The Faculties of Arts, Literature, and Science
Office of the Dean

The University of Chicago
Founded by John D. Rockefeller

Chicago
Jan. 24, 1898

Judson

Dear President:

The following are unsolicited actions relating to fraternities:

1. Psi Upsilon should be formally recognized by the Board.

   The group suggests Mr. D. Mc Intrye as head, and elect G. C. Hoagland as counselor. There is no objection to the above, except that he is not an officer of the University.

2. Phi Kappa Psi suggest F. A. Cleveland (Fellow)
as head, and elect E. J. James as counselor.

3. Phi Delta Theta elects D. J. Caldwell as counselor.

Very truly,

[Signature]

H. R. Johnston
The Omega Chapter
of the
Psa Upsilon Fraternity
in the
University of Chicago.

It is understood that the request has been made that certain students in the University of Chicago be subjected to discipline by the authorities of the University for asserting that they are members of Psa Upsilon, and for claiming that they constitute a chapter of that collegiate fraternity.

The undersigned, a member of the Phi Chapter of Psa Upsilon, initiated in 1871, and a graduate of the University of Michigan in the class of 1873, respectfully submits that the authorities of the University of Chicago should not take action in the premises.

Because the students whose conduct is complained of are in truth members of Psa Upsilon, and do in fact constitute the Omega Chapter thereof.

In order to show this it is necessary to examine the history of the fraternity and of the Omega Chapter.

Originally established in the University of Chicago in 1869, the Omega of Psa Upsilon ceased to initiate new members when the University, in 1886, closed its doors. The chapter was not however dissolved. It had not passed any resolution of suspension or of dissolution; its records are silent on the subject. The charter and the records, entrusted to a member of another chapter, were by him transferred to the Executive Council of the fraternity, a board of five graduates residing in the city of New York. This board has not judicial or legislative power, and its duties are purely ministerial. The transfer of the charter and records to the Council, being altogether unauthorized and illegal, binds no one.
Chapters of Psi Upsilon can be dissolved in two ways only, viz.,

First, upon action by the chapter surrendering its charter
with the consent of the Convention. Second, upon a nine-tenths'
vote of the other chapters upon charges preferred, etc. Constitu-
tion, Art. II, Sec. 7.

Neither of these methods was adopted. The chapter never
surrendered its charter. Such action has to be expressed, and
must be of record. It is not claimed that the chapter ever took
such action, or that it ever authorized any person to surrender
the charter. It is true that the Psi Upsilon Convention of 1887
adopted a resolution consenting "to the dissolution of the Omega
Chapter and the surrender of its charter", but this resolution was
obviously void, because it expressed consent to what never had taken
place. On the part of the Convention the resolution was inadvert-
ent; on the part of him who drafted it, the resolution was false
and fraudulent, a part of the same conspiracy against the Omega
Chapter which is rife to-day.

Nor, on the other hand, were proceedings ever taken to abrogate
the charter of the Omega.

These being the facts, the Omega remained de jure a chapter.
He would be told indeed who should deny that had the University
of Chicago opened its doors again in 1888 those who were students
in 1886 would not have had the power to initiate additional members.

The writer, whose knowledge of the history and of the constitu-
tion of Psi Upsilon has been gained by more than twenty-five
years of study and experience, affirms that in his opinion the
alumni of the Eta Xi Omega had the right to initiate students in
the present University of Chicago for the sake of continuing the
active work of their chapter.

Inasmuch as the Omega Chapter never ceased to exist de jure,
the right to initiate new members has not lapsed, but, in the ab-
sence of constitutional restrictions, continues, and may be exer-
vised whenever there is a student body from which selections may be made.

The constitution of the fraternity is silent as to the method of reorganizing a chapter the functions of which have been suspended because of the absence of undergraduates. But an examination of the entire instrument shows that the preservation of each chapter is entrusted solely to its members. If, for any reason, the undergraduate membership fails, the graduate members of a chapter must have the power of initiation when there are undergraduates to initiate, else the chapter would be dissolved in a manner not contemplated by the constitution. This power has been exercised more than once in the history of the fraternity. In 1863 the chapter at Union College discontinued its active functions, but was revived two years later by the action of a graduate who, without authority from the Convention or the chapters, initiated a group of students. In like manner the chapter at Kenyon College has twice been continued through initiations performed by men who had left college.

It is claimed, however, that the unanimous vote of the chapters is needed when the revival of a dissolved chapter is sought. As we have seen, the Omega Chapter was not dissolved. That the vote by chapters is not necessary to revive a suspended chapter is shown by the fact that the Convention of the fraternity after the chapter at Harvard had been suspended in 1872, instructed the Executive Council to initiate men for the purpose of reviving it. Had the alumni of the chapter taken action this instruction—which was never carried out—would have been unnecessary. At any rate it must be regarded as settled by reasoning and by precedent that where the functions of a chapter have been in abeyance because of the want of undergraduates, graduate members of the chapter may supply the student membership needed to put those functions in operation.
The construction of the powerhouse involves the installation of various equipment and components necessary for the operation of the power plant. These components include generators, transformers, and control systems. The installation of these components is crucial for the efficient operation of the power plant.

In terms of the overall construction process, the installation of the powerhouse equipment is a significant milestone. It requires careful planning and execution to ensure that all components are installed accurately and efficiently. The installation process is typically supervised by experienced engineers and technicians to minimize any potential errors or discrepancies.

The successful completion of the powerhouse installation is essential for the overall success of the power plant project. It marks the transition from the design and planning phases to the operational phase, where the power plant can start generating electricity for distribution to consumers.

In conclusion, the installation of the powerhouse equipment is a critical step in the development of a power plant. It requires meticulous planning and execution to ensure a smooth transition to the operational phase, where the power plant can begin to fulfill its purpose of providing electricity to the grid.
Thus far there can be no doubt. The only point about which question may be raised is whether the University of Chicago in 1896 is substantially the successor of the one which closed its doors in 1886.

Not anywhere in the constitution is to be found a provision which requires that an institution in which a chapter is established shall forever continue under the same charter. In fact very little is said as to the institutions in which chapters may be placed. From the viewpoint of the fraternity the chapter is the important thing, while the college or university is comparatively unimportant. Unlike all other fraternities the Psi Upsilon regards the chapter as a unit. The chapter is autonomous and practically indissoluble. Each chapter is the equal of every other chapter. The power of self-preservation, the right of self-continuance, are necessarily implicit in the nature of the constitution itself. It must be held that where the alumni, who constitute by far the greater part of the membership, who are the largest contributors of time and money, and who are allowed representation in the Convention, have been formally adopted as the alumni of an institution having the same name, the same purpose, settled in the same city and representing the same denomination as the earlier institution from which these alumni have been graduates, it must be held that there is sufficient identity between the older and the younger university for the purpose of continuing a dormant chapter. To hold otherwise is simply to quibble. But for sectional prejudice no one would dispute the identity, and every loyal member would rejoice that the dormant chapter had secured a desirable locus.

It is by no means clear that the alumni of the Omega, in order to carry out the obvious constitutional purpose of securing a perpetuity for every chapter would not have had the right to initiate students in any university within the limits of Chicago or in the neighborhood thereof, whatever might be the name or the charac-
ter of that institution. For the chapter as we have seen is an indestructible entity the preservation of which is as important to the fraternity as the preservation of the State is to our Federal Union. But fortunately this question does not rest here. The substantial identity for society purposes of the old University of Chicago and of the new is sufficiently clear. And this being so, the only doubt concerning the validity of the initiations recently made among the Chicago students by the alumni of the Omega... 

It is claimed, however, that by petitioning to be admitted as a chapter those students estopped themselves from claiming to be a chapter constituted by the alumni. This is not so. The alumni had not estopped to take the action they have since taken. Estoppel by choosing one remedy implies that a choice of remedies has been offered. Until the alumni came forward and offered to initiate them a petition to the Convention was the only course open to the Chicago undergraduates. When that petition failed (and it is not pretended here to enter into the causes of failure, further than to say that the interests of the petitioners were never adequately represented, and that they would probably have succeeded had they waited two or three years longer) the alumni had the same right to initiate those petitioning students who had been petitioners as they would have had to initiate any other persons. The constitution does not forbid the initiation of unsuccessful petitioners. On the contrary, such petitioners have repeatedly been initiated at other colleges.

If any alumni joined in the petition it might perhaps be claimed with some show of reason that those particular alumni would be estopped from assisting in the initiation. This, however, is a matter which must be left to the society to settle itself. It is enough to say that the alumni of the Omega who joined in the petition directly or indirectly, were very few in number, and that they could not bind and did not assume to bind the great majority of their
associates in the Omega who had nothing to do with the petition and who never believed it to be the legal method of reorganizing their chapter.

Nor does the action of the recent Convention in excluding the Omega delegates alter the legal situation of the case. The Convention has no power to pass upon the legal existence of a chapter. It is not a judicial body. Its powers are legislative, and are confined to those enumerated in the constitution. It has not even power to initiate or to expel members; much less has it power to admit or expel chapters, or to decide whether a chapter has a valid existence.

Moreover the decision of the Convention in regard to the establishment or the revival of chapters is never regarded as conclusive. What one convention refuses another may grant. When, absolutely without a shadow of legal right, a chapter was instituted at Cornell University, the Convention was unanimously hostile, and recommended that President A. D. White and Professor Willard Fiske be expelled by their chapters for their conduct in the matter; but the Convention held one year later voted that the illegally initiated members should be admitted as a chapter. The action of the recent Convention can only be taken as indicating that the delegates wished more time in which to make up their minds about a very difficult question. It is important also that the means by which the adverse action of the Convention was secured be not overlooked. The Secretary and Treasurer of the Executive Council, a bitter foe of the old Omega Chapter, and a graduate member of the chapter in Columbia College (a branch which for many years has persistently and unrelentingly opposed every proposition, no matter how well grounded, to place chapters in Western Colleges), came to the Convention not merely as a representative of the Council, but as a delegate from his chapter; and, together with the President and the Vice-President of the Executive Council, brought to bear upon the undergraduate delegates all the influence which comes from long possession of office. They
appointed all the committees. They produced before the Society a printed record of the proceedings in regard to the Omega Chapter, the completeness and fairness of which record may be judged from the fact that it omitted to state that the Executive Council by a unanimous vote had in 1893 recommended that the members of the Omega Club should be admitted to the fraternity. Under the laws of the Society the large body of graduates present at the Convention chose delegates, and these three delegates, including the writer, voted to admit the Chicago delegates, and were outvoted by the undergraduate delegates from various chapters nearly all of whom were influenced not so much by the members of the Council as by the statements of Mr. George G. Howland, an instructor in the University of Chicago. It is impossible to reconcile Mr. Howland's aspersions upon the scholastic and moral character of the Chicago undergraduates claiming to be Psi Upsilon men, with the facts, or with the dictates of propriety. Mr. Howland, as the writer is ready to testify, declared that all of the said undergraduates were wretched scholars, and he asserted that their morals were bad. He appealed to the undergraduate prejudice in favor of Chicago sports by reciting that none of the Chicago men belonged to the Football Team, but he neglected to say, as in fairness and truth he should have said, that the Chicago students were very largely represented upon the Editorial Board of the college papers. The undersigned affirms that the vote of the delegates of his own chapter (which vote, as it was, was divided), was chiefly influenced by the remarks of Mr. Howland. It is certain that other chapters followed the Michigan vote, and would have followed it had it been favorable to Chicago. To the writer and to other graduates present at the Convention, Mr. Howland's attitude and declaration seemed inexplicable. Members of the Faculty of the University of Michigan were present during the Convention, and were unable to understand how
students whose scholarship and morals rendered them ineligible to a college fraternity were nevertheless retained in the University of Chicago. The delegates of the Michigan branch have since learned that Mr. Howland’s charges were not well founded, and it need not be doubted that at the next Convention Michigan will reverse its action. It should be added that the Michigan undergraduates last May regarded themselves as to some extent bound to adverse action by a set of resolutions which their chapter, at the request of the writer, had previously passed. When all these matters are taken into consideration it must appear that the action of the Convention, divided as the vote was, deserves little weight. Practically all of the hundred alumni present, except the three members of the Executive Council and Mr. Howland, were in favor of admitting the Chicago men. Among those who were favorable were the Rev. Dr. Goodale, one of the original founders of the Fraternity, Bishop William S. Perry of Iowa, Charles W. Smiley (the editor of the great catalogue of the Society), and a great following of college professors, lawyers, manufacturers, and business men.

II.

It is insisted that the initiation of the members of the Omega Club was strictly legal, and was in accordance with the usages and precedents of the Fraternity. But granting for the sake of argument that it was illegal, is it within the province of the authorities of the University to interfere in fraternity disputes?

If the students involved are as deficient in scholarship and morals as Mr. Instructor Howland has represented them to be, they should long ago have been dismissed from the University of Chicago. It is submitted, however, that under all the circumstances the students should not be censured by the authorities of the University for asserting themselves to be the Omega Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity. For this assertion on their part does not show them to be morally culpable. When a fraternity is divided, when some
of its chapters and many of its most influential graduates hold that certain action is legal and not merely justifiable but praiseworthy, certainly the students concerned in that action cannot be held guilty of moral wrong. When the very Founder of the Fraternity himself, when a Bishop of the Church, when the compiler of the Society’s catalogue, when the author of the Society’s History, and when at least one chapter, and the minority of the delegates of another chapter openly support in the Convention the claims of the Chicago boys, who shall blame the latter for continuing in their course? When, in addition it is made known that the Chicago undergraduates have the support not merely of the graduates of the Omega Chapter, but of nearly every one of the graduates of the Michigan Chapter (including the President of the Alumni Association of the Fraternity in Chicago), the propriety of leaving the Society to settle some of its own disputes becomes perfectly obvious. It is absurd to say that the Chicago students are guilty of false pretenses in holding themselves out as the Omega Chapter. Their own graduates, and many of the ablest and best alumni of other chapters support them in their claims, and are confident that their claims will ultimately be held good. Those who have studied the history of the fraternity know that similar claims not having one tithe of the justice or legality of these claims, have thrice been approved after previous refusals.

The Omega Chapter of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity is a legal body incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois. It is more than doubtful whether the University of Chicago has the power, or if it has the power, whether it has the moral right to prevent that incorporated body from securing accessions from the ranks of the students in the University, unless it be shown that the purposes of the corporation are immoral or inimical to the policy of the University. That those purposes are not inimical to the University can easily be shown. They tend to the advancement of the University’s interests. This very movement is a re-
buke to sectional prejudice and is a tribute to the just power and rightful influence of the University of Chicago. Alumni who love and respect the University of Chicago have done all that lies in their power to secure for its representation in one of the leading college fraternities, and in this they are supported by the best of their fellow-alumni of the Michigan branch and of other branches.

The province of a university extends not to the settlement of society disputes. That there is a bonafide difference of opinion is sufficient to justify the position of the Chicago undergraduates. The University should not undertake to decide upon conflicting claims or constitute itself a final tribunal where the constitution of the Fraternity in question has expressly refrained from appointing any tribunal whatever. The representations of members of the Executive Council of the Psi Upsilon Fraternity are not entitled to any more weight than the representations of other members. The powers of the Council are strictly limited. So are the powers of the Convention. There is not in Psi Upsilon any tribunal qualified or authorized to decide whether initiations into the Society are or are not legal. The Society has excellent reasons of its own has repeatedly refused to create a judicial body. Will the University of Chicago abandon its high functions and become a court where the adherents of college societies can have their petty disputes adjudicated?

It is earnestly and respectfully submitted that those students in the University of Chicago who claim to be the Omega of Psi Upsilon should not on account of that claim be censured or disciplined by the authorities of the University of Chicago.

Albert C. Jacobs, W.T.
University of Michigan, A.D. 1873
11th. B. 1876.

Confidentially transmitted to
the Rev. William Rainey Harper, A.D., L.L.D.
President of the University of Chicago,
August 12, 1896.
The University of Chicago

To the Alumni of the University of Chicago,

Attention is called to the fact that the University of Chicago has been in existence for a considerable period of time and has grown to be one of the leading colleges in the country. The University has always been a center of intellectual activity and has fostered the development of many scholars and scientists.

The University is now seeking additional members to support its continuing mission. It is imperative that we receive the necessary funds to ensure the continued growth and success of the University.

The University of Chicago is committed to providing a top-quality education to its students. By supporting the University, you can play a vital role in shaping the future of education. Your support will enable the University to continue offering exceptional educational opportunities to students from all backgrounds.

We urge you to consider making a donation to the University of Chicago. Your support will make a significant impact on the University and its students. Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
By dear Pres.: 

As I understand the matter:

1. The University takes no interest in the question at issue between the local chapter and its opponents, and has never thought of passing on opinion on that question.

2. It was charged that the members of the local chapter had been guilty of bad faith and unctueful conduct, and that certain students in the matter. As that charge was formally made to the faculty, the University was bound to investigate.

3. On investigation, the Board was satisfied that the members in question should not be held subject to censure.

4. Meanwhile, the officials of the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity officially protested against any action of the faculty which seemed to a recognition of the Fraternal Society as belonging to paid Fraternity.

5. The only action which could have
a hearing in this direction made to
the acceptance of the University's name "Pi Upsilon" in the designation
of the House which the University recog-
nizes.

b. In the light of the above, I protest
the University cannot accept the
name to which reference has been
made—"Pi Upsilon"—but at the same time desiring
declines to pass any opinion on the
maters in dispute into the con-
cerned therefore at all.

H. P. J.
The University of Chicago

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Chi Psi

Allen, E. H.
Ballinger, Lees
Belfield, H. M.
Boque, F. A.
Fair, N. M.
Frutchey, M. P.
Gallagher, M. T. not in residence.
Hagay, J. F.
Linsley, H. H.
Reed, C. S.

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Phi Delta Theta
Brayton, J. A.
Calhoun, F. H. H.
Case, L. W.
Chase, C. W.
Hales, E. C.
Kinnaman, J. C.
Hoy, A. Y.
Lubec, E. M.
Miller, E. H.
Morris, O. A.
Ramsey, W. E.
Sheldon, J. M.
De Wolf, F. W.
Woodruff, H. T.

No work reported
was registered for
Eng. 1, E
Eng. 1, E
Hist. 1, D-D
Hist. 2, D-D
Chem. 2, D-D
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Phi Kappa Psi

Baldwin, Francis
Barnes, C. D.
Parcellon, A. B. — Eng 1, D

✓ Hyn, T. F. — Out of residence

Jacobs, C. P. — Eng 1, E

Pettitt, M. H.

Richards, C. W. — Chem 2, C, E

Ross, parte

Sass, Fred

Smaltzer, J. M. — Mach 1, E, D. Phys 1, D

Southard, D. B.

Swift, Dean — Eng 1, D

Thomas, F. B.

Walsh, J. J.

Young, H. S.
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CHICAGO,
Barton, A. L.
Blackwelder, Eliot
Coulter, J. H.
Davis, C. B.
Davis, A. H.
Eldridge, H. F.

× Harris, R. C.
Harris, M. D.
× Hoyt, A. G.
Huntington, Hard.
Jacobs, L. M.
Pearce, V. S.
Russell, A. S.

× Speed, Kellogg

× Vernon, L. T.

× Watson, E. H. B.
× Wells, M. B.

Eng. 3, credit

French 1, CE
Philo. 1, CE
Eng. 68, DD

Math 1, EE
Physics 1, E.
Burroughs, C. L.
Cassells, B.
Clarke, M.I.
Drew, C.V.
Eaton, C.S.
French, Howard
Gorrell, V.C.

× Harper, J.N.
Kennedy, W.S.
Kirtley, H.P.
Magee, J.P.

× McDouston, H.M.
McDouston, P.D.O.
Moloney, H.m.
Norton, E.J.
Sherwood, H.
Smith, T.B.
Hon. Harry Pratt Judson,
Pres., University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Judson:

There is agitation in Florida to abolish fraternities at the University of Florida located at Gainesville and State College for Women at Tallahassee.

The Greek letter fraternity men and women are apprehensive. It is a proposition that will be considered by the Board of Control, and the writer will appreciate some unbiased and unprejudiced information or advice.

Am therefore writing and will thank you to advise me your opinion of fraternities and their relation to higher institutions of learning.

Do they cause friction?
Are they clamish?
Do they develop young men and women?
In your opinion does a young man without funds and unable to join a fraternity get as square a deal as one that has funds and is able and does join a fraternity?
Do fraternities influence the school authorities?

The fraternity men are exerting influence and putting on pressure, political, personal and every other way, to keep them from being prohibited. The agitation has just started. Someone was interviewed which was published in one of our Florida papers "That college fraternities are undemocratic societies in the college life." And then the dynamite exploded.

Thanks in advance for consideration, and hoping to hear from you soon,

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

P. S. Please send your reply to Box 860, Jacksonville, Fla.
Board of Control
Institution of Higher Learning
State of Florida
Office of Bryan MacK. Secretary
Tallahassee

October 27, 1917

Dear Mr. H. White: I am glad to be able to use this feature of the University of Florida to send you your appointment as the first professor of education at the University of Florida. The federal government has established the position of professor of education and I am writing to express my congratulations and to extend my best wishes for the success of your new position at the University of Florida.

I am sure that your appointment will be of great benefit to the University of Florida and that you will be able to make an important contribution to the advancement of education.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]
Chicago, October 29, 1917

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 24th inst. is received. I cannot pass on a matter relating to a state institution. So far as my observation goes, fraternities have their advantages and their disadvantages. Some of your questions I can perhaps answer definitely. A young man who is without funds and is unable to join a fraternity is just as likely to be treated justly, certainly by the authorities and I think by students at large, as if he were in a fraternity. I never heard of a case in which fraternities influenced the authorities of the University.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Mr. Joe L. Farman
Box 260, Jacksonville, Florida
Dear Sir,

Your favor of the 8th inst. is received.

I cannot bear a matter of such importance as this.

Go to my subscription base. I have been in some of our

businesses and their transactions. I have been in

some of your business. I know very well in

which firms to go to where I wish to join a fraternity for

as I think to do so. I have asked many of the students

whether I have been at a loss to write fraternity

influence the students at the University.

Yours truly,

Mr. J. L. Watson

for SGO, Aeronautics, Toronto
The President:

1. The newly-organized societies as at present organized, and by their Chancellors, is as follows:

   Delta Kappa Epsilon - F. H. Minard
   Phi Kappa Psi - H. J. Chollar
   Beta Theta Pi - H. L. Clark
   Sigma Nu - W. H. Allen

2. The Theta Nu Epsilon Society, also organized, is unauthorized, and has no Chancellor. I have conferences with reference to it in the Spring Meeting, with W. W. Allmand. This case is still pending.

3. There are also two clubs, which are commonly supposed to be re-claiming chapters. These are the Omega Club, which is understood to be looking for a Charter from Phi Upsilon, and looking for a Charter from
Alpha sect. 24th. Until this Autumn they have not been considered as needed societies. But I have now put them on the list and shall ask them to designate

Respectfully submitted,

H. P. Jordan
Dean.
The President,
The University regulations of the University, with reference to secret societies, have been in force for three years. As their result, they show some anomalies and
anomalies.

1. There is an inconsistency between the expressed disapproval of the faculty and the explicit permission to organize. The disapproval in question has not caused the faculty to feel that they have a legal right to exist.

2. Members of the faculty are put in an embarrassing position. Whether they do or do not discontinue the chapter, any action seems unwise.

3. Some of the best fraternities have declined to organize chapters here, feeling that the University would not benefit from this.
3. The attitude of the Faculty of
disapproving social semi-formalities in their
home is not dignified.

For these reasons, it seems to me that
the faculty should either forbid semi-formalities
to exist here at all, or, permitting them
under such regulations as seem proper,
should withdraw the stigma of disapproval.

Respectfully,

[Signature]

H. P. Jordan
Arts Faculty.

The existing regulations of the University with reference to Secret Societies have now been in force for three years. In their working they show some anomalies and inconveniences.

There is an incongruity between the expressed disapproval of the faculty, and the explicit permission to organize. The disapproval in question has not availed to prevent the formation of several chapters, which feel that they have a legal right to exist.

1. Members of the Faculty are put in an embarrassing position. Whether they do or do not discountenance the chapters, they apparently are at discord with Faculty action.

2. Some of the best fraternities have declined to organize chapters here, fraternities which, so long as any chapters exist here, would be of advantage to the University.

3. The attitude of the Faculty, of disapproving and permitting in the same breath, is not dignified.

For these reasons it seems that the Faculty should either forbid fraternities to exist here at all, or, permitting them, under such regulations as seem proper, should withdraw the stigma of disapproval.
To Dr. William R. Harper,

President University of Chicago,

C/o Prof. Galusha Anderson,

Morgan Park, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

We had the pleasure nearly two years ago of an interview with you, which you probably have forgotten, bearing upon the reestablishment at the University of Chicago of the old "Omega" Chapter (once installed at the old University, and of which we were in the days gone by members) of the Zeta Psi Fraternity; and we then had the benefit of your kindness and courtesy in a letter by you which was of material assistance in our then efforts looking toward such re-establishment.

We are now by some of the chapters at other colleges, opposing the giving of a chapter to the U. of C., confronted by the objection that it is the policy of the managers of the U. of C. to make of it as rapidly as possible a strictly graduate school, and when this is substantially accomplished, to do away with the undergraduate department; and that therefore it is not desirable to grant a charter for a chapter at the U. of C. which chapter may at a not remote date die out or become weak or discreditable chiefly by reason of such policy—our fraternity being essentially one deriving its strength from undergraduate reinforcements.

We do not ourselves believe that the objection stated has any meritorious foundation, or that any such policy exists or
TO DR. WILLIAM A. WIRTH,

PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO,

C/O PROF. GEORGE V. WAGNER,

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL,

DEAR SIR:—

We may the pleasure hereby to securely notify you of the view with which we approve your proposal to reorganize the University of Chicago into the "Graham College," once affiliated with the University of Chicago, and which we now propose to the Harvard Business School as a means of securing a satisfactory academic school and in the hope that your proposition to the University and your efforts in this regard may be favorably received in your institution with the view of embodying the principle of reorganization and the spirit of the University into the new organization. As a matter of course, we shall be pleased to cooperate with you in the formation of the new institution, and to see that the interests of the University are properly represented.

We are, etc.,

[Signature]

Secretary of the University of Chicago.
W.R.H. 2.

is contemplated.

A further objection has been less vigorously urged, that the authorities of the University discourage the increase of Greek letter fraternities, and would prefer that the number of them be greatly diminished, or that they be eliminated altogether. Nor do we believe, especially in view of our former interview with you, that this objection has any good foundation.

Yet as both these objections have been fairly and in good faith urged by very worthy fraternity brothers, desiring only the best interests of our fraternity, we wish in like good faith to meet them both as conclusively as we may be able, and by the highest authority we can think of best qualified to express authoritative opinions, namely yourself, upon the policy of the University in the respects mentioned.

And if we are right in our beliefs, and you feel that we are not imposing upon you in asking you to further extend the courtesies already shown us, we shall be under great obligation and thank you sincerely for such brief letter as you may kindly see fit to write us, disposing of the two objections.

The annual convention of our fraternity meets during the coming month in the East, and it becomes, therefore, of much importance to us to have an early answer from you if the objections are without proper basis; and we therefore hope we may be favored with your prompt convenient reply at the above address.
In contemplation.

A further application has been receivably made that the
sufficiency of the University's resources the increase of the
fellowships may be sought. Any further point of information
will be greatly appreciated of that phase of unlimited information.
You are requested especially in view of our former information with you, that
the application be sent to your department.

Yet as part-time applications have been invited and in each
fellowship of which our requirements are reasonable, we write to say that
we wish to extend our fellowship to you. It is only because of our
policy of maintaining our present level of excellence that we can think of
being able to extend this information to those who are interested in the
philosophical study mentioned.

And if we were right in our policy and you feel that we are
most important work you in seeking how to further extend the opportunities
that you have shown me, we shall be more than glad to have your
opinion. You may find it to write this letter as you may kindly see fit to write
your application for your particular work and the two applications.

The current condition of our fellowship rests entirely on
coming money to the point and it becomes, therefore, of much importance
for us to have an early word from you. If the application are
that prompt, I have no doubt that we may be learning with
your prompt completion fairly at the same time.
W.R.H. 3.

We have recently learned you are having your annual vacation, and we fear our request may be an intrusion upon it. Yet we know you will believe that only the extreme urgency and necessity of our situation leads us to trespass on you, and that but for this we should not call upon you at the present time.

We are,

Yours very truly,

William L. Pierce

Edward B. Esher
Mr. H. E.

We have your letter reminding you of the promised return of the ship, and we have learned from your men on board that it is not to be delayed. We have also learned that you will receive the necessary supplies at the time of your arrival. We shall inform you of the time of your expected arrival.

Yours very truly,

[Name]

[Date]
May 4th, 1905.

CHICAGO

I have always been interested in democratic student life. There are always students in Dr. Richard D. Harlan, reason or another, are not members of the fraternity at Lake Forest College, and cannot afford to be, even in Lake Forest, Illinois. I am not by any means the Your inquiry of the 26th of April as to President Harper has been referred by him to me. I am sorry that his departure for the East has made it impossible for him to take it up. It is an important thing for a man to feel, no matter how as a matter of fact, none of the fraternities at houses of this University have on the campus, so that way have no experience bearing on the point which you raise.

The first question, I have no objection to an inquiry for a lawyer, and I expect you will not feel competent to pass upon it. My impression would be that if the buildings were erected, with nothing said, they would become attached to the land and the title would be in the college. The only safe thing for the fraternity, I should think, would be to obtain a long time lease of the land necessary to secure gain. One of the main things to consider in connection with the effect of fraternity houses on the campus would be the possible tendency away from
My dear Sir:

Your inquiry of the 8th of April is pressing. However, I am sorry that the Pennsylvania year has been postponed so far. It was not convenient for me to make it impossible for you to take it up in December.

As a matter of fact, none of the Pennsylvania year of the University are on the campus, so that we have no experience persuing on the point with you raised.

The first question, the least one, is sufficiently so the difficulty. My impression would be that the Pennsylvania were not the least with nothing said. If you would become attached to the land and the little would do in the college, the only way to prepare for the Pennsylvania, I would think, would be to obtain a long time lease of the land necessary.

One of the main things to consider in coming from the college; would be the necessary financial means from which the college.
democratic student life. There are always students in a college, who for one reason or another, are not members of fraternities. Perhaps they are poor and cannot afford to be, and perhaps they are personally uncongenial, but such students there will always be and they are not by any means the worst students. Now a college ought, so far as possible, to guard against any hard and fast line between the students and members of fraternities. It is a galling and an embittering thing for a man to feel, no matter how hard he works, no matter what his merit, that there is a world just next door from which he is totally excluded. We cannot do away with the world; it will exist in spite of us; but I have a feeling that we ought, if possible, to keep it away from the college campus, to withdraw it from the most irriating proximity to non-fraternity students. There is, I am aware, another side. It may be urged that if the fraternities are on the campus they will take an interest in college life warmer and more vital than would otherwise be the case. There might be some gain in this direction. On the whole, however, the fraternity is for the fraternity first and for the college second. It is not likely that the interest of the gather. They simply hold meetings once a week or oftener,
Dear Mr. D. H.

R. H.

S.

Chicago

There are many students in a college who have one lesson on Monday, are not members of the fraternity, and have the same poor and companions. Perhaps they are not the best, and cannot attend.

I do not mean to say that no one has an opportunity, but I do mean that the best men are not.
R. D. H. 3.

CHICAGO

and are known as girls who are associated in club life. Fraternity in student affairs would be much keener than I am not prepared to give an opinion on the merits of it would be if it were only a short distance removed from such clubs as compared with national sororities. For the campus. On the other hand, the blow to the feelings hope the clubs are more individual, more characteristics of the non-fraternity men would be far more severe. One of the institution in which they are established, and yet element which I have not expressly considered is the pro-
I doubt whether that is always the case. The various portion which the fraternity men bear to the entire num-
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ber of students. If the fraternity members are practi-
cally identical with the student body, I should think the
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to be ignored, an assumption which is warranted in cor-
portion of fraternity men. A few girls are known as club-
tainly the greater number of colleges, I am inclined to members and associated upon, perhaps, in a little differ-
ent from the mass of girls. They are the ones who are
stand by the position which I have taken.

In the matter of our own fraternity regul-
sought at parties, they are the ones who are most talked of, which are very meager, I refer you to marked pas-
more. There is occasionally a tendency toward exclusi-
ness in the "University Regulations", a copy of which
I am forwarding you.

with other girls and associate with them to a very large

On the subject of sororities, which makes up degree. The mass of students, I think, have grown accus-
the second part of your letter, I beg to say that we have tomed to look upon them as a matter of course, without no national sororities,—simply local clubs. These clubs any particular feeling of envy. Their activity is al-
do not have club-houses and the members do not live to-

gether. They simply hold meetings once a week or oftener,
and are known as girls who are associated in club life.

I am not prepared to give an opinion on the merits of such clubs as compared with national sororities. Perhaps the clubs are more individual, more characteristic of the institution in which they are established, and yet I doubt whether that is always the case. The various chapters of the national sororities may differ as widely as different local clubs.

I am not sure that the sorority system has any very marked effect upon college women and college life. At this University a small proportion of girls are members of clubs, a much smaller proportion than the proportion of fraternity men. A few girls are known as club members and are looked upon, perhaps, as a little different from the mass of girls. They are the ones who are sought at parties, they are the ones who are most talked about. There is occasionally a tendency toward exclusiveness. At the same time they live in the women's halls with other girls and associate with them to a very large degree. The mass of students, I think, have grown accustomed to look upon them as a matter of course, without any particular feeling of envy. Their activity is al-

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]
University of Chicago,  
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

We are confronted at Lake Forest with a new problem, in the settlement of which we would like to have your advice, if you can give it. We can only give it from hearsay, from our personal experience, or your own personal appreciation.

We have received an application from the fraternity members for permission to erect a new fraternity house. If these applications are granted we shall have a number of other applications from others in the future.

It is proposed, at least for the present, that only the two upper classes shall have rooms in these fraternity houses. For the present, that is, one of the fraternity members would continue to take their meals with the other men students at one college dining room; but eventually the plan would undoubtedly lead to all the fraternity members taking meals at their respective chapter houses, leaving only the non-fraternity men, or "barbarians," to take their meals at the colleges themselves.

The plan involves two sets of questions:

1. The legal one relating to the title of the buildings, standing as they would upon the college campus.

2. The other questions have to do with what would be the probable effect of such a plan upon the social discipline and morals of the institution—what restrictions there should be connected with the administration of these fraternity houses; what right of entry on the part of the college students, etc.

The question is a far-reaching one and we stand at the parting of the ways. We would greatly appreciate your assistance in the task of expressing your opinion, on your part, or on the part of any one in your institution, especially conversant with this problem, in any of its phases. In this connection I should be glad to know of any rules and regulations you may have in relation to the fraternity system, independently of whether they have chapter houses of their own, or whether such houses are on the campus or not.

May I ask for as early a reply as possible?

Yours faithfully,

P.S. Kindly mark your reply "personal".

Richard D. Harley
and may also be cited as an example of the practical application of these principles.

I have not been motivated to write on the matter of

whole community, and outcome of a somewhat

party influence as applied to the problem of

then often, more powerful,

and most attractive,

These factors, however, would be influential as such.

agency may vary. If we can not come to agreement on

their position or their influence, if the best that they

the second group, to arrive at a solution to the problem.

H. P. Chandler

Secretary to the President
Dear Sir:

We are confronted at Lake Forest with a new problem, in the settlement of which we would like to have whatever light you can give us, based either upon the practice of your institution, or your own personal experience.

We have received an application from two of our fraternities for permission to erect chapter houses upon our own campus. If these applications are granted we shall undoubtedly have several others in due time.

It is proposed, at least for the present, that only the two upper classes shall room in these fraternity houses. For the present, also, all of the fraternity members would continue to take their meals with the other men students at our College Commons; but eventually the plan would undoubtedly lead to all the fraternity members taking their meals at their respective chapter houses, leaving only the non-fraternity men, or "barbarians", to take their meals at the College Commons.

The plan involves two sets of questions:

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The question is a far reaching one and we stand at the parting of the ways. We would greatly appreciate a full and frank expression of opinion, on your part, or on the part of any one in your institution, especially conversant with this problem, in any of its phases. In this connection I should be glad to know of any rules and regulations you may have in relation to the fraternity system, independently of whether they have chapter houses of their own, or whether such houses are on the campus or not.

May I ask for as early a reply as possible?

Yours faithfully,

P.S. Kindly mark your reply "personal".

Richard D. Harlan
To the President of the Faculty.

Professor of Chemistry,

Dear Sir:

We are concerned to take the course which we have undertaken in the settlement of various academic issues now and our concern is to give you an account of the progress of your investigation on your own behalf.

We have received your notification and are interested in your report. We are aware of your anxiety and concern.

This matter is of great importance to our college and we are committed to take the necessary steps to resolve it.

I am also aware of the interest of the faculty.

Yours sincerely,
April 28th, 1905.

To the President of the Faculty,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

In addition to my inquiry with reference to fraternities, will you kindly give me any information you may have on the subject of the sorority system, so far as it exists in your institution.

The main points on which I am seeking information are as follows:

1. Do the sororities have separate quarters of any kind?
2. If so, what are the rules and regulations governing those quarters? If there are separate houses, what provision is made for chaperonage etc.?
3. Are the sororities national, i.e.; inter-collegiate, or merely local? What disadvantages, if any, grow out of the inter-collegiate system as compared with the purely local system?
4. What is the effect of the sorority system upon college women, and college life?

Yours faithfully,

Richard D. Harlan
Dear Mr. President of The Faculty

University of Chicago

Office, III.

Dear Sir:

I am writing to you in reference to the proposed addition of an Honorary Professorship of the University of Chicago, as set out in the University's regulations. If you kindly give me any information you may have on the subject, I shall be grateful.

Yours faithfully,

[Signature]

Assistant Professor
October 25th, 1905.

My dear Llewellyn:

It was very good of you to think of me in Grenoble and remember me with so beautiful a card. I was glad, the other day, to learn from your brother Winston that you are planning to come to Chicago for the Christmas vacation. I hope we shall have numerous opportunities to see you at that time. You must have had a very interesting course at Oxford and your friends have much enjoyed hearing about it through your letters.

I had your letter to Mr. Owen from Mr. Judson and took it with me on a trip to Omaha last week. I assure you that it made time on the train go very fast. With all your English training it is splendid to know that you are still an American, only broader. It has been a great pleasure to receive your card and I shall be most pleased to shake hands and have a good talk with you before I hope to beginning this quarter with an enrollment exceeding our very greatly.

Yours very truly,

H. P. Chandler

D. A. Robertson

Secretary to the President
My dear Rebekah:

It was very good of you to think of me to write to you and remember me with so pleasant a card. I was very happy after you left me in that house where you are staying. I learned from your letter that you are planning to go to Colorado for the Christmas vacation. I hope that I shall have some opportunity to see you again. I have not yet been back to your city to look at the new house. You must have had a very nice experience of the Cowboy life. Your letter was so written that even in my own words, I could not make it any better. With all my respect to you and your excellent American friends. The news has gone well with the University so far. I hope for the transfer of President Harper. We are beginning the spring semester, and I shall be expecting the appearance of a colleague.
ponding date last year. "You can tell better when you see us whether Phi Delta Phi has been successful in your absence. We took in some men last year who I think are very strong. The members are coming to represent, however, less and less the University of Chicago, and more and more outside institutions, so far as their undergraduate work is concerned. This year we are having difficulty in electing anybody. There are plenty of candidates for membership and men who, I think, are desirable but I think we are in danger of becoming supercritical. At any rate it is a strong man who can run the gauntlet of us all. These troubles will doubtless be over by the time you reach this side of the water.

If everything goes well I shall graduate next June. After that I do not know. I like the University so much that I shall hate to leave it, if I have to. On the other hand, I feel that if I am going to be a lawyer I shall be fully old enough to begin when I get my degree. Again let me assure you that it has been a great pleasure to receive your card and that it will be a greater pleasure to shake hands and have a good talk with you before, I hope, so very long.

Yours very truly,

H. P. Chandler
Secretary to the President

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President
You can feel better soon.

You can see a weather picture. It has been mentioned
in your presence. We took in some fresh air when
October 23rd, 1906.

I think we may as well
renounce power. fees and fees. the university of
Cambridge, may need and more outside assistance.

The next important work is to continue.

There are plenty of candidates for membership in
our men who I think are suitable for the purpose of
my letter. There is a great deal of interest in the
question of membership in Bradford, as I have
seen. I have been told that you can say on the
water. I can read the title of the water.

If everything goes well I might graduate next
year. After that I do not know. I think the

university is very much that I am at home. I feel
that it is often hard. I feel that I am

going to be a lawyer. I need to work on my

people when I get on board.

Again, let me assure
your point to have been a great pleasure to receive your

most cordial interest in my dealings with you.

The next letter of suspense to the President.

H.P. Chandler
Secretary to the President

D. A. Roberson
Secretary to the President
I hope you have had a pleasant year, and that you have been successful. I have written to Dr. Hudson, and have asked Dr. Friend and Dr. Owen to give their letters to Dr. Judson to read. If you are interested in the Rhodes Scholarship, they would probably let you read them. Else you should much appreciate it if you would drop me a line.

Sincerely,

P.H. Henry Jr.
CARTE POSTALE

Tous les pays étrangers n'acceptent pas la correspondance au recto. (Se renseigner à la Poste)

CORRESPONDANCE

Mr. Henry P. Chandler

Secy. to the Pres. The University of Chicago

Chicago, Ill.,
U. S. A.

Oxford College

Newcastle upon

England
Mr. Harry Pratt Judson,

The University of Chicago.

My dear Mr. Judson:—

Repeated complaints directed against one or another evil of fraternities have caused me to give some thought recently to the question of the general moral standard in fraternities of the University. Ever since I came into this office I have had, from time to time, complaints that bills against fraternities were uncollected. I know that Phi Delta Theta has such a bad reputation among landlords in Hyde Park that it is only with the greatest difficulty that it can secure a house for its members. Four or five days ago in the Tribune there was an account of a public initiation in one of the downtown hotels that drew a crowd and required the intervention of the police. Finally, Mr. MacClintock has stated to me, at first casually and then in a rather extended interview more strongly, that the Phi Psi fraternity was a
Mr. Harry Brett Jackson

The University of Chicago

My dear Mr. Jackson:

Reported correspondence of the recent statement one of another event of the latter part of the recent statement recently to the University, have caused me to give some thought recently to the decrease of the General Student enrollment in the University. Since then I have become interested in the student body of the University and have had time to think about it. Since then I have had time to think about it. There are many students who have been interested in the future of the University and have been concerned about its future. It is my belief that if the student body and the administration are willing to work together, the University can overcome many difficulties. Even though there have been some success at a public initiative, I believe that it is an important factor for the improvement of the University. I hope that the student body and the administration will work together to achieve these goals.

Yours truly,

[Signature]
nuisance to the houses around it. Regularly, at the end of the week, Mr. MacClintock said people were disturbed in the morning by the noise of men coming in late and drunk. Perhaps, in fact I am sure, conditions here are not worse than they are at other Universities and they are not so bad as they are at many, but it is at least an open question whether there is not enough criticism afloat to justify or even compel us in examining the situation. It might be well for us to know how far the following evils which have been suggested exist in the chapters of this University: drunkenness, vice, wanton abuse of property, and deliberate disregard of financial obligation.

If it is possible to secure any consensus of opinion on these points I should like to follow them up with the following questions:

1. How far has the University any interest in the standard of life in the fraternities and how far can it intervene to correct evils?

2. Do the Faculty Heads of the fraternities exert any influence on the conduct of fraternities
Regularly at the house every week, I receive many people. The house is always crowded with many people coming to visit. I try to keep track of the number of people coming to visit and record their names and contact information.

I have more than 500 people who have visited my house in the past few years. I keep a record of their names, addresses, and phone numbers. I also keep a list of the dates and times they visited.

I try to keep the house clean and tidy. I have a cleaning crew who come every week to clean the house and make sure it is in good condition.

I also try to keep the house safe. I have security cameras installed throughout the house and a security guard who patrols the area.

If you are interested in visiting my house, please let me know and I will be happy to arrange a visit for you.
members, individually or as a body.

3. Can the Faculty Heads be made more potent factors in establishing a high ideal of fraternity life than they have been in the past.

So far as I know Faculty Heads at the present time are in general figure heads. Except in a few cases when I had occasion to take up with them bills against fraternities I have received little help. The truth seems to be that the Faculty Heads do not know what the undergraduate members are doing and cannot or do not exert any effective influence in shaping their conduct. Could not something be accomplished by calling a meeting of the Faculty representatives in the fraternities and putting them frankly some of the questions which I have raised, stating the criticisms which are urged and how far occasion for them can be removed. I do not want to stir up trouble needlessly but when I find in certain quarters the attitude toward fraternities which I do find and when the opinions of men whom I respect I cannot help asking myself whether we are doing all we can in this most important branch of college life.

Yours very truly,

H. P. Chandler
Secretary to the President

P. Chandler
The letter begins with a reference to health and personal well-being:

"Can the Healthiness of our life improve more rapidly..."

It seems to be a discussion on the importance of maintaining personal health and vitality. The writer mentions the need to balance work and rest, and the benefits of exercise. They also talk about the importance of proper nutrition and the mental aspects of health.

"It is important to have a clear head and to maintain a positive outlook."

The letter continues with reflections on the current state of society and the need for change:

"The current state of society seems to be a reflection of our own values and beliefs."

The writer discusses the importance of education and the role of government in improving the quality of life. They also mention the need for more lenient laws and the importance of individual responsibility.

"It is crucial that we recognize the need for change and take action."

The letter concludes with a call to action and a statement of motivation:

"Together, we can create a better world for ourselves and future generations."

The letter is signed by the writer, who is not clearly visible, but appears to be a person of authority or influence.

The document is written in a formal tone and is directed towards a specific audience, likely to be policymakers or influential individuals.
March 11, 1910

Dear Sir:—

Your favor of the 5th inst. received. I am much gratified to know of the steps which you are taking. This is a subject which is giving much concern to the faculty here, I may say, and the cooperation of the officials of the fraternity will be extremely valuable. I shall communicate with you shortly in detail on the matter in question.

With sincere regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

H. P. Judson

Mr. Paul R. Hickok,
17 Fifth St. S.E.,
Washington, D. C.
Dear Sirs:

You have done me so much service in saving my health that you are quite correct in demanding payment. I am not at all averse to payment, and I am glad to know that you are satisfied with my services.

I am writing to express my appreciation of the fact that you have not exacted payment for your services. I am grateful for your kindness and generosity.

With sincere regards,

Very truly yours,

H.P. Johnson

Mr. Pratt, M.D.

Messrs. Johnson & Co.
March 5, 1910.

President Harry P. Judson, A.M.,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear President Judson:

I am taking the liberty of enclosing to you herewith a letter which I have addressed to the Presidents of all the Colleges and Universities in which there are chapters of the Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity. The letter is on a subject in which I am deeply interested personally. Our Fraternity is making a strong effort to have all its active members "put first things first" in their college life.

Accordingly, I will very greatly appreciate your careful attention to the several enclosures found herewith. If you can be of assistance to me in the way requested, I will be particularly grateful.

Yours very cordially,

[Signature]

Worthy Grand Chief.
Alma Mater Quarterly

Executive Director

Office of the Deputy Director
No. 40 Street Southeast
Washington, D.C.

March 6, 1910

President Harry P. Lawrence
University of Colorado

Dear Professor Lawrence:

I am taking the liberty of enclosing to you a letter which I have originated in regard to the admissions of the College and University of Colorado. The letter is on a subject in which I am deeply interested personally, and I hope may be of interest to your own college.

I am sure that you will find it helpful in making a strong effort to save all the college members from this mistake.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Northwestern University
TO PRESIDENTS OF COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

MY DEAR SIR:

For several years the Fraternity, of which I am the executive officer, has been making special effort to improve the scholarship of the active members of the several chapters. Various means are in use to effect this. We require the chapters to make regular and confidential reports to the Grand Officers concerning the college status of each active member. The enclosed copy of our "Form F" may be of interest to you, as indicating the method of forwarding this information. In addition, I expect the Chiefs of the Provinces to call upon the college officers or other suitable persons at the time of their official visits to the chapters, and procure information about each active member in each chapter.

Another means employed by us has proved particularly effective. The Fraternity established a "Roll of Honor" that is open to all active members who have done especially meritorious work in any of the regular activities of the college. Record of the new names on the Roll of Honor is published in the PALM, our official magazine, together with a full statement of the nature of the work for which the recognition is given. In addition, a beautifully engraved Certificate of Honor is issued by the Fraternity to the one enrolled.

Hitherto, there have been no fixed standards to determine what shall entitle brothers to this recognition. The Presidents of chapters have nominated men, and the cases have been acted upon by me, with the approval of the Chairman of our High Council. We now desire to establish more fixed standards for each chapter. I am taking the liberty of enclosing to you herewith a copy of my "Official Letter No. 139" addressed to the chapters, dealing with the same subject. It states the end I am trying to gain.

Now in addition, may I request your assistance in fixing right standards for the chapter located in your institution of learning? It will be esteemed a great favor indeed, if you will be good enough to send me a statement of your opinion regarding what, in your college or university, should entitle one to such recognition as we are wishing to give. Standards differ much, we know. And in every college there are local "honors" attainable, the winning of which is virtually on a par with election to Phi Beta Kappa, or the winning of an intercollegiate debate.

We desire to establish fair and correct standards for each chapter. We know that you can be of invaluable assistance to us in this matter. Accordingly I am taking the liberty of making this request. It may appear like an imposition. But I assure you that it is done, only because of our strong desire to assist in serving the very best interests of the young men in our Fraternity who are students with you. This entire plan is one of the methods we are employing to help bring the young men to a better understanding of the deeper purposes of college membership.

After hearing from the officers of the local chapter, it may be that I will make bold to address you again on this subject. In the meanwhile, let me thank you heartily for your interest in our plan, and the help you will render us.

Yours very cordially,

[Signature]

Worthy Grand Chief.
DEAR WORTHY MASTER AND BROTHERS:

It is the desire of the general Fraternity to make larger use of the "Roll of Honor," commenced by former Worthy Grand Chief Dr. E. P. Lyon. Already the Roll of Honor has proved a strong incentive to better scholarship and honorable achievement in the chapters. It should be accomplishing still more, however.

To this end, I am planning to establish a more fixed standard of what shall entitle one to recognition in the Fraternity's "Roll of Honor." Hitherto this has been determined by nomination by the chapter and approval by the Worthy Grand Chief and Chairman of the High Council. It is believed that better results will be gained if fixed standards are provided for all the chapters.

On account of the wide distribution of the institutions where we have chapters, and the variety of scholarship standards obtaining in all of these, the same standards cannot be adopted for all the chapters. In some colleges there are honorary fraternities; in some there are local societies whose membership is determined by scholarship; in some there are other honors attainable, just as worthy of entitling the recipients to places on the Roll of Honor. Conditions in each institution should determine what will entitle our brothers in that institution to such recognition by the Fraternity.

The Fraternity does not wish to be oblivious to the worth of certain "student honors" won by our brothers. But it will be seen at once that athletic honors, purely social distinctions, ordinary literary society victories, and similar "honors," are not of a kind contemplated by this plan. The purpose is to recognize all especially good work done in the class-room, or in the most general mental activities of the college. Cum laude, magna cum laude, or other college honors; election to Phi Beta Kappa, or other honorary fraternity; the winning of intercollegiate debates, or similar contests—these are examples of the kind of honors that may suitably be recognized by the Fraternity, as entitling the recipient to a place on the "Roll of Honor," accompanied by one of our beautifully engraved "Certificates of Honor."

Will you prepare at once a list of all the honors in your college or university, which are attainable by men who are or may be active members of your chapter, and which in your opinion should entitle the recipients to this recognition by the Fraternity. Confer with officers of the college if you desire, explaining the purpose of your visit. Forward the list to me at once, over the signature of your W. M. and W. S. If the list of honors is approved by the W. G. C. and the Chairman of the High Council, it will then be filed as indicating the "honors" which will entitle brothers of your chapter to admission to the Roll of Honor.

It will be understood, of course, that occasionally special circumstances will arise in college life, making it that some brother is entitled to this honor by reason of some achievement not mentioned in the list approved and filed in the office of the W. G. C. Such special cases will be considered and passed on separately, upon full presentation of all the facts by the chapter officers.

I have communicated with the Presidents of all the colleges and universities where we have chapters, in order to receive from them additional suggestions to guide us in establishing reasonable and just "honor standards" for each chapter concerned.

I will expect to hear from you on this matter at your earliest convenience. It is important to have these standards fixed before the close of the present college year. Any honors to be recognized this year will be determined by these standards.

Yours very fraternally,

[Signature]

Worthy Grand Chief.
March 18, 1910

Dear Sir:

In further reference to your favor of the 5th inst, I beg perewith to enclose a report from the Dean of the Faculties of Arts, Literature and Science on the subject.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Worthy Grand Chief.

Mr. Paul H. Hickok
17 Fifth St., S.E.
Washington, D.C.

OFFICIAL LETTER
No. 139

ALPHA TAU OMEGA FRATERNITY
Executive Department
OFFICE OF THE WORTHY GRAND CHIEF
17 FIFTH STREET SOUTHEAST
WASHINGTON, D.C.
Dear Sir:

In further reference to your letter of the 26th inst.

I beg permission to enclose a report from the Dean of the Faculties.

of Acts, Liturgies and Rites of the Episcopal Church.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
April 17th, 1911.

My dear Mr. Patchen:-

In order that there may be no misunderstanding, attention is called to the rule requiring fraternities to submit to this office candidates for initiation. No one is eligible for initiation until his standing has been officially passed upon. The requirements for eligibility are three majors of residence work. English 0 does not count as a residence major. Mathematics 0 is so counted. "A major passed back to fulfill an entrance requirement" is also counted as residence work.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President

Mr. Everett L. Patchen,
Alpha Delta Phi,
975 East 60th St.,
Chicago, Ill.
April 18th, 1971

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Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

D. A. Robinson

Secretary to the President

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Assistant Deputy L.I.

D.A. Secretary, D.C.

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Walla Walla, Wash.,
April 11, 1911.

Dr. Harry P. Judson, President,
University of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Overseers of Whitman College have had under dis-
cussion for its last two meetings the question as to whether we shall
permit to be introduced in this institution Greek letter fraternities.
I would appreciate it if, for the benefit of the Board of
Overseers, you would answer these questions:

1. Do you think an institution would better further the ideals
   of true democracy if it refused to allow societies of these kinds?

2. If fraternities had not been established in your institution,
   and it was your question to decide now whether you should have them or
   not, which way would you vote and what would be the considerations
   which would induce you to vote that way?

I would appreciate it if you would give me your opinion upon
these two questions.

Make your answers in reference to the case of a small college
of less than five hundred students.

Yours very sincerely,

A.B. Hendrick
Secretary of the Board of Overseers.
Walla Walla, Wash.,

April 11, 1911.

President,
of Chicago, Chicago, Ill.

Chicago, April 15, 1911

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trust last two meetings the question as to whether we shall

introduced in this institution Greek letter fraternities.

I would appreciate it if, for the benefit of the Board of

we could answer these questions;

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 11th inst. received. The answers to

your questions in my opinion would not be of any value, made in

whether you should have them or not. We would apply and what would be the considerations

general terms as applied to all institutions. The conditions that

might prevail in the colleges of a large university and especially

one situated in a city might be very different from the answer that

five hundred students.

might apply to a smaller college and one situated in a small place.

Yours very sincerely,

Inasmuch as fraternities of course did not exist here when the

University of Chicago was established in 1892 they came in only by

the approval of the faculty, under distinct conditions. The situation

here, therefore, could have no bearing on a small college of less

than five hundred students.

Very truly yours,

H. P. Judson

Mr. A. W. Hendrick,
Whitman College,
Walla Walla, Washington.
To the President of Whitman College,

Dear Sir:

The faculty of University of Chicago have my warmest commendation for the fine work you are doing to extend the scope of education. I heartily second your proposal in this connection and feel that there are many ways in which the cooperation of the two institutions would be of great advantage to the students of both. I hope to be in a position to make a definite statement in this matter during the fall.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

H. L. Jackson

A. W. Hackett

President

Whitman College

Walla Walla, Washington

April 27, 1911
4. Perhaps the worst features of college fraternities to-day are connected with the very great waste of time. I do not fail to bear in mind here those cases which I regard as exceptional in which the moral tone of the chapter itself is low, but nearly all chapters waste time to a very great extent, I am sure, with the proper advancement of their members.

5. In answer to your questions with regard to your own chapter in the University of Chicago I may say:

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 18th inst. received. In answer to your questions I beg to say:

1. A college fraternity meets my approval if it is managed in the proper way. A fraternity may be the source of great good to its members and to the institution with which it is connected; and, equally, of course it may be the source of great evil.

2. Whether the fraternities are a help to the University of Chicago will be, I think, sufficiently indicated by the answer to the question above.

3. I should regard it as a great benefit to the fraternity in every way to have a visitation officer, "a man of mature years and experience, whose duty it would be to go from Chapter to Chapter of the Fraternity of which he was a member, spending, say, from three to four days every few months at each Chapter to regulate and install systematic order, both as to finances, scholarship, cooperative work with the University, and better general moral conditions."
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Chicago, March 26, 1919

5. In answer to your questions with regard to your own chapter in the University of Chicago I may say:

(1) That your chapter does endeavor to work in cooperation with University authorities.

(2) The Deans report that the chapter is not in so good a condition as formerly with regard to scholarship. It is financially sound, morally the upper-class men are excellent. They are reported to take in men with no attention to scholarship.

I am very glad to hear from you on this matter, and shall be much interested in any action which your fraternity may take in the line implied. As you well know, there are things for the improvement of a chapter which college authorities can never reach. They must come from the alumni of the fraternity itself.

Very truly yours,

H. P. Judson

Mr. W. E. Webbe,
Royal Insurance Bldg.
Fort Wayne, Indiana.
Paraphrase the recent lecture on college requirements to you.

I do not feel connected with the very best groups of your faculty to keep up with the most recent advances in English and other subjects. You can imagine how that affects me most of the time. Since you mentioned it, I want to explore the options of transferring to the University of Chicago. I am considering your offer, but I would like to hear more about the opportunities presented.

Also, I have been thinking about the prospect of moving to Chicago. It seems like a good option to me, but I am uncertain about the implications. Could you provide more information on the opportunities and experiences that await me there?

I am very glad to hear from you on this matter; I have been searching for options in the city. How will I find these and what should I consider when searching for a job after graduation?

I would also like to know more about the options available to me.

Your early response would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Mr. H. J. Johnson

Rental Information

1234 Main Street

Contact Information
Sigma Alpha Epsilon
Province Delta

Fort Wayne, Ind., March 18, 1912.

Mr. Harry Pratt Judson, President,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

I am the President of the Division of our Fraternity, consisting of Ohio, Indiana, Michigan, Illinois, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and am very desirous of receiving some information from you regarding College Fraternities in general and the Fraternity of which I am a member in particular. I would like this information for use in our Province Convention, which convenes April the 27th at Champaign, Ill. This information will also be made use of by our National Fraternity, and I will therefore appreciate and consider it a favor if you would kindly answer the following and offer all suggestions in such a way as to be of the most value to our Fraternity and College Fraternities at large.

Does a College Fraternity meet with your approval?

Would it, if properly regulated?

Along what lines do you suggest regulations and improvement?

Are Fraternities a help to your Institution?

If not, how could they be bettered in order to bring about this end?

Would you consider it a benefit to the Fraternity, both in helping the institution and in broadening and helping the individual men if the Fraternity had a visitation officer, a man of mature years and experience, whose duty it would be to go from Chapter to Chapter of the Fraternity of which he was a member, spending say, from three to four days every few months at each Chapter to regulate and install systematic order, both as to finances, scholarship, co-operative work with the University, and better general moral conditions?

What do you consider the worst feature of a college fraternity today?
Dear Sir:-

I am the President of the University of Illinois, which is a public institution of higher education located in the city of Urbana-Champaign in the State of Illinois. The University is one of the largest and most prestigious in the United States and is renowned for its research and academic programs.

I am writing to you to express my concern regarding the proposed changes to the College Admissions process. As you may know, the University of Illinois has a long-standing tradition of admitting students based on merit and academic excellence. We believe that this approach is the best way to ensure that our students have the opportunity to succeed.

I understand that there are many concerns about the current admissions process, but I believe that the changes proposed will not solve these problems. In fact, I believe that they will only create more confusion and uncertainty for both students and parents.

I would like to discuss these issues with you further and to hear your perspective on the matter. Please let me know if you would be willing to meet with me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

President, University of Illinois
As to the Chapter of my own Fraternity at your Institution I would be pleased to know along what specific lines in regard to the above inquiries could my Fraternity, Sigma Alpha Epsilon be improved?

Does our Chapter endeavor to work and co-operate with the University authorities? Yes.

Has the Chapter improved to any appreciable extent along scholastic, moral and financial lines within the last two years? Not so good this year as formerly in scholarship, financially sound, morally the upperclass. What is the worst fault of our Chapter? Men die excellent.

I trust I am not taking too much of your time in asking you to give me the above information. We older Fraternity men realize that fraternities must work together, and hand in hand with college authorities in order to obtain a maximum benefit to each. In fact, to date, I fear that our Fraternity men while in College fail to realize that their first duty should be in co-operating to the best of their ability with the College authorities. These matters are now being thoroughly discussed and thrashed out by our National officers, and we are very anxious to get as full information, suggestions and recommendations as possible from the colleges wherein we have a Chapter.

It is our aim to have our Fraternity wherever represented work with the College authorities in promoting those features most desirable to the welfare of the University and to be a sound Chapter scholastically, financially and above all, men of the highest moral standing and character.

I am enclosing herewith a stamped envelope for your convenience in reply.

Appreciating an early response, and again thanking you for such information and suggestions as you care to give me, I am,

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

Dic. W. J.
As to the Chapter of my own fraternity at
your institution I would be pleased to know your wants especially
if you have any questions concerning our Fraternity.

The following items I would appreciate your help in obtaining:

1. A list of all members and their addresses.
2. Information about the organization and activities of the fraternity.
3. A copy of the fraternity constitution and by-laws.
4. Any other information that would be helpful.

Please let me know if there is anything else you would like to discuss.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Respectfully yours,

[Signature]

D.M. M.T.
March 25th, 1912.

President Judson,

University of Chicago.

My dear President Judson:

I return herewith the letter from Mr. Wm. E. Webbe, concerning the second portion of which you ask me to make suggestions. I submitted the document to Dean Linn, who is in charge of these matters, and his comments appear on the document.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Dean.

[Signature]
February 16, 1901.

Elliott S. Norton and others, members of Alpha Delta Phi:

Your communication of recent date protesting against a sentence in an article published in the University of Chicago Weekly, which expressed an opinion that so-called "three months rule" relating to the pledging of students to membership in secret fraternities was not being obeyed, is at hand.

I am glad to know, that so far as the Alpha Delta Phi chapter is concerned, there has been observance of the letter and the spirit of the special regulation, which provides that

"Membership in secret organizations among Junior College and Unclassified Students is limited to those who have finished at least three Majors of work in residence at the University. This regulation is intended to be construed to exclude solicitation to membership, and all forms of agreement to acquire membership before a student has completed three Majors of work in the University."

This is the only official utterance upon the subject which the University has made. An opinion expressed by an individual member of the faculty carries no weight as an official statement, and it is therefore clear that the sentence in the article mentioned cannot be construed as the expression of the faculty, and cannot be taken as giving the consent of the faculty to the violation of the plain regulation of the University Administrative Board, which
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
GAINESVILLE

February 1, 1911.

Dr. H. P. Judson,
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

The University of Florida is interested at the present time in the question of College Fraternities. I am writing you to secure specific information on the matter if possible.

The enclosed list of questions will give you an idea of what I desire; an answer in detail or general will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
DEAR SIR:

The University of Florida has received
information that you have secured
employment in the field of
agriculture. I am writing you to secure
information on this matter.

The following list of questions will give you
an idea of what I need to know in regard to you:

[Signature]

Professor Jones

Dr. H. F. Jenkins
University of Chicago
Chicago, Ill.

February 1, 1911

UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE
GAINESVILLE
1. Do Greek Letter Fraternities exist in your Institution?

2. If not, is it due to Faculty ruling or opposition of an official nature?

   Assuming that Fraternities exist-

3. How do the grades of the Fraternity men compare with those of the non-Fraternity men?

4. How does the Fraternity affect "College Life"?

5. How does the Fraternity influence the morals of the average man?

6. What supervision does your Faculty have over Fraternities and do you consider this policy wise?

7. May I quote your information?

   Any other information you see fit to send will be appreciated.
1. Do you letter Fraternity active in your Institution?

2. If not, do you have a campus chapter or organization of an affiliate nature?

3. How do the Fraternity at the Fraternity new compare with those at the one?

4. How does the Fraternity select "College Title"?

5. How does the Fraternity influence the morale of the fraternity men?

6. How do you Fraternity influence the morale of the alumni men?

7. What education have your Fraternity have an Fraternity and go you contact with better men?

8. Why I choose your Fraternity?
My dear Mr. Maltby:

The University of Chicago has at present seventeen national fraternities.

At present we have no complete study of the grades of men in fraternities. This study has never been finished because of the lack of sufficient clerical force to tabulate the statistics. It has been the custom to send to the faculty representative of the fraternity and to the student head of the fraternity a record of the men in the chapter during the preceding quarter. Alumni of one fraternity in the University have established a prize for scholarship in the chapter.

The fraternities at Chicago are organized as University houses. As such, each has a head appointed by the President on nomination of the house, and a councilor appointed by the President. The heads and councilors are usually alumni members of the fraternity now in the University faculties. These officers are intermediaries between the fraternity and the University administration.
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The University of Chicago is organized as an University house

in such a way as to support the growth of the University

and cooperation also mutually enhance the University.

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meant to be for University and the University's maintenance.
The University attempts to exert no influence except through these representatives. The plan works very efficiently. Of course, its success depends largely upon the interest of the head and councilor. Some men are so busy or so indifferent that they give little attention to the condition of their chapter. Others are very careful to keep in touch with every move of the organization. It must be said that the latter are put to a great many shifts to keep themselves in touch with the chapter. Faculty men and those in official positions are the last ones in the world to hear irregularities in the chapter. It is the business of these officers so to keep in touch with influential and frank members of the chapter that confidential relations may be established and accurate information secured. This information, I may say, is chiefly for the guidance of the officer himself. It is not accumulated in a secret service way by the University.

Your question with regard to college life is a very difficult one to answer. It must be remembered that the University of Chicago is an urban institution and there is no cohesion of the ordinary four class groups on account of the quarter system. The fraternities are affording an academic unit not unlike the English colleges. The relations among the fraternities are excellent. In my undergraduate days the fraternities did not know each other and the relations between them were very often unpleasant, for the most part artificially so. The opening of the
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Reynolds Club has made for genuine friendship among all fraternity men, and not only among fraternity men but among all men of the University, for here the lines are not rigidly drawn between fraternity and non-fraternity men. The fraternity men are the chief supporters of the Reynolds Club. This, I suppose is natural since a large proportion of them is able to support it financially. It is significant that the old time fraternity political game has been fully eliminated from the Reynolds Club elections. At the present time, a man who is by choice a member of no fraternity, is president of the organization. He is, I know, recognized as a first class man and friend by all members of the fraternities.

The answer to your fifth question is equally difficult. I think it enough to say that at Chicago we have not at all the frightful condition described by Mr. Birdseye in his latest book. I say this not because we are ignorant of our own sins, but because we have through the system above hinted at, kept pretty careful watch of the conditions in the chapters. I think that the faculty representative of most of the chapters can name the one or two men likely to be dangerous influences in the group. Having that information, the faculty representative is in a position to guard very carefully against the extension of that influence. His supervision, of course, results in indirect management, mostly through reliable older men in the chapter. I may say that during
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the last two years, under the direction of Dean Vincent, who has studied this question very carefully, and who may have a great deal of information which you may wish to have from him at first hand, the fraternity councilors have had conferences in which these problems have been seriously discussed. The chief outcome of these discussions has been the agreement that the fraternity head must use indirect methods to secure information and exert his influence for the betterment of conditions. He is lucky who has had such aid in this matter as I have happened to have in one of the younger alumni during the last two years. I may say also that secret conferences of the known reliable men in college have been held. At these conferences only three members of the faculty were present, including the President of the University. The fifty or sixty men apparently talked with frankness and with deep interest concerning the problems affecting the morals of the student body. I assure you, as one of the men present at these conferences, that the attitude of these men was even inspiring.

In using any of this information, please do not refer to these conferences. I think it would be wise also not to say much as yet concerning the methods used by our fraternity heads and councilors. The existence of such officers, is of course public information.
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Your letter I am answering at once because President Judson is now in Florida. You may desire to confer with him.

His address is Care of Mr. George E. Cluett, Palm Beach, Florida.

Yours very truly,

D. A. Robertson
Secretary to the President
Secretary to the President.

Mr. Robert D. Malathy,
College of Agriculture,
University of Florida,
Gainesville, Florida.
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Jabez to now in Toronto. You may see the to concert with him.

He address to care of Mr. George E. Copley, Hotel, Toronto.

Yours very truly,

D.A. Robertson
Secretary to the President

Mr. Robertson, D. Matlip,
College of Agriculture,
University of Toronto,
Guelph, Ontario.
Board

5537 Lexington Ave.
Dec. 7, 1896.
The Lambda Phi Chapter of Beta Theta Pi
To The Board of Student Organizations—

In answer to the charge
made against our chapter by your board
and unofficially communicated to us, we
wish to say: that there has been a great
deal of unnecessary cutting of classes (be-

...nd many acts made necessary on account of sickness) and breaking in our fraternity
house: and that it is true that this conduct
which we all now most seriously regret
was the conduct of the four men who lived
in our house, that our other ten or

...leven men have been doing good faith
work in the main in their university houses,
that the chapter has not known the extent
to which this cutting and breaking has gone
and if it had it could have done much to lessen it.

Now in chapter meeting we have discussed the whole question and have passed upon this expression to you: that we seriously regret that some of our boys have been so negligent and careless about their work, and have had so little regard for their position as students in our University. The cutting and shirking of work was not caused by any evil moral influences as we are assured by these men condemned and the chapter is well

ing to answer for their conduct in the fut-

ure. The members in the house emphatically assure us that such conduct on their part

was not due to any thing else than indi-

vidual negligence and disregard of duty to

the University. We wish to state that such con-

duct has never been in accordance with

the policy of our chapter, is not now and shall

not be in the future. We have, as a chapter,
done good work for ourselves and for the University over the past and intend now to do our full duty.

Hoping that this expression of regard and of intention to reform our house so that it may accord with the character of our chapter may prove satisfactory to you, we are very sincerely yours—

Lambeth Phi Chapter B.C.T.
In chapter meeting

Donald S. Frumbale
President
I am not sure why this is so, but it seems to me that we have been working too much. It is important to take breaks and rest our minds.
Dear Bro:-

Illinois Beta of Phi Kappa Psi, as you probably know, is now located at # 650 Midway Plaisance (# 650 60th Street). The house is without doubt the finest occupied by any fraternity in the 'Varsity; it is a stone front, three-story house, one block to the Cottage Grove cable, three blocks to the "Alley L," and but ten minutes' walk to the Illinois Central express service to the city. On the first floor are five elegantly furnished rooms, viz: parlor, back-parlor, reception-room, dining-room, and anti-room; on the second floor are six large, well ventilated sleeping-rooms, with bath-room; and the third floor is one swell dancing hall.

A house of this description is quite within the means of the active chapter during the college year, but during the summer months we have a "hard pull" to make both ends meet.

The object of this letter is to acquaint you with our position so that you may assist us by directing to the house all Phi Psi's who intend stopping in Chicago during the summer, any Phi Psi now in Chicago who could possibly live in the house, or any other "good" person not a Phi Psi. By an earnest endeavor on the part of the Alumni Association and the active chapters, we can certainly fill our house this summer. May I not urge you to keep our house problem in mind, and notify us immediately of any "good fellow" who could and would help us pay our summer rent. The price of a room per month is $10.00, very reasonable when one considers the style of room.

We wish also to call attention to the fact that we are the only 'frat' here that has kept its doors open the year around. We take great pride in this, and can continue to do so even in our present fine house with the assistance of our Phi Psi brothers.

Yours in Phi Kappa Psi,

A. B. Darcelon

P.S. Kindly inform all Phi Psi's that you chance to meet of the purport of this letter.
The University of Chicago

Dear Mr. Judson:

I enclose the document you sent me relative to the matter in dispute between the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, 5719 Madison Avenue, the South Pt. Improvement Association. I call your special attention to Mr. Chase's letter, with the accompanying "Exhibit A" and the footnotes I have added.

The fraternity has not a good reputation, and its household as mine. Notwithstanding concerns and literally and figuratively has been in bad odor for years. When residing at 5719 Monroe Avenue, the state their back yard was such that repeated complaints by neighbors were made by neighbors. Mr. Stenett, my

auditor and my subsequent neighbors, will verify the statement. They were also warned by the Inspectors of Health. Finally, the S. P. D. A., at its own expense, entered in and cleaned the premises.

As further evidence of things as they were at 5719 Monroe Avenue, I enclose a letter from Mr. Walle.

Yours, etc.,

Nelson, Mr. Cornwell, marked Exhibit B.
To this is the subitation by Mr. Bronn, to inform that it was only with great difficulty that they have been able to find a place of occupancy. Mr. Bronn, the owner of the house, says they are now in at 5619 Madison Avenue is a Phi Alpha and unwilling to deal rigorously with them, but the method of acquiring possession - see Exhibit C. Made by Mr. Parker, the agent, very unsightly, the wording of the document, i.e. Exhibit C, is Mr. Nelson's report of a verbal conversation between Mr. v Mr. Parker. This information is confidential for Mr. Parker wrote to protect his client, Mr. Bronn.

Finally, I must add that Dr. Hedrick, the Sanitary Inspector of the Board of Health has again warned the members of the fraternity (Feb. 24, 1906) because the condition of their back premises is such that they must provide proper receptacles for refuse and garbage in accordance with the law.
The University of Chicago

The present head of the chapter is Dr. James B. Blake of Law School, who is a thoroughly fine gentleman. Both the fraternity and the University are fortunate to have found such a man.

If I may be permitted a suggestion, it seems to me it might be well to have a conference with Mr. Blake with regard to a settlement for this affair might not be made. The fact that the fraternity is not doing its duty, in my view, could appeal to Mr. Blake.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

April 15th, 1902
Delta Kappa Epsilon House
5764 Woodlawn ave.,
Chicago

Dear Brother Judson,

We of the Delta Delta chapter have felt for some time past that our relations with the faculty and especially the DeHoes on the faculty have not been what they should be. This we feel is due to a lack of interest of our faculty brothers in the chapter, caused in the
to expect you?

We wish to thank you most sincerely for the generous Christmas present which you have sent us. We all wish both you and Mrs. Judson a most happy and successful New Year.

very fraternally yours,

Loyd Neff

ota.
main by their lack of acquaintance with the individual members. We think it would help matters a great deal if at every chapter meeting we could have two faculty brothers present. Do you not agree?

We extend the heartiest of invitations to you for our first meeting of the new year, Monday evening, Jan. 6th at seven thirty. If for any reason you are unable to be present would you kindly reserve one Monday evening in the near future for us, and let us know when.
is such that it would not be right or wise for me
to be concerned more with one than with another.
I am sure that this will be recognised by all your
members.

Chicago, December 30, 1912

With cordial best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

My dear Neff:—

Your note of recent date is just
received. I am pleased with the plan which the
chapter has adopted, and think it highly desirable
for a better acquaintanceship between members of
the faculty and undergraduate members of the chap-
ter. I certainly hope therefore that your request
will be met very generally, and that you will always
have at chapter meetings one or more faculty members
present to take part in the deliberations and to
prosecute better acquaintanceship. For my own
part I have not thought it advisable to enter into
active connection with the chapter at any time,
which I think has been well understood. My re-
lationship administratively to all the fraternities here
Dear [Name],

Thank you for your letter of December 30th. I am pleased with the plan you have proposed, to have a better understanding of the financial and market situation of the company. I am particularly interested in your proposal for a potential partnership with one of our financial partners. I believe this could be a good opportunity for both parties. Please keep me informed of any developments.

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name]
is such that it would not be right or wise for me to be concerned more with one than with another. I am sure that this will be recognized by all your members.

With cordial best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours.

H. P. J. — L.

Mr. Loyd Neff,
5754 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago.
I am sorry that it won't do right to write you now.

To go connected more with one given with another

I am sure that this will be recognized by all your

members.

Dear friend, I am

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

[Postmark: Dec 25, 1915]
Dear Brother Judson,

Let me remind you of our initiation which occurs Saturday at about 4 P.M., followed by the Purdue-Chicago basketball game in the evening at which we are going to turn out in a body, followed in turn by a banquet at the house, to which all alumni are being invited. Can't you possibly make an exception this night and come in unseen to welcome the nine
new men into old Delta Kappa Epsilon? We hope that you can arrange to come and we shall all be there to welcome you.

very fraternally yours,

Loyd Alleff
Chicago, February 1, 1913

My dear Neff:—

Thank you very much for your kind invitation for this afternoon. It would not do for me to make an exception to the general rule of which you are aware, much as I should like to do so. Give my congratulations and best wishes to all concerned.

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Mr. Loyd Neff,
5754 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago.
et

To be there 
and we shall

LA Rl, 

A very good bye!
Chicago, January 29, 1915.

Mr. O.H. Cheaney,
70 Madison Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Cheaney,

I congratulate you very heartily on the honour conferred by the recent Electus. I hope that your administration of the Fraternity will be one of the most notable in the history of the institution.

One of the items which I feel can contribute to the greatness of your first year as President is the opportunity to place Phi Gamma Delta in the front rank of fraternities contributing to the complete study and advancement of college interests. Delta Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Delta Phi and others have already tried the plan of having a travelling secretary. With some of these officers I have come into contact in my University work; I am sorry to say that I have not been deeply impressed as yet by the character of the men appointed to such positions. On the other hand
I have seen incompetence opportunity...
I have seen evidences of harm owing partly to the incompetence of the officer and partly to the lack of opportunity for real work afforded. I shall be very sorry indeed if our fraternity is to have merely a high grade clerk such as some of the other national organisations have added to their pay-rolls.

There is a real contribution which Phi Gamma Delta can make to the fraternity situation. Nobody in this country has command of all the facts concerning college life and particularly fraternity life; I do not believe that even Mr. Baird or Mr. Shepardson of Beta Theta Pi can be cited as persons of the sort I mean. I have in mind such an officer as would compare favourably with Dr. Wallace Butterick, the Secretary to the General Education Board. It seems to me that some one fraternity will very soon see the opportunity for training and maintaining such an officer as Dr. Butterick. A mature man of judgment with full knowledge of the situations in the principal institutions of the United States could make himself of such value in the constructive work of the fraternity that his salary would be more than compensated for by the
improvement in local conditions and the advancement of a healthful national unity. Even if his salary were not so compensated for by improvements in local conditions it should be considered as a voluntary contribution from Phi Gamma Delta to the educational world. I believe such a mature and efficient officer should give his full time to the study of all fraternities and especially of our own, should be a permanent officer of the fraternity with a well defined policy for general improvement, and should report only to the Archons. Instead of a travelling secretary he would be an executive secretary whose aid could be given at strategic points instead of being frittered away in regular visits to all the chapters. I am sorry that I could not be at the Eklesia to make clearer than I have done in this letter what I have in mind. I am writing now merely to express my own hope that the Archons will not enter upon what I personally consider to be a wasteful enterprise - the appointment of a part-time clerk for a national secretary - but will consider favourably the chance for doing something of the highest importance in the whole fraternity field - the claiming
of the front rank among fraternity and educational experts for Phi Gamma Delta.

Sincerely yours

D. R. C.
Mr. D. A. Robertson,

University of Chicago.

Dear Mr. Robertson:

I think that you will be interested in reading the report of Hume C. Young, which is enclosed herewith. All of these documents are being filed in the central office of the Fraternity for future reference. The period of probation is to cover five years, two of which have passed. He seems to be getting along pretty well from the financial point of view, having paid all of his debts except a loan from his uncle and the Chapter House subscription.

What do you think of my advice to him about continuing his college work? Can you tell me confidentially where he would stand if he were to seek reinstatement in the University?

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Dictated by Mr. Miller, and transcribed in his absence by E. Danow.
Dear Mr. Superintendent,

I am writing to inform you of the recent developments in the field of education. The latest report from the Office of Education indicates a significant trend towards technology integration in the classroom. All schools are required to incorporate technology into their curricula, and I am confident that these efforts will greatly enhance the educational experience of our students.

Additionally, the Office of Education has released guidelines for promoting diversity and inclusion in the schools. These guidelines emphasize the importance of creating a welcoming and inclusive environment for all students, regardless of their background.

What do you think of these changes? Can you see how they are complementary to our schools' mission?

Yours truly,

[Signature]
Chicago, August 12, 1913

Dear Mr. Miller:—

I thank you for letting me see the Hume Young correspondence. Fraternities have been charged with many things. In the nature of affairs such a strikingly important service as the one Sigma Chi is performing in the case of Hume Young cannot be made known to the people who make unpleasant charges. The making of a man out of this youth is something on which I congratulate Sigma Chi and especially you personally.

Sincerely yours,

D. A. R. — L.

Mr. Newman Miller,
The University of Chicago Press.
Dear Mr. Miller:

I thank you for informing me of the

paper's correspondence. I have received many papers, and in the nature of things, I

am not able to attend to all of them as the time allows.

One is particularly important because of the case of John Doe, who

ought to be reported to the people who might make important

decisions about his welfare. The matter of a man out of place in the

office is something on which I concentrate since it may

especially appear to you improperly.

Sincerely yours,

D.A.R.

Mr. Newman Miller,

The University of Chicago, Ill.
Chicago, May 25, 1914

Dear Mr. Hubble:

Of course I remember Ed. Hubble and have often wondered how he was enjoying Oxford. How Oxford enjoyed him, I have learned at different times from Mr. Wylie.

It is rather late this year for a fellowship. I am, however, sending you a fellowship blank and instructions for filling it out. May I suggest that you send it to Mr. F. R. Moulton, or Mr. E. H. Moore, or to Mr. Millikan, or to some other member of the department to whom you are known? I am taking the liberty of sending your letter directly to Mr. Moulton.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to the President

Mr. Edwin P. Hubble
1287 Everett Avenue
Louisville, Ky.
October 26, 1914

Dear Mr. Editor,

I have asked Dr. Gonzales to rectify the errors you have made in the orthographic and phonetic signs I have inserted. I hope you will accept the changes.

I also wish to inform you that Dr. Gonzales, one of the most notable scholars in the field of phonetics, has indicated that the errors you have made in the orthographic and phonetic signs I have inserted should be rectified.

I am enclosing a copy of the letters from Dr. Gonzales for your reference.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

[Details of the document]
Chicago, June 14, 1915.

Dear President Judson:

On Friday, June 11th, the Omega chapter of Psi Upsilon through one of its members, B. A. Patterson, pledged Arnold Jackson and on Saturday pledged Alexander McCormick, Jr., both members of the senior class of the University High School. On the face of it this is, of course, directly in contradiction to the fraternity regulations for "rushing".

On the other hand the following facts should be noted: both Jackson and McCormick had taken their final examinations and according to Principal Johnson, whom I have seen, were such good students that they had the right to assume that they had passed. Indeed both boys took that view, and although of course the end of the senior year, after which they could according to the rules be pledged, is not technically reached
May 14, 1918

Dear Professor [Last Name],

On behalf of the graduate students of the University of Chicago, I am writing to request your assistance in forwarding our manuscript to the appropriate editorial board. The manuscript, titled "The Future of Education," was submitted by several students in our history and social sciences courses. We believe it presents a unique perspective on the current state of education and its potential future developments.

We understand that your expertise in educational theory and practice makes you a suitable individual to shepherd our work through the review process. We hope that you will consider this request and provide us with your feedback and guidance.

Thank you for your time and consideration. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,
[Student's Name]
until Thursday of this week, Principal Johnson is of the opinion that the spirit of the rule has been complied with. In the second place the pledging was the impulsive action of one man. Both University High boys had been passed by the chapter some months ago, but the plan was to pledge them formally on Thursday afternoon next. Jackson asked this man who actually did the pledging whether, now that the work of the year was over, he might not come around to the Psi Upsilon house for dinner, and, as I say, on impulse the pledging followed. In the third place no particular concealment of the action was attempted. Although the men pledged did not actually wear their buttons, they were openly congratulated in the presence of undergraduates, members of other fraternities, by members of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, and when the case was brought to me no attempt whatever was made by the members of Psi Upsilon to hide any of the facts or to disclaim the responsibility. In the fourth place Principal Johnson says that there has been no attempt throughout
the year so far as he knows to "rush" University High School men; in other words that the spirit of the rule has been complied with by Psi Upsilon as well as by other fraternities.

In view of these facts I recommend that the Omega chapter be asked to withdraw its pledge buttons; that a statement of the facts in the case be made public in the MAROON, and that an apology to be written by me and signed by the Chapter be also published. I have tried to see you this afternoon and I am writing this note because the last issue of the MAROON for the year comes out to-morrow morning and it seems to me important that if this action is taken it should be taken at once. On the other hand, if you do not concur with my recommendation and advise some other penalty, there is no immediate hurry. I think I may assure you that the facts in the case are without question as I have spent the day in interviewing the persons concerned.

If you agree with my recommendation, or indeed in any event, will you leave word with Miss
In view of these facts, I recommend that

the Council consider the request to institute the program

of public health that I have proposed. This program

should include an emphasis on education and training in the area

of public health, with an emphasis on the importance of preventive

measures. I believe that the success of this program will depend

on close cooperation with the Department of Health and

Service and other agencies. I am committed to working

with these organizations to ensure the success of this initiative.

Immediate action is necessary to prevent the spread of this disease.

I have been in contact with the government and

have offered my assistance in this regard. I believe that

we can work together to overcome this challenge.

I look forward to your urgent response.
Dunderdale whom I shall telephone a little before five? I have a class down town which makes it impossible for me to reach you in any other way.

Yours very truly,

James Weber Linin

JWL-D.

Dictated but not read.
Enclosed are all I can find pertaining a little note.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

[Date: 7/7/70]
March 31, 1919

Dear Dr. Judson:

The brothers of Epsilon trust that you will be able to be present at the annual banquet in New York on April 11, but should your affairs prevent would you be good enough to write me a letter which could be read at the banquet? All of the brethren will be very glad to hear from you.

With kindest regards, I am,

Fraternally yours,

[Signature]

Dr. Harry Pratt Judson,
President of the University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

/ D
Chicago, April 3, 1919

My dear Mr. Johnston:

Your note of the 31st of March is received. I am sorry that I shall not be able to be present at the annual banquet in New York on April 11, but trust that the Epsilon chapter may be well represented on that occasion. One of the significant and interesting things in connection with the great war has been the spontaneous and tireless devotion of college men to the national service. I am sure that our fraternity has done its part with the rest, and the whole history of this aspect of the war will certainly be an inspiration for our colleges in the future.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

H.P.J. - L.

Mr. Henry H. Johnston
75 Prospect Avenue
Montclair, New Jersey
Office

April 9, 1912

Dear Mr. Johnson:

I am sorry that I shall not be able to go to the opening of the United Graduate School at New York on April 11th. I am afraid that my military obligations may get in the way. I shall be there for the conference and I hope to attend all the sessions in connection with the Great War and peace and conference on the relations of colleges and industrial education.

I have not seen the article on the proposed conference in the journal of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, but I have been working on the problem of the reorganization of the college at the war which will certainly be an inspiration for our college in the future.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
July 19, 1922,

President Harry Pratt Judson,
University of Chicago,
Chicago.

My Dear Doctor Judson,

Am enclosing herewith data concerning the new fraternity house proposition of the Phi Kappa Psi, which I think will interest you.

You will note by the by-laws, that we undertake to get better supervision and control of the members of the chapter, than I think has ever been attempted by any other fraternity at the University in recent years. I hope this undertaking meets with your approval.

With personal regards,

Sincerely,
HEARST CORPORATION
New York, N.Y.

April 17, 1968

Dear Dr. Smith,

Thank you for your letter of April 13th and for the sample of the film strip and the photographs of the M.I.T. project. I am also enclosing a copy of the letter from Mr. H. W. Hearst, President of the Hearst Corporation.

I was very interested to learn about your work and I hope we can have a chance to discuss it further in the near future.

Thank you for your interest in our project.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dr. John Smith,
University of California

P.S. I look forward to receiving your report.
PROPOSED PLAN

for

PHI KAPPA PSI HOUSE

University of Chicago

TO BE ERECTED BY

ILLINOIS BETA OF PHI KAPPA PSI
Educational Association of the University of Chicago
The New Chapter House—It's Features

The new Chapter House for Illinois Beta will be located on the northeast corner of Woodlawn Avenue and 56th Street. This is right in the heart of the University locality, being only one block from Stagg Field and two blocks from the Reynolds Club, the center of men's activities at the University.

It will be the only Chapter House at the University of Chicago situated on a corner lot, and, fronting on Woodlawn Avenue, one of the main drives through Hyde Park and Woodlawn, will be ideally located from a publicity viewpoint.

The house has been designed by Howard Van Doren Shaw, one of Chicago's foremost architects. It is designed in the Tudor period in harmony with the University buildings, with a domestic touch. Full advantage has been taken of the site by facing the building toward the South. It is set off by a terrace with a retaining wall of stone and treated with planting. The exterior walls are to be built of limestone from several different quarries in Wisconsin and Illinois, which will give variation in color. The stone will be laid with random joints and trimmed with cut buff Bedford stone. The windows are to be metal casements.

The interiors will be carried out in the same period—the main rooms having large curved stone fireplaces, bay windows, vaulted and oak beamed ceilings.

The house is entered from 56th Street through the terrace.

On the first floor is a large entrance hall which connects the living room and the dining room. The loggia also opens off this hall and overlooks the terrace and 56th Street. It is connected with the dining room and can also be used for dining purposes. A men's coat room and accommodations for ladies are also provided on this floor.

On the second and third floors are twelve (12) suites, generally consisting of a study for two men and two individual sleeping and dressing rooms with wardrobes. Large general bathrooms are provided on both floors. This will amply provide for at least twenty-four men living in the house, and arrangements are such that more can easily be taken care of if necessary.

On the second floor at the head of the main stairs is a Card Room. Another feature of this floor is an attractive Guest Room with a private bath.

The Chapter Room, which is entered through the Goat Room, is on the third floor and will be treated with a high vaulted ceiling. Rooms for the service are also located on this floor.

In the basement are the boiler room, coal space, trunk room, kitchen, store—and provision is being made for future game rooms and laundry.

The building is to be of fireproof construction, with reinforced concrete floors.

An average sized Chapter will easily be able to keep the house up in splendid condition. The room rent and dues obtained from the members will be entirely available for current running expenses, upkeep and depreciation charges.

The building, as planned and conceived, will far surpass any other similar building at the University of Chicago and should rate as one of the finest houses of its kind in the country. Every detail of construction and finishing has been planned to make it of permanent beauty and maximum convenience.
Exterior View and Floor Plans

for

Proposed New Chapter House
Illinois Beta of Phi Kappa Psi

View of the new Chapter House as it will appear when completed. The house is pictured from 56th Street looking north, the street on the left is Woodlawn Avenue.

To the right is the floor plan of the main floor—showing how the house will stand in relation to property lines.

The plan below shows the arrangement of space on the third floor—showing the location of the large Chapter room.

The floor plan to the left is of the second floor. Note the spacious study quarters, guest room, card room, etc.
House History of Illinois Beta

ALMOST as interesting as the development of the Phi Psi personnel and the passing of college generations is the house history of the Chapter. Phi Kappa Psi was established in the University of Chicago before the University was moved to its present location, the Midway—therefore, it is one of the oldest Chapters of the University.

The first home of Illinois Beta at the new University was obtained in 1894 at 5748 Kimbark Avenue. This house was used for a year or so and has ever since been the location of various other fraternities of the University.

In 1895 the Chapter moved to 5736 Washington Avenue, now known as Blackstone Avenue.

For four years, between 1896 and 1900, the Chapter was housed at 5735 Monroe Avenue, now Kenwood Avenue. This house has also been used by fraternities since that date.

In 1900 a location was found on the Midway at 652 East 60th Street. The Chapter was situated here until 1902.

In 1902 Illinois Beta purchased a home at 5635 Lexington Avenue, now called University Avenue. This house was directly across the street from Bartlett Gymnasium and Stagg Field, a very fine location. The Chapter lived in this house for 19 years. For many years this was the best fraternity house at the University and the only one owned by a fraternity. During this period, however, several fraternities bought houses and one built a new house. In 1921 it was decided to sell and begin work on a new house for the Chapter.

During the last year, the Chapter has been temporarily located at 5330 Greenwood Avenue.

In another year the contemplated house described in this folder should be the home of the Chapter and will be in every way superior to anything now erected or contemplated by any fraternity at the University of Chicago.
1357 East Fifty-sixth Street
Chicago, Ill.

President J. H. Judson,

University of Chicago.

Dear Judge Judson:

Regarding the enclosed note—
you will remember that you were
good enough to go over the place
of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity with
me, and we agreed that the only
possible objection lay in the
fact that members of the Chicago
chapter who had been dismissed
from the university for poor work
or other reasons, or members of the
chapter who might be from

...
our joint view underlines, apparently continue to live in the chapter house. I presented the objection to the professor, which responded by including in the section marked on Feb. 9, 10. I think, without doubt, these sections meet that objection, and that the place now fits in entirely with the regulations of the university.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Dept.

1922
September 22, 1922

My dear Mr. Linn:—

Thank you for your note of the 9th instant. It seems to me that the modifications to which you call attention cover the ground completely.

Very truly yours,

Mr. James Weber Linn,
1357 East 56th St.,
Chicago, Ill.

HFJ: CB
BY-LAWS

of

Illinois Beta of Phi Kappa Psi
Educational Association

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ARTICLE I

Name and Organization

A certificate, duly signed and acknowledged by Edgar A. Buzzell, M. C. Meigs and Edward G. Woods, was filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1921, for the organization of ILLINOIS BETA OF PHI KAPPA PSI EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO, in accordance with the provisions of "an act concerning corporations" approved April 18, 1872, and in force July 1, 1872, and acts amendatory thereto, and thereupon on the same day the Secretary of State issued Certificate Number 4427, certifying that this corporation was legally organized as a corporation under the name above stated. The certificate of organization was filed in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1921, as document Number 7,343,544, and is recorded in said office in Book 317 of Corporations on page 168. The Certificate of Organization of this corporation provided that its location should
be in the City of Chicago, in the County of Cook, and State of Illinois, with a business office at No. 5330 Greenwood Avenue, in said city, and that its management should be vested in a board of five directors, the board for the first year of corporate existence to consist of:

EDGAR A. BUZZELL  
HAROLD A. MOORE  
JOHN J. DONAHOE  
ALLEN D. HOLLOWAY  
ROY D. KEEHN

ARTICLE II

Object

The object of this corporation shall be: To provide a home in the City of Chicago, Illinois, for those students attending school in said city from time to time who are or may be members of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, at moderate cost to those able to pay and gratuitously to those unable to pay, with the free use of a library to be furnished and maintained in said home by said corporation, with officers serving without compensation, and without dividends or profits to any member of such corporation; to promote the general moral and social welfare of said students, and their good fellowship for educational purposes, and to provide such of them as may be needy with financial and other assistance in case of sickness or distress, provided, however, that none of said benefits shall consist of any insurance or so-called sick benefits; and to secure a suitable building for the purposes aforesaid. The said corporation shall have the right to receive contributions from outside sources, for aforesaid purposes, but no part thereof or of any of the property or income of said corporation shall be permitted to inure to the benefit of any member, manager or official thereof.
ARTICLE III

Corporate Powers

This corporation shall be a body corporate and politic by the name stated in its certificate of organization, and by that name the members and their successors shall and may have succession, and shall be persons in law capable of suing and being sued, and shall have power to make and enforce contracts in relation to the legitimate business of the corporation, and shall have and use a common seal which may be changed or altered at pleasure, and shall in law be capable of taking, purchasing, holding and disposing of any real and personal estate for the purposes of the corporation, and may, by the directors of the corporation, make by-laws not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Illinois, or the United States, which by-laws may be modified, altered or amended at any regular meeting of the members of the corporation, or at any adjourned session thereof, or at any special meeting called for that purpose.

ARTICLE IV

Membership

Section 1. Qualification of members. Any person of good character who is a member of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity and who professes fidelity to its principles, and who has contributed or promised to contribute money or property to this corporation, for its corporate uses and purposes, and who agrees to sustain and promote the objects of this corporation may be received into membership in this corporation.

Section 2. Admission. All applications for admission to membership in this corporation shall be made to the board of directors; and
no application shall be considered without a recommendation by said board.

Section 3. Dismissal. Any member who may lose or be deprived of any qualifications required for admission to membership, or who may so conduct himself as to bring reproach upon the corporation, or the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, or who may, without just cause, fail or refuse to keep his promises, covenants and agreements with the corporation may be excluded and expelled from membership. The board of directors shall be and constitute a committee on delinquents. They shall seek interviews with members who violate their obligations or who conduct themselves improperly, in an endeavor to restore them to good standing, and failing to receive satisfactory evidence of reformation, the committee on delinquents shall report members to the membership of the corporation for discipline or expulsion. The offenders, or persons accused, shall have an opportunity to be heard in defense, and no member, if absent, shall be censured or excluded at the same meeting at which the charge is preferred.

Section 4. When members may be received or dismissed. Members may be received or dismissed at any regular or special meeting of the members of the corporation.

ARTICLE V
Meetings of Members

Section 1. Regular meetings. Regular meetings of the members of the corporation shall be held each year on the last Saturday in September, at two o’clock P. M.

Section 2. Special meetings. Special meetings of the members may be convened at any time on call of the President; or any three directors; or any twenty members, stating the time and place of the meeting, and the nature of the business to be transacted. At least
five days previous notice shall be given by the Secretary, by mail, addressed to members at their addresses shown in the corporation records.

Section 3. Quorum—Voting. Any member of the corporation may take part and vote in person or by proxy at any meeting of members of the corporation. Fifteen members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business at any meeting, provided, however, that at least two-thirds of the number requisite for a quorum are present in person.

Section 4. Proxies. All proxies shall be executed in writing by a member and no proxy shall be valid after eleven months from the date of its execution.

Section 5. Place of Meetings. All meetings shall be held at the business office of the corporation, unless some other place in the City of Chicago, Illinois, is designated in the notice of the meeting, in which event the meeting shall be held at the place so designated.

ARTICLE VI

Board of Directors

Section 1. Number—Qualifications—Compensation. The management of the corporation shall be vested in a board of five directors, each of whom shall be a member of the corporation in good standing, and none of whom shall receive any compensation, either directly or indirectly.

Section 2. Election and Term. Directors shall be elected each year at the annual meeting and shall serve for one year, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

Section 3. Powers and Duties. The board of directors shall have control and management of the affairs and funds of the corporation. They may, upon consent of the corporation expressed by the vote of the majority of
the members thereof present at any regular meeting or special meeting called for that purpose, and at which there is a quorum present, borrow money to be used for the purposes of the corporation, and may pledge the corporation's property therefor.

Section 4. Certificate of Election. Whenever directors shall be elected, a certificate under the seal of the corporation, giving the names of those elected and the term of their office, shall be recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois.

Section 5. Removals and Vacancies. At any regular or special meeting of the members, any director may be removed from office, or his office may be declared vacant for failure to act, or immoral or improper conduct. Vacancies which may happen in the board of directors, caused by death, resignation or otherwise, shall be filled by the board of directors until the next annual meeting of the members.

Section 6. Meetings. The board of directors shall hold a regular meeting each year, immediately after the adjournment of the annual meeting of members, and special meetings may be convened at any time upon written call signed by the President, or any three directors, stating the time and place of the meeting, and mailed at least two days before the meeting is to be held. Three directors shall constitute a quorum. All meetings shall be held at the business office of the corporation unless another place in the City of Chicago shall be designated in the call, in which event the meeting shall be held at the place so designated.

ARTICLE VII

Officers

Section 1. Number—Qualification—Term—Compensation—Suspension—Discharge—Vacancy. The officers of the corporation shall
consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Supervisor, and such other officers as shall be determined by the board of directors. They shall be elected by the board of directors at the regular annual directors' meeting each year, and shall hold their respective offices for a period of one year next following their election, and until their successors shall be elected and shall have qualified. They shall receive no compensation, either directly or indirectly for any services. Each officer must be a qualified member of the corporation in good and regular standing, but none need be a member of the board of directors. Any officer of the corporation may be suspended or discharged by the board of directors, provided the majority of the board of directors vote in favor of said suspension or discharge. In case of a vacancy in any office, the directors may elect a successor who will hold office for any unexpired portion of the term of the officer whose place shall be vacant and until the election of his successor. The board of directors may demand inspection, at any time, from any officer, of all books, papers or other documents relative to the business of the corporation.

Section 2. President. The President shall preside over all meetings of the board of directors and members of the corporation at which he may be present. He shall have the same right to vote as though he was not presiding, if otherwise entitled to vote. The President shall have the powers and duties usually pertaining to his office and such other powers and duties as are provided by the laws of the State of Illinois, or these by-laws.

Section 3. Vice-President. The Vice-President shall have the same powers and duties as the President, which he shall exercise and perform, however, only in the absence of the
President or in case of the President’s inability to act.

Section 4. Secretary. The Secretary shall attend all meetings of directors and members, and enter the minutes thereof in a book of records kept by him for that purpose. He shall also keep a membership book which shall contain the names and addresses of all members of the corporation. He shall give notice of all meetings except as otherwise provided by these by-laws. All instruments in writing required to be made or executed on behalf of the corporation, under its corporate seal, shall be attested by the Secretary. In the absence of the Secretary at any meeting of the board of directors or members of the corporation, a secretary pro tem shall be elected to perform the duties of the secretary at such meeting.

Section 5. Treasurer. The Treasurer shall keep all moneys of the corporation in such bank or banks as may be prescribed by the board of directors. The deposit account, wherever kept, shall be kept in the name of the corporation. The Treasurer shall also have the duties usually pertaining to his office, and shall perform such other duties as are required by law or prescribed by these by-laws.

Section 6. Supervisor. The Supervisor shall keep informed relative to the affairs and conduct of the members of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity who attend the University of Chicago, and of the residents of any home which may be provided or maintained by this corporation; he shall seek to promote the general moral and social welfare of such students and residents of such home, and their good fellowship for educational purposes. He shall report his information to the board of directors and to the proper committees of the corporation and shall report to the board of directors the names of any members of said fraternity who
are in need of financial or other assistance, or who may be sick or in distress. The Supervisor shall consult with the advisory committee of the corporation. In order that he may better perform his duties, he shall be furnished by the corporation with the free use of a room in which he shall reside in any home that the corporation may maintain, provided the board of directors deem such course advisable, and he shall be the general overseer of each such home.

ARTICLE VIII

Committees

The Committees of this corporation shall consist of an advisory committee; a committee on library and charity; a committee on new house, or house committee; a committee on house furnishing and heating; a committee on subscriptions and a committee on by-laws, and such other committees as may be determined by the board of directors. The members of said committees, except the advisory committee, shall be named by the President by and with the advice and consent of the board of directors. Each committee shall consist of at least three persons and as many more as the President may from time to time determine. The several committees shall have the powers and duties indicated by their respective names, and in addition thereto the advisory committee shall consult with the supervisor and President and seek to promote the general moral and social welfare of those students attending school in Chicago from time to time who are or may be members of the Phi Kappa Psi fraternity, and aid and encourage their good fellowship for educational purposes. The advisory committee shall consist of three persons, one of whom shall be designated by the board of directors; one by the members of the active chapter of the
Phi Kappa Psi fraternity at the University of Chicago; and one by the faculty or other authorities of said University.

ARTICLE IX

Miscellaneous

Section 1. No dividends or profits. In order to attain the objects of the corporation, the primary purpose of its members, committees, directors and officers shall at all times be the encouragement of education; the advancement of the character of formative youths; their protection against social evils while attending school in a metropolis away from the restraining influence of their homes; the promotion of good fellowship in aid of such purposes; charity, and benevolence. No financial dividend or profit shall be permitted to inure to any member of the corporation or of any committee, or to any officer or director.

Section 2. No person who shall have been dismissed from the University of Chicago on account of poor work or for any other discreditable cause or reason, and no person not a student at such University whom either the member of the advisory committee, who shall represent the faculty, or the responsible authorities of this corporation shall deem likely to exert any undesirable influence upon residents of any house or home maintained by this corporation, shall be permitted to reside in or enjoy any of the benefits of such house or home.

Section 3. Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of this corporation shall be the calendar year.

Section 4. Seal. The corporate seal of the corporation shall be the following:

ARTICLE X

Amendments

Section 1. By-Laws. These by-laws may be modified, altered or amended at any time,
and in the manner heretofore in Article III set forth.

Section 2. Articles of Association. The articles of association of this corporation may be modified, altered, amended or changed at any regular or special meeting of the members of the corporation called for that purpose, provided, however, that no modification, alteration, amendment or change shall be made unless proposed by the board of directors, or ratified by said board; and no such change shall be of legal effect until a certificate thereof, verified by the oath of the President, under seal of the corporation, shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, of the State of Illinois, and recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the County of Cook, in the State of Illinois.
Officers and Committees for Year 1922

President......................Roy D. Keehn
Vice-President...............Harold A. Moore
Treasurer......................Lawrence H. Whiting
Secretary.....................John J. Donahoe

Committee on New House

Harold A. Moore, Chairman
James Snitzler Frederick Thomas
J. J. Donahoe William S. Boal
J. B. Meigs Allan D. Holloway
J. W. Campbell Hays McFarland
H. I. Raymond Eugene Ryan
Joseph Howard R. D. Berry
F. S. Whiting E. A. Buzzell
Charles E. McGuire G. Fred Rush

Committee on By-Laws

E. G. Woods, Chairman
G. Fred Rush E. A. Buzzell

Committee on Library and Charity

James Snitzler, Chairman
Theo. G. Soares G. Fred Rush
H. S. Young D. P. Bradley
B. M. Pettit

House Furnishing and Heating Committee

W. S. Boal, Chairman
Roy Madigan Frank Linden
K. W. Moore Wade S. Bender
Guy D. Randle

Committee on Subscriptions

L. H. Whiting, Chairman
E. A. Buzzell W. S. Boal
A. D. Holloway J. C. Redmon
James Snitzler M. C. Meigs
F. S. Whiting J. B. Meigs
August 31, 1922.

My dear Mr. Linn:

I am enclosing By-Laws sent to me by Mr. Keehn. I am interested to know how this plan fits in with the regulations of the University.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Mr. J. W. Linn,
The University of Chicago.

HPJ: CB
May 10, 1924

President E.D. Burton
Faculty Exchange

Dear President Burton:

I received on the afternoon of Friday, May 9, Dr. Shambaugh's letter of May 5, with carbon of your reply of May 8.

I immediately wrote to the president of each of the eight fraternities housed on University Avenue, between 56th and 58th Streets, a letter such as that of which I inclose carbon herewith; and had these letters delivered by special messenger before the end of the afternoon.

Very truly yours,

Ernest H. Wilkins
Dean of the Colleges
May 9, 1924

Mr. Burr Robbins, President
Beta Theta Pi
5737 University Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Robbins:

I beg to call to your attention the enclosed letter from a gentleman who lives on University Avenue.

He is, of course, right in assuming that the actual offenders are a very few; he is also right in saying that they cast a bad reflection on the entire student body. That reflection falls in particular in this case on the fraternities which have houses on University Avenue.

The writer of the letter shows, I think, a remarkable restraint, both in his judgment of the situation and in his refraining from notifying the police. It is, of course, by no means certain that all who live in the neighborhood would take the same attitude or that the writer of the letter would continue to take the same attitude. You will realize that the results of such a notification to the police would be apt to be exceedingly unfortunate for the boy concerned, for the fraternity concerned and for the University.

I beg to remind you also of the University's attitude toward drinking as expressed by President Burton in the Maroon of January 2. I enclose a copy of that statement.

May I ask for your assurance that you personally and your chapter will do all in your power to see to it that no member of your chapter so acts as to bring public disgrace of this sort upon the University.

It is, of course, by no means certain that the writer of the letter is correct in thinking that the men concerned had been drinking. It is quite possible that the cases have been largely or entirely cases of boisterousness, pure and simple. But boisterousness which goes so far in the way of a neighborhood disturbance is in itself a disgrace to the University.

Please understand that this is a request for co-operation and not in any sense an accusation. I do not know what men or what
Mr. Burr Robbins

fraternity or what fraternities are responsible for what has happened.

I am sending a letter similar to this to all the fraternities housed on University Avenue.

Very truly yours,

Dean of the Colleges

EHWS/ES
For a number of weeks past we have been annoyed during the late hours of the night, especially on Fridays and Saturdays, by a few drunken fraternity boys carousing up and down University Avenue keeping the whole neighborhood aroused with their maudlin cries. Aside from our personal annoyance, we feel keenly the reflection which such doings cast on the whole student body, although we know that the actual offenders are a very few.

Several times in the past when the students along this street got into the habit of chasing up and down the streets with automobiles with open throttle until late hours at night, I had occasion to call the attention of the police department to the situation, and the nuisance has always been promptly checked. On Saturday night last, when there was a crowd of drunken students carrying on in front of our house in the middle of the night, I was minded to notify the police, but thought it would be better to notify your office. I know you will be interested in preventing this sort of thing if it is within the power of the University to do so.
For a number of weeks past we have been studying the case of the right, especially our privileges and responsibilities as a few Americans living in this country. We have heard University students keeping the white negroes out of our area on account of their treatment of Negroes with great and frequent offenses. We feel keenly the feeling which we hope that this state will on the white student body influence us not to allow the recent trouble to continue.

I have written to the secretary of the State University and have heard that the case of the right is one of the most important in the history of the State. I would like to call the attention of the State Board of Education to the situation and the importance of the case of the right.

When there was a report of a Negro student of the University who was in front of our home in the middle of the night, I would like to notify you of the situation. I think you will be interested in becoming part of the University to be so.
The administrative officers of the University of Chicago regard the use of intoxicating liquor by students as physically, intellectually, and morally dangerous, and as contrary to the spirit of the law of the land. They therefore believe that it tends to defeat the purposes of education.

The University will not tolerate the use of intoxicants by its students in the territory subject to its government, and will exert its influence to discourage such use by them elsewhere.

ERNEST D. BURTON
The administrative offices of the University of Chicago regard the use of information censure and monitor as practicable. Respectfully, and morally, the claim to the spirit of the law of the land. They therefore take pleasure that it can be reconciled, the platitude of education.

The University will not tolerate the use of information by the students in the society forth impetus to the government and will exert its influence to accommodate good use of them. (Signature)

Knut D. Burton
President Ernest D. Burton
University of Chicago
Chicago

My dear President Burton:

I hardly know whether your office is just the place to which to bring a complaint about the misdoings of some of the fraternity men in this neighborhood, but because I know you personally I felt that I would like to bring the matter to your attention, appreciating that if the matter should be referred to another office you would know to which.

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Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]

May 5, 1924
Mr. President: Burton

President, University of Chicago

May 6, 1939

Dear President Burton:

I write to report to you the department of commerce of some of the faculty of the University of Chicago, as requested by the president of the university. I have reason to believe that the matter to which you have referred in your letter of March 1st is of great importance to the university, and I hope you will see the importance of this matter.

I have been asked by several of the faculty members to write to you about the matter.

Very sincerely yours,

[Signature]