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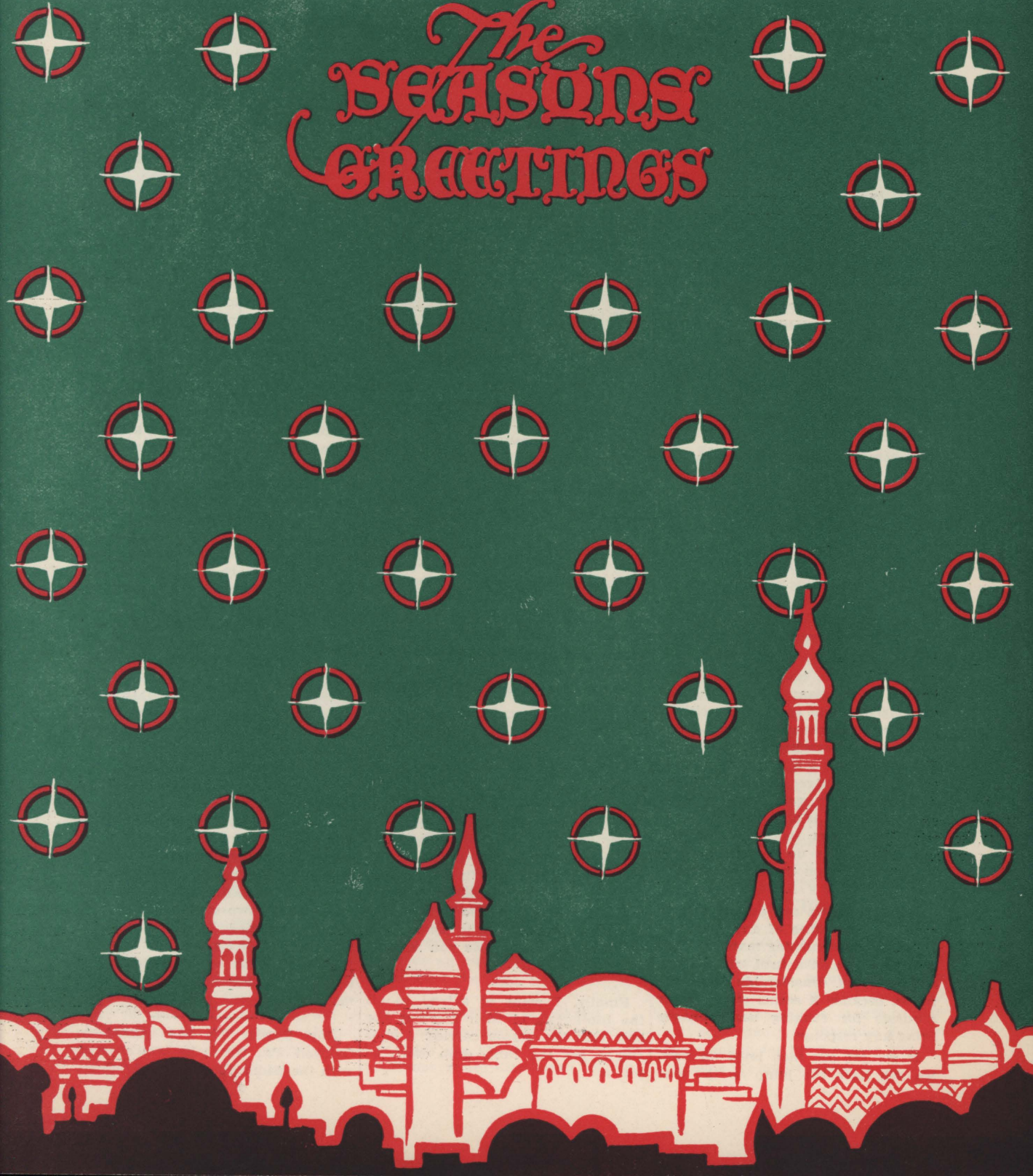
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## The SEASONS GREETINGS





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## To Our Alumni

By MORGAN OCHSENSCHLAGER  
(Chapter President)

With the affairs of the chapter reaching the stage of routine, we are now in a position to consider the future, and that's where the alums come in.

It doesn't seem too early to approach you right now upon this matter of rushing. We are already looking around for men whom we think are of the calibre that will make excellent brothers in the fraternity. Some of you, undoubtedly, come into contact with such possible rushees. Why not cultivate the acquaintance of these men, talk Alpha Chi Rho to them, and then send their names into us?

We will write to them and establish a connection direct from the campus that will reach a pre-climax next spring when we have them down for Interscholastic week-end. From then on, it's a mutual proposition. The active chapter and the Alumni have to work hand in hand on these men. While we try to accomplish things indirectly through the mails, it is up to you to help us by working on these men personally.

Right now, we are asking you to send us the names of any men you think are good rushing material. Just a line or two on a card will do, and will save us considerable later expense, because it seems our summer requests for rushing names never bring any response.

If we get our men lined up now, we will have the jump on the best

## Into Aviation



**B. H. "BEN" SMITH '20, of Kansas City, Mo., has recently been made a director for U. S. Airway Corporation. He manages the Consumers Cake company in Kansas City.**

## HUBBARD IS NEW CORRESPONDENT

Laurie Hubbard, junior in the active chapter from Berwyn, was recently elected chapter correspondent to fill the position occupied by Wayne Morgan '32, whose job of junior news editor on The Daily Illini and active membership in Sigma Delta Chi occupied too much time for him to keep the correspondent's duties.

available and will assure the success of rushing next fall.

We are also asking the co-operation of the alumni in making the Phi Kappa News a publication for them. You've undoubtedly heard a bit of gossip or news about some of the brothers now out fighting old-devil-depression. Send it to us. Just as you were interested in hearing the news, someone else will appreciate having it relayed to them. We'll print as many items as you send to us.

Finally, I want to extend to all the brothers and their families the best that the season carries. And if you've got the time, drop down to see us.

## 'Ben' Smith '20 Made Director Of Airway Corp.

**THEREBY REALIZING AMBITION TO TRAVEL ABOUT ON A PASS**

If there is any one thing in the last few months that has taken the place of the weather as a never-failing topic for impromptu conversation it's certainly our "depression." But most people haven't been able to adjust themselves to the situation, as, for instance, B. Howard Smith Jr. '20, (who prefers to be known as "Ben") of Kansas City, Mo.

Listen to this: "Like most other people, I accept the situation, drive the same car, keep up a bold front, and am living on with my credit . . . like the man with many medals during the war who explained that he got the first one by mistake and many of the others because he got the first medal.

### Back to Flying

"You will remember three years ago I was learning to fly my own Waco and later Eagle Rock plane. Then business pressure kept me from the flying field and I dropped out of aviation. But about six months later (through some error) I was made director of Fairfax airport, one of the three outstanding fields in America, and recently director of United States Airway corporation. This latter satiates my life-long desire to travel on a pass!

"And then comes my appointment to the Aviation committee of our Kansas City Improvement corporation, organized to plan for our Municipal airport. I presume this latest appointment was due to the kindness of an uncle who is mayor of the present revolution!"

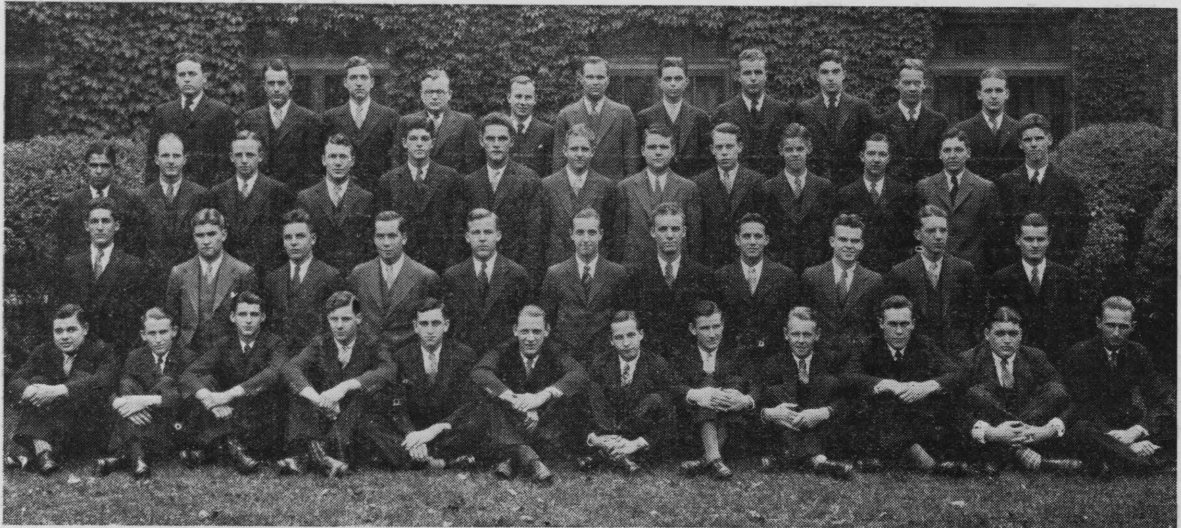
### Manages Cake Company

But airplaning is only one of Ben's many activities. He is manager in Kansas City for Consumers Cake company, a branch of General Cake company, and owns a sand company and two bakeries in Oklahoma and Kansas. Ben is also the inventor of an electric lawn-mower.

Never married, Ben lives with his mother in their Kansas City home at 1326 West 60th terrace, and writes that his hobbies are gardening and magic.

Roy Snyder '29, has moved to Oakwell, Pa., where he is a chemist with the Atmospheric Nitrogen Corp.

## Presenting the Active Chapter Full Strength



AND THEY ALL SEND YOU cordial greetings for the holiday season. Reading from left to right we have: Top row: Locke, Leaverton, Geiger, Morse, Marshall, Wade, Ireland, Ochenschlager, Sholis, McKee, Palmer. Next row: Green, Wick, Hubbard, Gallentine, Horton, Huenergardt, Leeper, Edwards, Morgan, Borg, Feldman, Lantz, Newbill. Third row: Symons, Barker, Hoffman, Pilgrim, Miller, Reisner, Bingamon, O'Connell, Holty, Stewart, Peffers. Bottom row: Banker, Barlage, Jackson, Gopel, Nelson, Arison, Buchanan, McGrade, Rydquist, Mongreig, Rothgeb, Leesly.

### Sholis Helps Run Axe-Grinders Ball

Phi Kappa alumni who in earlier days used to rate the famous "Axe Grinders Ball" will be interested to know that Vic Sholis, senior in the chapter, was one of the chief cogs in running that famous brawl this year.

Vic, as secretary of Sigma Delta Chi, journalism fraternity which holds the dance, was quite instrumental in putting out the "rate list," and to a large extent supervised the activities of the notorious "Terrence Macready. The dance was held Friday, December 12, in the Urbana-Lincoln hotel.

Other Alpha Chi Rhos who attended the dance were Ray Leeper, Wayne Morgan, King Lantz, Casey Ireland, Morg Ochenschlager, Dick Horton, Joe Gallentine, and Postulant Eugene Schooley. Jay Seeley '30, returned for the affair.

### DAD MARX STILL AT IT

"Dad" Marx, the 68-year old artist who puts crests of watch faces, visited the chapter house December 10. Dad has been at this work for the past 22 years, and of course, will be remembered by Phi Kappa Alumni. As usual, "Dad" got a full day's work at the chapter house.

### 'Oxie' Again Epsilon

The presidency of Phi Kappa chapter has reverted to Morgan Ochenschlager, who was elected to the position last spring. "Oxie" had to relinquish the presidency for a while this fall until he could raise some of his grades, during which time the office was filled by Casey Ireland.

"Oxie" now has his grades to the point where they suit Dean Thompson of the College of Commerce, and he has been permitted to resume his office.

### JOB OF HOUSE MAN MADE COMPETITIVE

The job of house man in Phi Kappa chapter has been put on a competitive basis, according to a decision recently passed by the chapter. Bud McKee, who has replaced Charles Leaverton this year, has three sophomores and two juniors working under him as prospects for the job next year. In this way it is hoped to give an equal opportunity to all who want the job.

### "BODIE" IN WEST VA.

Arthur Bodenschatz '21, is a chemist with the Carbide Chemical corporation, South Charleston, W. Va.

### House Basketball Prospects Excellent

Prospects for a winning basketball team for the coming intramural season are excellent, according to Roy Green '32, intramural manager and coach. Practice games with Tolono and Greenup high schools are being planned by Roy.

Four members of last year's successful team are back this year. They are, Joe Holty and Morg Oxie, guards; and Green and Ed Barker, forwards. Dick Horton, who earned his numerals in basketball as a freshman, will be eligible for the center position.

Others who are out for the squad are Brothers Hubbard, Pilgrim, Borg, Hoffman, and Postulants Jackson, Newbill, Banker, Arison, Locke, Nelson, Gopel, and Mongreig.

### M'LAUGHLIN GIVES CHAPTER PICTURE

Brother John B. McLaughlin '28, presented Phi Kappa at Homecoming time with a painting that has been hung in the chapter house living-room. The chapter wants to take this opportunity of thanking Brother McLaughlin for his kindness and expressing its appreciation.



## Year's 1st Dance, Pledge Informal, Was November 22

### CHAPTER UPHOLDS REPUTA- TION AS CAMPUS' BEST H O S T

Phi Kappa upheld its reputation of being the producer of some of the best campus dances when, on November 22, it held its first dance of the year, an informal pledge dance.

The presence of about 12 brothers from Phi Pi chapter at Columbus added much pep to the dance. Dates for the visitors were handled by Buzz Marshall and Al Wick, and according to reports, were very satisfactory.

#### Leisenring Plays

Jack Leisenring and his orchestra furnished music for the dance. Prof. O. C. Leiter of the school of journalism and Mrs. Leiter, John E. Sweet '27, Cra B. French, Mr. and Mrs. Ev Carver, and Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Stephens chaperoned the affair.

Casey Ireland, chapter upsilon, put out the "Phi Scrappa" humor sheet, which incidentally added a finishing touch to a highly successful dance. Some of the remarks in the sheet were truly indicative of Casey's wit.

#### Those Who Returned

Some Phi Kappa alumni and "ex's" who returned for the dance were: Dave White, Swede Johnson, Marsh Sweeney, Ebe Hubbard, Bud Dwyer, Rad Barton, K. G. Davis, Rolf Hauck, Wes Gustafson, Pony Marshall, Jim Marshall, Smoky Geiger, and Burt Gerber.

Buzz Marshall, chairman of the social committee, and Laurie Hubbard and Bill Stewart, other members of the committee, are to be complimented on their handling of this affair.

### ATTENTION: JERSEY, NEW YORK BROTHERS

Alpha Chi Rho's in New York City and Northern New Jersey are urged to attend these two Alpha Chi Rho club meetings. For Manhattanites: Friday, December 26, 12:30 o'clock at 22 East 38th street. Come at 12 and get acquainted . . . For Jerseyites: Saturday night, December 27, at the home of Brother Lester Cummins, 115 Cypress street, Millburn. Entertainment and eats. Please notify Curley Walden, 15 East 26th street, New York, if you plan to attend either of these events.

## Alumni Notes

Albert M. Wharfield '30, now in Ann Arbor, Michigan, hopes that any Alpha Chi Rhos near that city or in the oasis of Detroit will drop over to see him in his office in Nickel's Arcade building (room 240). Al is associated with the Stewart Howe Service, fraternity publishers, and is reported doing well. Experience that he got as editor of The News is helping him a lot in his new work.



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Burt Gerber ex'31, writes to let us know that he is with the Chicago Rapid Transit company ("the elevated") and can be found at room 1205 in the Edison building, 72 West Adams street, Chicago. Burt slipped away on October 25 last and was married to Miss Gladys B. Nelson, former University student and member of Alpha Delta Pi. They now have their home in Chicago at 5848 North Rockwell street, with Mrs. Gerber's parents. Congratulations, Burt, although they are a bit late!

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Harry Andrews '16, has changed his address in Chicago from 25 East Delaware place to 1142 South Michigan avenue.

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Charles Fabb '24, is a salesman for the Federal Glass company, 1580 Merchandise Mart, Chicago, Ill. Brother Fabb has a three months old daughter, Cynthia. He lives in Oak Park at 232 South Maple avenue.

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Frank O'Brien '30, has recently become engaged to Miss Anne P. Bröloch of Chicago. Brother O'Brien is a dextrin experimental chemist with the Corn Products Refining Co. His home is in Chicago, at 3338 Sixty-second street.

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Ernest G. Smedburg '29, has just remodeled his Evanston, Illinois confectionery and restaurant on Davis street, opposite the North Shore hotel, and changed the name to "The Purple Pup." This well-known "treat" for Northwestern undergraduates, was formerly "The King's Pantry." Ernie, who is part owner of

the business, has carried out the Purple Pup idea in decorations, and since his recent opening now offers his guests an opportunity to dance when they drop for a coke or a soda.

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Bob Dell '29, has a new home address: He has recently moved from 909 East 64th street, Chicago, to 6409 Drexel avenue. He is still with Meyer Both and Company as a commercial artist at Twentieth street and Michigan avenue. Brothers will remember that his drawing of the chapter house was a feature of last Christmas' issue of The Phi Kappa News. The checks on Bob's Who's Who after "Date of Marriage" indicate that Bob hasn't yet become a Benedict.

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Richard Grieser '30, has been back in Champaign representing the Sun Life Insurance company of Montreal and has been working on group insurance for the Illinois Central railroad. His headquarters are now in Peoria. Dick was formerly in Terre Haute, Indiana as salesman for the Read-Form Commercial Stationery company. Brothers will remember that he was graduated from the University a year ago this coming February.

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Rad Barton '30, is temporarily stationed in Peoria, Illinois, as a resident engineer with Sargeant and Lundy, Chicago power-plant designers.

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Word has reached us of the marriage of Theodore Koerner '22, to Miss Claire Overheu. Chicago was the scene of the marriage ceremony which was performed on June 7. Brother Koerner manages the real estate loan department of the Des Plaines, Ill., State bank.

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Norman Rice '26, stepped outside the bounds of bachelorhood when he was married to Miss Jean Egermann at Aurora, Illinois on September 3. "Nor" is a teacher in the Art Institute at Chicago.

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David Dorman '30, sales engineer with the American Well works, lives in Aurora, Ill., at 305 Sunset boulevard.

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John Pierson '30, is a business-lease salesman with the J. B. Rucker company, Dallas, Texas. He lives at 5322 Lewis avenue.