

## THETA CHAPTER'S ANNUAL POOP SHEET

Dear Brother,

This short script is designed to give you an idea of the many and varied experiences which your Beta brothers have engaged in during the 1954 summer vacation. If you're looking for a better title than the one above you might use: NEWSNET - - - the names have been retained to convict the guilty - - - any relation between the following characters and any persons living or dead is purely intentional!

### The Senior Scene

Wedding bells rang for four of our most recent alum's as Pete (Boris) Kaufman, Dick (R. G.) DeVos, Jim (Oaf) Meredith, and Paul (Kissy) Kisseberth all took the fatal trip to the altar. Amid all the nuptial festivities the most prominent individual (except in Kissy's wedding) was our own Fingers Miller who paid last tribute to the boys by rocking the walls of the various churches with the boisterous reverberations of his baritone vocal chords. It was said that at one point in Boris' wedding Fingers (on his 5th number) let out with a note so high that all the candles in the sanctuary not only went out, but melted away to nothing! As an encore at Oaf's ceremony the minute maestro sang with great feeling (and great big wet tears in his eyes) a few choruses of "Those Wedding Bells are Breaking Up That Old Gang of Mine." The month of weddings was one of paradise for Morg and Buz who drifted from marriage site to marriage site existing solely on champagne and beer. Morg is now working for the atomic plant in Waverly teaching the kiddies whose fathers are big wheels at the plant how to swim.

The latest information that the present writers have is that Buz has not as yet located the job he wants. Oogie Cotner is working in a steel mill in Middletown, Ohio and getting a guaranteed minimum of \$340. a month. Flash -- The Senior PANIC award for this year goes to Casinova Corey who gave away his pin the Sunday nite before commencement. By the way, Monster is slimming down while working for Sons Inc. filling in for bar managers. Jungle John Reaney bought Bat Simpson's car and is now working for his father at the quarry. Bat and Pat have set the date for September 25 and during the interim Dee is working for an appliance and electric company in Tucson. Flash No. 2 - - The four founders of the Johnny Walker Club disbanded their organization at Oaf's wedding as all four, namely, Oog, Oaf, Morg and Nolie are all enjoying their four-wheeled personalities. In order to finance his auto the latter has been painting out-houses and window frames during the day and playing the trombone at night. Brother Buck has reached the critical stage as he gave his girl, Phil, a diamond the day before Kissy's wedding in Cleveland. Kissy and Annie are counseling at a camp near that great city. Each morning they drive around town and pick up the kiddies. Barto drives while Annie stands up front and leads the little ones in songs. Quite a sight, huh? Mendel Schwartz has decided (for various reasons -- but there is a girl involved) to become one of Uncle Sam's GI's and is expecting induction some time this month. While waiting for this great event to occur Mike the journalist has finally begun to learn to type the right way. (No more hunt and peck!) Cape Cod will be the unfortunate locale in which Mendel will indulge in one of those proverbial last flings.

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#### Junior Jaunts

The marginal man of the junior and senior classes is Bobby Marten whom we will include with the juniors to help expand the spread of this coming year's seniors. Anyway, Brother Marten's summer activities can be summed up in two words: work and women! We are informed that Bob is working on the new freshman dorm in Delaware and knowing him we have assumed the second activity mentioned. Brother Funderberg is working for the Telephone Co. in New York for the summer and he "Hates it!" Fundy went to Pittsburgh to tune a switchboard during a strike, but an agreement was reached before he got to work. While in the Smoky City

John saw Mr. H. J. Clark and informs us that Bill Kestle ~~has purchased~~ a '41 Ford and hates ROTC summer camp. Jack Hahn attended ROTC summer camp at Greenville AFB and was a squadron commander and cadet colonel of the whole unit during his stay. Hornie says the food was great and the temperature terrific way down there in Dixie. He says he'll do house painting and work around the old Beta homestead after returning to Delaware. Brother Milt Irvin attended summer camp in Wilmington, Delaware and has been on a couple of brief sprees at Atlantic City and Ocean City, Md. He will attend the last summer session at American U. in Washington before returning to Delaware in September. Probably the largest gathering of juniors took place in Washington on June 26 when Czech Plavcan was married. Brothers Halliday and Rowley stayed at Pudgy Pardoe's house while the latter was in Cleveland for Kissy's wedding. Brothers Boyle, Plavcan, and (of course) Miller stayed at Plato Rich's abode and quite a BALL was had by all. We had a very enjoyable bachelor's party at which several of the brothers were in rare form. Bill and his new wife, Carol, are now both working in Erie, after spending their honeymoon somewhere in the wilderness of Pennsylvania. Brother T. Halliday has taken a trip out west with his family and our boy Zeke is working with his father for the summer. Brother Pudgy worked for his father's flooring company while pushing his Vita-craft pots and pans on the side before retreating to his country villa to recuperate from all the sleep he lost during the 1953-54 school year! Brother Plata has been arising at 4:30 each morn to deliver mail for the Telephone Co. in Washington. (No strikes here, however). Lou Boyle has just purchased a '52 Chevy but we're sorry to report that due to a tragic lack of summer employment opportunities in Dayton, Brother ~~Goon~~ is presently idle.

Brother Linderer is now helping his Dad build a house near Annapolis, Md., where his family will live in the future. Creep has settled down a little after taking a spin out to Seattle and back in coordination with the Coast to Coast Cars people. Brother Toad ("Clarkie") Clark is attending summer school at Penn. State so that he will be able to stick right in there with the class of '55. The inimitable Toad will invade the nation's capitol around August 10 as the guest of Brother Creeper. Brother Paul Nobis took a trip to the west coast with Anne's family and since then has been laboring greatly at Nobis Supply Co. Brother Mort is also putting in time on our re-vitalized rushing program which we all know just has to succeed. Brother Dick Brown spend his summer camp at Westover AFB near Boston and is presently combating the wild and woolly wilderness of Englewood, Colo. after purchasing a used car in Washington. The whereabouts of one of the gems of the junior class, Brother Rupe (Rufus) Doan, are presently unknown. We know he went to ROTC summer camp and has purchased a new car, but we leave the rest up to your own imagination.

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those Vita-craft "pots and pans." Brother Pete (Padre) Halbin has retreated from modern society and become Woodlore Director at a camp in the Catskill Mts. Pete reports that he has five assistants so that he loafs a lot of the time -- some deal, eh? Brother Ron Pettegrew has taken on the "tall order" type of summer employment; he's working with a construction company which is paving the new Ohio Turnpike. Scooter cites that the effort, however, is worth the pay. His family is moving back to Columbus so Ron will be quite near home during the coming school year. Brothers Tatham and Stephens were driving trucks for Omar Bakery in Marion before Tom had a serious auto accident on the Pennsylvania Turnpike over the 4th of July holiday. He suffered a broken collar bone and internal injuries, but is recuperating in fine style now at the home of his girl, Ann Hurley, in Baltimore. As far as we know O.J. III is still working for the Omar people trying to drive the Nickles Bakery out of business! Brother Chester Wright is the proud new papa of a darling baby girl. (We haven't seen her, but that's the conventional phrase, anyway). At last report mother and new offspring were doing fine in Jane Case Hospital. There are rumors which say that Al (Boomer) Vlerebome will not be returning to Wesleyan in the fall. These writers have received no confirmation of this from Emo himself, but have heard of the honors he has been coping in Ohio Amateur golf. From what we can discover this far south from all the activity, Al seems to be booming over the links in a fashion which is second to none. Brother Bob Henshaw is a guard at the Delaware Municipal Pool for the summer and is doing a great job on the basement corridor of the Beta House. We assume that Bob and Fuad Taha, that notorious Arabian lover, have spent quite a bit of time together, for Fuad is in Delaware also for the summer, (poor thing) painting houses. From this great Capitol city comes the last tidbit concerning next year's juniors: Brother Ken (Ox) Clark has received an appointment to West Point and has been up at "The Big Rock on the Hudson" for over a month now. We all know it's pretty rough so let's hope the Big Ox makes it through.

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Through this brief memorandum these writers have attempted to keep the Greek fires from dying down too much during the summer vacation. During the past school year we've lost seniors and other brothers from our ranks. When we return for the 1954-55 year we'll have quite a different group of men from that which we had last year. We've got to adjust to the situation but quick and get Beta on top and keep her there! To conclude, we'd like to again urge that everyone who possibly can, come to the convention. Also, remember that we must be in Delaware not later than midnight, Wednesday, September 8th or the fine will be imposed. Until then Convention or rush week, we remain

Sincerely yours in -kai-,

Pudgy Pardoe and Plato Rich.

P. S. Due to the fact that a certain amount of time is required to create a literary masterpiece such as this, all information reaching the Pardoe residence after July 30th will not be included in the above.

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P. P. S. The above mentioned deal on Convention accommodations is out of date with this new scoop on the big gathering. Some of you will receive applications in this correspondence which were just sent to Brother Creep from Oxford. You must send them in so that we can get a block reserved. If you intend to go to the Convention and don't receive an application please write to the Administrative Secretary, Beta Theta Pi, Oxford, Ohio, to obtain one. Remember, you must have a reservation!