



THETA DATA



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Old Beta House Passes From University Scene, Will Become Rest Home

The inevitability of change claimed another victim during the past summer. Our old home at 54 West Lincoln Avenue was sold and is now being remodeled into the Delaware Nursing Home, a rest home primarily for elderly women.

Ending nearly a half century of Theta-Beta association with the property, the sale also brought an end to widespread speculation about its future and ultimate disposition by Ohio Wesleyan. You will recall that title to the house passed to the University when dissolution of the Wesleyan Educational Foundation of Beta Theta Pi was finally accomplished in 1960.

As a result of the transaction, we should receive approximately five hundred dollars additional credit to our building account with the University. The last statement from the OWU Treasurer's office (5-9-62), indicated that this balance was \$5,676.94, possibly subject to a few minor adjustments.

A 7-lb. 3-oz. baby boy was born to **Grover C. Cooper '52**, and his wife, the former Barbara Jean Simmons, last July. Grover is now with the law firm of Fisher, Wayland, Duvall and Southmayd in Washington, D.C. His residence address is 7063 Wolf-tree Lane, Rockville, Md.

Wooglin's Clan Convenes October 20th For The Annual Homecoming Celebration

Come smoke a friendly pipe with me . . . October 20!! You'll not regret renewing old friendships—kindling anew the spirit of bygone days—singing again in the dear old hall. It takes such a minimum of effort—and is so rewarding!

Setting the scene for a full day keyed to our mutual fellowship, we've adopted the most informal program you've seen in years. There'll be no speeches, no passing the hat, no formal banquet, no annual meeting. There will be plenty of old fashioned Beta spirit, and it isn't limited to the men: by all means, bring your ladies to share and enjoy the day with you and with us.

The new Chapter House will be open all afternoon for you, your guests, and our friends. You'll find a well set buffet luncheon table of greater variety than usual. Our informal buffet dinner will follow "visiting time"—a couple of hours in which you can meet and greet all of your OWU friends, at our house or theirs.

In order to accommodate the anticipated large number of guests (nearly two hundred returned last year), we have made some rather unusual arrangements. As you have been acutely aware for years, desirable overnight accommodations in Delaware on Homecoming Weekend

are virtually impossible to secure. So that our near-distant alumni won't be deterred from returning because of this, we have stepped out on the proverbial limb by reserving a substantial number of rooms at the brand new Holiday Inn just north of Delaware. Actually, it's located in south Marion, but the half hour drive, interspersed with the stimulating conversation of your old friends, will make it seem just down the street a bit.

Together with the lodging problem, there is an equally acute dining facility problem. Were we to have our buffet at the Chapter House, with dining tables taking up the entire first floor, there would be little or no space before and after dinner for us to lounge about and be convivial. Again going out on the limb (the same one), we have arranged to have our buffet dinner served at the same Holiday Inn, where we'll have very ample space without annoyance or intrusion. Early arrivals for dinner will be welcomed to "hospitality time," where you can rest after an afternoon's galavanting, and still be right in the midst of things.

Informal as it is, here is the schedule for the day:

12 Noon - 1 P.M.—Luncheon (at the Chapter House).

1:30 P.M. — Homecoming

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Game (OWU vs. Oberlin).

4:30 P.M.—Visiting time (at the Chapter House and all around town).

6:30 P.M.—Hospitality time (at the Holiday Inn).

7:30 P.M.—Buffet Dinner (at the Holiday Inn).

Necessary as it is, here is the money situation:

Luncheon and Dinner—\$5.00 single, \$7.50 couple, for reservations received prior to October 14; \$6.00 single, \$8.50 couple, for reservations received after October 14.

Holiday Inn Rooms — \$9.00, Single; \$11 double.

Football Game—\$2.00 each, reserved seats.

Send your football game ticket reservation (with check) to Ted

Busk, Chapter Treasurer, 9 Williams Drive, Delaware, Ohio.

Send your luncheon and dinner reservations (with check) to Bob Neff, c/o Neff Folding Box Company, 2001 Kuntz Road, Dayton 4, Ohio.

Send your Holiday Inn reservation (without check) to Bob Neff at the above address.

Please make all checks payable to Beta Theta Pi.

Don't delay—mail today!!

Alumni News

Rev. Robert A. W. Bruehl '35, is now minister of the First Methodist Church, Des Plaines, Ill. Bob received his B.A. degree from the University of Cincinnati, transferring there after a year at Ohio Wesleyan. His B.D. was received from the Garrett Biblical Institute. He and his wife have three children; one is now attending seminary, one has recently been appointed a National bank examiner, and the youngest is now entering high school. Rev. and Mrs. Bruehl now reside at 702 Laurel, Des Plaines.

Norman T. Crout '58, who transferred to Ohio State after three years at OWU, is now attending both the OSU law school and graduate schools. He plans to receive both his L.L.B. and M.B.A. in Accounting in June, 1963. Ted is married to the former Sally Bowerman, OSU KKG, and they have two children, John and Joan. The Crouts address is 1862 Kentwell Rd., Columbus.

**Theta Fires Are
Burning . . .
October 20**

Chapter Room Finished, Recreation Room Tiled, During Summer Vacation

When you move into any new home, there are many, many things that weren't or couldn't be done prior to taking occupancy. So it was with our new Chapter House, particularly in the basement areas.

Funds weren't especially available (we still owe the University several thousand dollars for construction and furnishings), but, realizing the necessity for certain critical improvements, the House Company Trustees authorized the expenditure of up to \$2000.00 to finish the job we had started: making the Theta Chapter House the most cordial fraternity home on the Ohio Wesleyan campus.

During the past summer, the Chapter Room has received comfortably modern built-in seating all around its perimeter. New stations are now being completed to complement the handsome mahogany rostrum. All basement floor areas, except those of a strictly utilitarian nature, have been covered with colorfully patterned asphalt tile.

The basement lounge and recreation room has also been tiled and is now appropriately furnished. Arranged for date nights, as well as more formal parties, this room is convertible from one large dance area into smaller TV and card playing areas.

A physical education teacher with the San Diego public schools, Richard Draz '54, now resides with his family at 4890 Aberdeen St., San Diego 17. Dick and Helen have three children, John, Katherine and Daniel, ages 7, 3 and 2.

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News and picture contributions are welcome at all times. Address all contributions to Alumni Relations Officer, 9 Williams Drive, Delaware, Ohio.

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Major William S. Anthony '45, plans to retire next year after 20 years with the U. S. Marine Corps. Bill was recently transferred from Okinawa to Boston, Mass., where he is in charge of recruiting in the New England area. His new address is the U.S.M.C. Recruiting Station, 200 Summer Street, Boston.

**Dreary The Man
Who Spurns His
Comrades . . .
October 20**

Paul M. Nobis '55, reports he is now the proud father of two sons, Jimmy, 5, and Jeffrey, age three, and resides in New Richmond, where he is the owner of the Nobis Supply Company. Paul also compliments the undergraduates on their excellent work in getting the alumni interested and more active in rushing, through the letter sent last summer.

The present vice-president of the Theta Chapter House Company, William M. Robinson '49, is a sales engineer with the Monarch Machine Tool Company, in Cleveland. Robo and his wife, the former Barbara Palmer, OWU Chi Omega, have three children, Marilyn, Karen, and Brian, and reside at 1152 Churchill Rd., Lyndhurst 24.

Donald F. Balthaser '51, and his wife, the former Merna Wilson, OWU, have adopted a four month old baby boy named Bruce. The Balthasers live in Niagara Falls, N.Y., where Don is employed as a coordinator in the Carborundum Company's research and development division. Don promises brothers who are traveling in Western N.Y. a tour of the falls, if they contact him.

News From Alumni Brothers

"Have been with Oldsmobile Division of General Motors since January, 1957," writes William H. Metzler, '53. "Have been in Chicago and Houston as assistant office manager, and in Beaumont, Tyler, and Dallas, Texas, as district manager. Now in Dallas I am office manager and car distributor for the bone office there. In June we were five years in Texas, and like it very much. All three children were born here. We get together frequently with Pete and Gretchen Kaufman '54 for bridge, he is with a local advertising firm." The Metzlers reside at 5319 Kiamesha Way, Mesquite Texas.

Robert F. Wooley '51, public relations representative for the Arizona Portland Cement Company, is now residing at 240 Langley Avenue, in Tucson, Ariz. Bob is now the president of the Tucson Beta Theta Pi Alumni Association, and served as secretary-treasurer last year. He and his wife, the former Fran Anderson, OWU KKG, have two adopted children, William Allen and Meredith Anne.

Don R. Jefferis Jr., '56, who is with the Delco Products Division of GMC in Dayton, reports the birth of a son, Don III, last March. Don recently enjoyed a vacation at the National Open golf tournament, and also witnessed the All-American Soap Box Derby. He received his masters in industrial management from Miami University in Oxford, last June, and now resides with his family at 446 Glenview Rd., Trotwood.

Jon Francis Boucher '60, an air force pilot, is now stationed in England, after short tours of duty at several bases in the U.S. He and his wife, the former Susan Leininger, OWU Delta Gamma, have one daughter, Lynne Francis, born last January.

Charles P. Woods II '58, is associate editor of internal and external publications of the Cincinnati and Suburban Telephone Co. He lives with his wife, Charlene, and their daughter, Deborah, at 60 Velle Drive, Milford. Theta brothers probably noted his article in the June issue of the Ohio Wesleyan Alumni magazine.

A social caseworker with the Catholic Youth Service Bureau in Cleveland, is Peter B. Halbin '56. He and his wife, the former Sally Knox, live with their year old daughter, Nancy, at 4277 Cricket Lane, Warrensville Hts. 28.

**Oh, Start The
Loving Cup
Around . . .
October 20**

James K. Tope '43, is an educational training instructor with the U.S. Steel Corporation, in Youngstown, in their industrial relations department. After graduating from OWU, Jim continued his studies at both Kent State and Youngstown Universities. He and his wife now have two daughters, Megan, age 11, and Lynwen, 9. They reside at 160 South Cleveland Avenue, Niles.

27 Men Pledge Beta Theta Pi In Climax To Well-Coordinated '62 Rushing Effort

Theta Betas have yet another reason to be proud of their chapter, since Rush Week, 1962, has ended with 27 new men wearing the Beta pledge pin. In spite of our acknowledged prejudice, we are convinced we have the most outstanding pledge class on campus.

The credit for our success must be given to Bob Moyers, rush chairman, Jim Locke, summer rush chairman, Dick Slosek, assistant rush chairman, and Andy Feld, president. We were especially pleased with the tremendous response and interest shown by our alumni brothers, and the hard work contributed by each undergraduate member.

We were like a team with both organization and enthusiasm that had practiced well and long—and the results showed it.

Here are the new pledges of Beta Theta Pi at Ohio Wesleyan: Donald H. Adams Jr., Washington D.C.; Peter Badanes, New York City; Robert M. Bird, Wilmington, Delaware; James R. Crawmer II, Elkins, W.Va.; Robert M. Gerding Jr., Sandusky; William Giasi, Point Lookout, N.Y.; William Ginsburg, Baltimore, Md.; William L. Holland, Chappaqua, N.Y.; Frank A. Johnson Jr., Barcelona, Venezuela; Michael J. Madsen, Darien, Conn.; Geoffrey T. Magrath, Scarsdale, N.Y.; David Manning, Chatham, Mass.; Tony Martin, Jackson; Peter M. McPherson, Arlington, Mass.; Kenneth R. Porter, Frenchtown, N.J.; Charles Quimby, Washington, D.C.; Robert Reed, Chappaqua, N.Y.; James M. Reid, Winchester, Mass.; Jon Richards, Delaware; Charles B. Russell Jr.;

Greenwich, N.Y.; Theodore S. Russell, Rochester, N.Y.; Thomas J. Sanders, Stamford, Conn.; Neil Schwimer, Stamford, Conn.; Frank Scott, Mass.; Donald Smith, Mass.; Edward S. Van Winkle, Hartford, Conn.; Edward Violet, Columbus.

The following list will give an idea of the caliber of these pledges: five of the men were on their high school's varsity baseball teams; 7 basketball; 4 football; 3 track; 3 soccer; 4 tennis; 2 golf; and 5 wrestling. In other fields, there were 4 men in the National Honor Society; 3 in Key Clubs; 4 in dramatics; 6 in choir and glee clubs; 6 in orchestra; 5 in student councils; 7 on yearbook staffs; 5 on newspapers; and 3 in debating clubs. Outstanding achievements included such items as the president of the senior class, vice president of the student council, editor and assistant editor of the yearbook, editor and assistant editor of the newspaper, and captains of the basketball, baseball, track, swimming and tennis teams.

We are looking forward to seeing all our alumni at Homecoming so they may meet and know the outstanding new pledges of Theta Chapter.

**As Betas, Now
We Meet . . .
October 20**

Currently working on his Ph.D. in physical chemistry at Michigan State University, is **Jack B. Carmichael** '59. "Cousin," former vice president and president of Theta Chapter, is single and lives at 203 Cedar Street, East Lansing.

Alumni News

The Circuit Court Judge of the 7th Judicial Circuit of Florida is **Horace Dunn Riegler** '23. Chick, who is a former Theta undergraduate president, received his law degree from Ohio State. He is a former city attorney and city judge of Daytona Beach, and is very active in politics. His present office is an elective one. Chick is married to the former Cleo Rutter, OWU Pi Phi, and their two daughters have to date presented them with five grandchildren. The Reigles live at 1214 Ruger Place, Daytona Beach.

Presently a physician at the Naval Hospital, in Philadelphia, Pa., is **William G. Plavacan** '55. Bill graduated from Temple Medical School in 1959, and received the Alumni Merck and Mosby Awards for having the highest standing in the senior class. He interned in the Philadelphia Naval Hospital, spent one year with the Fleet Marines, and is now in his second year of residency in urology. He and his wife now reside at 13 Redwood Drive, Woodbury, N.J. with their two young sons, William and Joseph.

The assistant sports editor and golf editor of the Hackensack, N.J. "Record" is **Donald J. Sherlock** '60. Don and his wife, Pat, live at 150 River Street, Hackensack.

"I've completed my first of two years of study at Yale Divinity School," writes **John H. Turner** '61. After receiving his master of arts in religion, John plans to do Y.M.C.A. work. He currently resides at 95 Wayland Street, Hamden, Conn.