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KALLIKRATES MAKES HISTORY AT VIRGINIA

Establish a New Tradition With
Second Beaux Arts Ball.

Kallikrates Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi a year ago sponsored the first Beaux Arts Ball ever held at the University of Virginia. That ball was somewhat of an experiment. It was the first real bid the chapter made for leadership in things artistic. They made good.

This year they repeated their success, the Beaux Arts Ball is now an established tradition at Virginia, an institution where tradition goes back to Thomas Jefferson. Alpha Rho Chi at Virginia has made a larger place for itself. The story of the ball rated a whole page in the "roto" section of the Richmond *Times-Dispatch*.

With gay decorations and melodies reminiscent of the Argentine the Second Annual Beaux Arts Ball, "An Argentine Fiesta," given by the Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity, ended at dawn March 26 in the Atelier of Fayerweather Hall. Not in the 35 years that Fayerweather has been used for parties has it been more completely or colorfully decorated than for the Fiesta. For two weeks the students of Fine Arts and Architecture labored to give the interior a real Latin-American effect.

Kallikrates Men Direct

Dancing was limited to 200 invited guests of the School of Architecture. The Beaux Arts Ball figure was led by Bro. Harrison Tucker, and his guest, Miss Anna Mary Blount, both of Nacogdoches, Texas, assisted by Bro. Thomas Parker and Miss Anne Florance, both of Richmond. Colorful decorations used in carrying out the spirit of the Argentine Fiesta and much of the Spanish influence was due to Rogelio Navarro, Kallikrates '27, of Panama City, and his decoration committee. The center designs were made by Brothers Louis Ballou, Kall. '28, and Francisco Carrall, Kall. '28.

Before the ball, Kallikrates gave a banquet at the University Inn in honor of Prof. and Mrs. A. Lawrence Kocher, (Prof. Kocher is head of the school). Other honor guests were included: Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. Waring and Tom Waring of New York City, Dr. J. J. Luck, Mrs. Harry Pratt, Mr. Von Storch, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Makielski, of the University, and Mr. Henry Browne, Kall. '27, chairman of last year's Ball.



For the benefit of those interested chapter correspondents are under standing instructions that chapter news is due in the editor's hands the 12th of the month unless otherwise advised. When no news appears for your chapter your correspondent has failed his fellows.

DEMETRIOS—OHIO STATE

"Bill" Gould, Correspondent

The largest group ever to have attended the annual Founders Day Banquet here was on hand at the Chittenden hotel Saturday evening, April 9, and enjoyed a well arranged banquet and an inspiring and entertaining program, credit for which is due chiefly to John Kennedy, '21, and Efflo E. Eggert, '23. Prof. Jos. R. Taylor, of the English department of the University, as speaker of the evening in the unavoidable absence of our Editor, Horace W. Tousey, held the undivided attention of the group as he dealt with the attraction that the work of the old Masters held for him while abroad.

The remainder of the program consisted of short sketches by some of the alumni and an address by Carl E. Kuck, W. A., in behalf of the Active chapter. A very clever and amusing skit in the form of a "Mock Banquet," presented by a group of the actives, was well received and, after singing the Fraternity song, each man left with the feeling that somehow, some way, he was a little richer for having been there, both in Fraternal spirit and in love for his profession.

On the afternoon of the same day a Sigma U alumnus, Roger L. Waring, superintendent of construction on the A. I. U. building, was initiated by this chapter and is now a bona fide member of the Iktinos alumni chapter. Due to illness, "Judge" Ivor H. Hughes was unable to be present, but was duly initiated in his home by the W. G. A.,

D. P. Ely, Howard B. Letson and C. Russell Dole. We have missed the "Judge" greatly during his illness and wish him the speediest possible recovery.

MNESICLES—MINNESOTA

Dudley C. Bayliss, Correspondent

Sigma Delta Pi, honorary journalistic fraternity, was entertained with a smoker and lunch at the chapter house on April 12.

Brother William A. Olson, Ex '24, is back in school this quarter. Brother Olson has been sick for the past year, but he looks pretty healthy right now, being one of the healthiest eaters in the chapter.

The annual Founders' Day banquet was a big success this year. It was held at the chapter house Monday evening, April 11, and arrangements were in charge of Brother Carjola.

Paul Wicklund, '25, was a recent visitor at the chapter house.

An April Fools party was held at the chapter house on Friday, April 1. Although the weather wasn't so good, we had a fine party. Brother Barber was in charge of the party. That explain it!

Arrangements for our Spring Formal are practically complete, as also are plans for the Jubilee. Brother Flegal, as President of the Architectural Society, has made an early start, and things won't be quite as rushed as heretofore.

KALLIKRATES—VIRGINIA

Ralph Little, Correspondent

Brothers W. Merle Brown, High Point, N. C., Godwin Draper, Washington, D. C., and Henry Browne, Waterbury, Conn., were back with us for the Beaux Arts Ball in the role of Alumni, each accompanied by a young lady. Henry Browne will be remembered as the chairman of last year's ball.

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Editorials and Notes

THIRTEEN YEARS

To many people the number thirteen is a mystic hoodoo, but not for Alpha Rho Chi. It was thirteen years ago the eleventh of April that representatives of two local architectural fraternities, Arcus of Illinois and Sigma Upsilon of Michigan met in Chicago and nationalized as Alpha Rho Chi.

Now, thirteen years later those two chapters have grown to ten, the membership of forty-seven is now nearly nine hundred living men. But numbers do not mean anything, as such, not all of those nine hundred men are alive, Fraternally, but "the old spirit" is much alive in many centers.

Founders' Day banquets were held by all active chapters and several alumni groups. Some active chapters initiated about that time and officers passed on to new neophytes the lessons of the initiation and the principles of Alpha Rho Chi.

In the years that have rolled around, not everything has been rosy, war made sledding hard for the chapters then organized, but that is over. Anthemos (old Arcus) is in the midst of a house campaign. Iktinos (old Sigma U) has a housing program under way that depends only upon the alumni for an early success. Mnesicles, thru a series of startling and fortunate deals have the first APX planned and built chapter house.

As we enter the thirteenth year, let each chapter take stock, consolidate your positions, do not tackle more financially than you can actually carry. This advice is particularly directed to the younger and smaller chapters. Remember it has taken years for the older chapters to reach their places; grow slowly and wisely, not too fast. Watch your finances, keep the bills paid and above all keep the standard of manhood and scholarship just as high as possible.

ANOTHER CONSOLIDATION

Due to the fact that Life Subscriptions are not coming in as fast as they should and in conformance with our announce-

ment in January issue that *The Archi* would either have to have a quick growth in the number of Life Subscriptions or a retrenchment would come. This issue is but four pages as the May issue will also be. They will be printed and mailed together as a matter of economy.

Until the number of Life Subscriptions reaches 800 we cannot think of expansion. At present we have nearly 600 Lifers. Each life subscription represents \$10 in *The Archi Endowment Fund*. In the three years that the Endowment has been underway the number of annual subscriptions has naturally decreased and net cash also. As the Endowment gradually increases the earnings will also.

During the past three years the Grand Council has loaned to *The Archi* the needed funds to carry on, knowing that we will have an ultimate victory. However, as we stated in January, we do not feel inclined to add much more to the net loan from the Grand Council. It seems wiser to cut down on the size of *The Archi* and reduce costs until the Endowment earnings became greater.

The combined-reduced April-May issues do not satisfy us. There is enough news of the Fraternity to fill a sixteen page paper every month, although we have to work hard to collect it, yet until the alumni and chapter officers round up the stragglers we cannot hope to publish the average issue of eight pages a month. We promised to cut and we have kept our promise. When YOU, brother reader, help round up some of the deserters you will have a bigger, better paper. Dig up that March issue, it tells who is a Lifer and who is not. Yours for growth.
—H. W. T.

A. MOORMAN, Sr., 1850-1927

It is with no little regret that *The Archi* chronicles the death, April 20, 1927, of Mr. A. Moorman of St. Paul, the founder of the Moorman Domestic Traveling Scholarship offered annually at the University of Minnesota to the winner of a special design problem.

Mr. Moorman was one of those men who under handicaps fought his way to

the top in his field and upon arrival reached down to help others gain the advantages he struggled so for himself. While not affiliated with Alpha Rho Chi directly, he has done much for the Fraternity. His sons, Albert, J. and Frank S., Mnesicles brothers, have done more for the Fraternity than many realize. Their father's example spurred them on. Indirectly his Moorman Scholarship prize has aided the Fraternity, for with but two single exceptions it has been won every year by a Arochi man.

Our late friend came to America from his birthplace, Hanover, Germany, with his folks while a child. When he was six his parents and only sister were taken in an epidemic and an aunt assumed his care. Misfortune in the shape of the Chicago fire overtook them and all they had. A year later, at twelve, he apprenticed himself as a modeler and carver, taking up night school work in music, art, etc., at the same time.

Following his craft he later went to Cleveland, Boston, New York, where he did some of the carving in the famous Vanderbilt home, back to Chicago and on to Des Moines, where he did much of the carving in the state capitol building. While here he met and married Miss Anna Juon, who survives him with her two sons and two daughters, Miss Clara and Mrs. Florence Roden. Following some time in Omaha the family reached St. Paul, where their home has been ever since.

After several connections with various fixture concerns Mr. Moorman in 1905 established his own business as A. Moorman & Co., building bank and office equipment. Gradually the business has changed to the designing, building and equipping of banks alone. Work done by the firm can be found in all parts of the country from Alaska to Louisiana and Ohio to California.

Many Mnesicles men have known and respected Mr. Moorman. They have worked for him and they have been guests in his home and all will join your editor in congratulating our Brothers, Albert and Frank, on the heritage of trust and hono left them by their father and at the same time extend their very sincere sympathy in their loss which is the more emphasized.—H. W. T.

THE CHAPTERS

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"Bill" Cheatham was also back with us for the ball, having left school shortly after Christmas. He is at present in Washington, D. C.

Alpha Rho Chi men are doing some fine work in Design here. Louis Ballou received a second medal on a measured drawing of Monticello, the home of Thomas Jefferson. Thomas Parker drew a first mention on another elevation of the same building. Paul Edmonds and Fred Lupton received second mentions on measured drawings of Mirador, the home of Lady Astor.

Kallikrates joins the Architectural

School in sorrow at the untimely death by accident of William Billello, a Sophomore. Billello had achieved distinction as Art Editor of the Virginia Reel.

ANDRONICUS—U. S. C.

Carl Denney, Correspondent

Andronicus chapter was host to Bro. Baldwin and his wife at the chapter house on April 7th. It is a fact, brothers, Prof. "Baldy" has gone and done it, and the cigars were passed around on the evening of March 29th. This is no mistake, for we all met her at the formal, and although he passed the cigars once before, this time is final. We were informed that the marriage was all a secret, and the only brothers present were Brothers Morehead and Chambers. Mrs. Baldwin (nee Miss Norma von Wagoner) was a former art student at the University of California. Brother Baldwin needs no introduction, for we all can recall the many happy hours spent in his company. Alpha Rho Chi sends its sincere congratulations for the future happiness of Brother Baldwin and his wife.

The annual Founders' Day Banquet was held at Caprino's Venetian Gardens the evening of April 11th. A gay time and many short but snappy speeches were scheduled for the occasion.

The one longed for affair by every member of the chapter is drawing near. It is true, that every year at about this time when spring fever is going about, there is to be seen many Alpha Rho Chis playing on the famous summer beach of Southern California. This year the Beach Party is to be held over the week end of May 27th to 30th, at Balboa Beach. Everyone is ready to have one grand and glorious time. A good coat of tan is hoped for, and if such weather keeps up as we are now having there is a sure bet of many brothers feeling very uncomfortable for the following few days. Dates are reported to be all set and arrangements all under way.

The School of Architecture has been planning their yearly Mardi Gras. Committees have been chosen and our worthy brother, Lee Ellis, has been given full charge. As chairman of this affair there is no doubt that the school will be shown a wonderful time, for Brother Ellis is a mighty clever chap and worthy of such an honored position.

Five of the present ten pledges will probably be initiated during the first weeks in May. From the above social and business functions it is easily seen that our program for the rest of the semester is full and well under way.

Brother "Dick" King, graduate of S. C.'s. School of Architecture class of '26, received the first prize in the first annual architectural competition conducted by "Pencil Points." The prize netted Dick a thousand dollars, which will now give him a chance to think of marriage. Great stuff, Dick, and keep up the old spirit.

THERON—OKLAHOMA

LeRoy Bossard, Correspondent

Things are running smoothly despite the fact that our hostess has gone to Muskogee to visit her husband (our former Worthy Architect), Bryan W. Nolen, who for the last two months has been a patient in the Base Hospital there. Bryan is a Captain of the Oklahoma National Guard Special Troops, the government therefore is taking care

of his health, which is not the best at present.

Right now we are using most of our energy and ingenuity campaigning for Bro. Harold Redding, our W. A., who is running for Engineering representative to the Student Senate.

We received a belated box of cigars from Bro. Ralph McKee, who was successful in finding his mate this spring. Bro. McKee is now in the lumber business, claiming a part interest in the Pott County Lumber Co. of Shawnee.

From The Editor's Mail Box

Wherein We Recount Things and Thoughts

Which Come To Our Attention.

Just after the March issue went to the printer we received a nice note from Glenn H. Benjamin, Ikt. '23—"The February issue of *The Archi* was especially helpful as it gave me a new contact point with "Walt" Campbell and "Jerry" Van Kepple, two old schoolmates of mine at Michigan."

Benny is right, for when we established contact with his old buddies it brought a life subscription from "Jerry" and an annual from "Walt" which we anticipate he will convert into a "Life." Benny, you tell him it's worth it; you've been a lifer for a long while. And thanks Glenn for Gene Straight's new address, help us line him up for life, we haven't had a contact with him for years.

While we are thinking of the Iktinos boys, Carl Kressbach, '25, recently wrote: "I have been working in Boston since I returned from Europe last October, in the office of Shepard & Stearns. I expect to return to Harvard in September to finish up my thesis, and until then I shall be continuing my education in Boston."

Deacon Sends His Greetings

Glenwood A. Deacon, Poly. Ex '26, spent a very interesting year in Florida starting in November, 1925, in the midst of the boom and stayed until after the great storm which swept the Southern coast. He was located at Fort Lauderdale, twenty-five miles above Miami, where the storm was most severe and all but wrecked the entire town. "Wish you would extend my greetings to my old friends." "Deak" is now with Eubank & Caldwell of Roanoke, Va.

And while we are Way Down East it brings to mind the fact that Brother Moorman received rather a snappy comeback to his letter of Feb. 9th soliciting a life subscription from Harold I. Schoen, Dem. Ex '23. Friend Harold simply took Frank's letter and underlined what he considered the salient facts he wished to impress upon the Circulation manager.

Connecting the phrases he underlined his comeback reads:

Dear Brother:

Can't guess exactly what I'm going to say—brother—but—take—this letter back—with—subscription. You—need every man's money—for *The Archi* must carry on—believe that *The Archi* is the greatest link chaining the various chapters. Want this fraternity to be the greatest Alpha Rho Chi ever formed. You'll find—check for ten dollars—and will receive the finest magazine—in the whole wide world. And—I'll live happily ever after—hope that I remain sir, Fraternally yours, Harold I. Schoen.

Now if that don't hit the nail on the head! Frank did in his letter, and Harold's shows that he took it to heart, for he crashed thru with his check. At this writing we are well on the way toward six hundred lifers, but *The Archi* will not be ready for any expansion until we hit at least eight hundred lifers. In the meantime it means retrenchment.

Cloud to Help Push

Another Demetrios chap who kicked in with his ten bucks recently was Chas. W. Cloud, '17. "This subscription may help raise the percentage of old Demetrios. Will try and look up some more 'old grads' and get them to send in their subscriptions." Atta boy, old fight Chuck. It is the personal contact that sells subscriptions, we need several Demetrios men fighting with us, go to 'em.

Two others, Polyklitos fellows, have communicated with us recently. Louis R. Turcotte, '24, and Arthur K. Goehring '25. Turk is with Howell & Thomas of Cleveland. He married Miss Alice Bracket Lewis, June 13, 1925, and the Turcottes reside in a dovecote in Cleveland. Art is also married. Miss Margaret Ellen Habel, Oberlin '22, became his bride August 21st last. The old boy is with Dwight Robinson & Co., New York architects. Art advises that he is happily married. That's the spirit.

Ralston Jerrard, Mnes. Ex '18, now assistant general manager of one of St. Paul's finest fur houses dropped us a line recently. It was the first we have ever heard from Dick, but we hope it won't be the last time. The old boy withdrew from school in February, 1917,

and married Miss Marguerite F. Albrecht the following year on April 16.

We learned about Silver L. Tesone, Theron '21, the Oklahoma Aggie alumnus, recently initiated by Anthemios. At present Tee is with Hamilton, Fellows & Wilkinson of Chicago as a draftsman. His wife was Miss Mildred L. Heap prior to June 27, 1923, and their daughter Grace Marie was born last Nov. 10th. Tee is a member of Scabbard & Blade and the Masons. While in school he was a student leader.

Arochi Men in Wichita

Lawrence W. Beyers, Pae. '22, writes as follows from Wichita, Kan.—"I have been with Glen H. Thomas for the last three years and now have charge of the office. Thomas is a grad and an A P Xer from Illinois. We are planning a million dollar high school for Wichita, and it is only six years since Lorenz Schmidt, another Anthemios man, built one a little larger than we are now planning. You see, Wichita is growing and A P X is doing most of the building." Larry married Miss Ada Fullinwider, Alpha Xi Delta, June 11, 1924, and Mary Margaret was born July 8, 1925.

Iktinos Chapter is improving right along in scholarship rank, although last year's average was slightly lower than the year before according to the bulletin of the university. In 1924 Iktinos stood 18th, in 1925 16th, and in 1926 14th among 22 professional fraternities. Their grade was 74.1, which was below the professional average of 75.8, and the university mark of 74.8. Keep up the fight boys, you are improving from year to year. Back in 1919 A P X at Michigan was 6th with a grade of 77. May those days come again.

Recently heard that Albert H. Howze, Dino. '24, is now with Louis A. Glover, Houston, Texas, architect. For those who do not know "Gooch" we beg to advise that after taking his degree at Texas, proceeded to graduate from the Fontainebleau School of Fine Arts in 1926. The old boy is still single.

Hendy's Soft Spot

Wm. T. Henderson, Anth. '26, writes from Pittsfield, Mass., where he is taking a test course with the General Electric, following a spell spent at the Schenectady plant. "Like the electrical game fine, but will always have a soft spot in my heart for architecture due to time spent in that course before becoming an E. E. There's nothing like this part of the country with its hills and historical places, especially for one raised in the level mid-west," writes "Hendy."

Another one of the boys we haven't heard from in ages is M. V. Rogers, Ikt. '23. "Morrie," who originally hailed from Ypsilanti, married Miss Bess I. Mallory of Grand Rapids, April 25, 1925, and is now with a Detroit firm as superintendent. They live out in Highland Park.

But to forget the alumni for a mo-

ment. We recently heard from Thos. C. Parker, Kallikrates W. A. this past year, advising of a change of officers in the chapter. Heretofore the chapter's officers have taken office at the beginning of the school year. Tom urged that a change be made to this spring to permit the new officers to work with the aid of the retiring men for a bit. Tom's idea is not new to all chapters, but it is a rattling good one.

Greetings From Anthemios

And yes, we received "Greeting from Anthemios on Founders' Day, 1927." We thank you, gentlemen, we wish the same to you.

Speaking of Anthemios and Founders' Day. Arthur D. Pickett, A. I. A., Ex '23, Anth., wrote us that day that he was moving to New York from Beaver Falls, Pa. "As you know, I am attempting to do my bit for Architecture (and incidentally pay the grocery bill) by running an Architectural Service Dept. for the Associated Tile Manufacturers.

"I have tried to keep in touch with the Fraternity and I'd certainly appreciate their doing the same for me. No. 220 Graybar Bldg. is next door to the Grand Central Terminal, and I hope that every A P X man who visits New York will either look me up or phone when he hits town."

Our Business Manager, Paul E. Nyström, Mnes. '24, had moved too. Paul has forsaken his old stamping ground of Duluth for a job with Law, Law & Potter of Madison, Wis. See "New Addresses."

Taylor's Return to States

In fact all the boys we have heard from lately seem to be on the move. Walter A. Taylor, Dem. '21, recently wrote as follows from Hankow, China, where he was a mission architect for the Episcopal church. "I didn't realize I was giving you such useful 'sales talk' material when I paid my Life Subscription. I hope that my chapter at least has begun to show signs of life. (They have Walt, about five or six of them, but Demetrios is still last.)

"Am writing this note to ask you to change my address to North Canton, Ohio, care of my father. You may surmise that we are coming home on a furlough, 'not wrong' as we say in Chinese. We plan to sail from Shanghai, April 29. I am not running away from China, as many have. The situation is bad enough, but not as bad as painted. However there is so much uncertainty that the mission has curtailed its extensive building program, so I am to have my furlough this year instead of in 1929. I hope to blow into a number of the chapter houses during the next few months, starting with Andronicus. Tell you all about it when I get home."

Circulation Manager Moorman recently forwarded to us a letter from Clarence Dale Badgley, Dem. '23, Columbia '25, who is now studying at the American Academy at Rome, Italy. "The bat-

tering ram of Archi propaganda has finally made itself effective. As you know, a man who has to depend upon a fellowship to live and travel in Europe never has an extra sou to spare.

"Nevertheless, after much "lire pinching" I have managed to add my name to the list of desirables. I have always thought *The Archi* a big step in the affairs of the Fraternity, and I hope it continues in progress."

News From the West

Getting back to "the states" again. Orrin F. Stone, Ikt. '20, recently dropped us a line. Last we had heard he was drafting for Marsten, Van Pelt & Mayberry. He is now chief draftsman for Wallace Neff, Pasadena architect. "On" and his wife (June Wagoner, whom he married July 30, 1921, in Detroit) now live in Altadena, a suburb.

Remember the name of Phil Didrickson, Mnes. '20, who is with the "Chevy" people as service promotion manager with headquarters in Denver? Heard from him again 'tuther day. "Visited Minneapolis a while back and visited the house. Phoned Al Moorman to meet me and paid him my pledge to the house and am all squared up. Yup. 'Even with the girl!' It took a double heart box of Valentine chocolates to turn the trick, bought 'em in Minneapolis and sent to Chicago.

"Speaking of Chicago reminds me of Brother F. E. Dunlap's death. I was with him the day of Dec. 31st at his office. Two days later he took sick and a week later died. It sure struck home when I read of this, and my sympathy goes to his family and friends. They never made man better than 'Pewee.'

Ham Fatter Than Calf

"Also met several other men in Chicago. Called on Ralph Hammett, the old kid himself. He is getting fatter than the proverbial calf and lays it all to his love for a certain St. Paul lady—secrecy alone prevents me from spilling the beans. However, I know the young lady and will vouch for her, as she is already a sister to Alpha Rho Chi by adoption. 'Ham' is doing things up brown. More power to him. Am traveling in lands of which Zane Grey writes so descriptively. It sure is a wonderful country."

A recent communication from Frank Moorman, Mnesicles alumnus, advises that Jack Witherspoon is to be married in June and that he is to be second best man. "Bill Townes is with Ellerbe in Rochester. Bill Edwards, Dorothy Brink and Bill Ingemann won Daily News house competition."

By way of explanation the two Bills are Mnesicles men and Miss Dorothy is a Minnesota Alpha Alpha Gamma. Edwards is with Ellerbe's St. Paul office and we understand Dorothy is handling interior decoration in Ingemann's office if we are not misinformed.