SCHOLARSHIP IS ON THE ADVANCE

Practically All Chapters Gain; Anthemiros Loses Lead To Demetrios Brothers.

Practically all the chapters show an improvement in their scholarship records this year over last year, with Demetrios in the lead. A wide diversity in the systems of marking at the different schools make it somewhat difficult to compare the various standings with complete accuracy.

Demetrios with 294 points out of a perfect 400 seems to stand head and shoulders above the others, and ranked fourth among all fraternities on the campus. This is a marked improvement over last year, when they stood 14th, with a score of 201. Polykllitos seems to come next, with a score of 381.53 in the eighth place, where first place was 432.26.

Among fraternities and sororities, Andromecus was placed 20th, and among fraternities only they rated ninth, with a grade of 71.4. Paenios showed considerable advance over last year's rating of 21st among 22 social and professional fraternities by coming up to 14th among 24. Their grade, however, was only 76.67 to last year's 76.89.

Iktinos Rates C Plus

Iktinos, which last year had a grade of 73.3 and stood 17th among 21 professional fraternities, now is credited with 74.0, but stands only 18th, and rates not quite C plus.

The jinx seems to have removed part of himself from the Mnesicles camp, and they scored 1.026 honor points as against .82 last year, where C rates one honor point and B two. They now rank 31st among 53 fraternities and 19th among 21 professionals, which is nevertheless a gratifying improvement—looking at the grade.

Anthemiros registers quite a comeback from its former distinction, dropping from 3.229 to 3.031, from the approximate numerical equivalent of 81.8 to 81.0, from 4th place among the professional fraternities to 9th and among national professional and social fraternities from 8th place to 48th.

No statistics on graduation were received from the Universities of Texas or Virginia at press time.

Bro. Harold R. Peterson, W. G. S.

His term of office expires with the coming convention. "Pete" is a charter member of Mnesicles Chapter.

MNESICLES BEATS ANTHEMIOS WITH NEW ALUMNI PETITION

By sending in their petition two days in advance of that sent in by the Anthemiros alumni, the Mnesicles alumni get the credit for being the first alumni association on record. The Mnesicles petition was dated Nov. 4th and Anthemiros the 6th. The final approval of the W. G. S. was placed on the Mnesicles petition the 7th and the Anthemiros one the 29th. Other chapters contemplating such action should address the W. G. S. for the petition form.

Officers of the Anthemiros Alumni Association are Arthur E. Benson, President; Geo. A. Whitten, Vice President; Geo. L. Lindeberg, Secretary, and Bertram M. Thornd, Treasurer.

By the time this issue of THE ARCHI reaches most of its readers the Mnesicles Alumni Association will have filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state. Soon thereafter they will enter into a contract for the plans for the projected Mnesicles chapter house.

TENTH CONVENTION MEETS WITH IKTINOS

Splendid Reports For Past Year Are Anticipated. Delegates Are Sent Credentials.

Alpha Rho Chi approaches the Tenth Annual Convention, which is to be held at Ann Arbor, January 2nd and 3rd, 1925, with much anticipation.

The year closed has seen a great deal of constructive work done by members of the Grand Council. Most of the chapters are better than a year ago, scholarship has been improved on the whole and fraternity business is in better shape.

Recently the W. G. A. sent to all chapters blank delegate credentials which must be filled out, signed and sealed. Chapter officers are cautioned to be careful about this matter.

A Subject to Debate

Down at Ann Arbor the Iktinos brothers are busily making final preparations for the entertainment of the delegates. Quarters will be at the Michigan Union, where the convention will also convene at 10:30 the morning of the second.

Among the matters which it is understood will also come before the tenth convention is the question of whether or not a brother should loan his badge to "her." This question is bound to be hotly debated. Another proposal is that THE ARCHI editor should always address the fraternity as a whole the results of the convention.

As was reported last month, the matter of the future conventions, whether to continue rotating as now, or whether a central place is desired will come up for discussion. The term of the present W. G. S., Harold R. Peterson, Mnesicles, expires with this convention.

SEASON'S GREETING

Brothers in Alpha Rho Chi, again we approach the holiday season, the time is conventional to wish one another a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful New Year. But to men of Alpha Rho Chi there is a finer, better something than the mere convention. There is back of it the feeling of brotherhood which carries us back to the teachings of Christ of Bethlehem.
ABOUT THIS ISSUE

Many of the subscribers will be surprised to find that four pages this month. We started the year with a program to average eight pages per issue. Last month we published twelve, so it must be four this time to keep the average. However, if the active chapters and alumni as a whole had been more prompt in their subscription response this past month we would have published eight pages regardless. Remember, we are trying to be economical.

Ultimately the life subscription plan will sustain the publication entirely, but at the present time it is the men who have not subscribed for life who hold the key to the current year and next. Unless you give your support we will have to curtail our budget for the current year, for we will NOT sacrifice the future for the present. There is not a single man who can not at least pay for the partial plans offered or at least for one year.

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ELDER BROTHERS

The honorary and faculty men of Alpha Rho Chi are urged not to await invitations to drop in at the chapter house. We want them at any and all times, and not merely on state occasions when they feel almost obliged to come. We would have them feel close to us—more than instructors or taskmasters, our elder brothers, and we need them in that capacity.

Our honorary members have often confessed that they looked forward to and always enjoyed their visits to the house; we want them to know that their visits mean much more to us than to them, and that little informal visits, not rendered formidable by ceremonies or invitations, are delightful interludes in the grind of lectures and "crits."

With the editor's eyes on the hum and Townes in charge we can tell that Bro. Tousley recently passed the cigars. Miss Ruth C. Sherrard, Cedar Falls, Ia., has worn his A.P.X pin since July 4. We met her at Homecoming.

—from The Archi
The Chapters

ANTHEMIOS—ILLINOIS
E. G. Spencer, Correspondent

November 22 was the date of one of the best house dances we have had in the last few years. Music was furnished by La Vernway's nine-piece jazz band, and it was followed by all the able-bodied A.P. X men between Columbus and Champaign. The party was swung as an entertainment for visiting Demetrios men. Brother Fraser must be given great credit for his handling of the affair and the design of the unique programs.

Another cup was added to the collection on the old mantel last week when pledge Bro. "Bill" Carter won second place in the annual inter-mural golf tournament. His playing in all the matches was splendid, and in the final match he was more or less outlucked because the course was frozen so that neither man had much control of the ball.

Brother Rolleston competed in the national Scarab competition and was placed second out of a field of twenty-five.

Pledge Bro. R. S. Brainerd was forced to withdraw from the University, but will probably be back on the campus again next fall.

Pledge Bro. "Burr" Patterson has made the University Orchestra, in which he plays a mean cello.

Bro. J. C. Llewellyn, Chicago, Anthemiom Honorary, was on the campus to speak at an Architectural Club Smoker on December 2. He was entertained at the chapter house at dinner and prior to the meeting.

Pledge Bro. "Ed" Winn is beginning to take his fall exercise. He referees basket ball games and tournaments all over this section of the state. We hope that no little high school student ever questions his decisions as long as he has that "auburn" hair.

Bro. E. G. Spencer has been appointed chairman of the Architectural Pet committee, and Boyd, Wenthe, Fraser, Hamby, and Garns will work with him. The tentative date has been set at March 20. For once this will not conflict with the chapter "normal" which is scheduled for April 3 at the Champaign Country Club.

The chapter recently entertained Clarence Olsen and Charles Barnum of Mnesicles. Olsen blew in in a doggy Paige Roadster from Iowa. Barnum is now an instructor in the Bradley Institute of Technology, Peoria, and says the department over there is rapidly developing.

IKTINOS—MICHIGAN
O. K. Griffith, Correspondent

The fall elections to the Tau Sigma Delta included four of the brothers of this chapter. They are: Verne Sidman, Wilfred McLaughlin, Raymond Weber, and Carl Kressbach. Bro. George Williams made the honorary fraternity in Education, Phi Delta Kappa.

Plans are being made to entertain the delegates at the convention which will be held here in January. A dinner-dance is one of the things planned. Yes, girls will be provided for the visitors.

Bro. Chandler C. Cohagen, '19, Charter member, and now of Billings, Mont., is visiting in Kansas City, Buffalo, Cleveland, Ann Arbor, etc., and expects to reach Mnesicles Chapter about Dec. 17th.

Pledge Bro. Campbell is still out of school recuperating from an illness which placed him down during the first two weeks or so of school. Although we are all hoping for Fred's return to good health and his appearance at the house, we fear he will not be back this semester.

We no longer say "Pledges" Tucker and Kuhn. It's "Brothers" now. They were initiated Dec. 5th with the initiation banquet on Dec. 6th.

In a recent all campus cross-country event Bro. Russell Radford took first honors. Incidentally we have more good material of the same kind. Brothers Radford and Gibbs and Pledge Clark placed us first among the professionals in the inter-fraternity cross-country.

DEMETRIOS—OHIO STATE
Lot H. Green, Correspondent

Seventeen Demetrios men journeyed to Illinois for the annual smash this year. After the game, which we are trying to forget, we were loyalty entertained with a house dance. Judging from the very successful blind dates the Anthemiom men must be social advisers for all Co-ed organizations on the campus. We will try to do as well next year.

Demetrios Chapter entertained Nov. 29th with a very informal Thanksgiving house dance. A turkey raffle was started, but we decided it was too "foolish."

Karl Woditsch, Ex., '26, is in the City Engineer's office of Dayton, Ohio.

Homecoming Day was the local climax of Ohio State football for this year. About thirty Demetrios Alumni and several Iktinom men were in for the game. An informal reunion was the natural result.

We finished off the day by winning the cup for the best decorated fraternity house. The affair was a real success in everything, except football.

Bro. Effio E. Eggert, '22, was married Thanksgiving Day to Alice Wildenrenick, Ohio State, '22, of Columbus. "Goof" is now a supervisor for the Boyajian & Barr Construction Co.

MNESICLES—MINNESOTA
K. A. W. Backstrom, Correspondent

The Mnesicles pledges were entertained at a Thanksgiving Pledge Party on the evening of Nov. 22. As usual the house was well decorated, blue streamers predominating, and black silhouetted turkeys on the walls. The fact that all the pledges except one were there seems to indicate that they are going to be a very active class.

We had to learn through the Minnesota Alumni Weekly that Bro. Roy O. Papeenthien, Milwaukee, is in partnership as Velguth & Papeenthien. He's also head of the Geophy alumni in Milwaukee. Let's hear from you, Roy.

Minnesota's stadium dedication day was also Dad's day, and this was the first time in the history of the school that the Dads have been so honored. Our full team was well taken care of by dedicating the stadium with a 20 to 7 win over Illinois. After the game the Dads were served doughnuts and coffee at the chapter house. Milton J. Anderson, Mnesicles, '20, of Duluth, was the only out-of-town alumnus present.

The fall initiation of Mnesicles took place on Dec. 6. A banquet was held at the Maryland Hotel immediately after the ritual ceremonies. George Freeberg, presiding as toastmaster, called upon Professors M. Mann, Leon Arndt, and S. C. Burton, honorary members. Our speakers were: Mom, an alumnus; Walter Kendall, an active, and Sidney Stolte for the new initiates. The men initiated were: Sidney L. Stolte, '27, Minneapolis; John Seyme, '27, Maple Lake, Minn.; Stanley S. Cederstrand, '27, Minneapolis; Robert P. Potter, '26, Fargo, N. D.; Le Roy M. Elmmberg, '25, Minneapolis; Edwin W. Molander, '25, Martinette, Wis., and Ruben Hagen, '27, Minneapolis. Lieut. R. C. Lane, Past W. A. of Paeonios, now stationed at Fort Snelling, aided in the initiation and shared our eats.
The name of Alpha Rho Chi is again riding on the top of the list in professional fraternity bowling. The champs of the three divisions were Psi Omega, Nu Sigma Nu, and A. F. X. These three teams bowled a three-game match in which the high total score was. After the first game things looked bad for us, for we were trailing the Psi O's 29 pins. At the end we were 268 to the good. The members of the team were: Olson, Pfeif, Freeberg, Kelland, and Gerlach. We now have six trophies on the mantel and two more coming, one for the recent bowling championship and one for the golf championship last spring.

Mecinas now has a party register in which to keep a record of the guests that attend our functions. It is planned to have some one design a sheet for each guest. In a few years this book ought to be very interesting to look through.

The annual award of the Alumni cup for freshman scholarship and chapter activities was presented to Kenneth A. W. Backstrom recently. Dewey Gerlach, last year's holder, made a neat speech.—(Editor's note.)

KALLIKRATES—VIRGINIA
O. B. Flannagan, Correspondent

Brother Everhart came up from High Point, N. C., where he has been working with an architect, to see the annual grid battle with our traditional rival, North Carolina. Everhart looks and acts prosperous (further particulars supplied on request), and hints at studying somewhere next year, maybe in Pennsylvania. Another visitor for the day was Bro. Ogden Brown, now with Clark & Crowe, Lynchburg, Va.

We entertained all the men whose names had been proposed for membership at an informal smoker in the house recently. All the guests seemed to have had a merry and agreeable time, and stayed about two hours longer than we expected.

ANDRONICUS—CALIFORNIA
E. C. Abrams, Correspondent

Paul Hathaway, Wilbur Wyre and Merrill Baird are the latest Andronicus pledges. "Ham" Hathaway is really three pledges, because of his diameter, and we have been thinking that we should have an oversized pledge pin made for him, perhaps one with balloon tires. Brothers Bond, Latta and Patrick were initiated October 19th, the ritual being followed by a banquet at the Chateau Cafe.

Randal Duell made from a hand full of crude mud found in the Modeling Class, a beautiful crest of Alpha Rho Chi. He had his model cast and one day (this is not a bedtime story) he brought two of the finished product to the chapter house. The crest is gold on a black background, and Randal is to be congratulated on his fine workmanship.

BROTHERS, ATTENTION!

For some time, THE ARCHI has regularly carried a feature known as the "Who Knows" column. Under this caption we carry the names of men whose last known address brought a negative reply for the postal authorities.

The particular attention of all the brothers is called to the name of Dean A. Elliott, former Paeonios man. Brother Elliott the last known was selling for an electrical concern in Milwaukee. He is in good standing with the fraternity and it is felt that thru error his mail has failed to reach him.

An appeal has just come to THE ARCHI from his sister, all the letters have been returned for a year, he may not understand why he has not heard. Men, watch out for Dean, advise him and THE ARCHI knows his address. Let us make it a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for them.

A black background, and Randal is to be congratulated on his fine workman-

DINOCRATES—TEXAS
William Kleine, Correspondent

The biggest homecoming in the history of Varsity took place Thanksgiving. Thousands of Ex's were back to witness the dedication of the new Memorial Stadium with a 7 to 0 victory over our ancient rival, Texas A. & M.

The architect is that the purpose of the Stadium is not so much to provide adequate means for witnessing athletic events as to prevent unhappy inebriates from falling through the seats. In this, as in all other respects, the Stadium was a complete and total success.

Beatrice Fairchild and 'Gooche' Howze were both here for the game. "Beatrice" reports that the wall papering business is very flourishing in Taylor.

Gerald Decker and Pledge Bro. Colonel Simmons spent the week end in San Antonio. "Gerry" came back with a rather bad cold and has been laid up since.

Ben Bailey, Ex-V. M. I., has joined the local Company of Engineers. Ben reports that as all commissions were taken he is starting out as a "Buck" in the rear ranks. He seems very happy back in the uniform.

Plans have been made to rent a house, and if nothing unforeseen comes up to prevent it, Dinocrates will be established in its own house after Christmas.

Dinocrates announces the pledging of James C. Buchanan, Fort Worth, and Donald C. Story, Summerfield.

POLYKLITOS—CARNEGIE
W. Stuart Ponslyth, Correspondent

Saturday, December 13th, is the day set for initiation at Polykritis. The following pledges will go through: Robert Young, 25; James Paul, 26; Elmer Love, 26; Harold Bradley, 28; Arnold Perret, 28; William Scheik, 28. On the evening of initiation a theatre party will be held.

Our trip to the plant of the Nato Hollow-Tile Company was a big success. The entire chapter with pledges and several guests were on hand. Train fare and luncheon at the factory was provided by the company along with automobile transportation from the town to the factory. The courteous treatment received and the knowledge gained will be remembered and retained by the fellows.

John S. Wood, '24, was married last September and is working for Estep & Estep, downtown. Name and history of the bride are not known at the present writing.

Brothers Legge and McMahon of Demetrios were in town the day of the Notre Dame game.

Art Bruce is working some place in New York at present. His address will be forthcoming for the next issue of THE ARCHI.