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YOU ARE INVITED FOR MAY 9-10TH!

PLAN TO ATTEND OUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY!

The Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of Phi Kappa Chapter will be held in Champaign on the 9th and 10th of May. The resident chapter is planning a gala celebration for all Phi Kappa alumni on that occasion.

The celebration will be held in conjunction with what might be termed a mid-western conclave, as we expect the resident chapters of Purdue, Wisconsin, and Iowa to be present as well as representatives from most other chapters.

EVERY PHI KAPPA MEMBER is urged to be on hand for this celebration. We want you to come back and meet all your old pals--see the excellent condition of the house and the other features of the chapter. We assure you that you will have the time of your life from start to finish.

THE PROGRAM? A smoker will be held in the chapter house on Friday, May 9th, and a large banquet will follow on Saturday, either at the new Illini Union Building or at the Urbana-Lincoln Hotel. Bob Stewart, new Alpha Chi Rho national president will attend the banquet, as well as other national officers of the Fraternity. Other entertainment will be planned later.

RESERVATIONS for all alumni will be made at the Urbana Lincoln Hotel for as long as you wish to stay. We should just about take over the hotel for the weekend. The cost of a weekend of fun and fraternity enjoyment will be small. Full details along this line will be sent at a later date.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS have elapsed since the first Phi Kappa men decided to join the national fraternity of Alpha Chi Rho. Since then, through the cooperation and hard work during your undergraduate days and thereafter, Phi Kappa has grown to be "tops" among fraternities on the Illinois campus. We certainly are all in agreement on this point.

After this rich inheritance, the resident chapter feels that the least it can do for alumni is to conduct the finest Twenty-Fifth Anniversary celebration ever staged on the campus --- AND WE ARE GOING TO DO JUST THAT!

PUT A RED CIRCLE around those all-important dates of May 9 and 10, and then let nothing keep you from attending. Early reports from Stan Hannsen and Marsh Sweeney in Chicago show that interest is mounting sky-high, and if it keeps up, what a time will be had by all who come May 9 and 10.

MAKE PLANS NOW to line-up your classmates or the Phi Kappa alumni in your vicinity for the trek back to the campus for this affair. Bud Schmidt at the chapter house is chairman for the event and he'll be glad to get all the help he possibly can to put our Anniversary over in a big way.

NEWS FROM THE UNDERGRADUATE CHAPTER

Sunday, February 23, marked another milestone in the history of Phi Kappa Chapter and also in the lives of eleven of our pledge group when the annual Spring initiation was held. We are proud to announce that the following are new members of the chapter:

Robert Brown '42, Western Springs
Carroll Brown '43, Rantoul
John Patton '42, Centralia
Carl Mayer '43, Wilmette
Roy Nyberg '42, Chicago
Stan Hannsen '44, Chicago
Robert Horton '44, Tolono
Frederick Ilseman '44, Aurora
Edward Harding '44, Maywood
Thomas Jack '44, Decatur
William Hoffman '44, St. Joseph, Mo.

We are proud to announce that Stan Hannsen Sr. '16 was present to participate in the initiation of his son, the first Phi Kappa son to become a member. Dick Horton '32 was present to see his brother, Robert, become a member.

NEWS OF INTRAMURALS. Intramural sports are still maintaining an active part in the life of the Phi Kappas. We won the division trophy in water-polo and were defeated in the semi-finals by Theta Xi by a score of 3 to 2 after we had tied one game with them. Basketball season has started for us now, and up to date we have won one game and lost another. Our next game is with our neighbors, Psi Upsilon. We hope to make it two wins after that game. The personnel of the team includes Ralph Ruthenberg '41, Bob Schmidt '42, Ivan Richardson '42, Denny Malcolmson '42, Charlie Perkins '42, Dick Buckle '42, Earl Fox '44, Milton Sheffield '44, Bob Brown '42.

PLAN FOR BUM ARTS BALL ON MARCH 22. Now that the season for winter formals is practically over, and with a hint of spring in the air (that is, at the time of this writing) we are looking forward to our Bum Arts Ball, to be held on Saturday night, March 22. This is the so-called dance where we have one good time, as many of our alumni readers will remember. The social committee, composed of Bob Critton '41, Charlie Perkins '42, and Bob Brown '42 are planning something novel in the way of entertainment.

RUSHING--A REAL PROBLEM THIS YEAR. Two forces are working on the University campus to make the chapter's 1941 rushing campaign one of its most crucial in several years.

These forces are (1) National Defense and (2) the new Men's Dormitory now nearing completion on the south campus. It will be ready for occupancy in September of this year and will house 300 men students.

Not since the days of World War I in 1917 have college fraternities faced as serious a crisis as the one which we believe is rapidly approaching. While the draft may not directly effect men enrolled in the University, it is definitely expected that vital defense industries will take their toll of entering students next fall. A drop in enrollment is expected.

What does this mean to Phi Kappa? It means that greater cooperation than ever before is necessary. We need names! We need contacts in key high schools throughout the state. We need this help RIGHT NOW. The date system at Illinois gives the fraternity which starts rushing work EARLY a tremendous advantage, so don't delay about telling us about those men who you think might come to Illinois next fall!

Write the chapter rushing chairman of any possibilities for rushing at this time. We cannot afford to overlook any bets that might mean another good pledge in the house next fall.

**** NEWS OF PHI KAPPA ALUMNI EVERYWHERE ****

Mark H. Corley '27, president and general manager of the Miller Wrapping Machine Company at 18 S. Clinton street, Chicago, writes: "I look forward with keen interest to the Phi Kappa News, especially for news of brothers in school with me. Keep up the good work." "Marco" writes that his firm builds and sells wrapping equipment for cellophane over-wrapping of all sorts of merchandise--cigars, cigarettes, bread, cakes, etc. We also sell bag crimping and bag filling equipment. His brother, John '26, is in business with him as vice-president and assistant general manager of the same firm. In the Corley home at 624 Clinton Place, River Forest, are Mrs. Corley and two children, Bill, nine; and Marcia, four years old.

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George H. Walbert '23, Robert L. Grube '23, King Lantz '32, Mark Corley '27, Dick Horton '32, C. Norton Owen '16, Vic Sholis '31, William L. Broom '22, Peter R. Noling '41, John Bryan '40, Jay Trost '37, Stan Hannsen '16, R. J. Christ '20, Lee R. Carlson '16, E. F. Chritton '20, George D. Rumsfeld '26, and Marsh Sweeney '25.

In sending us his subscription Ray Ward '19 writes: "I enjoy the chapter news very much. Keep up the good work." Brother Ward lives in Westfield, N. J., at 408 Grove street.

Johnny Bryan '40 is stepping right out in the country's aviation program as secretary-treasurer of the Missouri Institute of Aeronautics, Inc., in Sikeston, Mo., where Johnny and his bride live at 118 Front street. Bryan was married on December 7, to Helen Parks, who attended Illinois.

Jay Trost '37 is association executive with the National Retail Furniture Association, with offices at 666 Lake Shore Drive. Jay's residence is in Chicago at 6646 Stony Island avenue.

Thanks to Francis H. (Doc) Bachman '38 for sending us his questionnaire. Doc is on the faculty at the University, and he and the Mrs., the former Helen Lawson, live in Urbana at 306 W. California. They were married on September 7 of last year.

Two Phi Kappa alumni, former Champaign residents, are now in Seattle, Wash. They are Luther S. '30 and Eugene Philip Scuder '30. Luther can be addressed at 5828 Roosevelt Way, and is in the cleaning and pressing business. Eugene lives at 3854 - 42nd N.E., and is supervisor for a tire and rubber concern.

Bob Roane '37, who was serving his internship at Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis, is now located in Birmingham, Ala., at 1406 South 14th street.

A new address for Maurice J. Reed '17 has been received. He can now be addressed in New York at 410 Park avenue. When last heard from he was a mechanical engineer with the Diesel Engine Manufacturers Association.

Since the last issue of The Phi Kappa News, these addresses have reached us: In Chicago Fred G. Sherberger '37 has moved to 2830 Berwyn avenue. Richard W. Griesser '30 has a new address in Peoria at 845 Lynn street. Bob Holty has moved from Aurora to Chicago and can be addressed at 1022 - 81st street. Also in Chicago at new locations are Dick Locke '32 at 415 Franklin street; and Chuck Logan '33 at 1176 Farwell avenue.

LELAND HAGMAN -- EDITOR

Please report all changes of address to the editor promptly. If you are getting a "Who's Who" data sheet with this issue, we will appreciate the favor if you will fill it out and return it to the chapter house, 311 E. Armory in Champaign, Ill.