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undertake the formation of and assume responsibility for a new chapter of Phi Kappa Psi.

Ordinarily such action would be undertaken only upon unanimous approval by the next Grand Arch Council. However, we were unable to hold a G.A.C. in 1944 and 1946 is the earliest possible date in prospect and this may not be feasible.

Phi Kappa Psi must grow. It is perfectly possible that as a result of the war we may lose one or two chapters. In the past we have encouraged conservative and substantial growth, but we have not established a new chapter since 1934, mainly because of the lack of desirable opportunities. I believe we now have such an opportunity. At a recent meeting the President, the Dean and two members of the faculty having supervision of fraternities at Arizona, have told the local Phi Psis that a chapter of the Fraternity would be welcome. Because of existing conditions typical on all campuses, our group at the present time can start out on a more equal competitive basis now than they would be able to do later when fraternity conditions approach normal.

A new chapter of Phi Kappa Psi may be installed by unanimous vote of our chapters and alumni associations. This may be done by a written vote through the mails. This is an unusual suggestion, but these are unusual times and we have an unusual opportunity.

I am asking you for an expression of opinion as to whether the officers of the Fraternity shall proceed to place this proposition before the Fraternity in the form of a petition from the group at the University of Arizona and secure a vote on the matter through the mail.

I shall greatly appreciate your opinion and advice.

Very fraternally yours,



Harry S. Gorgas, President.

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