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May 3, 1941

Featherstones

Dr. F. C. Allen
Athletic Department
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doctor:

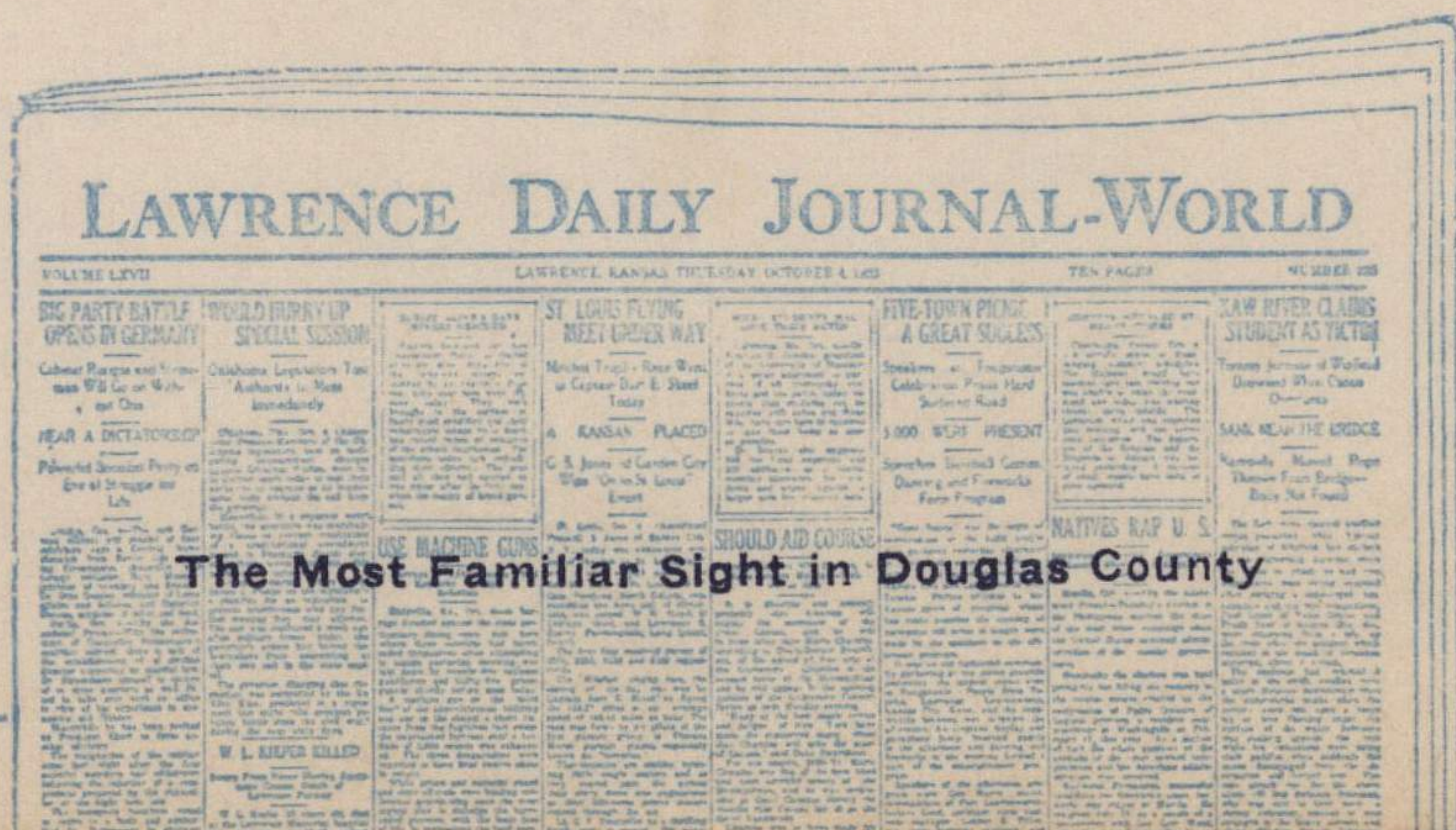
Larry Winn and the Phi Psi chapter have asked me to raise \$25.00 among the Lawrence Phi Psi alumni to help finance a well planned rushing campaign this summer. The enclosure prepared by Frank Bolin explains what is to be done, and will show that the boys at the house will pay more than half the cost.

Our local list is limited and to meet the quota it will take some \$5.00 contributions. If you wish to help, please send me your check which I will forward to Larry in Kansas City.

Sincerely,

Dolph Simons

DS:DMF



May 5th, 1941

Mr. Dolph Simons
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Dolph:

Please find inclosed my personal check for Five (\$5.00) Dollars for the Phi Psi alumni rushing campaign.

Dolph, I am giving this five dollars on your account and not because I believe in the policy of the Phi Psi here in Lawrence. You will remember I headed up their alumni campaign for money to improve the house. This proves that I want to help them by work and by money but it's my opinion that these youngsters are so "cockey" and so arrogant that they need someone to turn them over his knee and give them the parental spank.

The reason that they fell so far behind on their income was because of the fact that they refused to take perfectly fine boys and naturally when some of their hand-selected boys dropped out of school then they had a dearth of members to foot the bills.

Dolph, I'm for the boys using their own judgment in picking their fellow fraternity men, however, but when these boys come and cry on your shoulders for funds which is the result of their arrogance and their lack of judgment in picking stable men, then I feel that all of us should not spare a few forceful words to place responsibility upon them where it belongs. If nothing else, this war will teach some of these fellows that they are living in a land of reality and not in a land of milk and honey, where mamma and papa furnish all the milk and honey.

Fraternally yours,

FCA:rc

KANSAS ALPHA

Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity

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Summer rushing has always been a great problem for all chapters of all fraternities. This coming year, due to the peace-time draft and other factors, will doubtlessly be one of the biggest problem years of the last decade or so. Faced with this situation in Kansas Alpha, we have adopted plans for a very intensive program for the coming months.

We are paying our rush chairman \$150 for the three vacation months and reimbursing him for travelling expenses directly connected with his rushing. In return, the chapter impliedly sets out certain duties on the rush chairman. He is to spend at least a third of his time actually on the road. When not travelling, he is to be planning for other trips, writing rushees general interest letters, keeping a continual stream of "pep" letters going to the active brothers of the chapter so as to secure maximum cooperation from them, and keep a very extensive file on all rushees contacted by himself or other brothers.

A major rush trip of the rush chairman mentioned above would mean something of the following: prior to making the trip, he would contact the brothers in the towns he expected to cover, making arrangements with them for board and room. Selecting one or two convenient spots in the territory, he would set up temporary headquarters with the brothers of that town. Each day he and one or two local Phi Psis would visit about two or three towns, visiting rushees whom they have already contacted and making every effort to contact new ones. The best plan we have found for doing this latter is to spend a few minutes with the principal of the local high school getting his recommendations. We have also found it very advantageous to spend some time with his parents, discussing university life, and fraternities in general. A trip such as this, of which the rush chairman would make perhaps three, would last from about ten days to two weeks.

The file mentioned above would devote a separate card to each rushee, giving his name, address, telephone number, grades, social rating, activities, personality description, rushee's general interests, record of correspondence with any brothers, year in school, financial status, and any miscellaneous information, which the rush chairman might deem pertinent. The purpose of this card file is two-fold. (1) To help the rush chairman remember each rushee when making judgment of his potentialities during rush week, and (2), supply necessary information to the brothers who expect to entertain any given rushee during rush week. This file is in addition to the file we usually keep of the dates we have with rushees during rush week.

In other words, the fraternity is hiring one of the brothers at a full-time job to conduct a summer rushing program. He is to take the job with such an understanding. The compensation is for the sole purpose of replacing part of the amount he otherwise could earn at a job.

The big difficulty that faces us now is to secure the car for the use of our rush chairman. We have a plan which we hope will solve our problems for us, but it calls for a certain amount of assistance from the alumni of Kansas Alpha. It is necessary that we raise \$150. With this, a down-payment will be made on a car and a note signed for the balance. At the end of the summer this car will be returned to the dealer in settlement for the note. Such an arrangement has been made with an automobile agent, and we are now hoping the alumni will subscribe the necessary amount for this down-payment.

Fraternities

May 6th, 1941

Nebraska Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi
1548 S Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Brothers of Nebraska Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi:

When Winston Churchill promised his people only blood sweat, toil and tears, there was an implication for all of us.

The individual who does not recognize troubled days ahead is selling his co-workers short. Someone has said that seventy five million Frenchmen cannot be wrong, but they were, and just once was enough. The word, "blitzkrieg" has been accepted internationally as a lightening war in all things where a push is necessary.

I'm told by Kansas Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi that a better than ever rushing campaign is in store for them next year. I have also been informed by your brother, Albert Pusch, Jr., that Nebraska is contemplating exactly the same thing.

We recognize that fraternities, along with other organizations, will be hard put, and only the best effort of the best men in your fraternity will keep it functioning as a leader and as a device where men plan for a purpose.

I congratulate Nebraska Alpha men for seizing time by the forelock, but, in the same words, I challenge Nebraska Alphas to put forth their most aggressive and earnest campaign to keep your fine fraternity's place in the sun.

Good luck and best wishes.

Fraternally,

Director of Physical Education and
Recreation Varsity Basketball and Base-
ball Coach.

FCA:rc

May 6th, 1941

Mr. Albert Busch, Jr.
Nebraska Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi
1548 S. Street
Lincoln, Nebraska

Dear Brother Busch:

I am happy to comply with your request in your letter of April 30th. I am sending a gloss and a note to the Phi Kappa Psi Brothers.

Trusting this will aid you in your effort to improve the conditions in your chapter, locally, and the Phi Psis, generally, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education and
Recreation Varsity Basketball and
Baseball Coach.

FCA:rc

Nebraska Alpha
of
Phi Kappa Psi

1548 S STREET

LINCOLN, NEBRASKA

April 30, 1941

Dear "Phog",

Recognizing the troubled days which lie ahead for fraternities, we of Nebraska Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi have undertaken a " blitzkrieg " rushing campaign. It will be necessary for us to have a better than ever rush week to overcome these potential difficulties; consequently we would like a great deal of cooperation from certain Phi Psi Alumni.

Along with other measures we are publishing a special edition of our Phi Psi Rag, a publication of Nebraska Alpha, in which will be a page of " News on the National Front " . Because of your national prominence a word from you would be of great help to us. In short we would appreciate a portrait picture of you as well as a short note concerning your activities and the meaning of Phi Psi to you.

If you cooperate with us in this respect we would appreciate it greatly and be forever indebted.

Hoping for the best-

Fraternally,

Albert Busch Jr

A. G. Nebraska Alpha

Fraternity

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Beta Theta Pi
Delta Chi
Delta Tau Delta
Delta Upsilon
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Phi Kappa Psi
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Sigma Chi
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Phi Chi
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Harry Brown
Francis Collins
Clayton H. Krehbiel
Stanley Bloom

Colored Fraternities

Alpha Phi Alpha
Kappa Alpha Psi

Harry N. Rollins
Curtis A. Burton

August 7, 1941.

Mr. Frank Bolin, Jr.,
209 West 66th St.,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Frank:

Please do not worry about me. I am not as tough as you perhaps think. I was sounding a word of caution for the future which I think is very apropos in these troublesome times. I will be glad to see you when it is convenient.

This morning I just received a circular from Pepper-Upper Charles Strickland who is putting on a great Phi Kappa Psi outing and rushing party at Mason City, Iowa, on Saturday, August 16th. He has a great set-up and I have agreed to attend the meeting and be one of the animated cartoons for the dinner festivities which will be held at Mason City Country Club.

I am to be at a coaching school at Boone, Iowa, which is sponsored by the Iowa State High School Athletic Association the week of August 18th, and I am going up a couple of days early to be with the northern Iowa alumni group and their rushees.

I trust that you are meeting with success in your very strenuous summer vacation. I know how much of a burden it is upon you and a few of the fellows who undertake to do this work with very little thanks. I always admire a man who is willing to do it and I congratulate you for giving the time to it.

Fraternally,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

FCA:AH

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Tuesday Morning

Dear Doctor Allen -

I thank you for your letter, it made me feel a little better. Maybe I misunderstood you in your first letter - I certainly hope so. I see your point and realize that the Chapter is open to criticism, but I'm glad that some of the interested alumni, like yourself, have stuck by things through the darker periods.

My schedule for the rest of the summer calls for a lot of traveling, but I'm still hoping to get in to talk with you sometime soon.

Fraternally yours,
Frank Bolin, Jr.
FB

August 25, 1941.

Mr. Frank Bolin, Jr.,
209 West 66th,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Frank:

It will not be possible for Bobby Allen or for me to attend the Phi Psi rush party at Mission Hills Country Club on Friday, September 5th at 7 p.m., on account of the fact that Jane's marriage is to take place on September 6th and the groom's parents and relatives will be at our house the day previous. I regret that we will be unable to attend.

Fraternally,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

FCA:AH

July 31, 1941

Mr. Frank Bolin, Jr.,
209 West 66th,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Frank:

I am sorry that I missed you when you stopped in to say hello. I assure you it was not necessary for you to write a letter to me because I do not feel in the least that I should be placated.

It is not I personally who is making the complaint, but rather I am sounding a note of dissatisfaction of the alumni toward groups who want to be self-sufficient in some things but are not self-sufficient financially.

That is just the point, Frank. I do not feel disgusted, but boys who will remember they are college boys only when they have made a mistake and forget they are college boys when they should be broad-minded toward their fellows - then I say somebody has missed some training. I do not blame a fellow for being cocky if he has got the stuff, but so much of it is put on, indicating an inferiority complex, that I believe if we would all get down to earth and give some of these worthy hard-working boys their due the fraternities would not be so snobbish and they would assume a relatively more important place in the life of our school. What I am trying to say is that I emphatically believe that fraternities and sororities are too much overemphasized in the Middle West.

I will be glad to talk with you some time when it is convenient for you to drop around, but do not make it a special item of business on my account.

Sincerely yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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Saturday Morning

Dear Doctor Allen -

Please forgive me for not writing you sooner, but I really have been out of town on rush trips most of this month.

I'm sorry to find that you feel as you do about the way the chapter has handled things in the past. I am trying to foster better cooperation between the actives and the alumni because I realize that the chapter would die with out alumni support.

I plan to be in Lawrence sometime soon and while I am

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then I hope we can talk things over and maybe I can work with some of your ideas. I am only too happy to receive advice from you older men who have watched Phi Psi over the years.

If there is anything I can do to clear up some of the mistakes of the past you will find me very willing to serve you.

Please don't feel disgusted toward the Chapter - remember we are only college boys and have a lot to learn.

Thank you for your letter. I hope to see you soon.

Very fraternally yours,
Frank Bolin, Jr.
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July 11th, 1941

Mr. Frank Bolin, Jr.
Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity
1100 Indiana Street
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Frank:

I acknowledge receipt of your good letter written last Monday afternoon. You asked if I have any suggestions. I made the contribution to Dolph Simons to send on to Larry yet I made this comment:-that it was about high time that the youngsters of the Phi Psi house not be so autocratic in turning down very excellent young men for possible membership.

Far be it from me to recommend a young man for consideration by the active Chapter. I have seen too many very worthwhile boys turned down. And then I have seen the active Chapter go into a financial tailspin because some of the outstanding (?) selectives had flunked out and left the Chapter in a bad financial condition.

Each and every time the actives make a blunder they invariably go to the Alumni and ask that this deficit be made up from one cause or another. If the actives are so insistent that they take only their own ideas of select timber, they should then take the added responsibility of working themselves out of their difficulties.

This comment has been made by a number of very prominent men of financial integrity. And, I might add that it's also my opinion. There are too many boys that imagine they are "big shots" but still cannot foot the bills after they have followed their own follies. If you do not get what I mean, sometime I'll be glad to explain to you, personally.

I want to congratulate you on the work you are doing because doubtless you realize that this year will see the toughest rushing season that fraternity men have faced in many many years. If there's anything I can do to help you at any time, I'll be very glad to do it in the name of Phi Kappa Psi.

Fraternally yours,

Director of Physical Education and
Recreation-Varsity Basketball and
Baseball Coach.

FCA:rc

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Monday Afternoon

Dear Dr. Allen -

Today I got some more money from Mr. Winn and I found \$5.00 from you was included in the amount.

Thank you very much for your contribution - I appreciate all the alumni have done and I'm doing my best to produce. If you have any suggestions for rushing I would be more than glad to hear from you.

I have already taken the first two week trip during which time I covered 2700 miles. I saw a lot of nice boys and got 21 new names.

I thank you again -

Fraternally yours,
Frank Bohin, Jr.
A

September 29, 1941.

Mr. Charles L. Strickland,
Peoples Gas and Utilities Company,
Mason City, Iowa.

Dear Chuck:

Thank you very much for your kindness in sending me the snapshot of the Phi Psis in the back of your lovely lawn overlooking Clear Lake.

My letter is rather belated, but this Saturday morning while sitting here at my desk and contemplating some of the things that happened to the Jayhawkers at Philadelphia on Friday night, my thoughts run back to the pleasant moments spent with you and your lovely family at Clear Lake.

I am just again saying thank you for everything, and hoping that we see the Stricklands in Lawrence this fall.

With all good wishes, I am

Fraternally yours,

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.

FCA:AH

October 28, 1941

Mr. H.L. Cramer, Jr.
Phi Kappa Psi
Bloomington, Indiana

Dear Brother Cramer,

I am happy to respond to your request for a gloss of my physiognomy. I am sorry that I have no finished photographs, but this will suffice since I'm one of the "muscle men" of a questionable occupation.

Thank you for your kind invitation. It would be a delight to visit you and the brothers and I trust that sometime an opportunity will present itself for me to have the pleasure of visiting at your chapter house.

Fraternally,

FCA/PE

Director of Physical Education and Recreation
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach



PHI KAPPA PSI
INDIANA BETA
BLOOMINGTON, INDIANA

Saturday, Oct. 25, '41

Dear Sir,

The boys here in the house are remodeling our library, and would like very much an autographed picture of you to put up along with those of other nationally famous Phi Psis. We have already received pictures from several of these men, and hope to have a good collection by the time the redecorating is finished.

We would like to extend a cordial invitation to you, and your friends to visit the chapter at any time.

Fraternally yours,

H. L. Cramer Jr.

May 2, 1942.

Kansas Alpha of Phi Kappa Psi,
1100 Indiana Street,
Lawrence, Kansas.

Dear Friends:

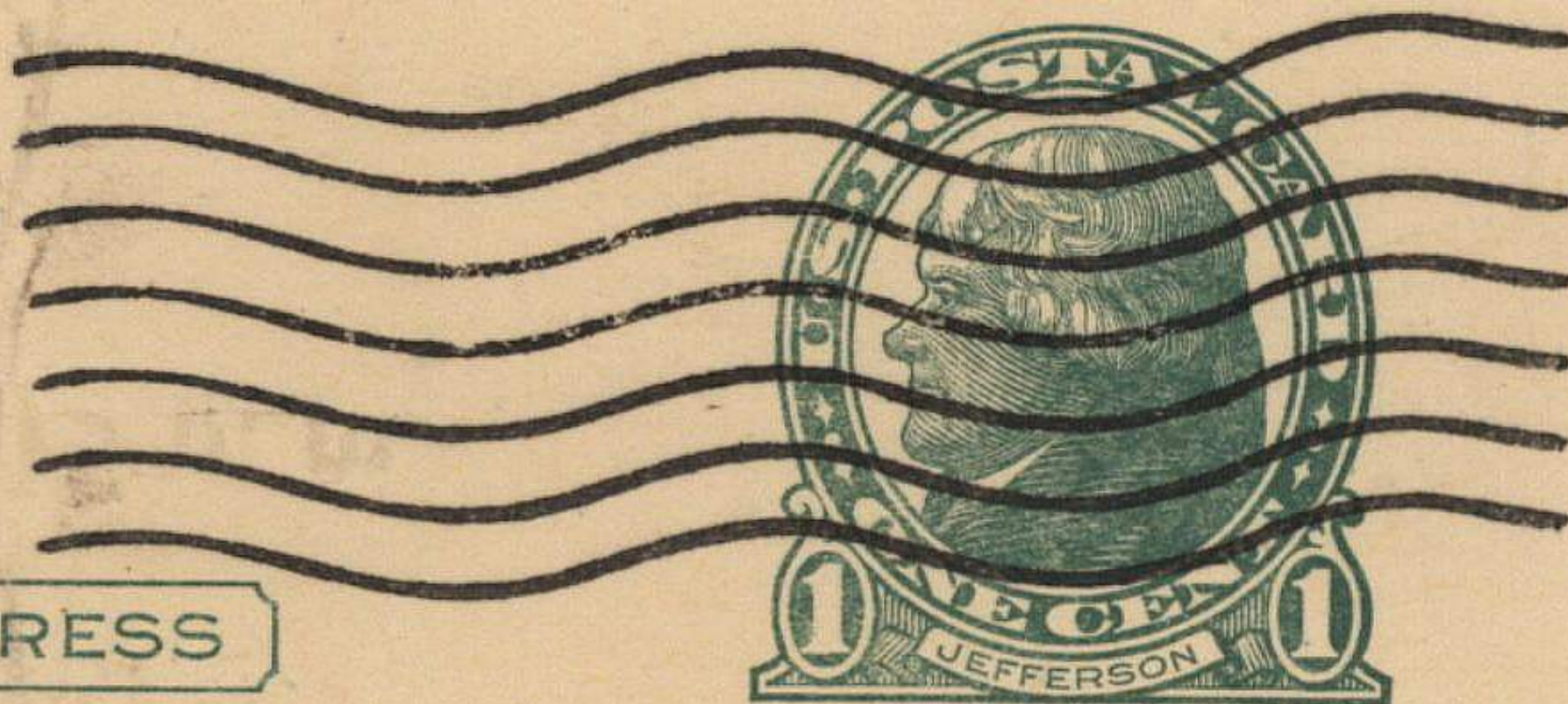
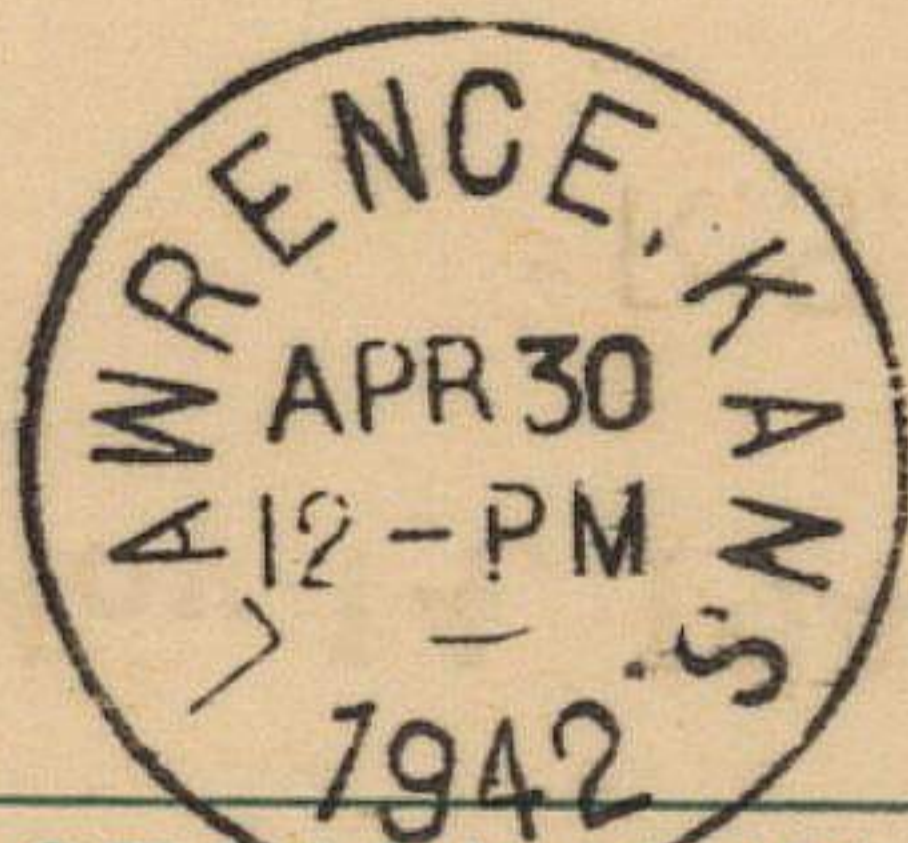
I regret that it will be impossible for me to attend the Annual Alumni Banquet on May 14th, as I have a commencement address that evening at Linwood Rural High School.

Thanking you for your kind invitation, I am

Fraternally yours,

FCA:AH

Director of Physical Education and Recreation,
Varsity Basketball and Baseball Coach.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Forest C. Allen

801 Louisiana

Lawrence
Kansas

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1100 Indiana St.

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915 Wm. Fox Bldg.,
Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Brother:

Unfortunately, national peril is not a wave which the bulwark of strong defense can stop, compelling ebb -- with everything inside the barrier untouched.

National danger resembles the ripple caused when a rock is dropped into still water -- it circles ever outward, taking in more and more.

'More and more' means YOU and ME -- all that we possess, all that we cherish. And you and I happen to cherish one intimate bond in common which too is threatened.

Do you remember?

A gangling boy entering college, thrilled and awed, trying solemnly to appear nonchalant. Then, suddenly, invested with a new pride, new confidence. Pledged! Pledged Phi Kappa Psi! Initiated! Become a Brother! And so four years of glowing, friendly living -- a boy turned youth, that youth turned man -- which none but such another boy can ever live again.

Do you remember?

Is that memory worth one dollar? A tribute from the Heart -- payment from the Past to insure the Future!

You can deduct it from the Federal Income Tax -- one dollar or as many dollars as you can afford to send. With it you are helping to guarantee a basic national minimum of safety for our Fraternity.

Our Chapters are depleted through draft and enlistment and war industries. Yet they must survive; for later it may be too late to revive them. Where can they look for help -- if not to our National Organization? Where can our Organization look for such needed help -- if not to us who give it being?

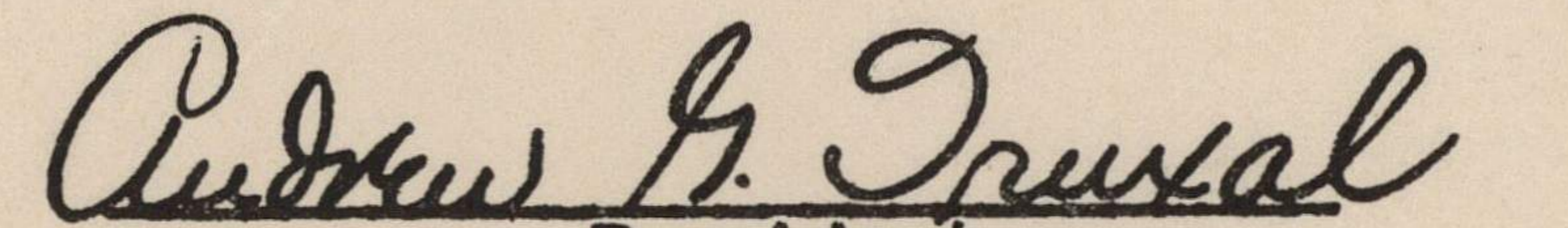
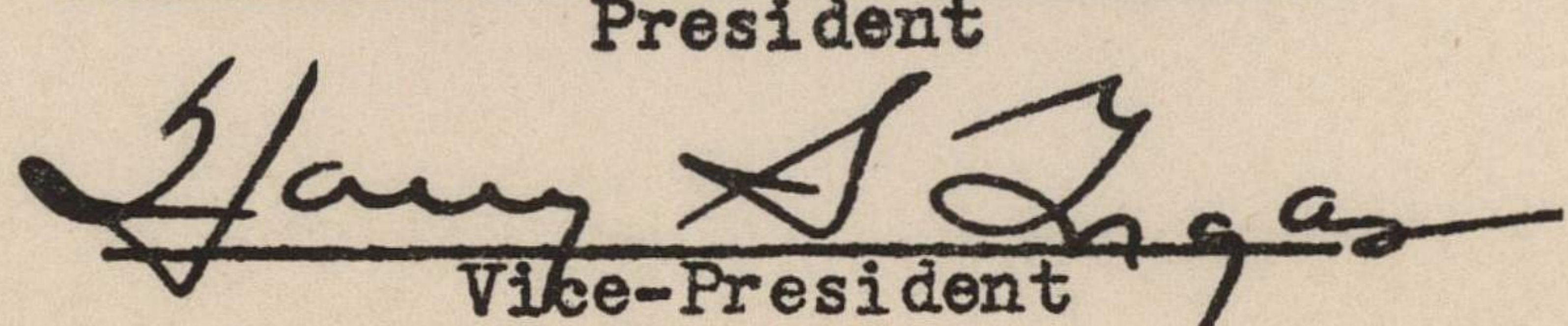
And we? Cannot we look into our hearts -- and find that boy again -- and so remember?

Won't you try?

Very fraternally yours,


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PHI KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY

October 19, 1945

Dear Brother:

Once more with the opening of a new college year I am reporting to you and asking your help and cooperation for the welfare of Phi Kappa Psi.

The Fraternity completed the 1944-45 academic year in continued good condition. Approximately 37 of our 51 Chapters are operating with active organizations. In other cases where no Chapter activity exists, we have maintained our contacts with Chapter advisors and house corporation officers, and as far as possible, plans are being made for the revival of these Chapters.

In the year ended March 1, 1945, we initiated 446, as against 555 the previous year, and 1196 in 1943.

Contributions to the Tom Platt Alumni Fund fell off somewhat as compared to the previous year, and the officers of the Fraternity are earnestly requesting your help in making the coming year's contributions the best in its history. This money is and will be urgently needed in the rebuilding of our Chapters during the coming months.

One of the most vital problems in our Chapter organizations at the present time is "Leadership." As an unfortunate, but necessary result of the war, we have lost nearly all of the experienced and seasoned undergraduate Chapter officers and administrators. The new Brothers are enthusiastic, but the turn-over has been so fast and so heavy that in most instances today, our Chapter officers lack entirely the knowledge of Chapter management and Phi Psi tradition, which is now needed more than ever.


There are a few Chapters where such experienced leadership is desperately needed immediately. The success of such Chapters for several years to come may depend upon our procuring strong, aggressive and experienced Phi Psi undergraduate leadership for them.

It is here that we are calling upon you for help and assistance. Do you know a young Phi Psi returned veteran, who was an outstanding Chapter leader and who is planning for some reason to change his college? We need several boys of this type to take over the leadership of a few of our Chapters now having difficulty reorganizing properly. Arrangements can be made for part-payment of his expenses, although the Fraternity's resources are limited in this respect. He must be an able, aggressive leader with great Phi Psi enthusiasm.

If, even only two or three of these boys can be found, they can do a job which will be a lasting satisfaction to themselves and a great benefit to the Fraternity.

I shall greatly appreciate word from you regarding any possible suggestions along the above lines.

Very fraternally yours,


Harry S. Gorgas, President.