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**Letter by the President**

I am very happy for this opportunity to greet you, the alumni of the Union Chapter. As you can surmise by the articles included in this edition of our Newsletter, the year at Union has been a trying one. The chapter has been burdened with a new financial problem plus the depletion of the active membership, due to a large graduating senior delegation last spring and many unforeseen events of the year. As a result, the chapter has had to lift itself by the boot straps in an endeavor to keep its head above water.

It is with this in mind, that I would like to thank the alumni in appreciation for the aid they have extended to us. However, it is with regret that I say, I am disappointed that our appreciation has to be shared by so few.

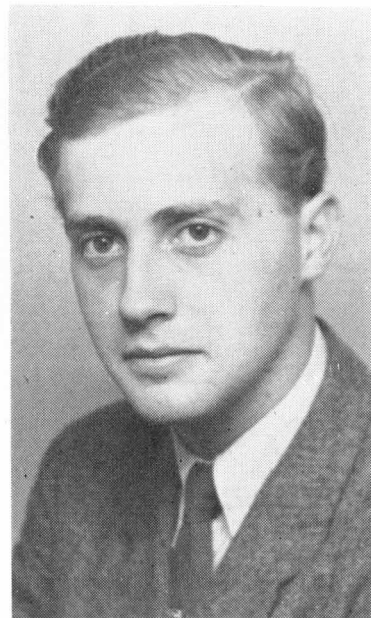
The alumni-active relationship has recently fallen to an appalling level. We need your help, we need your advice and above all we need your response. It is rather discouraging to witness the meager turn-out of alumni for house functions that are sponsored on your behalf. We, as a chapter, are working for closer ties with you. It is evident that the success of the fraternity can be achieved only by mutual support and understanding. This is the goal toward which we, the chapter, are striving—How about you!!

This is your home away from home, so let's see or hear from you. In conclusion, I would like to remind you of the coming alumni weekend—June 9th and 10th. With your support we can make it a memorable one.

Faternally yours,  
ALFRED W. MENEELY,  
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**To the Newsletter Of Alpha Delta Phi**

Being in the eighth month of my stay in the U.S.A., I have the opportunity to write about my impressions of staying at an American college and living in a fraternity. Many times, of course, I had been asked, what do I think about America, but the circumstances under which you meet people do not give you the opportunity to go deeply into the question, people get the answer they expected, "I enjoy my stay very much," and their curiosity is satisfied.

You can not only enjoy a thing, you must have reasons for enjoying it and in the case of liking a country it depends mostly on the understanding of the people living there. The understanding of a people is only received by a close contact between the people and you. Of course you can not get in contact with all groups of a people, and are most likely to get your impressions by the group to which you belong. However, in the U.S.A. the distinction between the different groups is at an amazing minimum, so for that reason the U.S. is easier to learn about than any other country.

The group to which I belong is of course the students, I go to classes with them and to parties; in short, I see them from all angles. In the fraternity I do not only see them, I live together with them, an opportunity I would not have had living in a dormitory or any other place.

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**Tax**

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would cost fraternities as much as, or more than, the cost of the city tax, and therefore the plan was unanimously rejected. The Alumni Association of our chapter would rather close the house altogether than lose its fellowship value.

The remaining fact, is ther, that the tax must be paid. The active membership of the chapter appointed a committee to investigate possible ways to raise tax money. This committee, composed of representatives of each class, met last week with alumni representatives for a discussion of the problem.

Three possible plans were brought forth. The first was to open the house this year for summer students, but trustee approval could not be obtained until June, which would be too late. A second plan for immediate use was to give an additional house bill at the end of the year to each member. This bill would range from \$30 to \$35, payable over the summer. This would raise approximately one-third of the present tax, with the alumni supplying the remaining amount.

A third, long-range, plan brought forth was the installation of our own heating system, in an effort to save on our present \$1200 heat bill. At present the practicality of this proposal is not fully known.

As things stand now, half of the tax has been paid by the Alumni Association, and the active membership will pay an extra house bill over the summer.