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## "NEW LOOK" FOR THE ALPHA DELT LAWN

Long before the snow drifts had disappeared from the campus, Brother James Finlayson (better known as Jim Fin) was busy with plans to give the Alpha Delt Lawn a "new look." Now that the time is right for planting, operations are well under way, and tangible evidence of Jim Fin's plans can be seen.

Alumni Brother Dudley T. Hill, '07, generously contributed two truck loads of top soil from his farm in Scotia, and through the co-operation of the whole House, this soil was excavated and transported to Union. Jim Fin doctored the soil with his own special formula of fertilizer, grass seed, and a few other secret ingredients after which it was spread on the lawn and rolled. Already completed is the re-grading of the front yard, that had been badly eroded and virtually barren because of the poor care given it during the war years. We are now all patiently waiting for the first new shoots to make their appearance. It is hoped that by commencement time we shall have a fresh green lawn to greet the Alumni, reminiscent, perhaps of the "good old days."

### Shrubbery Planned

Still among Jim's master plan is the planting of new shrubbery along the front walk, the installation of some new dirt steps, on the side of the House facing Memorial Chapel, and the construction of a new parking lot behind the House.

One of the major obstacles to the whole plan was the financing of the project. This was generously taken care of by the Alumni Association, for which the active chapter is very grateful.

Confident that our project will be a success, we hope to see many of the Alumni back this year to inspect the results of our labours, which may by that time be set off by the new road that we hear the College is planning to build round the back of the house.

## COMMENCEMENT

### MORE ALUMNI ON THE WAY

With the June graduation four cuts, a few beer parties and several hangovers away, it should be fitting to say an informal so-long to the six Delts who are leaving us this Summer. Brothers Dennis, Raymond, Kearton, Wheeler, Everett and Hill are the happy lads who will pick up their sheepskins and totter forth into the world.

Jamie Dennis hails from Scarsdale, New York. During his stay here at Union he has been very active with the house activities, and at present is rounding out his term as president of the Chapter. Listed among his several activities is his membership in the Delphic Society, an honorary campus group. He is a candidate for a B.S. in Psychology.

"Unc" Everett has been mixing marriage and school since his return from the Army two years ago, and making out very well with it too. Doug came to Union from the Pawling School. Originally in the class of '45, Doug has figured considerably with sporting activities. This past year he was a regular on the hockey team and at the present time he is on the tennis squad. His home town in Ridgewood, N. J. and he is putting the finishing touches to his B.S.

"Hub" Hill has his hands in more activities than any other student on the campus. If all the available activities on campus could be listed, then it would not be too great an exaggeration of the number that Al has participated in during his four year stay here. Previous President of the Chapter, Al comes from Scotia, N. Y., and proposes to take his A.B. to look at Harvard Law School.

Ed Kearton comes to Union from Pawling School. His home is in Port Washington, N. Y. Originally in the class of '45, "Mount" went on a three year field trip with the

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### CHAPTER PLANS

This year the Chapter is planning to have its own part in the activities of Re-Union weekend. In order that no one of the returning Brothers will miss any of the College activities we plan to hold a general open House throughout the weekend.

After the preliminary registration the Chapter plans to hold a Re-Union tea in the Chapter House between the hours of four and six in the afternoon. We hope that through this informal beginning many old acquaintances will be renewed and the weekend will get off to a good start.

Friday night and Sunday, buffet dinner will be served in the Chapter House for any of the Alumni family and friends who may be able to attend. Since Class Dinners have been scheduled both Friday and Saturday evenings we realize that all the Alumni Brothers will not be able to attend all the meals; we do hope, however, to have you all here for at least one of them.

In order to be sure that we will all get together once more after the Tea we have planned to have a Beer Party here at the House Saturday evening. Alpha Delta Phi has always had the reputation of being an excellent singing Fraternity so perhaps in this informal atmosphere we could all get together and sing some of the old familiar Fraternity and College Songs.

We have had inquiries concerning the rooming situation here at the House for that weekend. A large proportion of the active Chapter is planning on being here for the weekend, however there will undoubtedly be a few spare beds available. If you should find yourself without rooming facilities we will make every effort to take care of the situation.