

# THE ALPHA DELT

CORNELL UNIVERSITY CHAPTER OF ALPHA DELTA PHI

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## LAST YEAR'S RUSHING

**New Rushing Rules Adopted by Inter-Fraternity Council are an Improvement over Old Method, but Smaller Houses Suffer**

In nineteen thirty-three, the Inter-fraternity Council of Cornell University experimented in a new system of rushing, in an effort to combat the old evils of forced or unfair pledging. The system is far from perfect in that the smaller fraternities have less of a chance, but it is a decided improvement over the old methods.

No rushing is allowed between the fifteenth of September and eight o'clock in the morning of the first day of registration, nor can any contact be made during that period with any member or pledge of any fraternity. The fraternities may make dates with the underclassmen for any meal, breakfast excluded, but no rushee is permitted to remain in the fraternity house after eight thirty o'clock at night. This rushing is continued until two o'clock in the afternoon of the following Friday, at which time it ceases until the following Sunday afternoon. On Friday evening the various fraternities submit a list, to the general office, of the men whom they have rushed who appear to be the most desirable, and a quota of the number desired. On Saturday the rushees go to the office and submit a list, in preferential order, of the fraternities rushing them. If the fraternity of the rushee's first choice has his name on their list, he is pledged to that fraternity, and both parties are notified. If this does not happen, the rushee goes to his second choice fraternity, and so on.

For those underclassmen who are unable to make up their minds during the first week, this same system is carried out during the second week, except that bids are cleared daily. After the second week of rushing, pledging may be done directly.

There are other minor rules that help to make up this system, most of them meant to combat that old evil, "sand-bagging." There can be no rushing in the vicinity of the railroad stations, nor in the vicinity of the Drill Hall during the first two days of registration. Between eight-thirty and nine-thirty at night, rushing may be carried on only in the room of the rushee, and then

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## FACULTY TEA

A traditional house function which has been conspicuous by its absence since the fire in 1929 was revived this spring. After a lapse of six years the Alpha Deltas again undertook the pleasant task of entertaining prominent members of town and gown at a Faculty Tea, held at the chapter house on Sunday, April 29.

Successfully staging the affair was far from an easy task as none of the present undergraduate chapter were at Cornell at the time of the last tea in the old house. But under the very able generalship of Mrs. Franklin Cornell, Mrs. L. A. Fuertes and Mrs. John Young, the new house was decked out with flowers and borrowed silver service and every detail carefully seen to.

Both the weather and the brothers were on their best behavior, and during a splendid sunshiny afternoon nearly four hundred guests took 777 Stewart Avenue by storm, devoured thousands of sandwiches, and apparently enjoyed themselves immensely. Without a doubt the tea will again become an annual event.

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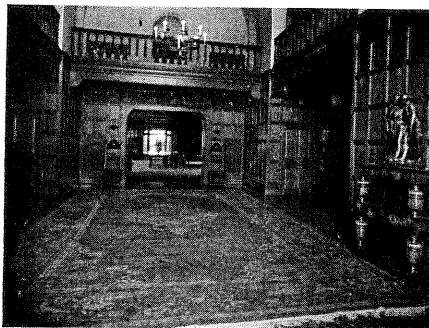
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### INITIATION

March tenth proved to be the date of a most successful initiation. Many alumni including fathers and friends of the initiates were present at the formal initiation to



welcome, with the active members, the newly initiated Brothers.

Brother Beck presided at the banquet, and Brother Whittlesey II, Brother Perkins, Williams '09, Brother Bob Young and newly initiated Brother Rockwell all spoke. Brother Moore, Phi Kappa '14 delivered the Charge. After the banquet Brother Bob Young presided over the customary beer party, given by the sophomores, for the newly initiated Brothers. Brother Young provided a great deal of amusement with his many songs and games, and the party terminated a fitting and very satisfactory initiation ceremony.

The new Brothers are: John Deason Ogden, class of 1936, Oliver Clinton Carpenter, Jr., John Joseph Conway, Jr., Robert Crile, Robert James McNamara, Charles Yeager Neff, Samuel Shane Rockwell, John West Rogers, Frederick Williams Shick, Barton Rober Stevenson, Erbin Dunbar Wattles,

William Augustus Whittlesey, III, Jacob Bishop Perkins II. Brother Perkins represents the fourth generation in his family to become an Alpha Delt.

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### HOUSE OFFICERS

At the last meeting of the Spring term Morris Bradley '35, was elected president for the coming term. He replaces Lloyd Lovitt '34, who served the spring term in that capacity. Henry Lowe '35, will serve as vice-president for the fall term. Bradley formerly held the office of vice-president and Lowe that of house manager.

Other officers elected to serve next year are:

B. B. ADAMS '35, *Treasurer.*

J. V. OWENS '36, *Steward.*

W. J. CRAWFORD '36, *House Manager.*

A. M. REED '36, *Corresponding Secretary.*

O. C. CARPENTER '37, *Librarian.*

J. J. CONWAY '37, *Recording Secretary.*

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IN WRITING A paper such as the Cornell Alpha Delt it is essential, in order that the paper may be interesting to all of our alumni, that we receive any information concerning any of our alumni that might be of interest.

If you have any such information we would be glad to hear from you, and your co-operation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

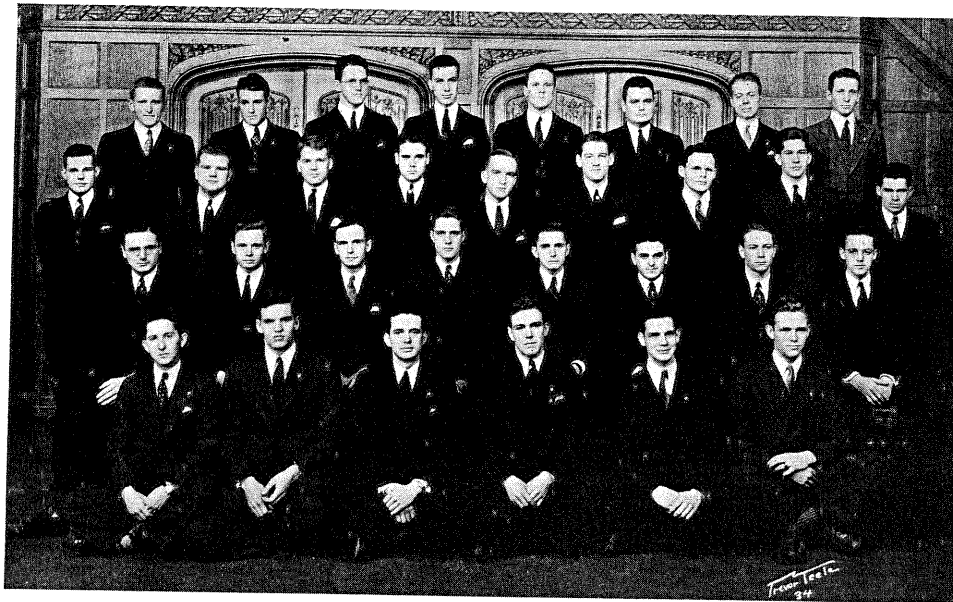
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### AN ACTIVE SEASON FOR HOUSE PARTIES

Fall Party and Junior Week Are Successful—Spring Party Is Now Being Planned,  
Date to be Announced Later

The 1933-1934 season has been an active one in the way of house parties. When it has been completed there will have been two, and we hope three, unforgettable functions to mark a highly successful social season. This year we are breaking away from a long standing custom and holding a Spring party. The week-end of May 4th and 5th was set aside for this event.

The annual Fall party was held over the week-end of November 10th and 11th. This party was given with the Kapps, and both dances were held in our house. Billy Pierce of New York furnished the music. Mrs. Warren Tubbs of Buffalo was the chaperone, and about twenty-five girls attended. A heavy snow-fall on Saturday afternoon made it seem like Junior Week and caused some concern to those who drove into Ithaca, but by the next day it had cleared away enough to allow them to get home.

The Junior Week party was ushered in with the thermometer standing at twenty-

five degrees below zero, and it went lower as the evening progressed. This was a three-way party with the Kapps and the Psi U's. The main feature was the orchestra which was none other than Claude Hopkins and his famous CBC band of Harlem Serenade fame accompanied by Orlando Robson popular radio tenor. Credit for obtaining this music goes to the Junior Prom Committee, on which Brother Cobb '35 served. All three houses gathered in the main dining room of the Ithaca Hotel on Friday evening for the dinner dance. Dancing lasted until nine and after a quick change most of us found ourselves at the Junior Prom, "Dancing Under the Midnight Sun." Johnny Hamp and Claude Hopkins were the two orchestras who played at the Prom. The Thursday night dance was held at our house and the closed Saturday night dance was at the Psi U. House. Mrs. Carleton B. Hutchins of Chicago, and Mrs. Warren Tubbs were the chaperones and about thirty girls attended.

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only three members of one fraternity may visit him at one time. There are various other minor rules which have been adopted by the Fraternity Council, but the most important have been set down here.

It is very doubtful that these rules will continue, without revision, for the rushing season next term. These rules were passed by a margin of only one vote, and it is quite certain that a sufficient number of the smaller houses were hampered enough by these regulations so that they will force a change. It is not generally conceded, however, that any revolutionary change in the rules for rushing and pledging will take place, because most of the stronger houses favor a plan at least basically like the present one.

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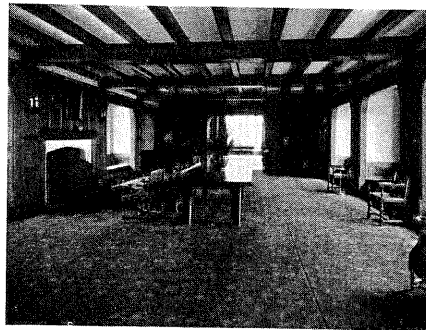
## ROBERT W. SHUFELDT

The chapter was deeply grieved this winter to hear of the death of Brother Robert W. Shufeldt, on January 21, in St. Elizabeth Hospital at Washington, D. C. He graduated from Cornell in the class of '74 and was throughout his life interested and loyal to his Alma Mater and his fraternity.

Brother Shufeldt, a retired major in the Army Medical corps, was the son of Rear Admiral Robert W. Shufeldt in the United States Navy who accompanied Admiral Perry on his important visit to Japan two generations ago which resulted in the opening of Japan to Western Trade. Born in New York City in 1850, Brother Shufeldt served in the Civil War as a captain's clerk

and signal officer aboard the U. S. gunboat *Proteus*, commanded by his father. For many years he was connected with the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, and in the knowledge of fossil birds, probably had no superior in the world. He was called upon once in a trial in New York City to identify bones of various birds that certain restaurants were selling as non-game birds. The bones were immediately identified as those of quail, ducks, partridge, and so on, and the restaurant was fined \$30,000.

Brother Shufeldt was also the author of a large book entitled "Studies of the Human Form for Artists, Sculptors, and Scientists."



His authority in this field was great and his scientific training was founded in large measure upon the work he did as an undergraduate at Cornell.

His widow, Mrs. Robert W. Shufeldt of Washington, D. C., survives him. He had outlived all his classmates. He was buried in the Arlington Cemetery with military honors, near the tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

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So THAT WE may keep our alumni files up-to-date, we would greatly appreciate it if you would inform us of any brothers who have changed their address during the last few years.

This matter is really of the utmost importance, and we hope that you will not neglect it.

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- Thomas N. McCorkle, Boise, Idaho. Mummy Club.  
Robert R. Thompson, Chicago, Illinois. Freshman crew, Junior Varsity and Varsity crew. Crew Club.  
Tau Beta Pi, Quill & Dagger, Atmos, A.S.M.E., Red Key. Entertainment chairman of the house in '32-'33 and vice-president in '33. Kappa Beta Phi.  
Lloyd B. Lovitt, Jr., Memphis, Tennessee. 150 lb. crew squad '33. Red Key, Atmos, Mummy, Kappa Beta Phi, and Freshman banquet committee. Manager of the house '32-'33 and vice-president '33-'34.  
Charles M. Reppert, Jr., Pittsburgh, Penna. Pres. '34. Sigma Delta Chi, Aleph Semach, Rod and Bob, Sphinx Head, Tau Beta Pi. Assistant editorial manager of the Cornell *Daily Sun*. Librarian of the house '31 and corresponding secretary '32-'33.  
Carleton B. Hutchins, Jr., Chicago, Illinois. Manager of the musical clubs '34. Red Key, Ye Hosts, Quill and Dagger, Kappa Beta Phi. Recording secretary of the house '31-'32 and treasurer in '32-'33-'34.  
George D. Beck, Wyncote, Penna. Junior Smoker committee, Freshmen Advisory committee. Mummy Club. Rushing chairman of the house '32, initiation chairman '33, Steward '32-'33, and president '33-'34.  
John Willard Marshall, Binghamton, New York. 150 lb. crew '33. Crew club.  
Charles O. Vail, Yonkers, New York.  
Henry L. Avery, Groton, New York. Atmos, Freshman baseball squad, 150 lb. crew squad.

### CLASS OF 1935

- Benjamin B. Adams, Ithaca, New York. Hockey team '34. Scarab. House steward '33-'34. Treasurer '34. Football squad.  
Sherman G. Forbes, Bombay, India. Librarian of the house '33 and corresponding secretary '33-'34. Freshman Advisory committee.  
John W. Cobb, Ithaca, New York. Wrestling team '32-'33-'34, Freshman cap-burning committee, Junior Prom committee, Freshman Advisory committee. Majura, Red Key. Recording secretary of the house '32-'33, Rushing chairman '33-'34, and initiation chairman '34.  
Morris A. Bradley, Cleveland, Ohio. Majura. House manager '33-'34. Vice-President of house '34 and President '34.  
Henry W. Lowe, Kewanee, Illinois. Manager of freshman football '33-'34. Majura, Red Key. Quill & Dagger, Freshman Advisory committee, Golf Team '34, House manager '34 and Vice-President of house '34.  
Robert C. Bye, Wilmington, Delaware. Freshman tennis team. Majura. Freshman Advisory committee.

### CLASS OF '36

- Warren Tubbs, Jr., Buffalo, New York. Soph Committee.  
Alexander G. Reed, Jr., Dayton, Ohio. Ass't. Manager of Intra-Mural football '34-'35. Librarian of house '33-'34.  
John V. Owens, Utica, New York. Hockey Squad, '33-'34.  
Edgar W. Ingram, Jr., Wichita, Kansas. Soph Committee.  
Reinald Werrenrath, Jr., New York, New York. Freshman crew '33. Mummy club. Sophomore council, Rushing chairman '34.  
Douglas K. Brown, Jr., Dobbs Ferry, New York. Recording secretary '33-'34. Wrestling squad, freshman football squad.  
Willard J. Crawford, III, Cleveland, Ohio. Freshman and varsity football squads. Mummy club.  
Frederick S. Brown, Detroit, Mich.  
John D. Ogden, Little Rock, Arkansas.

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Frederick W. Shick, Bethlehem, Penna. Freshman crew.  
Erbin D. Wattles, Buffalo, New York. Freshman hockey team.  
John J. Conway, Cohoes, New York. Freshman crew squad.  
Robert J. McNamara, Ithaca, New York. Freshman basketball team. Frosh baseball squad.  
William A. Whittlesey III, Pittsfield, Mass.  
Robert Crile, Cleveland, Ohio.  
Barton R. Stevenson, Pittsburgh, Penna. Freshman football squad, freshman 150 lb. crew squad.  
Samuel S. Rockwell, Winnetka, Illinois. *Widow* board.  
John W. Rogers, Wheeling, West Va. Freshman crew. Chairman frosh banquet committee.  
O. Clinton Carpenter, Yonkers, New York. *Widow* board.  
Jacob B. Perkins II, Cleveland, Ohio. Freshman 150 lb. crew. Frosh cap-burning committee.  
Charles V. Neff, Buffalo, New York. Freshman track team.

OUR REMARKABLY successful rushing seasons in the past have been due almost entirely to the co-operation which we have received from our alumni.

In order that our season next fall will be as good as those in the past, we sincerely hope that you will help us again by sending in the names of all the boys you know who are entering Cornell in the fall.

If it is possible for you to give us their Ithaca address, it will be of great assistance.

Please address all correspondence in this regard to The Rushing Chairman, Alpha Delta Phi House, 777 Stewart Ave., Ithaca, N. Y.