

A BRIEF HISTORY OF PHI DELTA CHI FRATERNITY.*

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The need of a Pharmaceutical Society, an organization that would bring the students of pharmacy together to read and discuss scientific questions pertaining to pharmacy and chemistry, was realized by several students, and approved by Dr. A. B. Prescott, Dean of the College of Pharmacy, at the University of Michigan, in the early eighties.

Therefore on the second day of November 1883, a meeting was held in the room of A. G. Hoffman and Llewellyn H. Gardner, at No. 73 South State St., Ann Arbor, Michigan. At this meeting Dean Prescott and several of the students of the university met and Phi Chi Society, as it was then called, was organized, consisting of the following named charter members—A. G. Hopper, F. H. Frazee, Charles F. Hueber, L. H. Gardner, Charles H. Bond, George P. Leamon, Azor Thurston, A. T. Waggoner, A. S. Rogers, Charles B. Godfrey, and A. G. Hoffman.

At the second meeting, at a somewhat later date, a motion was made and lost to insert the word "Delta" into the name of the Society. At this same meeting permanent officers were elected and the Constitution and By-laws adopted. The officers elected were as follows—L. H. Gardner, *President*, Azor Thurston, *Vice President*, A. G. Hopper, *Recording Secretary*, C. P. Godfrey, *Corresponding Secretary*, C. E. Bond, *Treasurer*, and C. F. Hueber, *Marshall*.

At the next meeting on January 11, 1884, the necessary ritual and regalia were adopted. (At about this time the Society announced itself.)

In August of the same year a motion was made and carried to publish a quarterly to be known as the "Communicator." This quarterly, although somewhat irregular in the past in its publication, is at the present time published regularly and an organ of great good to the fraternity.

Sometime in 1887 the Society was reorganized into a secret Greek Letter Fraternity, and a change in the ritual and regalia was made, together with the adoption of "Signs," "Grip," and "Word" of the fraternity.

In 1895 the fraternity was incorporated as a national organization with "Alpha Chapter of Phi Chi Fraternity" at the University of Michigan, its only chapter, incorporated under Chapter 163-B of Howell's Statutes in the State of Michigan, on January 23, 1896. This statute, however, has since been superseded by Act 171, Public Acts of the State of Michigan in 1903 and amended by Act 148 in 1909.

Due to the confusion in 1909, caused by similarity in name with that of a medical fraternity, the name was changed to "Phi Delta Chi."

From this point until 1918 no event of great historical importance occurred, unless, perchance, the suggestion and discussion at several of the Grand Council meetings to make Phi Delta Chi a Medico-Pharmaceutical fraternity, but has met with no success as the members hold that inasmuch as Phi Delta Chi is the only purely pharmaceutical fraternity it would do the fraternity and its members more harm than good, holding that a mixed fraternity would sooner or later be either the one or the other. "You can not serve two masters for you will love the one or despise the other."

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¹ Gamma '13.

During the World War, in which our country took part in 1918, Phi Delta Chi Fraternity answered the call and sent many to don the uniform of either the Army or Navy, and it will go down in our Fraternal History that the first American, Bro. K. B. Hay, of Epsilon, who died overseas was a member of Phi Delta Chi.

The several chapters were founded as follows:

FOUNDED.	CHAPTER ROLL.	
<i>Alpha</i> , Nov. 2, 1883, University Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan.	<i>Tau</i> , Nov. 17, 1916, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.	
<i>Beta</i> , Jan. 6, 1896, Northwestern University (Inactive).	<i>Upsilon</i> , Feb. 22, 1917, Kansas University, Lawrence, Kans.	
<i>Gamma</i> , Spring 1899, Columbia University, 115 W. 68th St., New York.	<i>Phi</i> , Mar. 9, 1920, Creighton University, Omaha, Neb.	
<i>Delta</i> , Feb. 12, 1900, University Wisconsin (Inactive).	<i>Chi</i> , Apr. 9, 1921, Auburn Polytechnic Institute, Auburn, Alabama.	
<i>Epsilon</i> , Mar. 8, 1901, Philadelphia College Pharmacy, Phila., Pa.		
<i>Zeta</i> , Mar. 25, 1902, University California, San Francisco, Cal.		
<i>Eta</i> , Mar. 29, 1902, Massachusetts College Pharmacy, Boston, Mass.		
<i>Theta</i> , Mar. 25, 1904, University Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.		
<i>Iota</i> , ———— 1905, University Maryland (Inactive).		
<i>Kappa</i> , ———— 1905, University Washington (Inactive).		
<i>Lambda</i> , Nov. 8, 1905, University Texas, Galveston, Texas.		
<i>Mu</i> , Feb. 26, 1907, University Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa.		
<i>Nu</i> , ———— 1907, University Iowa, Iowa City, Ia.		
<i>Xi</i> , May 23, 1908, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio.		
<i>Omicron</i> , May 7, 1909, University Southern California, Los Angeles, Cal.		
<i>Pi</i> , Mar. 22, 1912, University Nebraska, Lincoln, Neb.		
<i>Rho</i> , May 23, 1913, University Oklahoma, Norman, Okla.		
<i>Sigma</i> , Apr. 17, 1914, University Colorado, Boulder, Col.		

GRAND COUNCIL MEETINGS.

Place.	Date.	Guest of Chapter.
Chicago, Ill.	Apr. 12, 1900	<i>Beta</i>
Ann Arbor, Mich.	1901	<i>Alpha</i>
Chicago, Ill.	1902	<i>Beta</i>
New York City	Apr. 10, 1903	<i>Gamma</i>
Philadelphia, Pa.	Feb. 8, 1904	<i>Epsilon</i>
Boston, Mass.	Feb. 23, 1905	<i>Eta</i>
Chicago, Ill.	Mar. 24, 1906	<i>Beta</i>
Baltimore, Md.	Mar. 18, 1907	<i>Iota</i>
Minneapolis, Minn.	Feb. 20, 1908	<i>Theta</i>
Chicago, Ill.	Mar. 4, 1909	<i>Beta</i>
New York City	Mar. 1, 1910	<i>Gamma</i>
Ann Arbor, Mich.	May 3, 1911	<i>Alpha</i>
Boston, Mass.	Feb. 15, 1912	<i>Eta</i>
Chicago, Ill.	Feb. 13, 1913	<i>Beta</i>
Columbus, Ohio	Feb. 6, 1914	<i>Xi</i>
San Francisco, Cal.	Aug. 12, 1915	<i>Zeta</i>
Minneapolis, Minn.	Feb. 7, 1916	<i>Theta</i>
Lincoln, Neb.	Feb. 19, 1917	<i>Pi</i>
No meeting in 1918.		
Chicago, Ill.	Apr. 14, 1919	—
St. Louis, Mo.	Mar. 5, 1920	—
Indianapolis, Ind.	Mar. 3, 1921	—

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE KAPPA PSI FRATERNITY.*

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The Kappa Psi Fraternity is of special interest to pharmacy and pharmacists because of the fact that it is the only national, Greek letter, professional society that admits to membership on a full and equal basis graduates and students of the sister professions Medicine and Pharmacy. It enjoys the further distinction of being the oldest of all medical and pharmaceutical fraternities, having been founded on May 30, 1879; of having the longest chapter roll (49 living collegiate chapters, 29 living graduate chapters, and 8 inactive collegiate chapters, a total of 86 chapters);

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