Professor J. H. Tufts, 
Faculty Exchange.

My dear Professor Tufts:

I was calling on some of our neighbors on Woodlawn Avenue between 55th and 56th Street yesterday evening and I heard a circumstantial account given by two families, namely, the Montgomerys and the Carpenters, of a near-riot which occurred about a week ago involving two of the college fraternities on that block. There is one fraternity on the west side of the street at about the middle of the block, and one at approximately the same point on the east side of Woodlawn Avenue. The hour was about two o'clock. Apparently some of the men were drunk. At all events they shouted to one another across the street in the most obscene profanity and kept the thing up for the space of half an hour.

I thought you would be concerned to look into the matter and see if it is not possible to prevent a repetition of this sort of thing.

I am told that the neighbors in that block are very much disturbed at all hours of the night by the various kinds of noise made by these two fraternities.

They say that the fraternity on the east side of the block is in their judgment thoroughly demoralized.

They contrast this fraternity in the middle of the block very unfavorably with the one that is on the corner of Woodlawn and 56th Street.

Very truly yours,

CHARLES H. JUDD

CHJ-GS
AUGUST

1949

Fellow Professor Tucker

I was meeting on some of our locations on
Woodrow Avenue between 10th and 11th streets,
attended a committee and I heard a conversation
about Woodrow Avenue, namely, the Woodrow
Avenue at the corner of 2nd Street and whether
there is any change that can be made. The street
on the west side of the street of about the middle
of the book. And one of the representatives of the
street and on the east side of Woodrow Avenue. The point
was that the "Woodrow Avenue" is the name of one
of the streets. A U.S. Senator from Texas is one
of the things to be done in the most appropriate
manner. Any role for the rider for the purpose of

I found that you might be concerned or look
into the matter and see if it's not possible to
make a correction in this order of things.

If I may ask if the preparation at that place
was made with the assistance of the committee
of the various kinds of people made by my friend and

They can start the preparation on the east side
of the book to be made by the preparative
commission.

Mr. E. T. Jones

Chairman
Chicago, September 25, 1913

Dear Mr Cheney:

I have read with enthusiasm your letters of July 31 and September 22. My close relations with Newman Miller of Sigma Chi and F. W. Shepardson of Beta Theta Phi have afforded many an opportunity of discussing just exactly the problems which you set forth in your letters. I have no hope of re-instituting the progress in vogue at the beginning of Fraternity history; such plans as the Wisconsin and Michigan ones, however, are very good.

It has long been my contention that the educational scheme aimed at in the English residential colleges, the Princeton tutorial system, and occasionally in such experiments as that of Hitchcock Hall at the University of Chicago, will ultimately be attained for America in the college fraternities. I am glad to have the President of our Fraternity taking officially the position we have in that direction.

It will give me great pleasure to serve with enthusiasm on the committee which you have named.

Sincerely yours,

D.A.R.-D.
Mr C. H. Cheney
78 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.
November 15, 1913.

To the Members of the Educational Commission.

Dear Brothers:

I should like to make a suggestion to your Commission which may or may not be useful in the plans which you are formulating to improve the efficiency of our Fraternity.

We will doubtless all agree that the fundamental fact upon which the Fraternity is founded and endures is service. Brotherhood is an empty name if it does not include the principles of service. Throughout one's life the benefits of this fraternity service are always evident, but they are especially valuable during the undergraduate days.

It seems to me that in order to strengthen the growth of Phi Gamma Delta we must improve the character of the service which we make available to our undergraduates. How can this be done?

For some time past I have felt that a definite and uniform educational program should be prepared and placed within the reach of all of our chapters. I believe this can be done by providing for five or more educational meetings to be held by each chapter during the college year. These meetings would be held on other than chapter nights and be addressed by the leading members of our Fraternity, including faculty men, well known specialists in technical subjects, statesmen, leaders of the Bar and prominent business men of the country. The idea would be to give the chapter boys educational information not available to them in their college course and supplementing the college work by training the viewpoint of the undergraduate.

Of these meetings at least three should be public meetings, to which all the students of the college would be invited. On such occasions the chapter of Phi Gamma Delta would be the host. The responsibility attached to the dignified conduct of such a meeting would provide a wonderful training for the members of the chapter. I need not point out to you the improved standing which our chapter would attain in its college if three such meetings were successfully conducted during the college year.

In order to command the service of the men who are leaders in thought and action in our Fraternity, and who could address such meetings, it will be necessary to provide a fund for the payment of their traveling expenses. This fund should be provided by the National Fraternity and not by the chapters. The fund need not be as large as first thought would indicate, because
in most cases there could be an interchange of speakers residing within the various sections of the Fraternity. For example, in Section XI., the Dean of the University of Illinois might address the students at Michigan, a Professor of English at Michigan lecture for the Chapter at the University of Chicago, and a well-known business man of Chicago talk on business conditions to the student body at Wisconsin. This would not involve heavy traveling expenses. Occasionally, when the Postmaster General explained the work of the Post-office to Yale men, or the Director of the People's Institute talked on Civic Government at Knox College, the expense of travel might be greater.

To finance this plan and at the same time take care of the present administrative expenses of the National Fraternity, I have suggested to the special Finance Committee the possibility of bringing about a change in our constitution whereby our alumni would be required to subscribe to our magazine. We have nearly 14,000 living alumni. If 10,000 of these were subscribers to the magazine at two dollars each we could not only provide a much better magazine than we have at the present time, but there would be sufficient profit to enable us to devote one dollar from each subscription to the administrative expenses of the Fraternity.

If a well defined educational program is carefully prepared and presented to our alumni, I believe they would readily consent to the magazine subscription and the money thus obtained be sufficient to care for the new plan and all fraternity expenses.

This matter is very briefly presented to you, but I trust you will find it worth while to give it considerable thought and see whether something cannot be evolved which will be of great benefit to Phi Gamma Delta.

Fraternally yours,

-Cheney

OHG/LPC.

PERGE.

WE EXPECT TO SEE YOU AT THE
66th ANNUAL EKKLESTIA
Hotel Chelsea, Atlantic City, N.J.
DECEMBER 29-30-31, 1933
Chicago, November 17, 1913

Dear Mr Cheney:

Your suggestion concerning educational meetings, and especially open meetings under the auspices of the Chapter, I regard as excellent. The Chicago Chapter has for some time had occasional talks from men farther along the road to success that the men in the Chapter. I may say they will be glad to co-operate in any possible way.

The notice to attend the last meeting of the Chicago Group did not reach me until two hours before the session. I was, therefore, unable to make arrangements to stay for the evening meeting on account of a previous important engagement. I did attend the afternoon session, at which Harry Coffeen and Charles W. Poltzer were also present. The latter stayed throughout the session, checking up the report presented on the inter-fraternity situation.

I am returning the original material to the Field-Secretary.

Sincerely yours,

D.A.R.-D.

Mr O. H. Cheney
78 Madison Avenue, New York
March Twenty-Six
1925

Mr. William E. Scott
President's Office

My dear Mr. Scott:

Unfortunately, since my return to the City, following my vacation, the large amount of work which we have had at the City Office has prevented my making the study of the fraternity house situation which Mr. Arnett wished to have made. However, at the very earliest opportunity I will arrange to make my inquiries and report to you further.

It was Mr. Arnett's idea that when some tentative plan had been formed that we should call together a meeting of representatives of the various fraternities who might be interested in the plan. I would prefer to delay calling the meeting until Mr. Arnett has returned and has had an opportunity to approve the plan to be submitted and the method of conducting the meeting.

Yours very truly,

[Signature]

Lyndon H. Lesch

LHL: GEB
My dear Dr. Burton:

In connection with the development south of the Midway for undergraduate dormitories, I am wondering if there exists an opportunity now to consider negotiations from fraternities who may desire to build or have built for them units in the residential plan. I know of one fraternity group that might be interested in re-locating and of determining upon the plan for doing so, even though the actual removal to the new location might not come for six months or a year, within which time the building could be completed.

If you have a plan which is ready for presentation to them so that they may determine now their interest in it, I should be glad to learn of it.

Yours very truly,

Business Manager

G. O. Fairweather

President E. D. Burton,
The University of Chicago.
In connection with the development

of the library, I have been asked to

survey the area and to consult the department

of the city on the possibilities of

the installation of a library. I have

been informed that the city would be

interested in a library and that

the city has a plan for a new location

which would be suitable for a new library.

If you have a plan for a new library, I

would be interested in discussing

the possibilities of the location.

Yours sincerely,

E. H. Nastewart

By D. E. Egan

The University of Chicago
April 2, 1925.

My dear Mr. Fairweather:

You recently inquired whether there exists an opportunity to consider negotiations from fraternities who may desire to build. One fraternity has signified its wish to build and has requested President Burton to indicate the future policy of the University, particularly as regards the location of the Colleges and University residences for college students. President Burton turned over the matter to Mr. Arnett, who asked Mr. Lesch to look into it. Mr. Lesch's vacation came at about that time, and I understand that the accumulation of work awaiting him upon his return, has prevented any further action. President Burton, I am sure, will wait for a report from your Office, before proceeding further. I shall be glad to be of any assistance that may be desirable.

Very truly yours,

William E. Scott (signed)

Mr. George O. Fairweather.

WES: S
February Five
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My dear Mr. Scott:

I am returning herewith the letter from the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity of January 2, 1925, addressed to Dr. Burton, regarding the devotion of University land to fraternity purposes.

This is a matter which the President was interested in before he left for the west and about which he asked Mr. Lesch of my office to make some inquiries among the fraternities - as to whether a proposition along this line would be interesting to them.

I suggest that you hold this letter until the President's return and call his attention to the suggestions made; and it may be that he would wish to have Mr. Lesch of my office, who is now on a vacation, go into the matter further with regard to possibilities of other fraternities.

Very truly yours,

Trevor Arnett

Mr. Wm. E. Scott
Office of the President

TA: EVB
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My dear Mr. Grant:

I am writing this letter from the office of the President of the University. I regret to inform you that the President of the University has asked me to inform you of the following:

This is a matter which the President has asked me to inform you of. He has informed me of the situation and has asked me to inform you of the steps that are being taken to address this matter. I have been asked to write to you to explain the situation and the steps that are being taken.

I hope that you find this letter helpful. I will keep you informed of any developments in this matter. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

The President

Office of the President
GAMA ALPHA CHAPTER
OF
DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY
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January 22, 1925.

Ernest DeWitt Burton, Esq.,
President, University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Following your conference on December 29th with
Mr. Russell E. Pettit of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, the
Board of Directors of the corporation, comprising members of
the Fraternity, which owns and controls the property of the
local Chapter, appointed the undersigned as a Committee to
discuss with the University authorities the matter of a
possible new home for the local Chapter, in relation to the
University's future building program for the Undergraduate
Colleges. These we understand are eventually to be located
on the South side of the Midway and a plan of acquiring a
new residence there would be attractive only if it is settled
that Undergraduate Colleges are to be placed there. Because
of our present lack of knowledge of the University's plans, we
write this letter rather as a statement of some of the problems
than as a proposition.

The plan adopted at Northwestern University seems
to offer a logical working basis for the University of Chicago
and the local chapters of the various fraternities. This plan
would, we believe, put an end to competitive fraternity house
building which to a degree now exists at our University.

As a basis for a proposal and looking at the matter
from the fraternity point of view, we would suggest that a portion
of one of the blocks owned by the University South of the
Midway should be allocated for fraternity houses, this portion
to be separated from the men's dormitories hereafter constructed.
This would give the fraternity homes the individuality which
they desire. Such an allocation of land might be made contingent
upon procuring within a limited time an agreement from at least
six of the fraternities having chapters at the University to
locate houses on this land within a specified time.

Contracts with the respective fraternities would pro-
vide that the buildings be erected with specified general
architectural features in keeping with the other University
buildings to be constructed in the neighborhood, this to insure
uniformity of external appearance and, to a reasonable degree,
of interior arrangement, and the University might determine the
size and limit of cost of each building.
We understand from Mr. Pettit's conference with you, that the University would not be inclined to construct the buildings and lease the completed buildings to the fraternities, respectively, thus assuming the financial burden of the enterprise. The financing of the buildings raises questions of some difficulty. If the respective fraternities could acquire the fee title they could readily with some cash subscriptions from alumni borrow moneys to pay for the buildings. The number of alumni of the local chapters, who alone would contribute to any extent, is still so small as to make it questionable whether they can without a considerable loan obtain the amount needed for an adequate and attractive building. The alumni themselves would doubtless subscribe more liberally and readily if the Fraternity permanently owned the home.

If it is the policy of the University not to sell the lands but to give leases only, commercial borrowing for building purposes would be very difficult. The Fraternity would then have as its alternatives the procuring of cash subscriptions from alumni sufficient for the building and adequate furnishing, or seeking the loan from the University of the excess required over funds available from the sale of the present building and from alumni subscriptions, after reserving sufficient for furnishings. The Northwestern University, we believe, has adopted the policy of financing the building as a loan with provisions for repayment over a term of years.

If the funds for the building are to be furnished by the Fraternity (whether immediately or in repayment to the University over a term of years) the lease should be for a considerable period, at least 50 years with a right to renew at its expiration for a similar term. Only by a long tenure would alumni be interested in making contributions.

For a considerable period of years the ground rental should be very low, nominal if possible, to enable the Fraternity to pay off the building debt.

In our case, we could doubtless through the sale of the present fraternity house realize a cash fund in the neighborhood of $60,000, the house being clear of debt, and from subscriptions from alumni and under-graduates could procure a reasonable addition to this. After making reservations for furnishing, there would be left for investment in the building a sum which would make a very substantial security for the repayment of the moneys advanced for the building.

The foregoing seems to us to present a feasible arrangement which fraternities could undertake and we should be interested
in helping to work it out. We believe that a plan of this kind, if adopted, would result in a closer and better relationship between the University and the Fraternities and permit them to become a more significant part of the life of the greater University.

Respectfully yours,

[Signatures]

Ernest DeWitt Burton, Esq.  January 22, 1925.
GAMMA ALPHAPPA CHAPTER
OF
DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY
INCORPORATED 1929
CHICAGO

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between the University and the fraternity and prompt them to
become a more influential part of the life of the broader union

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Grant Donnell
January 29, 1925.

My dear Mr. McKay:

The letter from yourself and other gentlemen of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity has been received in the absence of President Burton. The question that you present is of sufficient breadth and importance, and involves a sufficient number of University policies, or changes in University policies, to warrant holding it for President Burton's attention upon his return rather than to pass it on to another official.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Frank M. McKay,
Delta Tau Delta Fraternity,
5607 University Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

WES: B
January 28, 1926

Mr. Dean M. McKay
Dean Ten Dees Preparatory
Evanston, Illinois

My dear Mr. McKay:

I have just arrived in the presence of President Purcell and am very happy to have the opportunity to express my gratitude to you for the kind notice you have taken of my presence in the University. I was one of the number of University policies, in so far as the latter part of the motion to consider policies is for your President and to request further information to be given upon the same matter.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Mr. Dean M. McKay
Dean Ten Dees Preparatory
Evanston, Illinois
March 19, 1925.

My dear Mr. Lesch:

On February 5th, Mr. Arnett informed this Office that you had been making some investigation among the fraternities as to whether a proposal along the lines suggested in the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity letter would be interesting to them. While there has been no further inquiry from the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity since that time, I should judge it were our next move. Have you any recommendation to make?

Very truly yours,

Mr. Lynden Lesch,
City Office.
June 6, 1928

My dear Mr. Arnott:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent to President Burton from the Delta Tau Delta fraternity last January. (This copy was sent to your office once before, but was returned to us.)

The present status of the matter, so far as I understand it, is that Mr. Leach was to look into the situation as a whole and recommend an action to be taken. If there is anything further that this office may do, please call upon us.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

Mr. Trevor Arnott
The University of Chicago
Dear Mr. Adams,

I am enclosing a copy of a letter sent to Mr. Thompson. By this time, I hope the copy will have reached your office. Please forward the letter to Mr. Thompson as soon as possible.

I have been trying to reach Mr. Thompson by telephone, but I am unable to get through.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

Secretary to the President.

[Stamp: Governor of California]
December 12, 1925.

My dear Mr. Fisher:

The South Park Improvement Association has informed this Office that Sigma Nu Fraternity had not paid its dues to the Association for three months, so that they are now owing $4.50. Will you be so good as to bring this matter to the attention of the Fraternity?

Very truly yours,

William E. Scott
Secretary to the President.

Mr. D. Jerome Fisher.

WES:

Dec 23

Mr. Young, treasurer of the local chapter of Σ Ν, informs me that this bill has now been paid. Sorry you were troubled about this. Bill was not due till Dec. 10.
December 16, 1932

The secretaries of the University of Chicago

The Secretary of the President

action has been requested to allocate the necessary finances for the purchase of new office space to meet the demands of the University for space.

The Secretary of the President

Respectfully,

Mary Davis

Secretary to the President

Mr. D. Jerome Frayer

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Lired take care of immediately.

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Professor Corellt called Delta Jan. Delta as following the receipt of Wes's letter they have agreed to attend to the bill which they owe South Park Commissioners, etc.
I have a proposal for you. We need to discuss the next meeting.

Please let me know your availability for the week.

Looking forward to your response.

Best,

[Signature]
Mr. William E. Scott,
Faculty Exchange - U. of C.
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Scott:

Confirming our telephone conversation this morning I am listing below the fraternities who in arrears with membership dues with our association, of which there are (*) four of them so far behind that we would appreciate anything you may be able to do to have them bring their account up-to-date.

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You might be interested to know that within our district there are twenty-seven fraternities, of which twenty-five of them are members and cooperating with our association by being a member at least, two of them - Pi Lambda Phi - 5827 Dorchester Avenue and the Phi Beta Delta - 5534 Blackstone Avenue, are the only non-members of the twenty-seven. If it were possible to sign them up by your assistance it would be greatly appreciated, as yet we have not been able to interest them.

Naturally, from time to time, we have trouble with the different houses, keeping their premises clean and tidy. At the present time, some of the houses do not furnish proper receptacles for ashes and garbage, thus allowing ashes to accumulate on their basement floor and then expect the wagon to back up and take all the ashes at once.

Thanking you again for any assistance you may be able to give us on this matter. Call on me for any further information if needed.

Very truly yours,

R. T. Braithwaite
Secretary
Chicago

December, 1925

Mr. William J. Scott

Dr. E. C. Ives.

Chairman of the Board

The South Park Improvement Association

Office: 200 East Fifty-Sixth Street
R.T. Buhl-Mechanic, Benefactor

Telephone: W. W. 7-8000

Mr. G. A. Martin

Secretary

A. T. Buhl-Mechanic

You may be pleased to know that within our collective scope of the sports-arena project, the committee has been working on the design and layout of the proposed building. We have plans for the structure and are looking into ways to ensure its success.

We are also exploring the possibility of incorporating a physical fitness center into the project. This would be a unique feature that could attract more visitors.

I hope these ideas are of interest to you.

Warmly,

[Signature]

Mr. G. A. Martin

Secretary
Householders' Contract with the South Park Improvement Association

Chicago 192

I hereby agree to pay to the SOUTH PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION $1.50

Dollars per month for the time beginning Jan. 1st, 1925, and continuing until I give the Association notice to the contrary, payable quarterly in advance, for the following service to be rendered by the said Association to me, and in its district at large: (1) The flushing of all hard paved streets and alleys; (2) The removal of snow by snow-plows from the sidewalks; (3) Care of parkways on the streets and of vacant lots; (4) General administration; (5) Picking up paper and other debris from streets and parkways.

I reserve the right to cancel this pledge and to discontinue payments at any time upon thirty days notice in writing to the Association.

It is understood and agreed that payments under this contract will not be discontinued because of temporary absence of the householder.

X

5827 Dorchester Ave
Housesitters, Contract with the South Park Improvement Association

Chicago, I agree to pay to the SOUTH PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION $50.00 per month for the time beginning 1/25/1926 and continuing until I give the Association notice to the contrary, payable in advance, in accordance with the following service to be rendered:

1. To care for the following service to be rendered:
   a. The feeding of all pets kept in the house and care of plants.
   b. The removal of snow from the sidewalks and driveways.
   c. The mowing of the lawn.
   d. The general cleaning of the house.

2. The right to cancel this rental at any time upon thirty days
   notice in writing to the Association.

By: [Signature]

P.S. A deposit of one month's rent will be held to cover any damage to the property.
Householders' Contract with the South Park Improvement Association

Chicago ____________________________________________________________________ 192

I hereby agree to pay to the SOUTH PARK IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION $ 1.25

Dollars per month for the time beginning Jan. 1st, 1926, and continuing until I give the Association
notice to the contrary, payable __quarterly___ in advance, for the following service to be rendered
by the said Association to me, and in its district at large: (1) The flushing of all hard paved streets and
alleys; (2) The removal of snow by snow-plows from the sidewalks; (3) Care of parkways on the streets and
of vacant lots; (4) General administration; (5) Picking up paper and other debris from streets and parkways.

I reserve the right to cancel this pledge and to discontinue payments at any time upon thirty days
notice in writing to the Association.

It is understood and agreed that payments
under this contract will not be discontinued because of temporary absence
of the householder.

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5534 Blackstone Avenue
December 8, 1925.

My dear Mr. Kingsbury:

I am enclosing a copy of a letter received this morning. I should appreciate your advice as to the procedure.

Very truly yours,
William E. Scott (signed)

Secretary to the President.

Mr. F. A. Kingsbury.

WES:8
Encl.
December 6, 1926

Mr. A. Kinegawia

I am enclosing a copy of a letter receiving this morning. I suggest you send your answer as per the prog

Very truly yours,

William M. Scott (signed)

Secretary to the President

Mr. A. Kinegawia
December 12, 1925.

My dear Mr. Willett:

The South Park Improvement Association has informed this Office that Delta Tau Delta Fraternity had not paid its dues to the Association for twelve months, so that they are now owing $18.00. Will you be so good as to bring this matter to the attention of the Fraternity?

Very truly yours,

William E. Scott (signed)
Secretary to the President.

Mr. H. L. Willett.

WES: S

Same sent to Delta Sigma Phi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Alpha Delta Phi, Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Gamma Eta Gamma, and Delta Upsilon
December 15th, 1925

My dear Mr. Willett:

The South Park Improvement Association has informed the office that the 

Association of the South Park has not paid the 

sum due as shown on theinvoice #19.00. Will you be 

so good as to mail this matter to the 

Association of the South Park? 

Very truly yours,

William H. Scott (signed)
Secretary to the President

M.R. H. L. Willett

We ask that Delta Sigma Phi, Phi Kappa Sigma, Alpha Delta Phi,

Delta Upsilon, Phi Kappa Sigma, Alpha Tau Omega, Gamma Xi, Gamma, and

Phi Kappa Sigma, Phi Kappa Sigma, Alpha Delta Phi,
President Ernest D. Burton,
The University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear President Burton:

I am sorry to have delayed answering your valued letter concerning the fraternity report, but two trips out of the city and plans for organization of the faculty counsellors not yet completed have prevented me from writing you sooner.

I am working on a plan for organizing half a dozen standing committees of the counsellors, each to deal with some one important phase of fraternity life, including raising of scholarship standing, care of property, certain moral problems, and the like. I think these committees may very well institute what may be called a continuous survey of their respective problems as well as to formulate constructive proposals. I will be glad to submit more detailed suggestions about the plan as soon as I have rounded it out. In the meantime I would like to ask whether such a program would meet with your approval, and whether it would be in line with your suggestion about organizing the counsellors into a President's Committee on Fraternities. In other words, would it be your idea to have the thirty counsellors organized as a single President's Committee, or to have them assigned to one or another of half a dozen or more special committees?

I shall endeavor to give you a further report on this within a couple of weeks. We hope to have this plan under way before the Winter Quarter meeting of the counsellors.

Yours very truly,

FAK: KM

[Signature]
January 22, 1925.

My dear Professor Kingsbury:

This is to acknowledge your letter of January 13th in which you present to President Burton a general program for interfraternity counselling. President Burton will, I am sure, be very much interested in the more detailed report to which you refer.

If this matter requires further attention before the President's return I should be very glad indeed to be of any possible service.

Dean Tufts is also canvassing your report, and is very much interested in the suggestions you have made.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Forrest A. Kingsbury,
The University of Chicago.
Dear Professor Kinsey,

This is to acknowledge your letter of January 12th in which you express to President Rusco a certain program for interesting leadership. President Rusco will I understand be very much interested in the more general nature of the report to which you refer.

In this matter registration attention please.

I have the President's request I should be very glad indeed to be of any possible service.

Dean Tuttle is also appreciative your report and is very much interested in the suggestions you have made.

Very truly yours,

Mr. President, A. Kinsey

The University of Chicago

ET PCE
Gama Alpha Chapter
of
DELTA TAU DELTA FRATERNITY

January 22, 1925.

Ernest DeWitt Burton, Esq.,
President, University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Following your conference on December 29th with
Mr. Russell E. Petit of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity, the
Board of Directors of the corporation, comprising members of
the Fraternity, which owns and controls the property of the
local Chapter, appointed the undersigned as a Committee to
discuss with the University authorities the matter of a
possible new home for the local Chapter, in relation to the
University's future building program for the Undergraduate
Colleges. These we understand are eventually to be located
on the South side of the Midway and a plan of acquiring a
new residence there would be attractive only if it is settled
that Undergraduate Colleges are to be placed there. Because
of our present lack of knowledge of the University's plans, we
write this letter rather as a statement of some of the problems
than as a proposition.

The plan adopted at Northwestern University seems
to offer a logical working basis for the University of Chicago
and the local chapters of the various fraternities. This plan
would, we believe, put an end to competitive fraternity house
building which to a degree now exists at our University.

As a basis for a proposal and looking at the matter
from the fraternity point of view, we would suggest that a por-
tion of one of the blocks owned by the University South of the
Midway should be allocated for fraternity houses, this portion
to be separated from the men's dormitories hereafter constructed.
This would give the fraternity homes the individuality which
they desire. Such an allocation of land might be made contingent
upon procuring within a limited time an agreement from at least
six of the fraternities having chapters at the University to
locate houses on this land within a specified time.

Contracts with the respective fraternities would pro-
vide that the buildings be erected with specified general
architectural features in keeping with the other University
buildings to be constructed in the neighborhood, this to insure
uniformity of external appearance and, to a reasonable degree,
or interior arrangement, and the University might determine the
size and limit of cost of each building.
Dear Sir:

Following your conference on December 29th with Mr. Russell E. Bunting, President of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, the Board of Directors of the corporation, consisting of representatives of the three chapters, appointed the undersigned as a committee to investigate the matter of the University's attitude on the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity in relation to the use of the University's name in the programs of the fraternity at the University of Chicago. Consequently, I took the liberty of communicating with you and a plan of coordinating the use of the University's name by the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity at the University of Chicago, and the matter of the University's attitude on the use of the University's name in the programs of the fraternity at the University is in the hands of the committee.

The plan adopted at the December meeting of the University of Chicago to alter a program was brought to the attention of the University. This plan was not brought to the attention of the University.

As a president of a chapter and looking at the matter from the standpoint of view of the University, the plan of the Delta Tau Delta Fraternity to use the University's name in the programs of the fraternity at the University of Chicago is not in harmony with the attitude of the University. Therefore, it is not in harmony with the attitude of the University to use the University's name in the programs of the fraternity at the University.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

President, University of Chicago
We understand from Mr. Pettit's conference with you, that the University would not be inclined to construct the buildings and lease the completed buildings to the fraternities, respectively, thus assuming the financial burden of the enterprise. The financing of the buildings raises questions of some difficulty. If the respective fraternities could acquire the fee title they could readily with some cash subscriptions from alumni borrow moneys to pay for the buildings. The number of alumni of the local chapters, who alone would contribute to any extent, is still so small as to make it questionable whether they can without a considerable loan obtain the amount needed for an adequate and attractive building. The alumni themselves would doubtless subscribe more liberally and readily if the Fraternity permanently owned the home.

If it is the policy of the University not to sell the lands but to give leases only, commercial borrowing for building purposes would be very difficult. The Fraternity would then have as its alternatives the procuring of cash subscriptions from alumni sufficient for the building and adequate furnishing, or seeking the loan from the University of the excess required over funds available from the sale of the present building and from alumni subscriptions, after reserving sufficient for furnishings. The Northwestern University, we believe, has adopted the policy of financing the building as a loan with provisions for repayment over a term of years.

If the funds for the building are to be furnished by the Fraternity (whether immediately or in repayment to the University over a term of years) the lease should be for a considerable period, at least 50 years with a right to renew at its expiration for a similar term. Only by a long tenure would alumni be interested in making contributions.

For a considerable period of years the ground rental should be very low, nominal if possible, to enable the Fraternity to pay off the building debt.

In our case, we could doubtless through the sale of the present fraternity house realize a cash fund in the neighborhood of $60,000, the house being clear of debt, and from subscriptions from alumni and under-graduates could procure a reasonable addition to this. After making reservations for furnishing, there would be left for investment in the building a sum which would make a very substantial security for the repayment of the moneys advanced for the building.

The foregoing seems to us to present a feasible arrangement which fraternities could undertake and we should be interested
It is important to consider the presence of other factors, such as climate, humidity, and air quality, which can influence the effectiveness of a given treatment. For example, in areas with high humidity, it may be necessary to use a different type of disinfectant than in areas with low humidity. Furthermore, air quality can be affected by the presence of particulate matter, which can reduce the effectiveness of certain disinfectants. In such cases, it may be necessary to use a combination of disinfectants or to use alternative methods, such as filtration or ventilation, to improve air quality and enhance the effectiveness of the disinfectants.
in helping to work it out. We believe that a plan of this kind, if adopted, would result in a closer and better relationship between the University and the Fraternities and permit them to become a more significant part of the life of the greater University.

Respectfully yours,

Frank M. McKey
Ernest E. Irons
Le Roy D. Owen
Frederick C. Hack
Russell E. Pettit.
To perfect the work of our University, we believe that a plan of this kind, if executed, would result in a closer and better relationship between the University and the possibilities and demands from the community. It would become a more significant part of the life of the greater community.

Respectfully yours,

[Signatures]

Frank M. McKay
Executive E. Y. Cole
Rev. J. G. Cowan
President C. H. Nash
Russell E. Potter
Dear Dean Tafts:

The Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, of which I am faculty adviser, contemplates building a new house and possibly buying a new site. The chapter has asked me to explain the policy of the University in regard to the rumored new sorority complex on the south side of the Midway. It might want to locate over there.

May I ask you to send me any printed or mimeographed statement you have written, that may be treated as official

Provided such action has been taken?

And provided, I may, at its ready disposal, make public. I'd like to make it

statement next Monday, etc. If possible.

Thank you in advance for reply.

Sincerely,

Scott E. W. Bedford
November 3, 1924

President E. D. Burton,
The University of Chicago.

My dear President Burton:

I hand you herewith the remainder of my report on my study of the fraternities. The first twenty pages were left at your office some time ago. If they have been mislaid, I will furnish another copy to make the report complete.

I am sorry to have been so long about finishing this, but it has seemed impossible to get it ready earlier. Moreover, no one can feel more keenly than I do that it is a very inadequate statement of the situation, any one of many phases of which require a much more exhaustive study to do them justice. In fact, I know I should now be even more reluctant than I was last year to undertake so overwhelming an assignment. I am hoping, however, that in my new capacities as Dean, counsellor for a fraternity, and Committee on Fraternities of the Board of Student Organizations, I shall have opportunities to nibble at various corners of the problem and digest the findings more effectively and thoroughly than I have been able to do in this attempt to bolt it whole.

I am taking the liberty of handing a copy of this study to Dean Wilkins, and also of loaning parts of it to Mr. Gurney and Professor Artman, who are working on related problems. I shall be glad to talk with you about any phases of this study if you desire.

Very truly yours,

Forrest A. Kingsbury
I have just received your letter of February 13th and am glad to hear that you are now able to continue your work. It is indeed encouraging to see progress being made on your research.

I trust that you will find the conditions here conducive to your work and that you will be able to make good progress. If you have any further questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

[Name]
November 27, 1924.

My dear Mr. Kingsbury:

Since finishing the reading of your report on the Fraternities some weeks ago I have been trying to find time to write you about it. I greatly appreciate the intelligent work you have put into this study, and have been much instructed by it.

It leads me to raise one or two questions.

Can the Councillors of the Houses be organized and made into a President's Committee on Fraternities that shall not only keep a guiding hand on the Fraternities, but make a continuous study of the problem? I have the feeling that if this could be done, we should be able gradually to convert the fraternity houses not exactly into colleges, but at least into real and valuable factors in the educational process. Whether the house method is the solution or the older brother, I do not know. But I am very hopeful that if we could maintain a Board made up of the Councillors as a standing committee not to enforce rules, but to continue their sympathetic study and guidance of the fraternities we should get somewhere.

What do you think? I should be glad of your comments.

Cordially yours,

Mr. Forrest A. Kingsbury,  
The University of Chicago.
November 24, 1936

Mr. General, Mr. Director:

Since the publication of your report on the President's Committee on Prerecords, I have been eagerly awaiting your return to this matter. I want to write you a few words of appreciation for the interest you have shown in my efforts and the assistance you have given me in making a continuous study of the problem. I have made a number of unsuccessful attempts to complete the dossier that I have seen to the effect that certain changes have been made in the instruction to the Committee as a result of the President's report. It is now my intention to continue these efforts on my own account and to make a report of the same nature. I hope to know what I should think of your committee.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]
President,
Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity,
5735 Woodlawn Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

I had occasion again last year to be very gratified at the generous response the fraternities made to my appeals and I am again asking your cooperation.

The Conference Directors have unanimously agreed that it is for the best welfare of Big Ten Conference athletics that a cooperative effort be made to curb one of the growing evils in connection with intercollegiate sports, viz., betting on the games. It is felt that betting is an especially growing menace to intercollegiate football and that it is the biggest evil with which the Conference universities now have to contend.

As I understand it, there are two kinds of betting: One in which the student bets under the impression that thereby he expresses loyalty to his school, the other in which the student thinks he can make some easy money. The former is a mistaken idea and a misplaced impression of loyalty — the latter condemns itself. The result of both forms of betting is harmful to the individual and to the athletics of the University and to Conference Intercollegiate athletics.

The spirit expressed by the students in this manner is totally at variance with the spirit of self-sacrifice, devotion and loyalty which the players put for the team exhibit in their hard training and cooperation for the University's success in the games.

We are relying on the cooperation of the fraternities and other organizations of the University to counteract this menace to the grandest of all intercollegiate sports.

I am hoping for the assurance of your organization in this matter. It will be a great satisfaction to me to know that Chicago will be the first in 1924 to lead in the concerted action against betting which is planned by the Conference universities.

Sincerely,

AAS*G
The University of Chicago
The Colleges of Arts, Literature, and Science

June 12, 1924

President E.D. Burton
Harper Library

Dear President Burton:

Will you be so kind as to appoint as faculty counsellors for the fraternities indicated the following gentlemen, who have indicated their willingness to serve?

G.D. Fuller, Acacia □
Adolph Noe, Alpha Sigma Phi □
H.L. Humphreys, Alpha Tau Omega □
M.C. Coulter, Beta Theta Pi □
W.A. Payne, Chi Psi □
F.C. Woodward, Delta Chi □
Ellsworth Paris, Delta Sigma Phi □
Scott E.W. Bedford, and Edwin H. Trumall, Delta Tau Delta □
Bertram Nelson, Delta Upsilon □
I.W. Mints, Kappa Nu □
J.D. Matthews, Kappa Sigma □
F.A. Kimsbury, Lambda Chi Alpha □
D.H. Stevens, Phi Delta Theta □
E.T. Chamberlin, Phi Gamma Delta □
J.H. Roberts, Phi Kappa Sigma □
John C. Dinsmore, Phi Pi Phi □
J.F. Rippy, Pi Lambda Phi □
G.W. Sherburn, Psi Upsilon □
G.K. Smith, Sigma Alpha Epsilon □
H.H. Newman, Sigma Chi □
D.J. Fisher, Sigma Nu □
Thomas C. Allen, Tau Kappa Epsilon □
Louis L. Mann, Zeta Beta Tau □

Very truly yours,

Ernest H. Wilkins
Dean of the Colleges
June 23, 1934

My dear Mr. Wilkins:

I have in my hand a memorandum dated June 13th sent by you to the President nominating members of the Faculties to serve as counselors for the fraternities. I do not find that you have included our own fraternity, Delta Kappa Epsilon. May I assume that you will, on the President's request, act as the counselor of that fraternity?

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

Dean E. H. Wilkins
The University of Chicago
I have to pay a memorandum card by June 13th.

In any event, I do not think there have been any changes or any intention on the part of the faculty, and I believe that you will not be interested.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the President

Dean of R. W. Wilson
The University of Chicago
Waterville Valley
New Hampshire
July 3, 1924

Dr. Nathaniel Butler
University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Butler:

The first step in the appointment of fraternity counsellors is a nomination made to me by the fraternity concerned. The second step is my obtaining the consent of the counsellor nominated to serve. The third step is the appointment by the President.

I was able, before the end of the Spring Quarter, to complete the first two steps in the case of nearly all the fraternities, and sent the corresponding list to the President for appointment. In the case of three or four fraternities, however, including our own, completion of the first two steps was for one reason or another impossible, and must now wait until autumn.

Very truly yours,

Ernest H. Wilkins

EHW: ECW
The Department of Computer Science

Univ. of Illinois

Dear Mr. Butler,

I wish to express my appreciation of the opportunity to work at the University of Illinois in the capacity of lecturer. I am very grateful for the opportunity to contribute to the educational and research activities of the Department. Your assistance and support have been greatly valued.

Yours sincerely,

Walter H. Tannenbaum
July 11, 1934

My dear Mr. Smith:

Upon the nomination of Dean Wilkins and at the request of the President, I am writing to ask if you will accept the President's appointment as Faculty Counsellor for the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

If you are willing to accept this appointment, will you be good enough to send me a memorandum to that effect.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

Mr. Gerald K. Smith
The University of Chicago

NB/R

Similar letter sent to all faculty members named on Dean Wilkins' letter of June 12th with appropriate changes. July 15, 1934
July 12th, 1928

The Dean of Students

Upon the recommendation of Dean Williamson

may of the students of the Department of

writing to you that I have just sent the letter

enclosed herewith in connection with

The Union's Typewriter Department

If you are willing to recoup this for

borrowing, will you do so promptly to notify me

a memorandum of your action.

Very truly yours,

Secretary of the Department

Mr. Geo. W. Smith
The University of Chicago

May 7th

Similar letter sent to all faculty members naming Dean Williamson as

of June 12th, with appropriate changes. July 12th, 1928.
June 4, 1924

President E.D. Burton
Harper Library

Dear President Burton:

I am inclosing herewith a copy of the letter which I am sending today to the presidents of all the fraternities.

Very truly yours,

Ernest H. Wilkins
Dean of the Colleges

EHW/ES
June 4, 1934

Dear Professor E.C. Purcell

Herbert C. Pribyl

Dear Professor Purcell:

I am informed by the President of the University of Illinois that a certain number of the students have expressed their desire to be present at the dedication of the new building. I have therefore arranged for the dedication to take place on the morning of the 14th of June.

Very truly yours,

W.H. Scott
June 4, 1924

Mr. James Pyott
President, Alpha Delta Phi Fraternity
5747 University Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Pyott:

I wish very much that it were possible for me to talk about this matter individually with you and with each of the presidents of the other fraternities, to all of whom I am sending letters identical with this. It is, however, impossible for me to do so; and I must, therefore, ask you to regard this letter as being just as personal and just as serious as an individual talk would be.

The last days of the Spring Quarter and the convocation week have in the past been the occasion of drinking in the fraternity houses by students and alumni. The University cannot and will not stand for a repetition of such drinking. There are three reasons for this. The first is that drinking is in itself physically, intellectually and morally dangerous (the physical danger being particularly great at the present time in view of the actual contents of much of the stuff), and therefore tends to defeat the essential purposes of education. The second is that drinking is in effect a breach of the law of the land—and that college men are the very men to whom we must look for leadership in the observance of law unless American civilization is to commit suicide. The third is that you are in public opinion and in fact representatives of the University, and that wrongdoing on your part brings shame upon the University; if, therefore, your loyalty is more than a matter of words, it's up to you to conform to the University standard in this respect.

I beg to remind you of the statement of the University's attitude as to drinking issued by President Burton at the time of the expulsion and the suspensions which followed drinking at the Settlement Night performance last December. That statement was published in the Maroon early in January and copies were distributed by me at the meeting of the Inter-fraternity Council which was held at my house.

I am perfectly well aware of the fact that drinking is not peculiar to college men but is at least as extensive among men who are not in college. That is no excuse for us—it's up to college men to show the way and not to follow a bad custom just because it is prevalent.

I am also aware—and I am not sure that you all are—that one chief reason why those who drink do so is that the sources of supply
Dear Mr. Boise,

I appreciate your desire to provide assistance in the development of the University of Illinois. I am writing to express my appreciation for the efforts you have made in this regard.

As you are aware, the University of Illinois is facing many challenges, including financial constraints. It is crucial that we work together to find solutions to these issues.

Please let me know how I can assist you further in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
are steadily fed and advertised sub-rosa by men who make profits by such illicit trade. Students who drink are then in effect the dupes and playthings of illicit manufacturers and illicit purveyors of liquor.

I know that there have in the past been instances in which liquor has been brought into fraternity houses by returning alumni. I know that in some instances the undergraduates have not had the guts to tell alumni that there could be no drinking in the fraternity house. I know that in some cases the undergraduates - not without a struggle - have forbidden such drinking by alumni and have carried their point; and that in such cases the undergraduates have not only done a good thing for themselves and the University but have ultimately won the respect of the alumni concerned.

If any alumni or any one else brings liquor into your house this June, please show him this letter. I will ask you also to read this letter aloud at lunch or dinner on Thursday of this week and to report to me in person or by telephone or by mail on Thursday or Friday that you have done so.

I have not at any time employed and I am not now employing detectives of any sort; but if valid information comes to me in any way to the effect that there has been drinking in any fraternity house this convocation season, I shall take effective action, which may extend to the point of recommending that the charter of the chapter in question be withdrawn.

Drinking has no proper place in life at the University of Chicago and it must go.

Yours for a clean college and a clean country,

Dean of the Colleges
Dear Mr. Jones,

I am advised that you have been placed in the position of Assistant Manager of the Telephone Department of the city. I have been assured by those who have had experience of the work that you are thoroughly fitted for it, and I am glad to have this opportunity to express my confidence in your ability to perform the duties.

I know that you have given much thought and study to the problems of the telephone business, and I am confident that you will be able to meet the demands of your new position with a spirit of efficiency and enterprise.

I have had the pleasure of working with you for many years, and I am well aware of your ability to take charge of a large undertaking and to carry it through to a successful conclusion.

I trust that you will be able to give your full attention to the work at hand, and that you will be able to make a success of your new position.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Dean of the College
FROLIC MARKET
L. Weglein, Prop.
943 E. 55th St.
Phone - Midway 6879.

July 16, 1924.

Pres. Burton,
University of Chicago,
58 University Ave.,
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:-

The Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity of the University has owed me $177.00 for over a year for meat that they have purchased from my store and I have served them with statements from time to time but have been unable to collect. When bill was last presented the boys told me that I could go to H--- for my money.

It appears to me that it should not be necessary to bring this matter to your attention since the Fraternity is a body of University boys affiliated with one of the largest institutions of learning in this country.

I sincerely hope that you will give this your immediate attention and that it will not be necessary for me to give this matter to my lawyer for collection.

Very truly yours,

Leo Weglein
DEAR SIR:

The P.R. lamps [Mayor? J.K.] of the University and

I am pleased to have you over a house that has

been up to time to time and have been happy to collect

money from time to time and have been happy to collect.

When you come back here the you come back and I can't

say to you--not my money.

It appears to me that it would not be necessary

to print this letter to your attention since the University

is a part of the University and addressed with one of the following

institutions of learning in the country.

I sincerely hope that you will give this word

immediate attention and that it will not be necessary for me

to write this letter to you.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
July 19, 1924.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Leo Weglein of the Frical Market has directed the attention of this Office to a bill of $177., that he says the Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity has owed him for over a year. I feel sure that this is a matter that you will wish to explain. Will you call in this Office at your earliest convenience, so that we may be able to adjust the matter.

Truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

To the President,
Pi Lambda Phi,
5827 Dorchester Ave.,
Chicago, Illinois.

WES:AS
July 23, 1924.

My dear Mr. Weglein:

I have your letter of July 18th before me. I have communicated with the Pi Lambda Phi Fraternity and regret that the absence of their President from the City makes it impossible for this Office to aid you in clearing up the matter immediately. However, you may feel assured that we shall use every effort to adjust this account. I would personally appreciate it, if before you took any other measures for the collection, that you would communicate with me.

Truly yours,

Secretary to the President.

Mr. Leo Weglein,
Frolic Market,
943 E. 55th St.,
Chicago, Illinois.

WES:AS
Mr. William E. Scott,
Secretary to the President,
University of Chicago.

Dear Sir:

In regards to your letter of the 19th concerning the claim of Mr. Leo Weglein of the Frolic market, I beg to advise that the matter has been referred to our president who at the present time is not in the city. No doubt he will make some arrangements that will prove satisfactory to your office.

Thanking you for bringing this matter to our attention we remain,

Yours truly,

Pi Lambda Phi

[Signature]
April 29, 1924

President E. D. Burton
Harper Library

Dear President Burton:

The "Better Yet" Committee on the Fraternity Counsellor System (of which Mr. Payne was Chairman, and Mr. Kingsbury, Mr. Newman, and several undergraduate men were members) has completed its work and made its report, of which I inclose a copy herewith.

May I call your attention to the first of the recommendations of the committee, and ask whether you approve it and are willing to appoint counsellors on nomination by the fraternities, as indicated?

If so, I will undertake to assemble the nominations, so that they may be brought to you in a single batch.

Very truly yours,

EHW/ES
Dean of the Colleges
March 26, 1935

President M. J. Burton
Herbert Library

Dear President Burton:

The Select Committee on the
Pan-University Committee System (of which Mr. Lane
was chairman) has submitted its report. Mr. Newman,
who represents the Liberal wing, was the chairman of
the committee. He has been the leader of the group
which has been working on this matter for some time.
I understand a copy existed.

May I call your attention to the fact
that the recommendations of the committee, and any
advisements you place in the will are entirely of
concern with the recommendation of the Interim
Committee?

If so, I will submit a summary of the
recommendations, so that they may be presented to
you in a single paper.

Very truly yours,

Dean of the College.
April 12, 1924.

My dear President Burton:

When I wrote you my letter of the 11th inst., I had in mind that your letter might be taken up at the next regular meeting of the Board; however, a special meeting of the Directors had been called prior to the receipt of your letter for the 11th, to take action on the appointment of a new Chairman of the House Committee, as the present efficient Chairman has moved to New York. I therefore presented your letter to the Directors. It was duly considered, and it was unanimously voted that the House Committee be instructed to give a printed notice to all persons giving dinners in private rooms of the Club, that no alcoholic beverages can be served under any circumstances. This rule is in addition to the rule adopted by the Club some time ago prohibiting the serving of alcoholic beverages in private dining rooms of the Club.

The Board of Directors instructed me to thank you for your letter and to say that they very much regret if the rules of the Club were violated as suggested by you in the matter of serving alcoholic beverages at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon dinner held March 10 and that orders have been given to prevent the recurrence of any such thing.

The Board of Directors wish me to assure you that they are in hearty accord with the views you expressed in your letter.

Yours very truly,

Roswell B. Maran
Secretary.

Mr. E. D. Burton,
President University of Chicago,
Chicago, Illinois.
MY DEAR PRESIDENT BARTON:

When I wrote you my letter of the 1st Inst.

I had in mind that your letter might be taken as a

reminder to the next meeting of the Board of Directors. It has been

suggested to me by the President of the Board of Trustees that

the Secretary of the Board of Trustees might be asked to have a

letter to you written which would be a

motion of the Board of Trustees.

It would seem desirable to

The Board of Trustees have

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March 22, 1924

The Better Yet Committee on the Faculty Fraternity Counsellor System begs leave to report as follows:

1. At the "Better Yet" dinner, held Tuesday, January 22, at Ida Noyes Hall, the following members of the Committee were present: Messrs. Coulter, Fuqua, Hunt, Kingsbury, Newman, and Payne.

The general scope of the problem presented to the Committee was discussed and the Chairman was instructed to communicate with fraternity counsellors and student representatives of the fraternities, requesting reports from their respective points of view on; 1) what the counsellor has done in the past; and 2) what the ideal counsellor could or should do.

2. In response to the instructions of the Committee at the above meeting, communications were addressed to twenty-five counsellors and thirty-two student representatives. Replies have been received from twenty counsellors and nine student representatives. A digest of the replies from the counsellors and student representatives is appended to this report.

3. Thursday, March 8, at 4:00 P.M., there were present at a meeting of the Committee, Messrs. Chamberlin, Hunt, Kingsbury, Newman, and Payne. A letter from Mr. Fuqua was read, explaining his absence on account of another engagement.

The conclusions of the Committee are:

1. That the counsellor system is sound in principle and has in it greater possibilities of usefulness than have been realized in many of the fraternities.

2. That whether the counsellor is a positive influence for good is largely a personal matter, depending upon his personality and the time which he can and does devote to establishing proper contacts with the chapter.

The Committee recommends:

1. That counsellors be nominated annually by the chapter and appointed by the President of the University, preferably in the spring quarter for the next college year;
The Committee was asked to present their report on the following:

1. The report of the "Better Year" committee, and the "Great American Road," and the "Better Year" committee's report on the development of the committee's work in the "Better Year." The report was presented to the committee at its meeting on January 20.

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The chairman of the committee, Mr. J. W. A. A., and Mr. J. W. A. A., were present at the meeting.

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2. That, if practicable, men be selected who will agree in advance to give the necessary time to the duties involved in the acceptance of the position, consideration being given to the possible advantages of selecting a young member of the faculty who can live in the fraternity house;

3. That there be a recognition of the two general functions of the counsellor; first, as advisor on fraternity matters, especially those involving University relationships, and second, as advisor to individual members;

4. That under the Chairmanship of the Board of Student Organizations Committee on Fraternities, a meeting of the counsellors be held at least once per quarter to discuss their mutual problems, and that some of these meetings shall be joint meetings of the counsellors with either the Interfraternity Council or the undergraduate presidents of the various chapters, and that recommendations looking toward further standardization of practice should, in general, come from the counsellors in conference;

5. That in handling problems of scholarship and discipline the dean avail himself of the good offices of the fraternity counsellor;

6. That each counsellor submit quarterly written reports of his activities and the status of the fraternity which he represents to the Board of Student Organizations Committee on Fraternities;

7. That the recommendations of the "Better Yet" Committee on Undergraduate Morale under the heading, "Fraternity Control" be transmitted to the proposed conference of counsellors.

Respectfully submitted,

R. T. Chamberlin
J. W. Coulter
Nelson Fuqua
L. J. Hunt
F. A. Kingsbury
H. H. Newman
J. W. Thomas
Walter A. Payne, Chairman
January 7, 1924

Dr. Nathaniel Butler  
Faculty Exchange  
Dear Dr. Butler:

I am returning herewith the letter from Mr. Richner, referred by the President to you, by you to me, and by me to Professor Kingsbury, together with a carbon of Professor Kingsbury's reply.

Very truly yours,

Ernest H. Wilkins  
Dean of the Colleges

EHW/ES
January 1, 1926

Dear Mr. Utzler,

I am referred herewith

the letter from Mr. Bloomet, referred to

the President to you, by your request, in connection

with a request of Professor Knepper's.

Very truly yours,

W. C. Young

Dean of the College
To the honorable President
of the Chicago University
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. President:

May I be permitted to direct these few lines to you
in the following matter:

I am a senior in the above college and anxious to make
a thorough investigation as to the influence of fraternities in
colleges and universities and, especially, I would like to
obtain the candid opinion in the matter of influential men with
recognized authority in the pedagogical line.

I, therefore, dare to address myself to you, Mr. President,
trusting not to inconvene or burden you too much in asking you
for the kind reply of the following questions and adding onto
them whatever may help me in my research work.

1. Figuratively speaking, are fraternities an asset or a
liability to an institute of higher learning?

2. Do students in their academic work really derive any
benefit from fraternities?

3. Are the advantages offered by fraternities to their members
real advantages or are they mere "Fata morganae" and off-
set by real disadvantages?

4. Have fraternities any real danger line? In what may they
exist?

I shall be very highly indebted to you, Mr. President,
for any information you will be good enough to give me on this
subject with the kind permission to make free use of it and beg
you to receive, beforehand, my sincere gratitude for any
December 24, 1932

Mr. President:

May I be permitted to insert these few lines to you?

In the following matter:

I am a student in the school of business administration in

Chicago University and especially I would like to

oppose the action of the faculty of the business school

as appearing contrary to the best interests of the

university.

I therefore take it upon myself to request you not to

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I respectfully submit the resolutions as can be seen on the

faculties of the following faculties:

Do not approve of the following faculties:

I have inserted my best regards. I shall send further

improvements and letters to you. In haste,

I shall be very grateful if you will be good enough to give me the

opportunity to make these copies of it and get

your signature, President, of my sincere estimate for you.
courtesy you will kindly show me, as well as the assurance of my highest consideration.

[Signature]
Geneva College
Danville, Kentucky

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
R. AMB. MONTOOMERY

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comprise you will kindly show me, as well as the assurance of
my highest consideration.

[Signature]

[Date]
January 4, 1924

Mr. Theodore G. Richner,
Centre College,
Danville, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. Richner:

President E. D. Burton has referred to me your inquiry concerning his opinion of fraternities, since he has recently asked me to make a survey of the fraternity problem in this institution, which survey I am just now preparing to initiate. It is desirable, therefore, to defer an expression of opinion until this survey has been completed.

You may be interested in obtaining and examining such documents as the following, which endeavor to give a direct answer to such questions as you asked:

1. Minutes of annual Interfraternity Conferences, 1912 and following.

2. The book, "College Fraternities", which has just been published under the direction of the Conference.

3. Other sources enumerated in the book just named, or in the various volumes of the minutes.

The Interfraternity Conference is an organization of alumni representatives of the various college fraternities, about fifty in number, which holds an annual meeting in New York, attended by these representatives and university administrative officers. It considers questions of common interest to fraternities and educational institutions. The minutes contain detailed reports of several widespread inquiries on significant questions. I know of no source of material more fruitful than this. These minutes are doubtless accessible in your state university library at Lexington, or can be procured (probably) from the Secretary of the Conference, Mr. Henry H. McCormul, 7 Pine Street, New York. The book (which sells for $2 per single copy) can be procured from Mr. Wayne W. Musgrave, 120 Broadway, New York.

I think it is safe to say that answers to your questions will be found to vary so widely with institutions which answer them that any generalizations will have to be made subject to qualification. Our inquiry here will concern itself primarily with the local situation, and it will necessarily be found to differ in some details from certain other institutions. Nevertheless, the references which I have cited are very enlightening and suggestive, and whatever conclusions you may reach, I think you will find these documents well worth consulting.

Very truly yours,

Forrest A. Kingsbury
Associate Professor of Psychology
Dear Mr. Hopkins, Co-ordinator of Intercollegiate Activities, Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire:

I'm writing to express my interest in participating in the Intercollegiate Activities program. As a member of the Dartmouth community, I am eager to engage in the cooperative and collaborative opportunities presented by the program. I believe that my experience and skills would make me a valuable addition to your team.

I am particularly interested in the opportunities for leadership and team-building that the Intercollegiate Activities program offers. I have a strong work ethic and am committed to contributing to the success of the team. I am confident that my skills and abilities would allow me to excel in the program and make a positive impact.

I look forward to hearing from you and discussing my qualifications further. Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
December 11, 1924

President E.D. Burton
Harper Library

Dear President Burton:

I inclose herewith copy of a letter with regard to the building of a new fraternity house, and copy of my reply thereto, dictated after my telephone conversation with you yesterday morning.

Very truly yours,

Ernest H. Wadsworth
Dean of the Colleges

EHW/ES
December 11, 1934

Dear President Gordon,

I found at hand a letter which I had written to the.

I hate to think of a letter which I had written,

But I feel that I must write to you about the.

I am glad that you have received the letter which

Very truly yours,

[Signature]

Dean of the College
December 10, 1924

Dear Dean Wilkins:

The Delta Tau Delta Fraternity, of which I am Advisor, contemplates building a new house and possibly buying land. The Chapter has asked me to explain the policy of the University in regard to the rumored new system of colleges on the south side of the Midway. It might want to relocate the chapter house over there.

May I ask you to send me any printed or mimeographed statement on this point that may be treated as official, provided such action has been taken? And provided, of course, it is ready to make public. I'd like to make the statement next Monday evening, if possible.

Thank you in advance for reply.

Sincerely,

(Signed) SCOTT E.W. BEDFORD
Dear [Name],

I am writing to express my gratitude for the opportunity to attend the University of Chicago. The experience has been invaluable, and I am grateful for the support and guidance provided by the faculty and staff.

I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the academic excellence and dedication to research that I have encountered at the University. The faculty's expertise and commitment to excellence have inspired me to pursue my academic goals.

I am also grateful for the support and encouragement that I have received from my peers and mentors. The collaborative environment and opportunities for networking have been instrumental in shaping my academic and professional development.

Thank you for your guidance and support. I am confident that the experiences and knowledge gained at the University of Chicago will be invaluable in shaping my future endeavors.

Sincerely,

[Name]
December 11, 1924

Mr. Scott E.W. Bedford
Faculty Exchange

Dear Mr. Bedford:

In reply to your inquiry of December 10, all I can say officially is that the policy of the University with regard to the housing of its students is not finally determined. It is quite possible that the University may require students of the first year or of the first two years to live in University halls, which would presumably be located on the south side of the Midway.

Unofficially, my advice would be to remain on the north side of the Midway.

It is of course possible, although not certain, that our plans may be more definite by the end of the present college year.

Very truly yours,

Dean of the Colleges

EHW/ES
December II, 1964

Mr. Scott E.M. Beegle
Secretary to the Expedition

Dear Mr. Beegle:

In reply to your inquiry
of December 10th, I am very optimistic
as to the position of the University with
regard to the handling of the expedition as
not finally determined. It is quite
possible that the University may decide
not to accept the value of the grant or the
amount of the grant, as in the light of the
situation a year or so ago it may be
unrealistic to give to a University
project money for something like an
camp site on the Kibish.

Unrealistically, I believe
money for a survey on the south side of
the Kibish.

It is of course possible
that your project may be of much greater
importance than the project of the University.

Very truly yours,

Dean of the Colleges

[Signature]
University of Chicago,
Chicago, Ill.

Gentlemen:

It has been my understanding that the local chapters of the several Fraternities, composed of University students, have quasi-official connections with the University; and that they are under some degree of surveillance by the University authorities. Assuming this to be true, I think it right and proper to report to you certain facts, as follows:

The Phi Sigma Delta Fraternity, Mu chapter, rented my house at No. 5634 Blackstone Ave. for a term ending October 1, 1923. Instead of keeping the building in repair and returning in good condition, normal wear and tear expected, as provided by their lease, they left the premises in such a damaged condition as to require the expenditure of more than $400.00 to repair and replace the principal items of breakage.

As illustrative of their care, or lack of care, of the premises: Every one of the five large castings of the furnace were cracked -- caused, of course, by the careless turning of cold water against the super-heated cast iron sections. The young men responsible have shown no disposition to make amends for the wreckage of the furnace, nor, indeed, for any other item of damage.

Is it within your province sufficiently to interest yourselves in this matter to use your good offices to the end that proper reparation be made?

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Mabel C. Thompson
(Mrs. E.H.)
EDWARD H. THOMPSON
Attorney at Law
Chicago

November 25, 1934

University of Chicago
Chicago, I.I.

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Very respectfully,

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Very respectfully,

[Signature]

(E.H.)
TO THE RIGHT HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF THE COUNTY OF CHICAGO AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.

I have been notified by the University of Chicago that I am not a resident of the jurisdiction of this court. Therefore, I am unable to answer the summons served upon me.

Respectfully,

Edward H. Thompson
Attorney at Law

University of Chicago
Chicago, Illinois
Mr. C. A. Clippinger,
Delta Tau Delta
5607 University Avenue,
Chicago

Dear Mr. Clippinger:

I have your letter of October the twenty-second. I am glad to know if investigation has shown that there was exaggeration and perhaps some misrepresentation in the report that was brought to my attention in the first place. I have myself lived in a fraternity chapter house and know there is likely to be more or less noise.

Probably there should be greater care exercised on both sides, those who take rooms in fraternity houses should clearly understand that they are going into a fraternity house. On the other hand, it is very important that in the summer we keep control of the houses, because our good name is, of course, affected by anything which takes place.

At some later time I am hoping to have a conference of representatives of the various fraternities at which we may take up some of the common problems. Thanking you for your action and letter, I am,

Sincerely yours,

James H. Tufts

JHT:H
Mr. J. H. Tufts
University of Chicago.

Dear Dean Tufts:

Mr. Bedford gave me a letter which you had written to him concerning bad conduct which happened in the Chapter House of Delta Tau Delta this past Summer. I read the above mentioned letter in our last chapter meeting to put the matter upon an open straightforward basis.

I regret to say that the entire situation seems to have been misrepresented and exaggerated. I was not present the entire Summer, but I never once saw drinking or even liquor in the Chapter House. The man who had charge of the House during this Summer, Mr. Sturrenson, stated decidedly that only once during the entire Summer was there any drinking, and on this occasion there were not enough men present to overcome the opposition. He also stated that this trouble arose mainly over some older men who were not actives of the chapter.

Never do we allow any such conduct to exist within our Chapter house during the school year. It is rather difficult to control the transient outside rompers who sometimes become objectionable and when few actives of the Chapter are around. I regret that such a rumor can start. Often just plain "rough house" play is mistaken for drunken brawling and I feel sure this was the case in most instances. I can assure you there will be no such conduct this present year. I wish to express my appreciation in the fair and conservative method you undertook in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

C. A. Clippinger - Pres.
Dear Mr. Tufts:

Your letter of Sept 10th addressed to me, I gave to the President of the Delta Tau Epsilon Fraternity. The officers gave it careful consideration. Then it was presented to the chapter meeting last Monday evening. I was present and heard the discussion and urged its careful consideration. The letter and contents were made a matter of record in the minutes of the chapter; a committee was appointed to investigate and draft a letter. This letter is inclosed. The man in charge of the house last summer quarter was present and made a statement to the chapter; he was on the Committee to investigate and draft this letter. I was pleased with the attitude of...
I trust you will advise me if this action is unsatisfactory to you and if there is anything else I can do. All over the chapter and I am anxious to have the life at the horses come up to the standards the administration has in mind.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dear [Name],
Dear Dr. Tufts,

Dean Faculty Exchange

Dear Dean Tufts:

Your letter of December 10 regarding the reported situation at the Delta Tau Delta House during the summer quarter came while I was on vacation. I have taken it upon myself to write up the chapter and report to you what is done.

Needless to say, I regret the situation, but hope we can do something.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Dear [Name] Bedford
Dear Professor,

Your need for assistance is greatly appreciated. I have already prepared a comprehensive report outlining all the necessary steps to complete the project.

Please find attached the documentation and a detailed plan for the next phase.

Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,
[Signature]
September 10, 1924.

My dear Mr. Bedford:

I understand that you are the Faculty Counsellor for Delta Tau Delta of 5607 University Ave. I have just had a letter from a mature man and public school official who had a room in the Fraternity House during the Summer. He reports that during the latter part of the second term there was so much drunkenness and noise that it was impossible to study. In particular, he reports that on the night preceding examinations there was a regular orgy of drinking. He gathers that this was perhaps due, to a considerable extent, to visitors who may have been perhaps members of other Chapters.

The problem of controlling our Fraternity Houses during the Summer quarter is, of course, more difficult because of the presence of summer guests or others who are not members of the University. But I am sure that the Chapter has alumni who would not like to have the Fraternity House get the reputation of such conduct. I have had somewhat similar reports concerning another Fraternity and the Faculty Adviser took the matter up vigorously with the alumni and active Chapter, and was able to secure a very promising
My dear Mr. Peabody:

I appreciate that you are the faculty connector

for the faculty of the University of California. I have been

applying for a position as a student assistant in the summer

where I had a room in the Peabody House, and the faculty
told me to expect a reply in the next few weeks.

He reported that the faculty were of the opinion that I was unsuitable

for study. In particular, he reported that on the night before

the faculty examination there was a regret over the appointment

of a candidate who had been recommended by several members of the

faculty.

The proposal of contacting other faculty houses

gained support from the faculty committee of the University, but I am afraid that the

proposal of contacting other houses of the University was not

made by faculty members who were not of the opinion that

I was suitable for the position of a student assistant. I have had some

similar letters concerning another faculty assistant, and the faculty

agreed to the offer of an assistant in the usual manner with the stipulation that

socia efs are made and we re to secure a very prominent

position.

September 10, 1935.
attitude of preventing such matters in the future.

May I ask that you will take up the matter with the officers of the Chapter in such way as you see fit and make a report later?

Very truly yours,

Mr. Scott E. W. Bedford,
The University of Chicago.
attitude of present time and matter in the future.

May I say that you will take up the matter with the attitude of the chapter in such way as you see fit and make a report later.

Very truly yours,

M. Scott E. W. Peabody
The University of Chicago
September 10, 1924.

My dear Mr. Mather:

Please ask me to take up with you the matter of rooms during the Summer Quarter in Fraternity Houses. I want to show you a letter just received from a mature man who was recommended to a room in the Delta Tau Delta House and had a very unhappy experience on account of the noise and drinking.

I should like, if possible, to get reports from other Fraternity Houses to find out if this was a isolated cause or whether the experience was general. Evidently we must take this up before another Summer.

Very truly yours,

Mr. Wm. J. Mather,
The University of Chicago.