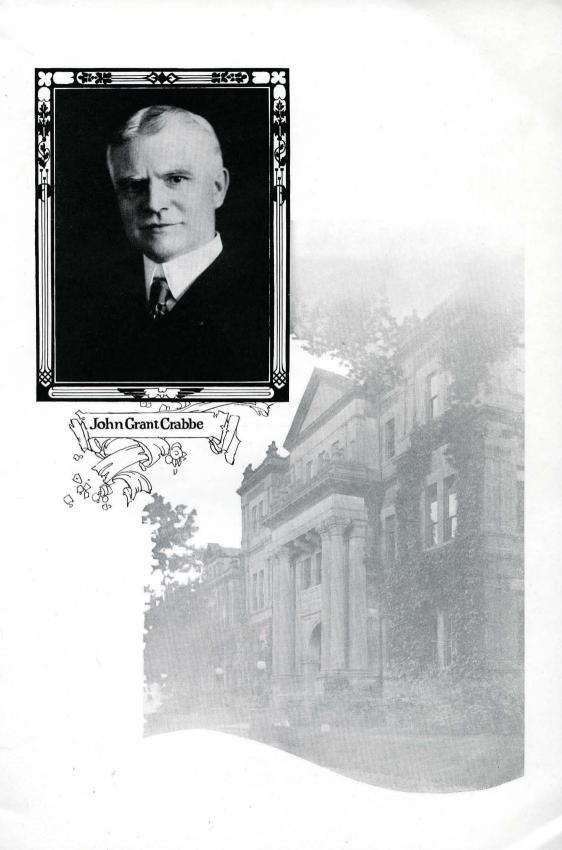


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John Grant Crabbe

This issue of the Courier records a sad event. President Crabbe died on January 30 after an illness of more than two months. He was buried in Lynn Grove Cemetery, Greeley, on February 14. Funeral services were conducted in the Chapel on February 1. The crowd was too large for the capacity of the room. Accordingly the services were repeated on the steps of the Administration Building. Memorial exercises were held on February 8 at which short addresses were made by representatives of the faculty, the administration, the training school, and by others who had been closely associated with the President. Similar services were held in the Methodist church and by the Rotary Club.

With regard to the passing of President Crabbe, we are all of one mind. The educational world has lost a great leader, and the College a respected, progressive and inspiring head.

We feel the loss deeply, but everybody, faculty and students, seem determined to press on toward the goal set by President Crabbe, namely, supremacy for Colorado State Teachers College. It is universally admitted that the College was never in better condition than it was when President Crabbe was stricken. The faculty was harmonious and enthusiastic. The spirit of the students was never better. The same may be said of the interest of the public. The building program was being pushed rapidly. There was, and is, promise of an extraordinarily large attendance next summer. More than a score of distinguished educators from all parts of the country have been added to the list of instructors. There is similar promise for the growth of attendance next year. In short, when President Crabbe left it the future course of the College promised to be over a smooth sea and with a fair wind.

As to who is to take Dr. Crabbe's place, we have no information. We are sure that the Board fully recognizes the importance of securing a superior educator, and we await with confidence the announcement of its selection.

This is the time when the faculty, the alumni, the students, and the citizens of the state should cooperate with renewed energy in promoting the stability, growth, and usefulness of the College. Our watchword is Onward! Fall in!

The Death of President Crabbe

Once more the hand of death has cast its shadow over Colorado State Teachers College. Another president has given his life to the institution.

Dr. John Grant Crabbe died in the President's House, on the Campus, at 1 o'clock on the morning of Wednesday, January 30. Death followed a battle lasting nearly three months. The same spirit which marked the life of President Crabbe was manifest throughout his illness—the spirit that is unwilling to give up when there is work to be done. President Crabbe had more work to do, and he wanted to live to do it.

His life was one of doing, and chiefly doing for others. He carved his way to fame as an educator by constantly doing things for the advancement of education, but back of it all was the greater motive, a desire to do for humanity. He was happiest when he was doing something that meant better advantages for the youth of the land; and he never passed an opportunity to so something toward that end.

It was this constant effort that robbed him of his life, deprived Colorado State Teachers College of a wonderful president, and denied to education and the future citizenship of the land a powerful advocate.

President Crabbe went to Oklahoma on November 8. He went there, as he had often done before, to talk to the school teachers of the state. He was taken sick on his arrival at Edmond, and he never recovered. He spent three weeks at the home of President John G. Mitchell of Central State Teachers College of Oklahoma. Mrs. Crabbe hastened to his side. The President improved somewhat and it was possible to bring him back to his own campus and to the loving care of his faculty and friends. For a time he seemed to improve rapidly, and then, after the Christmas holidays, there was bright promise of his return to his office. He was able to be about and to meet friends. But there was a relapse, and all hope was practically gone. Spasmodically he would show signs of improvement as the indomitable will of the man revealed its powers, but at last death conquered. His heart finally gave out.

DEATH CAME AS SEVERE SHOCK TO ENTIRE EDUCATIONAL WORLD

Profound sorrow marked his passing. The educational world was shocked. From all parts of the country came messages expressive of the effect the death of this educational leader had created.

Funeral services were held on Friday, February 1, and there was an outpouring of love and esteem for the man who had guided so well the destinies of Colorado State Teachers College for nearly eight years. The thousand and more students of the College formed a human avenue of triumph through which the body was borne from the President's House to the Administration Building, for though dead, he had triumphed; the body died, but the spirit lived. President Crabbe had won, and his life will be the beacon for all those who knew him.

The body lay in state at the foot of the double stairways and services were held in the chapel on the floor above. With bowed heads and in silent tribute, the great student body stood on the campus while the services were being conducted before a throng of mourners that packed the chapel. Following these ceremonies, brief services were held on the steps of the Administration Building when those who could not get into the building heard the words of tribute offered by the Reverend W. T. Scott, pastor of the First Methodist Church, and Harry V. Kepner of Denver, president of the Board of Trustees of the College.

"HE WAS A CHRISTIAN GENTLEMAN," FULSOME TRIBUTE FROM HIS OWN PASTOR

In the course of the funeral sermon, the Reverend Dr. Scott, who was President Crabbe's pastor and spiritual adviser, paid glowing tribute, although for the most part it was a simple narrative of the personal life of the deceased. Oratory under the circumstances would have been empty mockery. No amount of oratory could equal the story which President Crabbe's life tells. After all is said and done, this one outstanding tribute of five words told more than anything else: "He was a Christian gentleman."

Mr. Kepner's eulogy was likewise emphatic in its simplicity, and it, too, revealed a personal phase of the man's life, as follows:

"The memory of a valued, worth-while friendship is one of the greatest treasures of man. Sometimes friendships melt away; but the memory of a worth-while unbroken friendship lasts forever. Such a treasure I possess in the memory of John Grant Crabbe.

"Nearly forty years ago our pathways crossed in the college halls of Ohio Wesleyan University. As a classman higher than I, he was to me conspicuous. Always serving in every student activity of any consequence. He was an outstanding member in every organization, and when it became my privilege to join him in the work of various college organizations, I felt it an honor to put my shoulder beside his shoulder and serve with him. Even in those college days, he was an inspiration to those about him; and his influence in those days continued down through all these years.

"Twenty-nine years elapsed after that separation before our paths crossed again. We were not bound by fraternal ties or any other ties than the ordinary acquaintance due to college activities; and we forgot each other, except as we might jog our memories of old associates.

"Eight years ago it became my duty to investigate the qualifications of a number of educational leaders in the United States, that we might, with better judgment, select the man, upon whose shoulders we were to entrust the progress of this institution. One of the letters that came to my desk, commending to us a very able gentleman from a neighboring state, was signed by John Grant Crabbe. A postscript on his letter was as follows: 'Is this the Harry Kepner that I knew nearly 30 years ago, at Ohio Wesleyan?" Of course, that postscript brought a response from me. I looked forward with pleasure to the possibility of meeting my old college friend, whom I was sure would attend the midwinter educational meetings about to be held in Detroit; and I requested that we get together the next month at those meetings and talk over old experiences. I hunted for him that week in Detroit. I called at his hotel, but he was out. I made every effort to find him and failed. In another month a number of sign posts were pointing to John Grant Crabbe as the man that should be given careful consideration as an educator who could assume this heavy responsibility; and I was authorized by the Board to send him an invitation to meet us, that we might know him and that he might know the problems here. He came. The results you know. But when I asked him why he did not let me meet in him in Detroit, his answer was, 'I knew your mission at Detroit; I could not let it appear that I would use an old friendship to cause you to favor me in any way whatsoever in the selection of your new president.' This was John Grant Crabbe-unselfish, I was about to say an untiring worker, but that is not true. He did get tired. He was too often tired, but it never stopped him from working. His devotion to any duty was most noticeable. His devotion, while it seemed to be divided into two directions, yet was complete in both -a perfect devotion to his good wife, and a perfect devotion to his college; and each enhanced the other. This devotion coupled up with such a

stalwart Christian character made him a most unusual, helpful friend to all he could touch in his community. I know of more than one instance where honors were about to come to him, honors greater than any he has ever received, but, unselfishly he deliberately saw to it that some friend was the recipient of the honors and he remained upon the side lines.

"That he lived the same type of serviceable, sacrificing, constructive, influential life during those twenty-nine years that I had lost him, is evidenced by this message that came to Mrs. Crabbe last Wednesday morning.

"'Your message brings me deepest sorrow which is shared by a host of Kentucky friends. We wish Mrs. Crabbe would consider bringing him back to Kentucky. School people of the state will provide lot at either Richmond or state cemetery at Frankfort.—Cora Wilson Stewart.'

"That message tells the whole story. Only unselfish, self-sacrificing, worth-while service could so completely win the hearts of those people. With the same spirit of devotion he has worked in our midst for the past eight years. Eight very brief years, but full of labor and full of results; and the State of Colorado has benefited from his ceaseless energies in a way that can never be measured. His Christian leadership has developed the characters, has made the souls of students grow into such usefulness that only eternity can bound.

"Representing the Board of Trustees I can honestly say that it has been a pleasure to everyone of us to work with President John Grant Crabbe. He has made every duty to be performed by us a pleasure, and an easy one. Constantly he was carrying as much of the burden of details as a man could. When an unusual responsibility was to be assumed by us, he saw to it that all possible information had been gathered, all the details possible had been investigated; and the work well laid out upon the trestle board, so that our duties were simple and easy. Never once during these eight years has he opposed a single decision of the Board of Trustees, nor have they had occasion to disagree with President Crabbe unless it was something of this nature: Again and again he has been called to deliver addresses before other State Educational Associations or college groups for which he was recompensed. Invariably he would turn all such monies received into the treasury of our College, insisting that his salary paid for all of his time and energies and he could not feel comfortable with double pay.

"He became a most worthy successor to that other great leader, whose memory we cherish. While together here on earth, they knew each other well, in fact, professionally, were bosom companions, and each profited by the other's friendship. Their great souls have been wrapped up in the same institution, and in both cases, their hearts have broken under the load that they have carried. A willing sacrifice dedicated to the growth and development of the young people of Colorado that these young people might render a still greater service to their commonwealth, and all of these people have this same treasure now in their hearts for the rest of their days, that I have in my heart—the memory of a friendship that will continue to influence them and influence me the rest of our lives; and I believe on through eternity."

John Grant Crabbe was born in Mt. Sterling, Ohio, on November 29, 1865, the son of Thomas W. and Julia Catherine (Baughman) Crabbe. He attended the Ohio Wesleyan University, securing the degree of Bachelor of Arts there in 1889. He took his master's work in the same institution, getting his degree in 1892. Later he entered Ohio University and secured the degree of Pd.M., in 1897. Berea College conferred the degree of LL.D. on him in 1909, and in 1911 the State University of Kentucky

conferred a like degree on him. In 1909 Miami University also honored him with the degree of Pd.D., and in 1918 a similar degree was conferred on him by Ohio Wesleyan University.

Dr. Crabbe was married to Jennie Florence Graff of Delaware, Ohio, on January 29, 1889.

From 1890 to 1907 he served as superintendent of public schools of Ashland, Kentucky, from which position he was elected to the state superintendency of public instruction, taking office on January 6, 1908. He held office two years and three months, when he resigned, April, 1910, to accept the office of President of the Eastern Kentucky State Normal School, at Richmond Kentucky. He remained in that office until called to the presidency of Colorado State Teachers College, September 1, 1916. He was chairman of the Kentucky Committee of Ten and wrote that

He was chairman of the Kentucky Committee of Ten and wrote that body's report in 1895. He was also active in support of the Moonlight Schools of Kentucky and in the illiteracy correction work in the South, assisting materially Mrs. Cora Wilson Stewart. He was President of the Department of Normal Schools of the Southern Educational Association in 1912, and in 1913-14 served as President of the Department of Normal Schools of the National Education Association; President of the Kentucky Educational Association in 1899; chairman of the Kentucky National Education Commission 1908; member of the National Council of Education, 1911 until his death; State Director of the National Education Association, 1912-16; member of the Colorado Schoolmasters Club, from 1916; member of Colorado Educational Council, from 1916; Secretary of North Central Council of Normal School Presidents, 1916 until his death; Secretary of American Association of Teachers Colleges, 1917 to 1921; chairman of the Committee of International Educational Relations, National Council of Normal School Presidents, 1919.

He was a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Delta Pi, the Committee of Fifty on College Hygiene, National Board of Directors of Camp Fire Girls.

Dr. Crabbe was the author of numerous bulletins and monographs on educational subjects and a liberal contributor to educational journals. He was also a writer of songs, among his contributions to music being "Beauty for Ashes," "If I Forget Thee," and "Kentucky Schools." He was a lover of music, and in his earlier life took an active part in musical programs.

Student Volunteer Convention

It was a great experience which thirteen Colorado Teachers College people had during the Christmas holidays, when they were privileged to attend the Student Volunteer Convention at Indianapolis. There were nine students in this group, two faculty, and two student church workers. With about sixty-five other students and faculty from Colorado, they left Denver on Christmas night, in a special car.

For five days, we were a part of that group, listening to talks, meeting in discussion groups, thinking through the problems of the world and their Christian solution. There were four main emphases in the convention, besides the strictly foreign missionary emphasis: International, Social, and Industrial Relationships, and the Youth Movement were the subjects for the first four addresses, which struck the keynote of the entire convention. Sherwood Eddy, International Y. M. C. A. worker, gave a speech on the Youth Movement, which fired the hearts of all the young folks there.

Probably the most worth while meetings of all were the discussion

groups, when the entire convention divided into groups of about one hundred and fifty and decided the things they wished to discuss. It was interesting to note that in almost all of them, the questions of race and war were the two most in demand. One can imagine what such discussions were with negroes and whites, Japanese and Chinese, sitting in the same group. But the Christ spirit surely moved through the meetings and some very real thinking was done, and it was done in a spirit of friendship and with an earnest desire to understand each other's viewpoint.

As a result of these discussion groups, one morning was given over to a presentation, by students, of the stand which the various groups took on both the question of race and of war, and the stand was one which showed that these students were eagerly searching for the Christ Way of Life. That meeting, to many of us, was the high water mark of the convention. No resolutions were passed, but we were given an opportunity to show how we stood on these questions which are vital to the life of the world today.

Indianapolis meant, to all of us, a deeper thinking, a wider vision and a greater consciousness of the power of Christ in the world today.

The Nativity Play

What are some of the things that you love to think about in connection with the time you spent at C. T. C.? Everyone who has seen "The Nativity Play" surely remembers that as one of the loveliest impressions in his college life.

Isn't it almost miraculous the way the old, small chapel can be transformed to the point that you are back with the Wisemen and Shepherds before the birthplace of our Savior? You feel awed in the presence of the baby Jesus. The lights were very well managed this year. There was a golden light, tho' somber, when the first Wiseman offered gold, for frankincense the light was a mystic purple, and for myrrh the stage was almost dark.

At the end of the presentation, the curtains were drawn. In the back, we first see children as angels, then on either side there are many girls in white robes singing Christmas carols. It means more to the students since some of the most beautiful parts are taken by faculty members.

Christmas cannot be as selfish as we sometimes make it after seeing the Nativity Play. We hear so much about "the spirit of Christmas," but one of the best ways to get the spirit of loving your neighbors as we love ourselves, is to see this play.

All the children, who are privileged to see it, are given such a fine knowledge of what Christmas should mean. Many people have written for copies that they may share this beautiful story with the children they are teaching. There are few better ways of doing for your pupils that which we all desire to do for them, than to show them the beauty, simplicity and happiness in life by showing the beautiful Nativity Play.

Letters to the Alumni Sisters

PI KAPPA SIGMA

Dear Alumnae of Pi Kappa Sigma:

Greetings from Mu is my message to you.

We would like so much to begin at the beginning and tell you everything that has happened this year, but our space is limited and to tell

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you everything would fill no small sized book. First of all our pledges. We have taken in eleven girls. They are as follows: Vivian Weiss, Mrs. Elizabeth Anderson and Alma Marsh of Greeley; Nellie Hilton and Margery White of Boulder; Maurine Dawson, Elizabeth Cowgill and Ruth Seeley of Denver; Mary Carter of Oklahoma City; Mary Kennedy of Longmont, and Frances Law of Fort Lupton.

We have been most fortunate lately in having with us Miss McDonnell, the traveling inspector. Miss McDonnell is a teacher in one of the high schools of Detroit, Michigan. She is a very charming young woman with a wonderful personality and her visit was most inspiring to all of the girls. She had just visited one of our new chapters in Huntington, West Virginia, and she told what an enthusiastic group of girls she found there.

At present we have nine active chapters, five inactive chapters and four alumni chapters.

A year ago this last summer we started our own scholarship fund. We earned our first money for the fund by selling ice-cream cones, etc., after the evening lectures during the summer quarter. Up to date we have somewhere around ninety dollars in our scholarship fund.

All of our social functions have been canceled for the winter quarter on account of the illness and death of Dr. Crabbe.

Many will be interested to know that the following engagements have been announced: Miss Eleanor Nims to Mr. Joe Tenney, Miss Bernice Hester and Mr. Stewart Boulter. Dan Cupid whispers that wedding bells will soon be ringing for Hester Monsch.

The late marriages are as follows: Miss Marie Wilson and Mr. Willard Tenney, Miss Iris Intermill and Mr. Paul Gale. Both couples are living in Haxtun, Colo. The wedding of Miss Evelyn Berger and John E. Rose was solemnized in Sheridan, Wyoming, on November 20th.

Margaret Lawlor has entered St. Joe's on the Ohio to train for the sisterhood.

Love and best wishes to every Pi Kappa Sigma girl.

MU CHAPTER.

DELTA SIGMA EPSILON

The Delta Sigma Epsilon sorority has fourteen active chapters and fourteen alumnae chapters. The Gamma chapter, at the Colorado State Teachers College, Greeley, has twenty-four active members and three pledges at this time.

We are striving to maintain the high scholastic standards and high ideals for which the Delta Sigs have always stood. We are represented in the Student Council, Booster's Club, Pi Kappa Delta, the National Debating Fraternity, Schumann Glee Club, Girl's Quartet, Dramatic Club, Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, and the Cache la Poudre staff.

We feel that this year our girls are showing a thoroughly democratic spirit by taking part in all school activities to the greatest extent. Our wide range of friendships outside the sorority is indicated by the fact that we stand first, at present, in the Cache la Poudre sale contest.

Our Bi-ennial Conclave is to be held in Detroit, Michigan, this summer. We hope that it will be a real family reunion and that we shall meet some of our alumnae members and form closer bonds of friendship.

We are happy to have as our patronesses women who are most prominent both in social and educational circles.

The Delta Sigs greatly appreciate the evident interest manifested by our many alumnae members both as individuals and as chapters, and we should so enjoy the opportunity of coming into closer contact with them. One and all, you will be most gladly received at our chapter house located at 1622 Eleventh Avenue. Those whom we do not have the privilege of greeting personally we should like to meet through correspondence.

The Gamma chapter of the Delta Sigma Epsilon thanks the Courier for this exceptional means of allowing us to come in touch with our Alumnae. We realize that only through the Courier are we able to reach each and every one of our alumnae members.

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA

We lota Sigmas have been attempting to carry the inspiration which we received at Estes Park last June thru all our campus and sorority activities and the present year. We have for our ideal Mabel Lee Walton as a personal friend, not the distant Grand L. S. of whom most of us were in awe.

This year in our school life our interests have been varied. We have not tried to take part in one phase of campus activity alone but have ability which takes itself to different fields.

Three of our girls are members of the Schumann Glee Club; we have one girl who is an active member of the Dramatic Club and another on the waiting list, as she is a freshman. The Society Editor of the "Mirror" is a Sigma, as is the Art Editor of the Cache la Poudre; two Sigmas are on the Y. W. C. A. Cabinet; one Sigma is president of the Junior class and also a new member of Kappa Delta Pi; we are represented in the Senior class officers by a Tri Sig vice-president; one girl is pianist for the Girls' Octette; and one of the six girls to go to Indianapolis during the Christmas holidays for the Student Volunteer Convention was a member of Sigma Sigma.

Miss Baker, our faculty adviser, is taking graduate work at Columbia University during her year's leave of absence. We are very fortunate to have Miss McCowen of the Training School faculty to act in her place during this year.

This year we have followed the policy of pledging new girls all thru the term. We feel that the new inspiration from frequent pledging is stimulating to the whole chapter. At the close of "Rush Week" we pledged nine girls, while three have been added to our roll since that time. Our chapter roll is now twenty-eight.

We have our sorority house at 1608 11th Avenue and Mrs. Ellis as house-mother. Eight of the girls room and board here while most of us drop in some time every day. This is probably one of our greatest assets for the present year.

We are hoping that this will be a "red letter" year in the history of Sigma Sigma Sigma.

ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA

To The Alumnae:

We of Beta Beta chapter appreciate the courtesy of the Alumni Courier in affording us this opportunity to come into closer touch with our alumnae. Realizing how much of interest the "Phoenix" offers to active members, we are glad we can share our experiences with you through this means.

Since so few Beta Beta alumnae have returned to the mother chapter recently, a review of the present situation may prove worth while.

The chapter house is now at 1618 11th Avenue. This year twenty-one old girls returned, and six have been pledged, making our total membership twenty-seven. There are eight girls living at the house and ten boarding there. The standing of Alpha Sigma Alpha may be recognized from the fact that the following positions are filled by active members: Editor-in-chief of the "Mirror"; associate editor of the Cache la Poudre; two places on the Debating team; and secretary of the Sophomore class. The secretary and the treasurer of the Y. W. C. A. are Alpha Sigs, and two actives are now holding Cabinet positions; four others have been on the Cabinet in previous years. Grace Forward, formerly a Cabinet member, was married on New Year's Day to Roy C. Briggs, a Lambda Gamma Kappa who is now practising law in Greeley.

Two of our girls were among the six sent from C. T. C. to the Student Volunteer Convention. While in Chicago they were pleased to meet Edna McCarty, a prominent alumnae of Beta Beta chapter.

Alpha Sigma Alpha stood at the head of the list when the Spring quarter scholarship announcement came from the office of the Dean.

We wish particularly to express our appreciation of the many courtesies extended to us by the local alumnae chapter. On many occasions they have given evidence of what a friendly bond exists between our two chapters.

Homecoming Day was inagurated at C. T. C. this year. Although comparatively few Alpha Sig alumnae were present, arrangements were begun to acquaint them with the active chapter and we hope to entertain a much larger number next year. In the meantime it is with great pleasure that we anticipate meeting our alumnae at the annual house party held at the close of the Spring quarter in Estes Park.

BETA BETA CHAPTER, ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA.

SIGMA UPSILON

Dear Sigma Upsilon Alumnae:

We have long been wishing for some direct way of getting in touch with you and we welcomed this opportunity. Always anxious to do everything possible in order that the bond between the alumnae and active chapter may be strengthened, we have planned to give you some information concerning our present activities.

When school opened in the fall, we had a strong membership of fourteen, backed by a splendidly organized Greeley alumnae chapter. Our membership since then has been considerably enlarged and strengthened by the addition of the following new members and pledges: Eleanor Stephens, Lucile Streck, Syble Chesnutt, and Uba Tisdel of Greeley; Dorothy McFarlane and Katherine Risley of Pueblo; Dorothy Foster of Denver; Maxine Dudley of Longmont, Marion Waring of Fort Lupton, Juanita Crockett of La Junta; and Grace Freeman and Catherine Crates who are honorary members.

Because of the critical illness of our beloved President Crabbe, no social activities were planned, but in scholarship and school co-operation we have striven to maintain the standard set by those who founded our chapter. The average for last Spring Quarter grades ranked us third among the sororities on the campus. In the Dramatic Club, Schumann Club, Y. W. C. A. Cabinet, Kappa Delta Pi, Philharmonic Orchestra, Student Council, and Boosters' Club we are well represented. Our aim is ever toward a higher standard of school co-operation, social development, democratic friendship, and true idealism.

We think of you often, dear Alumnae, and find it hard to express our appreciation for the help you are continually giving us in perpetuating the principles and strengthening the organization of the sorority which you founded and developed.

> With sisterly love, THE ACTIVE CHAPTER OF SIGMA UPSILON.

DELTA PHI CMEGA NEWS

C. T. C. Campus,

Dear Alumnae:

Since we seldom see many of you, we thought it not untimely to write to you and tell you something of what we have been doing this school year of 1923 and 1924. We have had a very successful and happy year. Our new members have entered into the spirit of the sorority with the best kind of enthusiasm. Perhaps you would be interested in knowing the chapter roll for this year:

Arline Challgren, President, Greeley; Mildred Neill, Vice-President, Greeley; Gretchen Haeseler, Secretary, Denver; Delphine Murphy, Treasurer, Greeley; Georgia Butler, Corresponding Secretary, Lamar; Peggy Peyton, Chaplain, Greeley; Ina MacKenzie, Montreal, Canada; Margaret Atkins, Denver; Gertrude Schuler, Glenwood Springs; Pauline Pogue, Greeley; Helen Robinson, Pueblo; Lois Wells, Denver; Elizabeth Nicholson, Fort Collins; Mamie Kidd Adams, Greeley; Oleva Hayes, Denver; Aileen Smith, Colorado Springs; Anne Bauserman, Manzanola; Louise Catrin, Fort Collins; Marjorie McAllister, Greeley.

This year has been a busy one. Here is a brief sketch of some of the things we have been doing:

To the Alumnae banquet in Denver we sent two representatives, Peggy Peyton and Arline Challgren. They also attended the Grand Chapter meeting which was held before the banquet. The girls were very enthusiastic and brought back a great deal of interesting news.

On Homecoming Day we gave a tea for our Alumnae, patronesses, and mothers. About a month later we held an open house for the Faculty, and members of all the sororities and fraternities on the campus.

Our pledges gave us a most delightful Christmas party.

As usual we are busy making money for the scholarship fund. To help meet the amount we gave a benefit picture show which proved fairly successful. We also gave a candy sale at school one morning for this cause. We are planning to give the annual waffle breakfast soon and are hoping that this will cover the amount we hope to give.

We are making plans for our formal dance and want as many of you as can possibly do so to attend. We cannot give you the exact date for this dance, but if there is any possible chance of your being able to come, will you please write to Georgia Butler at 1802 Eighth Avenue, Greeley.

We are always anxious to hear about you and what you are doing. Please write to us any time.

Yours in Delta Phi,

THE ACTIVE MEMBERS.

Fraternities

LAMBDA GAMMA KAPPA

To the Members and Friends of Lambda Gamma Kappa:

The year of 1923-24 has been one of progress and success. Starting the year by moving into our new home on the hill we have been going ahead, never forgetting the high standards and purpose of our fraternity.

Under the patronage of Dean Hadden and Mr. Carter and backed by twelve old members, much constructive work has been accomplished. The old members returned are Perry, Phelps, Sandstead, Curd, Wrinkle, Gammill, Long, Harmon, Jackson, Richards, Anderson, Kearns, and Garrison. These men pledged eleven fine men during "Rush Week," who having shown good "stuff" and passed the tests of classroom work, were put through the trials of mock initiation on January 24th and were formally initiated on January 25th. This makes us an active membership of twentythree of the finest and most active men of the school.

The usual functions were indulged in during the Fall quarter. It has been impossible to plan any for this quarter. We are, however, looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to our "Chicken Dinner," and what is now our annual mountain trip in the spring.

Whenever you visit the school or the city, don't fail to look up the large red brick house across from the Training School building on Eighth Avenue. The latch string is always out for you and we want you to share our comforts and our hearty hospitality. Let us show our cordiality to our Brothers and friends who are always welcome.

LLOYD A. GARRISON, President.

DELTA PSI

The Delta Psi fraternity wishes to extend sincere greetings to alumni members. The active members have the utmost interest in the alumni and are doing everything possible to keep them in touch with the activities of the college and fraternity.

The active members extend heartfelt thanks to the alumni, who made the alumni quarterly paper, "The Delta Psi News," a success by their replies of appreciation from various parts of the United States.

The active members are propagating the higher aims of social and pedagogical life as set by our alumni, and feel that our plans will be filled by none except the biggest and the best.

Correspondence

Mr. Albert F. Carter, Secretary Alumni Committee, Greeley, Colo.

401 Palm Drive, Glendale, California, January 22, 1924.

Dear Mr. Carter:

I want to thank you for sending the Alumni Courier to me. I am always so glad to get it and to read bits of news about my old friends. I was truly shocked and grieved to read of the Sibley tragedy. Mrs. Sibley was one of my training teachers and I shall always remember her as one of the sweetest, truest characters I have ever known and many of her helpful teachings have remained with me all these years.

I am very much in love with southern California and we expect to locate here permanently. But I shall always have a tender spot in my heart for Colorado and especially for my Alma Mater. I am always hoping that I will find some C. S. T. C. graduates down in this part of the world and if any should read this letter, I would be very glad to have them look me up.

Yours most sincerely,

JUNE CALLAWAY KERSHAW (1908),

(Mrs. J. H. Kershaw).

21, rue de Tournon, Paris VI, October 30, 1923.

My dear Mr. Carter:

Shortly before leaving Berlin the early part of this month, we received the summer issue of the Alumni Courier and were interested in all the news it brought us. Now that we are located here for the school year, I want to send you our address so that we may continue to receive the various issues of the Courier.

Our year in Germany passed very quickly and before we knew it, it was time to leave. With conditions as they were, there were certain inconveniences that we had to put up with, but as there were many advantages, we overlooked them. The work at the University of Berlin was especially profitable to Mr. Alles in his philosophical studies and I enjoyed a fine course in German literature and also some work in Spanish. Due to the constant depreciation of the mark (from one thousand for the dollar in September, 1922, to over six billions on October 11, in Cologne on our last day in Germany, and since then it has dropped to almost one hundred billions. Terrible, isn't it?) the cost of living was very low for us, while attending the best of grand operas cost less than a movie at home. We heard all the Wagner operas, most of the leading Italian ones, and many others, and saw many plays. Shakespeare is played a great deal and we saw more of him than of Goethe or Schiller altho we saw their main dramas too. Besides the opera and theater we enjoyed many fine concerts. It was for these things that we should have liked to stay a little longer in Berlin, but as we wanted to spend some time here, and as conditions in Germany were all pointing to serious trouble and a great deal of suffering this winter due to lack of coal, food, and increasing unemployment, we thought it best to leave. During the spring and summer we had some delightful trips to various parts of Germany and got to see the greater part of the country. In the main cities we always visited the art galleries and old cathedrals and found them an education themselves. At present we are using these nice fall days to become acquainted with the city. Our first few days here were spent in finding suitable living accommodations in the Quartier Latin.

Although the work at the university does not begin until November eighth, we matriculated last week. My A.B. from C. T. C. was accepted without any question; while Mr. Alles' M.A. from Yale was more than sufficient. I expect to take a course in French literature and some critical work in Spanish at the Sorbonne and some courses at the Alliance Francaise which offers special courses in composition, phonetics, etc., for foreign students.

Next summer we expect to return to the United States, but before doing so we want to spend a little time in England.

With best wishes to the Alumni Courier and C. T. C. from Mr. Alles and myself, I am

Sincerely yours,

CHARLOTTE HANNO ALLES, A.B. 1917, ADAM ALLES, A.B. 1918.

Editor, Alumni Courier, State Teachers College, Greeley, Colo. Pomona, California, November 7, 1923.

Dear Editor:

Like many others of our Alumni, I am grateful for the Courier, and always read it with great interest. It is the only means of keeping in touch with our classmates of school days. For several years I had lost the address of Mrs. J. E. Marshall, a friend of college days, until in the summer number of the Courier, she "accounted" for herself in an interesting letter from Nebraska.

I am sure that all of us should have enough pride in our Alma Mater to write occasionally, and tell of our work, so when Miss Elizabeth Kendel, my true and tried friend, asked for a letter to the Courier, I readily complied.

Having lived in Greeley before the college was established, and through all the succeeding years up to 1922, during which time its wonderful growth was noted, I am now far removed from its immediate activities, but there in spirit as much as ever.

After leaving college I was a member of the Denver teaching corps until 1919 in the fall. Illness in my home at Greeley called me for a time, during which interval I taught nearer home. Now, for nearly a year, I am classed with the nearly five hundred alumni who are at work in the "Golden State."

I am teaching in the city of Los Angeles, which will soon have a population of a million. Just to give you a little glimpse of its rapid growth and to show you how hard it is to keep pace with its educational needs: In my district we have nearly fourteen hundred pupils with a teaching force of forty-five. We have now two large brick buildings, several frame ones; and will move into another large brick soon. There are twenty-six half-day sessions, and after our new unit of nine rooms is occupied we shall then need another unit of twelve rooms at once.

Truly, the Public School is a mighty force in our country, and exerts a powerful influence, especially needed in our great cities where the many foreigners must be amalgamated and wisely trained in American ideals.

Our coast city here, where one can find representatives from every country in the world, is at the fore in Americanization work.

I hope this will not reach the scrap basket.

As my address is incorrect in the Alumni Register, I hasten to correct it.

With pleasant memories of the great school, on the campus, and with best wishes for all connected with it in the present activities.

Yours sincerely,

ROSE E. SWAN (1899), E. San Bernardino Ave., R. F. D. No. 1, Pomona, California.

> 829 Main St., West Lafayette, Indiana, December 7, 1923.

Dear Mr. Carter:

I wish to express my deep appreciation of the Memorial Number of the Alumni Courier that came yesterday. Will you please express my thanks to those who are responsible for it. If there are any extra copies available I should like to have three or four. I am glad to get the Courier for now it is practically my only means of keeping in touch with the school with which I have been so pleasantly and intimately connected for years.

Very sincerely,

WINIFRED SIBLEY GRAVES (1906), (Mrs. J. H. Graves). Mr. A. F. Carter.

Secretary Alumni Committee. Colorado State Teachers College,

Greeley, Colo.

Dear Mr. Carter:

I have just received the fall number of the Courier and wish to express my grateful appreciation for the magazine. I always read every number from cover to cover, not only once but many times for fear there is some news that I have missed.

When I read of the progress and the big things the college is doing, I am more proud than ever that I can claim C. T. C. as my Alma Mater.

Will you please announce the birth of our son, Karl Warren, on October 2, 1923.

Sincerely yours,

HELEN DYER BROME (1919). (Mrs. Chas. L. Brome).

Jolon, California, December 10, 1923.

Mr. Albert F. Carter,

Secretary Alumni Committee, C. T. C., Greeley, Colo.

Dear Mr. Carter:

I am still wondering about the magic way in which the Courier has followed me to these wild woods, direct to the P. O. without missing a number and without a line from me; as yet I have not been able to discover who is the kind person who gave you my address.

I have not taught in a city school so far, but seem to be destined to do pioneering in the backwoods, as I have taught a term in three different states since leaving Colorado.

No school building could be more crude and open to the weather than ours, but if I could take my pick of six children from the best city schools I could not get together a better group to work with.

We are in the mountains of Monterey County, within easy walking distance of the beach, so the children have all the advantages that nature can afford.

With best wishes for a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year for C. T. C., and hoping to continue receiving the Courier, I am

Yours sincerely,

HELEN IRENE ELDER (1916). (Mrs. Helen Elder Reese).

> 6334 So. Laflin St., Chicago, Illinois, November 1, 1923.

Mr. Albert F. Carter,

Secretary of Alumni Committee. Colorado Teachers College.

Dear Sir:

The last Alumni Courier reached me here in Chicago at the above address and was literally devoured from cover to cover as is every number. I must first thank you for the numbers of the Alumni Courier which have been indeed like the visit of a friend. I always look for letters from the class of 1920 and enjoy hearing from friends that have been at C. T. C.

Basin, Wyoming. December 10, 1923. It is very gratifying to me to find the high esteem in which my Alma Mater is held by educators in every section of the country.

During the past year I have been attending the Art Institute of Chicago where I am specializing in interior decoration and sculpture.

I am always so glad to get the Courier and hear from my old friends. It is with pride that I note the growth and progress of C. T. C.

With best wishes for my Alma Mater, I am

Sincerely yours,

LOUISE B. WALEK (1920).

925 E. 18th Avenue, Monmouth, Illinois, November 14, 1923.

Mr. Albert F. Carter, Greeley, Colo.

My dear Mr. Carter:

I understand I am "lost" as far as the Alumni Committee is concerned so I shall give you briefly the information you ask.

I graduated as you know in 1908. For the next two years I taught in the elementary schools at Fort Morgan, Colorado. From 1910 to 1912 I attended the University of Nebraska, receiving my A.B. in June, 1912. I taught the next three years in the high school at Fort Morgan. I spent the year 1915-16 at Columbia University, receiving my Master's degree in June. I taught three more years in Fort Morgan high school and at that period came to Monmouth College, Monmouth, Ill., as Dean of Women. After serving in that capacity three years, I resigned and accepted the position as instructor in Latin in Monmouth College, which position I am now holding.

I hope this will complete the records as far as I am concerned. Sincerely yours,

F. EMMA GIBSON (1908).

231 Calle Sta. Monica, Manila, P. I. September 30, 1923.

Mr. Albert F. Carter, State Teachers College.

My dear Mr. Carter:

I am writing you in regard to the Alumni Register. If you sent me a copy it was in a fire on board the President Grant en route, and alas, it must have perished. A friend of mine who is a "Greeley graduate" received hers in that same mail and it was badly scorched, so I think mine must have been on the boat also. Will you please mail me another, as I am very anxious to see it?

I enjoy the Courier so much; it is so nice to see the names of my old friends. But I will say it makes me feel like an old timer. I am very proud to be an alumnus of an institution that has grown and flourished as the State Teachers College has.

We hope to go back to the good old U. S. A. some time before long. The great disaster in Japan almost decided us to go back right away to a place where the earth's crust is good and thick like it is in Colorado.

With best wishes to the college and my old friends there.

Sincerely,

BEATRICE MARTIN GROVE, (Mrs. Winfield Scott Grove, 1903).

Montrose, Colorado, Box 53, January 9, 1924.

Alumni Committee, Greeley, Colo.

Dear Sirs:

I am inclosing the card sent me by Miss McCray concerning the Alumni Record. I am sorry I have not kept in closer touch with you.

I graduated with an A.B. degree from the University of California at Berkeley during the summer of 1922. The past two years I have been teaching in the primary department here. I like my work very much.

Very truly yours,

FERN WHITE (1919).

Mr. Albert F. Carter, Greeley, Colo. Mayfield, Kentucky, January 3, 1924.

My dear Mr. Carter:

Since the good old days at C. T. C. I've had some jolly times—made my "license to teach for life" in states three, and lived in various climes; but I want you to know that deep down in my heart is a spot just as warm as can be for the State Teachers College, which will not depart, for the school and for those who taught me.

You know, when the "Courier" comes to me now and your name on the inside I see, at once to my mind comes the picture of how from the Library you made me flee—the day I talked louder than you would allow, and laughed with most infinite glee. Along with that mem'ry come others so fast that I read the whole "Courier" from first page to last.

I am "moving" again, and I Do want you, PLEASE, to send me the "Courier." Can you, with ease?

Most truly yours, (Miss) BESSIE PATRICK DUBBER (1910), Warsaw, Indiana.

Personals

Elizabeth Mullen Johnston (1910) writes an interesting letter giving us the addresses of a number of our alumni. We wish to thank her for the addresses and for her words of appreciation for the Courier. She writes from Leadville, Colorado.

Mrs. Earl Dolton (1916), *nee* Letha McCune of East Lake, Colorado, is admiring a new daughter, born November 19, 1923.

Mrs. Marie Schneider Werth (1918) writes, "The Homecoming Day program promises to be extremely interesting but it does not begin to be as interesting as my new daughter, Carolyn Marie, who was born November 6th. Will you please change my address to 3363 W. Clyde Place, Denver, Colorado?"

Mrs. Saidie E. Smith Bright (1916) now has her residence at Morrill, Nebraska. We were glad to hear from her. Helen Hopkins (1912) and Landis Arnold of Colorado Springs were married in San Diego, California, on December 27th. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Lawrence A. Wilson, formerly pastor of the Park Congregational Church of Greeley. Mr. Arnold is an alumnus of the University of California. The couple are at home in Heber, Arizona.

Frank H. Shepherd (1910). In October last Mr. Shepherd, formerly State Director of Vocational Education for Oregon became Director of Vocational Guidance and Employment for the Chicago League for the Hard of Hearing. Mr. Shepherd has had several years of experience in the organization, training and placing of handicapped men and women. He has made and published a number of studies on vocational and industrial topics. He is a practical man and a trained educator.

Edith Sterne Blasini (1909). Mr. and Mrs. Blasini announce the birth of Jorge, Jr., on November 11, 1923, at Yanco, Porto Rico.

Mrs. Jessie Lee Griffin, *nee* McMurphy, (1904) writes from her new address at Ducor, California. She states she has "again taken up teaching" and is "at present in a little mountain school in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains."

Laura Hurford Ress (1920) gives her new name and address. She states she is "no longer in the teaching profession," but does not want to miss the Courier.

Mrs. Viola Collins Hogarty (1902). The following clipping we take from a California paper. "Norris, California, Oct. 11.—In the remarkably beautiful collection of 'blue-printed' leaves and flowers that is being prepared for exhibit at the Teachers' Institute in November by the primary grades, the Norris school has something distinctly 'different' in its industrial art work this year.

"The work was introduced by Mrs. Hogarty, primary teacher, who used it in her teaching work in Denver. Mrs. Lennice Eyeand, the art supervisor, was greatly pleased with the work when she visited the school recently.

"The children do the work themselves, preparing their own specimens, making their own experiments and mistakes, trying over and over again until the final results are exceptionally good. The youngsters devote part of the noon hour to collecting leaves and flowers and doing the printing so that no time is taken from their regular school work."

Evelyn M. Berger (1922) of Greeley, and John E. Rose of Arvada, Wyoming, were married in Sheridan, Wyoming, on January 20th. The bride was a major in the department of music when in C. T. C. and a member of the Pi Kappa Sigma sorority. She has been teaching for the past two years at Arvada, Wyoming, in which place the couple will make their home.

Nathaniel Lloyd (1914) has returned to the United States after a four years sojourn in South America. Since 1917 Mr. Lloyd has been around the world and resided outside the United States, the last four years being in Chile, S. A., where he was a contractor for large building operations and bridge construction. He is now in Denver.

John I. Zilar (Pd.M. 1916) died at Cleveland, Ohio, Friday, November 23. Mr. Zilar graduated from Greeley High School and from Colorado Teachers College. He also received the degree LL.D. from Western Reserve University at Cleveland. While attending college in Greeley he was manager of the 1913 college annual and was a member of the Lambda Gamma Kappa fraternity.

Briefs

Among the instructors who are this year enjoying a leave of absence is Irving Miller, instructor in the music department. He is studying music in Italy and recently took part in a concert given on board the Comte Rosso, the ship on which he was traveling.

Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Frasier of Colorado Teachers College were the honored guests at a breakfast given by the Colorado Teachers College Club of Texas, in Fort Worth, Friday morning, November 30th.

This function was held in connection with the Texas State Teachers Association, at which Dr. Frasier was one of the principal speakers.

The C. T. C. Club is constituted of men and women who are accustomed to attend the summer session in Greeley, and who desire to keep up their relations with each other and the college.

Miss Frances Tobey, who will spend a year's leave of absence studying at Oxford, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cross in New York. On Christmas day the Crosses held open house for all Greeley people. Among those present were Miss Grace Baker of the art department, Helen Connor, Lela Kyler, Marion Thompson, Florence Hawley Wright and Esther Rosenberg Ravitt.

Sixty-four Colorado delegates to the Student Volunteer Convention in Indianapolis from six schools, Colorado College, Colorado University, Colorado Agricultural College, Denver University, Woman's College and Colorado Teachers College, held a Colorado breakfast at Solomon's restaurant on Monday, December 30th, at 7:45. Charles Schwiese, University of Colorado, acted as chairman. Clara Miller, the only speaker of the morning, explained how Teachers College raised \$1,000 for Student Friendship. The rest of the colleges in Colorado are planning on putting on a campaign some time in the next quarter. The meeting was then opened to talks from the floor on "Reactions to the Convention."

College Placement Bureau

During the past, too little emphasis has been placed upon the work of placing teachers in right positions, and following up the work by keeping in touch with all desiring positions, especially the most successful ones.

From now on, Robert H. Morrison will have charge of this work and all placements will be made free of all charge to the teacher. A regular teacher's placement bureau will be conducted by Mr. Morrison, so that all members of the Alumni who desire to make any change, or would make a change with special inducements, should keep in touch with the bureau. It is the wish of the bureau to not only find teachers the best positions, but also to have a selection of good material for school boards and superintendents. To connect up the teacher and the position in the best way for all concerned.

Mr. Morrison will also keep in touch with, and assist in the extension work of the college. More than 2,500 students are now enrolled in extension and correspondence work.

Mr. Morrison comes from the North Denver High School. Before coming to Colorado he held a teaching position in Flint, Michigan.

The Poet Laureate of Idaho

"The women of Idaho have been signally honored by Governor C. C. Moore who has chosen one of their number as the first poet laureate of the Gem state. Mrs. Irene Welch Grissom (1894) of Idaho Falls, is recognized for her very much meritorious poems of Idaho and the west and is designated as 'Idaho's Poet Laureate.'

"Governor Moore, in choosing Mrs. Grissom for this high place in the literary life of the state, recognizes no political party, no creed or sect, but only the rare ability of a woman who has given much from her soul that the pioneer of Idaho may not pass to his grave unhonored or unsung. He also rejoices to do honor to that supreme group in the state—the mothers, the sisters and the daughters who have contributed so liberally toward the morality, the education, the spirit of chivalry and the high standard of life in the state.

"Idaho women have for several years recognized the gifts which nature bestowed upon Mrs. Grissom and have united throughout the state in indorsing her and asking Governor Moore to establish the office of poet laureate and to honor Idaho's womanhood with the first name on the roll of honor.

"Mrs. Grissom is a western woman by birth. Her parents were pioneers in the Union Colony, that settled the famous Greeley district in Colorado. She has traveled the west from the line of old Mexico to Canada, and through several of the Canadian provinces. She has intimate knowledge of the country of which she writes."