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BETA THETA PI

WOOGLIN ON CHAUTAUQUA

This Booklet derives its name from the lodge, Wooglin-On-Chautauqua on Lake Chautauqua in New York, which was for many years the official site of the national Beta conventions. This Lodge was a Beta alumni clubhouse and summer resort. Wooglin is representative of the great spirit of Beta Theta Pi and we feel that in a very real sense he is present in the "Beta Barn" at 800 Chautauqua, Norman, Oklahoma.

This magazine is published to show at a glance the fraternity life in the Beta House here at the University of Oklahoma. Over a thousand copies are to be sent to rushees, alumni, and friends of Gamma Phi Chapter. We are very proud of our accomplishments this year and want you to know that Beta completed its forty-seventh year here still on the very top.

And we want you to know that whether you be a rushee, alumnus, or one of our many, many friends you are always welcome at the House. When you come to Oklahoma you will find that the Beta grip is not only a strong handshake but a friendly one. . . .

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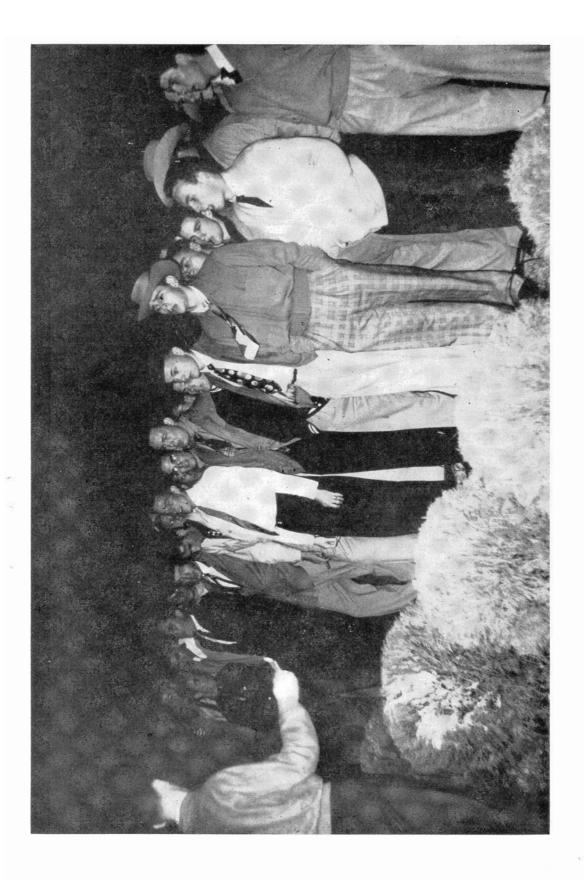
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UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA





RAY LAM
President '54-'55

OUR FRATERNITY

GAMMA PHI CHAPTER

Established 1907



The Three Stars of Beta Shine Bright-Beta Theta Pi continues as a leader of fraternities and an inspiration to her men with another year of great achievement.

John Reilly Knox first organized our fraternity one hundred and fifteen years ago, and our chapter is starting into its forty-eighth year of Beta progress. At the University of Oklahoma, as everywhere, Betas are showing themselves to be leaders in all phases of college life—in scholarship, athletics, actities, and in general leadership of the fraternity colony. This success is the fruit of individual effort coupled with encouragement, assistance, and friendly criticism from our brothers. The men of Gamma Phi have achieved a strong unity while maintaining their individuality.

As fraternity men we enjoy to a greater extent the traditions of college, the athletic and social events, and the very atmosphere of campus life which combine to make our college days among the most enojyable and memorable of our lifetime. We have enjoyed the warmth and brotherhood of Gamma Phi and we shall continue to appreciate our position as Betas as we follow the ideals of Beta

Theta Pi in later life. No greater proof of this can be offered than the friendship and assistance our alumni have given us.

Gamma Phi is proud of the fraternity's record and proud of her own achievements. Each member of our chapter has visions of a future for Beta Theta Pi both as progressive and successful as the past.



FRED WEWERKA

President '53-'54

Opposite: It's a Serenade and Everyone Joins In

MEN OF GAMMA PHI

On the opposite page are pictured the men of Beta at the University of Oklahoma. In the final analysis, these one hundred and ten men plus the spirit of Wooglin are Beta Theta Pi at O.U. Gamma Phi realizes that it can maintain its position of pre-eminence only by pledging the top boys coming through rush each year and to that end every man in the chapter is dedicated. During rush a pledge class is assembled by the chapter, using past achievements and future potentialities as the bases of selection.

Once rush is over the chapter begins its pledge training program of which all Betas are justly proud. This program is headed by the pledge trainer and the scholarship chairman. The pledge program includes supervised study halls, constructive and character building pledge courts, work sessions, an effective "big brother" system, and frequent checks with professors and dorm counselors to coordinate the whole. The program has as its aims the making of good Betas, the fullest development of a man's potentialities and capabilities, and the fitting of a man to accept responsibility cheerfully now and later in life. Through it all friendships of lasting worth are formed which weld the whole fraternity together. As Beta nationally and Gamma Phi Chapter in particular have in the past and present produced men of outstanding character and ability, so the promise for the future is bright.

THE OFFICERS... president, Ray Lam; vice president, John Van Buskirk; treasurer, Mark McKinsey; recording secretary, John Dykes; corresponding secretary, Phil Kendall; alumni secretary, Dan Blankenship; rush chairman, Tom McCasland; scholarship chairman, Walter Crow; athletic chairman, John Prince; interfraternity council representative, Ralph Thompson; pledge trainer, Dick Day; social chairman, Bob Champion; house manager, John Dykes; head waiter, Jay Swanson; song leader, Jack Greer.

FIRST ROW . . . Mrs. W. P. Vick, Housemother, Richard Anderson, George Armor, John Arnold, Charles Athey, John Badger, Bob Bartheld, Fallis Beall, Rodger Billingsley.

SECOND ROW ... Clarke Bird, Dan Blankenship, Bill Boies, Rush Brader, Jack Brown, Bob Caron, Bob Cathey, Bob Champion, Lonnie Chesnutt.

THIRD ROW . . . Dan Clark, Roger Clark, Erwin Cook, Walter Crow, John Culbertson, Jim Currin, Dick Darnold, Bob Dooley, Jim Drake.

FOURTH ROW . . . John Dykes, John Eubanks, Pat Fant, Charles Ferree, John Fields, Jim Finney, Tom Fraley, Charles Green, Jack Greer.

FIFTH ROW . . . Pat Hallren, Jim Harlow, Dick Haynes, John Haynes, Carl Holly, Paul Houk, Ben Huey, Millard Ingram, Kon Keesee.

SIXTH ROW . . . Nolan Kelly, Phil Kendall, Bob Lam, George Lampton, Charles Lehwald, Jim Lindsey, Bob Lomax, Bill McAlpine, Tom McCasland.

SEVENTH ROW ... Mark McKinsey, Paul Marsh, George Mason, Bradley Million, Frank Mitchell, Tom Nance, Richard Neal, Tom Norris, John Pettit, Don Pitts.

EIGHTH ROW . . . Gordon Prather, Charles Priddy, John Prince, Al Pugh, Billy Reed, Bob Reid, Max Richards, Jim Robinson, Hugh Roff, John Rogers.

NINTH ROW . . . Jay Swanson, Ralph Thompson, Wayman Thompson, Fred Turner, John Van Buskirk, Jim Weed, Fred Wewerka, Judge Williams, Roy Williamson, Joe Wolfenberger.



THOSE NOT PICTURED . . . Tommy Beck, Bob Brown, L. J. Burkett, Jim Callan, Dick Day, Pat Durkee, Larry Eakin, Charles Finklea, David Guild, Bob Hall, David McKay, Dewey Mathews, Bill McKinney, Bill McMurry, Larry

Millikan, Digger Morgan, John De Mosier, Strauder Nelson, Will Obering, Dick Peebles, Mac Sanders, Larry Stone, Dale Tate, Royce Taylor, Cyril Wagner, Bob Young.

BETA SCHOLARSHIP



Study Hall Forms Many Good Study Habits

Scholarship has long been one of the foremost aims of Gamma Phi chapter and Beta in general, not only because of its value in preparing a man for his field of work but also because it develops that sense of responsibility and maturity so important to the individual and the community.

Beta has long been the recognized leader in scholarship among national college fraternities, holding for many years the distinction of being the only one not to fall below the all men's average compiled from all campuses.

By an extensive study hall program for freshmen and tutoring by upperclassmen, Gamma Phi chapter has won the fraternity scholarship cup four of the last eight semesters, was second

for three semesters, and fourth once. Beta has maintained the top position among campus fraternities since the middle 1930's according to University records.

Four Betas were elected to Phi Beta Kappa, highest Arts and Science scholastic fraternity, at O.U. this spring. They were Dick Haynes, Bob Lomax, and two repeating from last year, Hugh Roff, and Lee Riley. In addition, Gamma Phi has five other Phi Beta Kappas in the O.U. Medical School: Bill Blanchard, Otis Burris, Alan Calkin, Bob Kramer, and Jim Snider.

Beta is also well represented in Tau Beta Pi, "the Phi Beta Kappa of the engine school." New members are John Arnold, Walter Crow, John Culbertson, and Roy Williamson. Betas Jim Currin, John Rogers, and Dwayne Godsey are graduating members of Tau Beta Pi. Our twenty engineering students in the house had a first semester grade average of 3.3, well over a B average.



Fallis Beall Shows Bill McAlpine and Royce Taylor the "How of Math"

PHI BETA KAPPA



Lee Riley



Hugh Roff



Dick Haynes



Bob Lomax









TAU BETA PI

John Arnold Walter Crow

John Culbertson

Roy Williamson

Bob Cathey won honors in the business school by his election to Beta Gamma Sigma, honorary business fraternity.

The success of our scholarship program in Gamma Phi can only be attributed to an appreciation of the necessity of a serious attitude toward studies. It is our sincere hope that those who follow us will uphold this worthy tradition.

BETA ATHLETICS

College athletics, both varsity and intramural, are an important part of the Gamma Phi year. Sports offer an excellent training in leadership and team spirit which are of great value in community life. The University's broad intramural program also offers an opportunity to let off steam, keep in shape, and just have fun.

Again, as in years past, Beta Theta Pi is well represented in varsity athletics. Those participating are Merrill Green, Larry Hamilton, Mac Sanders, Erwin Cook, Tom Beck, and Phil Kendall. Jim Davis, an "All Big Seven" tackle, completed his eligibility last year and is an assistant line coach and counselor at Jefferson



Jim Robinson Gives a Chalk Talk Before the A Team Basketballers Go into Action



Merrill Green Spins Off Another Long Run

House. Jim will begin his coaching career at Lawton next year.

Merrill Green, lettering three years, was the clutch player for the football team this year. He scored on a sixty yard punt return against Notre Dame to cut their lead to one touchdown. Against Colorado, Merrill scored on a fifty yard run with fourteen seconds remaining in the game to give O.U. a victory. For the past year Merrill has been the "O" (letterman) Club president and will be replaced by Larry Hamilton. Larry was an outstanding playmaker for the basketballers while earning his second letter and is expected to be a great asset next year. He is also a letterman in baseball.

Leading the pitching staff for O.U. this season, as he did last year, is southpaw Mas Sanders. Mac's popularity with the varsity athletes is easily soon by their electing him treasurer of the "O" Club. Phil Kendall, a sophomore, is also on the pitching staff and is improving steadily.

Erwin Cook has been one of the track team's top scorers in his two specialties, the broad jump and high jump. Tom Beck was O.U.'s number one golfer despite the fact he is only a sophomore.

The intramural events began this year with touch football. The "B" team lost a heartbreaker on the last

play of the semi-finals game to the team who went on to the championship. Beta was tops on the golf links-this past year with John Pettit winning singles in the championship flight, and later teaming with Digger Morgan to win doubles in that class.



Erwin Cook



Larry Hamilton



Mac Sanders





The Day Is Not Complete Without a Quick Game Our Intramural B Team Basketball Champs Spruce of Basketball on the Side Court

Up for the Yearbook Photographer

The basketball "B" team came through in fine shape by winning the fraternity championship and going on to win the school championship. Von Worten won the heavyweight class in wrestling while Al Pugh won the 135 pound class in boxing. The "A" Softball team lost out in the semi-finals in a close game. Frank Mitchell and Max Richards teamed up to win the Tennis doubles.

In track the Betas' 440 yard relay team finished second behind Jefferson House while Tom McCasland took second in the low hurdles and George Lampton placed third in the 100-yard dash. In the sextathlon, Jim Lindsey, finished second with Von Worten taking a close third. The sextathlon consists of the 100 yard dash, high jump, swimming, basketball, free throws, baseball throw, and driving golf balls.

The 44-year-old Beer Bowl Classic, which is second only to the Rose Bowl in age, was again played in Owen Stadium and ended in a 6-6 tie. The game is between the Betas and Kappa Alphas and is a high point in the fraternity's yearly events. The game is mainly a pledge project since eligibility is limited to one year. This year the Betas were coached by Eddie Crowder and he did a terrific job. The Betas, who were smaller but not lacking in spirit, played with great determination and can be justly proud of the outcome. Dan Clark made the longest run of the day on a 75yard pass interception. This was the final play of the first half and he was caught on the KA 5 yard line. Pat Hallren, quarterback and co-captain scored our touchdown.



Digger Morgan and John Pettit Take Top Intramural Golf Honors

BETA ON THE CAMPUS



Engineers Tom McCasland, Fallis Beall, and Dan Blankenship Take Time Out From Activities to Study

The men of Beta Theta Pi have again exemplified the true spirit of the "three stars" this year, by being very active in every major activity and office on the campus.

RICHARD ANDERSON, Duncan, this year was elected one of the Outstanding Seniors on the campus, as well as BMOC, and was one the Letzeiser Award List. Dick is in the Music School, and had one of the leads in the Fine Arts production of the opera "Der Freischutz." JOHN ARNOLD, Nowata, and LONNIE CHESNUTT, Holdenville, were two of the lucky men who went to New York City to appear on Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town" television show with the O.U. Men's Glee Club. John is a senior in the Engine School; was a BMOC, last year's Intramural Chairman, and a

regular Navy ROTC student. Lonnie is following his older brother's footsteps (CLYDE CHESNUTT) and is a preministerial student. Clyde, a BMOC, has been minister of the Goodrich Memorial Methodist Church in Norman for the last two years. FALLIS BEALL, Tulsa, was awarded the Socony Vacuum Scholarship; as well as being active in the Student Senate, Fallis was chosen one of the six Outstanding Junior Engineering Students. DAN BLANKENSHIP, Tulsa, also was chosen one of these six; and the campus found Dan extremely active in all branches of student activities. He was a BMOC, in the Student Senate, and was president of Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity.

BOB CARON, Dallas, will wear a Beta ring as the winner of the Ralph Gordon Thompson Outstanding Pledge Award this year. ERWIN COOK, Guthrie, who is from a family with six Betas, was a sophomore letterman on O.U.'s track team, and sang second tenor in the Beta quartet. JACK GREER, Davis, BOB DOOLEY, Duncan, and DICK ANDERSON, Duncan, composed the rest of the Quartet which became known all over the campus for their humorous Barber Shop Melodies. MERRILL GREEN, Chickasha, in addition to his campus honors as BMOC and his year's presidency of the "O" Club, became known this year as the All American Substitute because of his stellar performances on the gridiron as a clutch player. LARRY HAMILTON, Wichita, was elected president of the "O"

Club succeeding Merrill Green for next year. Larry is a varsity basketball and baseball player.

MAC SANDERS, Wichita, a varsity baseball first string pitcher, was elected to serve as secretary of the "O" Club. DICK HAYNES, Ada, won a coveted Phi Beta Kappa key this year. He was co-chairman of Career Conference, vice president of Pe-et, BMOC, Who's Who in American Colleges, and on the Letzeiser Award list. JOHN HAYNES, Ada, is readily following his brother's example, for John is quite active in Sigma Tau, SIME, and the Trident Club.

BEN HUEY, Norman, was committee chairman for Religious Week, chairman of the faculty committee in the '54 Career Conference. Ben was one of the Outstanding Freshmen last year; and he also won the 135 lb. class in Intramural



Paul Marsh, Co-Chairman of Career Conference

Boxing. RAY LAM, Pauls Valley, will serve as the president of Beta Theta Pi this coming year. CHARLES LEH-WALD, Chicago, a frosh basketball player, was Junior IFC member, editor of Sooner Scroll, and a member of the Sooner yearbook staff. BRADLEY MILLION, McAlester, this year's vice president, was chosen alternate delegate to the Beta Convention. The delegate is PAUL MARSH, Muskogee, who also has been chosen as the co-chairman of Career Conference this next year. He was co-chairman of the Hospitality Committee of the Career Conference this year. At the house, Paul was House Manager, and Beta District Day Representative. BILL McALPINE, Odessa, was chosen commander of the Air Force ROTC Exhibition Drill Team for next year. He was also vice president of the pledge class this year. TOM McCASLAND, Duncan, a BMOC, was elected Beta Rush



Roy Williamson, Leader of the AFROTC Rifle Team

Chairman following Dick Anderson this year. Tom is highly active in the Student Senate, PE Club, Sigma Tau, and was one of the six Outstanding Junior Engineering Students. FRANK MITCHELL, Seminole, won the John Rushing Extem Memorial Contest. He is a member of the O.U. Debate Team, a non-senate member of the Student Senate, and was Intramural Tennis Doubles Champs with MAX RICHARDS, Ada. BILLY KIRK REED, Altus, was awarded the honor of being the Outstanding Senior in the School of Geology. He also has received the Socony Vacuum Scholarship, and was chosen the outstanding Beta member in '54. RALPH THOMPSON, Oklahoma City, was elected IFC Representative from the Beta House. In the IFC, he has been chosen social chairman. JOHN VAN BUSKIRK, Midland, the receiver of last year's pledge award, was elected to serve as the Beta vice president for the coming year. He also was the corresponding secretary for the chapter. HUGH ROFF, Wewoka, who is in the Law School, was elected to Phi Beta Kappa for the third straight year. This has established a record on the campus. Hugh was the Outstanding Freshman in 1950, second in the Senior Class last year, BMOC, and a member of Pe-et. ROY WILLIAMSON, Ft. Worth, was president of the pledge class; will be in charge of the Air Force Rifle Team; and was a member of Tau Beta Pi, Arnold Air Society, and the PE Club.

This of course is only a partial list of individual activities, but it serves to record the fine showing of "Beta on the campus."



Billy Kirk Reed, Outstanding Senior Geologist, Checks Over Some Rock Samples

BETA SOCIAL LIFE



The Bunny Hop at the Fall House Party

We of Gamma Phi beliève that the best way to obtain a sense of social responsibility is to participate in a wide variety of social experiences. Dinners, dances, and other activities also help make the school year a very enjoyable one.

Social life at the Beta House begins with a dance honoring the new Beta pledges the night of bid house. This year the dance was held on our outdoor court to the music of Floyd Rice and his orchestra.

Next on the calendar were pledge blind dates with each of the sorority pledge classes. These dates offer an excellent opportunity to fill up your little black book. Our game room is a very popular place during these dates with the juke box playing continually.

Party

The home football games find the Beta doors wide open for alumni, parents, friends, and everyone else, serving a buffet lunch before the game and a snack afterwards.

Eerie music greeted the brothers and their dates as they walked into the fall house party on Hallow-'een night. Everything was decorated in the manner of the famous Charles Adams "spook" cartoons of *New Yorker* fame. Everyone appeared in costumes varying from chinese dress to a pair of dice. The evening started with an Alfred Hitchcock thriller movie and closed with dancing to the music of "The Ramblers."

After the Dallas football game, everyone at the Beta House starts planning for the annual Beta Barn Dance. This is the big event of the Fall semester with the lawn and house decorated in old ranch style,



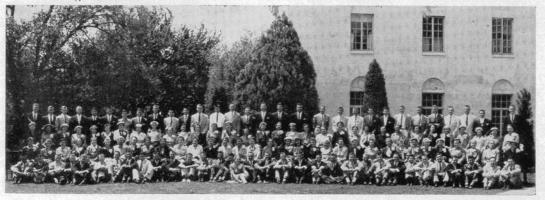
The Barn Dance Makes a Texan Feel Right at Home

complete with a split rail fence. The festivities began with a large barbeque on the side lawn followed by dancing which varied from the spinning bopsters to the swinging square dancers.

Every year we look forward to the Dads' Day activities when we dine and entertain our best pals. Everyone has a lot of fun but the main purpose of the weekend is to say, "Thanks, Dad, for everything."

Guest meals for members of the faculty, friends, and dates are sprinkled throughout the year. These meals are quite a bit of fun and they are very impressive.

Each year the chapter honors the graduating seniors with a Senior Dinner. Each senior carves a turkey and some seniors claim their turkey fought back. The freshmen are the special guests of the seniors to this dinner which is followed by a formal dance.



It's Mothers' Day, and the Betas Go All Out





Left: Mrs. Vick Receives a Surprise at the Christmas Orphans' Party

Right: The Pledge Formal Goes First Class

A few weeks before Christmas we had our annual Christmas Party for a group of orphans. It really gives you a good feeling to pitch in and help these boys who are not as fortunate as we. After a turkey dinner, gifts were given out by John Prince who was posing as Santa Claus. Each little guest receives clothing and candy from the house, and numerous toys from the brothers. After the party is all over the members are looking eagerly forward to next year's Christmas Party.

With the spring we started a new feature at the Beta Barn. Starting with "Young Man With a Horn," which starred Kirk Douglas and Doris Day, we have been having Sunday night movies followed by dancing and card playing.

The spring house party was an informal, skirt and sweater affair. During the dancing intermission, refreshments were served



The Spring Formal, Highlight of the Year

On April 24, the annual Spring Formal was held on the outdoor court. Highlighted by a French Garden Party mood, it was again our most impressive dance. Three tall towers were built on the front lawn with red and white streamers rustling with the wind from their tops. As you entered the side yard, you saw a small statue draped with red flowers in the center of the dance floor which was waxed dark green for the occasion. The hidden spot lights flickered over the white dinner jackets and formal dresses, painting a never-to-be-forgotten picture.

By far the most long awaited event of all is the Mothers' Weekend. The mothers take over the entire house during the weekend as the boys move out. The University Sing, the program by the Okla-

homa City mothers, and the initiation of the new mothers into the Beta Mothers' Club kept the place jumping. The mothers must enjoy it, as we certainly hope they do, because we again won first prize for the most mothers with an 87 per cent turnout.

A dinner for the Beta legacies in the different sororities brought to an end our social calendar. The Beta combo entertained after dinner, along with our quartet composed of Erwin Cook, Jack Greer, Dick Anderson, and Bob Dooley. Over the summer we will be having rush parties which will put us in high gear for the fall social activities.



John Badger Carves at the Senior Dinner

OUR MRS. VICK



Dick Anderson and Dick Peebles Show Mrs. Vick the Latest Steps

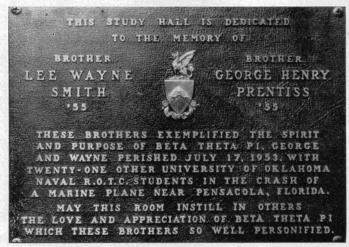
This time last year we had just met Mrs. W. P. Vick, our new, soft spoken hostess. But during the last school year, we at Gamma Phi have found her to be one of the finest housemothers we have ever had.

She told us that her hobby was "boys," and one hundred and ten boys have found her warm personality, sincerity, and understanding make them feel right at home.

One of the highlights of the year took place on Mothers' Day when Mrs. Vick was initiated. Now she is one of the fold, and although she still calls Albany, Georgia her home, she says that she has found a new home at 800 Chautauqua.

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During the last summer, our chapter received a great blow. Two of our finest Betas joined the Beta Memorial Roll. We tried to think of some way to make permanent their name and what they stood for to all Betas coming through this chapter. For this purpose we finally selected a bronze placque to be placed in the study hall with pictures of Georgeand Wayne, dedicating the study hall to their memory. We hope you will read the placque and feel you know these two fine men who would be seniors this coming year.



Our Study Hall Is Very Appropriately Dedicated to Two of Our Finest Betas



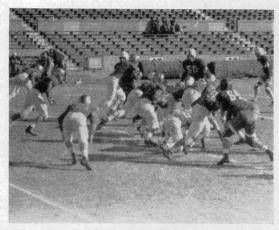
Phil Kendall and His Mom Enjoy the Program on Mothers' Day

THE PLEDGE YEAR

The Pledge Class this year was composed of twenty-six boys drawn from all over Oklahoma, Texas, and one from Chicago. It was ably led by Roy Williamson, Fort Worth, president. As the year passed, each boy was given ample

the year passed, each boy was given ample opportunity to develop and fulfill the capacities for leadership and all around excellence which were seen in him during rush.

At the conclusion of rush week, a banquet was held in honor of all the new pledges and their parents. Immediately after the dinner a post-pledging party was held. As the year actually started, blind dates began. Twelve sororities paraded toward the Beta Barn to see the smoking pot of "Beta Brew" served by the pledges' best friend, Mrs. Vick. The dates really went off with a bang.



The Beta Bulldogs Move Into the Offensive

The big event in the pledge year was the annual walkout to Dallas where a good time was had by all. The trip was highlighted by the dates carefully selected by Bill McAlpine, pledge class social chairman.

On one occasion, the pledge class kidnaped the Theta pledge class and went on a picnic.

The two big social functions of the pledge class are the Senior Dinner and the Pledge Formal. As the guests of the seniors, the pledges really enjoy the big feed and the opportunity to better know these men who will soon be leaving. The pledge formal dinner and dance is something that a pledge always remembers as one of the high spots in his year.

Every frosh pitched in to help put over the activities of the house. By their many and varied activities, an unbreakable bond of unity and friendship was formed between each of the members through their experiences as Beta pledges.



In Work or Play, the Bonds of Friendship Grow

MARCHING ALONG

Gamma Phi Chapter:

- is one of the oldest fraternities on the University of Oklahoma campus.
- was founded in 1907 by David Ross Boyd, the first president of the University.
- has had 46 years of continued and unblemished existence in the service of brotherhood and the University.
- claims three presidents of the University, five presidents of the University of Oklahoma Association, seven deans, many professors, the present executive vice-president, the dean of the law school, one general, several state legislators and officials, and numerous outstanding athletes and prominent businessmen among its members.
- has alumni in every county of Oklahoma and from New York to California.

Beta Theta Pi:

- was founded in 1839.
- was the first fraternity west of the Alleghenies.
- has ninety-six chapters, fifty-six of which are over fifty years old, seventy-nine are over twenty-five years old.

Beta Theta Pi:

- is one of the largest-of all fraternities.
- A listed 54,801 members in 1947.
- has a sister chapter at Oklahoma A. and M. college, Stillwater.
- has always emphasized quality rather than size.



Three Charter Members, John Kingkade, Thomas Matthews, and Jay Conway, Inspect the Progress of Fortyseven Years

Beta Theta Pi:

- ☆ has always been an outstanding leader
- published the first fraternity magazine and one of the first songbooks.
- was the second fraternity to produce an alumni catalogue.
- stablished the first fraternity chapters in thirty-two colleges (in 15 more colleges than any other fraternity.)
- was a charter member of the National Interfraternity Council, which was founded by a Beta.

Beta Theta Pi:

- that a unique scholastic rating.
- is the only one of the older fraternities that has been above the all-men's average for the years in which National Interfraternity Council scholastic figures have been given.
- has rated first in this line for the past 25 consecutive years.

Beta Theta Pi:

- has an unequalled financial record.
- for 47 years, the General Treasurer has been able to report all dues received, all bills paid, and a balance in the treasury (a record not even remotely equalled by any other fraternity).

Beta Theta Pi:

- is a distinguished brotherhood.
- ver 1,000 Betas are listed in the current issue of Who's Who in America, which is an average of about one out of every 37 living Betas.
- is proud to claim such men as Charles E. Wilson, William O. Douglas, Paul V. Mc-Nutt, John J. McCloy, Charles P. Taft, Charles E. Halleck, Kenneth H. Wherry, James P. Kem, Dwight W. Morrow, and Wendell Willkie among its members.
- of the 27 United States Supreme Court Justices who have been fraternity members, eight are Betas. Since 1877, at least one Beta has always been on the Supreme Court Bench; in 1911, four were Betas.

