\(\text{Gamma}\)).

On Annual Communication—Bros. Gray (\(\text{Zeta}\)), Chairman, Rogers (\(\text{Xi}\)), Miller (\(\text{Pi}\)).

On Unfinished Business—Bros. Miller (\(\text{Psi}\)), Chairman, Bowen (\(\text{Upsilon}\)), Parks (\(\text{Lambda}\)).

On New Business—Bros. Crosby (\(\text{Iota}\)), Chairman, Lang (\(\text{Mu}\)), Price (\(\text{Eta}\)).

The President announced that the Convention picture would be taken at 12:30 o’clock on the Capitol steps.

The President requested the alumni present to meet and elect a delegate for each group of fifteen alumni members.

Recess was taken at noon until 2:30 P. M.

The meeting was called to order at the appointed hour, President Morris in the Chair.

The Committee on Credentials submitted supplementary report showing credentials of delegates had been presented as follows:

First Graduate—William Blair Roberts (\(\text{Beta Beta ’05}\)) ; Alternate, Charles Winslow Burpee (\(\text{Beta ’83}\)).

Second Graduate—John Vosburgh Irwin (\(\text{Delta ’94}\)) ; Alternate, Shiras Morris (\(\text{Beta Beta ’96}\)).

The report was approved.

The Committee on Unfinished Business submitted a resolution in relation to the Song Book. Adopted under suspension of the rules (General Resolution No. 1).

The Committee appointed to nominate an Executive Council for the coming year presented the following resolutions:

1.—Resolved, That a hearty and sincere vote of thanks be extended to the retiring Executive Council for their many and efficient services rendered the Fraternity during their term of office.
II.—Resolved, That the present retiring Executive Council, composed of the following Brothers, be re-elected for the ensuing year:

Herbert L. Bridgman, Gamma '66.
George S. Coleman, Xi '76.
George H. Fox, Upsilon '67.
George W. Giddings, Lambda, '92.
John V. Irwin, Delta '94.

The report was adopted.

The Committee on Annual Communication presented a resolution approving report of the Treasurer. Adopted (General Resolution No. 2).

The Committee on New Business submitted petition of the Zeta Upsilon Society of the University of Kansas for Charter for a Chapter of the Fraternity at said University. On motion the petition was unanimously denied.

The Committee on New Business presented a resolution in relation to the annual tax, pursuant to the suggestion in the Annual Communication of the Executive Council (paragraph VIII). It was adopted (General Resolution No. 3).

The Committee also presented the following:

GENERAL RESOLUTION

Resolved, That, upon the graduation or retirement from college, each member pledge himself to give annually for five years the sum of five dollars, the income of same to be used as a general working fund for the support of the Fraternity. The money thus paid to be collected by the Executive Council, who shall appoint a custodian, under bond, to have charge of the detail connected therewith and subject to the approval of the Executive Council to invest the same in such securities as are lawful investments for savings banks in the State of New York.

The Executive Council is directed to take steps to secure such pledges.

The matter was laid on the table for later consideration.

The President read a telegram of greeting from the Alpha Delta Phi Convention in Portland, Maine, assembled.
At this point President Morris was called away and Vice-President Irwin took the Chair.

Motion was carried to send reply telegram to **Alpha Delta Phi** (*Special Resolution No. 1*).

The Chair appointed Bro. Pratt (**Zeta**) a committee to draft the reply.*

The delegates of the **Delta** requested that the 1907 Convention be held with the **Delta** Chapter in New York.

Motion was carried to convey the good wishes and sympathy of the Convention to the **Epsilon** Chapter, in view of the recent disaster on the Pacific Coast (*Special Resolution No. 2*).

The Chair appointed the following committee to prepare and send the communication: Bros. Torrey (**Tau**), Beye (**Rho**), Willett (**Omega**).

On motion the Convention adjourned until 10 o'clock Friday morning.

**FRIDAY, MAY 4, 1906**

Convention was called to order at 11:30 A. M., Bro. Irwin in the Chair.

The minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

Bro. Morris made announcement concerning railroad rates and the Banquet.

The Committee on Unfinished Business submitted the following in relation to the petition of the **Aztec Club** of the University of Illinois:

The Committee on Unfinished Business recommends to the Convention the following resolution:

That no definite action on the petition from the **Aztec Club** be taken at this time; but that the Chapters give the matter their careful consideration during the year.

On motion of Bro. Lang (**Mu**), the resolution was amended to read that the petition of the **Aztec Club** for a charter be denied. On roll-call the resolution was adopted (**General Resolution No. 4**).

*The following reply was forwarded by President Morris:*

"**Psi Upsilon** heartily reciprocates cordial message of **Alpha Delta Phi**. May friendly rivalry strengthen mutual esteem."
The Committee on Annual Communication submitted a resolution to amend Art. VI, Section 8, of the Constitution, by striking out the word "other," which was adopted on roll-call, the Rho voting in the negative (General Resolution No. 5).

The Committee also submitted a resolution providing for a by-law to be enacted by the Chapters in relation to expulsion of members. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 6).

On motion of Bro. Willett (Omega) a resolution was adopted to send a telegram of greeting to the Psi Upsilon Association of the Northwest at their banquet (Special Resolution No. 3). The Chair appointed the following committee to prepare and send the telegram: Bros. Willett (Omega), Gray (Zeta), Allington (Phi).

A vote of thanks was tendered to the Beta Beta Chapter for their hospitality (Special Resolution No. 4).

The Recorder read a communication from the Alpha Chi Chapter of Delta Kappa Epsilon and was instructed to acknowledge the same (Special Resolution No. 5).

On motion the resolution submitted yesterday by the Committee on New Business, in relation to proposed pledges of money by members graduating or retiring from college, was taken from the table, the Theta, Beta Beta, Rho, Omega, First Graduate and Second Graduate voting in the negative. It was then moved that the resolution be not adopted. Carried.

It was moved that the delegates be instructed to bring up the matter of new song books in their respective Chapters. Carried (Special Resolution No. 6).

Resolved, That the next annual Convention be held with the Delta Chapter, and that this Convention express its thanks for the invitation (General Resolution No. 7).

The Chair was requested to appoint a committee to select a speaker to represent the undergraduates at the Banquet (Special Resolution No. 7). The Chair appointed Bros. Pratt (Zeta), Torrey (Tau), Curtiss (Beta Beta).

Announcement was made that the excursion boat for Middletown would leave at 2 P. M.
The Committee on Undergraduate Speaker reported the selection of Bro. Allington (Phi).

There being no further business the meeting adjourned sine die.

Charles V. Ferguson,
Beta Beta, '07,
Recorder.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

General Resolution No. 1—Resolved, That the Executive Council be empowered to print an edition of five hundred (500) copies of the Revised Song Book, as soon as one hundred seventy-five (175) copies have been ordered, to be sold for two dollars ($2.00) each, and that in accordance with provision made by the Convention of 1892, Bro. Karl P. Harrington, Xi, '82, be paid a royalty of forty cents ($0.40) on each song book sold of the second edition.

General Resolution No. 2—Resolved, That the report of the Treasurer of the Executive Council be and is hereby approved.

General Resolution No. 3—Resolved, That the annual tax be made two dollars and a quarter ($2.25) in addition to the convention tax of seventy-five cents ($0.75), making a total tax of three dollars ($3.00) a year for each active man.

General Resolution No. 4—Resolved, That the petition of the Aztec Club for a charter be denied.

General Resolution No. 5—Resolved, That Article VI, Section 8 of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word “other.”

General Resolution No. 6—Resolved, That the following By-law be enacted by each Chapter:

“That before a vote for expulsion from the Chapter and Fraternity is taken, the accused must be notified in writing of the substance of the charges against him and of the time and place appointed for a hearing in his own defense. Deposit in the United States Post Office of the notice and copy of the charges, enclosed in a securely sealed, post-paid envelope, directed to the accused at his last known residence, long enough prior to the time set for a hearing to enable the letter to be delivered in ordinary course and the accused to have time to attend the hearing, shall be deemed sufficient notice.”
I. Membership. According to the Annual Reports of the Chapters the active membership of the Fraternity on February 1, 1906, was 590, an increase of 23 over 1905. A table of membership is hereto appended.

II. In Memoriam. The attention of the Council has been called to the death of the following brethren since the Convention of 1905:


Doubtless other brethren, whose names have not been reported, have been taken from us during the year, but the foregoing list embraces many men whose character and achievements have endeared them to their Psi Upsilon friends and have brought honor to the Fraternity.

III. Amendment to Constitution. Dr. Martindale. By General Resolution No. 4, of the Convention of 1905, it was provided that Article VI of the Constitution be amended by adding Section 11, granting permission to the Epsilon Chapter to initiate John H. Martindale, M. D., son of the late Edward Martindale, our last surviving Founder. The amendment became operative in January, 1906, no Chapter having reported adversely, and on April 16, 1906, pursuant to the amendment, the Epsilon Chapter initiated Dr. Martindale, at its Chapter house, Berkeley, California.
IV. NEW SONG BOOK. By General Resolution No. 2, of 1905, the Council was empowered to order five hundred copies of the revised song book, provided each Chapter subscribed for eight copies at two dollars each before June 1, 1905. The Chapters were promptly notified of the action of the Convention, but only eleven Chapters responded, and no further steps can be taken without further action by the Convention. The supply of song books in the hands of the Council is exhausted, and from the frequent calls for copies it would seem that provision should now be made to prepare and publish the revised edition. In this connection reference is respectfully made to the Communication of the Council to the Convention of 1905, on this subject (Printed Records, 1905, page 12, paragraph V).

V. DISCIPLINE OF RETIRED MEMBERS. The question referred by General Resolution No. 8, of 1905, as to the discipline of Retired Members of the Fraternity, has been considered by the Council in a separate communication, herewith submitted.

VI. “AZTEC CLUB,” University of Illinois. The communication received from the “Aztec Club,” of the University of Illinois, and presented to the Convention of 1905, was referred to the Council to be reported upon at the present Convention (General Resolution No. 11, 1905).

The Council requested and received the co-operation of the Phi and Omega Chapters in investigating the qualifications and standing of the applicants. Representatives of both Chapters visited the University of Illinois and the “Aztec Club,” and have reported their impressions. As a result the Council is not prepared to recommend the favorable consideration of the application, or that any action be now taken.

VII. ZETA UPSILON SOCIETY—University of Kansas. A petition has been received from the Zeta Upsilon Society, of the University of Kansas, at Lawrence, Kansas, for a Chapter of Psi Upsilon. The petition, and accompanying letters and documents are herewith submitted.

VIII. COUNCIL HEADQUARTERS. It is believed that the interests of the Chapters and of the Fraternity could be better served if a room were provided in some office building in New York City as official headquarters of the Council, where catalogues, song books, convention records, and other articles frequently called for could be kept, and where meetings of the Council could be held, and correspondence and other Fraternity business attended to with privacy and without interruption.
The present annual dues from the Chapters are not sufficient to defray the expenses of an office and the other expenses incident to Fraternity business. But if the annual tax were made two dollars and a quarter in addition to the Convention Fund tax of seventy-five cents, provided by the Constitution, making a total tax of three dollars per year for each active member, a sufficient sum would be annually realized to cover the additional expense.

IX. TreasurER’S REPORT. The report of the Treasurer is presented herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. BRIDGMAN
GEORGE S. COLEMAN
GEORGE HENRY FOX
GEORGE WELLING GIDDINGS
JOHN V. IRWIN

May 1, 1906.
## (APPENDIX B)

### TABLE OF MEMBERSHIP

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**Totals** | 108 | 135 | 152 | 165 | 3 | 10 | 9 | 3 | 590 | 567 | 23 | 4 |

*The Sigma Chapter had four active resident members, in addition to members indicated making the total twenty-nine.*

*The Omega Chapter had one active member who had left College, making the total nineteen.*
CONVENTION EXPENSES

H. L. Bridgman, Expenses as Delegate to Convention 1905... $5 75
Brooklyn Daily Eagle, 1904 Convention Records ................ 58 50
Robt. Grier Cooke, 1905 Convention Records ................... 75 00
Robt. Grier Cooke, Convention Rules...... 9 43
Beta Beta Chapter, Contribution to Convention Expenses, 1906....... 250 00

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**Balance Sheet, May 2, 1906**

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Geo. Welling Giddings,
Treasurer.
The Annual Convention of 1905 adopted the following General Resolution No. 8:

"Resolved, That inasmuch as there is no provision in the Constitution for the discipline of Retired Members, the question be referred to the Executive Council and be reported for further action at the next Convention."

In taking up the question the Council has considered the general requirements of law, the provisions of the Fraternity Constitution, and what, if any, changes should be made.

**FIRST**

*Requirements of the Law*

The following general propositions appear to be well settled by the decision of our Courts:

I. That Courts will not as a rule interfere with the quarrels of voluntary associations, so long as their government is fairly and honestly administered.

II. That the Constitution and by-laws of a voluntary unincorporated association are the sole rule that governs the relation between the association and its members, and the courts will not redress any action of the association in expelling or punishing a member when such action has been taken in accordance with the express provisions thereof.

III. That when either a property or personal right is involved in membership the accused must be notified of the substance of the charges against him and have an opportunity to be heard in his own defense. If the organization have a Constitution or by-laws which regulate the matter their provisions must be fair and reasonable and must be complied with.

**SECOND**

*The Fraternity Constitution*

1. Art. II, Sec. 1. All legislative and executive powers herein granted shall be vested in a Convention and an Executive Council.
THIRD.

What Changes Necessary

The law requires that the accused be notified of the charges against him and that he have an opportunity to be heard.

Discipline of Members of living Chapters is vested in the Active Members of those Chapters, the machinery of discipline being in conformity with the Chapter’s own laws. Expulsion from a Chapter is expulsion from the Fraternity.

The Constitution states that a nine-tenths vote of the other Active Members is necessary for expulsion. Being a penal provision it will be construed strictly, the natural inference being that the accused himself must be an Active Member. As a member may at any time cease to be Active by leaving college, the right, under the Constitution, to discipline him after leaving is questionable. Our past history discloses expulsion of Retired as well as of Active Members; but with what has been done and with the power of the Convention over Members of inactive Chapters, this report does not deal.

If it be deemed desirable to remove all doubt for the future, the result may be accomplished by striking the word “other” from Art. VI, Sec. 8, of the Constitution. This will bring future Retired as well as Active Members within the discipline of the Chapters.

And to provide the proper machinery it would be well for each Chapter to enact a by-law in substance as follows:

“That before a vote for expulsion from the Chapter and Fraternity is taken, the accused must be notified in writing of the substance of the charges against him and of the time and place appointed for a hearing in his own defense. Deposit in the United States Post Office of the notice and copy of the charges, enclosed in a securely sealed, postpaid envelope, directed to the accused at his last known residence, long enough prior to the time set for a hearing to enable the letter to be delivered in ordinary course and the accused to have time to attend the hearing, shall be deemed sufficient notice.”

The Council would not be understood as expressing any opinion as to the desirability or the expediency of the amendment, but merely as indicating its views on the present power of the Chapters under the Constitution, and on the simplest method of removing all doubt on the subject; leaving to the Convention the discussion of the question on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

May 1, 1906.  THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
(APPENDIX E)

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Lawrence, Kansas, April 16th, 1906.

Mr. Geo. S. Coleman,
New York City, N. Y.

DEAR SIR—We herewith enclose a petition to the Psi Upsilon Fraternity and letters of recommendation from faculty members of the University of Kansas who are members of that Fraternity. We enclose under separate cover a book containing views of the buildings of our university and photographs of the members of the Zeta Upsilon Society, also a copy of the catalogue of the University of Kansas.

Yours very respectfully,
Fred J. Cambery, Secretary,
Zeta Upsilon Society.

(APPENDIX E')

To the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, Greeting:

The Zeta Upsilon Society of the University of Kansas, located at Lawrence, Kansas, respectfully petition to be favorably considered for a chapter of Psi Upsilon.

Our University was established in 1866 in accordance with the laws of the State of Kansas. It is supported by bi-ennial appropriations from the State Legislature amounting to $500,000, which sum is exclusive of building appropriations. From 1886 to the present time, various departments of instruction have been added until now the University comprises eight schools, namely: The Graduate School, the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, School of Engineering, School of Law, School of Fine Arts, School of Pharmacy, School of Medicine and the Summer Session.

There are at present twelve buildings with one in the course of construction, comprising the University proper at Lawrence, and six buildings devoted to the junior and senior years of the School of Medicine located at Kansas City, Kansas. There are no dormitories at the University of Kansas; students finding rooming quarters with the citizens of Lawrence.
The University has always maintained a steady development, but its growth has been especially marked during the last few years. Since 1898 the following buildings have been erected upon the campus at Lawrence: Fowler Shops, Chemistry and Pharmacy Building, Natural History Museum, Law Building and the Auditorium-Gymnasium. During this time the School of Medicine has been established and six buildings are in the course of erection at Kansas City devoted exclusively to clinical work.

The faculty consists of over one hundred and fifty members, most of whom have degrees from Eastern colleges or from European universities.

There are at present one thousand seven hundred and fifty students enrolled, all of New England standard as to requirements for admission.* There is no preparatory department in the University, but throughout the State there are one hundred and fifty academies and high schools which prepare students for admission to the freshman class. The main student body is drawn from these schools, but a number of students are also drawn from Western Missouri on account of its proximity, and many from the territories to the south. June 1st, 1906, there will be 3,000 graduates of this school.

Eight fraternities have established chapters in this institution. They are as follows: Beta Theta Pi, Phi Kappa Psi, Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Chi, Sigma Nu, Alpha Tau Omega and Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Our local society was first established in 1902 as a club for social purposes, but soon formed into a local society which has taken active interest in all university affairs, scholastic, social, athletic, religious and political. We find, however, in order to accomplish our highest ideals, and in order to secure the best interests of each member the necessity of identifying ourselves with one of the strongest of the national fraternities, so as to bring us in closer touch with other colleges and create that brotherly feeling only produced by such a tie.

Our desires in this direction have received the hearty co-operation of Frank Strong, Beta Chapter of Psi Upsilon, Yale 1884, Chancellor of the University; Wm. L. Burdick, Xi, Wesleyan 1882, Professor of Law; Arthur Tappan Walker, Delta, University of New York 1887, Head of the Department of Latin; and Wm. B. Brownell, Psi, Hamilton 1883, ex-Professor of Law.

* As to requirements for admission to the freshman class see catalogue duly marked, which will be sent later.
From our association with the above named gentlemen we have become acquainted with the high ideals they represent and because of this we in some measure realize the conservative character of Psi Upsilon. For this reason, before all others, we feel that we wish to be identified with your fraternity. Therefore we ask you to grant us a chapter of Psi Upsilon.

Respectfully,

ZETA UPSILON SOCIETY,
   ERNEST ROBERT GENTRY,
   CARL OSCAR PINGRY,
   VIRGIL WARREN MCCARTY,
   CLAUDE LUCULLUS SELLERS,
   FRED J. CAMBERY,
   OLIVER NELSON WAMPLER,
   LAWRENCE BRETT,
   CHARLES LLOYD VAN FLEET,
   EMILE MEHL BRUNNER,
   CLARENCE ERNEST WAMPLER,
   M. N. McNUGHTON,
   RICHARD L. DOUGLAS.

(APPENDIX E2)

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS,
LAWRENCE, APRIL 18TH, 1906.

The Executive Council of Psi Upsilon Fraternity, New York.

Dear Brothers—We ask your favorable consideration of the petition for a Chapter of Psi Upsilon in the University of Kansas, both because we believe that the standing of the University makes it advisable that a chapter be installed here, and because we believe that so representative a body of applicants will scarcely be found again.

In Kansas the State University is distinctly the centre of the educational system and the most important educational institution. The University of Kansas is already so firmly established in size and in influence as to make it certain that it will maintain and increase its prestige. At present there are in this University several fraternities, but none of the rank of Psi Upsilon, Delta Kappa Epsilon and Alpha Delta Phi.

The growth of State Universities in the West has already begun to shift the centre of educational influence in the United States, and it is becoming evident that each year will increase the importance of the
universities of the Middle West. In addition, the University of Kansas is by location and history the most vital centre of educational influence in a vast territory called in a general way the Southwest. We believe that the time will come soon when fraternities of the first rank will see that it is to their interest that chapters be established in the western universities. If so, the first of these great fraternities to be established will have an undoubted advantage.

We consider the present applicants for a chapter an unusual body of men to find outside of the fraternities already in the field. They are all representative men, active in every interest in the University. They have not been gathered together for the purpose of making this application, and therefore are not lacking in personal loyalty to one another. They have maintained a quasi organization for several years and have much of the true fraternity spirit. Being solicited to form a chapter of an inferior fraternity, they came to the Chancellor for advice. Believing as we do that Psi Upsilon should come here and that the men are worthy of the fraternity, we advised them to aim for the highest; and this petition is the result.

Every member of the organization, except one freshman, has filled one or more positions of honor and responsibility in class or University affairs. The more prominent of these positions are as follows:

- One member of the Athletic Board.
- Four members of the football team.
- Three members of class baseball teams.
- Two business managers of the Kansan, the University paper.
- One editor-in-chief of the Kansan.
- One editor of the Kansan.
- One president of a literary society.
- One member of a successful team in the Missouri-Kansas debate.
- One class president.
- One class vice-president.
- One class treasurer.
- One member of the mandolin club.
- Two members of the glee club.

Any of us will be glad to furnish further information to any chapter or officer of the Fraternity who desires it.

Yours in the bonds,

Frank Strong, Beta, '84.
W. B. Brownell, Psi, '83.
Wm. L. Burdick, Xi, '82.
To the Psi Upsilon Fraternity Assembled in Convention with the Beta Beta Chapter.

Dear Brothers: The Epsilon Chapter sends greetings to the brethren at the Convention, and with deepest regret reports that she can send no one of her members to be present at this annual Fraternity gathering. Two of her men had planned to be at the Convention, but the recent visitation of earthquake and fire has brought such disaster that the Epsilon is temporarily crippled and sadly realizes that she must give up all hope of having a representative this year.

Fortunately her home was not injured, but the hope of a new and more adequate one must now be put off for several years, although we were getting ready to lay its foundations before the beginning of the next college term.

We are glad to have had a roof under which we have been able to shelter refugees from the burning city across the bay, and we have felt that in offering our house for the protection of the homeless and destitute we have been upholding the Psi U. standard of true manliness and loyalty to duty.

All of our men are engaged in the work of relief, either by volunteering with the University Cadets to help in keeping order and quiet in Berkeley and San Francisco, or with the hospital corps, or in some other capacity doing what they can to allay suffering and help the needy.

Not only have the consequences of the earthquake been disastrous around San Francisco Bay, but all California has suffered. At every hand we feel the stress and strain of the situation. There is not one of our members who has not relatives and friends who need what aid we can give in this time of trouble. So we feel that we are doing what the true spirit of our Fraternity would have us in staying, every man of us, at our posts; and we trust that the Convention will realize that it is not through any lack of loyalty to the Fraternity or interest in her welfare that the Epsilon sends no delegate.

It is a matter of congratulation to us that on April sixteenth, two days before the earthquake, John Howard Martindale, M. D., of Los
Angeles, son of the late Edward Martindale, was able to be with us and was initiated into the Fraternity by the Epsilon Chapter in accordance with the amendment to the Constitution passed at the last Convention. The initiation was an occasion for great Psi U. enthusiasm and was one of the many proofs we have had of the depth and strength of the Psi U. spirit on the Pacific Coast. And we know that there can come no earthquake or fire so terrible or so widespread in its influence that it can destroy the loyalty to the Fraternity of the Psi U. men on this side of the Rocky Mountains, and especially of the members of the Epsilon Chapter at the University of California.

Yours in the bonds,

TALCOTT WILLIAMSON,

For the Chapter.