RECORDS
OF THE
CONVENTION
OF THE
Psi Upsilon Fraternity
1915
Program of Events

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
9:00 P. M.—Informal smoker at Clift Hotel, Convention Headquarters.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
10:00 A. M.—Organization meeting and presentation of credentials, Mezzanine floor, Clift Hotel.
12:00 M.—Boat leaves Crawley pier (foot of Howard St.) for El Campo. Buffet luncheon will be served en route.
3:30 P. M.—Baseball game at El Campo.
5:00 P. M.—Spanish barbecue.
7:30 P. M.—Boat leaves El Campo for P. P. I. E.
8:30 P. M.—Boat arrives at Yacht Harbor, Exposition grounds.
11:00 P. M.—Informal headquarters, Old Faithful Inn.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
10:00 A. M.—Key Route Ferry for Berkeley (take special car at mole which will be met by cars at Berkeley station).
10:45 A. M.—Business meeting, Epsilon Chapter House.
1:00 P. M.—Luncheon at Chapter House.
2:00 P. M.—Automobile tour of University of California campus.
4:00 P. M.—Reception at Claremont Country Club.
6:00 P. M.—Special cars leave Country Club for San Francisco.
7:00 P. M.—Informal entertainment of delegates in San Francisco.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
10:30 A. M.—Final business meeting at Clift Hotel.
2:30 P. M.—Exposition grounds.
5:30 P. M.—Official welcome of delegates to Exposition. American Telephone and Telegraph Exhibit, Liberal Arts Palace, P. P. I. E.
8:00 P. M.—Convention banquet, St. Francis Hotel ballroom.

*Tickets for the banquet will be sold at five dollars.*
Delegates and visiting brothers will find register and information bureau in lobby of Clift Hotel on arrival, September 1. Identification ribbons, banquet tickets, and programs can be secured here. Accommodations have been reserved at the above hotel for the convention period.

For the benefit of those who are unable to attend the barbecue on the first official day, arrangements have been made to meet informally at Alt Nurnberg Cafe, near Fillmore St., entrance of the “Zone” at 9:30 P. M.

All Psi U.’s are urged to bring their wives, sisters, and so forth to the reception on the afternoon of September 3. This is the only opportunity that will be afforded to meet the wives of the visitors.

The patronesses for this occasion are Mrs. William Ford Nichols, Mrs. Charles Mills Gayley, Mrs. Phoebe Apperson Hearst, Mrs. Benjamin Ide Wheeler, Mrs. Louis Finlay Monteagle, Mrs. Norman McLaren, Mrs. Frederick (Sibley) Moody, Mrs. Kate Slanson Vosburg, Mrs. Hugh Livingston MacNeil, Mrs. William Thomas McFie, Mrs. Theodore J. Wrampelmeir, Mrs. Sidney Vanuxen Smith.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON AT THE EXPOSITION

Brother Wm. H. Taft or Brother H. L. Bridgman, President of the Fraternity, will speak to representatives of the Fraternity in New York, using the recently installed transcontinental Bell System Service. Here Brother Thornwell Mullaly will welcome the delegates in behalf of the Exposition directors.


Epsilon Chapter House is located at 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley. The telephone number is Berkeley 1682.
RECORDS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1915

The Annual Convention in the eighty-third year of the Fraternity was called to order in the Clift Hotel, San Francisco, Cal., at 10:30 A. M. by Brother Herbert L. Bridgman (Gamma '66), a delegate of the Executive Council, who appointed Brother Harcourt Hervey (Epsilon '15) Temporary President and Brother Jarvis Lewis Gabel (Epsilon '16) Temporary Recorder.

Brother Hervey took the chair and appointed the following committees:

**COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS**—Bros. Daniel F. Comstock (Omicron '15), Edward C. Taylor (Delta '09) and George C. Valentine (Sigma '15).

**COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION**—Bros. Bertram L. B. Smith (Beta Beta '15), Oliver B. Cunningham (Beta '17) and Earl P. Stevenson (Xi '16).

After which a recess was taken.

Uponreassembling Bro. Comstock reported that credentials had been received in due form from the following delegates:

**THETA**—William Hubert Mandeville '15

**DELTA**—Edward Clark Taylor '09, Erik Wallin '96 and James Abbott '83

**BETA**—Prescott Sheldon Bush '17, Oliver Baty Cunningham '17

**SIGMA**—George Clark Valentine '15

**Gamma**—Harold Lusk Gillies '16

**ZETA**—Henry Waltman Walters '17

**LAMBDA**—John Sears Baldwin '16

**KAPPA**—Dwight Harold Sayward '16

**PSI**—Robert Winfield Higbie, Jr. '15

**XI**—Earl Place Stevenson '16

**Upsilon**—Harold Shantz '15, Horace Gilbert Swan '15

**IOTA**—Karl Bertrand Zint '16

**PHI**—Francis Ralph Khuen '15
The report was accepted and the Committee continued.

Bro. Smith (Beta Beta) reported for the Committee on Permanent Organization the following, which was agreed to:

**President**

Herbert Lawrence Bridgman (Gamma '66)

**Vice-Presidents**

Charles Mills Gayley (Phi '78)
William Howard Taft (Beta '78)
Alphonso Paine Sawyer (Beta '80)

**Recorder**

Jarvis Lewis Gabel (Epsilon '16)

**Assistant Recorders**

Edward Porter Bruck (Epsilon '18)
Richard Ashe McLaren (Epsilon '17)

The President took the chair and by unanimous consent the Convention Rules of 1892, as modified in 1909, were adopted.

The President laid before the Convention the Annual Communication of the Executive Council,* which was read by the Recorder, the delegates rising and standing during the reading of paragraph IN MEMORIAM.

* Appendix A.
Attached to the Communication was the Annual Report of the Committee on Business Information,* Report of Committee on Comparative Chapter standing** and Table of Membership as of February 1, 1915.***

The President also laid before the Convention the Annual Report of the Treasurer of the Executive Council,† and the petition of the Chi Delta Psi of Toronto University for a chapter of the Fraternity;‡ which later were referred to appropriate committees.

The following committees were appointed by the chair:

To Nominate Members of the Executive Council—Bros. Edward C. Taylor (Delta), Dwight H. Sayward (Kappa), Earl P. Stevenson (Xi), William C. Moorhead (Mu), Robert W. Higbie (Psi).

On Annual Communication—Bros. William H. Mandeville (Theta) George C. Valentine (Sigma), Bertram L. Smith (Beta Beta), Hugh C. Edmiston (Chi), Francis R. Khuen (Phi).

On Unfinished Business—Bros. Prescott S. Bush (Beta), Henry W. Walters (Zeta), Louis H. Williams (Rho), Karl B. Zint (Iota), Harold Shantz (Upsilon).

On New Business—Bros. Harold L. Gillies (Gamma), John S. Baldwin (Lambda), Dwight S. Barnum (Pi), James M. Austin (Tau), Harold T. Moore (Omega).

Bro. Gillies, by unanimous consent, offered Special Resolutions Nos. 1 and 2, which under suspension of the rules were unanimously adopted.

Adjourned until Friday, Sept. 3, at 10:30 A. M.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

The Convention was called to order by the President at 10:45 A. M. in the Epsilon House, 1815 Highland Place, Berkeley, Cal. The minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

Petition of the Pi Upsilon of the University of Kansas,§ accompanied by letter from the Missouri Valley Alumni Association, presented by Bro. Bishop S. C. Partridge (Beta '80);|| petition of Phi Kappa Society of the University of Washington,¶ presented and supported in a

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brief address by Bro. Alphonso P. Sawyer (Beta '80); and an invitation from the Baltimore Municipal Bureau of Conventions to hold the next convention in that city, were received and referred to the Committee on New Business.

A telegram from Alpha Delta Phi was read by the Chair, and upon motion of Bro. Forstall (Eta) a reply thereto was unanimously adopted.*

The President read the following letter from Brother John Howard Martindale (Epsilon '85), son of the late Brother General Edward Martindale (Theta '36), a founder of the Fraternity, which was unanimously ordered spread in full upon the Minutes:

Hotel Osburn  
Eugene, Oregon  
Sept. 1st, 1915

My dear Mr. Bridgman:

I have just emerged from my summer sojourn in the forests and mountains of Oregon. I regret most sincerely the impossibility of my joining the Psi U brothers in San Francisco, my duties calling me quite the opposite direction—to Portland and Seattle—but I shall think with much longing of the gratification it would give me to be present with you, especially as the Psi UPSILON fraternity was a thing most dear to my deceased and honored father, who would have accounted it one of the special privileges of his life had he been spared to be with you. I am,

Most Fraternally Yours,  
J. H. MARTINDALE.

A recess of thirty minutes was taken, during which President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California addressed the Convention.

Upon reassembling Bro. Bush (Beta) reported for the Committee on Unfinished Business a resolution providing for compiling a standard list for all chapters by a printer selected by the Executive Council. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 1).

Bro. Gillies (Gamma) for the Committee on New Business reported the following resolutions:

I. Against the petition of Pi Upsilon of the University of Kansas. Adopted, Sigma and Upsilon not voting (General Resolution No. 2).

* p. 38.
II. Declining invitation of the Baltimore Municipal Convention (Special Resolution No. 3).

III. Submitting petition of Phi Kappa Society of the University of Washington to the Chapters. All Chapters except Lambda, Upsilon, Chi and Tau voted “Aye” (General Resolution No. 3.)

IV. Authorizing the Executive Council to prepare for a general catalogue in 1917. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 4).

V. Authorizing the Council to reprint the Epitome of Psi Upsilon. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 5).

VI. Authorizing the Executive Council to consider the publication of Fraternity Annals, bringing the Epitome to date, the proposition to be submitted to and approved by the Chapters before financial responsibility is assumed. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 6).

VII. Authorizing the Executive Council to send the Constitution and Archives of the old Omega to the new chapter of the same name, provided the members of the old Omega consent.

Bro. Hervey (Epsilon) read the greetings of Bro. Nicholas Murray Butler (Lambda ’82) to the Convention, which the Chair said he would acknowledge in person upon his return to New York.

Adjourned until Saturday, Sept. 4, 10:30 A. M. at Clift Hotel.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

The Convention was called to order at 10:30 A. M. in the Clift Hotel, San Francisco, the President in the chair.

Reading of the Minutes of the previous day was suspended to permit Bro. William Howard Taft (Beta ’78) to address the Convention in support of the petition of Chi Delta Psi of the University of Toronto, after which the Minutes were read and approved.

Bro. Mandeville (Theta) of the Committee on Annual Communication offered Special Resolution No. 1, which was unanimously adopted.

Bro. Bush (Beta) reported for the Committee on Unfinished Business that the Report of Committee on Comparative Chapter Standing be accepted in full. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 8).
Bro. Gillies (Gamma) for the Committee on New Business offered the following:

I. Against the petition of the Chi Delta Psi of the University of Toronto. Delta, Beta, Zeta, Iota, Pi, Epsilon and Delta Delta voted No, Sigma and Chi not voting (General Resolution No. 9).

II. Appreciation of War Relief Service of members of the Fraternity and establishing an Honor Roll of European War. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 10).

III. Authorizing investigation of Ritual of Initiation and preparation of a standard form for submission to the next Convention. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 11).

IV. Granting Chapters power to accept or reject transfers from Chapters, which upon explanation from Bro. Edmiston (Chi) was unanimously defeated.

V. Approving Will & Baumer Psi Upsilon candles. Unanimously adopted (Special Resolution No. 5).

VI. Authorizing the Council to select the Chapters with which the Conventions in 1916 and 1917 are to be held and report their selection to the Fraternity before January 1 of the respective years (General Resolution No. 12).

VII. Thanking the Epsilon for its hospitality. Unanimously adopted (Special Resolution No. 6).

Bro. Walters (Zeta) stated that the Zeta Chapter desired to hold the Convention of 1916, and Bro. Moorhead (Mu) made a similar statement on behalf of the Mu Chapter for the Convention of 1917.

Bro. Taylor (Delta) for the Committee to Nominate Members of the Executive Council submitted the names of Bro. Herbert Sherman Houston (Omega '88) to succeed Bro. Leo Weldon Wertheimer (Iota '99), and Bro. George Xavier McLanahan (Beta '96) to succeed Bro. Albert Draper Whiting (Tau '88) for the terms expiring 1920, and a resolution thanking Bros. Wertheimer and Whiting for their faithful and untiring service in behalf of the Fraternity. Bros. Houston and McLanahan were unanimously elected, and the resolution of thanks was unanimously adopted (Special Resolution No. 7).
Bro. Bush (Beta) reported for the Committee on Unfinished business:

I. Against revival of The Diamond—Theta, Delta, Zeta, Kappa, Xi, Phi, Beta Beta, Tau, Mu, Omega, Epsilon and Omicron voting No. Sigma not voting. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 13).

II. Against a Traveling Secretary. Unanimously adopted (General Resolution No. 14).

Bro. Moore (Omega) invited the delegates to visit the Omega on their way East, stating that a new house was being built and that a general house-warming would be held in October.

Bro. Bestor G. Brown (Phi '84), urged by unanimous consent, addressed the Convention in support of the petition from the Pi Upsilon of the University of Kansas. Bros. Putnam (Epsilon '11), Austin (Tau '15) and Baldwin (Lambda '15) replied to Bro. Brown's questions.

Bro. Hervey (Epsilon) announced the program for the remainder of the day, and the Convention then adjourned sine die.*

Respectfully submitted,

JARVIS LEWIS GABEL
(Epsilon '16)
Recorder

* The delegates assembled informally at the hall of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in the Liberal Arts Palace of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition Saturday, September 4, at 5 p. m., when Bro. Thornwell Mullaly (Beta '92), Vice-President of the Exposition Commission, presented its bronze medal to the Fraternity. The medal was delivered by Bro. Bridgman to the Executive Council and was subsequently engraved with the following inscription:

THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION
TO
THE PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY
SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., SEPTEMBER 4, 1915
After presentation of the medal, through the courtesy of the Telephone and Telegraph Company, the following conversation took place between Bros. William Howard Taft (Beta '78) and George S. Coleman (Xi '76) in New York City:

Brother Albert Lee Clark (Epsilon '07) took the telephone and introduced Brother Taft in those words:

Bro. Clark—"Hello, Brother Coleman! I have the honor of introducing Brother Taft, who will speak to the Eastern brothers that were not able to come West for the delegates assembled in the seats before us."

Bro. Taft—"Hello, Brother Coleman! For the large and robust assemblage of loyal Psi Us in this room I want to send the best wishes to the Eastern brothers."

Bro. Coleman—"We are highly honored to receive this message and heartily reciprocate."

Bro. Taft—"And Brother Coleman."

Bro. Coleman—"Yes?"

Bro. Taft—"We have been entertained with boat rides and barbecues and banquets. These Western brothers are furious entertainers, Brother Coleman!"

Bro. Coleman—"From what I have seen of the Epsilon men at our Conventions in the East I can readily believe it."

Bro. Taft—"We have just had a number of speeches here. Now we had long known that Psi U was a most worthy order and that many things would not exist without it. That is good. It also is good to have people in positions of trust and confidence recognize the truth of this fact. As it happens, Brother Mullaly is Vice-President of the Exposition, and he pointed out the obvious fact to the other directors and we have just been presented with a medal in token of the fact that the Exposition would not have existed without Psi Upsilon!"

Bro. Coleman—"But the Psi U Convention would have been held even without the Exposition."

Bro. Taft—"You are right, Brother Coleman; it is well to remember these things."

Bro. Coleman—"Speaking of Conventions—if the Constitutional Convention were not in session at Albany a number of our good Psi U law-
yers would be enjoying this trans-continental interview. And Brother Nicholas Murray Butler regretted that he could not be here."

Bro. Taft—Yes; what about that message?

Bro. Coleman—Brother Butler sent this message from Newport:

"Regret that I shall be out of town Saturday night and so will be "unable to speak to the Convention. Give the Brothers my best wishes "and tell them I always have the welfare of the Fraternity at heart."

Bro. Taft—"Brother Coleman, will you extend a fraternal greeting to Brother Butler for the men in front of me, and tell him to look out at Newport and not associate too much with plutocratic society dames and malefactors of great wealth?"

Bro. Coleman—"I certainly will give Brother Butler your message."

Bro. Taft—"Good bye, Brother Coleman."

Bro. Coleman—"Good bye, Brother Taft and listening Psi U brothers."

Bro. Taft—"Good bye. Psi U forever!"

A brief colloquy between Brother Bridgman and Brother Coleman ended the ceremony.
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS

General Resolution No. 1—Resolved, That a standard list of all Chapters be compiled and kept as nearly correct as possible and handled by one printer selected at the discretion of the Executive Council; also, that the Council be given authority to publish new editions, from time to time, as it may be desirable.

General Resolution No. 2—Resolved, That the petition of the Pi Upsilon Fraternity of the University of Kansas be not granted.

General Resolution No. 3—Resolved, That the petition of the Phi Kappa Society of the University of Washington be granted.

General Resolution No. 4—Resolved, That the Executive Council be authorized to make preparations for a general catalogue to be published as early as possible in 1917.

General Resolution No. 5—Resolved, That the Executive Council be authorized to publish a reprint of the Epitome, if it shall find that a sufficient demand exists, and present five copies to each Chapter and sell copies to members of the Fraternity at as low a price as practicable.

General Resolution No. 6—Resolved, That the Executive Council be authorized to consider the propriety of publishing a volume of Fraternity Annals, bringing the Epitome to date; the proposition to be submitted to and approved by the Chapters before any financial responsibility is assumed.

General Resolution No. 7—Resolved, That the Executive Council be authorized to send the constitution and archives of the old Omega to the new Chapter of the same name, provided the members of the old Omega consent.

General Resolution No. 8—Resolved, That the Report of Committee on Comparative Chapter Standing be accepted in full.

General Resolution No. 9—Resolved, That the petition of the Chi Delta Psi of the University of Toronto be not granted.

(Note: Delta, Beta, Zeta, Iota, Pi, Epsilon and Delta Delta voting No; Sigma and Chi not voting.)
General Resolution No. 10—Resolved, That the Convention record its appreciation of the European War Relief Service of members of the Fraternity as expression on an international scale of the principles of Psi Upsilon, which entitles them to our gratitude and preserves our regulations; that the Executive Council be requested to prepare and report to the next Convention a European War honor roll, and to transmit to each member whose name may be inscribed on it a copy of the above resolution.

General Resolution No. 11—Resolved, That the Executive Council be authorized to investigate the ritual of initiation existing at the various Chapters and to prepare a standard form for submission to the next Convention.

General Resolution No. 12—Resolved, That the Executive Council be authorized to select Chapters to entertain the Conventions of 1916 and 1917 and to report their selection to the Chapters before January 1 of the respective year.

General Resolution No. 13—Resolved, That the Diamond be not revived.

(Note: Delta, Zeta, Kappa, Xi, Pi, Beta Beta, Tau, Mu, Omega, Epsilon, Omicron voting No; Sigma not voting.)

General Resolution No. 14—Resolved, That a Traveling Secretary is not recommended.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS

Special Resolution No. 1—Resolved, That the President of the Convention is authorized to transmit the following:

Hon. Robert Lansing, Secretary of State,
Washington, D. C.

Psi Upsilon in Convention assembled tenders Fraternal Greetings to Secretary of State, confident that he will maintain the honor of Country and Fraternity "now and forever one and inseparable."

Special Resolution No. 2—Resolved, That the President is authorized to appoint a committee, of which he shall be chairman, to present to President Benjamin Ide Wheeler of the University of California the
respectful salutations of the Convention and to invite him to address it at an hour which may suit his convenience.

**Special Resolution No. 3—Resolved**, That the Recorder be instructed to decline the invitation of the Baltimore Municipal Convention Bureau, time and place of Convention being fixed by constitution.

**Special Resolution No. 4—Resolved**, That the report of the Treasurer be accepted and a vote of thanks given for his administration of the finances of the Fraternity.

**Special Resolution No. 5—Resolved**, That the PSI UPSILON candles manufactured by Will & Baumer be approved by the Convention and recognized as official.

**Special Resolution No. 6—Resolved**, That the Convention extends its hearty thanks to the EPSILON Chapter for its generous and cordial hospitality.

**Special Resolution No. 7—Resolved**, That the Convention thanks Brothers Leo W. Wertheimer (Iota '99) and Albert D. Whiting (Tau '88), for their faithful and untiring efforts in behalf of the Council and of PSI UPSILON.
(APPENDIX A)

THE COMMUNICATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO THE CONVENTION OF 1915

Membership. The Active membership of the Fraternity reported as of February 1, 1915, was 676, an increase of 18 as compared with the membership of the preceding year.

In Memoriam. The following deaths of members have been reported to the Council since the last Convention:

THETA. Frederick William Seward '49, James Reagles Truax '76.

DELTA. John Clinton Cray '65, Baldwin Gardiner Cooke '76, Eugene Frederick Pearce '81, George Shannon Pentz '88.

BETA. Francis Delafield '60, Henry Clay Eno '60, (Henry) Bratton Ives '61, Samuel St. John McCutchen '70, George Henry Holden '75, Charles Herbert Shaw '78, James Richard Ely '82, George Stanley Lynde '83, David Farnam Read '83, William Langdon Beadleston '95, Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt '99, Howard Boocock '00, Frank Taylor Crawford '00, Arthur Crosby Ludington '02, Edward Pierce Rogers '15.

SIGMA. Henry Taylor Grant 69, George Lewis Collins Ormsbee '90.


ZETA. Edwin Franklin Palmer '62, Henry Herbert Folsom '92.

LAMBD A. George Washington Riggs '70, John William Southack '00.

KAPPA. Lewis Pierce '52, Edwin James Millay '65, Frederick Henry Boardman '69, Francis Warren Davis '12.

PSI. Seth Bird '00, Bayard Ten Broeck Allen '12.


UPSILON. Charles Wolbert Ridgeway '76.

IOTA. Harry Neville Hill '77, Charles Atwater Ricks '91, Van Allen Coolidge '00.
OMEGA. Charles Richmond Henderson '70, Robert Francis Harper '83, Charles Murfit Hogeland '03.

Pi. Charles Oliver Dewey '85, J(oseph) Waldron Farley '00.

Beta Beta. George Henry Seyms '72, Nicholas William McIvor '82.

Phi Kappa Society. The petition of the Phi Kappa Society of the University of Washington for a charter of PSI Upsilon has again failed to secure approval of the Chapters. The negative votes of the Upsilon and the Chi disposed of the application for the present year. The Tau voted 15 to 9 in favor of the application (one short of the two-thirds vote required). No reports were received from the Theta, Delta, Beta, Lambda, Kappa, Phi or Epsilon. The remaining chapters voted favorably on the application.

Chapter Address Lists. The convention of 1913 by general resolution No. 1 directed the Council to publish a first edition of Chapter Address Lists of members of the Fraternity. The Council appointed Brother William P. MacCracken, Jr. (Omega '09), of Chicago, as Chief Master of the Rolls, without salary, and the edition based on data furnished by the several chapters has been printed and mailed. A bound set of all the lists was sent to each chapter. The cost of this work at $825.27 has been paid and the question of a new edition has been considered. A card index prepared for the work has been corrected in an endeavor to overcome the large percentage (nearly 20 per cent.) of errors and this index is being kept up to date as information is received. While there are many typographical mistakes some chapters suffered more than others from erroneous addresses, indicating defects in the original data supplied. The result seems to show the need of a standard list for all chapters, compiled, kept as nearly correct as possible and handled by one printer. The printer previously selected (the only one making a specialty of college fraternity work), is being favorably considered. He has the type standing, has the experience of the first edition, and his rather disadvantaged location is offset by economy of operation as shown by bids secured from New York printers. A new and corrected edition will probably cost (exclusive of postage) about half as much as the first. It is recommended that the Council be authorized to publish new editions from time to time as it may deem desirable.

New General Catalogue. The latest General Catalogue of the Fraternity was published in 1902. A supplement containing the names
of members subsequently admitted was published in 1908. There is no
general catalogue containing the members of classes from 1906 to 1918
inclusive. The eighth do-decade of the Fraternity begins with the year
1917, and it would seem proper at this time to consider the propriety of
preparing for a twelfth edition of the General Catalogue, to be published
as early as practicable in 1917.

The Psi Upsilon Epitome. From time to time requests are made
to the Council for copies of the Psi Upsilon Epitome published in 1884
by Brother Albert Poole Jacobs, Phi '73. The Council has never had
copies for distribution, the work having been prepared by Brother Jacobs
personally and sold by him. It covers the first half century of the
Fraternity and is full of interest. The Council recommends that it be
authorized to publish a reprint of the Epitome if it shall find that a
sufficient demand exists, to present five copies to each chapter, and to
sell copies to members of the Fraternity at as low a price as practicable.

The Council further recommends that it be authorized to consider
the propriety of publishing a new volume of Fraternity Annals bringing
the Epitome down to date, the proposition to be submitted to and
approved by the Chapters before any financial responsibility is assumed.

Comparative Chapter Standing. There will be submitted to the
Convention the report of a committee appointed by the President of the
Executive Council to formulate a system for a basis of comparison among
the chapters to indicate their relative standing in scholarship and
undergraduate activities in the colleges where Psi Upsilon is established.
Upon the coming in of the report printed copies were sent to a number
of representative alumni of the chapters for an expression of their views
either as to the scheme as a whole or as to particular details. The replies
received were forwarded to a member of the committee for comment and
the replies and comments accompany the printed copy of the report to be
submitted herewith.

Old Omega Archives. The Omega Chapter has requested that the
constitution and archives of the Old Omega, which were transmitted to
the Council when the old Chicago University closed its doors, be sent to
the new chapter of the same name in the new university. The Council
recommends this disposition, provided the Convention approve and the
members of the Old Omega consent.
SECTIONAL CONFERENCES OF CHAPTERS. By General Resolution No. 3 of the convention of 1914 it was “Resolved, That so for as possible and convenient the chapters in the same section of the country endeavor to hold periodical conferences.” The discussion in the Convention brought out very clearly that such gatherings were to be in no sense legislative, but were to be purely social and fraternal meetings, to foster friendly acquaintance and intercourse and the interchange of views for mutual benefit. It is hoped that the chapters generally will avail themselves of the opportunity of fostering these relations.

VISITATION OF CHAPTERS. Formal visits have been made during the year to the Delta, Beta, Kappa, Pi, Beta Beta and Eta, and informal visits to the Theta, Xi and Delta Delta.

BUSINESS INFORMATION. The report of the Committee on Business Information, received from Brother Earl D. Babst, Phi '93, its Chairman, is submitted as part of this communication.

TREASURER’S REPORT. The report of the Treasurer is submitted herewith.

THE COUNCIL. The officers of the Council for the past year have been the same as for the previous year. Twelve regular meetings have been held and copies of the minutes distributed as usual.

The terms of Brother Wertheimer (Iota '99) and Brother Whiting (Tau '88) expire with this Convention, and two members are to be elected for the term ending in 1920.

The Council takes pleasure in reporting that the Chapters as a whole have maintained the improvements noted a year ago; that the Alumni Associations have shown a growing interest in Fraternity affairs; and that the members of Psi Upsilon have continued to hold an honorable place in the affairs of city, state and nation.

To the Brothers of the Epsilon we extend hearty congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of their first Convention, which officially demonstrates that the West and the East are one.

THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
By Herbert L. Bridgman
President

George S. Coleman
Secretary

Aug. 27, 1915
(APPENDIX A¹)

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS INFORMATION
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PSI UPSILON:

The Committee on Business Information appointed by the Executive Council, under General Resolution No. 1 of the Convention of 1912, begs to submit its Third Annual Report.

The work of the Committee has been continued for the past year under the same plan as detailed in its First Annual Report. Each application is taken up solely on its own merits, with no prerequisite other than the filing by the applicant of his photograph and letters from the officers of his College or University, showing that the applicant had gained such an all-round standing, or had made such use of his college opportunities as to entitle him to the consideration of your Committee.

The Committee has received applications from nine Psi Upsilon since its last Report of April 13th, 1914. With two exceptions, members of the Committee have in each instance met the applicant, and in every instance steps have been taken to gain for the applicant a definite business connection.

The Committee, according to its records, succeeded in gaining business connections for two of the applicants along the lines they desired. Of the remaining seven, one secured a position without our help, one wished vacation work only and another did not wish employment until after July 1st, 1915. Considering general business conditions prevailing during the past year, the Committee submits that even this percentage is rather encouraging than otherwise, and stands ready to continue its work.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE ON BUSINESS INFORMATION
IRA A. PLACE
GEORGE B. MALLON
EARL D. BABST
Chairman

New York, August 25th, 1915
(APPENDIX A²)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COMPARATIVE CHAPTER STANDING

TO THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF THE
PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY:

At a meeting of the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, June 8, 1914, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved that the President appoint a Committee of two members of the Council and four other members of the Fraternity to formulate and present to the Council, not later than the December meeting, a system for a basis of comparison among the Chapters of the Fraternity to indicate now, and from year to year in the future, their relative standing in scholarship, college influence, showing their comparative ability in athletics, public speaking, music, journalism, drama, as well as other undergraduate activities in the colleges and universities where Psi Upsilon has chapters.

Pursuant to this resolution, the following committee was appointed:
Professor Walter F. Willcox, Gamma, of Cornell University.
Doctor Charles T. Burnett, Gamma, of Bowdoin College.
Mr. Frederick P. Keppel, Lambda, Dean of Columbia College and member of the Executive Council.
Mr. Theodore L. Waugh, Pi, attorney-at-law of New York City and member of the Executive Council.
Mr. John H. MacCracken, Delta, President-elect of Lafayette College, Easton, Pa.
Mr. Homer Eaton Keyes, Zeta, Business Director of Dartmouth College.

On November 9th, the Committee was enlarged to seven by the appointment of Doctor Frank Hoyt Wood, Pi, Professor of American History, Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y.

Meetings were held in the rooms of the Psi Upsilon Club in New York City on June 29th and November 16th, 1914, at which the members were present.
As a result of these conferences, and of subsequent correspondence among the members of the Committee, we, the undersigned, beg to present a preliminary draft of such a system as that called for in the resolution, together with some comment, and with recommendation as to further procedure.

We believe it possible to show approximately the standing and condition of each Chapter as compared with the other Chapters constituting the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, and, furthermore, as compared with the activities of the student body among whom any Chapter exists.

The underlying principle of such a comparison should, in our opinion, be that of following at the outset all the lines of endeavor and achievement, as well as excellence of conduct, which, in any degree, constitute the undergraduate interests in the college of today. This should be done, furthermore, without making any immediate attempt to emphasize the value of one such line over another. Later on, and as experience dictates, the activities which seem to the Committee to possess most permanent value, may properly be emphasized with a view to centering a larger measure of student attention upon them.

We take it as conceded that the college fraternity system in general, and the active membership of Psi Upsilon in particular, stand to be benefited rather than injured by any intelligent attempt, however incomplete, to stimulate undergraduate accomplishment by instituting comparisons between Chapters.

One immediate result should be increased unity of idea throughout the Fraternity by virtue of the recognition of certain common standards of attainment which all the Chapters should strive to meet. Encouragement to sustained effort will be afforded through the principle of competition, whose value in modern business and professional organization is too well understood to require defense from us.

Beyond this, it may well be hoped that the arousing of active ambition in the various groups may have an equally beneficial effect upon the individuals constituting them. If so, one of Psi Upsilon's objects, mutual assistance, may acquire a new and really practical meaning in a large and effective way.

Because of our hopes of the ultimate development and value of an annual comparison and grading of all the twenty-three Chapters, we
advise a slow and careful launching of any system of measurement. We cannot find that it has been used to full possibilities by any one fraternity or any one college. Because of the formative nature of the project, we suggest one year's preliminary trial of a reporting system in conjunction with the Annual Report. Under the Council's power of visitation and supervision, cannot a "survey" of one calendar year be made which will furnish not only experience and knowledge, but will be a test of the value of comparison as a stimulus to action?

Psi Upsilon's policy of expecting the free and voluntary rendering of personal services by its members when called to her assistance, will minimize the cost of such a survey to postage and slight expenditures for printing and letter writing. The availability of alumni and brethren in the faculties of nearly every university, will reduce traveling expenses to such as the Council shall expressly authorize.

As a means of securing the data necessary to a comparison of Chapter records, the Committee has prepared and herewith submits a proposed form of blank. A copy of this blank should, we believe, be forwarded to each Chapter as an integral part of the existing form of required Chapter report, and returned at a specified date to a designated secretary.

A temporary committee should examine the data provided, and, on the basis of these, make an attempt to grade the Chapters.

The first experiment in this direction will necessarily be not wholly satisfactory. It will, however, afford the experience indispensable to the preparation of a really adequate questionnaire, and, what is more important, will give a needful understanding of the student viewpoint in a number of widely scattered institutions.

A year later, a more permanent alumni committee should be established and the appraising of what is worth while in the Chapters of Psi Upsilon on the basis not of subjective impression, but of objective demonstration, seriously and methodically undertaken.

It should be fairly clear that the proposed procedure will be of benefit not only in stimulating the ambition of each Chapter to rank well among its fellows of the same Fraternity, but in educating each Chapter to valuable introspection. The adequate filling of the proposed blank will necessitate careful appraisal of a Chapter by its own membership. In analyzing its own record and defining its own achievement, it cannot
well avoid an approach at least to truer standards of value than now frequently obtain.

We accordingly recommend as follows:

I. That the attempt be made, for a period of years, to institute an annual grading of the Chapters of Psi Upsilon for the purpose of showing their relative standing as indicated by the character and ability of their undergraduate members.

II. That the form herewith submitted be used in obtaining information upon which to base the grading above mentioned.

III. That the said form be sent to the various Chapters in conjunction with, and as part of, the material for Annual Chapter Reports.

IV. That a special committee be appointed to pass upon these reports as submitted by the Chapters, to grade the Chapters on the basis of their reports and to publish this grading to the Fraternity in such way as may seem best to the committee.

V. That this committee be authorized to make, from time to time, such changes as it may deem necessary in the form of questionnaire to be sent to the various Chapters of the Fraternity.

VI. That the committee be appointed annually by the Council, so long as it may seem desirable to continue the procedure above outlined.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter F. Willcox
Charles T. Burnett
Frederick P. Keppel
Theodore L. Waugh
John H. MacCracken
Homer E. Keyes
Frank H. Wood

Committee.

April 30, 1915
May, 4, 1515.

THEODORE L. WAUGH, ESQ.,
165 Broadway,
New York City.

DEAR BROTHER WAUGH:

A letter from Brother Keyes has just been received enclosing the draft of our report to the Executive Council of the Fraternity. I am asked to notify you if I have any objection to the report. On reading it over I have one suggestion to make. On the second page, line 11,* I do not see clearly how "the standing and condition of each Chapter" can be "compared with the activities of the student body among whom any Chapter exists."

Partly to clear up what seems to me now an ambiguous sentence and partly to introduce an idea which seems to me of fundamental importance not presented elsewhere in the report, I would be in favor of substituting for the words "activities of the student body among whom any Chapter exists" the words "Chapter of other fraternities in the same institution."

You may remember that I believe the comparison between, say, the Chapter of Psi U here at Cornell and the Chapters of other fraternities here would be more practicable and more valuable than a comparison between the Chapter of Psi U at Cornell and the Chapter at Hamilton. I would like to have this point brought in some way before the Council either as incorporated in this memorandum or, if that is not approved by the others, then as a separate suggestion.

I am sending a copy of this letter to each other member of the Committee and also to President Bridgman.

Yours fraternally,

W. F. WILLCOX

* Page 2, first paragraph of printed copy.
## (APPENDIX B)

### TABLE OF MEMBERSHIP

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EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF PSI UPSILON

Treasurer's Report

From April 30, 1914 to August 10th, 1915

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Disbursements.

Convention Fund:

T. L. Waugh expenses as delegate........... $29.75
Geo. S. Coleman expenses as delegate....... 23.95
Records of 1913 Convention.................. 63.45
Contribution to Epsilon 82nd Convention... 300.00

__________________________  $417.15

General Fund Expenses:

John Nolty Manager, Bulletins............... $93.25
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A. D. Whiting expenses to Iota............... 30.70
Brooklyn Storage & Warehouse................ 62.80
Five Bronze Chapter Tablets................ 60.00
Income Tax 1914................................ 9.51
T. L. Waugh expenses to Theta.............. 8.00
E. L. Stevens expenses to Eta............... 7.50
F. P. Keppel, expenses to Beta & Kappa.... 32.52
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A. D. Whiting mileage to Philadelphia...... 20.00
E. L. Stevens expenses to Pi................ 17.50
Income Tax 1915................................ 9.70
Geo. S. Coleman disbursements as Secy....... 45.14
Exchange ...................................... 1.96

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$934.82

Disbursements.

Brought forward................................ $934.82
Chapter address lists........................ 825.27
Karl P. Harrington Royalties................ 50.80

__________________________  $1,810.89
Balance.

Mechanics & Metals National Bank. $490.16
Brooklyn Savings Bank. 2,297.76
Broadway Savings Bank. 927.78
Due from Beta Chapter. 182.00
Investment account—cost with accrued interest of:
$1,000. Brooklyn Rapid Transit 5% note, 1918
$1,000. Southern Rwy. 5% note 1916
$2,000. Erie, 5½% note, 1917
$1,000. Baltimore & Ohio note 1918. 4,941.89

Total $8,839.59

BalanceSheet August 10, 1915.

Catalogue of 1902. $6.00
Convention Fund. 2,082.78
General Fund. 9,903.85
Jacobs Collection. $1,000.00
Song Books of 1908. 625.47
Song Books Issue of 1912. 61.30
Constitution. 918.50
Interest account. 277.50
Chapter Ad. List. 825.27

Total $12,270.13

Respectfully submitted
A. M. Poole
Treasurer.
Petition of Chi Delta Psi, University of Toronto

To the Honorable the Executive Council of the Upsilon Fraternity:

The Petition of the Chi Delta Psi Fraternity of the University of Toronto.

Sheweth:

That your Petitioners were Founded in the year Nineteen Hundred and have had a continuous and prosperous existence as a local fraternity at the University of Toronto.

That your Petitioners made application for admission as a Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity in the Year Nineteen Hundred and One and in each succeeding year.

That your Petitioners are, as they believe, able to maintain the best traditions of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity if a Charter be granted them.

Your Petitioners therefore pray that they be granted a Charter as a Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Witness the hands of the undersigned members of the Chi Delta Psi Fraternity at Toronto the twentieth day of August Nineteen Hundred and Fifteen.

J. J. Hodgson  
Frank C. Lewis  
Thomas Phelan  
C. Blake Jackson  
C. Morton Scott

Norman C. Hilton  
L. G. McMillan  
J. B. Hanley  
T. R. Hanley  
G. A. McLarty
Pi Upsilon

THE EIGHTY-SECOND ANNUAL CONVENTION OF THE PSI UPSILON FRATERNITY
BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN

Members of the Pi Upsilon Society of the University of Kansas, Petitioners,

To the Psi Upsilon Fraternity in Convention Assembled:

Your petitioners, the members of the Pi Upsilon local fraternity of the University of Kansas, realizing the great benefits to be derived therefrom, earnestly and respectfully petition for the privilege of being made a chapter of Psi Upsilon. For a number of years they have endeavored to maintain a standard which would merit their receiving favorable consideration upon your part.

The University of Kansas has been ranked, as evidenced by its membership in the Association of American Universities, as an educational institution of high standing. Your petitioners have maintained at the University of Kansas a strong organization for more than six years, and humbly submit for your consideration that they have during all this time held their place in the front rank of student activities and college life at the University. Moreover, the Chancellor of the University and the four other Alumni members of Psi Upsilon upon the faculty, as well as a large number of your Alumni of this vicinity, have graciously extended to your petitioners their personal endorsement and support.

For these reasons as well as others which have been submitted to your members from time to time during the past year and which, furthermore, if your Convention so desires may be presented to you in person by representatives of your petitioners now in attendance at this Con-
vention, your petitioners trust that they may be deemed worthy to be granted a chapter in Psi Upsilon.

A. Omar Hodges  
Chas. W. Hagenbuch  
Frank B. Henderson  
Harold De Benham  
K. G. Bishop  
M. S. Stockton  
H. A. Lorenz  
C. W. Carson Jr.  
Leon A. Harsh  
Glendon Allvine  
Hugh N. Marshall

H. S. Nelson  
Loren E. Weltmer  
Joe Gaitskill  
Ivan Siegrist  
J. B. McNaught  
Ross Davenport  
O. T. Potter  
Robert L. Lewis  
William J. Butzer Jr.  
Arthur T. Powell  
Herbert W. Rumsfeld

Petitioners
Missouri Valley Alumni Association of Psi Upsilon

Kansas City, Missouri, August 20, 1915.

To the Members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, in Convention Assembled:

The Missouri Valley Alumni Association of Psi Upsilon, composed of the Psi Upsilon Alumni who are located in and near Kansas City, wish at this time to urge your very earnest consideration of the petition of the Pi Upsilon Society at the University of Kansas. The alumni here are in close touch with the petitioning society and feel that its request for recognition should be granted. The following reasons should be conclusive:

First, the University of Kansas is one of the leading American State Universities.

Second, in comparison with other institutions throughout the country in the number of straight college or liberal arts students it ranks sixth.

Third, the Chancellor of the University, Dr. Frank Strong, and four other members of the faculty are alumni of Psi Upsilon, all of whom endorse the petitioning society.

Fourth, the local society is now in its sixth year, during which time it has maintained its own house and has competed successfully with national fraternities having chapters at the University of Kansas.

Fifth, the character and stability of the membership of the local society is vouched for by the alumni organization here.

Sixth, there is a need for the establishment of a chapter of Psi Upsilon in this territory, where an increasingly large number of alumni can renew and strengthen their associations with the fraternity.
Seventh, the petition by a desirable local society at the University of Kansas cannot be ignored by those looking forward to a substantial and logical, but conservative growth for the fraternity.

**The Missouri Valley Alumni Association of Psi Upsilon.**

**James H. Austin, Theta ’67**  
Kansas City, Mo.  
President

**Eldon C. Hemenway, Psi ’07**  
Kansas City, Mo.  
Secretary

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(APPENDIX F)

Petition of Phi Kappa, University of Washington

To the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, in Convention Assembled:

We, the undersigned, members of the local society of Phi Kappa at the University of Washington respectfully petition to be chartered as a chapter of Psi Upsilon.

Russell S. Callow
Clarence H. Shivers
Addison J. Davis
Gwynne McCaustland
Clarence H. Carlander
John H. Coppet
Angus L. O'Neill
Donald F. Willard
Thomas S. Grant
Donald J. Abernethy
Matthew O'Connor
J. Eber Angle
Leo Bennett
Geo. P. Stuart

Fred S. Porter

Cletus L. Minahan
Wilbert S. Slemmons
Edward F. Chabot
Ewart Upper
Philip E. Barrett
Thomas E. Dobbs
Jas. F. Cameron
Paul M. McConihe
Thos. J. Cushman
Chas. H. Walker
Frank I. White
Alvah T. Weston
Herbert J. Flagg
Weaver V. Ketcham
(APPENDIX G)

COMMUNICATIONS

HON. ROBERT LANSING, Secretary of State, Washington, D. C.

PSI UPSILON in Convention assembled tenders fraternal greetings to Secretary of State, confident that he will maintain the honor of Country and Fraternity, “now and forever, one and inseparable”.

H. L. BRIDGMAN
President

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President PSI UPSILON Convention
San Francisco, Cal.

Please express to the Convention my sincere thanks and appreciation for your telegram.

Yours in the bonds

ROBERT LANSING

PSI UPSILON IN CONVENTION
Psi Upsilon House, Berkeley, Calif.

Acacia Fraternity in grand conclave assembled extends greeting and best wishes for continued progress and prosperity to Psi Upsilon.

HARRY E. KILMER
Grand Secretary
Psi Upsilon,
Clift Hotel, San Francisco

Alpha Delta Phi in Convention assembled sends hearty greetings to Psi Upsilon. May friendly rivalry continue to stimulate mutual esteem.

H. W. Austin
President

(REPLY)

The Convention extends to Alpha Delta Phi, its ancient and honorable rival in Convention assembled, renewed assurance of good will and sincere wishes for its success and prosperity.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

Berkeley, September 6, 1915.

My dear Mr. Bridgman:

The kindly message from the good sons of Psi Upsilon which came to us on Saturday evening by your hand awakened in every Alpha Delt heart a thrill of sympathy and response. Psi Upsilon is indeed our old-time rival and counterpart, but seldom did an organized body of men ever enjoy a finer and more honorable competition. Had it not been that through miscarriage your message reached us so late, a reply would have been sent you at once. This I send you with the concurrence of our order, and with the greetings and good wishes of every son of Alpha Delta Phi.

Very faithfully yours,

Benj. I. Wheeler

Herbert L. Bridgman, Esq.,
The Standard Union,
Brooklyn, New York.
Brooklyn, N. Y.
Sept. 13, 1915.

President Benjamin I. Wheeler,
University of California,
Berkeley, Cal.

Dear President Wheeler:

Many thanks for your favor of the 6th inst. which follows me, this morning, from the Pacific Coast. Rarely, not often, Alpha Delta Phi gets ahead of Psi Upsilon and our gun was loaded with our message of greeting before yours was fired.

However, this is a little matter of confidential historical detail, explaining that we did not expect an answer, evidence of good faith, not necessarily for publication.

I have handed to the Secretary of the Executive Council of Psi Upsilon, for its archives, your favor which he may, perhaps, more formally acknowledge.

May I improve this opportunity again to offer my sincere personal thanks and those of the entire convention for your eloquent and convincing address to us, one of its most effective and memorable incidents.

Yours very truly,

H. L. Bridgman