THE SILVER ANNIVERSARY

By DWIGHT P. ELY, W.G.A.

NINETY-NINE marks the 25th Anniversary of Alpha Rho Chi—the Silver Anniversary of the Fraternity. All chapters and alumni groups are being asked to arrange special banquet celebrations to be held on the same date—April 15.

We have been remarking from time to time that now is the time for all good Archi men to come to the aid of their Fraternity. Seriously speaking though, isn’t now on our Silver Anniversary actually the time for us to get together and push for a revived Fraternity?

A more national fraternity, with a common bond of feeling and aspiration.

An internally stronger fraternity—that means one where every member knows the fraternity from top to bottom. When I was a boy we called it “fraternity education”—it was a compulsory requirement.

A larger Fraternity. Alpha Rho Chi does not have enough chapters. Deceased chapters should be revived where possible and where profitable. New chapters should be encouraged by local interested alumni. Sleepy alumni chapters should wake up and help. The younger men should take hold. Why lean on the founding fathers? They’re tottery enough now.

Attend your Founders’ Day banquet. Investigate what’s going on in your chapter and your alumni association. See if you can help. Speak your piece. Write us a letter. Do something.

IT IS HISTORY

By LEO M. BAUER, Anthemios ’14

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ALPHA RHO CHI was instituted on April 11, 1914 in a room in the Hotel Sherman in the City of Chicago. Its formal declaration came after months of negotiation between fourteen members of the Arcus Club of the University of Illinois, and twenty members of Sigma Upsilon Fraternity of the University of Michigan. These two organizations were founded in 1911 and 1910 respectively. With a basic understanding between them the two groups selected Chandler C. Cohagen and the writer as Founders for the Chicago meeting. After three days of further deliberation, these delegates formally proclaimed the first architectural fraternity to be founded in America.

After almost a quarter century, the world has progressed far. In that time we have witnessed a World War, empires have fallen or disintegrated, world geography has been made anew, and recently, civilization has passed through ten years of tremendous economic and social upheaval, with even a fear of the immediate future. Through all this time, our Fraternity has survived, of course subjected to all the ravages and discouragements of this same span of years. Having survived for twenty-five years, Alpha Rho Chi should rightfully take its place among the notably great fraternities of this land.

Our Fraternity has been founded on the simple premise that Architecture is, and ever will be, the greatest of all art. The Fraternity must needs be a living memento to that premise. The original Constitution and By-Laws as its government were rigid in application to the individual and to the chapters. Of necessity, this original government created mass and proportion in the chapter of finely balanced units so that if the individual or the chapter, even the Fraternity itself, heeded the simple principles of beauty, purity, and co-ordination as related to Architecture, the Fraternity could not fail. The influence of the original thirty-four individuals who were the direct cause of the Fraternity will be (Continued on page 22)
AN APPRECIATION OF THE SERVICE OF VERLE L. ANNIS

By GEORGE HOEDINGHAUS, W.G.S.

HE USED to be called “Link” because his middle name is Lincoln, but he is now more properly called Professor Annis or Mr. Annis.

Eleven years of service to the Fraternity have made Verle L. Annis greatly respected and well known to more members of the Fraternity than any other man. Through his many years of teaching at Oklahoma A. and M. College and at the University of Southern California he has known intimately many of the members in two chapters and has fathered many careers in the profession of architecture.

Mr. Annis was born in Alderton, Washington, and attended preparatory school and the first years of college in his native state. From the University of Washington he transferred to Pennsylvania where he obtained his B.S. and later his M.S. in Architecture.

Between finishing high school in 1915 and entering the University of Washington, he served in the 63rd Field Artillery for two years and reached the first Army A.E.F. in France in July, 1918.

In August, 1928, he was introduced as the new Worthy Grand Scribe of the Fraternity and he vigorously carried out the duties of the office until the fall of 1938. Fortunately for the Fraternity he is still actively interested in the affairs of Alpha Rho Chi and was a leading figure at the recent convention in Los Angeles.

Probably the greatest single contribution which the Fraternity has made to architectural education and to the profession has been the Alpha Rho Chi Medal. This award was essentially conceived, carried out, and raised to its present high position among academic awards through the efforts of Mr. Annis.

In order to show its appreciation of Mr. Annis’ work in behalf of the Fraternity the following resolution was adopted by the Nineteenth Annual Convention of the Fraternity:

WHEREAS, the delegates, officers, and attending members of this the Nineteenth Convention of the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity recognize and greatly appreciate the many years of service as a member and as a national officer that Verle L. Annis has given to this Fraternity; that through his advice, friendly interest, and hours of labor he has made and continues to make marked contributions to the welfare of the organization; and

WHEREAS, his origination of the ideas and ideals of the Alpha Rho Chi Medal, the carrying out of the plans for the award, and the work over the past eleven years which have resulted in a nation-wide acceptance by a score of universities has been one of the major contributions of the Fraternity to the profession and to architectural education;

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that there be tendered to Verle L. Annis our sincere gratitude for the services and time which he has so freely given to the Fraternity.

Be It Further Resolved, that an Alpha Rho Chi Medal be struck off in sterling silver, properly engraved, and presented to him with a copy of this Resolution as a token of our appreciation.

Be It Further Resolved, that this Resolution be recorded in the minutes of this Convention.

Aside from teaching and fraternity activities, Mr. Annis has done exhaustive research on Spanish colonial architecture and is an authority in that field. He has books, thousands of pictures and slides, many reels of motion pictures, and reams of measured drawings covering Mexico, Peru, and Guatemala. Reports of some of his travels have appeared in The Archi, (see January, 1939, and February, 1934, issues).

Mr. Annis is still a young man and has many years of study, accomplishment, and honor ahead of him. But it is well that we pause during these fast moving days to recognize the service of this veteran of Alpha Rho Chi and to say, “Thanks, again!”

HEADIN’ FOR THE CRASH

Ten years ago this month in "The ARCHI"

Leo M. Bauer, Anthemios, and one of the Founders of the Fraternity, felicitates the membership on the occasion of the fiftieth anniversary. Lionel C. Banks, Andronicus, practicing architecture in Salt Lake City. Clarence D. Badgely, Demetrios, spending some time in Morocco and nearing the end of his Rome Prize stay abroad. (The last time we saw Badge he was sitting in a room in Berlin, nursing an infected foot and trying to talk a German doctor out of a fee of a couple hundred dollars.) Malcolm G. Simons, Iktinos '14, practicing in San Antonio. Eddie Holien, Mnesicles '23, back in New York after a trip to Europe. (Now in Denver, Colorado—we looked him up in the phone book but didn’t get him.) F. R. Von Grossman, Mnesicles, was just graduated. (Now working in Milwaukee.) Reb Piceifler, Anthemios '24, working in Indianapolis. (Now holding down the drawing board in front of the editor and at present winding up a two-month superintending job in San Francisco in connection with an exhibit at the fair.) H. S. (Cas) Gams reporting doings of Indianapolis Alumni is his inimitable way. (In 1939 busy in his own office, happily married the past two years.)

Reamer Keller, Demetrios, was then on the cartooning staff of the Columbus Citizen. His cartoons now appear in a great many national magazines.
The only previous A P X convention held at Los Angeles was the Fourteenth, held December 28-31, 1928. Anthemios has been host four times, Demetrios is runner-up with three. Mnesicles and Iktinos have each been the entertaining chapter twice and our now inactive chapters have each acted in that capacity once. Only two conventions have been held in cities where no chapter exists: the first was held in Detroit in 1915 and two years later the delegates gathered at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago.

The New CBS Building in Hollywood

WHAT WE SAW IN CALIFORNIA

Approximately four hundred and twenty-five years after Balboa, our Convention delegates re-discovered the Pacific Ocean and it is not recorded that anyone gave voice to the cliché that they had expected it to be bigger. A three hour trip on a cabin cruiser served both as a pleasant introduction to California and visual evidence that Los Angeles is rapidly becoming one of the most important maritime centers of the country.
THE BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION

TWENTY-FIVE years of history and accomplishment were recalled at the convention of the Fraternity which was held in Los Angeles on the campus of the University of Southern California on December 29, 30, and 31 with Andronicus chapter acting as host.

An innovation in convention procedure was followed when the opening of the convention was combined with a banquet to which were invited the national officers, delegates, and actives and alumni of Andronicus chapter. Approximately seventy-five attended this meeting and the good fellowship which was enjoyed opened the convention with real fraternal spirit.

At the opening dinner the various reports of delegates and officers were given in order to picture the fraternity as it stood at the time of the convention. From this basis plans for the future were evolved in the following sessions of the convention.

Clifford H. James, W.G.E., officially opened the convention and read several telegrams and letters of felicitation which had been sent to the convention. Clinton Ternstrom was then appointed secretary pro tem and the roll of delegates was called. The following responded:

Grand Council—Clifford H. James, W.G.E.
ARCHI—Willard E. Fraser.
Anthemios Chapter—Richard A. Binfie1d.
Anthemios alumni—Savo M. Stoshitch.
Iktinos chapter—James Porter.
Iktinos alumni—Richard Ware.
Demetrios chapter—Thomas P. Hardman.
Mnesicles chapter—Eugene Flynn.
Andronicus chapter—John R. Anderson.
Andronicus alumni—Stanley Cundiff.
Therom alumni—Verle L. Annis.

After the approval of credentials, George Hoedinghaus, Andronicus '33, was elected president of the convention and Clinton Ternstrom was elected permanent secretary.

In absence of Dwight P. Ely, W.G.A., the report of the Grand Council was read by the president of the convention. This report dealt with the details of official business which had been transacted by the Grand Council since the previous convention. The report was accepted as read.

Most important function of the Worthy Grand Scribe, according to the report of the W.G.S. as read by George Hoedinghaus, continues to be the distribution of the Alpha Rho Chi Medal. During the four years since the last convention of the fraternity, the following number of Medals were awarded:

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The number of medals awarded in 1938 was greater than in any former year because all universities to which the medal was offered nominated a candidate. A grand total of 146 medals have been conferred during the past eleven years since the founding of the award.

"There is no doubt," stated Hoedinghaus, "but that the Alpha Rho Chi Medal has become widely accepted and highly respected among academic awards. Its place with the medal of the American Institute of Architects and other awards in the profession leaves little to be hoped for in its future as an outstanding award in the field of architectural education."

In view of the retirement of Verle L. Annis as Worthy Grand Scribe and his work in the development of the Alpha Rho Chi Medal, a resolution was presented to the convention by Hoedinghaus which was intended to express appreciation for Mr. Annis' long interest in the work of the Fraternity.

The resolution was adopted by acclaim and Mr. Annis who was present acknowledged the gratitude of the brothers which was shown not only by the resolution but by a strong round of applause.

The financial condition of the Fraternity was ably demonstrated by the report of Clifford H. James, W.G.E. The Fraternity was shown but to be in excellent condition generally and with but few uncollected chapter debts. Several adjustments in the accounts were suggested by the W.G.E. in order that the Fraternity bookkeeping would give a more accurate indication of the financial status. These changes were adopted by the business session of the convention on the following morning.

Active and alumni delegates who were present gave brief summaries of the activities of their respective groups. These were generally encouraging and indicated that all seem to be holding their ground at present and are looking forward to improving conditions.

Carleton Monroe Winslow and Sumner Spaulding, honorary members of Andronicus chapter, gave short talks of encouragement and mentioned current affairs in the profession. Following a few inspirational words by Carl Denny, Andronicus alumnus, the dinner meeting was adjourned.

First order of business of the morning meeting on December 30, was a discussion of the official Fraternity publication, THE ARCHI. Willard E. Fraser, managing editor, indicated that THE ARCHI has been appearing regularly four times a year and that the present circulation is approximately 1150 copies. The budget upon which the publication has been operating has necessitated an adjustment of the size and elaborateness of the publication to the funds available.

Considerable discussion was held on the question of the Fraternity convention. Four years had elapsed since the previous convention and many of those present felt that the organization had suffered through this lack of national contacts and the feeling that comes from association with members of other chapters. A constitutional amendment was adopted which provides that the semi-annual national dues payment for all active members be increased from $2.00 to $3.00 and that $1.00 of each installment shall be applied to a permanent fund to defray expenses of the next regular convention.

In connection with this amendment an additional amendment was voted which provides that "A convention of the Fraternity shall be held bi-annually on even years." With this provision for bi-annual conventions and with the fund which will be built up, it was the hope that conventions will be held regularly and that at no time in the future will a four year period elapse without a convention as was the case during the past four years.

Expansion and strengthening of the Fraternity received more attention than any other subject by the 19th Convention. By liberalizing somewhat the requirements for pledging through the inclusion of majors in all departments of architecture and "alleged
fields" it was proposed to make a maximum number of students eligible for membership in existing or future chapters.

Savo Stoshitch, Anthemos, alumni delegate, presented an amendment providing for dues for all alumni of the Fraternity, such funds to be credited to a permanent expansion fund. This and the other amendments of the convention must be ratified by the chapters before final adoption.

Under good of Fraternity Clifford James made a recommendation that the Worthy Grand Scribe direct a committee selected to work with the Grand Council on the ways and means of expansion and that the committee have authority to act upon its decisions. This recommendation was adopted as the sentiment of the convention.

As provided by the constitution and by-laws, the office of Worthy Grand Architect became open for election at this convention. D. P. Ely was unanimously re-elected.

Just before formal adjournment, Delegate Porter invited the 20th Convention of the Fraternity to come to the University of Michigan to be entertained by Iktinos chapter.

On Saturday morning, December 31, an informal round-table discussion on details of chapter administration and Fraternity affairs was conducted by Mr. Anthenios. Thus, the work of the convention as concluded, and all of those who had taken part felt rewarded for their time and effort. Although every one felt that much more could have been accomplished if more time had been available, the routine affairs of Alpha Rho Chi had been brought up-to-date and many new signs of life were evident.

DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Left to right, bottom row: Hardman, Demetrios, Hoedinghaus, W.G.S., and President of Convention, Binfield, Anthemos, Amnis, Therion alumni, Middle row: Cundiff, Andronicus alumni, Fraser, Managing Editor Archi, James, W.G.E. Top row: Porter, Iktinos, Ware, Iktinos alumni, Flynn, Musicles, Anderson, Andronicus, Stoshitch, Anthemos alumni, Ternstrom, Convention Secretary.

DINOCRATES CHAPTER MAY RESUME ACTIVE STATUS

By Clifford H. James

The most interesting Dinocrates news this month concerns the dinner held on February 3 starting the active drive to revive the chapter, inactive since the spring of 1936. Nine Austin alumni were hosts to six students in the Department of Architecture at the University of Texas, who had asked the W.G.E. how Dinocrates could be returned to activity. No actives are now in school, but these students have come to the Austin alumni for support.

After a fine Southern dinner, in an Alpha Rho Chi atmosphere (white roses in a gold-bronze bowl; thirty-inch gold-bronze altar candle holders at each end of the table; double streamers of maroon and navy blue ribbon running the length of the table; place cards bearing the Alpha Rho Chi Coat of Arms engraved in gold; etc., etc.) discussions of ways and means took place. The alumni all gave good "rush" talks, though not much "rushing" was needed, and suggested that the group build up its membership to fifteen in a house before asking for a re-issuance of a charter. The students assured the alumni that this would be done before summer. When the group doubles its present number, Robert Leon White, Faculty Member, Supervising Architect of the University, has promised to treat us all to a big barbecue.

One of Dinocrates' old pledges has kept the spirit of Alpha Rho Chi alive in the Department since Dinocrates retired from the campus scene.

NEW SYSTEM OF ALUMNI DUES INAUGURATED

At the 19th Convention, the By-Laws were amended to provide for a system of individual alumni annual dues of $1.00 per year. Annual cards will be furnished each alumnus who is in good standing in the Fraternity and who pays his dues of $1.00 per year.

All money derived from alumni dues with the exception of cost of cards and mailing, will go into the Expansion Fund only. None will be used for Grand Council operation.

Payment may be made direct to the W.G.E. or through alumni chapters and associations. Make all checks payable to The Grand Council of Alpha Rho Chi.
YOUR editor went to the Los Angeles Convention and is having a little difficulty getting over it. This is going to be a hymn to travel; world weary traveling salesmen and others who may think of a long train ride as merely a faster way to get a shirt dirty may as well turn the page to the pictures. We like it.

We have traveled over the eastern half of the country to a certain extent and back in a slap-happy period of our life we strained circumstances enough to spend a summer in Europe. But there is no description of the feeling that one has seen the breadth of his own country. The word thrill has a feminine connotation but that is the only word which fits what we felt when we stood on the cold, snow-swept station platform at a little town in Illinois and saw our train coming from out of the dark; all the romance of the Overland Trail was behind that blue and gold streamlined locomotive. Except for a half-dozen of the freshest kids who ever put a flying block on a dining car waiter, there was nothing about the trip to improve.

Arriving in Los Angeles, Thursday, we almost missed the most enjoyable part of the convention, the boat ride around Los Angeles harbor. The battle fleet was at anchor and to a Middle Westerner it was something of a sight. The Andronicus boys had put together a swell lunch and the delegates were in no mood to go easy with it.

That evening the official banquet was held. What we’d expected to be a turn out of a couple dozen turned out to be at least three times that. Toastmaster George Hoedinghaus steam rolled through some necessary must legislation, various reports were made, and then the oratorical lightnings started to play, coming to ground with a sharp crack occasionally, as members Winslow, Spaulding, Annis, Denny, LeMon, and others took a hand. It gets late in California the same as elsewhere and we eventually had to sing the hymn and go home.

The next day the business session, which is reported elsewhere, was over in time for the delegates to visit the 20th Century-Fox Studio where we were shown through the Art Department by Andronicus’ Carl Denny. While most of the delegates were keeping one eye roving with the faint hope Carole Lombard might miraculously walk through, we did learn something about this side of the business. The drawings are not unlike those turned out by an architect’s office, although it was pointed out that rooms and moldings are much more pronounced for optical reasons. That may explain certain other things we have noticed in our years of attendance at the cinema. A trip through the two new west coast headquarters of N.B.C. and C.B.S. wound up the day.

The remainder of the week-end was a matter of individual preference. Most of the delegates got up in the middle of the night to start for the Tournament of Roses parade and the game in the Bowl afterwards. We can take our parades or leave them and our interest in football usually hits its low around November first, but we enjoyed this game.

Now it was time to go. The beautiful ride on the Daylight Limited along the ocean to San Francisco, the breath-taking Feather River canyon, the snowy fir-studded high Sierra, the morning sun on the Continental Divide over the Moffet Tunnel and we were almost home. When the Pullman porter shook us that last morning and said “Saginaw” he awoke us from a dream that had lasted two weeks and won’t come back soon. Quick Nurse! some water—he’s getting that far-away look again.

CONVENTION VIGNETTES

A low bow to Andronicus chapter for their hospitality—they cut their holiday vacation short to entertain us—and to John Anderson, Verle Annis, Jim Rice, and Savo Stoshitch for the time they took to haul us around. . . . Apologies to Mnesicles’ Wallace Bonsall who invited us to see the new Los Angeles Union Station and for which we couldn’t find the time. He is superintending the construction and is an old friend from Chicago days—a real surprise when we met at the banquet. . . . Mnesicles investigate: Who does Gene Flynn know in Los Angeles that he could take forty minutes talking on the telephone? . . . George Hoedinghaus is a real parliamentarian—he should run for office. . . .

Our introduction to Los Angeles almost lived up to the advance information we had of it. Walking up-town along 5th Street after several days on the train we were swinging our arms and bringing down our heels in a pretty lively way; a negro slightly in his cups squared away and started mimicking our walk. “My, my, my,” he said, “look at dat big eastern stuff!”

Impressions: The mountains in Utah seem to have been built from designs from Rockwell Kent. . . . The enormous train shed at Cheyenne. . . . The view anywhere in Los Angeles: Mountains and blue sky. . . . The impression of cleanliness—few overhead wires, car tracks, and practically no slums.

IT IS HISTORY

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present so long as its exists. Wisely, they provided us who are brethren the opportunity of becoming peculiarly associated in the field of Architecture and kindred subjects or sub-divisions, a privilege denied to us until the founding of Alpha Rho Chi.

I am sure that I voice the sentiment of all of our alumni when I state the immense satisfaction we feel in being privileged to be members of Alpha Rho Chi; to know that through the years she has grown to maturity under splendid care and administration; to hope that Providence may awake in us all a spirit of grateful thanksgiving for having had a part in the development and advancement of the Profession, and of Alpha Rho Chi; and to wish her continued growth and healthy expansion; so that each one of her sons will always honor her name—in this Brotherhood of Man.

What are YOU doing about these chapters?—inactive since the dates shown

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A resume of the history of Alpha Rho Chi. You have seen these pictures before: they are of men who have given their time and effort to maintain our Fraternity—men whose influence we recognize in this anniversary number. The record is not complete; there are scores of other members whose support has been no less valuable and to whom our appreciation is directed in as great a degree.
the greatest names in a period in which there were many great names. Designer of such famous buildings as the Woolworth Building, the Brooklyn Army Supply Base, and the United States Supreme Court Building, his career fully merited the title which was his. He brought to Alpha Rho Chi the same interest that he found in his profession and his death in 1934 brought to end an association with our Fraternity which will be long remembered.

Master Architects

Above: Cass Gilbert, 1859-1934.
Right: Nathan Clifford Ricker
D. Arch 1843-1924.

Master Architect is the highest honor Alpha Rho Chi awards. Master Architects are elected by Convention assembled although they are proposed and initiated by a single chapter. Nathan Clifford Ricker was proposed and initiated by Anthemios chapter in 1914 and served the Fraternity until his death in 1924. A member of the first graduating class of the University of Illinois in 1872, he later became both head of the Department of Architecture and Dean of the College of Engineering at that institution. He was an authority in several divisions of Architecture, history and structural design, and many developments in the latter subject were pioneered by him. His inspiration was in large measure responsible for the founding of Alpha Rho Chi.

Cass Gilbert was initiated by Mnesicles chapter. His was one of

Co-Founders

Leo M. Bauer, Anthemios
C. C. Cohagen, Iktinos

Arthur E. Benson, Anthemios '15
Active in the affairs of Anthemios for many years. Former W.G.A.
That year will be remembered for events more significant than the founding of Alpha Rho Chi, but twenty-five years later it does no harm to consider us part of the history of that time. That year you could buy a Lozier Light Six, F.O.B. Detroit for $3250 and if you had more money to spend you bought a Stevens-Duryea. If you had no money to speak of you bought a Saxon for $375, but if you were a conservative sort you spent about twice that and bought a Ford and pretended the jokes about it were funny. A few young bloods were taking up flying although most people said that if men were supposed to fly they'd have been equipped with wings and it looks today as if they were right. A good suit of clothes cost twenty dollars and after you had put it on you started looking for a buttonhook to fasten your four dollar shoes. If you smoked cigarettes they were likely to be Egyptian Deities or Milos and you didn't need to listen night after night to some radio announcer trying to get you to change.

Co-founders Bauer and Colagen were probably too busy that week of April 11 to read the newspapers, but had they done so they would have seen that Pancho Villa had completed his conquest of about half of Mexico and was heading for a run-in with this country that would condition us for a real martial adventure three years later. That week the railroads were petitioning for a rate increase, then as now predicting their immediate insolvency. Big business was calling for relief from Woodrow Wilson; it seems like yesterday. But what of the next twenty-five years? Shall we have a grand Founders' Day banquet April 11, 1964 in some ballroom two hundred floors above the street—synthetic creamed chicken and candied sweet potatoes in a piefilm capsule—or would you rather not plan that far ahead?

FORMER MEMBERS OF "THE ARCHI" STAFF

Horace W. Tousley, Mnesicles
Editor 1923-1929

Efflo E. Eggert, Demetrios
Editor 1929-1937

Frank S. Moorman, Mnesicles '22
Circulation Manager, 1924-1937
Sing a song of college days
Tell me where to go...
Alpha Rho Chi is a charter member of the Professional Interfraternity Conference organized in 1928.
Arcus of Illinois and Sigma Upsilon of Michigan Combined
April 11, 1914 to Form the Architectural Fraternity,
Alpha Rho Chi

The Sigma Upsilon fraternity was started in the first semester of 1910-1911, by eight men, consisting of one senior, three juniors, two sophomores, and two freshmen. At this time another architectural fraternity asked for recognition, but it was absorbed by Sigma Upsilon. This body was then granted recognition, and Sigma Upsilon became an official campus organization.

The original intention of Sigma Upsilon was to be the Alpha chapter of a national professional fraternity, and the constitution and by-laws were drafted with that in view.

From the original minute book we have gleaned the following facts: Titles of Sigma Upsilon officers in 1911 were Worthy Master, Worthy Scribe, Worthy Chaplain, Worthy Sentinel, and Worthy Usher. Their pledge pin was a pyramid on a circle. The white rose was adopted as the official Sigma Upsilon flower in June 1912. In the autumn of 1912 a house was maintained at 417 E. University, Ann Arbor, Mich. The chapter was granted official recognition by the Michigan Committee on Non-Athletic Affairs in October 1912. Correspondence was had with Ann Arbor and Minnesota regarding the establishment of new chapters at those schools in 1913.

Professor Lorch brought the name of Sigma Upsilon before the educational committee of the American Institute of Architects in December 1913. Correspondence with Arcus was started in February 1914.

Arcus Society was formed in the autumn of 1911 by a group of about fifteen men, and existed secretly until the fall of 1912, when formal approval for the founding of the society was secured from the Council of Administration. Early in 1913 the group was recognized by the faculty. During the time of organization, meetings were held in the Y.M.C.A. at the University. The society secured a house the first semester of 1913-1914. Arcus Society limited its membership to sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

W. M. Wadsworth, of the Arcus Society, was delegated to write to various universities throughout the country and inquire about other architectural societies wishing to combine to form a national fraternity. Letters were sent to Harvard, Washington University, Georgia School of Technology, Cornell University, University of Pennsylvania, University of California, and the University of Michigan. The result was the beginning of correspondence between C. C. Cohagen, of Sigma Upsilon at Michigan, and Leo M. Bauer, of Arcus at Illinois.

Faculty members of Arcus were Dr. N. C. Ricker, L. H. Provine, and A. H. Kimball.

In February 1914 correspondence with L'Orange and Gargoylae at Cornell for a time showed a considerable promise, and Cleveland, Ohio, was selected originally as a meeting place for the first conference, when it was expected that three local societies (Michigan, Illinois, and Cornell) would form the nucleus for the first architectural fraternity. Gargoylae of Cornell reported in late March that they would be unable to send a delegate to the conference, and the meeting place was changed to Chicago.

The conference was called for April 10-14, 1914, at the Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Mr. Chandler C. Cohagen, of Sigma Upsilon, and Mr. Leo M. Bauer, of Arcus Society, were the delegates to this meeting. A name for the new fraternity was first discussed. Names of secular nature were presented by the delegates, and only one of Greek origin was offered by the Illinois delegate, that being the name, "Alpha Rho Chi," an admirable selection by Dr. Nathan Clifford Ricker, of the faculty of the University of Illinois.

The constitution, by-laws, emblems, and other insignia of both societies were totally disregarded, and only those retained that might be sufficiently suitable and pleasing for the new fraternity. The Arcus Society was allowed to draft the national constitution and by-laws, and the Sigma Upsilon Society the local chapter constitution and by-laws; the Arcus Society the official badge, and the Sigma Upsilon Society the coat-of-arms. It proved later, however, that the Arcus Society revised the Sigma Upsilon design for the coat-of-arms, which was adopted afterward by the first Grand Council in session at Ann Arbor, Mich., in mid-November 1914. The colors, maroon and navy blue, formerly of the Arcus Society, were retained by the new fraternity (Sigma Upsilon colors being blue and gold). The motto, "Fidelitas, Amor et Artes," resulted from a combination of the mottos of the two societies. The Arcus Society was directed to draft the charter forms, and Sigma Upsilon to prepare the certificate of membership. The Sigma Upsilon flower, the white rose, was adopted as the fraternity flower.

The Anthemiou chapter was formally installed May 22, 1914, and the Iktinos chapter June 5, 1914. The original intent was to announce and install the two chapters simultaneously, but emergency conditions at Illinois made it necessary to make public announcement and incorporate a week before originally planned. Demetrios chapter was installed February 25, 1916, and Mnesicles on October 20 of the same year. No further expansion took place until 1922 when Kallikrates of the University of Virginia was admitted and a few months later, March 11, 1922, Andronicus of the University of Southern California was chartered. Paenios of Kansas State Agricultural College followed February 9, 1923, Dinocrates of the University of Texas, April 2, 1924, Polykklitos, Carnegie Institute of Technology, May 24, 1924, and the last, Theron, of the Oklahoma Agricultural and Mechanical College, became a chapter of Alpha Rho Chi May 22, 1926.

The Archi made its first appearance in January 1916 under the editorship of Clair Ditchy. It appeared irregularly after that under the sponsorship of various chapters until 1923 when Elwyn J. Johnson of Mnesicles served as editor for the greater part of the year. Under the direction of Horace W. Tousley, who succeeded him, The Archi began appearing regularly and made its greatest growth during this period. Mr. Tousley was responsible for the system of records still in use and inaugurated financial policies which made it possible for the magazine to continue. In 1928 the Grand Council took over the responsibility of publication and in 1929 Mr. Tousley asked to be relieved of his duties and Efeso E. Eggert of Demetrios was appointed editor, serving until July 1, 1937. Under the direction of Mr. Eggert further improvements were put into effect, the format was changed, and the present appearance of the publication was gradually evolved. Since July 1937 the editor has been Willard E. Fraser of Anthemiou. The record would not be complete without mention of the thirteen years of service of Frank Moorman, Mnesicles, who served as circulation manager during the years that the magazine was published by Mnesicles chapter and until 1937. In that year his business duties made it inconvenient for him to continue and arrangements with our publisher made it possible for the editor to handle this part of the work.
ANTHEMIOS

By Bernard E. Kinsock, W.S.

The new semester at Illinois finds Anthemios with all her old men back again for another turn at the wheel—and a few new faces.

The most unusual face is the funny brown and black, flop eared one belonging to the beagle pup that was presented to the house by Gene Cleland, Iktinos. The dog had been answering to such names as Screechball and Puddles to date but he is showing signs of becoming housebroken and the latter will undoubtedly have to be abandoned. Meanwhile, Pete Heter, chief dog trainer, has his troubles.

Fates and Fortunes have acted swiftly since the curtain has gone up on the new semester. The first item of general concern was the widespread flu epidemic which waylaid the university and towns with its fury. The situation became so acute that the hospitals were filled to capacity and the university was compelled to rent a private home and set it up as an emergency hospital for ailing students. The biggest blow was the closing of all theaters, churches, places of public gathering and the ice rink by the Board of Health. If you want to see a picture of complete frustration, a student with time and money and no show to go to is the perfect set up. However, Anthemios has withstood all attacks and is at full strength again.

For the first time in the memory of the active chapter, Alpha Rho Chi has entered into the intramural basketball league sponsored by the University. The record of no wins and three losses has utterly failed to dampen the ardor of the men making up the squad. The big thing is seeing Alpha Rho Chi's name on the books and in the papers.

The annual Military Ball was held on Friday, February 17 with all the pomp and circumstance that brass buttons and braid can command. The music of Anson Weeks and Ace Brigode served as a lure for Claude Coyne of Indianapolis who drove over for the dance.

Anthemios is preparing to celebrate the silver anniversary of the Founding of Alpha Rho Chi on April 15 with a formal banquet to which will be invited the faculty and all the members who are in a position to attend. The plans are as yet in the constructive stage and tentative but we hope to have them befitting the occasion.

IKTINOS

By Frank A. White, W.A.

Greetings to all, and a touch of the forelock to Editor Fraser whose letters to this chapter regarding its policy of “Don't say nothing to nobody” have been more gentlemanly and restrained than mine would have been with the positions reversed.

The chapter having turned its back on a very sad and difficult period, looks now to the future. However, we who were members through this last year will never forget the spontaneous and sincere messages which came to us from chapters and members, and gave real meaning to the word Fraternity.

As for the future, the most important factor concerns the quality and quantity of the pledging. In both respects we have had marked success, and while every one has done his share, considerable credit for our twelve pledges should go to Phil Johnson.

Throughout the past fall the chapter gave a series of dinners at the Michigan Union; the speakers were in the main connected with phases of the building industry. The concluding dinner was held late in January and was attended by some fifty members and prospects. The speaker of the evening was one of our own alumni, Clair Ditchy, who has recently been appointed director of the Great Lakes District of the A. I. A., and who spoke on the history and aims of the Fraternity. Professor Emil Lorch who introduced Clair, spoke briefly of his contacts with the chapter since its inception, and with his usual fluency and charm created just the right setting in which to present to the prospective members the purposes and ideals of Alpha Rho Chi.

The chapter house is approaching completion and promises to be a much more efficient plant than it has been in the past. The heating system is new throughout, with an oil-burning air-conditioning unit. The second floor has been laid out to include four suites, each with two study-rooms joined by a sleeping-room and providing accommodation for a total of sixteen men. On the first floor the old chapter room has been turned into a room for the possible use of a housemother. It has a full bath and a small vanity adjacent to it, and a private entrance through the new rear hall. The library will have built in flush panel cases for periodicals and recessed shelving for books. The cornice detail here and in the music room will be new but the cornice frieze in the living and dining rooms will be saved. Aside from these there will be no changes of plan on the first floor. There will be new floors and a lighter color scheme throughout. Ditchy-Farly-Perry were the architects and Brant-Corelli received the contract, both of Detroit.

While definite plans have not been developed for the Founders' Day celebration, April 28, 1939, has been set aside and both the Detroit and Ann Arbor divisions are in close co-operation. We anticipate great interest in the affair as a result of the connections that have been renewed by alumni who have done so much for the chapter in the last few months.

We also look forward to having Mr. Otis Wimm, Assistant Architect of The Detroit Housing Commission with us in the near future. Mr. Wimm is an Anthemios member, and we feel sure that his comments on his chosen field, housing, will prove most interesting and instructive.

In conclusion—we can't help getting a vicarious wallop from the fact that Ralph Rapson and Fred James, who both were affiliated with this chapter last year, were party with Erro Saaranin in winning the recently announced William and Mary Theatre competition.

ANDRONICUS

By James W. Rice, W.S.

Congratulations to the national organization and to Anthemios and Iktinos on their 25th anniversary. This year is the 17th for Andronicus and we feel that both the local and national organizations have come a long way since their founding.

Twenty-five years ago when Alpha Rho Chi was founded, no architectural course was offered at Southern California but in 1919 a “Department” of Architecture was added to the curriculum and, in 1925, three years after the founding of Andronicus, the “Department” was given the status of a “School.” In 1931 it was finally elevated to the dignity of the “College” of Architecture, and two years later “and Fine Arts” was added to its name.
Now another step in its advancement is being taken in the erection of a new large building which will house the College of Architecture and Fine Arts and the Fisher Art Gallery. The building is well started and should be completed this year in time for the fall semester.

The National Convention is over and we hope that everyone feels satisfied with the results. It gave Andronieus a great deal of pleasure to act as host and all of us greatly enjoyed the chance to meet and entertain the delegates from the other chapters.

At the recent election of Fraternity officers John Anderson, W.A., expressed his desire to be replaced because of heavy school work. Bart Alford, W.A.A., was unaniomously chosen to fill the vacated position and Bill Slinkard was elected W.A.A. Congratulations are due Johnny Anderson for so successfully fulfilling his term of office and to Alford and Slinkard for their election.

On the social side the pledges honored the actives with a very enjoyable dance at the Coconut Grove on January 20, and just recently the chapter house was turned upside down by the "Boulevard Dance," this year's costume party. For this affair the members and their guests entered the house through a second story window by means of a ladder. Instead of reaching the first floor by such a conventional means as the stairs, a pair of playground slides was provided which ended in a pile of mattresses and hay. This was the pledges' last chance to celebrate, since their initiation is scheduled to begin on March 6.

Rushing is now under way and we are anticipating a pledge class for the spring semester.

DEMETRIOS

By Bill Rule, W.S.

The Convention seems to have done something for the spirit of Alpha Rho Chi. Alumni, as well as actives, have flung themselves into an extensive rushing program. A Smoker climaxes this grand effort to swell the ranks of the pledges.

After a much belated return, Tom Hardman (convention delegate) finally arrived much wiser for his experiences in sunny California. A couple of weeks work in the Art Department of the Fox Studios enabled him to prolong his visit.

The Wives and Mothers Club presented a very handsome chair and smoking stand to the chapter at Christmas time. It was very greatly appreciated and very much needed.

The alumni put on most of the last initiation in which, Don Keck, '42, and Bob Lisk, '41, went through. We all agreed that it was the finest initiation that has been put on here for a long time. We all hope that the practice continues.

The coming twenty-fifth anniversary will be marked by a gala Founders' Day banquet. The alumni as well as the active chapter are looking forward to this occasion. And with this, the Silver Anniversary, we all stand and toast the future of Alpha Rho Chi.

COMPETITION FOR THE DESIGN OF A CHAPTER LETTERHEAD FOR ALPHA RHO CHI

By Clifford H. James

During the last few years, a number of the chapters have blossomed out with their own letterheads in place of the official one. Some have been good, some better, but the fact remains that assorted chapter letterheads do not make as dignified an impression as could be made.

We feel that architects should be as able to design attractive letterheads as most printers we have seen. And, as there seems to be a feeling that our chapter letterhead needs re-designing, let's have an Alpha Rho Chi design it.

No cash awards will be paid by the Fraternity, but Cliff James, Dinocrates '34, has offered the following prizes:

First Prize—$10.00

Second Prize—A two-year subscription to Banta's Greek Exchange or The Fraternity Month

Third Prize—A box of Burr, Patterson stationery engraved with Alpha Rho Chi Coat of Arms.

This competition is open to all members of Alpha Rho Chi except members of the Grand Council and Archi Staff.

This competition begins with the publication of this program in the April issue of The Arch, and closes at 12:00 midnight, Central Standard Time, June 30, 1939. Winners will be notified by mail before August 1. Report of the Jury will be published in the November issue of The Arch.

1. The letterhead shall be designed for the standard 8½" x 11" sheet.

2. The design shall incorporate the following:
   a. The Alpha Rho Chi Crest and ribbon bearing the letter "K" or the Coat of Arms.
   b. The name—Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity.
   c. The chapter name—as, Anthemios Chapter.
   d. The name of the school where located.
   e. The city and state.
   f. The Alpha Rho Chi Crest and ribbon bearing the letter "K" or the Coat of Arms.

3. The name, Alpha Rho Chi, must be of greatest importance in the design.

4. Modern or traditional treatment and lettering may be used.

5. The letterheads must be designed for one color of ink.

6. Entries should be submitted at a scale of approximately twice the size of the finished letterhead considering only the actual lettering. Slight inaccuracies in drawing will not be considered detrimental by the jury, however the successful contestant will be expected to make a final drawing for reproduction, at such a size as will eliminate such inaccuracies. Standard type faces may be specified for such lettering that may be too small to be executed by ordinary methods of drawing.

7. Entries may be submitted on un-mounted paper or stiff drawing board, in anyone color of ink.

8. All entries shall have passed on the back an opaque, unmarked, sealed envelope containing the name, chapter, and address of the entrant.

9. The right is reserved to withhold the awards in the event that the number of entries does not reach a reasonable number. All entries shall be delivered to Dwight P. Ely, 802 Buckeye Bldg., Columbus, Ohio. Drawings must be securely wrapped and protected against damage in mailing.
LETTERS

DEAR EDITOR:

I am glad to see the chapter Scribes again getting their chapter's news in almost every issue of The Archi. Now who will send The Archi news of alumni from our inactive chapters. The Fraternity isn't forgetting them I know, but if these alumni don't write in something about themselves and what they are doing, well, excuse our Archi Editor if he is not clairvoyant.

What about having a few more Alumni News Sheets. Some chapters are making a go of them—where are the others?

And as a parting shot, let's have another traveling exhibit. Famous Alpha Rho Chis are scattered from one end of the Country to the other. Their work appears regularly in the architectural journals. Let's publicize the fact they are Alpha Rho Chis by having an exhibit of their work. The active chapters can also contribute to an exhibit—similar to the ones conducted by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture.

Let's show a little life around here!

C. J. '34

DEAR EDITOR:

After all these years I've decided to trample forth hunting for the old gang. I wonder what some of the boys of Iktinos '32 are doing. Now that the cider is in the keep I have a great curiosity weighted with a faint nostalgia to know.

I wonder if the boys know that Shorty Lawrence, the Ohio literary philosopher, has caught his self a wife, and that Johnny Gray, whom I saw last year, is withering in Rochester. Where is Scoop Wendt and where is Bill Tschumy? Come on, let's see if a few of the boys will tell us what it's all come to.

The old pusillanimous Wisconsin political—the white haired boy would like to know.

Sincerely,

Sylvester Stepnoski
144 Marquette
Fond du Lac, Wisconsin

ALUMNI NEWS

Anthemios parade: When we heard that Kenny Helms was living in Elmhurst, Illinois, again our first thought was that the TVA might be putting a dam across the Des Plaines River. Actually he is working for Shaw, Naess, and Murphy, one of the newer Chicago architectural firms. George Fred Keck recently had an exhibit of his water-colors at the Scarab Club, Detroit. William I Hamby was given a good deal of publicity in the November House and Garden in connection with several "houses of the future." His photograph, published in connection with the article, indicates that he has changed little since the days he used to live in the next room to us at "401." For no reason at all we are thinking of the June day when he got ready to leave for home and found his tuxedo had been on the floor of his closet since September and that he and his roommate had worn a neat path in it; those comments will never be published. As we go to press we notice that he has been made architectural consultant to McCall's Magazine; he's another small towner who made Manhattan move over to make room for him. Nice going, Ham.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jacobson (Anthemios '26) of 808 Greenwood Ave., Tacoma Park, Maryland, announce the birth of a daughter, Josephine Cattell, on March 18, 1939.

According to the Minnesota Alumni Weekly, Ogden F. Beeman, Mnesicles, ex '24, is employed by Whitehouse and Price, Architects, Spokane, Washington. He is now resident architect on a courthouse in the northern part of Idaho. Marshall Wells, Mnesicles, All-America lineman a few years ago, has resigned his position on the coaching staff of Yale University.

Both Time and The New Yorker recently ran an article on the prize winning design of Fred James and Ralph Rapson, recently of Iktinos, for the theatre of William and Mary College. They, with Erro Saarinen of Cranbrook Academy, shared the $1,000 first prize. Lewis Mumford complimenting the excellence of its design in The New Yorker said in part: "The real news is that competitions are now being held in which the judges refuse to be bamboozled by elegant renderings in color, whose greatest architectural achievement is the sky."

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