

The Theta Data

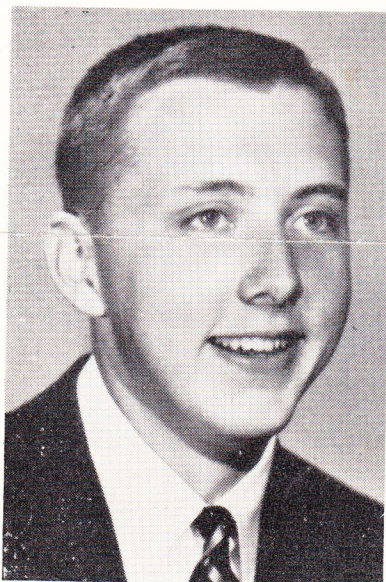
BETA THETA PI AT OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY



103rd Year

February 7, 1957

Keith Eiken Elected Theta President



We Still Like "Ike"

By Dave Weisman, esq.

Keith Eiken, '57, was elected to succeed Davie Crockett as president of Theta Chapter at the second-term elections, held during October. Eiken is a political science major from Louisville, Kentucky, and is a brother of ex-Theta President Dick Eiken, '53. He has served Theta in other capacities as secretary, vice-president and pledge-trainer.

Dave Cook, '57, succeeded Eiken as vice-president. "Cookie" is a political science major from Butler, Pa. He has been chapter secretary within the past year.

Ed Geiger is Theta's new secretary. Ed, a junior from Olmsted Falls, Ohio, moved into the office of secretary which had been vacated when Dale Denny, '58, transferred during the summer. He is a pre-theological major.

Urlin "Junior" Harris retained his position of treasurer. "Junior" is a junior from Delaware.

Earl Winters, a sophomore from Gallipolis, Ohio, succeeded Dave Weisman as recorder.

Varsity Lists Boast Betas

Watson Award Soon To Be Announced

David B. Weisman, '57, English major, past recipient of the Dawson Award, and present holder of the Watson Award will have the honor to present the Watson Badge to that outstanding senior who is worthy of the Award. The objective of the Robert E. Watson Award is to honor and perpetuate the memory and service to Theta Chapter of Robert E. Watson, '11. It is the hope that the Award will stimulate and inspire the members of Theta Chapter to emulate the loyalty and devotion so unselfishly given by Robert E. Watson. The badge is to be awarded to that senior Theta Beta who has contributed, enthusiastically and unreservedly, throughout his first three and one-half years in the maintenance of the strength and standards of Theta Chapter. Brother Weisman will have the opportunity to recognize such a man at the 1957 Initiation Banquet.

David B. Carver, '58

Dawson Recognition Awaits Freshman

Earl D. Winters, '59, Chapter Recorder and Treasurer of the Chemistry Club is the present holder of the Dawson Award. The Award is given annually to that member of the Theta Pledge Class who most nearly during his freshman year comes up to the Dawson standard of high scholarship and outstanding Beta spirit. It is the objective of this Award to inspire the pledges to work towards the ideals set forth by Col. William W. Dawson, '14, and past President of Beta Theta Pi (1940-1946).

Send your news about Theta brothers to The Data regularly. Help us keep the alumni informed. Just a post card will do.

Beta Theta Pi was, again, well represented on the Ohio Wesleyan varsity football team. The three men representing Theta were Ed. Geiger, a junior from Olmsted Falls, Ohio, who is playing his second year on the varsity as a guard. Barry Haas, a sophomore from Dayton, Ohio, who lettered as a freshman at guard, was a pre-season pick as a regular, but sat out four regular season games due to injuries. Last, but not least as far as spirit goes, is the "little giant" as he is known on the gridiron, Bill Schollenberger, a freshman from Dayton, Ohio, who stands only 5'6" tall and weighs a mere 135 pounds. Bill's compensation for his lack of size is an undefinable drive and determination which makes him a favorite of the coaching staff.

Cinderman, Robert Groshok '58, represented Beta on one of the finest cross-country teams in the school's history, while lanky Leigh Stockstill '57, is again leading the hoopsters at the start of an active winter athletic program. Freshman Ted Parker and Jon Boucher, who have a way with water, are successfully racing toward an excellent four year stay on a fine varsity swimming club, and varsity wrestler, Brother Richard Currie '58, is pinning any and all comers in the 147 pound weight class.

This spring will find Brother Dale Rose, a senior, trying for his

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BULLETIN

Brother A. W. Morrison, Temporary Chairman of the Theta Chapter House Progress Committee, reports that excellent results have been obtained from the first letter sent to alumni. Although we are still a long way from reaching our goal, we're confident that Beta spirit and pride in Theta Chapter will make our hopes for a new house become a reality. "Beta on the move!"

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Charles P. Woods . . . Editor

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116th Convention Report; Robb Portrait Presented To National Office

Seth R. Brook's statement, "I am convinced this past year has been the best I have known in Beta Theta Pi," served as a keynote for the 117th General Convention held at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan, August 27-31. For the 495 Betas and guests in attendance it was a time for renewing friendships, relaxation and pleasant memories. The overwhelming enthusiasm displayed by the delegates demonstrated to me the enviable position that Beta Theta Pi has achieved in the fraternity world.

The re-election of Brother Brooks as General Secretary and the election of Joseph J. Romoda as Vice-President occurred during the first session. The Syracuse chapter lost its charter and all connection with the General Fraternity. The serious problem of adequate housing was a topic for discussion throughout the meetings.

A highlight of the 117th meeting, especially for Theta, was the presentation of a portrait of Willis O. Robb, Ohio Wesleyan '79, to the national headquarters in Oxford, Ohio. This beautiful portrait will be hung besides portraits of other outstanding men in the fraternity.

Next year the annual conclave will be held in Poland Springs, Maine. As we sang Beta songs on the longest porch in the world the last evening, I agreed with A. J. G. Priest that "Beta Theta Pi is certainly a great and good fraternity."

17 On Pledge Rolls Of Theta Chapter

Bruce A. Billings, Niagara Falls, N. Y.; Ralph Bogardus, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Paul David Boltauzer, Willowick, Ohio; Jon Francis Boucher, Erie, Pa.; Henry Lincoln Cramer, Needham Heights, Mass.

Phillip Edward Jarvis, Van Wert, Ohio; Robert K. Jefferis, Union City, Ind.; Philip Pendleton Kennedy, Springfield, Pa.; John Kurtz Luger, Dayton, Ohio; David Earl McMillen, Dayton, Ohio.

Neil McPherson, Jr., West Hartford, Conn.; Rolf Thomson Michelson, Long Island, N. Y.; Edward Patterson Myers, Delaware, Ohio; Theodore Charles Parker, Erie, Pa.; Chuck Reinbolt, Pittsburgh, Pa.; William C. Schollenberger, Dayton, Ohio; Donald Joseph Sherlock, Ridgewood, N. J.

Social Scene

"Let's have a hayride!" someone shouted early in September before one book had been bought or one class had been attended, so to begin a full social schedule Brother Sidney Foster scared up wagons, tractors and shelter while the Brothers gathered up their blankets and dates for a record turnout and a rollicking time in straw. Fortunately the weatherman "played fair," and a starry, moonlit night set the proper mood for the occasion.

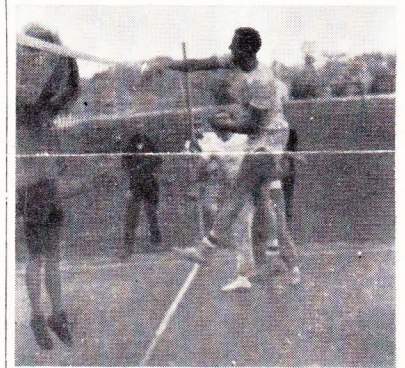
Inspired by a fine start from a social vantage point, the Beta Brothers rolled up all rugs for their follow-up event, a "Record-Come as you are Party." Courageous young coeds, caught by the trickery of conniving Betas, appeared in a variety of strange costumes usually observed only by other members of the fair sex. Need we make mention of the degree of success achieved?

Routed out of house and home by the Beta neophytes a short time later, the active chapter sought asylum elsewhere while a winsome pledge class lined and danced in a Parisian atmosphere at their annual Pledge Formal. Cooperation and spirit at its highest provided the necessary incentive for the creation of the finest all-pledge function at Theta in many a year.

The 30th of November saw the

Near-Misses Tell Story Of Intramural Events

The fall intramural program dawned full of enthusiasm and promise. The Beta 8 returned as defending football champions of the past two years and the volleyball team was vastly improved. As the football season moved on, we rose from an early defeat to beat the Chi Phi's and throw the league into a tie. Looking forward to the playoff game, the boys became



Stockstill in form

guilty of hybris, and being overconfident tripped over an upset-minded Delt team. Watching the championship high-net game from the sidelines, we were pleased to see the team come within one game of winning the league volleyball title.

Despite the setback in football, Theta's future intramural program looks very promising. The bowling and basketball teams started the seasons with victories, and will definitely be in contention for their league titles. Dale Rose is trying for his third straight all-school singles ping-pong crown, and on the swimming and wrestling scene, hopes rest strong.

Robert Groshok

Betas and their dates roll out to the Olentangy Roller Rink for an evening on wheels. Sore ankles and skinned knees gave ample proof that the occasion was at least memorable, if not enjoyable, for all in attendance.

Climaxing the pre-holiday activity was an exceptionally fine Winter Formal set in an "Alpine Village." A Beta House teaming with fresh pines yielded a genuine Northwoods atmosphere, and with the gentle fall of snow at mid-evening, the proper effect had been completed.

Alumi News-Notes Through The Years

MARRIAGES

Miss Barbara Hite of Elmwood Park, Ill., to **Ned A. Myers**, 1950, March 22, in Valparaiso, Ind., where both of them are attending the university; Brother Myers in the law school.

Miss Mary Ben Early, Chi Omega (U. of Utah) to **William L. McClave, Jr.** '51, March 31, at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Salt Lake City. Brother McClave was graduated in June from San Francisco U. after a stint in the Air Force.

Sally Knox, Alpha Chi Omega, to **Peter B. Halbin**, '56, June 23, in First Presbyterian Church, Warren, Ohio. Brother Halbin is attending graduate school at Western Reserve.

Miss Margarey Winter, to **Paul E. Koch**, August 27. Both have masters degrees in Sacred Music from Union Theological Seminary. Brother Koch is now organist and choir master of the First Presbyterian Church, Oak Park, Ill.

Miss Beverly Ann Hurley, Delta Gamma, to **Thomas J. Tatham**, '56, June 23, in Northwest Appold Methodist Church, Baltimore, Md. Brother Tatham is with Frigidaire in Dayton.

Miss Janet Ellis, '57, Delta Gamma, to **Donald R. Jefferis, Jr.**, '56, June 30, in Market Street Presbyterian Church, Lima. Brother Jefferis is now stationed with the Air Force.

Miss Carol A. Vogt, '56, Gamma Phi Beta, to Lt. **Milton C. Irvin**, '55, Dec. 28, 1955, in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Massillon.

Miss Patricia Nau, '57, Delta Gamma, to **David S. Crockett**, '57, August 26, in Bushnell Congregational Church, Detroit. Both are finishing school at OWU.

Miss Susanne Stahl, '57, O. S. U. to **Charles F. Glander**, '56, in Columbus, Ohio. Brother Glander is attending Ohio State Law School.

BIRTHS

1947

A daughter, Kathryn Blair, January, 3, 1956, to **James N. and Jane Frowine Johnson**, Graystone Hotel, Elyria.

1948

A son, Andrew McKay, April 6, to **Robert S. and Evelyn Long Mauck**, 1691 King Ave., Columbus.

1949

A third daughter, Nancy Ann, to **Rev. and Mrs. Donald R. Mauck**, Whitman, Mass.

A daughter, Mary Louise Mighell, Sept. 25, to **Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Powers, Jr.**, '49.

1950

A son, Michael Scott, April 15, 1956, to **Mr. and Mrs. James Wyant**.

A son, Geoffrey Lewis, July 25, to **Robert and Suzanne Manuel Wyant**, 36 Orchard Hts., Delaware.

A son, Thomas Deanne, May 3, to **David and Marcia Cargill Adams**. Brother Adams is assistant professor of education at Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

1951

A son, William Baker, Jr., in January, to **Mr. and Mrs. William B. Schardt**, 1830 Malcolm Ave., Los Angeles.

A son, Thomas Ross III, April 10, to **Thomas Ross and Helen Simester Long**, Morristown, N. J.

1952

A son, William Reedy, April 13, to **Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Shank**, Sandusky, Ohio.

1953

A daughter, Victoria Lee, to **Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Baker Smith**, Washington, D. C. February 19.

J. S. Sayre Heads Berg-Warner Division

Congratulations to Brother J. S. Sayre, president of Norge Division, Borg-Warner Corporation, on the 30th anniversary of Norge! We wish continued success to Brother Sayre and the Norge Division.

DEATHS (In 1956)

1884

Melvin Lee Milligan died on January 8, at his home in Springfield, Ohio, at the age of 94, following a brief illness. Brother Milligan, a former Mayor of Springfield, had been blind for the last 14 years, but retained good health and active interest in his community. He was president and general manager of the Fairbanks Company until his retirement in 1928.

1899

Bishop Lewis O. Hartman, June 30, in Newton-Wellesley Hospital (Mass.). Brother Hartman was Bishop of the Methodist Church in New England from 1944-1948. He was Editor of the **Lion's Herald** (oldest of all Methodist publications) for 24 years. His degrees included: M.A. and D.D. from Ohio Wesleyan; S.T.B., Ph.D., and L.H.D., Boston U.

1901

John W. Martin, March 29, of a heart attack, in Middletown, Ohio, where he was a pioneer businessman and civic leader. Brother Martin was stricken quite suddenly, having attended a Masonic lodge meeting a few hours before his death. He was the oldest living high priest of Middletown chapter, Royal Arch Masons, oldest living past master of Jefferson Lodge of Masons, and was a member of Knights Templar and Scottish Rite. Brother Martin was a past president of the Ohio Retail Merchants Association, and was presented with his Fraternal Fifties card two years ago.

1921

Issac R. Nies, May 20, in St. Luke's Hospital, Cleveland, Ohio, after a long illness. Brother Nies was widely known in the pension field of insurance, and had been an agent of Sun Life Assurance Co. of Canada for the past 25 years. Among those surviving him is his widow, Lillian Hill Nies of 1478 S. Noble Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

1924

H. Rummel Anderson, August 9, in Tuscon, Arizona, after a long illness. Brother Anderson had been an attorney in Tuscon for many years. He was survived by his brother, wife, one daughter, Frances, and one son, Henry.

1931

William E. Ireland, May 21, of a heart attack at his home in Kitchner, Ont. He was vice-president and director of B. F. Goodrich of Canada, Ltd.

Beta-Sponsored DG's Rack Up Victory

Highlighting all fall activity at "Old Theta" was the Beta sponsorship of a rough and tumble, hair-pulling Delta Gamma sorority football squad who successfully "pulled" down to defeat their Delta Tau Delta coached Kappa Kappa Gamma opposition. Under the able assistance of coaches Bud Douthett, Dale Rose and Charley Hurth the inspired DG's fought many aching bones, stiff backs and bruises (not to mention numerous other sore spots) to achieve the skill and power which proved to be the deciding factors bringing about their victory.



... let's have a huddle

A cold overcast day saw eighteen sweat-shirt clad maidens huddled at opposite ends of a sixty yard field planning strategy with their fraternity coaches. The opening whistle brought anticipated cheers of hilarious delight from a vast crowd of spectators as a speedy Kappa quarter-back picked up her interference and tilted a host of DG's. Temporary humiliation infested the shaken club, but vanished several plays later when a beautifully negotiated long (?) pass piled up a needed gain for the

DG's. Five goal line threats by each team failed to yield any score thus ending an extremely tiring first half.

Replacing braun with brain at the dawning of the final portion of the game only produced another scoreless half, thereby sending the event into a hectic overtime period. The shades of evening brought along a piercing wind, and while players and spectators alike thawed hands and feet, the determined DG squad mustered together just

enough strength and spirit (and perhaps a bit of luck) to execute a series of reverse plays thereby squeezing out a victory.

Chuck Woods

Varsity

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fourth baseball award, while trackmen Brad Boen '58, the 100 and 220 expert, and Brother Groshock will represent the long and short of it on the track squad.

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