

Alpha Delta Phi
Union College
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Dear Brother,

The long delay in the mailing of the last informal newsletter requires some explanation on our part. The newsletter was being addressed in the alumni office when the college was on vacation between terms. Thus, it was late in February before it could be mailed. We hope that this one reaches you sooner.

The house is already planning for next year. Recently, several applications have been recieved for prospective HELP plan students. The brothers would like to have a student from one of the Scandinavian countries next year. This year's HELP student at the house, Hans Held, is completing arrangements for a permanent exchange program between Union and Heidelberg University in Germany. Hans has been studying English and government courses here in preparation for re-entering law school when he returns to Heidelberg.

Nine pledges were initiated into the fraternity on March 11 th. In conjunction with the initiation, a banquet was held immediately after the ceremony. This represents a return to the old custom followed by the chapter previous to the war. At the trustee's meeting, held on the same day at the chapter house, the trustees decided to refurbish the first floor of the house this summer. This was very welcome news for the brothers as the interior and furnishings have become rather worn and soiled since last re-done. The chapter, itself, is making an effort to repaint the study rooms on the second floor. To date, two have been painted and we hope to finish the rest before June.

In the intramural Winter sports we fared rather well. The basketball team finished with a record of three wins and three losses to end up third in one of the three basketball leagues. Our almost remarkable volleyball team went undefeated for the whole season, but was eliminated in the semi-finals for the school championship.

The house also has been active in the inter collegiate sports program. Spen Warnick, '52, was the first string center on the varsity basketball team. Spen, with his 6'4" of height, was the second highest scorer on the team despite a serious hand injury he suffered in the Stevens game. The team ended the season with an even record of 7-7. The prospects for next year look very good with promising material moving up from the undefeated freshman team. Two freshmen from the house, Bob Shorter and Ben Thelin were regular members of the squad. Pledge Werner Reiners was one of the record breakers on the undefeated frosh swimming team. He now holds the freshman record for the 100 yd. backstroke and the 150 yd. individual medely. Al Wade, '50, is Captain of this year's varsity baseball team and Dick Munro, '52, is slated to start at short stop.