



# BETA THETA PI

Father of Beta Theta Pi is John Riley Knox, who founded the first of the fraternity's 90 chapters at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio, in 1839. The fraternity is the oldest member of the Miami Triad and the first national fraternity to achieve a solid hundred years of constant and progressive activity. It also holds the distinction of being the first national fraternity organized west of the Allegheny mountains. The local chapter, founded in 1907, has been

voted recognition for "sustained excellence" as one of the most outstanding chapters in the national organization. Gamma Phi chapter also has attained the Gavin Standard of "All bills paid and all accounts collected." It has permanent possession of a University Interfraternity scholarship cup, having won the cup three times in succession.

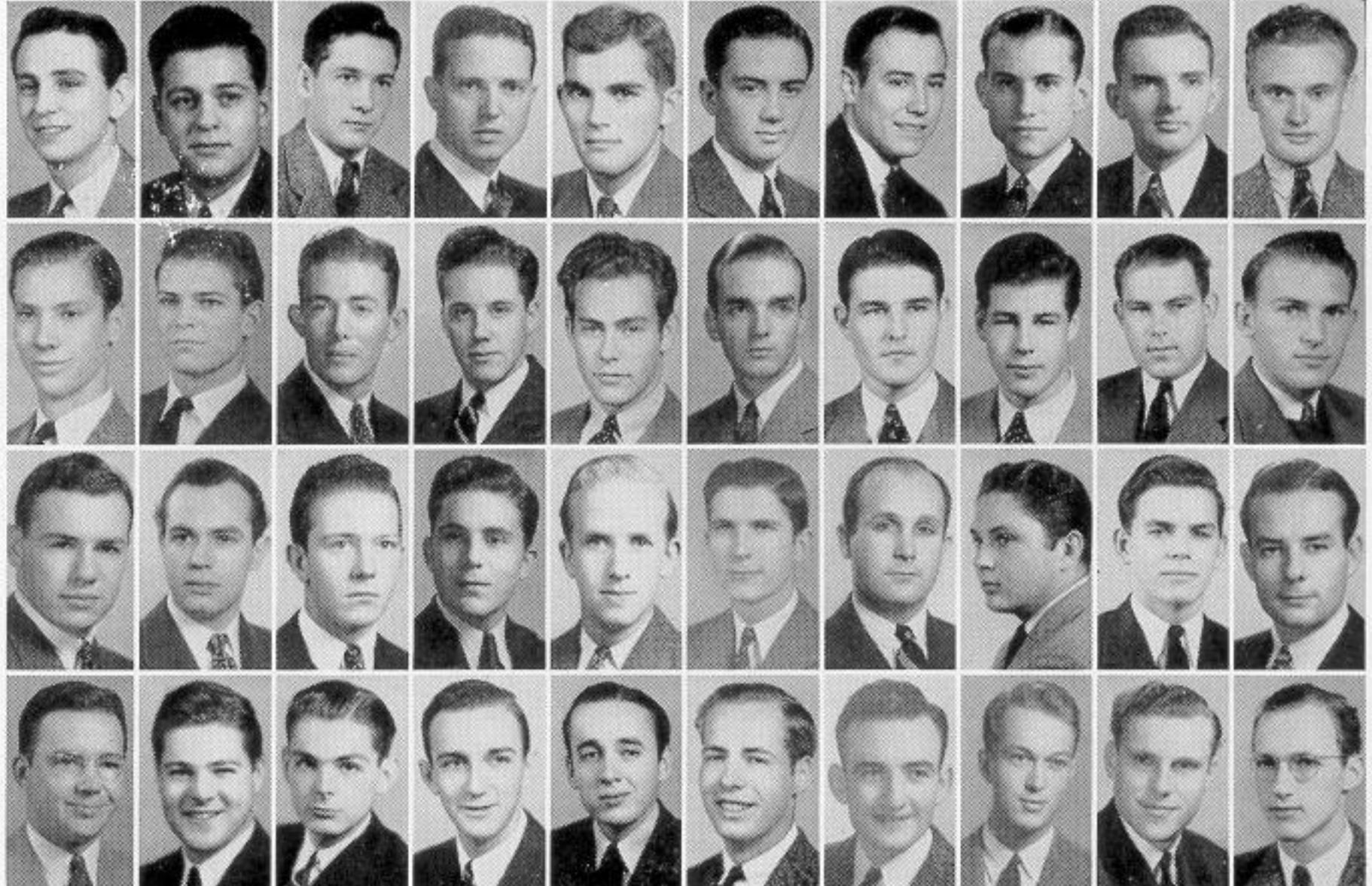
Wendell L. Willkie, Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., Paul V. McNutt, John H. Perry, Samuel N. Stevens, and Joseph P. Ripley, all men of national prominence, are members of Beta Theta Pi. The Sooner chapter is proud of a senior member of the varsity basketball team, Hugh Ford, lanky center . . . Dean Walker holds down a regular berth on the swimming team and is a member of the President's Class along with Tom Conner . . . Chief specialty of the chapter is its "Silver Lounge parties" . . . Dean "Shyster" Hart, the foremost whacky member, finally made it through law school, but it took all his hair to do it. Dean was voted the group's biggest bull thrower . . . Numbered among the Beta's pet hobbies are singing "You Are My Sunshine" with a questionable harmonious touch, playing Mah Jong with Mrs. Thomason, educating the neophytes, and watching Snooky Schaller and Lib Ambister spend a quiet evening in the sun room . . . The famous quads, Hastings, Houston, Cook, and Coogan, hung around all year, toasting to every likely lass on the campus.

*First row, left to right*  
—Askew, Barr, Basolo, Bartlett, Baugh, Berry, James Berry, Blinn, Baumert, Buchanan.

*Second row* — Burton, Coe, Coogan, Conner, Cook, Diamond, Ellinghausen, John Ellinghausen, Frantz, Robert Frantz.

*Third row* — Gibbons, Murray F. Gibbons, Glamann, Gray, Hale, Hardeman, Hart, Hastings, Hays, Hedley.

*Fourth row* — Houston, Hixon, Huckin, Jones, Johnson, King, Klein, Klingensmith, Laurence, Lunsford.



## Gamma Phi Chapter

Among the biggest Betas on the campus are S. M. Anderson, Bombardiers, Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Delta Phi, Pe-et, varsity swimming team, Scabbard and Blade, President's Class, Ruf-Neks; Jack Luttrell, Phi Eta Sigma, Phi Beta Kappa, President's Class, Pe-et, Scabbard and Blade, Skeleton Key, and a Rhodes scholar; Robert Frantz, Senate Club, Junior Honor Class, Scabbard and Blade, Y. M. C. A., Phi Eta Sigma, and Interfraternity Council; Charles Roberts, Phi Eta Sigma, Senate Club, Y. M. C. A. cabinet, 1940 SOONER editor; Harry Frantz, Ruf-Neks, Senate Club, Scabbard and Blade, Bombardiers, Junior Honor Class.



Mrs. Ora Parks

S. M. Anderson

### OFFICERS

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S. M. ANDERSON, JR.	President
JACK LUTTRELL	Vice-President
ROBERT FRANTZ	Secretary
HARRY FRANTZ, JR.	Treasurer
MURRAY GIBBONS, JR.	Social Chairman

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JOHN SPRADLING
ROGER GRAY
TOM HEDLEY
FRANK SNEED

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HARRY DIAMOND, JR.  
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HUGH FORD  
HARRY FRANTZ, JR.  
ROBERT FRANTZ  
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JACK GLAMANN

ROGER GRAY  
ELMER HALE  
CECIL HARDEMAN  
DEAN HART  
GRANT HASTINGS  
THOMAS HEDLEY  
WILLIAM HIXON  
CHARLES HOUSTON  
ROBERT KING  
WILLIAM KLINGENSMITH  
JACK LAWERENCE  
ROBERT LUNSFORD

JACK LUTTRELL  
JACK MARSEE  
JOSEPH M. McLAUGHLIN  
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JOHN POLLOCK  
JIMMY QUINN  
CHARLES ROBERTS  
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JACK SCHALLER  
WILLIAM SHORT

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JOHN SPRADLING  
FRANK SNEED  
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CRAN WILBANKS  
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ALBERT BAILEY  
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JAMES SHOUSE

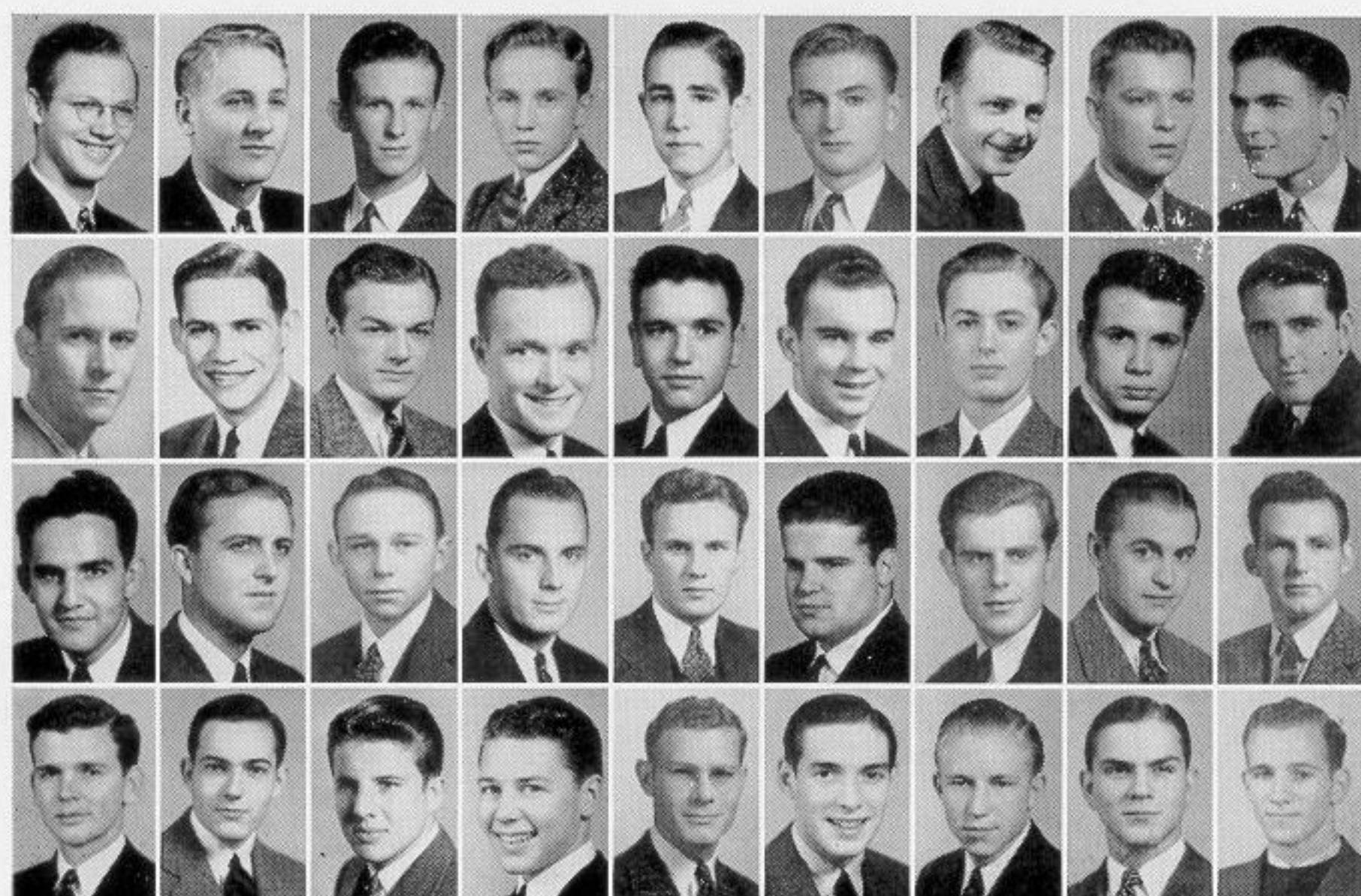
### PLEDGES

TOM BARTLETT  
JOE BASOLO  
HOWARD BAUGH  
J. B. BAUMERT  
EVERETT BERRY  
JAMES BERRY  
JOEL BUCHANAN  
STEVE BURTON

ROSS COE  
RICHARD ELLINGHAUSEN  
GEORGE GIBBONS  
WILLIAM HUCKINS  
JOE JOHNSON  
WILLIAM JONES  
WILLIAM KLINE

TOM LUNSFORD  
EARL P. MILLER  
ERDICE MULDROW  
JIMMIE NICKEL  
WILLIAM PARKER  
REX ROOK  
SAM SHACKELFORD

KENNETH SPENCE  
DAN TANKERSLEY  
STRATFORD TOLSON  
DAVID TURNER  
SAM K. VIERSEN  
WALTER WEBER  
KENNETH WILBANKS  
K. W. WINGATE



*First row, left to right*  
—Tom Lunsford, Marsee, Miller, Morton, Muldrow, Murphey, McLaughlin, Nickel, Parker.

*Second row* — Pollock, Roberts, Rook, Rutherford, Saunders, Schaller, Shackelford, Short, Shouse.

*Third row* — Shuttee, Skaer, Sneed, Spence, Spradling, Dan Tankersley, W. E. Tankersley, Jr., Taylor, Thomason.

*Fourth row* — Tolson, Tucker, Turner, Vierseen, Walker, Weber, Wilbanks, Wilson, Wingate.

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