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ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

Proud of the honour of being chosen the finest singers on Campus the Union College Alpha Delts had ample opportunity this past fall to maintain their standing. High points of this festive season were rushing parties in September, the inter-chapter synousia in October and a most successful house party over the weekend of November 14th, 15th and 16th.

We were especially happy at that time to welcome some thirty brothers from the Hamilton Chapter who arrived in plenty of time on Saturday to trounce us soundly in a "wild" touch-football game However the Union Varsity team evened things a bit by subduing our traditional rivals later that afternoon. It was a good get together for both Chapters and we were happy to have had the chance to meet so many other brother Alpha Delts.

A feature of this party was a spooky labyrinth in the cellar designed and built by Herb Saxe, Jim Finlayson and almost anyone else who could lift a hammer. It was well worth the time and effort and turned out to be a great success.

Also on the list of social events for this semester will be another Inter-Fraternity Sing. Though the date of this competition is as yet unknown the Delts intend that the winning team will be once again theirs.

Going even further into the future is the Spring Prom. Since this date has not yet been fixed we have made no definite plans but there will almost certainly be the usual jollifications and house party to which any and all our friends and Alumni are invited.

ON INITIATION NIGHT . . .

On the night of December 20th last year, before a distinguished group of Alumni the Union Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi initiated five members of the pledge class. The ceremonies were conducted in the dignified manner well known to this chapter and the evening was rounded off with a buffet supper and a small party.

The following men were initiates. Of the class of 1951, Nathan Watrous Putnam V, Dirck Romeyn, James Henry Scott, and Peter Ten-Eyck. Of the class of 1949, Anthony John Easterbrook.

Nate Putnam, aged nineteen, comes from Glens Falls, N. Y. and is a graduate of Loomis Institute. He is a candidate for the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

Dirck Romeyn, descendant of the illustrious founder of the Schenectady Academy, comes to us from Melrose High School in Massachusetts. He is twenty years old and is taking a pre-medical course.

Jim Scott, aspiring to become an Electrical Engineer, was at Marlboro Central High School. His home is at Milton, N. Y. and he is seventeen years old, the youngest of the group.

Peter TenEyck, twenty three years old, lives in Schenectady and attended the Albany Academy. He has not yet chosen his major but is devoting his attentions to the Liberal Arts courses.

Tony Easterbrook, is an Exchange Student from the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. He is twenty four and is an English major.

The Chapter feels that these men will be a definite addition to the Fraternity and wishes to thank all those who made the ceremonies the success that they were.

BLOCK U SOCIETY FORMED

There are more than two hundred and fifty students in the College who hold athletic awards. Recently a Block U society was formed with the object of bringing together all these men and to exert some pressure on the Administration to make that body more athletically conscious. Unfortunately, only twenty eight lettermen of the College have enrolled in the Society.

The Union Chapter of Alpha Delta Phi has five Block U men in its numbers and all thesee men are in the Society. This chapter is the only one on Campus which supports the Society 100%.

Those brothers who are in the Society are Brothers John DeBello, Bud Mills, Al Hill, John Vesty and Al Wade. One of these, Brother DeBello is the Secretary of the Society.

ATHLETIC AWARDS SCHEME

The Block U Society has proposed a scheme whereby students who earn their letters in two or more successive years become eligible for extra recognition by the College. It is proposed that if a man plays two years in Varsity teams he will become eligible for a coat type sweater and if he plays for a third year he will receive a Block U blanket. This plan is based on schemes in existence at other Colleges.

In order to get the scheme going the Society has asked the Inter Fraternity Council to put up the necessary money for the first year only. The Alpha Delts, solidly behind the Block U Society, have cast their vote in favour of this proposal.