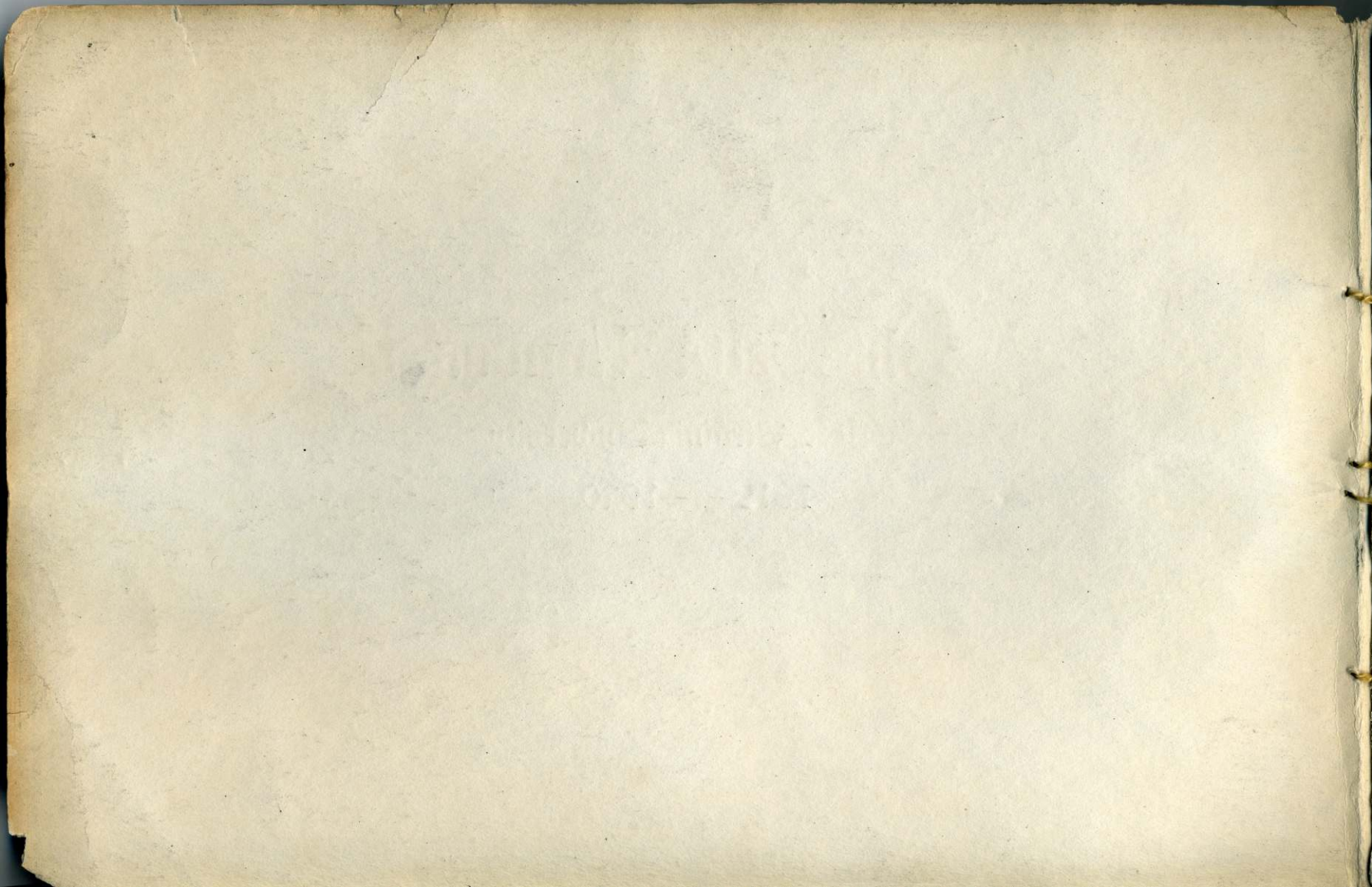


Phi Delta Lambda

West Virginia University

1919—1920



Foreword

Our object in putting out this little booklet is two-fold. First, in petitioning for a chapter of Phi Delta Theta we have tried to put before this national fraternity such information concerning our Local and our University as will aid them in the consideration of our petition.

Second, we have tried to "put up" some of the happy incidents and acquaintances of our college life so that in after years when the troubles of the world oppress us or in time of sorrow when we are afflicted with the blues, then we can draw this little booklet from its dusty hiding place and recall fond remembrances of our dear old college days.



WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, THE PRESIDENT'S HOUSE,
MORGANTOWN.

To the Honorable, The General Council of the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, Greeting:

We, the undersigned students in the University of West Virginia, most respectfully present to the Honorable, The General Council of Phi Delta Theta, that, in our opinion, there is in said University an adequate opportunity for the establishment of a chapter of the fraternity, and that there is reasonable prospect that there may be obtained a sufficient number of students of good character and high standing to make and sustain a creditable chapter; that, if this application be granted, we would earnestly endeavor to establish and maintain such a chapter; and, therefore, we most respectfully petition the Honorable, The General Council, to confer upon us a charter, authorizing and empowering us to establish, at the University of West Virginia, a Chapter of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, together with all rights, privileges and immunities thereto belonging, and in conformity with the rules and regulations for such cases made and provided.

Signed, at the University of West Virginia, this first day of June, nineteen hundred and twenty.

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Phi Delta Theta=== Notice

West Virginia University with an enrollment of about 2000 students is now on a par with all the large eastern colleges. Her athletic schedules contain the names of such colleges as Yale, Princeton, Dartmouth, Rutgers, Cornell, Lehigh, W. & J. and Pitt.

The following data shows that the present time offers the best opportunity for installing national fraternities at W. V. U. since its origin:

It has been fifteen years since the organization of any existing chapter of a Greek letter fraternity in this University, excepting the recent establishment of a chapter of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity in 1918; and the greatly increased enrollment and continued prosperity of this University make the organization of still other chapters desirable.



WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, COMMENCEMENT HALL AND
THE LIBRARY, MORGANTOWN.

The list of existing chapters and dates of their establishment, as listed below, shows that there were nine chapters granted within a period of fourteen years and during a period of sixteen years following there has been only one chapter granted:

Phi Kappa Psi	. . . .	1890
Phi Sigma Kappa	. . . .	1893
Sigma Chi	. . . .	1895
Phi Kappa Sigma	. . . .	1896
Kappa Alpha	. . . .	1897
Beta Theta Pi	. . . .	1900
Sigma Phi Epsilon	. . . .	1901
Sigma Nu	. . . .	1904
Kappa Sigma	. . . .	1918

The enrollment in 1904 was 637 at the present enrollment is approximately 2,000, or about three times as many. There has been only one chapter established during this period of growth in enrollment.

There are three local fraternities and two local sororities petitioning for chapters here at the present time.

Phi Delta Lambda

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OLD GOLD AND WHITE

FLOWER

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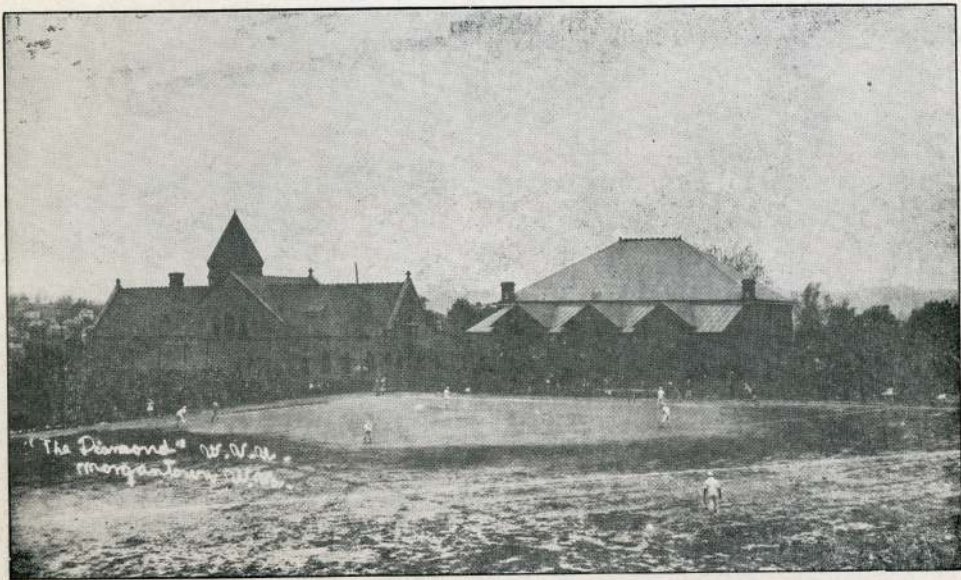
History

At the Pan-Hellenic smoker held at the beginning of the school year of 1919-1920 it was shown that due to the rapid increase in the enrollment at the University action must be taken immediately for the housing of the men.

Only two solutions were offered. First, to erect a large dormitory for the men similar to the womans hall. Second, to install more fraternities at the University.

The first solution was pronounced almost an impossibility and the fraternities now holding chapters here and members of the faculty expressed themselves as favoring the establishment of new fraternities. Non-frat men were urged to form Locals and apply for chapters from various fraternities.

The Phi Delta Lambda then a local club under the name of "The Virginian" decided to apply for a chapter from Phi Delta Theta and immediately petitioned the faculty for permission to organize as a local greek letter fraternity and for permission to apply for a chapter from Phi Delta Theta.



ATHLETIC FIELD

History--Continued

The petition was formally granted on November 25, 1919, and "The Virginian" adopted the name of Phi Delta Lambda. This was followed by the drawing up and the adoption of a constitution and by-laws, colors, pins, etc, and, in fine, the forming of a permanent organization.

During the second semester of that school year the fraternity held a banquet and smoker which was attended by several local Phi Delta Theta men, the president of the University, and several prominent men of West Virginia. At this banquet Phi Delta Lambda made its formal debut as a fraternity on the campus of West Virginia University and expressed its aims and objects.

Owing to the fact that the fraternity put in a large amount of work getting the organization started on a sound basis, little time was left for participation as a whole in social or athletic activities, tho the Phi Delta Lambda did put out a baseball and tennis team which showed up very creditably.



SCIENCE HALL



DAVID M. HAMMOND, B.S.C.E
Moundsville, W. Va.

“DAVE” is a senior in civil engineering and has already contracted for the highest salaried position of any one in his class. Even tho he served with the Engineers during the war he showed that he was also a crack shot when he won the gold medal from all competitors in 1919. He is a member of the Rifle Team, Track Team, Eng. Society, Theter Flies, University Choir, and Glee Club. He is also Cadet Lieutenant in the Engineering Company.



G. CECIL WEIMER, A.B.
Port Royal, Pa.

“PARSON” is a senior in A.B. who commands the respect of all. During his school term here he has spent his spare time as a student pastor. He understands men and takes life from a practical viewpoint with the result that he can mix with any crowd. He is a member of the Phi-Hellenic Club, Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, University Orchestra, and English Club. We are sure that he will win the “Rhodes Scholarship” for which his excellent standing allows him to compete.



MAURICE E. PHILLIPS, B.S.
French Creek, W. Va.

“TIGE” is a senior in B.S. who as captain of our tennis team defeated two of our oldest rivals, Pitt and W. & J. He is recognized as the greatest tennis player in this section. During war he served as a Lieutenant in the Machine gun corp. He is a cadet captain, a member of the Scabbard and Blade, University Grange, Pathfinder, and Tennis Team. He is student assistant in Entomology.



ELMER W. PRINCE, B.S.C.E
Morgantown, W. Va.

“ELMER” is a senior in civil engineering and from the experience he receives helping his father construct bridges he should be very successful in life. He is a member of the Engineering Society and A. A. E. Elmer is a good student and a hard worker.



WILLIAM J. WILLIAMS, B.S.M.E
Morgantown, W. Va.

“BILL” our cadet major is a junior in mechanical engineering. He showed his ability as a crack shot when in three successive years he won a rifle, a silver medal, and a gold medal. He is a member of the Rifle Team, Tennis Team, Glee and Mandolin Club, N. R. A., Theter Flies, Scabbard and Blade, and the Engineering Society. During war he served as a Lieutenant in the Heavy Artillery.



LINDEN S. DODSON, B.S
Morgantown, W. Va.

“LIN” proved himself a hero when he led his marines thru the Argonne Forest tho he is too modest to even tell us of his experience. He is a junior in agriculture and he certainly will make a success of it for when he does a thing he does it right. He is a member of the Rifle Team, University Grange, Caravan, Agricultural Assistant, Y. M. C. A., and Pathfinder. He is a cadet lieutenant commanding the 37 mil. section.



HAROLD C. DANIELS, B.S.E.E.
Parsons, W. Va.

“DAN” is a junior in Electrical Engineering. We fear that we are going to lose him as he already has an appointment to Annapolis. We sure will miss him as he is a regular text book on engineering and he is always willing to help other struggling engineers. He is a cadet lieutenant and a member of the Engineering Society, the A. I. E. E., and the Theta Psi. Dan is very popular with the girls.



A. MAURICE FOOSE, LL.B.
Wheeling, W. Va.

“SHERIFF” is a junior in law and allows nothing to interfere with his studies. He spends his afternoons and evenings assisting local attorneys and he is getting practical experience which is bound to aid him when he graduates. Track is his favorite sport. He is a member of the English Club, Beowulf Club, and the Columbian Literary Society. He served for six years on the U. S. Marshal’s force in Southern West Virginia.



ERNEST E. HIGGS, B.S.
Charles Town, W. Va.

“ERNEST” is a senior in Agriculture. He won the sophomore scholarship at Hamden Sidney College and his record here has shown that he is still quite a student. He never argues with anyone and if we try to kid him he only grins and makes us feel foolish. He is a member of the Tennis squad and of the agriculture association. He served with the infantry.



W. F. KEEFER, LL.B.
Wheeling, W. Va.

“KEEF” is a junior in law and has shown by his grades that he is an exceptional student. We who have been in his classes have already contracted him as our business lawyer for when you hear him talk you are convinced he is right even tho you know he is lieing. He served with the Coast Artillery during the war.



L. RUSH LAMBERT, B.S.
Welch, W. Va.

“RUSH” is a junior in medicine. We think that he got his name after his dad had seen him on the football field. His work as halfback on the Reserve Team last year will surely earn him a regular berth next year. Rush is also a tennis player, a track man, and a basketball shark. His favorite occupation however is dancing. During war he served in the navy.



WALTER S. MOORE, B.S.E.M.
Huntington, W. Va.

“WALTER” is a sophomore in mining engineering and has had much practical experience along that line. He was an all round athletic at Marshall College but since then he has been in a mix-up with the Huns in the A. E. F. and got the worst of it. However he was on the Varsity baseball squad and hopes to be improved enough by next year to go out for all sports again. We wish you luck Walter.



N. GILBERT MIDDLE, A.B.
Davis, W. Va.

"GILBERT" is a junior in A. B. and though an athlete stands high in his studies. He is following the steps of his brother who made such a record for himself at W. V. U. He is a member of the Track Squad, and the Economics Club. He saw service with the A. E. F.



ALBERT C. LaPOE, B.S.E.E
Point Marion, Pa.

“AL” first impressed us as an engineering student when he led his class in grades during his Freshman year. We were therefore much surprised when we found that he was a regular whirl-wind on the indoor tennis court. He is noted for having two of the hardest service of any player in school. He is a member of the Tennis Squad and the Theta Psi.



WALTER A. SMITH, B.S.C.E
Spencer, W. Va.

“SMITTY” is a freshman in engineering and claims that this town is too slow for him. He is a very ambitious young fellow and always wants to be on the move. He served with the infantry as a lieutenant during the war and so we had to make him a “Loot” in our cadet corps even tho he was only a freshman. Before he came to this school he was Assistant Road Engineer in Roane County.



ROY V. LINDSEY, A.B
Dingess, W. Va.

“ROY” is only a freshie altho he has traveled extensively in Europe with the A. E. F. Rainbow Division. You can always find Roy tearing around the cinders in his track suit and we sure are proud of his work on the Track and Gym. Team. He was also a member of the Rifle Team.



W. A. BLAIR, A.B.
Moundsville, W. Va.

“BLAIR” is a freshman in A.B. The High school girls just rave about him and even some of our older co-eds will casually ask who that tall handsome young man is.



F. W. HUTCHINSON, B.S.C.E.
Roncevert, W. Va.

“HUTCH” is a freshman in A.B. He makes fortunes during the summer selling books and he has even had the nerve to try to sell us some of his worthless books. An energetic fellow like “Hutch” should have little trouble making his way in the world.



DONALD NEILL, A.B.
Cairo, W. Va.

“DON” is a freshie and seems to be a very quiet chap, although those who opposed him in the Freshman-Sophomore class fight won't agree with us. He made the Track Team in his first year and expects to take part in athletic activities next year.



MEDICAL BUILDING

