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On our cover:

Delegates to this year's convention enjoyed the comfort and atmosphere of the newest fraternity building of Alpha Rho Chi. On our cover are views of the main lounge (top, right and bottom) and the chapter room (top, left) of the Mnesicles chapter house.

The house at 605 Ontario Street Southeast was occupied in January of 1953. Designed by the alumni and coordinated through the office of Glynne Shifflet, the brick and frame contemporary structure contains ten rooms, including a main lounge, chapter room, kitchen, and accommodations for twelve residents.

Mnesicles chapter is also proud to point out that in the history of Alpha Rho Chi their chapter was the first to plan, build and occupy a house of their own. This house, built in the summer of 1926, was designed by Prof. Mann of the Minnesota faculty, and was at the time the finest, though not the largest, house on campus.

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Announcement of the distribution of Alpha Rho Chi Medals for 1957 has been received from Prof. James T. Lendrum, W.G.S. The Medal was offered to a total of 53 accredited schools of architecture and accepted for presentation at 48 of those schools. Among the recipients of the medal are four members of the Fraternity: Rurik Fritiof Ekstrom, Richmond, Va. (University of Virginia); Charles E. Bailey, York, Pa. (Pennsylvania State University); Robert W. Froemming, Minneapolis, Minn. (University of Minnesota), and Ronald A. Rogers, Detroit, Mich. (University of Michigan).

R. Buckminster Fuller (Mnesicles Honorary), who calls himself a "comprehensive designer" but is described by others as a distinguished engineer, mathematician, inventor and philosopher, delivered the 1957 Hill Foundation Lectures at St. Olaf College. These free, public lectures are part of a five-college project established in 1952 by the Louis W. and Maud Hill Family Foundation, St. Paul, Minn. The grants enable each college to bring to its campus an outstanding scholar each year and to add substantially to its library in the field the scholar represents.

The annual Fraternity Scholarship Report issued by the Dean of Men at Ohio State University has been forwarded to the Archi by W.G.S. Lendrum. This report, for the year 1956-57, indicates that the Demetrios Chapter, with an average of 2.486, ranked sixth among 49 social undergraduate fraternities, well above the 2.307 all men's average. Spring Quarter, however, saw the chapter set back to ninth place, with an average of 2.548.

Although prior notice could not be sent in time to all fraternity members, the annual APX-AIA Convention Luncheon was held at the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. Present at the affair on May 15 were fifty-four members representing almost all chapters.

An unverified report gives Cleveland, Ohio as the site of the 1958 AIA Convention. Stand by for announcement of a Fraternity Luncheon during the week of July 7-11.

Several new series have been begun in this issue of the Archi. They and the new format will be continued in future issues, as far as practicable, although it is improbable that the same number of pages can be maintained.

The emblem of the 25th National Convention of Alpha Rho Chi (shown on page 7) is made up of four triangles which make the "X" of APX, the other two letters being formed by two simple lines crossing one leg of the X. The symbol, devised by Robert W. Peters, Mnesicles W.A., is enclosed on three sides and open on the fourth, to indicate one-fourth of a hundred, or 25th Convention.

The PIC – Professional Interfraternity Conference – reports that NCCFS – The National Conference on College Fraternities and Societies – has been discontinued, and from now on IRAC – The Interfraternity Research and Advisory Council will function as the principal organization. The report adds that the 1956 Biennial Meeting of the PIC will be held in Columbus, Ohio on March 14 and 15, 1958.

Alumni Dues Payments, which are necessary for the expansion of the Fraternity, have fallen considerably during the last year. All members are urged to send their dues payments NOW to the W.G.E. The Life Membership plan should be given consideration, as the eventual cost to the young alumnus is less, and the inconvenience of annual payments can be avoided.

The Archi Editor expresses regret concerning the delay in publication of the magazine. Lack of suitable office space has forced suspension of work several times. Only the current enlarged issue of the Archi will appear in Volume XXXV, but issue No. 1, of the following volume will be published in January, 1958.

An idea advanced at the 25th Convention concerns the establishment of what would amount to a fraternity employment bureau. Its purpose would be the bringing together of students and prospective employers. If this is feasible, it is hoped to have this bureau in operation by June. Comments and suggestions regarding the operation will be welcomed by the Grand Council. Applications for the office of coordinator are also being accepted.
A new series relates the highlights of the past year at each Chapter House.

**Anthemios**

Homecoming at Anthemios was highlighted by an excellent chicken barbecue party on the terrace, enjoyed by over 100 guests. A pledge skit and dancing followed.

Dad's Day 1956 was one of the best ever held at the chapter. What made it a success was that over 24 Dads attended. The visiting Dads organized a "Dad's Association," and expressed a very strong interest in the Chapter's welfare.

The Chapter opened its doors to the first Hungarian refugee student at Illinois, in respect to the gallant struggle the people of Hungary have shown. This expression gave the chapter and the fraternity as a whole, national fame. The Associated Press carried the story nationally with an AP Wirephoto. Letters of commendation were received from points of the United States as far east as New Hampshire.

APX played host with a coffee hour to the guests and prominent speakers of the "Urban Design" panel. APX also helped in sponsoring the panel itself.

Anthemios' Chanson en Bleu Winter Formal held December 8th was a great success. Renderings of quaint French scenes covered the walls of the hall.

**Iktinos**

A new set of By-Laws was approved by the Iktinos Chapter in December. This supersedes the latest previous set which was dated 1931. The advantages of an up-to-date set of By-Laws which clearly defines the organization are obvious.

A professional relations committee was established as part of the new By-Laws to provide the chapter with any kind of entertainment pertaining to the professions of architecture and design. Felix Candela and Norman Conn were guests of the chapter for this purpose last Fall.

Fall Open House was a real success with especially favorable comments received on the newly decorated library and hall.

Iktinos has the honor of being the first chapter to hold the newly created Alpha Rho Chi Scholarship Award which was presented at the National Convention. The chapter's grade point average for the last semester was 2.42.

In conjunction with the Semi-Centennial of the College of Architecture and Design, Iktinos held a banquet in honor of its alumni. The annual homecoming dinner and dance fell (October 27) two days after the Semi-Centennial, but the turnout was good considering that the two events came so close together.

The December 1 "Toga Party" and the annual Christmas Formal, held in honor of the pledge class, were enormous successes this year. The second semester open house featuring the exhibition of members' work, was held on Sunday, February 10.

**Vitruvius**

Vitruvius is expanding at such a rate that some of the brothers have had to move across the street until larger quarters are found. While investigating the possibility of new housing, members have also made many repairs and improvements to the chapter house.

Socially, Vitruvius experienced a different calendar this year. On October 12-13 the chapter held its third Homecoming. Both evenings were rather successful and Saturday night found the house jammed with brothers and guests dressed in short-tails and the most horrible tie each could find. A definite lack of singing talent was evident.

Last year's theme was borrowed for Junior Prom weekend. The house was aglow with decorations depicting the habitation of fallen angels, with guests looking like the devil himself, and other abominable characters.

On Mil Ball weekend the chapter "let slip the dogs of war" (Shakespeare) and the house looked like a theater of war.

**Mnesicles**

Post convention illnesses did not result in the chapter, even though this was feared because the actives were greatly overtaxed in their efforts throughout fall quarter in preparing for the 25th National Convention. With this the best convention ever, actives are pleased and satisfied.

Mnesicles chapter began its formal Rush Week program at the University of Minnesota on Monday evening, January 14, when members of the group hosted a dinner party at the chapter house. A dessert exchange with Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority followed the dinner.

A week long program of events was set up by the chapter in an effort to meet more students who would be interested in fraternity life, and at the same time participate in an outstanding program of events which would prove worthwhile to all who took part in them. This rush week was unusual and unique for both this chapter and Minnesota Greeks in general.

Rushing activities continued Tuesday when students and faculty members of the School of Architecture were guests at a luncheon and art show at the chapter house. The group had a wide display of paintings on loan from the Kilbride-Bradley Art Galleries of Minneapolis.

Dr. Donald R. Torbert, professor in the art department of the University, presented a slide lecture on Louis Sullivan. The evening proved worthwhile to all who took part.

Rabbi Bernard Raskas conducted a private tour of the Temple of Aaron Synagogue, newly completed Jewish center in St. Paul, for APX men and their guests as the Thursday feature. This outstanding building was designed by the noted New York architect, Percival Goodman, AIA.

Friday noon saw another luncheon in the chapter house. Faculty members of the Department of Art, as well as students of art and architecture.

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Attention was focused architecturally on Minneapolis in December as delegates and officers of Alpha Rho Chi met for the 25th national convention of the fraternity.

December 27 was the opening date of the three-day Silver Jubilee Convention. The local chapter, Mnesicles, at the University of Minnesota, was given the opportunity to host a national convention for the first time since the early 1930's.

The bulk of the work of the biennial convention was conducted at four general sessions. Presentation of credentials, election of convention officers, and the appointment of committees was accomplished at the first, or morning, session on Thursday, December 27, followed by the report of the Worthy Grand Architect. The reports of other officers, as well as chapter reports, were heard at the afternoon business session.

Committee reports, unfinished business and new business was completed in the Friday and Saturday morning sessions, with adjournment at 11:00 a.m. Saturday. The business sessions were long and full of spirited discussion. Expansion was an ever present topic. Finances were also discussed at length, particularly in regard to the support of the national body by the alumni.

Officers and delegates were treated to several tours during the meet. The Malcolm Willey house, designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, Christ Lutheran Church, by the late Eliel Saarinen, the Fraternity's third Master Architect, and the Southdale Shopping Center, by Victor Gruen and Associates, were sites visited. The group also toured the School of Architecture, where they viewed an exhibit of student APX work from throughout the nation.

An evening of entertainment by the host chapter, a “Minnesota Christmas Open House,” complete with skating party and Christmas tree was a welcome break from the very active business sessions.

A performance of the ritual on Saturday witnessed the initiation of Mr. John Rauma of the University faculty. Mr. Rauma, junior partner in the largest architectural firm in Minneapolis — Thorshov and Cerny, is a graduate of the U. of Minn. and received his master's degree from
M.I.T. He toured Europe on a Grunsfeld Fellowship from M.I.T. and was an instructor at the University of California before coming back to Minnesota as instructor in Grade III Design. Student Roland R. Erickson also was a candidate at the same formal initiation.

The climax of the convention was the traditional convention banquet, held on the evening of December 29th, at the Calhoun Beach Hotel in Minneapolis. The guest of honor and main speaker of the evening was Mr. Richard Buckminster Fuller, renowned design engineer, who is an honorary brother of the Mnesicles Chapter.

Official active delegates at the convention were William Hertel and William Max, Andronicus; Marion Smith and Gordon Pierce, Anthemios; Salvatore DiDomenico and Richard Graff, Demetrius; Carl Nielson and William Porter, Iktinos; Charles Chamberlayne and Martin Semell, Kal-likrates; Richard Delapp and William Moser, Mnesicles; and Thomas Butler and Clinton Glasgow, Vitruvius. Grand Council Delegate was Robert F. Calrow, W.G.A. Also in attendance were Richard E. Murray, W.G.E., George A. Whitten, G.A., Winthrop M. Wadsworth, N.I., and John R. Liimatainen, Archi Editor. Present as a visitor was Anthemios active Walter Shigahara. Mnesicles actives Robert Peters and Arthur McClure were elected respectively President and Secretary of the Convention.

Housing for delegates and officers at the convention was provided at the APX house and at a nearby residence hall.

The planning committee for the meeting included W.G.A. Bob Calrow; Orrin D. Field, Mnesicles Alumni Association president; and Robert W. Peters, W.A. of the active chapter.

A Glance at Mnesicles

Mnesicles Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi, fourth to enter our national fraternity, last fall celebrated its 40th birthday. The chapter programs include Monday night meetings, with dinner and discussions with dinner guests, who include architects, artists, and various members of allied professions. Three major parties of the year are the Homecoming Dance, the Bowery Party, and the Spring Formal. The chapter gives a yearly Christmas party for children from Pillsbury Settlement House. Mnesicles is active in Campus Carnival and other University functions, and is recognized as one of the more active chapters on campus.

About the University

The University of Minnesota, third largest university in this country, has a student population of 25,000 on its Minneapolis, Saint Paul and Duluth campuses. The main campus, on the banks of the Mississippi river, near downtown Minneapolis, was laid out by the late Cass Gilbert, Master Architect of Alpha Rho Chi.

The School of Architecture is headed by APX Michigan chapter alumnus Ralph Rapson. The school, small and select, traditionally ranks among the top five architectural schools in the country. Consisting of 244 students and 17 instructors, it graduates about 15 to 20 students each year.

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Top right: William Moser (Mnesicles) reads a report at a business session. At his left are Delapp and Shigahara, while Max and Senell are seated facing him.

Bottom right: R. Buckminster Fuller, Mnesicles Honorary, is the main speaker at the Convention Banquet held at the Calhoun Beach Hotel in Minneapolis.

Below: W.G.A. Robert F. Calrow presents the Alpha Rho Chi Scholarship Award to Iktinos Chapter. William Porter accepts the trophy while Carl Nielson looks on.
A SUMMARY OF ALPHA RHO CHI CONVENTIONS

The following list gives the date, place, and entertaining chapter of all the conventions to date:

First  Detroit, Mich., Feb. 3-5, 1915.
Second  Champaign, Ill., Jan. 3-4, 1916; Anthemos.
Third  Chicago, Ill., Hotel Sherman, Jan. 2-4, 1917.
Fourth  Columbus, Ohio, Chittenden Hotel, Jan. 1-2, 1918; Demetrios.
Fifth  Minneapolis, Minn., Andrews Hotel, Jan. 1-2, 1920; Mnesicles.
Sixth  Ann Arbor, Mich., Michigan Union Club, Jan. 3-4, 1921; Iktinos.
Seventh  Champaign, Ill., Jan. 2-3, 1922; Anthemos.
Eighth  Columbus, Ohio, Chittenden Hotel, Jan. 29-30, 1922; Demetrios.
Ninth  Minneapolis, Minn., Curtis Hotel, Jan. 2-3, 1924; Mnesicles.
Eleventh  Charlottesville, Va., Dolly Madison Inn, Jan. 1-2, 1926; Kallikrates.
Twelfth  Manhattan, Kans., Gillette Hotel, Jan. 7-8, 1927; Paenios.
Thirteenth  Austin, Tex., The Stephen F. Austin Hotel, Dec. 30-31, 1927; Dinoocrates.

Fourteenth  Los Angeles, Calif., Student Union, Dec. 29-31, 1928; Andronicus.
Fifteenth  Champaign, Ill., Chapter House, Dec. 30-31, 1929; Anthemos.
Sixteenth  Minneapolis, Minn., Chapter House, Dec. 29-31, 1930; Mnesicles. Convention banquet held at Hotel Maryland in same room in which the Mnesicles chapter honored Cass Gilbert, Past Master Architect, upon his initiation May 22, 1924.
Seventeenth  Columbus, Ohio, Deshler-Wallick Hotel, Dec. 29, 1931, to Jan. 1, 1932; Demetrios.
Eighteenth  Champaign, Ill., Chapter House, Dec. 30-31, 1934; Anthemos.
Nineteenth  Los Angeles, Calif., Chapter House, Dec. 29-31, 1938; Andronicus.
Twentieth  Ann Arbor, Mich., Chapter House, June 14-15, 1941; Iktinos.
Twenty-second  Champaign, Ill., Chapter House, June 17-19, 1950; Anthemos.
Twenty-third  Los Angeles, Calif., Chapter House, Dec. 29-31, 1952; Andronicus.
Twenty-fourth  Columbus, Ohio, Chapter House, Dec. 27-29, 1954; Demetrios.
Twenty-fifth  Minneapolis, Minn., Chapter House, Dec. 27-29, 1956; Mnesicles.

The traditional Convention Banquet, held this year in the Calhoun Beach Hotel in Minneapolis. Speaker’s table in center background.
The 17th Biennial Conference of the Professional Interfraternity Conference, meeting in Chicago, was attended by 22 member fraternities and one petitioning fraternity. Representing Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity (which is a charter member of P.I.C.) were Robert F. Calrow, W.G.A., and George A. Whitten, G.A. Calrow was appointed to the Committee on Membership, and was one of five nominated for the office of Director.

The Conference accepted the Omega Tau Sigma Fraternity to membership, simultaneously creating the category of Veterinary Medicine. Other matters discussed were a new Constitution for the Conference, increased dues, discrimination, and public relations.

Elected to the office of president for the coming biennium was Edward L. Scheufler, Delta Theta Phi, succeeding Walton Van Winkle, Alpha Kappa Kappa.

Discrimination

This brings me to the discussion of the much discussed question of discrimination. There has been so much emotionalism and muddy thinking on this subject that I believe it is time for us to examine dispassionately what our stand should be.

First of all, we must recognize certain constitutional questions that appear to have been settled in the past few years. Regardless of whether we agree with it or not, the Supreme Court has said that the doctrine of "separate but equal" public facilities for members of different races does not satisfy the requirements of the Fourteenth Amendment. Thus public schools, colleges, transportation and recreation facilities must be made available equally to all regardless of race or religion. Unsettled is the question of whether this doctrine can be applied to private institutions and organizations such as fraternities. I believe, and in this I am supported by expert legal opinion, that a private voluntary association has the right to determine its own qualifications for membership—regardless of how arbitrary they may seem to others. Similarly, it would appear to be fairly firmly established that colleges and universities have a like right to determine the qualifications of any organization that they shall recognize on their campuses—regardless of how arbitrary such qualifications may seem to others.

I also believe that history will demonstrate that attempts to legislate social behavior when a minority but a substantial number of persons are opposed to such legislation does not achieve the goals sought; and in fact, only makes more difficult and delays what might have been an orderly process of acceptance of a changing order of things. In reviewing the history of racial relations in this country, and in other countries, I am becoming more and more convinced of the inevitable disappearance of social barriers between religious and racial groups. I am not here taking a stand as to whether this is or is not desirable. I am merely pointing to what I believe past history and present trends appear to show. I am, however, unalterably opposed to any attempt to bring about such social integration by means of directives, orders or legislation. To attempt to hasten such a process of integration by legislative acts merely creates friction, resentment and inflames hatreds. If I thoroughly dislike an individual, no amount of legislation saying that I must love him is going to change my inner feeling; in fact, it will do just the opposite; it will make me resentful and this resentment will find an outlet usually directed towards the person I instinctively dislike.

I consider, therefore, that attempts by universities, by student groups and by others to force through legislation and directives for the removal of racial and religious qualifications to membership in fraternal and other voluntary organizations to be ill-advised and to defeat the very purpose that they wish to accomplish. If such institutions are sincere in their desire to see social equality firmly established, then the only effective approach is through education and, above all, through patient, sympathetic guidance.
If we, as a Conference of Professional Fraternities, are willing to accept this analysis of the "discrimination" situation as I have outlined it, it would appear that we have an educational job to do. Instead of taking a negative approach in our dealings with university and college officials on this matter of discrimination, let us take a positive approach. Let us say to them that on moral grounds we cannot oppose the ideal of racial and religious equality. However, let us point out the fallacy of attempting to legislate such matters and urge an approach through education and cooperation. The invocation of "deadlines" for compliance with a legislative fiat appears to be silly. That is like saying that although you dislike a person today, that at 5:00 P.M. on Friday you will change your feelings. The only way that true social equality will ever be achieved is by an alteration of the inner convictions of people. This can only be achieved by education, reason and time. If we can make university and student officials recognize this truth, we can settle down to living like true fraternity brothers and I dare say that in one hundred years from now people will look back and wonder what all the shouting was about.

Public Relations

This discussion now brings me to a related matter to which your Executive Committee has given considerable thought. This is the matter of public relations. I have had the privilege of serving as Chairman of the Public Relations Committee of I.R.A.C. for the past two years. After much discussion and thought, it was the consensus of this Committee that good public relations must begin at the grass roots level—with the individual fraternity member. We believe that public relations are determined primarily by the actions of fraternities. We further believe that these actions will be determined to a large extent by how sincerely each fraternity and each fraternity chapter inculcates in its membership the basic tenets and beliefs, the ethical and moral principles, that are the basis of all fraternities and that are symbolized in our ritualistic work. Thus, the Public Relations Committee of I.R.A.C. has recommended to each of the constituent Interfraternity Conferences that they adopt for their public relations program the theme, "Let's get back to fundamentals."

You will hear later a report from our Public Relations Committee and will have an opportunity to discuss in detail any specific recommendations it may make. I should at this time, however, like to direct your attention to one weakness I believe we as a Conference have demonstrated in this area.

It has been evident that many, if not most, college and university officials, as well as the general public, tend to classify all fraternities, social and professional, together. Thus, adverse publicity accruing to one of the social fraternities also blackens the name of professional fraternities to the extent that all fraternities are held in disrepute when one member gets out of line. This is most evident in the matter of application of university rulings and regulations to fraternities. I believe, therefore, that we must conduct an educational campaign designed to inform and educate the public regarding the fundamental differences between professional and social fraternities. However, to do this successfully we must first be sure that each of our fraternities and each of our chapters are conducting themselves in a truly professional manner. It seems to me that one service that this Conference can perform is to encourage all of its constituent members to a higher professional performance and then make known to the public the good works we carry out.

As a preliminary basis for developing an awareness of the professional activities of our member fraternities, I caused to be circulated a brief questionnaire regarding the professional programs of possible national significance sponsored by members of our Conference. This questionnaire was designed primarily to find out the general nature of our professional programs and to serve as a basis for further detailed study of what we are doing. I shall only summarize the results here and turn this material over to my successor in office for such disposition as the Conference may direct.

I received 15 responses, or slightly less than 50%, to this questionnaire. This is disappointing when one considers that the work involved in answering it was not very great. However, of the 15 fraternities that answered, the following figures may be of interest:

- 100% sponsor, on a national level, some form of professional activity.
- Six, or 40%, confine this activity to their fraternity members, but only two say that the benefit of this activity is limited to their members.
- The programs sponsored are varied and I shall not tabulate them here. I think that there should be more specific information developed relative to these programs, before they are publicly listed.
- Efforts are made to publicize these professional activities to others than fraternity members by all but one of the fraternities. I believe that these efforts need study since I feel that at present the publicity is all too frequently inadequate.
- Many are the ways these activities are financed. With one exception, the National Organization contributes in whole or in part to the expenses. Five have some form of endowment, but in only one is this sufficient to cover all expenses of the activity. Only one makes an assessment to defray expenses and in only three are the alumni regularly asked to contribute. In six instances, the local chapters contribute part of the financial support.
- In only four instances was it reported that some professional activity, previously sponsored, had been abandoned. Usually such programs involved meeting a special need such as frequently occurred during and immediately after the last war.
- Finally, there was unanimous agreement that the Conference might consider adopting the combined experience of the members in sponsoring professional programs, discuss these programs in an informative way and present these to the public in the form of a brochure or other publication.

It appears to me that this is a task that should be undertaken now. It will require much work, but the results could afford us an opportunity for good public relations.

Internal Problems

Turning now to what might be considered our internal problems, I wish to discuss with you certain fundamental aspects of our Conference. We state in our constitution that we are an advisory body only. Thus we have no powers of action except in so far as a Conference may direct its officers to take some specific action. It is even questionable in my mind if the Conference has such authority unless the delegates have been instructed by their re-

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American college life unfolded suddenly before the bewildered eyes of a 19-year-old Hungarian refugee at the Anthemios chapter house.

Erwin Molnar, the first Hungarian refugee to arrive in Champaign-Urbana, received a taste of the generosity of University of Illinois students on December 5th when he mounted the steps of the fraternity house and was greeted by a line of handshaking young Americans. It was quite a change for the lad who had just escaped from Communist death and oppression.

Erwin, a stocky, round-faced youth, was formerly a student at the Technical College of Architectural Engineering near Budapest. Students at his school started demonstrations when they heard of riots in other parts of the country, but were driven away by secret police. Machine gun nests were then set up around the school.

Molnar said he joined a group of students who printed and distributed anti-Communist literature and agitated factory workers to strike. Later he rode with an armed truck convoy bringing food into Budapest, and fought the secret police there for two days.

When he heard that the secret police had his name as a member of the subversive student group, Molnar and four friends fled the country, leading the way for 50 others. They crossed the Austrian border unmolested on November 11. His parents may still be in Hungary, Molnar said.

Howard Neuberg, assistant dean of men at the UI, said 17 fraternities offered to provide living quarters for the boy when the housing problem was brought before the Interfraternity Council.

Erwin lunched at the Alpha Rho Chi house and decided “that was the house” for him. The fraternity quickly arrived at a similar decision. It was approved as quickly by the resettlement committee.

Dean Neuberg explained that Molnar would be a guest of the fraternity, not a member. He would receive free room and board until February, when his case would be reconsidered. Neuberg said that the final decision was based on three factors. Alpha Rho Chi is primarily an architectural fraternity and as Molnar will be studying architectural engineering, house members would be able to aid the boy in his academics.

“The house offers a good cross section of religious influence,” Neuberg said. “There are 14 Roman Catholics (Molnar is a Roman Catholic), 3 Jews and 17 Protestants.”

Erwin spoke no English, but could converse to a limited degree in German; Tony Szyszkowski and Paul Ehrlick, both house members, speak German fluently, so the language barrier was not too serious.

Members of the fraternity voted unanimously to house the boy, and are enthusiastic about helping refugees. “All the guys think it’s great,” exclaimed Joe Legat, a junior from Waukegan, when interviewed by the News Gazette.

“It’s especially want to help Erwin become familiar with the methods of architecture employed by U.S. firms, and we want to do all we can to help needy people.”

Dean Neuberg said that Molnar would enroll in the UI in June, providing his English warranted receiving classroom instruction. Until that time he would work and receive instruction in English with fellow refugees at special classes conducted by the UI. Arrangements were being completed to secure a job for Molnar as a draftsman for a local firm.

The foregoing article was prepared from stories which appeared in the Champaign-Urbana area newspapers, The Courier, and the News-Gazette. Photographs and other information by the Anthemios chapter.
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spective fraternities with respect to some specific activity. If this Conference is to be advisory, on what do we advise? In the past, we have called attention to problems directly or indirectly affecting our members. At times your officers have been so bold as to recommend a course of action to our member fraternities. Under our constitution, we can do nothing else. I wonder, and I leave it to you to debate, whether in the light of the problems facing fraternities today, there should not be some group that can act and speak for our professional fraternities? This is something I believe should be discussed.

Secondly, I have had an uneasy suspicion that at times our meetings are not of too much real benefit to our members. All too often, I have the feeling that we are tending towards a mutual congratulation society. We assemble for a day, hear high sounding words, fold our hands over our respective navels, nod our heads and then depart to continue the even tenor of our ways. It seems to me, that if this Conference is to continue its existence, it must be of some benefit to its members. We have an opportunity afforded us by the presence of top professional fraternity leaders to become a problem-solving group. We could, if we can arise from our obese posteriors, formulate courses of action to meet the problems that face fraternities and by our influence and actions cause our membership to collaborate one with another in combating hostile influences and in improving our organizations.

I will go even further: I believe that because of the fact that our membership is composed of individuals representing those professions attracting the highest intellectual skills among all fraternity personnel, we should be leaders in the fraternity world — and not followers. Some of our members have voiced complaints that we appear to follow slavishly the lead of the social fraternities. If this is true, it is our fault; we have not assumed the leadership that I believe our intellectual resources are capable of. I believe we should assume this leadership. Furthermore, I believe that while our primary concern is with professional fraternities, we cannot divorce ourselves completely from the fraternity world at large.

Professional fraternities are part of the fraternity system. Our form and heritage stems from the very origins of fraternality. We are vitally affected by the actions of the social fraternities, and, as I have pointed out earlier, public opinion regarding us is governed by public opinion regarding fraternities as a whole. If we grumble about this and do nothing, we have only our lack of leadership to blame. If, on the other hand, we recognize our responsibilities to the fraternity system, then we should participate actively in shaping the course of that system in the months and years to come.

However, we cannot exert leadership unless we are a vital and active organization. To achieve this vitality, the affairs of our Conference cannot be delegated to a few with no participation by the vast majority of our members. If we are to have a useful, dynamic organization, we must have the active, enthusiastic participation in our work by large numbers of fraternity leaders drawn from all our member fraternities.

Thus, my final plea to you is for wider participation in the work of the Conference by leaders from every fraternity here represented. Don’t wait to be asked. Volunteer your services; give us your ideas; encourage others to work with us. Unless we do this, I take a very dim view of the value and of the future of this organization.

A Glance at Mnesicles
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The Mnesicles alumni association holds regular meetings at the chapter house. They sponsor the alumni Homecoming Banquet, and one of the members holds an annual barn dance for alumni and actives at his Lake Minnetonka home. Mnesicles Chapter has eight faculty or honorary members among the faculty of the school of architecture, and is also proud to claim Buckminster Fuller, convention banquet speaker, as an honorary member.

About the University
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many of whom go on to graduate school at M.I.T. or Harvard. Three curricula are offered: the five-year curriculum, leading to the degree of bachelor of architecture, B. Arch.; the four-year curriculum, leading to the degree of bachelor of arts, B.A., in the College of Science, Literature, and the Arts, with a major in architecture; the six-year curriculum (combined), leads to both degrees, B.A. and B. Arch. In addition to these, the School of Architecture offers work on the graduate level leading to the degree of master of architecture, M. Arch.

The nearest architectural schools are Iowa State College architectural department at Ames, Iowa, and Illinois Institute of Technology's School of Architecture in Chicago, and the College of Architecture of the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg.

Chapter Round-up
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were guests of the Alpha Rho Chi’s. The art show continued on exhibit for this event also.

Rushing events culminated on Saturday evening when Mnesiclesians honored their new pledge class with a dance in the "dimly lit, damsel decorated" chapter house.

Preceding the Formal Rush Week had been an “Introduction to Fraternity Life Week” at the fraternity during which time the group met with students in an effort to get better acquainted and to introduce themselves to prospective pledges. These events began on Wednesday evening, when H. Harvard Arnason, director of Walker Art Center and chairman of the University’s art department, gave a stimulating lecture entitled “School of Paris, 1956.” The slide lecture was based on Mr. Arnason’s personal observations of present day aesthetic thought in Paris.

On Thursday afternoon, the actives were host to an open house for all Grade I students of Architecture. Winding up the week’s events was a stag social smoker on Friday evening.

Climaxing the entire two weeks activities was the pledging into Alpha Rho Chi of four students.
Among the recipients of the 1956 Alpha Rho Chi Medal were three Alpha Rho Chi's.

Given by the Grand Council of Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity, the Alpha Rho Chi Medal is awarded annually in more than forty American architectural schools to that graduating senior who has shown an ability for leadership, performed willing service for his school, and gives promise of real professional merit through his attitude and personality. Selection of the winner is made by the faculty of each school.

Stanley J. Routh

Winner of the Medal at the University of Illinois was Stanley Judson Routh, a "second generation Illini architect." His father, Judson B. Routh, Jr., is an Illinois alumnus and an Alpha Rho Chi.

In his senior year, Stan, a native of Baton Rouge, La., also was awarded the AIA School Medal, and the Edward L. Ryerson Travelling Fellowship in Architecture, awarded annually at the U.I. Selection is based on artistic ability, technical competence, personality, and promise of leadership in the profession of architecture. On this fellowship, Stan and his wife, Patti, toured Europe by auto, visiting sixteen countries between December and May.

Stan was Anthemios Chapter W.A. during the first semester of 1955-56. His other achievements before this time include winning the Gargoyle Freshman Award and serving in almost every office of his Chapter. And a week before he graduated in 1956, Stan also passed the architects' exam in Louisiana.

Carl L. Bradley

Carl LeRoy Bradley was chosen for the award at the University of Michigan. He is a native of Fort Wayne, Indiana, where, after graduation, he has been associated in practice with his father. Bradley ranked high scholastically and was elected to Tau Sigma Delta, national architectural honorary. In his Junior year he was chairman of a student committee charged with securing interesting lecturers on architectural subjects; also, he was president of the student chapter of the AIA. In his senior year he was President of the Senior Class of the U.M. College of Architecture. He was on the honor roll at the Honors Convocation.

Donald D. Hanson

At the University of Minnesota, the Medal was presented to Donald Douglas Hanson, a native of Canby, Minn. He received his B. Arch. degree from the U. of Minn. during the summer of '56, and later has done graduate work at M.I.T. in Cambridge, Mass. Hanson was considered one of the most promising students at his University in recent years.

In his fraternity chapter, Mnesicles, he held the office of W.S. Hanson was president of the campus ASA, the Architecture Students Association, in 1955-56. He was instrumental in organizing the group, and secured official recognition for it on the campus.

W.S. and W.A. of Anthemios, adapted the design of the Fraternity coat of arms so that it could be manufactured by a sewing company.

The motto, Fidelitas, Amor et Artes, was hand painted on white taffeta, as were the nine stars. The Tudor rose is of white chintz. All of these were placed on the backing material of charcoal antique satin. In the photo the banner is being held by the ladies who actually did the assembling and sewing of the crest.

The Crest was displayed at the recent National Convention, and may be seen in photographs elsewhere in this issue.

A Banner for Anthemios

As a token of his "great esteem and appreciation of Alpha Rho Chi for the privilege of being a Brother in such a unique fraternity," Marion J. Smith has presented the Anthemios Chapter the banner shown here. Smith, past
Fred H. Jobusch (Anthemios '37), Tucson, Arizona, has been elected president of the newly formed Tucson Chapter of the AIA.

Oscar S. Ekdahl (Paeonios '33), Topeka, Kansas, has been re-elected vice president of the Topeka section of the Kansas Chapter, AIA.

Emil Lorch (Iktinos Honorary) of Ann Arbor, and Clair W. Ditchy (Iktinos '15), of Detroit, Mich., both Fellows of the American Institute of Architects, were awarded honorary degrees of Doctor of Architecture and Master of Architecture, respectively, by the University of Michigan College of Architecture at its recent Semi-centennial celebration. Lorch, Professor Emeritus of Architecture, was appointed the first director of the program of architecture at the school half a century ago. Ditchy, immediate past president of the national body of the AIA, was the recipient of the MSA Gold Medal in 1955, and an honorary degree of Doctor of Engineering from Lawrence Institute of Technology in 1956.

William Keck (Anthemios '31), Chicago, Illinois, was on the program at the 12th Annual Short Course in Residential Construction at the U. of I., January 16-17, 1957.

H. Samuel Kruse (Anthemios '33), Cape Girardeau, Mo., was chairman of a committee that compiled a folder called “Presenting Your Architect,” issued by the Florida South Chapter, AIA.

**APX in the News**

**INITIATES**

**ALUMNI DUES . . . Since November 30, 1956**

Alumni dues for support and expansion of the Fraternity's national organization were established by the 1938 Convention and affirmed by the 1948 and 1952 Conventions. Annual dues are $2, and Life dues $25, payable at one time or in three consecutive annual installments. Payment of Life dues is designated “Life Membership.”

Dues are payable to the W. G. E. who reports the following receipts in the three months ending February 28, 1957.

**ANNUAL DUES**

| ANTHROPOIDUS | Roy B. Winder, Jr. |
| DEMETRIOS | John D. East, Max. L. Worthley |
| IKTINOS | Robert C. Hall, Lester H. Waldo |
| POLYKLITOS | David B. Andrews, Jr. |
| MNESICLES | Robert T. Jackels |
| THERON | George E. Tingley, Eldon D. Shufflerbarger |

**PAID UP LIFE MEMBERS**

| 251 | D. Burr Dubois Iktinos |
| 252 | John F. Kelley Polyklitios |
| 253 | Frederic R. Von Grossmann Mnesicles |
| 254 | Charles V. Cowan Iktinos |
| 255 | Newton E. Griffith Mnesicles |

**PART LIFE PAYMENTS**

| 19 | Donald B. Gooch |
| 20 | Thomas M. Kearns |
| 21 | Raoul W. Wilkins |
| 22 | Ralph Sounik |
| 23 | Roy B. Winder, Jr. |
| 24 | John D. East |
| 25 | Max L. Worthley |
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**MINNESOTA CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE**

An evening of entertainment by the host chapter, including “Christmas Open House” and a skating party with dates from Alpha Chi Omega, was a welcome break from the active business sessions of the 25th Convention.
A THUMB-NAIL SKETCH OF ALPHA RHO CHI

The first installment in a series which will relate the history of Alpha Rho Chi

Alpha Rho Chi, professional architectural fraternity, was established simultaneously at the Universities of Illinois and Michigan, April 11, 1914. Anthemos chapter of Illinois was formed from the Arcus Society and started with twenty charter members. Iktinos chapter of Michigan was formed by members of the Sigma Upsilon and the charter members numbered twenty-seven.

Demetrios chapter was originally established April 17, 1915, by eleven men, members of Tau Epsilon Chi, a local at Ohio State University. This organization had failed to secure the recognition of the faculty and a new installation was made the following February.

On the tenth of October, 1916, ten members of the Cyma fraternity were initiated as Mnesicles chapter together with three honorary members. Thus the fourth chapter was established at the University of Minnesota.

Kallikrates sent two men to the seventh convention who were initiated Jan. 2, 1922, preceding the formal establishment at the University of Virginia on Feb. 15, 1922, with a total of eleven charter members.

Next in line came Andronicus at the University of Southern California, which was established with eleven men on March 11, 1922.

Alpha Chi, a local fraternity at Kansas State, became Paeonios chapter of Alpha Rho Chi on Feb. 10, 1923, numbering sixteen men at the time of installation.

Ten members of the Delta Club at the University of Texas comprised the charter roll of Dinocrates chapter installed April 19, 1924.

Carnegie Institute of Technology was the home of the ninth chapter formed by fifteen members of the Carnegie Architectural Society. The chapter, Polyklitos, was established May 24, 1924.

Alpha Rho Chi on May 23, 1926 added to its ranks a tenth chapter with the initiation of twelve members of the Theron Club at the Oklahoma A. & M. College as Theron Chapter.

The Vitruvius Colony organized at the Pennsylvania State University was installed as the Vitruvius Chapter of Alpha Rho Chi on March 27, 1955. With initiation of 18 men, Vitruvius became the eleventh chapter of the fraternity, and the first to be granted a charter in 29 years.

Of the eleven chapters installed, Paeonios, Dinocrates, Theron and Polyklitos are now inactive.

The Archi Album

Some of the boys who helped build the strong chapter of Sigma Upsilon that became one of the co-mother chapters a year later.


Photograph by George L. Richardson, Iktinos '16.
**Alpha Rho Chi Fraternity**

Alpha Rho Chi is a national professional fraternity limiting its membership to students of architecture and the allied professions. Founded at the Universities of Illinois and Michigan on April 11, 1914, to organize and unite in fellowship the architectural students in the universities and colleges of America, and to combine their efforts, so as to promote the artistic, scientific, and practical efficiency of the younger members of the profession. Charter member of the Professional Interfraternity Conference, organized in 1928.

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