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FOREWORD

In previous years it has been the custom of Alpha Chapter to publish its newsletter in the summer and distribute it at the time of the Founders Day banquet. This year the officers and members of Alpha Chapter have come to the conclusion that since officers for the summer term are usually here for only one quarter, they should not be given the task of publishing the newsletter. Consequently, we are hoping to establish a precedent which will be followed by our successors in years to come, by our publication of the newsletter at this time.

Throughout the year Phi Sigma Pi has played its part on our campus and has taken its place alongside other honorary organizations in keeping pace with developing educational methods and discoveries. The members have each had an opportunity to take part in one or more of the various programs that have been given throughout the year. Advancement in ability and achievement have been realized and will doubtless aid the officers of next year as they plan and direct the program of the organization.

To Mr. R. F. Wood, our sponsor, and Dr. Emmett Ellis, Mr. C. B. Hudson, and Mr. F. W. Urban, all faculty members, we take this opportunity to express our thanks for their willing services to our organization during the year.

HONOR FRATERNITIES HOLD THEIR FOURTH ANNUAL BANQUET

The fourth annual all-honor fraternity banquet was held on Thursday, April 25, 1935, at the Market Street Methodist Church. Kappa Omicron Phi, the honorary home economics fraternity on the campus, was hostess to the other organizations at this time.

The theme for the decorations and for the program of the evening was Mark Twain. Table decorations consisted of miniature men with brushes and board fences and at each plate was a miniature fruit tree on which were small candies. The place cards were in the form of attractive booklets bound in red and printed in gold. The interior consisted of the program for the evening and reproduced photographs of the statue of Tom Sawyer and Huck Finn which can be seen at the foot of Cardiff Hill in Hannibal, Missouri; Mark Twain's Home and Mark Twain's favorite pose or resting position.

The program of the evening consisted of favorite songs of Mark Twain played and sung by a mixed quartet representing five of the organizations present. Mr. Fred W. Urban represented Phi Sigma Pi and sung bass. Other organizations were represented by talks and readings given by some one of their members.

Reverend Jonathan C. Hollyman, of the First Presbyterian Church in Warrensburg, was the speaker of the evening. He has been almost a life-long disciple of Mark Twain's works and an ardent admirer of the man himself, and in his talk gave many very interesting accounts of the sights to be seen around Hannibal, and interesting anecdotes about Mark Twain and his habits.

About 130 persons, including faculty members and guests of honor, attended the banquet and besides enjoying the program, were served a delightful dinner. Those organizations represented were: Phi Sigma Pi, Kappa Omicron Phi, Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Phi Delta, Alpha Phi Sigma, Pi Kappa Delta, Beta Alpha, and Phi Delta Kappa.

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

Alpha Chapter has held meetings regularly the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, with a few exceptions, and has enjoyed a year of not an outstanding growth in numbers, but an exceptionally outstanding growth in the development of interests in varied subjects and the furtherance of fraternal fellowship among the members.

At the meetings, business procedures occupied the first part of the meeting and these were followed by talks on professional subjects given by the various members and dealing with their particular fields of interest. Literature, Agriculture, Physics, Chemistry, Radio, Mathematics, Social Science, and Commerce were the topics discussed.

At the banquets which were held on October 18, 1934, January 18, 1935, and May 14, 1935, everyone attending had a delightful time. At the October banquet, which was held at the time of the District Teachers Meeting, Phi Sigma Pi and Phi Delta Kappa had their banquet together and had as guests a number of distinguished educators who were here as the speakers on the program of the meeting.

The January meeting was held in honor of Leslie Waters who left shortly afterward for the University of Illinois where he is doing graduate study on his masters degree. Five prospective initiates, who are now members, were also present at this banquet.

At the May banquet, the last of this school year, this newsletter was given out to those present. Mr. R. F. Wood, our sponsor, also delivered a short message to the outgoing officers and graduates.

In the selection of men for initiation throughout the year, Phi Sigma Pi has been particularly careful to choose only those who are professionally minded and who are of good character and serviceable in their inclinations.



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PHI SIGMA PI ACTIVITIES

During the year Phi Sigma Pi activities have been of such a nature that they are worthy of mention.

At the Christmas holiday season Alpha Chapter voted to buy a five dollar Christmas seal bond. This was in harmony with the procedures of other organizations on the campus, and marks our organization as one of beneficent purposes and ideals.

Alpha Chapter also has contributed money from its treasury towards aiding little children to see programs at the college. A sum, large enough to enable ten children to attend a marionette show which had been brought here, was willingly voted from out the treasury.

----- OUTSTANDING MEMBERS

During the year Alpha men have continued to advance, and besides those already in other honorary organizations, four more men were initiated from our ranks into senior college honorary organizations. These four men were: Frederick E. Webb, Loyd Williams, Frank Lauderdale, and Nelson Kerr. Other members already in senior college organizations were Robert S. Quinn, Irl A. Gladfelter, and Rodney Fitch.

Robert S. Quinn has been employed to teach a rural school near Plattsburg, Missouri for the coming year. He will receive his degree from the college this spring.

Charles T. Lakin is teaching in Hazel Green, Kentucky at the present time.

Paul Carson, Alpha Alumane member, has been reelected at an increase in salary to teach English and Music in the schools at Middletown, Missouri for the coming year.

Marion Davies, also an alumane member, has been reelected to teach Commerce and Music in the schools of Osceola, Missouri for next year.

Robert T. Foster has been Editor-in Chief and Rodney Fitch has been Literary Editor of the 1935 Rhetor. This is the annual publication of Central Missouri State Teachers College and the positions held on the staff by these two brings honor to Phi Sigma Pi.

Edward Melin and his band, the "Whispering Serenaders", have furnished the music for the college dances which were held on Friday night of each week during the entire year.

