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Root To Be Initiated As Master Architect

Chicago alumni will conduct the initiation of John W. Root, F.A.I.A., as Master Architect of Alpha Rho Chi on May 11 in Chicago.

Mr. Root was named by the national convention at Champaign last June and his initiation planned for December 10 at the Antinous Chapter House. That ceremony had to be postponed because of an illness from which Mr. Root has now recovered.

He will become the Fraternity's fourth Master Architect.

A.P.X. Dinner Planned To Follow Convention

A dinner for Alpha Rho Chi's at the A.I.A. Convention in Chicago, and in honor of Mr. Root, will be held May 11, following Mr. Root's initiation. Chicago Alumni are planning the dinner to carry on the idea instituted at last year's A.I.A. convention in Washington. With the recollection of that enjoyable meeting and the opportunity to honor Mr. Root, they are confident of a good attendance. Reservations should be made with Allan Karl, 1701 Winona Ave., Chicago 40.

All-Member Directory Available; Lists 2,200

A new and long-wanted directory of all Alpha Rho Chi's has been completed through the efforts of George Whitten, W.G.E. Addresses for more than 2,200 members are listed, alphabetically by chapter, and geographically. The booklet will be valued by every Alpha Rho Chi. It is being mailed now to all Life Members and Honorary Members and alumni requesting it, with payment of 1951 dues. Send for yours—with \$1.00 annual dues or \$25.00 Life Membership—to George A. Whitten, 1619 Walnut Avenue, Wilmette, Illinois.

Verle Annis, Former W.G.S., Gets Fraternity's Thanks, Best Wishes

National Convention officers and delegates at Champaign last June sent a telegram to Verle L. Annis, retiring Worthy Grand Scribe.

"Warmest greetings from the Convention. We deeply regret your absence. Your many years of devoted interest and unselfish service to our Fraternity as Worthy Grand Scribe are beyond our expression of appreciation. Best Wishes."

Two years before, at the Ann Arbor Convention, Annis had requested that a successor be named to relieve him of the Grand Council duties which he had carried almost continuously since 1928. As W. G. S., he maintained distribution of the Alpha Rho Chi medal and kept all Grand Council and convention and fraternity membership records. The job involves exacting and time-consuming work and to have discharged the duties faithfully for 18 years, as Annis did, is an outstanding example of service to the Fraternity. Alpha

Rho Chi can function as a national organization only so long as members can be found who are willing to carry effectively the work of the Grand Council offices.

After two years of military service in World War I, Annis



studied at University of Washington in Seattle and at University of Pennsylvania, receiving his Bachelor of Architecture degree from Pennsylvania in 1924 and his Master's from the same school in 1926. After several years of teaching at Oklahoma A.&M., he went to University of Southern California at Los Angeles where he is now Associate Professor of Architecture.

He has spent eight summers and one sabbatical year in travel and research, mostly in Latin America, with one year in Guatemala in cultural cooperation work for the State Department.

Annis was initiated into Alpha Rho Chi with the installation of Theron Chapter at Oklahoma A.&M. in 1926 and he has been faculty advisor to Andronicus Chapter at Southern California since 1928. He was on the Grand Council as W.G.S. from 1928 to 1938, and when his successor went into military service in 1942, he resumed the job, continuing to June 1950. He is national treasurer of Tau Sigma Delta, honorary fraternity of architecture.

Annis's report to the 1950 convention was an interesting and informative review of the work of his office. As included in the official convention report, it could be read with profit by every Alpha Rho Chi interested in the welfare of the Fraternity.

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Harold M. Kiefer

The many Iktinos men who knew Harold Kiefer as a brother and a loyal alumnus have been saddened by his death from a heart impairment last January in Detroit. Harold was among the earliest members of A.P.X., having been initiated in 1916. He graduated in Architectural Engineering from University of Michigan and was with Stran Steel Division of Great Lakes Steel.

J. Darby Kenyon

Iktinos Chapter has suffered the loss of another early member, J. Darby Kenyon. Mrs. Elizabeth Kenyon wrote to The Archi from Signal Mountain, Tennessee, that Darby died on January 6, 1951. He was a member of the class of 1919 at University of Michigan and was an aviator in France in World War I.

Seattle Officers Elected

Jay Ingels has written from Seattle that three Anthemios men are now alumni chapter officers there. They are: Case Rutledge, Pres.; Ken Koehler, Vice-Pres.; and Al Baumgardner, Sec. Jay himself, from Andronicus, is Treasurer.

Alumni Fund Needs Life Memberships

Twenty-Nine Now Paid Up; Others Partially

Alumni have contributed to support of Alpha Rho Chi's national organization with \$1.00 annual dues since 1938. Hoping to build up this support for a stronger organization, the 1948 convention directed the W.G.E. to place alumni dues in an Alumni Fund for promotion and expansion of the fraternity nationally. All alumni are invited to contribute to this fund—\$1.00 annually or \$25.00 for Life Membership. Life Membership payments are retained in the fund as an endowment. A fair-sized endowment built up from these memberships can become an important support for our national organization.

While response to the Life Membership plan has been encouraging, it is still small when measured by the number of our alumni. Life Membership dues should not be confused with life subscriptions to The Archi, which have been paid by most members at initiation or separately. Those subscriptions are held in The Archi Endowment Fund. The Alumni Fund is specifically for building up our national organization.

Paid Up Life Members

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No. 2	Verle L. Annis	Theron
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Send to the W. G. E.

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No. 27	Geo. Edmund Hudgins	Theron
No. 28	Ralph M. Ball	Theron
No. 29	Case M. Rutledge	Anthemios

Partial Payments Toward Life Membership

ANDRONICUS—Robert E. McClain. ANTHEMIOS—W. R. Auble, Fred A. Rohn, Lorentz Schmidt, Carl R. Blum, John Pickett. DEMETRIOS—Charles W. Cloud, V. E. Fulker, Walter A. Taylor, J. J. Black, Lot Green, Keener G. Smith. IKTINOS—Sylvester J. Stepnoski, John J. White, Jr., Arnold B. Berg, Charles G. Slater, Miguel Carlos Rozas. KALLIKRATES—Eccles D. Everhart, Donald H. Beall. POLYKLITOS—George Dick Smith, Jr. THERON—Harold L. Redding.

Annual Dues for 1951

ANDRONICUS—Clayton M. Baldwin, Lorrin L. Ward, A. J. Luthi, Fred M. Briggs, Harry L. James, Gus W. Kallionozes, Roland H. Crawford, Kenneth S. Wing, Paul T. Silvius, Robert E. McClain.
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 DEMETRIOS—Carl E. Kuck, John K. Raney, Max L. Worthley, Myron Denbrook, Jr., Ralph G. Dix, Jr., Robert C. Yoakum, C. A. Mathias, William H. Brown, Daniel E. Speakman, J. T. Beem, D. James Crawfisk, Richard W. Meyer, W. C. Ronan, Paul Yeagley, A. S. Brewer, G. J. Stegmiller, Robert M. Leece.
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 MNESICLES—Austin H. Lange, Donald W. Pung, D. Gerlach, Wm. D. Coffman, Walter F. MacGregor, James E. Hussey, Robert F. Calrow, Edward W. Barber, Hillis Arnold, G. B. Youatt, Howard B. Gilman, Wallace T. Bruce, Horace W. Tausley, Thomas Volk, Louis W. Santo, Wallace C. Bonsall, H. P. Krapp, Harvey M. King, H. M. Davidson, Milton L. Anderson, Milton V. Bergstedt, Robert Wilmsen, Russell E. Williams, Harvey M. King.
 PAEONIOS—Howard T. Blanchard, Clarence Rinard, Lee C. Stafford, J. Dean Stout, Volney A. Chase.
 POLYKLITOS—Chas A. Pearson, Jr., Frederick C. Boldry, P. Hoffer Sload, Charles P. Bassett.
 THERON—Tom R. Chapman.

Lendrum to Distribute Alpha Rho Chi Medal

James T. Lendrum, member of the Fraternity's Grand Council and an alumnus of Iktinos Chapter, is Professor of Architecture at University of Illinois. Lendrum was born in Oxford, N. Y., and graduated from University of Michigan in 1931. He taught at Michigan before going to Illinois, where he is now Acting Director of the Small Homes Council, the University's housing research unit. He also works with the adult education program through the Extension Division. He has an architectural office in Champaign and is President of the Central Illinois Chapter of the A.I.A.



JAMES T. LENDRUM

Lendrum assumed the office of W.G.S. from Verle Annis after the Champaign Convention in June, 1950. By constitutional changes made at the convention, distribution of the Alpha Rho Chi Medal became the principal responsibility of the W.G.S., all membership records being transferred to the office of W.G.E.

Gaede Plans Townscape Study For Booth Traveling Fellowship

Robert C. Gaede won the 1950 Booth Fellowship at University of Michigan and planned to study in Europe during 1951. With events since June 1950 overshadowing all plans, he cannot know whether his will be realized. Bob is an alumnus of Iktinos chapter, practicing architecture in Cleveland and teaching at Kent State University (Ohio). He has done graduate work at Western Reserve.

The Archi asked for a story about his Fellowship project and he writes: "I still plan to go ahead on the European tour in spite of possible recall and the contingencies ahead for instructors in architecture. With worldwide attention on armaments and housing on a defense or transient basis, my rather academic intentions may seem out of place. Nevertheless the basic question of esthetics (townscape) in urban housing is real and effective regardless of immediate housing policy. And we can look forward to a period of more peaceful pursuits some day, when housing may be headlines both here and in currently under-developed (as we say) areas. Then my ideas may have pertinence, if not sooner.

"For the George B. Booth Traveling award of 1950, I have proposed the following:

"The project: A study of the nature and influence of townscape in the ancient and modern community with particular reference to its relation to urban housing.

"The means: By reviewing and recording noteworthy characteristics of townscape in communities in Europe and the United States and by noting the influence that the elements of townscape have upon social standards and patterns of living so as to arrive at some pertinent correlations, useful in planning new housing, between the physical and esthetic qualities of buildings and sites and the attitudes and activities of the people who live therein.

"The aim: To achieve an enlarged vocabulary of design, in



ROBERT C. GAEDE

particular a refreshed consciousness of townscape, so that social betterment may be enhanced in the planning of new urban housing.

"Definition: By townscape is meant the total architecture of the urban scene, especially those visual attributes of the city which give the buildings, streets, surfaces and skylines their peculiar characteristics, all together and each in itself.

"Specific purposes: 1. To re-establish the popular consciousness of townscape as a vital environmental factor, especially in the building and realty fields. 2. To offer city planners



and urban redevelopers information and inspiration in preparing for new housing. 3. To remind architects involved in housing design that, more than the "architecture" of individual buildings, townscape demands a sensitive response to form, to texture, to color, motion, topography, function and folklore, both in the largest prospect and in the details, and to their psychological influences."

Annis . . .

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On distribution of the medal, Annis reported: "Distribution of the Medal for 1950 was completed by June first and 22 Medals awarded. This year Columbia and Carnegie Tech reported that they did not have worthy candidates. Both schools hold the Medal in high esteem and reported that there will be suitable candidates to choose from next year.

"Among the Medals distributed this year, three went to new schools on our award list; Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Tulane University and Iowa State College. All accepted with enthusiasm and words of sincere appreciation. The award may be offered to a few additional schools altho there are, probably, no more than 3 or 4 where it can be used. Present distribution is on a truly national basis and the Medal's acceptance, as a valuable award, by a large proportion of the schools of architecture is most gratifying.

New Chapters:

"One of the duties of the Worthy Grand Scribe is to follow up any leads concerning expansion. This work has been discouraging in spite of the increase in architectural enrollment thruout the entire country. It is evident that the requirements of Alpha Rho Chi are too high to encourage the formation of local groups, or interest existing organizations in seeking affiliation. Few schools are capable of establishing a chapter house for 2 primary reasons. First, the high initial cost to a student group—without alumni backing. Second, the currently large number of older, married students who cannot be interested in using their government subsidy in establishing a chapter house which they cannot occupy or enjoy.

"An added problem of expansion is the lack of APX alumni activity. It is impossible for any Grand Council to contact, and promote, activity in schools that



Fayweather Hall, School of Architecture on Virginia's historic campus. Photograph from Robert Grove of Kallikrates Chapter.

may be a thousand miles or more from the nearest member of that Council. Correspondence is not enough. . . . Newly formed organizations must be encouraged, and they must be contacted by our alumni. If local chapters could be formed as probationary groups—under our guidance—for a period long enough for them to accumulate alumni, it might be possible for them to attain sufficient stability to petition for a charter of Alpha Rho Chi.

"The hard-working alumni in Seattle were unable to promote a functioning group at the University of Washington due to the large number of government-supported, married students.

"Chapters, however, are not apt to create themselves. A new approach must be conceived and diligently followed by others than the Grand Council."

Fraternity Responsibilities:

"Another problem which has become increasingly apparent is the lack of responsibility of active members and chapter officers. As one of the custodian of the Grand Council files, I find that chapter officers assume duties with inadequate instructions from their predecessors, and do not familiarize themselves with the Constitution and Manual. . . . There is increasing evidence that chapter officers do not impress new members with the importance of feel-

ing their responsibility to the FRATERNITY, as well as to the Chapter. The very life of the Fraternity depends upon the individual's active support. This must start with the undergraduate period. Each must carry his share of the burden. This is an obligation that must be impressed on every pledge before he accepts membership. Membership in Alpha Rho Chi is not something which is assumed and cast off casually—at the convenience or inconvenience of the individual. There can be no such status as an "inactive" active member.

"If the active member functions as he should during undergraduate days it is almost certain that he will be a good alumnus. The Fraternity must have good alumni to be a strong national organization.

Grand Council Duties:

"Except for a 4-year period I have actively served as a member of the Grand Council since 1928. It has been a lot of work, but always a pleasant association. The position of W.G.S. is not an honor for you to confer on a brother. It is a duty which you ask him to fulfill. . . . I want to assure the Convention, and my successor, that I am not one bit less interested in the Fraternity than always. I stand ready at all times to give assistance, and counsel, if needed."

