

ALPHA GAMMA

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February 13, 1923.

FORMAL PETITION

To the Collegiate Chapters of Delta Sigma Pi:

We, the undersigned members of Phi Sigma Beta, an honorary commercial organization in The Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pennsylvania, do hereby respectfully present to the chapters and officers of the Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity a petition that a charter may be granted to us as a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi; that in the said college there is, in our opinion, an adequate opportunity for the establishment of a chapter of the Fraternity, and that there is a reasonable prospect of obtaining a sufficient number of students of sound character and honorable standing to make and support a creditable chapter; that, should we be honored by this application being granted us, we will earnestly endeavor to establish and maintain such a chapter and we will thereupon agree to abide by and obey all the laws and traditions of your fraternity and bind ourselves to promote its best interests as becomes a deserving and acceptable chapter of the Delta Sigma Pi Fraternity.

Arthur R. Wainock

Chas. W. Stoddart.

A. C. Martin

J. Lupton DeKorhan.

Herbert Fishburne
Clifford A. Hill

Alan E. Post

Daniel Friedrich Pomeroy jr.
William M. Hensch
William H. King
Frank D. Frymire
Ray S. Tammhill
William D. Tate
William R. Ruman
Geo. M. D. Richards
H. Herbert Hiorns.
Everett B. Brose
Frank P. Young
Carroll Sears.
B. Cameron Schmitt
George C. Plinger
William W. Stahl
Warren B. Cutting
J. R. Hileman
Truman M. Sanford
John V. Chapman jr.
Ernest G. Hill.
John A. Patton
J. C. Weithaus
H. Clifford Bash.
H. J. Corswit.

Location of The Pennsylvania State College

The Pennsylvania State College is located in Centre County almost in the geographical centre of the state, and twelve miles from Bellefonte, the county seat. It lies adjacent to the borough of 'State College', which now contains a population of about three thousand. Most of the students are quartered in private homes and fraternity houses in the town. Situated on a plateau, nearly twelve hundred feet above sea level, in a broad, rolling valley, with views of Nittany Mountain on the east, Tussey Mountain on the south, and Muncy Mountain on the north, the college offers a beautiful and inspiring environment, an attractive climate, and healthful surroundings.

History of The Pennsylvania State College

The Pennsylvania State College is the Pennsylvania unit in a national system of state colleges created under 'The Morrill Act' of the United States Congress, passed July 2, 1862, and an act of the Pennsylvania Assembly passed April 1, 1863.

Action, looking toward the establishment of such an institution, was first taken in 1855, when several public-spirited citizens of the Commonwealth, encouraged by the State Board of Agriculture, secured a charter from the Legislature of Pennsylvania for a 'Farmers' High School'. It was this institution that was designated in 1863 to fulfill the larger requirements of the Morrill Act.

In 1855 a gift of 200 acres in Centre County was accepted from General James Irwin, and the erection of the original building was begun. Following the partial completion of that building, classes were begun on February 20, 1859, with a total enrolment of 69 students. In December 1861, the first class, containing eleven students, was graduated.

Dr. Evan Pugh, the first president of the institution, was elected December 7, 1859. He died in office April 29, 1864. During his administration, in May 1862, the Court of Centre County changed the name from 'The Farmers High School' to the 'Agricultural College of Pennsylvania'. In 1874, by action of the Court of Centre County, the name was again changed, this time to 'The Pennsylvania State College'.

During the succeeding years the college grew gradually until now it offers thirty nine courses to about 3400 students. The 200 acres have increased to 1600; the one building to thirty-eight. At the present time there are five great schools within the college in addition to a graduate school, departments of Physical Education, Home Economics, and Military Science and Tactics. The Schools, the number of professors and instructors and number of departments and the number of students enrolled are as follows:

Agriculture

Professors and instructors -----	68
Departments -----	13
Students in four year course -----	656
Students in two year course -----	222
Students in winter courses -----	124

Engineering

Professors and instructors -----	69
Departments -----	7
Students in four year courses -----	1,115

Liberal Arts

Professors and instructors -----	79
Departments -----	8
Students enrolled in four year courses----	633

Natural Science

Professors and instructors -----	38
Departments -----	3
Students in four year courses-----	300

Mines

Professors and instructors -----	16
Departments -----	4
Students in four year courses-----	158

Department of Home Economics

Professors and instructors -----	13
Departments -----	3
Students enrolled in four year courses----	151

In addition, a large part of the work of Penn State may be found in Extension Service in Engineering, Agriculture, Home Economics, Liberal Arts, and Mining. In the Extension fields of Agriculture and Home Economics alone there are 122 county agents and specialists employed by the college.

On October 14, 1921, Dr. John Martin Thomas, DD., LL.D., was inaugurated as the ninth president, succeeding Dr. Edwin Erle Sparks.

It is now proposed to establish The Pennsylvania State College as The Pennsylvania State University with facilities ultimately for 10,000 young men and women students. Penn State is now a university in fact; it remains to make it one in name.

The future of Penn State is indeed a bright one. During the current year, Doctor Thomas has inaugurated an intensive campaign for the purpose of erecting on the campus of the college a group of student welfare buildings which include a college hospital, a modern gymnasium, a student union building, and several dormitories. To this campaign the students have given most generously, and the contributions from the alumni and citizens of the state have been most gratifying. Some of the buildings have already been started and indications point to a successful culmination of the \$2,000,000 drive. This effort will not only assure resources for immediately needed buildings, but it will

carry the story of Penn State to the four corners of the Commonwealth, reveal to the people what Penn State has done, is doing, and can do. The sentiment, thus created, will guide the Legislature in its appropriation of funds. With a budget of ample proportions, Penn State may look forward to the time when she may take her place at the head of Pennsylvania's great system of education.

A History of Phi Sigma Beta

In the month of October, 1921, two of the more visionary students enrolled in the Commerce and Finance Course at The Pennsylvania State College, who had foreseen the advantages arising from an honorary professional fraternity composed of the students of the commercial courses, started the formation of such an organization.

After considerable thought and informal talk among the students and with some of the leading members of the faculty, the initial instigators, C. A. and E. G. Hill, invited seven other students to join them in a meeting at the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity on April eleventh. Many meetings followed, which were characterized by serious discussions as to the aims and policies of the proposed fraternity. On April twenty-fifth, the constitution was submitted, discussed and adopted. The fraternity also selected the name of Phi Sigma Beta at that time.

This constitution was presented, together with a petition for recognition as the Phi Sigma Beta fraternity of The Pennsylvania State College, to the Faculty Committee on Student Welfare of the College. At the meeting of May ninth, it was reported that the Faculty Committee on Student Welfare had approved the constitution and a charter had been granted to the Phi Sigma Beta fraternity.

At the time of the granting of the charter, the fraternity was composed of Dr. Charles W. Stoddart, Dean of the School of Liberal Arts; Dr. A. E. Martin, Head of the Department of History, Political Science and Economics; A. R. Warnock, Dean of Men; Dr. T. C. Pakenham, Assistant Professor of Economics; L. A. Tarbox, '22; C. A. Hill, '23; E. G. Hill, '23; A. E. Post, '23; W. M. Hench, '23; W. H. King, '23; L. H. Hiorns, '23; D. F. Pomeroy, '23; and W. R. Auman, '23.

The charter of the organization may well be shown by referring to the constitution which states in article 1, "The purpose of Phi Sigma Beta shall be to recognize and encourage scholarship and good fellowship and promote a closer affiliation between the commercial world and the commerce students of The Pennsylvania State College.

The official insignia of Phi Sigma Beta is of the key type on which is depicted the ship of commerce carrying the world and the Greek letters Phi Sigma Beta. The pledge insignia is a strip of maroon ribbon which is worn on the left lapel of the coat.

On May thirteenth, 1922, an initiation was held, the initiates being: H. Fishburn, '22; E. E. Overdorf, '22; R. S. Tannehill, '23; F. D. Frymire, '23; W. D. Tate, '23; Robert B. Wilson, '23; G. M. D. Richards, '23.

At the close of the school year of 1922, the fraternity lost by graduation: L. A. Tarbox '22; H. Fishburn, '22;

E. E. Overdorf, '22; Robert B. Wilson, '23. However, H. Fishburn was not lost from active membership, since he remained at the College as Assistant to the Dean of Men and thus added to the list of faculty members.

Upon the opening of the college for the school year of 1922-23, the fraternity once more resumed active work. At a recent meeting of Phi Sigma Beta, the following men were pledged: W.B. Cutting, '24; J.C. Weithaus, '24; H.C. Bash, '24; C.L. Sears, '24; T.M. Sanford, '24; J.A. Patton, '24; G.C. Clinger, '24; J.V. Chapman, '24; H.J. Corswirt, '24; W.W. Stahl, '24; F.D. Young, '24; J.R. Hileman, '24; G.C. Lenmuth, '23; and E.B. Brose, '23. Every one of these men are active on the campus as well as excellent students. In the meantime active work has started in an effort to affiliate with the national commercial fraternity, Delta Sigma Pi.

The Department of Economics

The Department of Economics is in the School of Liberal Arts of which, one of our faculty members, Charles William Stoddart, Ph.D., is the Dean. The courses are designed especially for those who intend to enter business or public service. The aim of the course is to give a broad and thorough knowledge of the environment and general condition under which modern business is conducted, the origin and development of these conditions, and the relation of private business to politics and government. The courses lead to the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

The Department of Economics was started in 1913 and an idea as to its growth may be obtained from the following figures which show the enrolment in the successive years:

Year	Senior	Junior	Sophomores	Total
1913-14		4	7	11
1914-15	4	14	9	27
1915-16	13	15	18	46
1916-17	15	15	27	57
1917-18	7	20	27	54
1918-19	10	25	26	61
1919-20	29	45	50	124
1920-21	46	61	82	189
1921-22	73	88	90	251
1922-23	71	86	123	280

The above figures include only regularly enrolled members of the Sophomore, Junior and Senior classes. As the curricula for all Liberal Arts Courses, in the first year, are identical, the Freshmen are not included. It is estimated by the Head of the Department that over 150 of the present Freshman Class will enroll in the Commerce and Finance Course next year.

The Liberal Arts School is at present the third largest school in the college. The Economics Department is one of the largest Departments in all of the schools and is the fastest growing in the number of students and faculty. It is proposed, in connection with the University Plan, to make the School of Liberal Arts a College and the Economics Department a separate school. In spite of the fact that the Economics Department is one of the largest at the present time, it has no honorary or professional societies or fraternities, except our own local. Yet smaller departments in other schools have their large honorary national fraternities.

Desirous of ultimately placing the Economics Department on an equal basis with other departments, in this respect, a few members of the Junior and Senior classes organized Phi Sigma Beta, hoping and believing that they were founding an institution which would foster higher scholarship and ideals among the Commercial Students of The Pennsylvania State College.

Chapter Roll

Faculty Members

Martin, A.E., State College, Pennsylvania; American; Protestant Religion; Professor of History; Head of the Department of History and Political Science; B.A., William Jewell College, 1908; M.A., William Jewell College, 1912; Ph.D., Cornell University, 1915; Member of Literary Club, "X" Club, University Club, Commerce and Finance Club, Kappa Alpha (South), Phi Kappa Phi, American Historical Association, American Academy of Social and Political Science, National Geographic Society, American Association of University Professors, American Association for the Advancement of Science; Author of the books: "Our Negro Population", 1913, "The Anti-Slavery Movement in Kentucky", 1916; author of the magazine articles: "The Anti-Slavery Movement in Tennessee" published in the Tennessee magazine of History, "Anti-Slavery Activities of the Methodist Church in Tennessee", Ibid., "The Pioneer and Slavery Press" published in the Mississippi Valley Historical Review.

Stoddart, C. W., State College, Pennsylvania; American; Protestant Religion; Dean of the School of Liberal Arts; Acting Dean of the School of Natural Science; Formerly Instructor and Assistant Professor of Soils at the University of Wisconsin; Treasurer of Colorado Mining Company. A.B., Columbia University, 1900; A.M., Ibid., 1901; Ph.D., University of Wisconsin, 1909; Member of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Beta Kappa, Sigma Xi, Phi Lambda Upsilon, Alpha Zeta, Phi Kappa Phi, Alpha Chi Sigma, Literary Club, "X" Club; Fellow A.A.A.S.,

American Chemistry Society; Author of Chemistry of Agriculture, Lea and Febiger, two editions.

Pakenham, T.C., State College, Pennsylvania; English; Church of England; Assistant Professor of Economics; Ph.D., London University, 1919; formerly an Instructor in British Army Staff Educational Corps; Major in British Army; Thespian Club Director.

Warnock, A.R., State College, Pennsylvania; American; Protestant; Dean of Men; A.B., University of Illinois; formerly Assistant Dean of Men at Illinois; member of Beta Theta Pi, Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Delta Phi (Law).

Alumni

Fishburn, Hummel, '22, University Club, State College, Pennsylvania; age-21; American; Protestant; preparatory education at Central High School, Washington, D.C.; Assistant Dean of Men; A.B., The Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pennsylvania, 1922; Member of Phi Gamma Delta, Phi Mu Alpha, Glee Club, Mandolin Club, former accompanist to Varsity Quartet; College Organist; Composer for Thespians and Penn State Players; Freshman and Associate Football Manager.

Overdorf, E. E., '22, 731 Napoleon Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania; American; Protestant; Member of Student Council, Student Board, Honor Committee, Sigma Nu, Delta Sigma Rho, (Debating), Debating Team, 1922, LaVie Board, Lion's Paw, Skull and Bones, Sphinx (Campus Societies, Masons; President of Senior Class; President of Student Council; President of

Honor Committee; Valedictorian; Captain of Student Cadet Corps; Won Junior Oratoricals.

Tarbox, L.A., '22, Box 348, Oil City, Pennsylvania; American; Protestant; Acacia Fraternity; Mason; Commerce and Finance Club.

Wilson, R. B., '22, 5463 Dorchester Ave., Apartment 2, Chicago, Illinois; American; Protestant; Member of Phi Kappa Phi, Y.M.C.A. Advisory Board.

Active Members

Auman, W.R., '23, 509 Somerset Street, Johnstown, Pennsylvania; 214 E. Nittany Avenue; Johnstown High School; Age, 20; American; Protestant, College Band; Collegian Staff (1) (2) (3) (4); Assistant Editor of Collegian (4); LaVie Board (3); Student Hand Book Staff (2) (3); Editor of Student Hand Book (4); Student Council (4); Member of Sphinx, Kappa Kappa Psi (Honorary Band Fraternity), Phi Kappa Phi, Commerce and Finance Club; Holder of John G. White Scholarship.

Frymire, F. D., '23, Milton, Pennsylvania; Phi Gamma Delta; Age, 24; American; Protestant; Milton High School; Captain Student Cadet Corps; Member of Commerce and Finance Club.

Hench, W.M., '23, Waynesburg, Pennsylvania; Phi Lambda Theta; Age, 23; American; Protestant; Waynesburg High School;

Secretary of Phi Sigma Beta; Scabbard and Blade (Honorary Military); Lieutenant-Colonel in R.O.T.C.; Commerce and Finance Club; I.O.O.F.

Hill, C.A., '23, Titusville, Pennsylvania; Kappa Delta Rho; Age, 20; American; Protestant; Titusville High School; President of Phi Sigma Beta; First Lieutenant in R.O.T.C. (3); Commerce and Finance Club; holder of Doherty Freauff Scholarship.

Hill, E.G., '23, Beach Haven, Pennsylvania; Kappa Delta Rho; Age 21; American; Protestant; Berwick High School; Secretary of Mozart Club (Musical), College Chorus (1) (2) (3)(4); Glee Club (2)(3)(4); Varsity Quartet (4); Member of Phi Mu Alpha (Honorary Musical); Commerce and Finance Club; Fife and Drum Corps (1)(2).

Horns, L.H., '23, 946 Webster Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania; Alpha Sigma Phi; Age 27; American; Protestant; Scranton High School; Thespian Club (2) (3) (4); Commerce and Finance Club; Mason; Jr. O.U.A.M.

King, W.H., '23, 54 South Richland Ave., York, Pennsylvania; Chi Upsilon; Age 21; American; Protestant; York High School; Treasurer of Phi Sigma Beta; Commerce and Finance Club.

Pomeroy, D.F., '23, Troy, Pennsylvania; Phi Gamma Delta; Age 25; American; Protestant; Troy High School; Pre-Legal Course. President of Phi Mu Alpha (Musical); Glee Club (1) (2)(3)(4); President of Glee Club (4); Drum Major; Kappa Kappa Psi (Band Fraternity); College Band (2)(3)(4); College Chorus (2); Assistant Tennis Manager (3); Mason.

Post, A.E., '23, 5859 Bartlett Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Sigma Nu; Age 22; American; Protestant; Peabody High School; Managing Editor of Penn State Collegian; Collegian Staff (1)(2)(3)(4); Publisher of 1922-23 Faculty and Student Directory; 1923 LaVie Board; Track Squad; Commerce and Finance Club.

Richards, Geo.M.D., '23, 243 E. Patterson Street, Lansford, Pennsylvania; Sigma Phi Epsilon; Lansford High School; Age 20; American; Protestant; Member of Sphinx (Campus Society); Varsity Wrestling Team (4); Commerce and Finance Club; P.O.S. of A.; Holder of Louise Carnegie Scholarship.

Tannehil, R.S., '23, Duquesne, Pennsylvania; Sigma Chi; Age 21; American; Protestant; Duquesne High School; Collegian Reporter; Student Council (3)(4); Commerce and Finance Club.

Tate, W.D., '23, 20 Earl Street, Duquesne, Pennsylvania; 124 W. Nittany Ave.; Age 21; American; Protestant; Philipsburg High School; Varsity Boxing Team (4); Commerce and Finance Club.

Broze, E.B., '23, 415 West Market Street, York, Pennsylvania; Kappa Delta Rho; Age 21; American; Protestant; York High School; Junior Tennis Team; Commerce and Finance Club.

Lehmuth, G.C., '23, 456 Church Lane, Germantown, Pennsylvania; Sigma Chi; Age 21; American; Protestant; Friends

Central High School, Germantown; Freshman Baseball Manager; Junior Prom Committee; Commerce and Finance Club.

Bash, H.C., '24, 449 Walnut Street, Greensburg, Pennsylvania; Omega Epsilon; Age 21; American; Protestant; Greensburg High School; LaVie Staff; Varsity LaCrosse (2).

Chapman, J.V., '24, 2979 Peach Street, Erie, Pennsylvania; Kappa Delta Rho; Age 22; American; Protestant; Erie Central High School; Varsity Football (2); Class Basketball Team (1)(2); Commerce and Finance Club.

Clinger, G.C., '24, 141 River Ave., Oil City, Pennsylvania; Acacia Fraternity; Age 24; American; Protestant; Oil City High School; Football (1)(2); Boxing (1); Commerce and Finance Club.

Corswirt, H.J., '24, 245 Barragh Street, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Alpha Tau Omega; Age 23; American; Protestant; Schenley High School, Pittsburgh; Sophomore Football Team; First Assistant Baseball Manager; Student Council (3); 1924 LaVie Board.

Cutting, W.B., '24, Westfield, New York; 404 South Burrowes Street; Age 21; American; Protestant; Westfield High School; Commerce and Finance Club.

Hileman, R.J., '24; 200 Comrie Avenue, Braddock, Pennsylvania; Delta Upsilon; Age 22; American; Protestant; Braddock High School; First Assistant Basketball Manager; Freshman Baseball; Druids (Campus Society); Froth Business Staff; Junior Prom Committee.

Patton, J.A., '24, Sewickley, Pennsylvania; Delta Tau Delta; Age 22; American; Protestant; Sewickley High School; Freshman Football; Varsity Football (2)(3); Thespians (1)(2)(3); Student Council (3); Druids; Skull and Bones (Campus Society).

Sanford, T.M., '24, Oil City, Pennsylvania; Beta Theta Pi; Age 22; American; Protestant; Oil City High School; Glee Club (1)(2)(3); Assistant Manager of Glee Club; Thespian Club.

Sears, C.L., '24, Corry, Pennsylvania, 248 South Allen Street; Age 30; American; Protestant; Corry High School; Commerce and Finance Club.

Stahl, W.W., '24, 1630 Pennsylvania Ave., Scranton, Pennsylvania; Sigma Chi; Age 21; American; Protestant; Scranton Central High School; First Assistant Basketball Manager; Collegian Board; Junior Finance Committee.

Weithaus, J.C., '24, 2923 Bellrose Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Delta Tau Delta; Age 20; American; Catholic; South Hills High School; Thespian Club; Freshman Baseball.

Young, F.B., '24, Bellevue, Pennsylvania; Sigma Alpha Epsilon; Age 21; American; Protestant; Bellevue High School; Thespian Cast; LaVie Board; Junior Prom Committee.

Note: All members and pledges are enrolled in the Commerce and Finance Course in the Department of Economics except D.F. Pomeroy, who is a Pre-legal student. It is no longer our policy to admit other than Commerce and Finance students.



DELTA SIGMA PI
1100 MAJESTIC BUILDING
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

March 15, 1923.

TO: Board of Directors

SUBJECT: Petition from Phi Sigma Beta of Penn State

I am enclosing herewith the formal petition from Phi Sigma Beta at Penn State College, which speaks for itself. I am also attaching a letter from Brother Dickinson, a member of our UPSILON Chapter at the University of Illinois, and now a member of the faculty in the Department of Commerce and Finance.

I know Dickinson very well; he was one of the charter members of our UPSILON Chapter, and I do not hesitate to O.K. his report. Whatever he recommends I have no hesitancy in recommending. Penn State is a well known school, and while their work in commerce does not compare to New York, Northwestern or other larger schools, they have a complete course and are growing slowly but gradually. We have an opportunity of getting in here on the ground floor and in my opinion we should not overlook this opportunity.

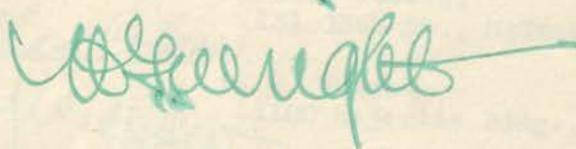
The majority of the members of Phi Sigma Beta belong to social fraternities. This same condition exists at several schools where we have chapters, such as Illinois, Iowa, Ohio State, California, Georgia Tech, and Southern California. But all these chapters are gradually taking in more so called "non-fraternity" men each year and all of them are furthering our work in a most admirable fashion and I have every reason to believe that the same condition will exist at Penn State.

I ask therefore, that you vote on the following propositions:

- (A) The granting of a chapter of Delta Sigma Pi to Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.
- (B) The acceptance of the petition from Phi Sigma Beta and the authorization of granting them our Alpha-Gamma charter

I want each member of the board to indicate his decision on the attached, just as quickly as possible, and forward the entire file to the next listed member of the board, by **Special Delivery**. This will enable every member to read the actual petition, and if each member will render his decision with 24 hours after receipt of the file and forward to the next listed member of the board, the file should be back in my hands by a week from Monday, March 26th. The chapter, if granted could not be installed until April 13th, 1923, so two or three weeks time will be required to complete the arrangements, install the chapter and get it well organized before the close of the semestre.

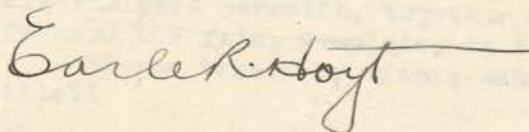
Fraternally yours,



President

HGW:L

I approve the granting of a chapter to Pennsylvania State College and the granting of our Alpha-Gamma charter to Phi Sigma Beta.



Chairman,
Extension Committee.

ERH:L

VOTE Yes for in favor of, and No for against.

Pennsylvania State College, State College, Pa.

Question A Question B

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| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>C. W. Fackler</i> | |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>R. C. Schmidt</i> | R. C. Schmidt
347 Ashland Ave., Detroit |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>J. B. Edger</i> | J. B. Edger
225 Fifth Ave., N Y C |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>A. F. Maksy</i> | A. F. Maksy
347 Fifth Ave., N Y C |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>F. J. Kenny</i> | F. J. Kenny
800, 20 Vesey St., N Y C |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>Charles Cobeen</i> | Charles Cobeen,
131 13th St., Milwaukee |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>H. G. Wright</i> | H. G. Wright
1100 Majestic Bldg., Chicago |
| <u>Yes</u> | <u>Yes</u> <i>H. G. Wright</i> | |

Self-addressed labels are enclosed herewith, together with sufficient postage to forward the file, complete, to the next succeeding member. **Please** take care of this matter with all dispatch possible!!

State College,
Pennsylvania,
March 9, 1923

Mr. H. G. Wright
President of Delta Sigma Pi,
1100 Majestic Building,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Brother Wright:

I wish to thank you for the prompt and friendly answer to my recent letter. I am pleased to learn that you have already taken a favorable attitude towards Phi Sigma Beta. I shall be very glad to act as your investigator here. I feel capable of giving you an exact survey of the situation because of my intimate contact with the members of this local fraternity and the work they have^{done} and will do.

As a member of Delta Sigma Pi, and, therefore having the best interests of the fraternity at heart, I can recommend this group of men. Dr. C. W. Stoddart, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Dr. A. E. Martin, Head of the Department of History, Economics and Political Science, are charter members and strongly behind the group. A. H. Warnock, Dean of Men, who formerly taught Business Law in my department, and Dr. T. C. Pakenham, now in the department are also charter members. These faculty men are very well known leaders on the Penn State Campus. Beside these they have Mr. H. Fishburn, Assistant Dean of Men, who is one of the most popular, well-liked, and capable young men it has ever been my privilege to meet.

You will note that I referred to Professor Martin as Head of the Department of History, Political Science and Economics. We now have a separate Department of Economics with approximately five hundred students enrolled. The enrollment in the Commerce and Finance Curriculum is growing more rapidly than any other curricula in the College. The chances for development and expansion are excellent, both for our department and the college as a whole. It is absolutely certain that a professional commercial fraternity will be established soon. I want to see Delta Sigma Pi embrace

Mr. H. G. Wright, Chicago, Ill.

this opportunity to get another live group of fellows into her membership. The present student body of Penn State numbers about thirty-three hundred.

Now, as to the active members of Phi Sigma Beta, I am happy to list many leaders of campus activities. Mr. W. R. Auman is Assistant Editor of The Penn State Collegian, member of the Student Council, an all-college honorary fraternity, Phi Mu Sigma, journalistic fraternity, and several other organizations. Another good man is Mr. A. E. Post, who is Managing Editor of The Penn State Collegian in addition to being president of our live wire Commerce and Finance Club. Still another is Mr. E. G. Hill, Manager of the Glee Club, a member of the Varsity Quartet and Secretary of Phi Mu Alpha. These men are all seniors but they have pledged some excellent juniors as, R. J. Hileman, member of Druids, Froth Business Staff, Junior Prom Committee; Mr. J. A. Patton, member of Thespians, Student Council, and a back on Penn State's famous football team. I will not burden you further with specific instances of the calibre of these men but merely say that all of the twenty-six active members are in one or more college activities.

No man has been elected to membership whose scholastic average is not above seventy-five. You have the pick of our department. The membership has been restricted to juniors and seniors. You understand that there is no other commercial fraternity here now, and the first one to come in will have the impetus of an early start.

I shall be glad to give you any further information and in time to assure initiation this semester. You will realize the full measure of my praise of this group of fellows when I tell you that they will be as strong if not stronger than my own brothers at Illinois.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Fraternally yours,

F. S. Dickinson

Economics Department.