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The Sixty-Sixth Year of the Fraternity.
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THE CONVENTION in the sixty-sixth year of the Fraternity, with the Chi Chapter, in Cornell University at Ithaca, N. Y., was called to order at 10.30 A. M., in the chapter house of the Chi by Bro. Herbert L. Bridgman (F’66), delegate of the Executive Council, who named Bro. Edwin Sewall Browne (X ’99), temporary President, and Bro. G. F. Ellis (X ’00) temporary Recorder. Bro. Browne welcomed the delegates to the Chi and Cornell, and appointed the following committees:

ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION—Bros. H. H. Mossman (X ’99); W. N. Morice (T ’99), and W. H. Griffin (F ’99).

ON CREDENTIALS—Bros. J. A. Madan (A ’99); G. D. Hale (Σ ’99), and W. J. Torrey (E ’99).

Upon motion of Bro. Francis S. Bangs (A ’78) the rules of the Convention of 1892 were adopted as those of this Convention, and after a recess of fifteen minutes the Committee on Credentials reported the following duly accredited delegates as present:

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL—Herbert L. Bridgman (F ’66).


DELTA—Henry M. McCracken, ’99.


KAPPA—J. Dawson Sinkinson, ’00.

PSI—Seth Bird, ’00, and Albert H. Pratt, ’01.


UPSILON—Samuel N. Havens, ’00.

IOTA—Raymond T. Sawyer, ’00, and Albert M. Robinson, ’01.


ETA—Clark M. Knight, ’99.

MU—George E. Cole and Horace Lowry.

The report was accepted and the Committee on Permanent Organization reported the following officers of the Convention:

**President.**

**Herbert L. Bridgman** (F '66).

**Vice-Presidents.**

C. S. Rockwood (M '79).
Weed Monro (X '75).
A. G. Boardman (K '73).

**Recorder.**

Bro. E. L. Stevens, Jr. (X '99).

**Assistant Recorders.**

C. T. Ellis (X '99).

Wagner Van Vlack (O '99).

The report was adopted, and the President having taken the chair, the Recorder read to the Convention the Annual Communication of the Executive Council (see Appendix A), which was laid on the table for subsequent reference to the proper committee, when appointed.

The President then appointed the following standing committees:

**To Nominate an Executive Council.**—Bros. G. C. Foote (O '99), H. D. Hardy (Z '99), C. W. Darling (II '98), Max Mason (P '98), and Raymond T. Sawyer (I '00).

**On the Annual Communication.**—Bros. J. A. Madan (A '99), Howard E. Mossman (X '99), Standish Backus (Φ '98), Henry M. MacCracken (A '99) and G. D. Hale (Σ '99).

**On Unfinished Business.**—Bros. J. D. Sinkinson (K '00), George T. Kendall (BB '99), Horace Lowry (M '99), F. L. Clark (T '99) and Samuel M. Havens (T '00).

**On New Business.**—Bros. Clarence R. Smith (Σ '99), S. W. Wells (Γ '90), W. J. Torrey (B '99), Seth Bird (Ψ '00), and E. L. Poulson (Ω '00).

The President then presented the fifth petition of the Kappa Gamma Chi at St. Stephen's College, Annandale-on-the-Hudson, N. Y. (see Appendix B), for a charter, which was referred to the Committee on New Business; the report of the committee (see Records 1898, page 13) on the revision of the Constitution, which was referred to the Committee on Unfinished Business,
and the annual report of the Treasurer of the Executive Council, which was referred to the Committee on the Annual Communication.

A letter from Bro. Col. Edward Martindale, of Des Moines, Ia., referring to the services of his late associate founder, Samuel Goodale (Θ '36), was read to the Convention by the President.

Bro. Madan offered the following, which was referred to the Committee on New Business:

WHEREAS, It is essential for the best interests of the Fraternity that uniform and absolute secrecy shall be maintained among its members at all times.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that a policy of greater secrecy be observed by the members of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity in every manner, and that neither pins, badges, emblems, nor any other insignia of the Fraternity shall be given or loaned by any member of the Fraternity to any person not an active or retired member thereof.

RECESS.

The Convention was called to order at 3:30 P. M., and the Committee on the Annual Communication reported General Resolutions Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 (see page 9), of which Nos. 1, 2 and 4 were, under suspension of the rules, unanimously adopted.

The following minority report was also submitted by Bro. Backus as a substitute for General Resolution No. 3:

Resolved, That the Convention hereby deprecates the appointment of one not a Psi Upsilon as a compiler of the catalogue.

After discussion, the amendment was defeated by the following vote:

AYS—Phi, Beta Beta, and Omega—3.
NAY—Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Upsilon, Pi, Chi, Eta, Mu, Tau, Graduate—15.

The resolution of the majority of the Committee was then adopted by the following vote:

AYS—Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Pi, Chi, Eta, Mu, Tau, Graduate—14.
NAY—Upsilon, Phi, Beta Beta, Omega—4.

The minute of the Executive Council, as follows, upon the services to the Fraternity of the late Bro. Rev. Dr. Samuel Goodale (Θ '36), reported favorably by the Committee, was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

NOTE.—The delegates from the Theta, Zeta, Iota, and Rho, being engaged in committee, were informally excused by the Convention from roll call during the afternoon session.

E. L. Stevens, Jr., Recorder.
In Memoriam.

SAMUEL GOODALE (Theta '36).

The Convention records the obligation of the Fraternity to Samuel Goodale (Theta '36), a founder of Psi Upsilon, who died at Columbus, Neb., December 8, 1898. For almost two generations this honored and venerable brother loved and served the Fraternity. He saw it grow from seven to a myriad, and as it waxed greater and stronger his interest and affection for it seemed to increase. His frequent presence in our chapters, clubs, conventions and social gatherings was always welcome and benign, the more because, to the very last, his eye was not dimmed nor his natural force abated. Steadfast in the faith of his college days, unswerving through his long life in zeal for the honor and welfare of Psi Upsilon, the name of Samuel Goodale will be forever held in living and fraternal remembrance.

The Committee on New Business reported General Resolutions Nos. 5 and 6, which were, under suspension of the rules, unanimously adopted.

The Committee also reported the following General Resolution:

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Convention that the need of greater and more uniform secrecy, more dignity and less ostentation, should be impressed upon the members of this Fraternity,

Resolved, That it be the office of every campaign committee of the different chapters to make this a point of discussion each year, and that in addition the initiates be instructed in regard to their dignified behavior toward Fraternity affairs.

The Committee also submitted the following amendment to Article VII, Section 1, of the Constitution: Add the words “No pins, badges, emblems, or any insignia of the Fraternity, excepting the Fraternity colors and pledge buttons, shall be given or loaned by any member of the Fraternity to any one not an active or a retired member thereof.”

Bro. Clark’s motion to lay the amendment on the table was lost; 6 to 12, as follows:

AYE—Kappa, Upsilon, Phi, Pi, Beta Beta, Tau—6.
NAY—Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Lambda, Psi, Xi, Chi, Eta, Mu, Omega, Graduate—12.

Bro. Morice offered the following amendment to that proposed by the Committee:

Resolved, That no pins, badges, or any other insignia of the Fraternity, except Fraternity colors and pledge buttons, shall be given or loaned by any members of the Fraternity to any one not an active or a retired member thereof, except to the wives or daughters of men in this Fraternity.
The amendment was adopted 10 to 8, as follows:
**Aye**—Delta, Sigma, Kappa, Phi, Pi, Chi, Eta, Mu, Tau, Graduate—10.
**Nay**—Beta, Gamma, Lambda, Psi, Xi, Upsilon, Beta Beta, Omega—8.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted, 16 to 2, as follows:
**Aye**—Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Pi, Chi, Beta Beta, Eta, Mu, Tau, Omega, Graduate—16.
**Nay**—Upsilon, Phi—2.

After an address, upon invitation of the President, by Prof. W. T. Hewett (Γ '69), the Convention adjourned until Friday morning.

**FRIDAY, MAY 13.**

The Convention was called to order at 10.30 A. M., and after the reading, correction, and approval of the minutes of the previous day's session, Bro. Goldwin Smith (X '76), addressed the Convention at some length, giving an interesting comparison of college life in England and America.

Upon motion of Bro. Charles H. Blair, telegrams of greeting were sent to Bro. Andrew D. White (B '53), United States Ambassador to Germany, and Bro. Willard Fiske (Ψ '49), resident in Florence, Italy.

The Committee to Nominate an Executive Council submitted the following report:

In consideration of the fact that the present Council has so faithfully and satisfactorily performed their duties, and believing it to be for the best interests of the Fraternity that they continue in office, we nominate the following officers for election to membership on the Executive Council:

Bro. Herbert L. Bridgman (Γ '66); Bro. Francis S. Bangs (Δ '78); Bro. Frank L. Hall (B '72); Bro. William M. Kingsley (Δ '83) and Bro. George S. Coleman (Ξ '76).

Signed,  
GEORGE C. FOOTE,  
C. H. DARLING,  
HORACE D. HARDY.

The minority of the Committee submitted the following report:

Be it Resolved, that the following persons constitute the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity for the ensuing year:

Bro. Joseph R. Hawley (Ψ '47); Norman S. Dike (Ξ '85); Adrian D. Stevenson (Φ '96); William M. Kingsley (Δ '83) and George S. Coleman (Ξ '76).

Upon motion of Bro. Bangs, the name of Bro. George H. Fox (Ψ '67) was substituted for that of Bro. Hawley, and after discussion by Bros. Jacobs, Bangs, Hovey, Blair, Clark, and others, the minority report was rejected by the following vote:

**Aye**—Upsilon, Iota, Phi, Beta Beta, Rho, Omega—6.
**Nay**—Theta, Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Zeta, Lambda, Kappa, Psi, Xi, Pi, Chi, Eta, Mu, Tau, Graduate—16.
After which the majority report was adopted by the same vote. Upon motion of Bro. Blair a vote of thanks was extended to the members of the Executive Council, the senior delegate from the Phi voting in the negative.

The Committee on Unfinished Business reported that, after consideration of the proposed Amendments to the Constitution submitted from the Committee of Revision, they deemed it inadvisable to make any further changes in the Constitution, which report, after discussion, was, upon a call of the roll, unanimously agreed to.

Upon motion of Bro. Torrey, the amendment to the Constitution adopted yesterday was reconsidered, and, after discussion, defeated, ayes, 13 to 9—not three-fourths in the affirmative—as follows:

Aye—Delta, Beta, Sigma, Gamma, Zeta, Lambda, Psi, Xi, Upsilon, Iota, Chi, Beta Beta, Omega—13.
Nay—Theta, Kappa, Phi, Pi, Eta, Mu, Tau, Rho, Graduate—9.

Upon motion of Bro. Bangs, the President was directed to telegraph the greetings of the Convention to the three surviving founders of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity: Bros. Edward Martindale, Sterling G. Hadley, and George W. Tuttle.*

The Committee on New Business then reported Special Resolutions Nos. 1, 2 and 3, all of which were, under suspension of the rules, unanimously adopted.

Bro. Robinson, of the Iota, offered the following:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Convention that some steps should be taken looking toward the publication of a Fraternity Quarterly, and in accordance therewith this Convention requests the Executive Council, on or before January 1, 1900, to submit to the chapters plans for the publication of such a quarterly.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Aye—Theta, Delta, Sigma, Psi, Xi, Upsilon, Iota, Pi, Chi, Beta Beta, Mu, Tau, Rho, Graduate—14.
Nay—Beta, Gamma, Lambda, Kappa, Phi, Eta, Omega—7.

Adjourned sine die.

E. L. STEVENS, Jr.,
Recorder.

*Subsequently the following telegram was sent: "Twenty-one chapters of Psi Upsilon in Convention assembled send filial greeting and recognition to the founders of the first. May they live long and prosper."

HERBERT L. BRIDGMAN, President.
RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED.

GENERAL RESOLUTIONS.

General Resolution No. 1.—Resolved, That the report of the Treasurer of the Executive Council be and hereby is approved.

General Resolution No. 2.—Resolved, That a tax be levied by the Executive Council upon the Chapters at the rate of $1 for each active member on the rolls on February 1, 1900, for the General purposes of the Fraternity.

General Resolution No. 3.—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Executive Council in connection with the Eleventh Catalogue be and hereby are approved.

General Resolution No. 4.—Resolved, That the action of the Executive Council in regard to securing a fireproof storage room be and hereby is approved.

General Resolution No. 5.—Resolved, That the application of the Kappa Gamma Chi for the establishment of a Chapter of Psi Upsilon at St. Stephen’s College, Annandale-on-the-Hudson, is hereby denied, and that all further application will, in the judgment of this Convention, be absolutely futile.

General Resolution No. 6.—Resolved, That the selection of the Chapter to hold the 67th Annual Convention in 1900 be left to the Executive Council, they to report on or before January 1, 1900.

SPECIAL RESOLUTIONS.

Special Resolution No. 1.—Resolved, That the Convention acknowledges its great indebtedness to the Chi for their hearty reception and cordial hospitality tendered to the delegates.

Special Resolution No. 2.—Resolved, That the Convention extends its thanks to its President, Herbert L. Bridgman, (F '66), and to its Recorder, Edward L. Stevens, (X '99); for their valuable services to the Convention.

Special Resolution No. 3.—Resolved, That the Convention extends its heartiest thanks to Bros Horatio G. White, (A '73); Goldwin Smith, (X '76), and Richard Hovey, (Z '85), for the services which they have so efficiently and freely rendered this Convention.
(APPENDIX A.)

THE COMMUNICATION OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO THE CONVENTION OF 1899.

I. Membership. The active membership of the Fraternity on February 1, 1899, was 512, a decrease of 20 since the report of 1898. A table of membership is annexed.

II. Petition for New Chapter. The fifth petition from Kappa Gamma Chi, St. Stephen's College, Annandale, N. Y., is herewith presented to the Convention.

III. In Memoriam. Samuel Goodale (Theta '36), a founder of the Fraternity, died December 8, 1898, at his home in Columbus, Nebraska, and the Council submit herewith a minute of his services to Psi Upsilon. The Fraternity also lost by death during the year: May 13, 1898, William Stevens Perry (Alpha '65), Bishop of Iowa; July 4, 1898, Edward Irwine Walter (Phi '68), Professor of Romance Languages and Literature at Michigan University, lost on La Bourgogne; March 3, 1899, Nathaniel H. Clement (Zeta '63), late Justice of the Supreme Court of New York, Second Department; March 18, 1899, Othniel C. Marsh (Beta '60), Professor of Paleontology, Yale University; March 27, 1899, James Ormsbee Murray (Sigma '50), Dean of Princeton University; April 5, 1899, Daniel Lord, Jr. (Lambda '66), senior member of the law firm Lord, Day & Lord, New York City; and May 5, 1899, Charles Henry Payne (Xi '56), D.D., LL.D., Secretary of the M. E. Church Board of Education. Each name will recall the sterling and attractive qualities that endeared our deceased brethren to the Fraternity, and won for them, in varied fields of labor, positions of trust and honor.

IV. The New Catalogue. Pursuant to General Resolution No. 3, of 1898, the Council have begun the preparation of the Eleventh General Catalogue of the Fraternity, which will contain the names, addresses and occupations of living members, and the dates of death of deceased members, arranged by chapters and classes, the symbols of initiation, and, so far as possible, the public official positions held by members; and, alphabetical and geographical indexes. Mr. Clinton H. Macarthy, of Brooklyn, N. Y., has been engaged to compile the material for the catalogue, under the direction and supervision of the Council, and to attend to all the details of proofreading and presswork until the books are ready for delivery. His work is to be finished by April 1, 1900. He is to receive for his services $750, exclusive of disbursements for stationery, printing and postage, estimated $250. As the chapters are aware, the selection of
Mr. Macarthy, who is not a Psi Upsilon man, has been criticised by the members of one of the chapters. The reason for his selection and the views of the Council on the subject have been expressed in recent communications to the chapters, but the Council will be pleased to furnish to the convention such other information as may be desired. The following chapters have already submitted their membership lists for the use of the compiler: Sigma, Gamma, Psi, Xi, Iota, Pi, Chi, Beta Beta, Eta, Tau, Mu, Omega. Return postals are now being sent out to verify names and addresses, and to secure further data for the catalogue. It is earnestly hoped that the remaining chapters will immediately furnish their membership lists, so that necessary inquiries may be prosecuted and the matter tabulated and ready for the printer at an early day. There is a vast amount of detail work to be done, but if the chapters co-operate heartily with the Council the catalogue can be completed on time, and without unnecessary expense. The estimated expense of printing and binding the catalogue is $2,000.

V. REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION. The Committee on Revision of the Constitution submit herewith the result of their labors. It will doubtless be impossible, in the brief life of the Convention, to discuss and deliberate upon the changes proposed; but if the Convention so direct, copies of the proposed revision will be prepared by the Council and forwarded to the chapters for their consideration. The members of the Committee, other than the Council, were George Henry Fox (Upsilon '67), Ira A. Place (Chi '81) and Norman S. Dike (Sigma '85). The vacancies caused by the death of Daniel G. Thompson and the election of George S. Coleman to the Council were not filled.

VI. SAFEKEEPING OF RECORDS. For the permanent safekeeping of records and convenient access thereto the Council have rented a fire-proof room in one of the best storage warehouses of New York, and, so long as available space remains, tender it to the chapters for the preservation of any property for which they may not have frequent use. In the constantly changing membership of the Fraternity, records, letters, programmes and other memorabilia are lost or mislaid which, if preserved, would become of the greatest interest and value. The Secretary of the Council will at any time furnish shipping and other directions, and the Council commend to the chapters the advantages thus offered.

VII. VISITATION OF CHAPTERS. The Council regret that they have been unable to visit many of the chapters during the past year, but are fully convinced of the wisdom of the plan contemplated by General Resolution No. 13 of 1895; believing that in no way can complete mutual understanding and sympathy between chapters and council be more effectively maintained.
VIII. FINANCES. The Treasurer's report is presented herewith. Pursuant to General Resolution No. 3, of 1898, a tax was levied upon the chapters at the rate of $2 for each active member on the rolls on February 1, 1899, for the purposes of the new catalogue.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT L. BRIDGMAN,
FRANCIS S. BANGS,
WILLIAM M. KINGSLEY,
FRANK L. HALL,
GEORGE S. COLEMAN.

MAY 9, 1899.
## (APPENDIX B.)

### TABLE OF MEMBERSHIP, FEBRUARY 1, 1899.

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**TOTALS**       **109** | **93** | **150** | **123** | **1**      | **23**     | **8**   | **5**   | **532** | **512** | **20** |
(APPENDIX C.)
TREASURER’S REPORT
FOR YEAR ENDING MAY 4, 1899.

Receipts.

May 4. Balance on hand.......................... $2,690 83

May 4. Eleventh General Catalogue Fund...... $970 00
Convention fund collected for 1899............. 384 00
Song Books sold during year.................. 66 00
Lambda Dues of 1898........................... 61 25
Zeta Dues of 1897 and 1898.................. 149 30
Interest on Deposits in Broadway Savings Institution to January 1, 1899.... 68 44

1,698 99

$4,389 82

Payments.

May 4. Cartage, Storage and Insurance on Song Books...... $31 40
Printing 500 note heads................................... $5.00
Postage and expenses.................................. 3.82

8 82

H. L. Bridgman, expenses as delegate to Convention of 1898. 44 15
H. L. Bridgman, expenses visiting Sigma and Kappa......... 24 39
G. W. Giddings, 12 months’ salary to November 4, 1898.... 150 00
Rent P. O. box 1720, to June 30, 1899..................... 16 00
Brooklyn Eagle, printing Convention Records for 1898.... 52 33
Chi contribution to Convention expenses.................. 250 00
C. H. Macarthy, Compiler, account New Catalogue........ 200 00
Rent P. O. box, Brooklyn, account New Catalogue........ 5 20
Brooklyn Eagle, printing letter heads, envelopes and cards, account New Catalogue.......................... 7 25
H. K. Brewer, index cards, account New Catalogue........ 2 75

792 29

Cash in Fourth National Bank .................. $1,834 81
Cash in Broadway Savings Institution........ 1,762 72

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FRANK L. HALL,
Treasurer.
## Balance Sheet, May 4, 1899.

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**Frank L. Hall,**  
*Treasurer.*
(APPENDIX D.)

The Fifth Application of the Kappa Gamma Chi of St. Stephen's College to the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

St. Stephen's College,
Annandale-on-Hudson, N. Y., April 10, 1899.

To the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity.

Gentlemen:—We beg to present to you the application of the Kappa Gamma Chi of St. Stephen's College, for a charter of Psi Upsilon.

We come to you for the fifth time, confident that if we can make plain to you, as we know it, the devoted interest of the members of the Kappa Gamma Chi in this project and the unabated zeal that still animates them, we shall be able to secure the charter which we so earnestly desire.

We have before this urged the point that the college is an institution of general culture and training, and is not a technical school.

We have presented to you the record of our alumni, and the active share which our undergraduates have in the college life.

Notwithstanding the fact that the college has lost its President, the Rev. R. B. Fairbairn, D. D., LL. D., who had been at the head of the institution for thirty-five years, it has maintained its full vigor, and a still larger life and growth is looked for with the administration which will soon be inaugurated upon the election of a new President.

Again, we beg your careful attention to our claims, and respectfully ask that a charter of Psi Upsilon be granted to the Kappa Gamma Chi of St. Stephen's College.

John Aspinwall,
Barrytown, N. Y.
A. Randolph B. Hegeman,
Albany, N. Y.
Angus McK. Porter,
St. Stephen's College.