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Sigma Alpha Iota Province Convention

Eta Province of Sigma Alpha Iota Fraternity will hold its bi-annual convention in Syracuse, N.Y., April 26 and 27, with Sigma Iota of Syracuse University acting as hostess chapter. Convention headquarters will be at the Syracuse Hotel.

During convention Mrs. George C. Williams, wife of President Williams will be initiated as a patroness member, and Mrs. Lo Ream Hodapp, Miss Nancy Campbell and Mrs. Harold Hedgepeth will be initiated as active members, all of Epsilon, the local chapter.

Six girls from the Syracuse University will also be initiated as active members of Sigma Iota chapter. The second degree, a special reward for service to the fraternity, will be conferred upon Mrs. Louis Sullivan of Delta Epsilon, the Ithaca Alumni Chapter and upon Miss Speckman of Epsilon-Epsilon, New York Alumni Chapter.

The business sessions will be in charge of Miss Gertrude Evans, president of Eta Province and Miss Hazel Ritchie National President will be a guest of honor. Delegates from the New England Conservatory, Boston; Eastman School of Music, Rochester, N.Y.; Susquehanna University, Selensgrove, University, Selensgrove, Pa.; Teacher’s College, Columbia University; Syracuse University and the Ithaca Conservatory and Affiliated Schools, together with delegates from the Ithaca, New York and Rochester Alumni Chapters will be present.

Sigma Alpha Iota chapters are divided geographically into seven provinces. Eta Province comprises the Eastern chapters, many of the others are considerably larger. Each Province is holding a convention this year preparatory to the National Convention which will take place in Minneapolis next year.

A splendid program of events has been arranged for the Syracuse convention which will open tomorrow night with a meeting of the Province Executive board. The business sessions will be interspersed with social affairs and the two days will be crowded with events.

Saturday noon following the opening business session, Mrs. H. Winfield Chapin, prominent music leader who is a patroness of Epsilon, will preside over the Epsilon Chapter meeting which will entertain 100 delegates and guests at a luncheon given in the ball room of the Syracuse hotel. Sunday afternoon the formal musical given by the delegates will take place at the home of Mrs. Arthur Chase, who is also a patroness of Sigma Iota. Mrs. Chase will play a prelude on the organ preceding the appearance of the delegates on the musical. Following the program Mrs. Chase will give a reception. The formal banquet will take place Saturday night at the hotel, immediately after the initiation service. Mrs. Harold L. Butler, wife of Dean Butler of Syracuse University, another patroness of Sigma Iota, will act as toastmistress at the banquet.

I. S. P. E. Track Men to Enter Penn Relays

The track team of the Ithaca School of Physical Education has been practicing daily at Percy Field in preparation for the Penn Relays next week.

Several men have shown exceptional ability in the various events and look as though they should be in competition to any school. Guptill appears a strong distance runner and he has had considerable experience in various high school meets along with winning a number of long distance events. Harold Mait a 10 second man was expected to carry the burden in the dashes, but due to a recent operation for appendicitis will be unable to participate in any of the events.

Hutchinson, formerly track star for Westminster College and now a student at Ithaca should place in the Relays. He has entered the relays in past years and has placed in several events. Hutchinson is a tall, leanly built boy well over six feet and pole vaults regularly over the 12 foot bar. He also specializes in the discus throw and shot put.

All candidates showing good ability and who have attended the practices daily and day out will be sent to the relays.

Practice will be held the remaining of the week at the field and in case of weather conditions not permitting it will be held indoors.

Dr. William A. Howe to Speak at Assembly

On Thursday morning, April 24th, Dr. William A. Howe will address the Assembly. Dr. Howe is Chief of the Medical Inspection Bureau of the New York State Department of Education and also President of the American School Hygiene Association. Dr. Howe is nationally famous for his work in school hygiene having been decorated for his labors and being given a special medal last year by the American Medical Association for his work.
Gold Medal Contest

Gold Medal Elimination Contests for the Music Department are scheduled to be held soon. There is to be a change in the contest rules this Spring. Only one gold, and one silver medal will be given in the entire Music Department, (not including the Band School). Formerly a separate medal was given for voice, violin and piano. This year, from those who try out in the preliminary contests, two voice, two violin, and two piano students will be chosen to compete for the medal in the final contest, which is to be held the week of May 19th. In other Departments of the School, the awards will be the same as they were last year.

A signed article by Craig McHenry, on the Band and Orchestra Summer School was published recently in the Musical Courier.

Band Concert Wednesday Night

A concert will be given by the Ithaca Military Band School next Wednesday night in the Little Theatre. At this time Paul Lester will play a trombone solo called "Rose of the Catskills" written by Dean Williams.

The complete program includes the following selections:

March Hungroine........... Berlioz
Overture Freischutz ........... Weber
Ros of the Catskills....... Williams
Trombone solo by Paul Lester
Invitation to the Valse........ Weber
Badinage .................... Herbert
Quartet from "Rigoletto"...... Verdi
Craig McHenry, Paul Lester
Carleton Strobot, Walter Beeler
Selection "The Bohemian Girl"..... Balfe

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Summer Clinic for Speech Defects

The largest clinic in the history of Martin Institute will be held for six weeks beginning June 29th and ending August 10th. It will be attended by about seventy-five cases from various parts of the United States, Canada and even Europe. Some twenty colleges will be represented. Besides the cases there will be at least twenty-five instructors, psychologists and speech specialists taking the normal course. Many of these speech specialists are now engaged in colleges and various school systems but are attending this clinic to get the latest methods of scientific technique which Dr. Martin has brought over from European Clinics where he has been lecturing during the past two summers. There is now a nation wide demand for teachers of elocution and public speaking who have also received special clinical training in the correction of speech defects.

Iota Pi Alpha Formal Spring Dance

The first Spring formal dance of the year is being given Friday night, April 25, in the gymnasium by Iota Pi Alpha.

"Link" Owen, popular director of Wes Thomas Orchestra, and his Nine Aristocrats are furnishing the little 'ole hot stuff that makes your feet just plain unable to stand still. 'Link' begins the rhythm at nine and ceases at one.

Iota Pi Alpha has issued invitations to all hill fraternities in the hopes that a large crowd will turn out for this, its first school activity. The Gymnasium is being turned into something different by the way of decoration, and nothing remains to make the dance a success but to see you and your sugar sweet there. The price is three dollars.

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The Quest

Youth is rebelling, protesting, struggling against life. The old ways are flouted; the new ways are without landmarks and the elders wring their hands and beat their breasts and prophesy evil. Let us take heart.

When man discovered himself a lonely, thinking being, in a world of unthinking creatures he asked, "Why?" and the answer came from within himself, "Search and find!"

Ours is an eternal quest. For over we search and question; who are we and where are we bound? Why are we set here questioning an infinite silence, mocked by mighty and invisible forces, ever driven on by the relentless craving to know, to understand, to fulfill a despairing hunger, a source defined?

No one who has studied the growth of a flower or the development of a child need doubt the existence of a beautifully ordered plan and a transcendent purpose behind life on this earth. Where the plan leads or what the purpose is we may not discover, but the power of it, the serene loveliness, the sweet content that are in it and of it and all about it lift us beyond hurt, beyond sorrow, beyond death itself, to a sense of peace that is past understanding.

How shall we know the plan and the purpose to be our own? I cannot know for you. I know only that there is this purpose and this plan and that each must find his own. The answer is always within one's self. St. Francis laid down all that he had and went out a beggar with his bowl and his shining purpose. Washington went apart and prayed until the still small voice answered him. So did Lincoln. So must you and so must I.

I cannot prove this to you. I can only tell you of the miracle. Again and again I have seen youth struggle and fight and fume and fail and at last go and stand waiting, listening for the word that would send him out inspired by a burning purpose and sustained by a spiritual resolution that was not his own.

The book must find its way to the sea, and though you check and thwart it until it foams in anger and breaks over its banks, though you stir and prod clouded and roiled, it will slip by, under and over and around, until at last it merges with the sea and is at rest, its purpose accomplished.
Phi Epsilon Kappa

Bob deLany on Tour

Over 800 miles of “bumming” and the presentation of six programs was the vacation experienced by Bob de Lany of the Williams School. On April 1st he entertained for the Sayre Rotary Club, followed by a High School program at Athens, Pa. Later in the same day he gave an hour of readings for the Athen’s Ladies’ Literary Club, leaving almost in time to make Scranton that night. With New York City as the next objective where he intended to visit a new nephew with the name of Bob, he set out from Scranton early on the morning of April 2nd. But nightfall found him in Washington, D. C., where he became the surprise guest for the week of Mrs. and Mr. A. M. Fox whose son, Melvin, was a student of Dramatics in the summer of 1929. On April 7 he gave two Washington programs, leaving for Ithaca that afternoon and arriving here the next day. On April 9 he “hitched” to Ilion, N.Y., giving an assembly program there the following morning.

He gave a program this morning for the High School at Trumansburg, N.Y. Later in the month he will return to Sayre for two programs in the public schools there. In connection with the school programs he usually conducts a conference for those interested in following up dramatics.

Responsibilities gravitate to the shoulders that can carry them, and power flows to the one who knows how!

Hate, wrath and vengeance are forms of fear.

You can lead a boy to college, but you can’t make him think.

A Standard Ring for Affiliated Schools

The subject of a standard ring for the Ithaca Conservatory and Affiliated Schools has been discussed at various times since the founding of the school in 1892. Almost every graduating class has tried to standardize its particular ring, but there has always been one objection or another. Either the ring was not distinctive enough to be of professional value to each of the Affiliated Schools, or if it was adapted to each of the schools it failed to express the unity of all the schools under the Conservatory.

Sufficient leeway is being allowed in the matter of the cut of the stone, the color of the gold used, and the weight of the ring to insure satisfaction for individual tastes. The ring exhibited was of yellow gold set with a diamond-cut sapphire. On the shank, on one side of the stone, is the professional seal of the individual school, and on the other shank is the seal of the Ithaca Conservatory and Affiliated Schools. The price of the ring will be eleven or twelve dollars, varying, of course, according to the weight.

Ring sizes are expected to arrive within a week, and orders will be taken by the President of each department. Because of the number of Freshmen who drop out at the end of their first year the Council feels that by restricting orders to Sophomores, Juniors and Seniors we shall have a more representative group of graduated students wearing the ring.

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Mu Phi Epsilon

Janet Rice, Dorothy Tennant and Margery Fischer sang at the morning service of the Universal Church in Cortland on Sunday. Mary Evelyn Ratzeil sang in a double quartette at the Methodist Communion Service Sunday morning. Margaret Sellers is ill at the Infirmary. Mrs. Turner Foster visited us over the week-end. Elizabeth Krueger was entertained at dinner on Sunday.

Genevieve Herrick and Jeanette Duty, two alumnae, spent a few days with us this week:

Kappa Gamma Psi Notes

Kappa Gamma Psi announces the following new members:

George Evenden
William Lloyd
Verne Moon
Donald Vaughn
George Driscoll
Joseph Wells
Howard Erb

The new brothers gave a program after the formal initiation.

John Bonavillan spent the weekend in Rochester.

Scott Parson also spent the weekend in Rochester.

Fred Morse spent the weekend at Syracuse.

Phi Delta Pi

Because this is the widely accepted time for Easter vacation in most of the high schools, Phi Delta are holding open-house for their alumnae this week. Janice Green, a graduate of '28, was in town over the weekend and we anxiously looked forward to visits from two other graduates of the same class—Dottie Rowe and Nat Shepherd—and from Else Petties.

Last weekend found our household rather depleted. Marie Schramm left Thursday evening to attend her cousin's wedding in Wildwood, N. J.; Emily Chickering drove home with Winnie Phillips who lives in Bolivar, N.Y.; and Aner Wolford went home Saturday evening.

However, our number was somewhat replenished by visits from Aner's friend, Mary Grace Teale, who spent Friday and Saturday with us before driving to Weedsport with Aner on Saturday night and from Jeanette Mills' sister, Ethel, who stopped off to see us on her way home to Brooklyn.

P. S. M. Placement Service

Announces the appointment of Virginia Jarvis to teach music in the grades at Port Washington, Long Island. Her salary will be $2200.

Where do the "Con" boys get their Good meals? at The New York Restaurant 110 South Cayuga St.

Dorothy Wein Wins Literary Honors

The American Literary Association has awarded Miss Dorothy V. Wein a prize for her poem, "Sakiki-Holy Tree," which was acclaimed the most distinctive lyric published in the February issue of American Poetry. Miss Wein was elected to active membership in the American Literary Association in December 1928. The editor of the magazine states that Miss Wein's poem "Song from an April Wood" will appear in the April issue. Four of her poems have already appeared in the pages of American Poetry: "Thou Shalt Seek Beauty" in February 1929, "Coat of Dreams," March 1929, "Gypsy Vagabond," August 1929, and the prize poem "Sakiki-Holy Tree" in the February 1930 issue.

Before entering the Williams School of Expression Miss Wein was studying journalism at the University of Minnesota, where she was on the staff of the Minnesota Daily. She was also awarded honor by the Gateway Magazine of Macalester College, St. Paul, Minnesota for creative writing as editor of the School Breeze, official publication of the Renville Consolidated Schools in Renville, Minnesota.


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This engagement marked the sixth consecutive year in which Mr. Lautner has given concerts for the Music Department of both Harvard and Radcliffe.

The singer gave a recital of Brahms, Schubert and Schumann and the sentiment of his hearers was enthusiastically expressed in the following excerpt from a criticism which appeared in the Harvard Crimson:

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Coming Events

This afternoon at 4:00 P.M. Thelma Hanely will give her Senior Monologue.

Thursday, May 1, at 4:00 P.M., Erma Cushman will give a monologue in the Little Theatre.

Friday, April 25, the "Spring Formal" is to be given in the gym.

Friday, May 2, Senior Dance at the gym.

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