I then called for the election, which occupied an enviable position in the ranks of architects of all time. He lived in the middle of the fifth century B.C., being active principally from about 450 to 430 B.C. Iktinos was an Athenian, and such was his interest in assisting Pericles in the execution of his great schemes of public works.

Kallikrates Host to Eleventh Meet


Alpha Rho Chi's eleventh annual convention held at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Jan. 1 and 2, has passed into Fraternity history with but few big things which can be made public at this time. However, the convention was perhaps one of the most productive that has ever been held, for the delegates reached comprehensive and thorough understandings on several matters of internal policy which had become pertinent. These decisions will in time reach the brothers thru other means than The Archi.

The convention, attended by a delegate from each chapter except Paeanios, and two alumni delegates, was called to order the morning of January 1st in the Dolly Madison Inn, Charlottesville, where the sessions were held and the brothers were housed.

Virginia Hospitality.

The Inn is a remodeled Southern Colonial home conducted as a hostelry by Mr. R. T. Matteson, who co-operated with the Kallikrates brothers in making the stay of the delegates a pleasant experience.

From the time the delegates began to arrive New Year's eve until the last man left they were the recipients of every thought and courtesy that a true Virginian can extend. Kallikrates chapter and Bro. Pendall L. Gregory, alumni, in particular, deserve great credit for their efforts which were appreciated by every brother.

Bro. Dwight P. Ely, W. G. A., Columbus, called the convention to order and examined the credentials of the delegates. He then called for the election of convention president, and Brother Gregory was elected to the chair. Subsequently Bro. Oscar B. Flannagan, Kallikrates, was elected secretary and the convention went to work.

The Band Played Dixie

Business proceeded until lunch, was resumed afterwards and continued until adjournment and dinner. After dinner, with the aid of shoe horns, etc., the boys all piled into tuxedos and automobiles, rounded up their "fair" com-

Mnesicles Buys New Lots and Rents House

River Boulevard House Temporary To Build Anew.

Mnesicles Chapter is again on the map, speaking in terms of real estate and a home.

Alumni and active chapters co-operating the chapter now has a home rented at 525 East River Blvd., Minneapolis, to use until the new house is built on 19th, just off of University avenue.

The new property, which is now in full possession of the Mnesicles men, while not as ideally situated as Fraternity Court, is close to the Memorial

History of Many Steps

Historically, Mnesicles has had quite an experience. Thru the foresight of W. S. Wadsworth, Anchinos charter member, Ralph W. Hammett, Mnesicles, and others the chapter purchased a half block of property on University near Oak. Subsequently this was platted into five lots around a semi-circular court with two other lots adjoining on University.

When the University bought land for the Memorial Stadium these two extra lots were purchased from Mnesicles and houses moved on them from the Stadium site. Later with the Stadium assured across the street Sigma Phi Epsilon bought two of the A.P.X lots, leaving two on the market.

This summer work started on the center lot for the new Mnesicles house when the University stepped in and took the whole Fraternity Court property. As a result, Mnesicles was homeless, but now all back debts are paid, two lots purchased on 19th, and a balance of $15,000, the site is to be cleared and the new house started. Morale runs high among actives, and the alumni are rallying with their pledge payments.

By J. J. Patterson, G. L.

Ictinus, or Iktinos to spell it in the Greek form used by Alpha Rho Chi, who is the "patron saint" of the chapter at Michigan, occupies an enviable position

Fraternity Court property.

Fraternity Court property.

To Build Anew.

Mnesicles, the dinner.

In conjunction with Carpion he wrote a description of the Parthenon. Little else is known of him, but the remains of these great monuments testify to his wonderful mastery of the principals of Greek Architecture and mark him as a man for the ages.

(Watch for Brother Patterson's story of Demetrios next month.)

Who ran down to Charlottesville from New York to "renew his inspiration" with us at the Convention.

Stadium adjoining the Zeta Xi's and across from the Tekses.

Brother Cass Gilbert

Mnesicles Buys New Lots and Rents House

River Boulevard House Temporary To Build Anew.
The Chapters

ANTHEMIOS—ILLINOIS

"Burr" Patterson, Correspondent

At the second semester election all present officers were re-elected as follows: H. S. Garns, W. A.; James G. Marshall, W. A. A.; Harold Kniebusch, W. C.; C. K. Helms, W. E.; Russell Davidson, W. S.; Kenneth Jacobson W. S.; Wendell Parks, Member Board; F. A. Cerling, House Manager, and Jim Marshall, Steward.

Homer F. Pfeiffer is still heaping credit on the chapter. In the October Beaux-Arts bulletin "Sig" rated publication on both a project (which received a second medal) and an esquire-esquire. He is instructing and doing post-graduate work at Yale this year.

The latest from Reuben J. Pfeiffer, '24 A E, written to The Archi is as follows: "Have been in Europe since Sept. 18th on the second Plym Foreign Scholarship for Architectural Engineers, University of Illinois.

"Travelled thru France with K. C. Black, Iktinos '25, and will be in Italy for a few months. Expect to reach the University some time in May, after traveling thru some Central Europe and England.

"Doing work here in Rome are also three other A P X men, Geo. C. Andersen, U. of S. C., E. V. Gauger, Illinois, and K. C. Black, Michigan. When we arrived Ralph W. Hammett, Mnesicles, was here, so you see we have a little 'group' here."

Speaking of honors, Russell Davidson has pledged Vlas, honorary landscape, and Brothers Mitchell, Crane and Patterson, Gamma Rho, sophomore architectural. At the same time Pledge Bro. Simon has made a berth on the "U" rifle team. Master Architect of A P X, who was with us, interpreted much of Jefferson's spirit which would have escaped the delegates otherwise.

Following lunch a closer inspection of the campus, especially the work of Jefferson, was made before it was time to attend the tea given by Bro. and Mrs. Joseph Hudnutt, in their home. Brother Hudnutt head of the Dept. of Architecture, is a Michigan '12 man.

In the evening, with the convention officially over, the delegates and members of Kallikrates chapter again met at University Inn for the official stag banquet at which Brother Gilbert was the principal speaker. If the convention was productive of good for the Fraternity the fellowship banquet was a further revelation of the inner strength of Alpha Rho Chi, forever.

NEW WATCH CHARMS

Burr, Patterson & Co., official jewelers to Alpha Rho Chi, this year sent to the convention a new type of watch charm as souvenirs for the delegates. The charm is of Roman gold with the fraternity crest mounted upon a blue enamel field.

Just before Christmas vacation the fellows gave a Christmas party at the house which proved to be a big success and plenty of fun. The pledges presented the house with a new set of Chimes which we hope will be more easily heard than the others.

One of our fellows, "Newt Marvin," graduated this quarter, which leaves our chapter still smaller. We plan on initiation next quarter and hope to bring our numbers back to what they were last year.

MNESICLES—MINNESOTA

Sidney L. Stolte, Correspondent

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Mnesicles of Alpha Rho Chi is again united under one roof—said residence to be found at 525 East River Road. It surely feels great to greet a fellow brother at a common meeting place again.

A re-election, due to the ineligibility of the last W. A. (not having lived in the house a year), elected Robert P. Potter as W. A. of this chapter.

Rushing activities reached their height recently for most of the campus. Mnesicles announces the pledging of five men.

There is to be a pledge party Jan. 16, which will also serve to initiate our new living quarters.

Intra-mural sports for the winter quarter are getting under way, basketball, at present, holding the center of interest, for we have quite a formidable line-up to present.

Brother Flegal returned from the convention, telling the bunch of some interesting events—and really seemed none the worse after his trip east.

Al Rigg, '25, "the man of many keys," has accepted a position with North Dakota Architectural College as an assistant instructor of architectural design. Al has left to take up his duties at Fargo.

George Freeberg, 25, recently returned from his Moorman Prize trip. George's tour included the most important architectural centers in the East, and incidentally the best shows and football games. Brother Freeberg reports a very interesting trip, but how could he do otherwise?

KALLIKRATES—VIRGINIA

Lawrence N. Brown, Correspondent

With the long Christmas holidays and the "merry" days of the convention passing it's pretty hard for us all to get the old hoot back on and start to work.

Kallikrates has benefited by the convention. The chapter has started off...
GILBERT SEES MONTICELLO
A FRATERNITY INSPIRATION

Jefferson's Work May Be Step Toward A P X House Type.

When the delegates to the Eleventh convention visited Monticello and stood before the work and home of Thomas Jefferson with Bro. Cass Gilbert, he told us that for some time he had been pondering over the problem of a suitable design or style which might express Alpha Rho Chi and be distinctive of an architectural fraternity.

One of the brothers who was favored in hearing more of Brother Gilbert's views on the matter than your Editor has been asked to, as nearly as he could, express the message he had received from our Master Architect, Brother Gilbert. The brother's offering, which is unsignaled at his request, follows:

"What is the most appropriate style of architecture for the chapter houses of Alpha Rho Chi? Should it not be Greek or Classic in feeling, expressive of the homes of a Greek letter society in whose ritual the Greek and Classic art forms so important a part.

More American In Style

"Should it not be a style at home in this country, representing some part of our architectural development, more truly American than European in feeling and character? And must it not be architectural, relying on architecture more heavily than picturesque ness or sentiment for its appeal?

"What style then, can fulfill all of these requirements? The delegates to the Twelfth Annual Convention at the University of Virginia saw there and at Monticello a style which should qualify. This style of our Revolutionary and early Republican days is the culmination of the architecture of our Colonial period, which grew through the Renaissance into a Classic feeling, influenced by the architectural movements in England, but developing a distinct character until in the time of Jefferson it became our own, full of the vigor of its period of development, ripe with a broad classic feeling, mature, yet fresh and simple.

Monticello An Inspiration

"The 'temples of learning' along the lawn at the University are not the best examples for us. They were intended to house the ten schools of the original University, and as correct examples of the orders for an intended school of architecture, rather than residences. It is in Monticello, Bremo, and other residences of the period that we find the freer, more personal examples, and it is in them that we may find our inspiration.

In this style we have at the same time the most Classic examples of good American architecture and the most American form of Classic architecture. Furthermore, it is 'architectural architecture.'

Neither Brother Gilbert nor any of the delegates had ever visited Charlottesville or its treasures before, and it was indeed a treat to have him analyze Jefferson's works for our benefit. He was impressed with the sincerity of Jefferson's expression and his enthusiasm was contagious as he discussed A P X houses on the lawn before Monticello.

with a bang; the interest aroused for the convention seems to increase every day. The regular meetings are fully attended and matters are taken up with more interest, and I might say more argument, which is one of the best things that could take place. Henry Browne missed his "calling"; he should have been a lawyer.

We've all sorts of movements on foot, to enliven the monotony of our days, and bring A P X before the University at large for the recognition it deserves. A committee is looking for a larger house for next year.

We're giving a little house-warming Friday night for chapter men only (and their ladies) as an opening number of the term. On the 22nd of January we are giving an invitation dance at the University Inn; each member being allowed three invitations for friends. (One Ross Allison of California should be interested to know that a certain young lady will feature at both of these functions.)

At our last meeting Mr. Hudnut talked over plans for a Beaux Arts Ball this year. We've decided on definite plans. Seems as tho this event will surely take place at last.

A word for the convention, which we looked forward to with fear because we felt inadequate to give the reception afforded the delegates in past years; yet the men from the other chapters, the Grand Council and The Archi were so capable and such "good fellows" that our only regret was that everything was over in two days.

We are sorry too that more of our distant brothers could not have come. It is the hope of the chapter that business was dispensed with profitably and that the social entertainment we afforded was enjoyed by all our visitors.

Any success we attained in the latter was causer by the ease and good fellowship of our visiting brothers. So Kallikrates sends its appreciation to the chapters for the honor done us, and we wish you an even bigger future for 1926.

ANDRONICUS—U. S. C.
Mel Lemon, Correspondent

U. S. C. homecoming was celebrated with more success than has ever been enjoyed. Alpha Rho Chi stole the thunder.

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Correspondence received from certain of the chapters since the convention at Charlottesville indicates that the convention has been of particular help to those chapters.

In the case of the newer chapters actual problems were presented and following free discussion at the convention the delegates in question went back to their home chapters with a new outlook on their difficulties and suggestions to meet them enthusiastically. Certain chapters having trouble in pledging were urged to “get them early” as Frosh pressed them enthusiastically. Certain chapters, having relatively weak the past year, weeps from “the shack” that they have taken a new lease on life and are out to lead the Fraternity.

OUR NEXT CONVENTION

At Charlottesville no place was named for the next convention, Andronicus at Los Angeles is next in line, with Paeonios of Kansas State following. Just which chapter will entertain the next convention is problematical. Andronicus invited the next national conclave, and Paeonios is not adverse to entertaining as they realize the benefit it will be to them.

However the whole matter hinges on the fact that the distance to Los Angeles is great and that most of the chapters are east of the Mississippi river. Usually the near chapter’s expense is relatively small and thus offsets the cost of the Andronicus delegate. If the convention goes to Los Angeles the situation will be reversed.

Because of this contingency some claim the expense will be too great. To offset the expense of a winter convention at the usual time a convention this coming fall before the opening of school has been advocated. A convention at this time would permit delegates to obtain summer rates. The Andronicus delegate in the recent convention is gathering data on this plan.

Still another idea had been set forth. It is based upon the fact that A P X has never had a big round up or get-together of a great number of the brothers of the several chapters. Proponents of the latest idea is to have the next convention (still limited to the usual voting delegates) the time of a big gathering of A P X men, either the fall of 1926 or 1927.

Is there time to work up such a big gathering before the late summer of 1926? If such a thing is to come to pass action must be started. In any event the reaction of the brothers is solicited. In the meantime, however, it is expected that Paeonios will stand ready to take the next convention pending the development of plans for an A P X “round-up” in 1927?

IT CAN BE DONE

In order that the maximum cooperation may be had between the national officers and The Archi, “the little newspaper” is not now publishing either the names of pledges or initiates until the chapter sends the proper directory card to the W. G. E., pink for pledges and yellow for initiates.

The proper procedure is to have the card filled out by the pledge or initiate the week he assumes his new obligations. This can be done. For example, on the eighth of the month Andronicus pledged a man, they mailed his card to the W. G. E. who approved it and forwarded it to The Archi. It reached your editor the 14th, six days after pledging, and from Los Angeles? Other chapters, located nearer, are taking more time; it is unnecessary!

THREE-FOURTHS FAIR

As matters now stand the Fraternity constitution requires that a unanimous vote is necessary to admit new chapters. As the number of new chapters increases, it will become harder to obtain a united opinion on prospective additions.

The question has been raised several times, is this fair? Just because one chapter does not agree with all the others; does it follow that the minority shall rule the majority? Since there is at this time, no active petition before the brothers, we should squarely face
At the Round Table


Under the first head the report cited the fact that the Grand Council can only judge the growth and improvements of local chapters from outward appearances. The activity of two or three of the alumni associations in the line of chapter house financing and construction seems to have been the chief advance made.

Brother D. P. Ely reported that there is still a great deal of laxity in attention to details of chapter transactions with the Grand Council which leads them to think that either the officers of several chapters or the chapters are not awake as regards their Fraternity's interests. "It is remarkable that one or two of the chapters are consistently reliable year after year—it leads us to believe that this is a matter of chapter spirit and education." A study of the Constitution and By-laws and standard forms by chapter officers, supplemented by queries when in doubt, will put every chapter in the O. K. list.

During the past year the transactions of the Grand Council included the appointment of Bro. Joseph J. Patterson, the question. Many brothers feel that the constitution should be changed to read a three-fourths vote instead of unanimous.

While but one chapter delegate was instructed negatively at the Ann Arbor convention, that one delegate blocked the taking of a vote. Personally the delegate, in view of evidence submitted at the convention, was favorable and had there been a three-fourths vote possible we would have had a tenth chapter started by one of the liveliest group of men who ever petitioned A P X.

In the interval, most of the petitioners have graduated, and for some reason the petition was not renewed this year. Perhaps they did not know that this was necessary, perhaps the delay had cooled the pep of the petitioners? Perhaps some day we may know?

Possibly last year's chapter was not ideally situated, yet one of these days we may have another petition from a strategic point. Perhaps one chapter may oppose it. Can Alpha Rho Chi afford to wait to "convert" that chapter? Perhaps it would be best to seriously consider the three-fourths vote. The majority is not always wrong.

Anthemios '17, as Grand Lecturer and the issuance of bulletins and standard forms including a valuable outline for use for work in pledge study classes. In the matter of recommendations for the good of the Fraternity, the Grand Council made two. First that the Fraternity attack seriously the problem of strengthening our present chapters, particularly the newer ones; and second that the Fraternity adopt some definite and permanent understanding or program on the subject of expansion.

From The Editor's Mail Box

Wherein We Recount Things and Thoughts Which Come To Our Attention.

How time flies! Christmas came and is again approaching since the last issue went to press. Christmas time your editor journeyed north a bit from Cairo, Illinois, his present location, and en-route, visited Chicago.

While in Chicago he got in communication with Brothers Paul W. Wicklund, '25, Mnesicles, and Francis E. Dunlap, '16, Anthemios, and Brother Wicklund and your editor had the privilege of lunch at the Hamilton club with "Pewee." Bro. Dunlap has moved his offices from 111 N. Dearborn to 30 N. La Salle St., where he continues his practice of architecture. Paul is in the architectural engineering office of Holabird & Roche.

After returning to Cairo, following his Christmas vacation, your editor boarded the rutter again for the eleventh convention and enroute East changed trains in Louisville, Ky., here Harvey M. King, Mnesicles '23, met us at the depot and we had quite a visit. Brother King, head of the architectural department of the Southern Methodist Church board, is the dandy of two boys, David Farley, born May 9, 1924, and Richard Harding, born Oct. 19, 1925.

Daddy King advised us that his right hand man is now Stewart V. Wright, Mnesicles '19, "Stew" is a Tau Sig man who spent six years in the Minn-sota State architect's office, St. Paul. He is the father of Stewart, Jr., born Sept. 17, 1923.

We were also advised by Brother King that he had gotten in touch with "Red" Winn, Anthemios Ex '28. Otis incidentally is employed by Otis & Bruce, Louisville architects. We also understand that Bill Hamby, Ex '25, and Geo. P. Beam, Ex '27, Anthemios, are also in Louisville. Beaver is with the school board architect.

Reference to Illinois calls to memory the fact that Bro. Rexford Newcomb, Anthemios Honorary, recently published a new book, "The Old Mission Churches and Historic Houses of California." J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, publishers, price $15.00, plus carrying charges. Bro. Newcomb has long been an authority in this work and the prospectus for his new book advises that it is the complete story, history, architecture, art and lore of the period.

A letter from the circulation manager, the Mnesicles A. A., brings the news that all the Alumni Association officers were re-elected except Harold R. Peterson, treasurer. Brother Pete you know is W. G. S. of the Grand Council and is out of the Twin Cities a good deal now as a bridge engineer for the N. P. Railway.

Moorman also told of a new stunt at the Mnesicles home-coming party, Fiegel suggested it, a jackpot of a dollar a man, the winner of the second slip drawn to go to the Michigan game on the money. Don Ellison was the lucky man. We hope Iktinos treated him better than their team did the Gophers.

A letter to Nystrom from Don Campbell, written shortly after his return from a European trip brought Don's life subscription. He wrote Paul, who was then still in Duluth, to trot over and offer his congratulations to Melander on his recent marriage to "the late Florence Knox." No, Florence is not dead, Don really meant former not late. Bro. Campbell advises that he sees the Lone falc regularly.

Never have we been to Washington, D. C., your editor was duly impressed when he stopped a day while enroute to
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Charlottesville, Va. However on the last lap of the trip, Washington to Charlottesville, he met the Anthenios delegates to the convention, Phillips and Mitchell.

At the present time Andy Phillips, '23, is with the Goodhue Associates in New York and is still single. He advises that Leo J. Perry, Iktnos '24, has left the same office and has joined forces with the Foundation Company going to Lima, Peru, South America. A P X men are certainly branching out and we hope they keep us posted of their doings.

While at the convention we learned that Frank R. Root, Mnesicles '24, and Miss Tressa E. Smure, A A r from Minnesota, were married in Minneapolis on Jan. 2, 1926. "Sister" Root was one of the organizers of the architectural sorority at Minnesota, where she studied interior decorating, while Frank was busy in arch-engineering. We salute them both; they are credits to the profession.

Speaking of teamwork, the kind that counts. For some time we have had the name of J. H. Kuhns on the "who knows" list. About Christmas time Bro. W. L. Rindle, '17, also Iktnos, wrote that he had met Jack at one of the games at Ann Arbor, secured his address and his promise to subscribe to The Archi. We are looking for a letter from Brother Kuhns the other day stating that he was now district manager in Cleveland for the Railway & Industrial Engineering Company with offices in the Swetland building.

We have learned the whereabouts of Harold A. Barr, Paeonios. He wrote us the other day stating that he was now located at 720 Bankers Mortgage building, Houston, Texas. Brother Barr reports two events: first, that he is junior partner of Roat pers, civil engineer, and second, that Harold, junior, arrived in the Barr household Dec. 11th, 1925.

Not only has Barr moved but our W. C. S. has done the same thing. Bro. Harold R. Peterson, Mnesicles '18, is now located at Orfino, Idaho, as resident engineer for the Northern Pacific railway in charge of bridge work on a new 40-mile line being built by contract. On the line Pete will supervise the work on 70 bridges, most of which in the beginning will be wooden trestles. Most of the line is rock excavation or fill tapping a previously inaccessible stand of timber. Mrs. "Pete" and the two little girls are with him.

THE CHAPTERS

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ORDER of the parade, winning the Grand Trophy for the best float, a beautiful silver loving cup.

The Dept. of Arch. won second prize with a take-off on the Toonerville Trolley, which was designed and supervised by Carl McElvy, A P X.

The A P X float depicted the home-coming of Pharaoh seated upon an

PREVENTING REPEATERS

Brother J. W. Law, Dinocrates, offered a resolution which the convention endorsed urging each chapter to incorporate in their By-laws; if necessary, a provision to prevent a man from being elected to the chapter who had been repeatedly rejected. In the discussion definite limits were suggested, as to the number of times a name could be presented and the duration of time between presentations.

Egyptian pylon on a barge and the whole drawn by slaves. Thirty members of the House participated in the entry. "Monk" Madsen, our foreigner from Mnesicles, distinguished himself by receiving the cup from the judges amid the applause of the some odd 70,000 who were gathered in the coliseum.

That gives us a 100% for trophy winnings, A P X winning both all-university competitions that have been staged this year. The other being a 100% subscription to the year-book which we won. A P X chapters, please copy.

The Dept. of Arch. radio program was put on the air via K F I, Earle C. Anthony, Inc., Nov. 12, and was sponsored by A P X. Bro. E. C. Abrams gave some xylophone solos and Bill Hatch and his Oakmont Country Club Orchestra, of which a brother of this house is a member, rendered several dance selections and classical solos. The program was voted the best that had been put on by a university organization since the idea was started.

Lend an ear to this, all ye Mnesicles men! "Monk" Madsen has sat himself down to business. "Monk" has joined partnership with Glen Ingles, also of Mnesicles, and opened a stationery and gift shop in the fashionable Wilshire district of L. A. Good luck to you, brothers.

Randall Duell, A P X, and Rachael Coleman, A P X, were married Dec. 28 at the Riverside Mission Inn. Bro. Duell presented himself at a meeting recently and passed out the smokes.

Elections for the coming semester were held at the last meeting, and the following were chosen for office: Richard King, W. A.; Roswell Allison, W. A. A.; Ray Geiger, W. S.; Graham Latta, W. E.; Frank Green, W. C.; Carl McElvy, W. Supt.; Wilbur Wyre, Chaplain; Curtiss Chambers, House Manager, and Geo. Patrick, member board of directors.

We received word from the East that Roland Crawford, Ex Andronicus, now post-graduating at Penn., had received a medal in a class "A" Beaux-Art Projet.

DINocrates—Texas

George Harker, Correspondent

Scholastically the new year is treating us fine. Seven of the chapters have succeeded in attaching their names to the Engineering Honor Roll. Of the number J. W. Law and Jim Buchanan are among the first one per cent. Dinocrates stood second among the fraternities last year.

Our delegate to the convention, J. W. Law, came back so thrilled with the wonders of A P X that we immediately elected him W. A. We could have done no better as Wilton is a dependable man and much is expected of him.

Texas has decided to have an Architectural Year Book, which will be a department job—but watch for A P R, we intend to put it over. Send your "ads"; we need your help.

Reports from San Antonio indicate the possibilities of the birth of another Alumni chapter, in Texas. Bro. Simons, Iktnos, is responsible, and we hope he puts it over. A P X needs more boosters like him.
POLYKLITOS—CARNEGIE
James Paul, Correspondent

We were well pleased with the report Brother Simboli submitted after returning from the convention. Bill surely was treated fine, and it makes us all envious of him when we hear of the things we missed.

Committees for the Arts Ball to be held on the 6th of February were recently picked. Brother Paul was appointed chairman of the Construction committee. The ball this year is to be “Mythological.”

Brother Bastian has been laid up in the hospital with various complications, but is rapidly improving. We are having our “big party” soon and we don’t want him to miss it.

NEWS FROM FLORIDA
William T. Towne, Correspondent

It has been decided by the authorities here in Tampa to let the Fraternity in on a heretofore jealously guarded secret. That is, whisper it softly, that the winter climate here is not exactly the same as the summer climate. lest that startling disclosure bring down on us the wrath of the Association of Florida Realtors, it is urged that the brothers to whom has been given the dreadul news refrain from telling others.

Yes, it is true—cold spells descend from the frigid North (including Michigan, Illinois, Alabama and Georgia), sending the bathing beauties shivering into their unheated houses, where it is said they spend hours doing the Charleston to keep warm.

Far be it from us to even suggest that the temperature here ever goes below sixty, but we advise anyone contemplating a visit during the winter to bring an overcoat, an extra blanket, and a flask. A magazine here recently thought up some appropriate head-liners, such as:

“SKATING ON THE SUWANEE RIVER.”
“SNOW SHOVEL SHORTAGE IN TAMPA.”
“ROB SLEDS COLLIDE IN SARA-SOTA.”

Lest this give an erroneous impression, however, we must admit that we all went swimming on Christmas Day and that for two weeks after that, beads of honest sweat stood on our brow after the slightest exertion. We strongly suspect that the cool bracing weather experienced here probably four or five weeks during the winter will be all the snow we’ll ever see in this part of the world.

We hardly know whether to moan or cheer at the departure of Don Graf, Mnesicles 20, to raise the standard of Architecture at Harvard. On the one hand, Don probably will be a credit to the Fraternity; on the other, he never lost at cards, but on the other, none of the rest of us can play the piano. So there you are.

BLACK OF MICHIGAN WRITES OF EXPERIENCES

A letter dated last October written by one Kenneth Black, 25, to his brother Lktinos, from Paris, was written with the intention of trying to include something of interest to everyone has been passed on to us. We have had it in hand so long portions are out of date. But here are excerpts:

“I am traveling around a bit with a Brother A P X, Reuben Pfeiffer, who is over here on a Plym fellowship from Michigan. He had been working for six months for McKim, Mead & White. I met him in New York thru Leo Perry, who was with Goodhue Associates. (The last advice is that Perry is in Lima, Peru, S. A., for The Foundation Co.—Ed.)

Architecturally we found Paris about as we had expected from reading Banister Fletcher, except that there are thousands of interesting old buildings which lack of space prevents him from mentioning. I suppose it is the charm of the unknown which makes many of the places we have heard so much about.

“One goes to the Louvre, looks it over and admits that the men who built it know their stuff, but doesn’t get the kick he had expected. But on the way to one’s room when walking down some quaint narrow street, he comes upon something which knocks him cold. And so it goes everywhere.”

Black was due to arrive in Rome about Nov. 25 and plans to be there until March 1st. Address care of the American Express Co.

PROBATION PASSE

Merits and disadvantages of the nine months probation period imposed upon petitioning chapters at the 1920 convention were discussed at some length by the Charlottesville convention, and the convention voted to revise the constitution to eliminate the requirement. The general feeling was that the personnel of a chapter varies so from year to year that even old chapters have their ups and downs.

The matter of requiring all petitioning chapters to maintain a house was regarded as unnecessary legislation. It was felt that since some colleges and universities have rules on fraternities, which each chapter should be considered on its merits, but that where possible a house should be considered essential.

MOTION DEFEATED

Not all business brought before the convention at Charlottesville went thru with flying colors. One chapter delegate presented the matter of striking from the Constitution requiring the W. A. to have lived in the house for at least a year in chapters maintaining houses. This proposition was turned down when put to a vote.

FLEGAL TOASTMASTER AT ANNUAL STAG FEED

It was Brother Ai C. Flegal, Mnesicles delegate, who started the ball rolling at the convention banquet when he rose to his feet as toastmaster. He presided in this capacity until he and the W. G. A. were obliged to withdraw and catch their train for points north.

The program for the banquet was as follows:

Kallikrates, Glad You Are Here—W. Merle Brown, W. A.
A Word From the University—Dr. Joseph Hudnut.
Response for the Fraternity—Wright P. Ely, W. G. A.
Chapter Reflections—Amphion—Robert E. Mitchell.
Demo philo—Harold P. Naeur.
Demetrius—Fred J. Abendroth.
Andronicus—Rosewell T. Allison.
Diocedes—John Will Low.
Polyklitos—William B. Simboli.
The Archi—Homeric Chapter, Editor.
Let’s Go—Alumni Challenge, Andrew S. Phillips.

Although convention banquets are always the scene of much fun and merriment, this one in particular had its serious moments, for every man seemed to have gathered something of the spirit of his surroundings, the spirit of Thomas Jefferson, the architect and statesman.

Space forbids an attempted repetition of many of the messages given Saturday night before the fellows broke up to go to their several homes, as they left with them, some for the first time, the enthusiasm and inspiration of their friend and Master Architect, Brother Cass Gilbert, who came down from New York “to gain new inspiration from you young men.”

THE ARCHI ASSIGNED

For the fourth consecutive convention The Archi was assigned to the Mnesicles Alumni chapter to supervise the editing and publishing of the official national publication. And for a second term the convention decreed that the Managing Editor attend the convention next year.

MEMBERSHIP DEFINED

Following the suggestions of the Ann Arbor convention Brother Ely presented a number of revisions intended to clarify the various classes of membership. Affiliate members thru addition of a sentence to the constitution became affiliate members by unanimous vote of the chapter with which they affiliate with the same rights and privileges as an active.

Rights and privileges of associates are to be determined by the individual chapters. Associates are those changing their course and remaining in school or leaving school with the expectation of returning. In some chapters those still in school are treated as actives and those without as alumni.
DEFINING A P X
Following the protests from certain quarters, the Virginia convention went on record that the definition of Alpha Rho Chi to be used in our rushing and educational programs, being that it is a social fraternity limited to the students of architecture and the allied professions.

FORMAL DANCE BECOMES TAG AFFAIR; GIRLS FEW
Because of the lack of girls the usual traditional formal dinner-dance of the convention became a tag dance from force of circumstances, yet "a good time was had by all" if a chap was so inclined.

Why? Two reason, Charlottesville is a small community and it was vacation time at the University of Virginia when the convention met. However, girls were secured for the delegates and as

ADDRESSES CHANGES

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Johnson, Franklin H., Ex '25, 3000 Grace Ave., Chicago, Ill.
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Sundell, P., Ex '25, 1811 E. 90th St., Chicago, Ill.

Polykleitos Chapter
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Meston, Frank F., Ex '29, 213 Chamber Ave., ExceIleth, Mich.
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Paeonios Chapter
Ferrill, Alfred C., Ex '29, Valley Falls, Kan.
Honeycutt, Chas., Ex '26, Rosco, Kansas.
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Kallikrates Chapter
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Gifford, Cornelius D., Ex '26, 312 Victoria Ave., Silver City, N. M.
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THE OFFICIAL DELEGATES

Alumni—Walters and Phillips.
Iktinos, Active—Harold P. Naser.
Alumni—Alfred R. Naser.
DeMetrzos, Active—Fred J. Abendroth.
Museeles, Active—Al C. Flegel.
Iktinos, Alumni—Cass M. Love.
Alumni—Chas M. Love.
Paeonios—Not represented.
Dinocrates, Active—Jeanne T. Lewis.
Polykleitos, Active—Walter B. Simboli.

CONVENTION COMMITTEES

Finance—Allison and Mitchell.
Arch—Abendroth and Simboli.
Alumni—R. Naser and Law.
Next convention—Simboli and H. F. Naser.