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Dear Brother:

This informal newsletter, the first for the scholastic year will be followed by a formal edition in the spring.

We returned to school this fall to find our ranks quite depleted, after the graduation of thirteen brothers last June. In addition to this Bro. Hanford Salmon '51 had enrolled in the Albany Law School in lieu of completing his senior year at Union; also, the college authorities and Bro. Dirk Romeyn '51 decided that Boston University rather than Union was to be his new Alma Mater. This left us with nineteen actives and four sophomore pledges. As a result of rushing, seven new men were pledged helping somewhat to bring the house up to normal size. Our new pledge brothers are: John Boardman, Anthony DeBello, Arne Ellermets, Edward Kraemer, Donald Schutt, Charles Vesty, and Douglas Williams.

Brother Dick Munro '52, our rushing chairman is to be complimented on his handling of the rushing problem. This year for the first time Freshman are required to eat evening meals in the new West College cafeteria. This item along with an extra two weeks of rushing and an extended period of silence were tough factors with which to cope. In spite of these obstacles he did very well.

Our life here was very suddenly and tragically interrupted when Bro. Spen Warnick III '52, son of Bro. Spencer K. Warnick II '22 of Amsterdam, was seriously injured in an auto accident on Christmas night. Spen was unconscious for several days and his right arm was temporarily paralyzed. Now however, he is well on the road to recovery and will be back with us next September.

Coach Pete Nistad of the varsity basketball team, has been using a crying towel after almost every game, since the loss of Spen, his first string center.

Bro. Bud Lester '52 has transferred to Stanford University which is only four hundred miles from his home in Pasadena.

This year's H.E.L.P. student is Tom Christensen of Copenhagen, Denmark. Tom is studying geology and hopes to receive scholarship assistance in order to continue his studies either in America or England.

In college activities, the house has been very well represented this year. Tros. Spen Warnick and Dick Munro were on the string soccer team. Dick has been elected captain of the team for next year. Pledge brother Werner Reiner '53 is an outstanding man on the college swimming team. Whitey's specialty is the backstroke. Pledge brother Chuck Mosher '53, a promising halfback, represented us on the Gridiron.

The house football team established a new record and created quite a sensation by actually winning three games. This event will certainly go down in history since this is the house's longest post-war winning streak.

In basketball with the aid of Bros. Herman, Thelin, Shorter, Munro, McAlles-ter and pledges DeBello, Ellermets and Williams, the house has won five out of six games. We definitely are challengers for the coveted intramural basketball trophy.