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RUSHING HELP IS IMPORTANT!

Remote as the possibility seemed last year at this time, we are in a war and confronted with the very troubles we at Phi Kappa Chapter hoped we'd never have to face.

The chapter is alert to the emergency and is doing everything possible to cope with the situation. Rushing is going at full blast, because in building up the size of the chapter we have our biggest insurance for successful operation.

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, is All-campus rushing day. Undoubtedly there are several men on the campus who would make first-class Alpha Chi Rho pledges, IF WE KNEW THEIR NAMES. We are, therefore, making a strong appeal to alumni to write us immediately if they know men here at Illinois we can rush at this time. We'll show them every courtesy and you will have our everlasting gratitude for your co-operation with the chapter.

ALSO, we'll need more prospects than ever next fall, when the draft will really hurt! NOW is the time to start looking around for those potential Phi Kappa pledges who will be coming to Illinois in September. When the time comes to give them a good rush, we'll be prepared and have the jump over our campus rivals.

With proper co-operation from our alumni, we know we can come out on top in any emergency!

*** ALL THE NEWS FROM THE CHAPTER ***

UNIVERSITY GOES ON WARTIME BASIS

After keeping students up in the air for several weeks with rumors flying thick and fast, the University Board of Trustees placed Illinois on a full year program. Classes in the present semester will end on May 23, and best of all, no 3-hour finals. (Not so good for Ye Ed, since they used to pull him through). In addition to holding Commencement earlier, about June 1, a 12-weeks full-time summer session. It will now be possible to finish a full four year course in slightly less than three years.

Undergraduate enrollment dropped to below the 10,000 mark this term. The classrooms are also feeling effects of war. Defense courses are overcrowded and other sections have to be discontinued due to the low number of students enrolled. Phi Kappa has been fortunate in that national defense has made no inroads on chapter membership--so far no chapter member has been taken out of school for duty with Uncle Sam's armed forces.

TWELVE GIVEN INITIATION

Twelve more names were added to the Chapter rolls on Sunday, Feb. 22, when the Postulants formally became Brothers in Alpha Chi Rho. They are the following: Richard Davis '45, Maywood; Bill Fisher '44, Roseville; John Leslie '44, Tolono; Maurice Graves '45, Princeville; Robert Klester '43, Garden Prairie; John Lewis '45, Tolono; Richard Perkins '43, Racine, Wis.; Allan Phillips '43, LaGrange; Philip Rose '45, LaGrange; Roy C. Smith, Livingston, N.J.; John Smithson '45, Riverside; William Wright '45, LaGrange. Johnny Smithson is the brother of Al Smithson '39.

INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL UNDERWAY

Intramural basketball talent was so plentiful this year that we were able to enter teams in both the "A" and "B" leagues. Most of the fellows are probably like the editor, who needs the exercise. The "A" team lost a tough one to D.U., division champs of last year, by two points. After that test the team feels that they can really make a showing for themselves in the remaining games on the schedule. The personnel of the "A" team includes Dick Davis '45, Earl Fox '44, Johnny Persohn '45, Fred Ilseman '44, Bud Schmidt '42, Ivan Richardson '43, Dick Buckle '42, and Howie Wissel '45.

The "B" Team consists of those fellows who like to play mostly for the exercise. Even at that they have split their two games so far. Earl Fox '44 is our new Intramural manager and every man is urged to get out and play at something. Consequently, every man is out garnering points towards our total.

NEWS OF SOCIAL EVENTS

The social committee really had to get busy when it was announced that the length of the semester was to be curtailed. The dances had to be moved up a few weeks so that we could get them in before the pressure of finals set in. The Bum Arts Ball is a radio dance this year in the interest of economy. At the time of this writing the tentative plans are to have a barn dance, but no "corny" music, if you please. Some of the fellows are planning on picking up their dates in a horse and buggy due to the tire shortage. Our social chairman, Charles Perkins '42, has been racking his brain for ideas, and an occasional suggestion comes from his stooge, Granay Davis '43.

HERE AND THERE IN THE CHAPTER

Denny Malcolmson has already carved his name on the senior bench, due to his graduation at the end of the first semester. Denny didn't want to graduate and he pleaded that they should not give him his degree. You see, Denny wanted to be eligible to run on the track team this spring, but he took too many courses, and graduated a semester early. He is now down in Carbondale, Ill., teaching physical education.

Destined to make an even greater name for himself on the campus here at Illinois is Jack (Wimpy) Gillan '42. Now that the hockey season is about over Jack has turned his attention to politics. Wimpy is running for the presidency of the Senior Class. We can visualize Wright street now with an Alpha Chi Rho standing at every 10 feet using their influence to get our man elected.

Due to the present world conditions we have decided to drop the idea of making a recording of Alpha Chi Rho songs. We feel that money spent in this way could be better spent to help our country in its effort to bring this world chaos to an early end. It is the hope and wish of the senior class of '42 that this idea will be carried forward from year to year and then when conditions warrant, a recording will be made.

Phil Benefiel '45 has pledged and moved into the house at the opening of the second semester. Phil hails from down south--Lawrenceville, Ill.

THANKS FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS

We take this opportunity to say "thanks a million" for PHI KAPPA NEWS subscriptions received since our Christmas issue from: John Symons '33, Harold J. Taylor '21, Henry W. Parke '36, H. D. Pahl '22, W. W. Wilson '23, Guy C. Fulton '16, Robert Christ '20, H. W. Cobby '17, Lee Hagman '41, C. Norton Owen '16, M. W. Hanck '32, Wayland W. Dayton '20.

*** NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE ABOUT PHI KAPPA ALUMNI ***

Bill Hanck '32 sends us news of another son, born on last July 27...name, Robert Blew Hanck. The Hanck home is in Des Plaines at 1156 Jeannette Avenue.

"I am always glad to get the chapter news and find it interesting," writes Wayland W. Dayton '20. "I congratulate you on your record--scholastically and in other achievements. Phi Kappa chapter is a credit to the fraternity and I join with all other alumni in a feeling of great pride." Brother Dayton lives in West Chicago, Ill., at 451 Highland Avenue.

In Dayton, Ohio, Ed Lytle '39 is announcer and director of special events for Station WHIO. Ed makes his home in Dayton at 1318 Colwick Drive. He has a daughter, Jocelyn Gayle, born last June 6. Mrs. Lytle is the former Jean Foote, who attended Illinois.

ADD NEWS OF ALUMNI WITH THE U. S. ARMED FORCES: James D. Lierman '40 left Champaign on Jan. 28, for active duty at Fort Sill, Okla. Before taking up his military duties he was connected with the Johnston and Johnston Supply company with territory in New York City and made his home in Auburn, N. Y.

Henry W. Parke '36 is now stationed at Camp Grant, Ill., where he is in the Quartermaster's Corp.

NEW ADDRESSES RECEIVED FOR SEVERAL ALUMNI. Not previously reported are these new addresses for alumni. John Symons '33, one-time chapter treasurer, now lives at 2706 N. LeClaire in Chicago. William H. Henkel '29 has moved to 414 N. Taylor Avenue in Oak Park. Bill Bingaman '34 has his residence at 260 N. Oakland in Villa Park. Also in Oak Park a new address has been received for John M. Kemper '37-- 807 South Euclid Avenue.

Clarence J. (Jerry) Nelson '34 is now living in Washington, D. C. at 2108 "R" Street. Jerry is an attorney and was formerly located in Aurora.

Robert C. Dell '29 is living the life of a country squire. Bob and his new bride have moved to Marengo, Ill., and live at 1002 North Page Street.

John R. Trost '37 is now associated with T. H. Anderson Jr., President of Anderson, Davis & Platte, Inc., New York advertising agency, in a dealer-relations capacity in the Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Company's "Colorama" promotion.

John R. Gillespie holds forth with 'steen thousand other insurance men at the Insurance Exchange Building, 175 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, where he has his own agency. The Gillespies reside at 1008 Pleasant Street in Oak Park.

Elwood B. Cole '19, who was formerly connected with the State of Illinois aviation department, is lieutenant commander in the U.S.N.R. He recently left the employ of the Civil Aeronautics Authority and went on active duty with the navy in the Bureau of Aeronautics.

Glen H. Printup '21 can be reached at his new business address, 326 W. Madison in Chicago, where he is connected with The Comic Weekly.

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